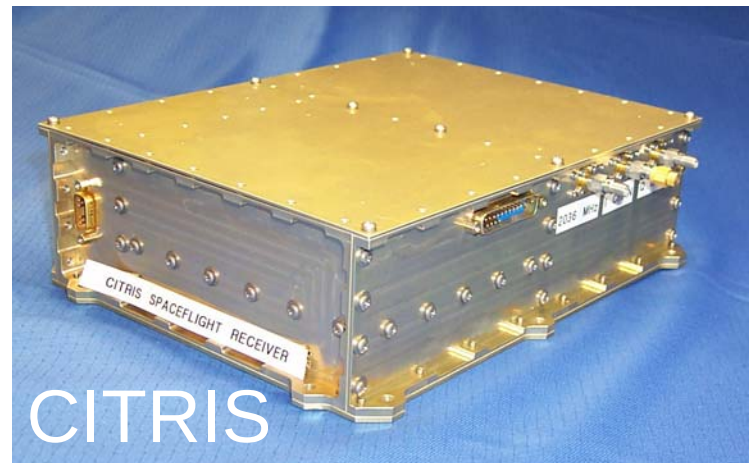


The First Results from the Scintillation and Ionospheric TEC Receiver in Space (CITRIS) Instrument on STPSat1

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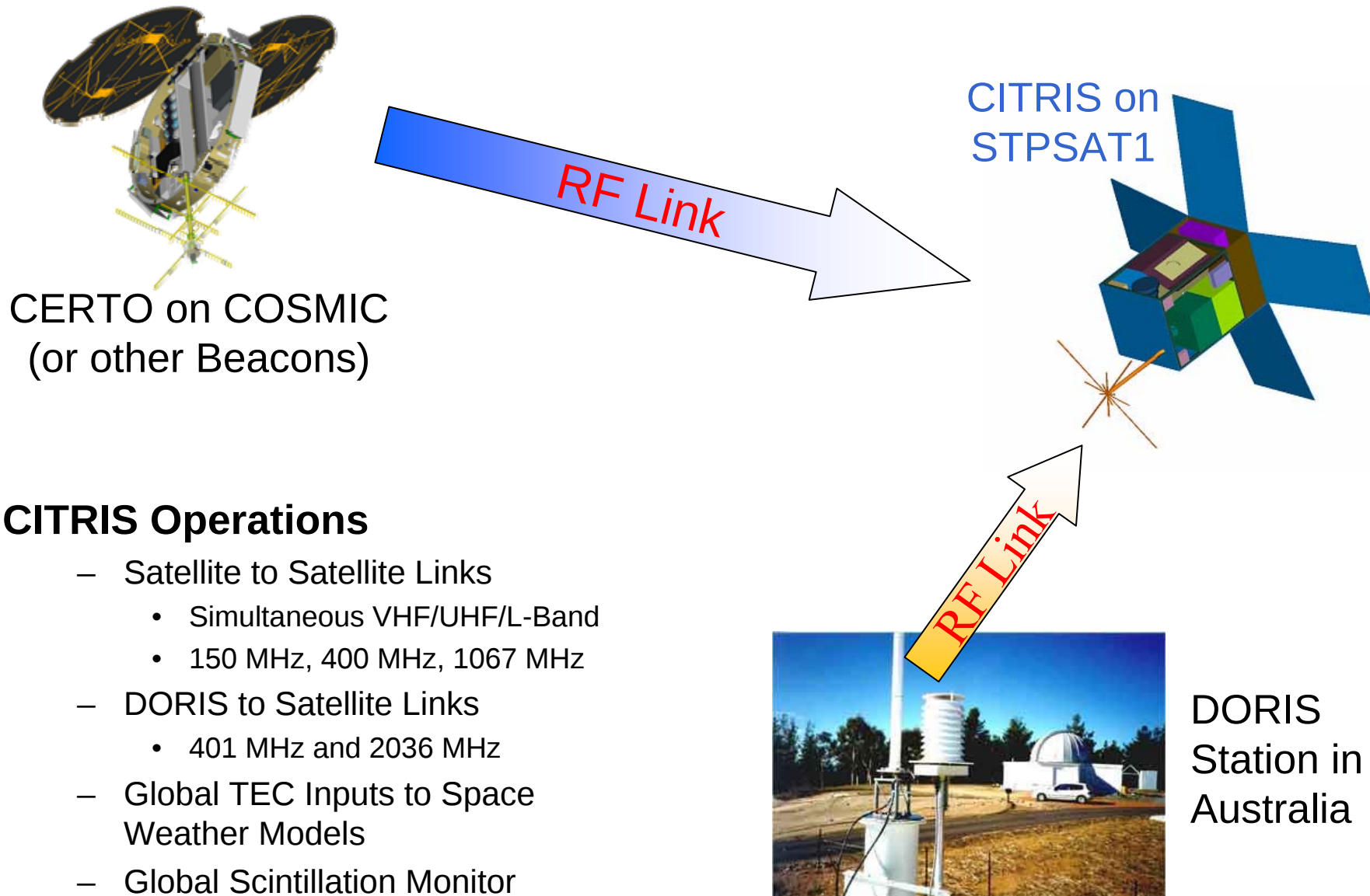
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CITRIS A Proof of Concept Mission

Space Based Monitor of DORIS Ground Beacons or Satellite Based Beacons



CITRIS Operations

- Satellite to Satellite Links
 - Simultaneous VHF/UHF/L-Band
 - 150 MHz, 400 MHz, 1067 MHz
- DORIS to Satellite Links
 - 401 MHz and 2036 MHz
- Global TEC Inputs to Space Weather Models
- Global Scintillation Monitor

Two Frequency Differential Phase Measurements of TEC

- Phase Path (Wavelengths)

$$P = (S - \int \frac{\epsilon N}{f^2} ds) \frac{f}{c} \text{ or } S = P \frac{c}{f} - \frac{\epsilon}{f^2} \int N ds$$

- Two Frequency Differential Phase Removes Path Length

$$P_{ab} = P_a - P_b \frac{f_a}{f_b} = \frac{(f_a - f_b)(f_a + f_b) \epsilon}{c f_a f_b^2} \int N ds$$

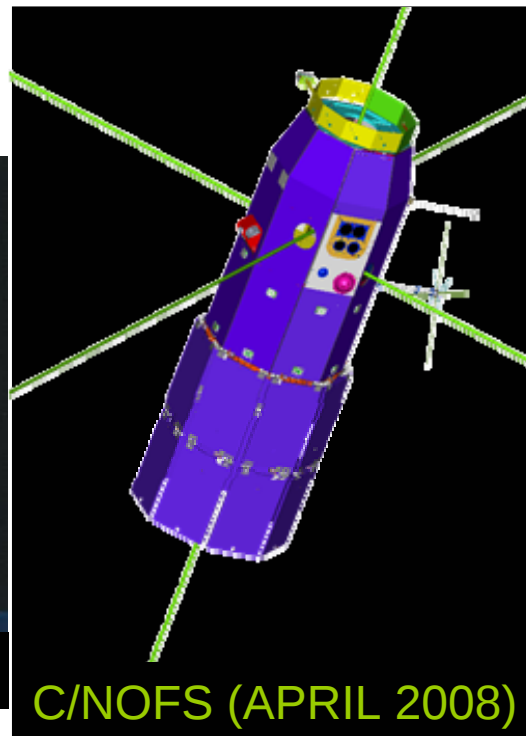
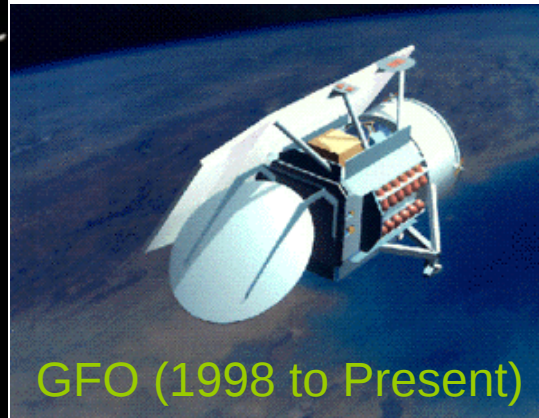
- Integer Derived Frequencies: $f_a = n_a f_0$, $f_b = n_b f_0$, etc.

$$P_{ab} = \frac{(n_a^2 - n_b^2) \epsilon}{n_a n_b^2 c f_0} \int N ds$$

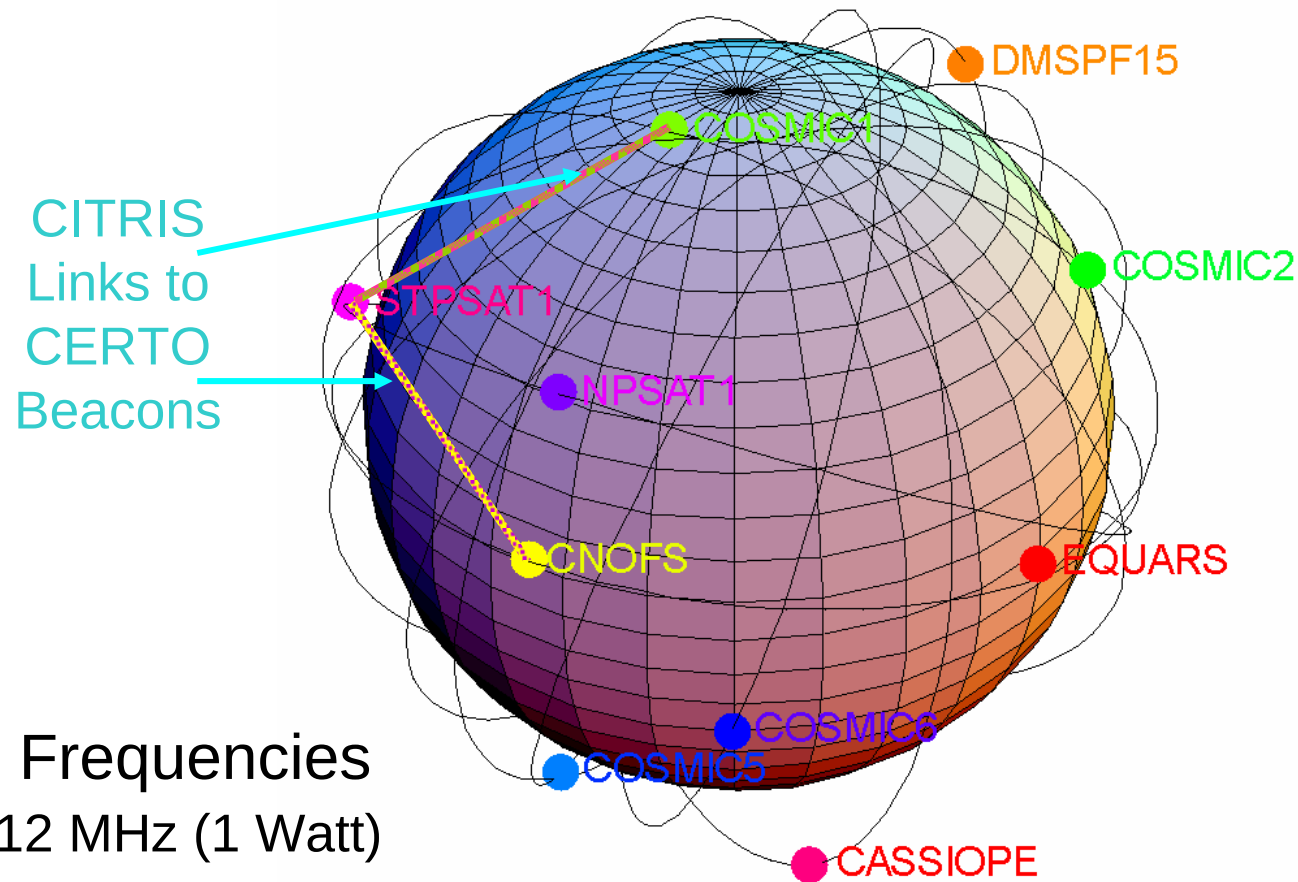
- Total Electron Content from 2 Frequency Differential Phase

$$\int N ds = \frac{n_a n_b^2 c f_0}{(n_a^2 - n_b^2) \epsilon} P_{ab} = 7.44 \cdot 10^6 f_0 \frac{n_a n_b^2}{n_a^2 - n_b^2} P_{ab} \text{ m}^{-2}$$

Radio Beacon Satellites Available for CITRIS

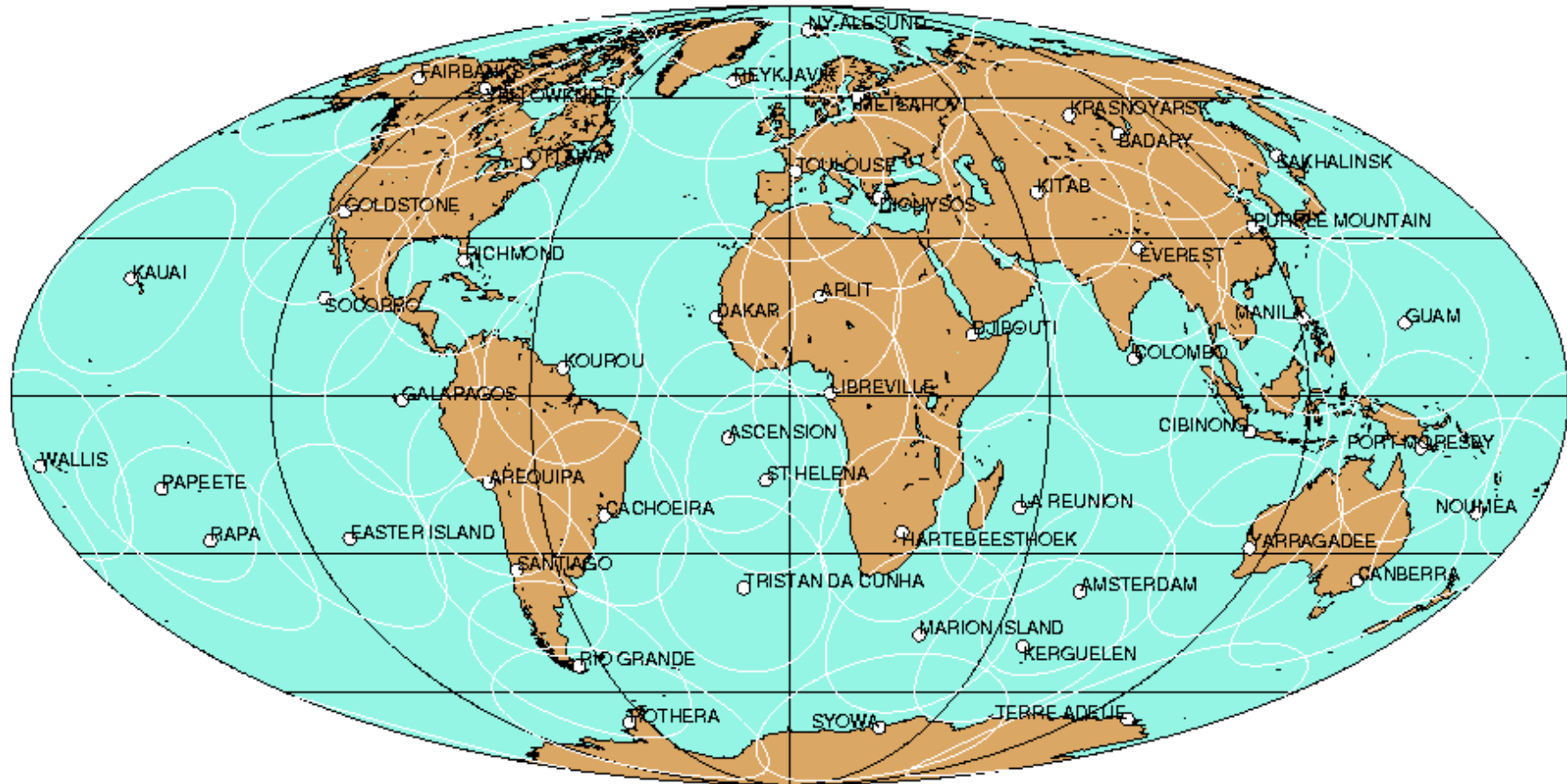


NRL CERTO Beacons and CITRIS



- CERTO Frequencies
 - 150.012 MHz (1 Watt)
 - 400.032 MHz (1 Watt)
 - 1066.752 MHz (2 Watts)
- R-H Circular Polarization
- No Modulation

DORIS UHF/S-Band Beacon Ground Sites



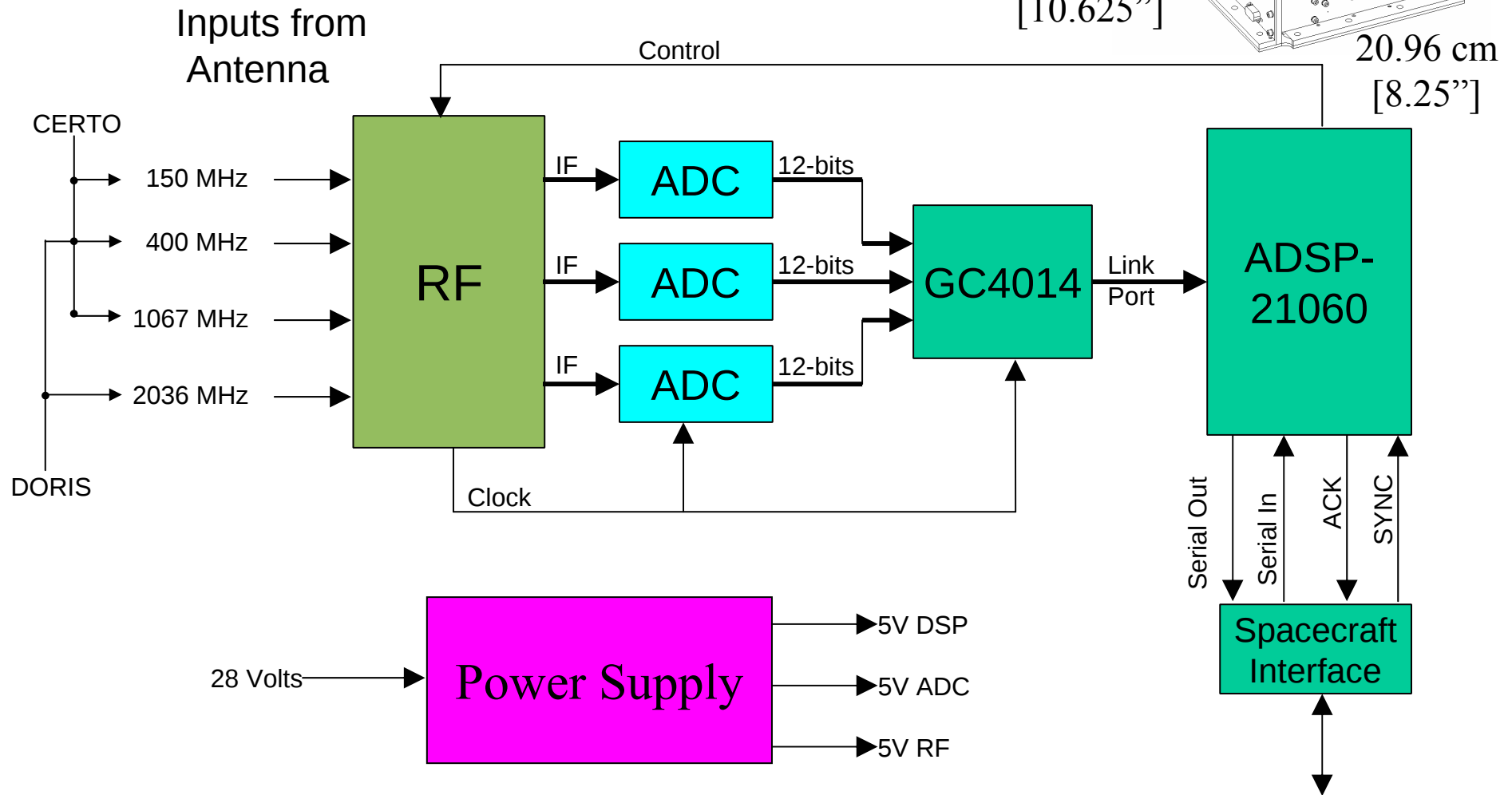
**Global Map of 56 DORIS Transmitters at $401 \frac{1}{4}$ and $2036 \frac{1}{4}$ MHz
CW Transmissions with 0.8 s Modulation Every 10 s.**

Latitude Range: - 70° to + 80°

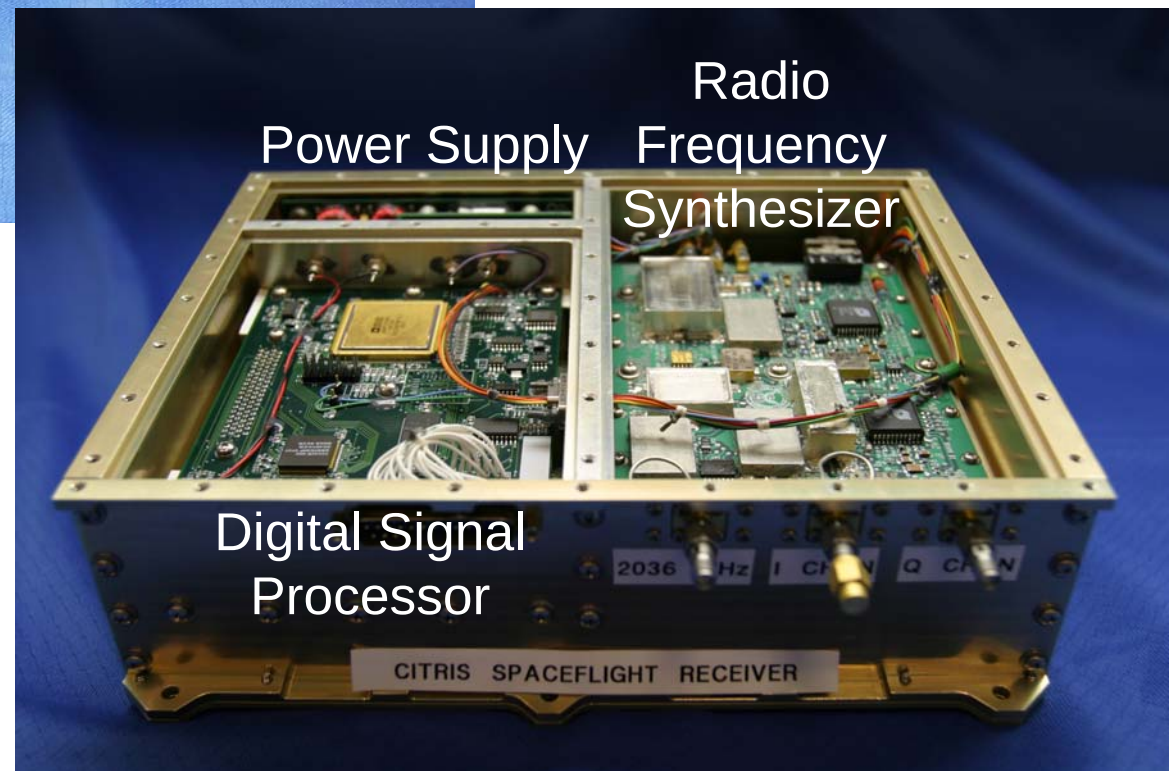
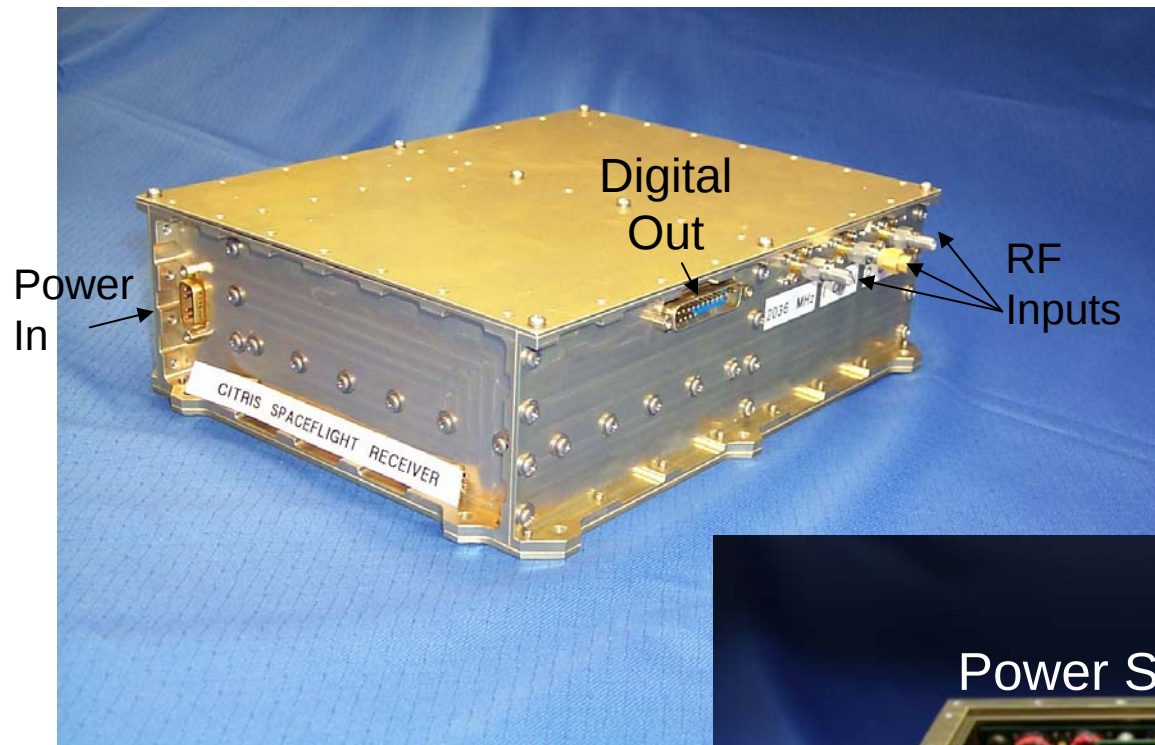
**Data Records: Absolute TEC (Differential Phase + Group Delay)
UHF and L-Band Scintillations**



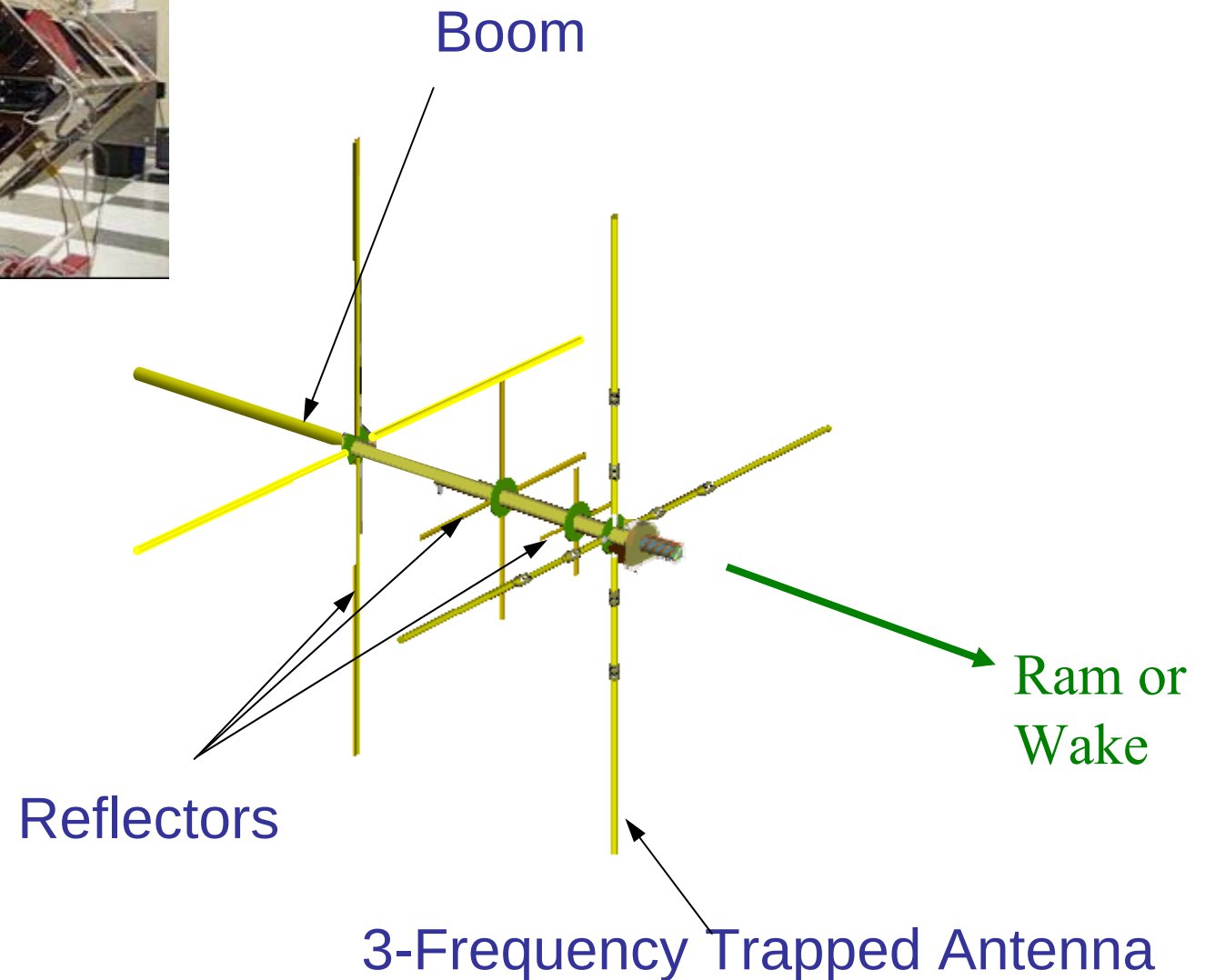
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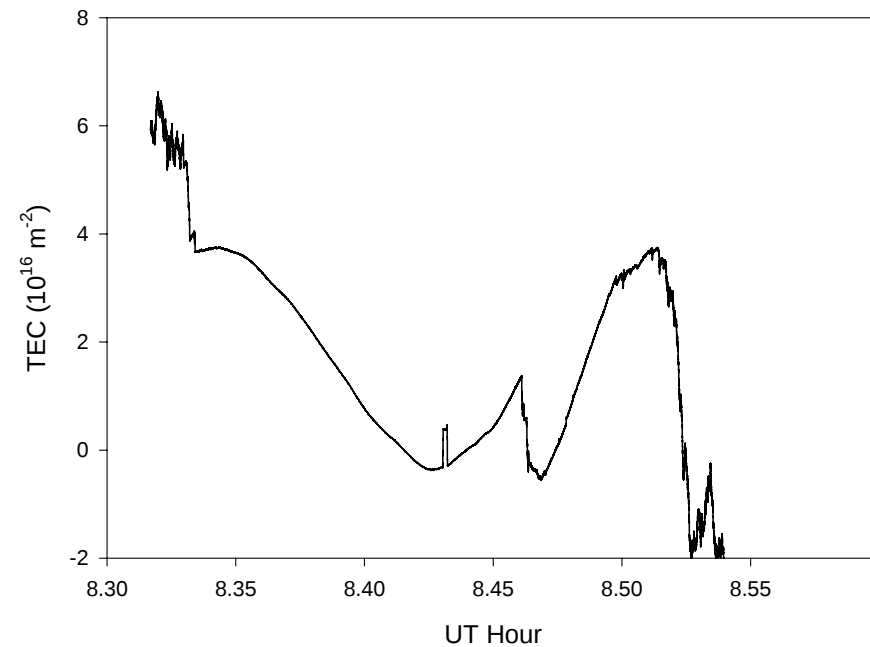
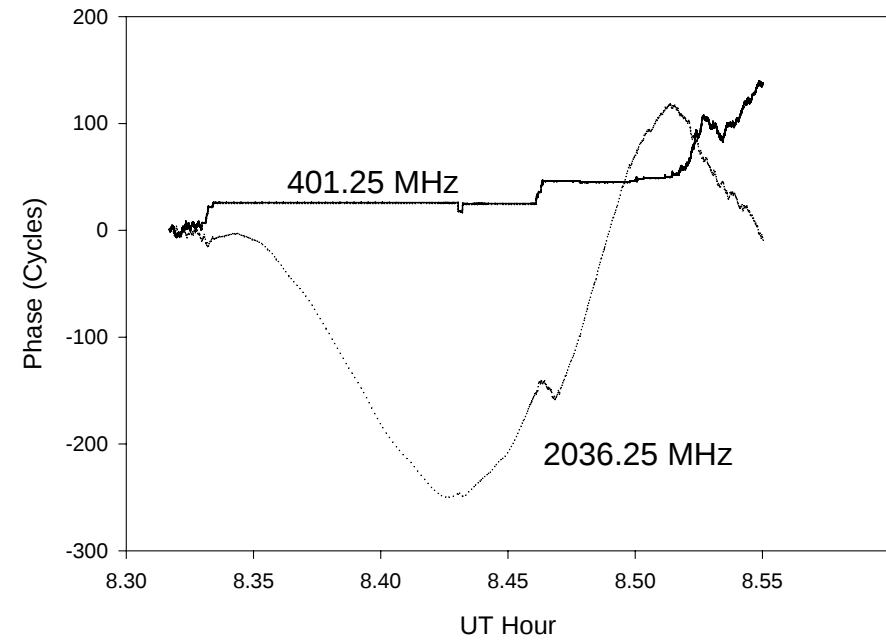
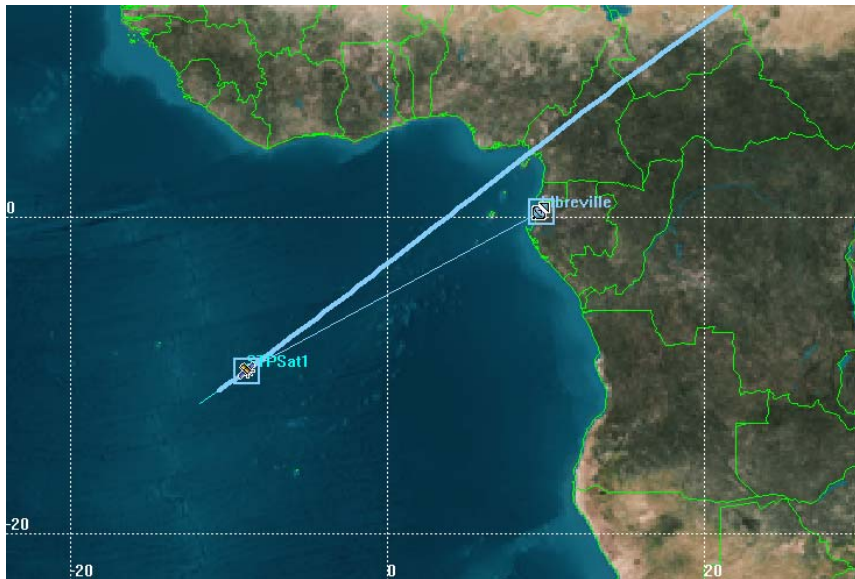
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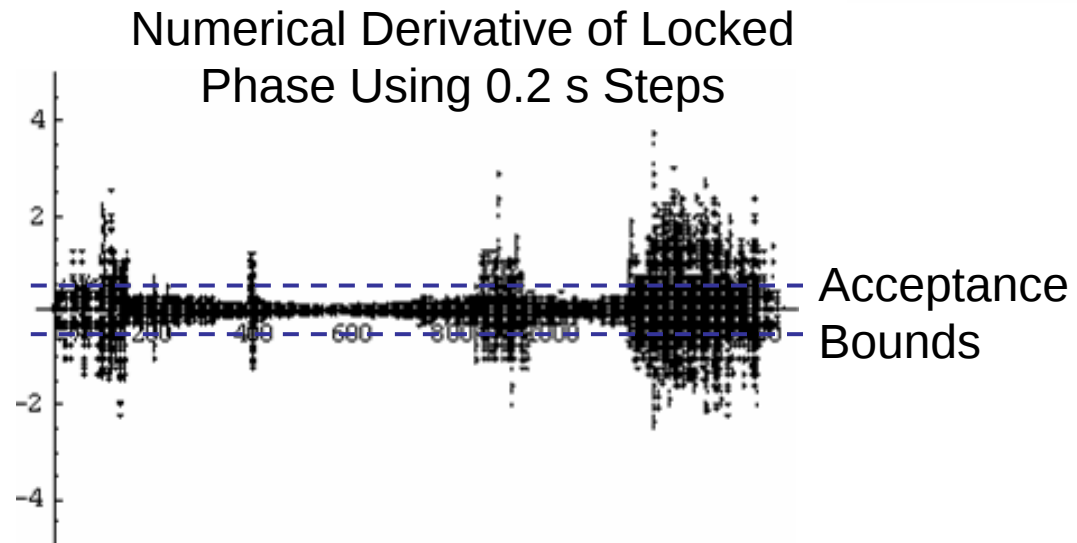
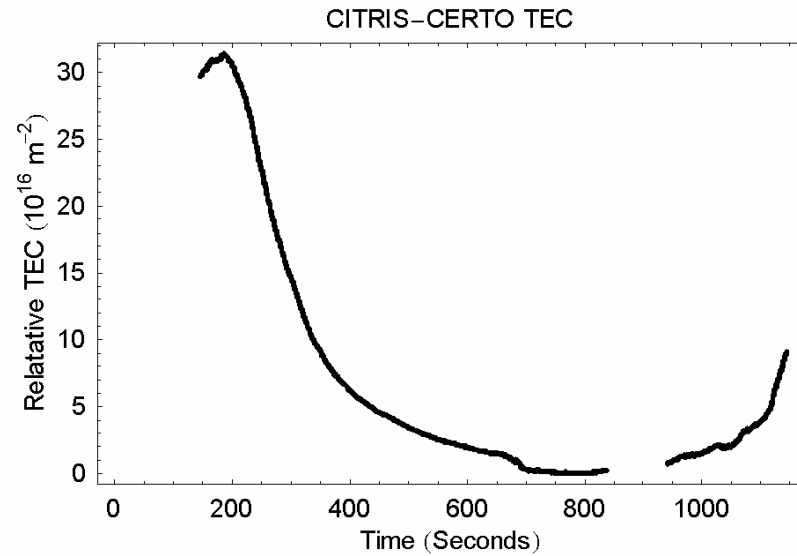
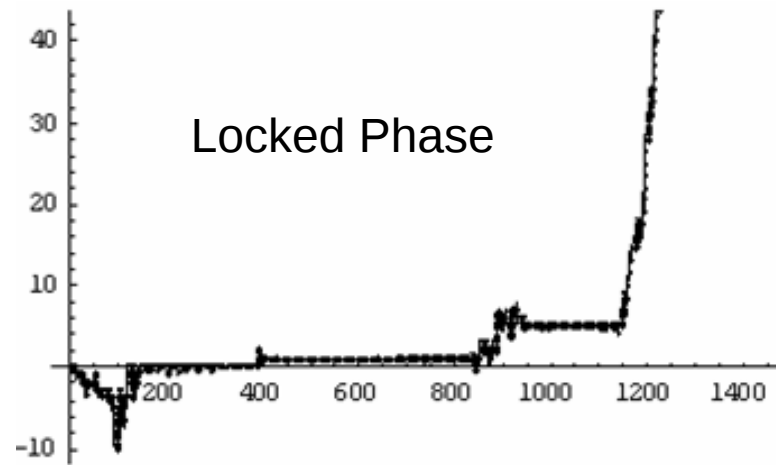
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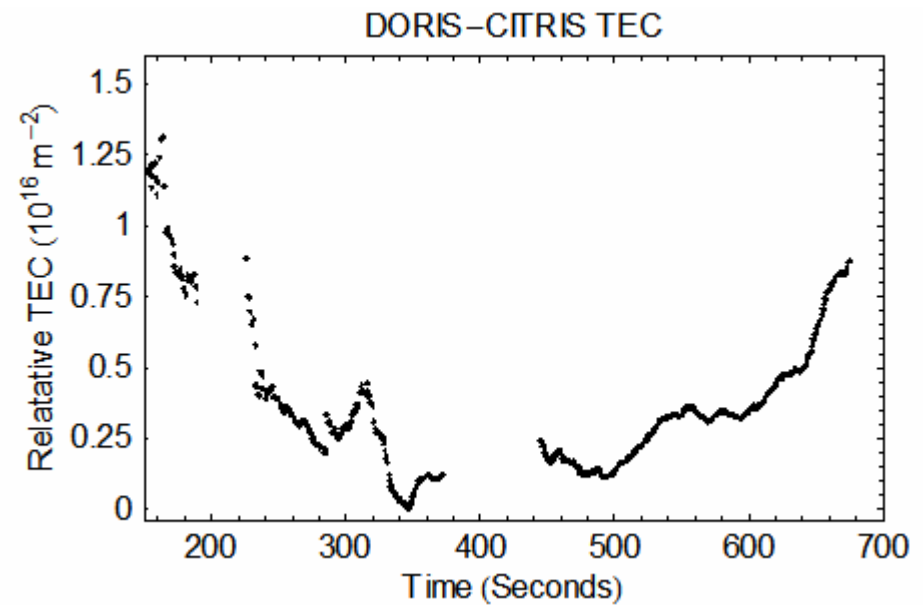
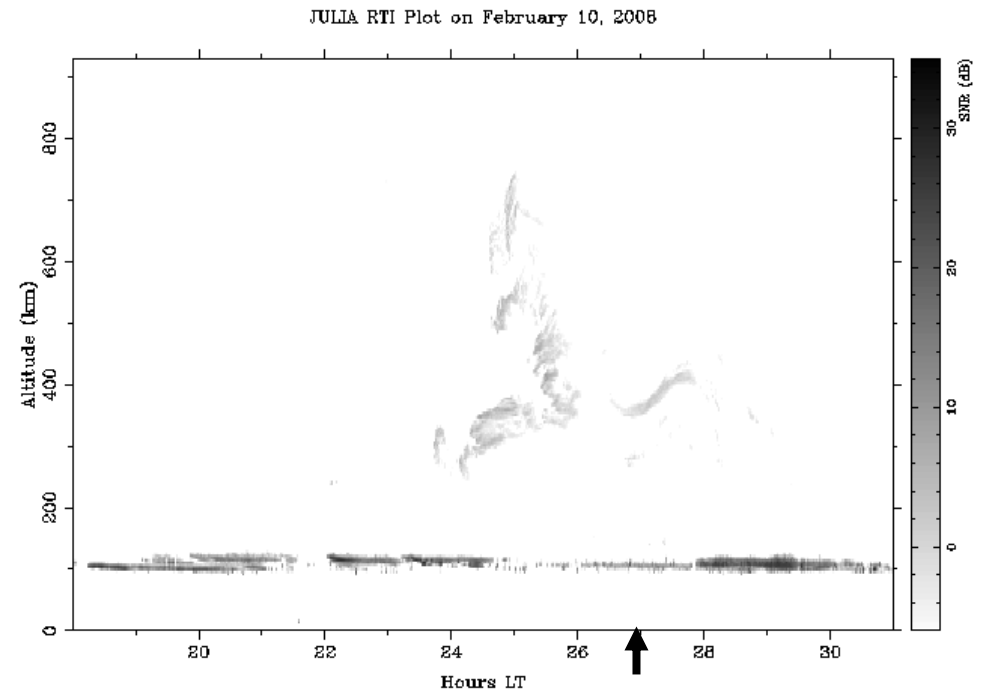
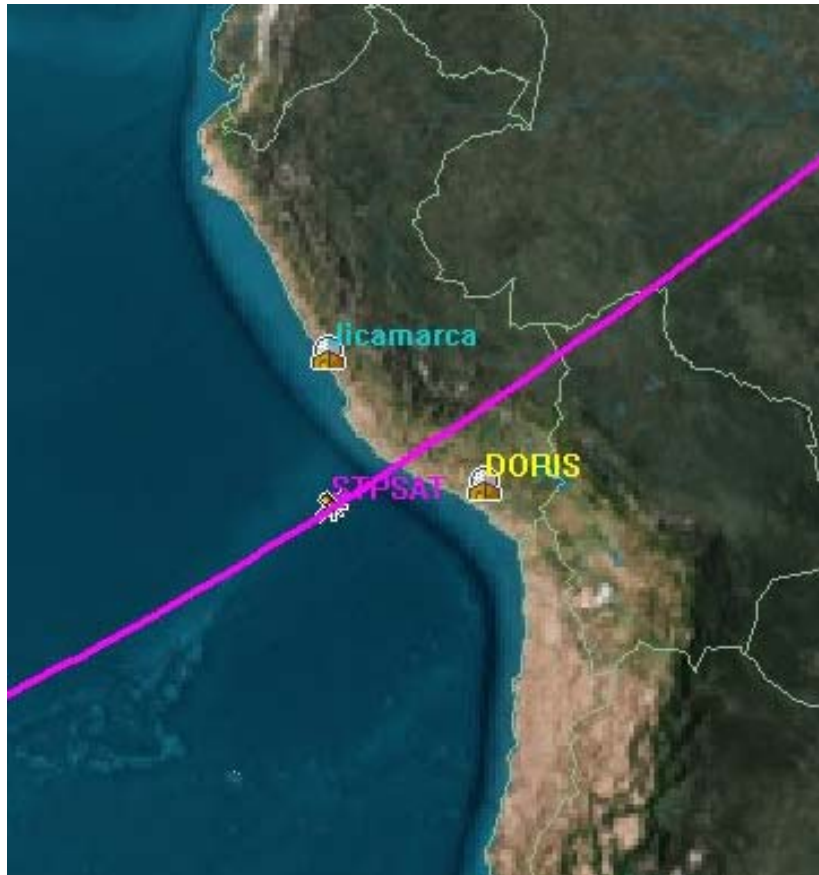
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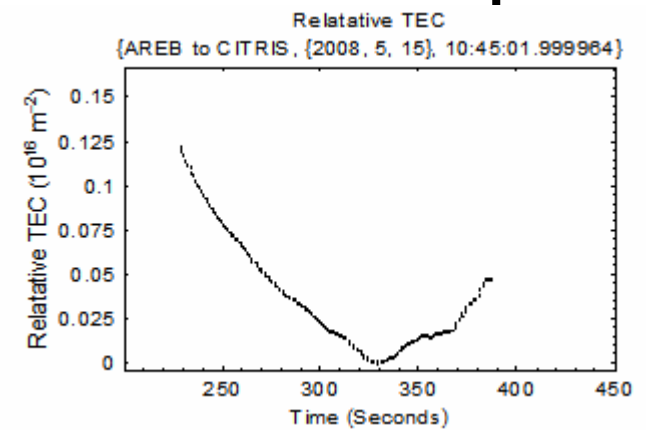
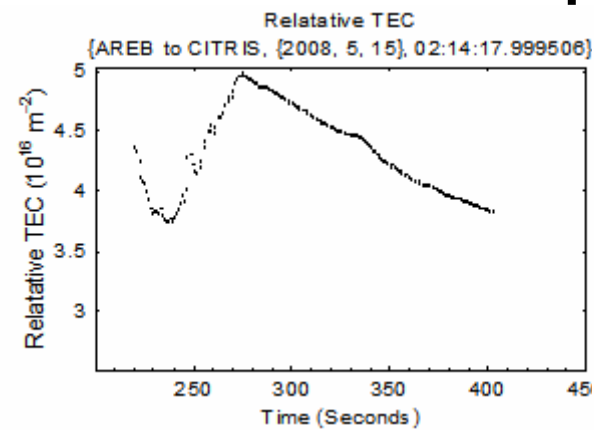
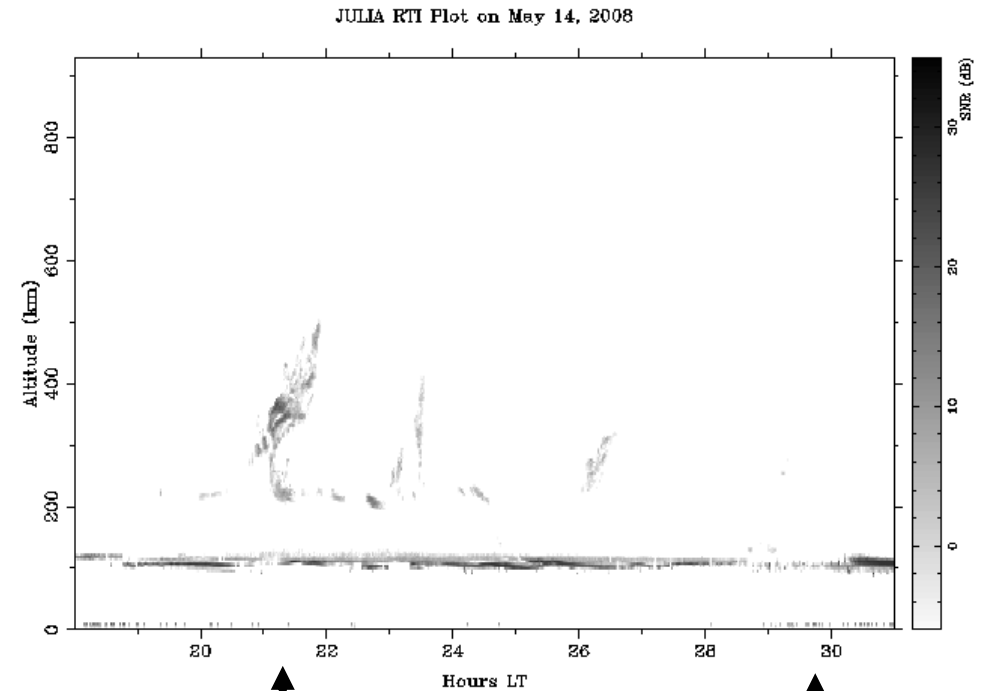
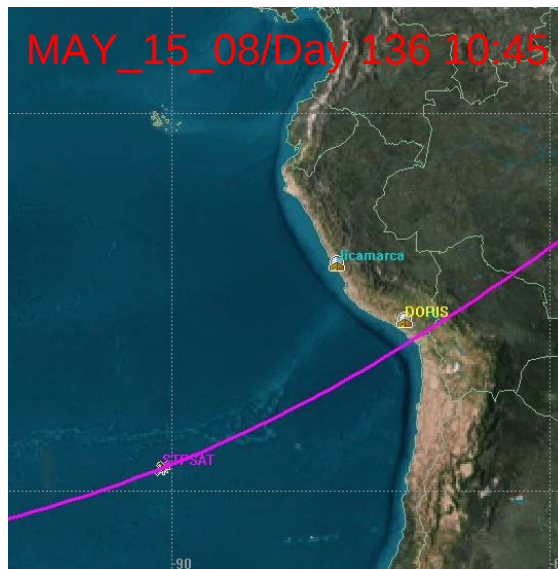
CITRIS-CERTO Data



CITRIS-DORIS Pass During Spread-F Event 02/10/08

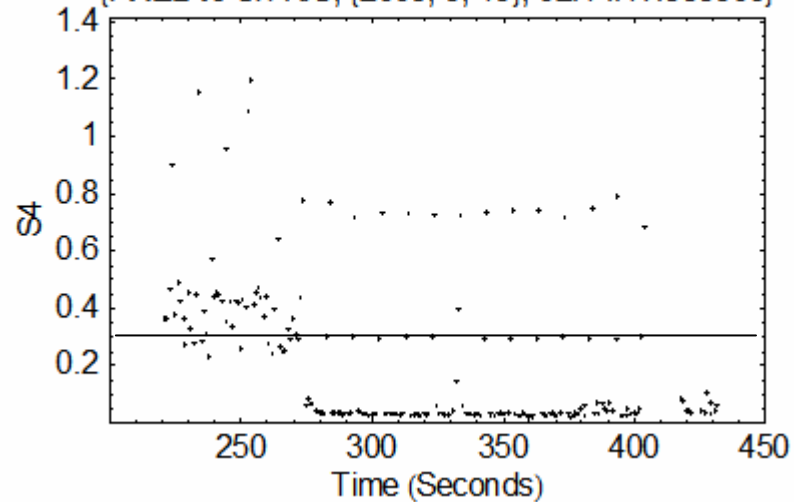


Jicamarca Overpasses CITRIS/DORIS

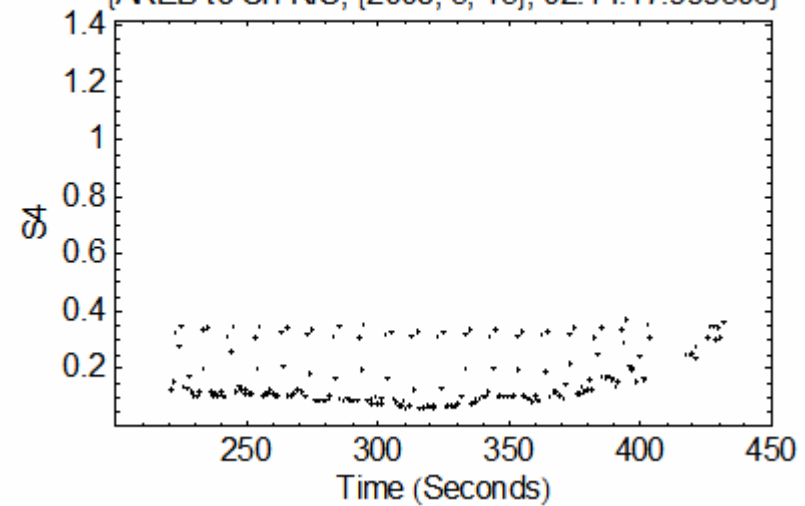


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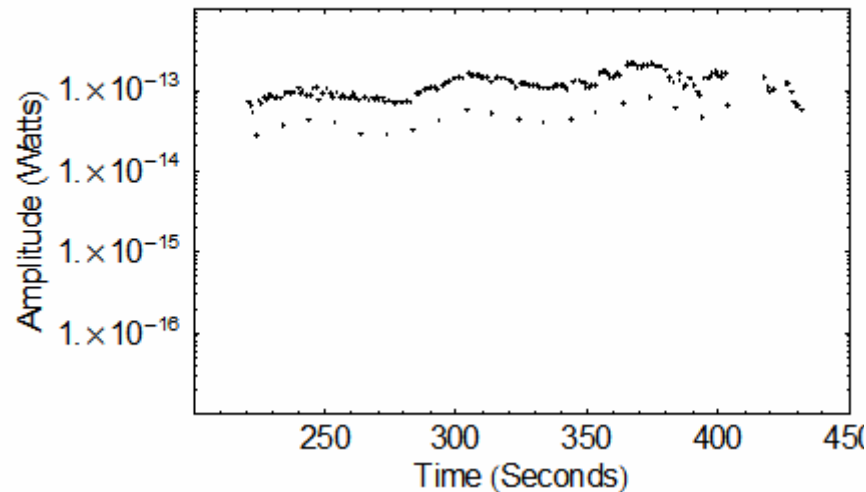
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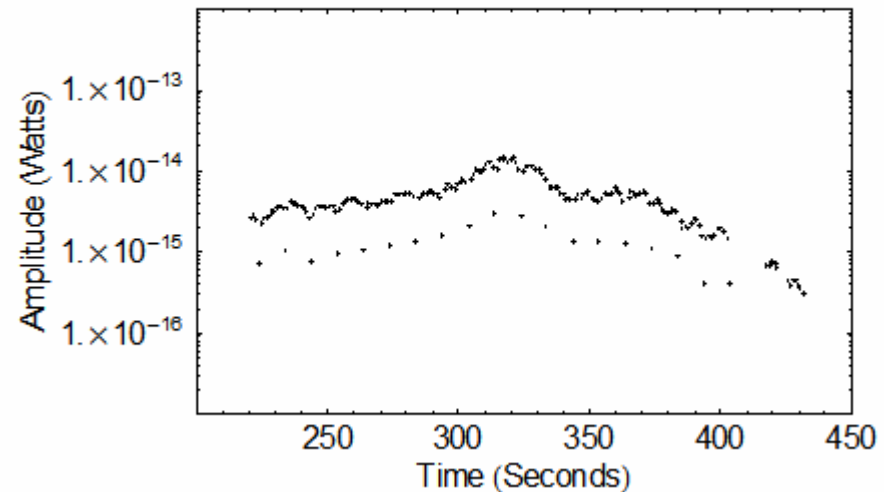
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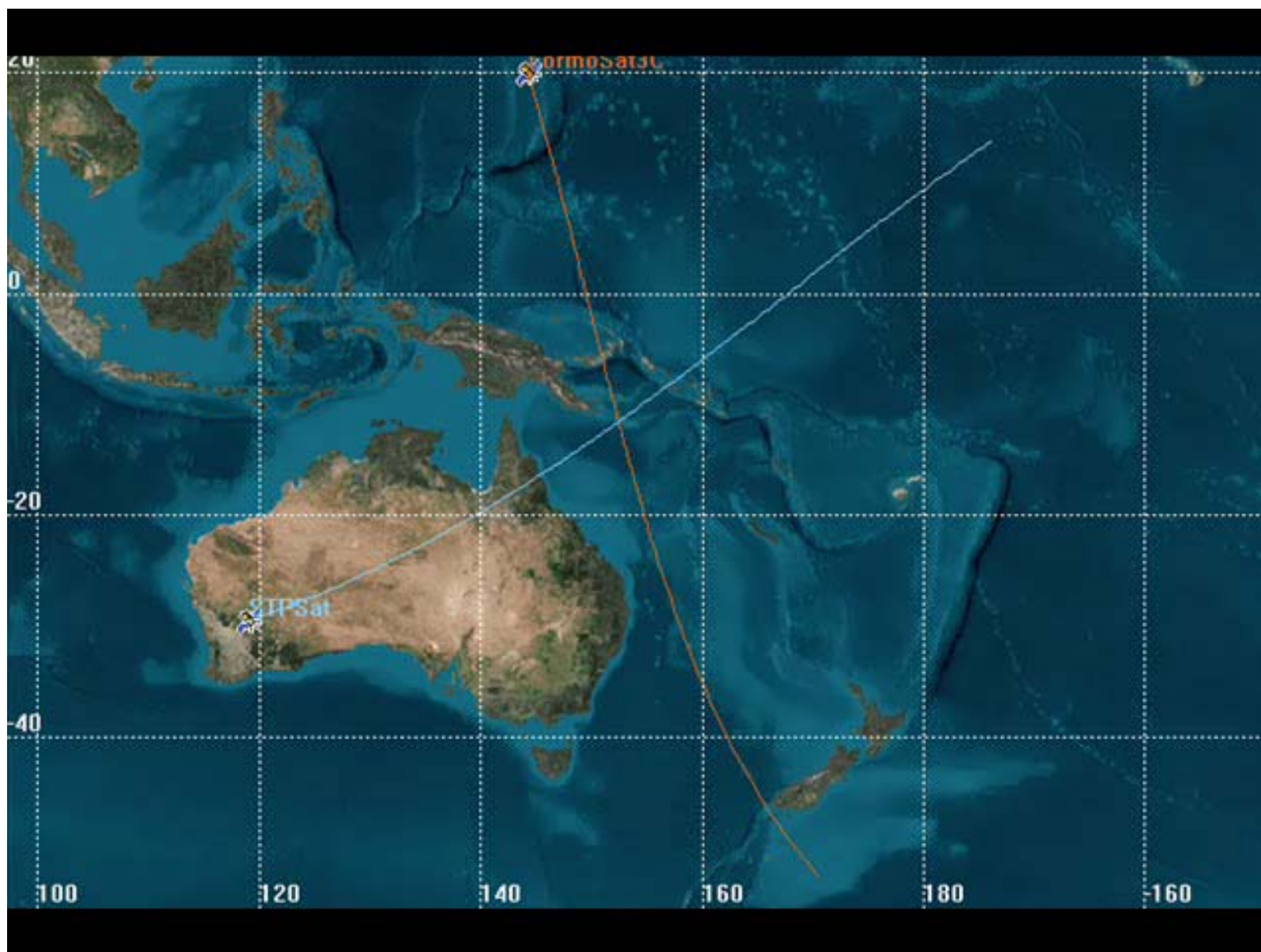
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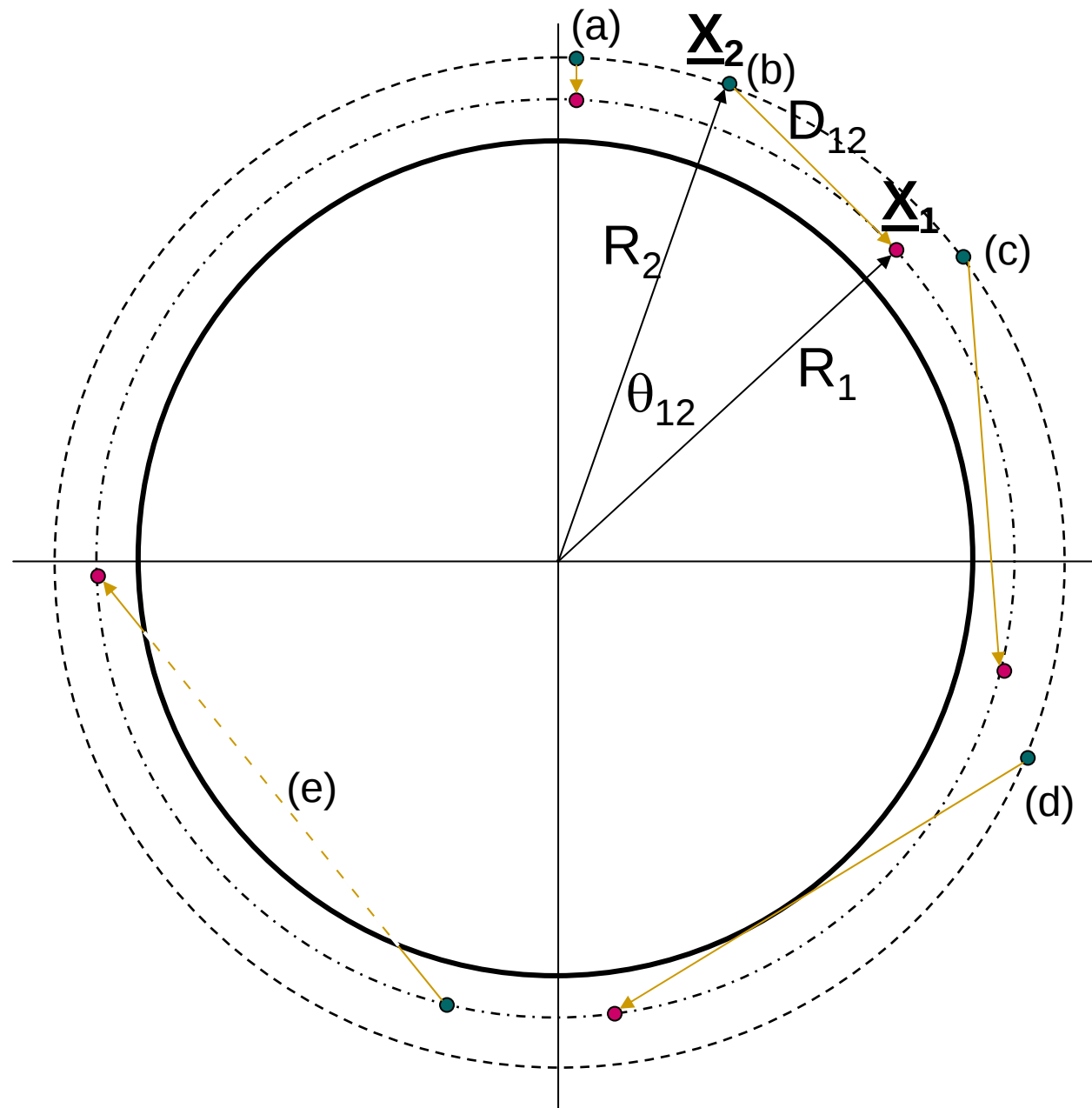
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COSMIC to CITRIS Pass

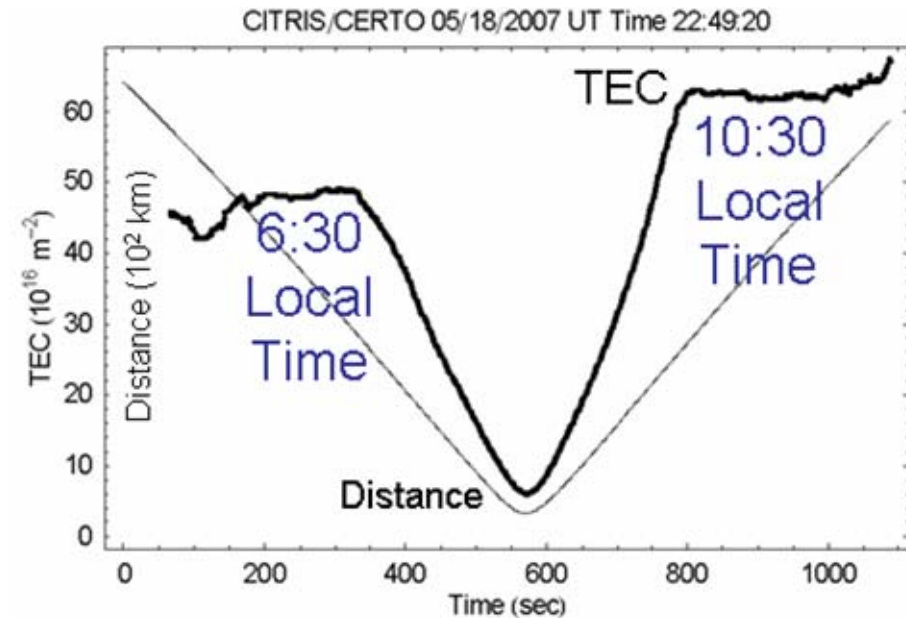
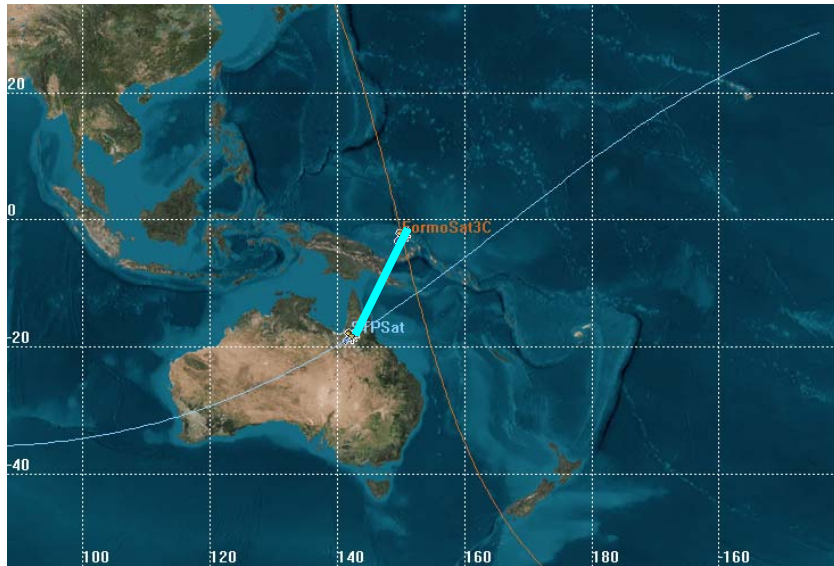


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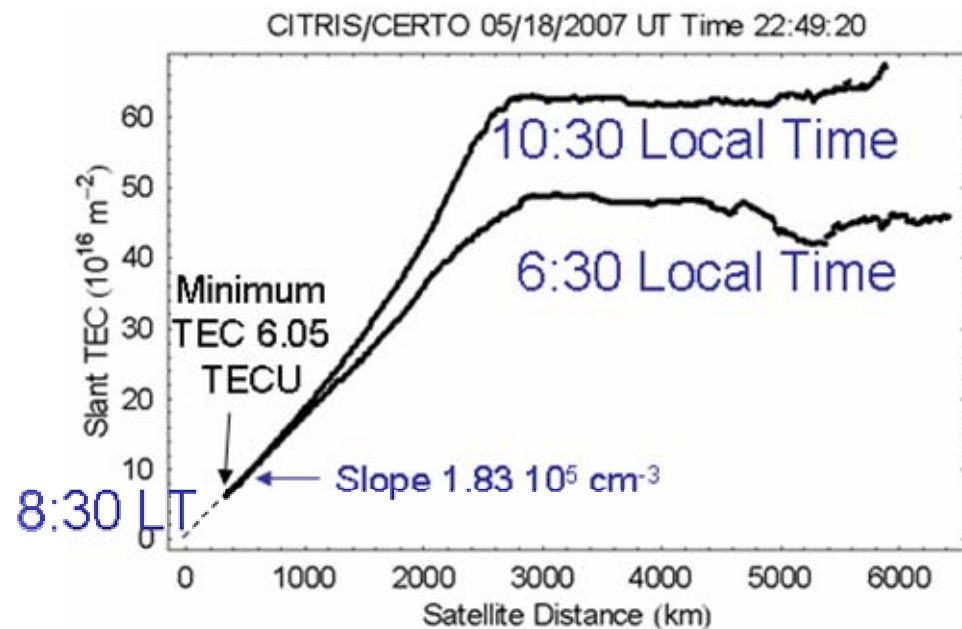


CERTO-CITRIS Measurements of Satellite-to-Satellite TEC

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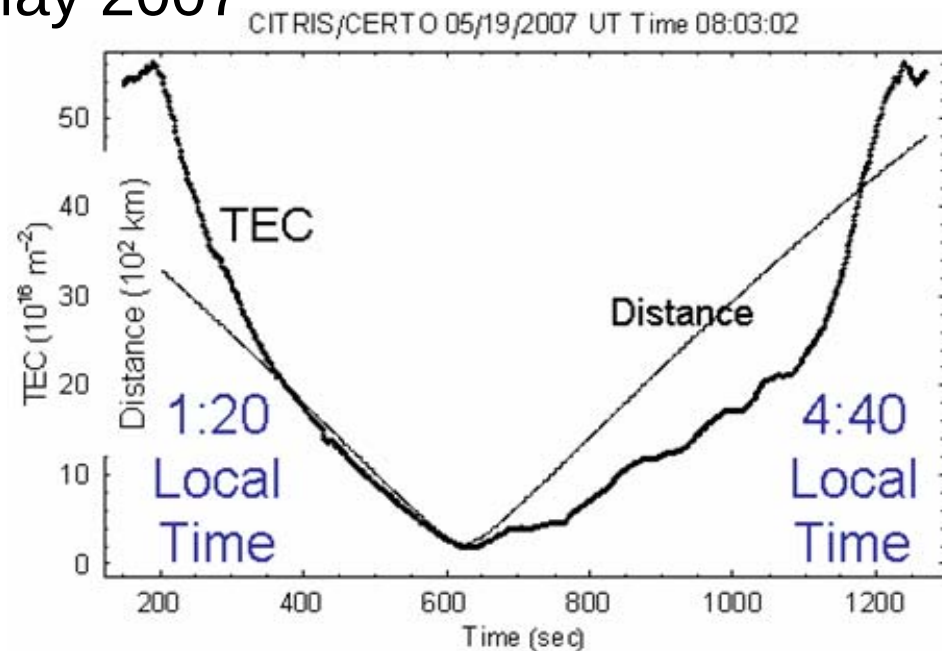
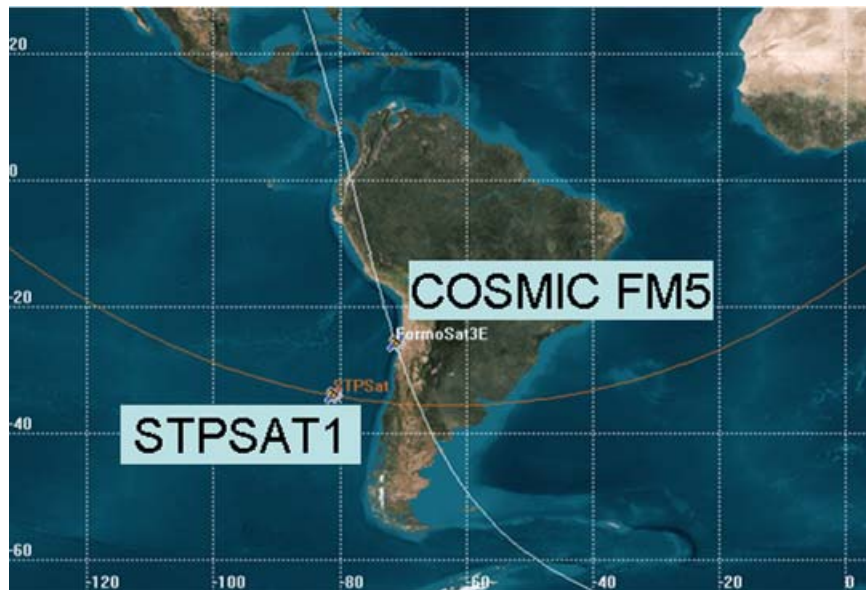


- Low Earth Orbit Occultation
 - COSMIC FM5 CERTO at 830 km Altitude
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 - Ionospheric TEC Profile at Low Inclinations
 - Average Density Near Crossing
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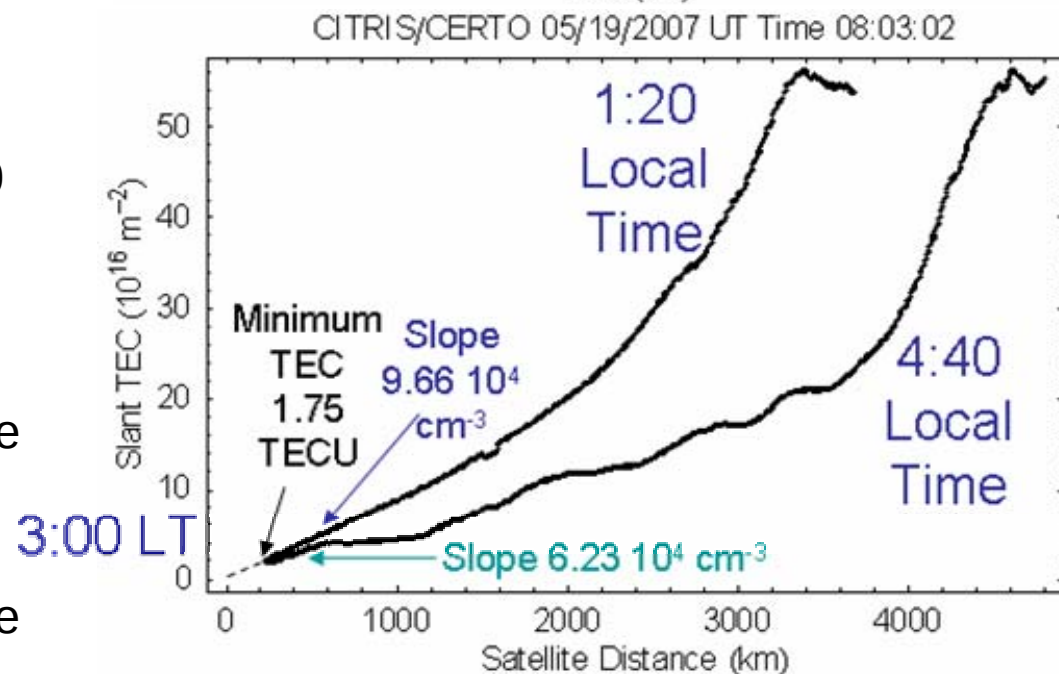


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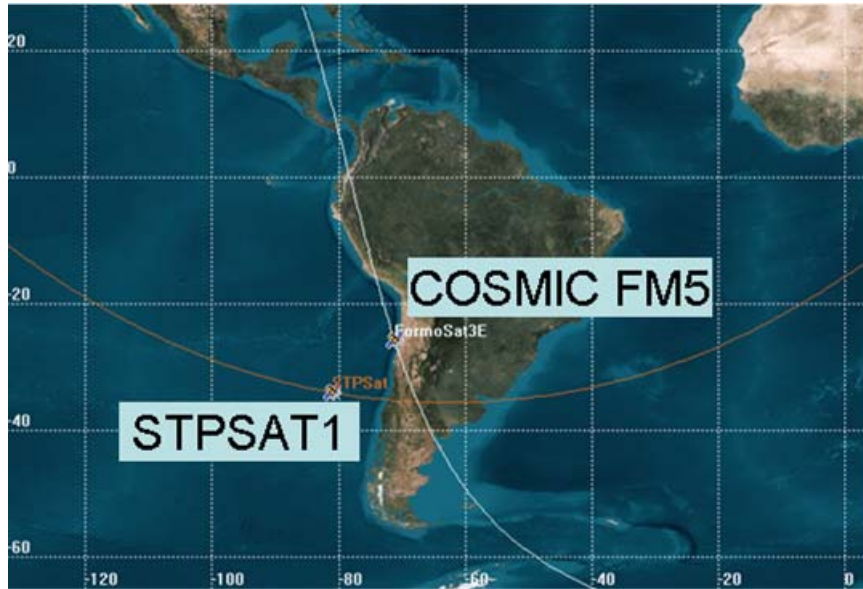
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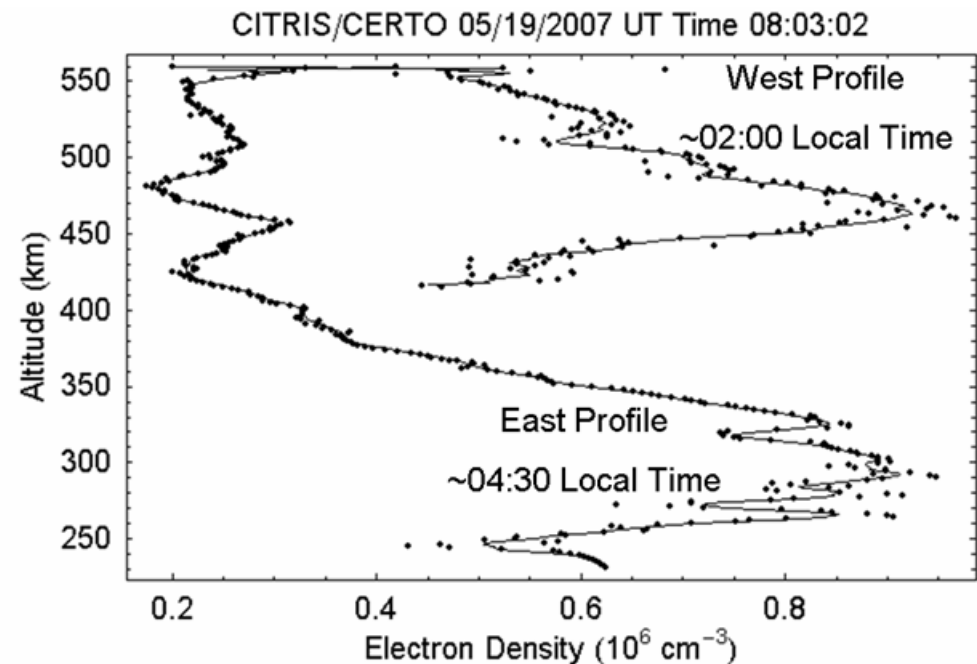
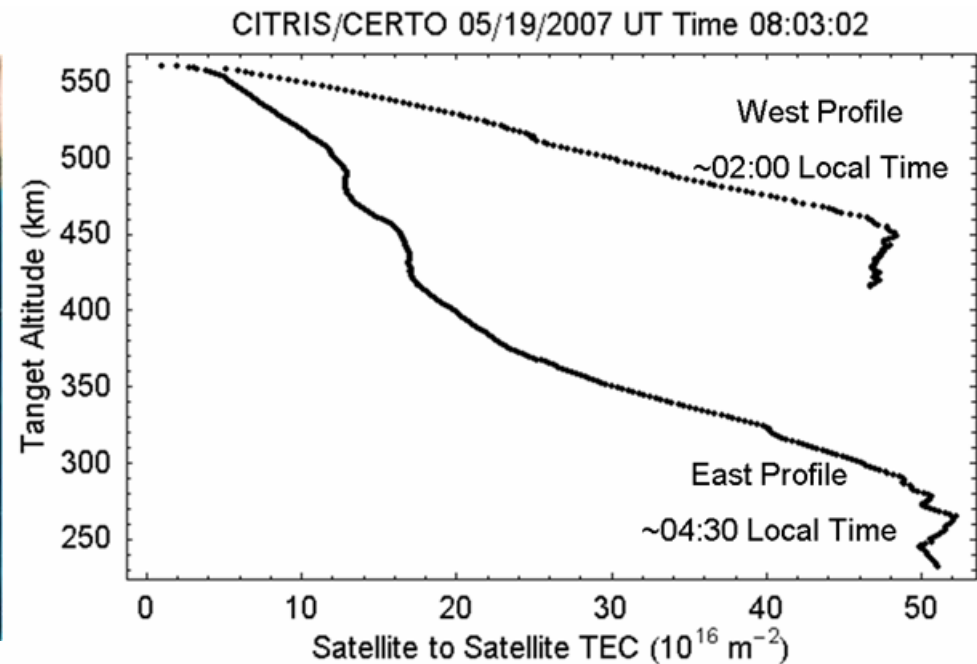
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 - Relative TEC Versus Distance Between Satellites
 - Absolute TEC From Extrapolation to Zero Distance



CITRIS Occultation TEC and Electron Density Profiles



- Low Earth Orbit Occultation Analysis
 - STPSAT1 CITRIS at 560 km Altitude
 - COSMIC FM5 at 791 km Altitude
 - Abel Inversion of TEC Between Lower Altitude Orbits
 - About 2×10^5 Peak Electron Density

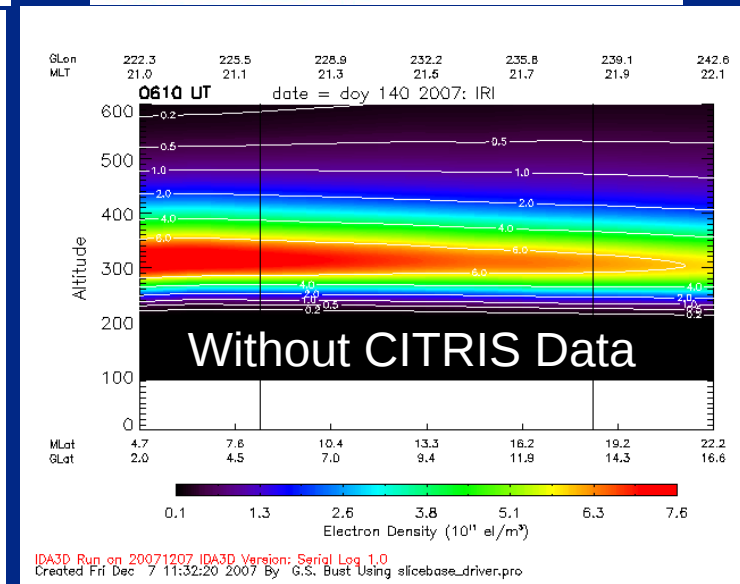
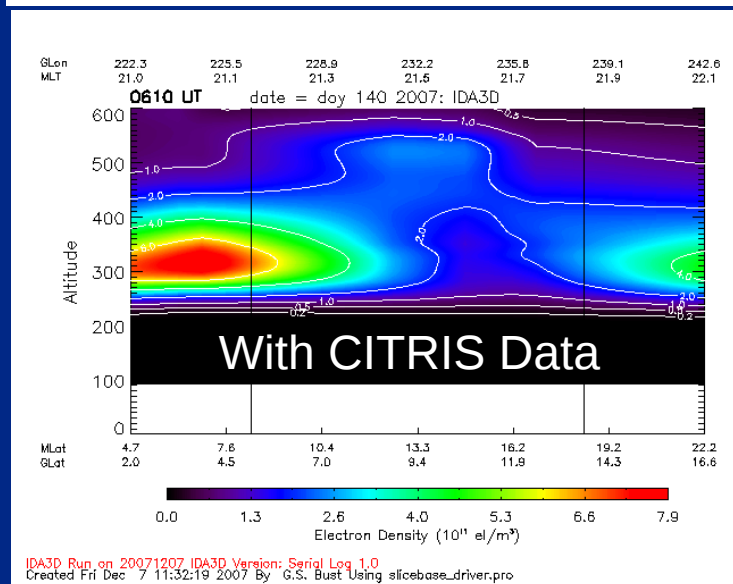
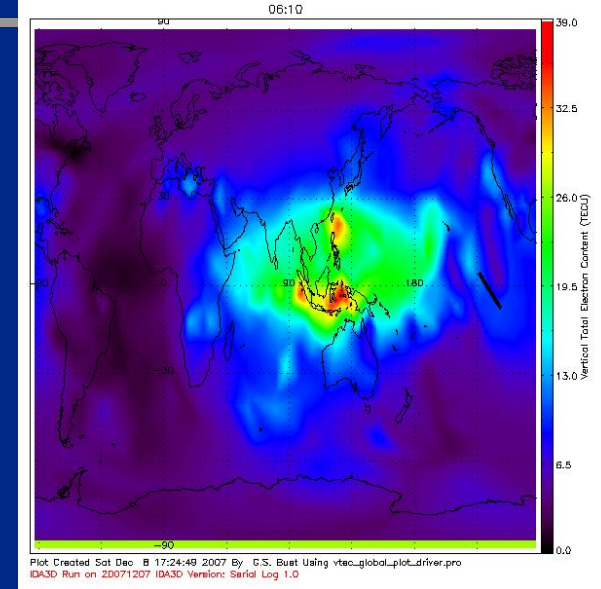
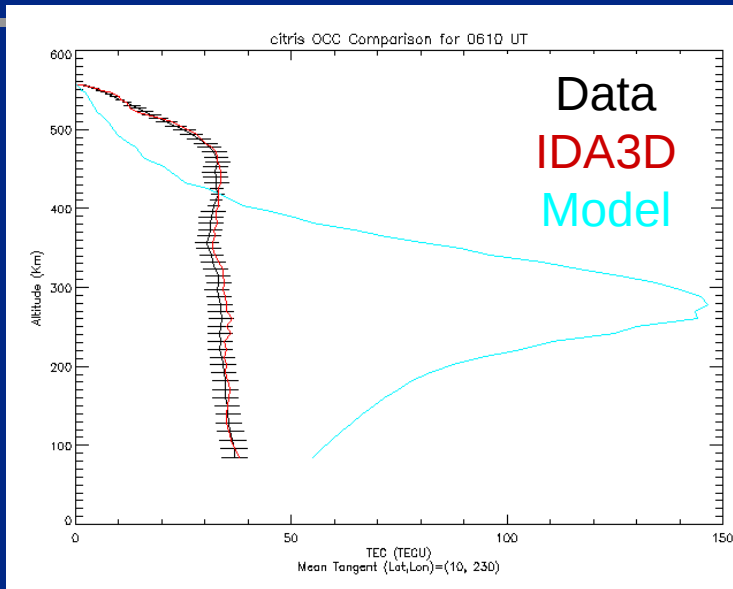




CITRIS LEO-to-LEO Occultation

Example - Equatorial Pacific

(Bust et al, AGU 2007 SA11B-06)

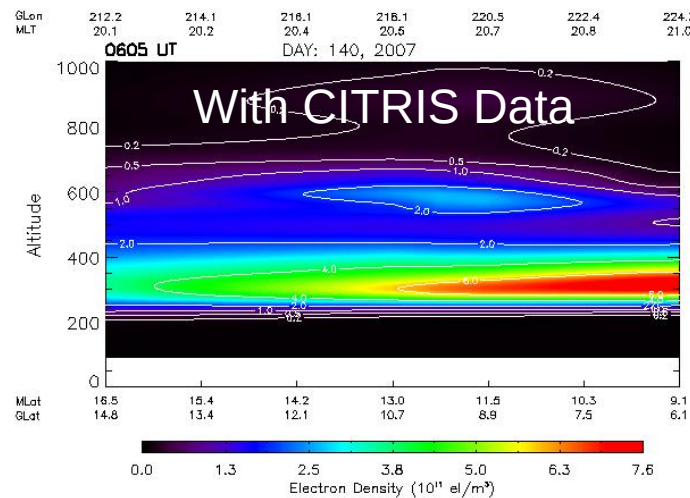
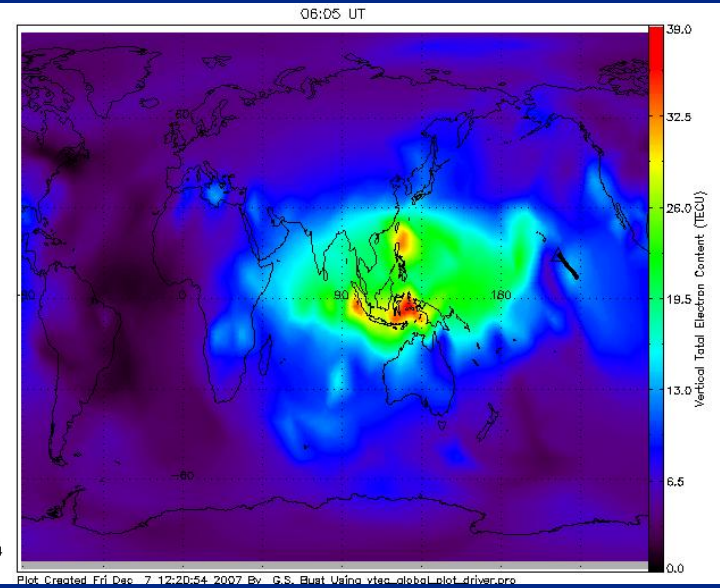
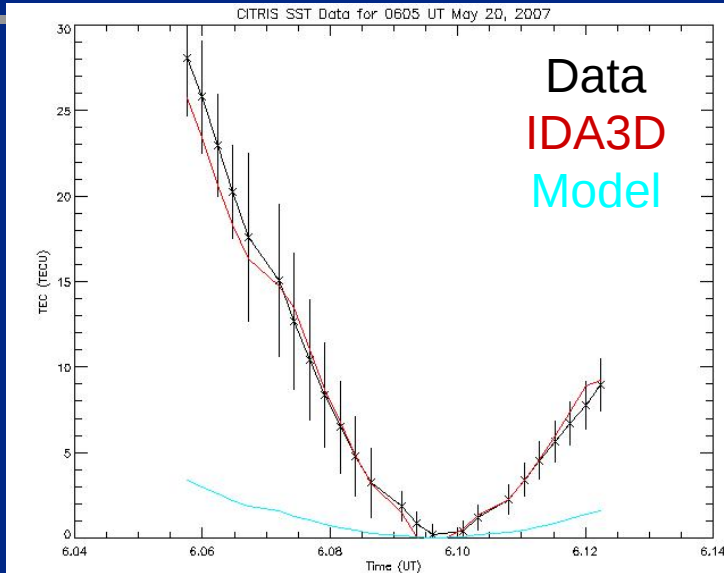




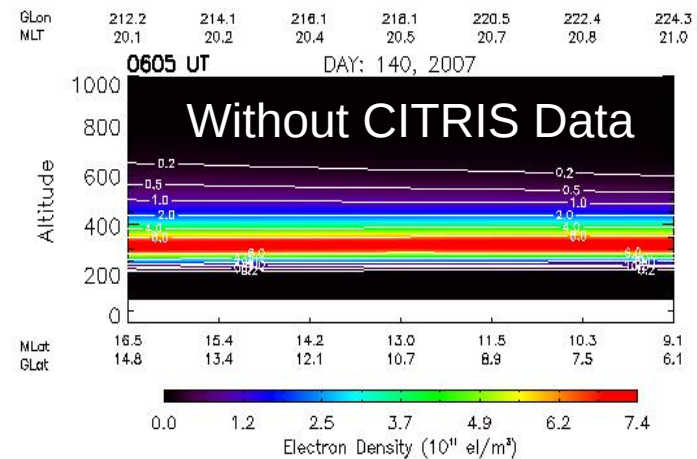
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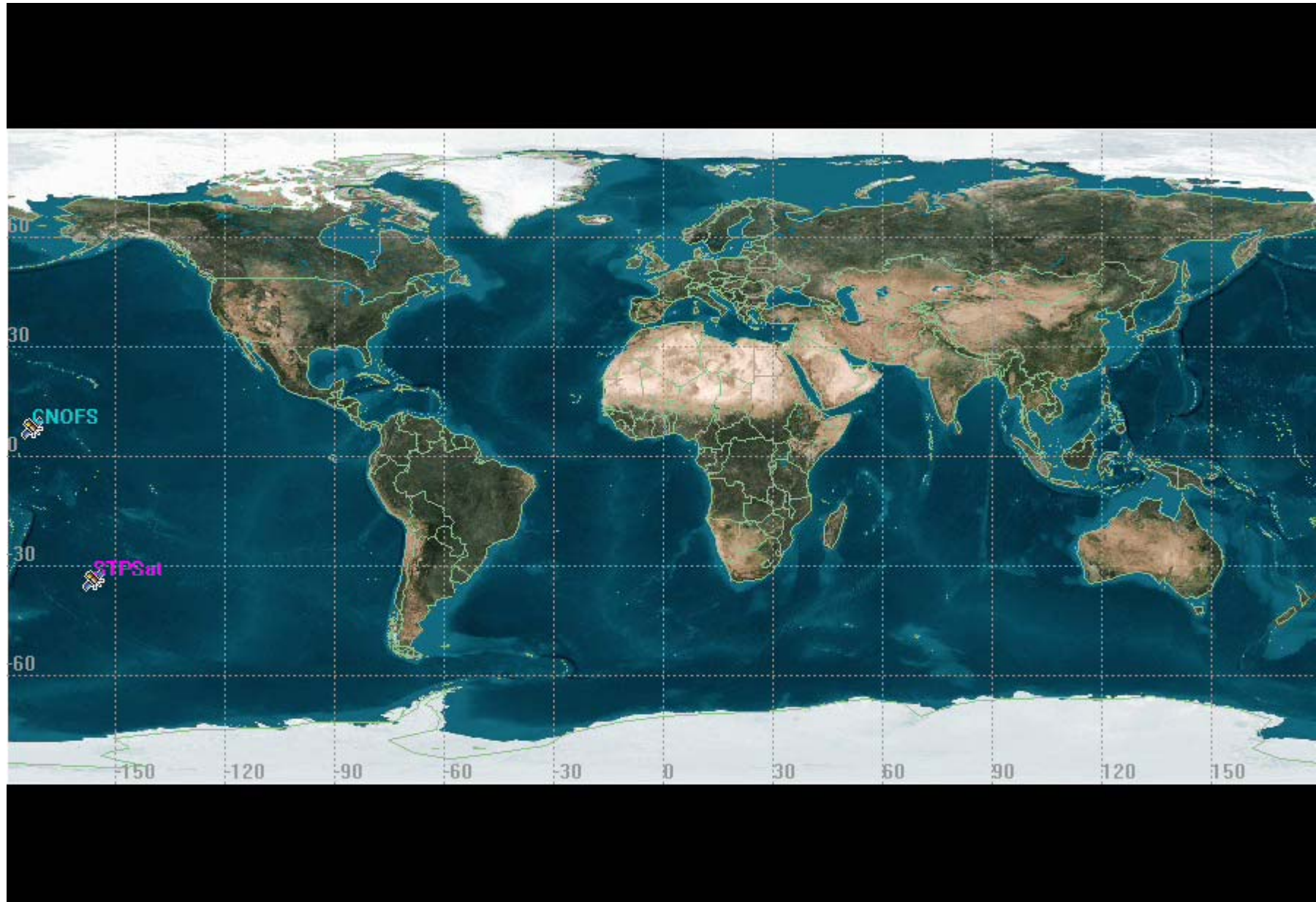


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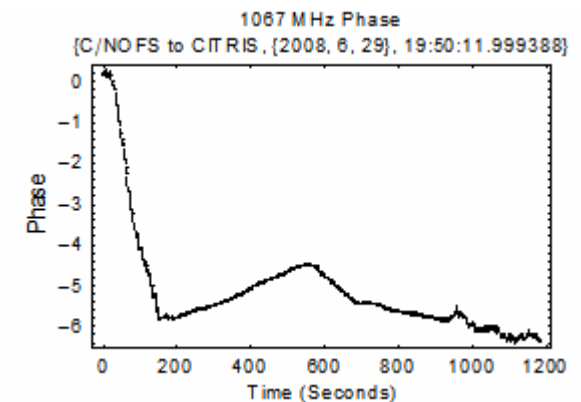
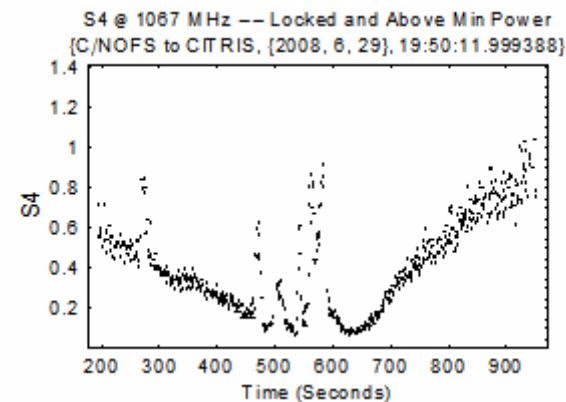
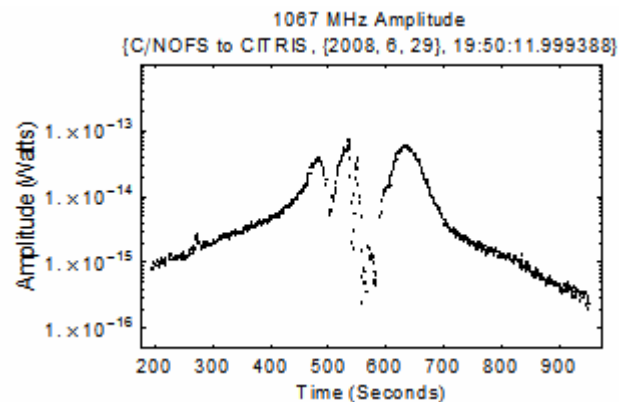
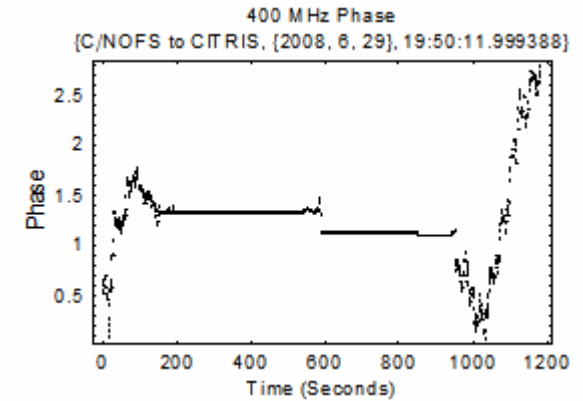
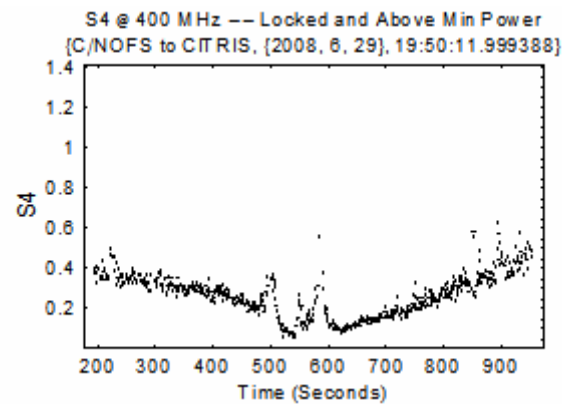
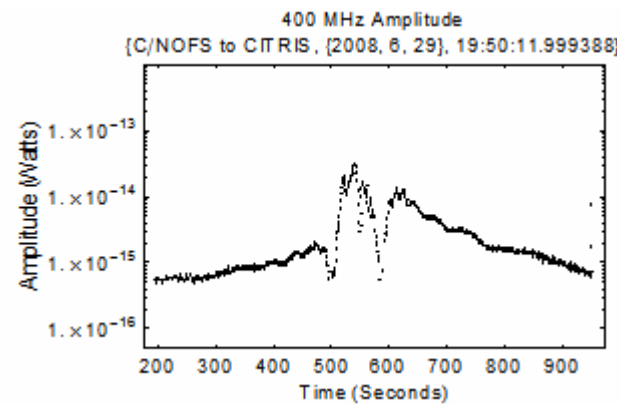
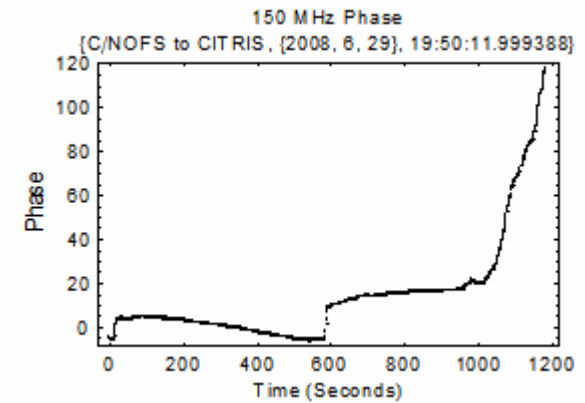
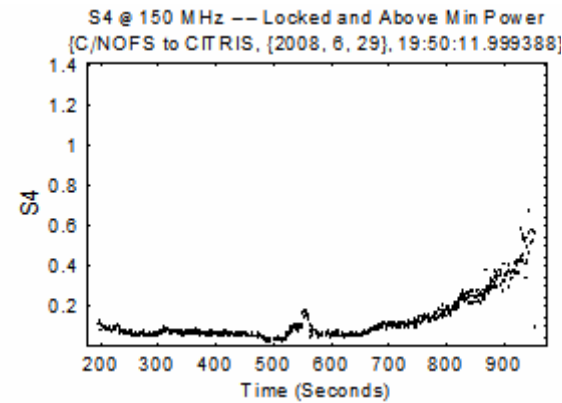
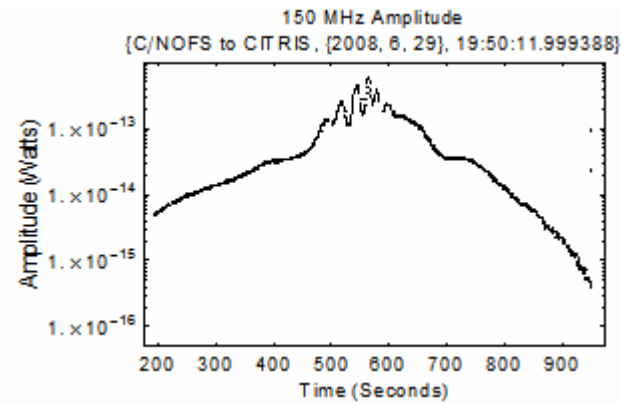


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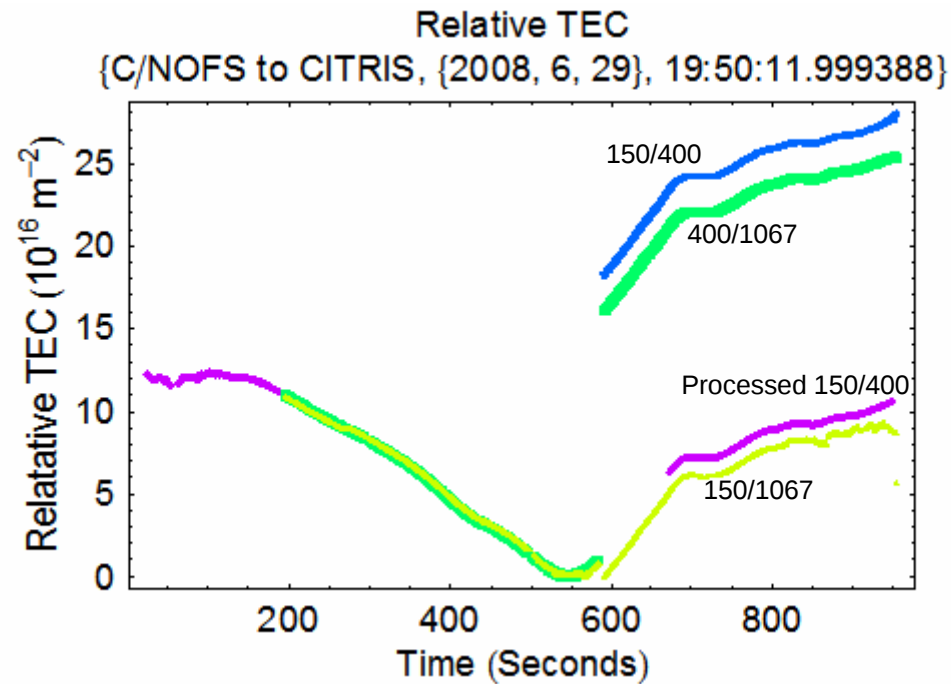
CNOFS and CITRIS Tandem Operation



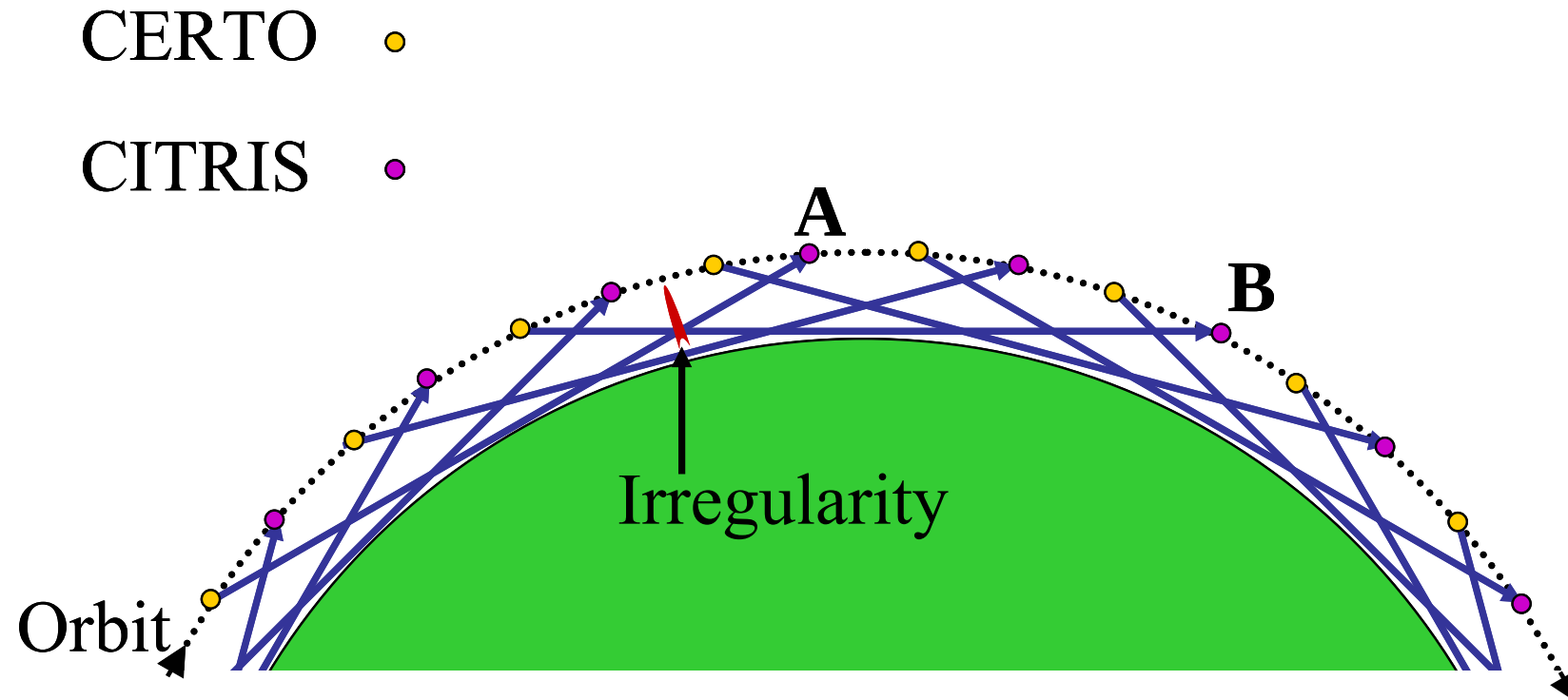
C/NOFS has Three Frequency CERTO Beacon Allowing Three Different Measurements of TEC



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Tandem Satellite Observations of Ionospheric Irregularities



CITRIS Status

- Major Milestones
 - Integration and Test of CITRIS Finished March 2006
 - STPSAT1 Launched March 9, 2007
 - On Orbit CITRIS Check-Out Completed March 15, 2007
 - Normal Operations Started March 27, 2007
 - First Satellite-to-Satellite TEC Measurements May 2007
 - Preliminary Data Presentation June 2007
 - Integration of CITRIS Data in Ionospheric Model Dec 2007 (Bust et al, SA11B-06)
 - STPSat1 Turned over to NRL Blossom Point for Operations May 2008
 - NASA Funding obtained for ~ one year of operations
 - Coordinated measurements with C/NOFS June/Aug 2008
- Current Operational Status
 - Data Acquisition for Twenty (20) Contacts per Day of 20-40 Minutes
 - Receiver Processed TEC and Scintillation Statistics (1 sample/sec)
 - Raw Data Available at up to 200 sample/sec
 - With 6 MByte Data Restriction before Download
- Things to Do
 - Comparison of C/NOFS and CITRIS Data
 - Detailed Comparison of Passes near Jicamarca Incoherent Scatter Radar During September 2007 Ionospheric World Days

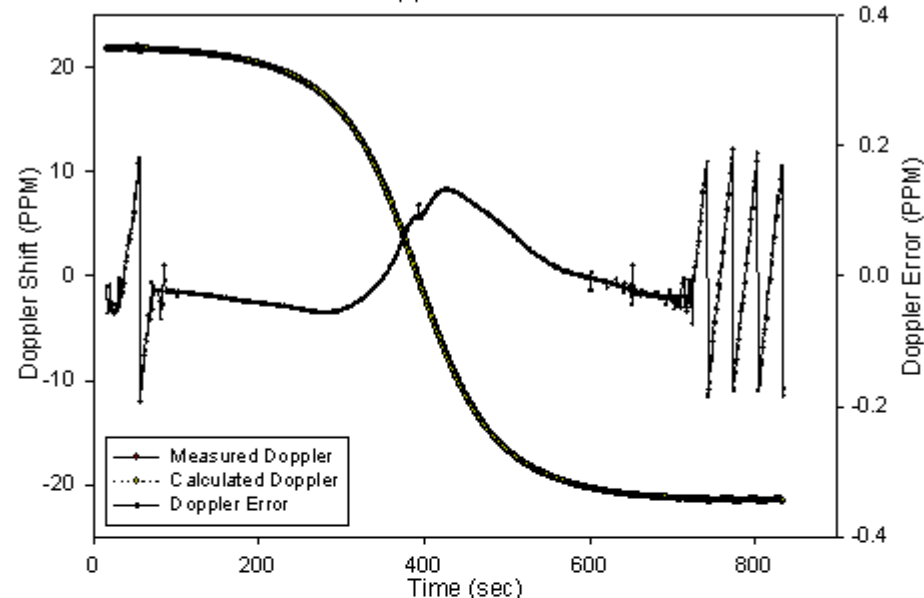
The Future of CITRIS

- Assimilation of CITRIS Data into Space Weather Models
 - Data Distributed to GAIM and IAD3D Models
- Continued Tandem Operations with C/NOFS
 - C/NOFS Launched April 2008
 - CITRIS Link to CERTO Beacon on C/NOFS
- New “SpaceBuoy” Satellite Under Design to Host CITRIS
 - Satellite Fabrication
 - Space Science and Engineering Lab, Montana State University
 - Professor David Klumpar, PI
 - Payload
 - CITRIS Receiver from NRL
 - Planar Langmuir Probe (PLP) from AFRL
 - Demonstration of Low Cost Space Weather Monitor

Extras

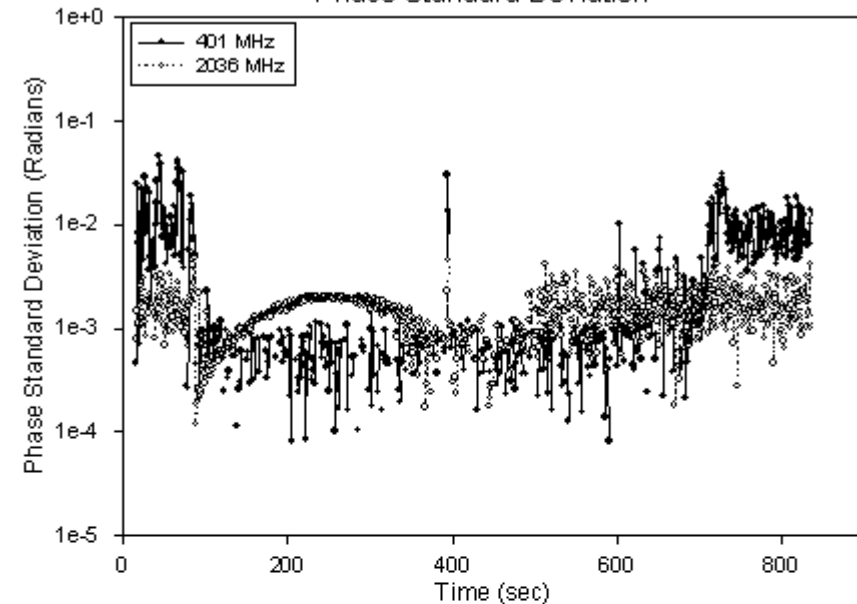
CITRIS Measurements for Scintillations

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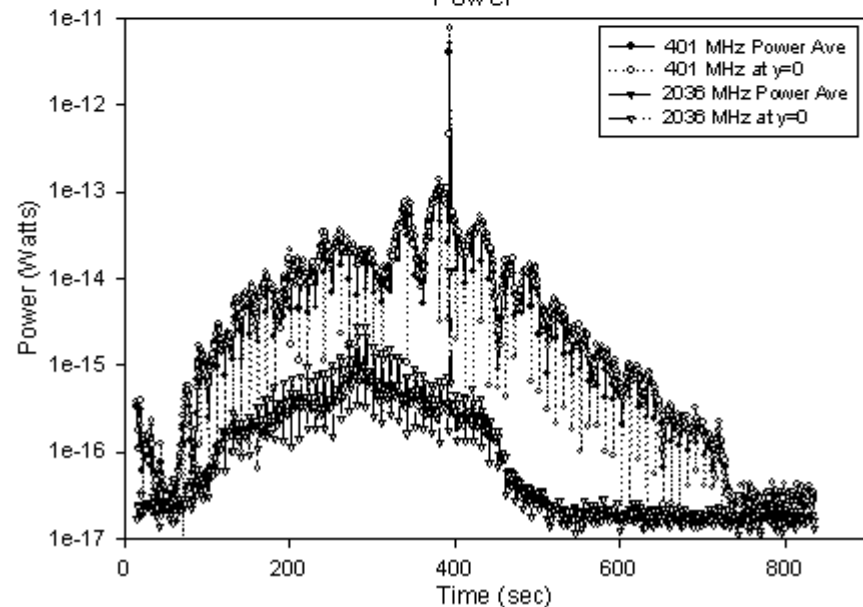
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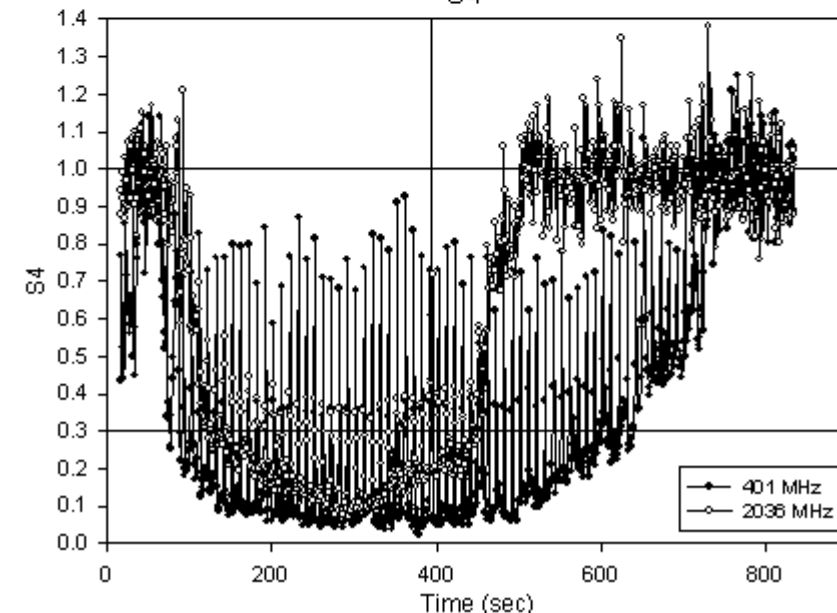
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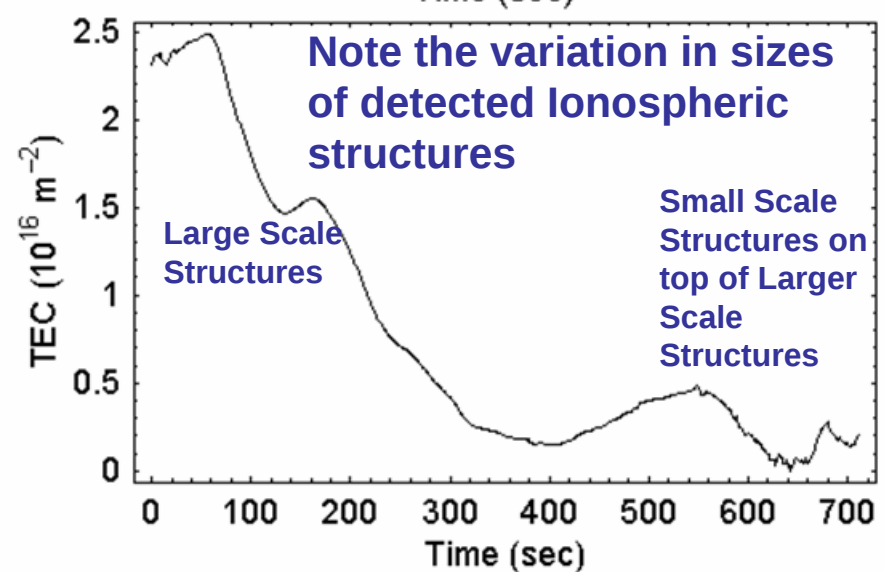
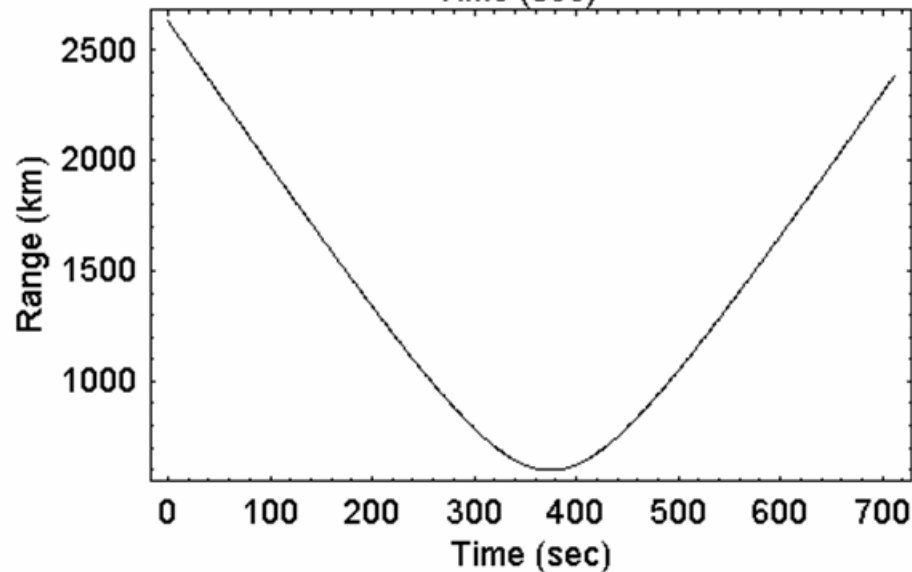
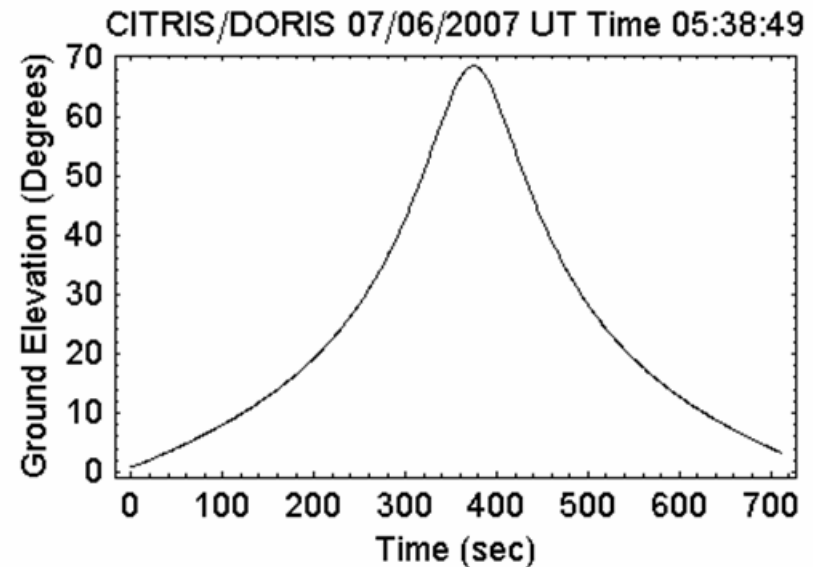
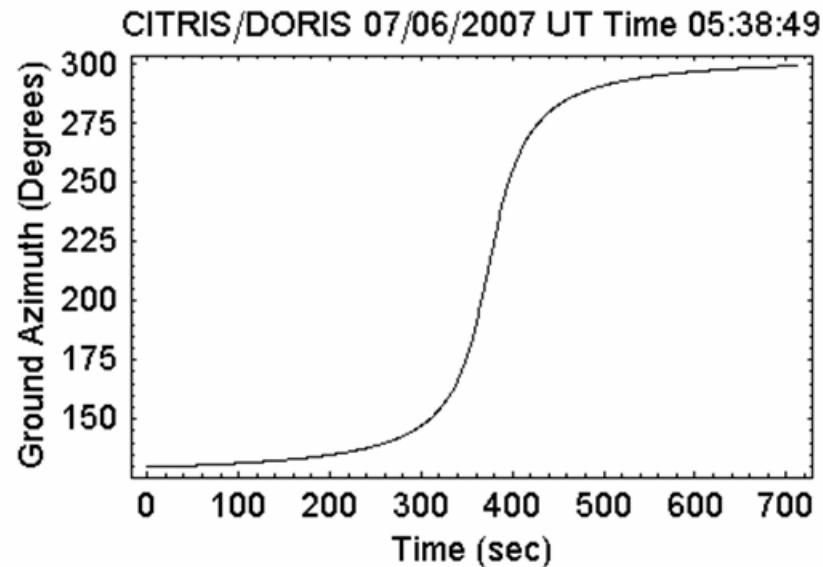
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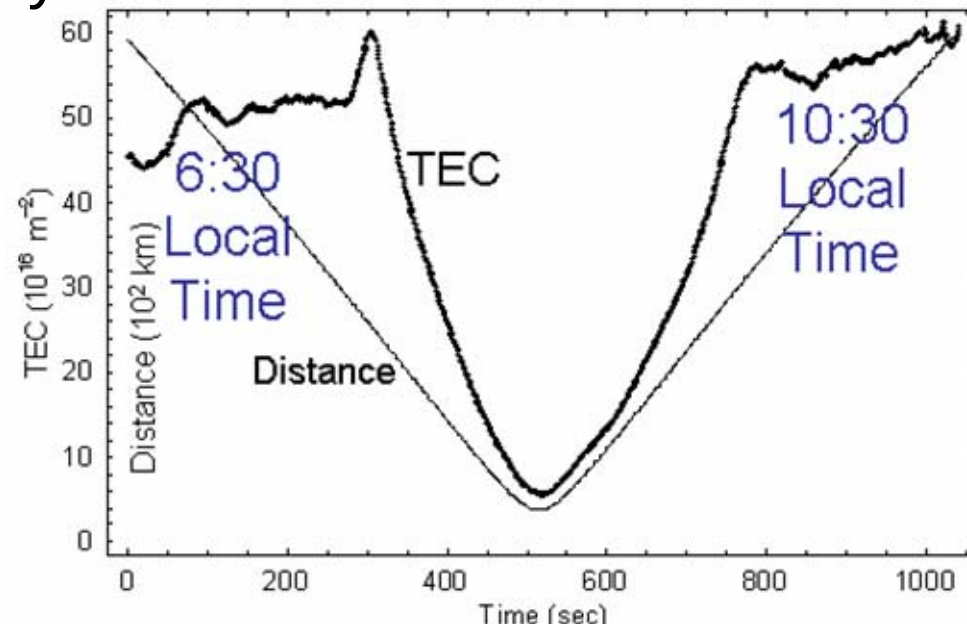
TEC From the DORIS Beacon at Arequipa Peru (-16.467 N Lat, -71.5 E Long)



CERTO-CITRIS Measurements of Satellite-to-Satellite TEC

20 May 2007

CITRIS/CERTO 05/20/2007 UT Time 05:57:15



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