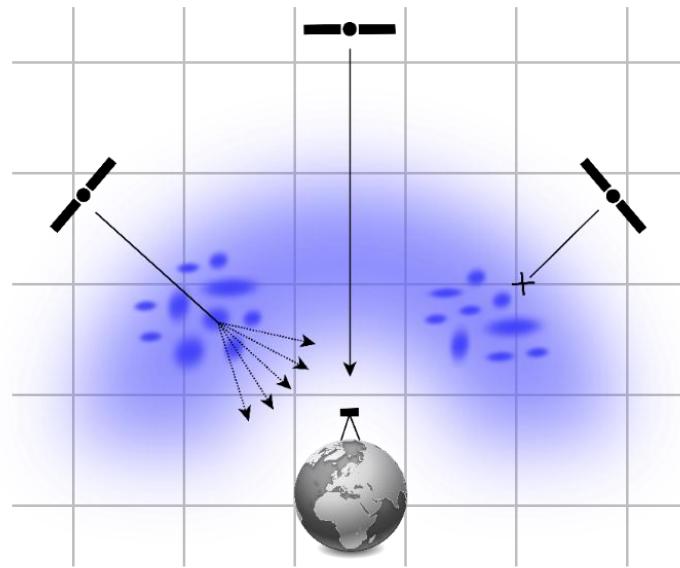


# Performances of Absolute GNSS Positioning Algorithms during Equatorial and Polar Ionospheric Scintillations



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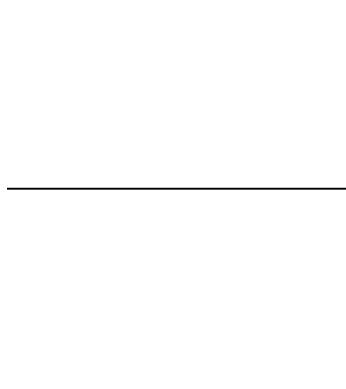
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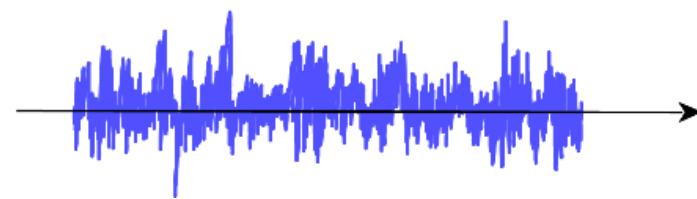
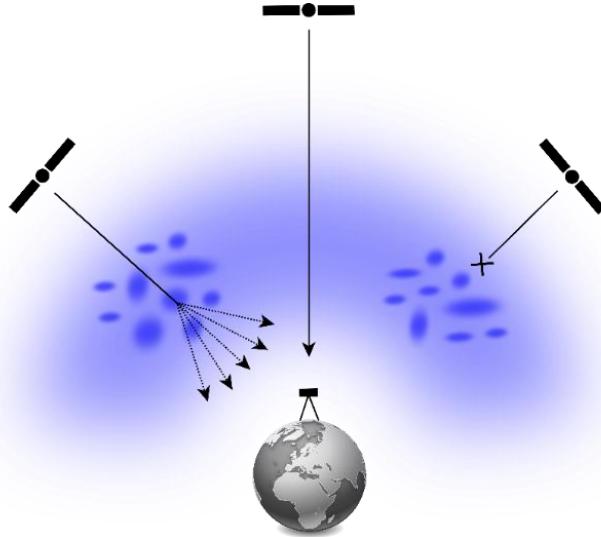
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**Ionospheric Scintillations** are Rapid Fluctuations of the Phase and the Amplitude of Electromagnetic Signals diffracted by the **Ionosphere**

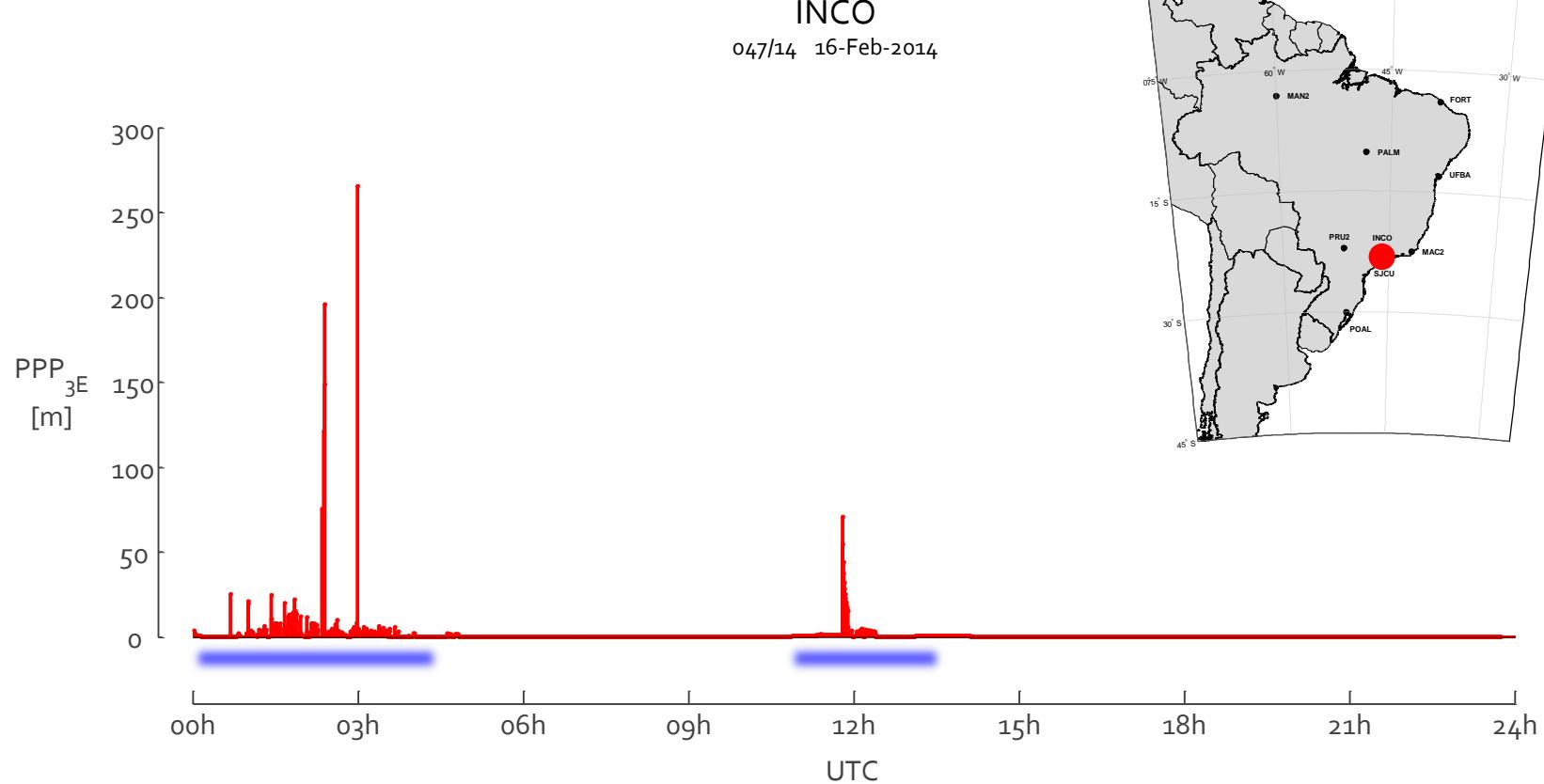


#### Effects on GNSS Signals Tracking

- Signal Losses
- Noise Measurement
- Cycle Slips
- Weak Geometry

→ Reduced Performances for Positioning

## Ionospheric Scintillations limit the performances of GNSS Positioning Algorithms



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### 1) Analysis

- **Descriptive** Analysis of Ionospheric Scintillations on GNSS Signals
  - Symptoms
  - M-GNSS + M-Signals
  - Equatorial + Polar Scintillations
  - RINEX vs. ISMR

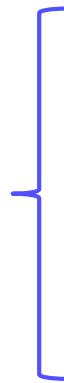


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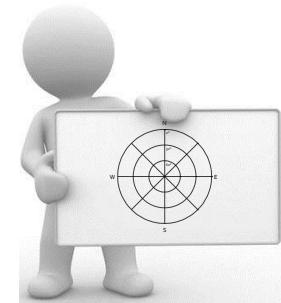
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- Detection of Spatial Autocorrelation
- Spatio-Temporal Analysis of Ionospheric Scintillation
- « Hot Spots » Detection
- Production of Ionospheric Scintillation Sky Maps



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### 2) Algorithm

- Spatial Stochastic Modeling
- Spatial Preprocessing Technique



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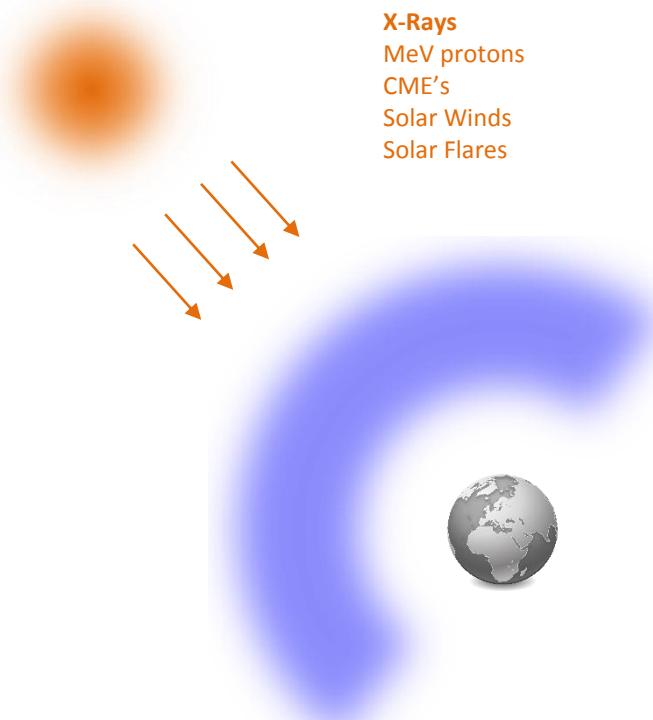
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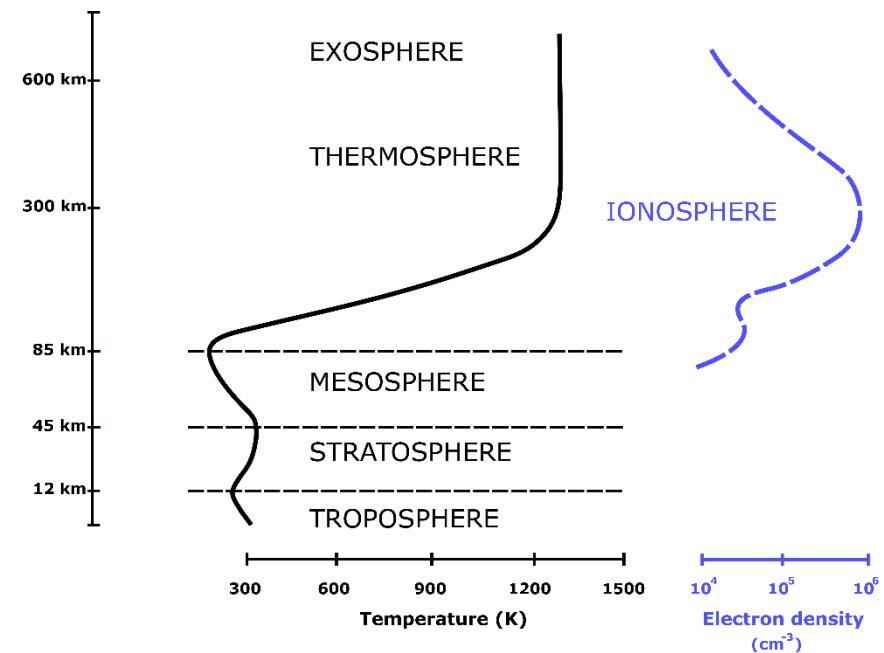
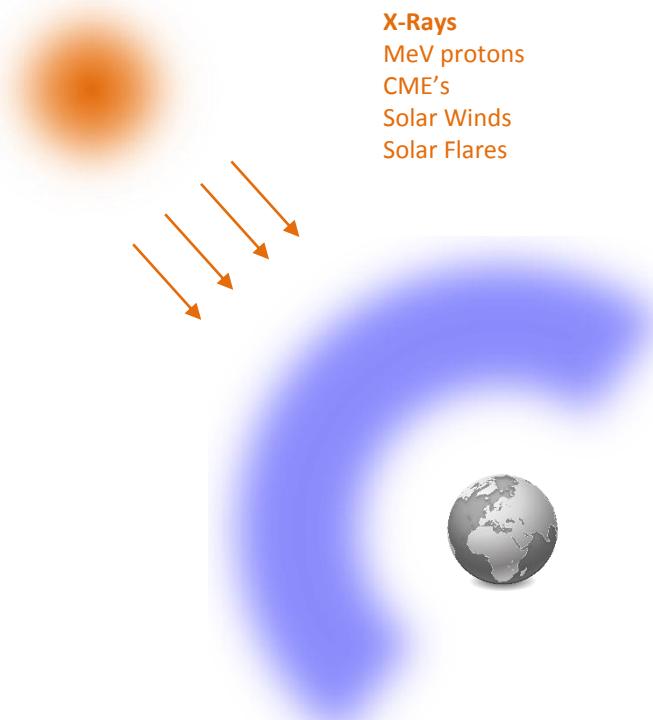
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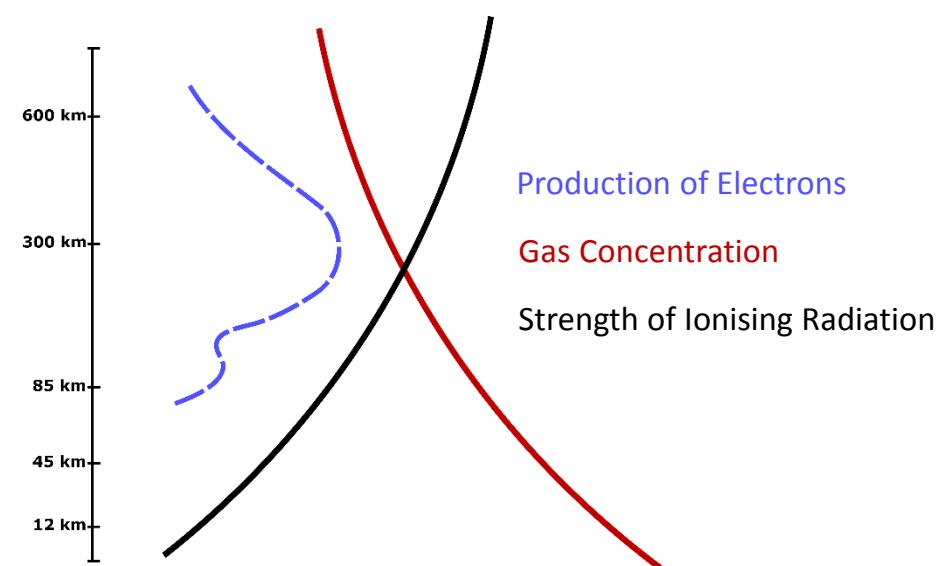
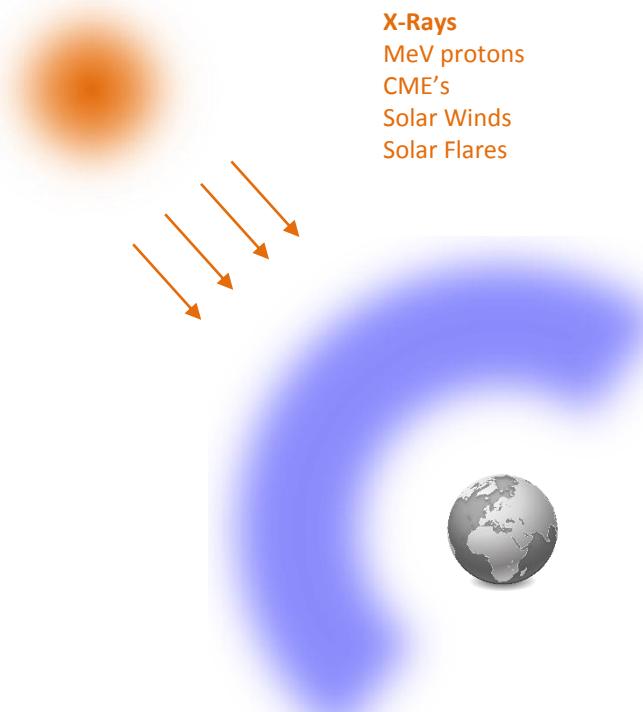
The **Ionosphere** is a Plasma ionised by Solar Radiations and characterised by an Electron Density highly variable in **Space** and **Time**



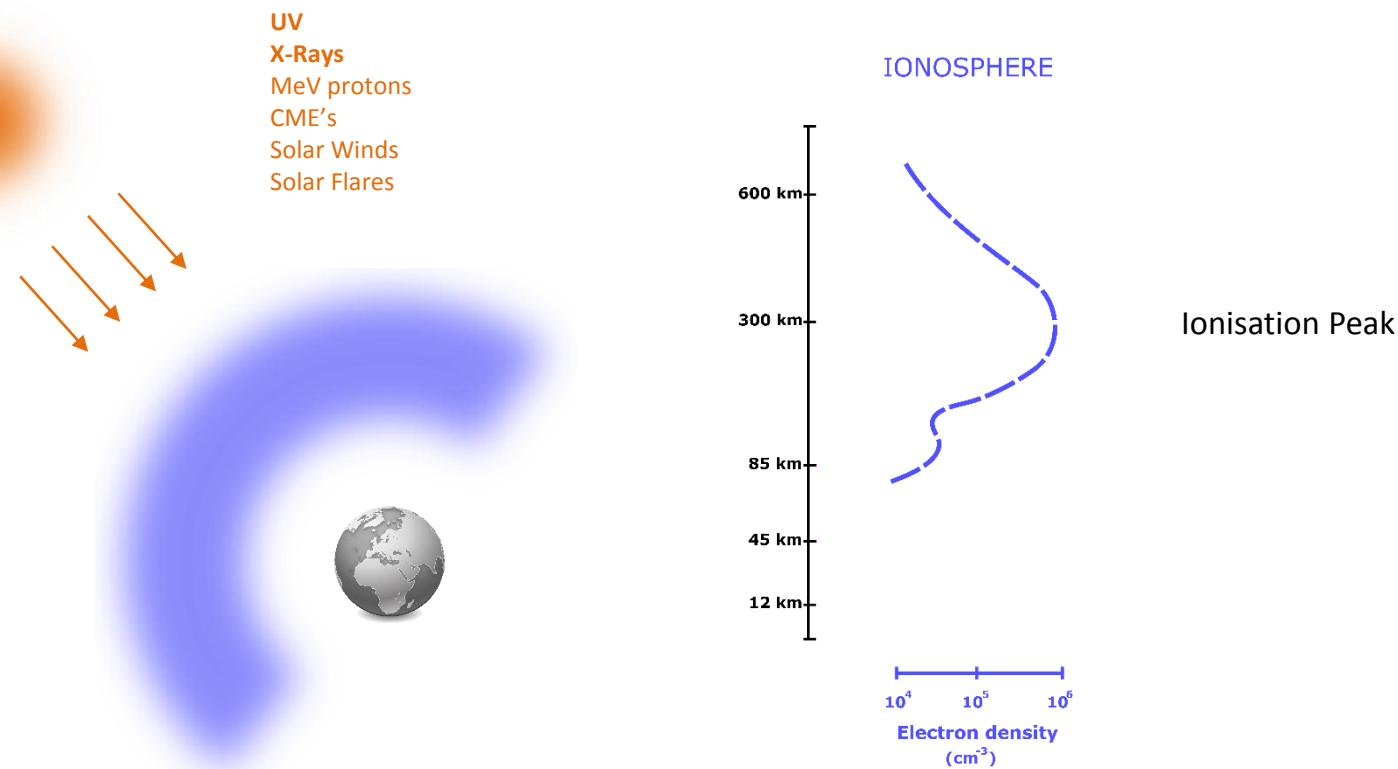
The Earth Atmosphere can be Partitioned in Several Layers Separated by Reversals of the Temperature Gradient



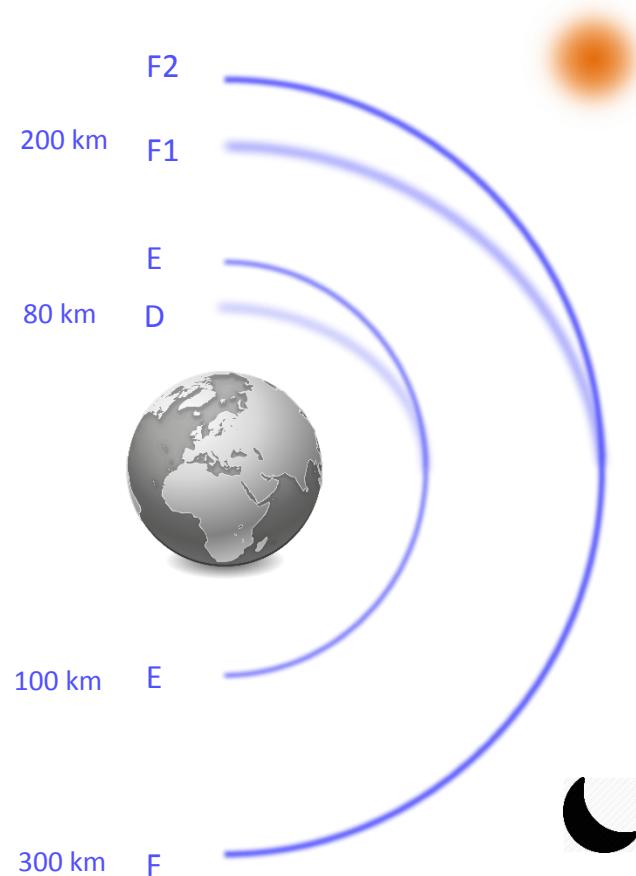
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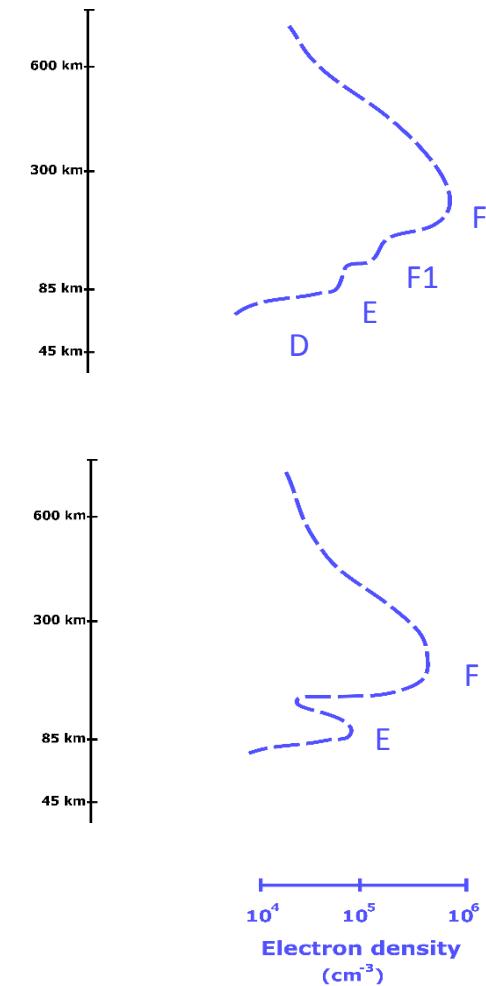
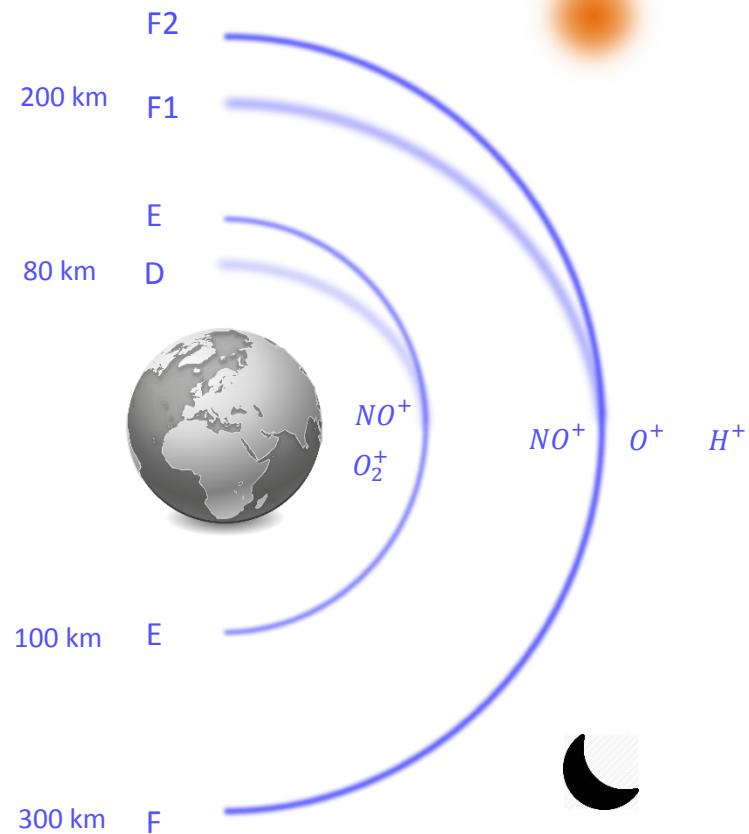
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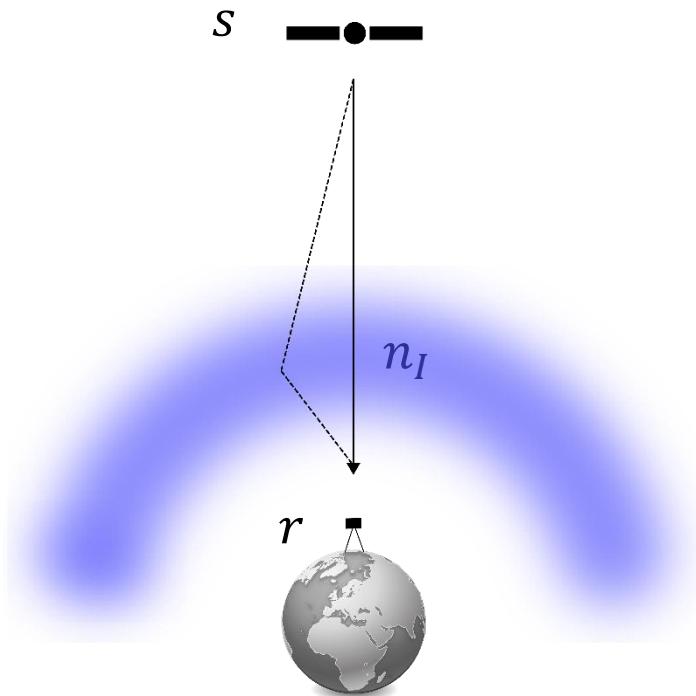
## The **Ionosphere** Structure Exhibits Day-To-Night Variations



The Multicomponent Earth Atmosphere is partially responsible for the Formation of several Regions in the Ionosphere



The Electron Density of the **Ionosphere** is responsible for  
**Refraction** effects of GNSS radio signals

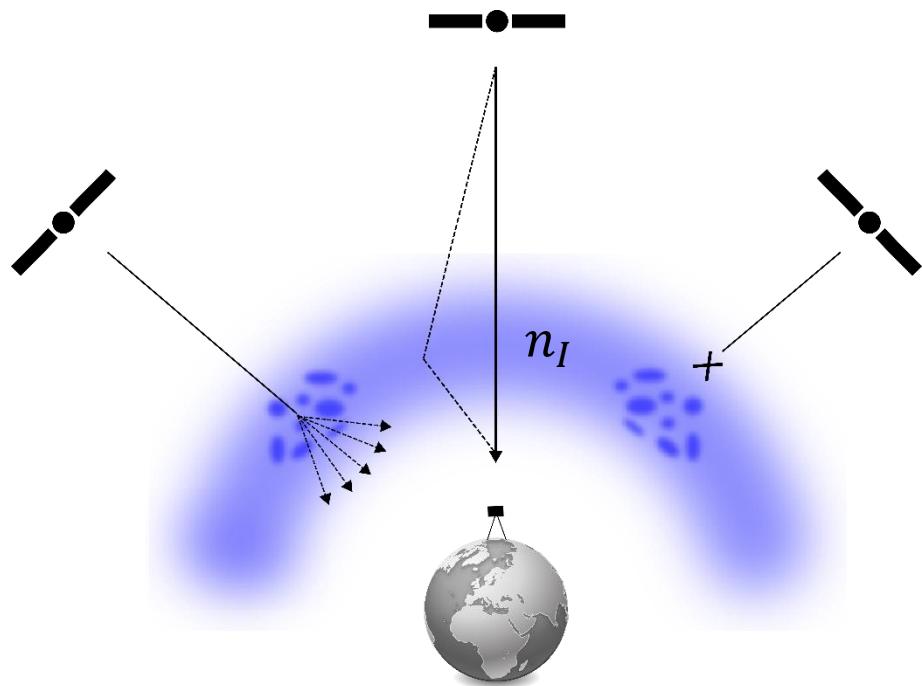


Ionospheric Delay

$$n_I = \frac{c}{v} \approx 1 \pm \frac{40.3}{f^2} N_e$$

$$I \approx \pm \frac{40.3}{f^2} \int_r^s N_e \, dl = \pm \frac{40.3}{f^2} sTEC$$

Small-Scale Irregularities in the Electron Density of the Ionosphere  
are responsible for Diffraction effects of GNSS radio signals



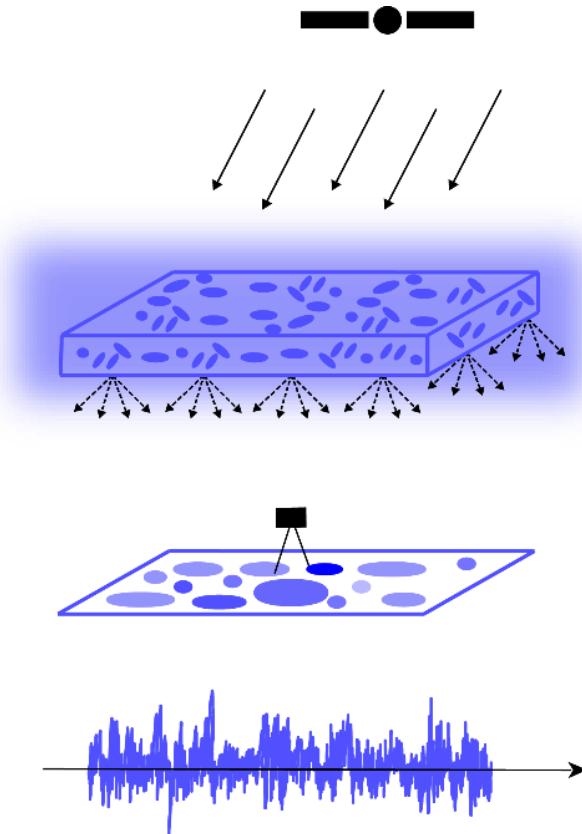
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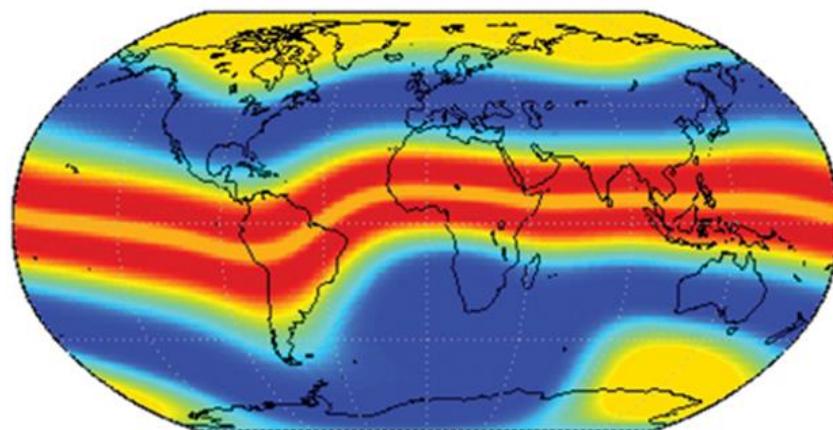
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Operating Frequencies

Geographic Locations

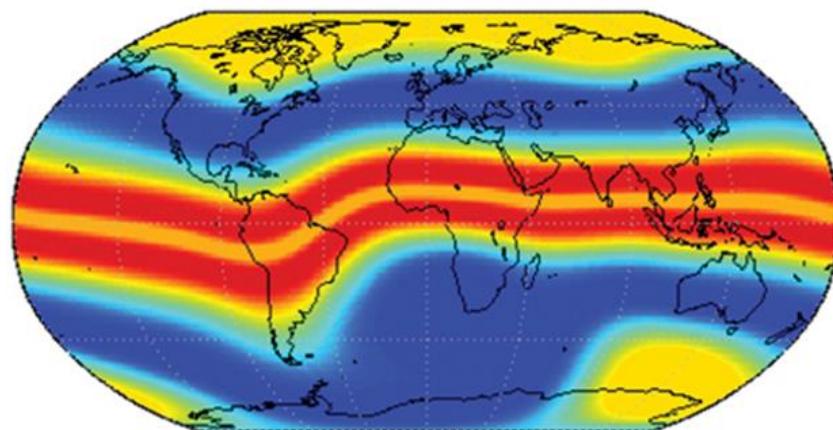
Local Time

Season

Magnetic Activity

Solar Activity

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Large Scale Irregularities  
 $\approx 100$  km

Small Scale Irregularities  
 $\approx 1 - 100$  m

Background Plasma Drift Speed  
 $\approx 50\text{-}150 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

Duration  
 $\approx$  minutes/hours

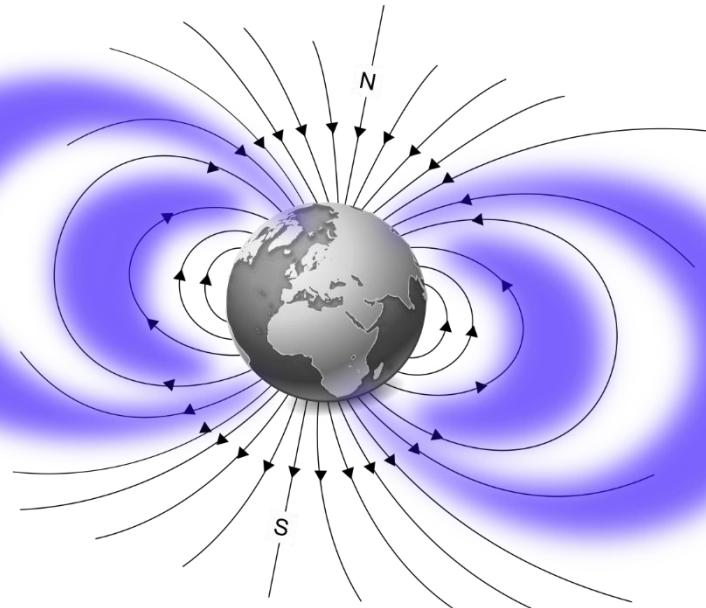
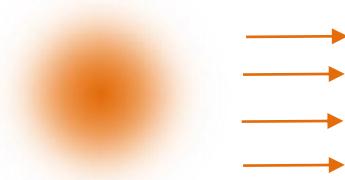
Spatio-Temporal Variations of  
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## Polar and Equatorial Ionospheric Scintillations are generated by different physical process

### Polar Scintillations

#### Geomagnetic Storm

- Polar IS are strongly dependent on the Geomagnetic Activity
- The frequency of Polar IS varies during the 11-year Solar Cycles
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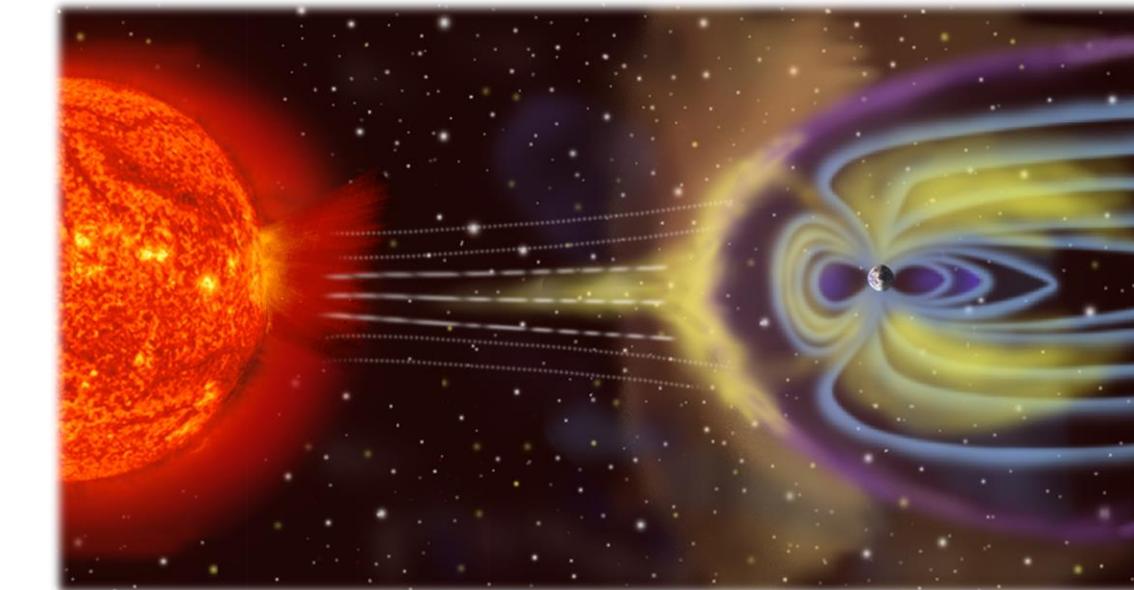
*Earth Magnetic Field*

*Van Allen radiation belts*

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*Birth of a Geomagnetic Storm*

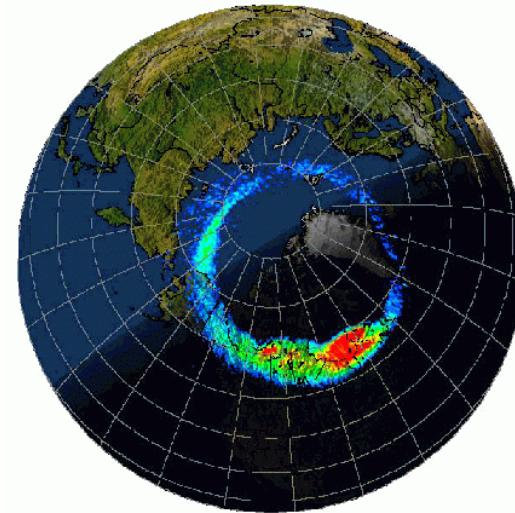
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*Aurora Borealis*



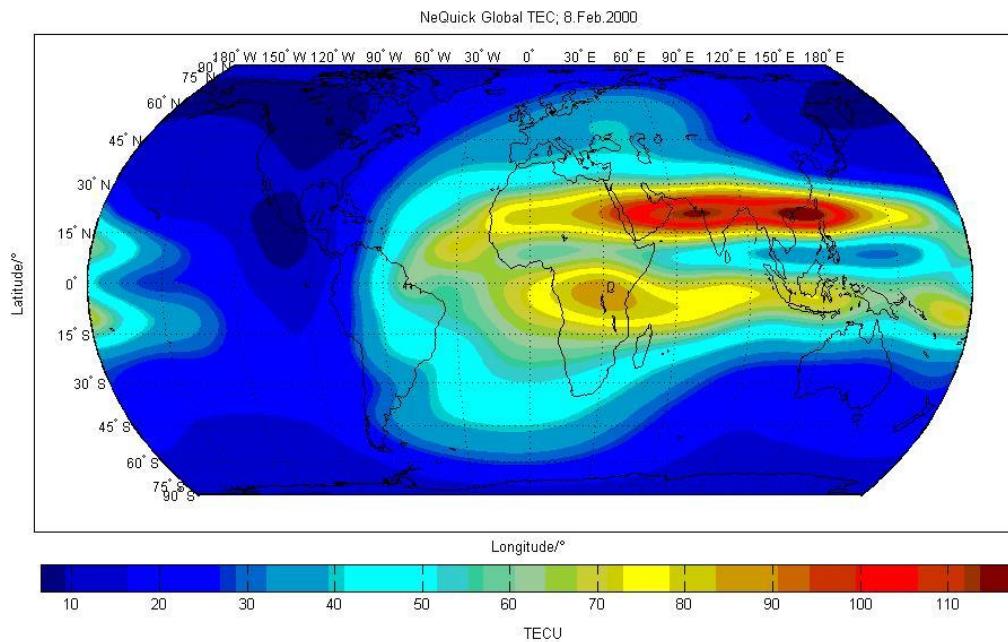
*Auroral Oval*

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### Equatorial Scintillations

### Equatorial Anomaly

- Daily Post-Sunset Irregularities
- Rayleigh-Taylor Instability
- Disturbance Storm Time Index (DST)
- Dense Ionosphere distributed in two bands around the Geomagnetic Equator



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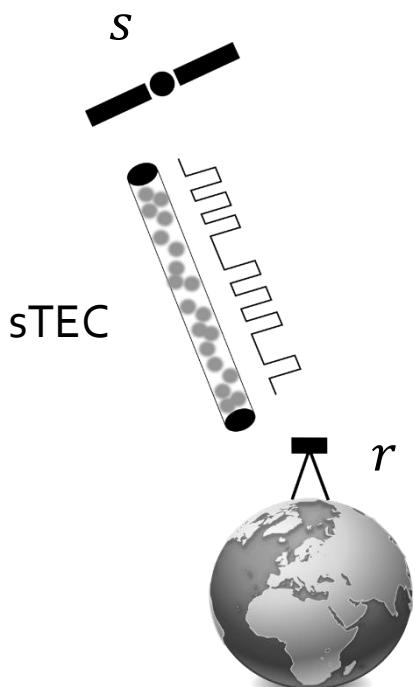


Ionosphere  
Positioning

Satellite Positioning is based on **Multilateration**

$$P_r^s(t) = D_r^s + T_r^s + I_{r,k,m}^s + c (\Delta t^s - \Delta t_r) + M_{r,k,m}^s + \varepsilon_{r,k,m}^s$$

$$\phi_r^s(t) = D_r^s + T_r^s - I_{r,k,\phi}^s + c (\Delta t^s - \Delta t_r) + \lambda_k N_{r,k}^s + M_{r,k,\phi}^s + \varepsilon_{r,k,\phi}^s$$

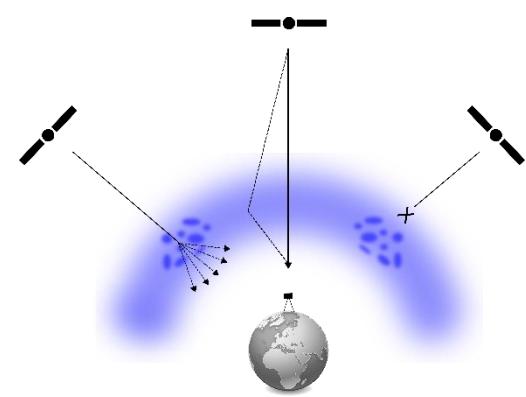


$$D_r^s = \sqrt{(X^s - X_r)^2 + (Y^s - Y_r)^2 + (Z^s - Z_r)^2}$$

$$\varepsilon_{r,k,m}^s \quad \varepsilon_{r,k,\phi}^s$$

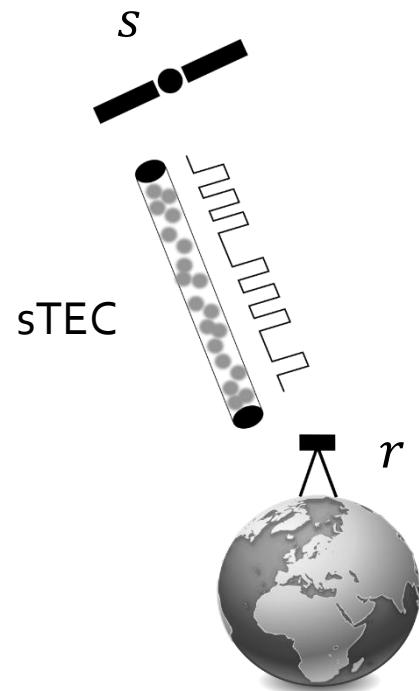
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Pseudorange measurements

Single Frequency

Single Point Single Epoch (SPSE) Technique

Real-Time / Post-Processing

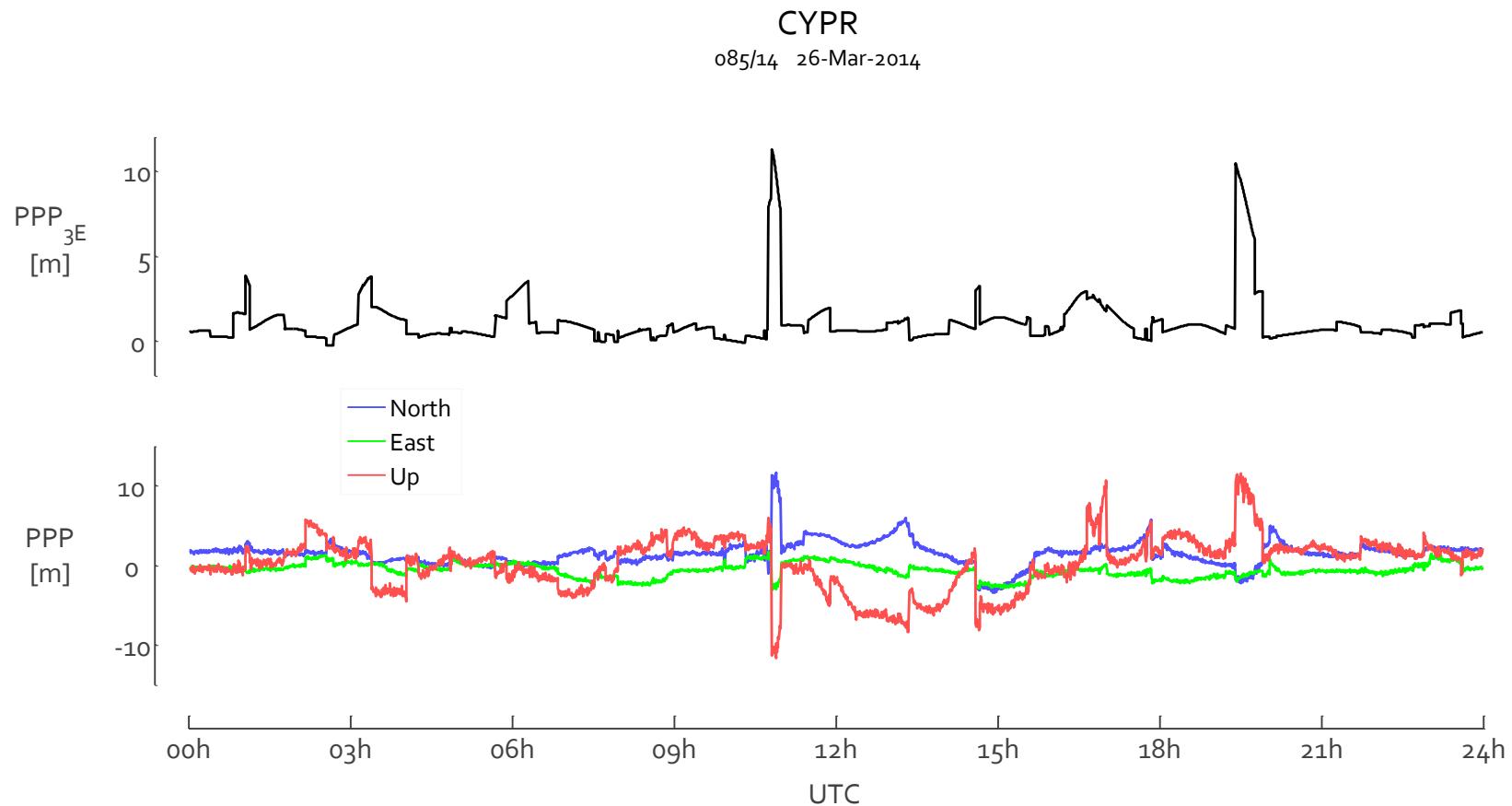
Static / Kinematic

Atmospheric Models (Ionosphere and Troposphere)

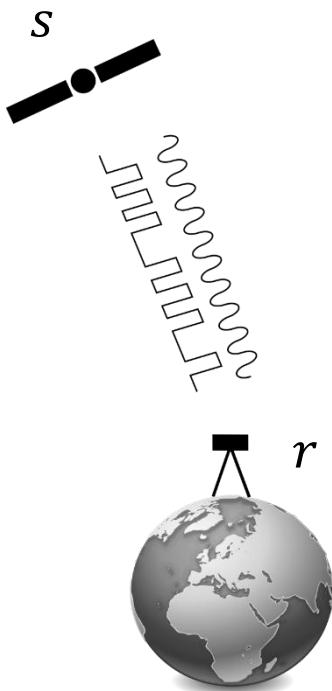
Broadcast Ephemeris

Least Square Adjustment (LSA)

The Standard Point Positioning ([SPP](#)) is an Elementary SF Positioning Algorithm



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Pseudorange and Carrier-Phase measurements

Ambiguity Resolution Process

Dual Frequency

Real-Time / Post-Processing

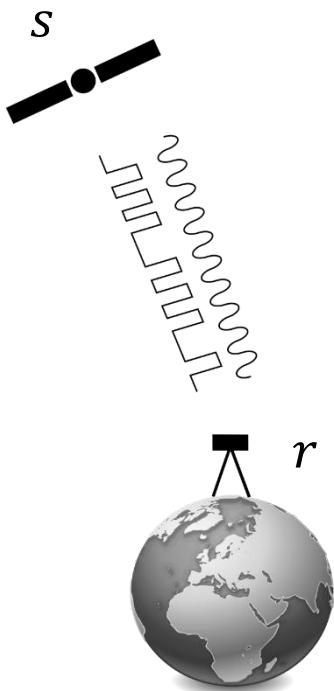
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Strategies against atmospheric effects (Ionosphere Free Model)

Precise Products: Ephemeris / Code-Phase Delays / Antenna

Sequential Least Squares Adjustment (Filter)

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**Mathematical Model: Ionosphere-Free + Precise Products**

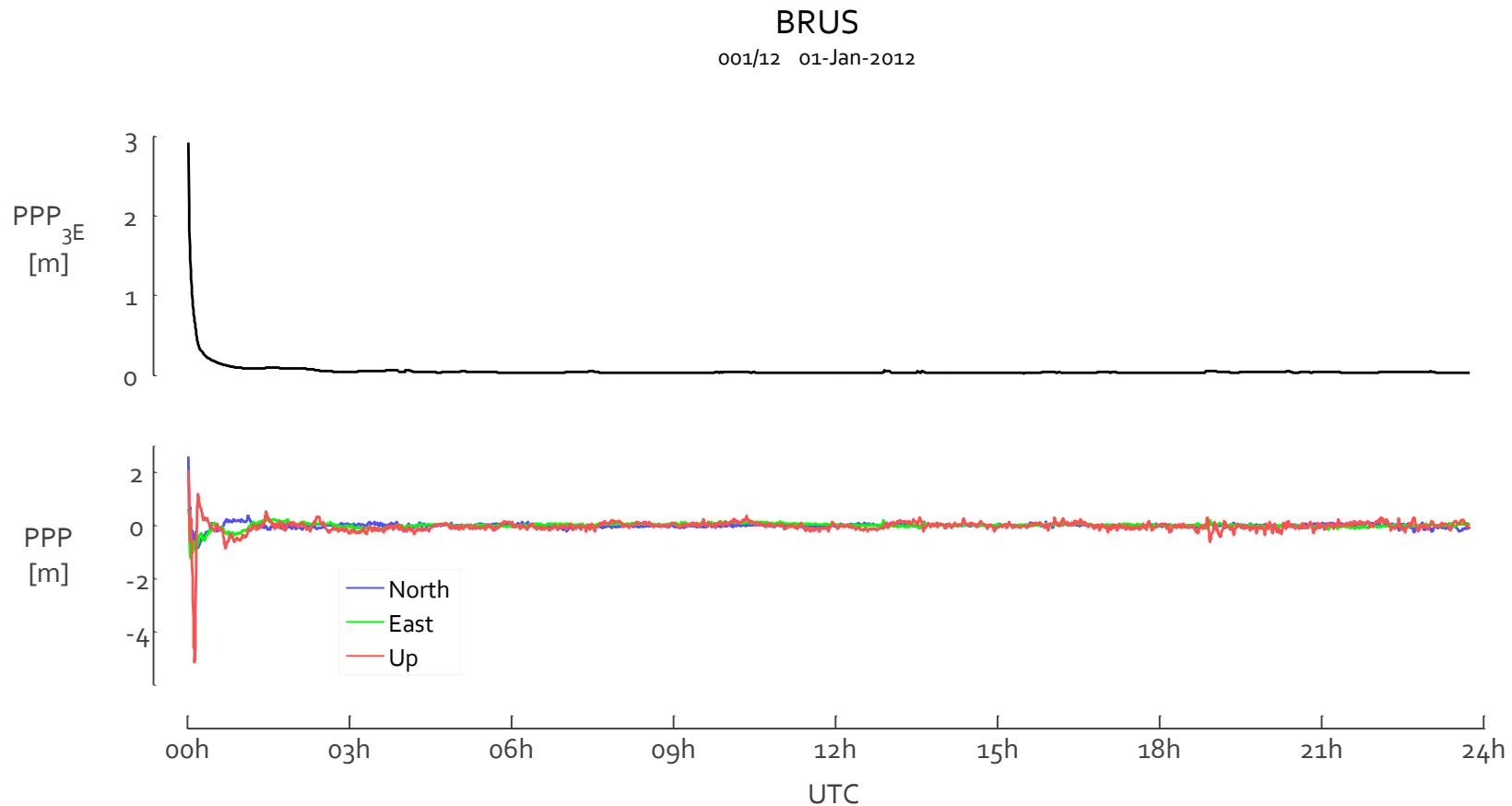
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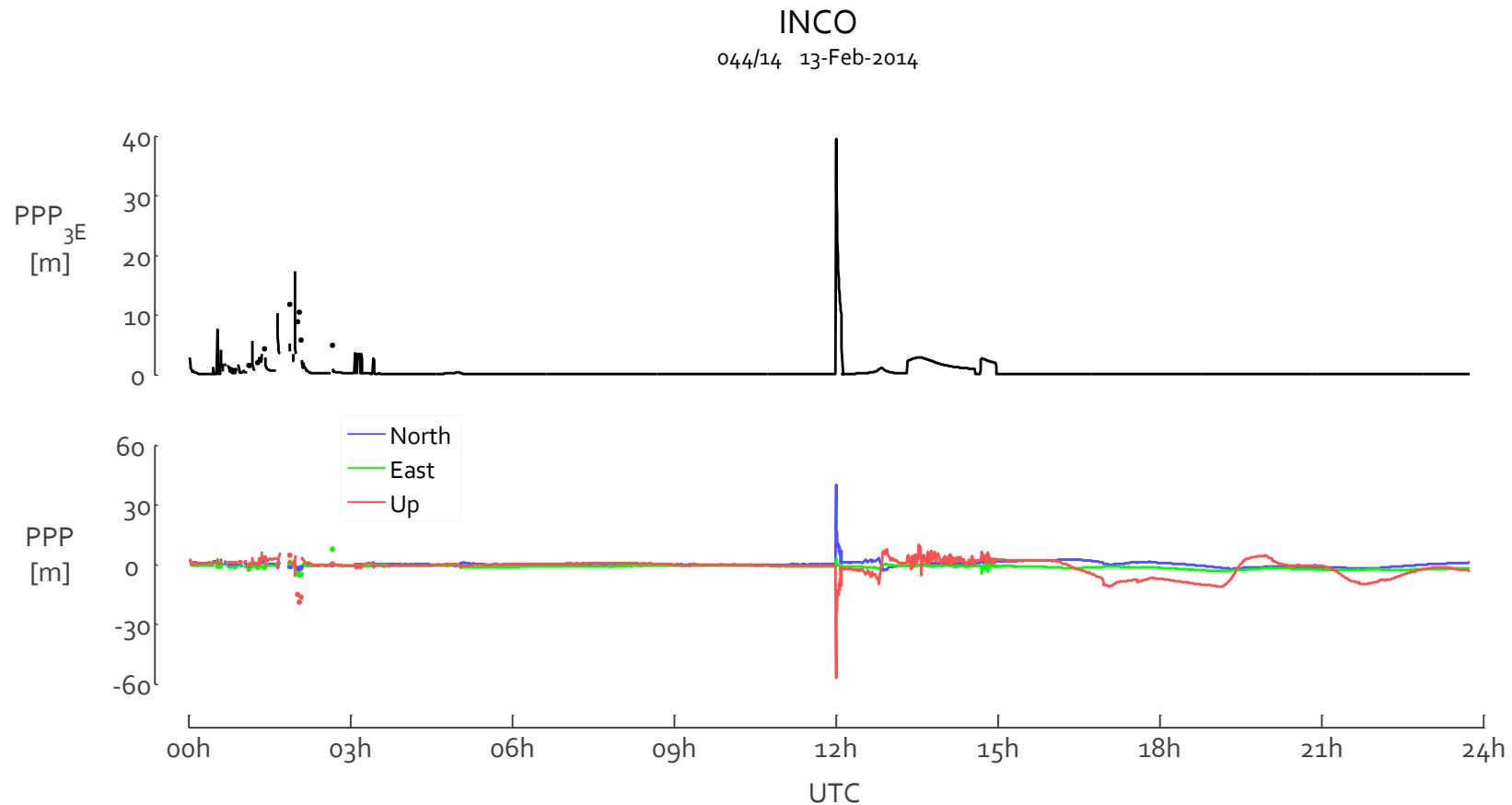
**Stochastic Model**

Solution: Sequential Least Square Adjustment (Filter)

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The Precise Point Positioning (PPP) is highly Sensitive  
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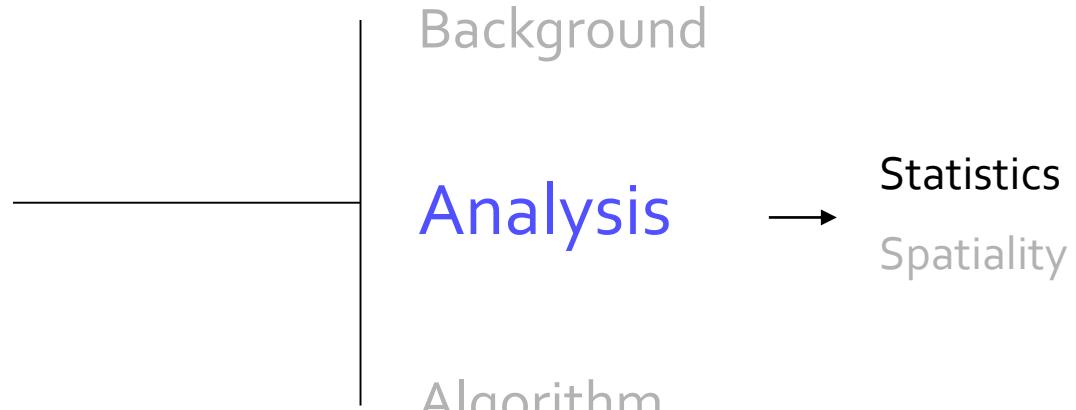
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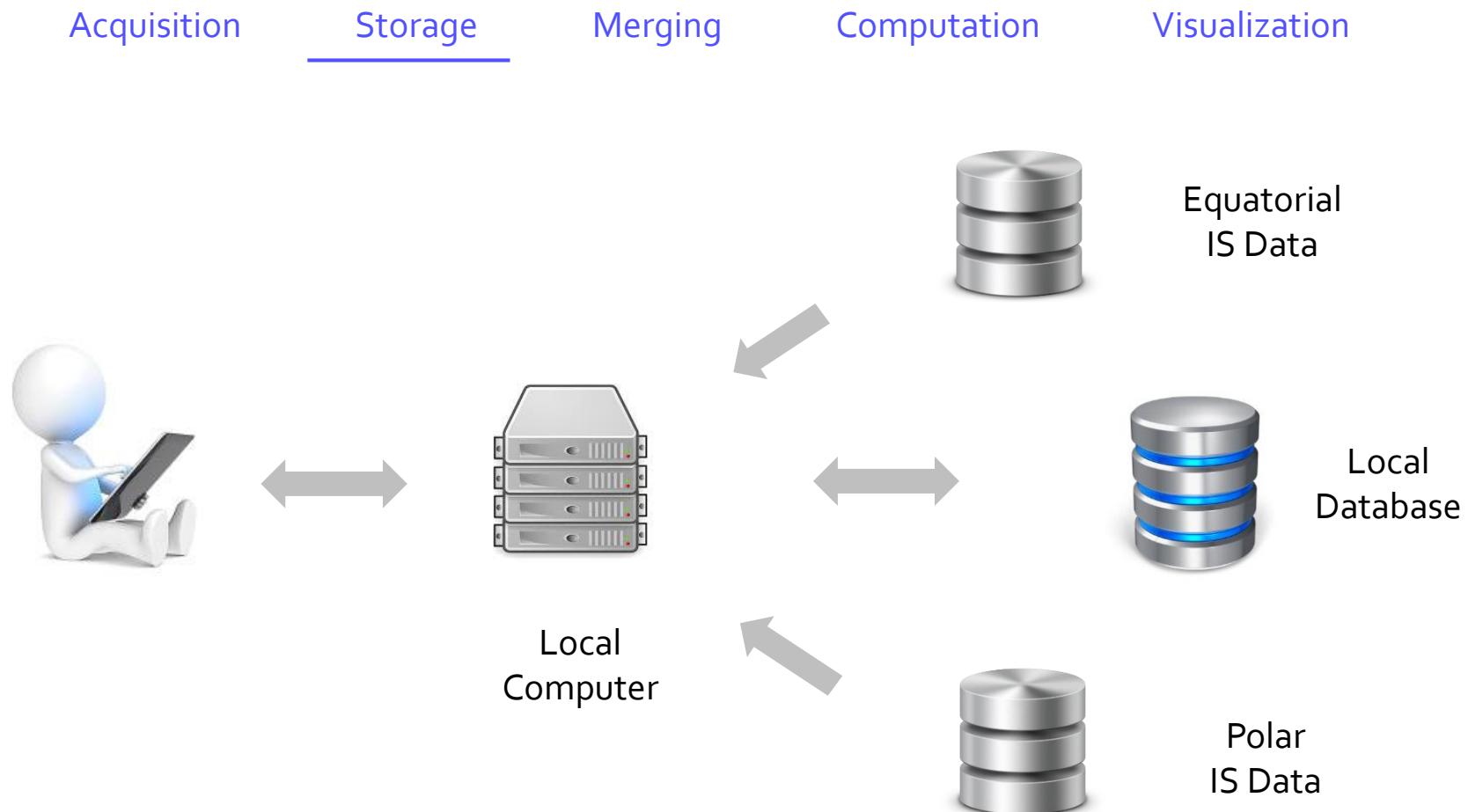
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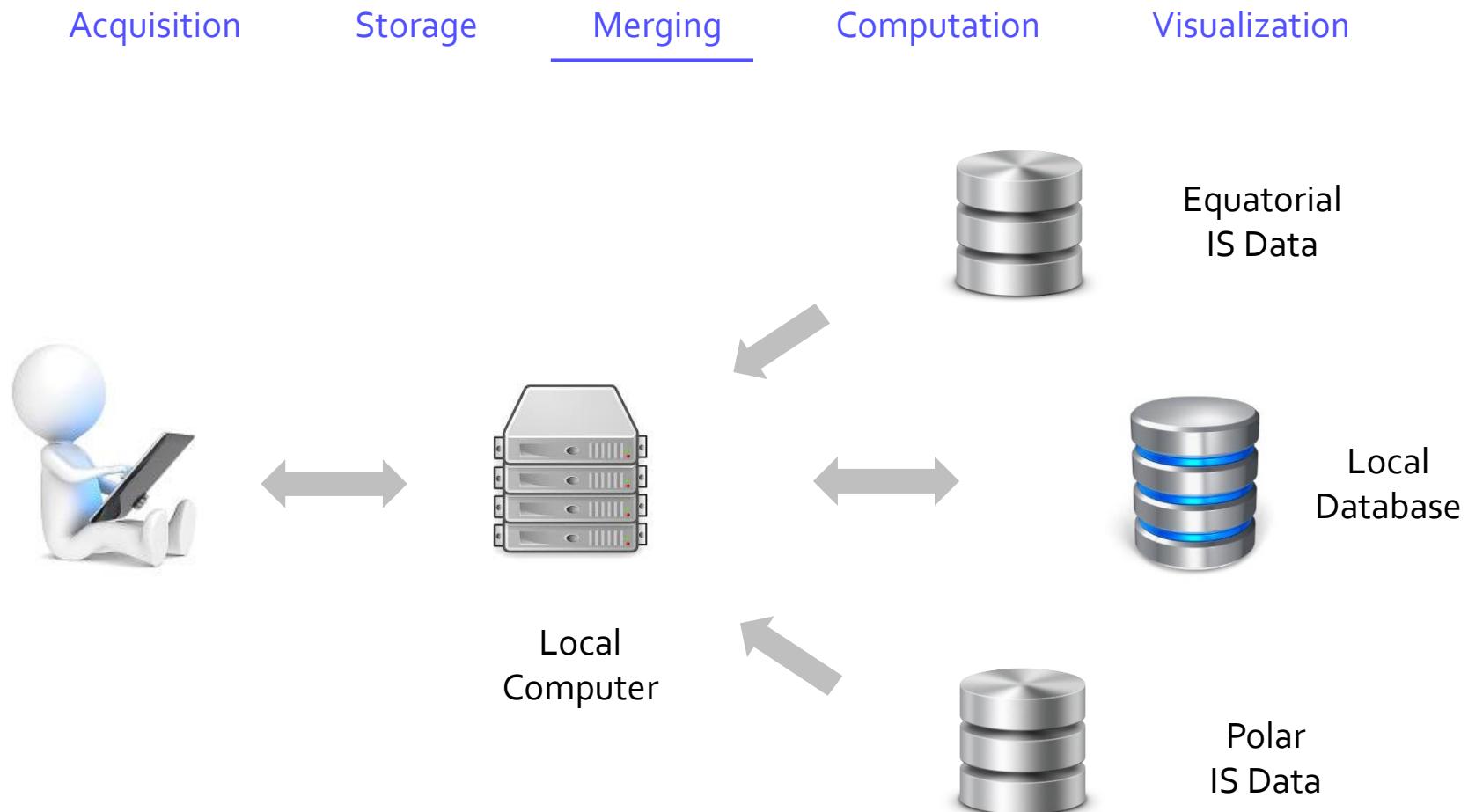


- O RINEX Observation
- P RINEX Navigation (M-GNSS)
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- D Geomagnetic DST
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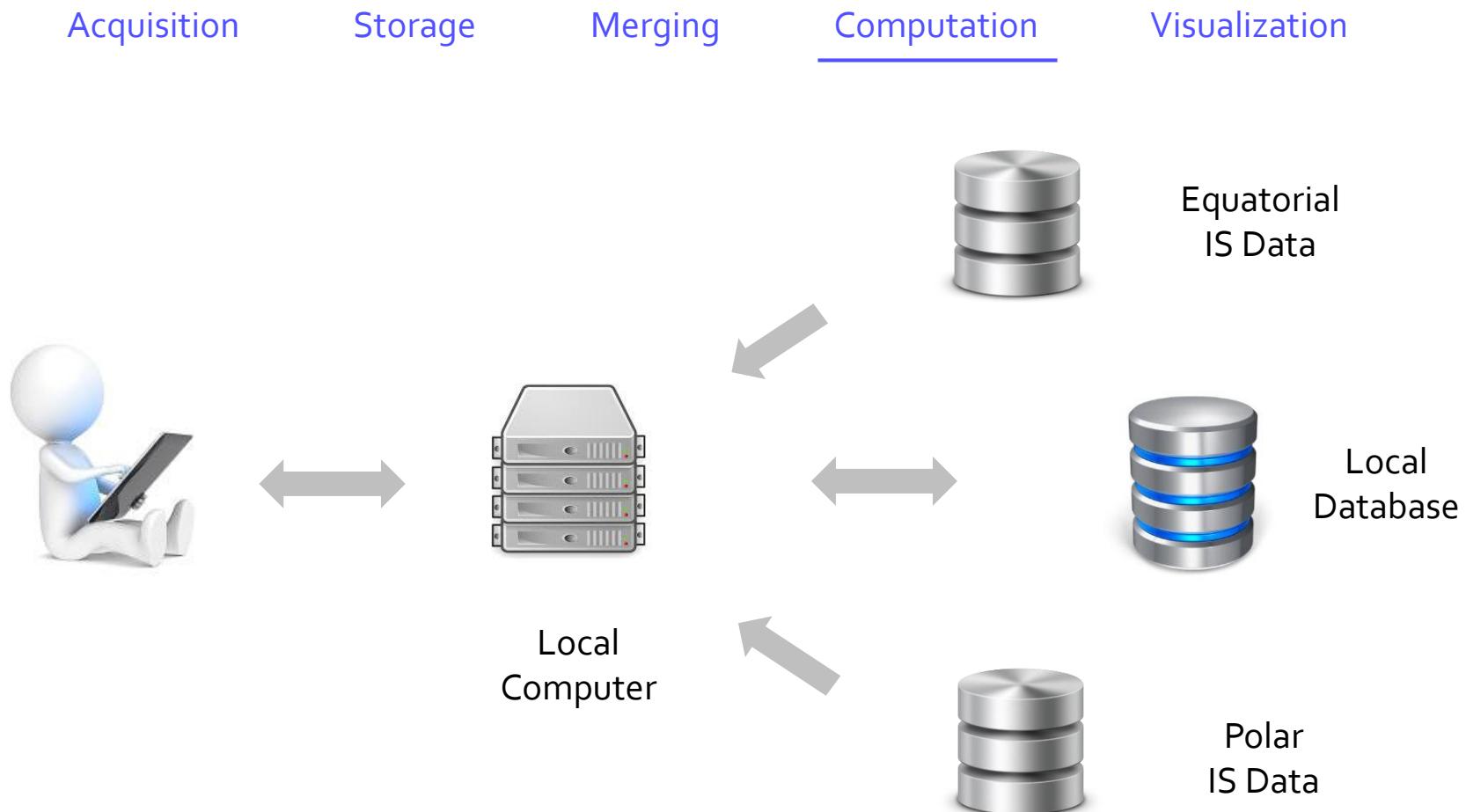
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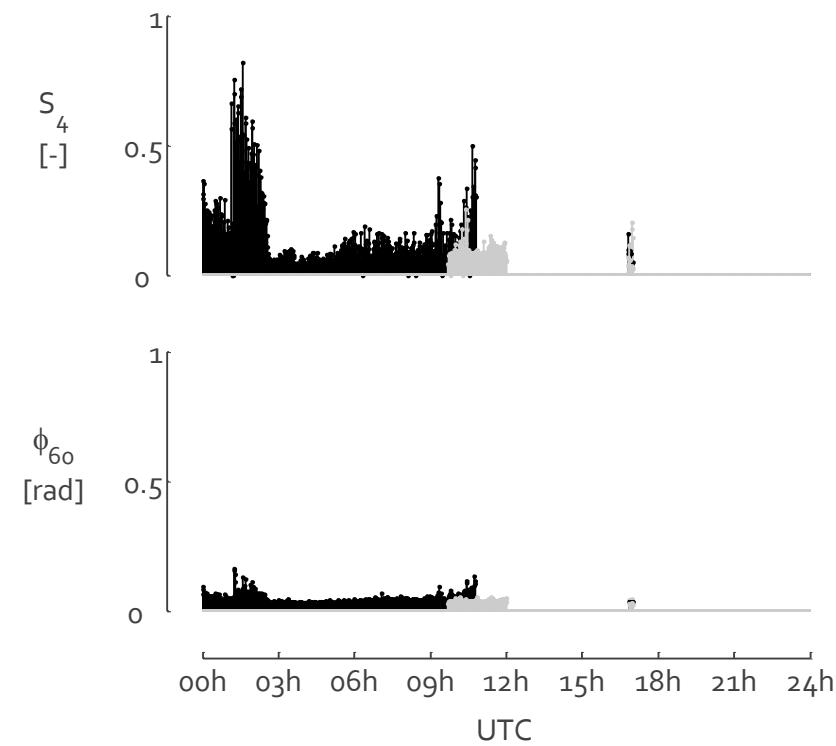
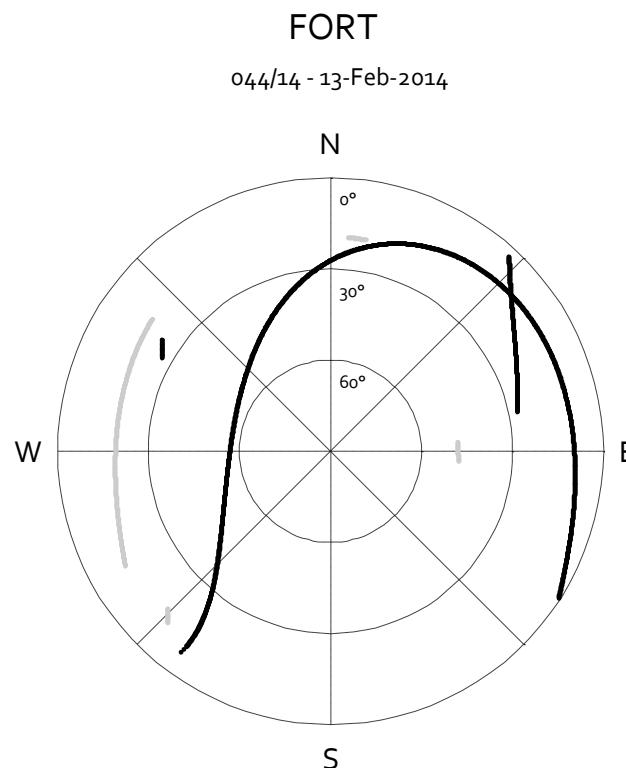
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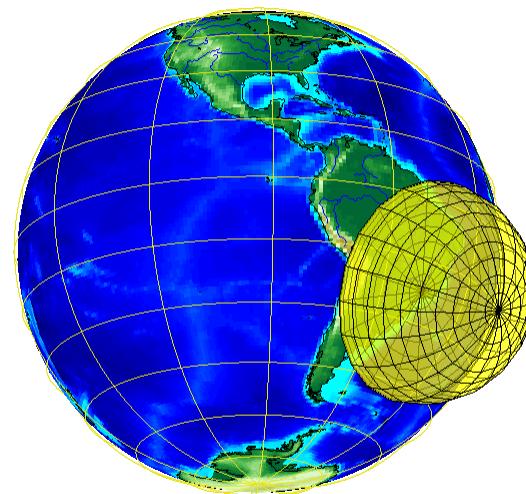
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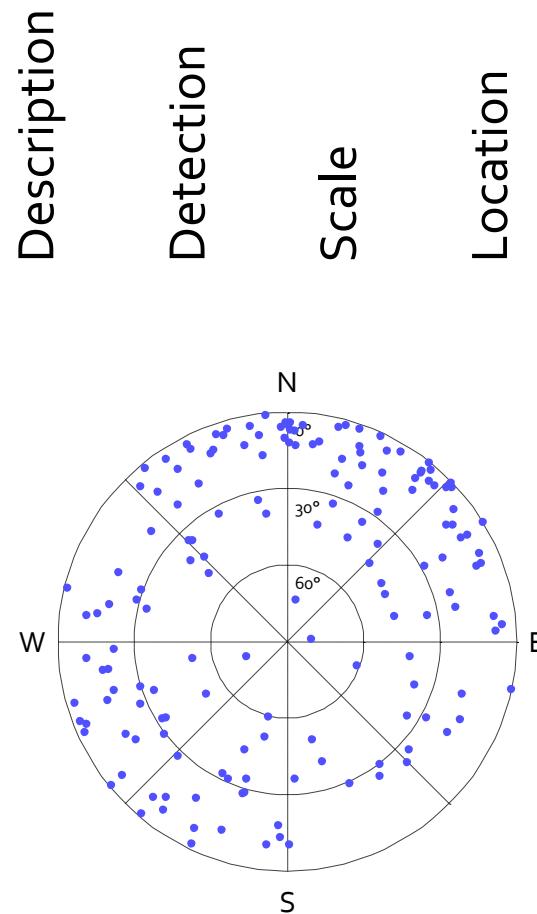
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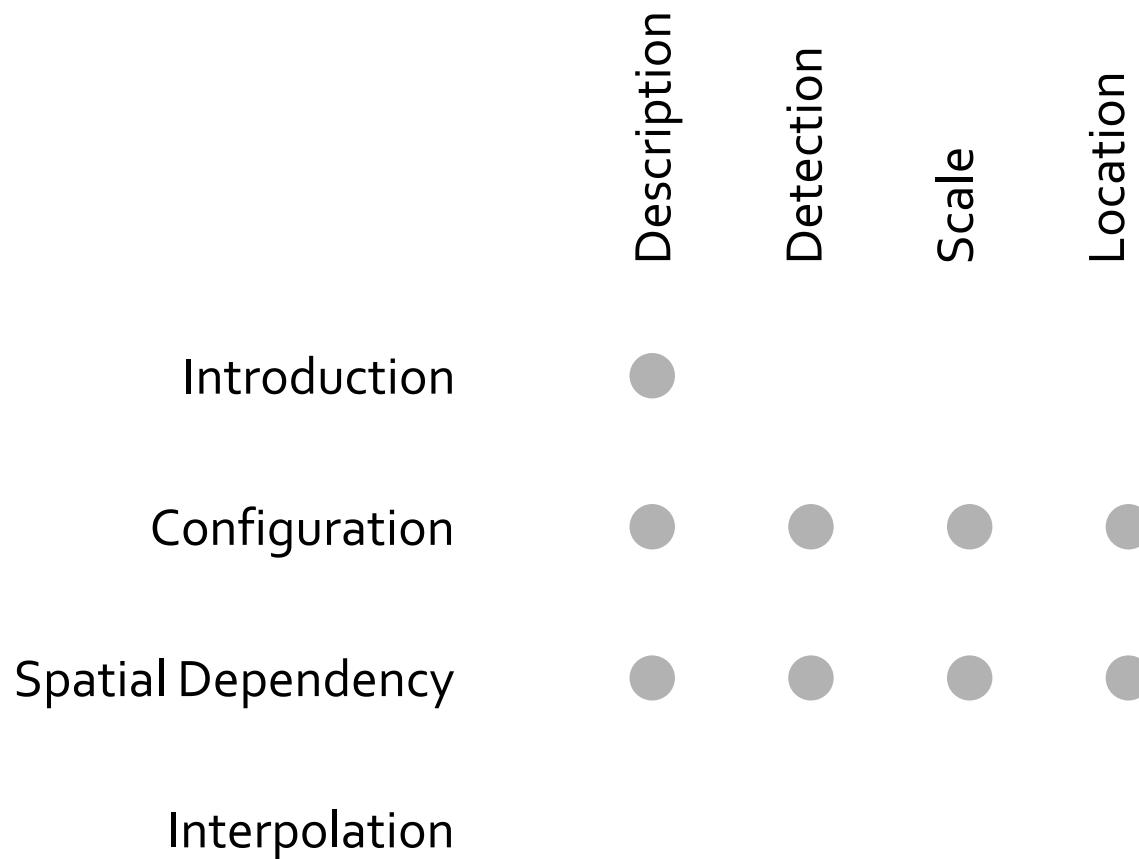
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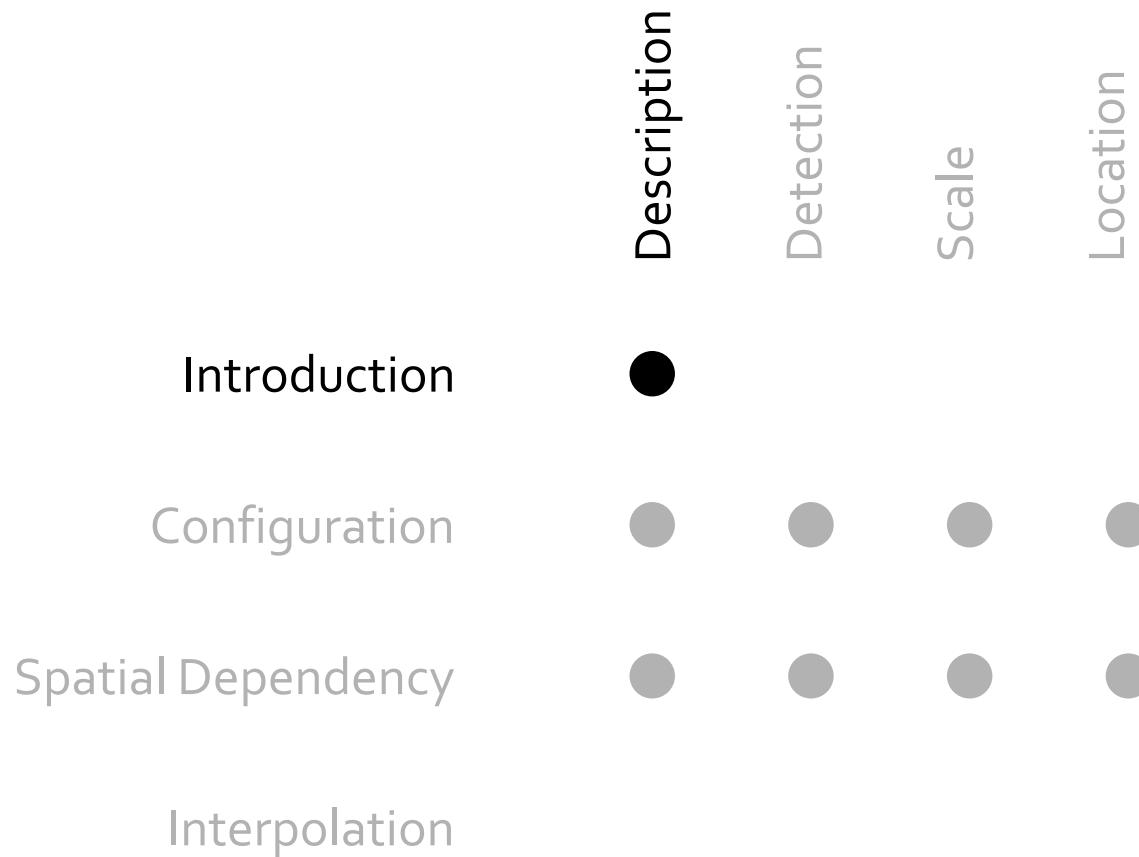
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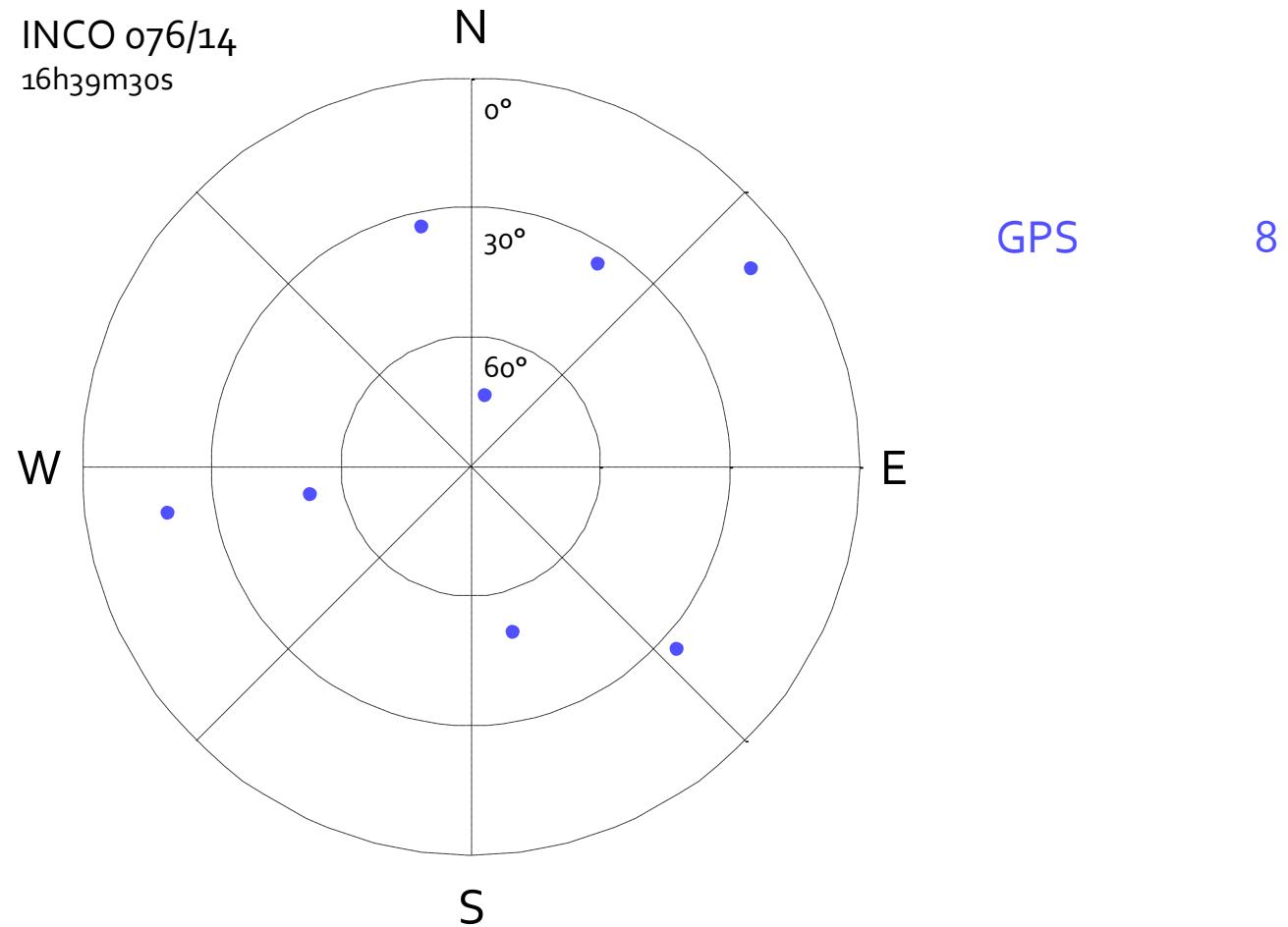
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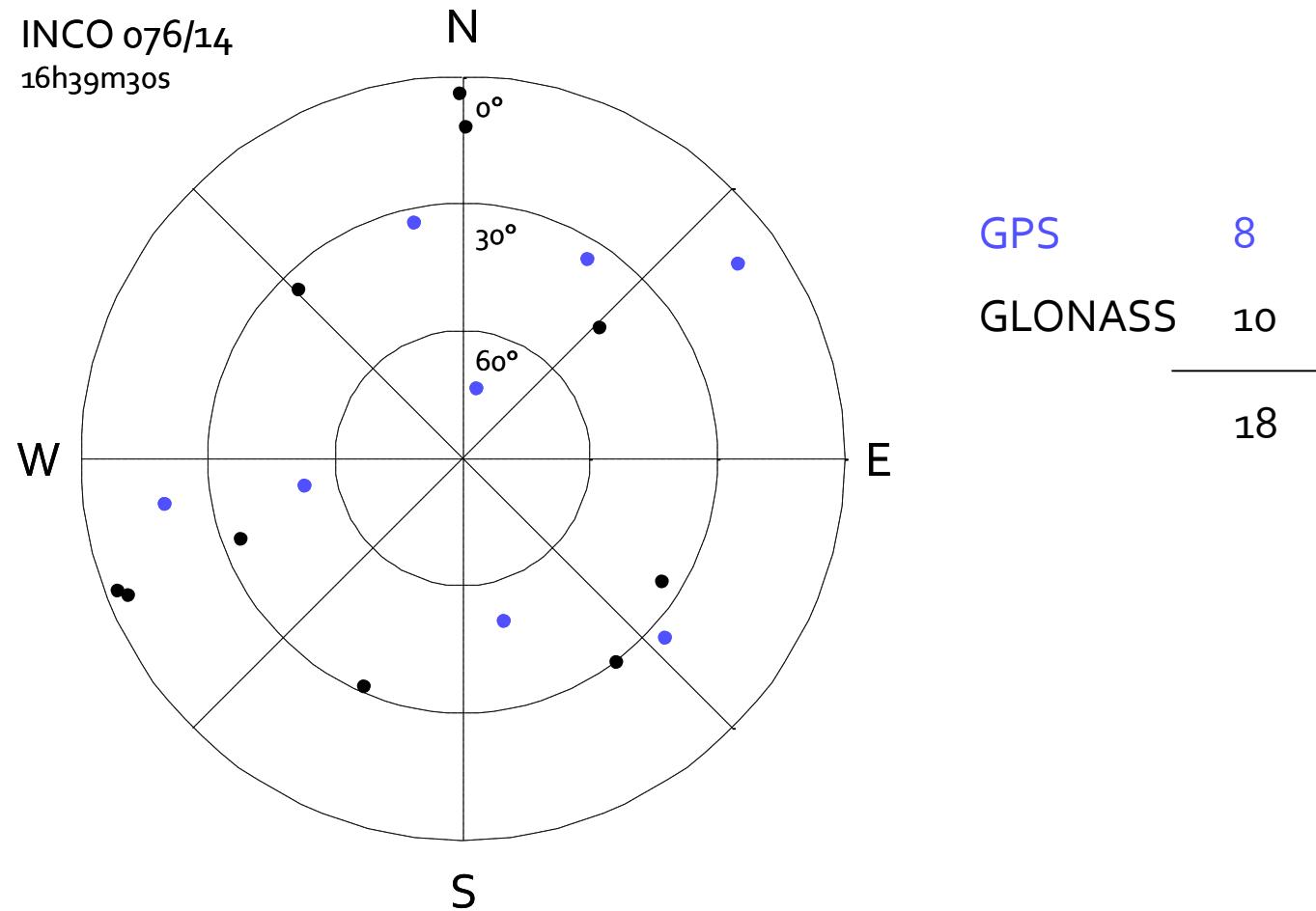




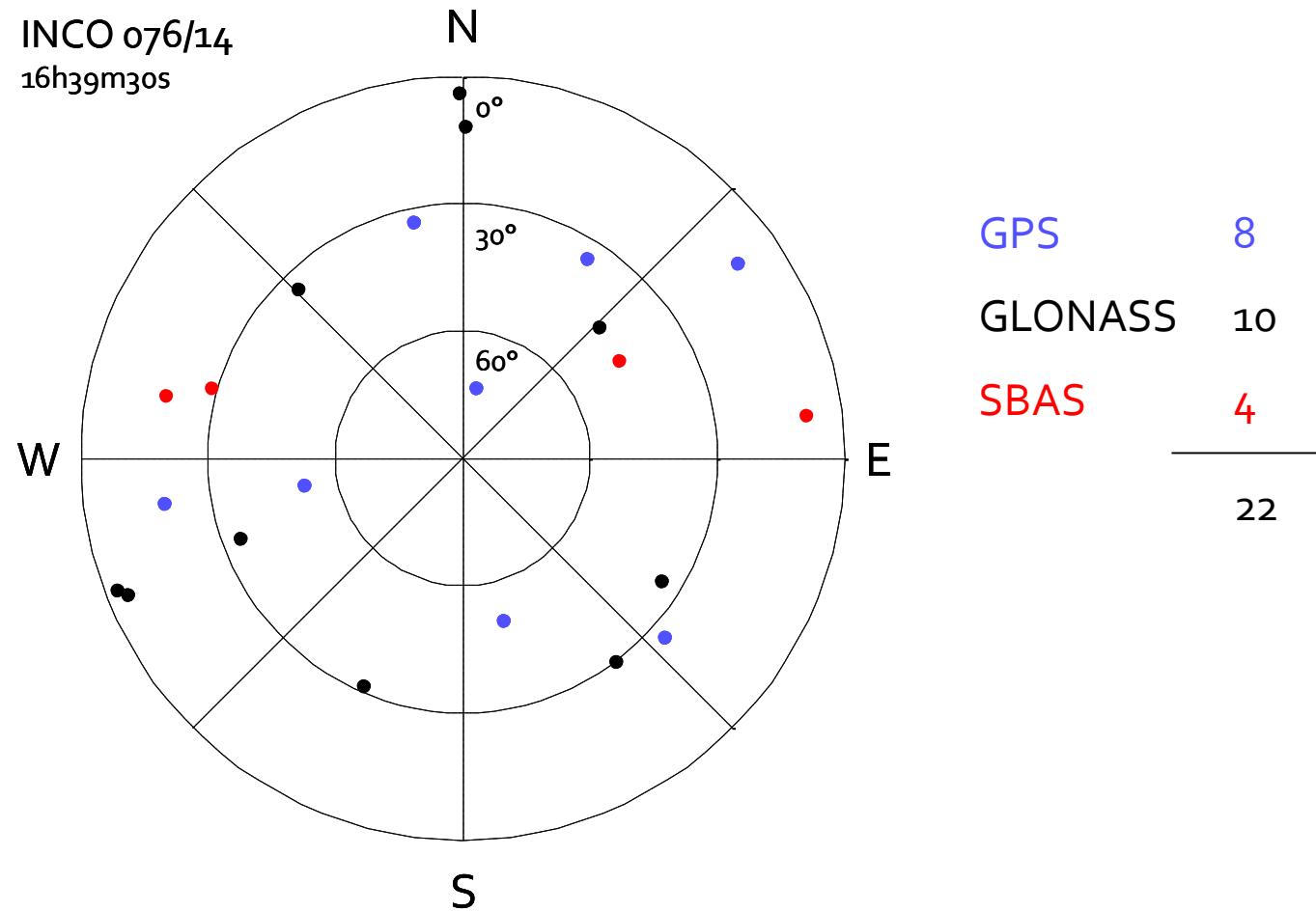
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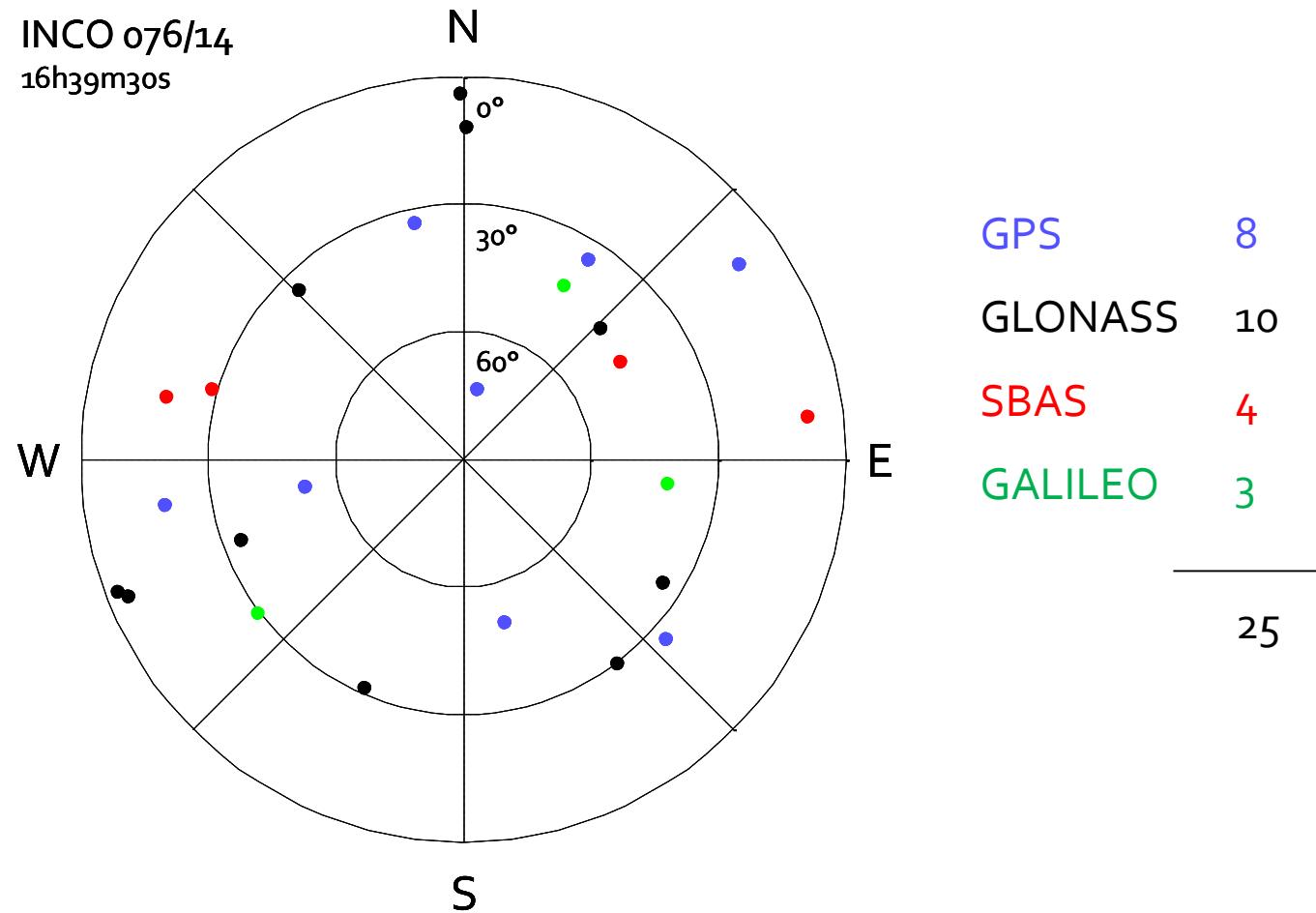
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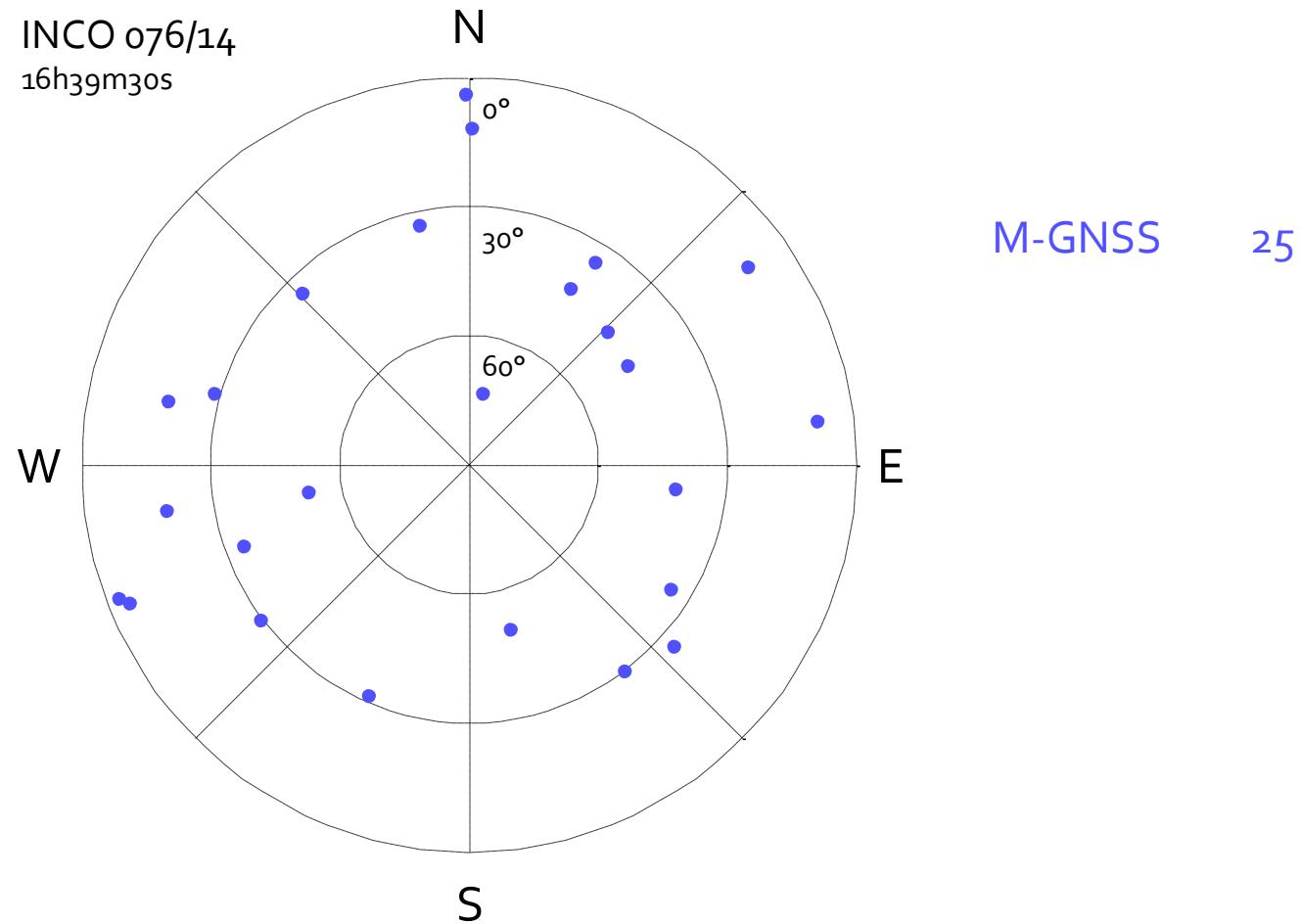
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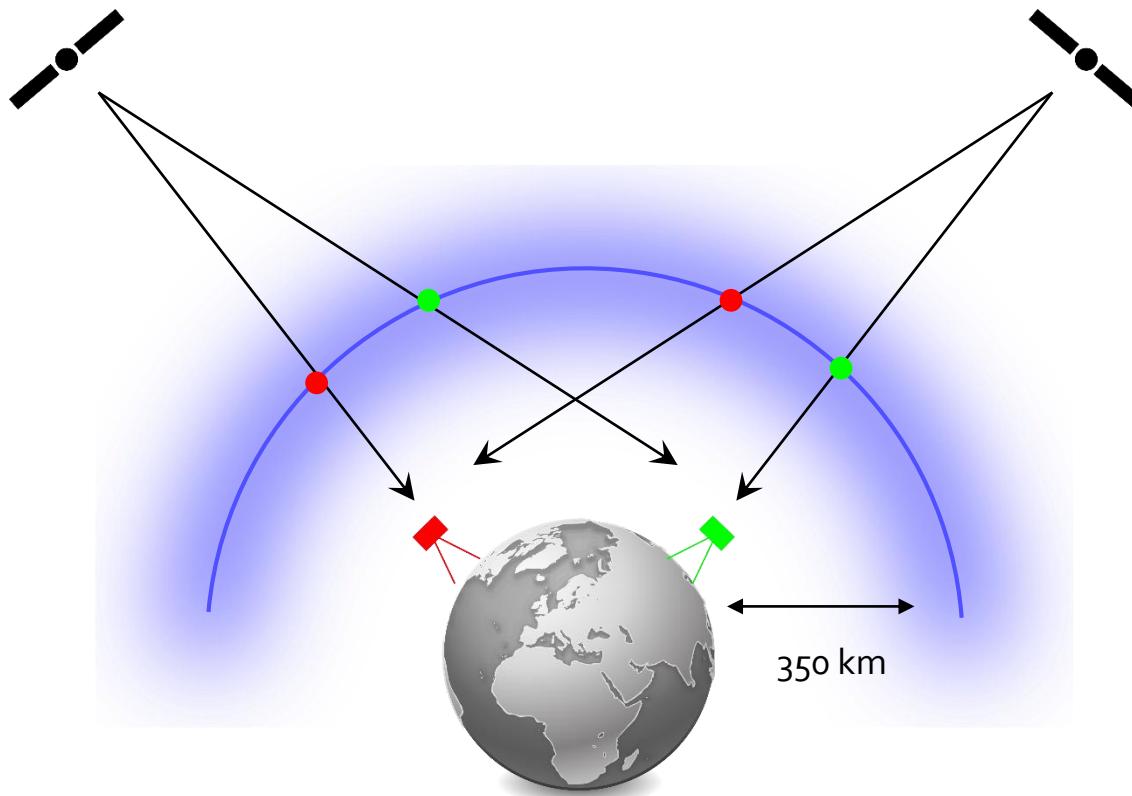
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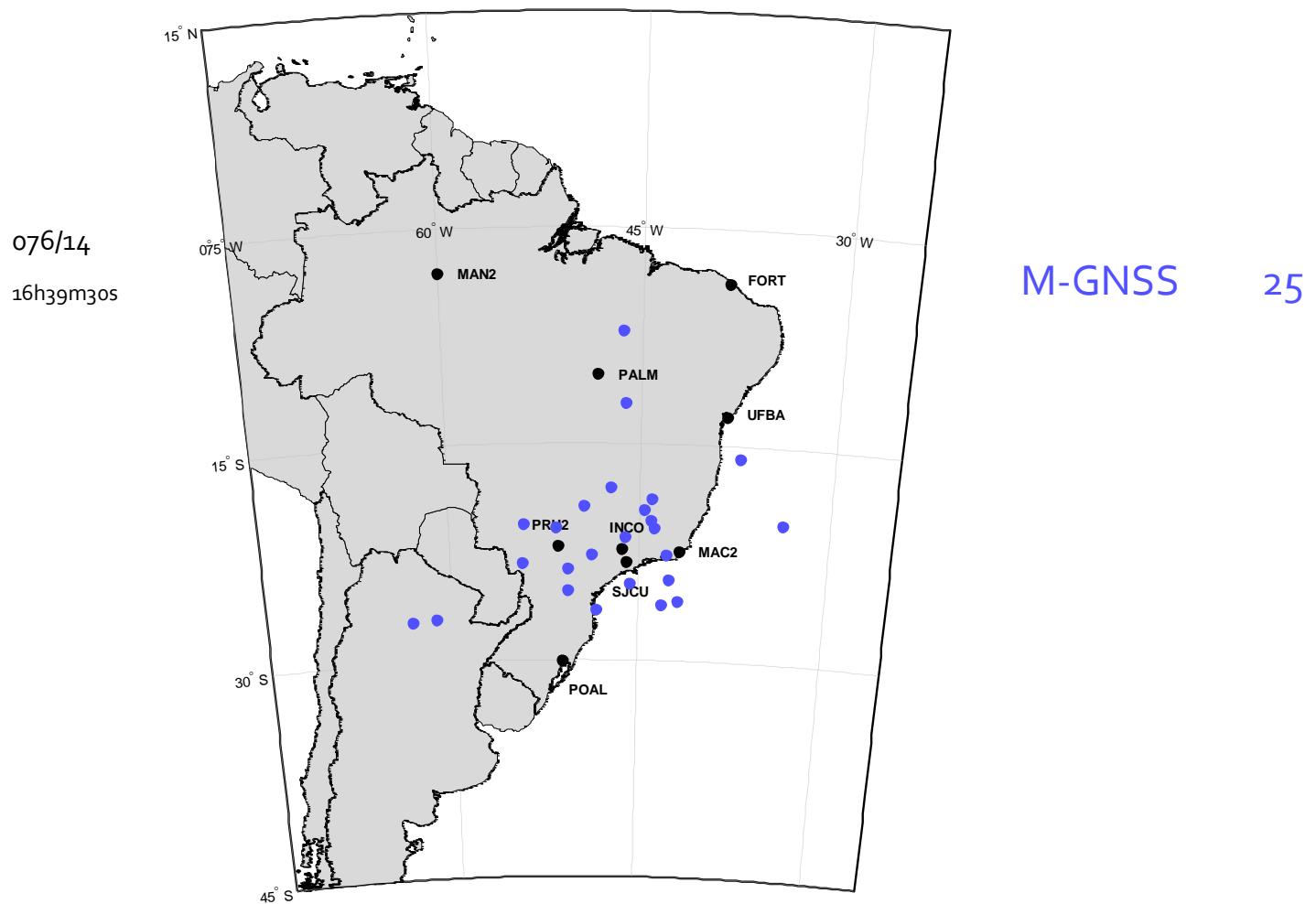
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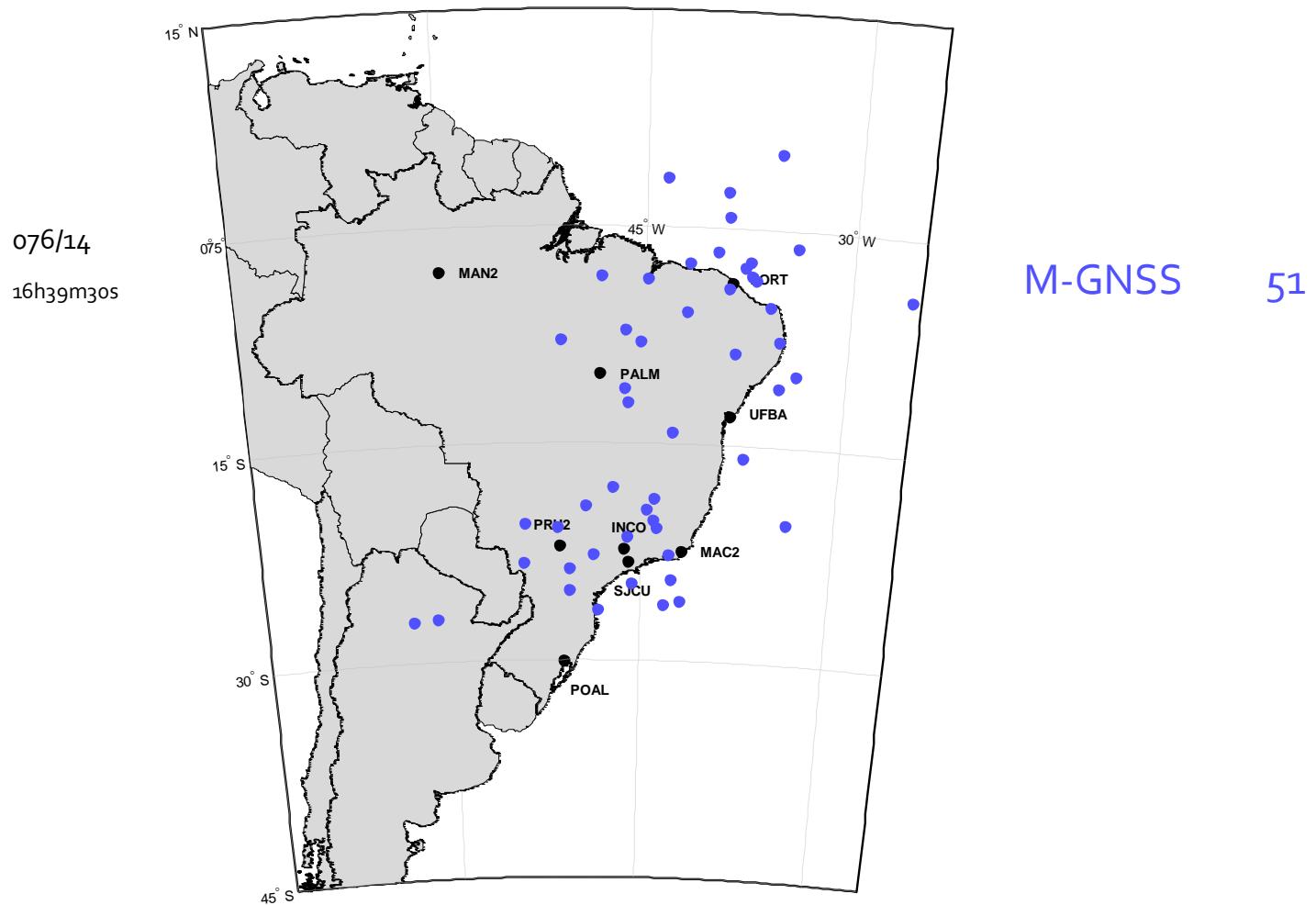
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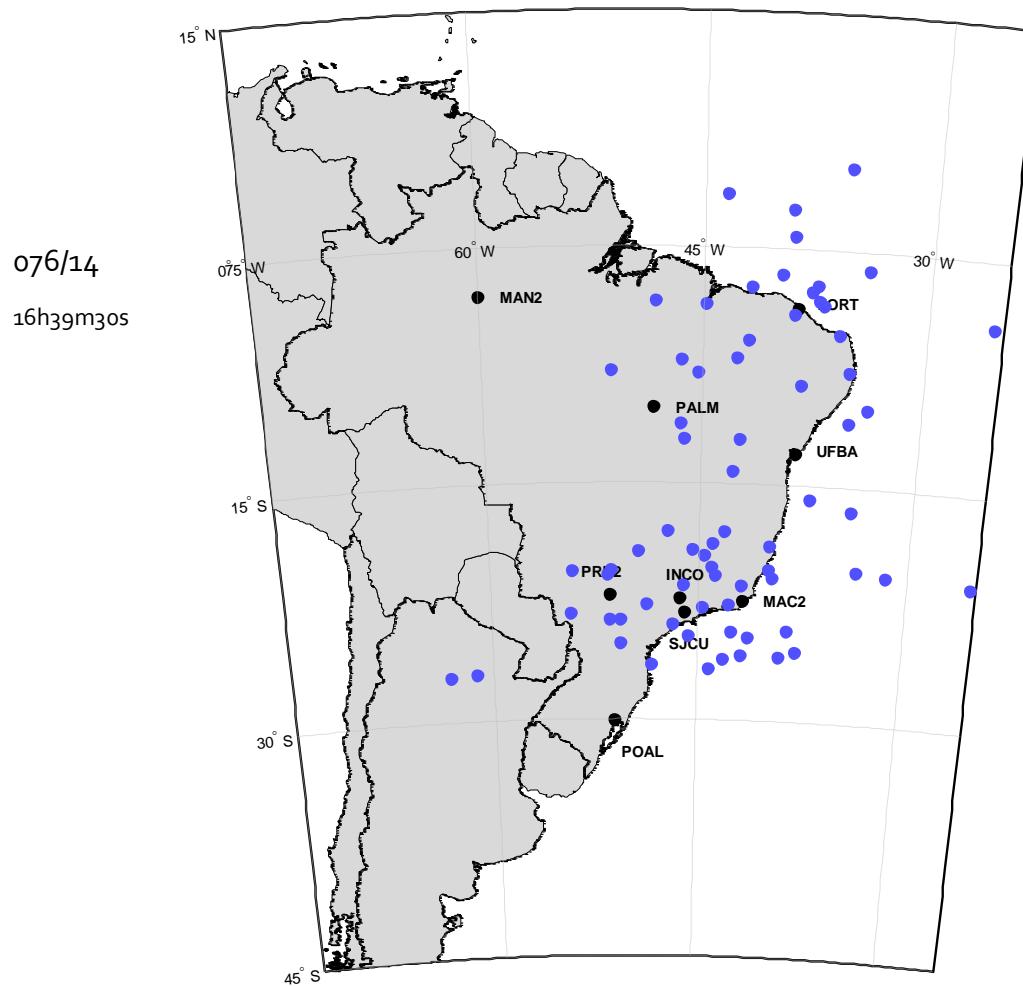
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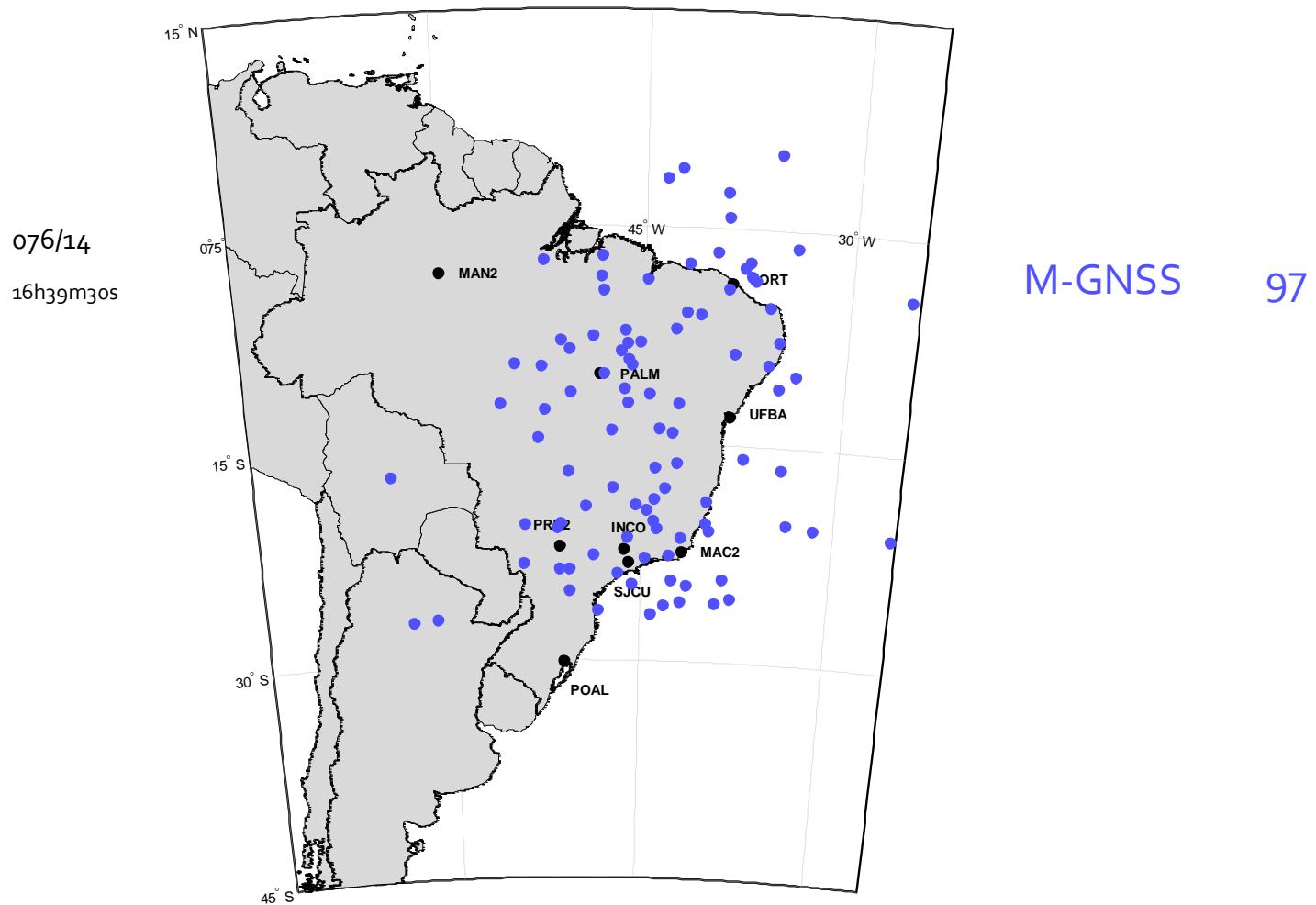
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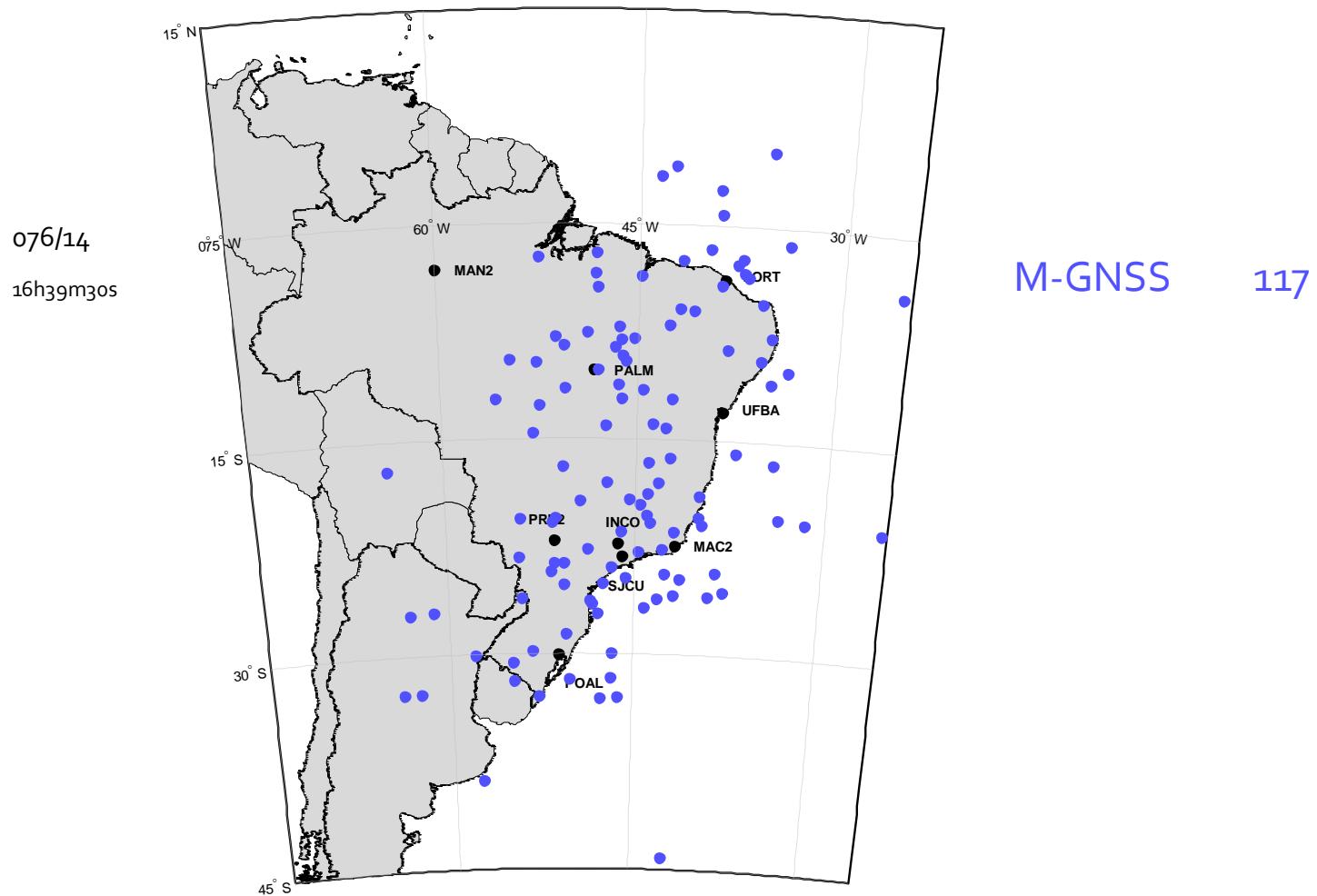
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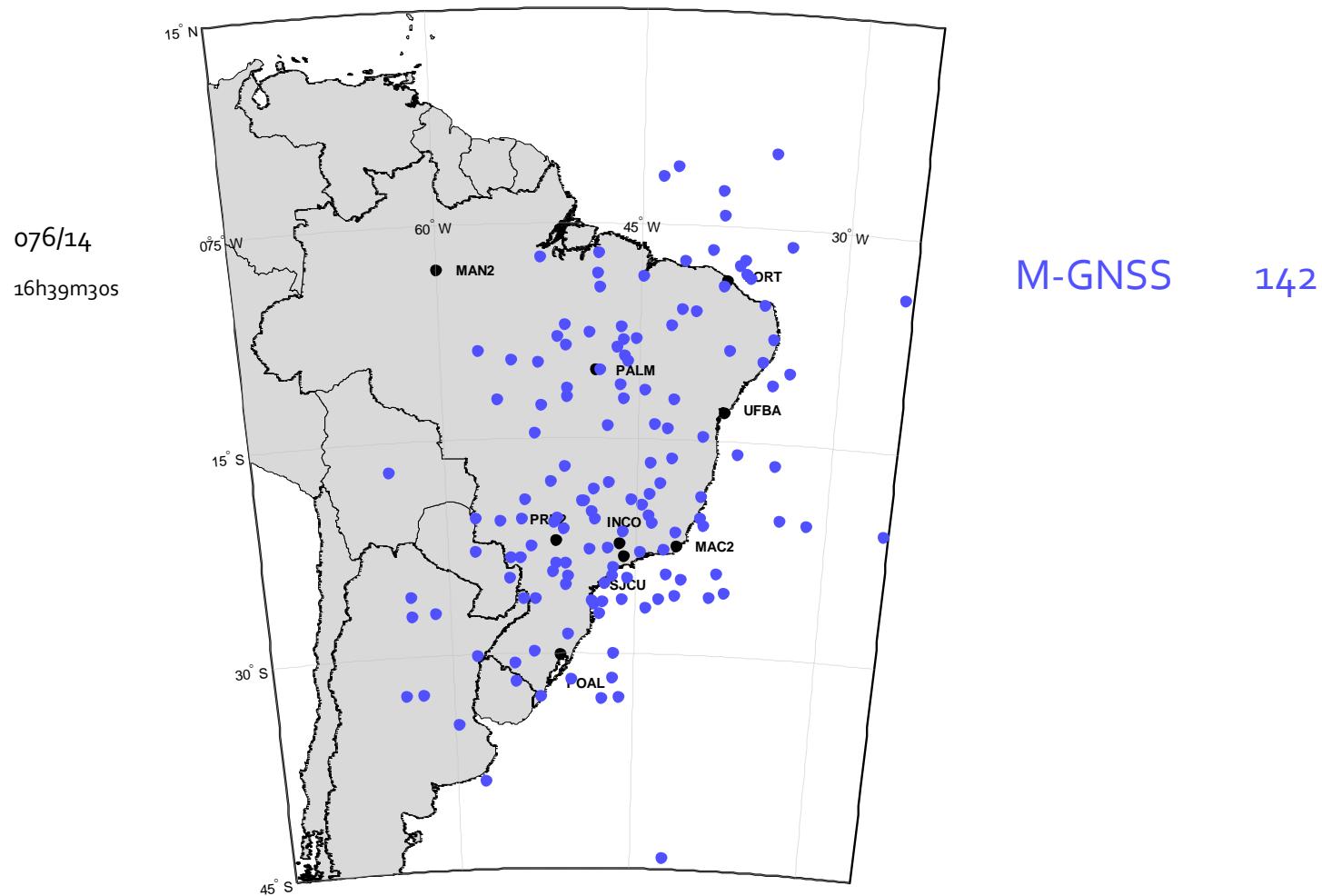
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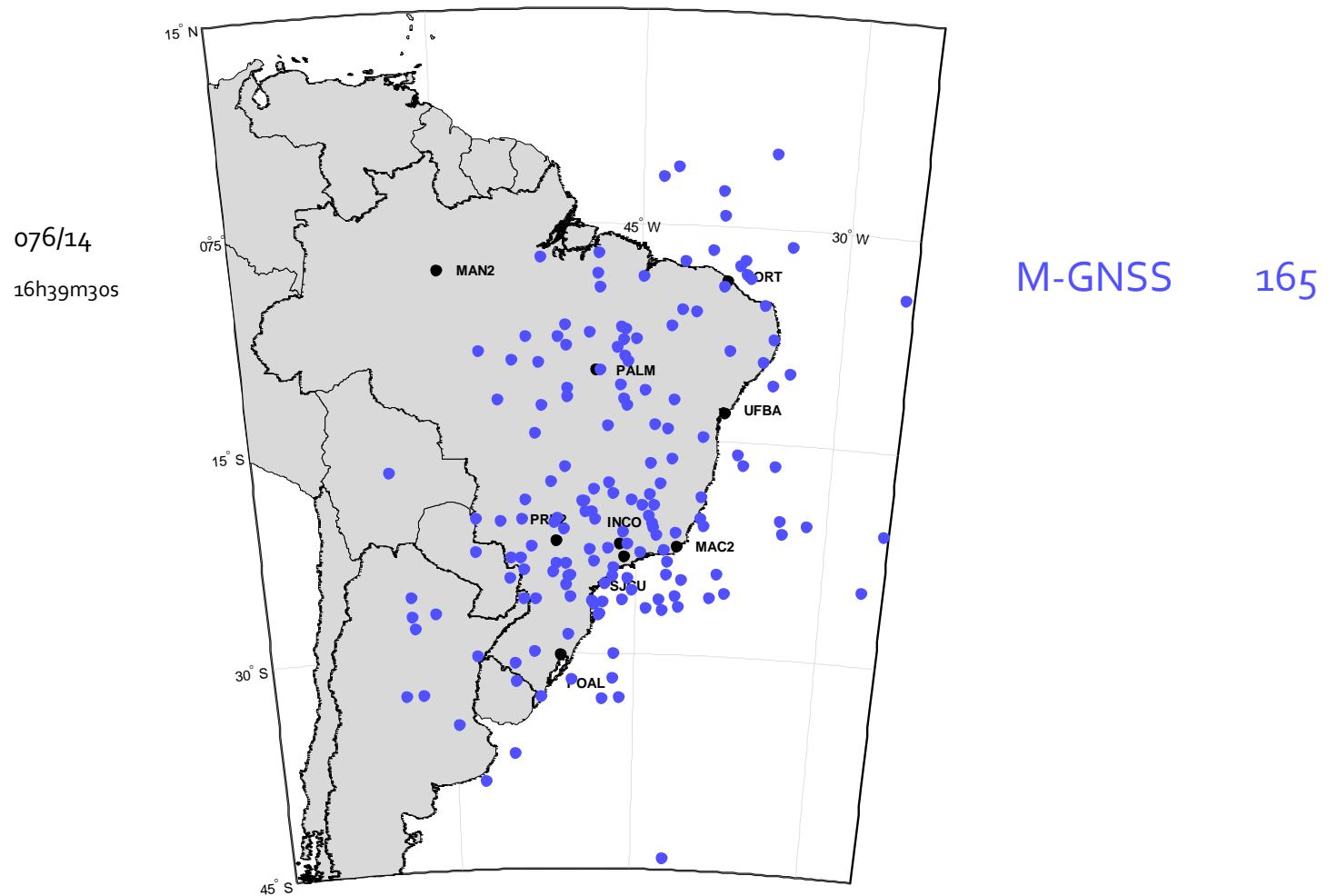
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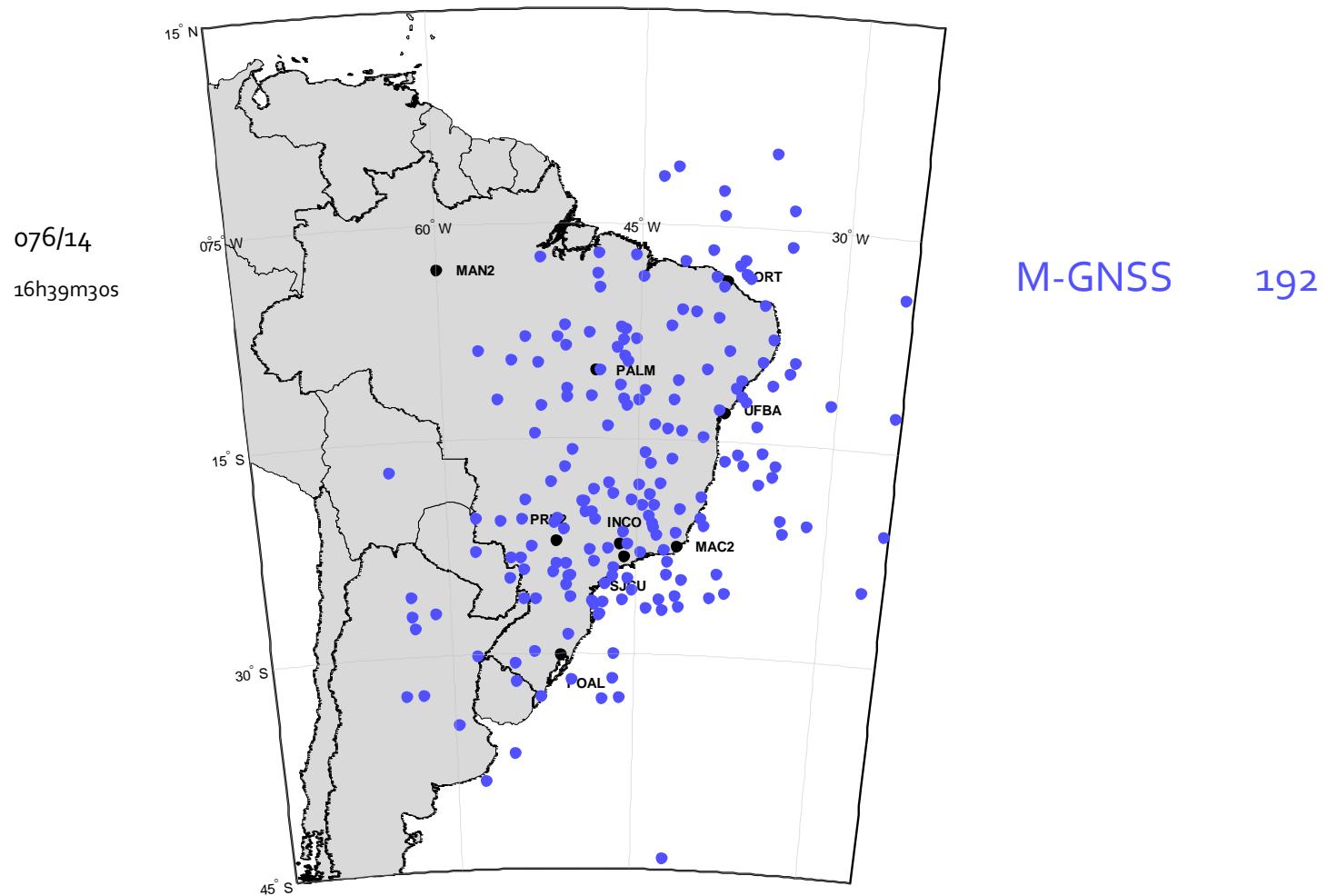
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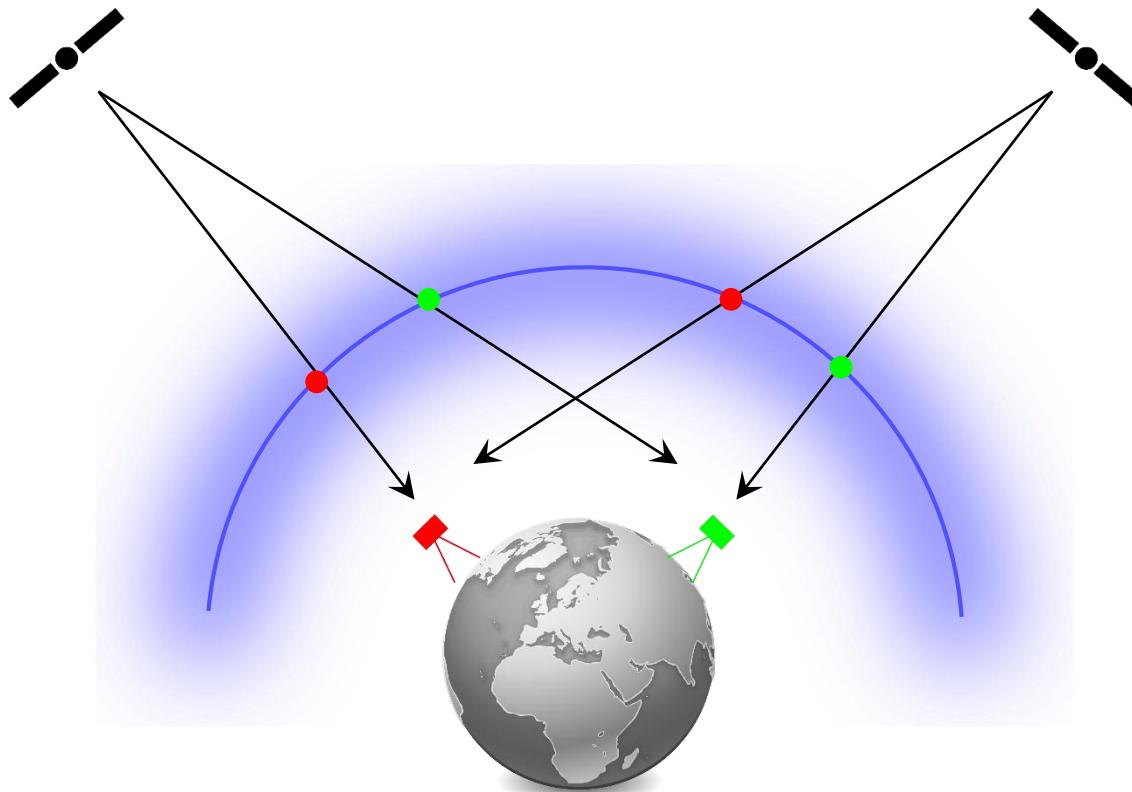
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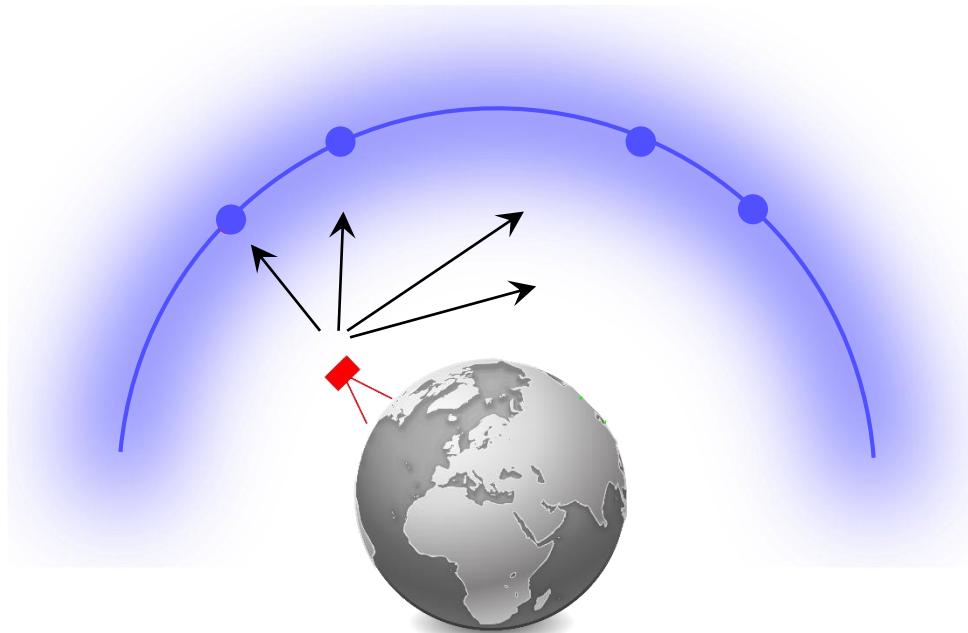
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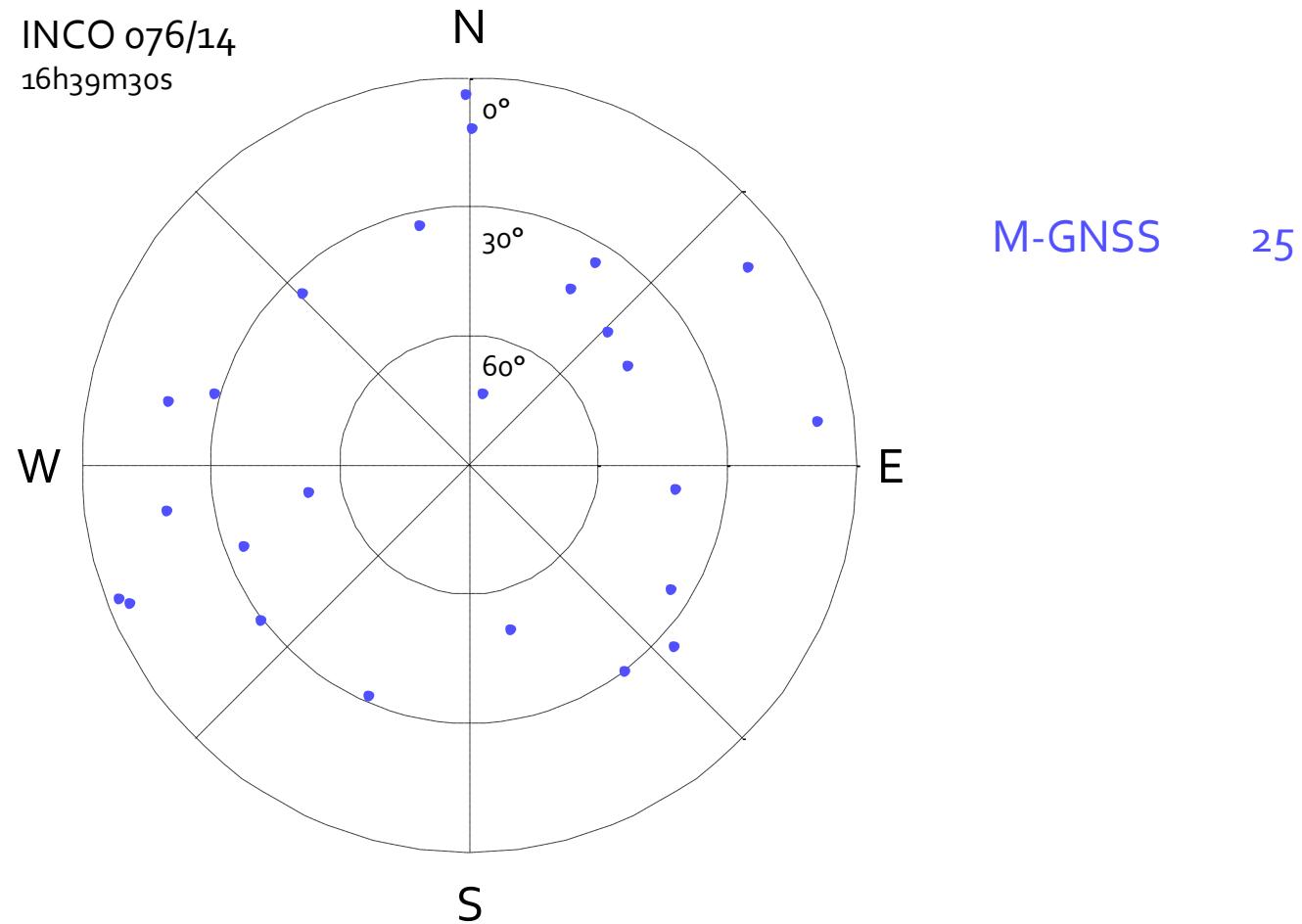
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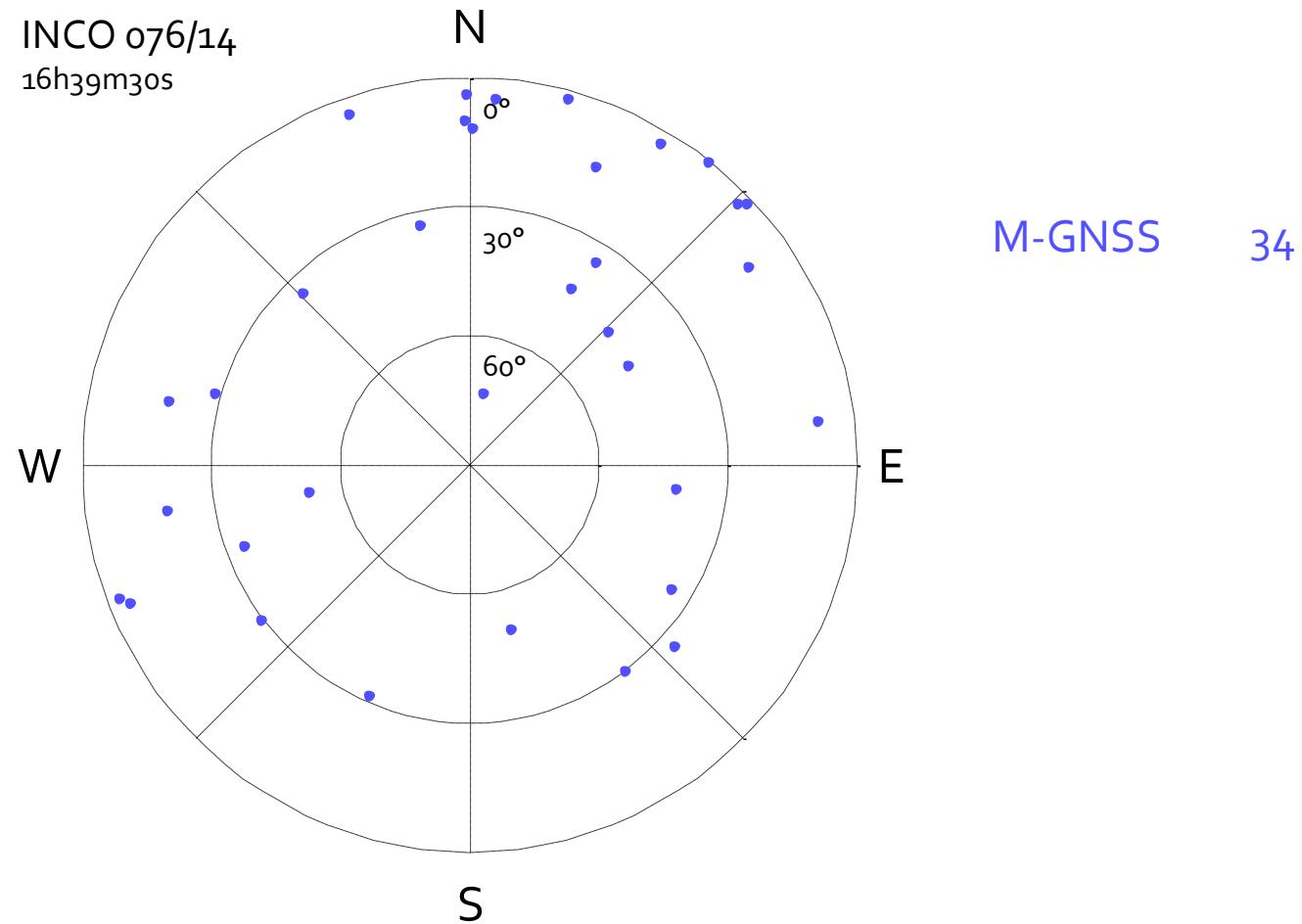
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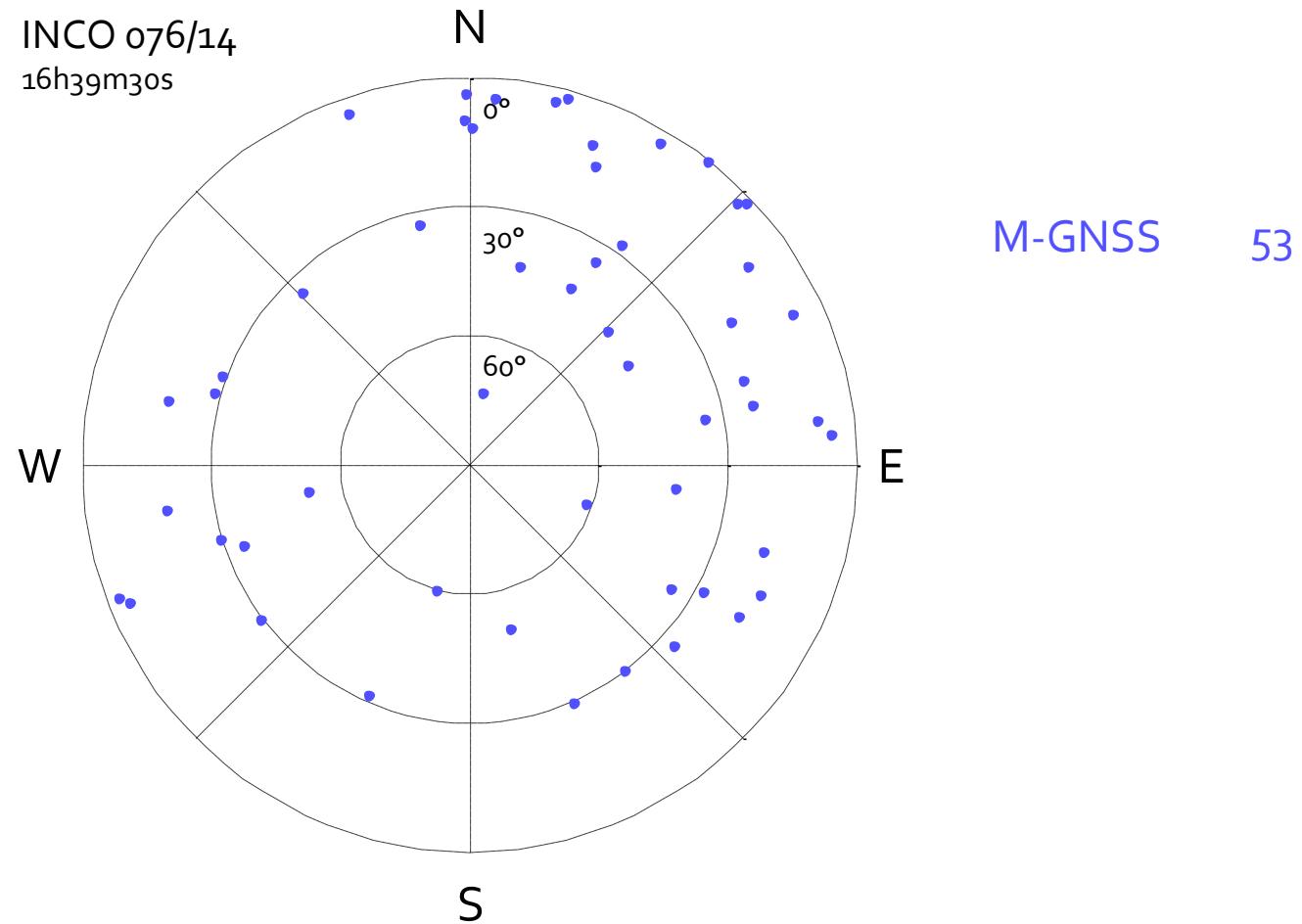
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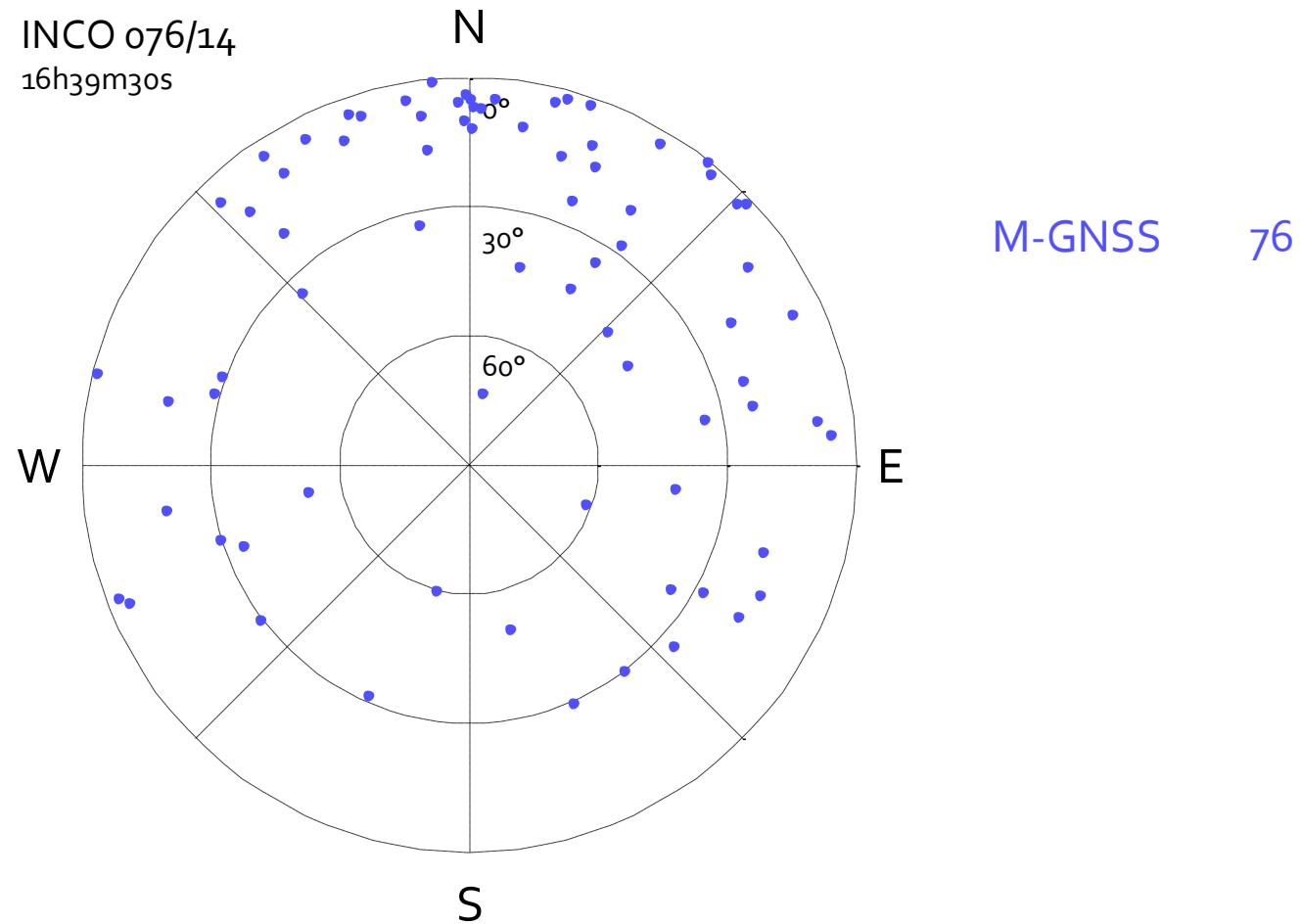
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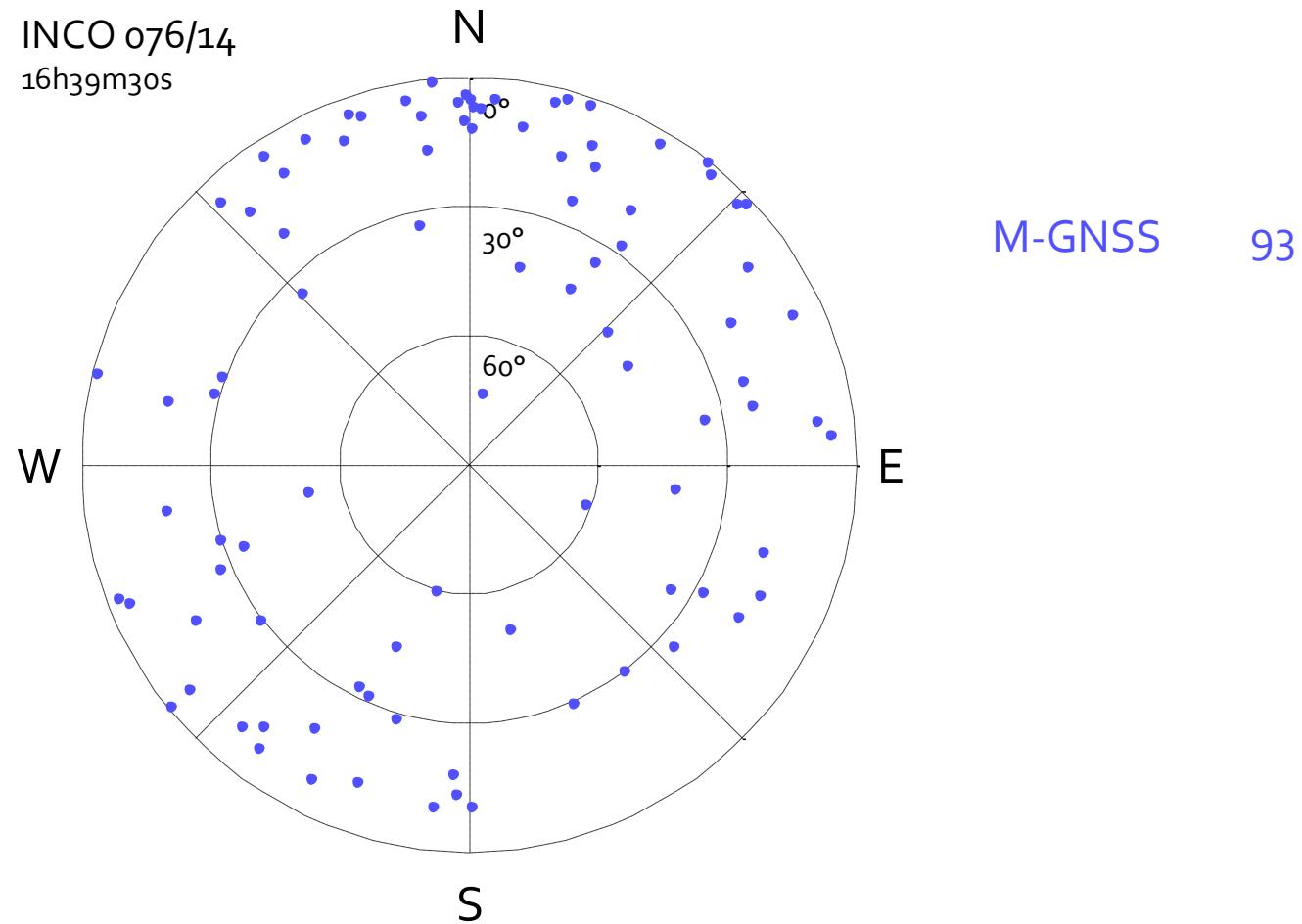
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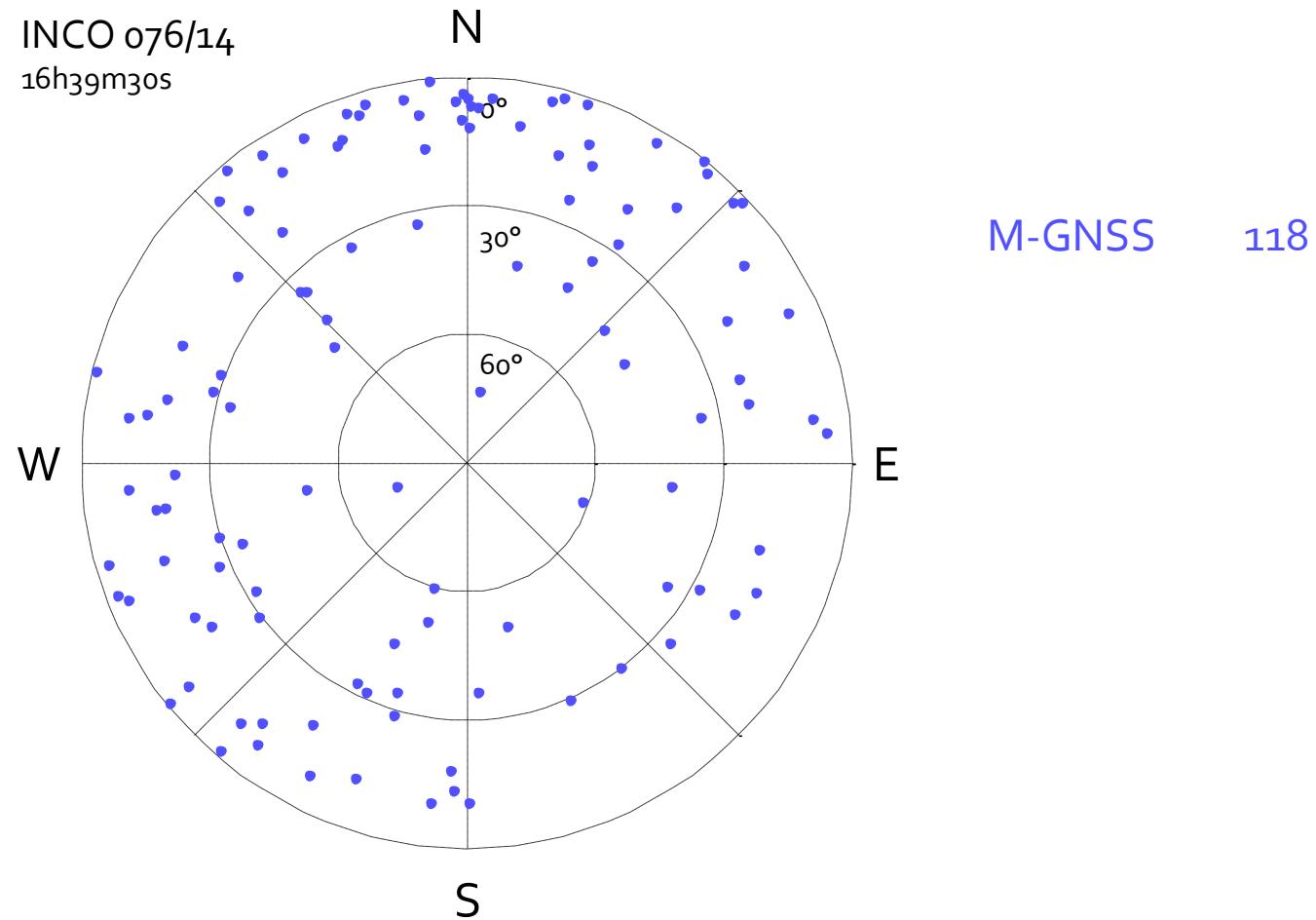
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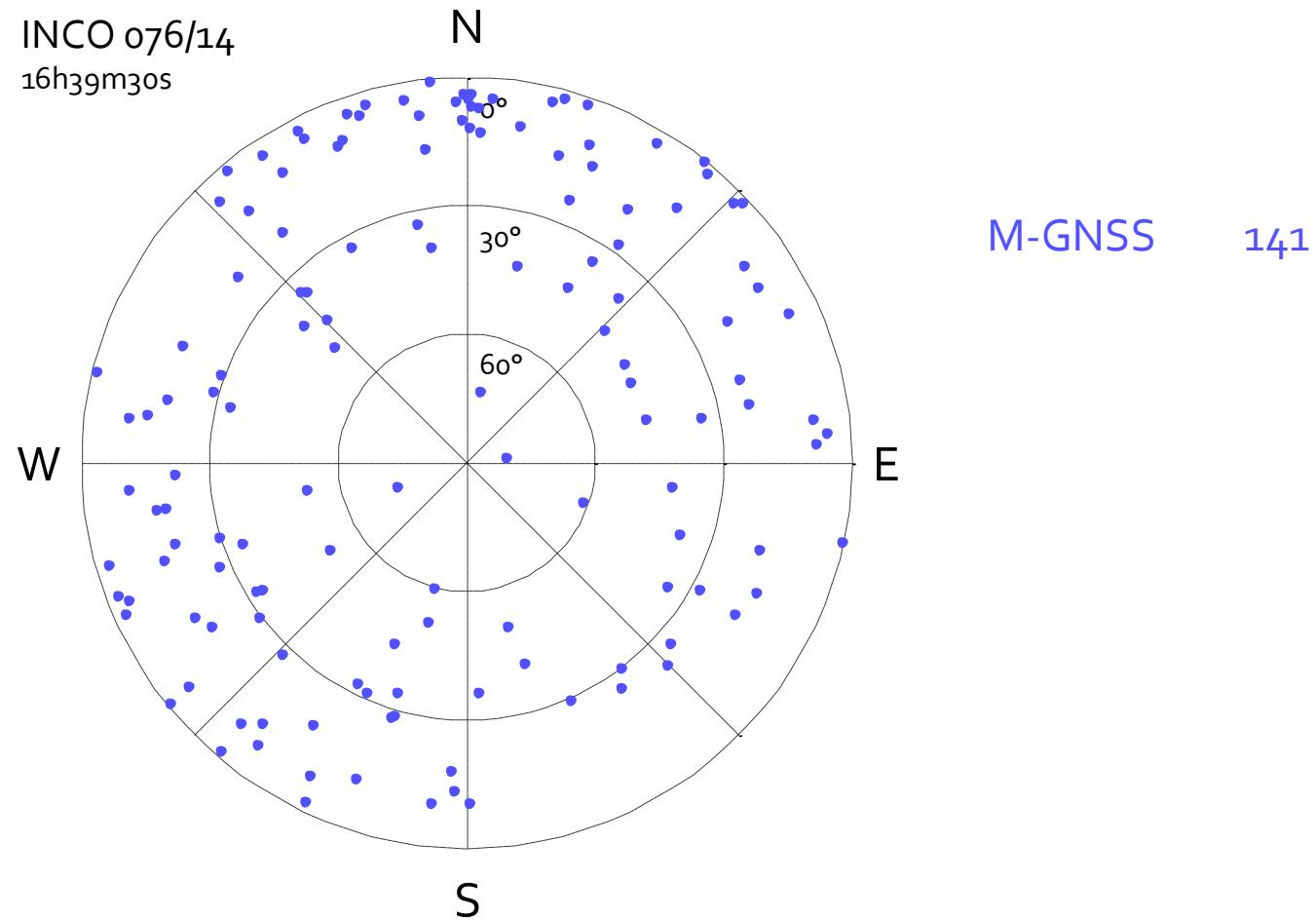
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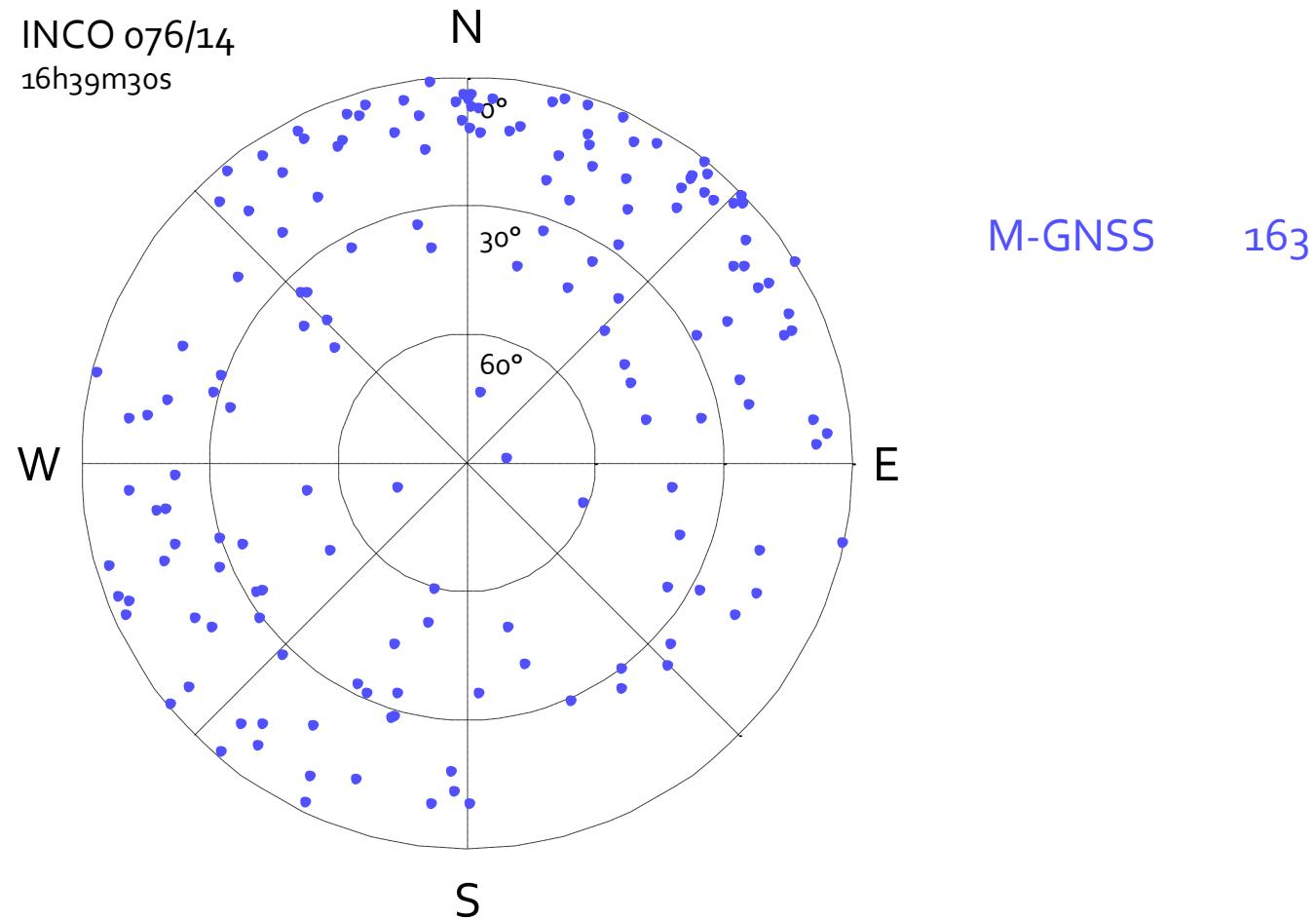
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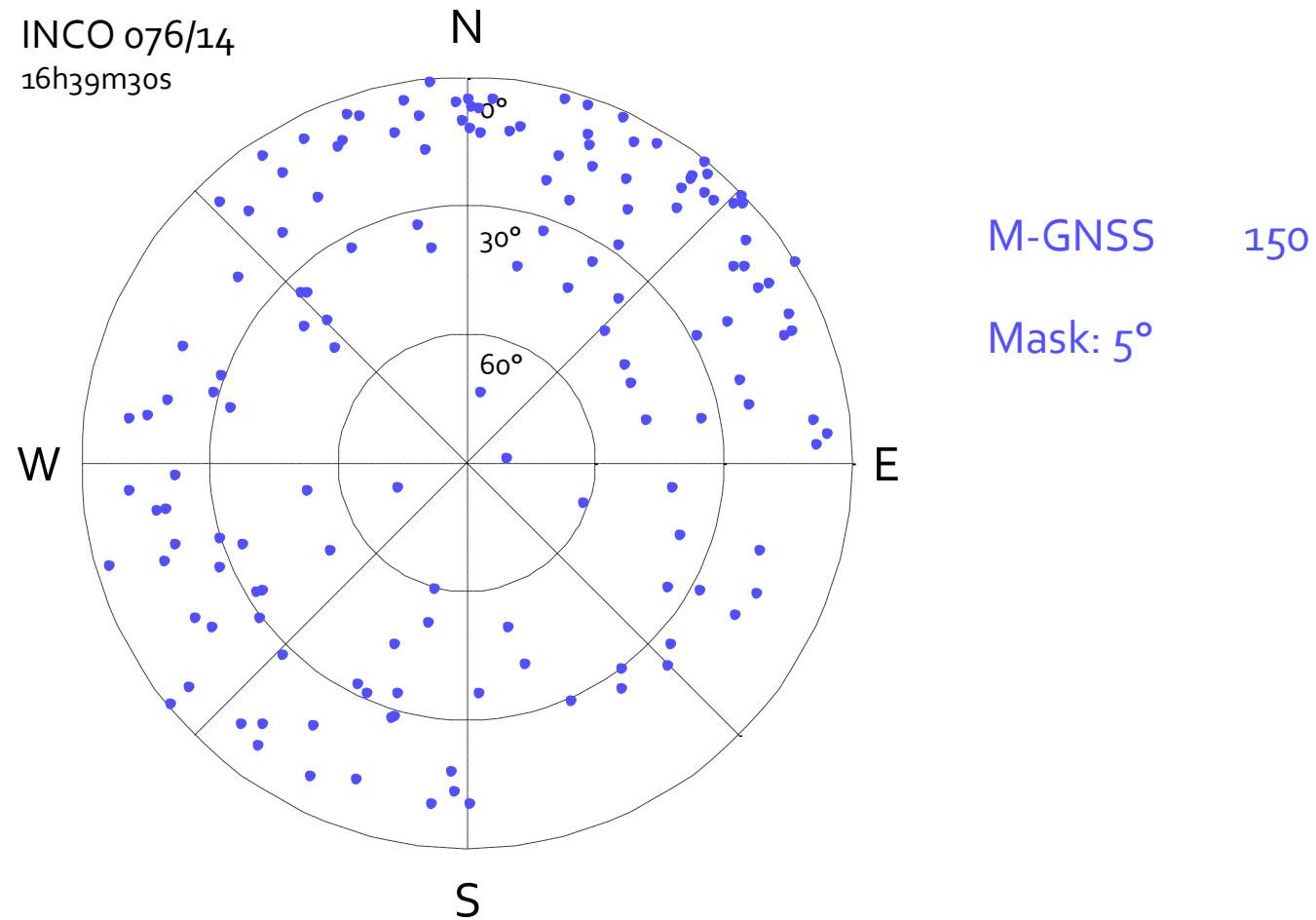
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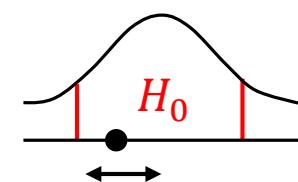
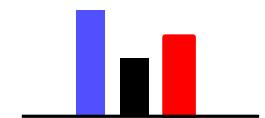
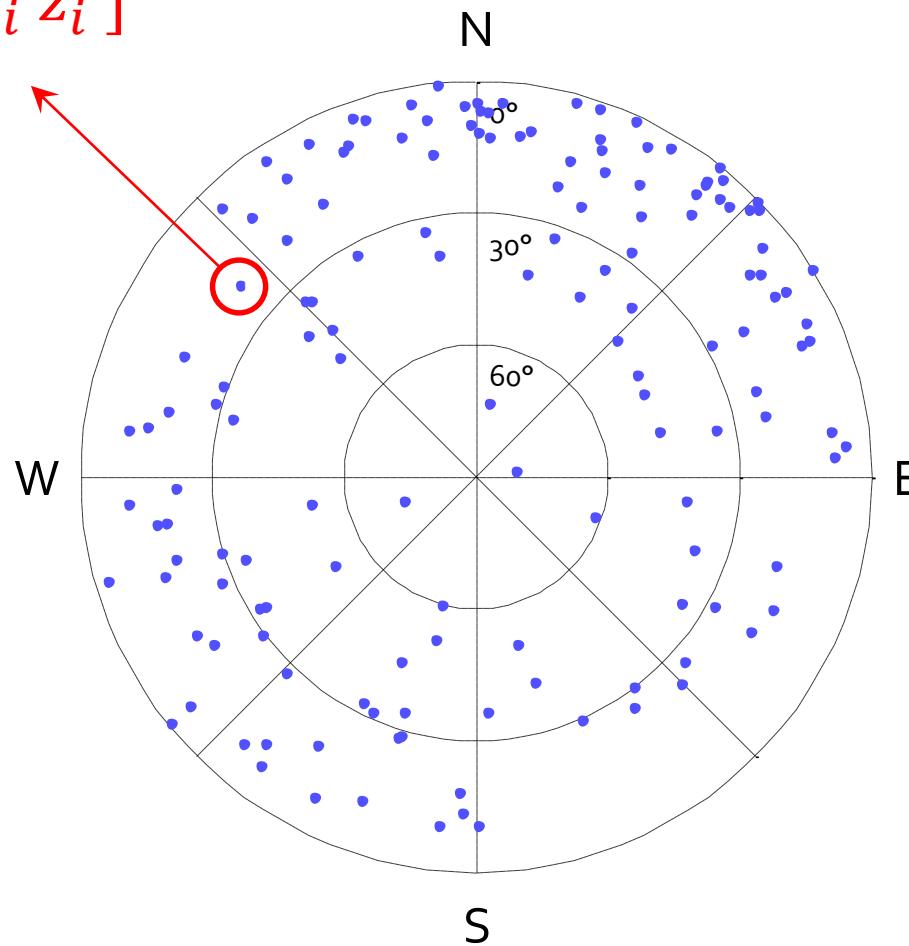


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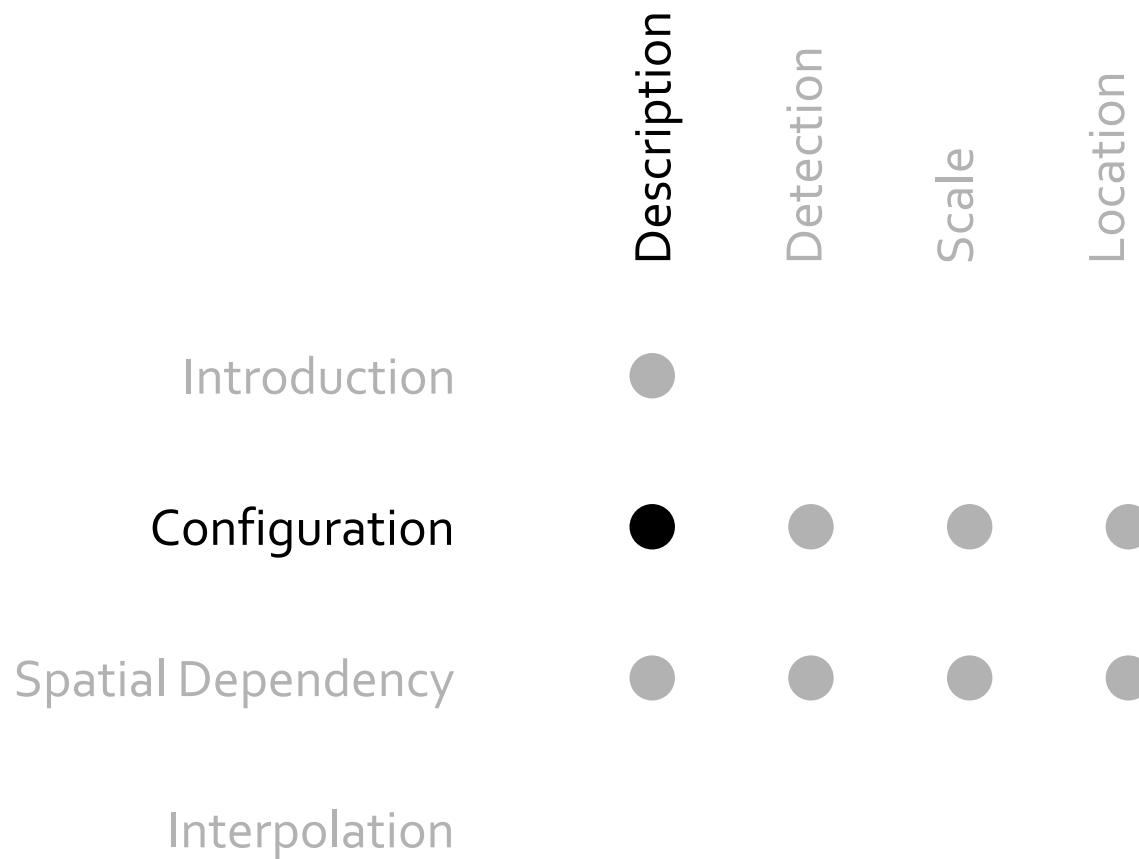


Spatial Analysis Techniques involve Descriptive and Inferential Statistics

[  $x_i$   $y_i$   $z_i$  ]



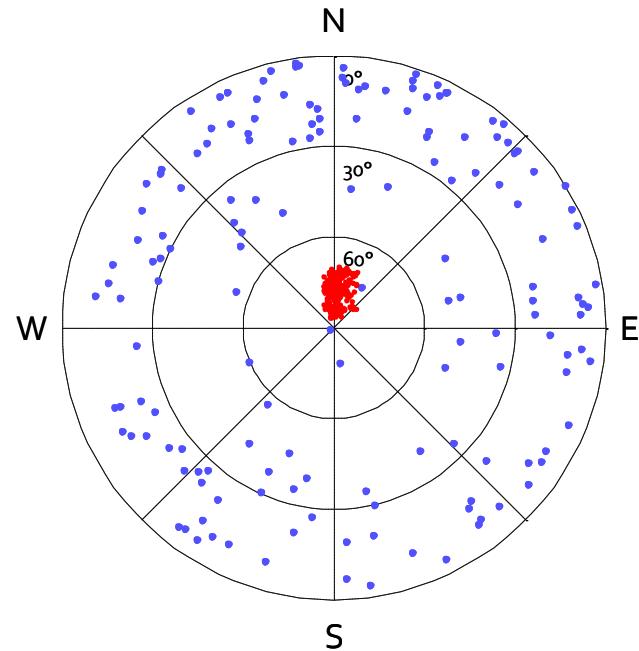
$$Z = f(x_i \ y_i \ z_i) \\ \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$



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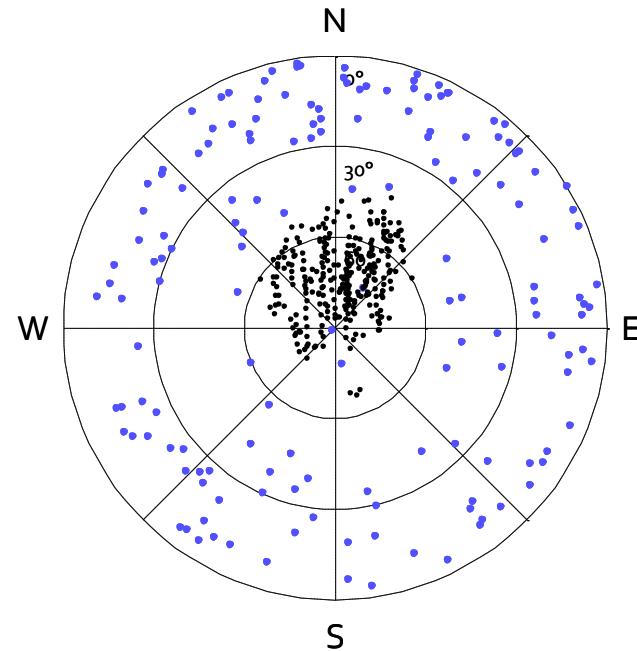
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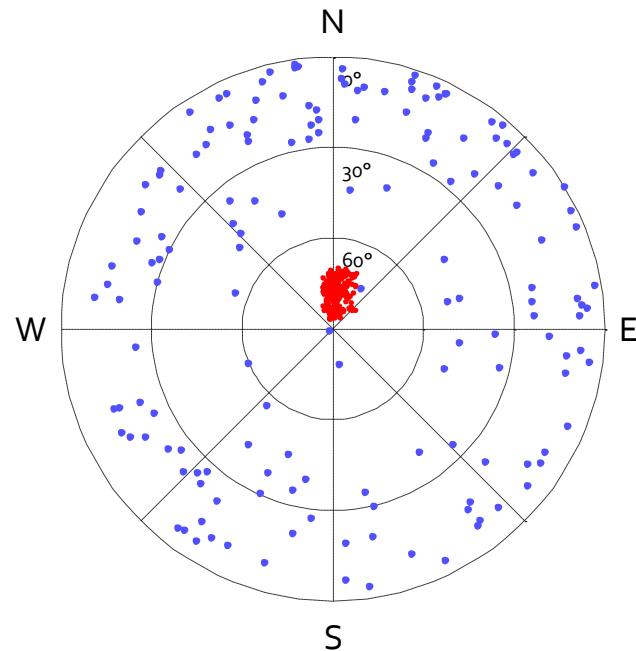
Minimum Distance Point

$$M_D = \sum_i d_{ij}$$

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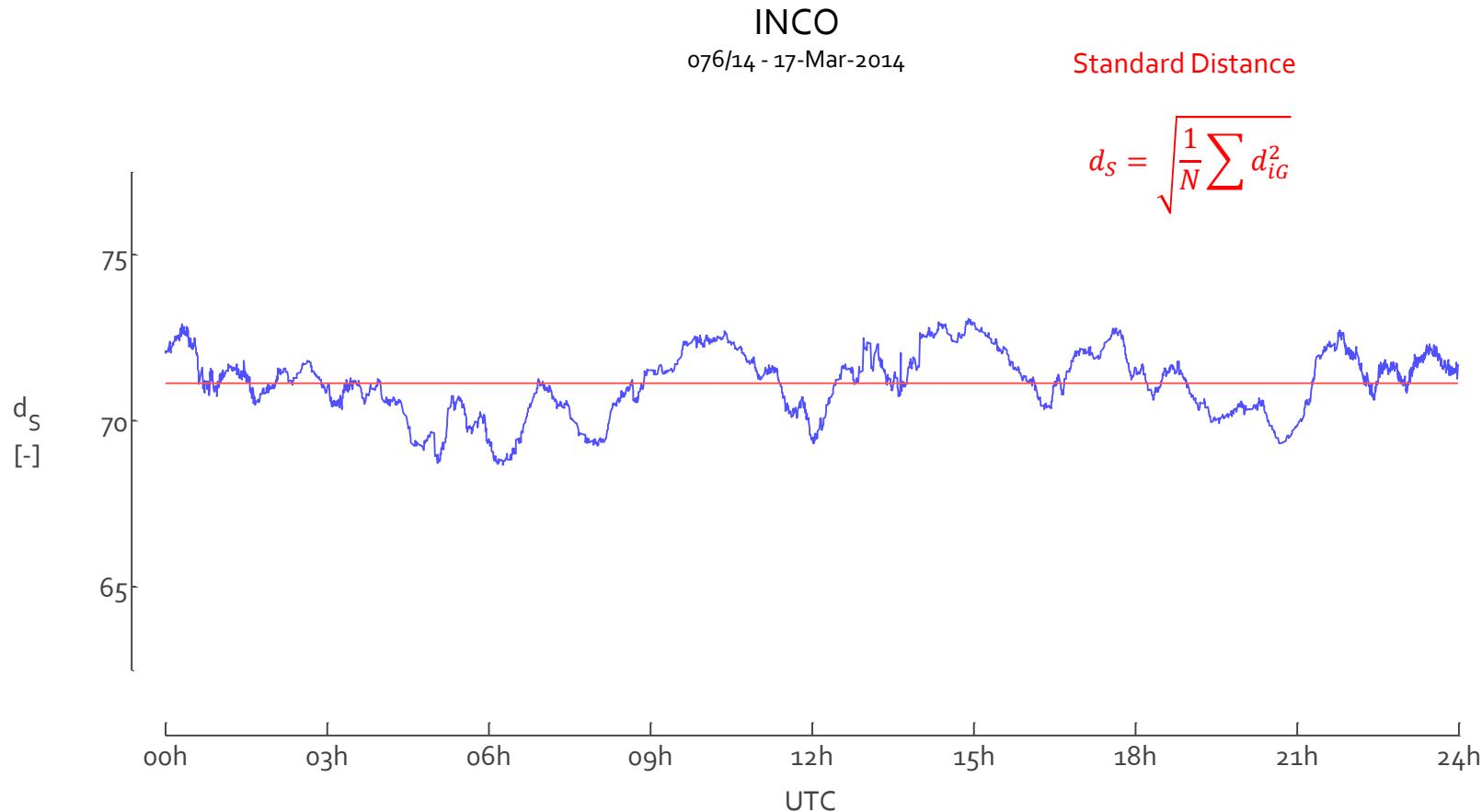


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$$d_s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum d_{iG}^2}$$

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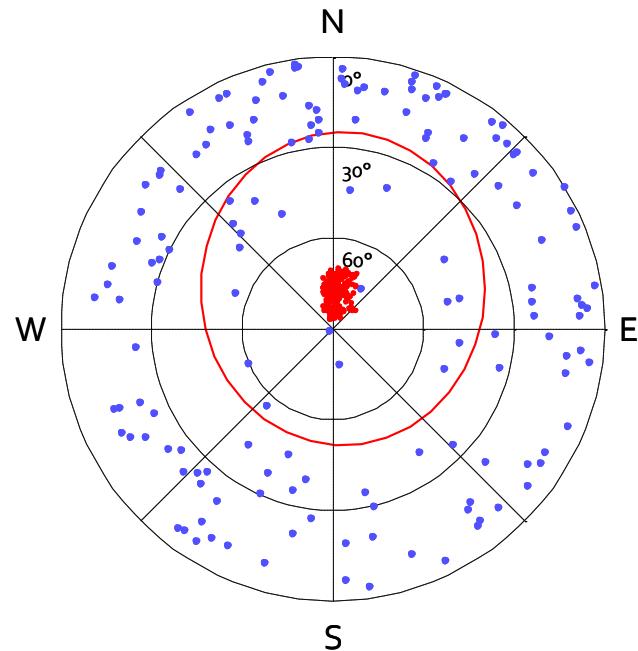
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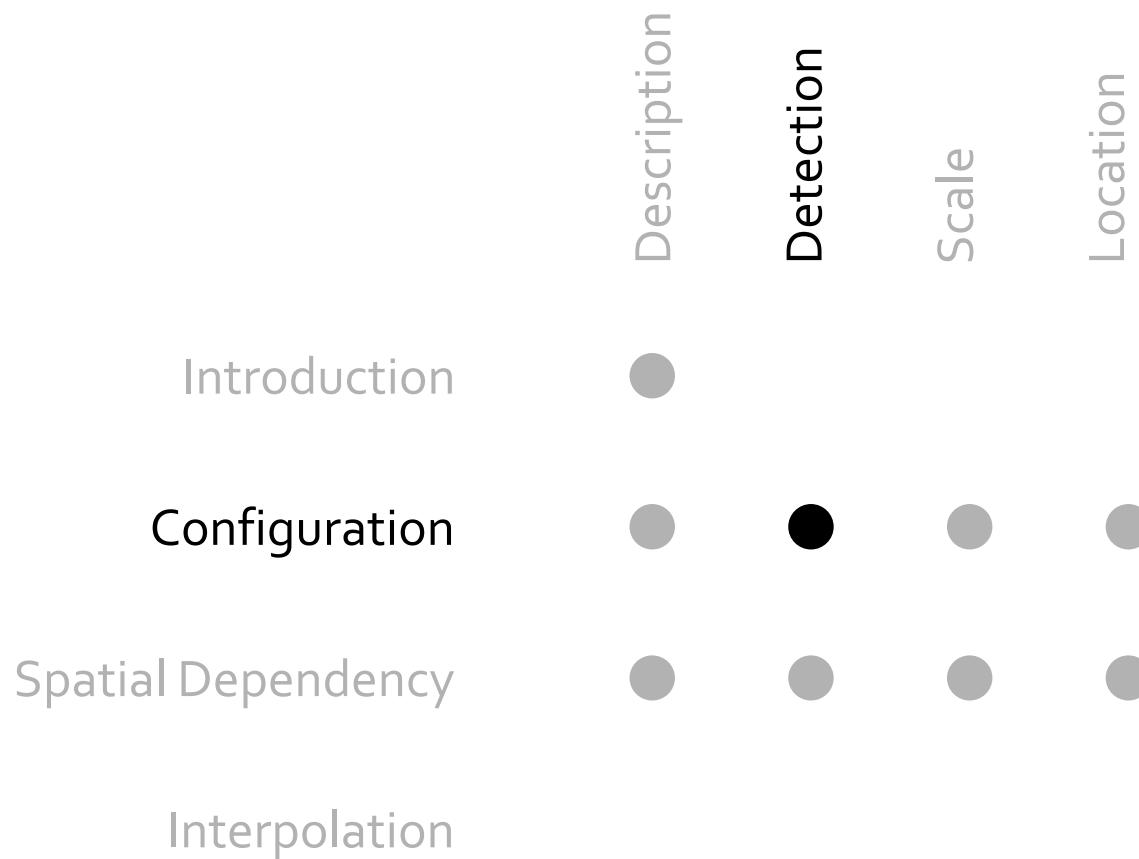


Standard Deviation Ellipse

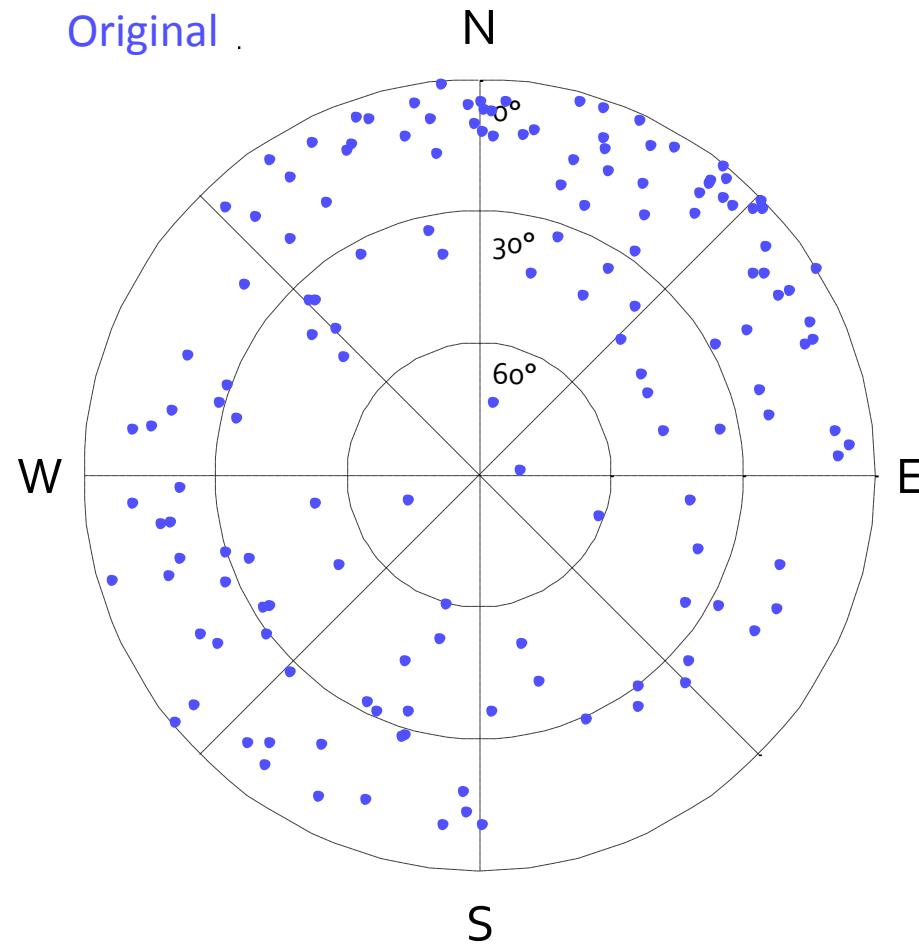
$$\theta = \text{atan} (G(\underline{x}, \underline{y}))$$

$$S_x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-2} \left[ \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x}) \cos(\theta) - (x_i - \bar{x}) \sin(\theta) \right]^2}$$

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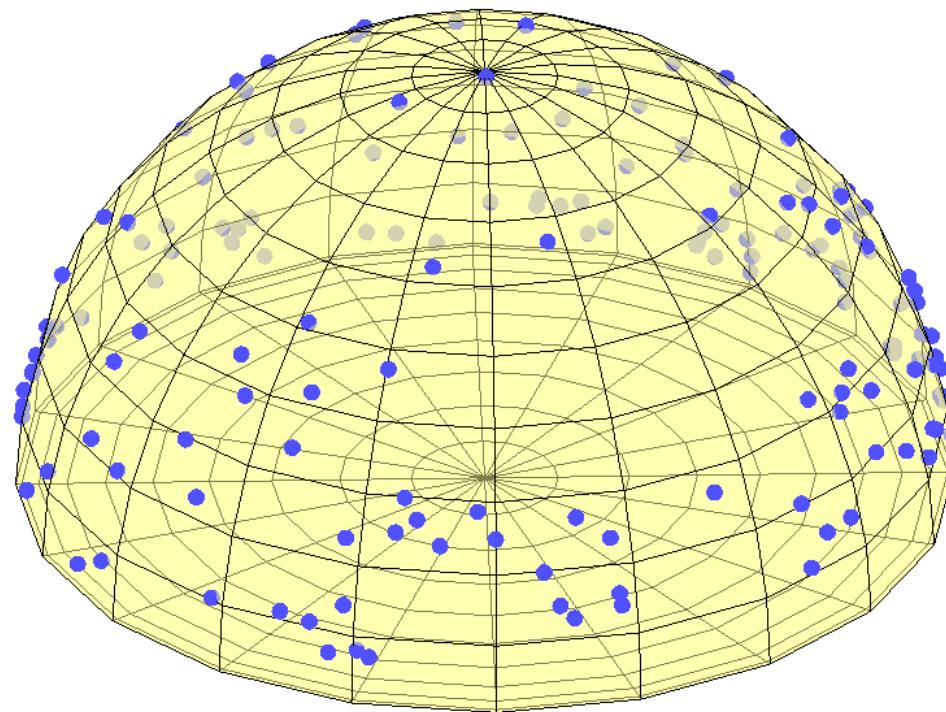


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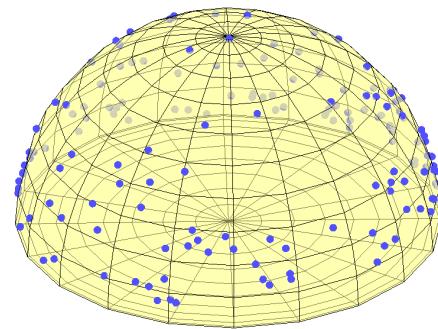
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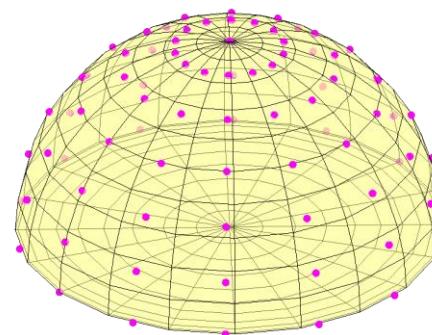


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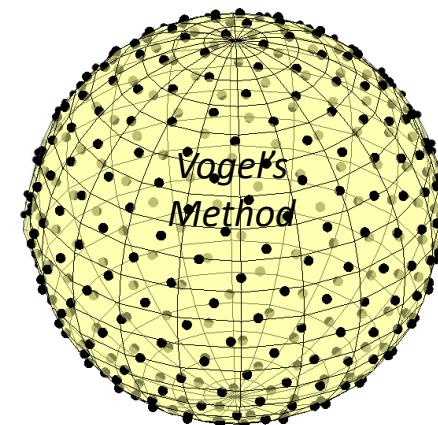
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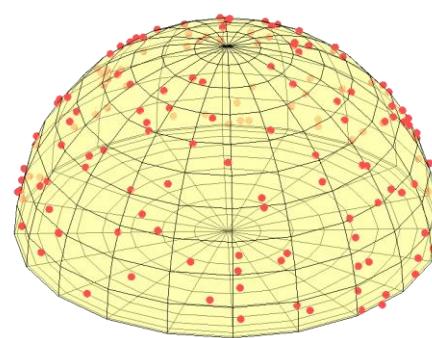
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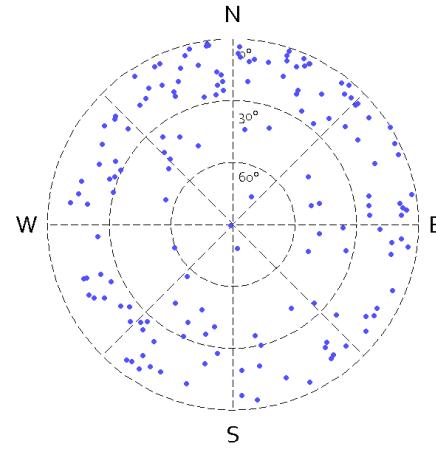


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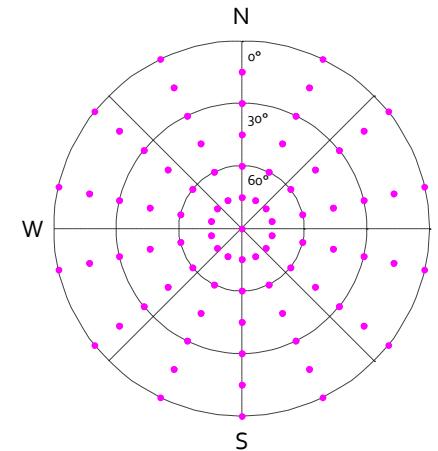


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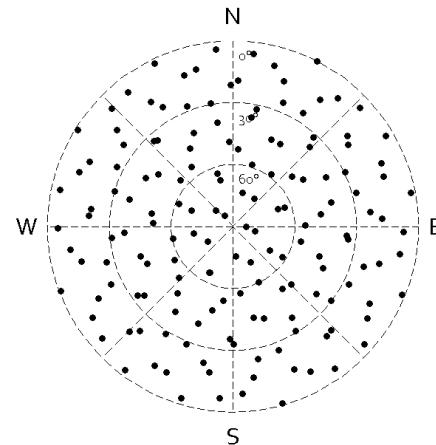
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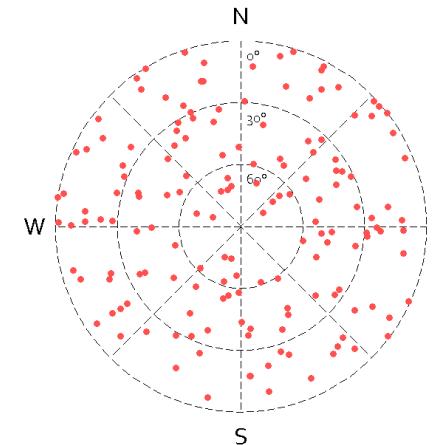
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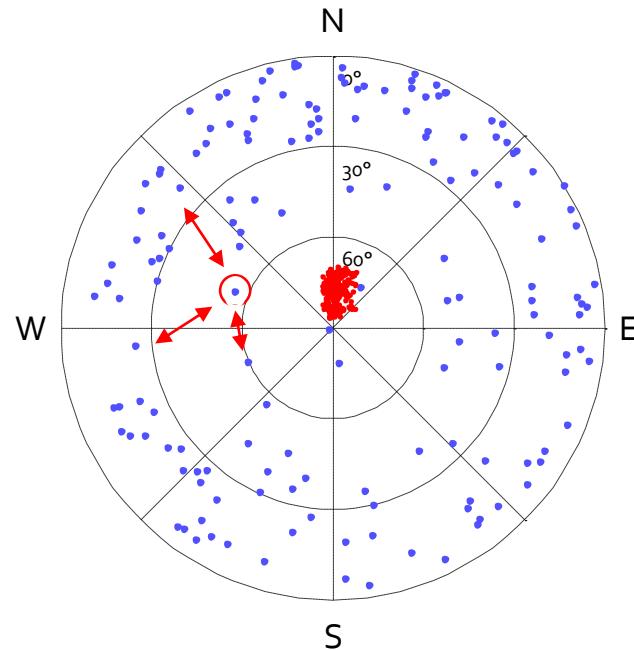
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## Single-Linkage Clustering

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Mean Distance to the Nearest Neighbor (NN)

$$\bar{d}_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i d_{i1}$$

Theoretical Model

$$E[d_1] = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{S}{N}} \quad V[d_1] = \frac{0.26136}{\sqrt{\frac{N^2}{S}}}$$

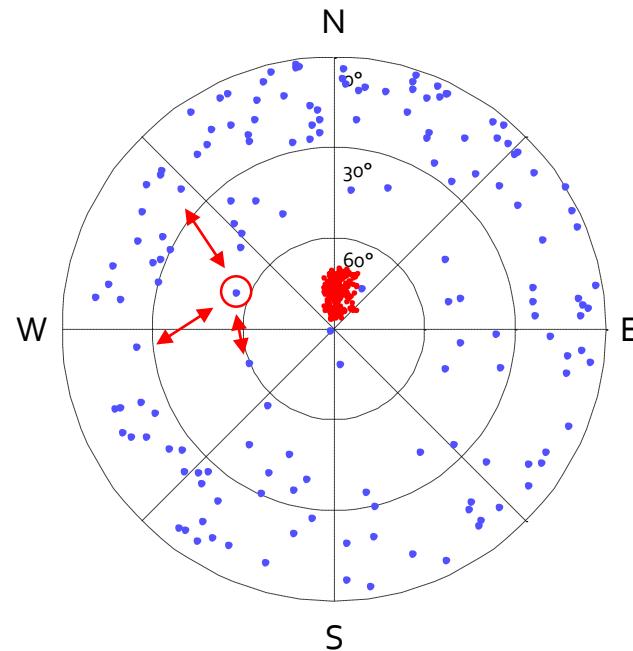
Statistics

$$R = \frac{\bar{d}_1}{E[d_1]} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{|\bar{d}_1 - E[d_1]|}{V[d_1]}$$

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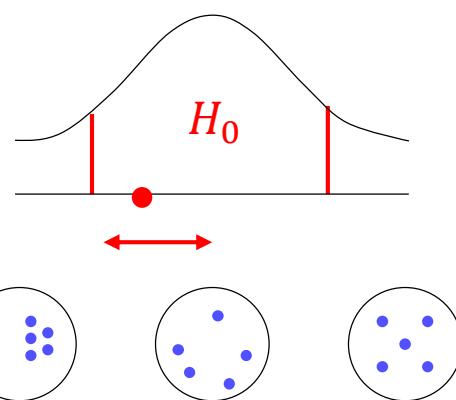
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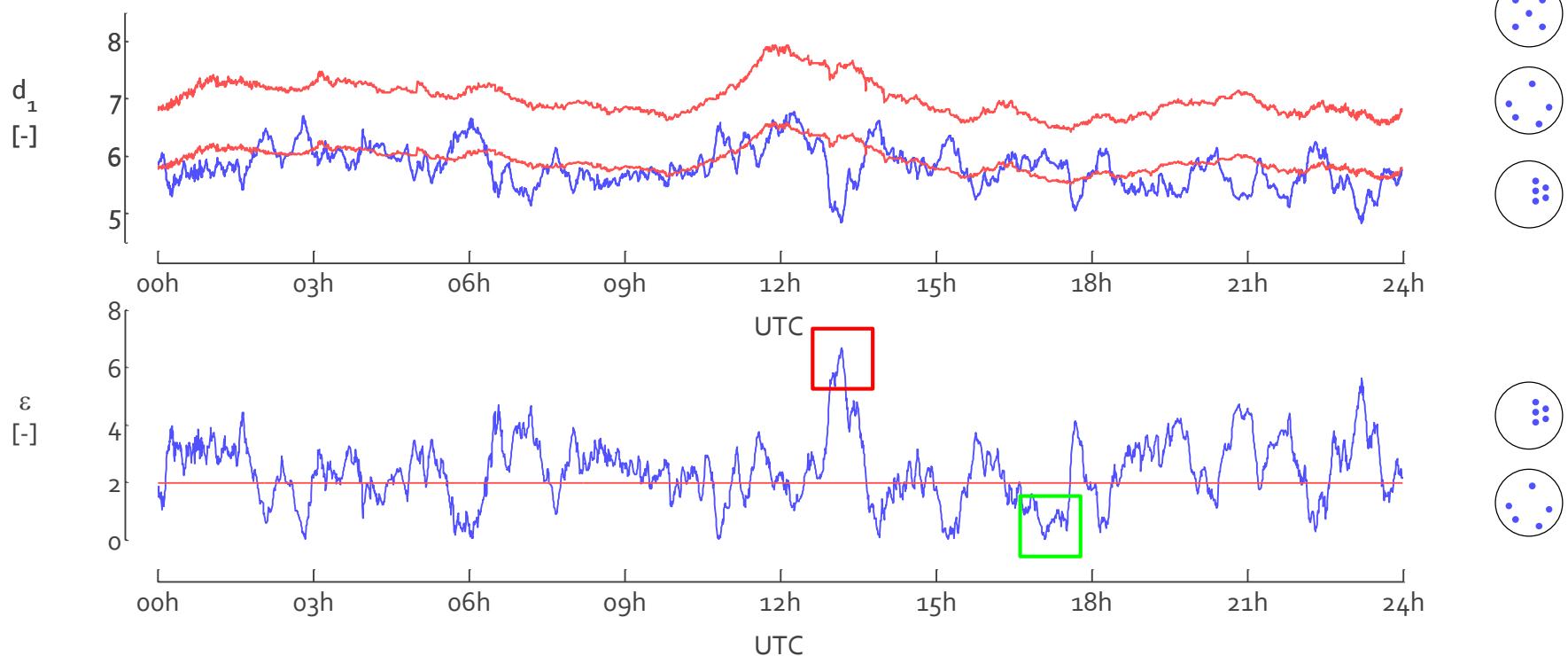
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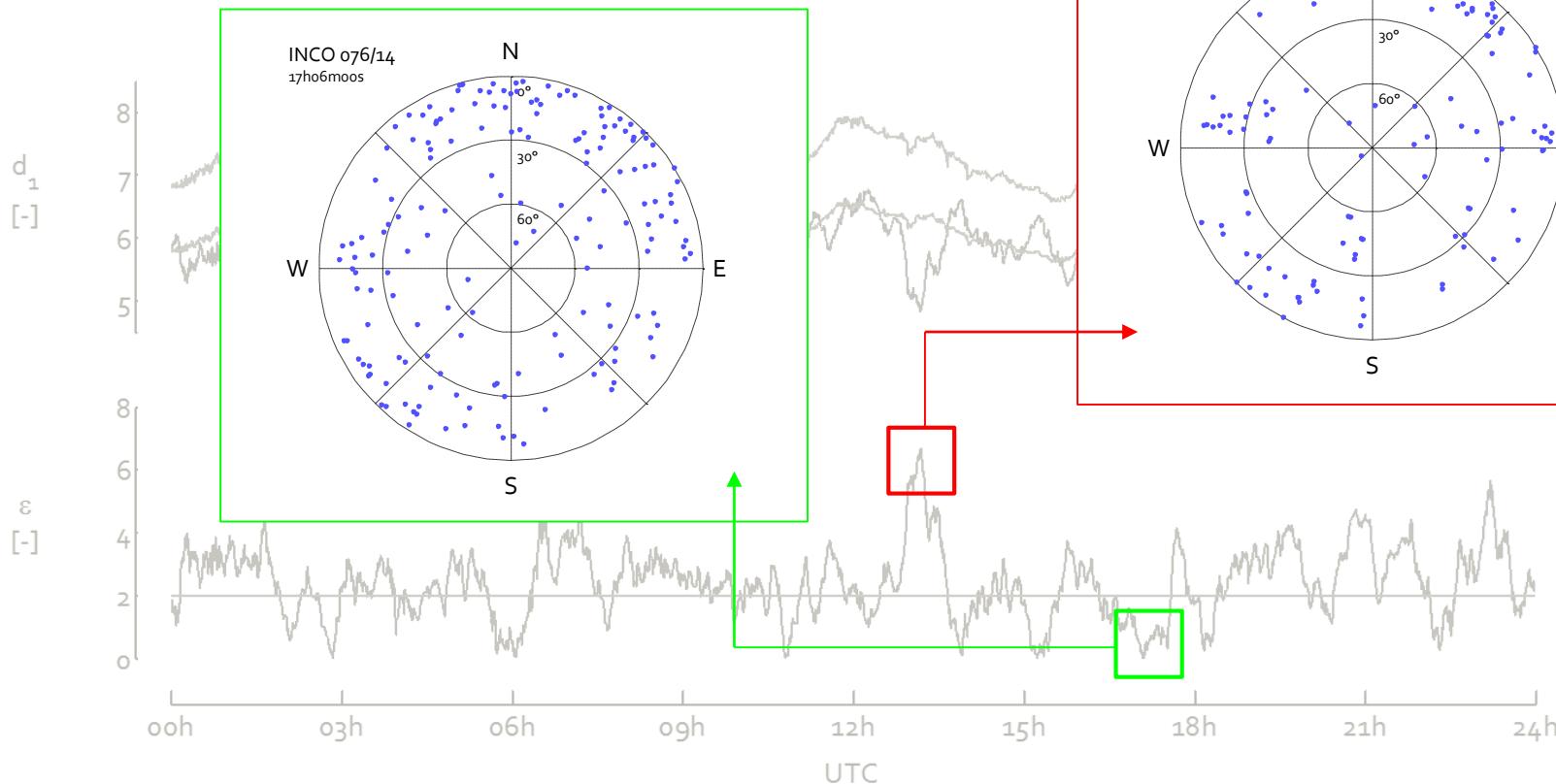
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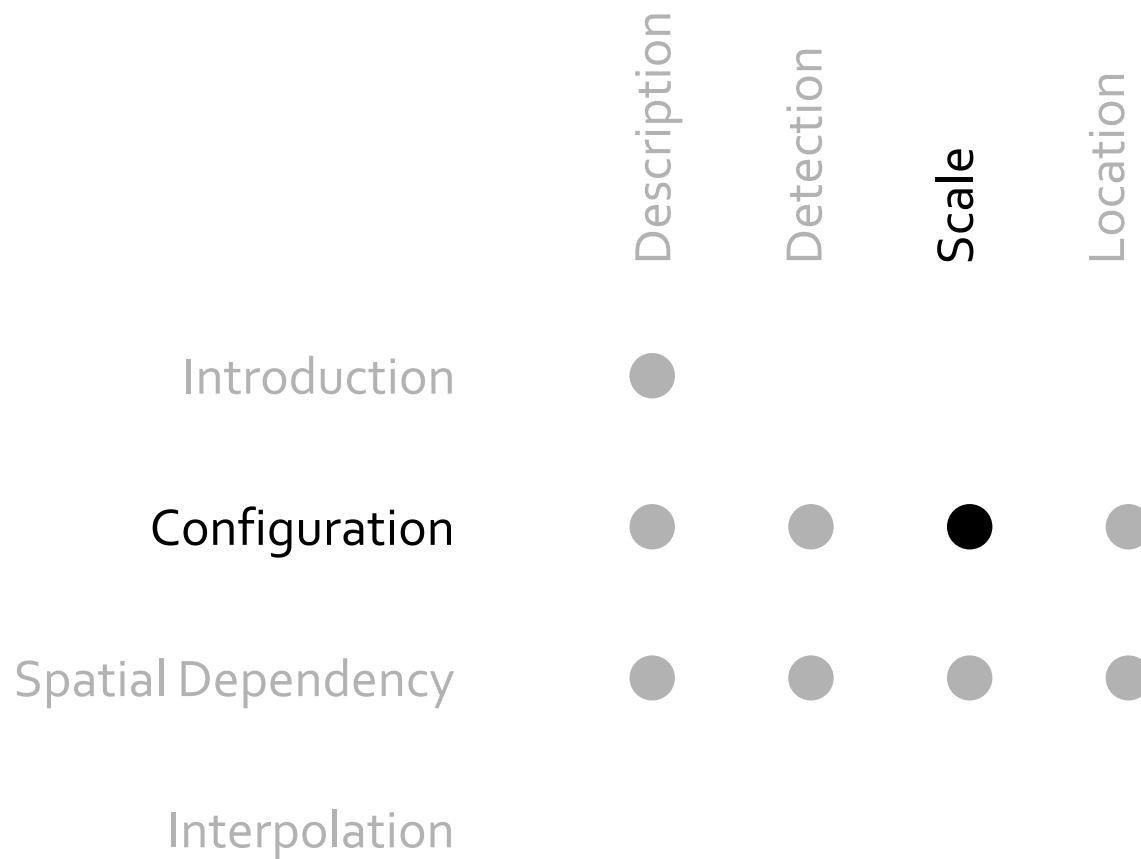
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Single-Linkage Clustering

Scattered Case



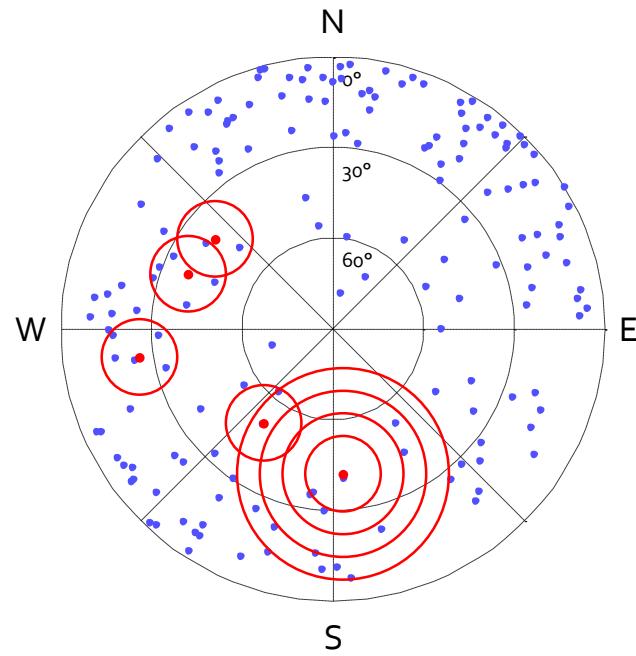
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## What is the Scale of the Detected Clusters?

### Ripley's K Function

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### Ripley's K and Besag's L Functions

$$K_{d_p} = \frac{S}{N(N-1)} \sum_i \sum_j k_{ij}$$

$$L_{d_p} = \sqrt{\frac{K_{d_p}}{\pi} - d_p}$$

$$E[L_{d_p}] = ?$$

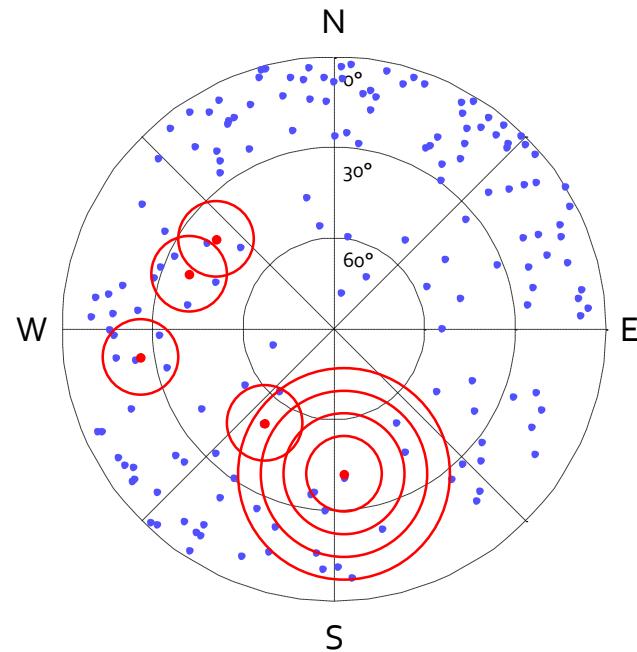
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$$V[L_{d_p}] = ?$$

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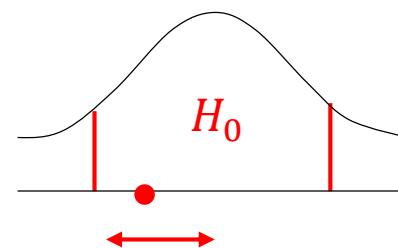
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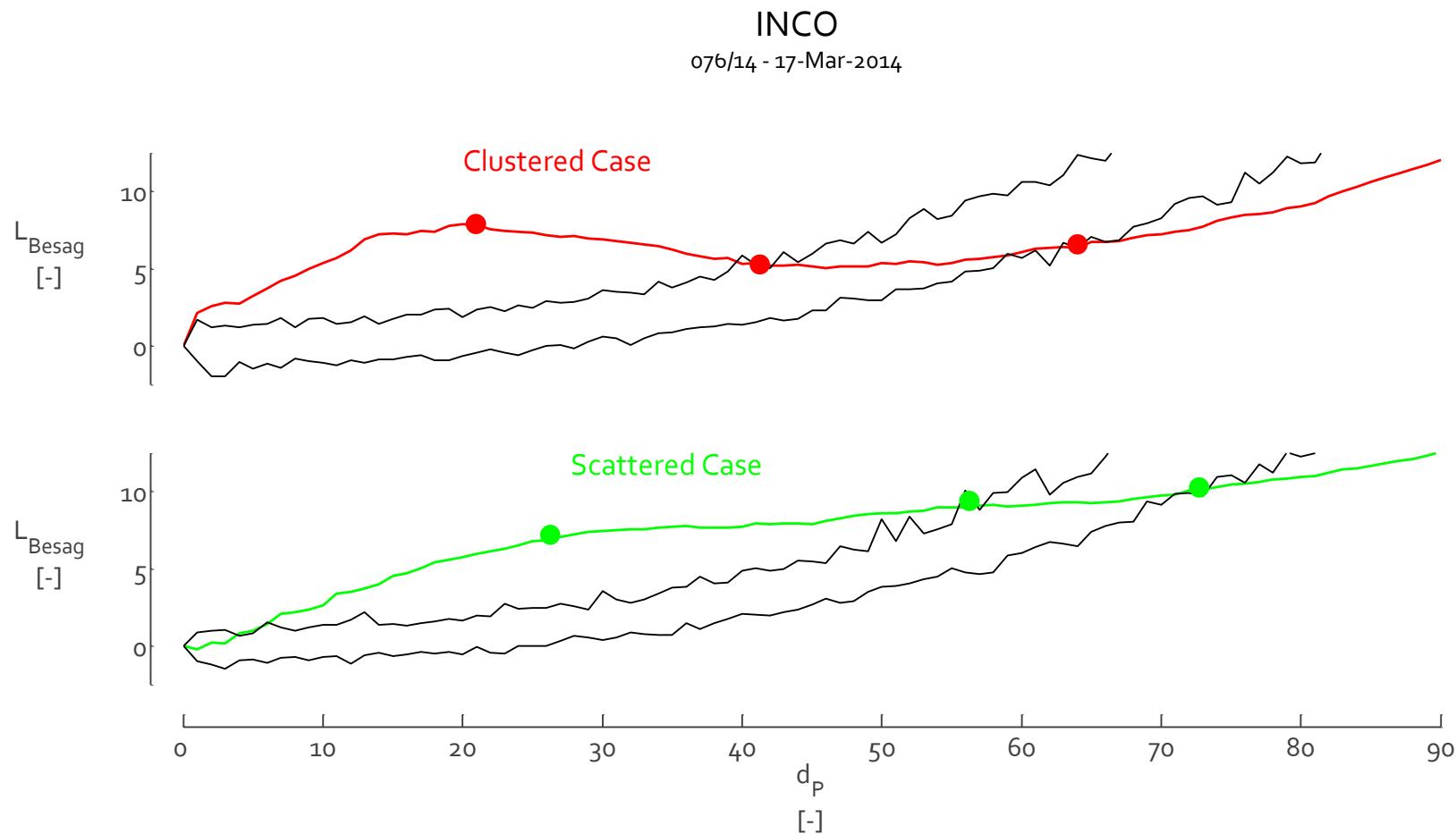
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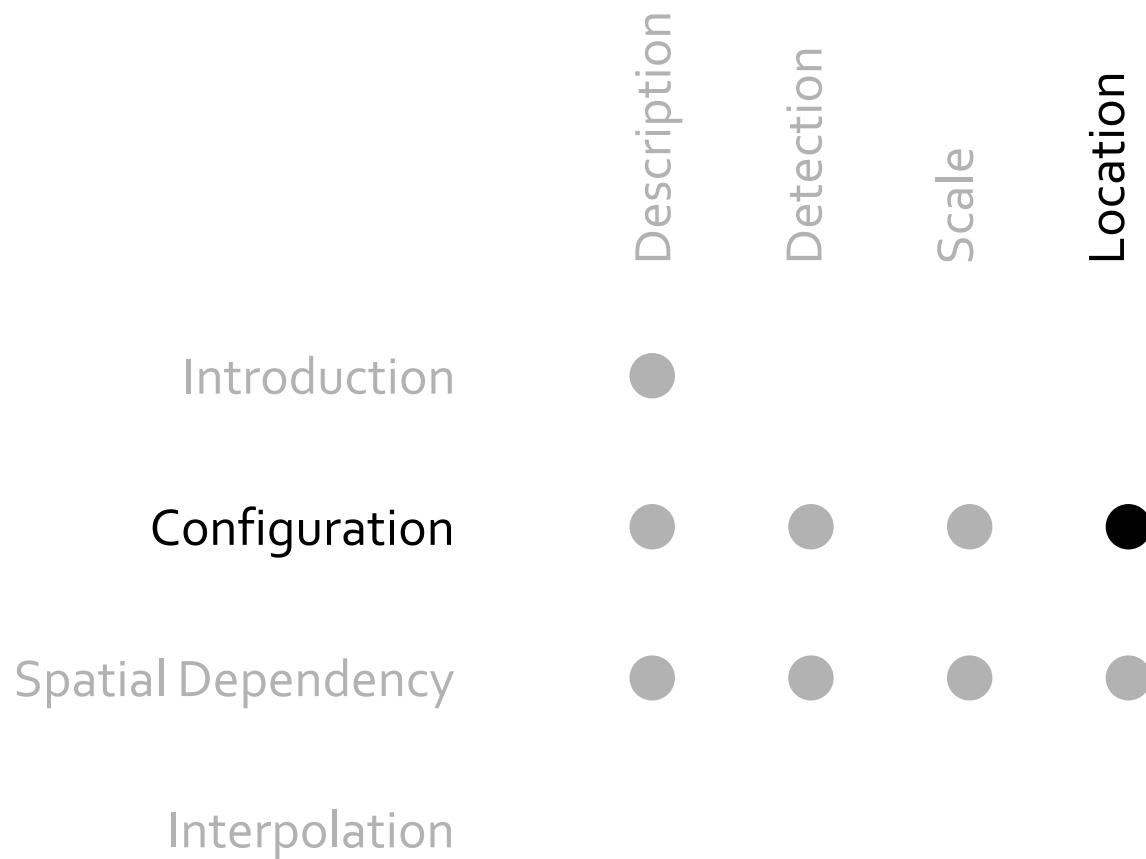
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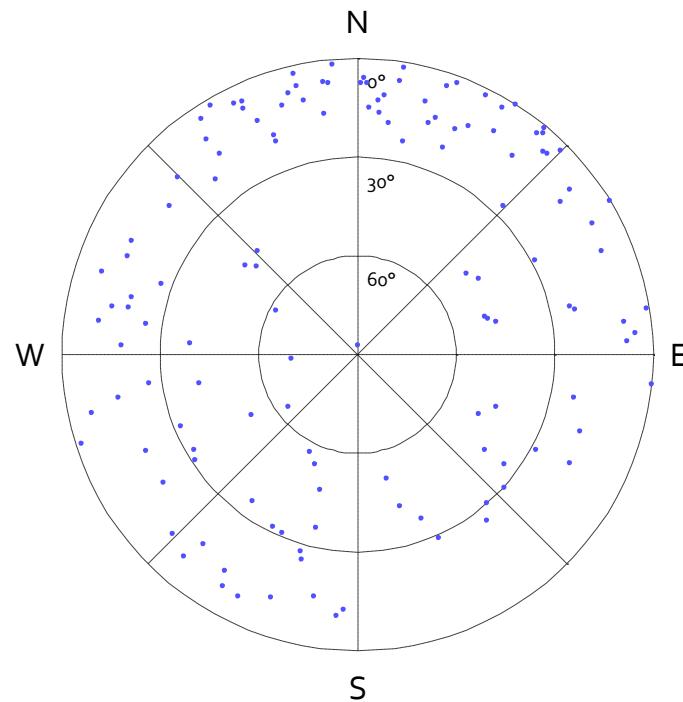
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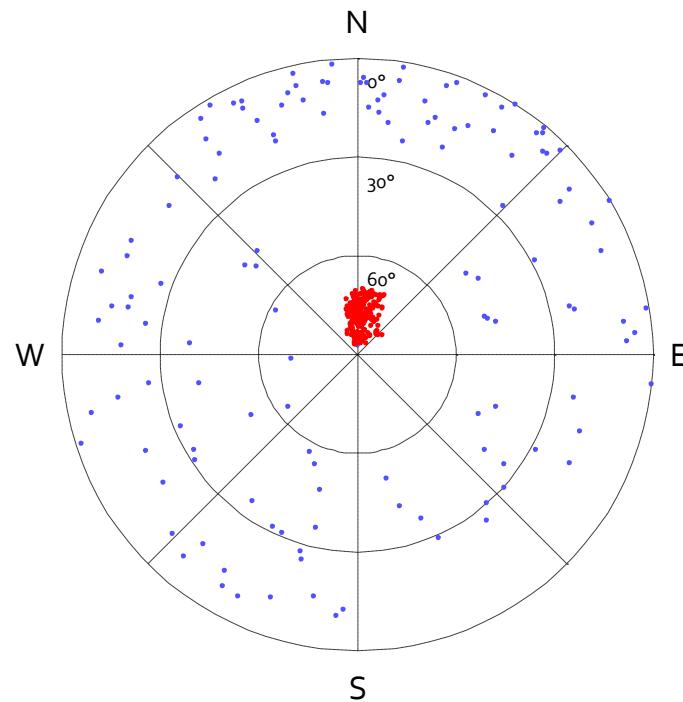


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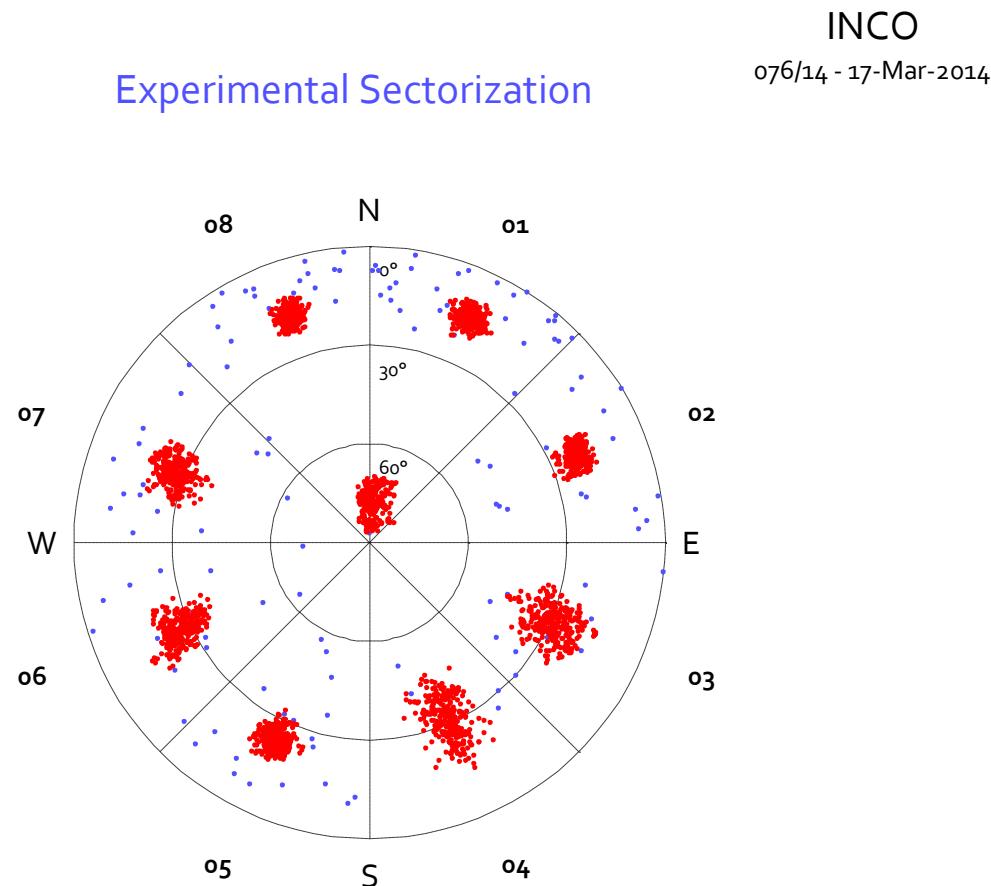
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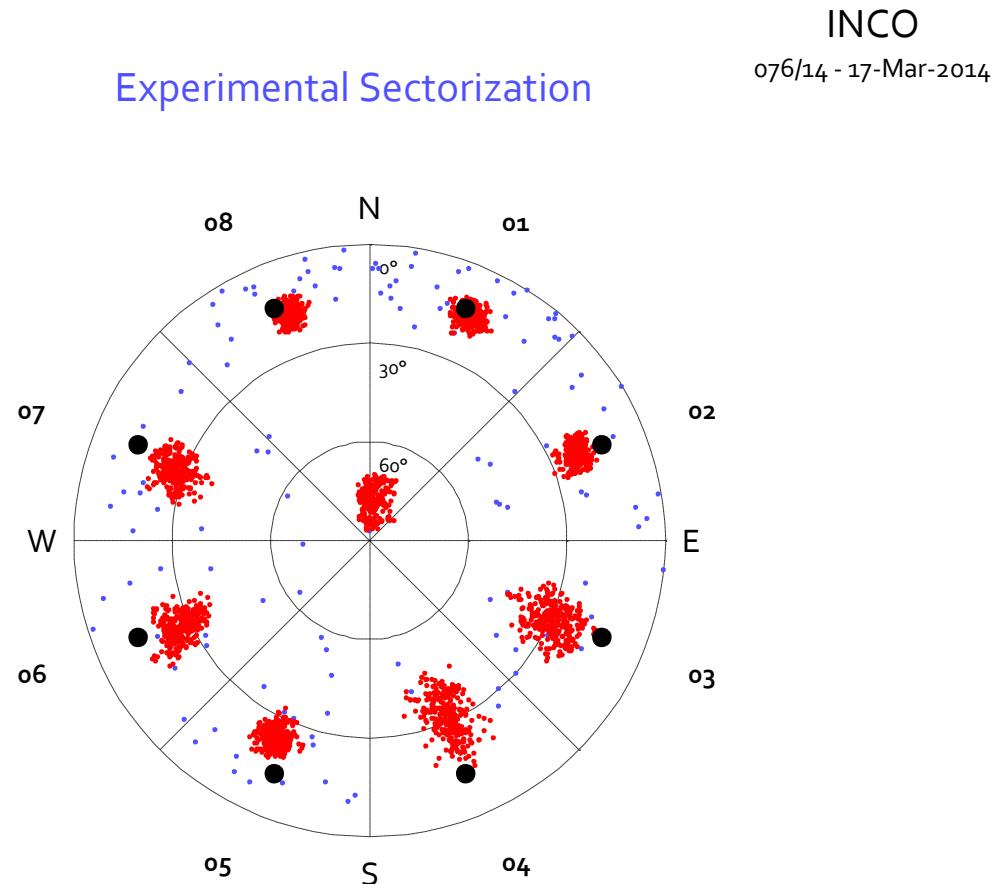
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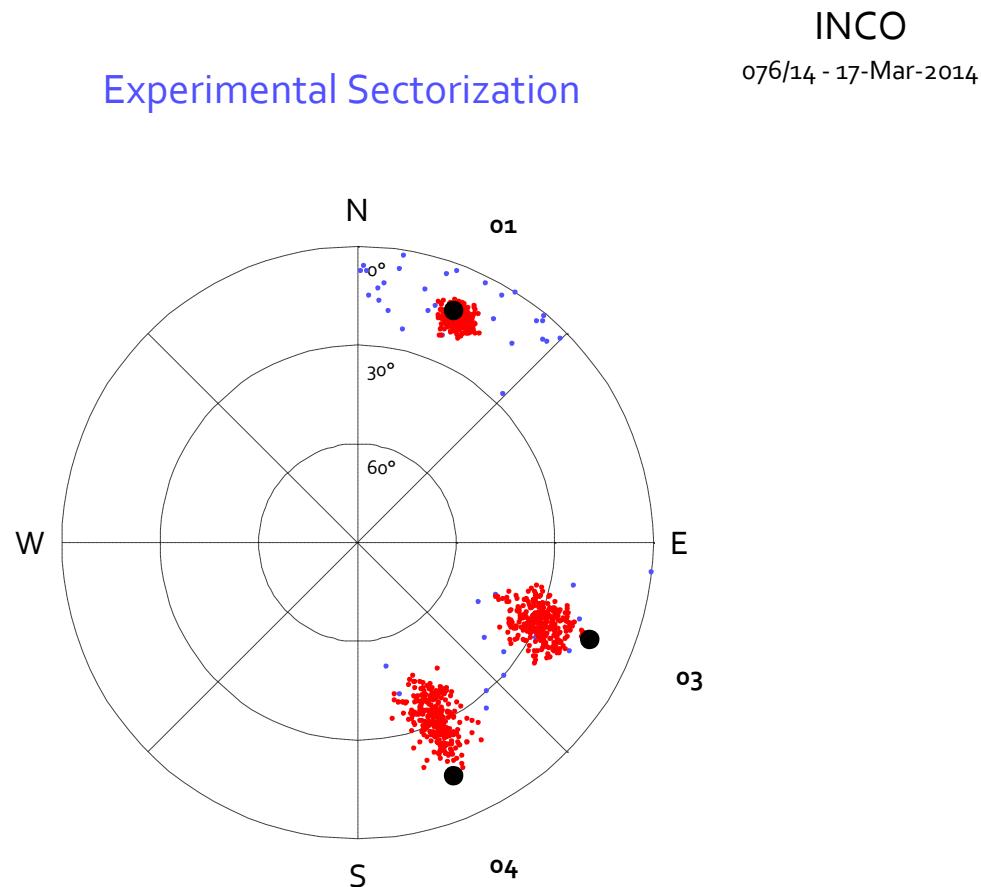
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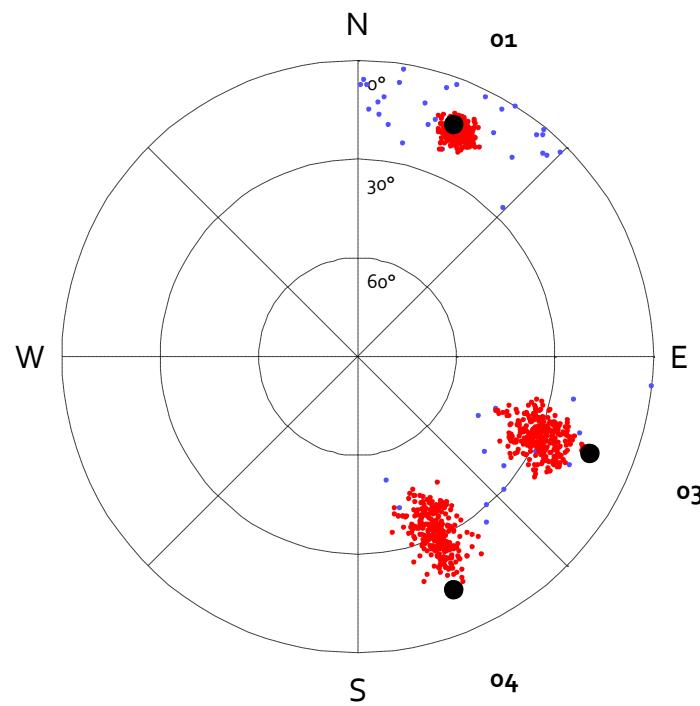


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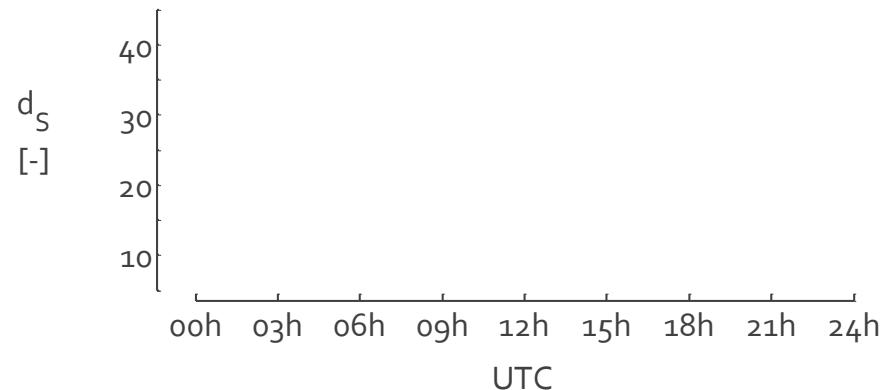


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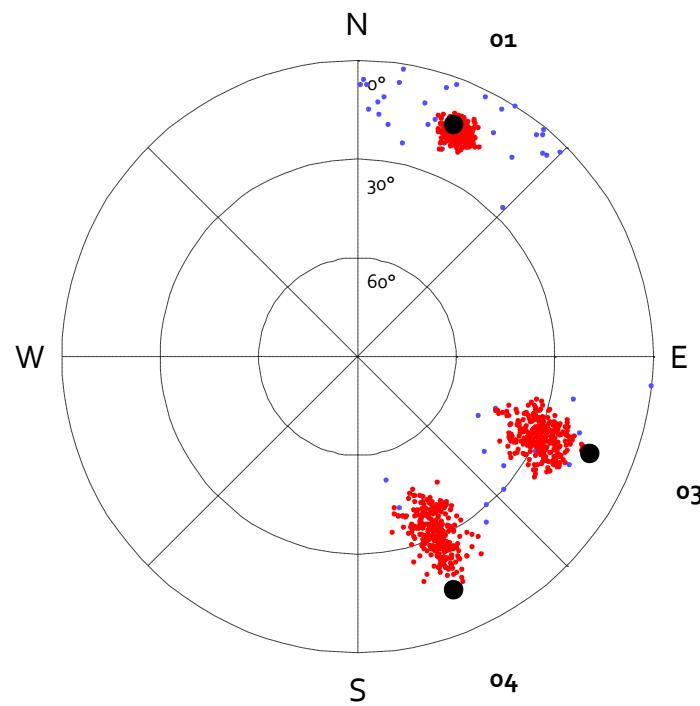


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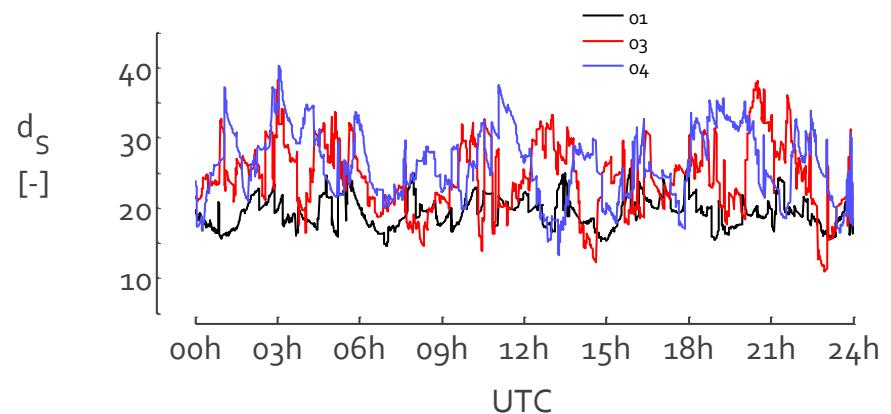


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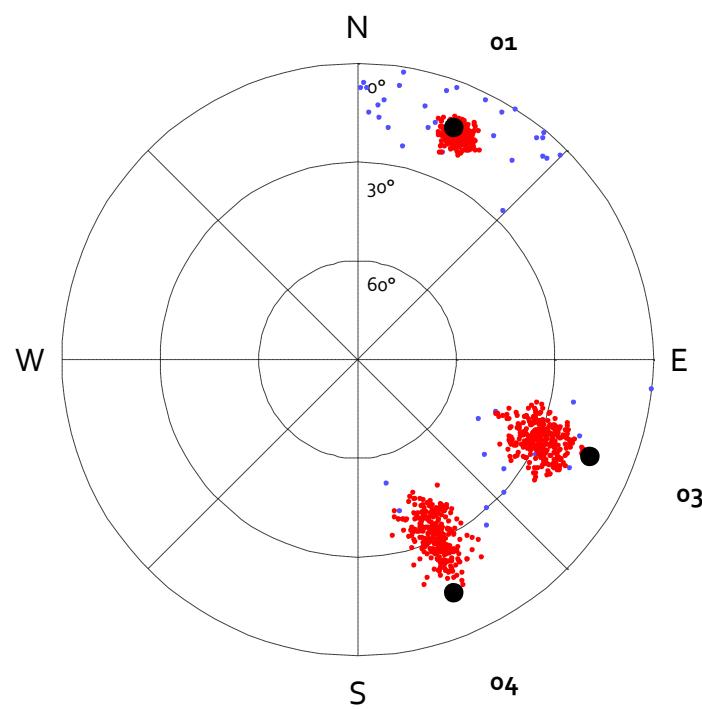


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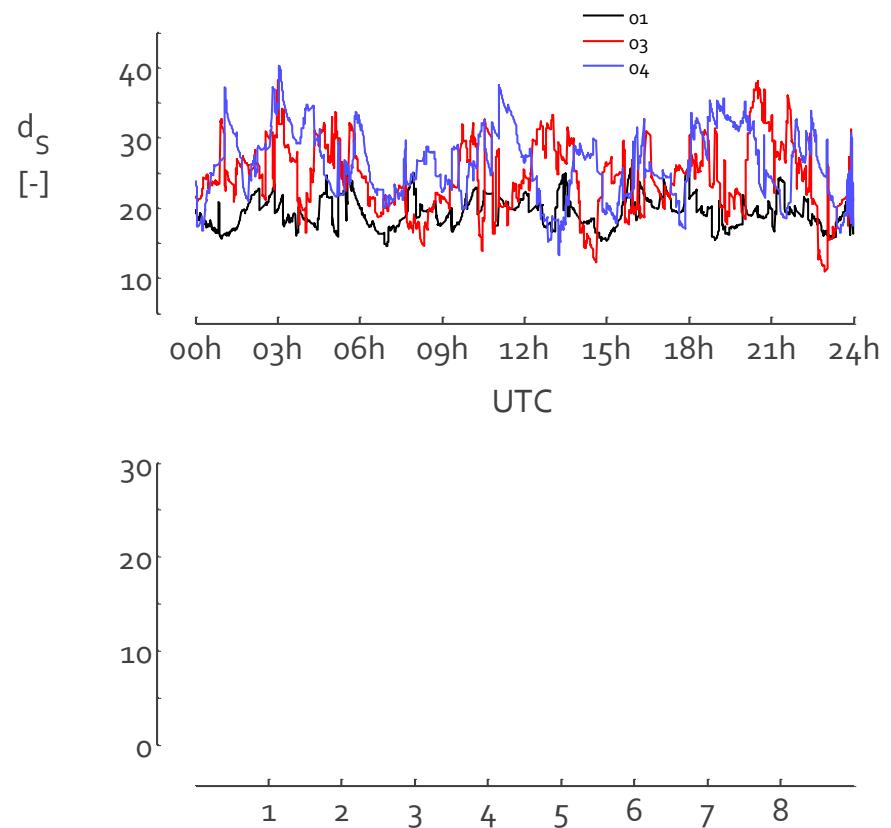


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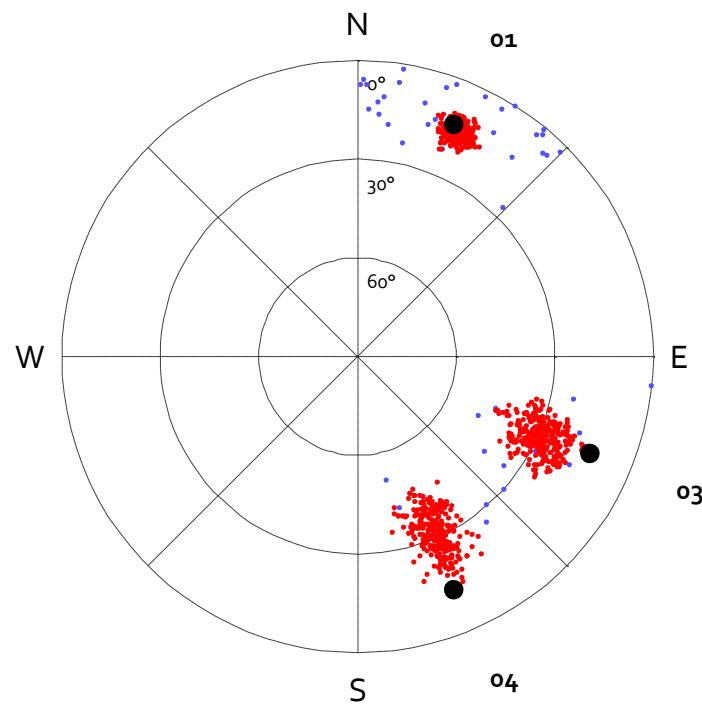


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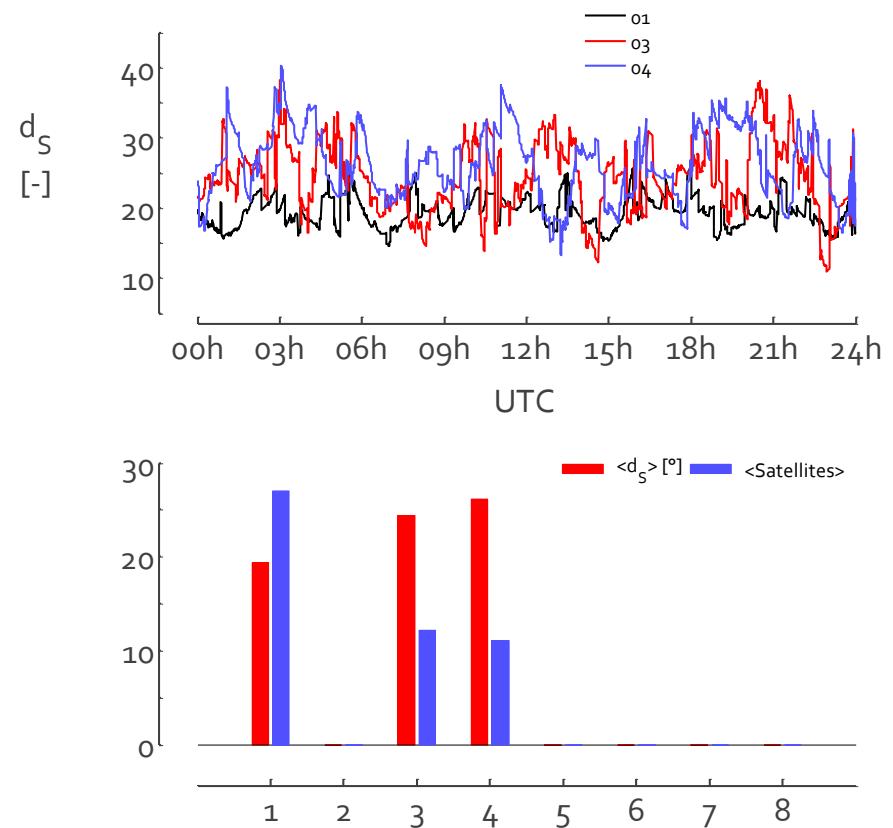


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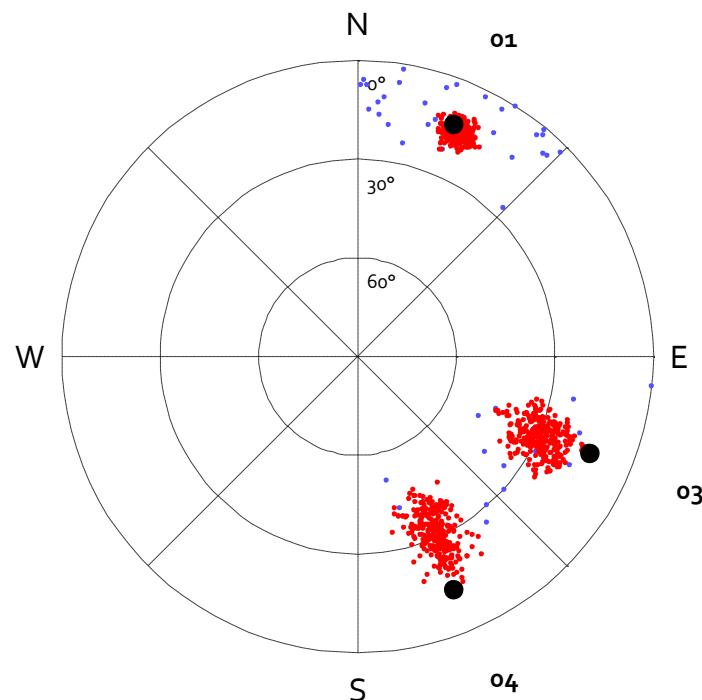


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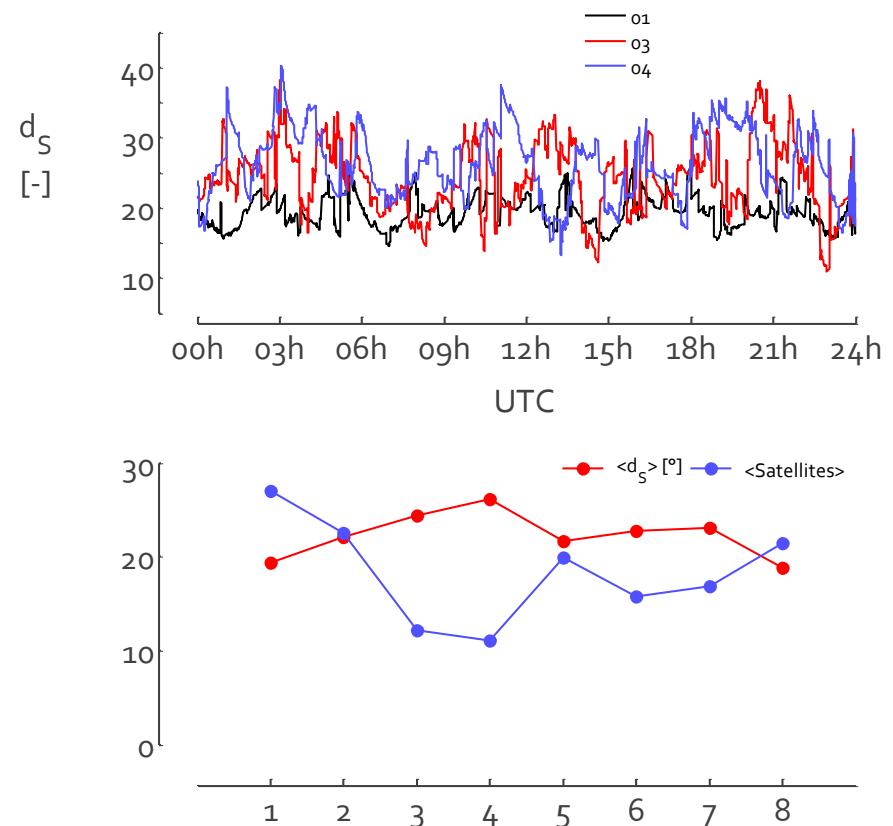


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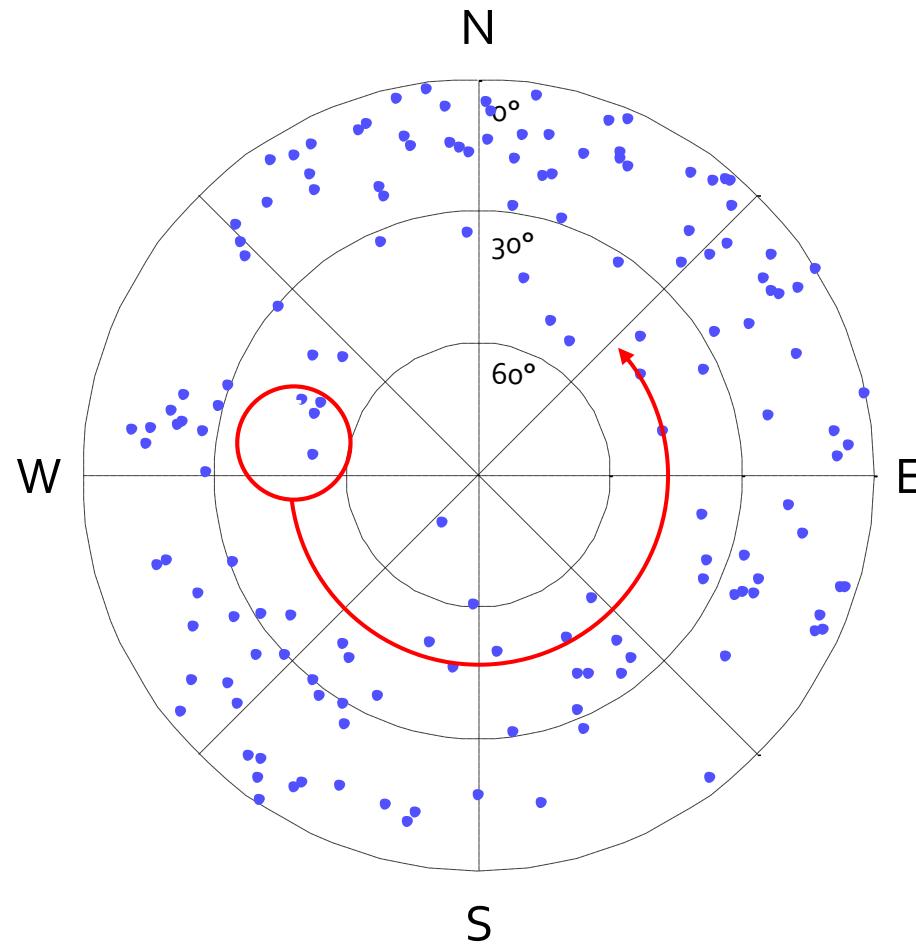


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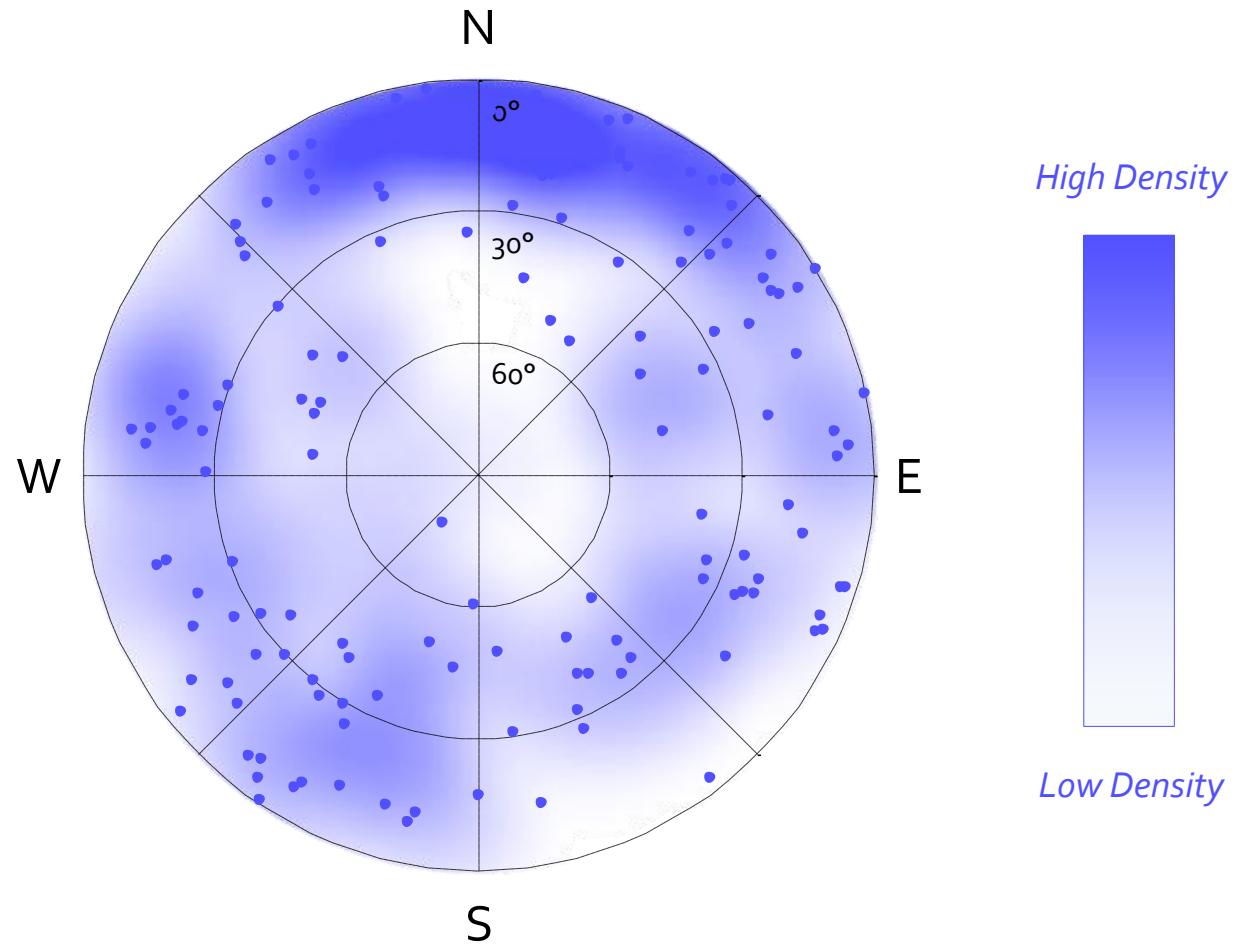
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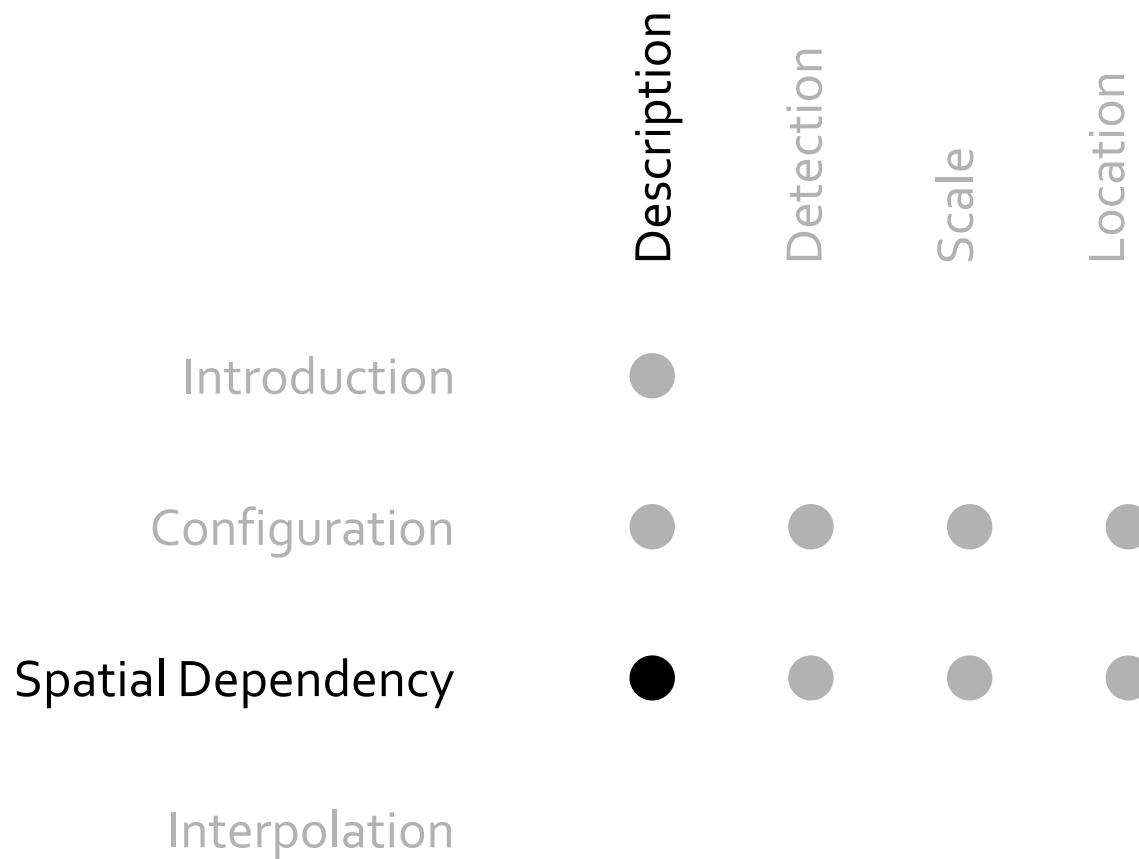
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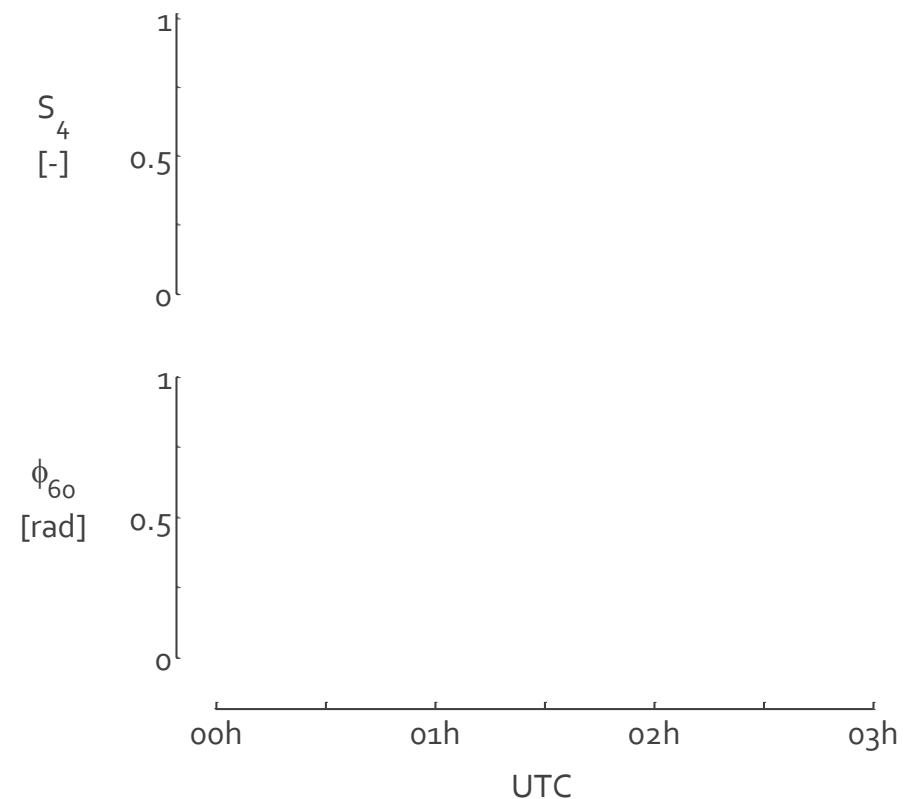
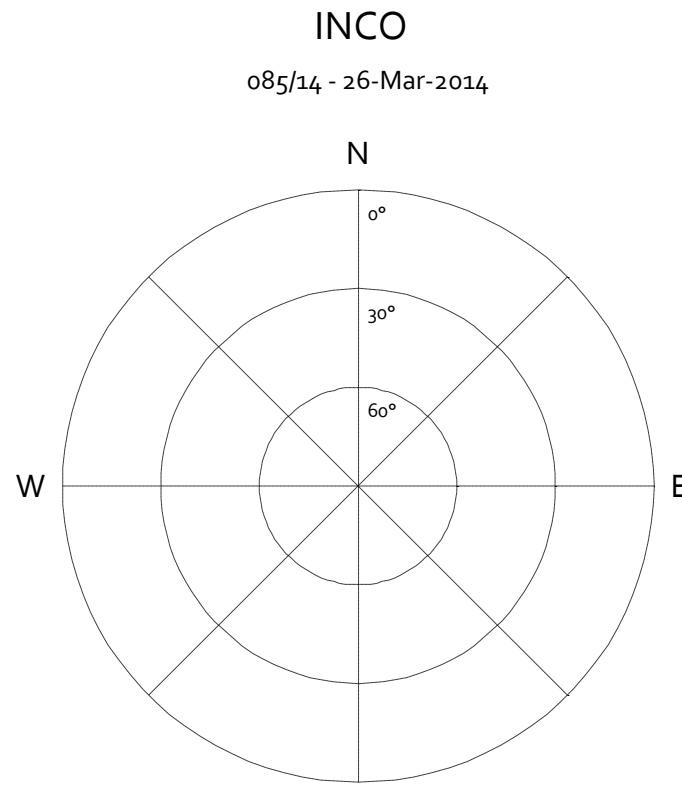


## First Law of Geography...

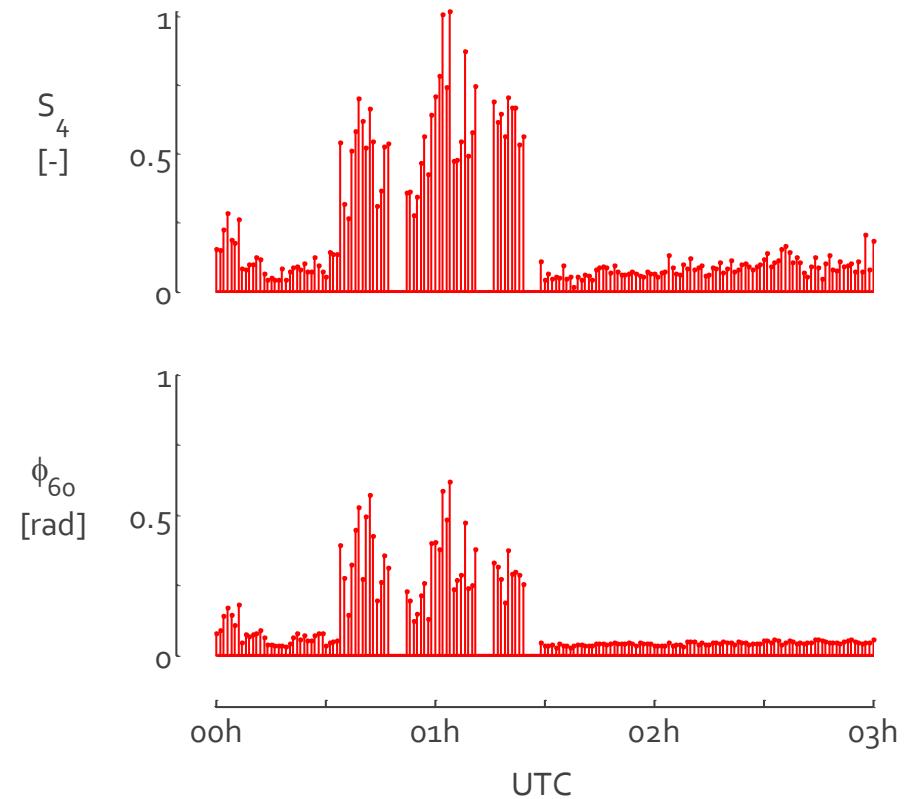
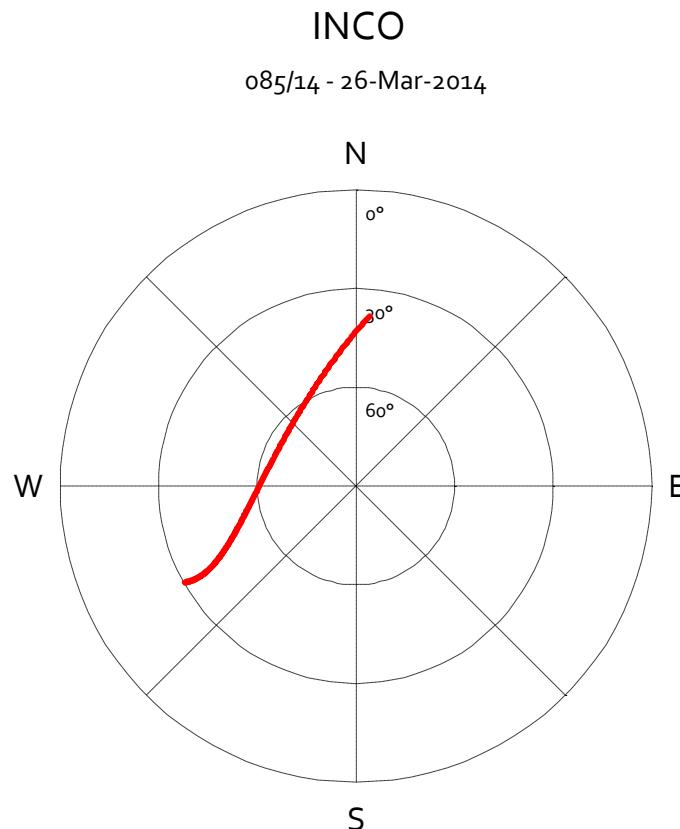
*“Everything is related to everything else,  
but near things are more related than distant things.”*

Waldo Tobler

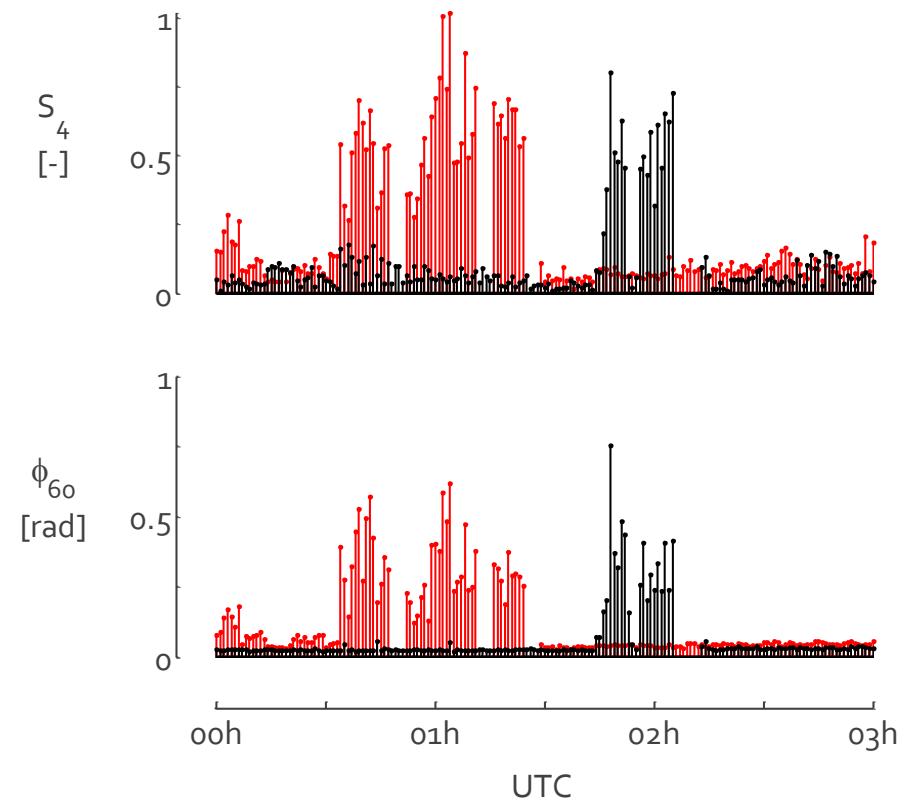
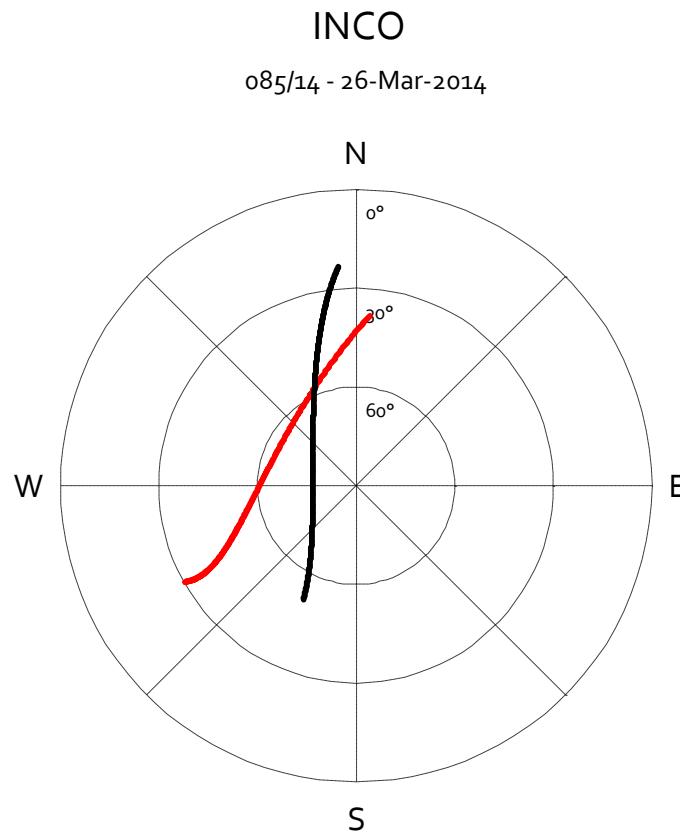
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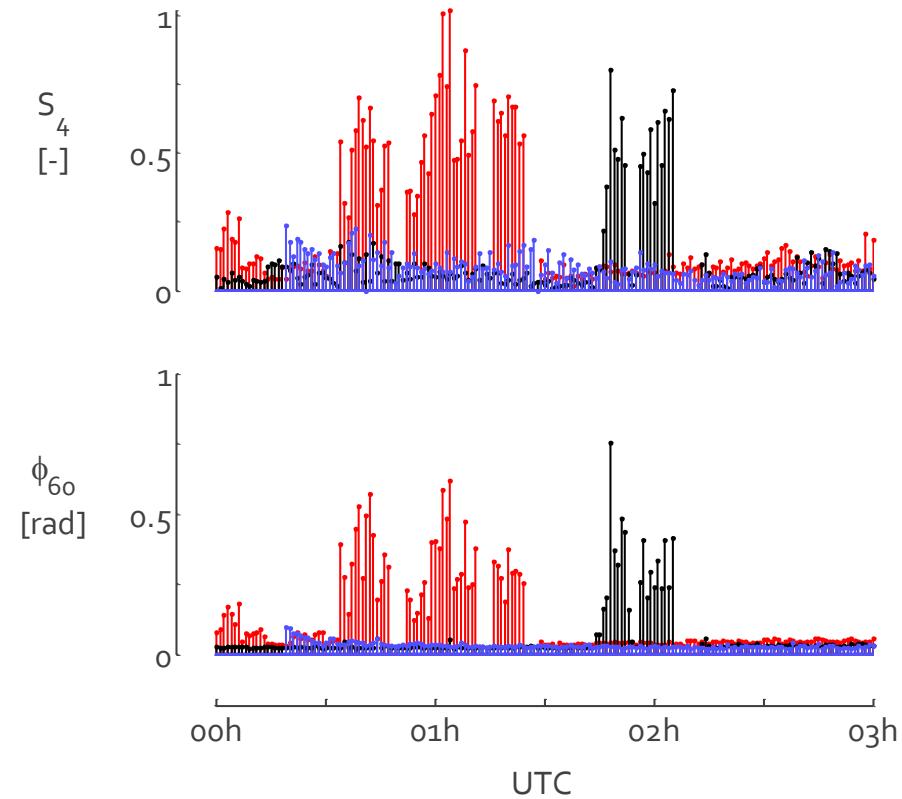
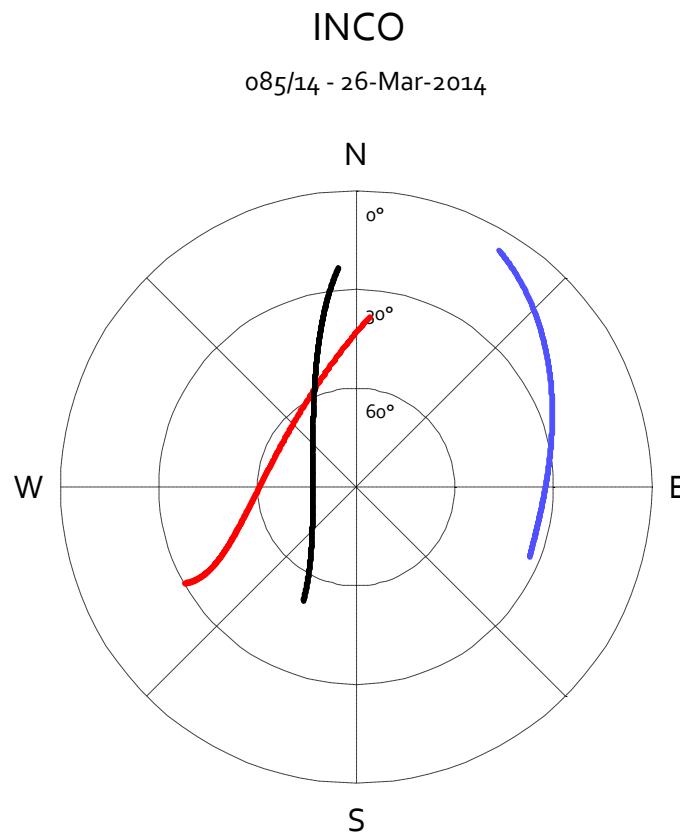
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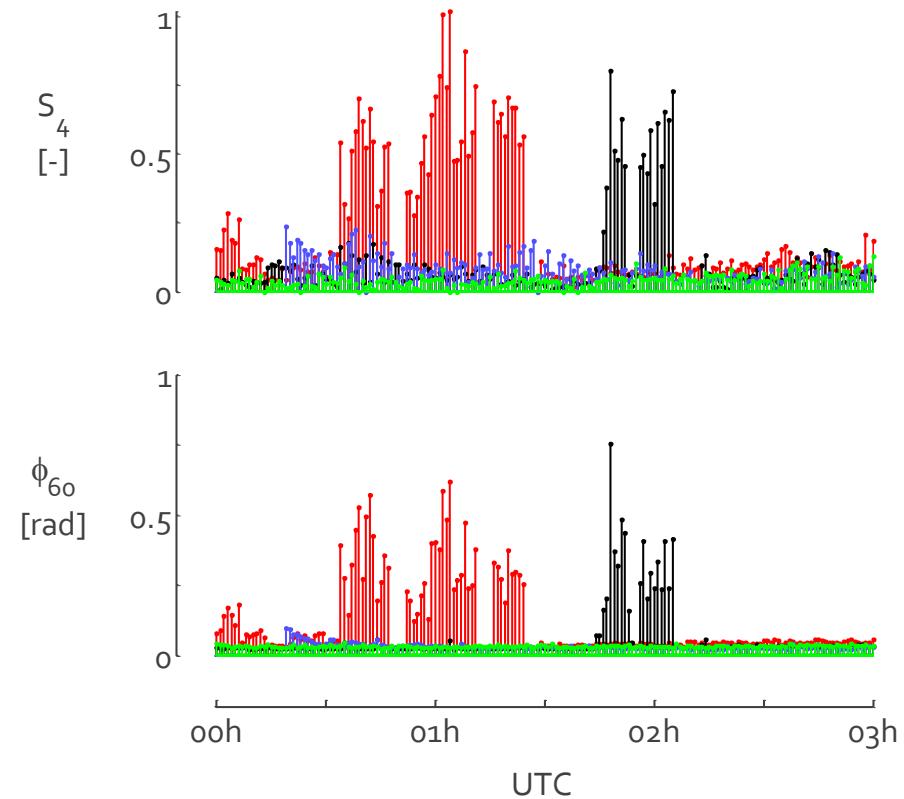
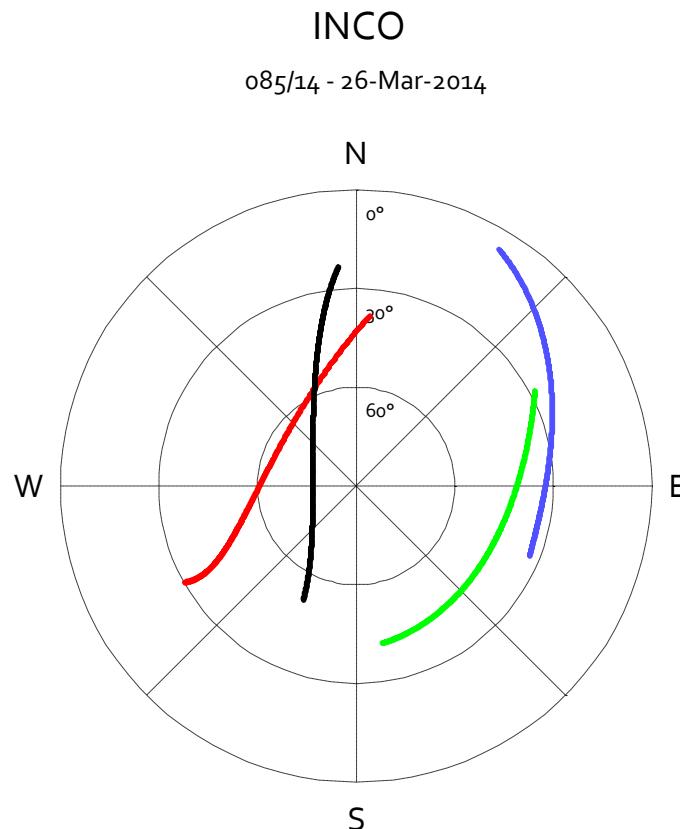
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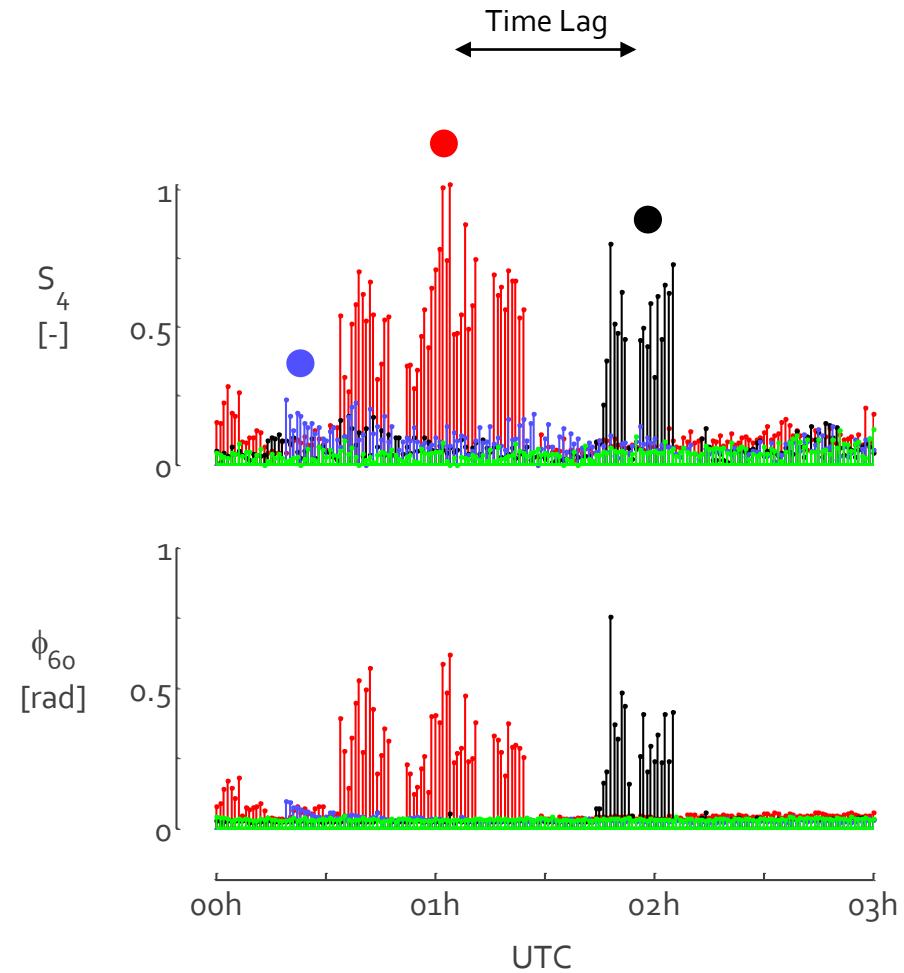
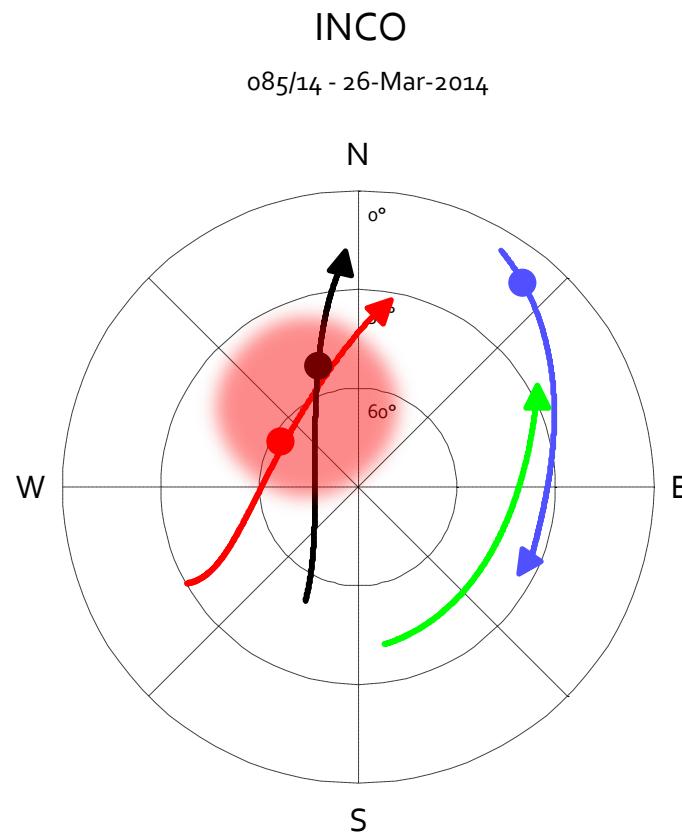
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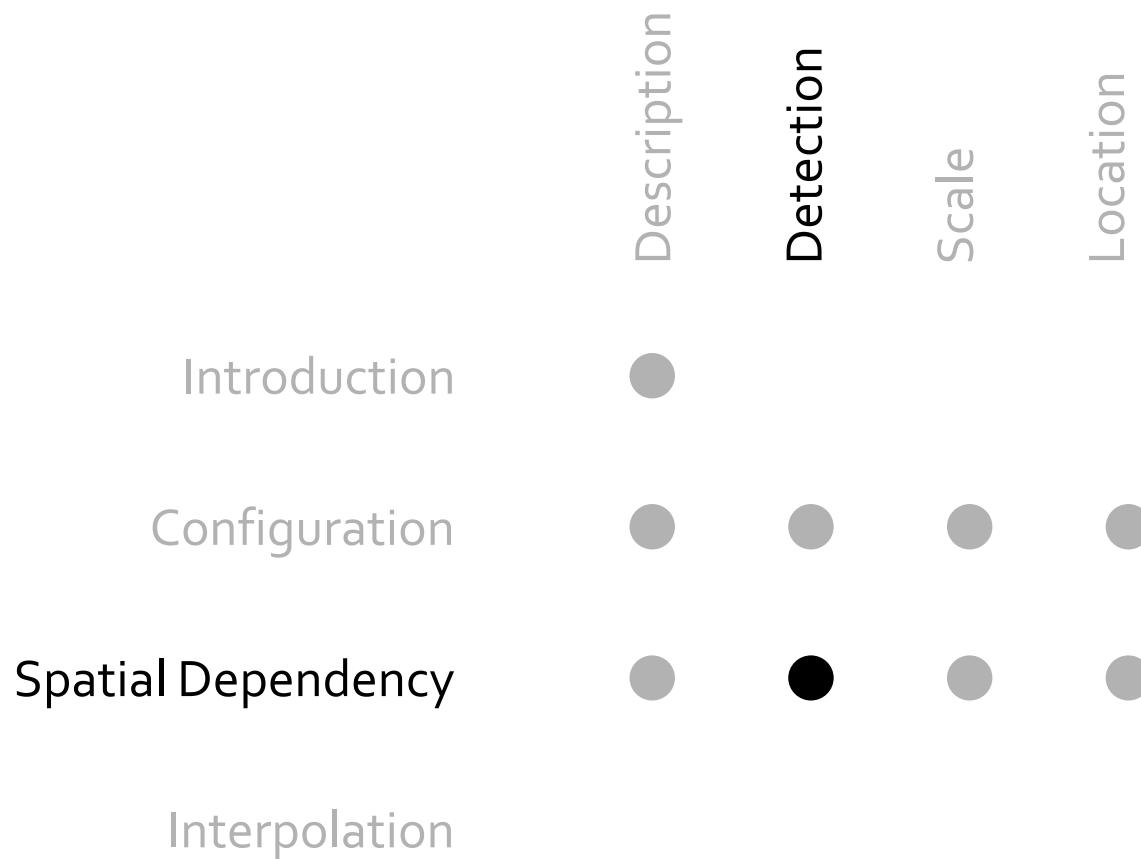


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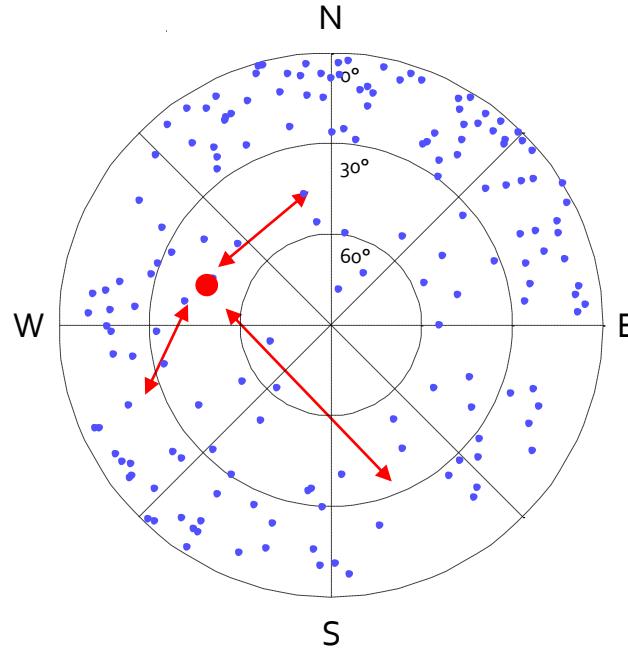
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## Spatial AutoCorrelation Indicators detect and quantify the Spatial Dependency

### Moran's I Index



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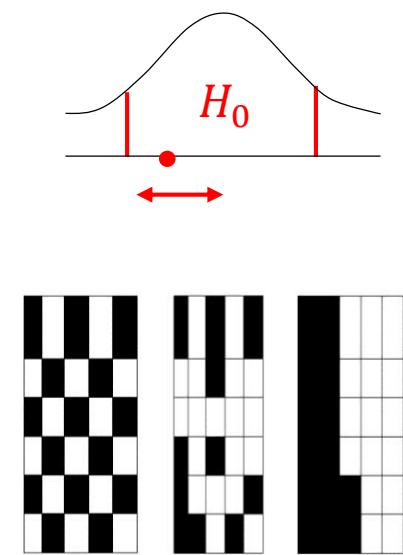
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$$E[I] = 0$$

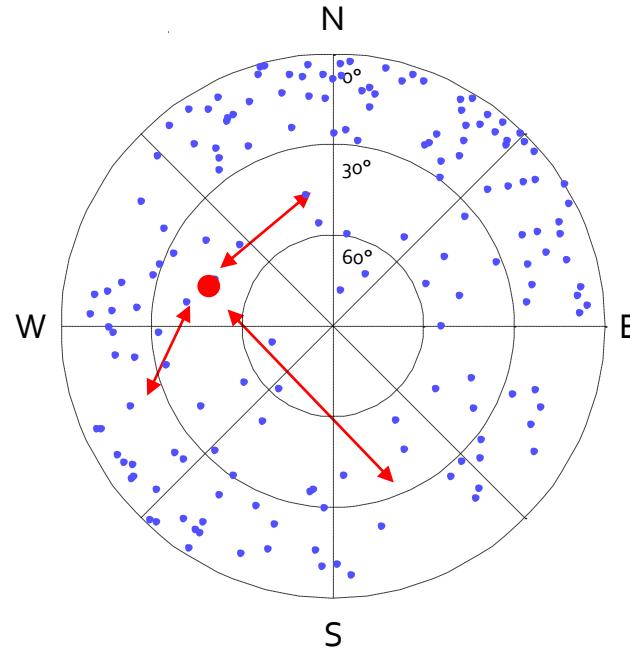
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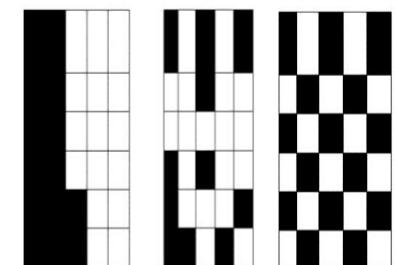
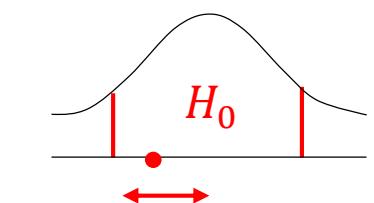
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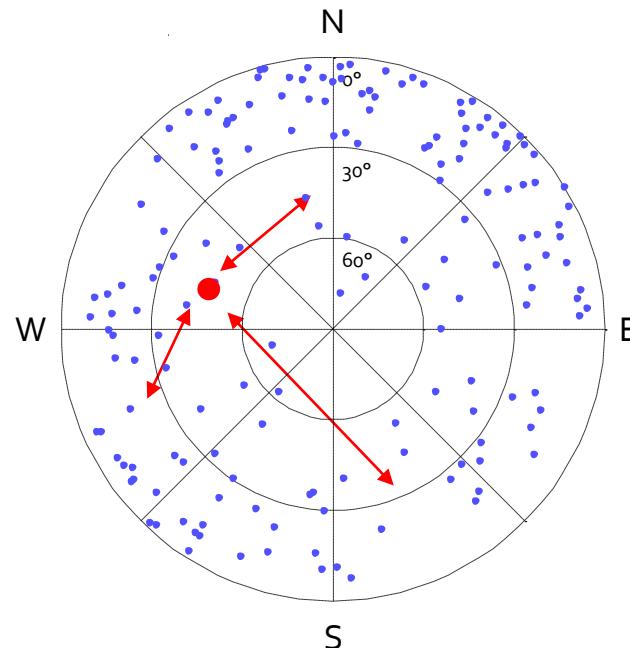
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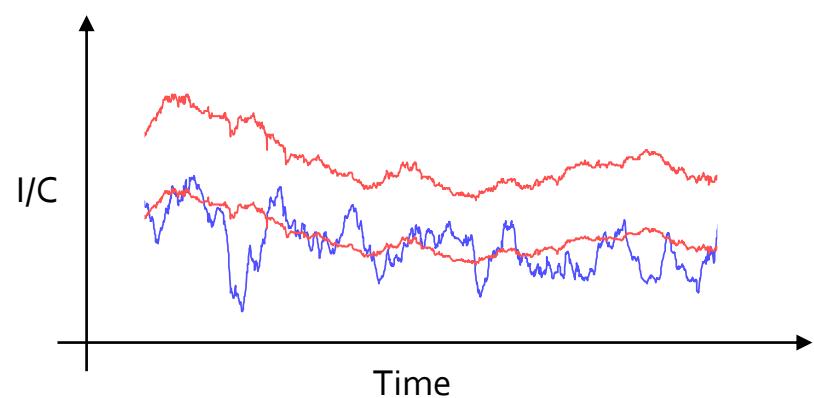


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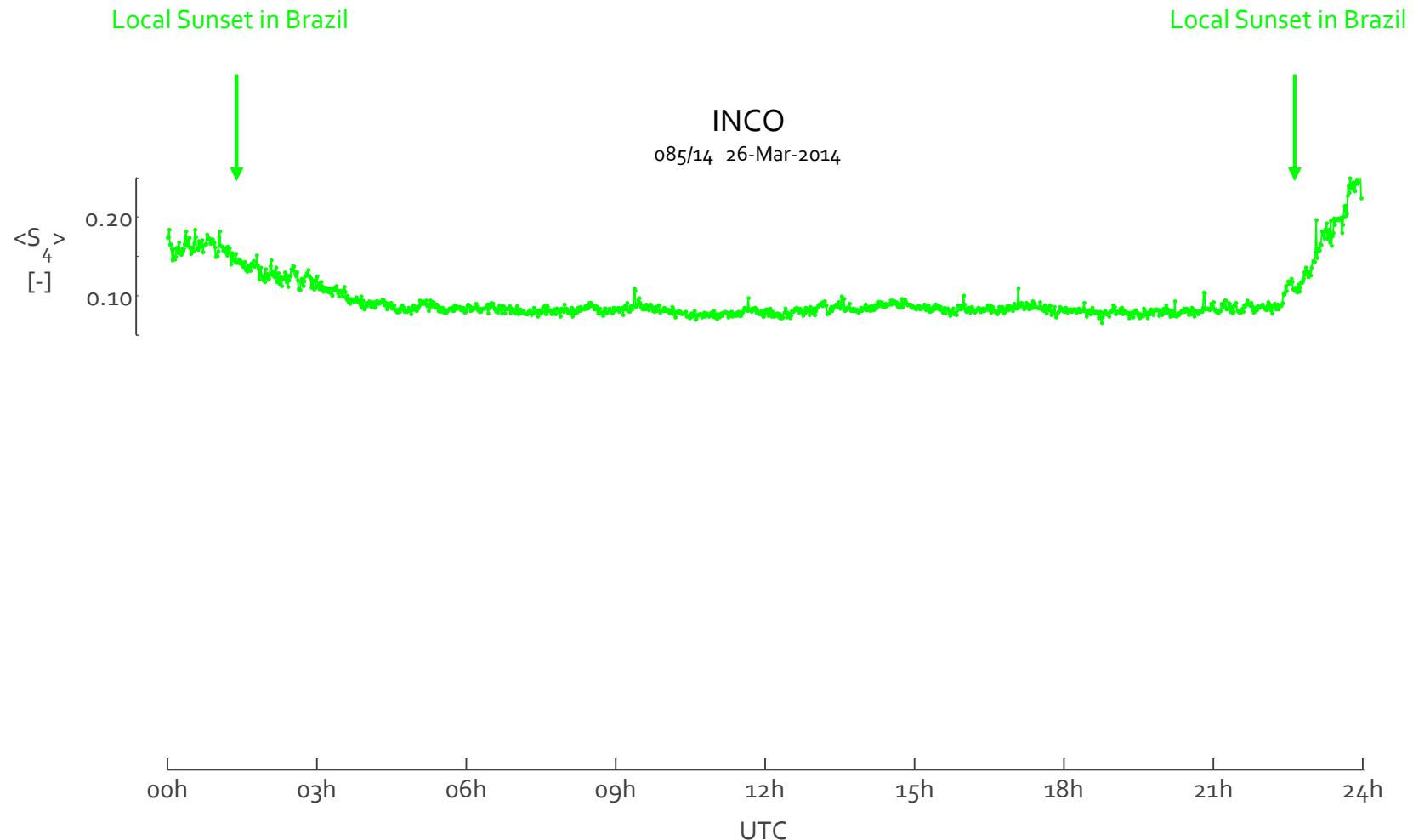
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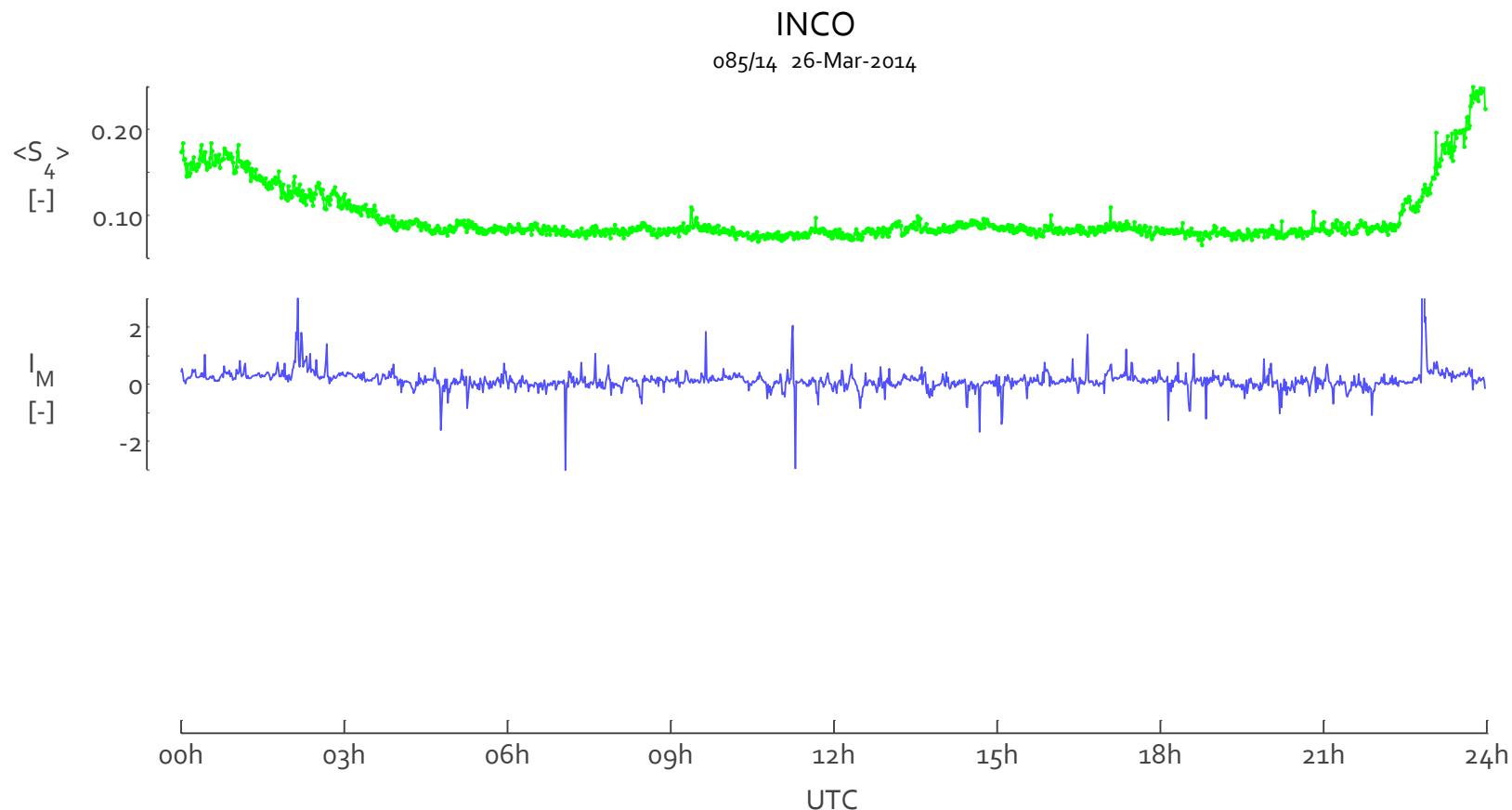
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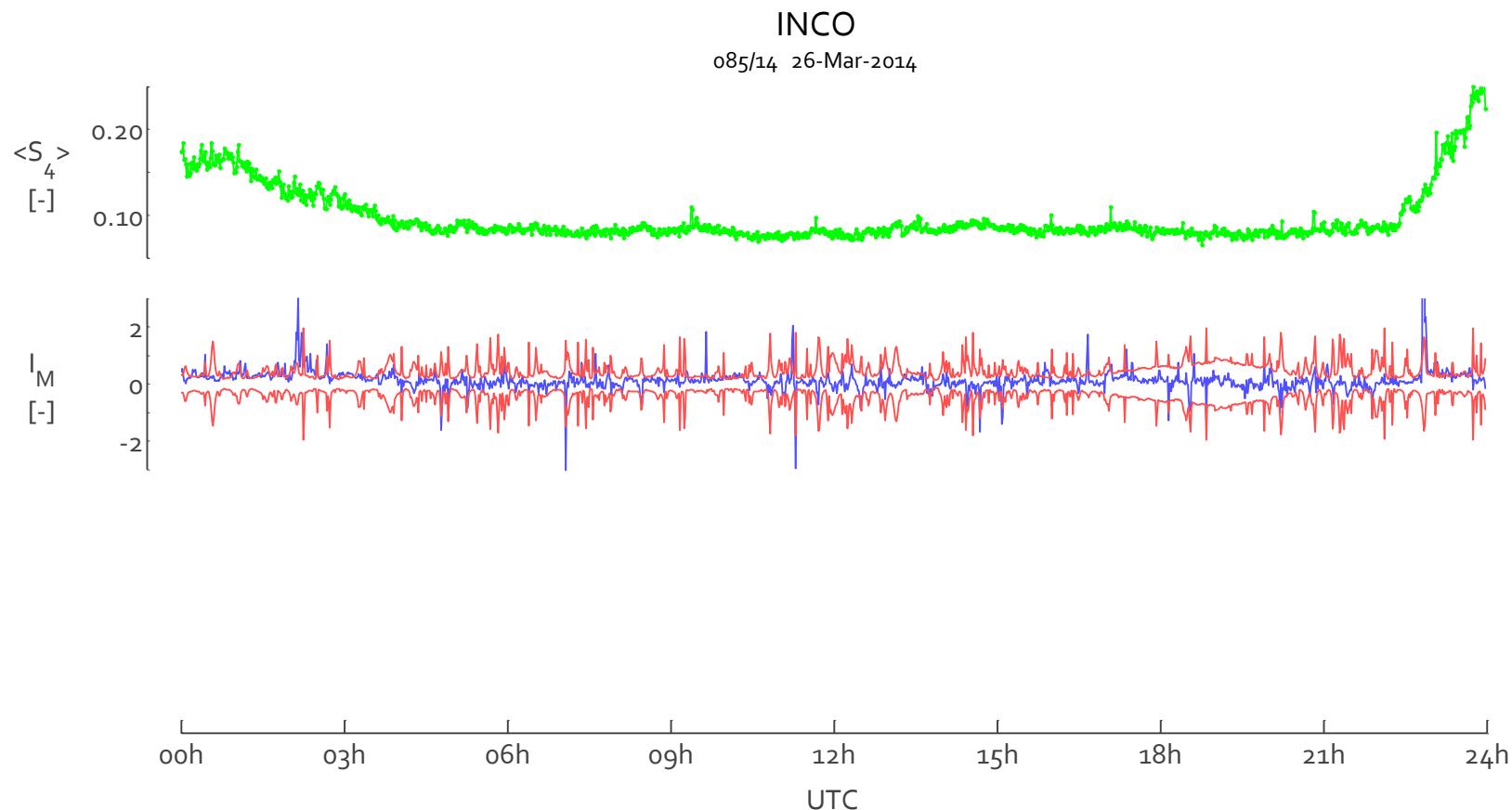
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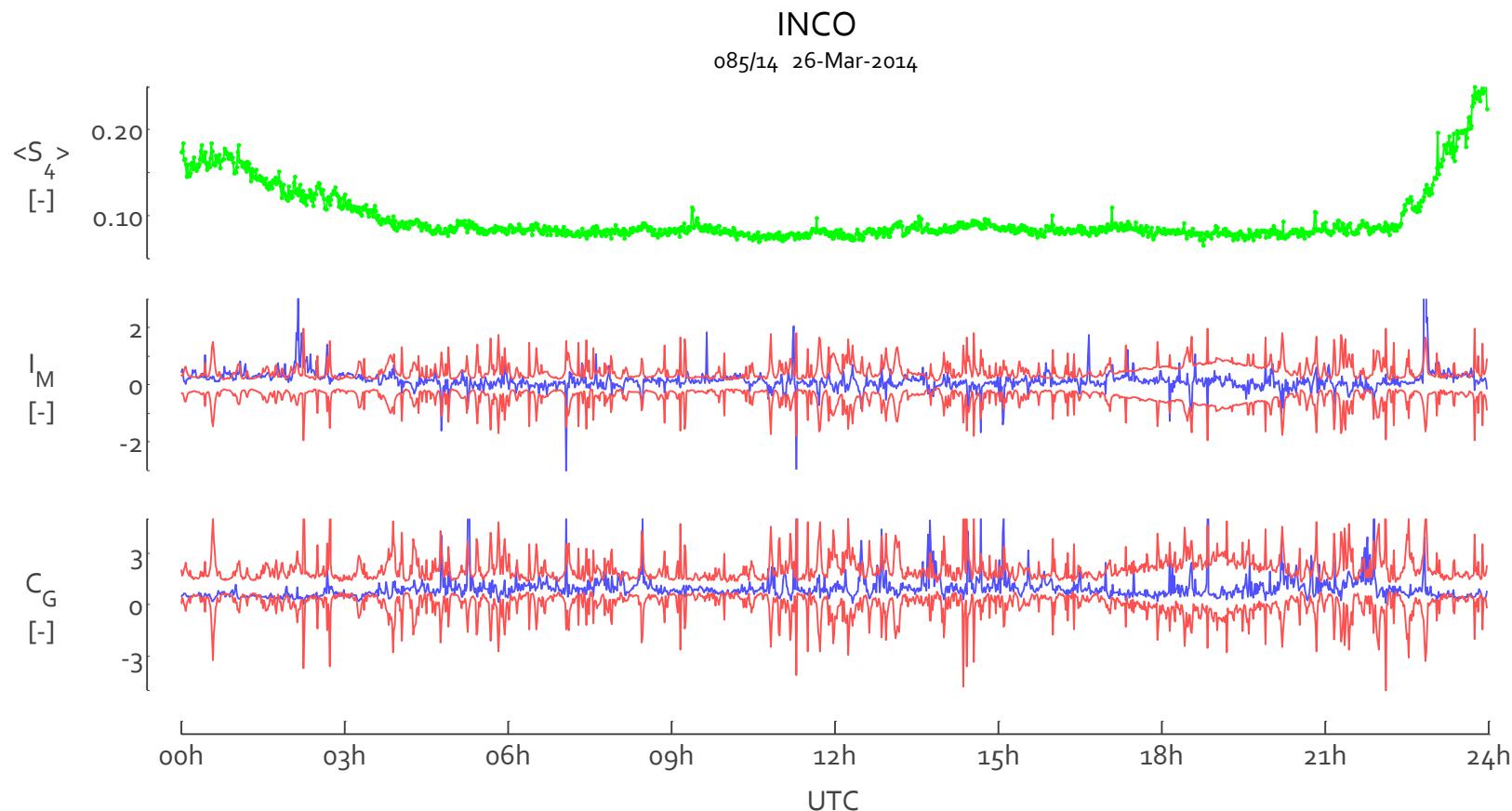
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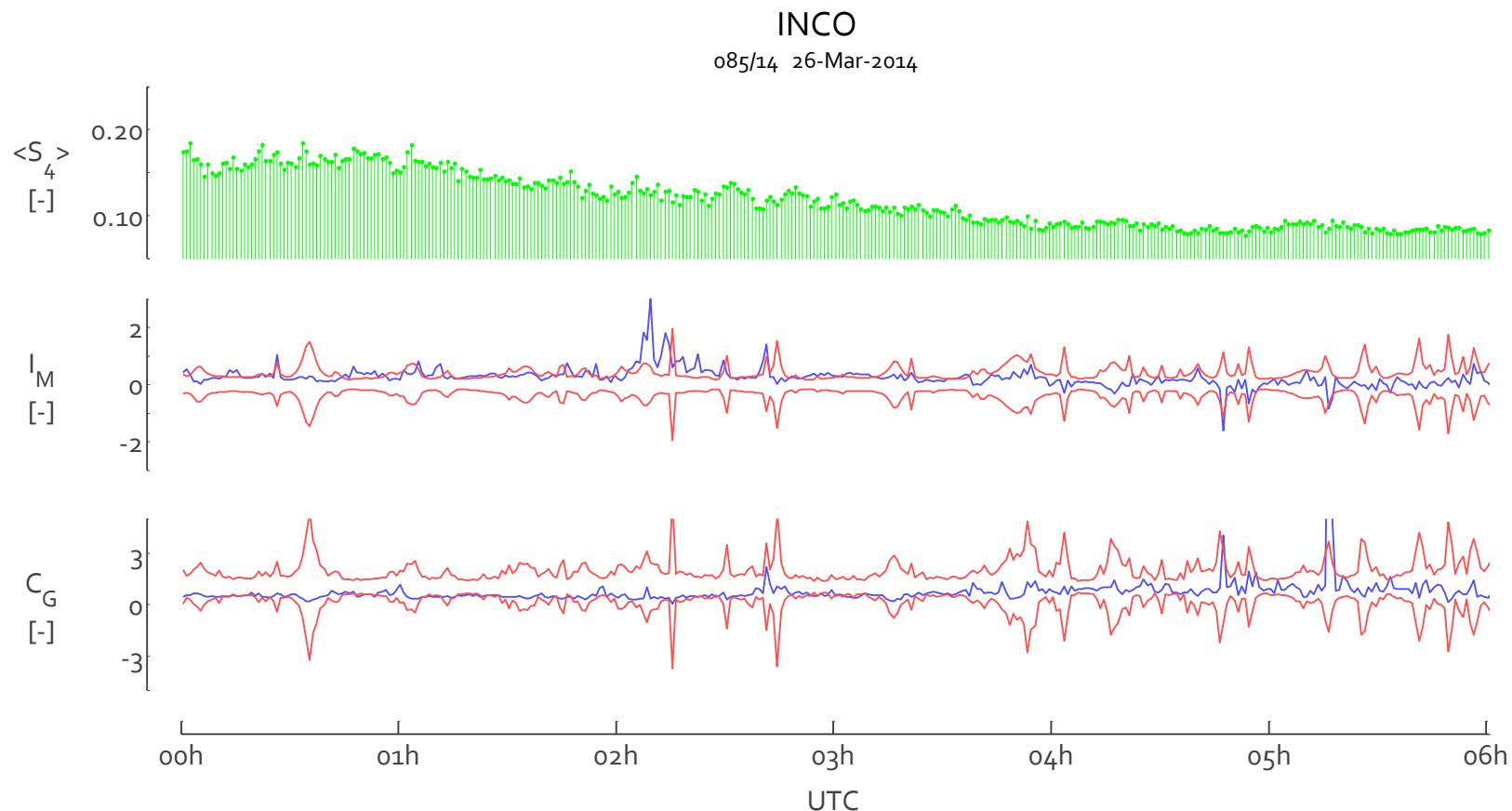
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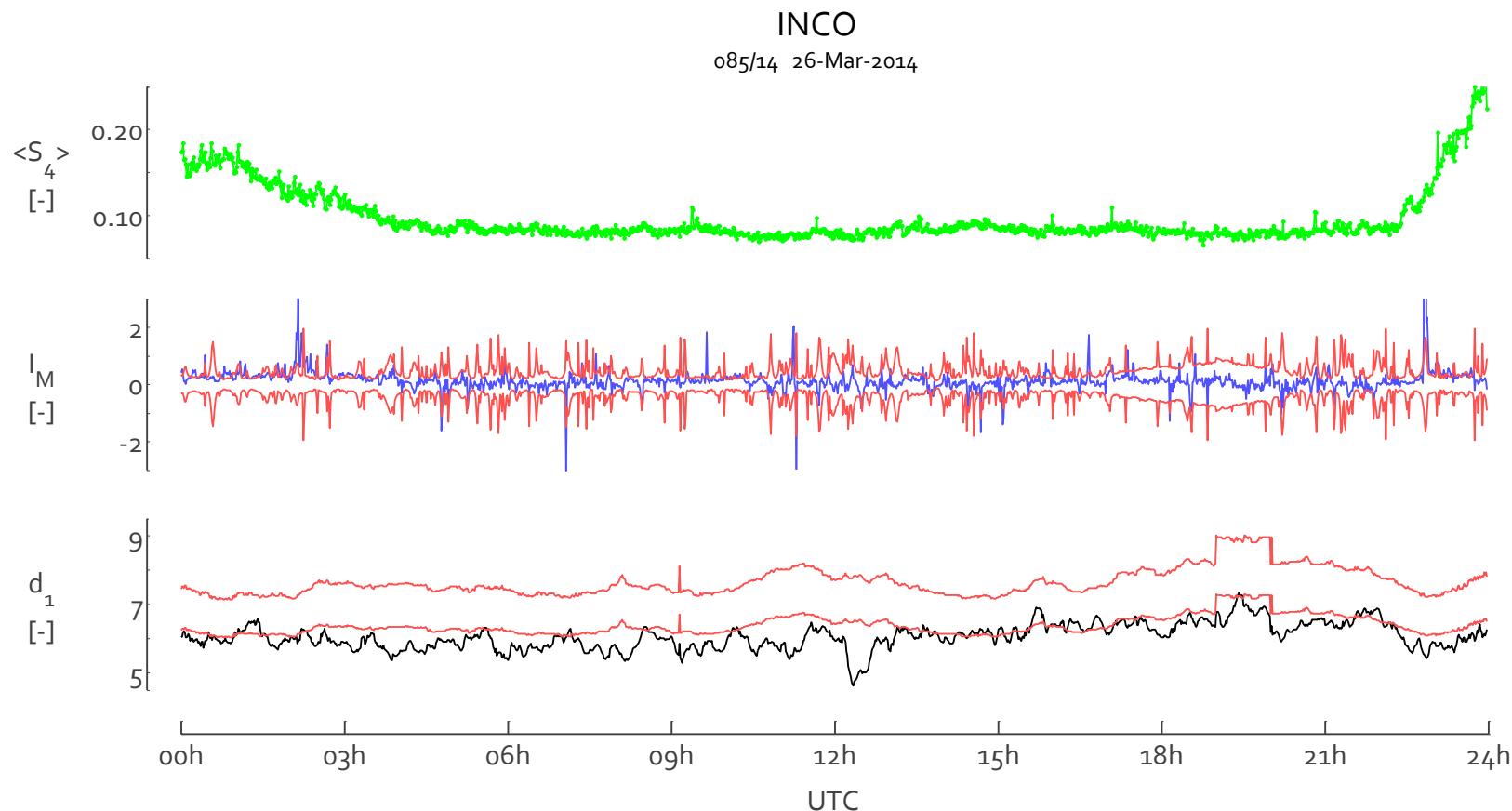
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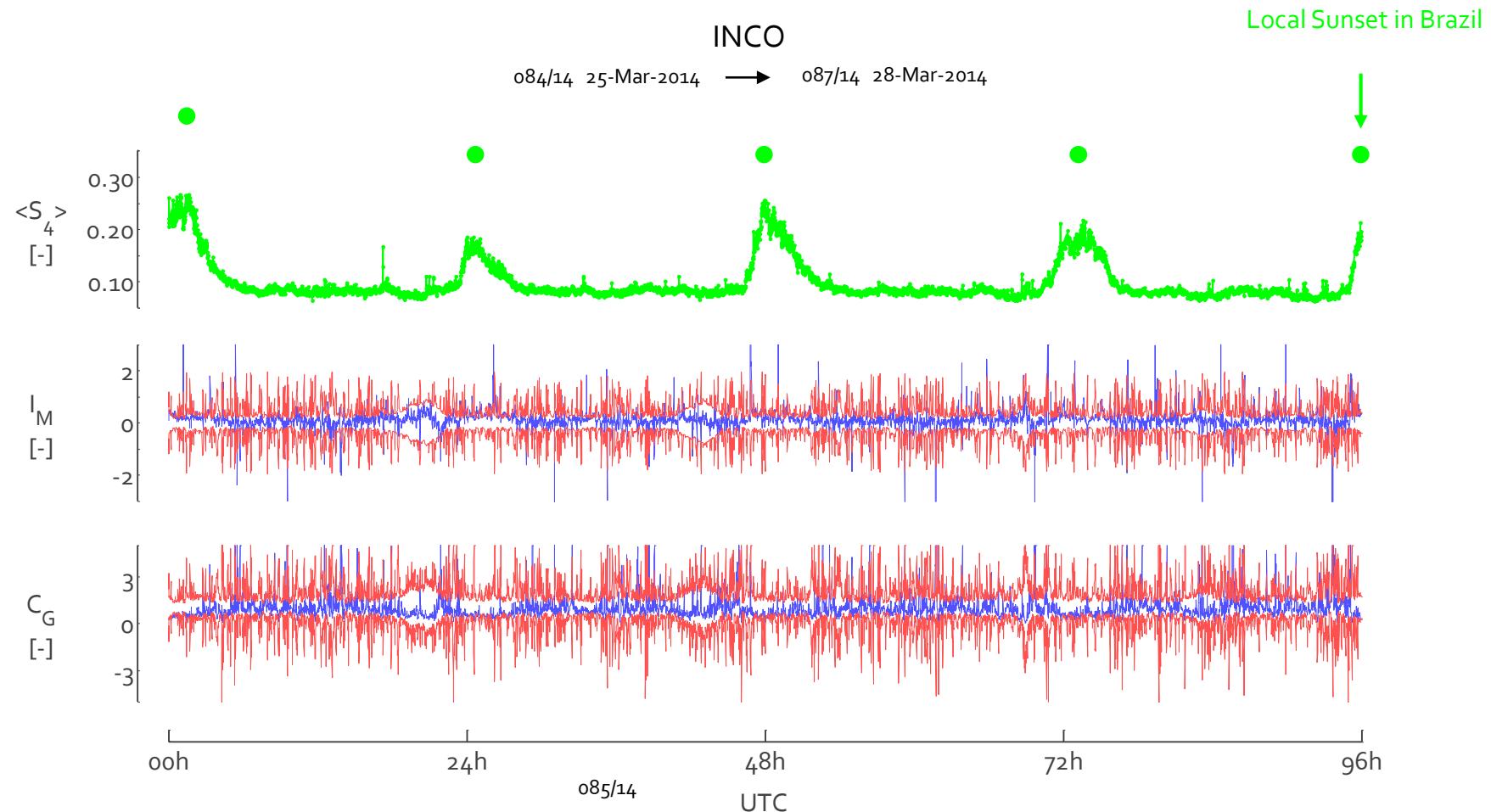
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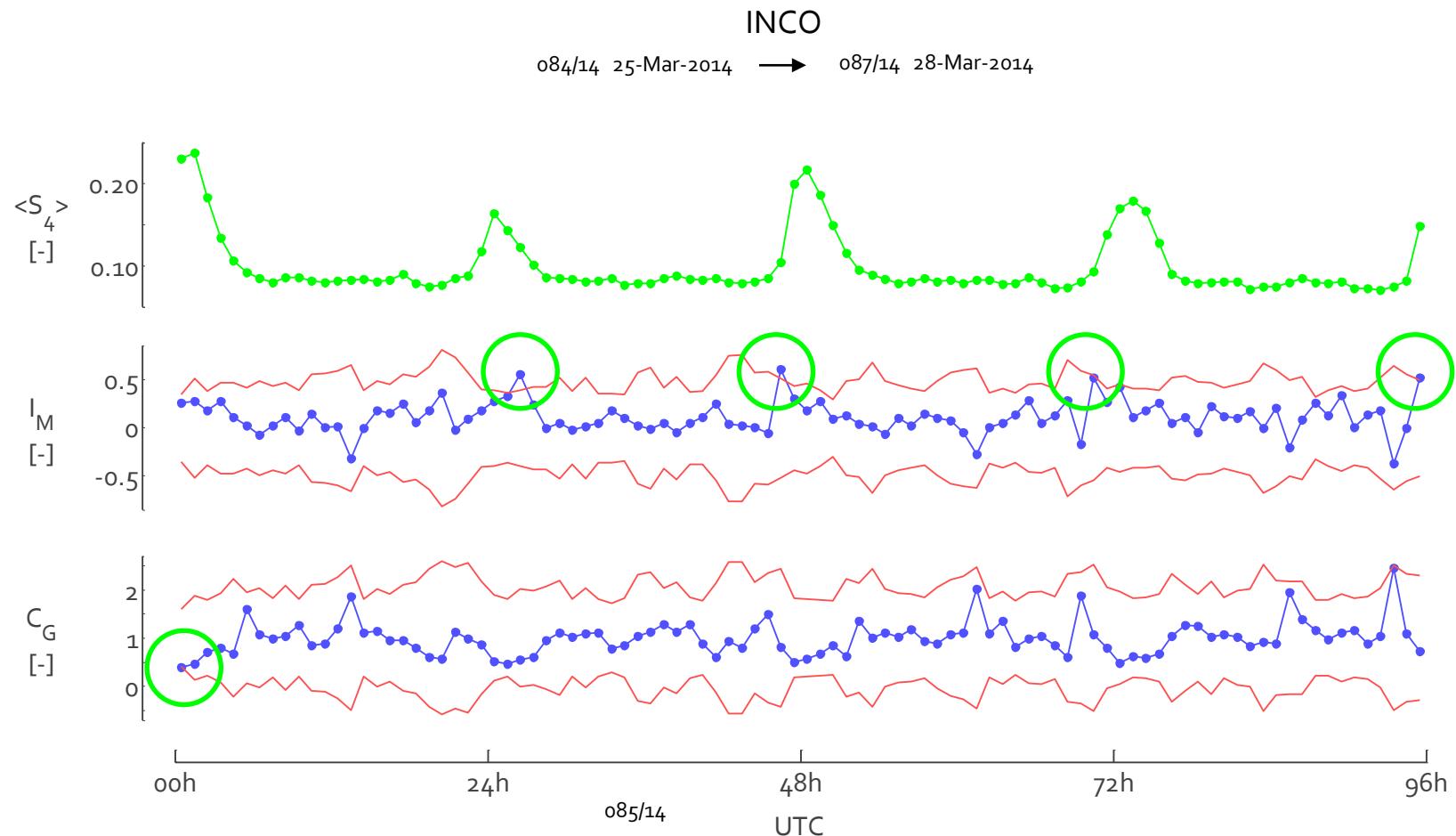
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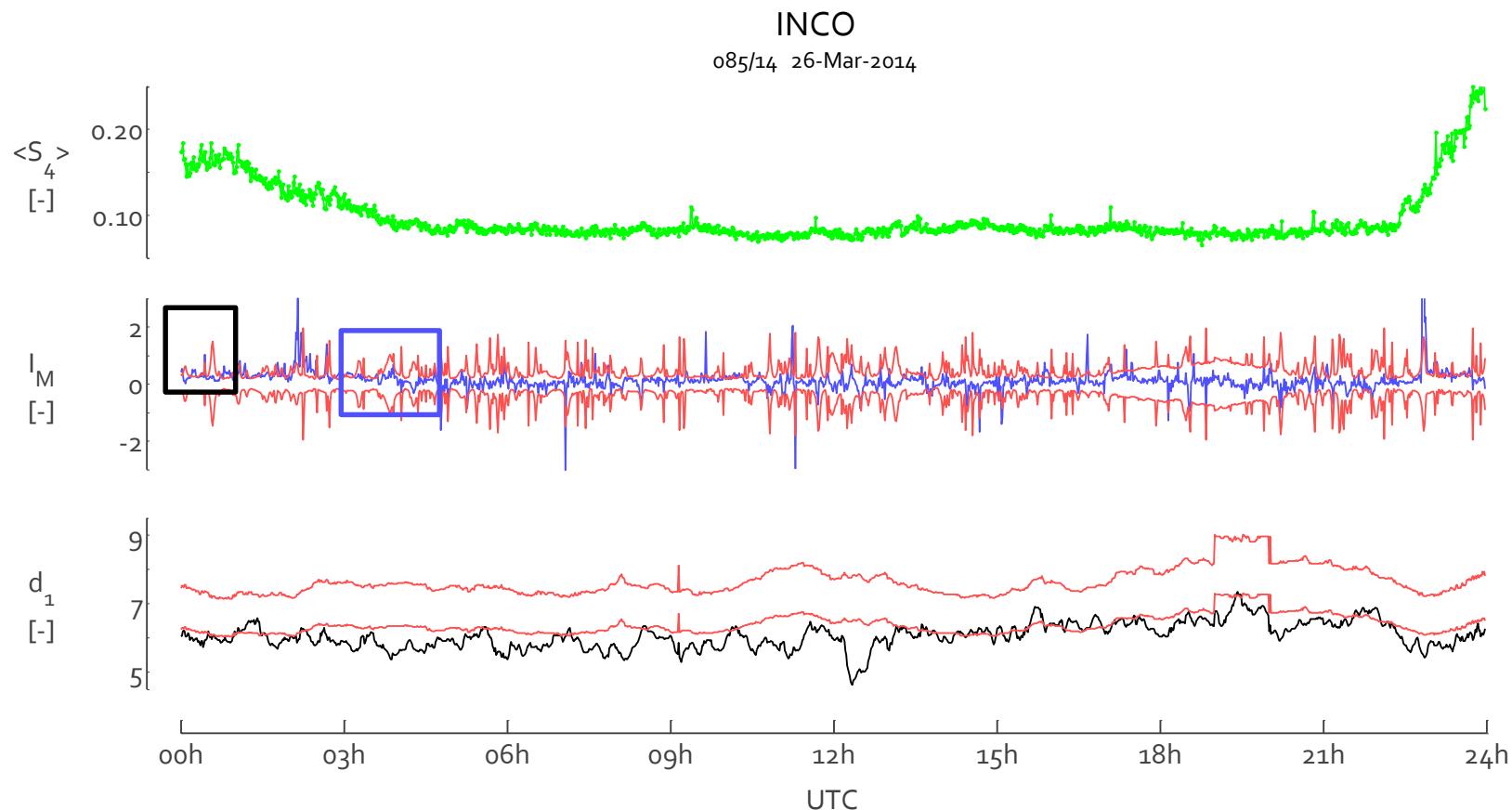
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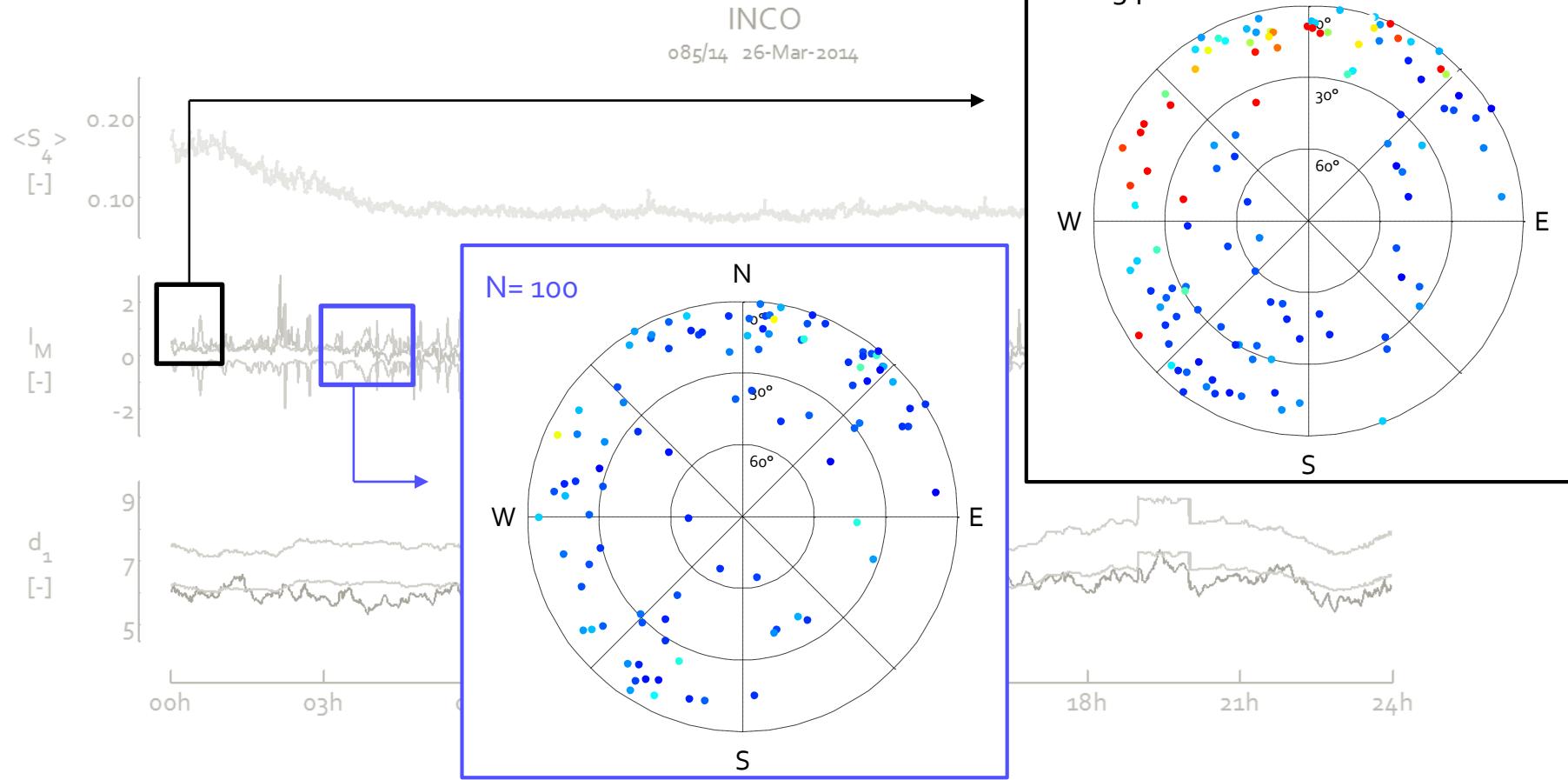
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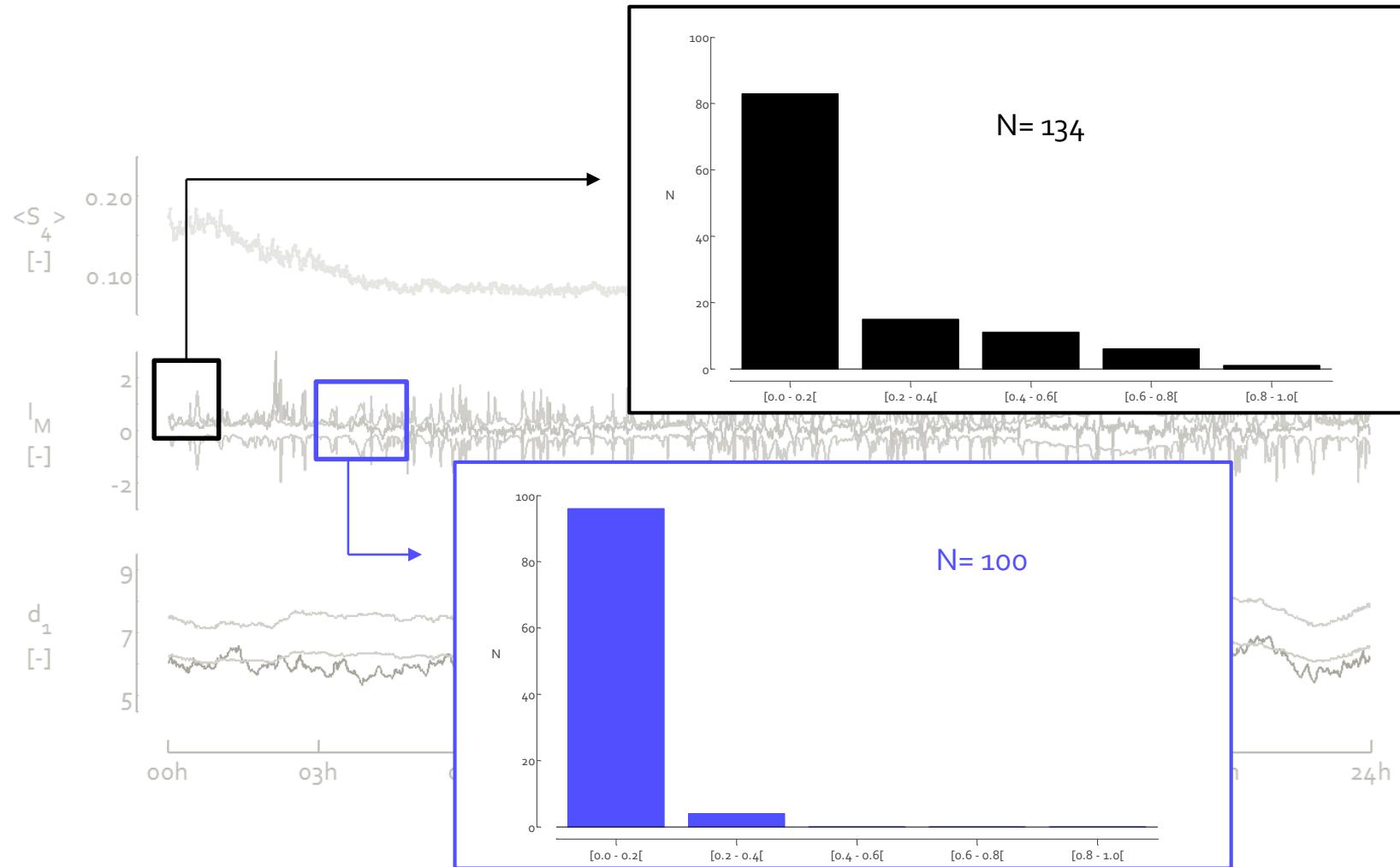
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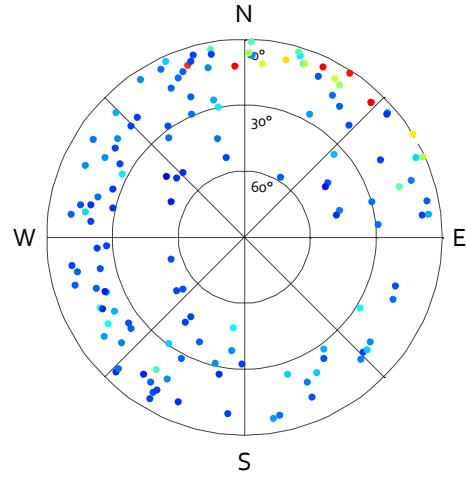
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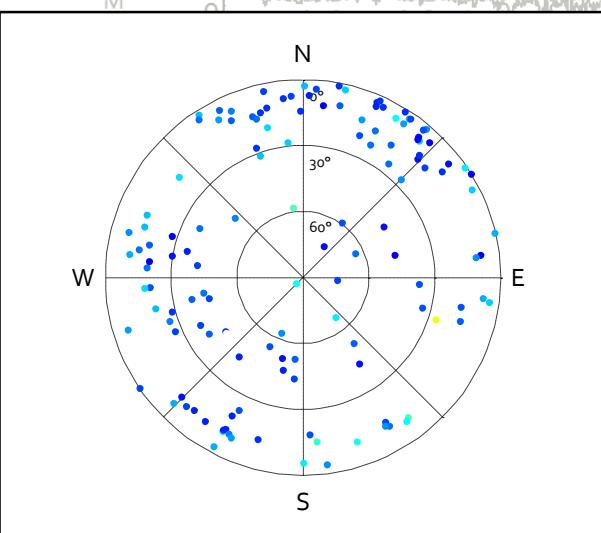


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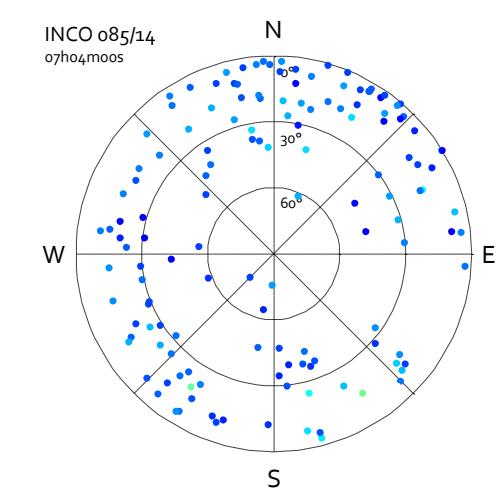


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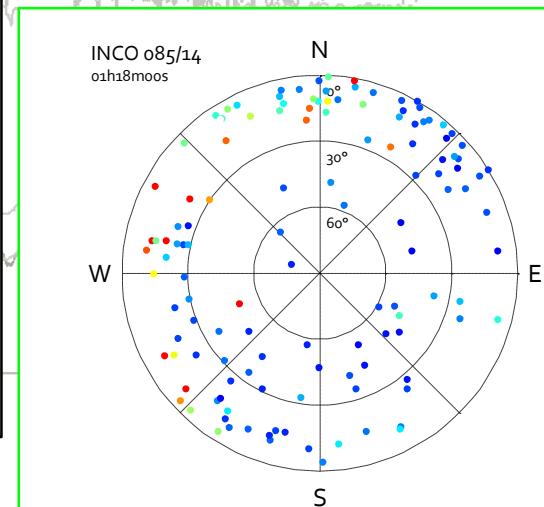
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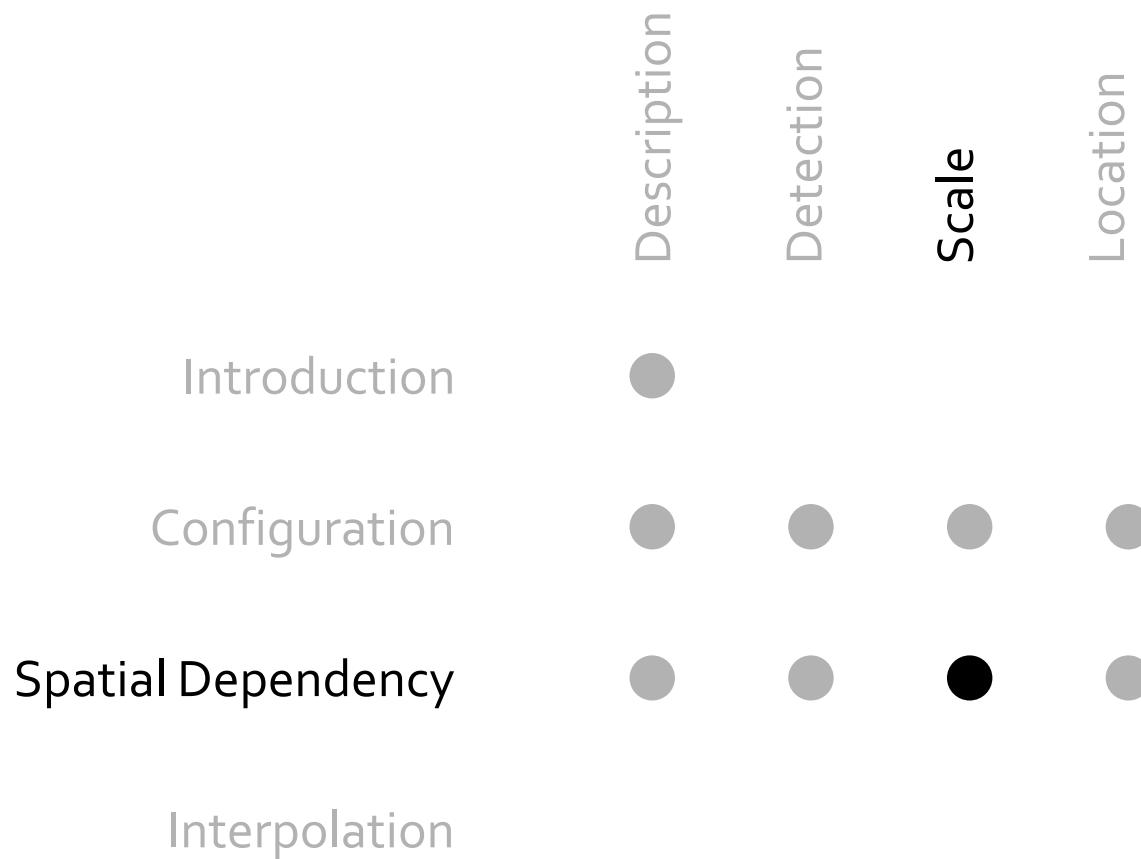
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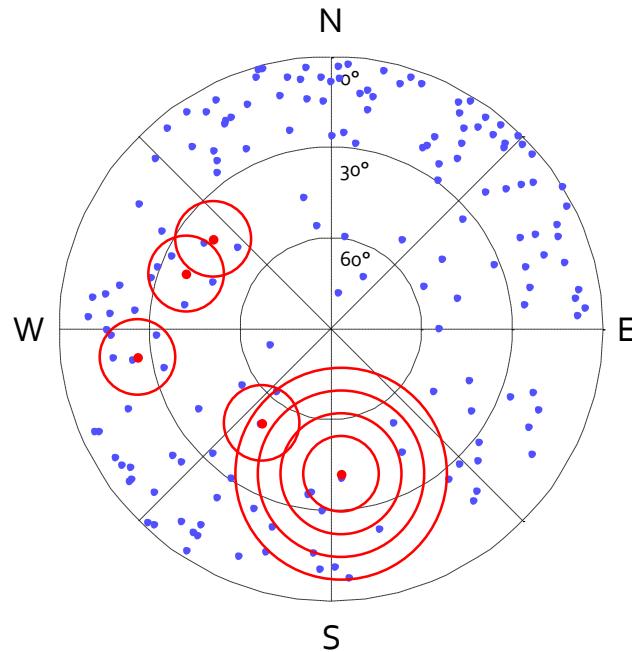


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## Analyse of the **Scale** of the Spatial Dependency with **SAC Correlograms**

SAC Correlagram: SAC vs. the Analysis Scale



Moran's I

Geary's C

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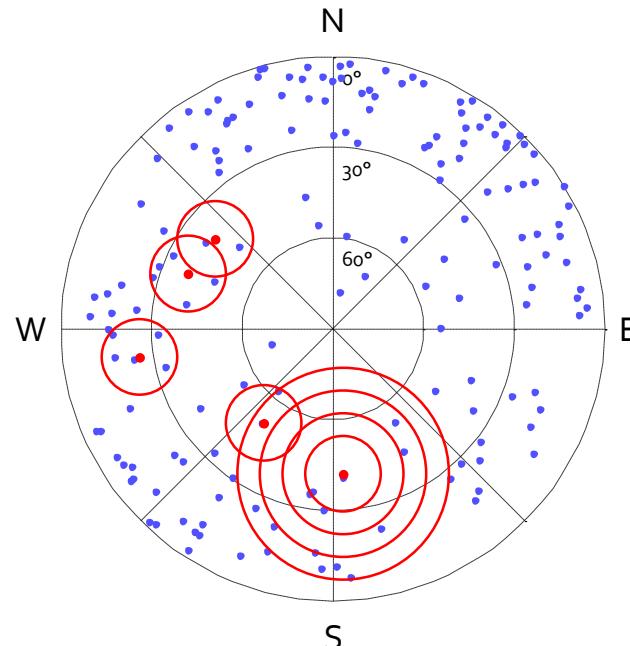
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$$d_{ij} \leq \omega_p \Rightarrow w_{ij} = \frac{1}{d_{ij}^2}$$

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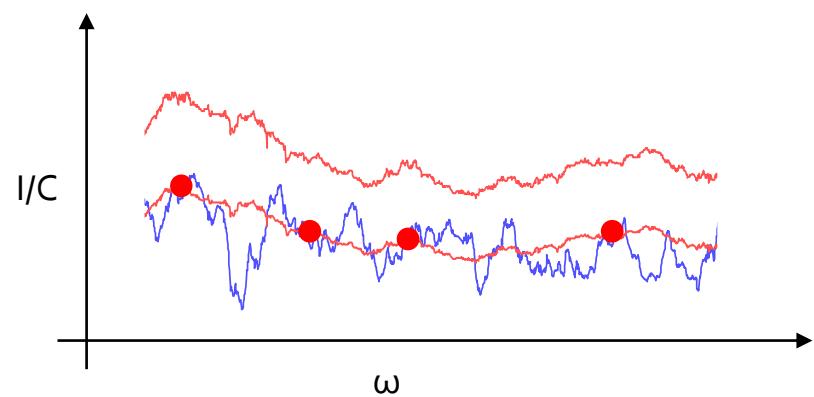


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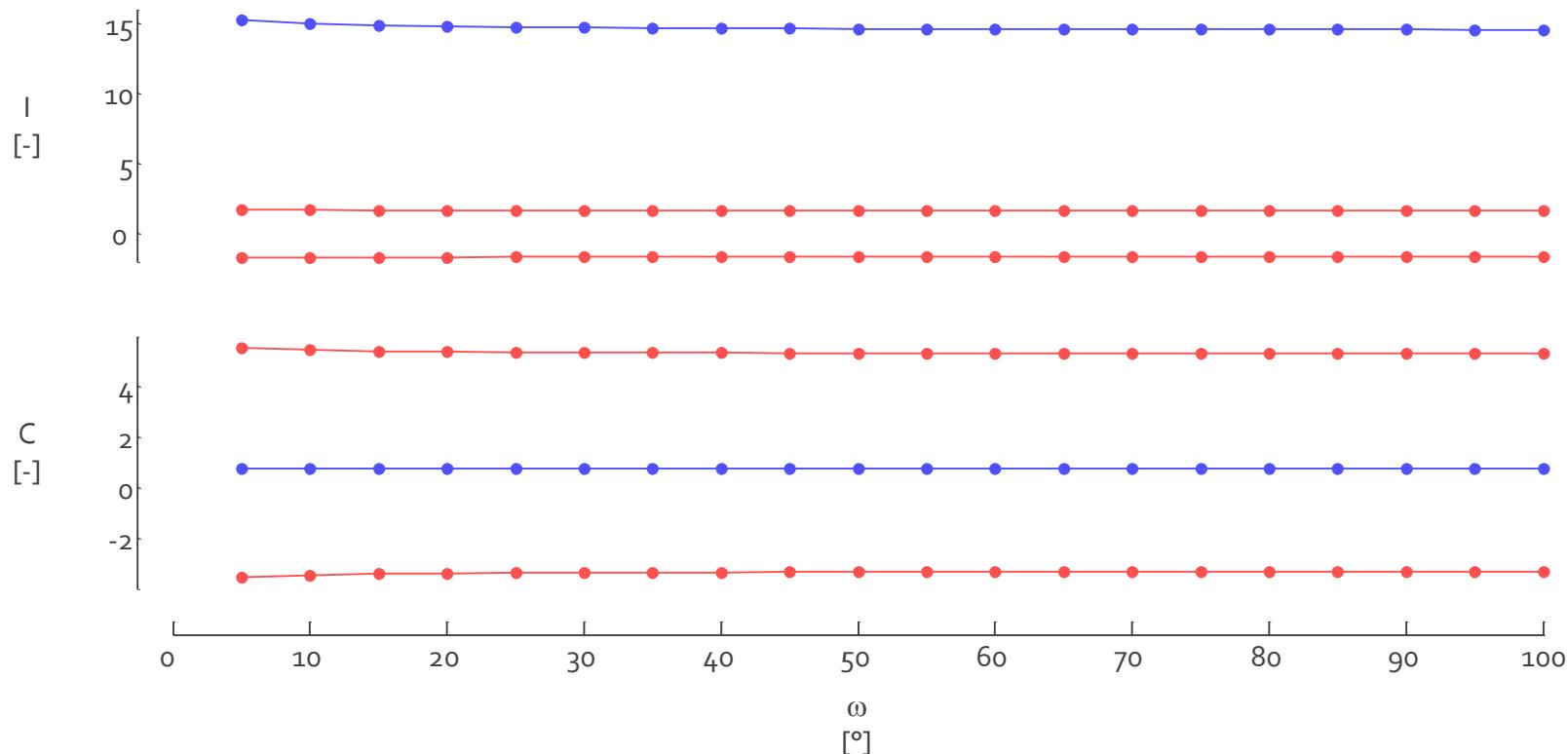
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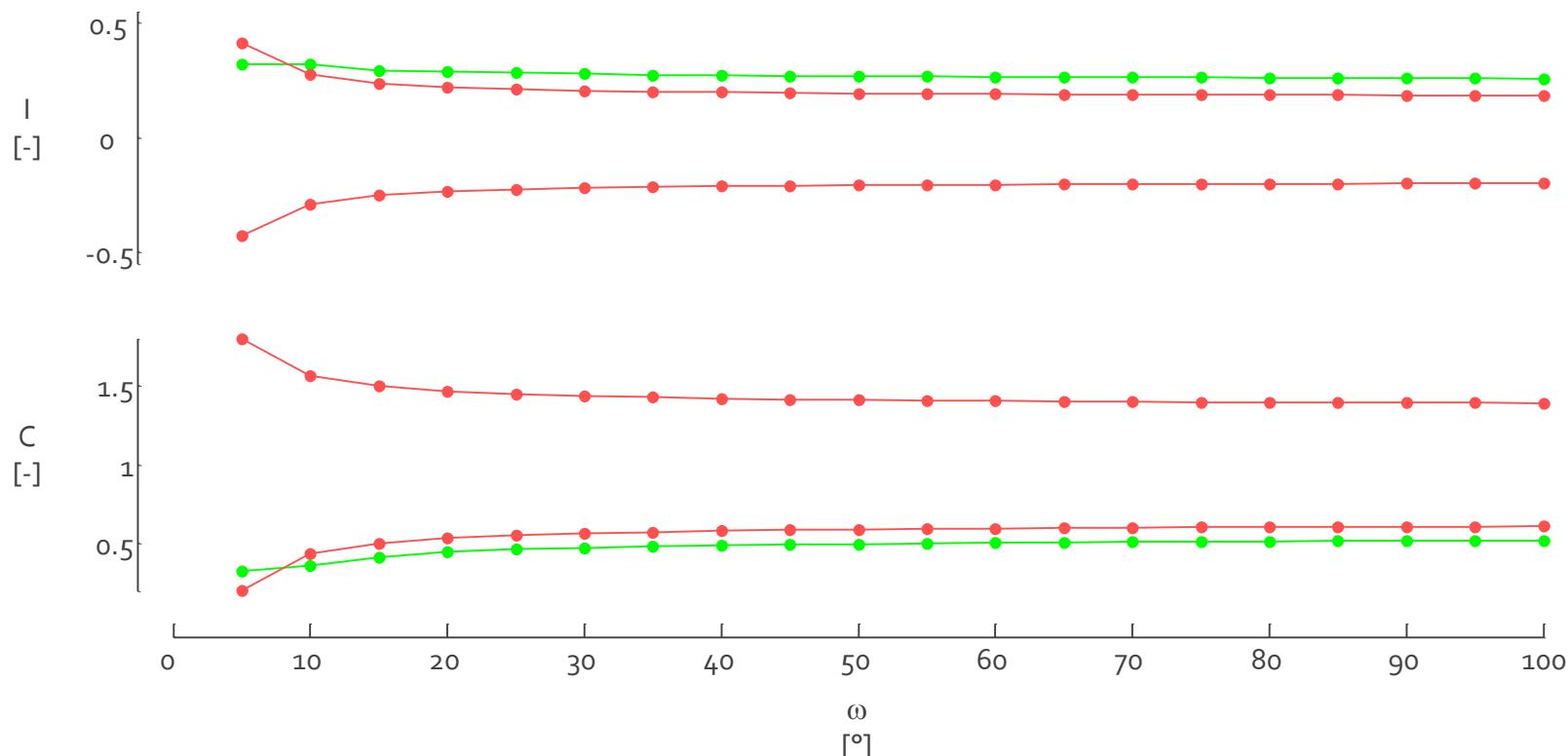
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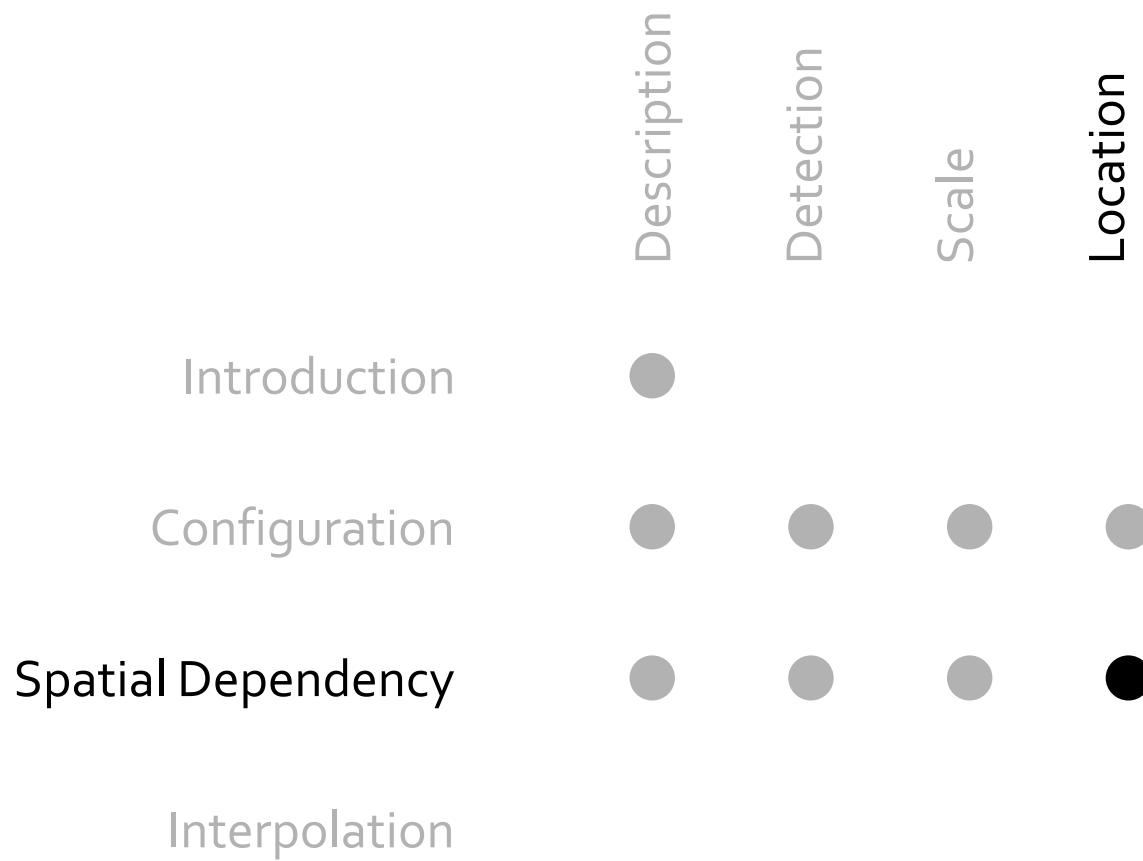
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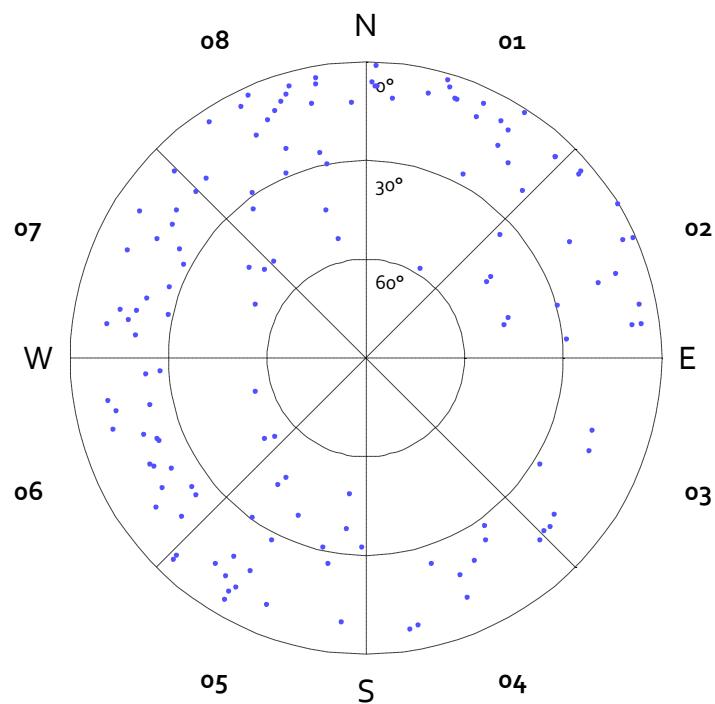
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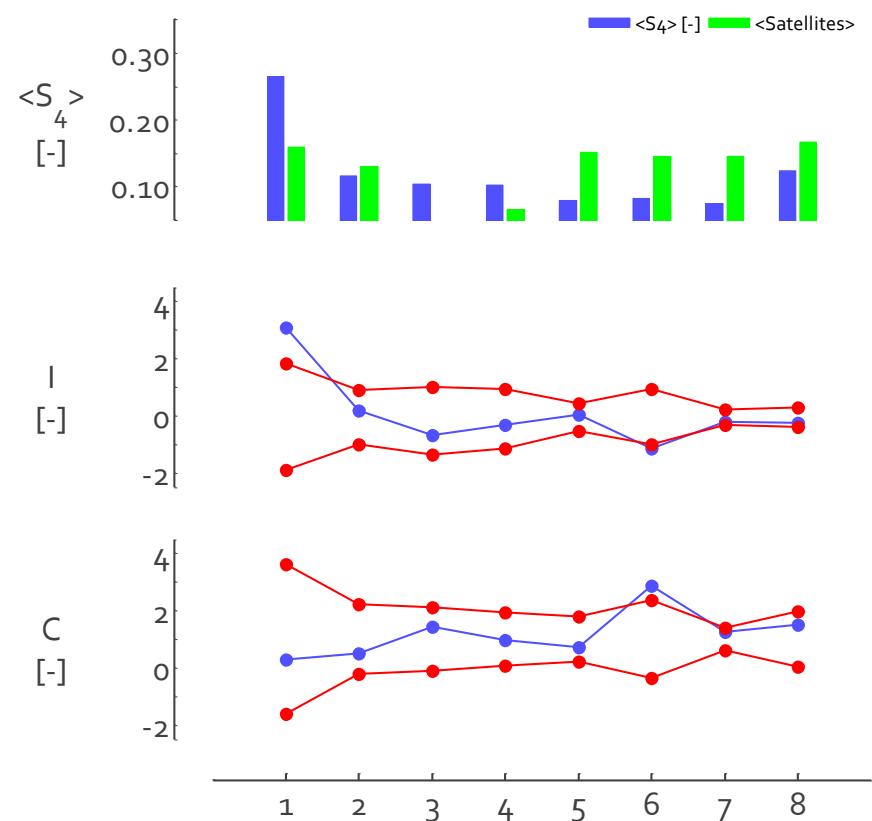




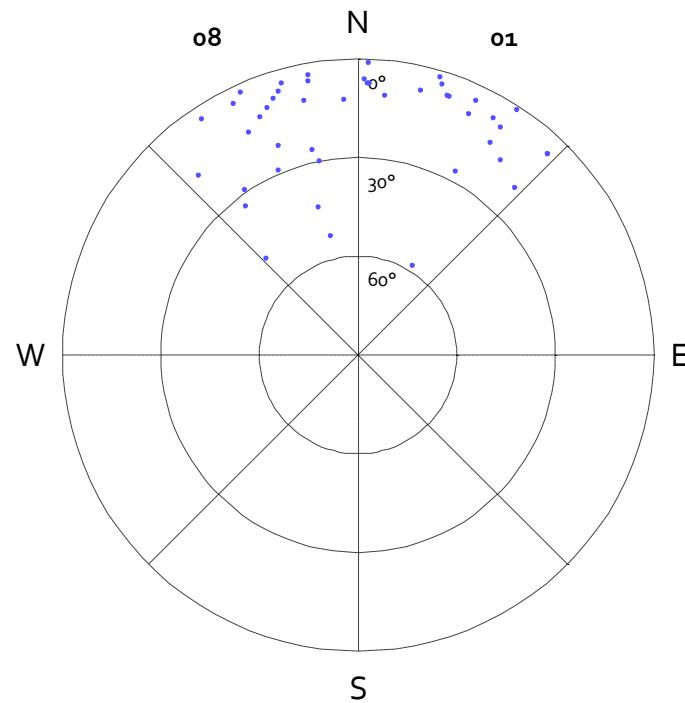
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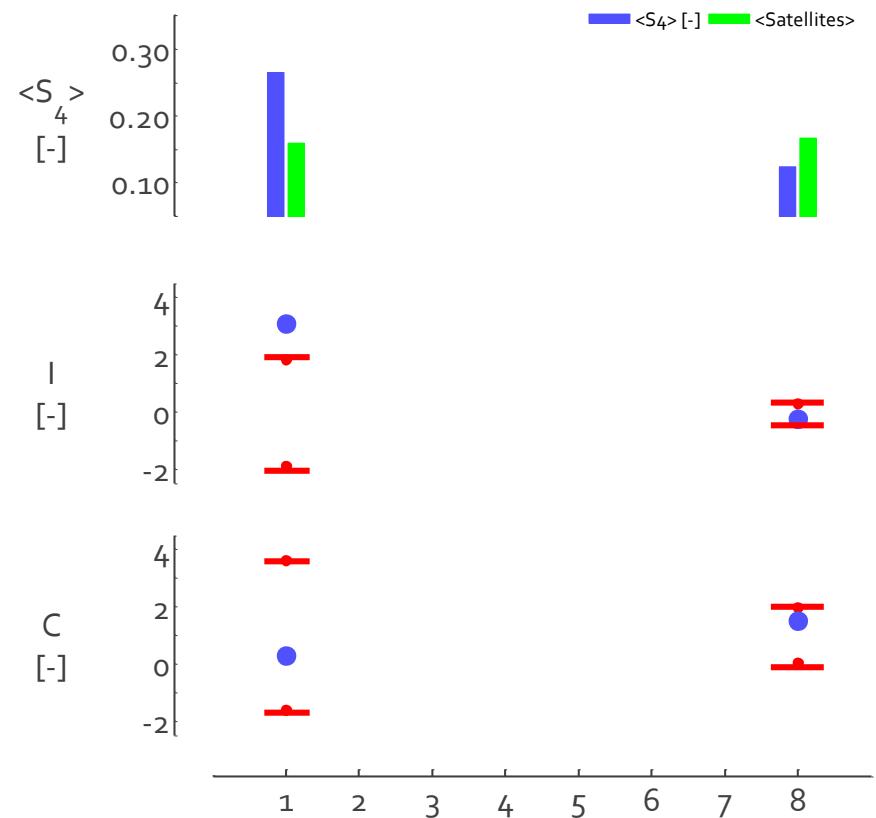
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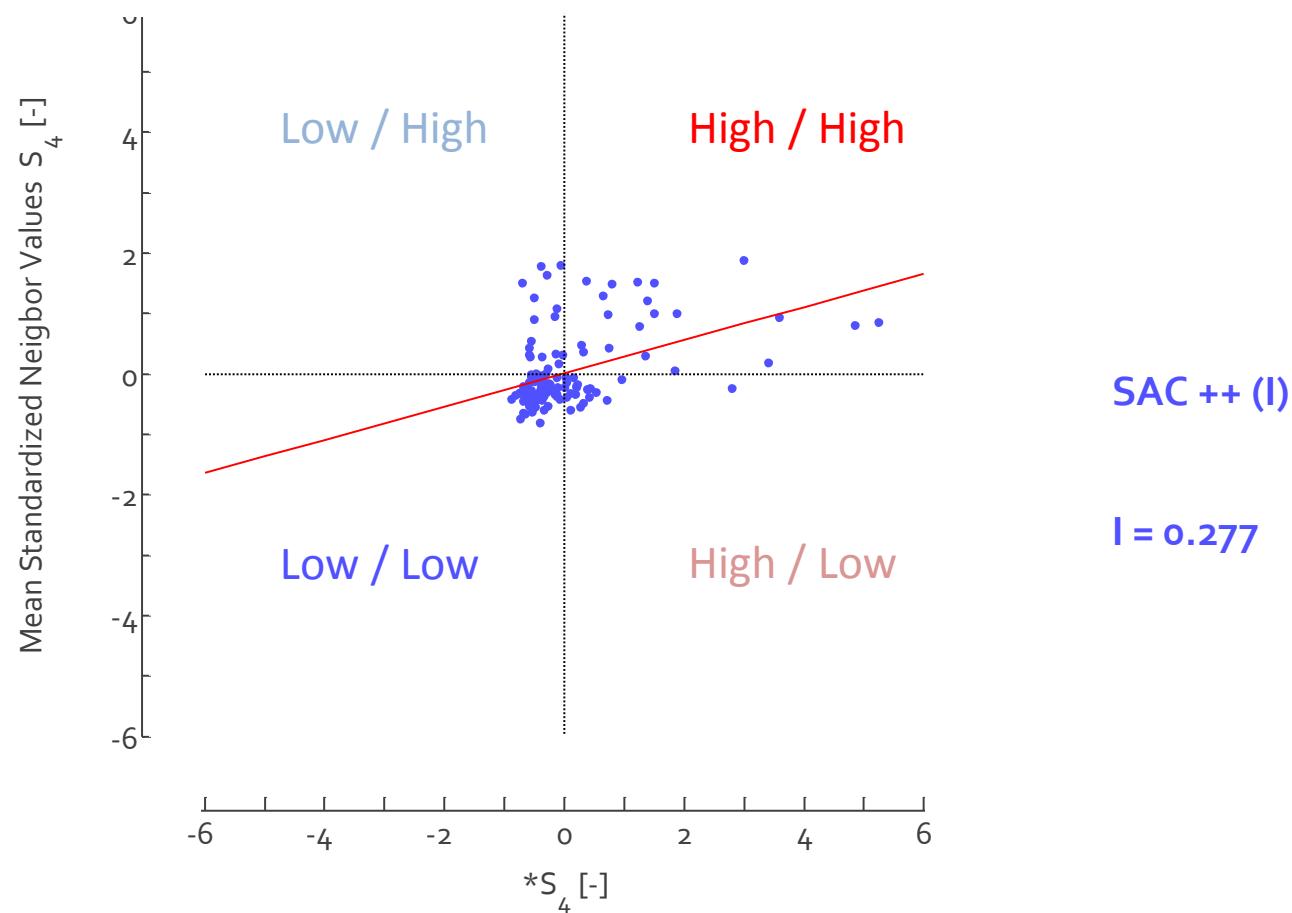


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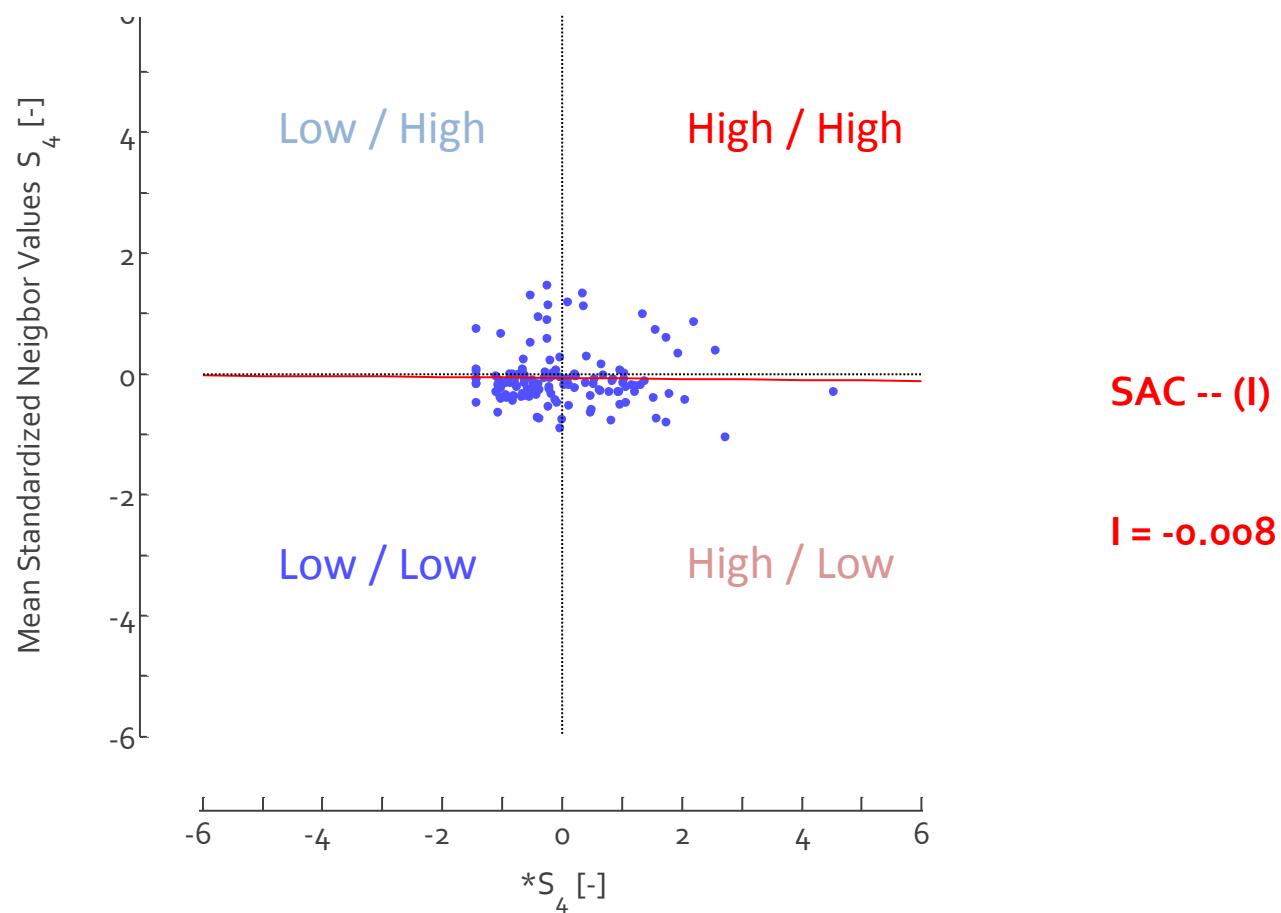
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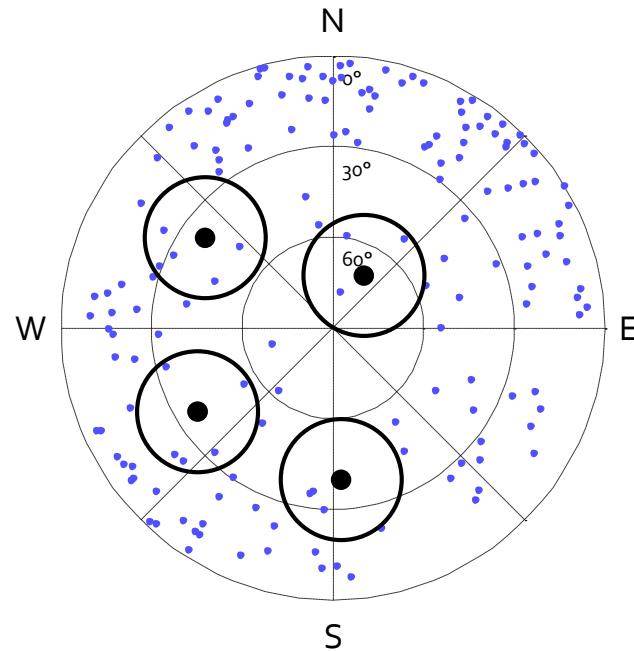
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## Local Spatial Autocorrelation Indices



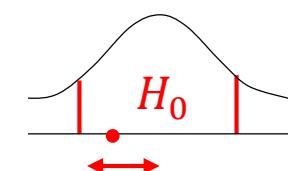
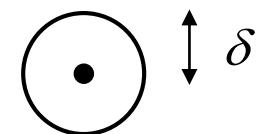
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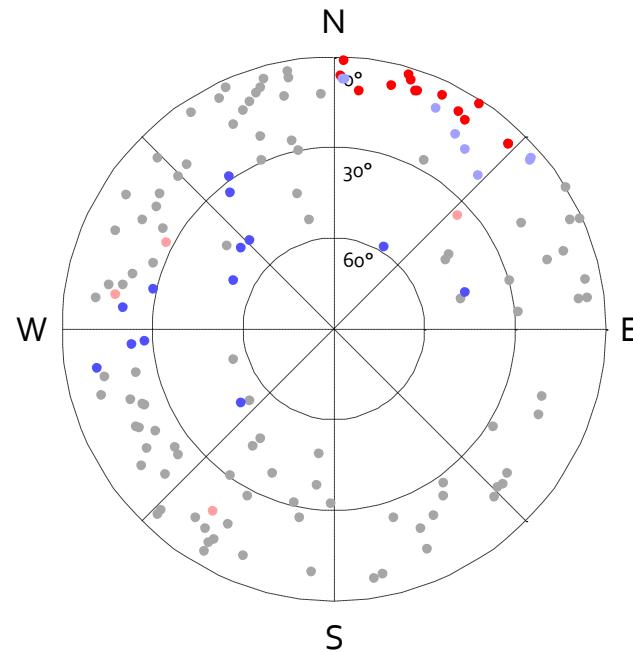
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## Local Spatial Autocorrelation Indices



Local Moran's I

High / High

Low / Low

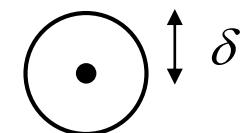
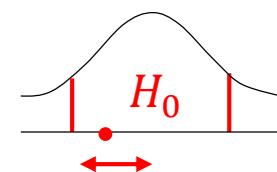
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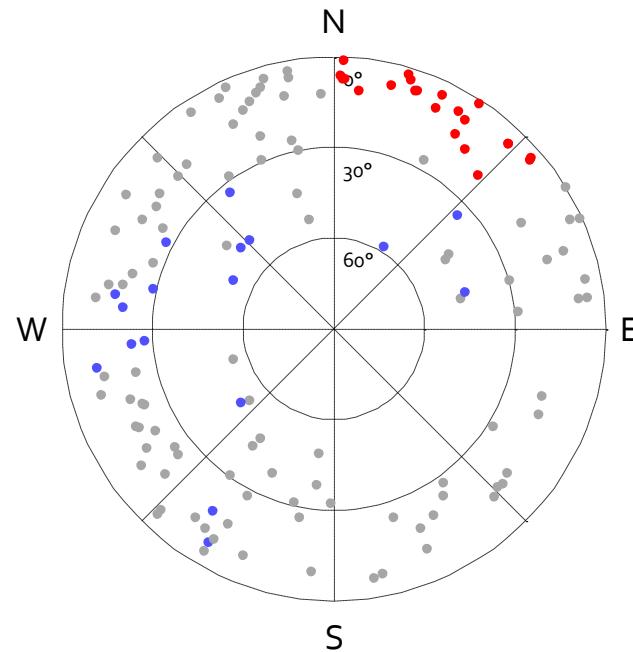
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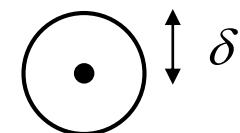
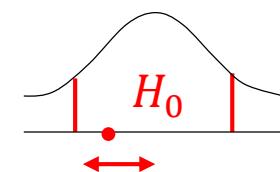


Local Getis-Ord's G

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Low

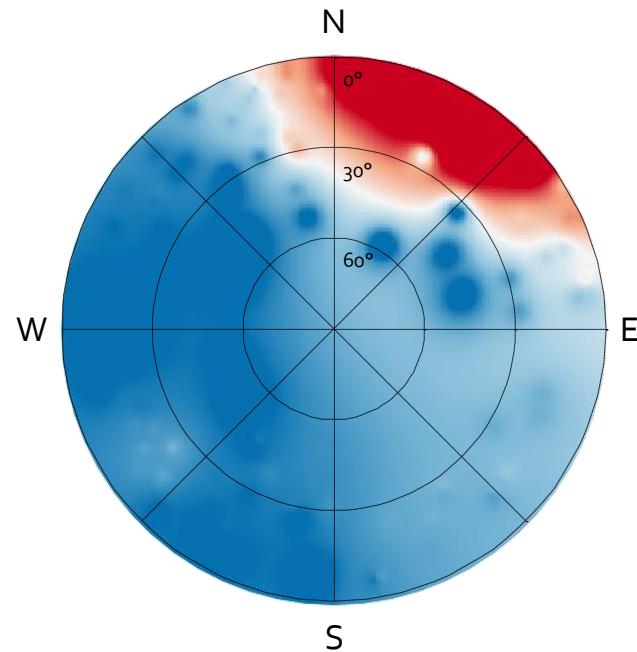
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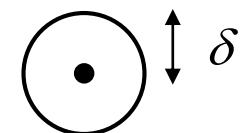
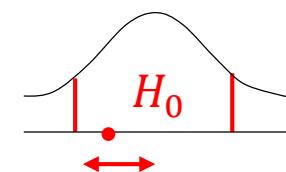
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Aggregates

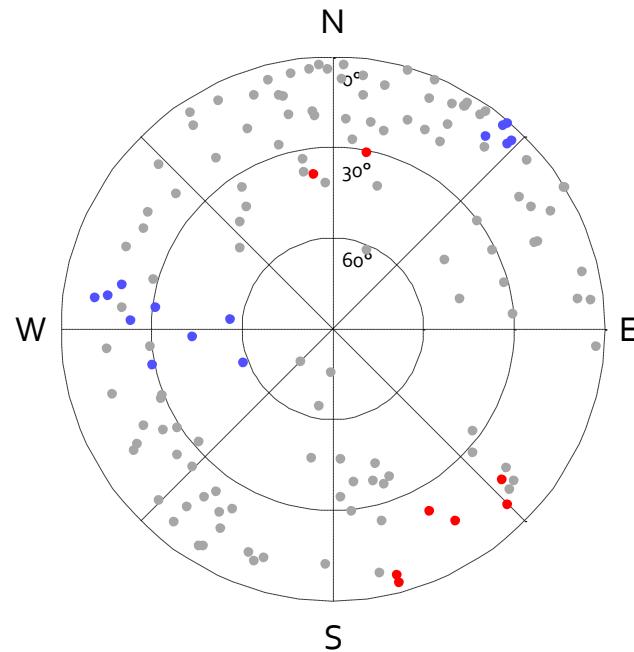
Low Value  
Concentrations

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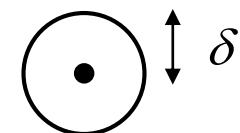
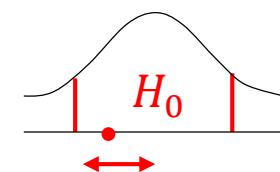


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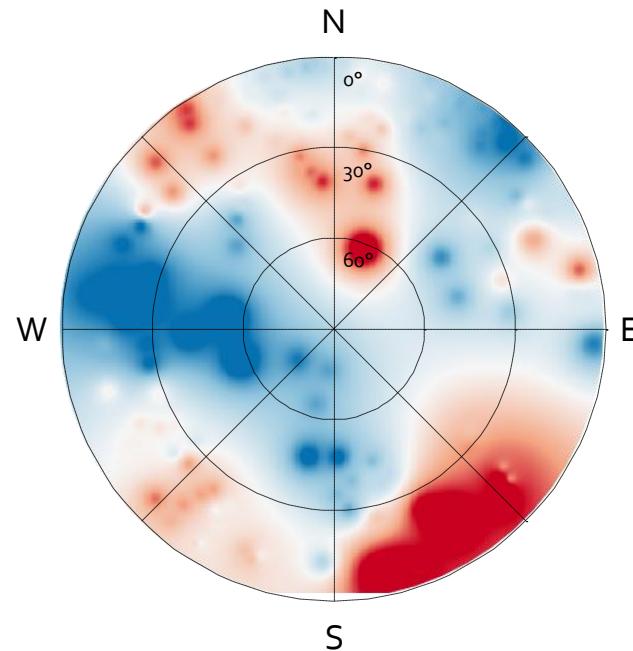
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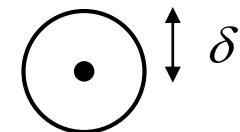
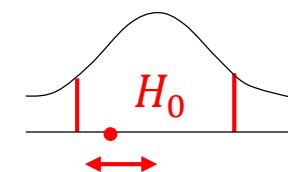
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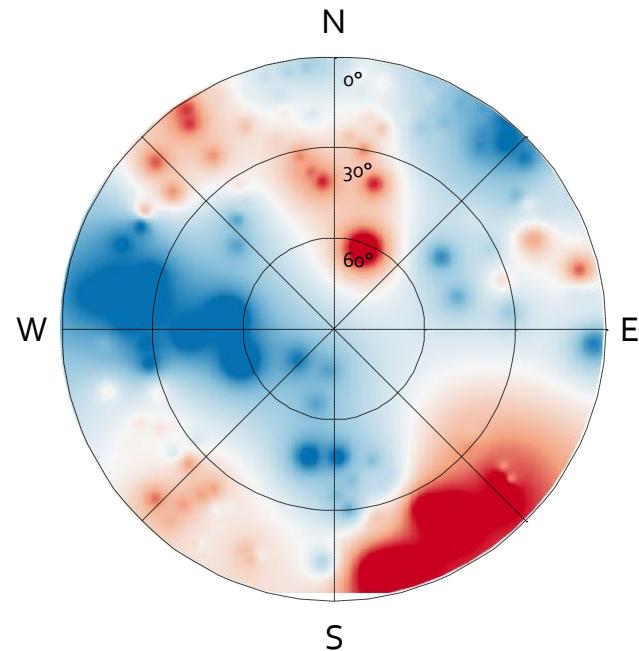
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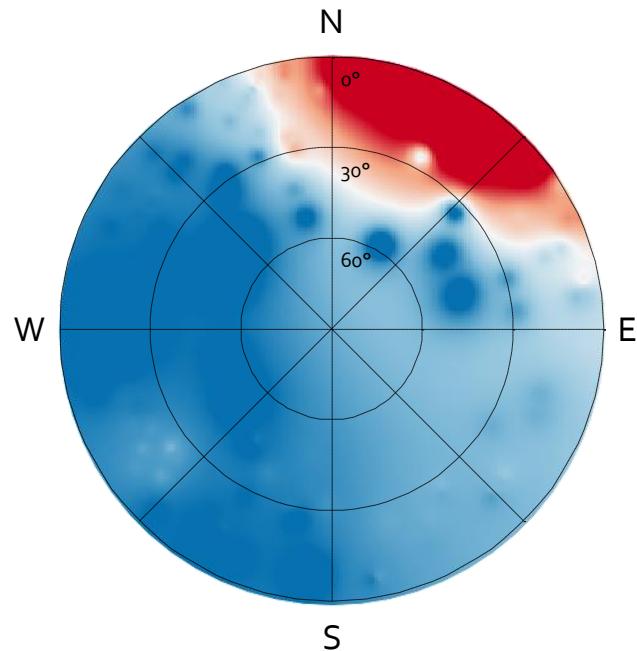


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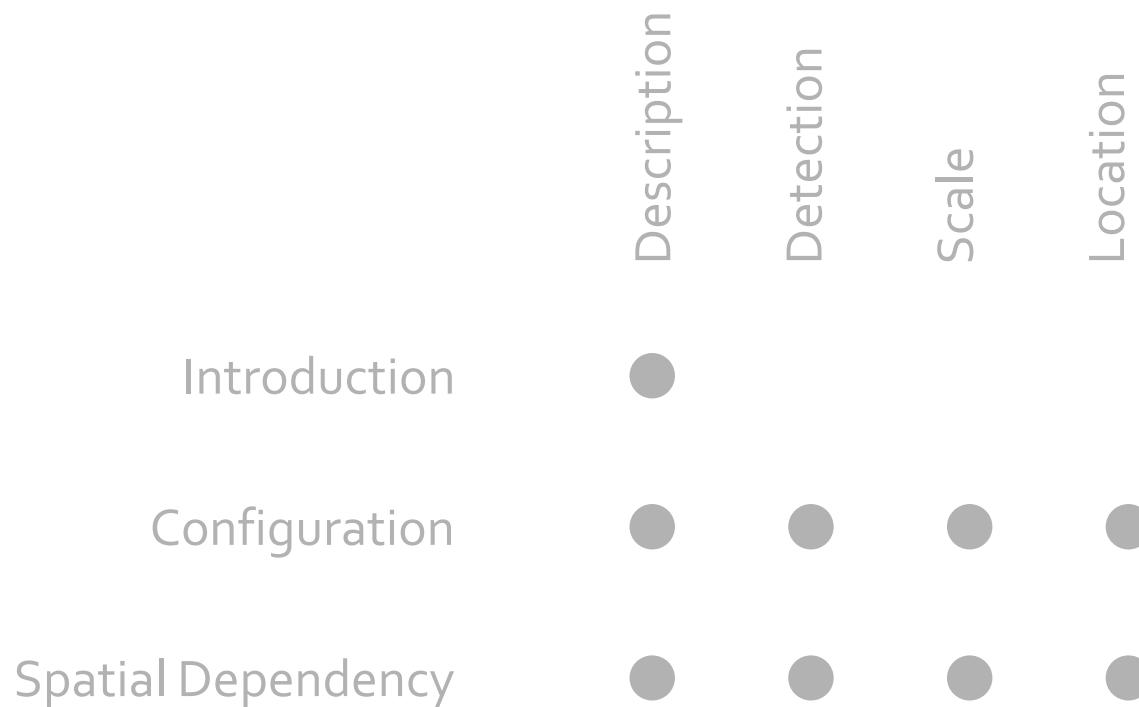
High Value  
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## Interpolation

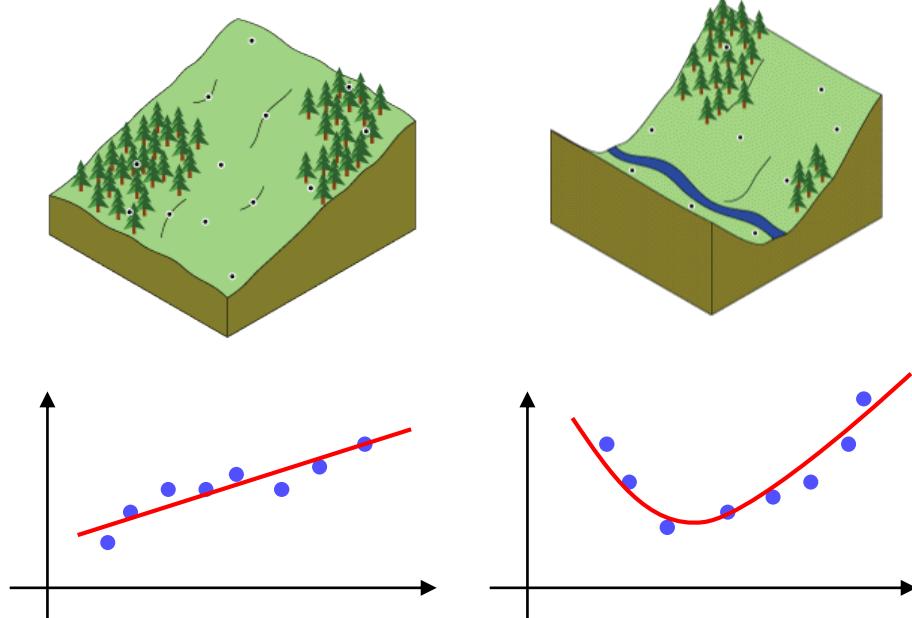
Trend Surface Interpolation (TSI)

Inverse Distance Weighting (IDW)

Geostatistic Method (GEO)

The Experimental Field can be continuously represented by an Interpolation Surface

### Trend Surface Interpolation (TSI) - 1



#### Characteristics

- Quantitative Data
- Determinist Method
- Approximative Interpolation
- Global Spatial Extension

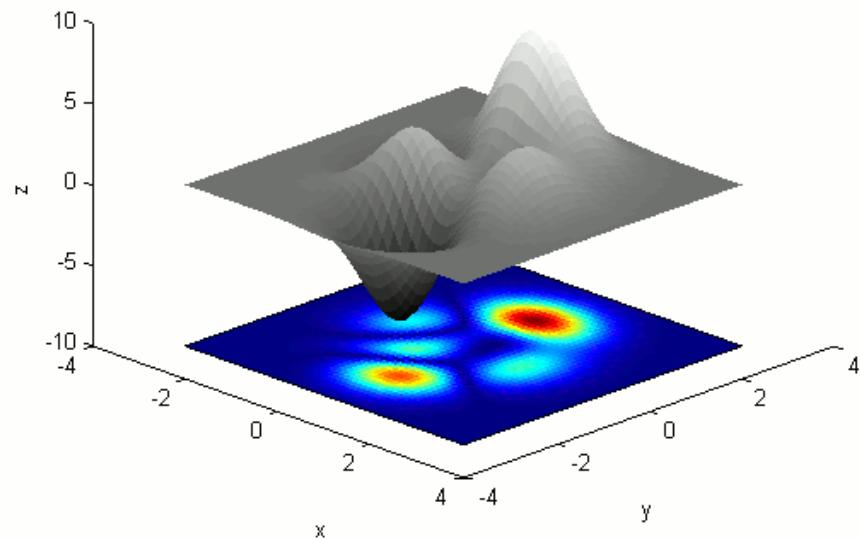
#### Methodology

- LSA of the Polynomial Surface
- Computation of the Surface
- Assessment of the model

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### Trend Surface Interpolation (TSI) - 2

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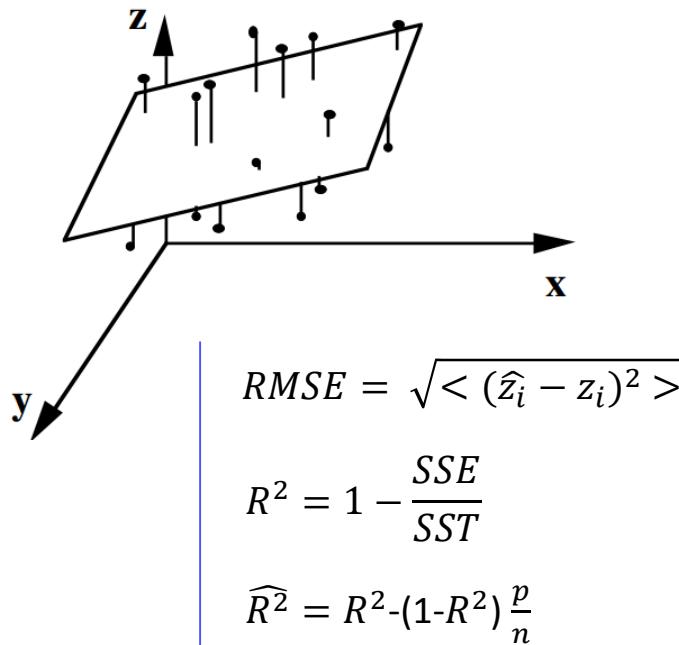


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4	15
5	21

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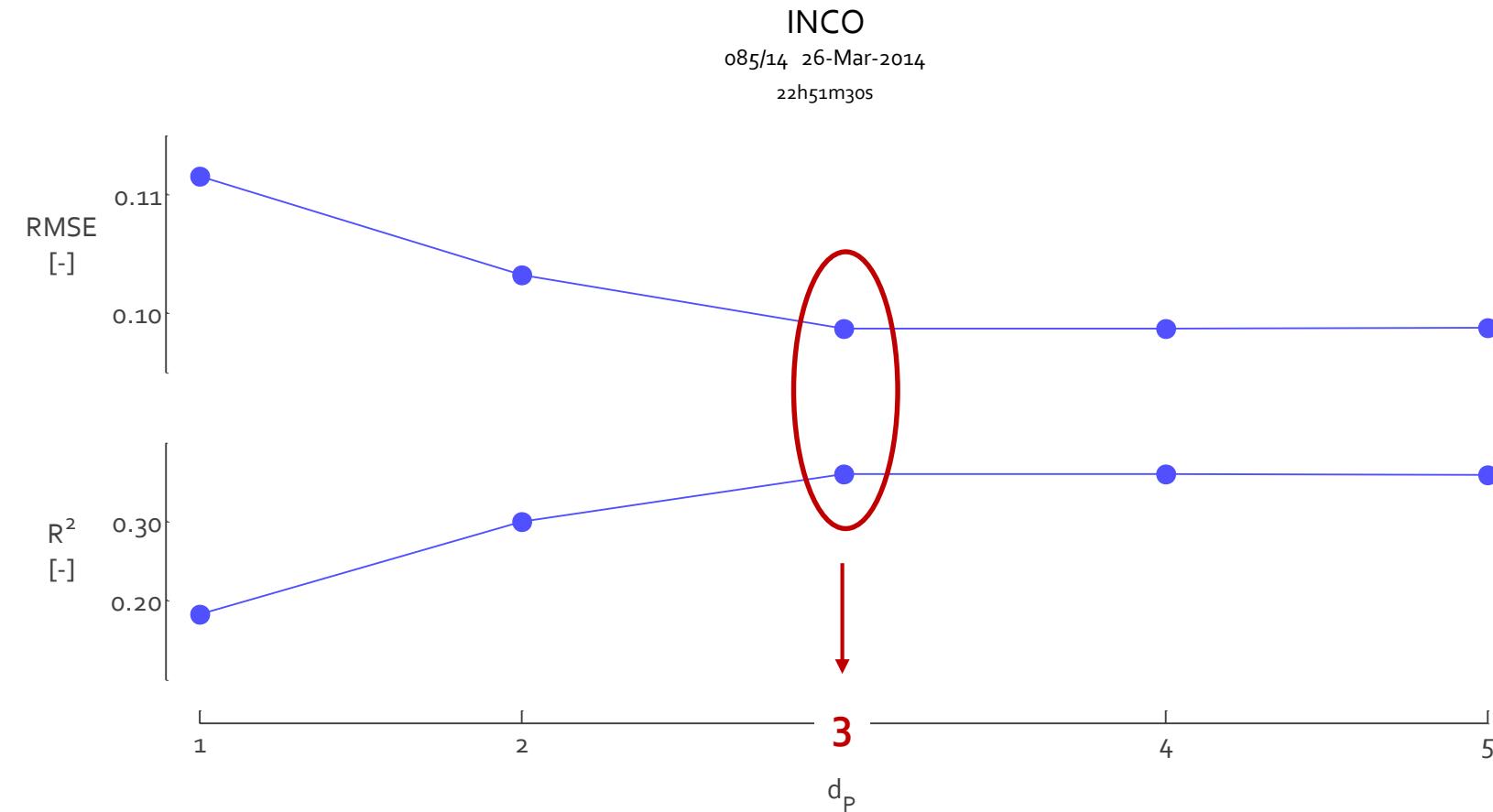


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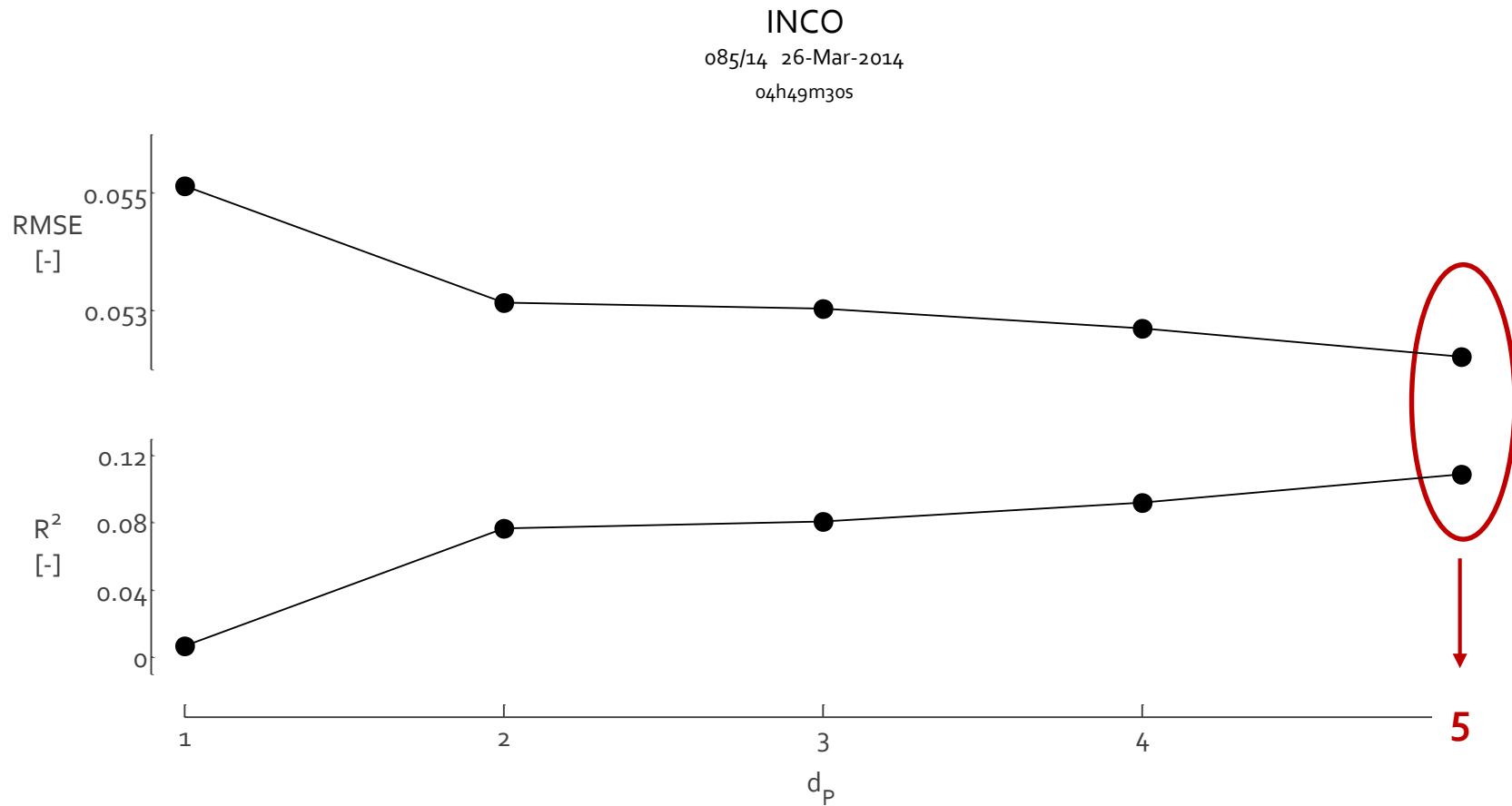
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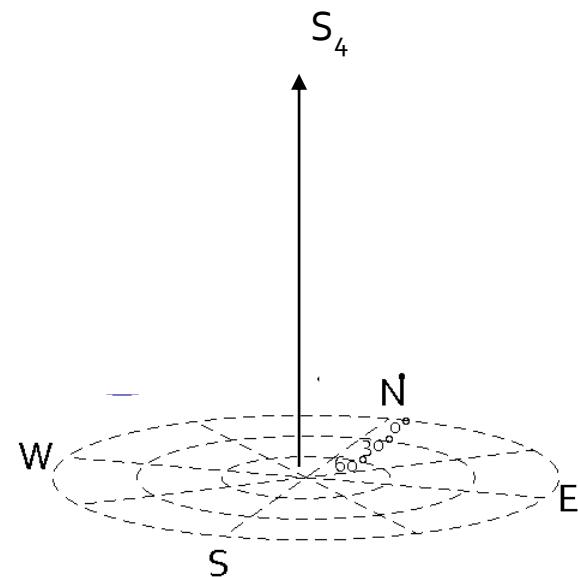
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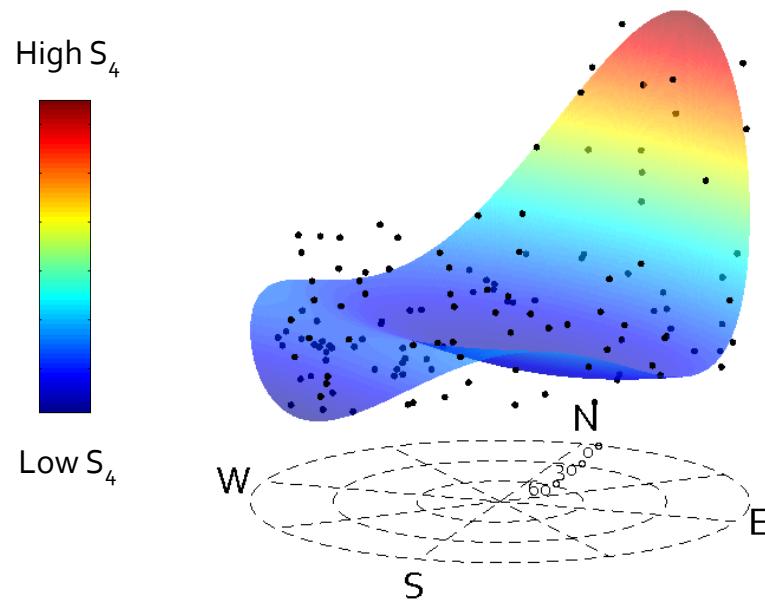


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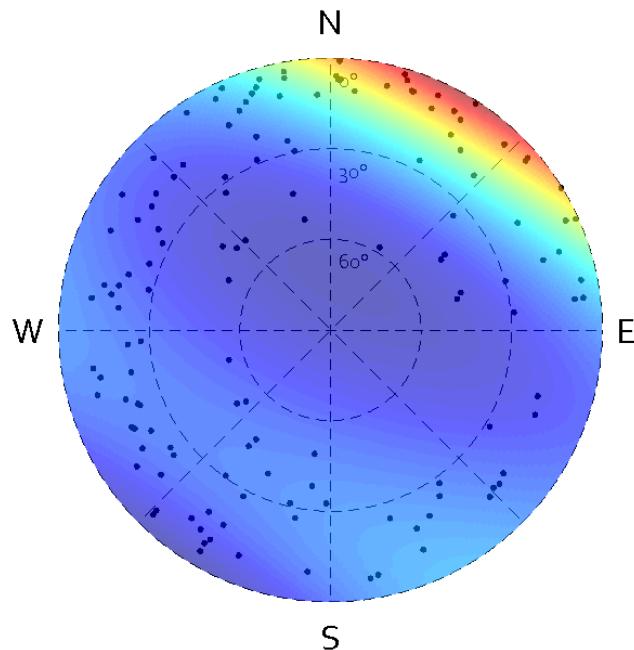
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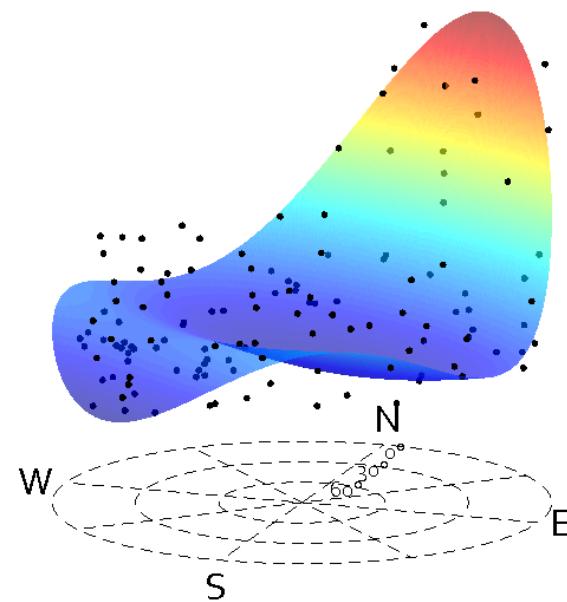
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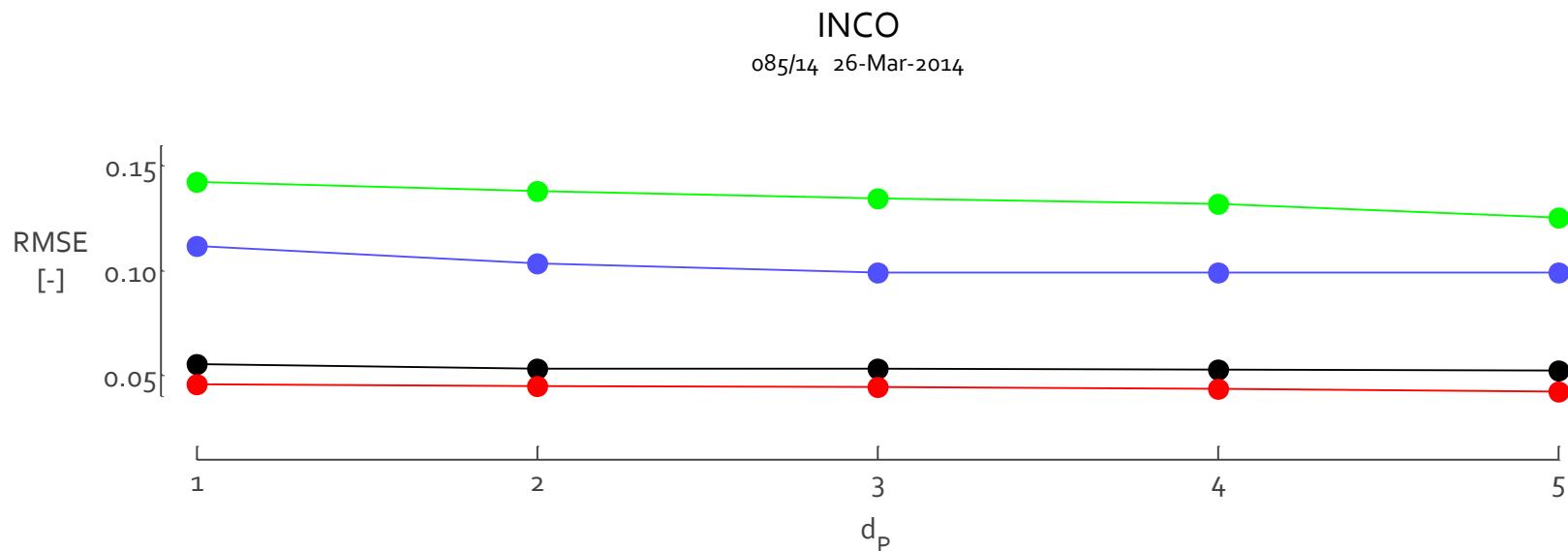
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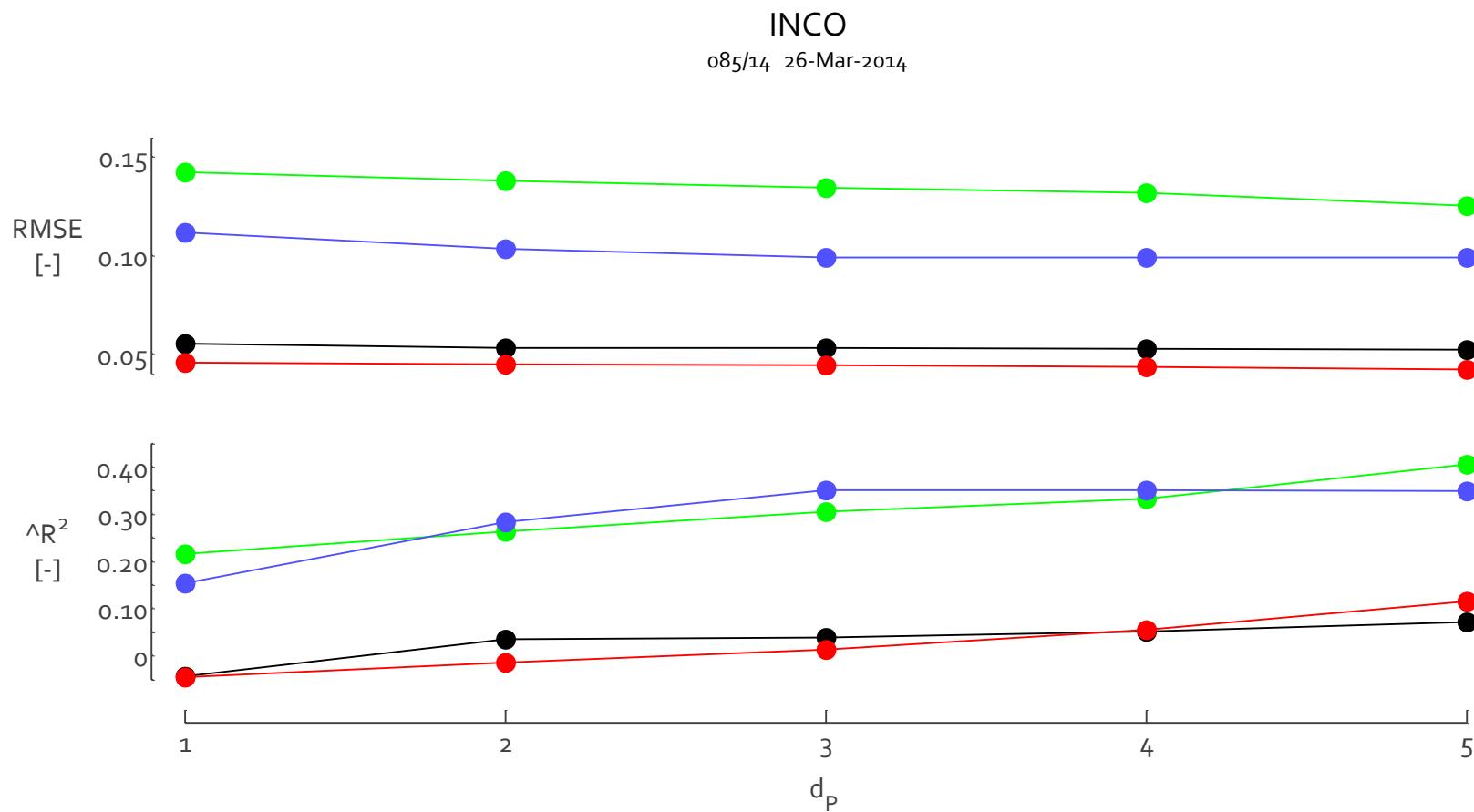
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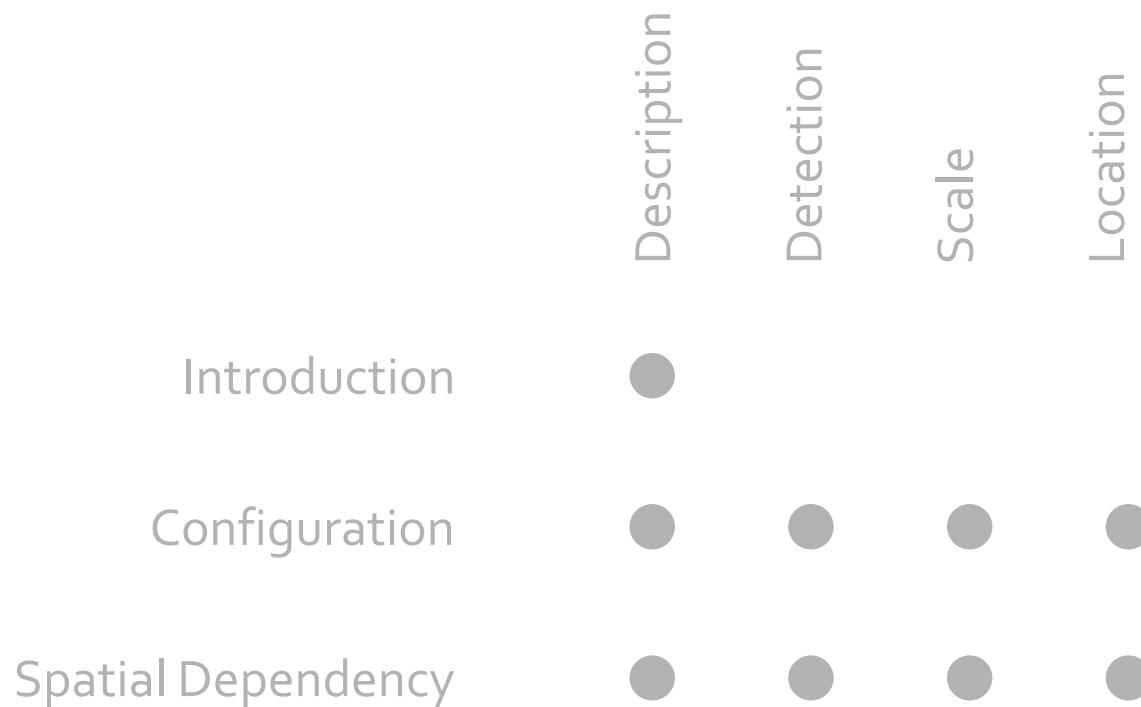
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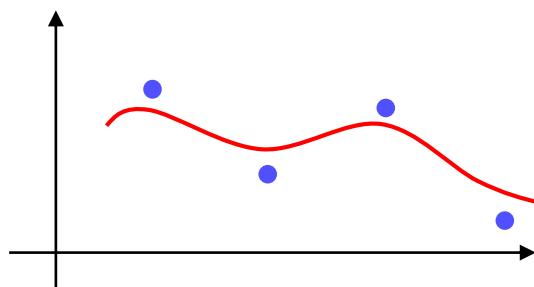
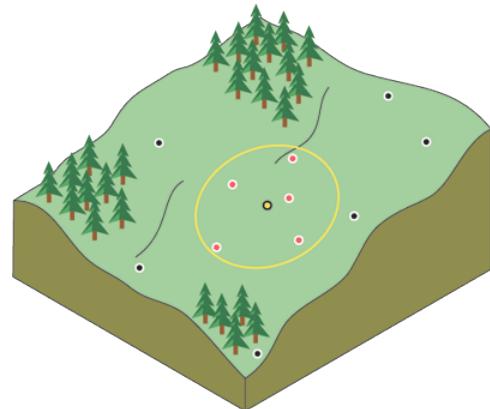
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### Inverse Distance Weighting (IDW) - 1



#### Characteristics

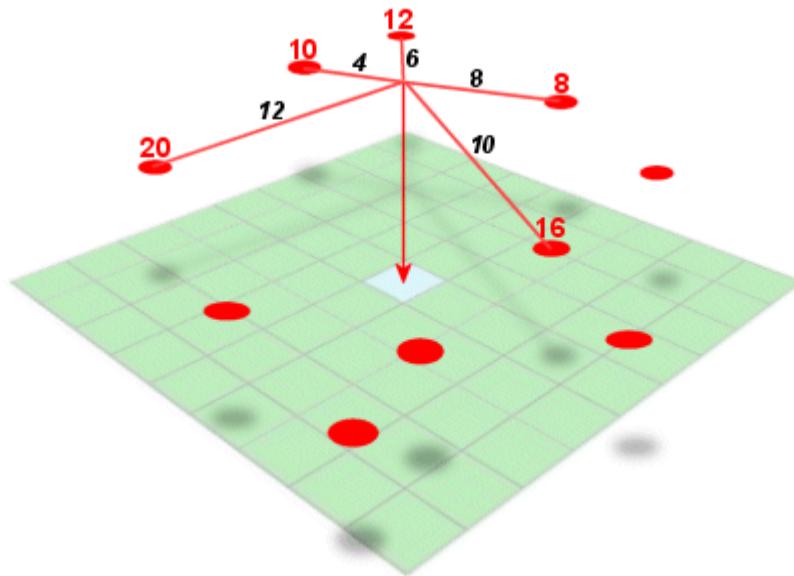
- Quantitative Data
- Determinist Method
- Approximative/Exact Interpolation
- Local Spatial Extension

#### Methodology

- Parameter Optimization
- Computation of the Surface
- Assessment of the model

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### Inverse Distance Weighting (IDW) - 2

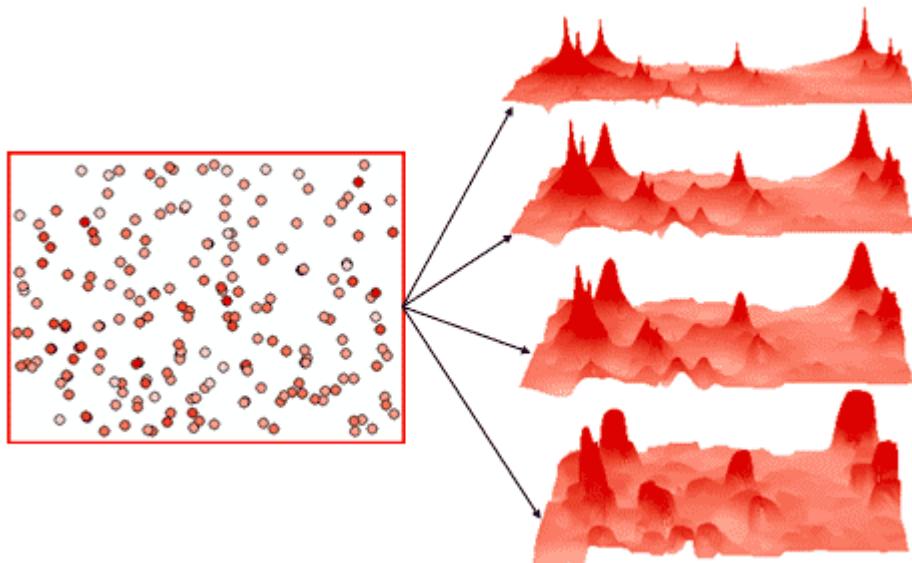


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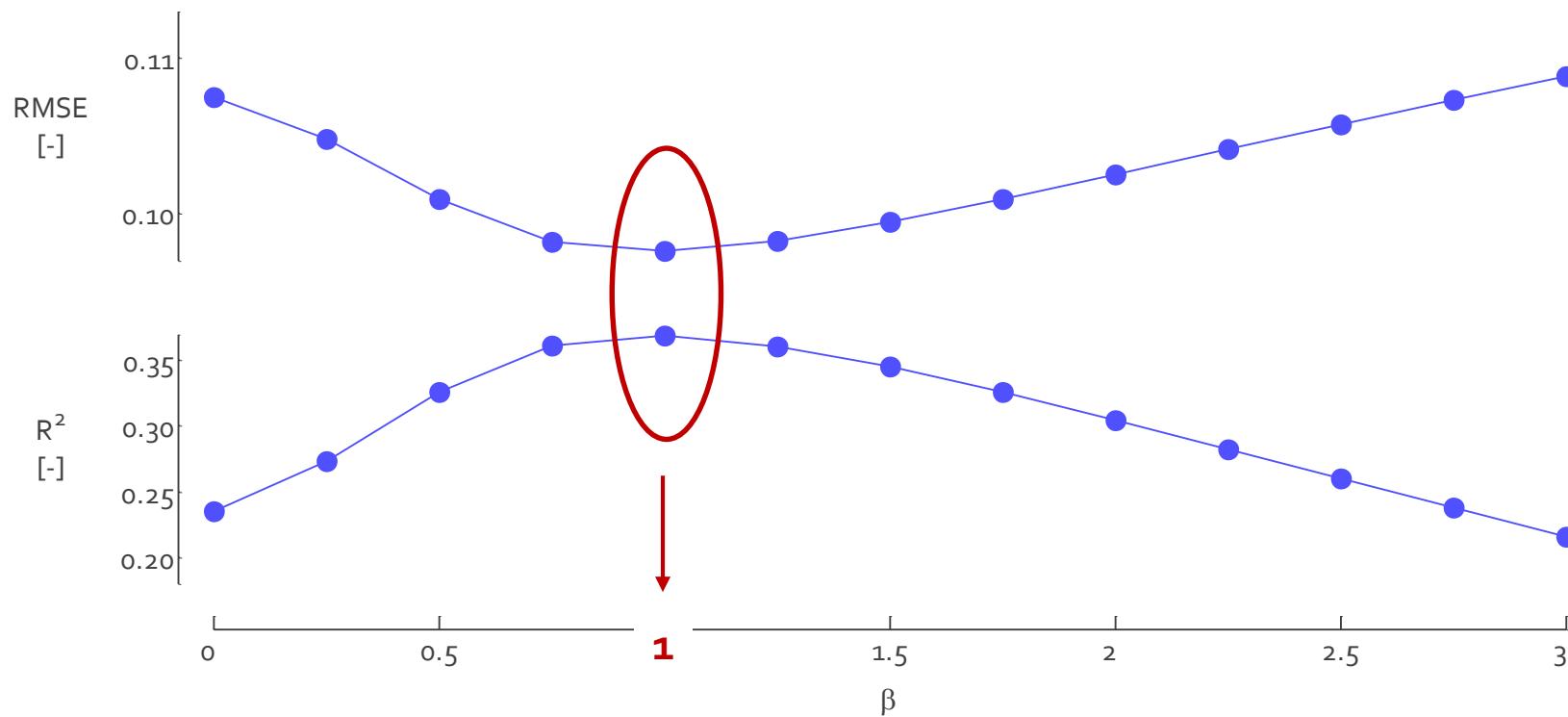
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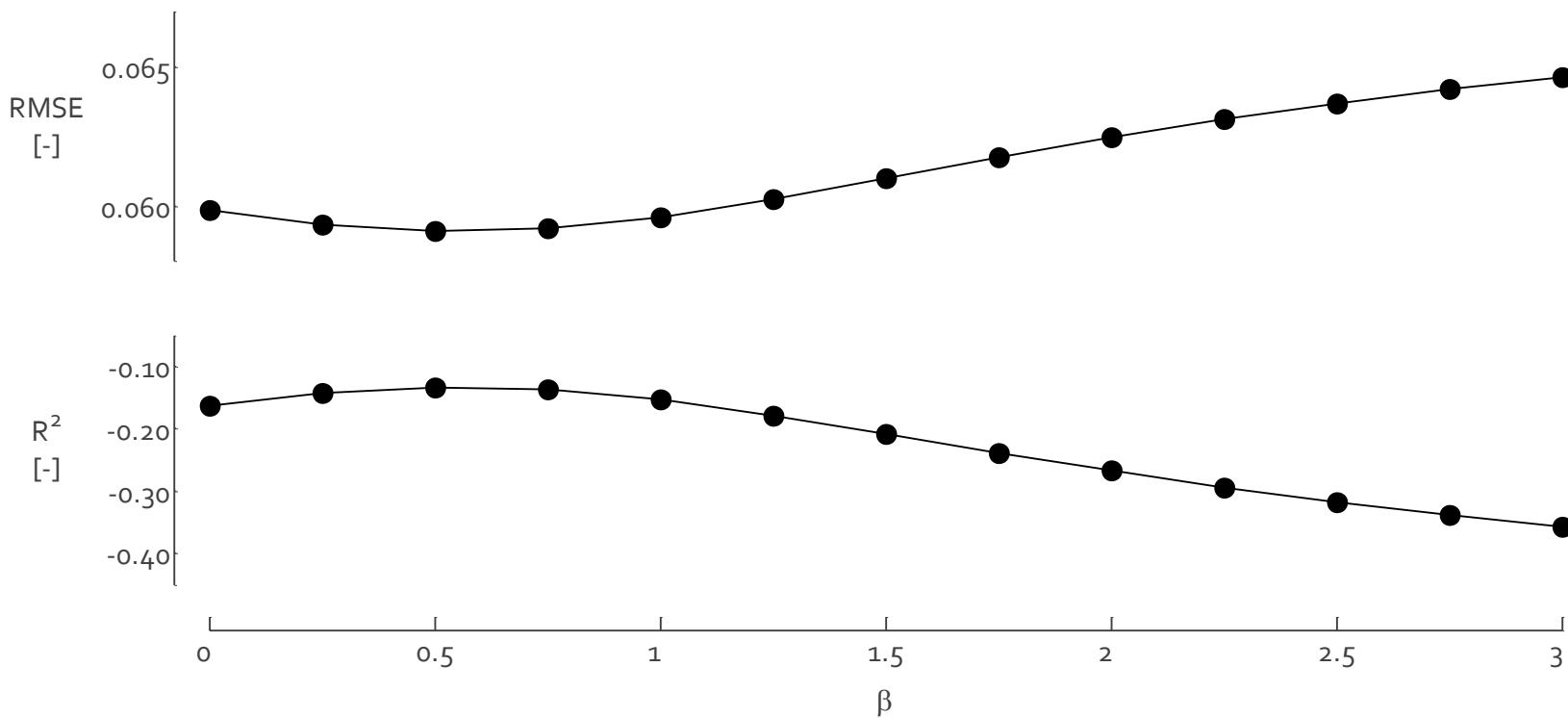


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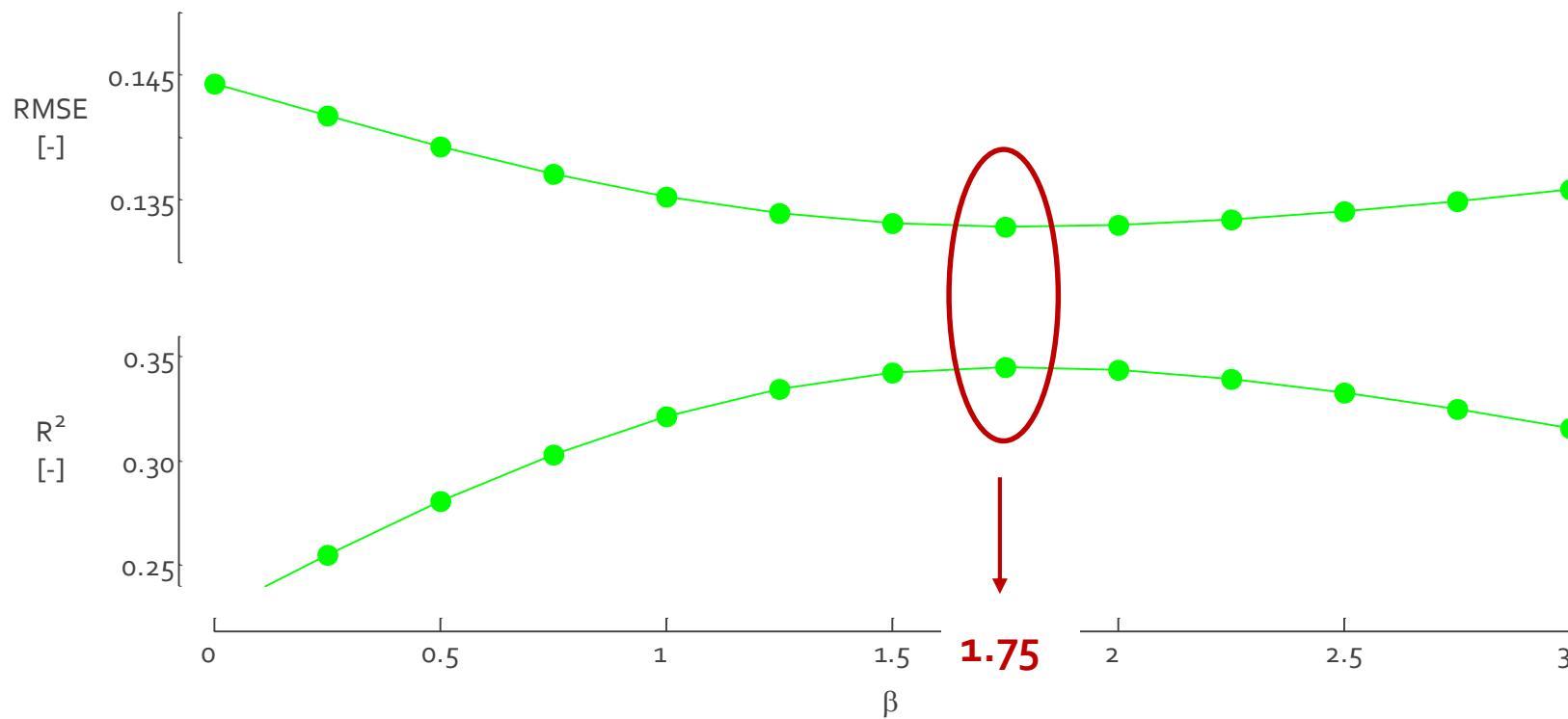


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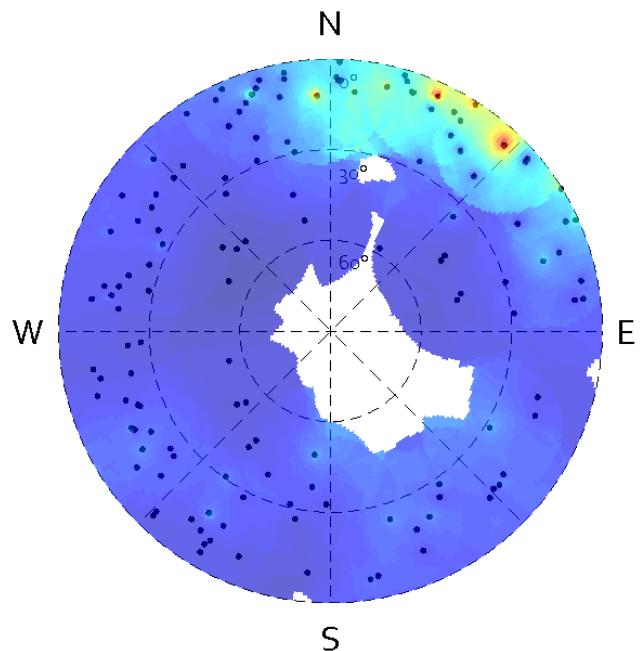
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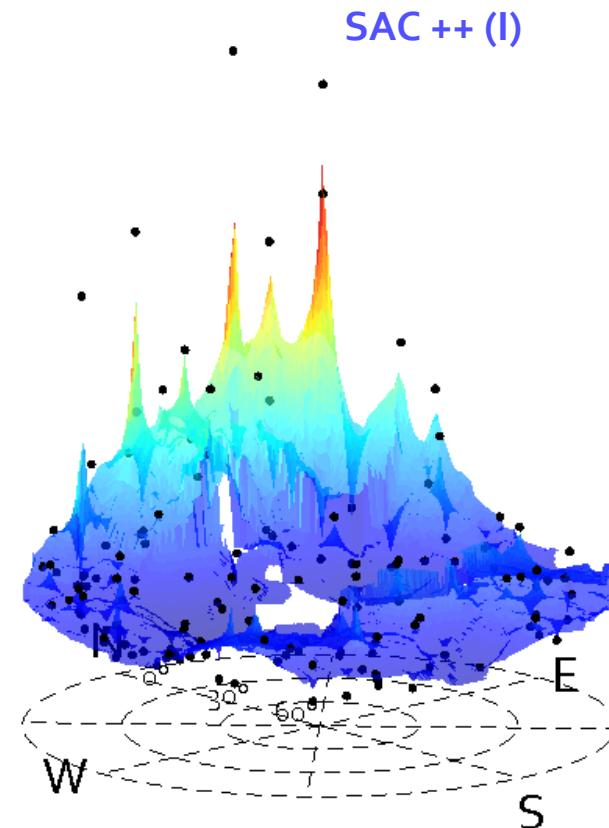


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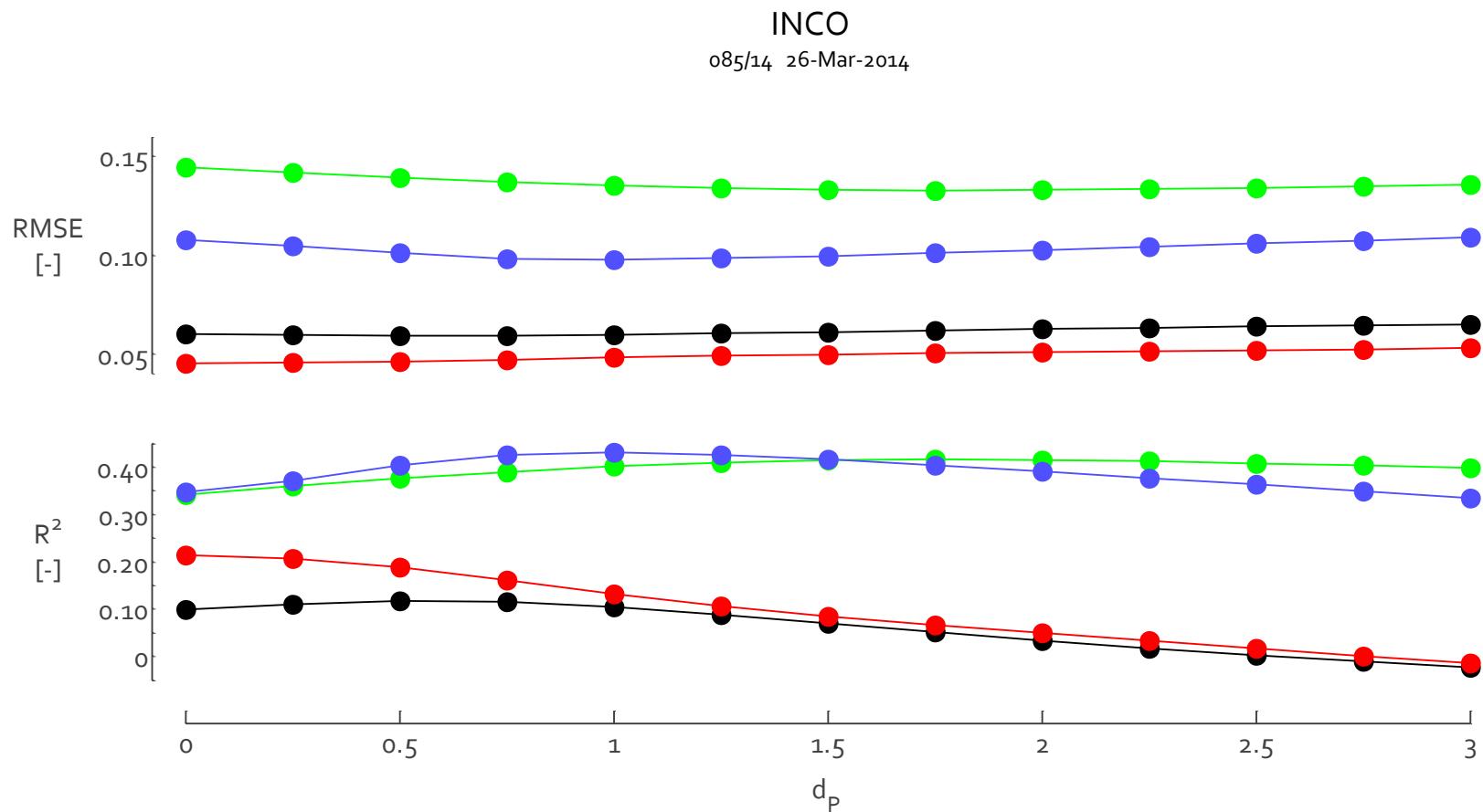


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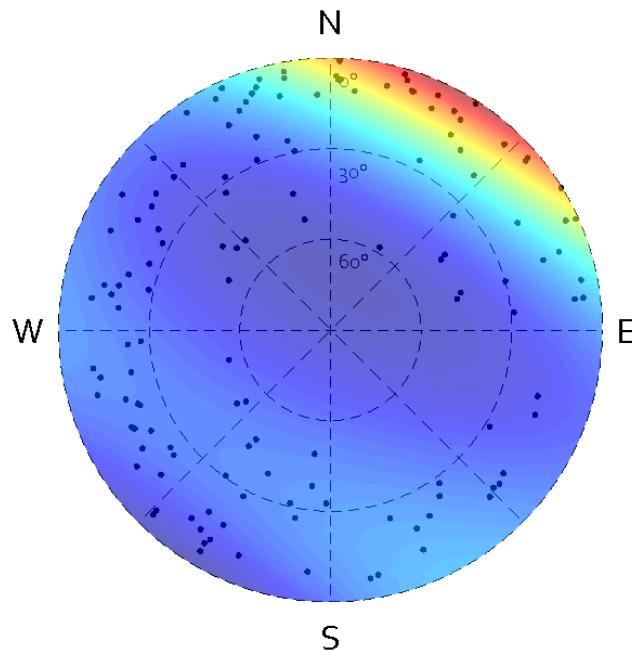
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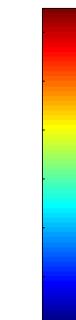
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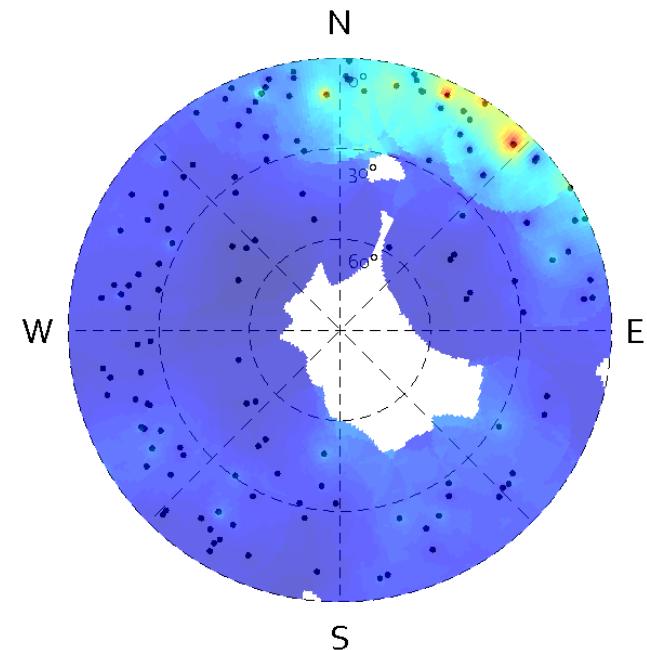
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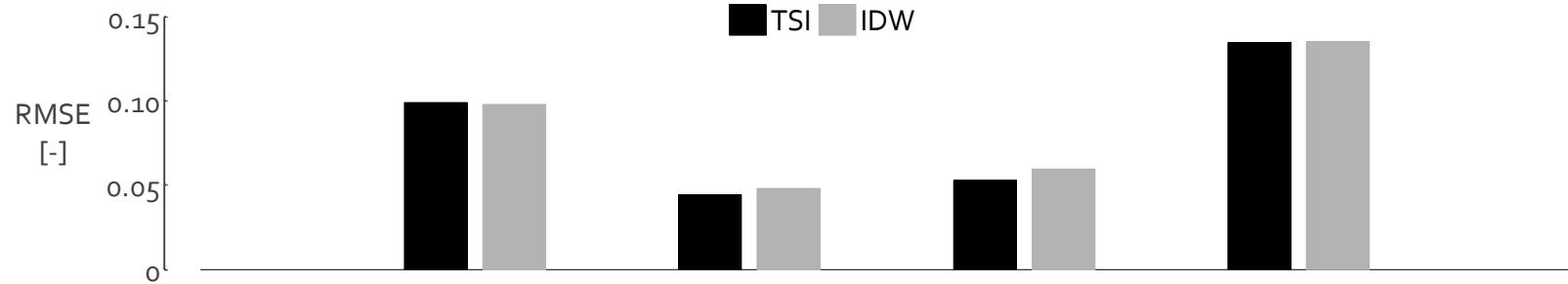
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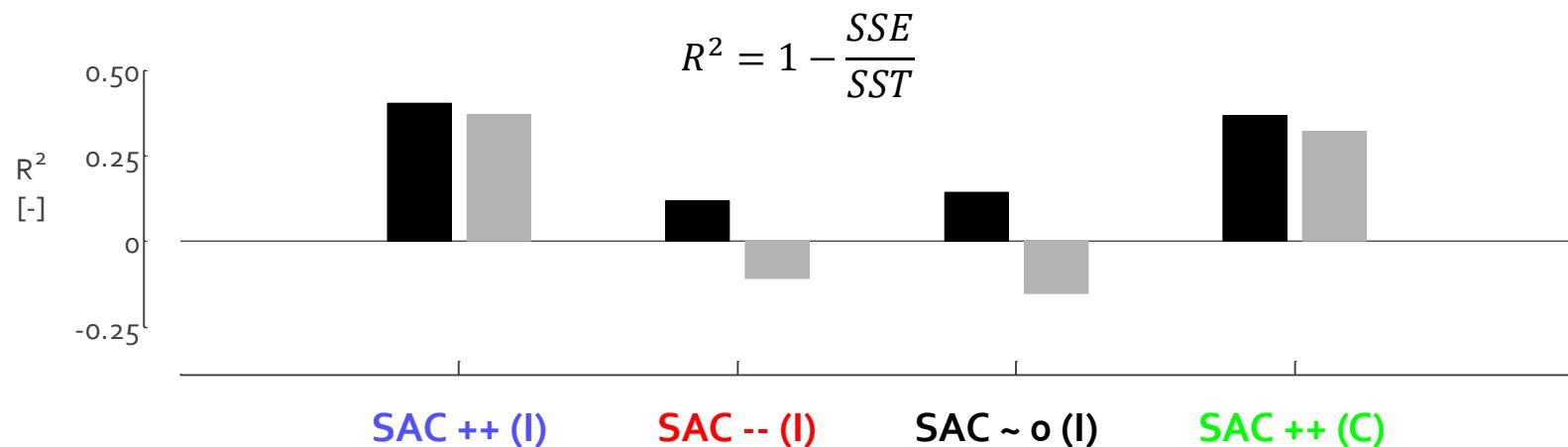


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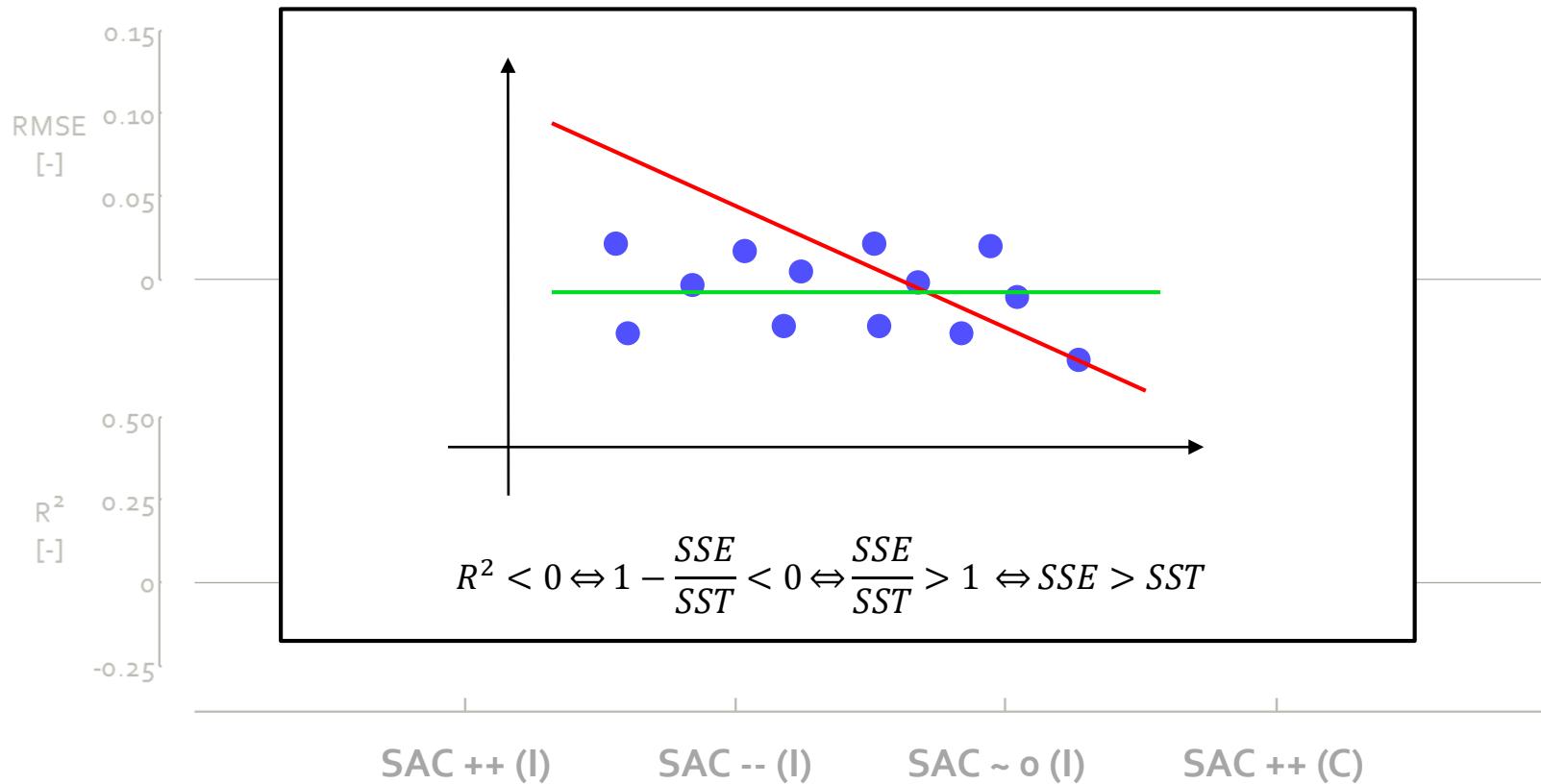
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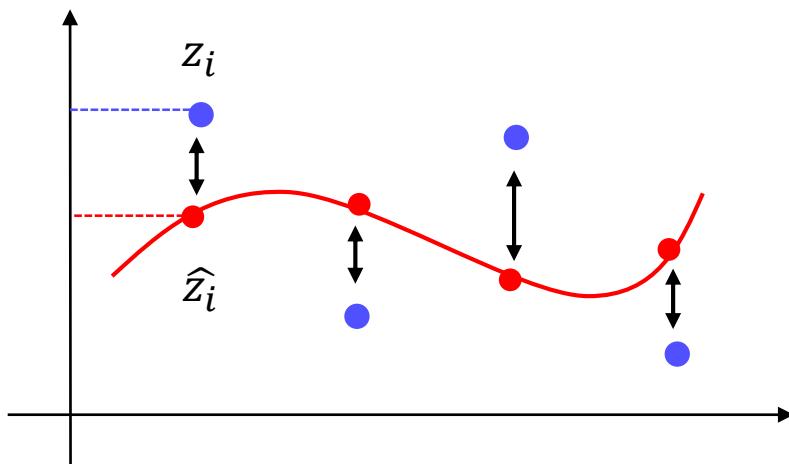
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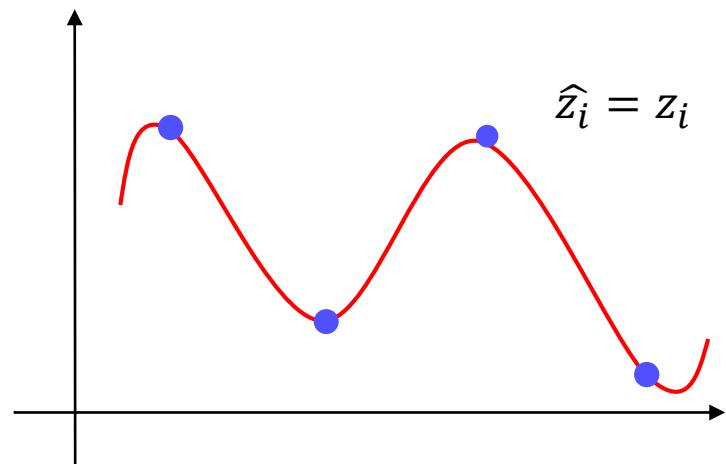


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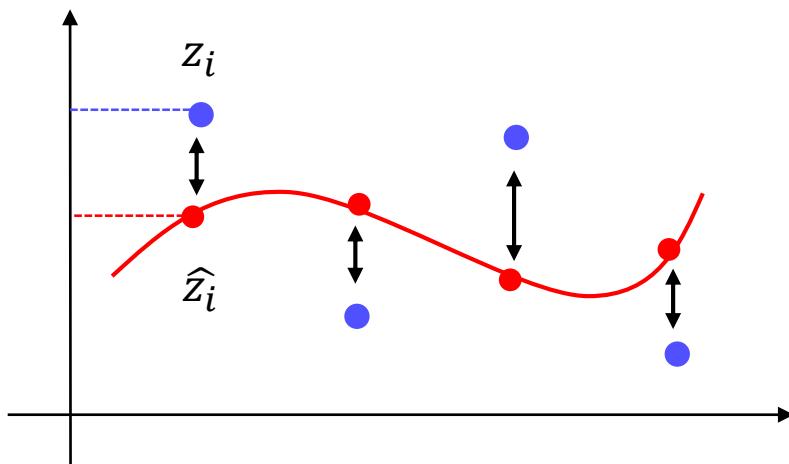


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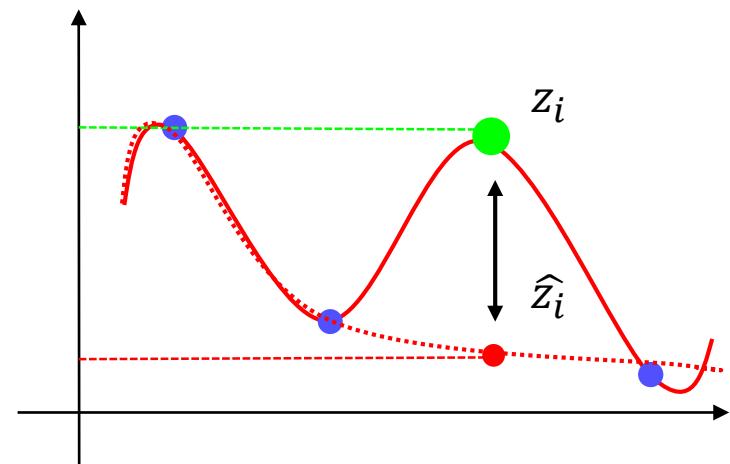
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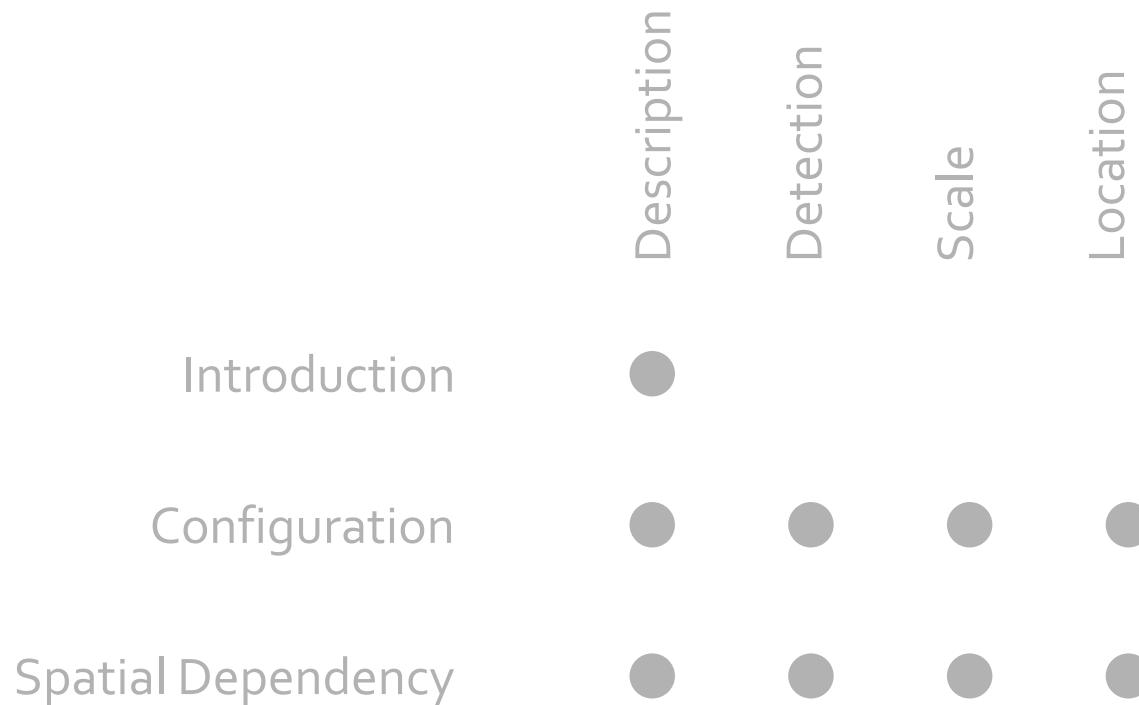


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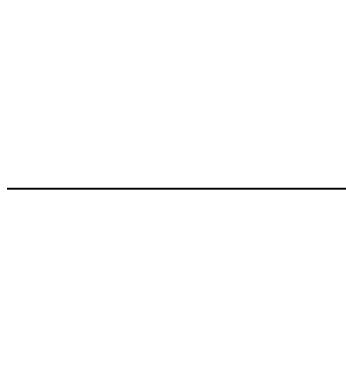
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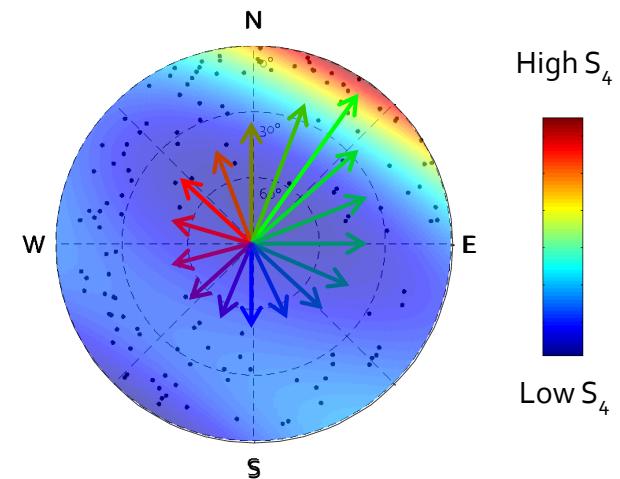


We project to develop **Spatial Strategies** to improve the Performances of Absolute **GNSS Positioning Algorithms** in case of **Ionospheric Scintillations**

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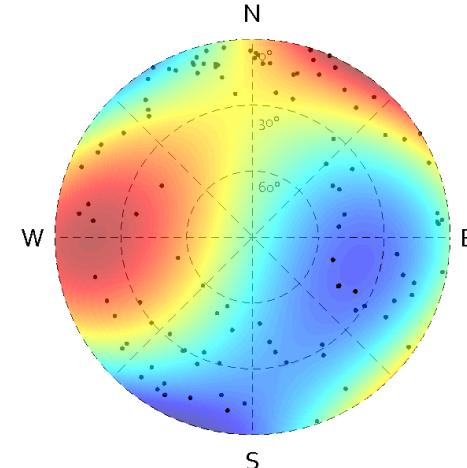
- Variances
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### Spatial Preprocessing Technique

- Cycle Slip Detection
- Noise Assessment
- Spatial Satellite Selection



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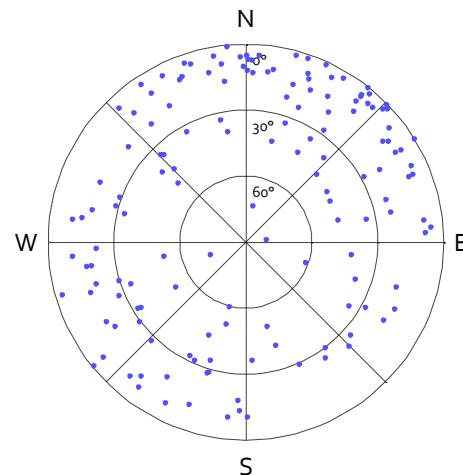
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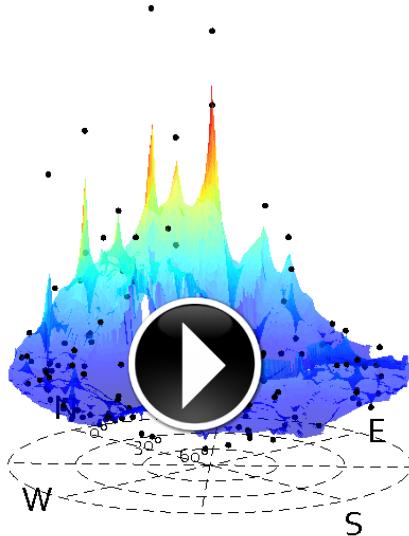
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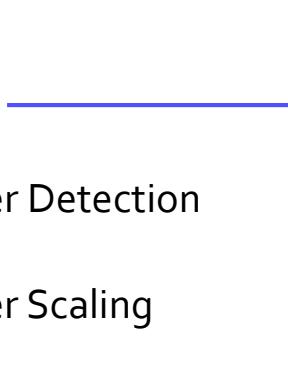
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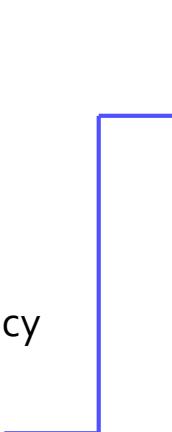
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- We identified and located the presence of Local SAC in the data even when the Global SAC is not significative which underlines the importance of the local spatial approach

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- The TDI technique constitutes a preliminary step for more complex Geostatistics Techniques
- We need to test if Geostatistic Technique exploiting more precisely the SAC can bring better interpolation results (Variogram + Kriging)

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## 1) Analysis

### Complements

- Descriptive Analysis of Ionospheric Scintillations
- Spatial Analysis of Ionospheric Scintillations

- M-Signals and M-GNSS
- Repeat the Symptomatic Analysis on Equatorial Data
- Assess the correlation between ISMR and RINEX

- Implementation and Validation of the Geostatistic Interpolation Technique
- Additional Tests for the SAC Scaling
- Spatial Interpolation Test on Polar Scintillations and High Rate Data
- Understanding the link between the results of the Spatial Analysis with the Physics of the Ionosphere
- Test on other variables
- Validation of the interpolation with external data or a mathematical model

# Planning

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November 14

1 month

## 2) Algorithm

- Developement
- Validation



December 14

3 months

## 3) Thesis

- Writing and Complementary Experiments
- Delivery of the Thesis



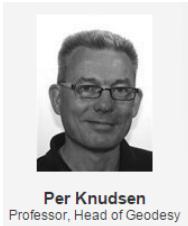
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# My Situation

My Goal is to keep Working in the Space Sector (Academic or Industry)



« Guest PhD Student » Position at the Danish Technical University (DTU)

- Access to some courses from Master's and PhD Programmes
- Work on my PhD project at the DTU for an agreed period of time
- Contacts / Ideas / Work Environment / Research Stay / CV

Engineering Master Programme / Selected Courses



- « Earth and Space Physics and Engineering

*Earth Physic's and Exploration  
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Application for a PostDoc Position at the Danish Technical University (DTU)

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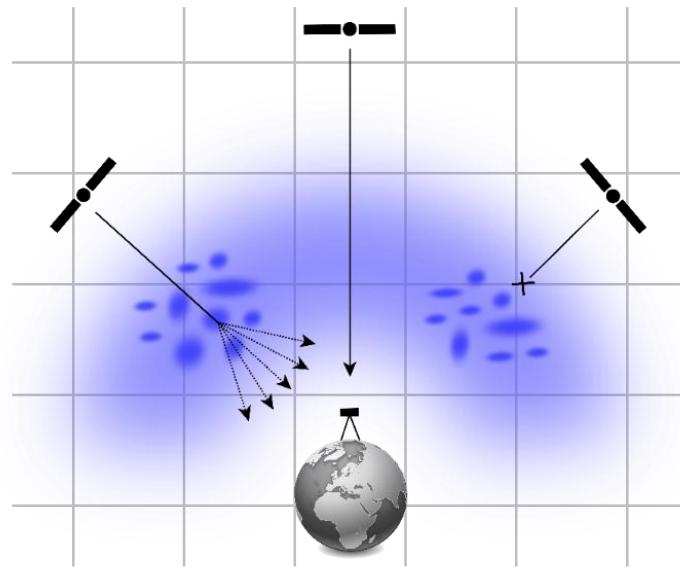
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