

Long-Term Stability of the ITRF Origin and Scale

- Datum definition for time series analysis
- Stability of the
 - IVS VLBI scale
 - ILRS SLR origin & scale
- Comparison to external solutions and models
- Conclusions



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Analyzed data and models

- **IVS VLBI sessions 1980 – March 2007**
 - **Scale temporal behaviour**
- **ILRS SLR weekly solutions 1993-March 2007**
 - **Scale and origin temporal behaviour**
- **IGN/OCA SLR weekly solutions (Coulot et al., 2007)**
 - **Range bias estimated using temporal decorrelation method**
 - **Compare with ILRS scale**
- **Displacements models**
 - **GPS+OBP (Wu, 2006): Global inversion of GPS residuals & Ocean bottom pressure variations for loading displacements**
 - **Loading model (van Dam, 2007) : Hydrology + non-tidal Ocean + Atmosphere**
 - **Compare model Geocenter motion and scale with SLR**
- **Impact of GPS Abs. Ant. Ph. corrections on an ITRF-like combination**

Datum Definition for Time Series stacking (CATREF Software)

- Consider Transfo. Param. as unknowns in Normal Eq. Sys.
- Estimate time series of Transfo. Param. & long-term solution
- Considering linear transf. parameter P :

$$P(t) = P(t_0) + \dot{P} \cdot (t - t_0) \quad (1)$$

- Eq. 1 could be solved by linear regression:

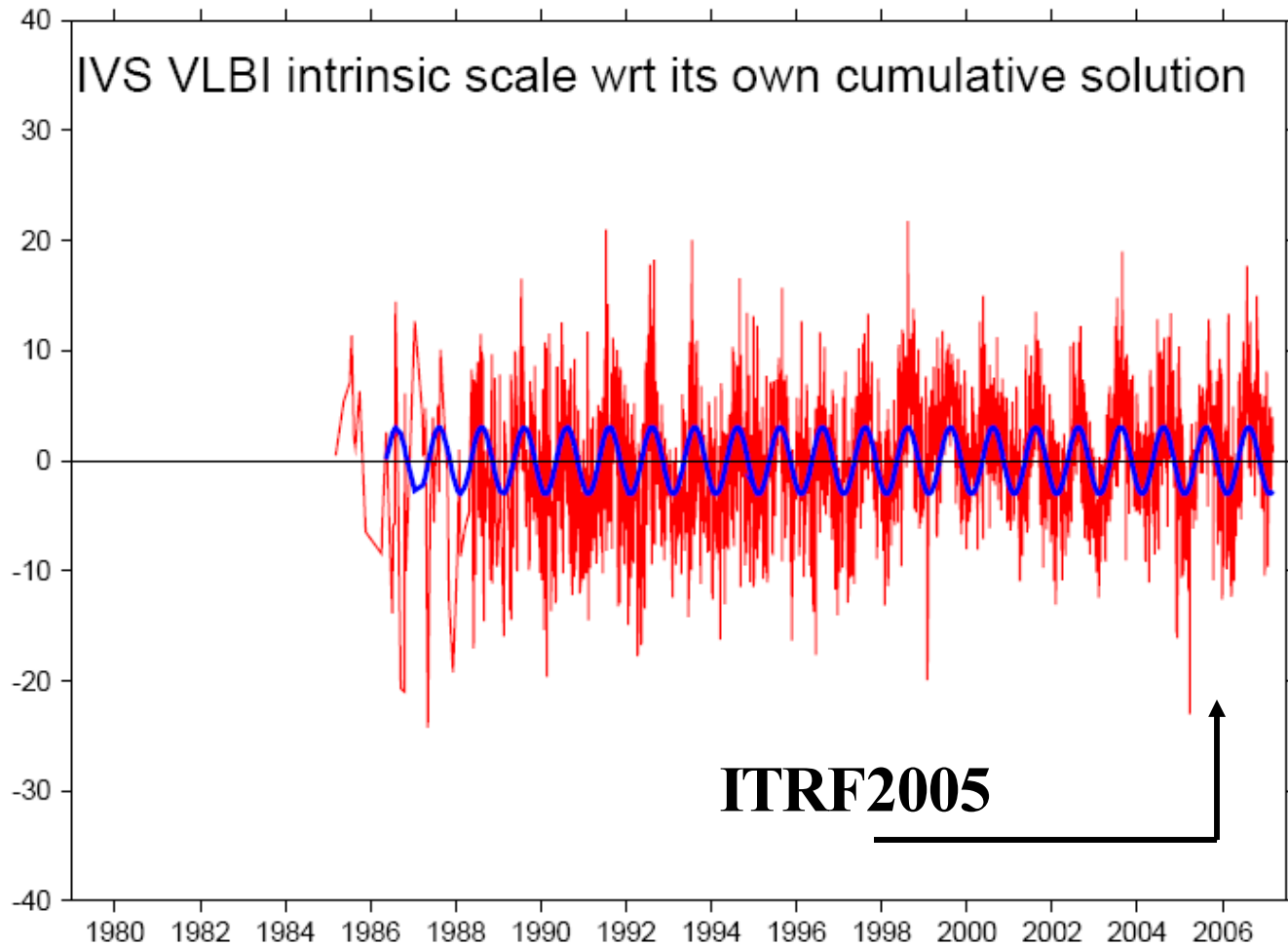
$$\begin{pmatrix} K & \sum_{k \in K} (t_k - t_0) \\ \sum_{k \in K} (t_k - t_0) & \sum_{k \in K} (t_k - t_0)^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_k(t_0) \\ \dot{P}_k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{k \in K} P_k \\ \sum_{k \in K} (t_k - t_0) P_k \end{pmatrix}$$

Intrinsic conditions:

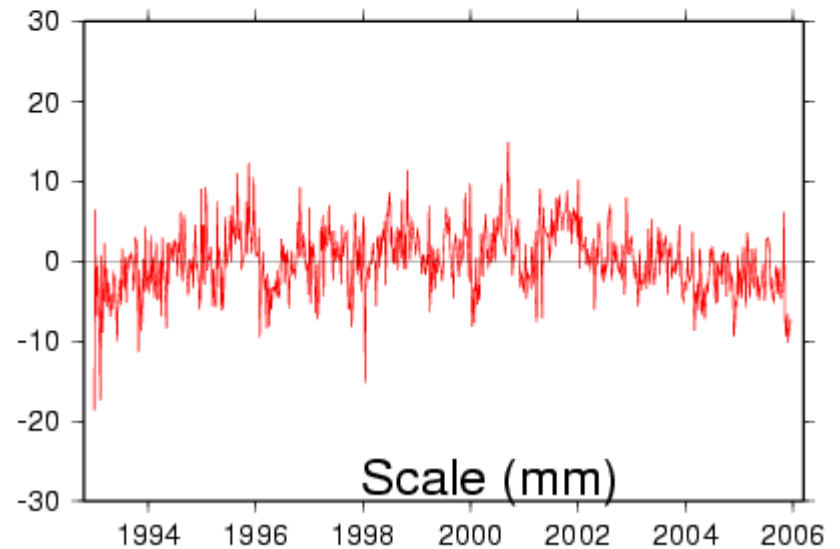
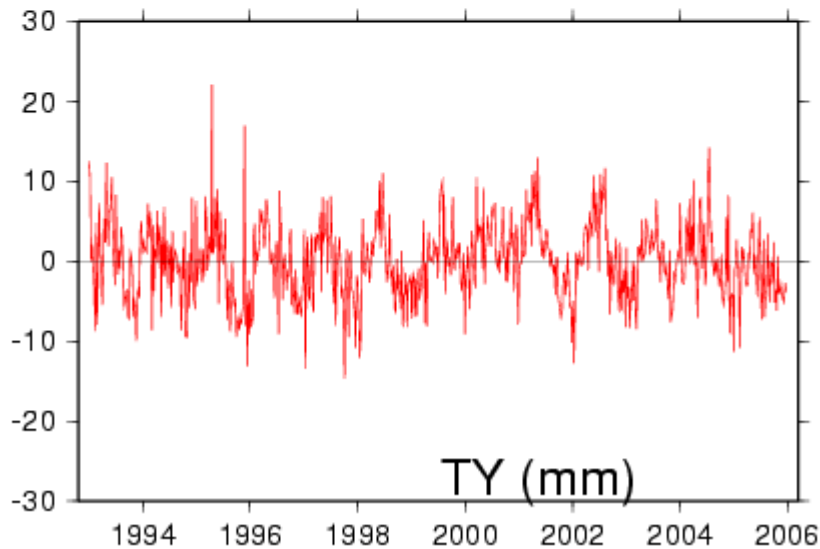
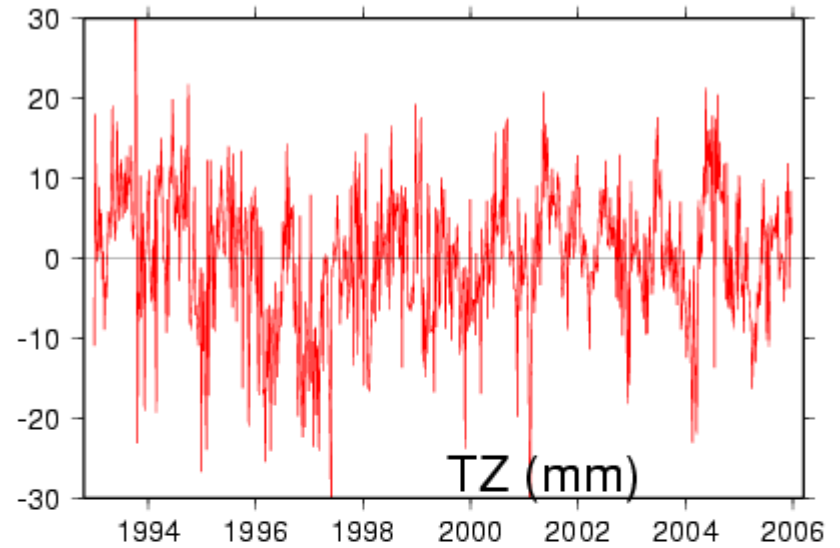
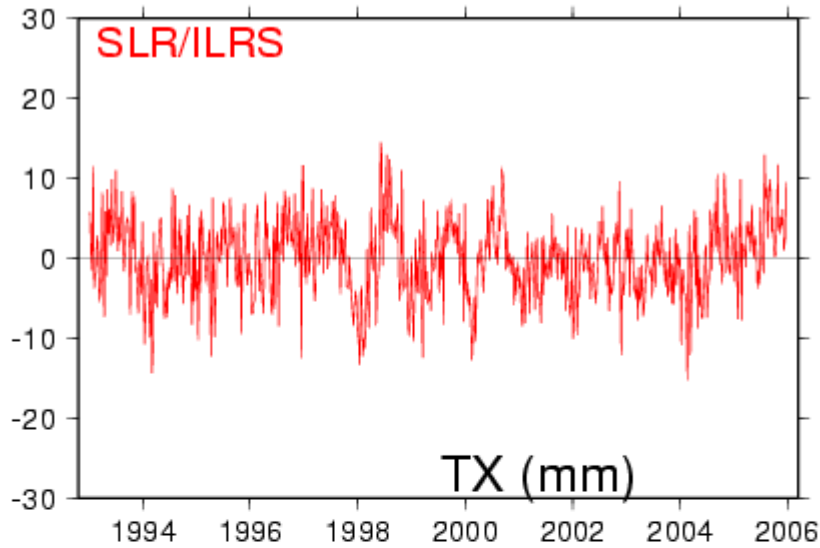
$$P(t_0) = 0 \quad \& \quad \dot{P} = 0 \quad \mathbf{or}$$

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{k \in K} P_k(t_k) = 0 \\ \sum_{k \in K} \frac{P_k(t_k)}{(t_k - t_0)^{-1}} = 0 \end{cases}$$

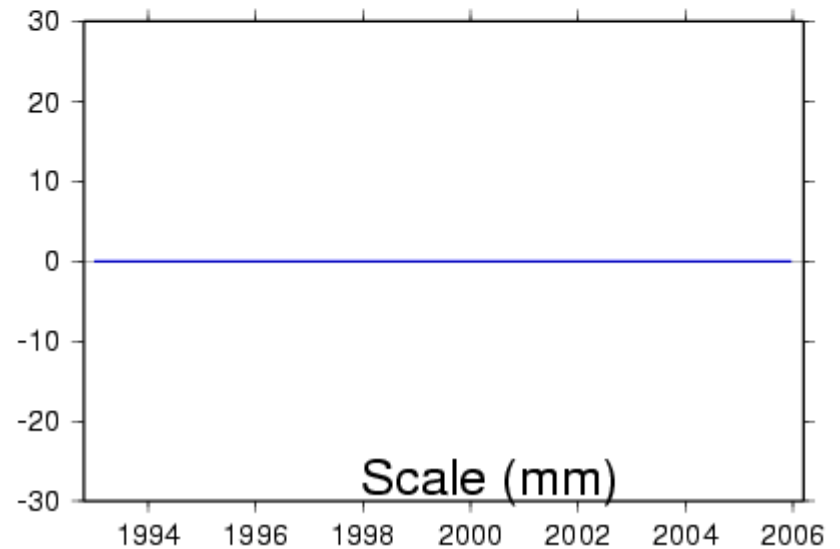
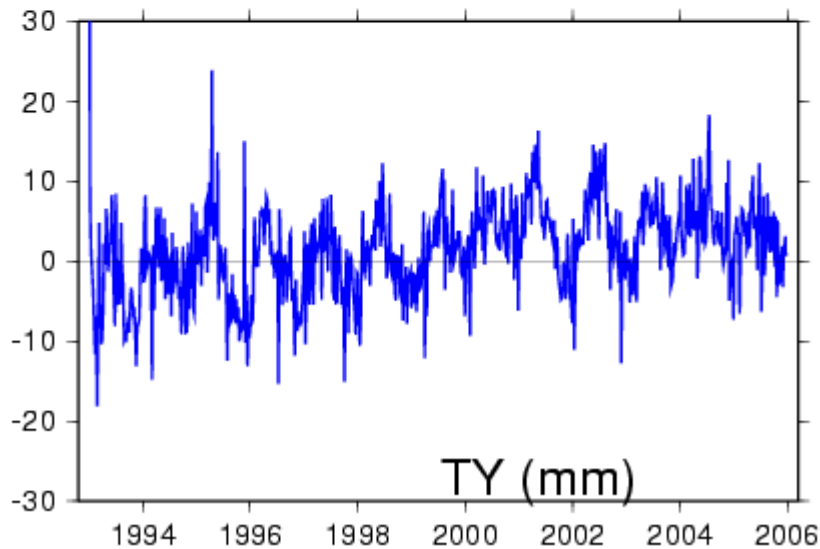
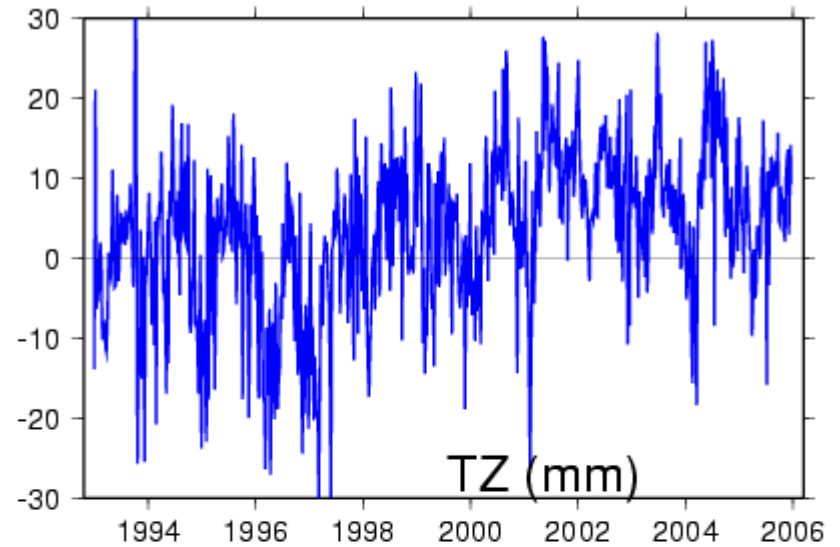
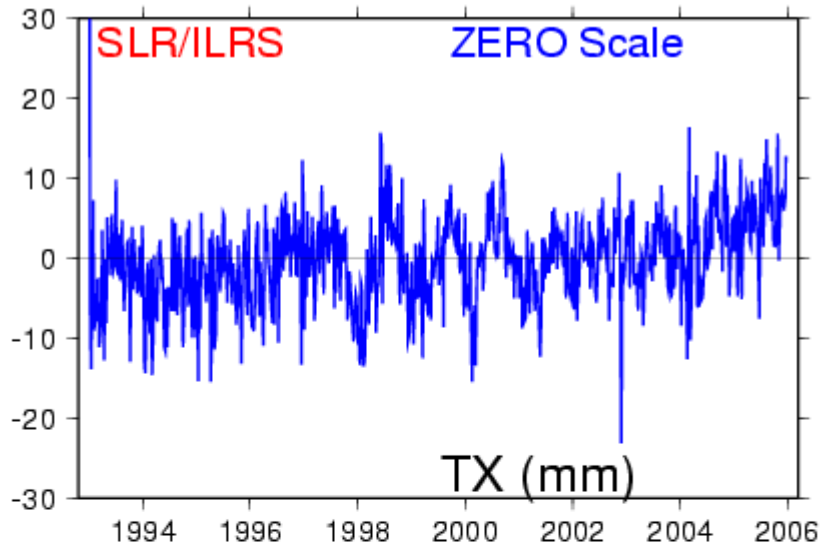
IVS Intrinsic Scale



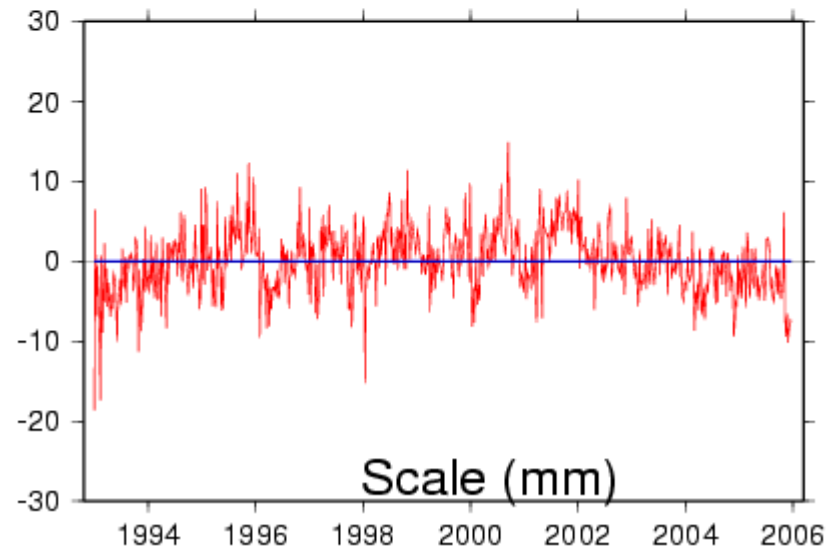
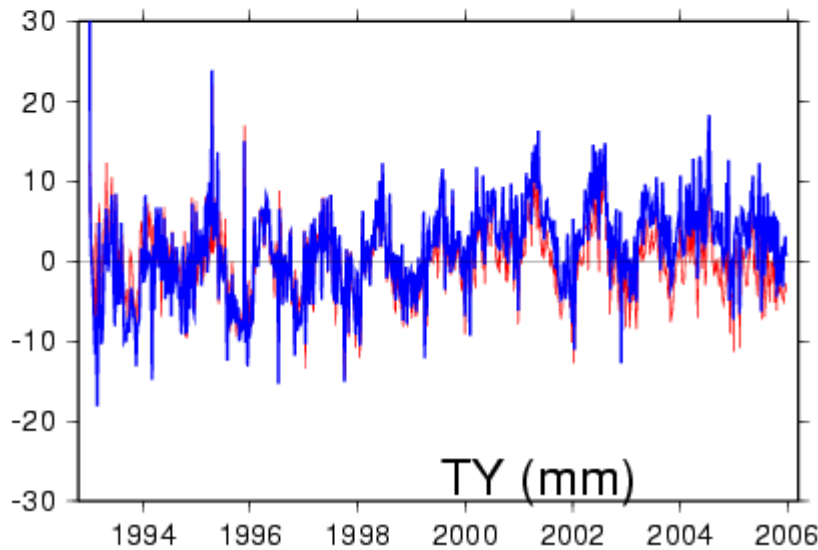
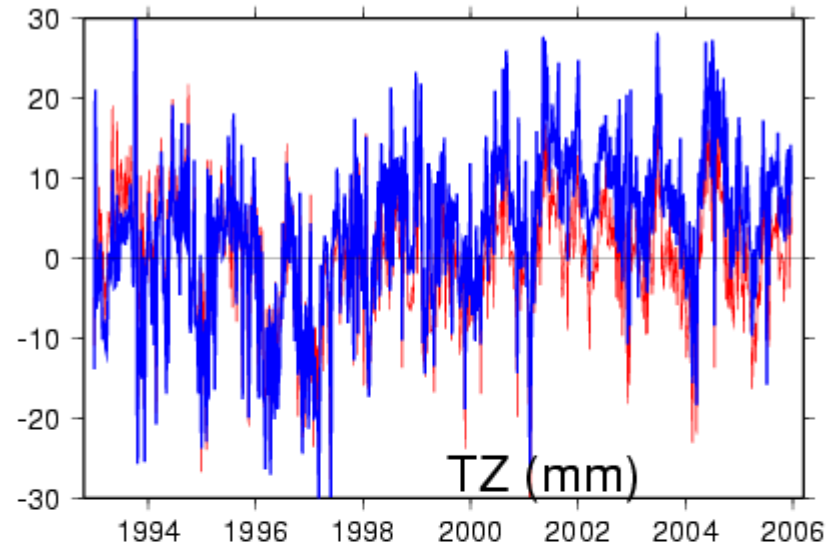
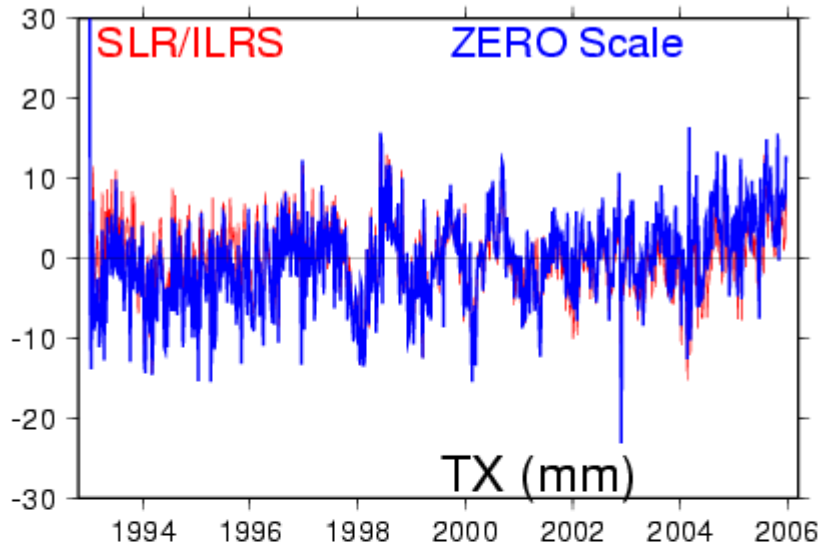
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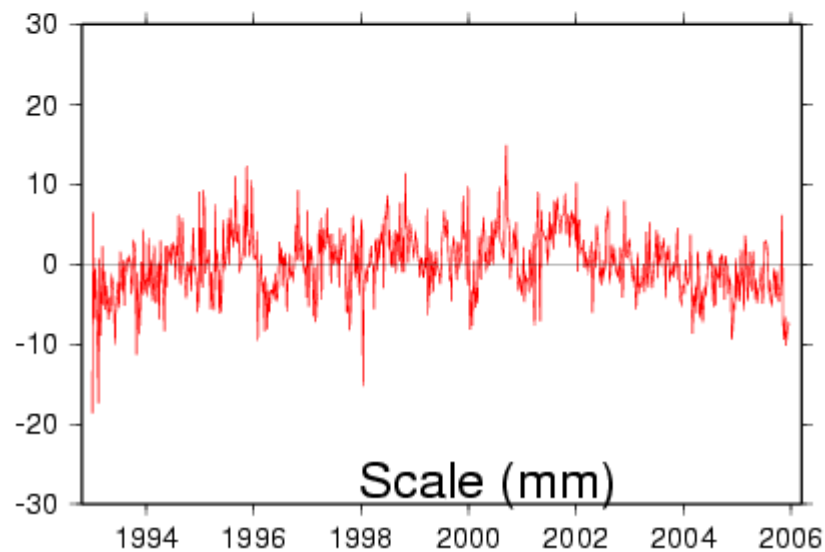
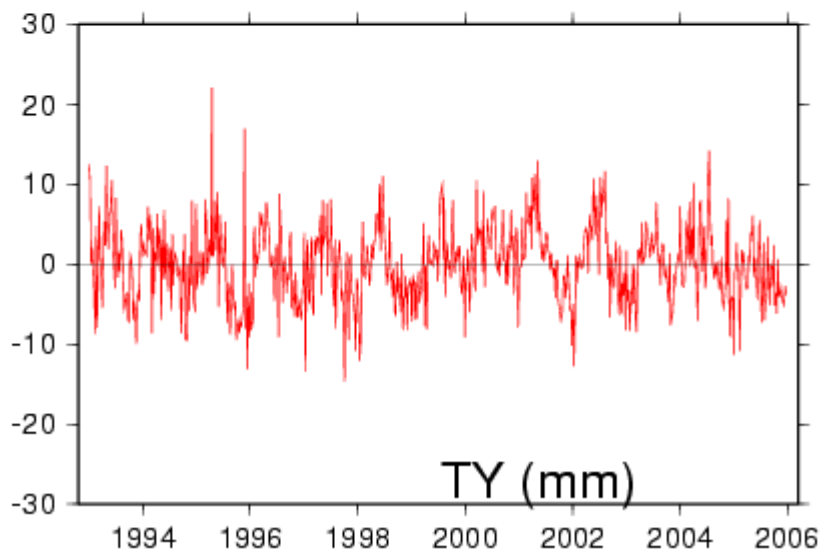
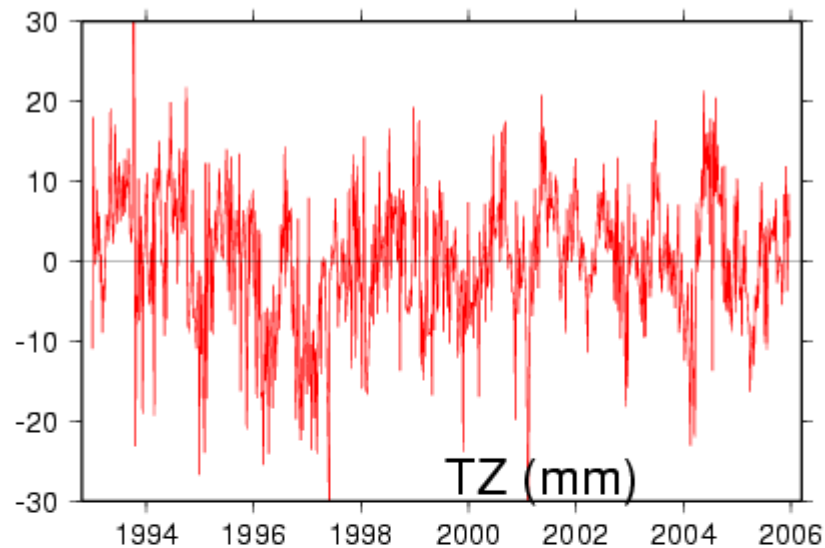
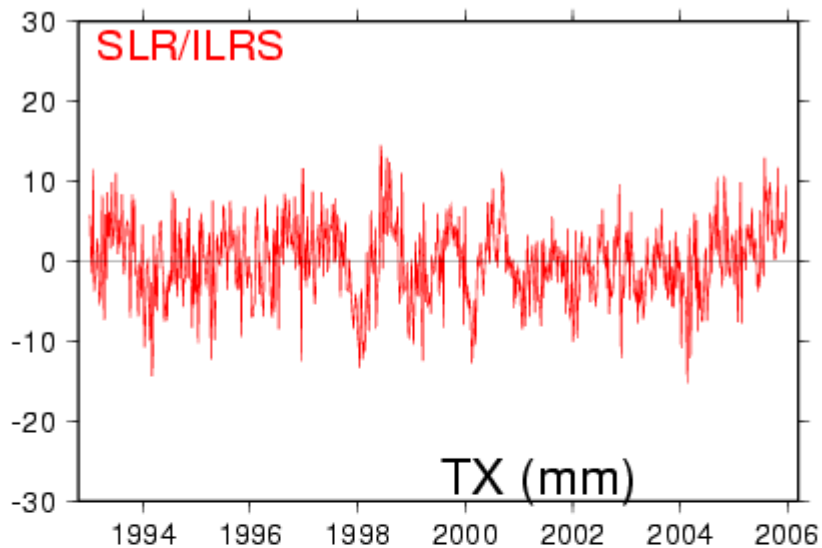
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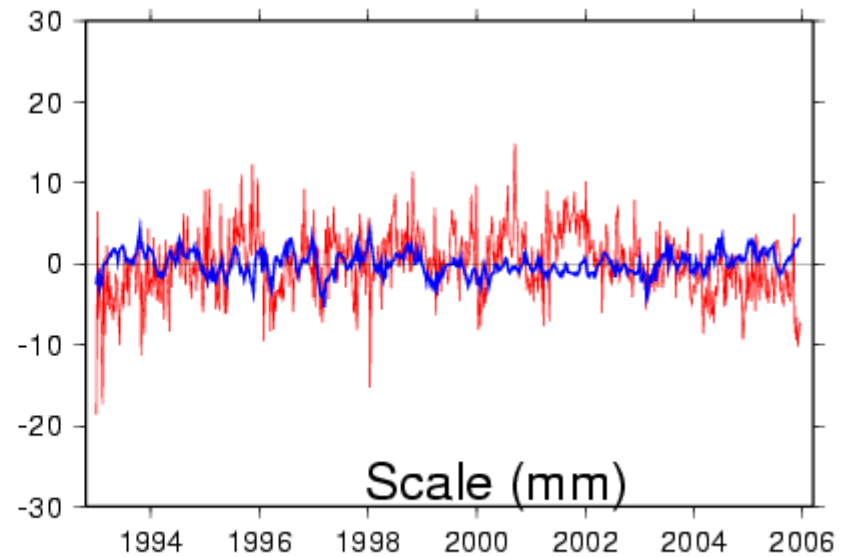
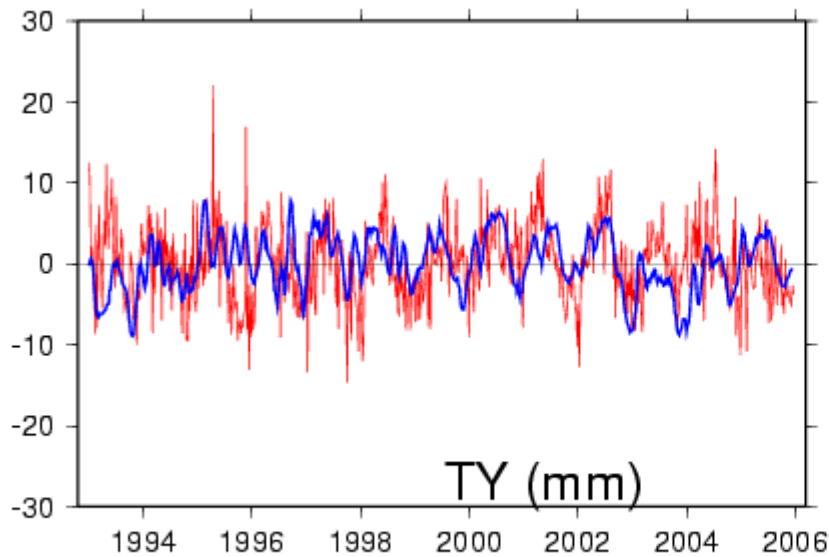
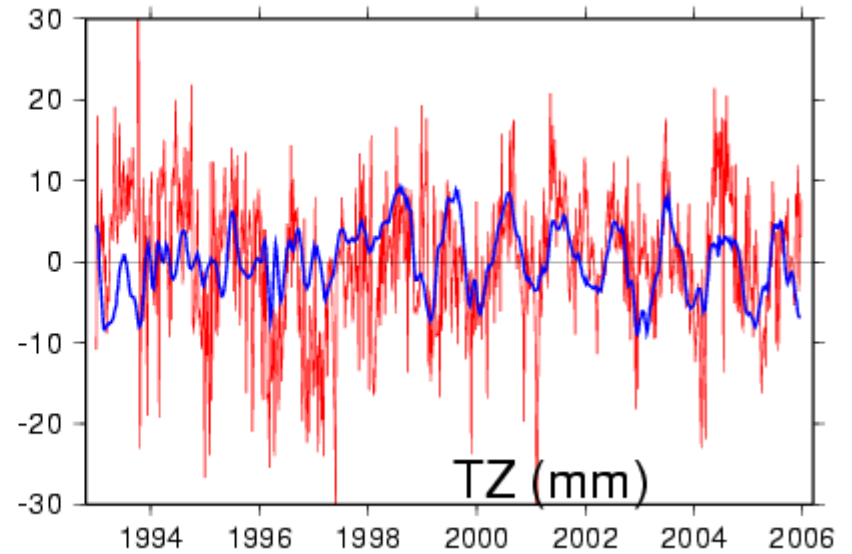
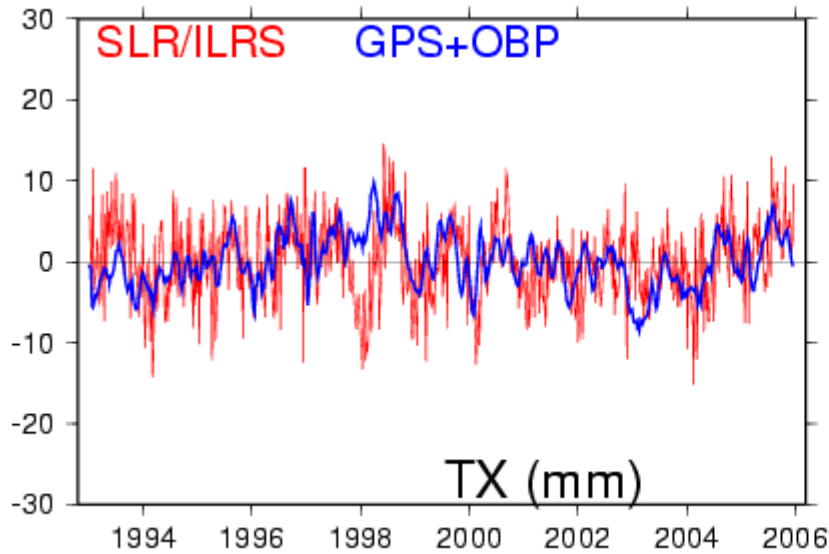
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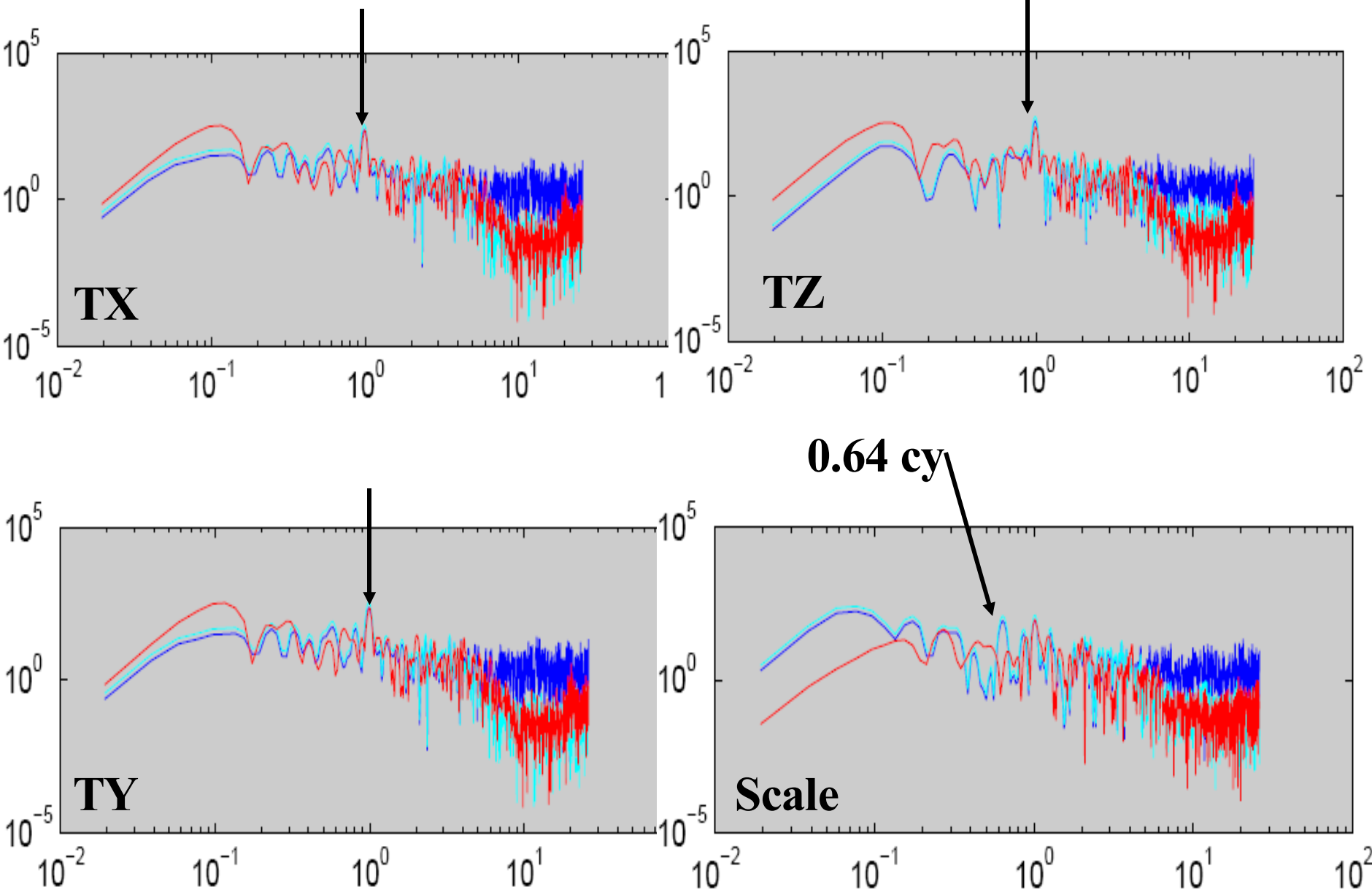
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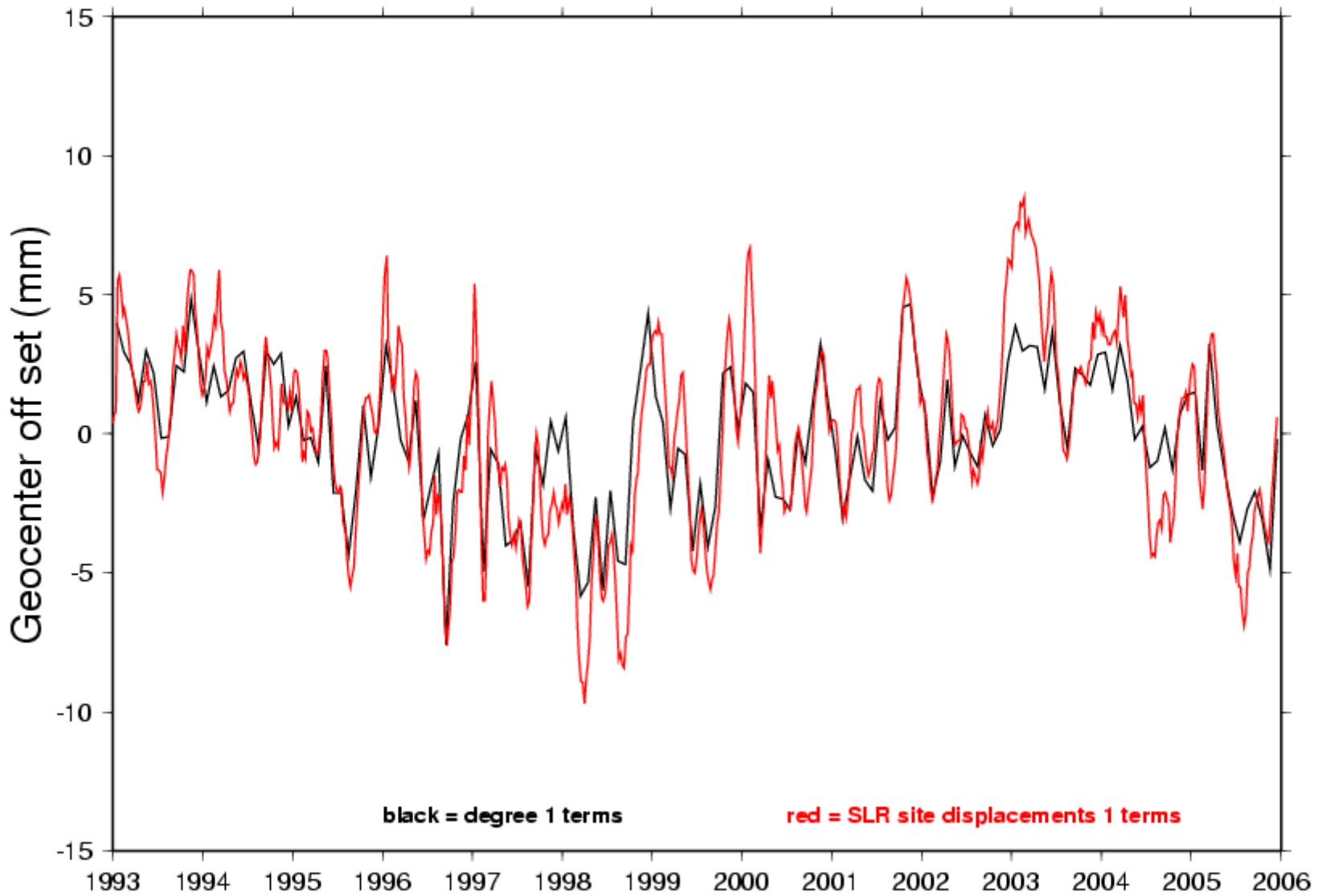
Geocenter ILRS SLR vs GPS+OBP model



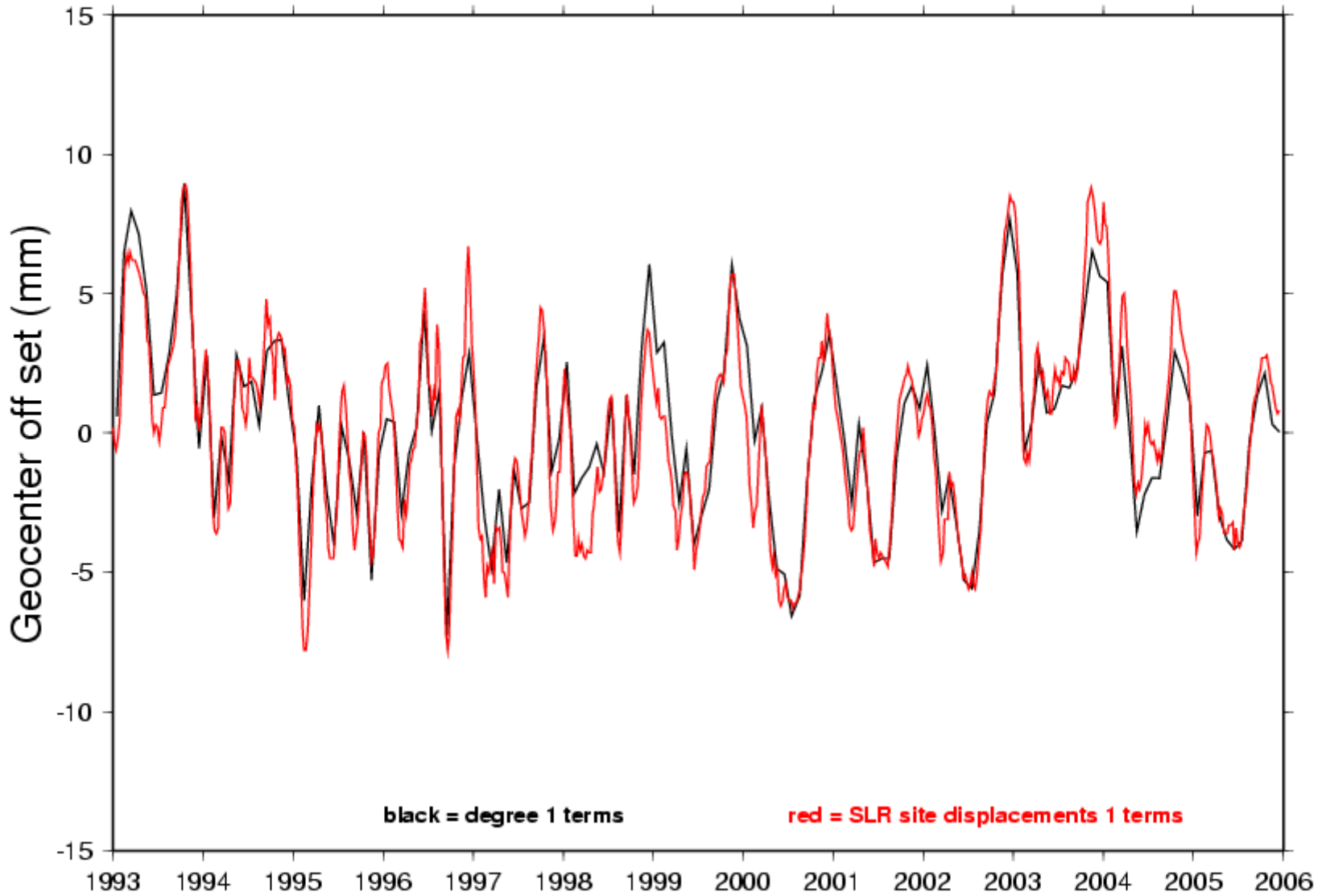
ILRS SLR & GPS+OBP Power Spectrum



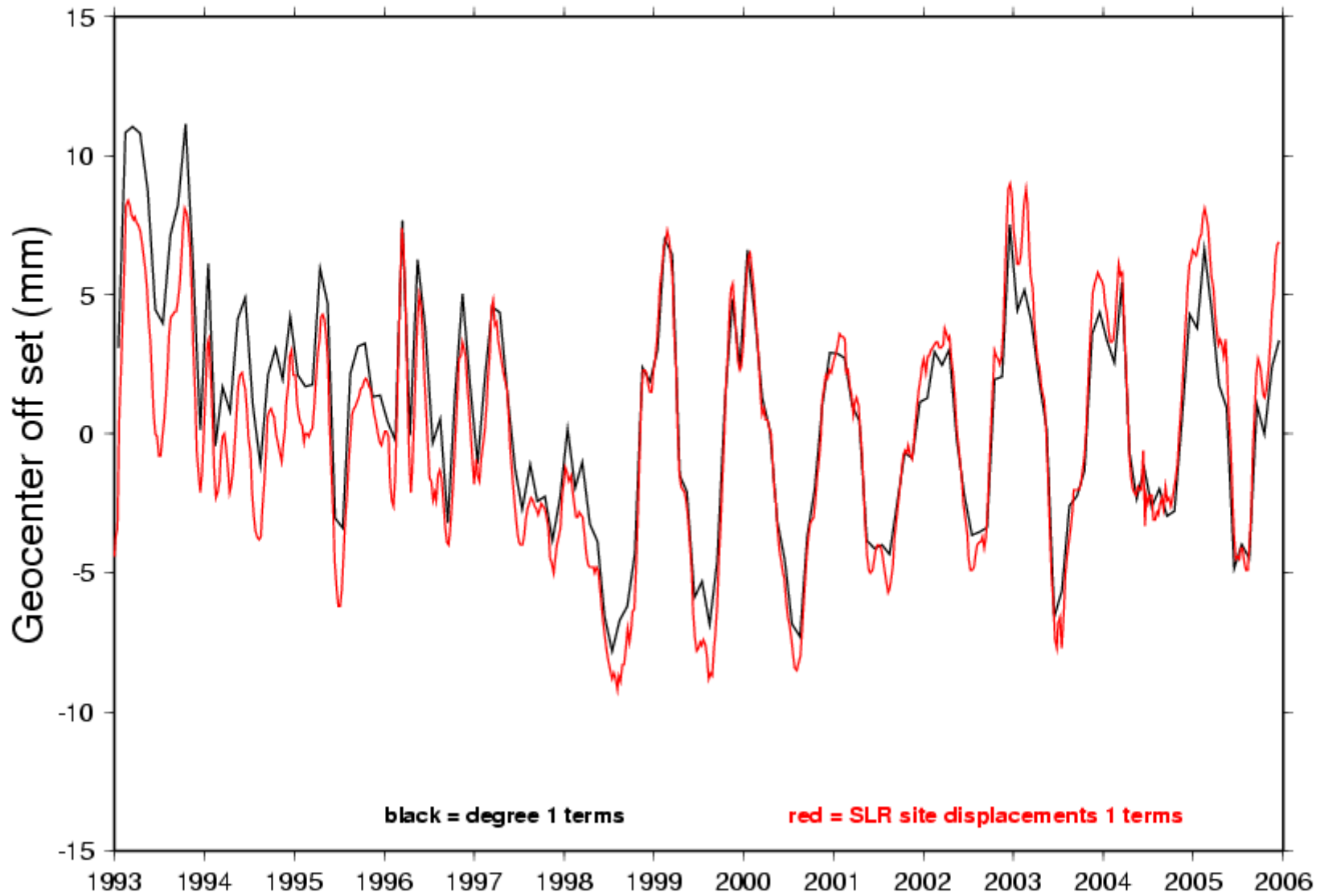
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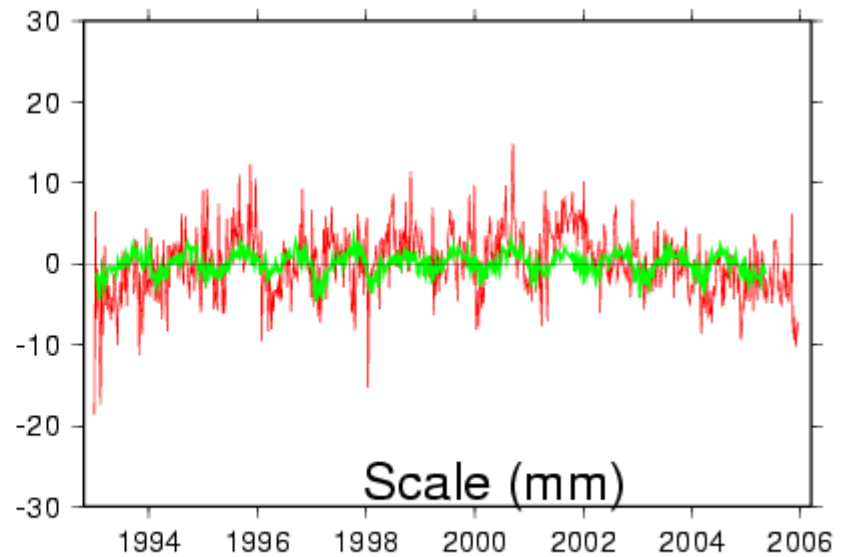
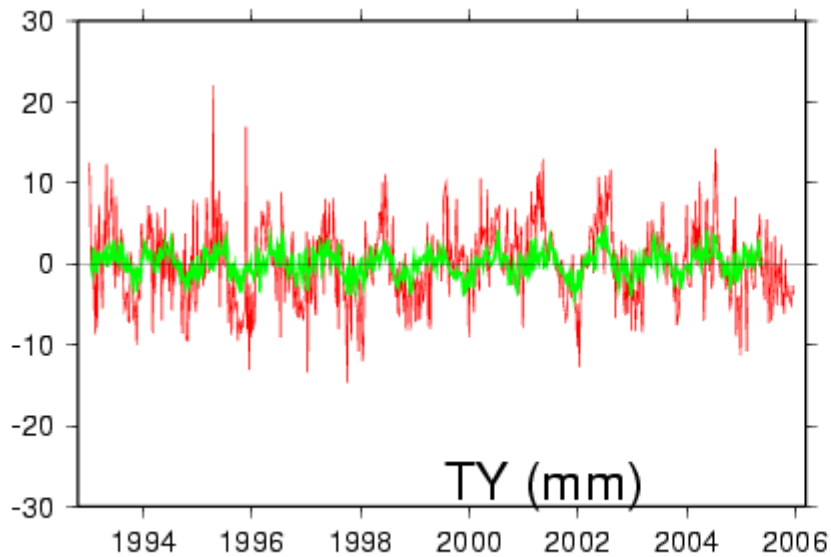
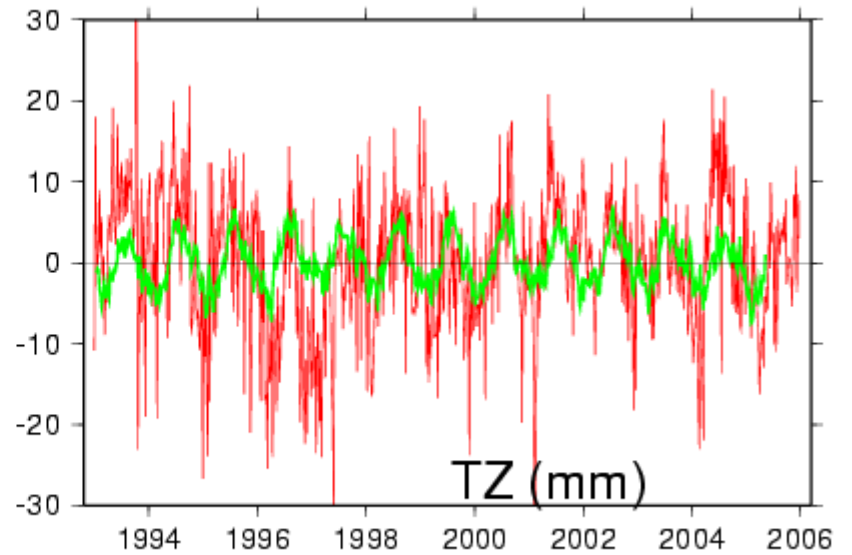
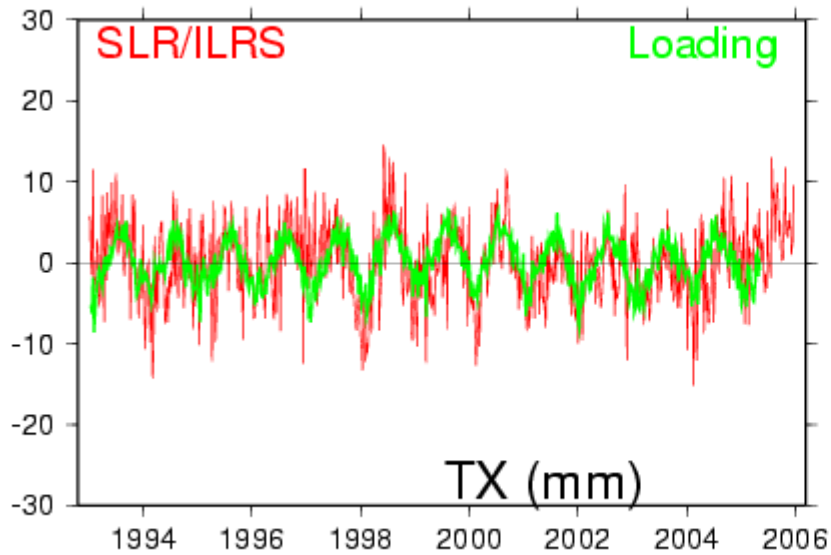
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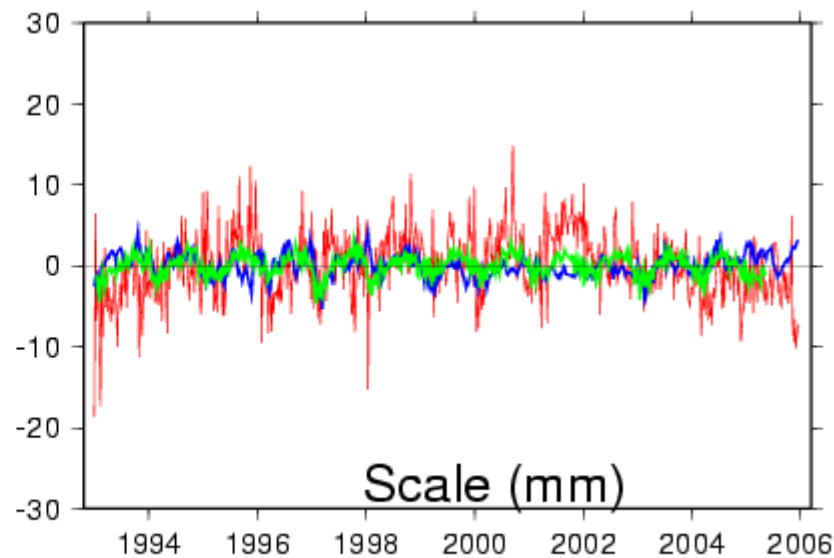
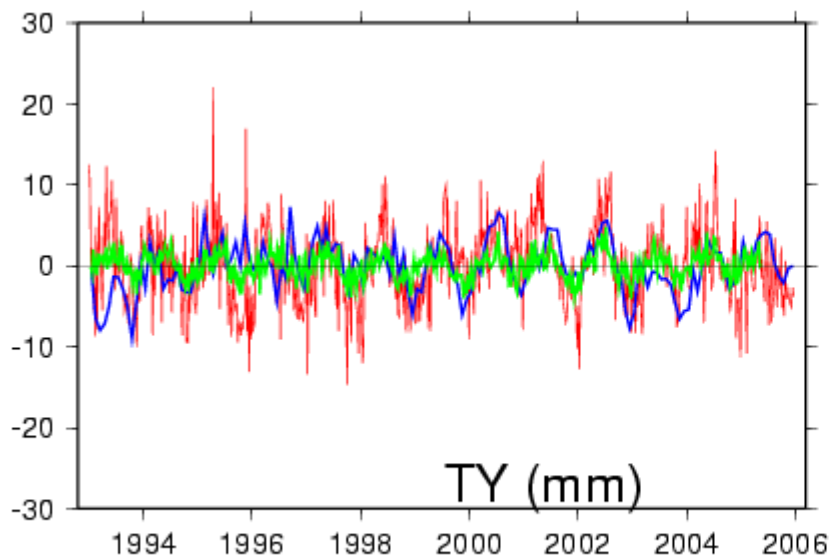
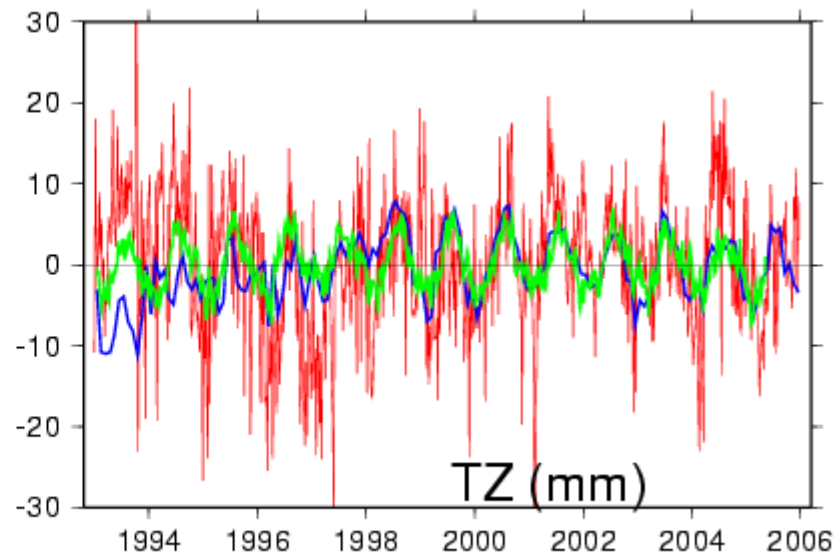
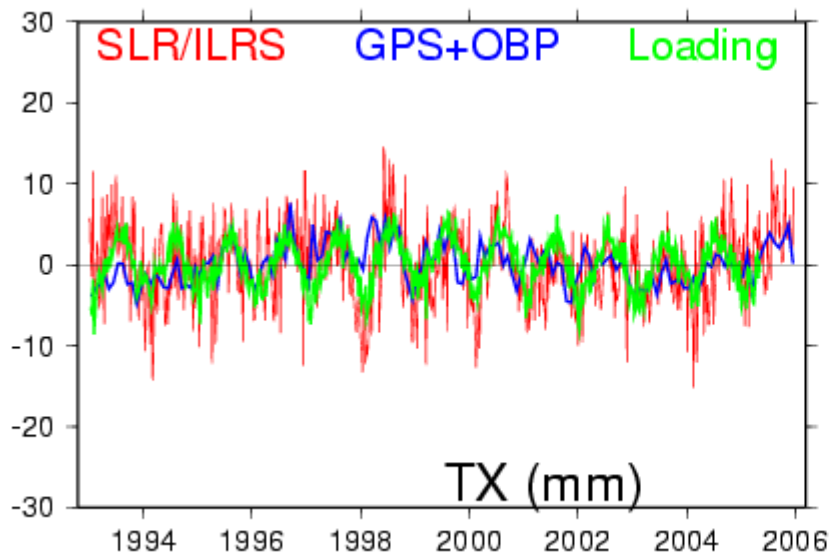
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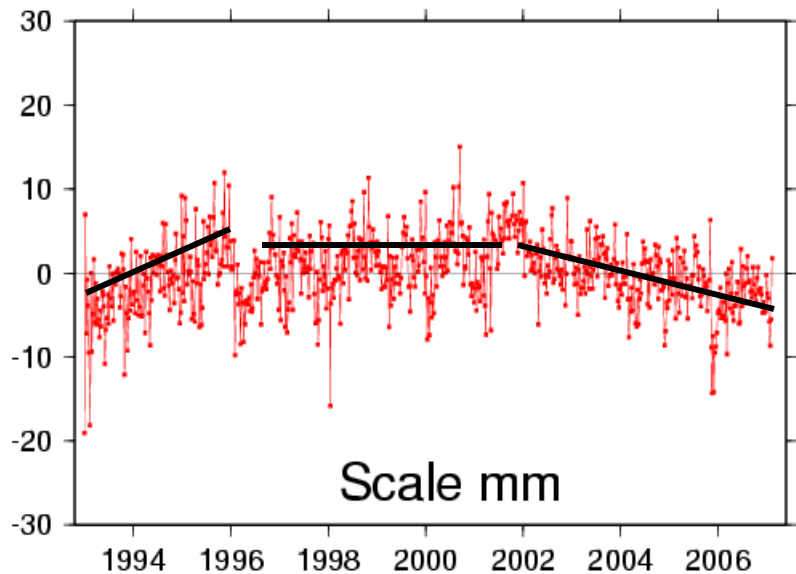
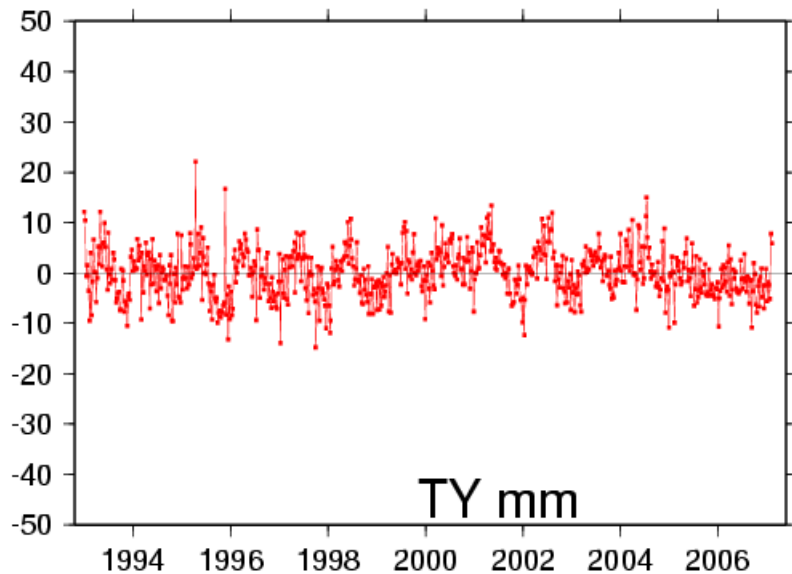
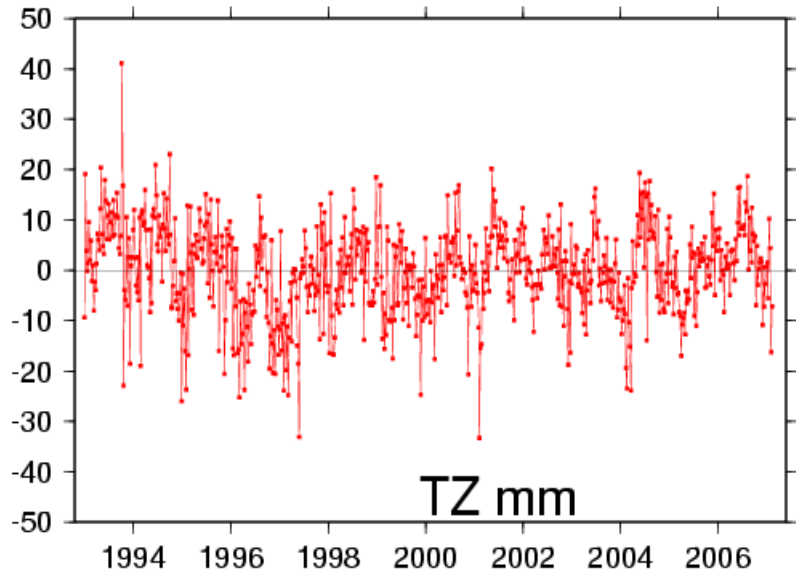
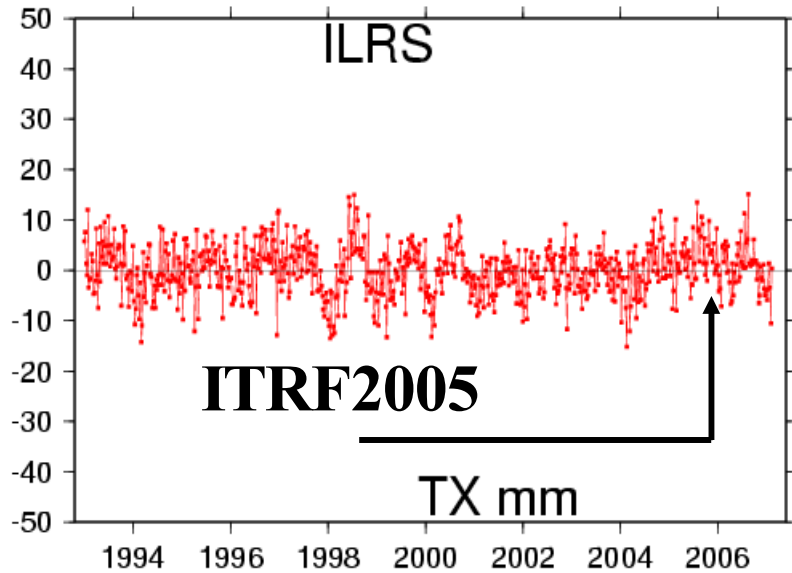
Geocenter ILRS SLR vs Loading model



Geocenter ILRS SLR vs GPS+OBP and Loading models

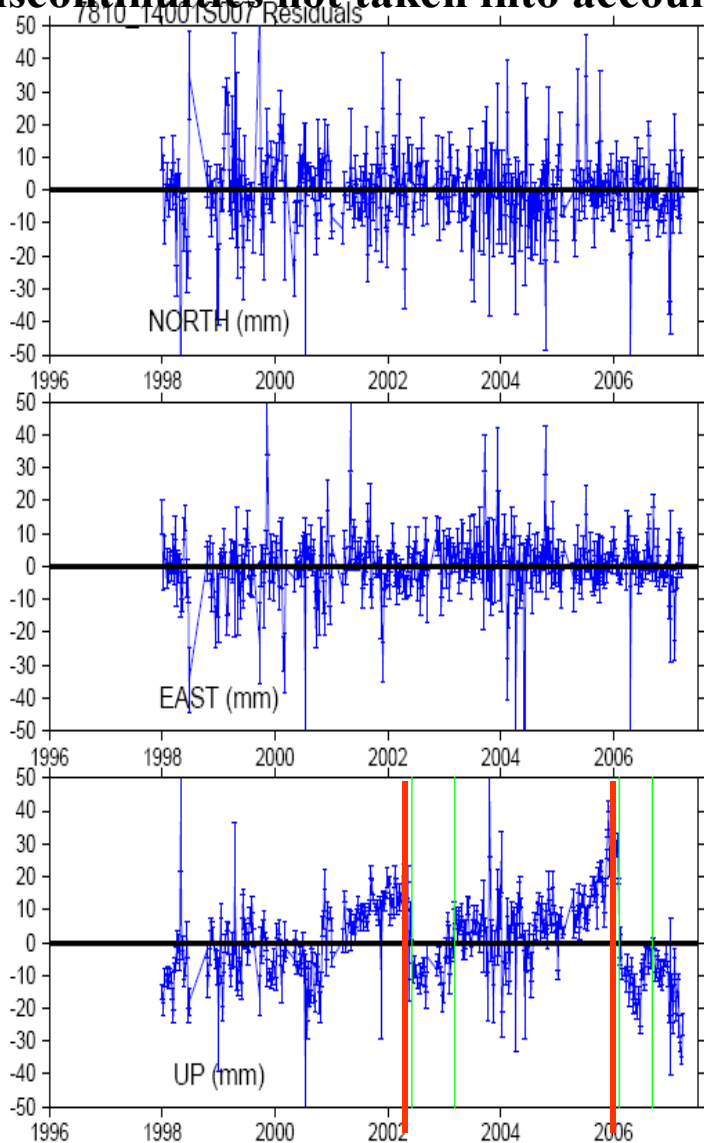


ILRS SLR Intrinsic origin and scale (ITRF2005 + 64 weeks)

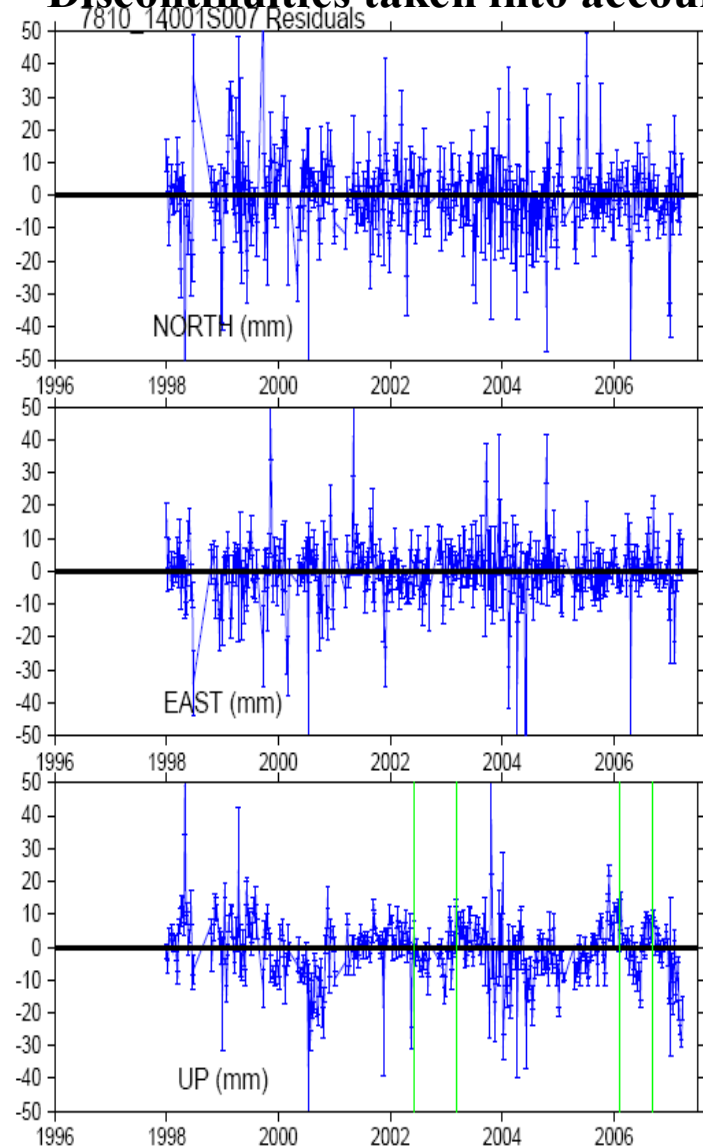


Zimmerwald SLR Station

Discontinuities not taken into account

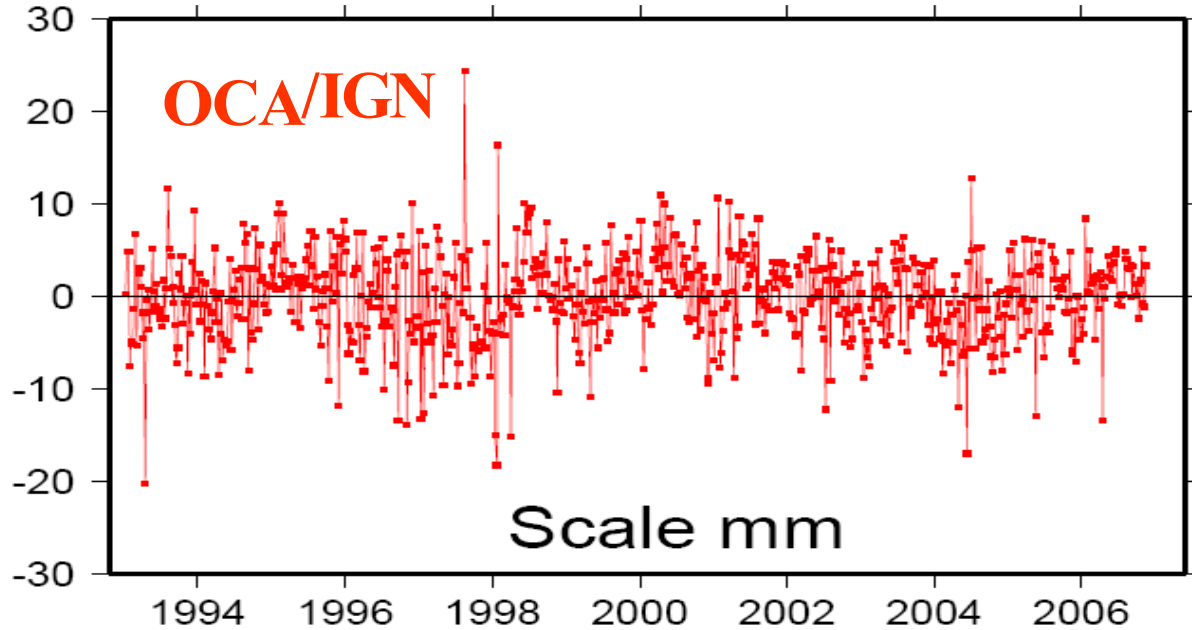
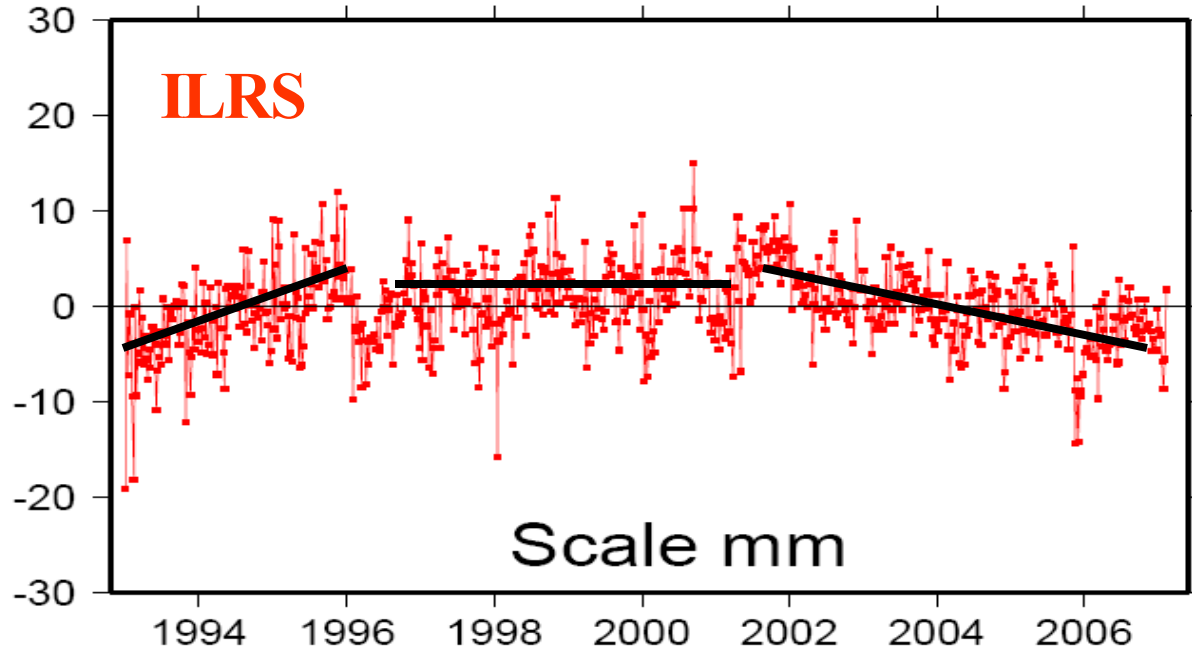


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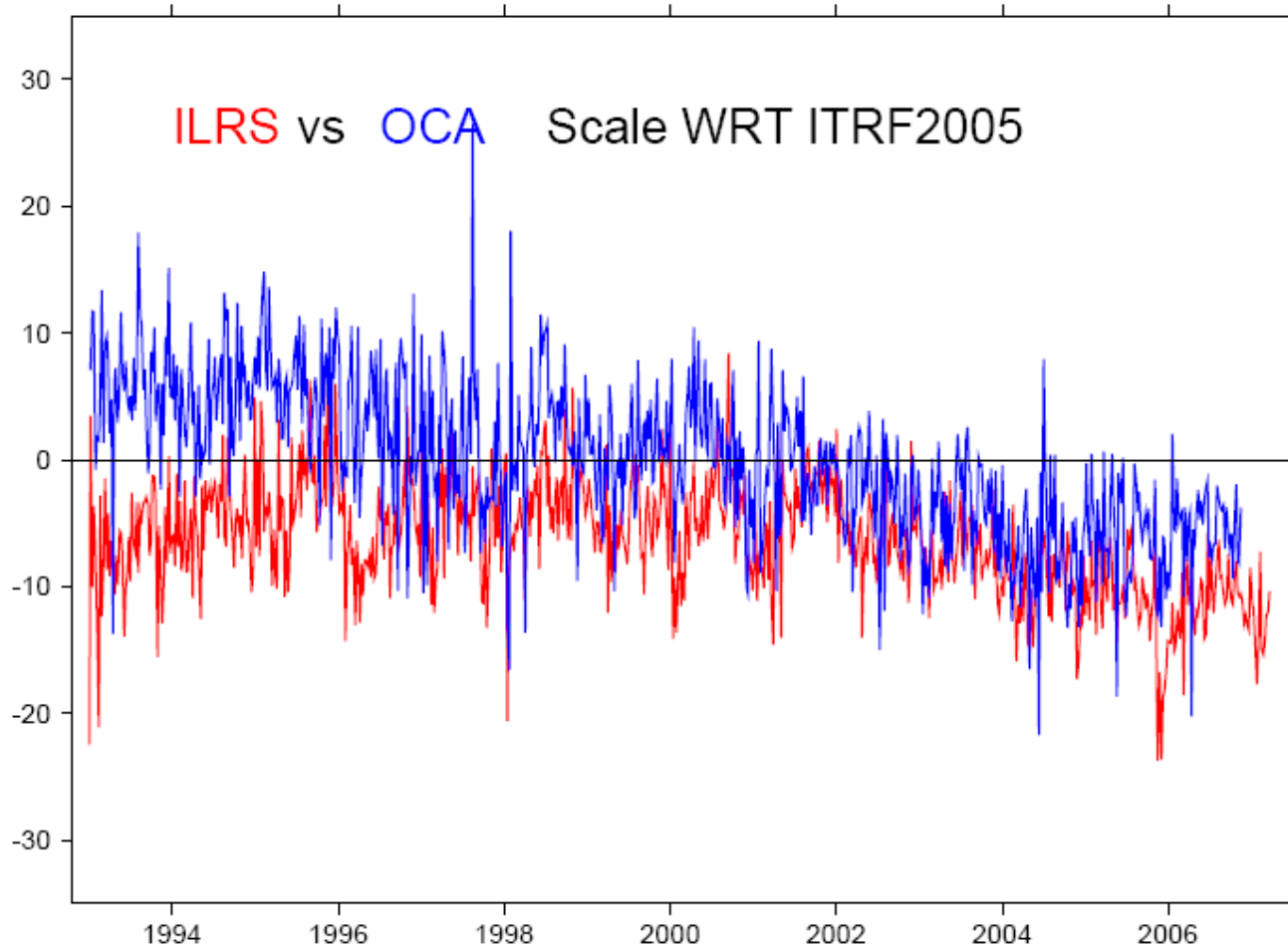


Range Bias events

Intrinsic ILRS vs OCA scales

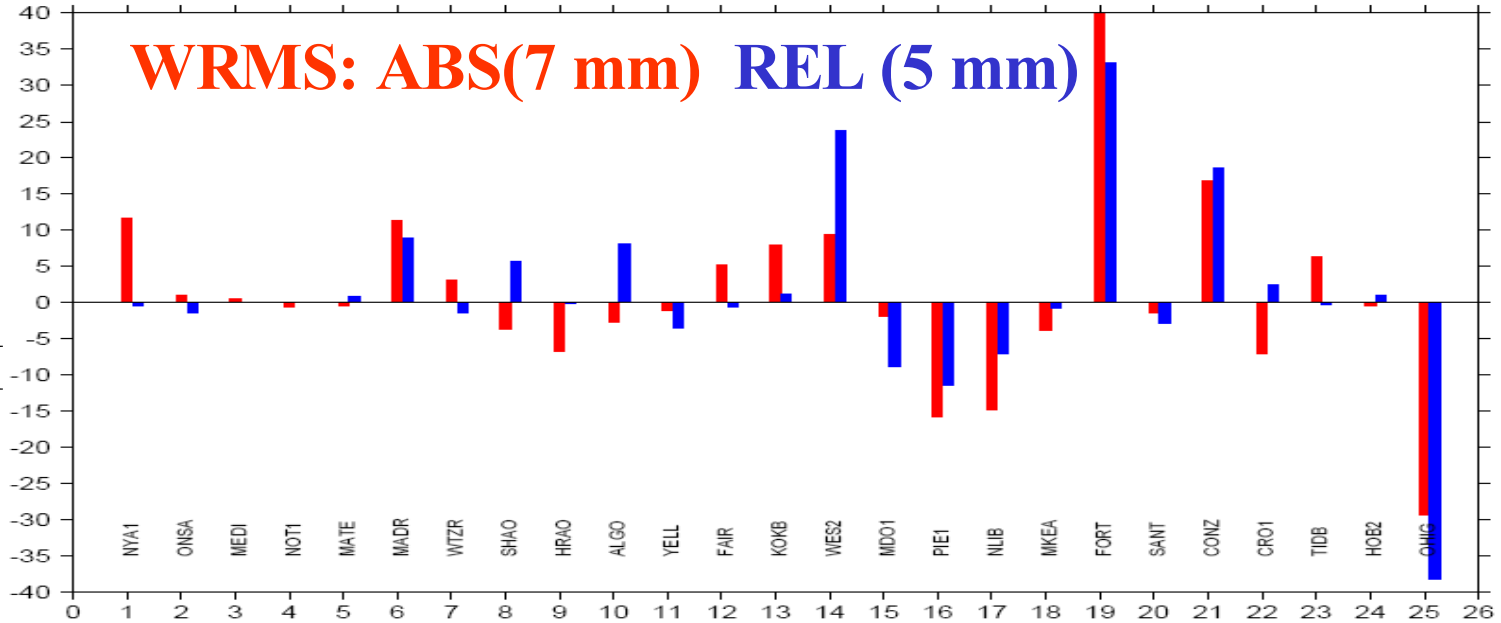


ILRS vs OCA scales wrt ITRF2005

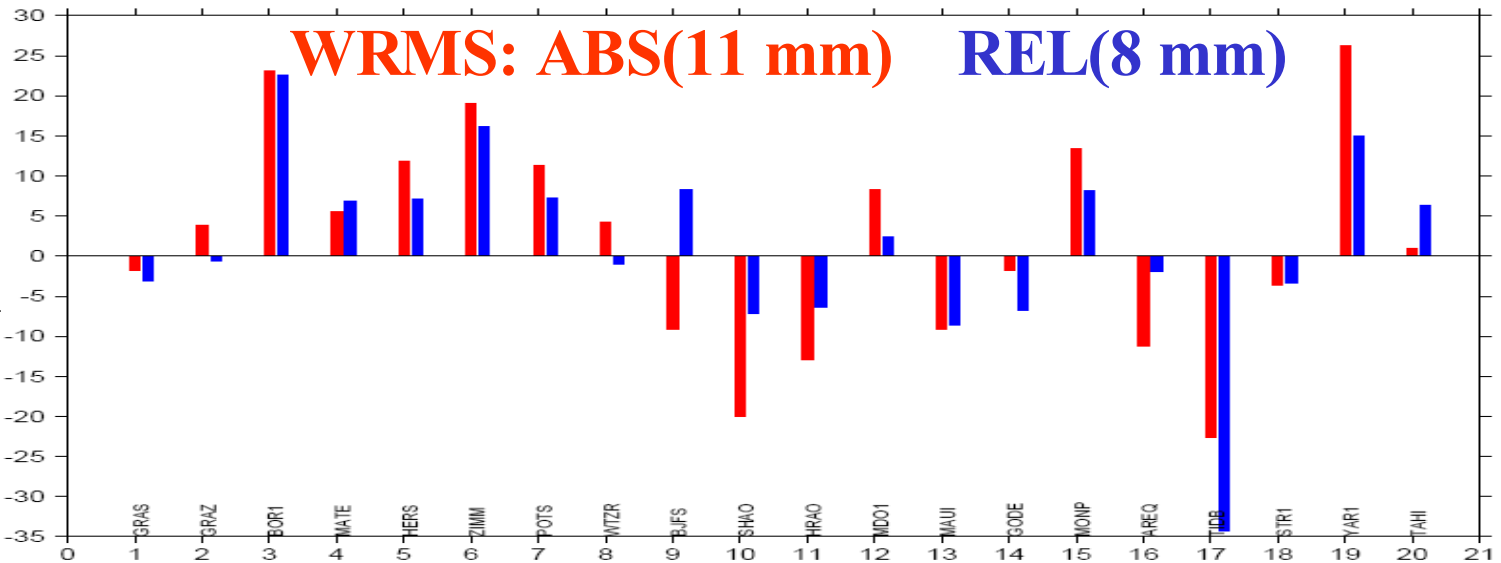


GPS ABS vs REL APCV ? : Up Residuals: Tie - Space Geodesy

GPS
VLBI



GPS
SLR



Local tie weights as in ITRF2005

Conclusions

- **We showed evidences that SLR weekly translations and scales should be estimated for the ITRF**
- **Despite its poor network, apparent geocenter motion is embedded in SLR weekly solutions**
 - **Good agreement with GPS+OBP and Loading models**
- **Range Bias effect on SLR scale (?)**
 - **Extended ILRS time series still show a scale bias/drift wrt ITRF2005 (VLBI scale)**
- **VLBI scale:**
 - **Seasonal variation due to thermal expansion!**
 - **Troposphere modeling (?)**
- **GPS scale is "heterogeneous", because of Antenna-based PCV until all data reprocessed**
- **GPS-APCV and tie agreement is unclear !!!**