

Contribution of Warkworth 12m VLBI radio telescope to New Zealand geodesy

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✧ *Institute for Radio Astronomy
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✧ Research Activity

- ✧ radio astronomy
- ✧ space science
- ✧ Square Kilometre Array
- ✧ geodesy

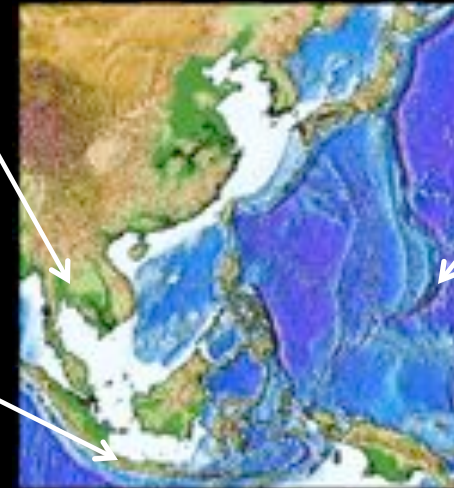
12m radio telescope
VLBI technique



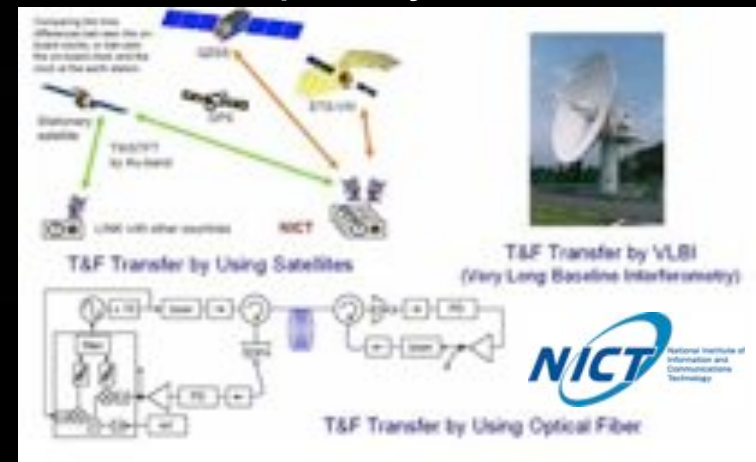
My Background



Geodetic Observation



Time and Frequency Transfer



to contribute
to geodetic research

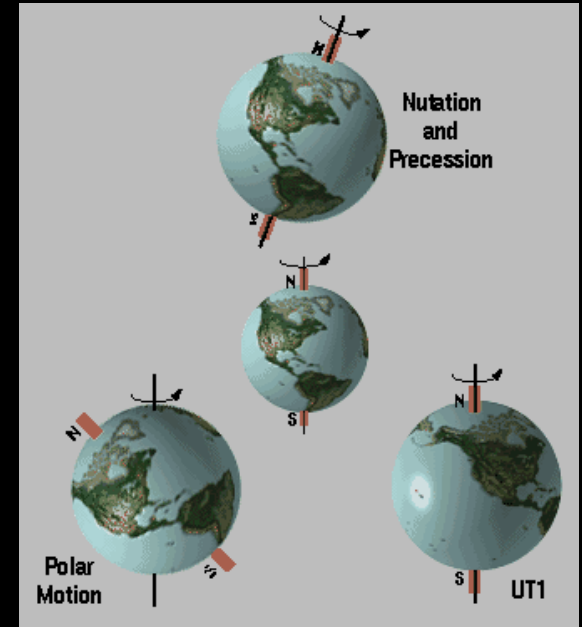
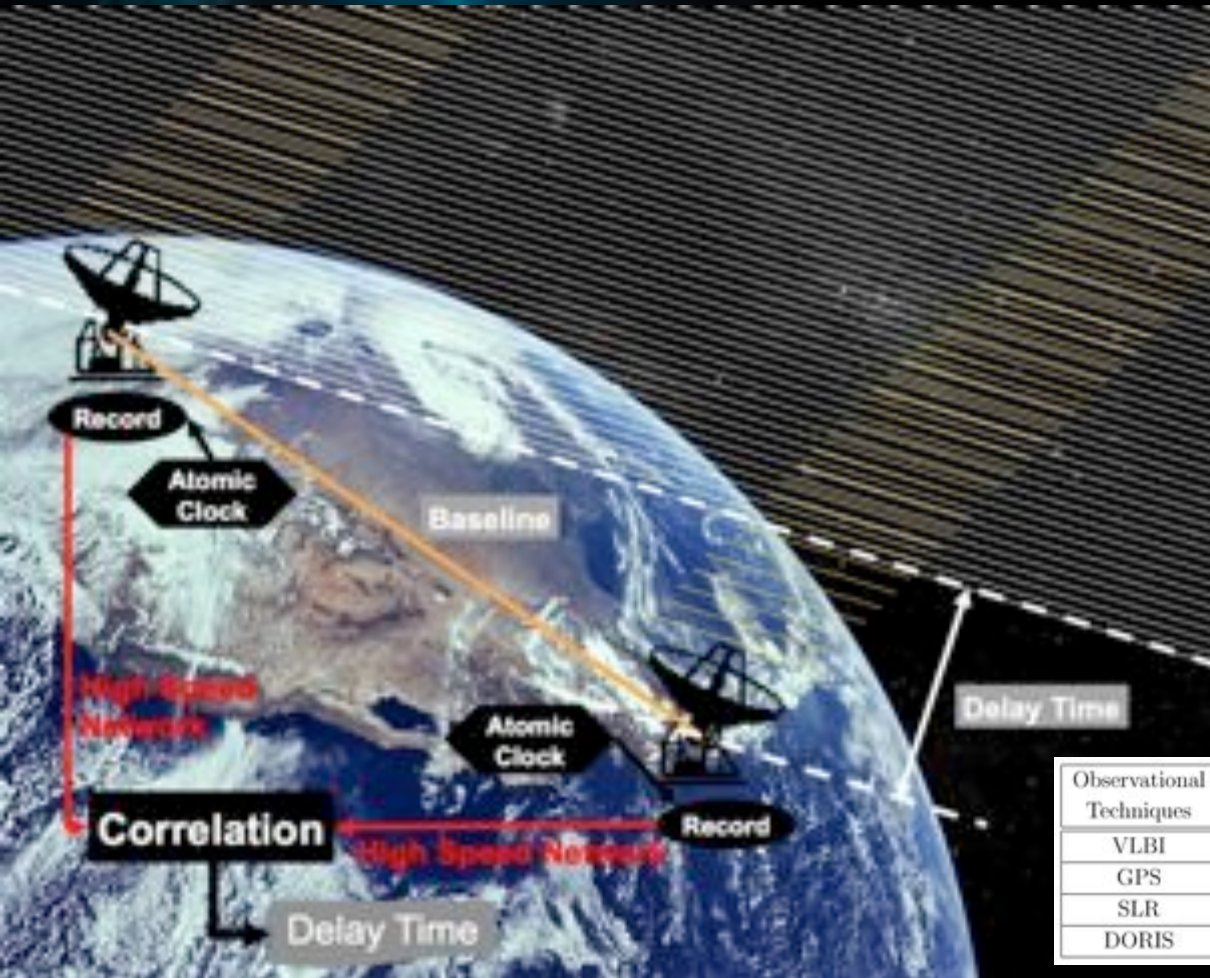
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Introduction VLBI

Very Long Baseline Interferometry



Observational Techniques	Reference Frames		Earth Orientation Parameters			Polar Motion accuracy
	ICRF	ITRF	Pol. Mot.	UT1	Prec. & Nut.	
VLBI	○	○	○	○	○	≤ 0.2 mas
GPS	×	○	○	△	×	0.2 mas
SLR	×	○	○	△	×	0.3 ~ 0.4 mas
DORIS	×	○	○	△	×	1 ~ 2 mas

5 *VLBI measures the arrival time delay between multiple stations*

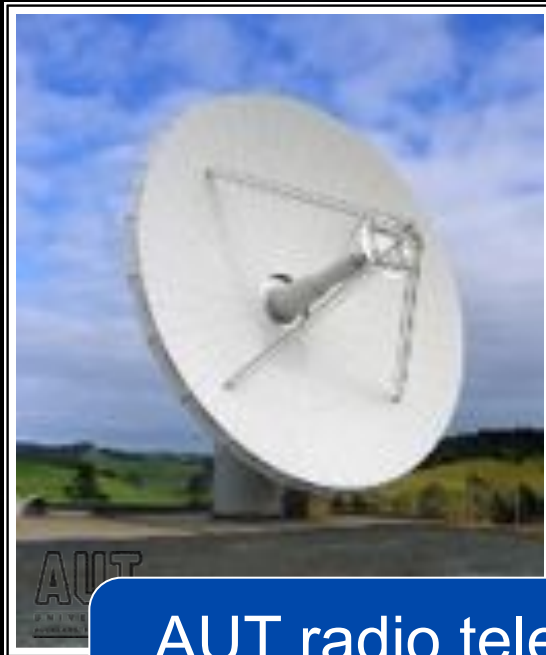
Introduction

WARK12M



✧ Launch of New Zealand's
first & only research capable radio telescope

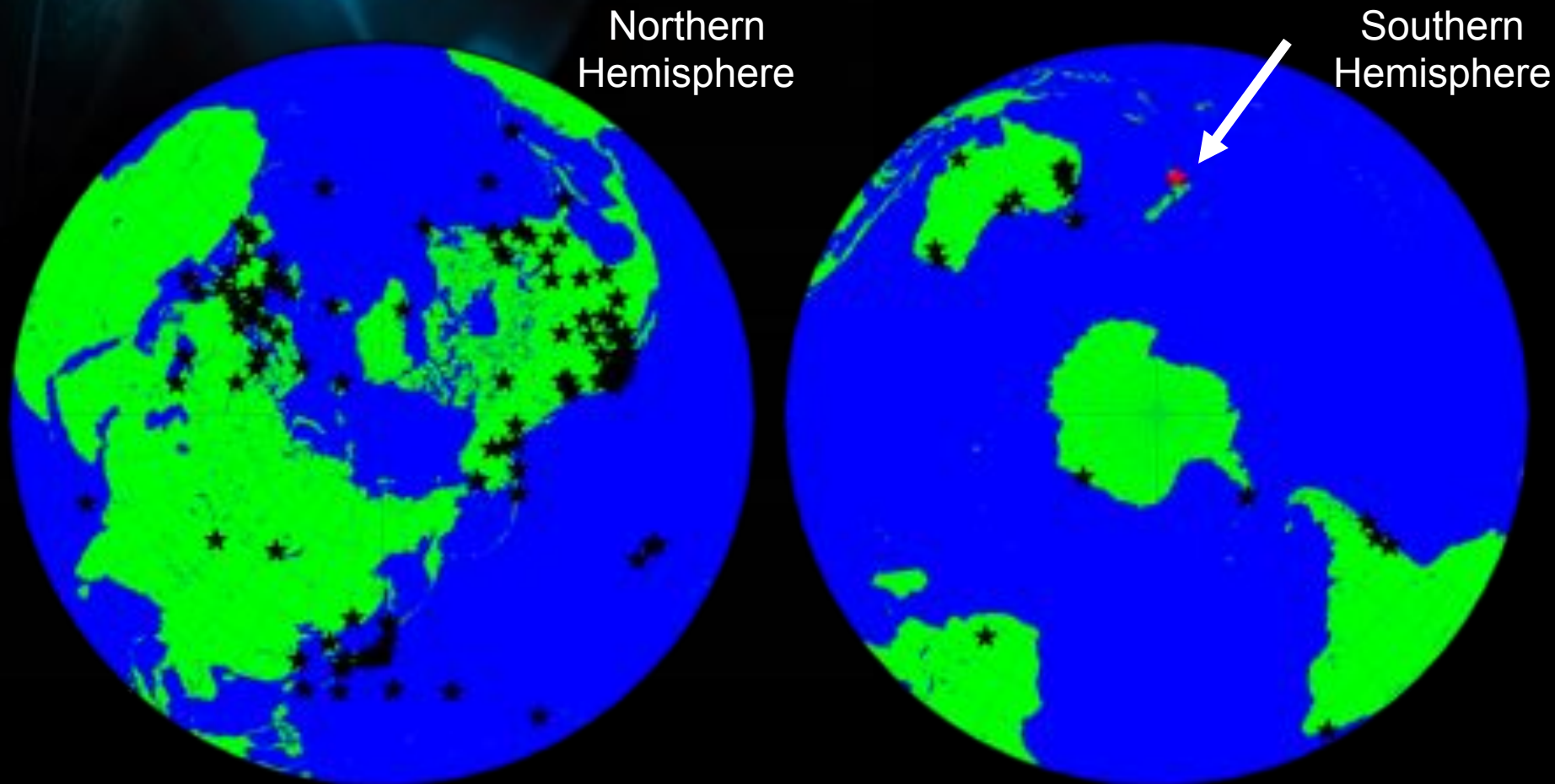
✧ 8 October, 2008



Antenna type	Dual-shaped Cassegrain
Manufacturer	Cobham/Patriot, USA
Main dish Diam.	12.1 m
Secondary refl. Diam.	1.8 m
Focal length	4.538 m
Surface accuracy	0.35 mm
Pointing accuracy	18"
Frequency range	1.4 - 43 GHz
Mount	alt-azimuth
Azimuth axis range	$90^{\circ} \pm 270^{\circ}$
Elevation axis range	6° to 88°
Azimuth axis max speed	$5^{\circ}/s$
Elevation axis max speed	$1^{\circ}/s$

AUT radio telescope is participating
in the global IVS sessions regularly.

✧ Valuable station of the southern hemisphere



VLBI stations map

Introduction

Space Geodesy @NZ

✧ before launch of VLBI

✧ only GNSS



<http://www.gns.cri.nz>

- **PositionNZ** by LINZ (*Land Information New Zealand*)
 - 31 (2:Chatham Islands, 3: Antarctica)
 - Geodetic system, NZGD2000, surveying, mapping
- **GeoNet** by *Earthquake Commission & GNS Science*
 - to monitor earthquakes, volcanic unrest, land deformation, geothermal activity and tsunamis
 - seismometer, accelerometer, tide gauge, sea level pressure
 - GPS : active volcanic activity area, over 100

Synergy of VLBI and GNSS

Synergy of VLBI and GNSS

✧ Geological situation of New Zealand is similar to Japan

- ✧ plate boundaries
- ✧ GPS network
- ✧ Geodetic Datum
- ✧ VLBI



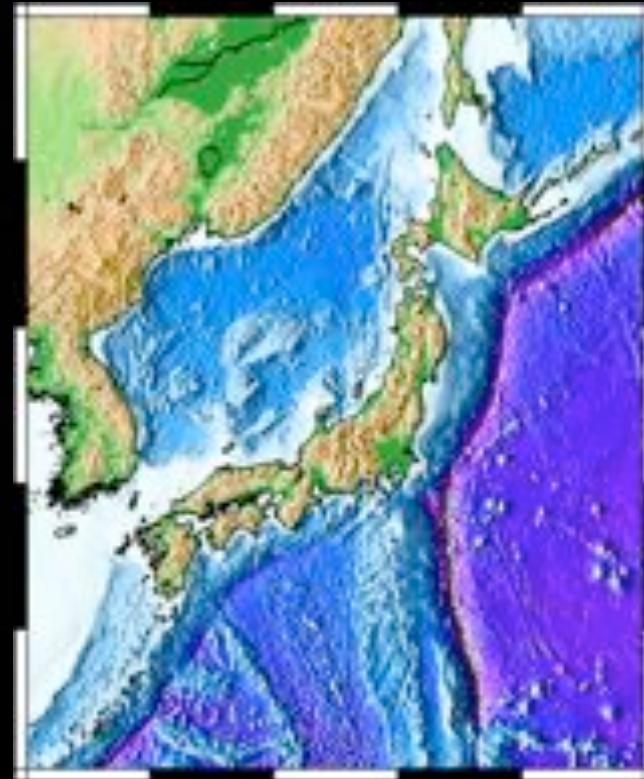
plate boundary & earthquake

✧ New Zealand



268,680 km²

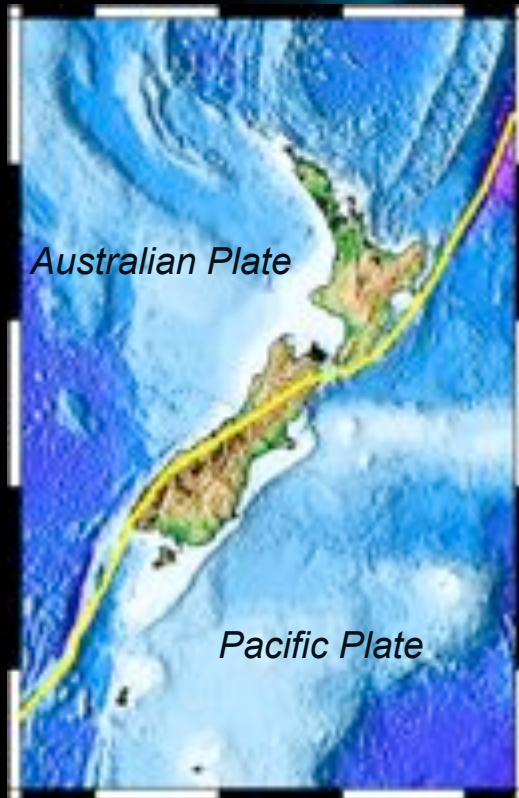
✧ Japan



377,914 km²

plate boundary & earthquake

✧ New Zealand



✧ Japan

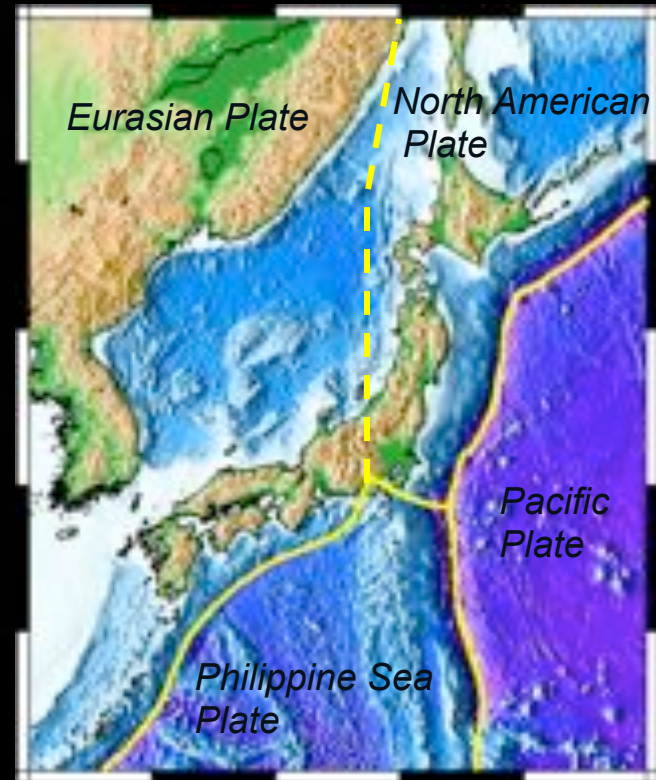
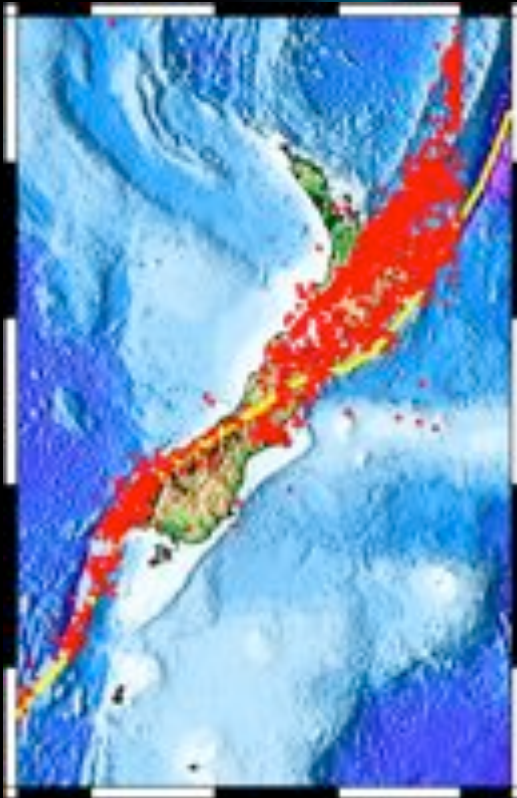
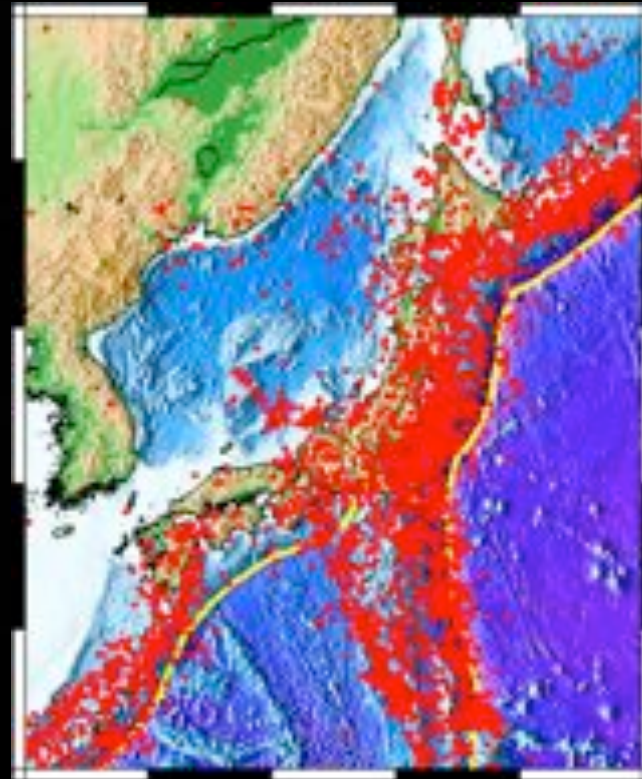


plate boundary & earthquake

✧ New Zealand



✧ Japan



GPS network

✧ New Zealand

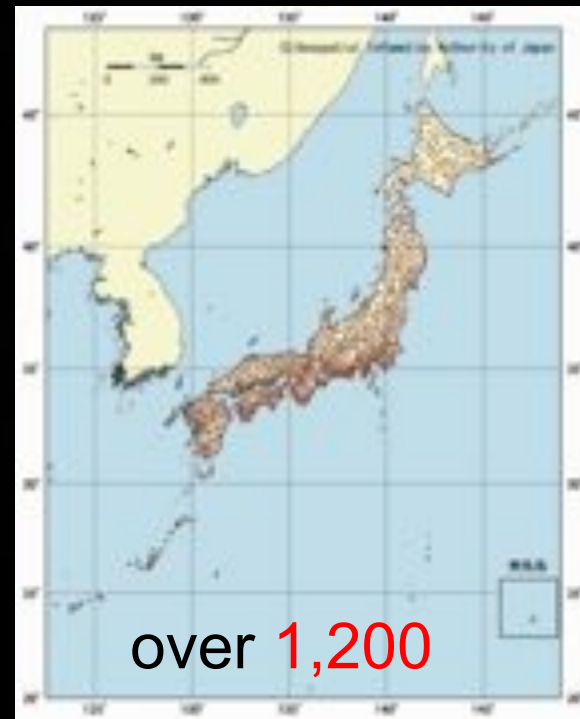
✧ PositionNZ, GeoNet



<http://www.gns.cri.nz>

✧ Japan

✧ GEONET (GPS Earth Observation Network System)



<http://www.gsi.go.jp>

Geospatial Information
Authority of Japan (GSI)

Geodetic Datum

✧ New Zealand

✧ NZGD2000 (1998)

✧ ITRF96, 2000.0

✧ Semi-dynamic system

✧ Japan

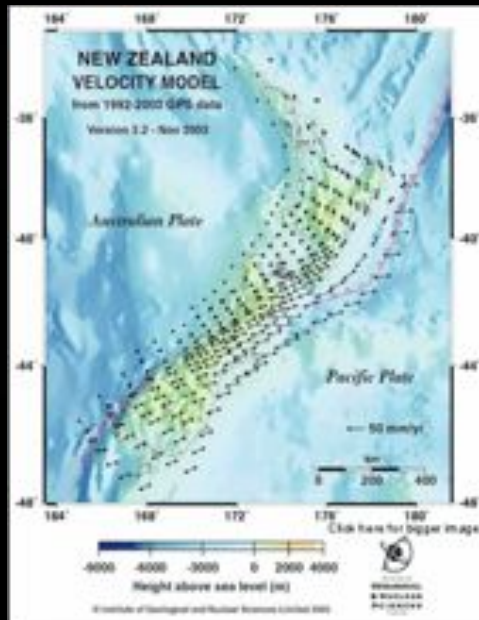
✧ JGD2000 (2002)

✧ ITRF94, 1997.0

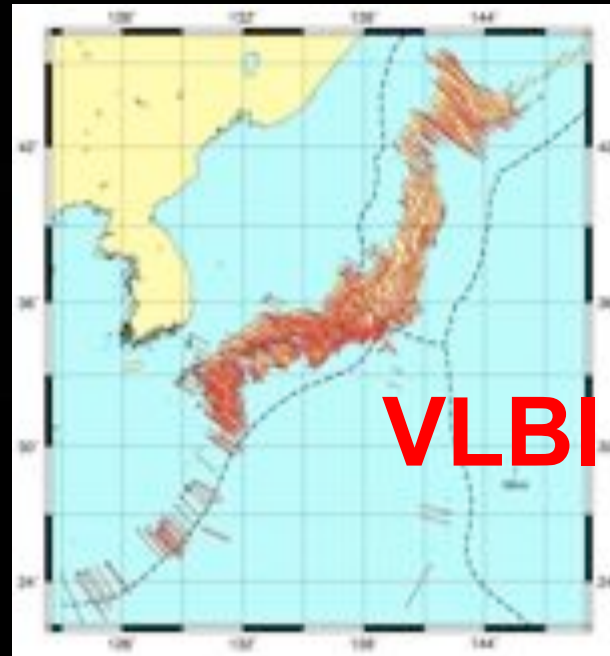
✧ Static system

+ Semi-dynamic correction
(referred New Zealand)

GPS



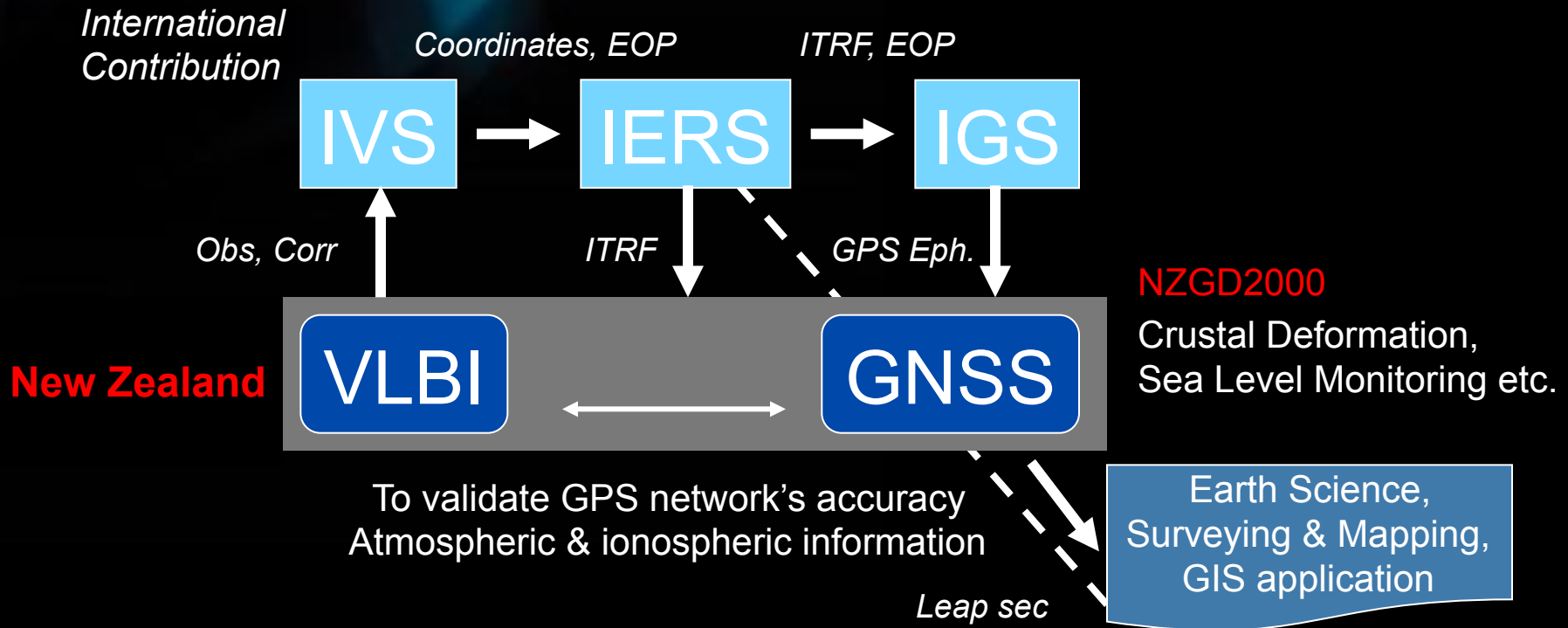
<http://www.linz.govt.nz>



<http://www.gsi.go.jp>

Synergetic relationship between VLBI and GPS

✧ at Japan



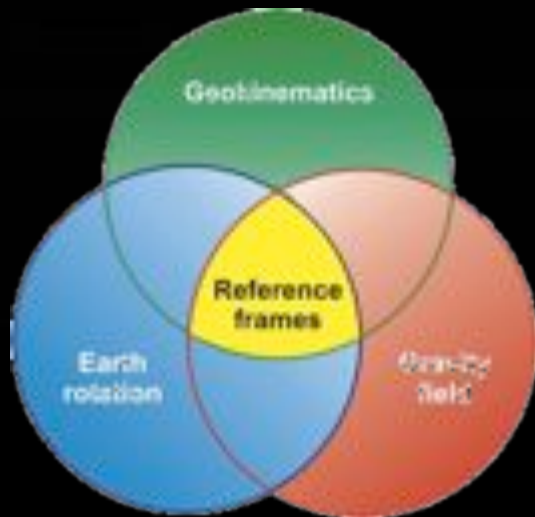
Modified after *Tsuji et al. 2003*

Global Geodetic Observing System (GGOS)

✧ By using Space Geodetic Technique

- 1) monitoring the water cycle at global to regional scales
- 2) monitoring and modeling sea-level and ice-mass changes

✧ accuracy : 1 mm, 1mm/yr level



Warkworth

has capability to
became a core site

important for GGOS as
geographical location



To make a core site

✧ Stable results

✧ Make an appropriate model

- ✧ atmospheric delay
- ✧ *Ocean Tide Loading*
- ✧ environmental loads, etc

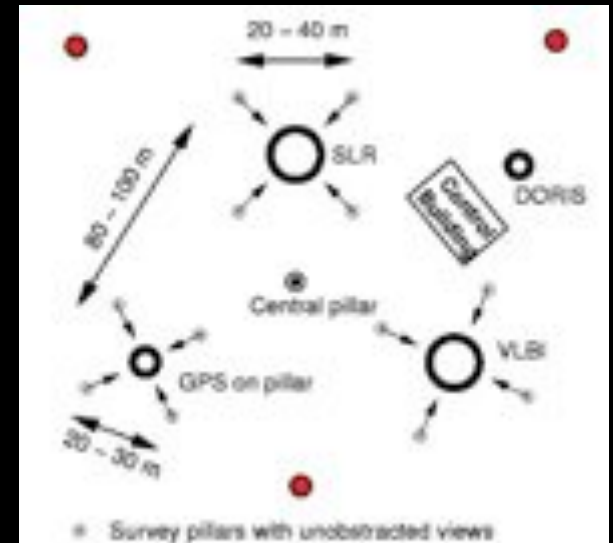
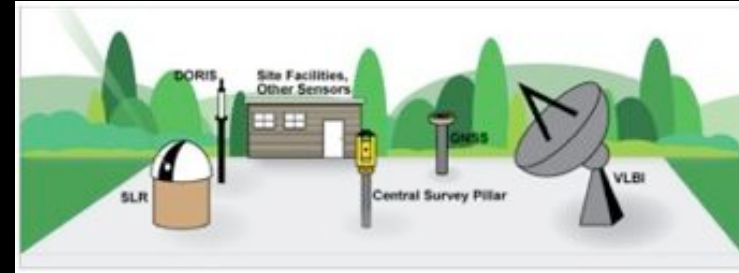
✧ co-location observation

✧ assistance observation

- ✧ Gravity, Groundwater, Soil moisture, etc.

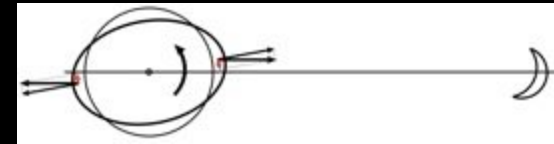
✧ Cooperation with other institutes

- ✧ LINZ and GNS Science

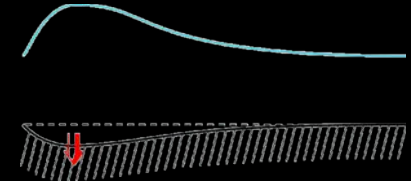


Ocean Tide Loading

✧ deformation of the Earth
due to the weight of ocean tides



✧ To calculate site-dependent
ocean tidal coefficient



1. global OTL model

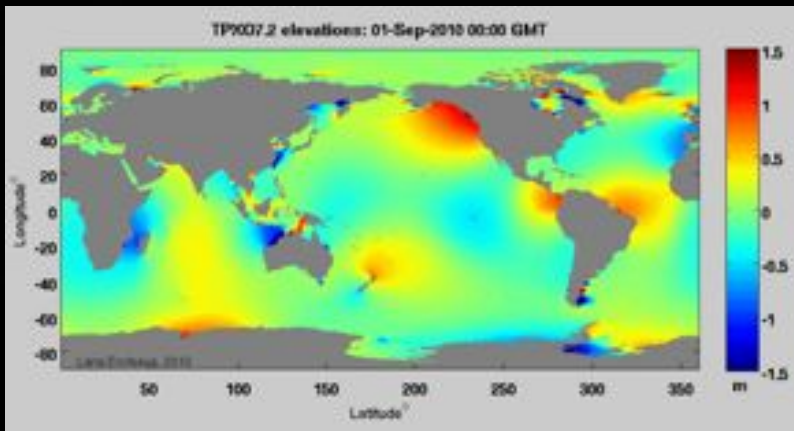
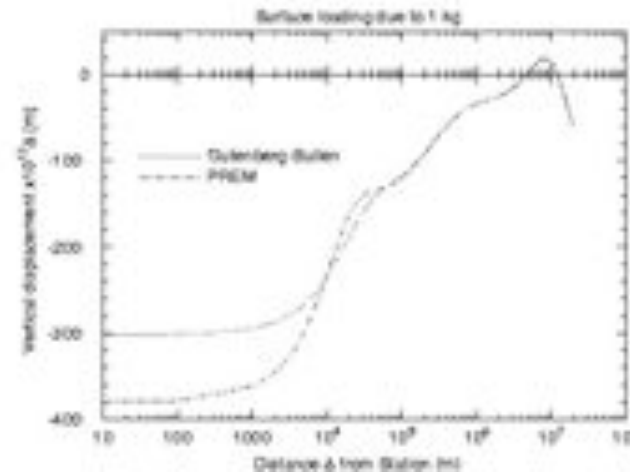


Table 7.4: Ocean tide models available at the automatic loading service.

Model code	Reference	Input	Resolution
Schwiderski	Schwiderski (1980)	Tide gauge	1° × 1°
CSR3.0, CSR4.0	Eanes (1994)	TOPEX/Poseidon altim.	1° × 1°
TPX05	Eanes and Bettadpur (1990)	T/P + Le Provost loading	0.5° × 0.5°
TPX06	Egbert et al. (1994)	isone hydrodyn. solution from T/P altim.	296 × 312
TPX06.1	Egbert et al. (2002), see $\langle \mathcal{R} \rangle$	idem	0.25° × 0.25°
TPX07.0, TPX07.1	idem	idem	idem
FES94.1	Le Provost et al. (1994)	numerical model	0.5° × 0.5°
FES96.2	Le Provost et al. (1996)	num. model + assim. altim.	0.5° × 0.5°
FES98	Leffevre et al. (2000)	num. model + assim. tide gauges	0.25° × 0.25°
FES99	Leffevre et al. (2002)	numerical model + assim. tide gauges and altim.	0.25° × 0.25°
FES2004	Letellier (2004)	numerical model	0.125° × 0.125°
GOT99.2b, GOT100.2	Rap (1999)	T/P	0.5° × 0.5°
GOT4.7	idem	idem	idem
EOT98a	Saravento et al. (2006)	Multi-mission altimetry	0.125° × 0.125°
AO08a	Anderson (2008)	Multi-mission altimetry	0.5° × 0.5°
NAO.96b	Matsunoto et al. (2000)	num. + T/P assim.	0.5° × 0.5°

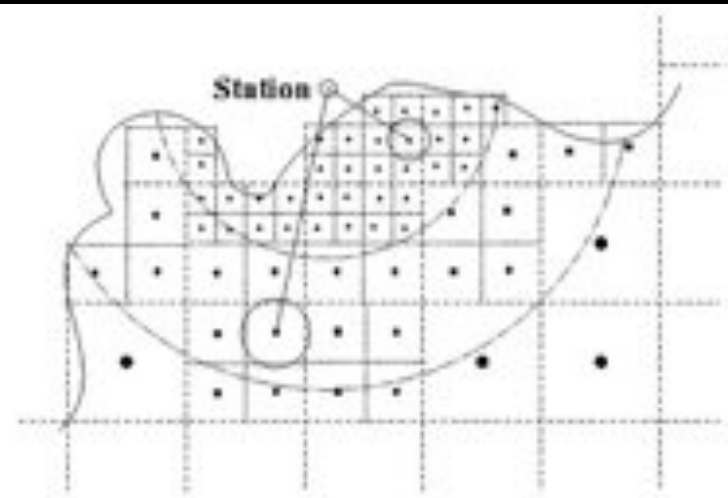
2. The displacement Green's function for Earth model

determines how much the Earth deforms due to the point load



3. *land-sea grid*

high-resolution
land-sea grid data
↓
GOTIC2 software



4. Convolution [Farrell, 1972]

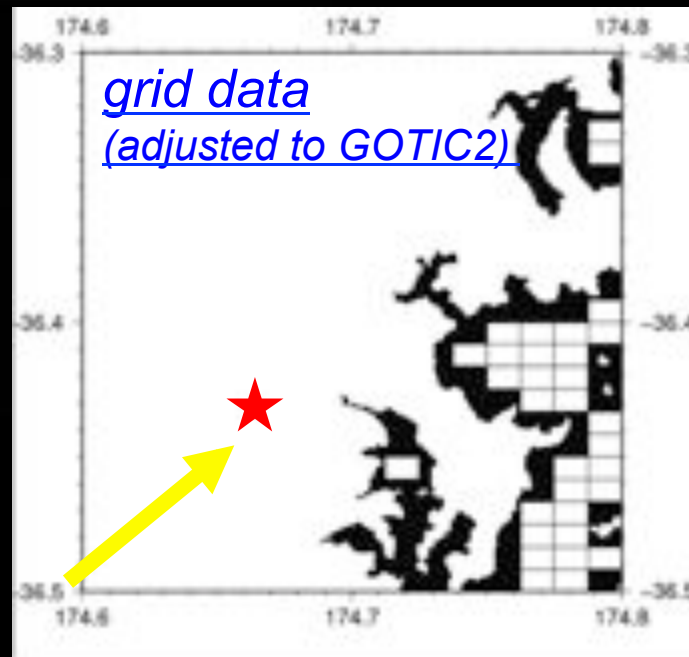
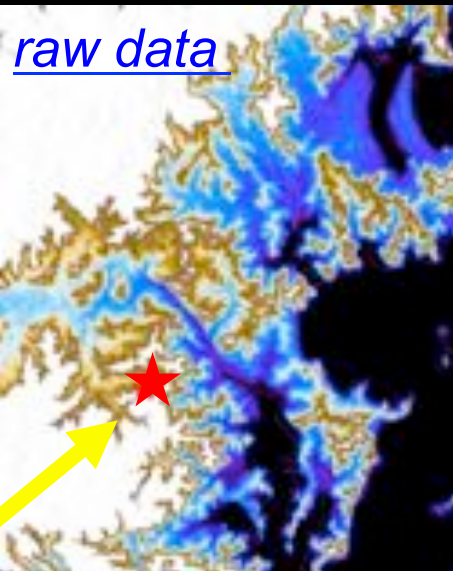
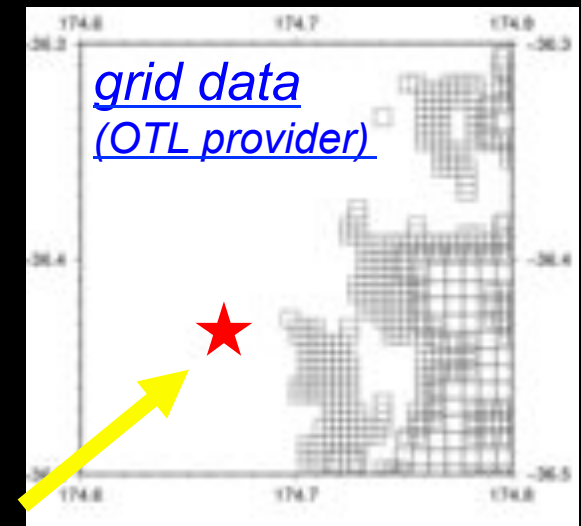
$$L(\theta', \lambda') = \rho \iint H(\theta, \lambda) G_L(\phi) T(\alpha) dS$$

Making land-sea grid from SRTM data



Version 2 : SRTM1 : US 1 arc-seconds
SRTM3 : World 3 arc-seconds (90m)

Onsala
OTL provider (coastline resolution, 600m)
<http://froste.oso.chalmers.se/loading//index.html>



Calculate OTL displacement

- ✧ amplitudes and phases of 11 main tides @Warkworth

software	OTL provider	GOTIC2
OT model	NAO99b	
Earth model	Gutenberg-Bullen	
Land-sea grid	600m	90m

- ✧ Calculate OTL displacement

- ✧ c5++ software
- ✧ 1 year (2011) every 12h
- ✧ NS, EW , UP

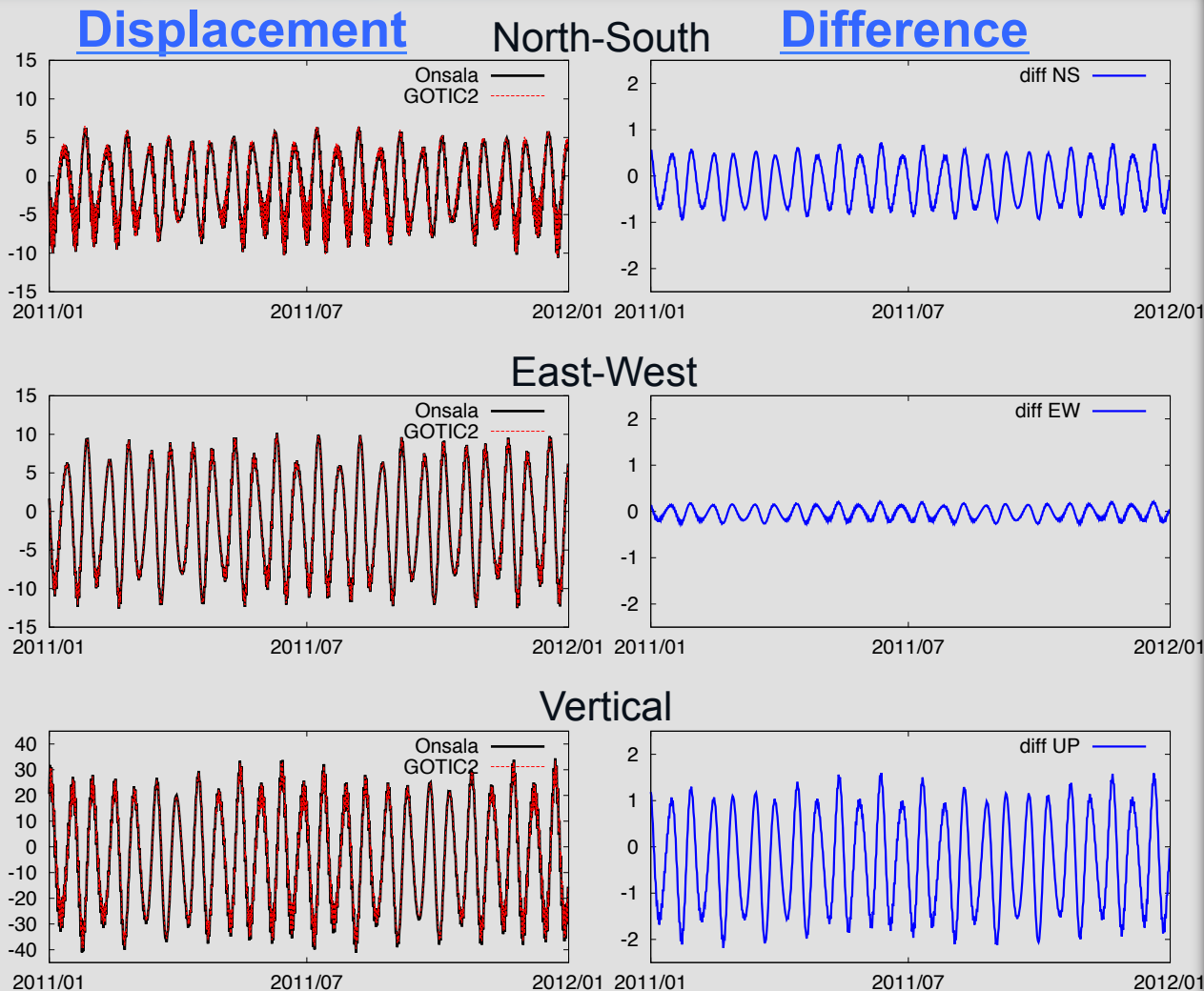
c5++



the new space geodetic analysis software developed at NICT, Hitotsubashi Univ., JAXA and AUT

<http://www3.nict.go.jp/w/w114/stsi/c5++/>

Results : OTL displacement @Ww



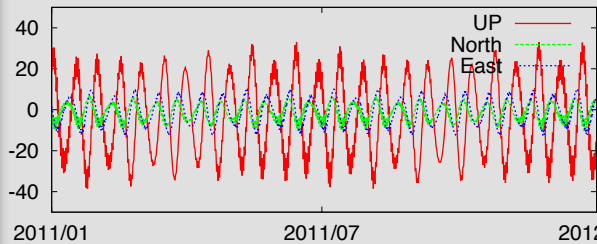
- ✧ OTL provider
- this study
- ✧ IERS Conv. 2003
- ✧ NS : ± 1 mm
- ✧ EW: ± 0.3 mm
- ✧ Vertical : ± 2 mm

Not small for
1mm accuracy !

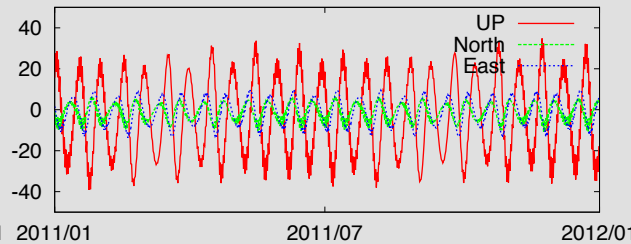
Difference between IERS Conv. 2010 and before 2010

TPXO 7.2

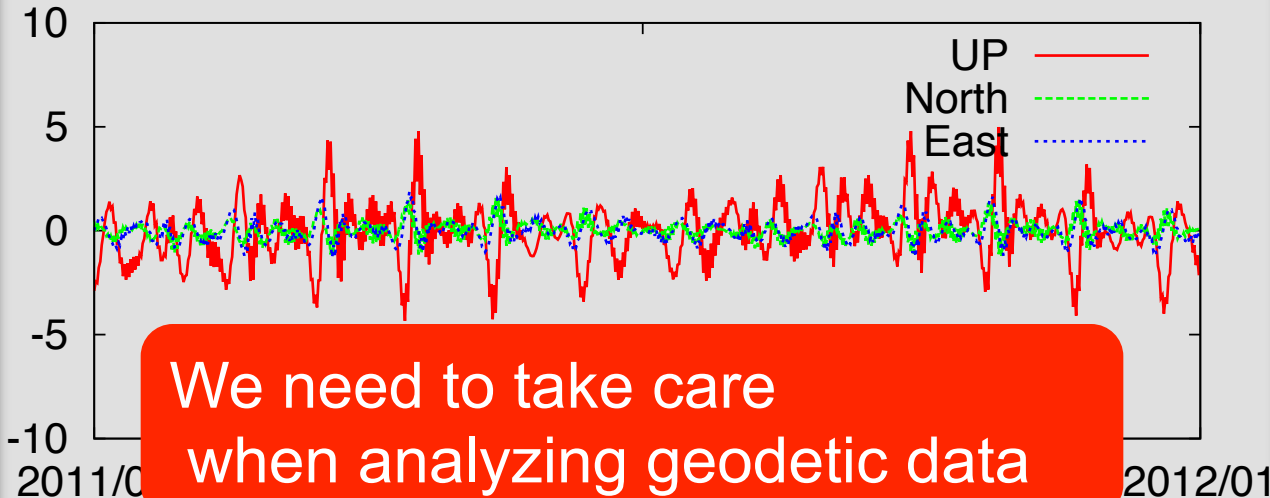
before 2010



IERS Conv. 2010



Difference: IERS Conv. 2010 and before 2010



We need to take care
when analyzing geodetic data

✧ Considering number
of total constituent
tides

✧ before: 141

✧ 2010 : 342

✧ by spline
interpolation of
the 11 main tides

Not small for
1mm accuracy !

Conclusion

- ✧ AUT radio telescope is ready to contribute to New Zealand geodesy

- ✧ Made precise grid data

 - ✧ adjusted to GOTIC2

 - ✧ resolution : 90m



- ✓ apply to geodetic analysis
- ✓ evaluate the effect

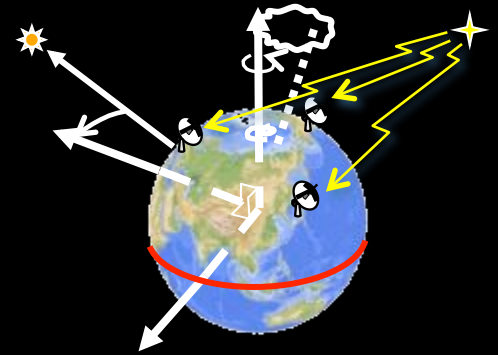
- ✧ Calculated and compared OTL displacements

 - ✧ difference @Warkworth

 - ✧ grid data, calculation method

 - ✧ **not small** compared to 1mm accuracy.

Future Plans



- ✧ Develop new capabilities
 - ✧ *Ultra-rapid EOP Measurement*

- ✧ Conversion of the 30m antenna



- ✧ Periodical co-location observation
 - ✧ *GPS and other geodetic techniques*



- ✧ New radio telescope @NZ South Island
 - ✧ *the application of geodetic research in NZ will be expanded*

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We are new in NZ Geoscience community.

*We need
your cooperation and information.*