

Real-time acquisition of plasmaspheric electron densities by a global network for space weather investigations

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Plasmasphere

why is it important?

Density variations in

Plasmasphere

=> wave-particle interaction

with

Radiation Belts' particles =>

acceleration and precipitation

of high (relativistic) energy

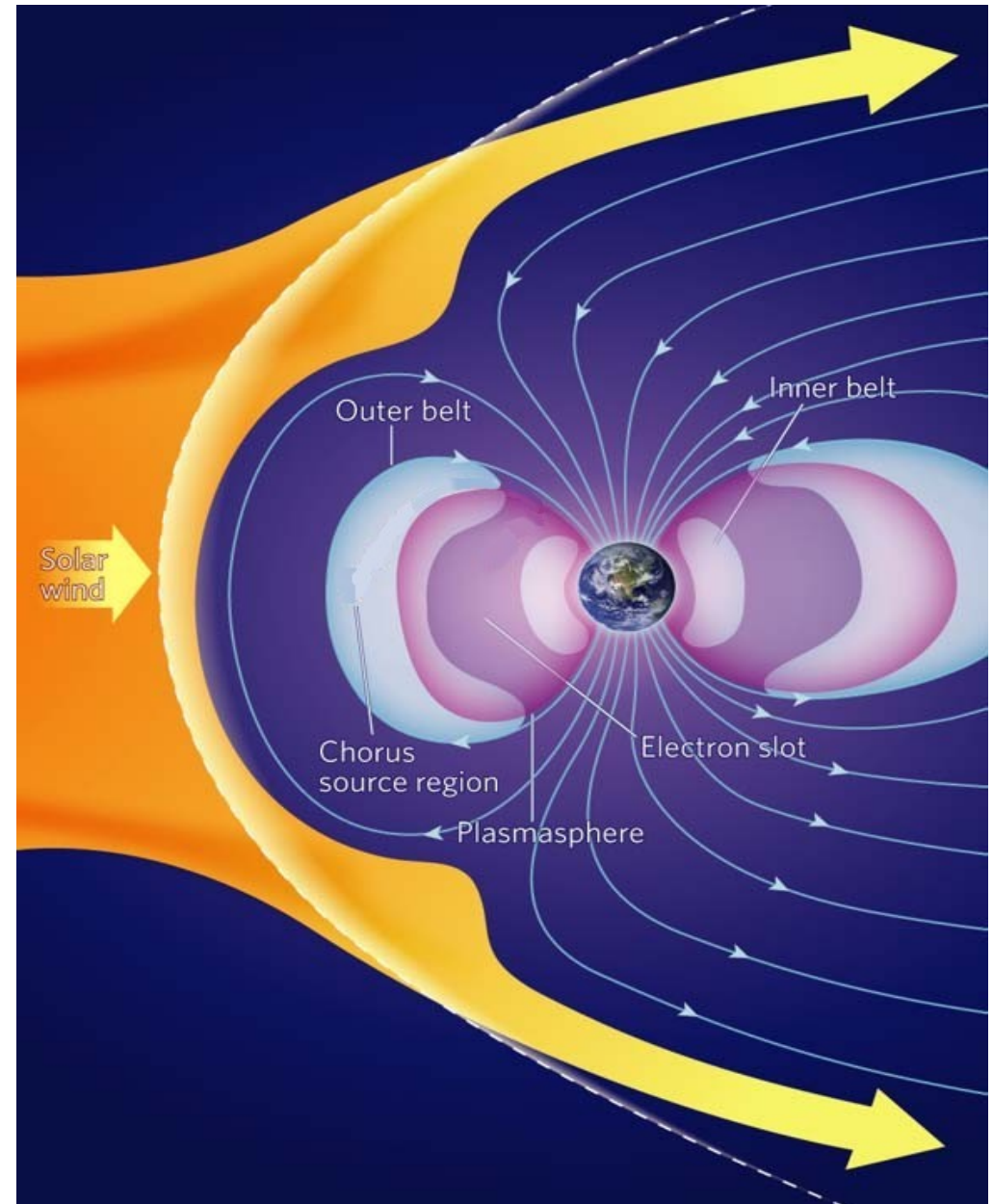
particles =>

- damage of satellites' solar

cells and electronics

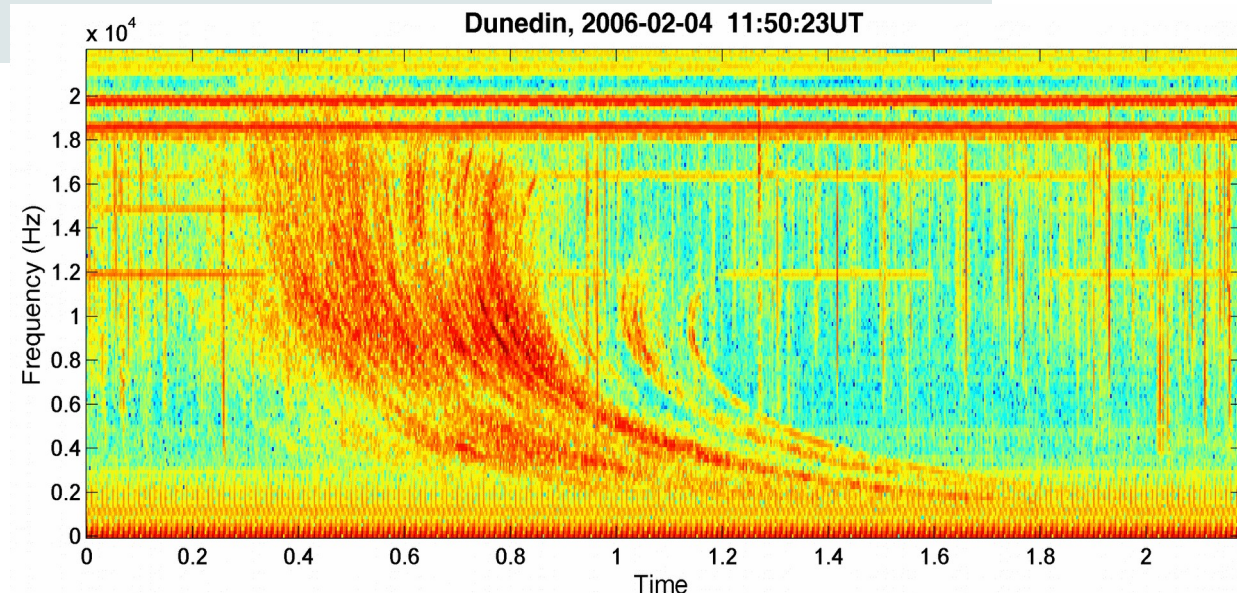
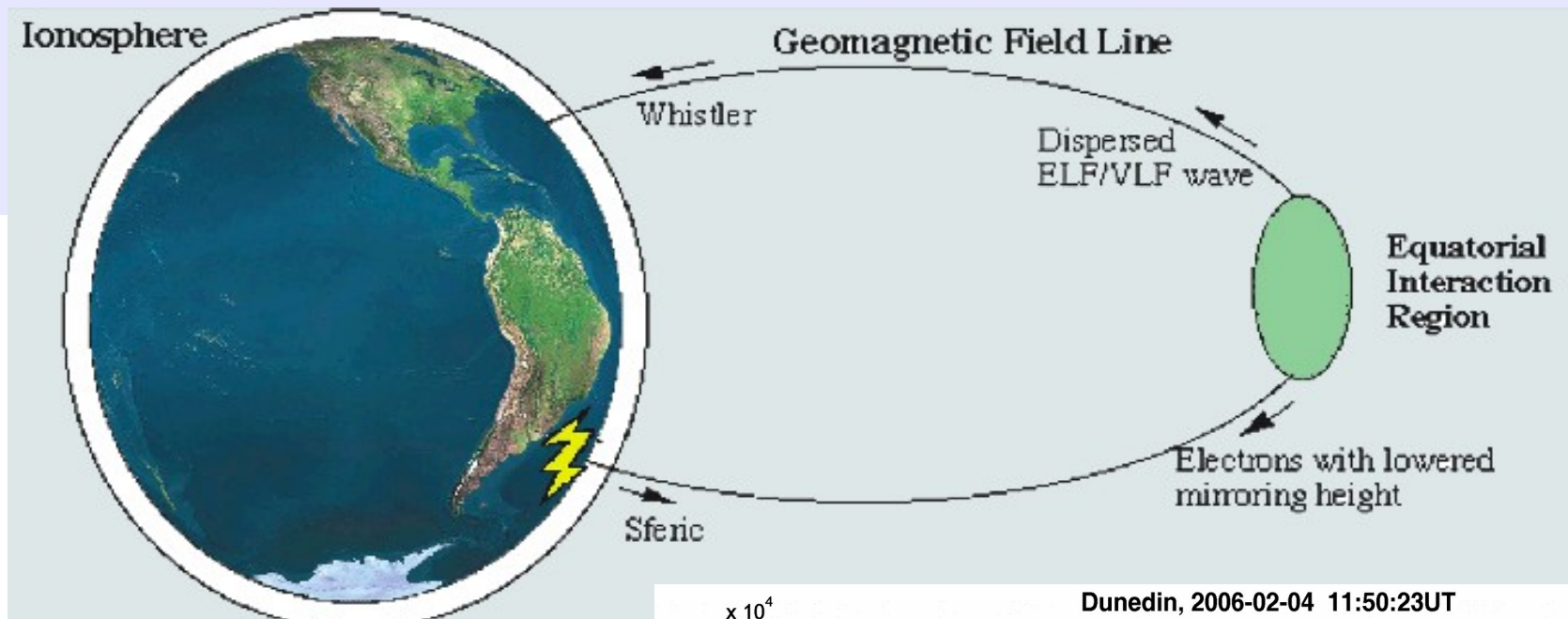
- energy transfer into the neutral

atmosphere



Automatic Whistler Detector and Analyzer Network AWDANet

It detects and analyze (invert) lightning whistlers automatically in real-time → plasmaspheric electron densities, key parameter in wave particle interaction



What are the *whistlers* good for?

1. *Nose* frequency

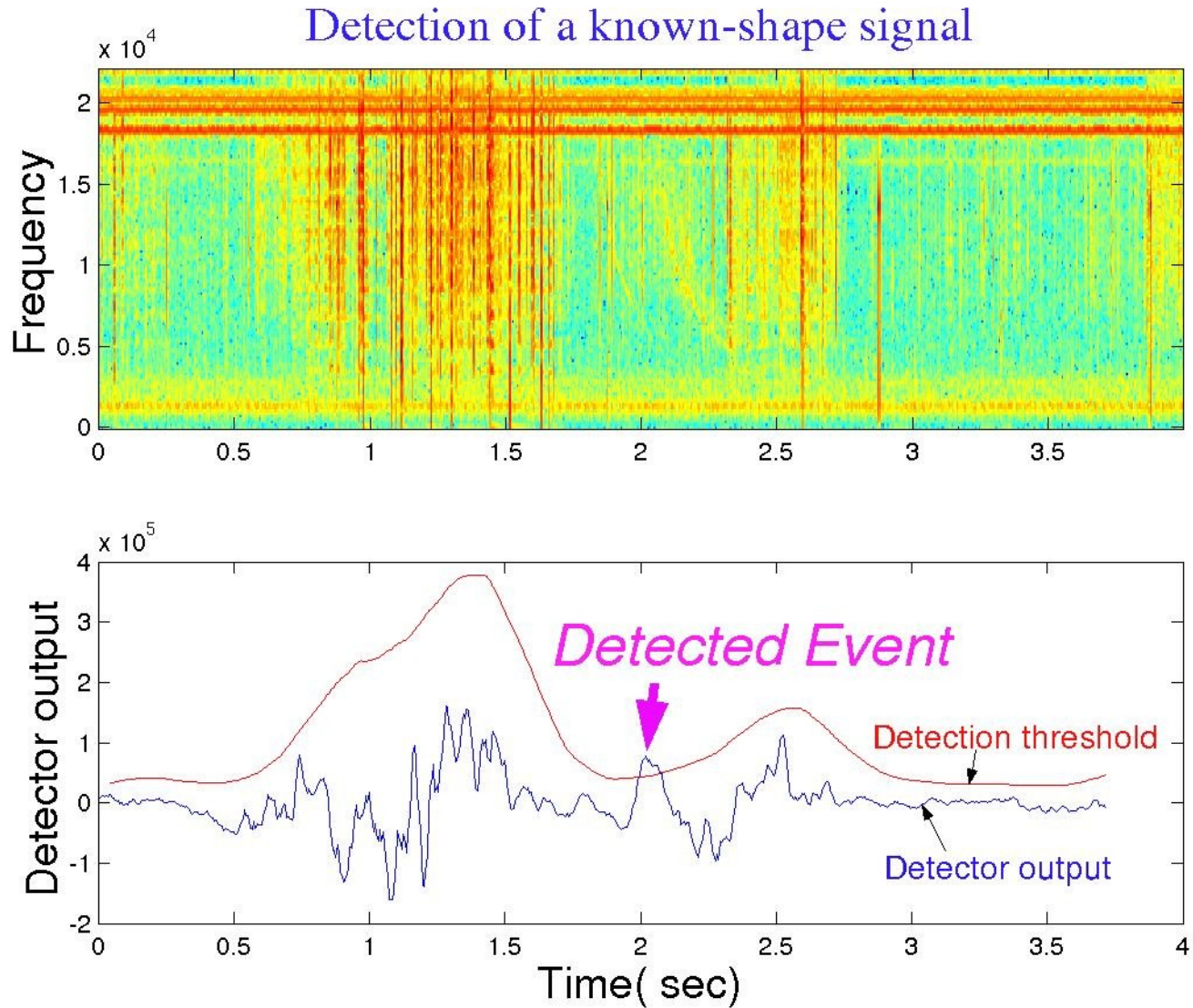
2. *Dispersion*

From 1. + 2. => *where* & *what*

Where did it travel in *plasmasphere*

What was the *plasma density* there

Automatic Whistler Detector



Whistler inversion method

1. wave propagation model,
 2. plasma density distribution model (along the propagation path).
 3. magnetic field model,
- => to obtain plasma and propagation parameters

Automatic Whistler Detector and Analyzer (AWDA) system

Whistlers are searched in the broad-band VLF signal without human interaction

Automatic whistler analyses yields **plasma** and **propagation** parameters → electron density distribution → *Space Weather*

AWDANet

Extending network of AWDA systems covering low-, mid- and high (magnetic) latitudes since 2002 including conjugate locations

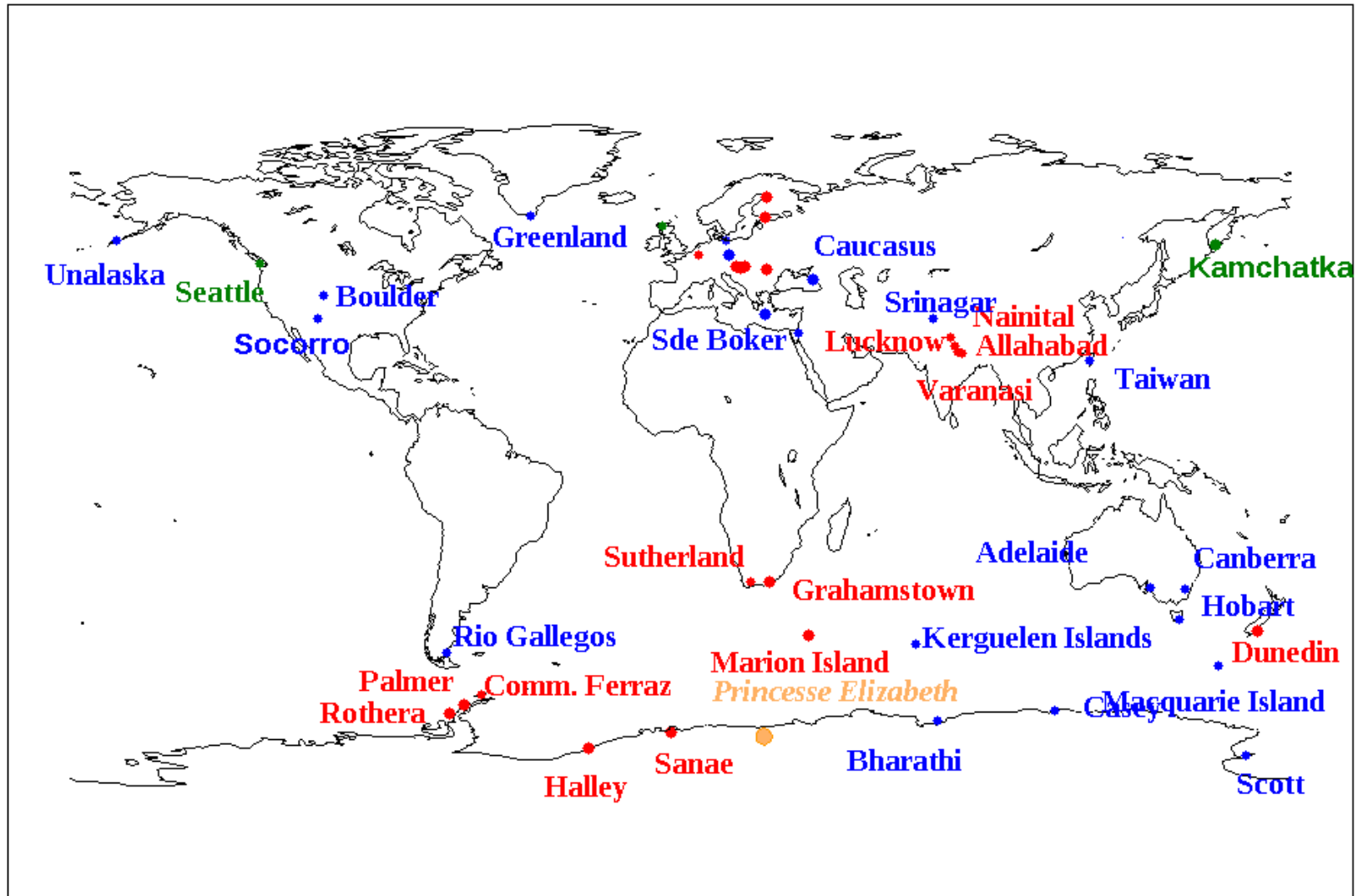
~50 000-10 000 000 traces/year/station

Real time operation since *mid 2014*

Automatic Whistler Detector and Analyzer Network AWDANet - Europe



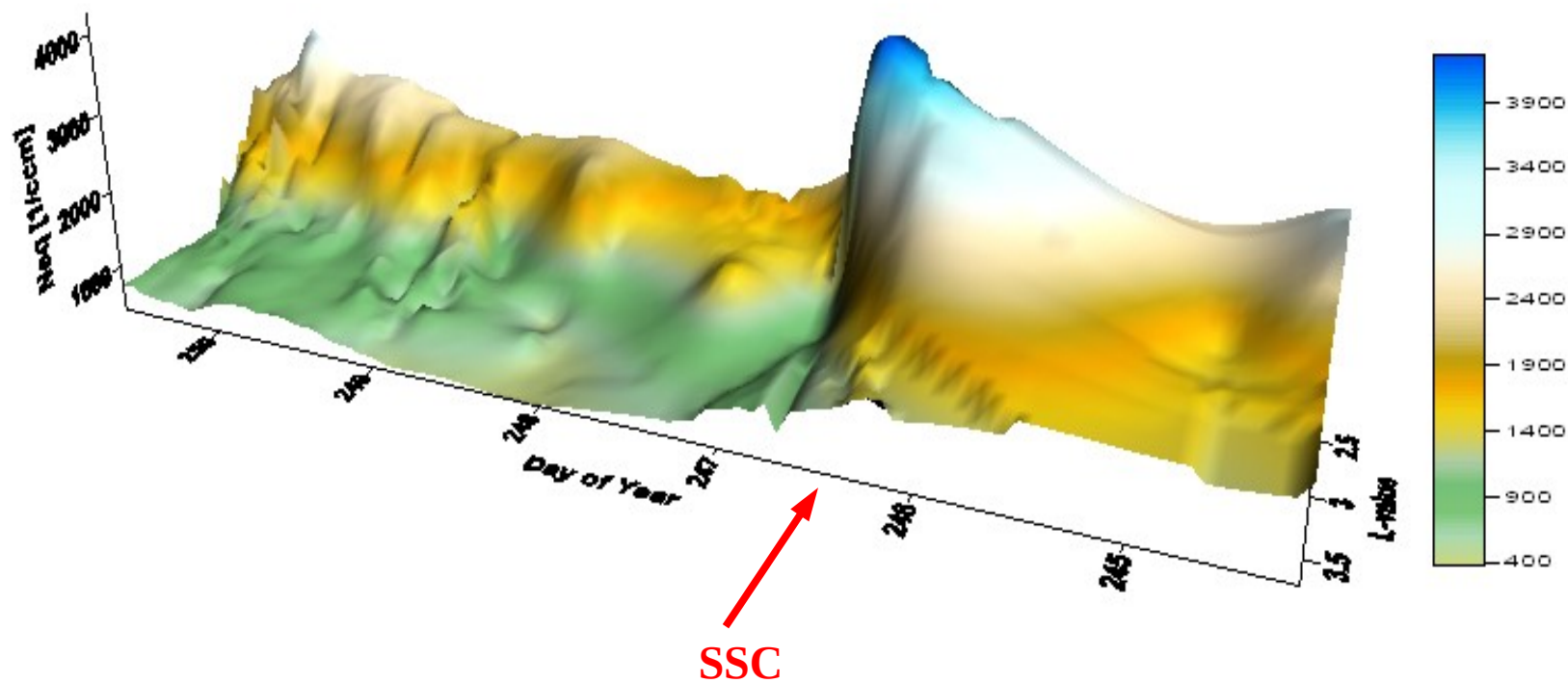
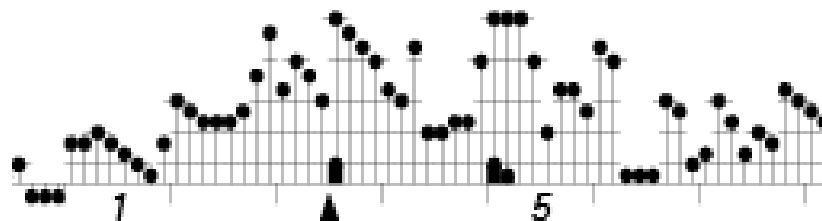
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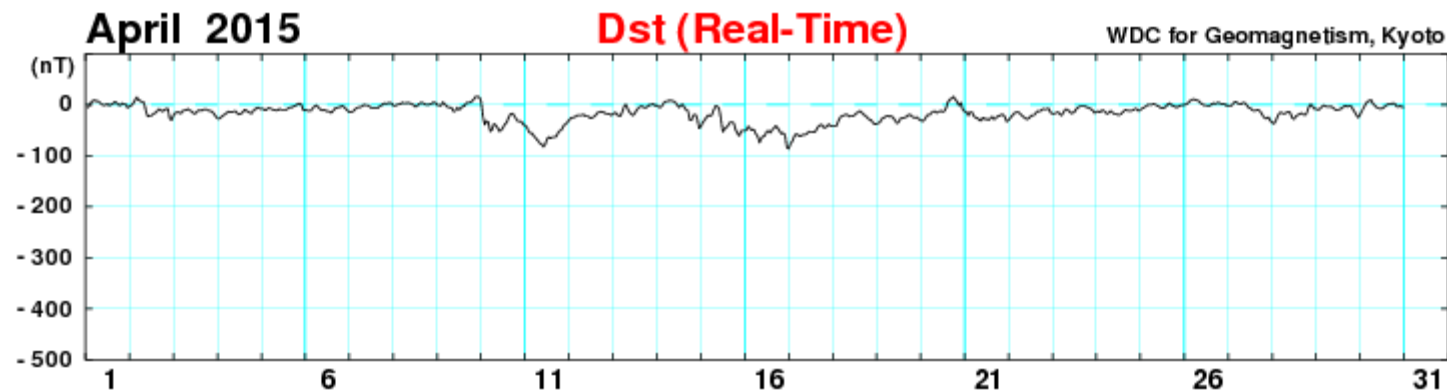
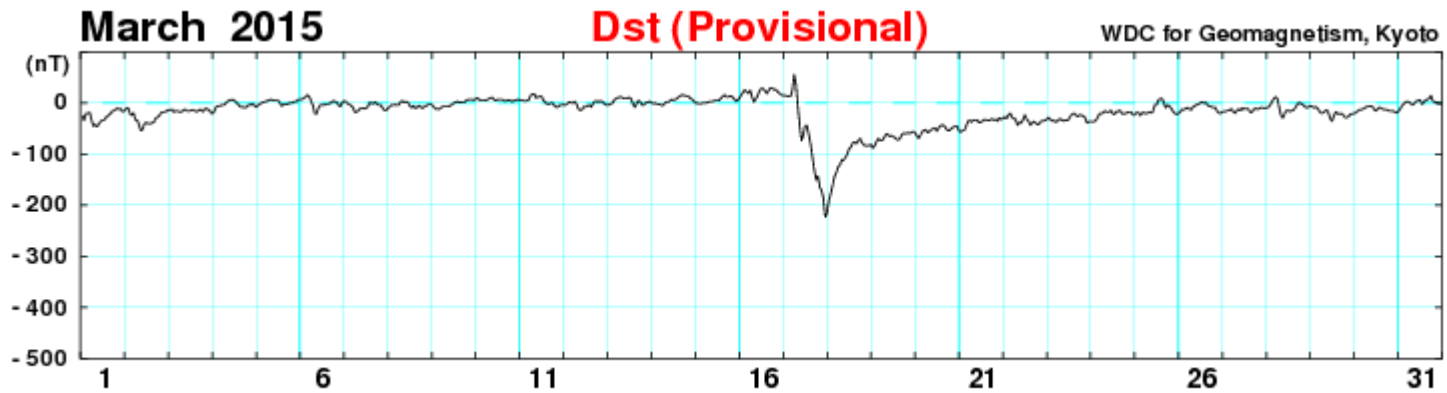
Disturbed period

Magnetic Storm on 3 September 2012

1110 whistler events recorded at Karymshina
(Kamchatka, Russia)

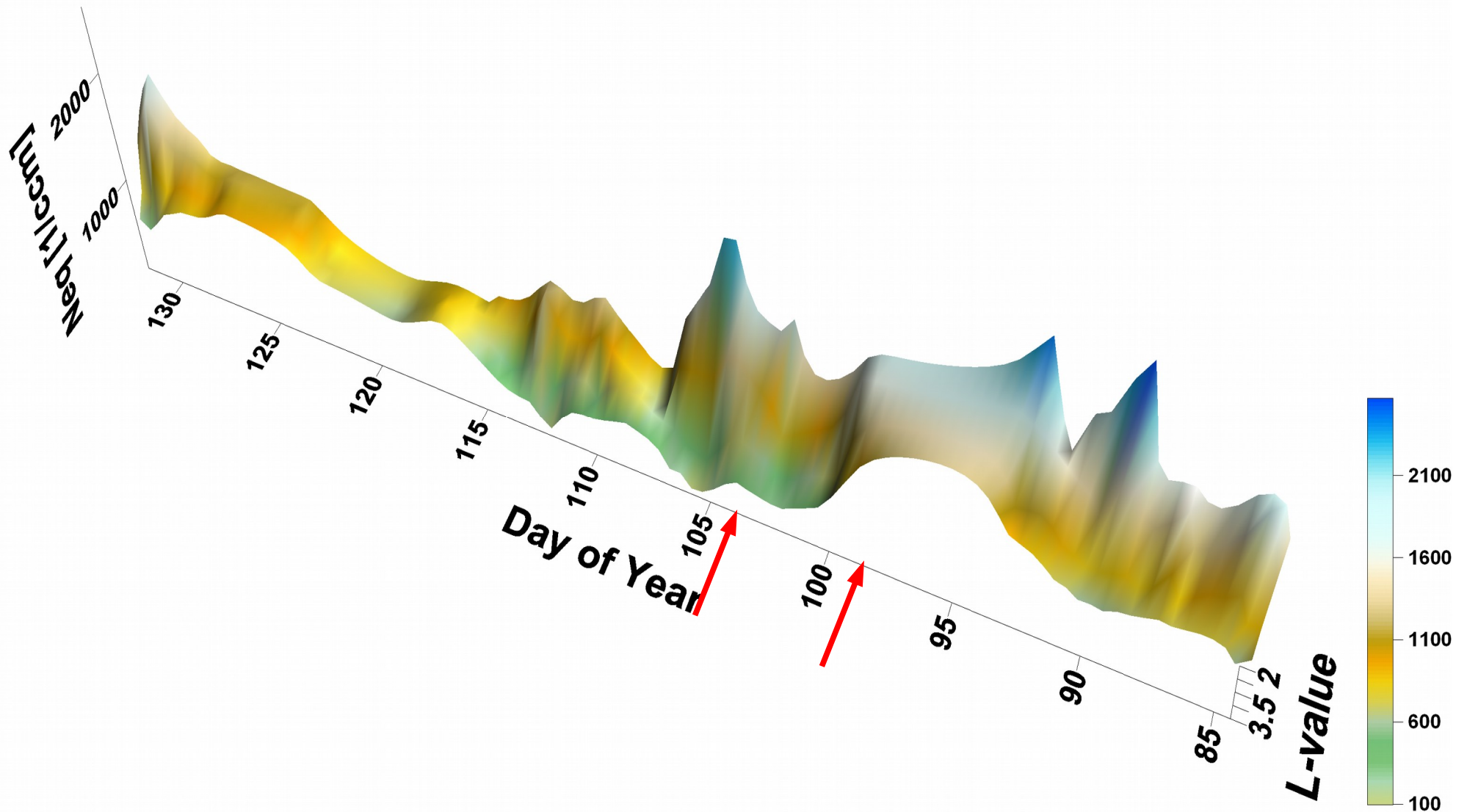


Quiet - moderately disturbed period **26 March - 12 May 2015**



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2172 whistler events recorded at Rothera (Antarctica)



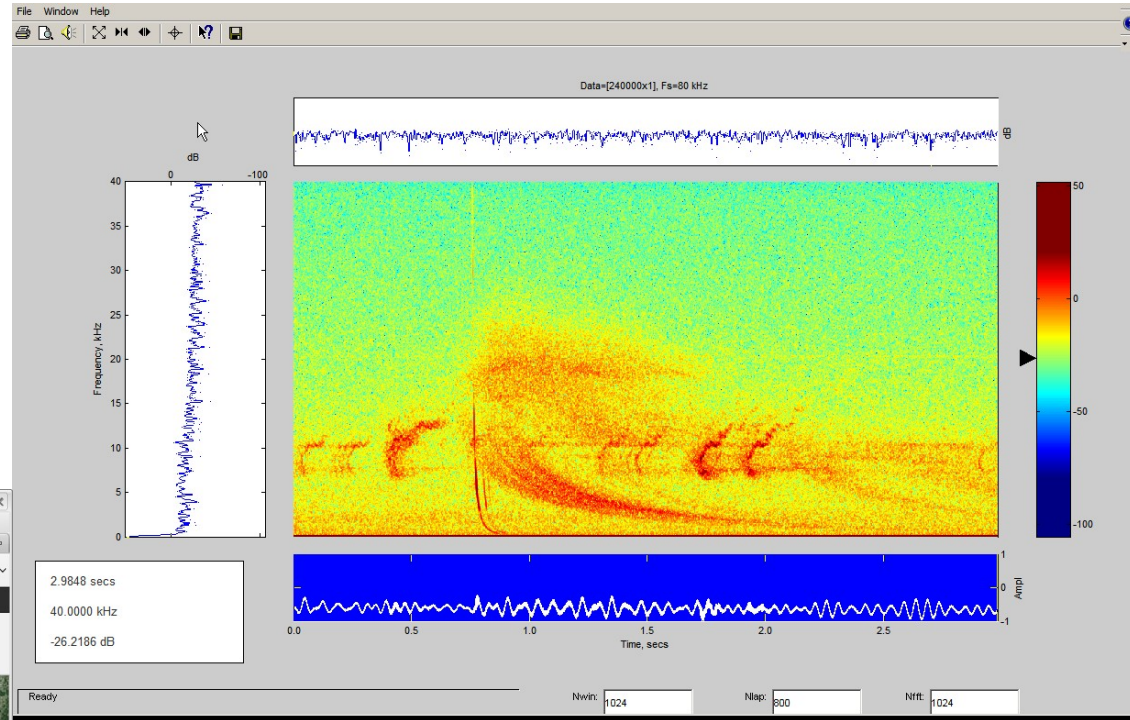
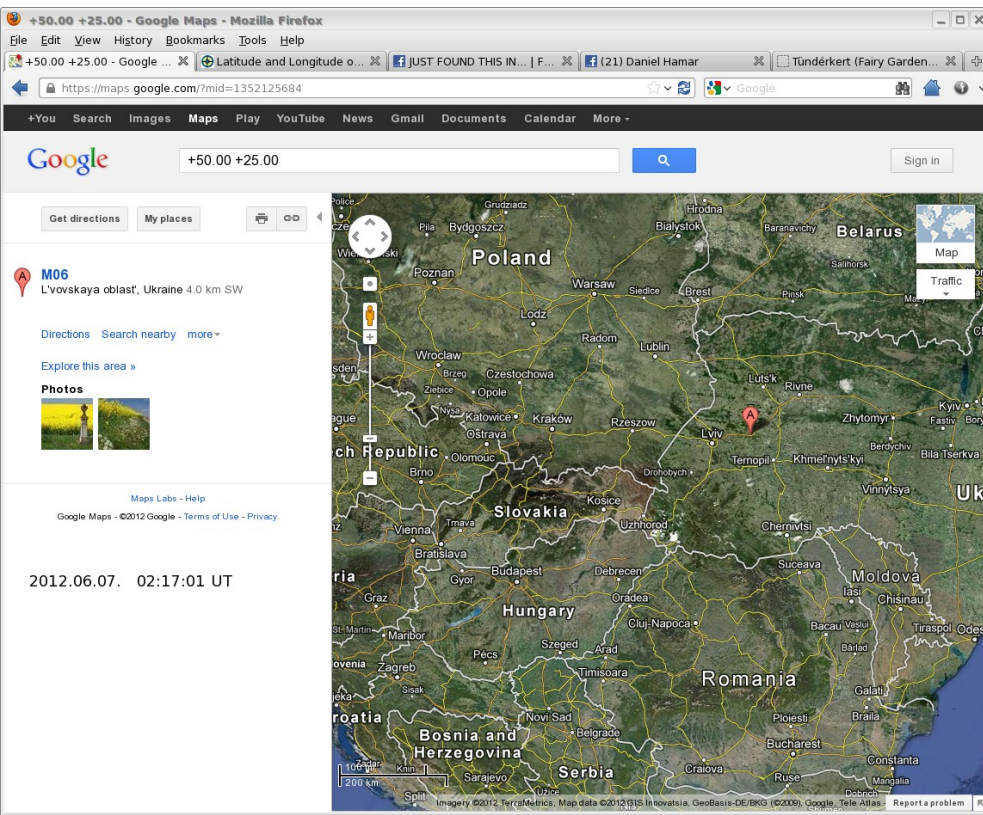
In-situ measurements of Space Weather effects

Preliminary results:

E channel

7th June 2012, 02.17.01 UT;

$\phi = +50^\circ$, $\lambda = +25^\circ$



Signals with strange shapes systematically together with whistler groups

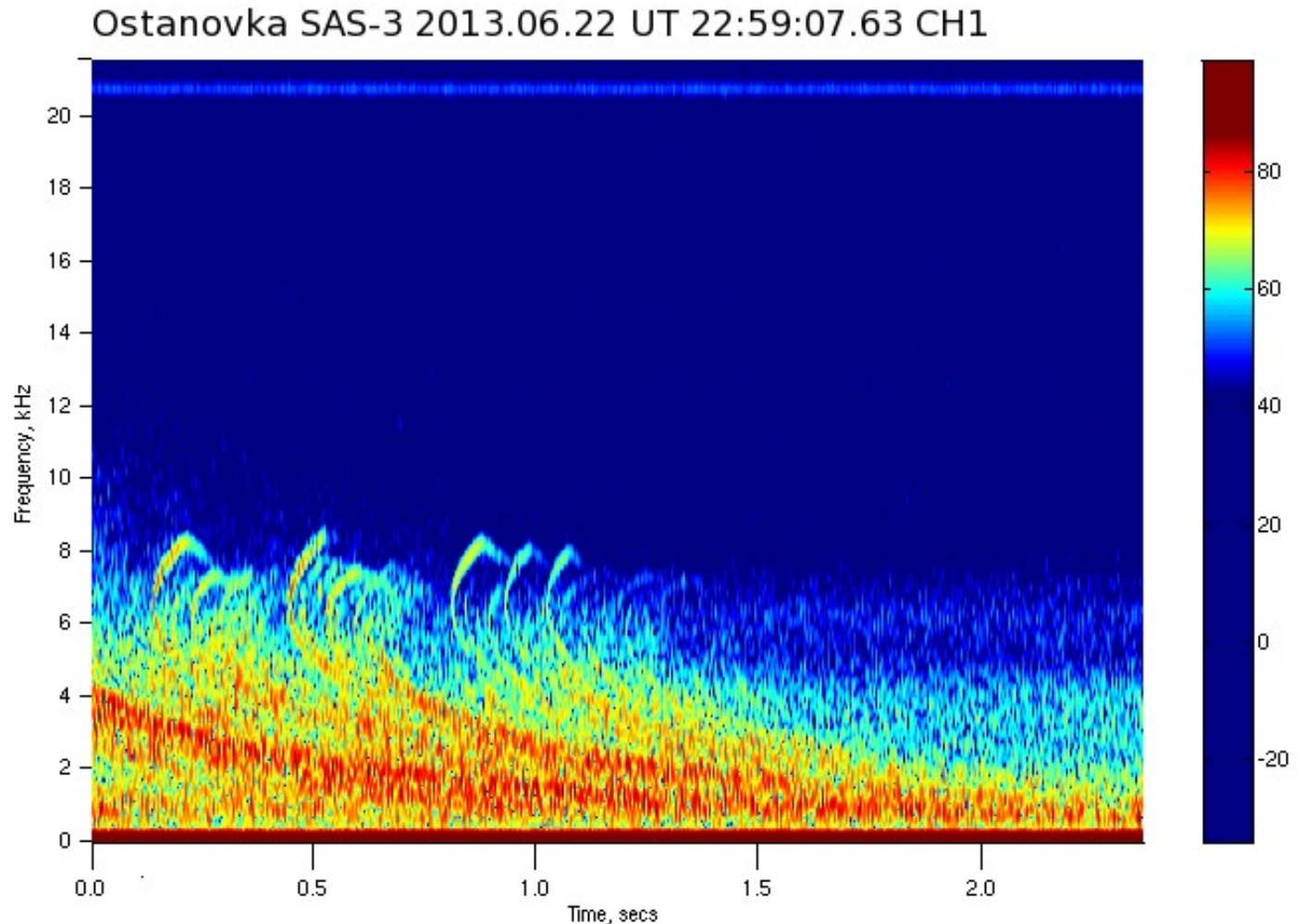
Chibis-M, SAS3-Ch

In-situ measurements of Space Weather effects

The Obstanovka mission

Unusual whistler triplets recorded by the SAS3-O: 2013

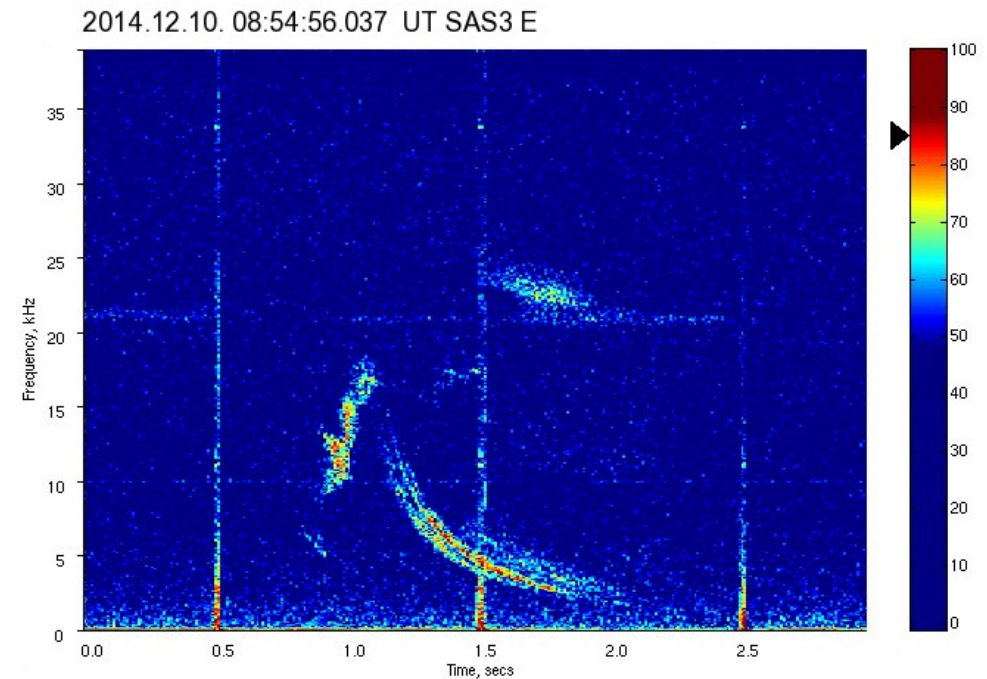
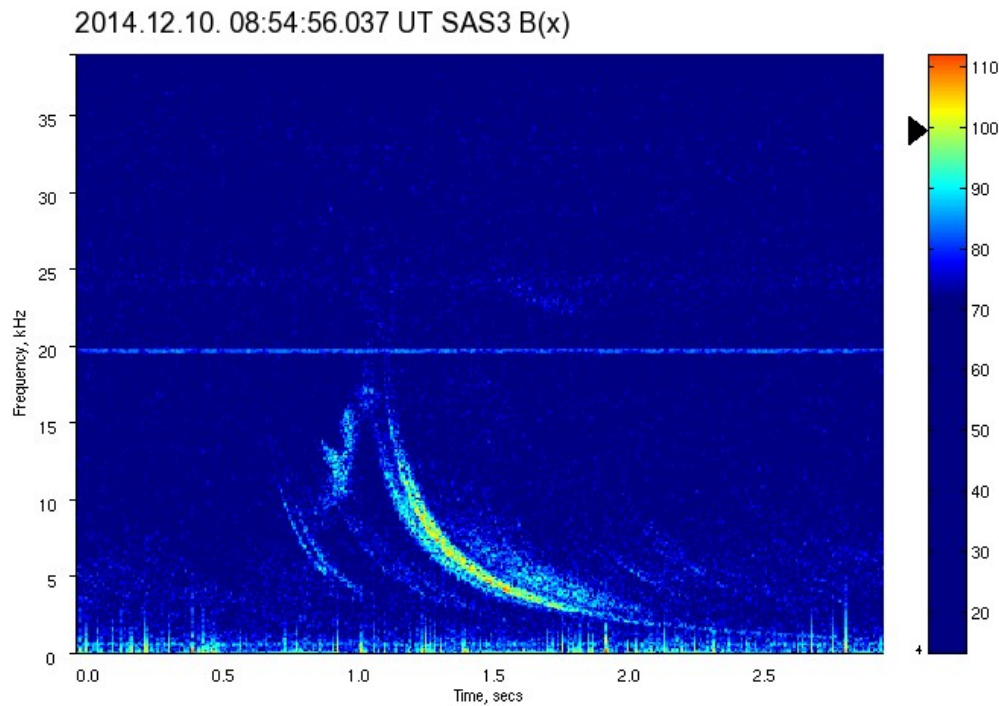
- The environment of the ISS for this type of measurements is very good.
- The dispersion of the elements of the **triplets** slightly differs.
- What is the cause of the alias-like edge at the peak of these signals?



In-situ measurements of Space Weather effects

First results of Vernov (RELEK) SAS3-R mission:

Whistler triplets with slightly different dispersion, and with simultaneous strange signals.



Conclusions

- **AWDANet operates on 15 stations in quasi real-time mode since Jun 2014**
- **the processing of historical data recorded since 2002 has been started**
- **the global ground based network is complemented by satellite measurements**