

Beidou/GNSS based Space weather services in China

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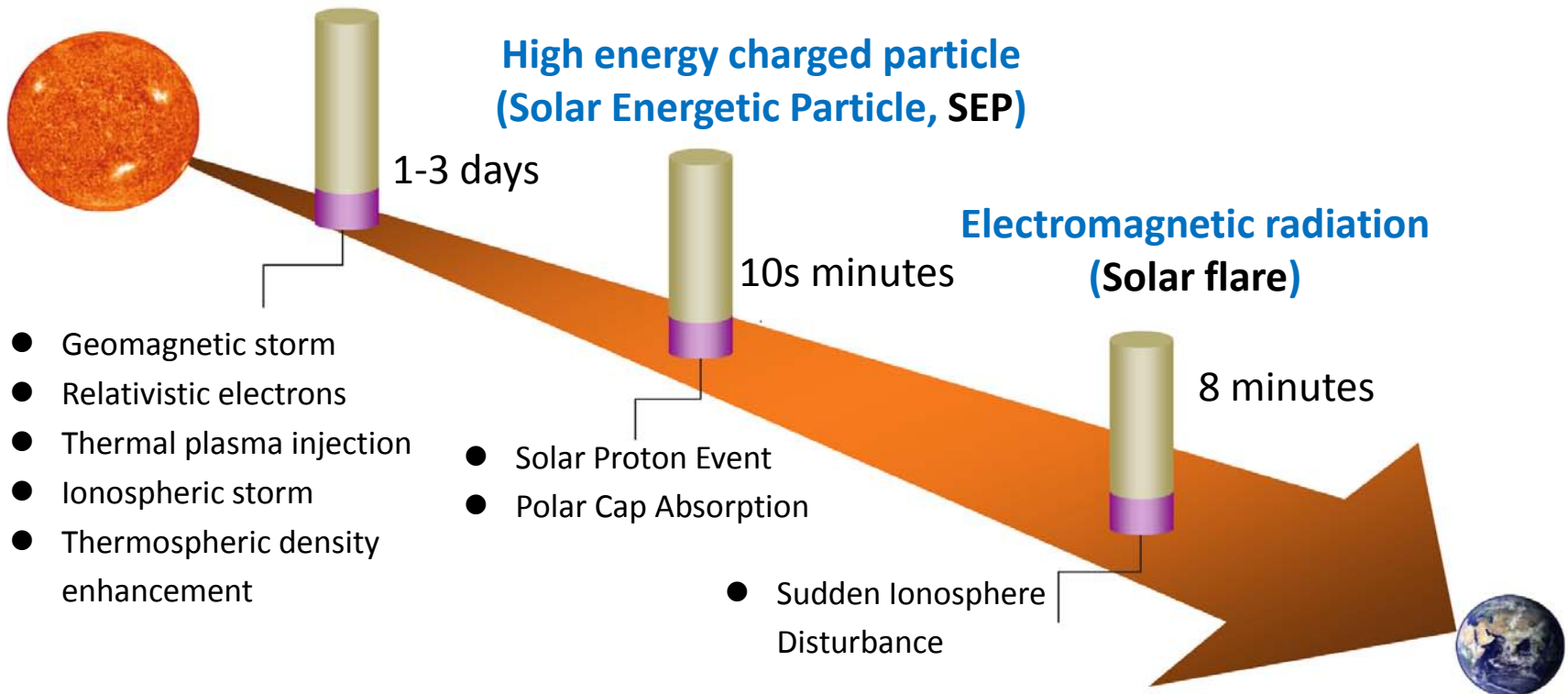
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- BDS/GNSS based space weather services
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Three rounds impacts of space weather

Space Weather refers to variations in space that can influence the performance and reliability of space-borne and ground-based technological systems and can pose risk to human health.

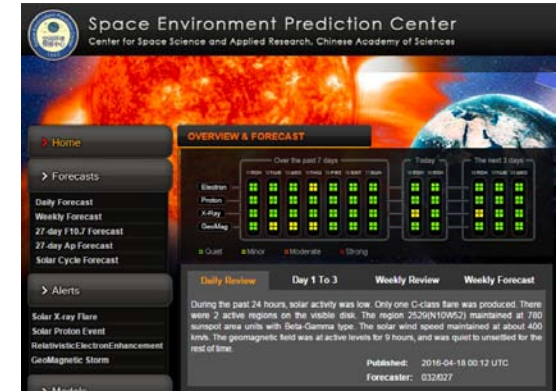
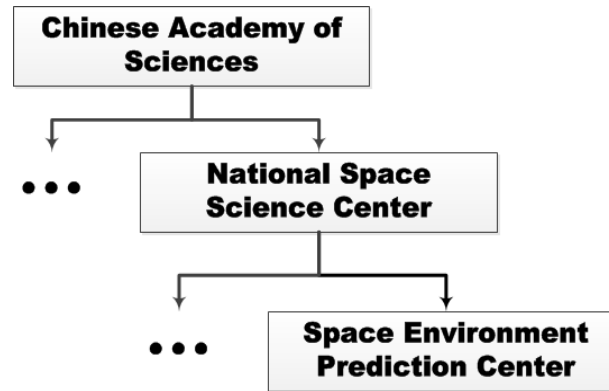
High speed plasma ejecta
(Coronal Mass Ejection, CME)



Hazard to GNSS Systems

- Communication Degrade, Positioning Error, Radiation Damage, Atmospheric Drag

Early Stages of Space Weather Service in China



NSSC Established

SEPC Constructed

Issuing Operational Services

1958

1992

1998

The **National Space Science Center** (NSSC) of Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) was established in 1958 with the mandate to participate in designing the 1st artificial satellite of China, DFH-1.

To meet the space weather need of space mission in China, **Space Environment Prediction Center** (SEPC) was established in 1992 in NSSC and became the 1st professional organization providing space weather services in China.

In 1998, SEPC set up the first generation of an operational space weather forecasting system, and since then started to issue operational space weather forecasting services via internet 365 days/year.

Current Space Weather Services in China

Monitoring and Data services

Two ground-based space weather monitoring networks have been constructed to support the operational space weather services in China.

Space Environment Monitoring Network (SEMnet)



**17 domestic monitoring stations,
40+ ground-based instruments
For operational now-casting**

Chinese Meridian Project

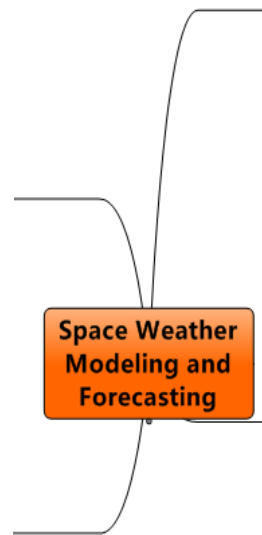


**15 domestic monitoring stations,
20+ different types of instruments
For space weather modeling**

Current Space Weather Services in China

Modeling and Forecasting Services

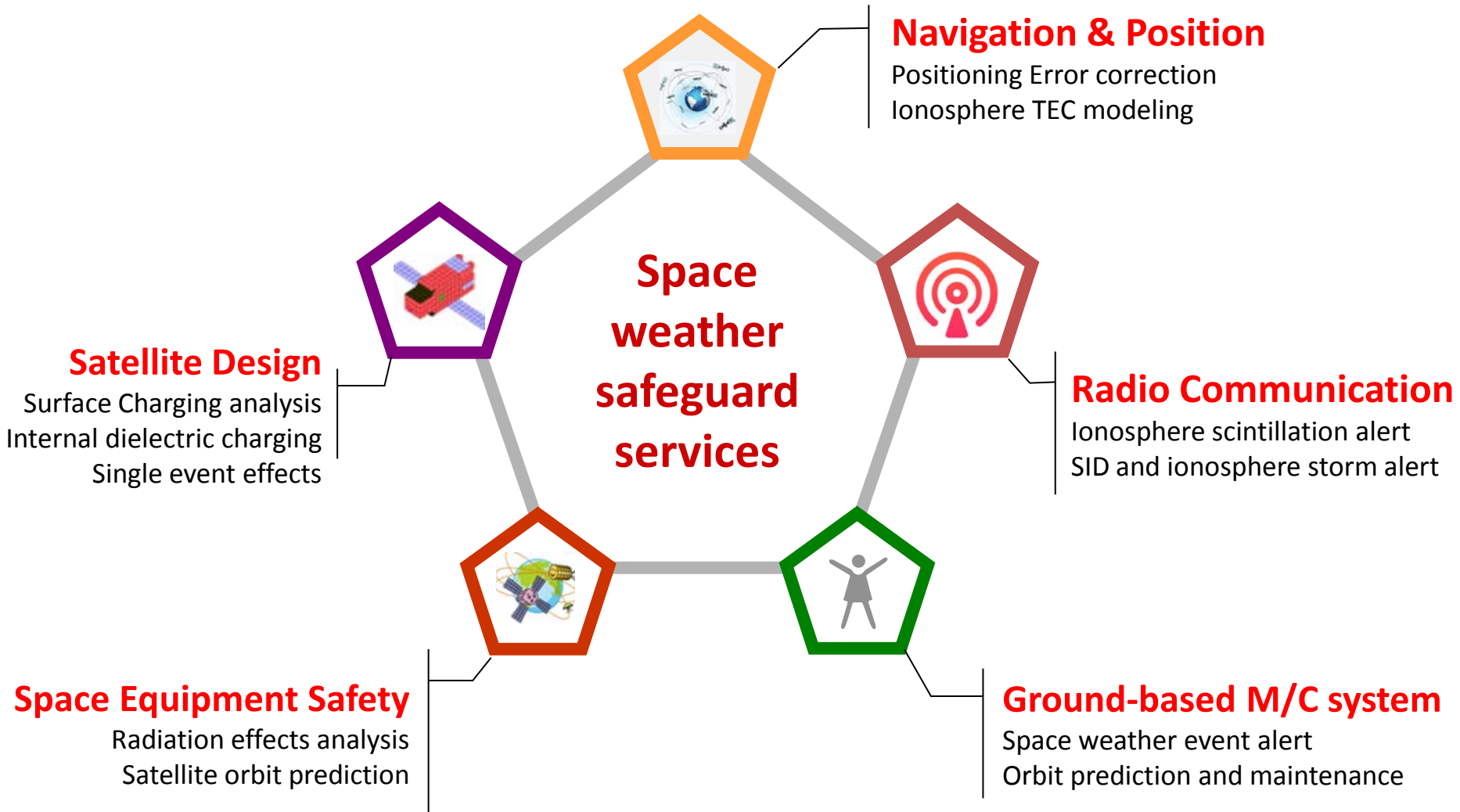
The aim of operational models and forecast products is to specify and predict the space environment in order to assist in providing timely, accurate, and reliable space weather safeguard services.



Current Space Weather Services in China

Safeguard Services

- The aim is to monitor, specify, and forecast the space weather in order to provide timely, accurate, and reliable services for national infrastructure



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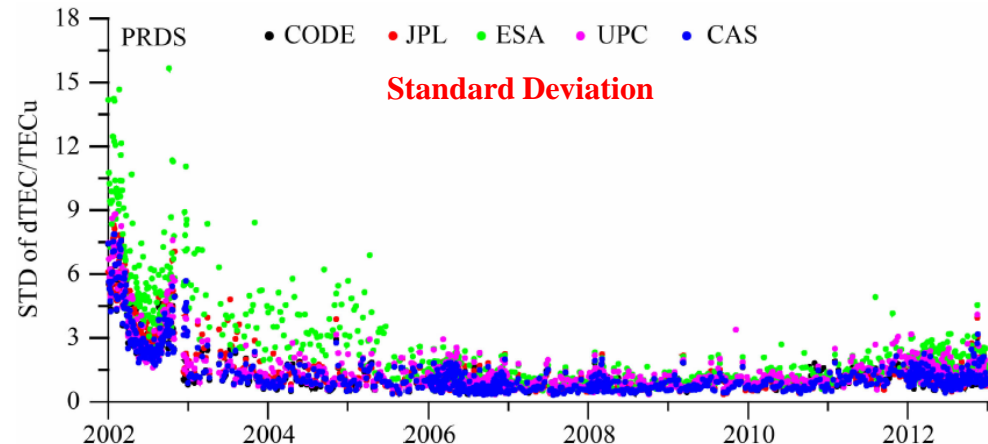
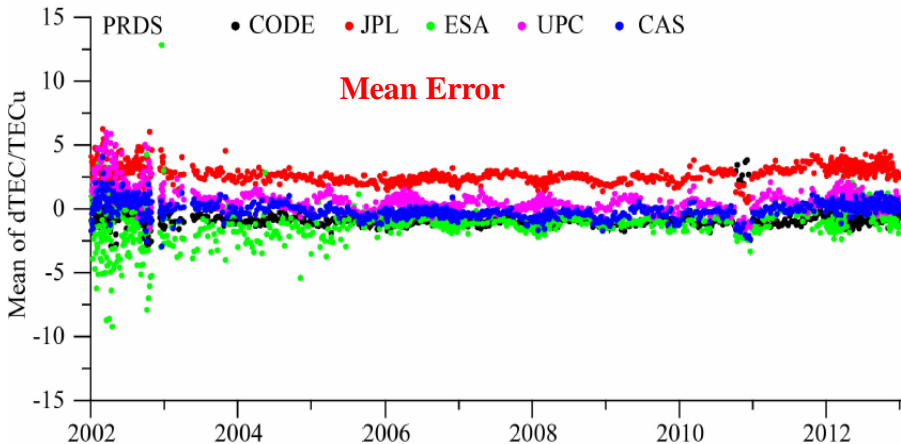
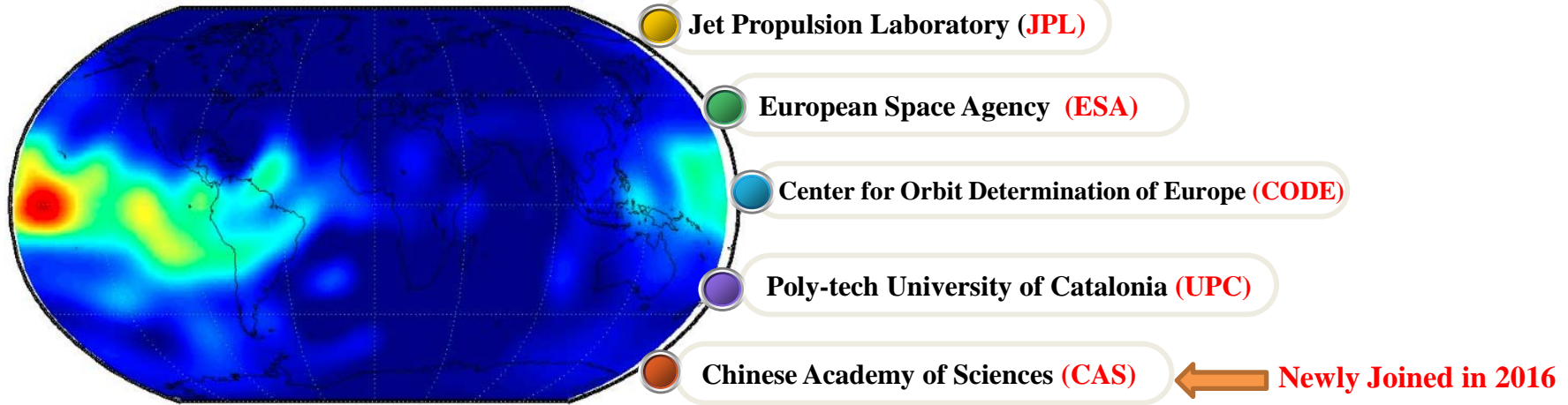
BDS/GNSS based space weather services

Global Ionosphere Maps of TEC (GIMs)

TEC can be used to 1) specify the dynamic feature of ionosphere for scientific study; 2) provide information of error correction and radio scintillation for navigation/communication systems

GIMs are provided by 5 analysis centers of IGS

Global ionospheric VTEC map at 2017-11-13 00:00:00.00(UTC)
(produced based on realtime GNSS data)

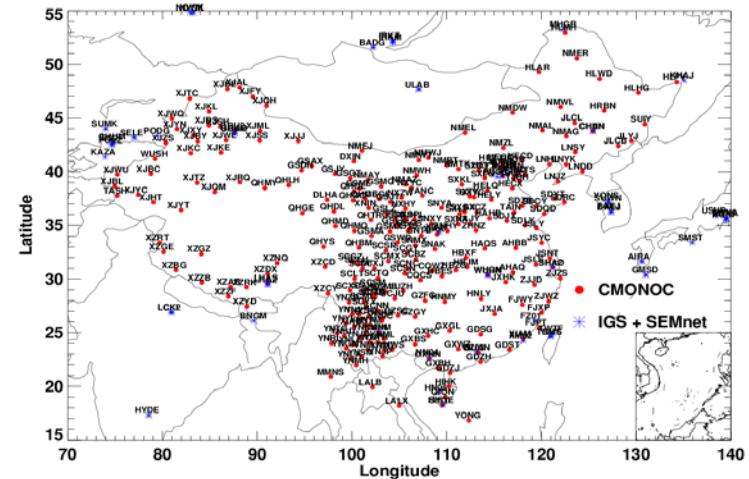


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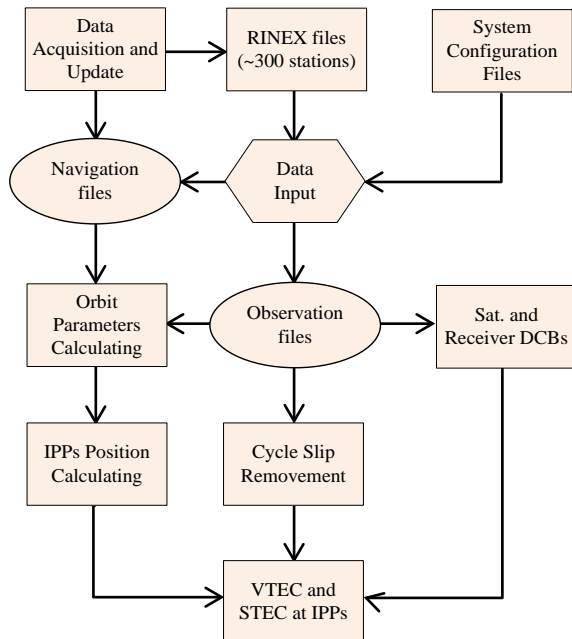
Regional TEC monitoring services

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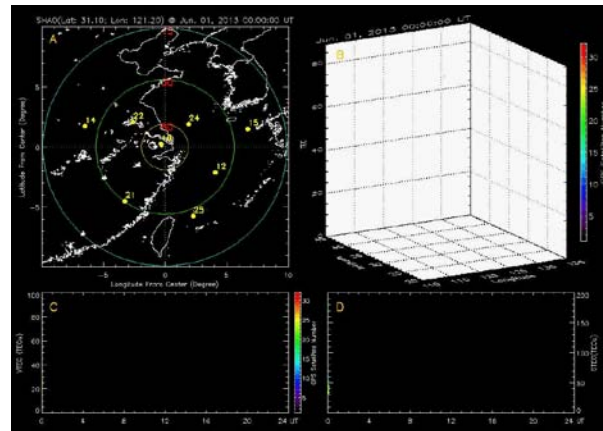
1. Station distribution: ~300 GNSS Stations		
Crust Movement Observation Network of China (CMONOC)	International Global Navigation Satellite System Service (IGS)	Space Environment Monitoring Network (SEMnet)
260+ Stations	38 Stations	9 Stations



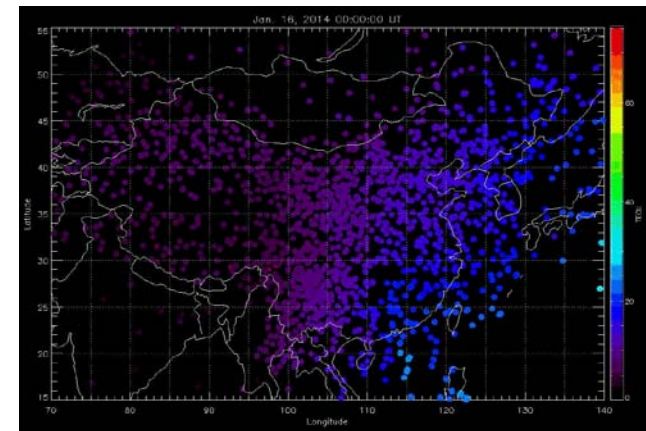
2. TEC Derivation flowchart



3. TEC result at single station



4. TEC Scattering Maps



BDS/GNSS based space weather services

Beidou Ionospheric Observation Network (BION)

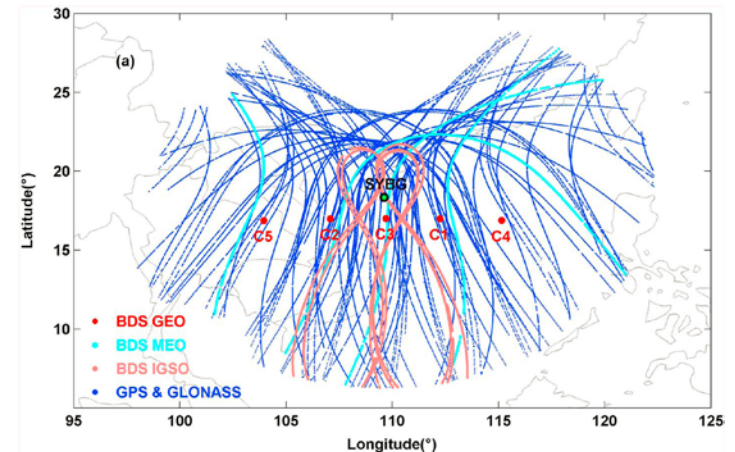
BION has 30 observation sites with the scientific objective as following (Hu *et al.*, 2017):

1. Monitoring the latitudinal variation of the ionosphere along the 120°E longitude
2. investigating the ionospheric response during space weather events (e.g., geomagnetic storm) and other non-space weather events (e.g., earthquake, tsunami, and typhoon);
3. Analyzing ionospheric dynamics at middle and low latitudes of East Asia.

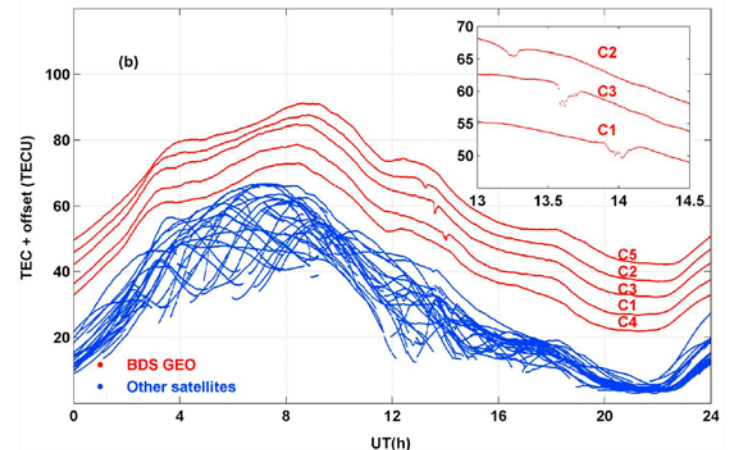
Distribution of BION sites



IPPs



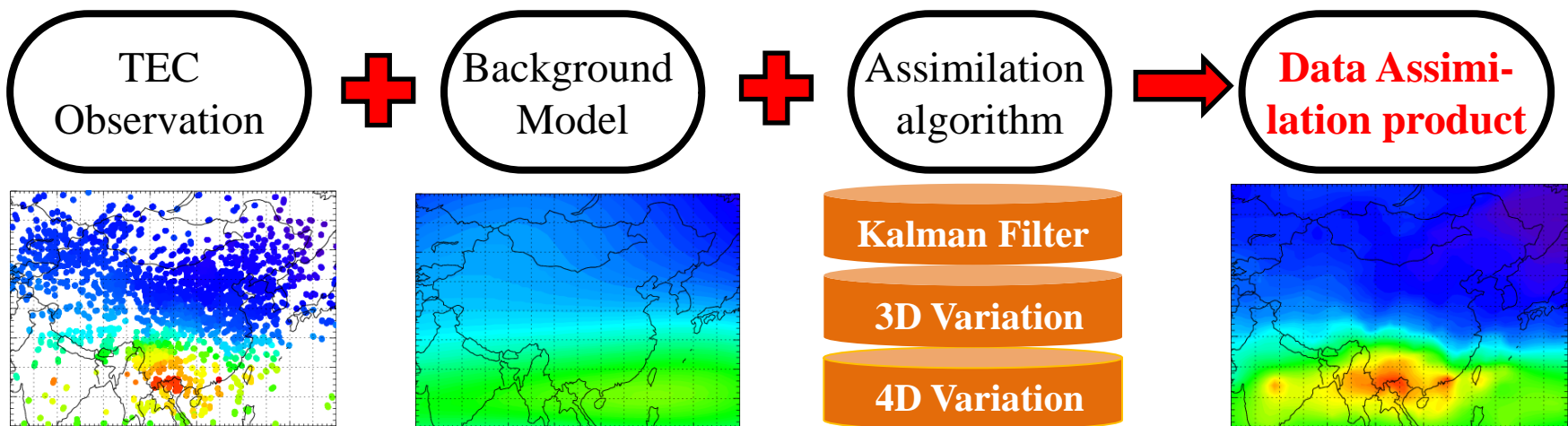
TEC



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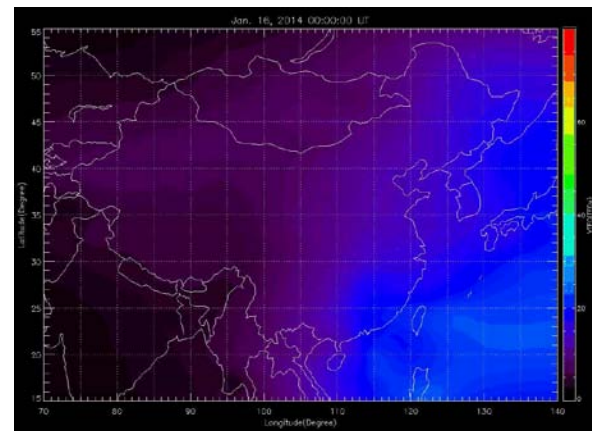
TEC data assimilation and error correction/radio scintillation services

The data assimilation technique has been proved as an effective and efficient way of specifying ionosphere, which is implemented by using certain optimization schemes to incorporate measurements into background models.



Time Update ("Predict")	
1. Project the state	$\hat{x}_k^- = A\hat{x}_{k-1} + Bu_{k-1}$
2. Project P and R	$P_k^- = AP_{k-1}A^T + Q$

Measurement Update ("Correct")	
3. Calc Kalman gain	$K_k = P_k^- H^T (HP_k^- H^T + R)^{-1}$
4. Update estimate	$\hat{x}_k = \hat{x}_k^- + K_k(z_k - H\hat{x}_k^-)$
5. Update P and R	$P_k = (I - K_k H)P_k^-$



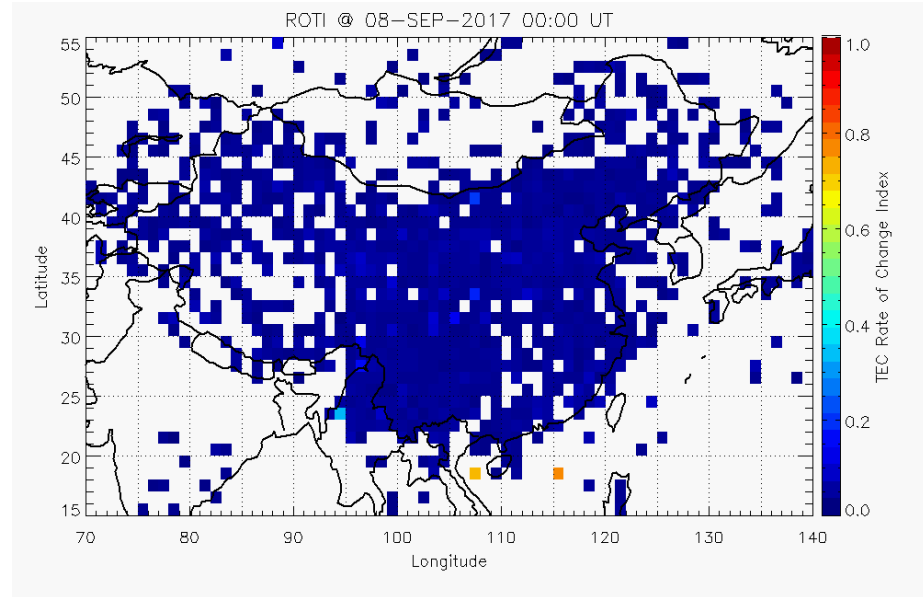
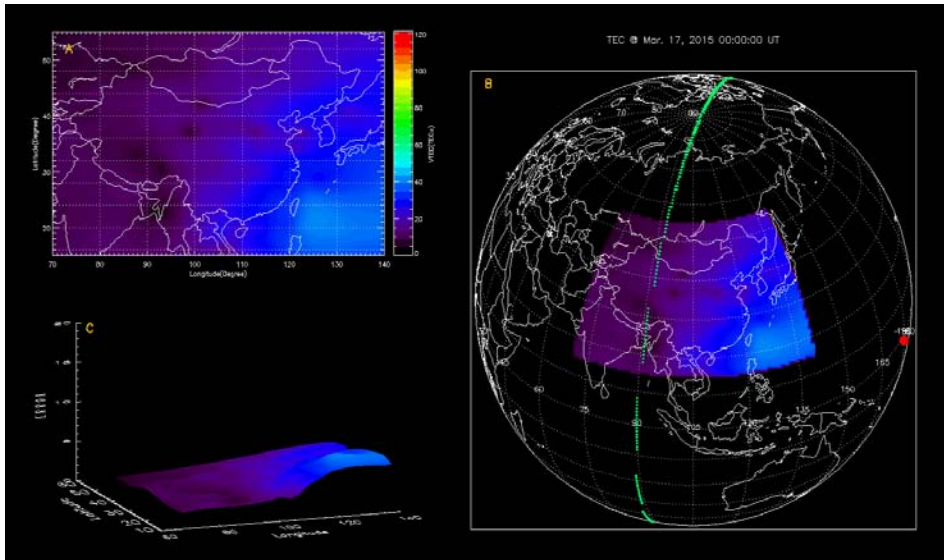
Space weather services to BDS/GNSS system

2015 St. Patrick's Day magnetic storm

2017 September magnetic storm

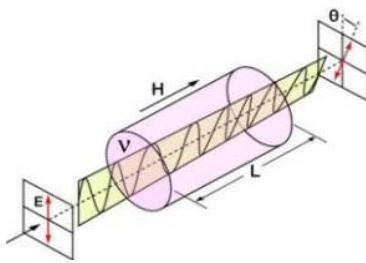
TEC and GNSS Positioning Error

TEC rate of change index (ROTI) : Scintillation



TEC related ionospheric services to scientific research and application

Faraday Rotation



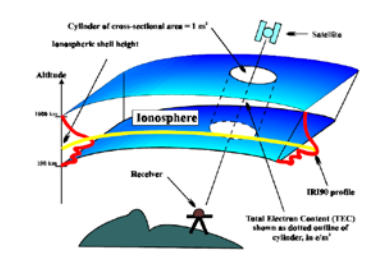
$$\Omega = \frac{K}{f^2} B_0 \cos \theta \sec \chi \bullet TEC$$

Chromatic Dispersion



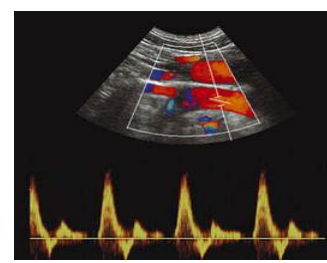
$$\frac{d\phi}{df} = -\frac{b}{2\pi cf^2} TEC = -\frac{8.44 \times 10^{-7}}{f} TEC$$

Doppler Effect



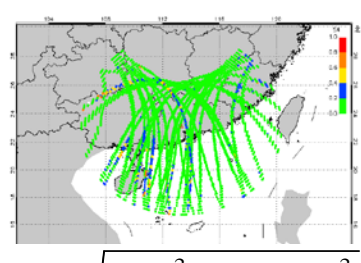
$$\Delta f = -\frac{f}{c} \frac{ds}{dt} + \frac{40.3}{cf} \frac{dTEC}{dt}$$

Ionospheric Delay



$$\Delta \tau \propto \frac{1.343 \times 10^{-7}}{f^2} TEC$$

Ionosphere Scintillation

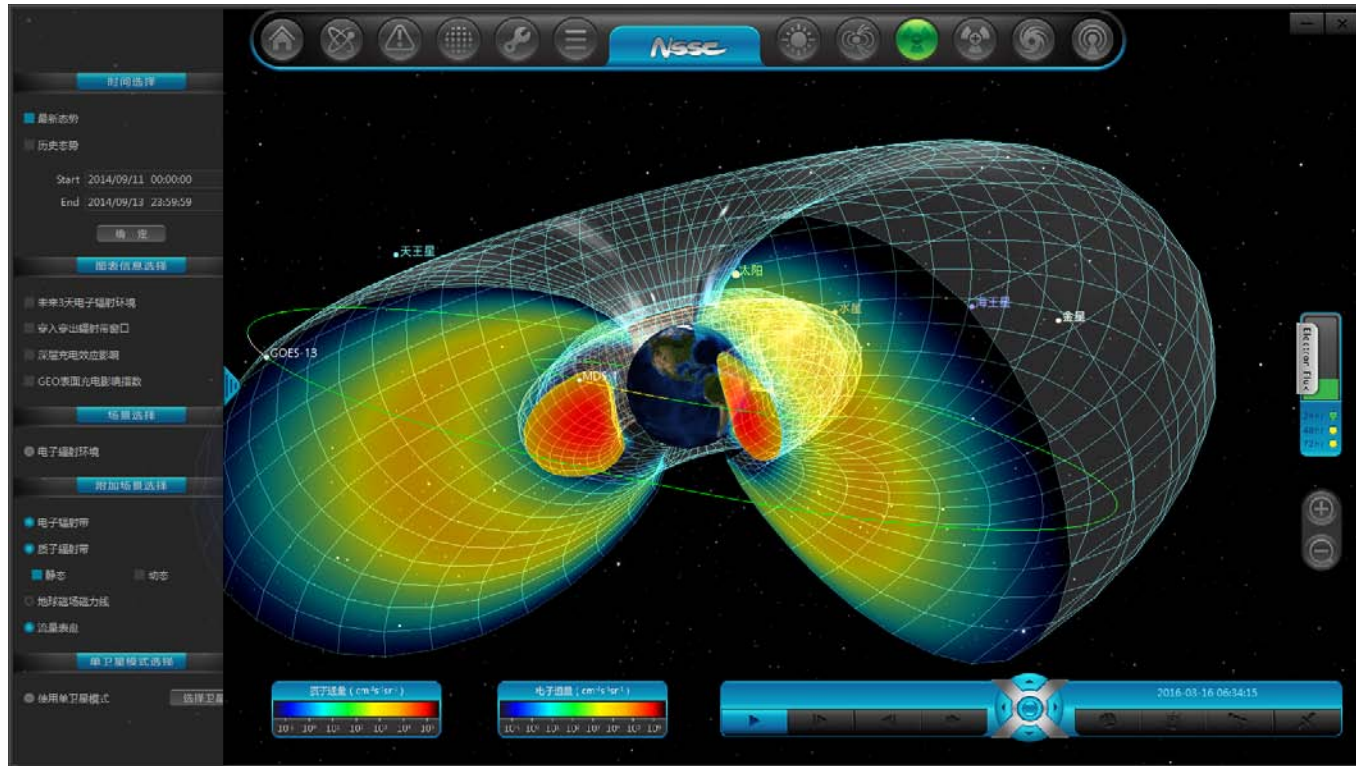


$$S_4 = \sqrt{\frac{E[P^2] - (E[P])^2}{(E[P])^2}}$$

Space Weather Services to BDS/GNSS System

Particle Radiation Analysis

SWSAP (Space Weather Situation Awareness Picture) is used to simulate and predict the space radiation risk to satellites, including Single Event Effects, Surface charging, Deep dielectric or bulk charging, and Total dose effects.



1. Making **statistical analysis of previous anomalies** in Beidou satellites that caused by space weather events in terms of single-particle event, surface charging events, etc.
2. Provide **future predictions and warning** of radiation environment to Beidou MEO/IGSO/GEO satellite, especially on cross-magnetopause events, south-Atlantic anomaly crossing events

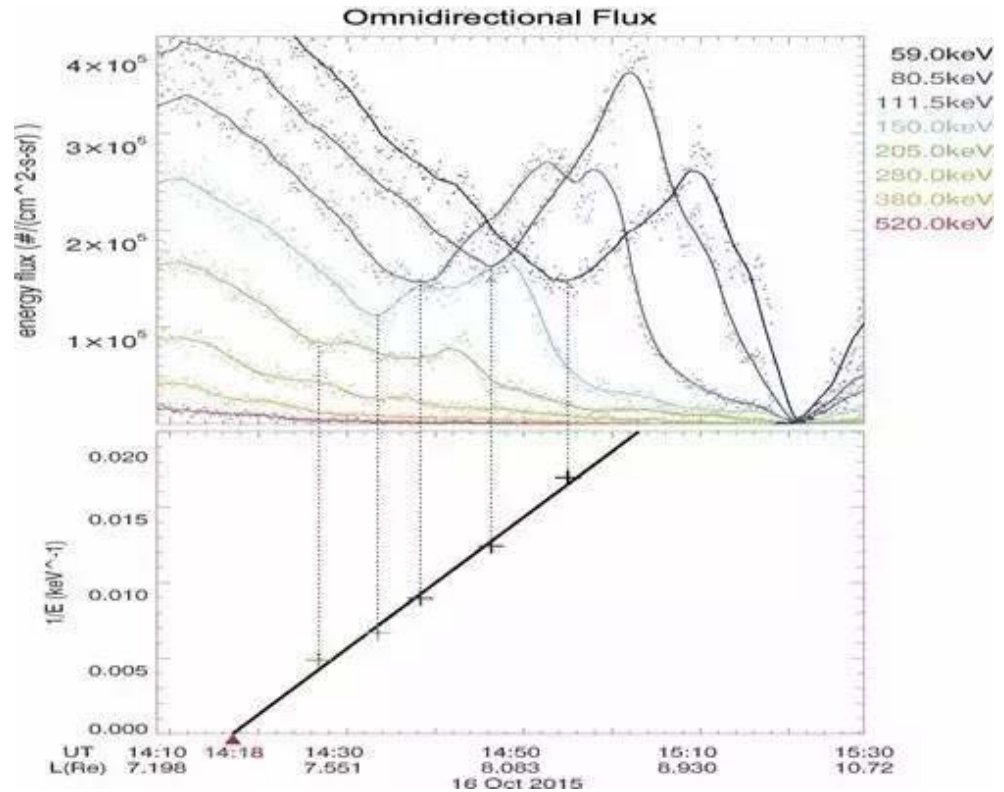
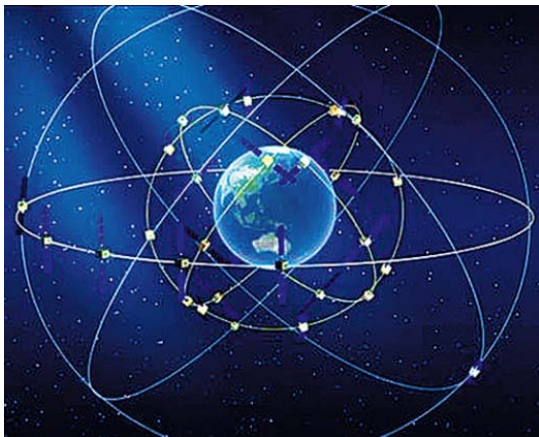
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BDS payload for space weather monitoring

Image Electron Spectrometer

- Measurements derived from Image Electron Spectrometer (IES) onboard Beidou IGSO satellite are used to study an relativistic electron injection case during geomagnetic sub-storm event.



Summary

BDS/GNSS based space weather services

❑ Ionosphere TEC and error correction

- Chinese Academy of Sciences joined IGS analysis centers in routinely generating accurate and reliable GIM products
- BION networks using BDS ionospheric monitors to provide dense IPP trails and continuous TEC observation
- CMONOC and SEMnet/Meridian Project network have been used to construct high resolution regional TEC maps over China and adjacent areas for ionospheric error correction of BDS/GNSS system.

❑ Ionosphere irregularities and scintillation

- High-resolution ROTI maps derived from dense BDS/GNSS networks have been built to represent the regional ionosphere irregularities and radio scintillations.

❑ Radiation effects

- Space Weather situation awareness picture (SWASP) has been established to simulate and predict the radiation environment of BDS/GNSS systems.

Thank You!