

Monday 1000-1200 Science Highlight I: Pacific A&B



Traveling ionospheric disturbances (TIDs) and geospace-atmosphere multi-scale coupling processes

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Outline

- ❖ **Introduction**
 - ❖ **All kinds of TIDs**
 - ❖ **Observation techniques**
- ❖ **Toward building a global picture of storm-time TIDs**
 - ❖ LSTIDs (equatorward)
 - ❖ **Trans-polar TIDs**
 - ❖ Trans-equatorial TIDs
 - ❖ **MSTIDs** at mid- and subauroral latitudes
- ❖ Understanding transient solar-terrestrial forcing
 - ❖ During Solar Eclipse
 - ❖ During Solar Flare
- ❖ Man-made space weather
- ❖ **Lower atmospheric forcing**
 - ❖ **Postsunrise**, electrified (MHISR)
 - ❖ **Tonga eruption**

TIDs

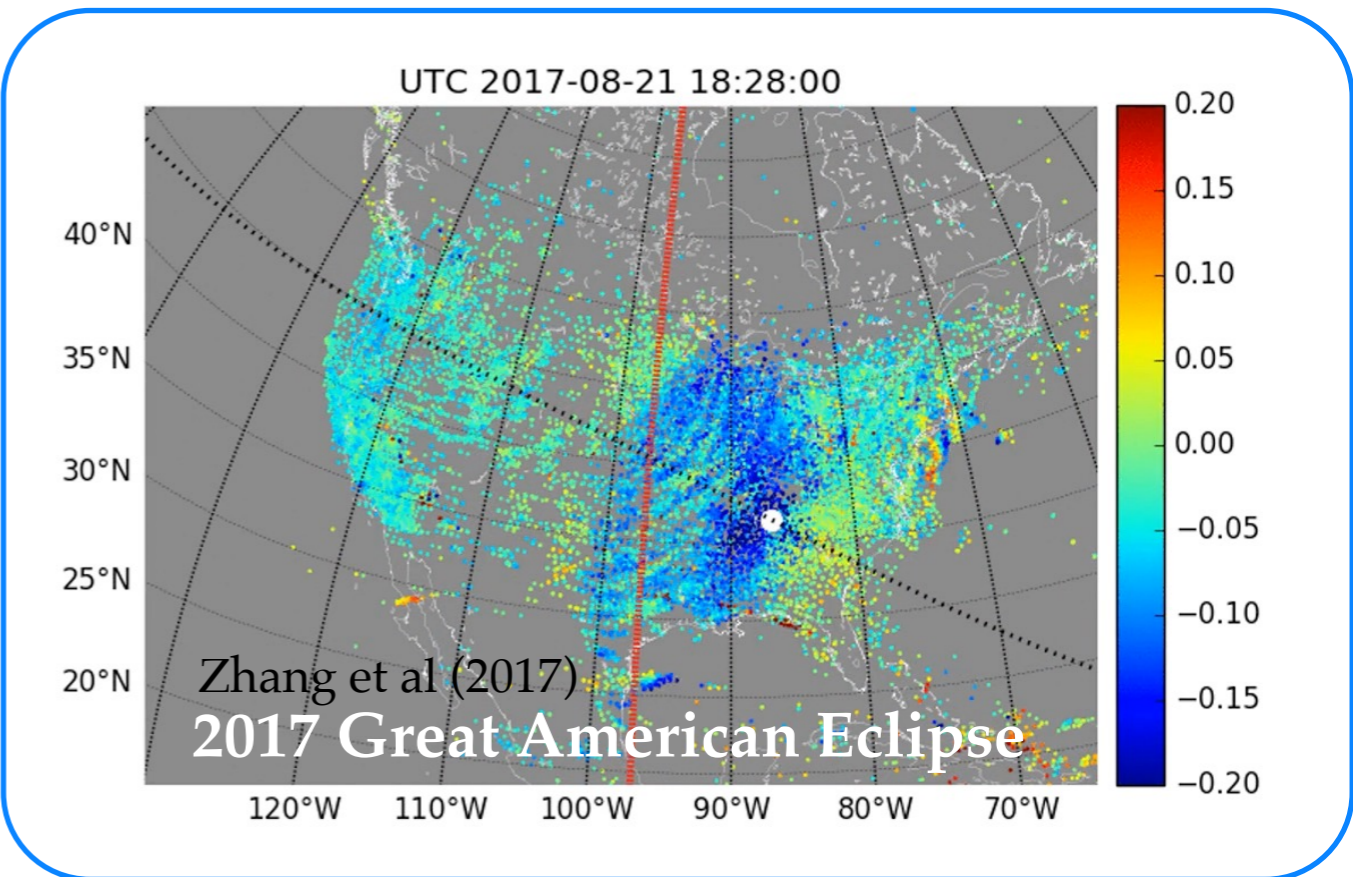
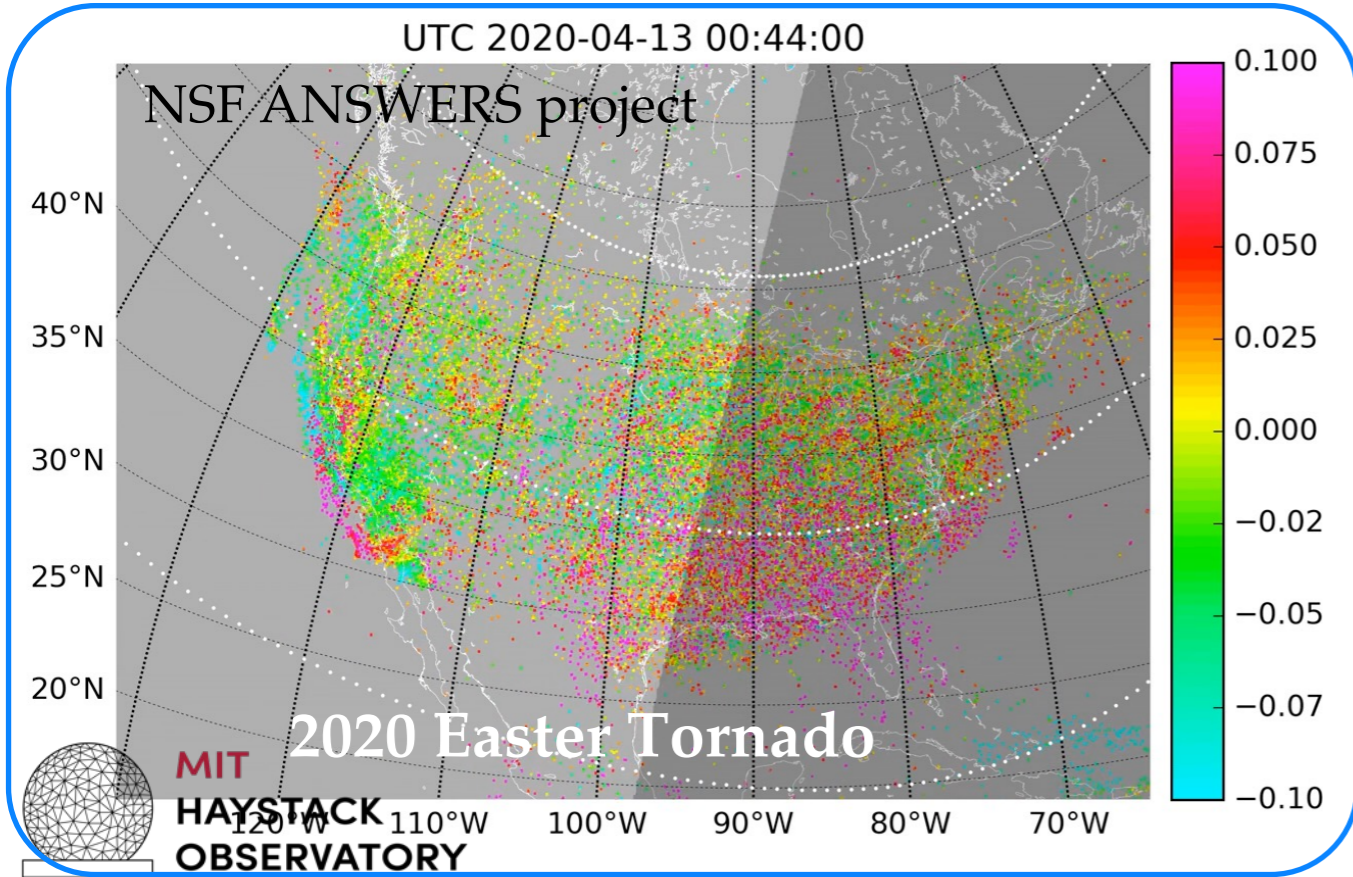
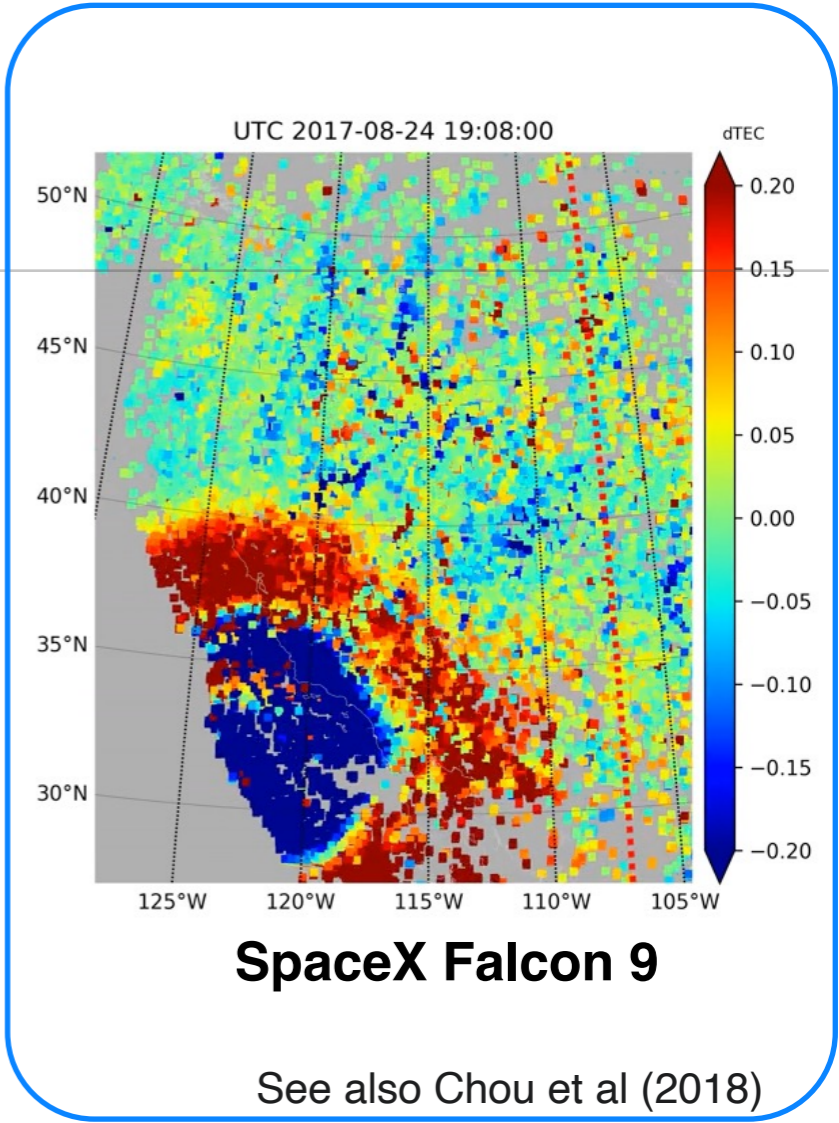
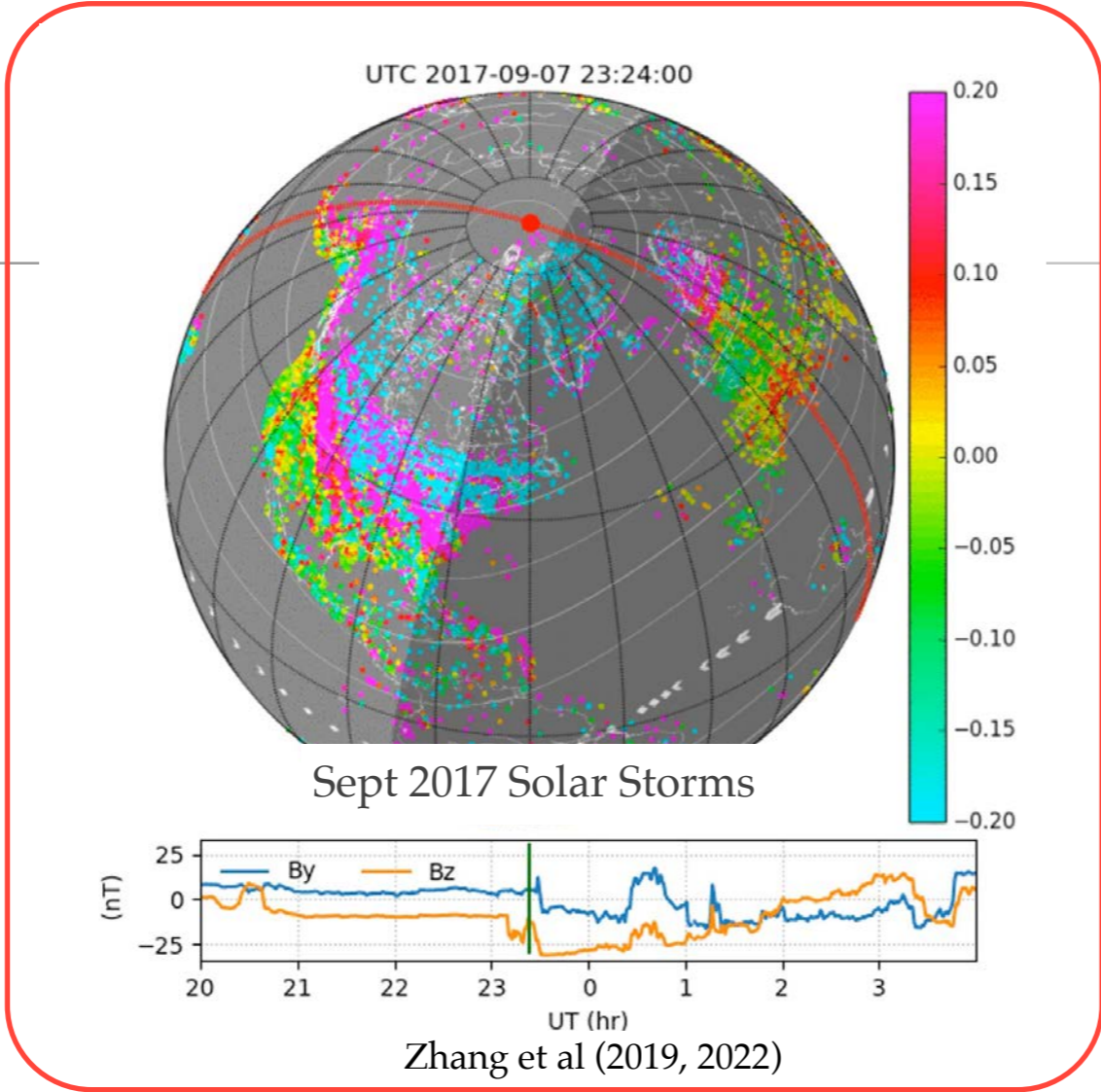
Large scales vs Medium Scales

Exciting source (Above vs Below)

Gravity waves vs Electrodynamics

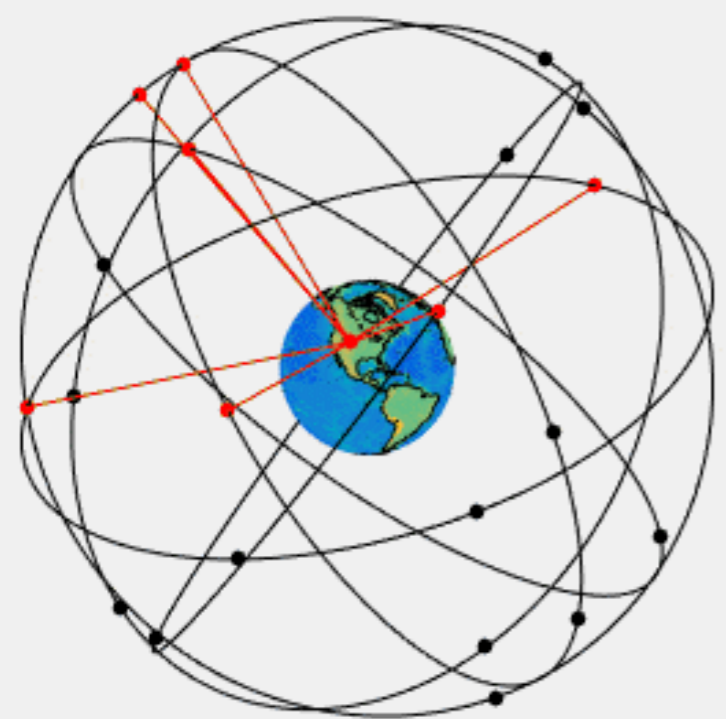
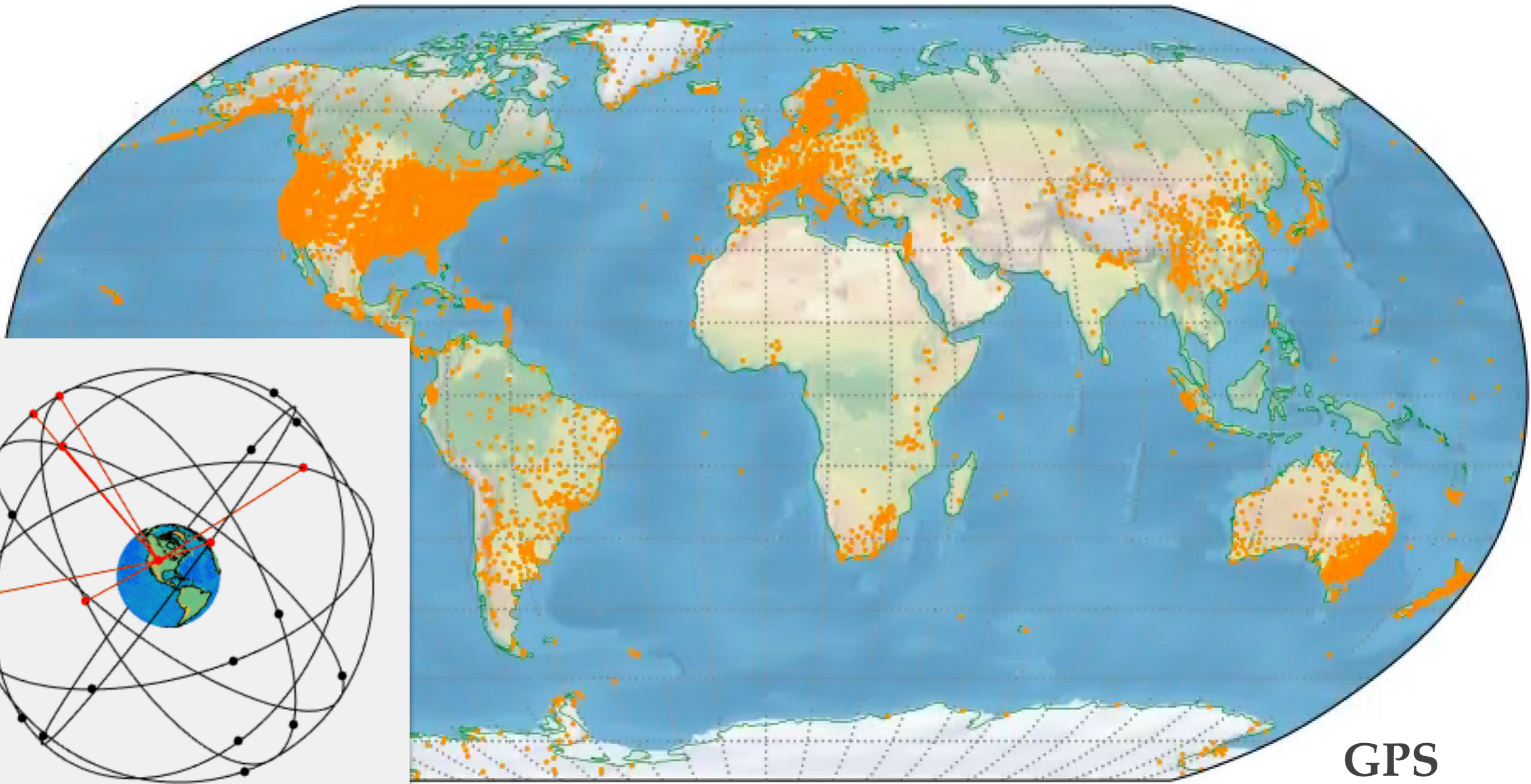
Propagation, Dissipation, Impact

Detection & Simulation



MIT GNSS TEC/dTEC from 6000+ Receivers

GNSS sites on 09 Sep 2017



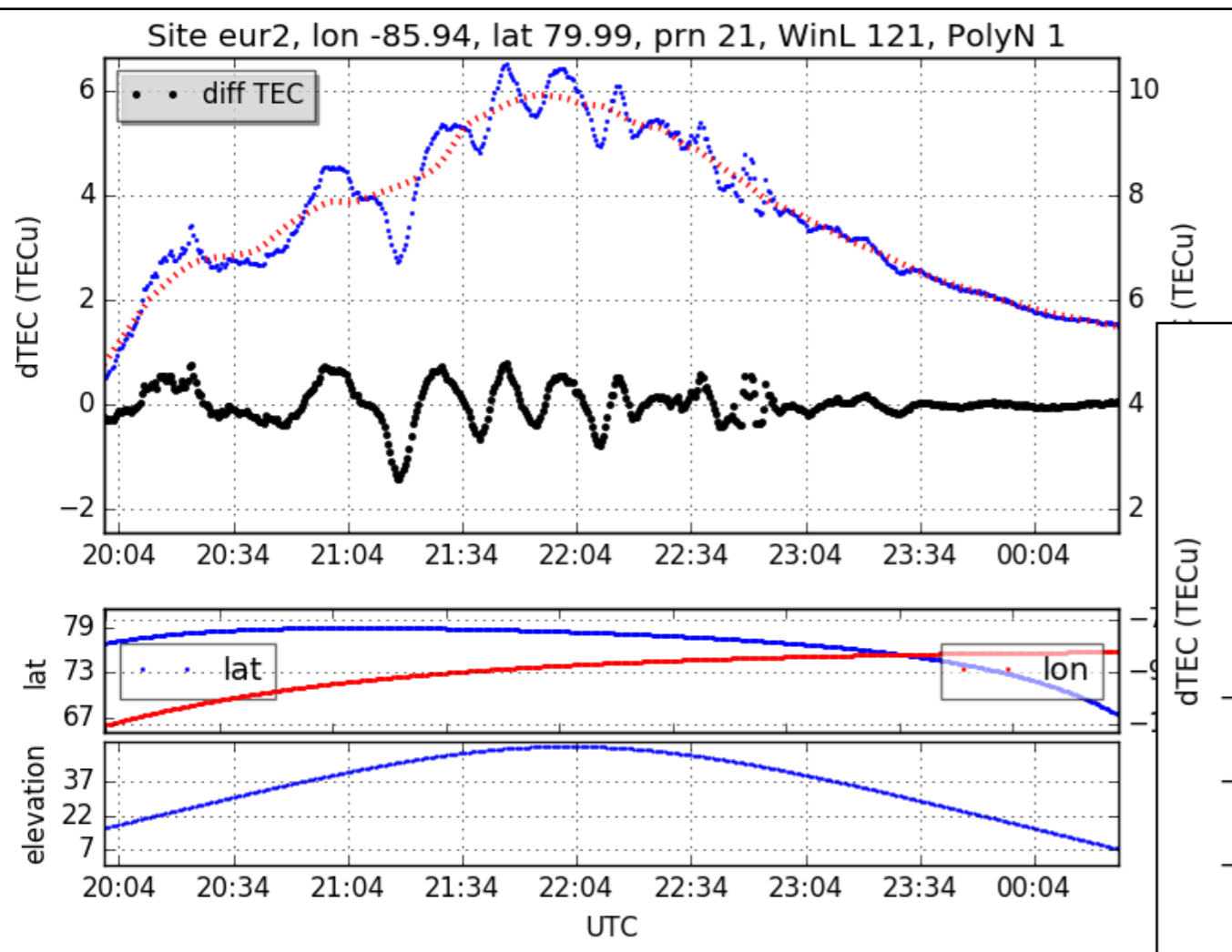
GPS
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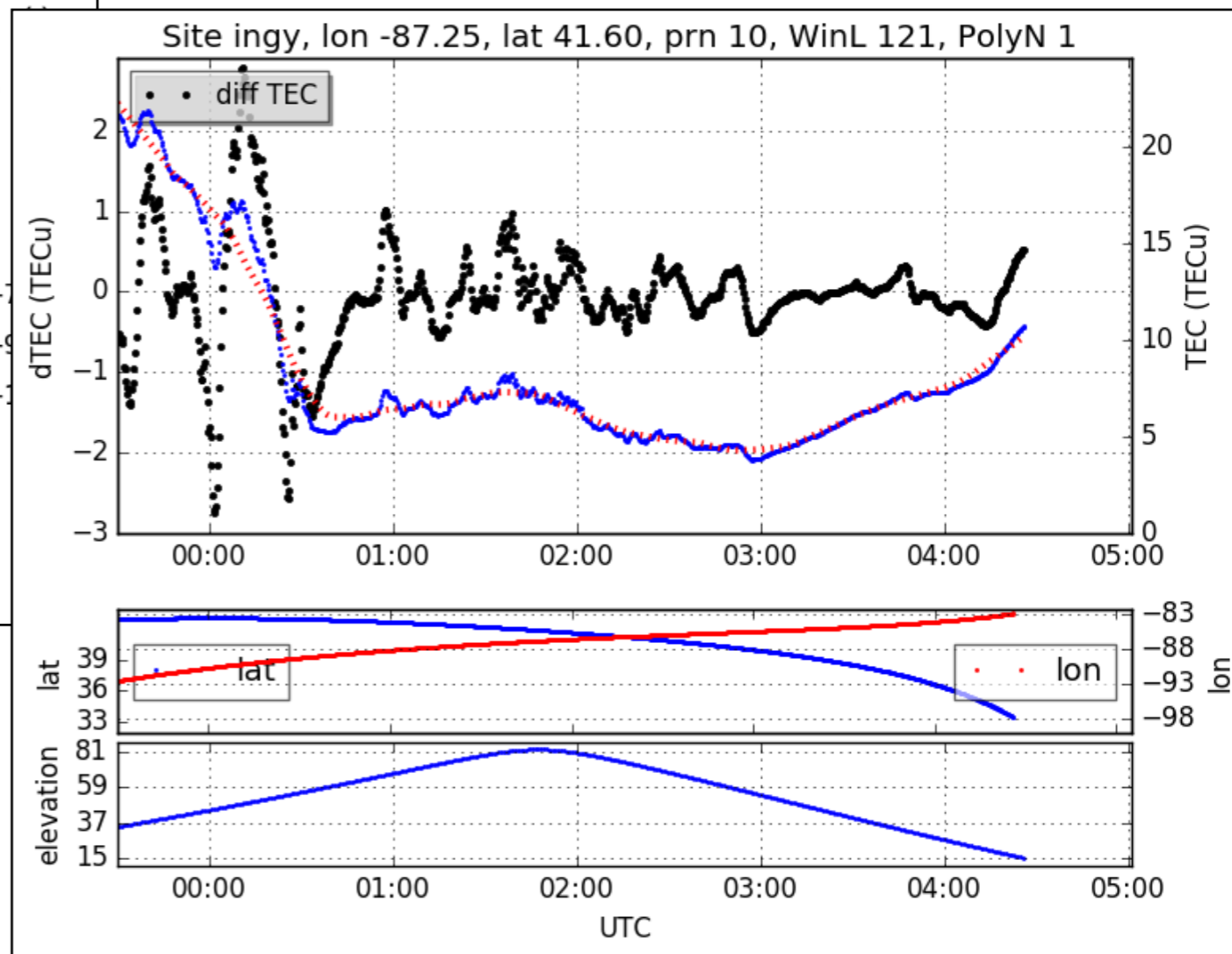
Detecting TIDs

Savitzky-Golay low-pass filter to provide background TEC variations that will be de-trended: similar to running averaging with sliding windows.

Polar region

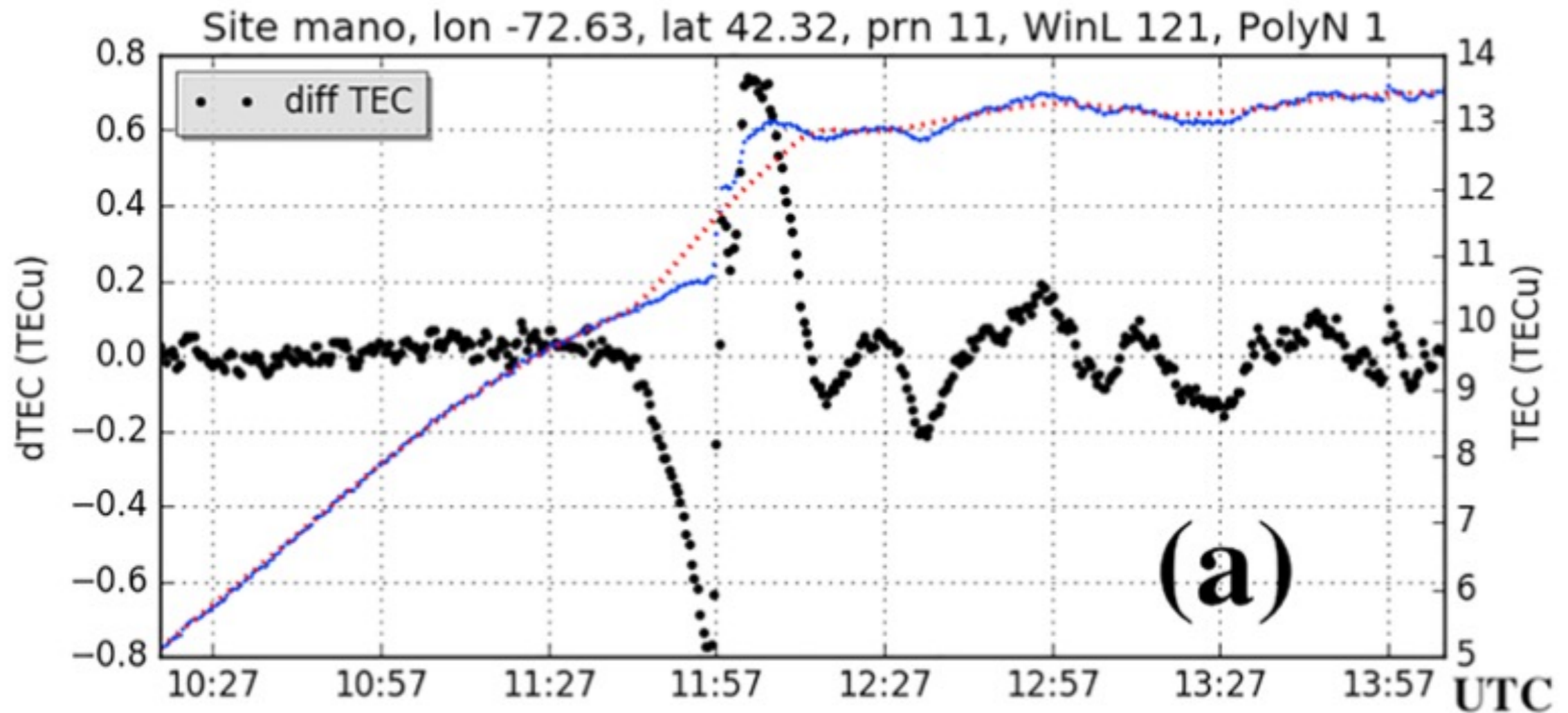


Midlatitude main trough region



Detecting TIDs: Solar flare Impact

Sept 6, 2017: X9.3

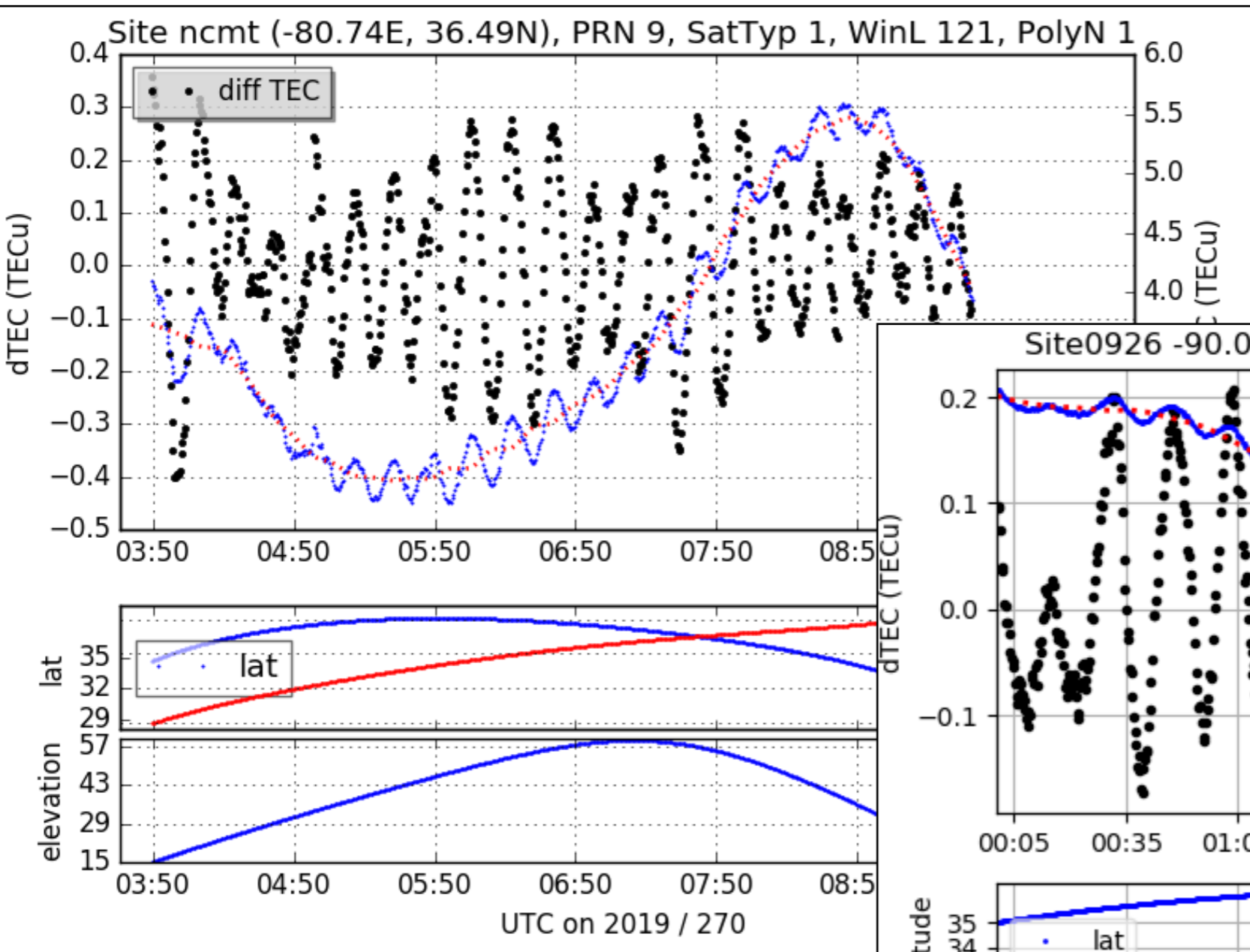


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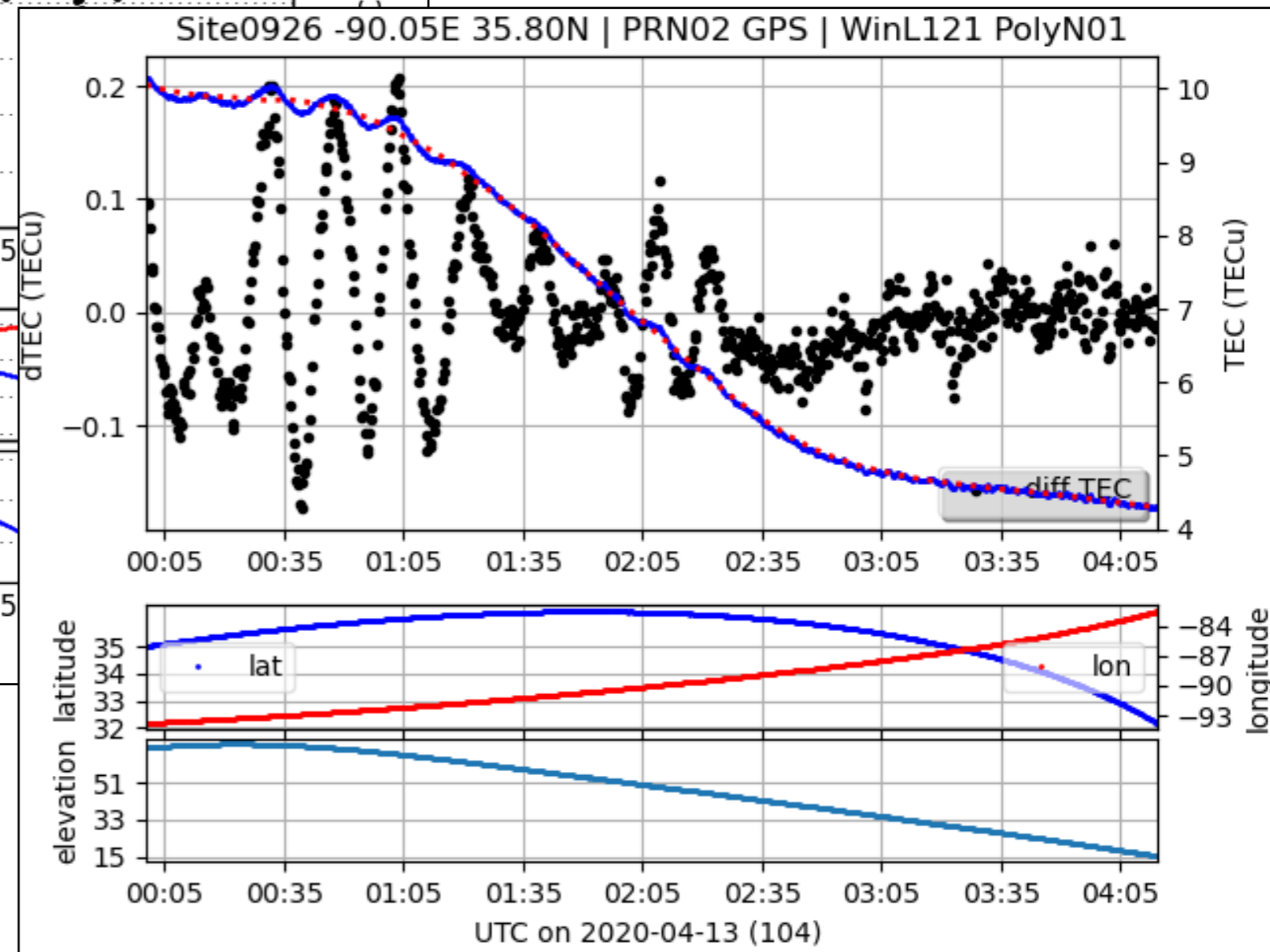
Detecting TIDs: terrestrial weather (hurricane)

Hurricane Lorenzo

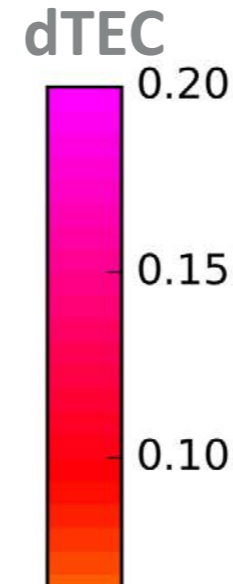
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2020 Easter Tornado

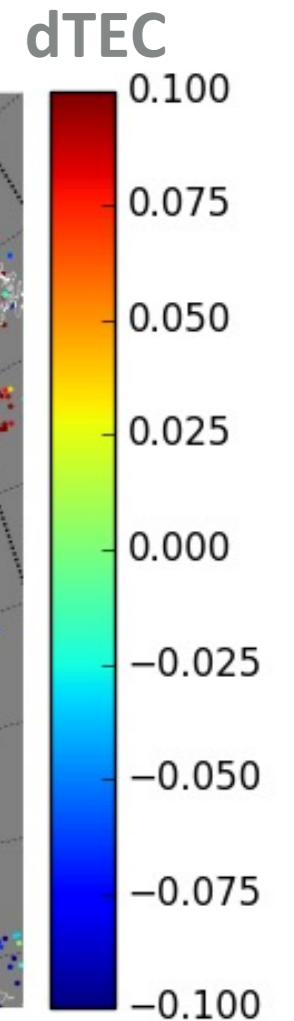


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Subauroral TIDs: Concurrent LSTIDs & MSTIDs

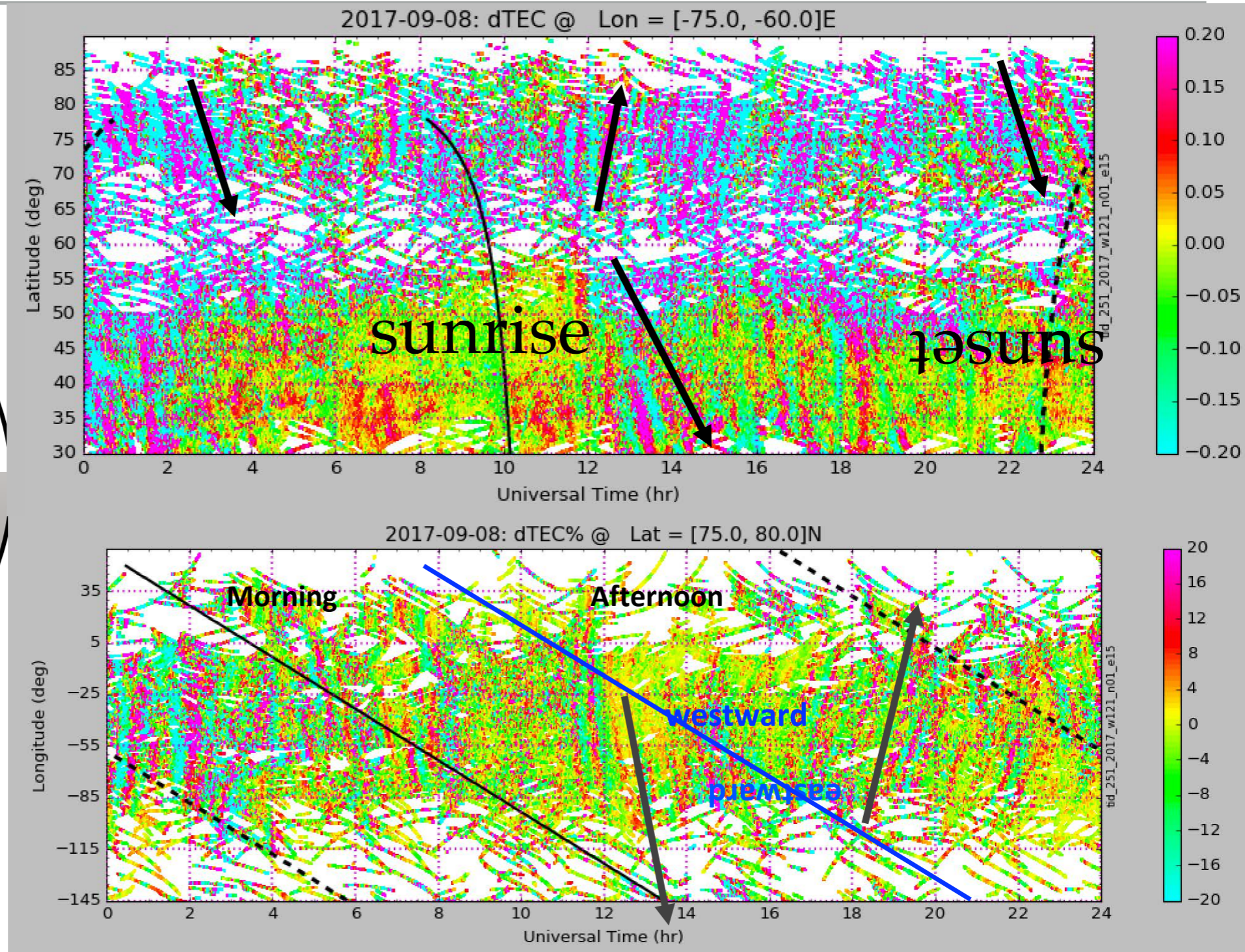
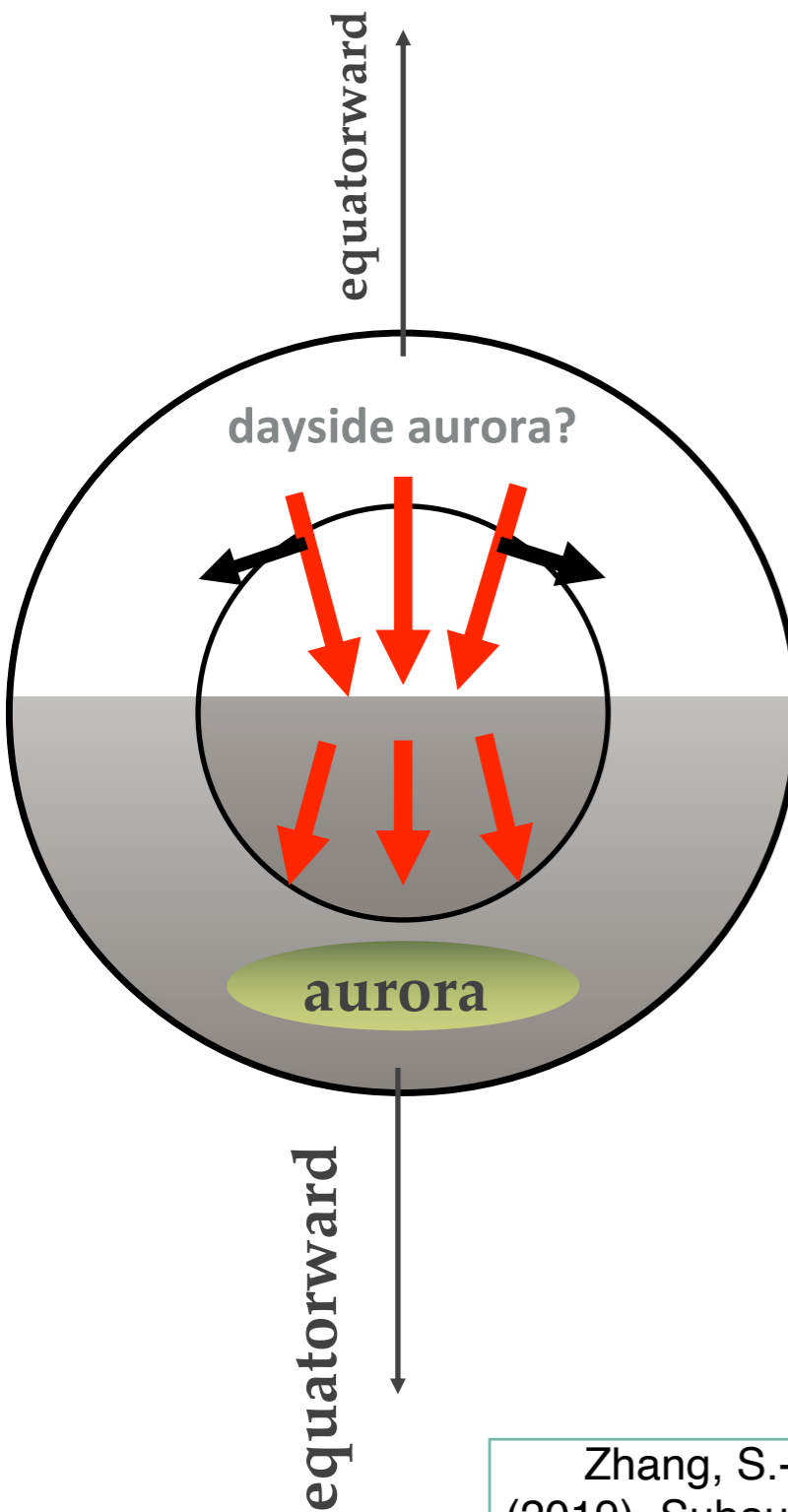
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40°N
35°N
30°N
25°N
20°N

120°W 110°W 100°W 90°W 80°W 70°W

Storm-time trans-polar TIDs

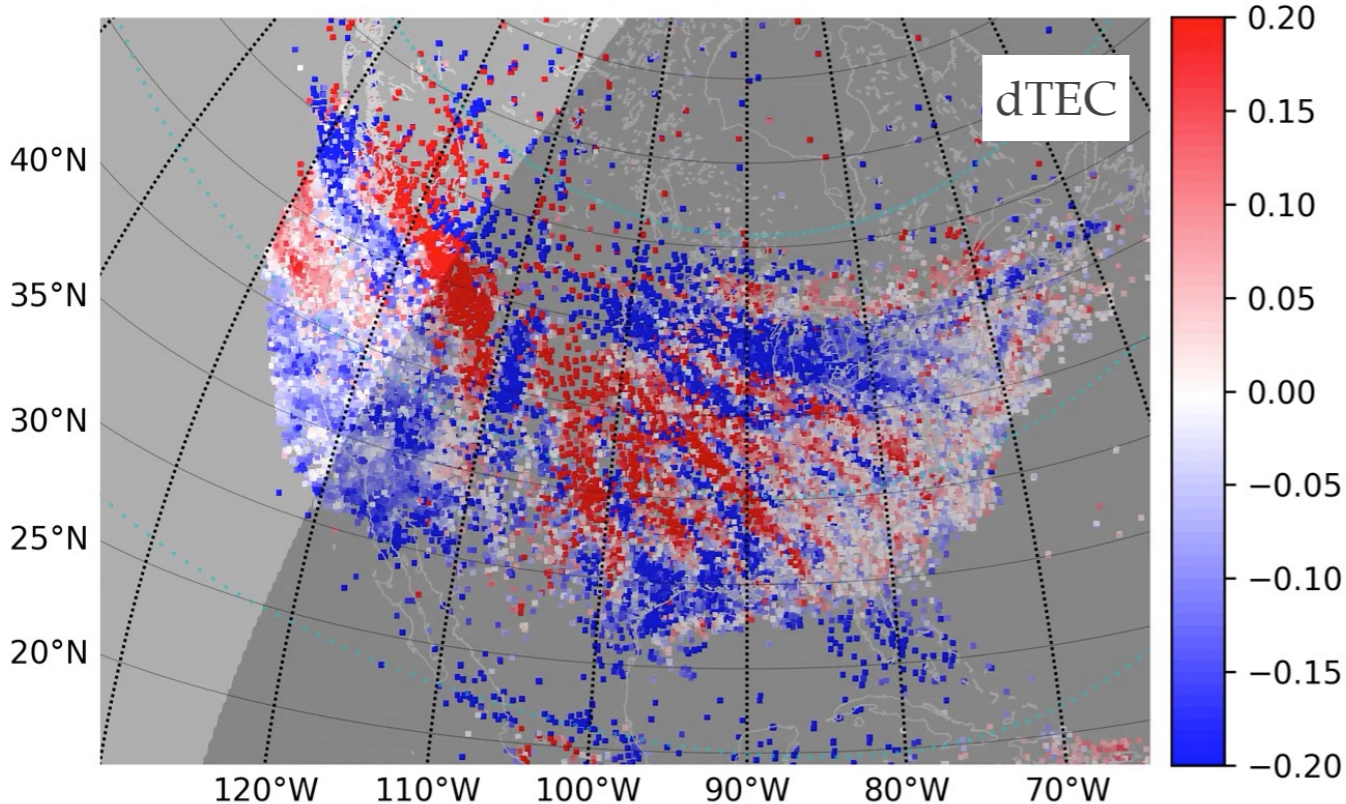


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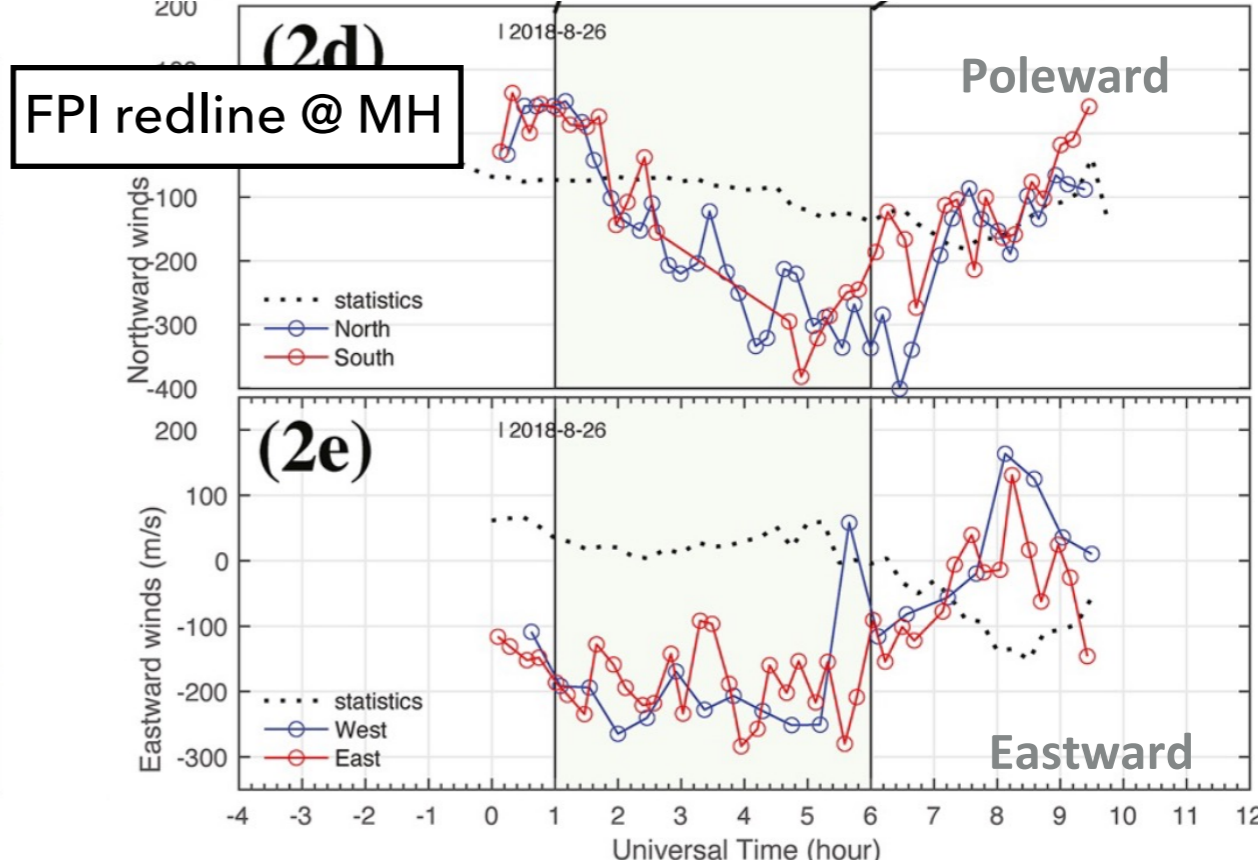
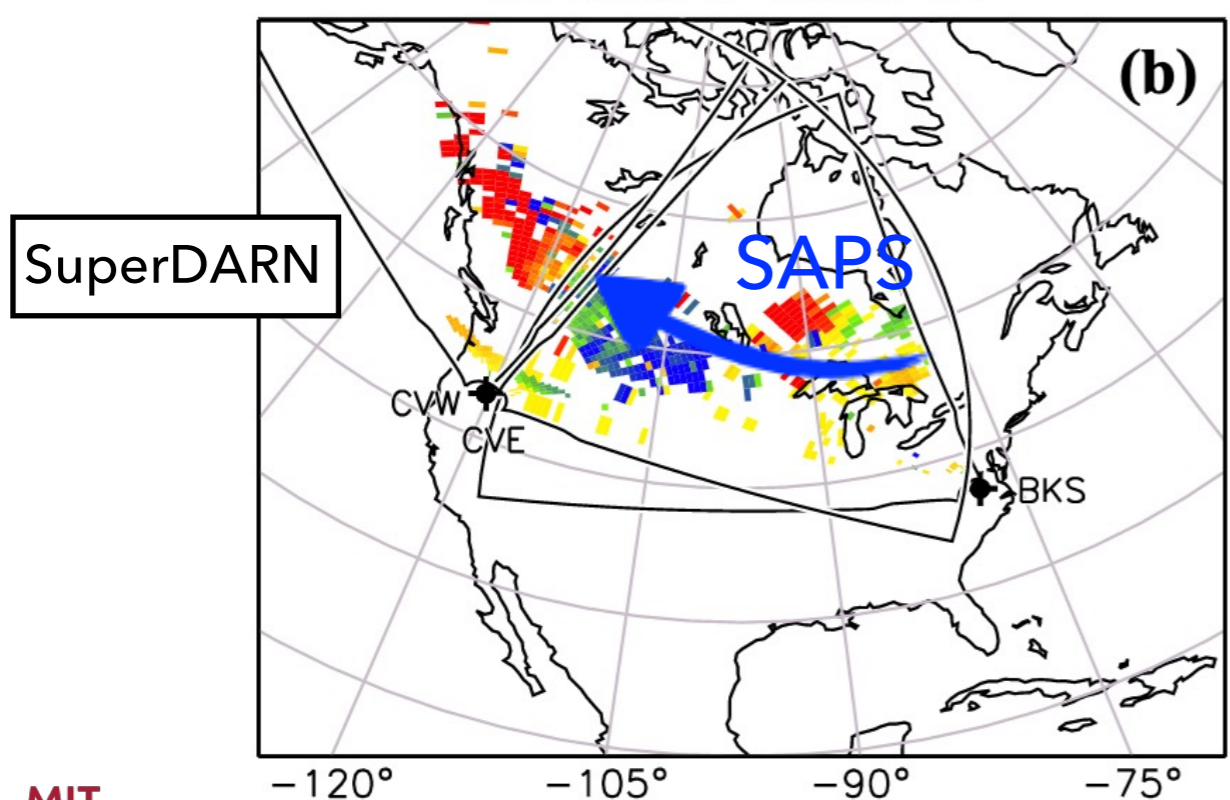
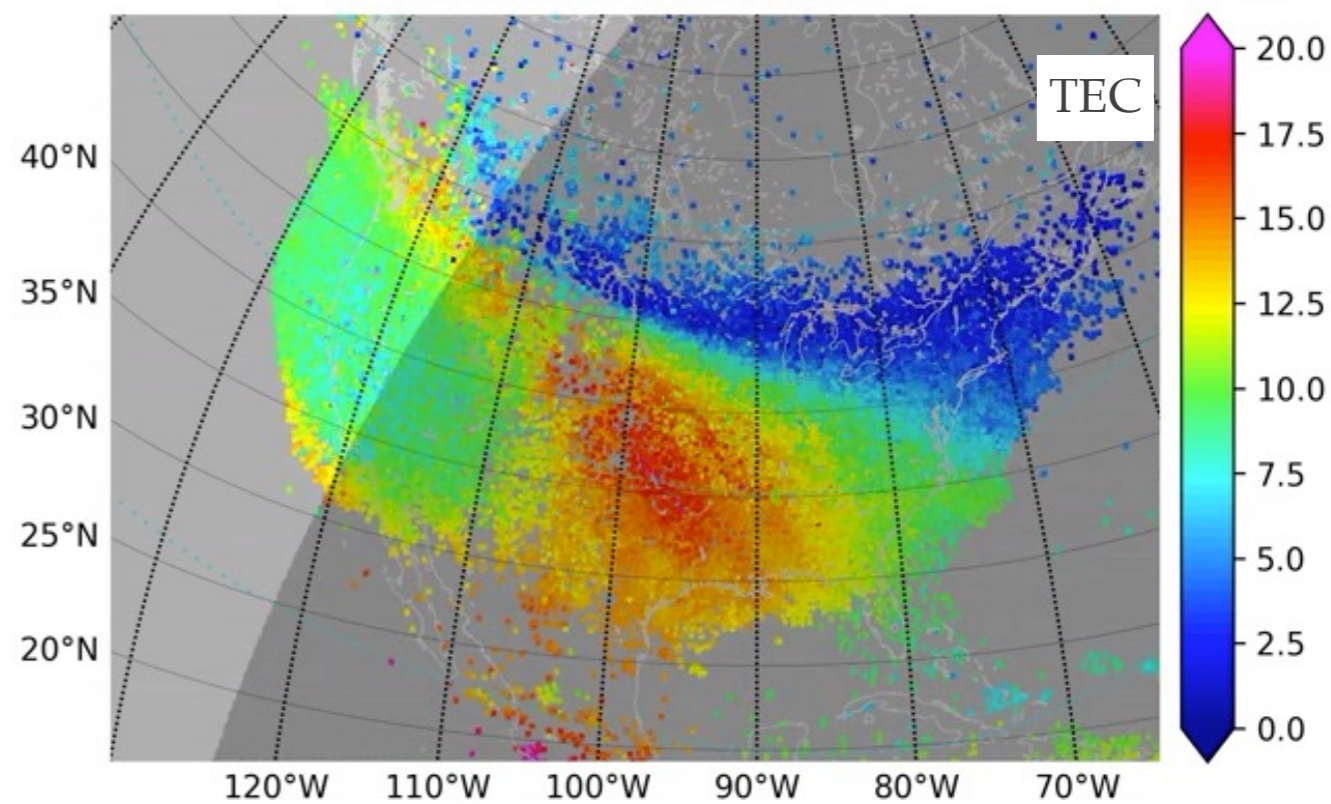
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(Finger-bone like) Storm-time MSTIDs at SED base

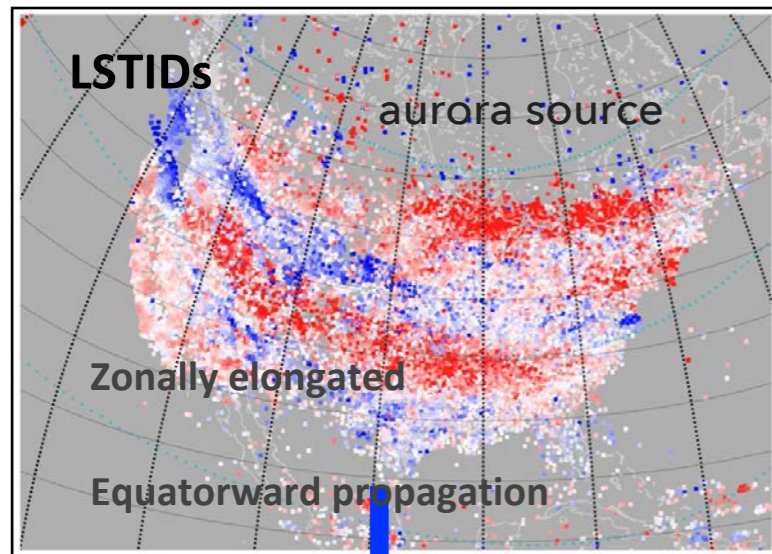
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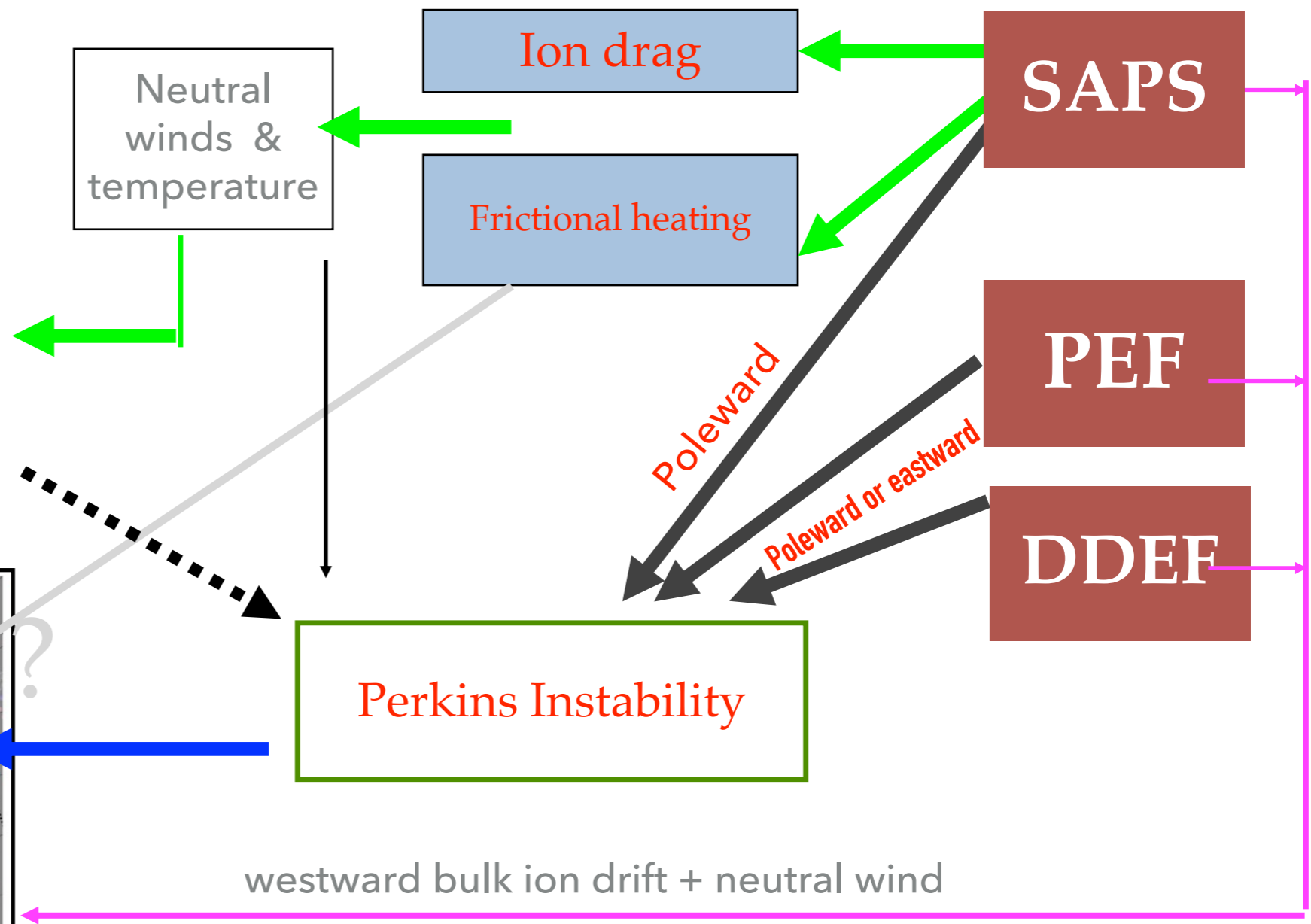
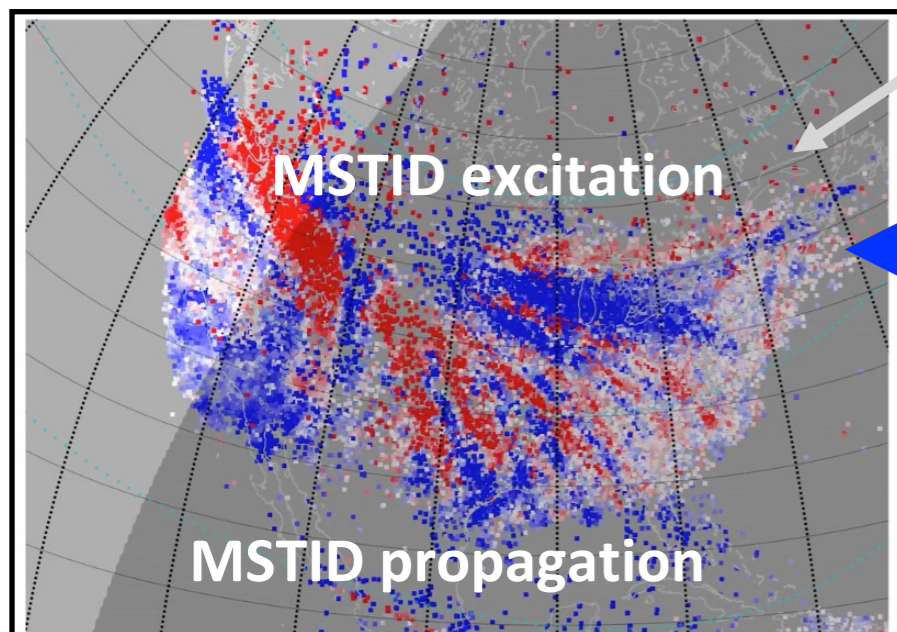
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How Stormtime electric Fields impact LSTIDs & MSTIDs



TID wavefront rotation
NW-SE

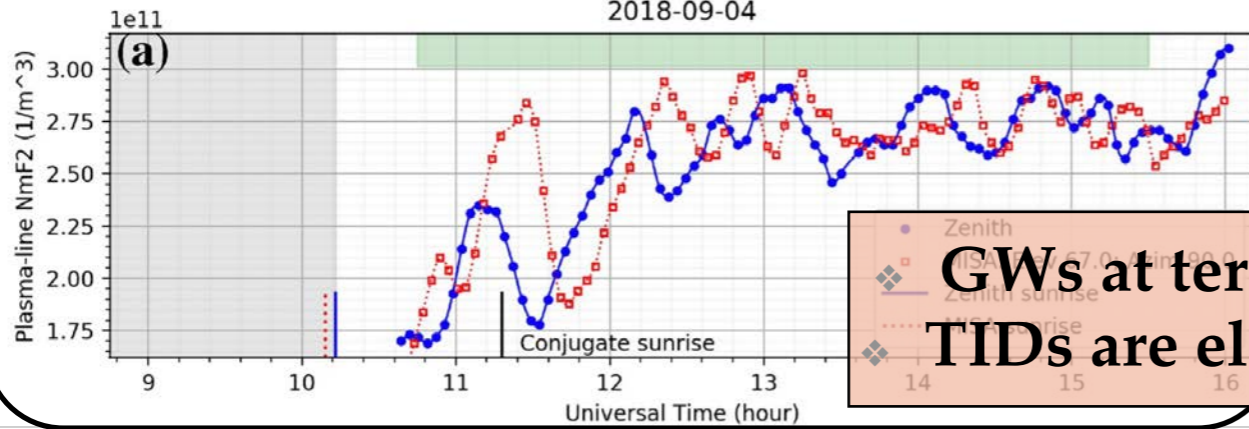


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Post-sunrise TIDs at Millstone Hill

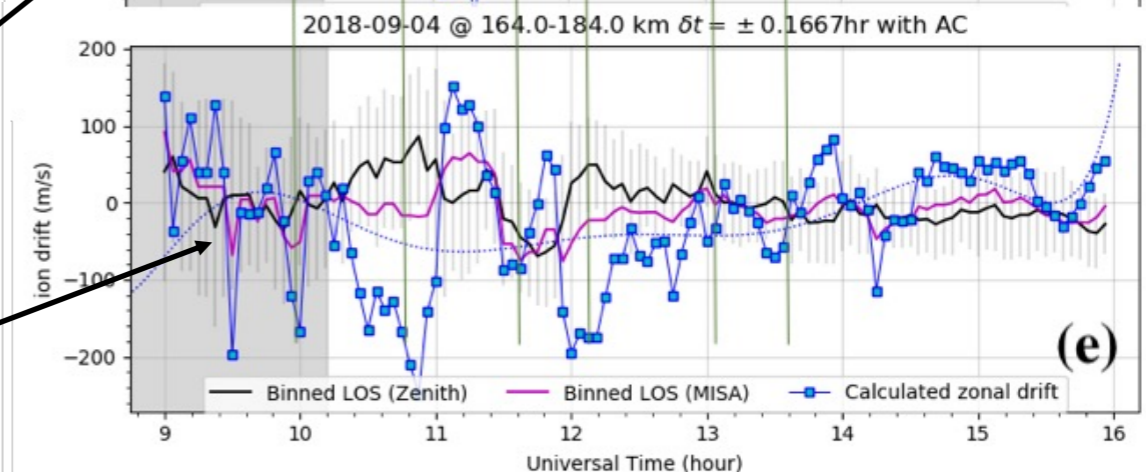
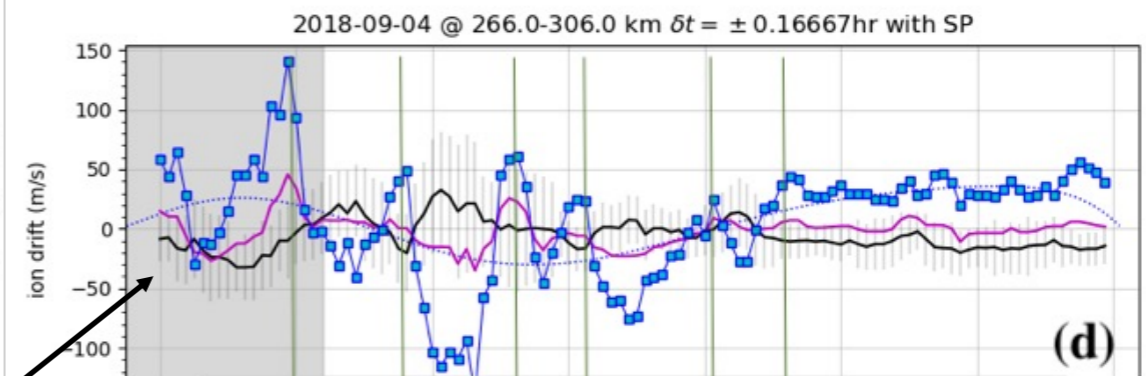
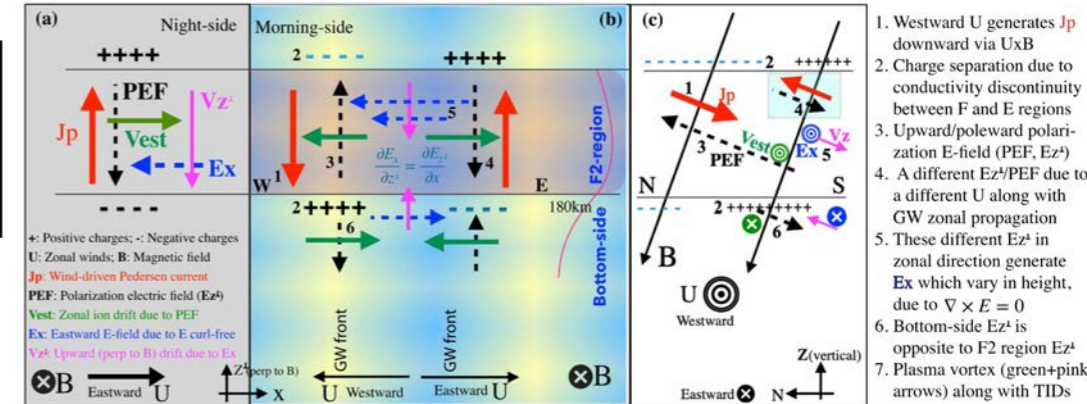
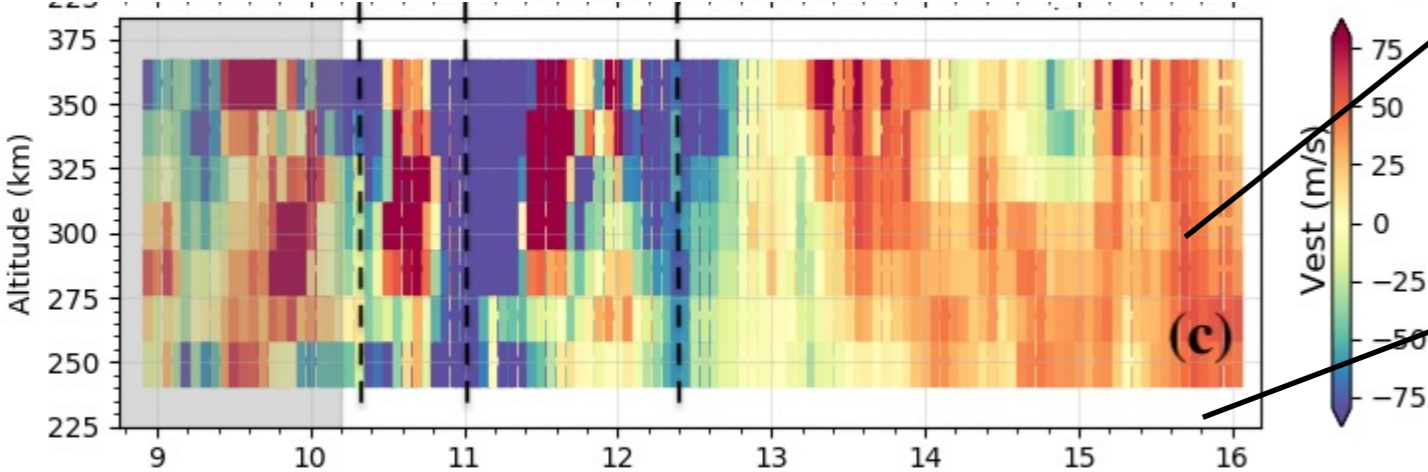
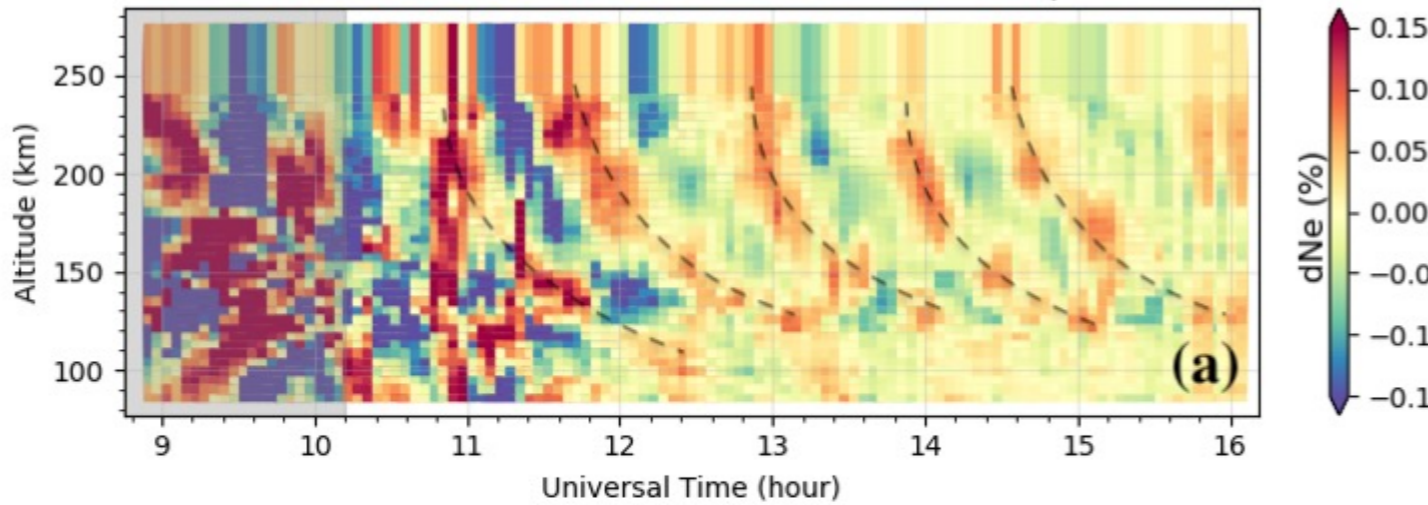


MHISR Plasma-line on two antennas



**GWs at terminator
TIDs are electrified**

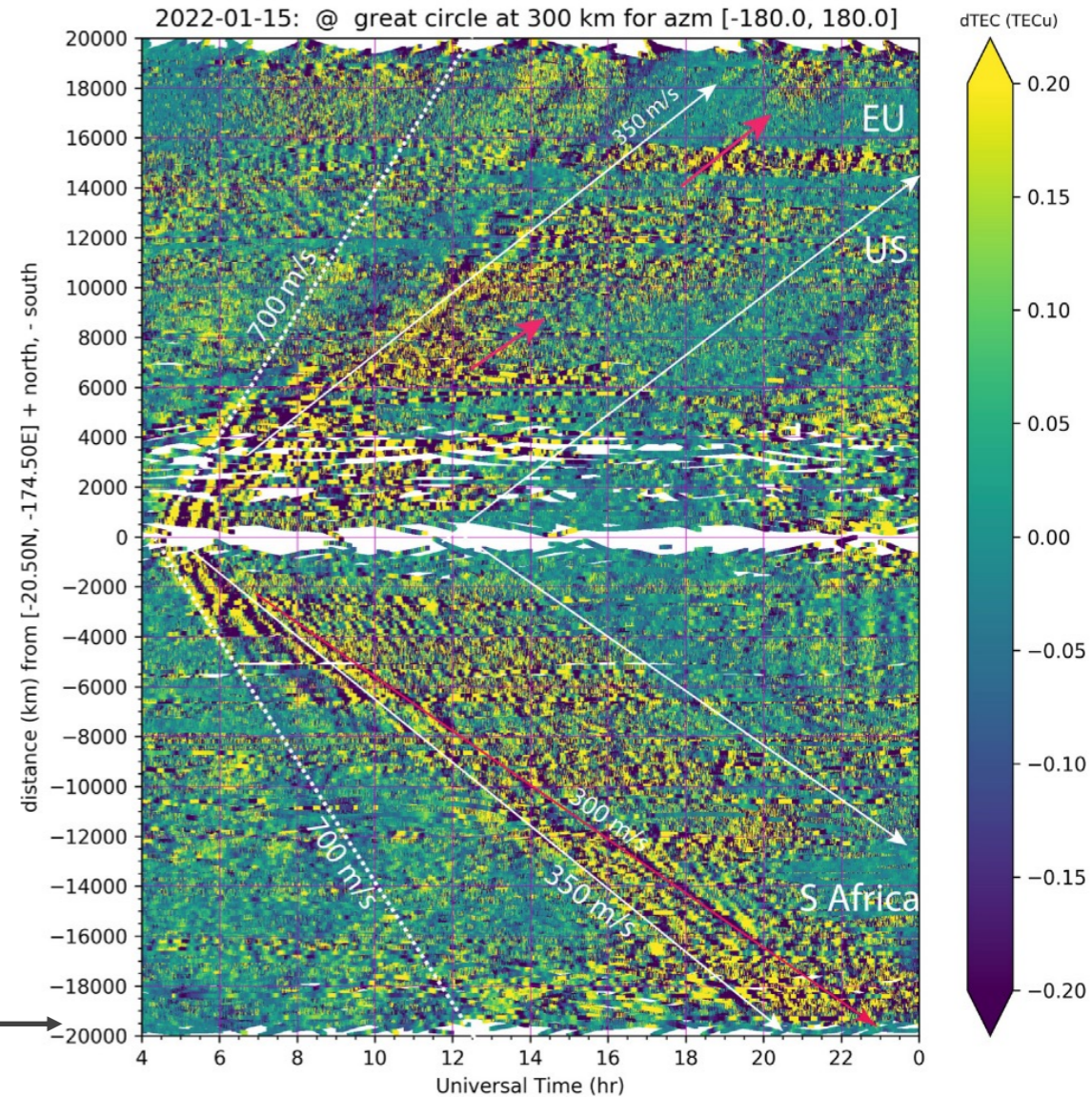
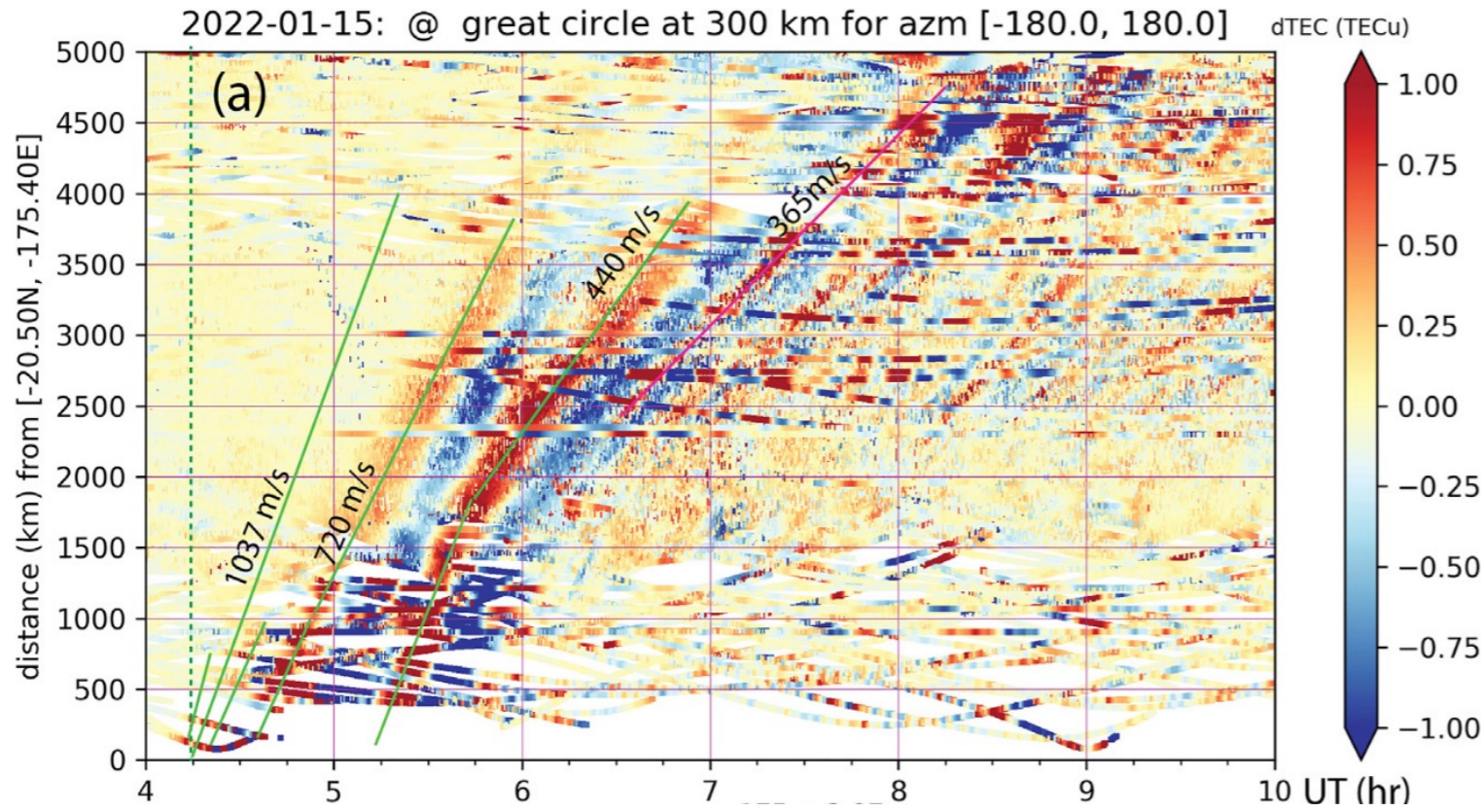
2018-09-04: $\delta h = \pm 10.0$ km $\delta t = \pm 0.16667$ hr | AC



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Tonga eruption TIDs

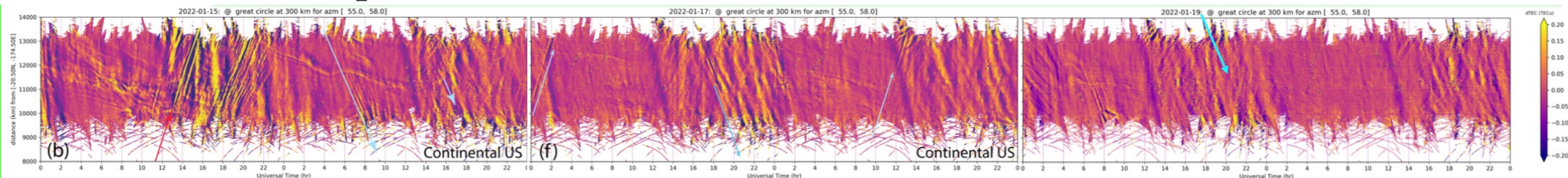
Near-field diverse types of TIDs



Certain TIDs propagated globally

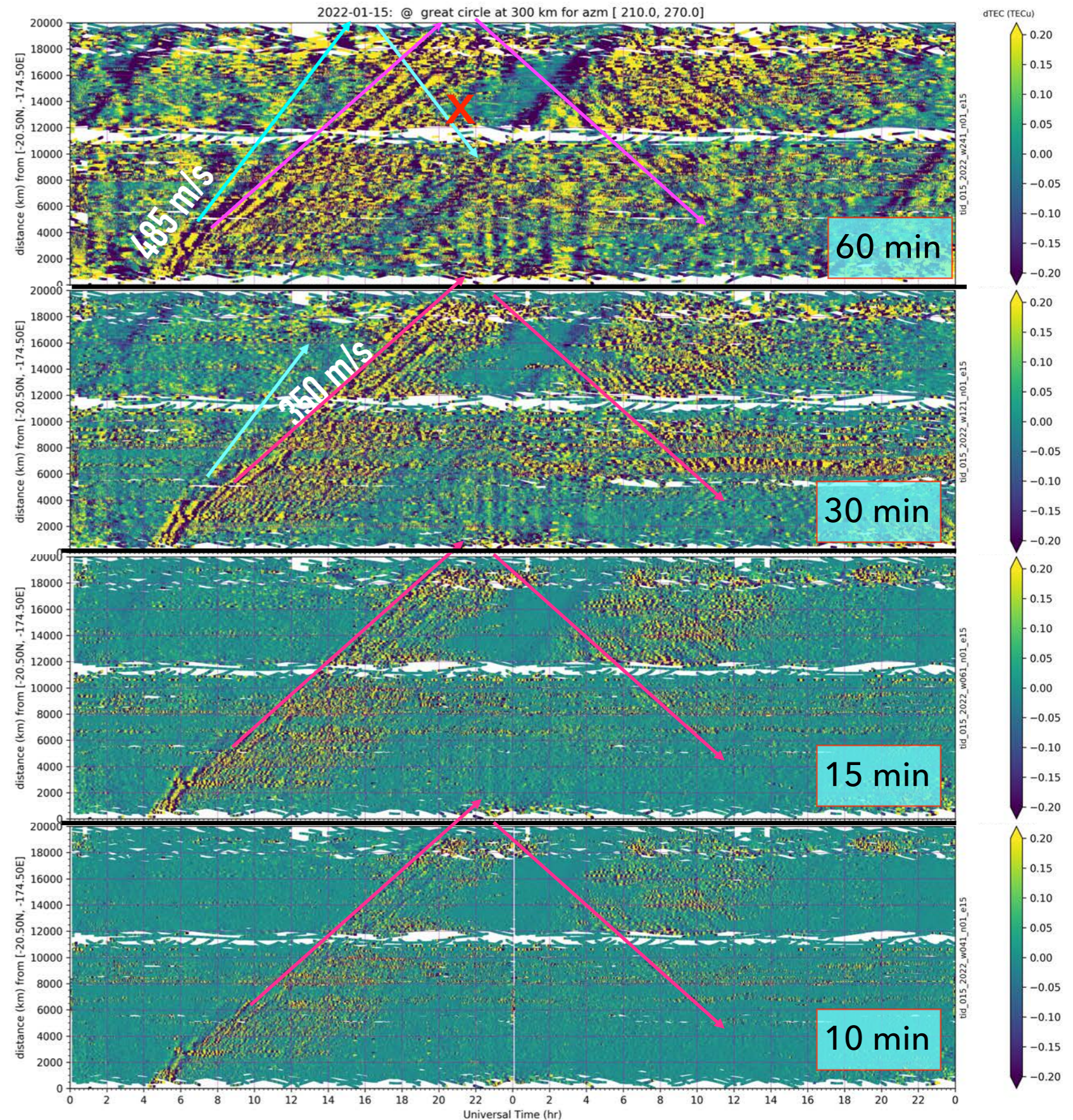
Certain TIDs were persistent

300-350 m/s



Different categories of TIDs

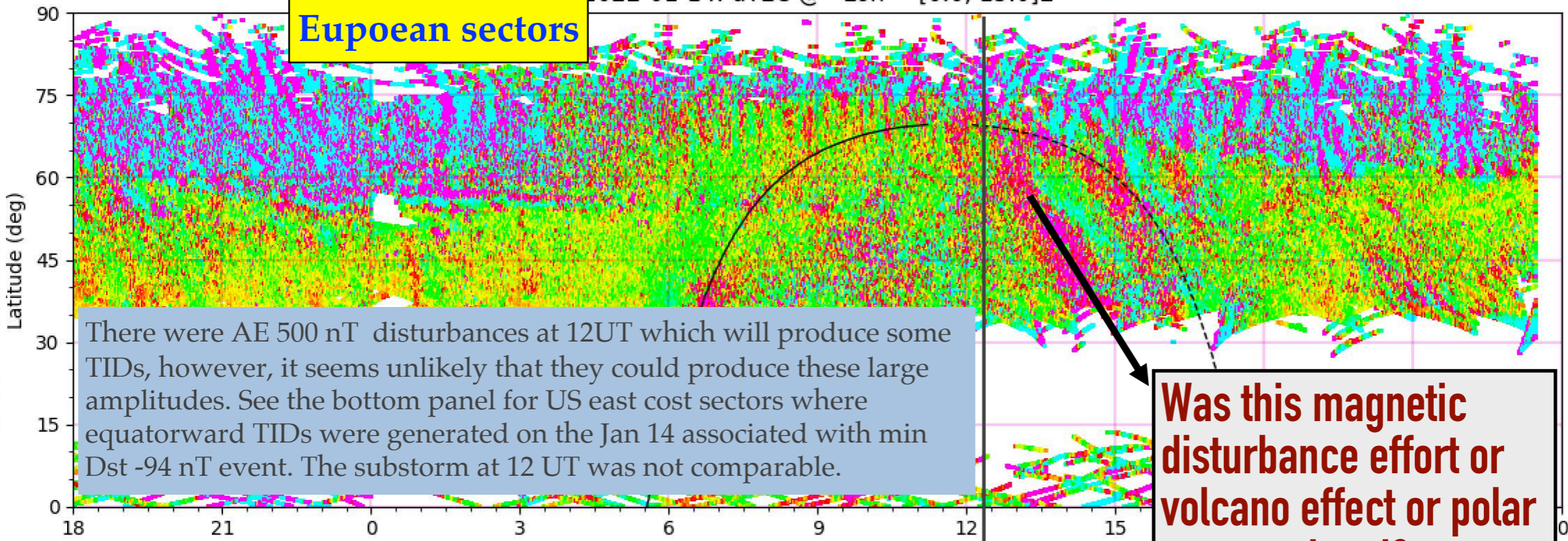
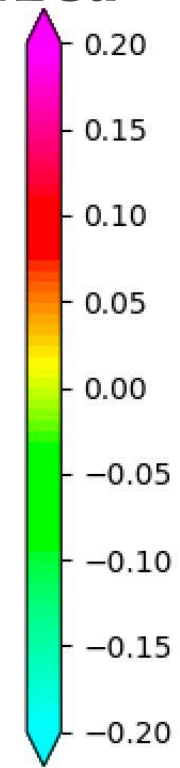
- ▶ TIDs at 485 m/s, appear to have reached 20K distance (near antipode) but don't seem to continue propagating
- ▶ A large impulsive wavefront, of > 30 min width.
- ▶ They started at SW azimuth; **not visible everywhere**
- ▶ TIDs at ~350 m/s were persistent globally, with a range of periods from <10 min (acoustic waves) to longer time (gravity waves)



2022-01-14: dTEC @ Lon = [0.0, 15.0]E

European sectors

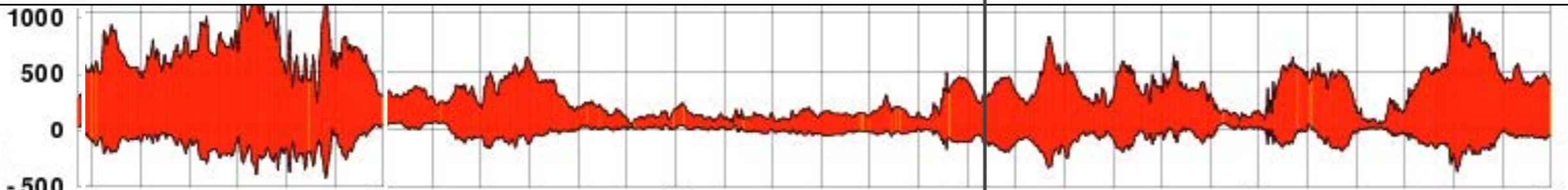
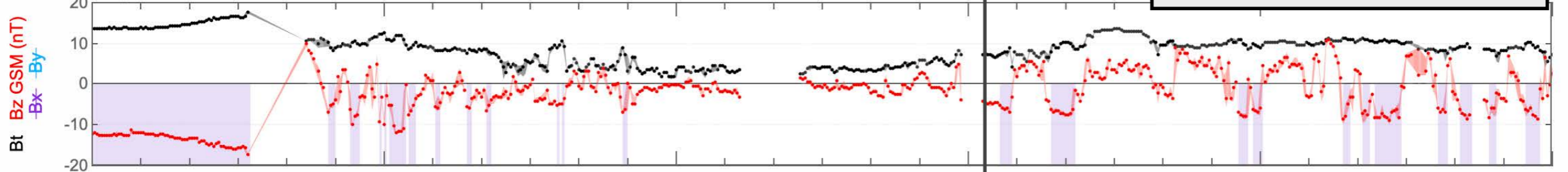
TECu



There were AE 500 nT disturbances at 12UT which will produce some TIDs, however, it seems unlikely that they could produce these large amplitudes. See the bottom panel for US east coast sectors where equatorward TIDs were generated on the Jan 14 associated with min Dst -94 nT event. The substorm at 12 UT was not comparable.

Was this magnetic disturbance effort or volcano effect or polar vortex related?

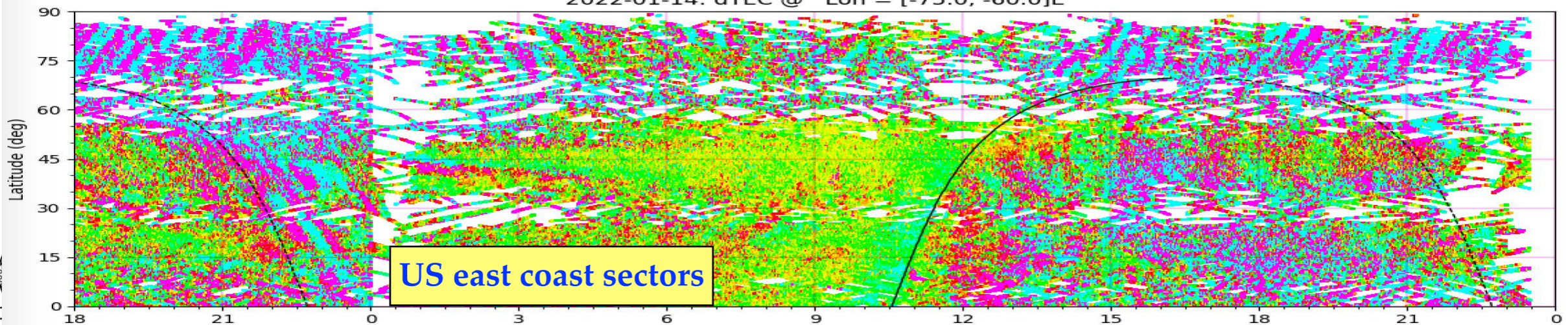
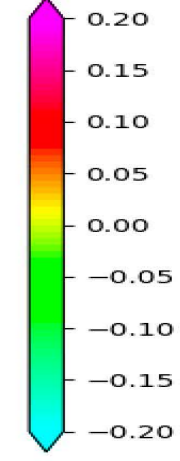
SWPC 2022-01-14 18:00:00 Mag + Solar Wind 1 day@3 min



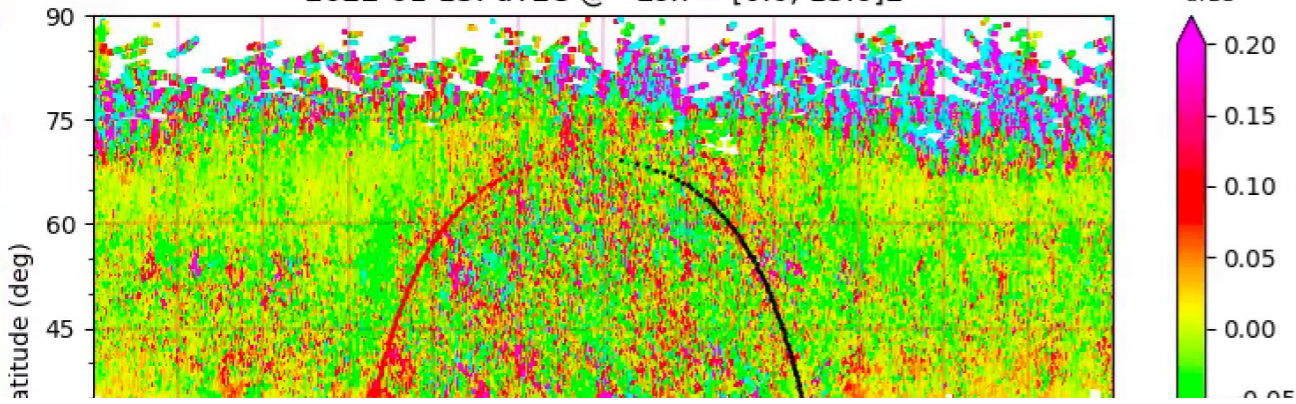
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US east coast sectors

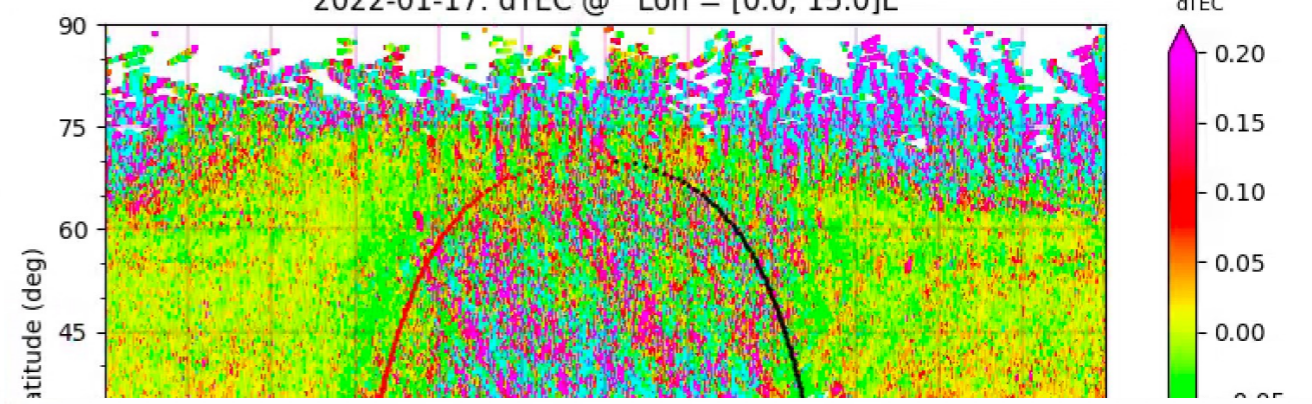
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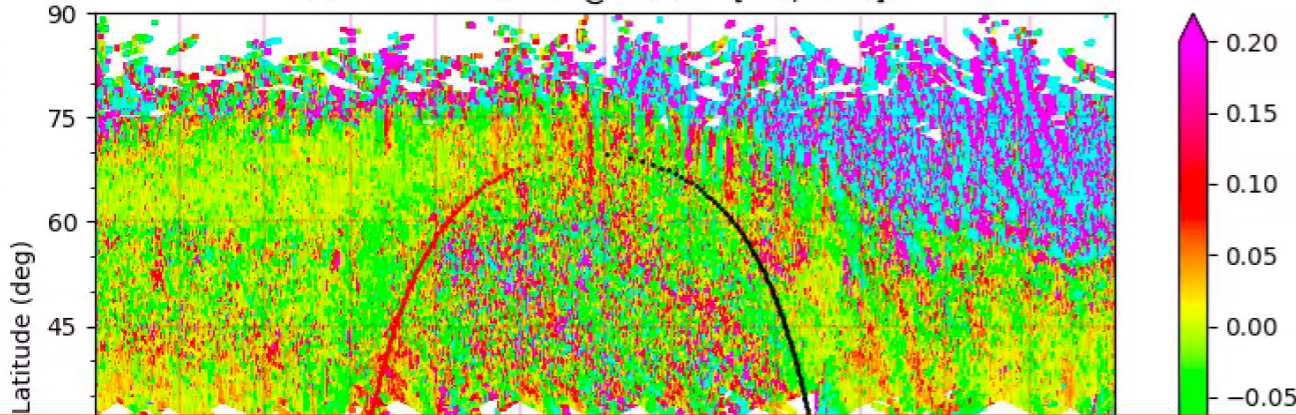
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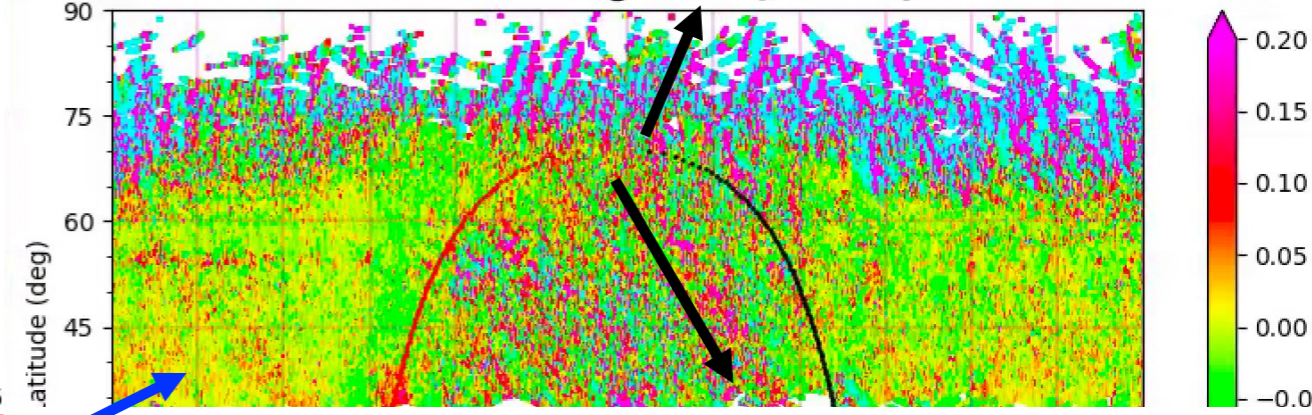
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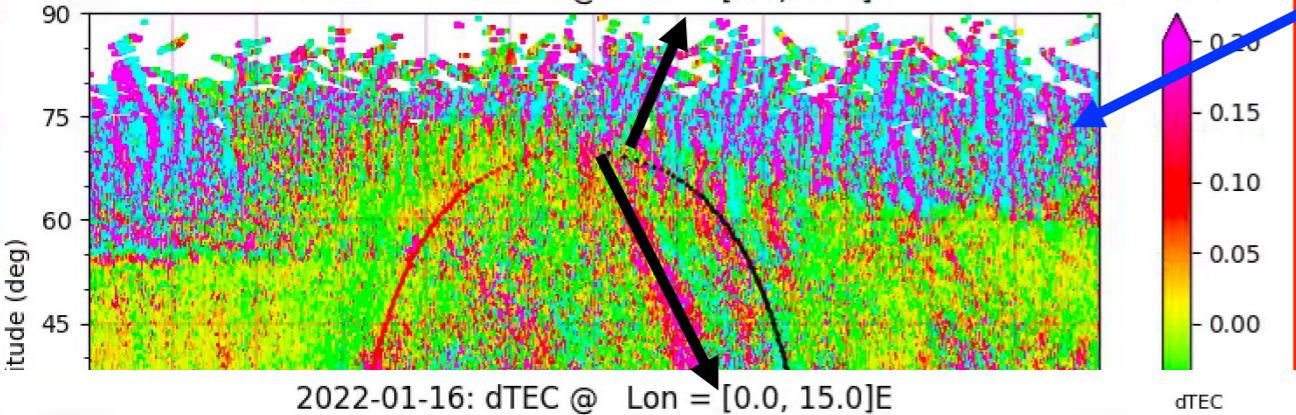
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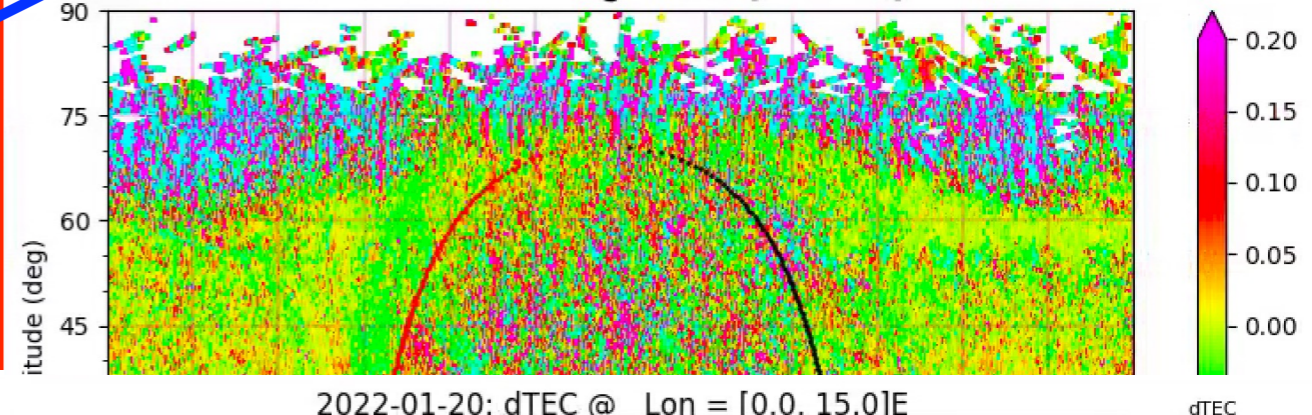
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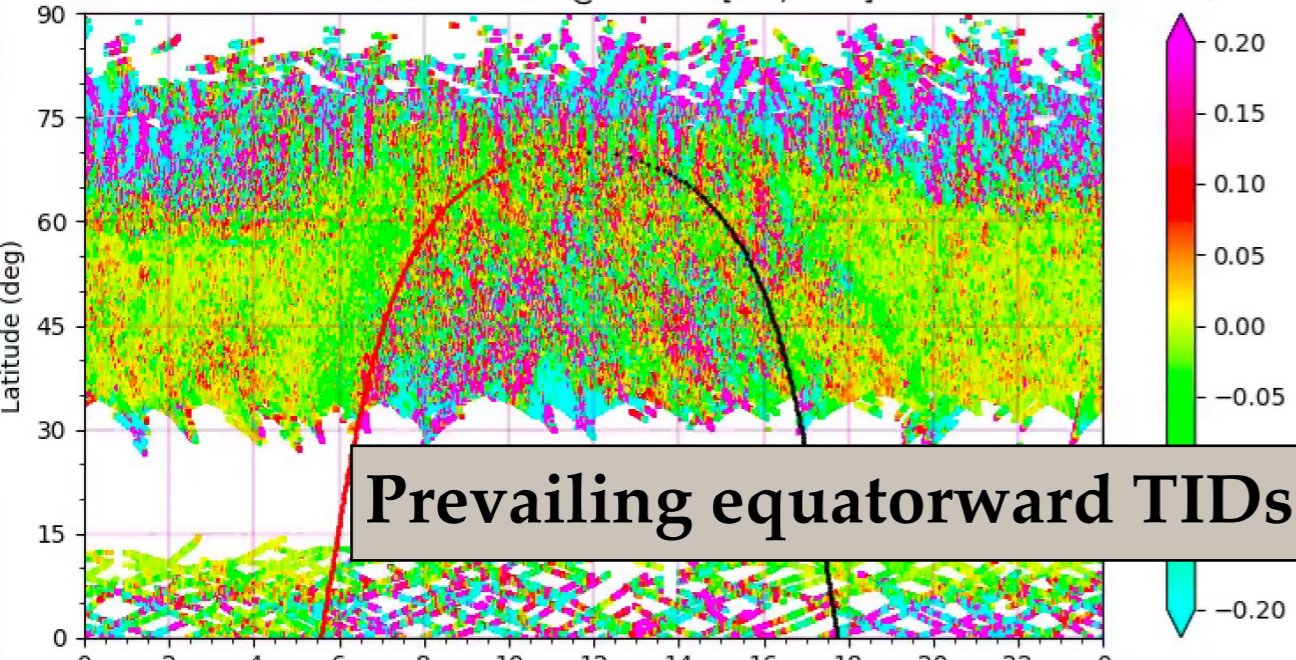
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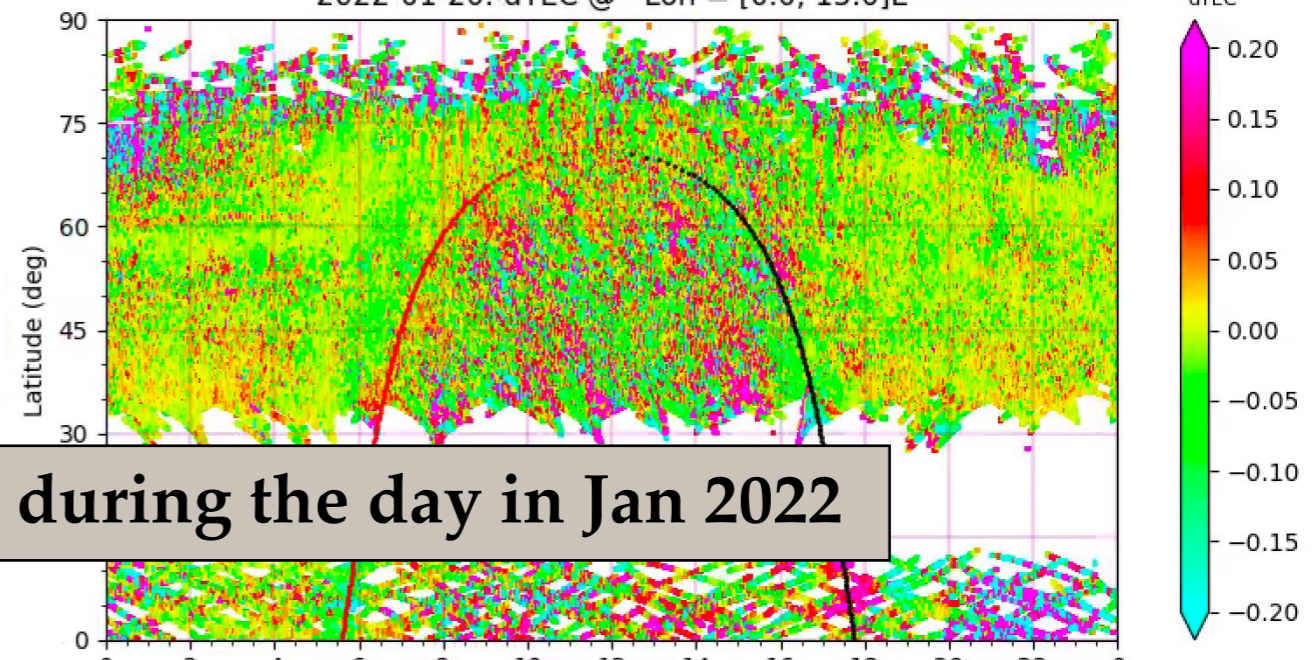
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2022-01-16: dTEC @ Lon = [0.0, 15.0]E



2022-01-20: dTEC @ Lon = [0.0, 15.0]E



Prevailing equatorward TIDs during the day in Jan 2022

Conclusions

- ❖ TIDs are vital manifestation of fundamental geospace-atmosphere coupling processes, tracking their effects on the ionosphere.
- ❖ **Dense (high spatial-temporal res) ionospheric observations** with wide coverage can facilitate new findings of TIDs, advancing our understanding of geospace-atmosphere coupling.
- ❖ Understanding some of those TID observations remains a significant challenge: their excitation, propagation, and dispersion processes are still poorly known.

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