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### **ABSTRACT**

The Finnish Geodetic Institute, the Geological Survey of Finland, Posiva Ltd and municipalities in the district of Satakunta launched the GeoSatakunta research program in 2002 to carry out interdisciplinary studies on regional bedrock stress field and to apply the results e.g. in land use planning in the Satakunta area. The area was chosen for many reasons. Its geological diversity, extensive multi-disciplinary data coverage, and various interests of participants made the area suitable for the project. The purpose of the GPS observations is to get detailed information on recent crustal deformations in the area. The Finnish Geodetic Institute maintains e.g. national GPS network, FinnRef, and since 1995 a local research network in the Olkiluoto area. The Satakunta network differs from these, and this is the first time to obtain such detailed information of a regional network in Finland.

The Satakunta GPS network consists of 13 concrete pillars for episodic GPS campaigns and the Olkiluoto permanent GPS station in the FinnRef network. The distances between the concrete pillars are 10-15 km, and the sites were chosen in a co-operation with the Geological Survey of Finland taking into account the geological structures in the area. The City of Pori made the final reconnaissance in the field and constructed eight pillars in 2003. The original network was expanded in 2005-2006 in Eurajoki and Rauma, and at the City of Rauma joined the co-operation. The five new pillars join the previous Olkiluoto network into the Satakunta network. There have been three annual GPS campaigns in 2003-2008.

Time series of the Satakunta network are shorter than in the Olkiluoto network, and also the distances are longer. Therefore, the same accuracy than in Olkiluoto has not yet achieved. However, mm-sized movements can be excluded. Estimated velocities were small (0.2 mm/a) and mostly statistically insignificant because of relatively short time series.

In this publication we describe the background of the GPS measurements, introduce the GeoSatakunta GPS network, discuss the GPS processing and present the results of the time series analysis. More measurement campaigns are anticipated in the future but it is not necessary to carry out measurements as frequently. Observing every 2-3 years one can monitor long-term trends but the epoch of abrupt movements are not possible to get accurately.

The GPS network can be used also as a reference for the cities and municipalities in the area. It is the most accurately measured regional network in Finland and its free access and open structure allows the use for many common purposes.

**Keywords:** Bedrock movement, GPS measurements, Satakunta area

## GPS-mittaukset Satakunnan alueella

### TIIVISTELMÄ

Geodeettinen laitos aloitti GeoSatakunta-projektiin liittyvät GPS-mittaukset Pori-Olkiluoto -alueella vuonna 2003 ja mittausten yhtenä tavoitteena on ollut saada tietoa Satakunnan kallioperän nykyhetken liikunnoista. Monitieteiseen projektiin ovat osallistuneet Geologian tutkimuskeskus, Geodeettinen laitos, Posiva Oy, sekä Porin ja Rauman kaupungit. EU-rahoitusta on saatu Satakuntaliiton kautta. Geologisesti Satakunnan alue on hyvin mielenkiintoinen ja siitä on olemassa huomattava määrä eri menetelmin kerättyä havaintoaineistoa. Kallioperän liikunnoista näin laajalla alueella ei tähänastisilla havainnoilla ole kuitenkaan voinut saada tietoa. Geodeettinen laitos ylläpitää maanlaajuista GPS-verkkoa ja on tehnyt GPS-mittauksia Olkiluodon alueella Posiva Oy:n tilaustutkimuksena muutaman kilometrin laajuisessa paikallisverkossa vuodesta 1995 lähtien. Satakunnan verkon mittausten luonne poikkeaa sekä valtakunnan laajuisesta että Olkiluodon paikallisesta tutkimusverkosta, eikä vastaavaa alueellista tutkimusta ole Suomessa aiemmin tehty.

Tarkkoihin GPS-mittauksiin suunniteltu verkko käsittää kaikkiaan 14 pysyvää betonipilaria, joista yksi on valtakunnallisen FinnRef-verkon pysyvä asema ja alkuperäinen Olkiluodon verkon piste. Keskimäärin 10-15 km välein olevien pilarien paikat valittiin yhteistyössä Geologian tutkimuskeskuksen kanssa ottaen huomioon mm. alueen geologinen rakenne. Porin kaupunki teki pisteiden rakennuspaikkojen valinnan maastossa sekä rakensi havaintopilarit. Alkuperäistä kahdeksan pisteen verkkoa laajennettiin vuosina 2005-2006 Eurajoelle ja Raumalle viidellä uudella pilarilla. Samalla yhteistyöhön saatiin mukaan Rauman kaupunki. Uudet pilarit yhdistävät myös Olkiluodon paikallisverkon Satakunnan verkkoon.

Satakunnan verkon aikasarjat ovat Olkiluotoa lyhyemmät ja pilarien välimatkat pitempiä, joten samaan tarkkuuteen ei mittauksissa ole vielä päästy. Kuitenkaan millimetrituokkaa olevia liikkeitä ei ole havaittu. Suurimmat laskennallisesti saatavat liikkeet ovat luokkaa 0.2 mm/v, mutta tähänastisista aikasarjoista ei voi tilastollisesti luotettavasti määrittää näin pieniä liikkeitä.

Tässä julkaisussa kuvataan Satakunnan alueen GPS-verkon rakentamiseen liittyvät taustat, verkon rakentaminen, GPS-mittaukset ja mittausten tulokset ja analyysi. Mittauksia on tarkoitus jatkaa myös tulevaisuudessa. Vuoteen 2008 saakka havaintoja on tehty kolme kertaa vuodessa, mutta tulevaisuudessa 2-3 vuoden välein. Monitoroinnilla voidaan selvittää pitkäaikaiset liikunnat nykyistä tarkemmin, mutta ei esimerkiksi äkillisten liikkeiden tarkkaa ajankohtaa.

GPS-verkkoa käytetään myös alueen kuntien ja kaupunkien kiintopisteverkkona. Se on tarkimmin mitattu ja tunnettu alueellinen GPS-verkko Suomessa. Verkon pilarien avoin rakenne mahdollistaa hyödyntämisen myös tällaiseen tarkoitukseen.

**Avainsanat:** Kallioliikunnot, GPS-mittaukset, Satakunta

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## 1 BACKGROUND

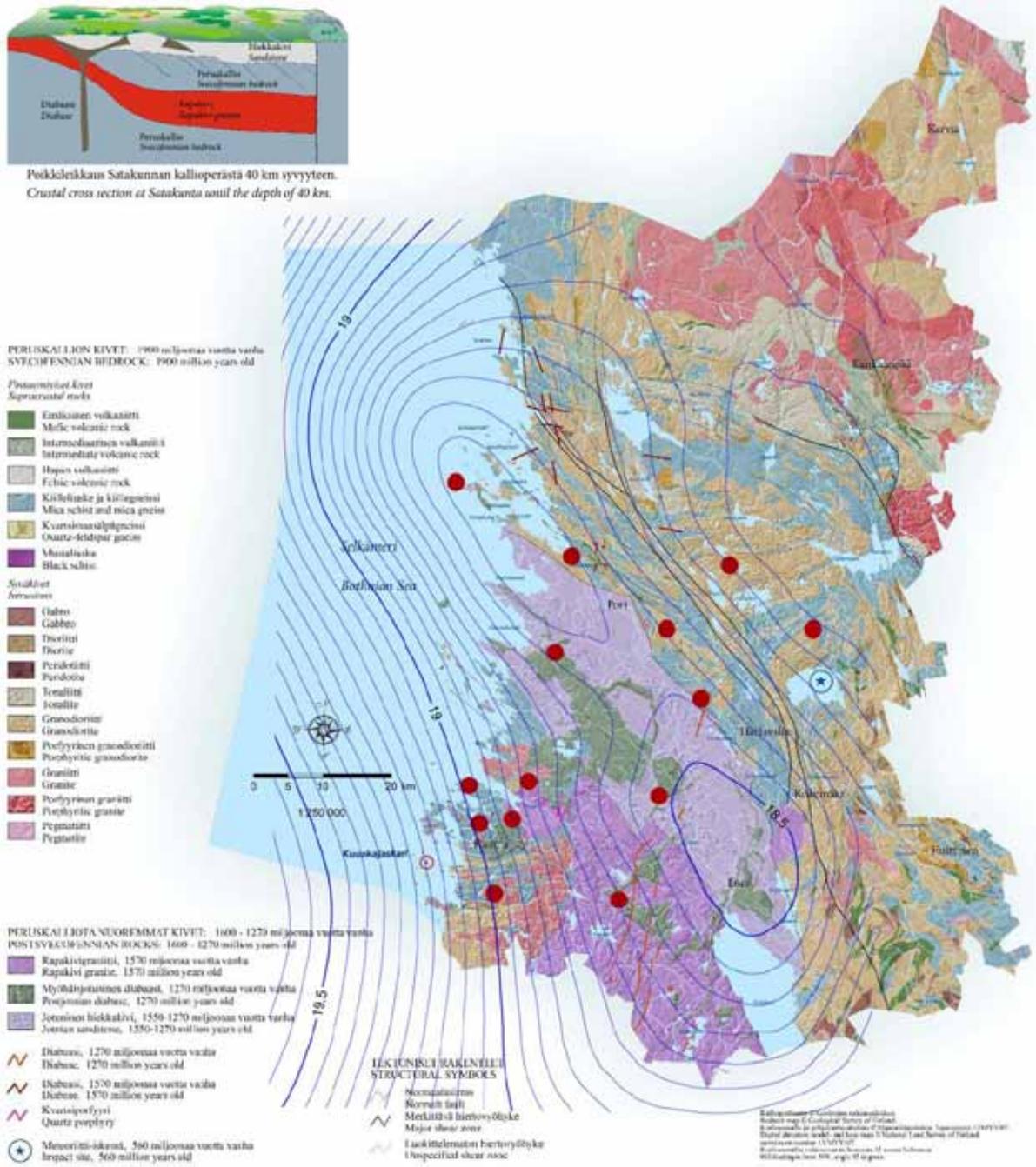
The Finnish Geodetic Institute (FGI), the Geological Survey of Finland (GSF), Posiva Ltd and municipalities in the district of Satakunta started the GeoSatakunta research program in 2002. A preceding project was initiated already in the year 2000. The purpose of the GeoSatakunta project is to get detailed information on recent crustal deformations in the area, study the geological structures and get information on the stress fields (Ahola & Poutanen 2006). In 2008-2009 the project was called InnoGeo.

The Satakunta area was chosen for many reasons. Its geological diversity, extensive multi-disciplinary data coverage, and various interests of participants made the area suitable for the project. In the geological side, the connections of Jotnian sandstone, Postjotnian diabase and the world famous Rapakivi granite are of main interest. An old shear zone of Kynsikangas begins from the Mid-Atlantic ridge, and it has been under a large deformation during the Svekofennian Orogen.

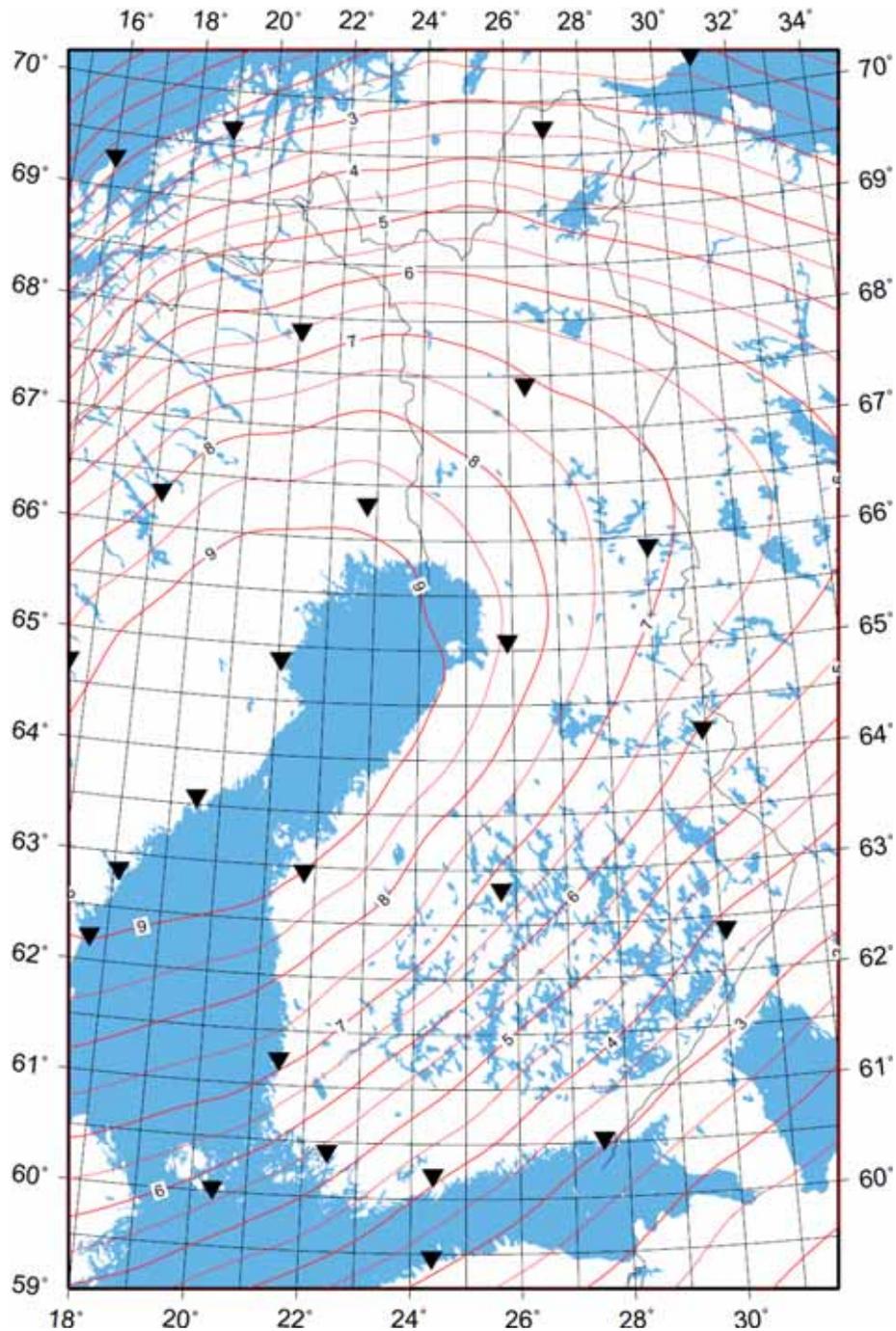
Plate tectonic reconstructions indicate that the area belongs to the early Proterozoic Southern Finland and Central Finland continental arcs. Collision of these arc complexes took place 1890 - 1880 Ma ago. The sandstone is bounded on both sides by fault zones and the age of the sandstones is at least 1400-1300 Ma. The zone is cut by younger Postjotnian olivine diabase dykes, 1270-1250 Ma in age. The age of the intruded Rapakivi granites is estimated to be 1580-1550 Ma (Paulamäki et al. 2002). In Figure 1-1 there is the geological structure of the area and a schematic diagram of the crustal structure.

The Proterozoic bedrock in the Gulf of Bothnia is to a great extent covered by younger sediments (Hutri 2007). The area contains several deep fracture zones that divide the bedrock into various separate blocks. Palaeoseismic faults in the sediments, dated to the early Holocene, about 10500 B.P., indicate that when the Late Weichselian ice sheet was retreating, bedrock stresses were released along the ancient fracture zones (Hutri 2007). Contemporary, the major element that deforms the crust in Fennoscandia is the Glacial Isostatic Adjustment (GIA). Since the last glaciation there has been the crustal rebound. Currently, it is about 7 mm/a in this area. From NW to SE of the area, the uplift rate changes about 1 mm/a. Such a gradient should have some effect over time on the stress field of the crust.

There are also other processes that are either slower or smaller in magnitude than the glacial-related processes. These can play an important role in long time scales or they can cause abrupt motions (earthquakes) when monitored over very long time spans. As listed in (Lambeck & Purcell 2003) these include erosion and sedimentation redistributed surface loads and stress on the crust, plate tectonic forces, including the Mid-Atlantic push, that can contribute to the regional stress, geological anomalies of the crust and lithosphere causing them to be in a non-equilibrium state and therefore introducing stress fields. Climate-change processes will cause actual changes in the sea level and water mass in addition to the relative sea-level change due to the postglacial rebound. All these signals are mixed together, causing both geometrical changes (vertical and horizontal displacements, local deformations, sea level change) and changes in gravity.



**Figure 1-1.** Geological structure of the Satakunta area. On top of the map there are the approximate positions of the GeoSatakunta GPS network points, and the contour lines of the geoid. Base map © Geological Survey of Finland ([www.pori.fi/geosatakunta](http://www.pori.fi/geosatakunta)), FIN2005 geoid model by Mirjam Bilker-Koivula (2009).



**Figure 1-2.** Contemporary postglacial rebound in Finland in [mm/a], relative to the centre of the Earth. We have applied the Nordic NKG2005LU model (Vestøl 2006, Ågren and Svensson, 2007) relative to the mean sea level at the Baltic tide gauges in 1892–1991. This was converted to the absolute vertical velocities by  $h_{abs} = 1.06(h_{rel} + 1.3 \text{ mm/y})$ . The formula takes into account the mean eustatic rise of the Baltic Sea during the last century and the rise of the geoid. Triangles show the permanent GNSS stations.

Lambeck and Purcell (2003) published an overview of the glacial stress and crustal rebound in Finland. They conclude that with current models realistic regional stress patterns can be predicted, and any crustal failure triggered by glacial loading and unloading will have occurred preferentially when a region became ice-free. They also conclude that the potential for reactivating faults today is negligible. As shown by the work of Hutri (2007), there has been faulting during the Holocene near the ancient fracture zones, possibly in connection of the ice retreat.

Contemporary deformation status of the Satakunta bedrock is unknown. The land uplift in the Satakunta area is between 6.5 – 7.5 mm/a (Figure 1-2). The 1 mm/a gradient in the area, combined with other deforming forces and complex crustal structure give rise to stress field which may cause deformation in the upper crust. Currently, no extensive seismic activity exists in the area (Seismo 2007). Expected deformation is presumably small, slow, or occur only occasionally. Therefore, long-lasting geodetic monitoring over a larger area is needed to recover the possible phenomena.

Geodesy is the key provider of data and accurate measurements needed for global, regional and local research of contemporary deformation, sea level and gravity change. Reliability of the results is based on a stable, well-defined global geodetic reference frame in which the precise observations are made. Space geodetic technique, especially GPS (or more generally, GNSS, *Global Navigation Satellite Systems*), has proved to be invaluable in this. The geodetic observations, especially repeated GPS observations described in this publication, will contribute to the detailed information about recent crustal movements in the area (Ahola & Poutanen 2006, Poutanen 2005).

With the GNSS techniques, positions and change rates of network stations can be accurately determined from regular measurement campaigns or continuous observations. This suggests that the components of deformation measures (such as the stress or strain tensor) can be estimated from the highly accurate geodetic data and analysed by means of the proper statistical testing procedures. The eigenspace components of these random deformation tensors (principal components, principal directions) are of focal interest in geodesy, geology, and geophysics. They play an important role in interpreting the geodetic-geodynamic-geophysical phenomena like earthquakes (seismic deformations), plate motions and crustal deformations among others.

National gravity networks have been maintained with relative gravimetric measurements. There have been only a limited number of absolute gravity points. In recent years, possibilities to make absolute measurements have been improved. We are moving toward the situation where the primary reference network is maintained by absolute measurements and the sites are common with those of other techniques, e.g. permanent GNSS stations. Measuring the secular change of gravity in a gravimetric network of permanent stations over long periods of time affords a unique method to monitor large-scale mass movements. In order to resolve models of mass redistribution in glacial isostatic rebound models, gravity change needs to be determined at 1 to 2 nm/s<sup>2</sup>/a reproducibility.

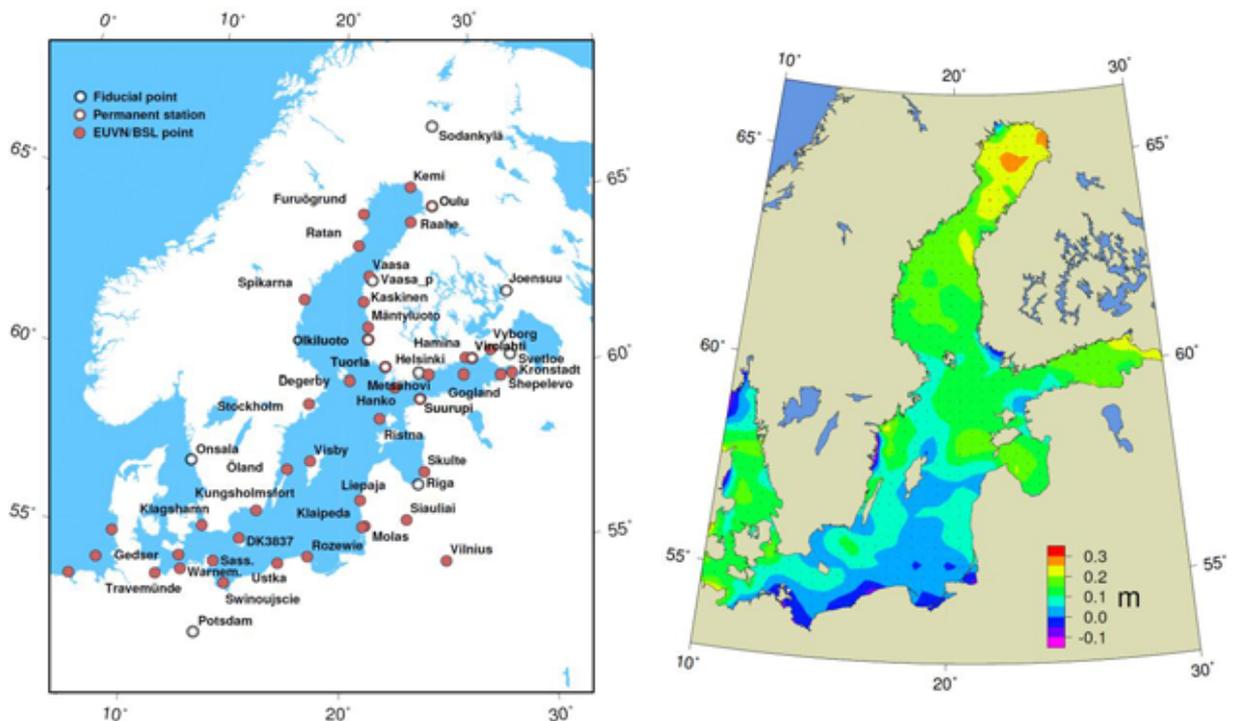
In the following we will describe some previous geodetic measurements related to the Satakunta area, discuss methods in GPS determination and describe the establishment of the GPS network in the area and give the results of the observations.

## 2 SOME EARLIER AND RELATED GEODETIC STUDIES

### 2.1 The Baltic Sea Level Campaign

The first GPS-based study in the area was the *Baltic Sea Level* (BSL) project. It was initiated in the Scientific Assembly of the IAG (*International Association of Geodesy*) in Edinburgh in 1989 and it lasted until the IUGG (*International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics*) General Assembly in Birmingham in 1999. Goals of the Baltic Sea Level Project included unification of the vertical datums in the countries around the Baltic Sea, to contribute to the determination of the gravity field and the geoid in the Baltic Sea region, to determine the sea level and sea surface topography of the Baltic Sea, to monitor postglacial rebound, especially in the sea area, and to re-measure the Baltic Ring for horizontal crustal deformation studies.

Series of repeated GPS measurements were performed in 1990 (BSL I), 1993 (BSL II) and 1997 (BSL III). The network of BSL III is shown in Figure 2-1. The BSL III was arranged simultaneously with the EUVN (*European Vertical GPS Reference Network*) GPS campaign. The total number of stations was about 60. Details and results of the BSL GPS campaigns are published in Kakkuri 1994, 1995, Kakkuri & Poutanen 1997, Poutanen & Kakkuri 1999, and Poutanen 2000.



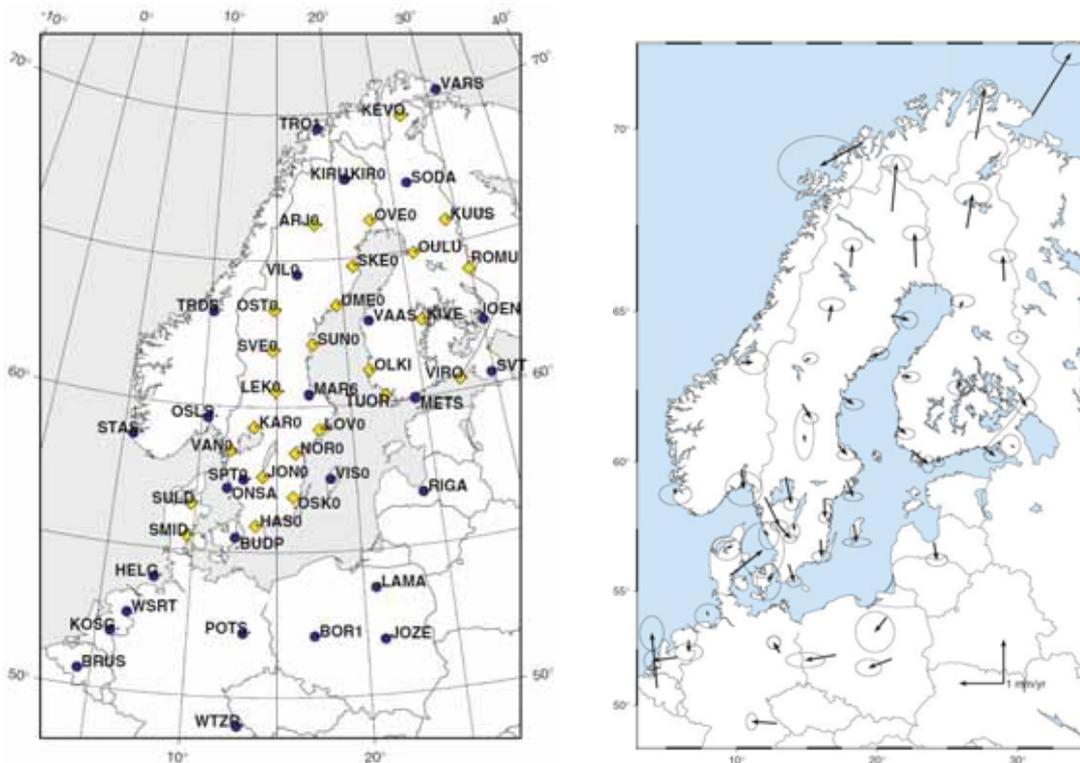
**Figure 2-1.** (Left): Network of the BSL97 GPS campaign. (Right): Sea Surface Topography as determined from the BSL GPS campaigns and ERS1 and ERS2 satellite altimetry data. (Poutanen 2000).

## 2.2 BIFROST project

*Baseline Inferences for Fennoscandian Rebound Observations, Sea Level, and Tectonics* (BIFROST) has been a project that was initiated already in 1993 taking advantage of tens of permanent GPS stations both in Finland and Sweden. Researchers in United States, Canada, Great Britain, Sweden and the Finland take part in the BIFROST project. The main BIFROST results are published in Milne et al. 2001 and 2004, Johansson et al. 2002, and Scherneck et al. 2002. Longer GPS time series were published by Lidberg (2007).

The goal of BIFROST is to measure the contemporary crustal deformation in Fennoscandia and provide a new GIA (Glacial Isostatic Adjustment) observable for determination of the Earth structure and Fennoscandian ice history. The project aims at inference of absolute sea level change by combination of the vertical rates with tide gauge derived relative sea level rates. The project also expects to reveal horizontal motion, and possible perturbation due to other sources of stress, generally covered under the term of neotectonics or intraplate tectonics (Figure 2-2).

As the result of the BIFROST studies (Johansson et al. 2002, Milne et al. 2001, 2004, Scherneck et al. 2002) of the Fennoscandian postglacial rebound mechanism, we know that in addition to the land uplift, there is also a horizontal component of motion, where the surface of the Earth's crust moves away from the uplift centre at a speed of about 10 % of the uplift rate. Due to the sparse network, BIFROST is unable to give detailed information in our area of interest.

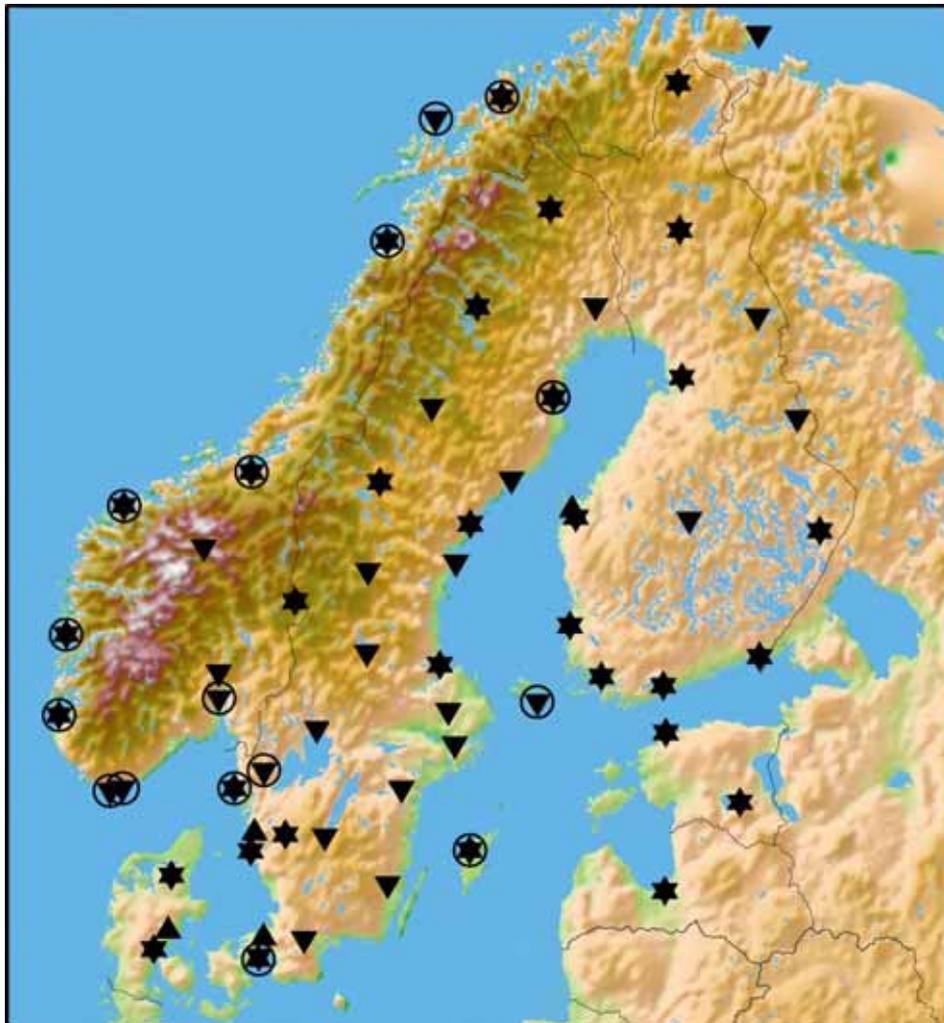


**Figure 2-2.** (Left): Network of the BIFROST project covers more than 50 permanent GPS stations. (Right): Horizontal velocity differences of the Milne GIA model minus GPS estimates. Lidberg (2007).

### 2.3 Finnish permanent GPS network FinnRef<sup>®</sup> and the Nordic Geodetic Observing System NGOS

The Finnish permanent GPS network FinnRef<sup>®</sup> consists of 13 permanent GPS stations. The distances between the stations are 100-200 km. The network is the backbone of the Finnish realisation of the European coordinate reference system ETRS89, referred as to EUREF-FIN. Most of the stations have been operational since 1996 offering now a possibility for 10-year long time series.

Four stations in the FinnRef<sup>®</sup> network (Metsähovi, Vaasa, Joensuu, Sodankylä) belong to the *EUREF permanent GNSS network (EPN)*, and one station (Metsähovi) belongs to the network of the *International GNSS Service (IGS)* of the IAG. Through these stations FinnRef creates a connection to the global reference frames and the stations are used for maintaining global reference frames as well as geodetic and geodynamic studies (Koivula 2006, Mäkinen et al. 2003, Ollikainen et al. 1997).



**Figure 2-3.** Network of the Nordic Geodetic Observing System NGOS. Upside-down triangles show permanent GNSS stations, triangles sites included in the NGOS absolute gravity plan, and circles denote tide gauges included in the NGOS. The Finnish permanent GNSS network FinnRef<sup>®</sup> consists of 13 stations shown on the map.

All FinnRef<sup>®</sup> stations are used in the computation of the joint Nordic GNSS network and they enable the study of the crustal motions of the Earth. The absolute gravity observations have been made at eight GPS stations, viz. in Metsähovi, Vaasa, Joensuu, Olkiluoto, Virolahti, Kevo, Kuusamo and Sodankylä with the FG5 gravimeter owned by the FGI.

GPS and gravity observations made on the permanent GPS stations are a part of the Nordic Geodetic Observing System, NGOS. Established by the Nordic Geodetic Commission, NGOS is planned to be a regional implementation and densification of the Global Geodetic Observing System, GGOS (Poutanen et al. 2005, 2007). NGOS will contribute to the GGOS and other IAG Services, provide the reference frames for the Nordic countries, as well as contribute to the global ones, support scientific projects related to the geodynamics of the Nordic area and provide ground-truth for satellite missions. NGOS aims to provide geodetic observations for the Nordic area that are of sufficient quantity and quality to serve most of the needs of global Earth observation as well as practical and scientific applications in the region. For the Nordic countries, a main focus will be on crustal motion, dynamics of glaciated areas and sea level.

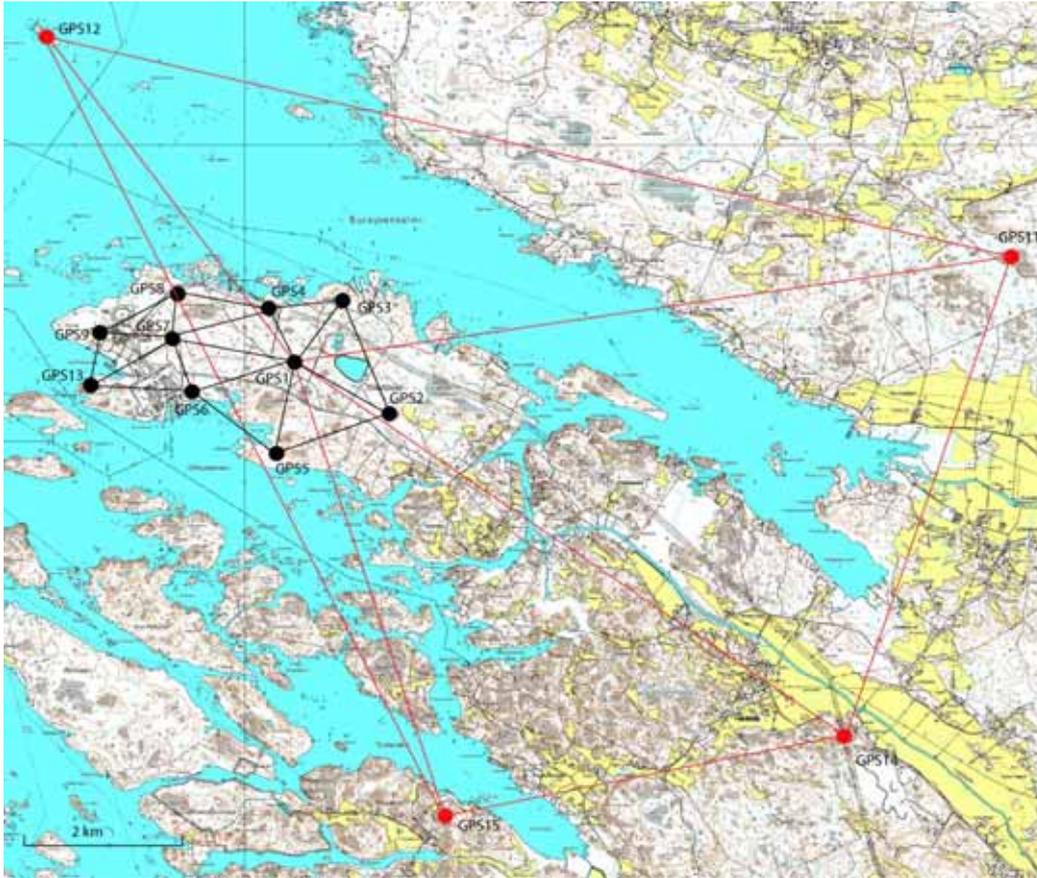
Although FinnRef<sup>®</sup> or NGOS network is too sparse for studies in the Satakunta area (only Olkiluoto is inside the area), it forms the basic reference in the Nordic area for all geodynamics studies. Stability of the network is of ultimate importance to any GNSS-related work. Adding the gravity information, one has a possibility to get more detailed information on the processes in lithosphere and upper mantle. Olkiluoto is also a reference station on GPS observations in the area.

## 2.4 Deformation studies at Olkiluoto

GPS based deformation studies have been made at the investigation areas of Posiva since 1994, when the network of ten GPS pillars was established at Olkiluoto (Chen and Kakkuri, 1995). The network of seven GPS pillars was built at Kivetty and Romuvaara during the year 1996. One pillar in each investigation area belongs to the Finnish permanent GPS network, FinnRef<sup>®</sup>.

The GPS network at Olkiluoto was extended in 2003 and 2005. Including the new pillars the local GPS network at Olkiluoto consists of 14 stations (Figure 2-4). The new pillars were built close to Kuivalahti, Taipalmaa and Hankkila villages and on a small island of Iso Pyrekari. According to the geological evidence it is expected that a fracture zone is located between the new stations, thus enabling the determination of possible deformations along the fracture zone. The new pillars have been observed since 2003 and 2005, but the time series are still too short for reliable deformation studies.

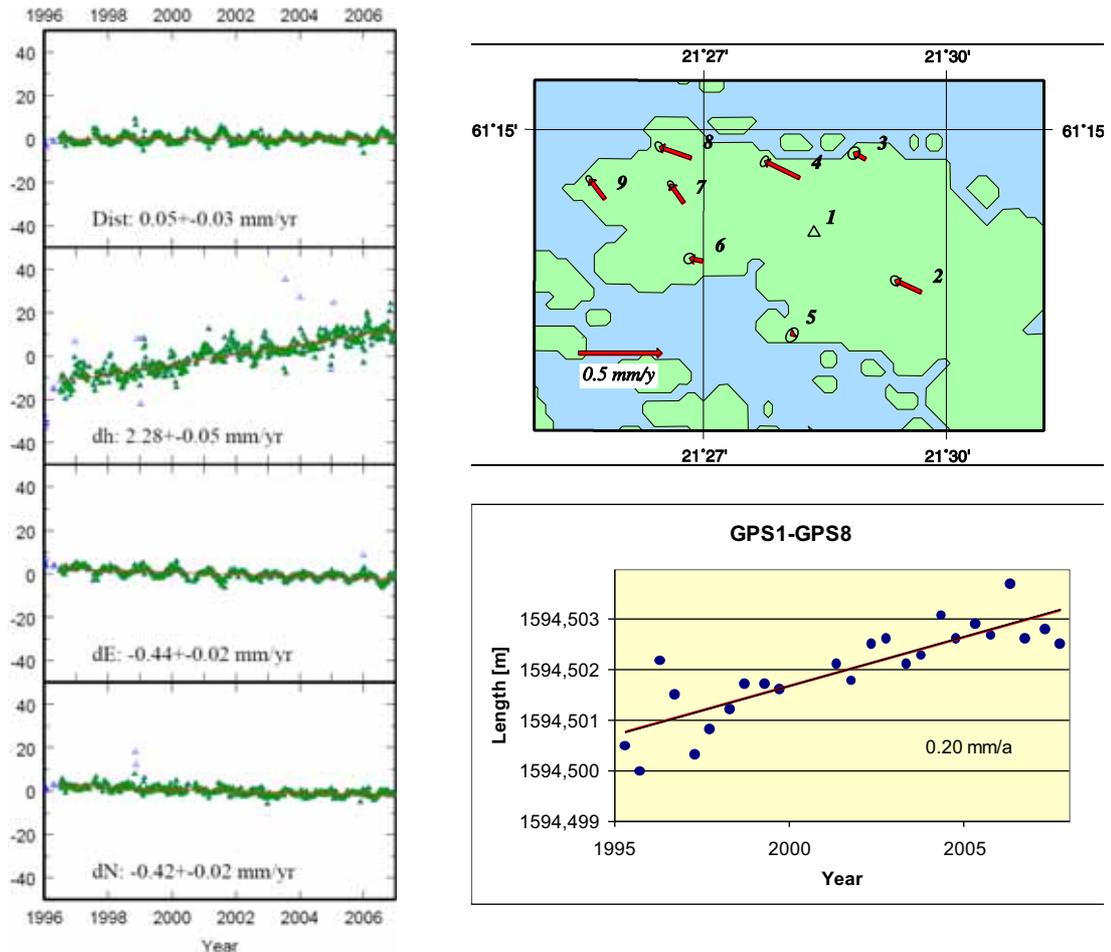
The whole network at Olkiluoto is measured twice a year (Figure 2-5). A total of 24 GPS campaigns have been carried out since 1995 (Ahola et al. 2008). There are five pillars, which have statistically significant horizontal velocities at Olkiluoto. These local velocity components are small but taking into account the standard deviations the largest velocity components seems to be reliably determined (maximum velocity is 0.20 mm/a  $\pm$  0.03 mm/a), see Figure. 2-6.



**Figure 2-4.** The local GPS monitoring network at the investigation area of Olkiluoto. Black: Original network has been established in 1994 (GPS13 in 2003). Red: Pillars have been established in 2003 and 2005.



**Figure 2-5.** GPS measurements at Olkiluoto. (Photograph T. Ahola)



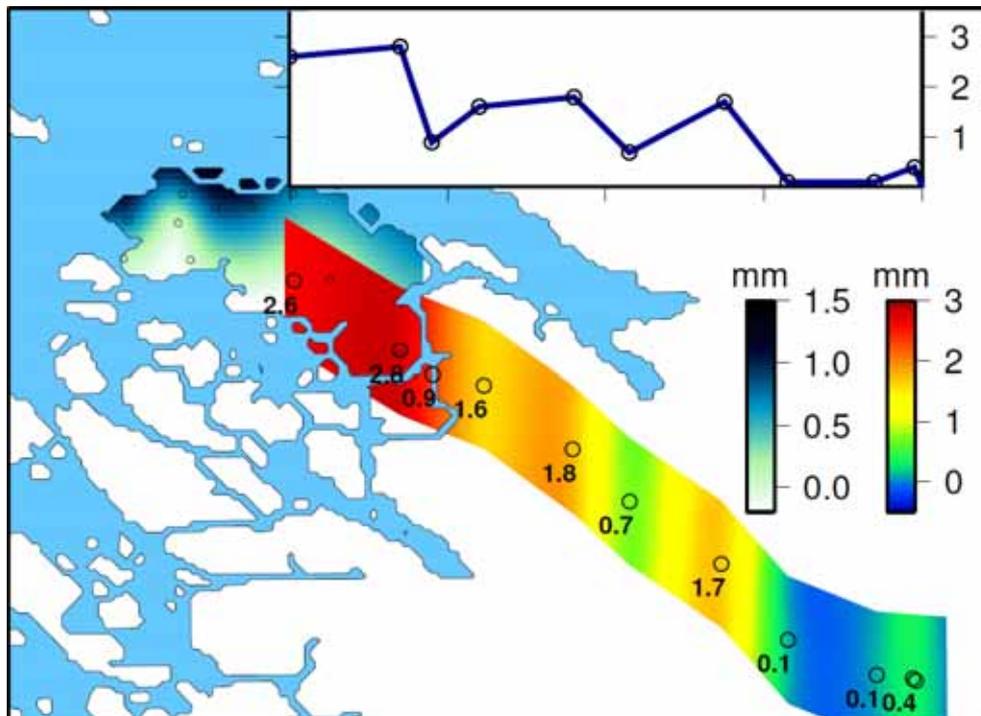
**Figure 2-6.** (Left): Time series of Metsähovi-Olkiluoto vector components. From top to bottom: baseline length, height, East, and North components. (Right) The most significant change rate ( $0.20$  mm/a  $\pm$   $0.03$  mm/a) at Olkiluoto is between the pillars GPS1 and GPS8 (Ahola et al. 2007 and 2008).

The uniform scale for the GPS measurements made in different years is the basic condition for reliable results in the deformation analyses. At Olkiluoto a baseline for electronic distance measurements (EDM) was built in 2002. The baseline has been measured using EDM instruments simultaneously with the GPS observations. The comparison between the GPS and EDM results can solve a possible scale error of the GPS.

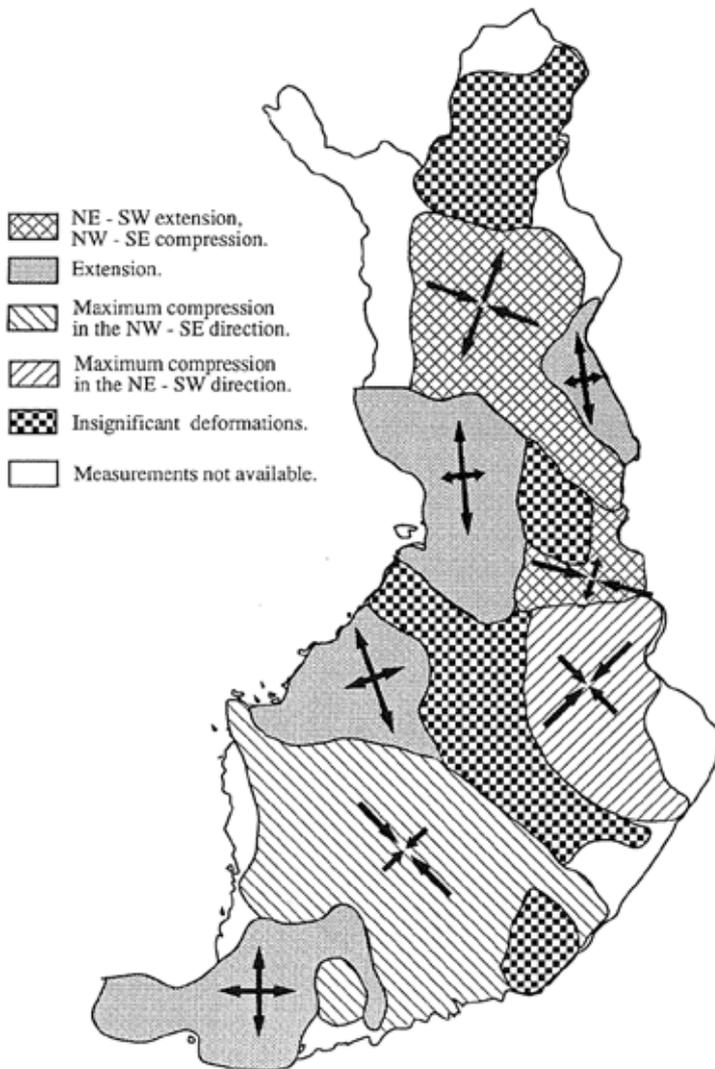
GPS measurements are suitable to determine horizontal deformations, but the accuracy of height determination is not adequate. The FGI started to determine possible vertical deformations at Olkiluoto with precise levelling in 2003 (Figure 2-7). Levelling campaigns will be performed every second year and they are reported in separate working reports (Lehmuskoski 2004, 2006, 2008). Levelling shows of about  $0.6$  mm/a anomalous uplift rate between the precise levelling benchmark 51301 in Lapijoki and the 03219 on the Olkiluoto Island, about  $13$  km from each other (Figure 2-8). There is an additional  $0.15$  mm/a rate between 51301 and 03219 due to the land uplift difference, not shown on this plot. Moreover, the Northern part of the Olkiluoto Island is lifting  $0.2 - 0.3$  mm/a relative to the Southern part, see Figure 2-8. (Lehmuskoski 2008)



*Figure 2-7. Precise levelling at Olkiluoto. (Photograph J. Ahola.)*



*Figure 2-8. Anomalous height change (in mm) at Olkiluoto based on repeated precise levelling during the four year period 2003-2007 (Lehmuskoski, 2008). The inserted profile shows that the change has happened mainly on two places. The colour shade on the Olkiluoto Island shows the tilt of the island during the same time, based on the repeated levelling between the GPS pillars.*



*Figure 2-9. A simplified pattern on stress and strain in Finland based on deformation studies by Chen (1991).*

## 2.5 DynaQlim and RCD-LITO

Chen (1991) published a study on crustal deformation in Finland using the triangulation data. The accuracy of triangulation is not sufficient for any detailed study in spite of the long time span. However, Chen showed regions with compression or extension; some of these coinciding with known crustal structures (Figure 2-9). This pattern is still to be confirmed.

With modern space geodetic techniques, accuracies will be at least one or two order of magnitudes better thus enabling a much shorter time series. Currently, there is an ongoing project RCD-LITO, funded by the Academy of Finland, where one hundred points observed with GPS in ten years interval will be used for a similar study. As a cooperation with the University of Stuttgart, we have used data from the Finnish Permanent GPS network FinnRef to compute the deformation tensors in Finland (Cai et al. 2007). In addition to the country-wide network, the other part of the RCD-LITO project concentrates to the Satakunta region in the *GeoSatakunta* project.

The RCD-LITO is under the umbrella of a global project: *Upper Mantle Dynamics and Quaternary Climate in Cratonic Areas, DynaQlim*. Aim of the DynaQlim is to understand the relations between the upper mantle dynamics, mantle composition, physical properties, temperature and rheology, to study the postglacial uplift and ice thickness models, Quaternary climate variations and Weichselian (Laurentian and other) glaciations during the late Quaternary (DynaQlim, 2008). Improved knowledge of the Earth's mantle and its coupling to the lithosphere and to the surface is a key to understand forces that generate these features.

The idea for the DynaQlim was first developed in the Finnish National Lithosphere Committee (Poutanen et al. 2006) and it was accepted as an ILP (International Lithosphere Program) regional co-ordination committee in 2007. DynaQlim is interdisciplinary (geology, geophysics, geodesy, seismology), it has global relevance and potentially wide geographic coverage, and it will provide new results in basic geosciences. On the geodetic side, the benefit of the multi-disciplinary approach is the improved crustal dynamics models which will be used for precise and stable global reference frames, essential in the coming decades. And vice versa, geodetic techniques and stable reference frames are needed in this research.

As a result of the DynaQlim project we expect to have a more comprehensive understanding of the Earth's response to glaciations, improved modelling of crustal and upper mantle dynamics as rheology structure. An important aspect is to construct and improve coupled models of glaciation and land-uplift history and their connection to the climate evolution on the time scale of glacial cycles. Results can be applied for the contemporary climate evolution, consequences of the global change and fate and future of the current glaciers (Poutanen et al. 2009).

On the local level, participation in the *GeoSatakunta* project under the aforementioned framework allows us to study both land uplift and local geodynamics in a detailed way. This far, GeoSatakunta project (in 2008-2009, InnoGeo) has been funded by EU, Cities of Pori and Rauma, Posiva Ltd and participating institutes. The main participants in the research are the Geological Survey of Finland, the Finnish Geodetic Institute (FGI), and the City of Pori.

A network of 13 GPS points has been established in the area in 2002-2006, and the FGI is performing regular measurements three times per year as described in the next chapter. A sub-network around the Olkiluoto nuclear power station has been monitored already more than a decade. The Olkiluoto network is nowadays connected to the larger GeoSatakunta network.

Partly funded by the Academy of Finland, the FGI is performing a study on precise geoid models in the area. Geoid will give additional information, as one can see in Figure 1-1.



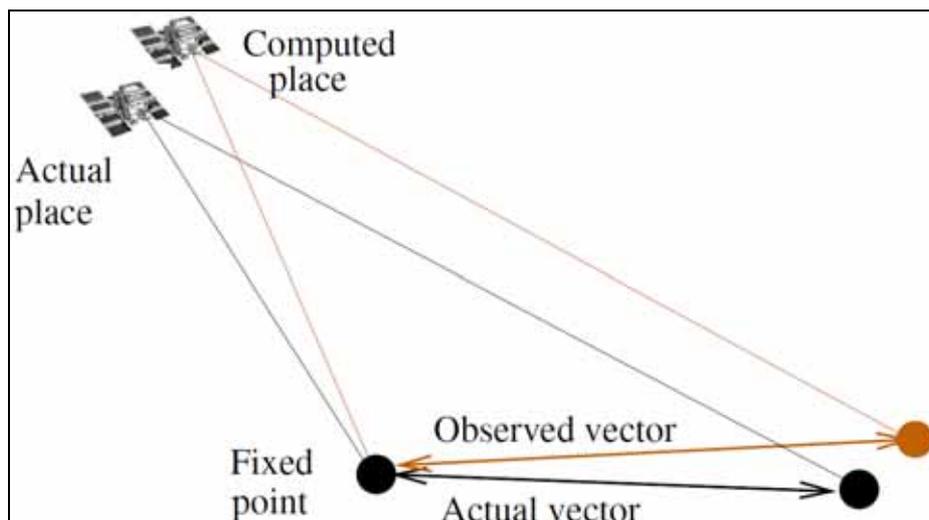
### 3 GPS OBSERVING ERRORS

GPS is an excellent tool for deformation studies. There is no need for inter-station visibility, distances are not limited to the local scale and accuracies are generally superb to the traditional methods, especially over longer distances. There are, however, some limitations in accuracy due to observation errors. Especially heights and height changes are more difficult to monitor with GPS than the horizontal motions. Some of the GPS errors are random, and can be minimized by increasing the number of observations or length of time series. Others can be more systematic, and in those cases biases cannot be removed. However, in most cases we may assume that biases are constant in time and therefore cancelled if we are monitoring only changes.

During the post-processing, software normally gives also estimation on the accuracy. In many cases the formal errors of a GPS solution do not agree with the actual errors of the measurement but are normally far too optimistic. This indicates that the error distribution does not obey white noise or there are unresolved biases. Repeatability of observations is a better indication of accuracy.

In the following we discuss some of the errors in GPS deformation studies and how they affect the accuracy. The error sources include the satellite orbit errors (Figure 3-1), ionosphere and troposphere refraction, multipath and antenna electric phase centre variation.

Currently, orbital accuracy based on Broadcast ephemeris of GPS satellites is in the range of 1-2 meters and clock errors smaller than 10 ns (IGS, 2008). With IGS precise ephemeris one can get down to 0.05 m and 0.1 ns, respectively. In most precise deformation studies precise orbits are recommended, although errors due to the broadcast ephemeris will remain well below 0.1 ppm. In our work we have used IGS precise orbits and clocks for satellites.



**Figure 3-1.** Effect of the satellite orbit error on observed vectors. As a rule of thumb, 25 m error in satellite orbit cause 1 ppm error in observed position. Currently, satellite broadcast ephemeris are better than 2.5 m, and precise ephemeris better than 0.05 m. In most cases orbit-related errors are insignificant.

There are three major sources of error in the signal propagation from the satellite to the receiver. These are ionosphere, troposphere and multipath. In the GPS terminology, we divide the medium between the satellite and receiver in two parts: the neutral part of the atmosphere, below 50-60 km is called troposphere, and the rest (above some 60 km) is called ionosphere. Both cause signal delay and change in apparent observed distance to the satellite. This is sometimes called ionosphere and troposphere refraction.

Ionosphere is dispersive and the signal propagation depends on its frequency. Therefore it is possible to eliminate the ionosphere in dual frequency observations where an ionosphere-free combination can be created. Troposphere is non-dispersive in GPS frequencies, and therefore it is not possible to eliminate in the same way. Multipath depends on the surroundings of the antenna and is unique for each site and time. It is caused by reflections of the signal from various surfaces around the antenna causing the signal to come to the antenna from several paths.

A simplified observation equation for the carrier pseudorange  $L_i$  (the observed distance using the carrier wavelength, and which is corrupted by several sources of errors) in the frequency  $i$  can be written as

$$L_i = (N + \varphi)\lambda + c \cdot \delta T + \Delta_i^{ion} + \Delta_i^{trop} + \Delta_i^{multi} + \dots$$

where  $N$  is the number of full carrier wavelengths between the satellite and the receiver,  $\varphi$  is the fractional part,  $\lambda$  is the wavelength,  $c$  is the speed of light,  $\delta T$  is the clock error, and  $\Delta$ 's are the ionosphere, troposphere and multipath effect on the signal in frequency  $i$ . The true distance is  $(N + \varphi)\lambda$ .

The effect of the ionosphere is inversely proportional to the square of the frequency  $f$  and directly proportional to TEC, the total number of free electrons in the signal path

$$\Delta_i^{ion} \propto \text{TEC} / f_i^2.$$

If we denote the observed pseudorange in frequency  $f_1$  by  $L_1$  and pseudorange in  $f_2$  by  $L_2$  we can write the ionosphere-free combination  $L_3$  as follows (Dach et al. 2007)

$$L_3 = \frac{f_{L1}^2}{f_{L1}^2 - f_{L2}^2} L_1 - \frac{f_{L2}^2}{f_{L1}^2 - f_{L2}^2} L_2.$$

This virtually eliminates the effect of the ionosphere in observations but the noise is increased by a factor of 3. Therefore ionosphere-free combination is used only in long vectors (longer than 15-20 km). An alternative is to create an ionosphere model.

The ionosphere model can be made using the local observations and creating the geometry-free combination  $L_4$ ,

$$L_4 = L_1 - L_2.$$

$L_4$  is independent of receiver clocks, satellite clocks, orbits or station coordinates, and it only contains the ionospheric delay.

The local model is often expressed as (Dach et al. 2007)

$$E(\varphi, \lambda) = \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} \sum_{m=0}^{m_{\max}} E_{nm} (\varphi - \varphi_0)^n (\lambda - \lambda_0)^m$$

where

$n_{\max}, m_{\max}$  are the maximum degrees of the Taylor expansion in latitude  $\varphi$  and longitude  $\lambda$ ,

$E_{nm}$  are the local ionosphere model parameters to be estimated, and

$\varphi_0, \lambda_0$  are the coordinates of the origin of the development.

We have noticed that GPS solutions may be significantly biased by scale errors (Ollikainen & Kakkuri 1999). This systematic scale error is mainly caused by the ionosphere. The scale error has varied from -0.8 to +0.6 ppm at Oulkuu. However in 2002 measurements at Romuvaara in NE Finland it was as large as +2.1 ppm. This is due because the ionosphere will change the apparent path of the signal in much shorter time scales than what is possible to apply in the ionospheric models.

In the Oulkuu network local ionosphere models have been used. However, in the GeoSatakunta network we have chosen a different approach using the Quasi-ionosphere free model QIF (Dach et al. 2007). This allows us the integer ambiguity resolution on the double difference level in the final computation.

Troposphere related errors are more difficult to eliminate than the ionosphere errors because troposphere affects in the same way in L1 and L2 frequencies. The troposphere is a non-dispersive medium for radio waves up to frequencies of about 15 GHz and therefore tropospheric refraction is identical for L1 and L2 carriers. The effect of the troposphere depends on the refractive index of the air which is a function of the pressure, temperature and humidity. Quite often the troposphere refraction is divided into two parts, “dry” and “wet”,

$$\Delta^{trop} = \Delta^{dry} + \Delta^{wet},$$

where the hydrostatic part (“dry”) consists of about 90 % of the total delay. The effect of the water vapour is extremely variable and it cannot be modeled as the hydrostatic part. Measurement of the water vapour content via the signal path is not possible in routine measurement. Use of a standard troposphere model may result in an error which affects both scale and height.

The scale error  $\Delta l / l$  is (Dach et al. 2007)

$$\frac{\Delta l}{l} = \frac{\Delta \rho}{R_{\oplus} \cos z_{\max}}$$

where  $\Delta \rho$  is the troposphere model error,  $R_{\oplus}$  is the Earth's radius and  $z_{\max}$  is the maximum observed zenith angle. The height error  $\Delta h$  between points  $a$  and  $b$  amounts to

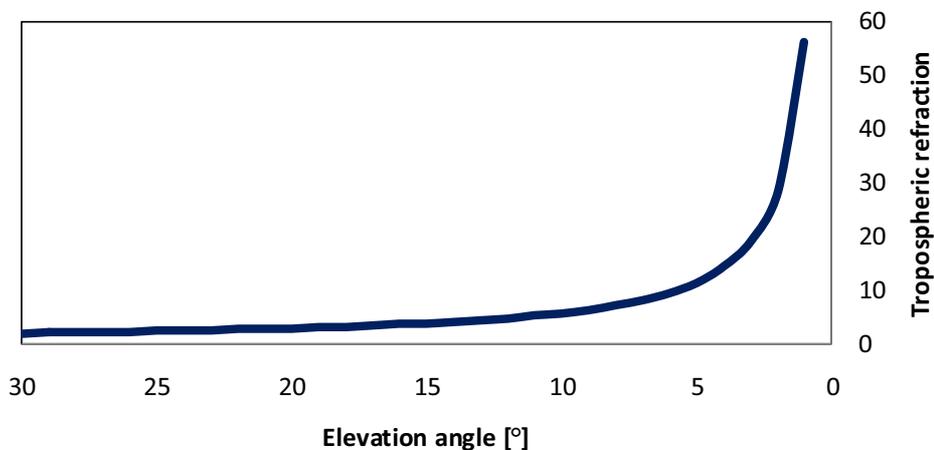
$$\Delta h = \delta \Delta \rho_{ab} / \cos z_{\max}$$

where  $\delta \Delta \rho_{ab}$  is the relative troposphere error between points  $a$  and  $b$ .

Troposphere error grows rapidly at small elevation angles (Figure 3-2). Therefore, in many applications the cut-off limit in GPS processing is set to  $15^\circ$  below which the observations are not used. In addition of the troposphere model, we use in our computation an elevation-dependent unknown on each site to estimate the residual part of the tropospheric refraction after subtraction of a standard model value.

Multipath is caused by signal entering the antenna from more than one route. Reflections from water, roofs and other nearby structures cause an error, the size of which is only in centimetre range but can easily destroy deformation measurements where sub-centimetre accuracies are needed. For every site (or even for every antenna installation) the multipath is unique, it is highly time dependent, and it cannot be eliminated with modelling. It can be minimized by using a special type of antenna structure, so called choke ring antennas, where the antenna element is installed in the centre of co-centric rings (Figure 3-3). This kind of antenna structure is nowadays a *de facto* standard in precise GPS measurements. Another way to minimize the effect is to observe 24 h sessions to get all possible multipath values. In our observations we use Ashtech Dorne Margolin type choke ring antennas and 24 h observing sessions.

Antenna phase centre variation is one of the remarkable sources of error. The position of the antenna electrical phase centre depends e.g. on the direction and frequency of the incoming signal. If identical antennae are used in the whole network, the phase centre error cancels out almost totally but if there are different antennae (or even different antenna mounting, radome, snow on top of an antenna, multipath...), the error remains. The phase centre variation causes a systematic error in height which cannot necessarily be seen in normal processing, although it can be even centimetres. It can be eliminated with a field calibration but this implies a lot of extra work. Another method is to use calibration tables which exist for each antenna type and can be used with advanced GPS processing software. We minimize the phase centre variation by using identical antennas, mounting the same antenna every time on the same site, using the 24 h observing sessions to get an average over all possible phase centre positions, and using individually and absolutely calibrated antenna correction tables in post processing software.



**Figure 3-2.** The effect of tropospheric refraction as a function of the satellite elevation angle.



**Figure 3-3.** Dorne Margolin type choke ring antenna. This kind of structure damps the effect of multipath. The antenna type is a de facto standard in precise GPS measurements. (Photograph M. Poutanen)



## **4 GEOSATAKUNTA GPS NETWORK AND MEASUREMENTS**

### **4.1 Network planning and site selection**

One of the goals of the GeoSatakunta project is to obtain information about possible crustal deformations in the area. Accurate GPS-measurements are most suitable to determine horizontal movements over a large area.

There are several criteria which must be fulfilled when selecting the sites. First of all, observation sites must be open so that signals from satellites can be received. Because we will make measurements during many years, naturally open places are better than manmade openings in a forest. For the same reason, the benchmarks (or pillars in this case) have to be established into solid bedrock. Permissions for the pillars from land owners set additional constraints to the network. Finally, the shape of the GPS network must be geometrically reasonable.

In our case, we had also other constraints, concerning the geological structure of the area. The goal was to establish the sites on different geological structures connecting the Jotnian sandstone, Postjotnian diabase and the Rapakivi granite areas. We also wanted to have sites on both sides of the Kynsikangas shear zone complex.

Geological Survey of Finland chose places for site candidates using their geological knowledge about the Satakunta area. Based on this geological selection, the city surveyors of the City of Pori made the reconnaissance for the final sites and they also made the agreements with land owners. City of Pori has been an active member of the GeoSatakunta project already from the very beginning. They planned to use the pillars and observations also for their own purposes. Such a network would serve municipalities in the area as an excellent reference network in local surveys.

First seven pillars (numbers 1-7, see Figure 4-1) were built in November 2002 in the vicinity of the City of Pori. First measurement campaign was already in January 2003. Olkiluoto permanent FinnRef<sup>®</sup> GPS station was included in the original network, too.

After a few years the City of Rauma joined the GeoSatakunta project. At the same time Posiva proposed to connect their deformation studies of Olkiluoto to the GeoSatakunta investigations. Therefore, new pillars GPS14, GPS15 and 9 were established in October 2005. Pillar 10 was established in April 2006 and pillar 8 in October 2006. Pillars GPS11 and GPS12 in the Posiva network were built in August 2003. Only pillar GPS11 has been used in GeoSatakunta measurements (Table 4-1).

### **4.2 GPS pillars**

The Cities of Pori and Rauma constructed the GPS pillars which are made of reinforced concrete on-site (Figure 4-2 and 4-3). An attachment into solid bedrock has been made with iron bars. Concrete was carried from the nearest road to the site which gave its own constraint to the size and placement of the pillar. Photographs of all pillars are presented in Figure 4-7.



**Figure 4-1.** GeoSatakunta GPS network. Base map © National Land Survey, license number 51/MML/09.

An antenna platform was installed on the top of pillar at the same time the pillar was casted (Figure 4-4 and 4-5). The platform is made of stainless steel with a  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch hole in the middle to use a standard-sized screw for the antenna. There are no adjustments possible after casting, when the platform was set in level.

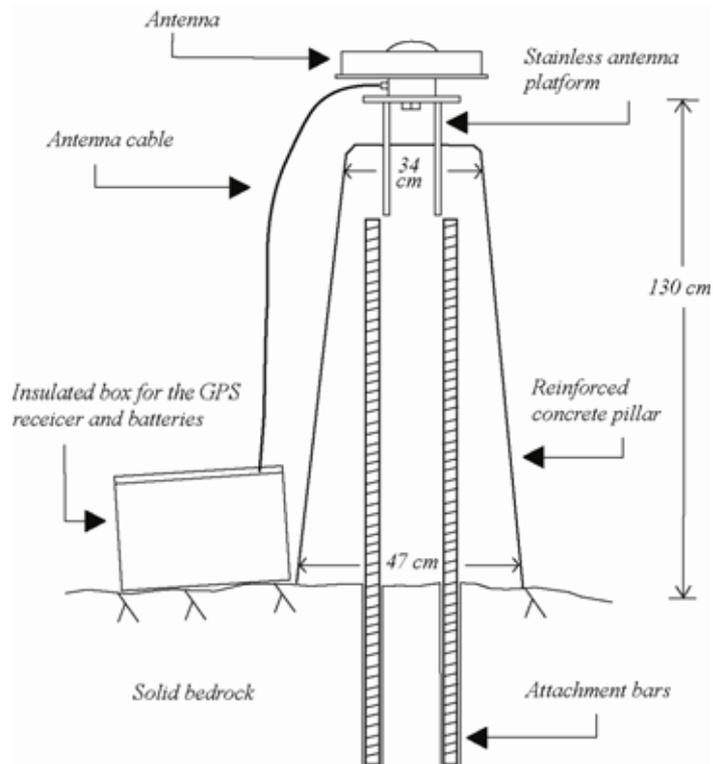
There are some advantages of the simple structure. Because the antenna is directly attached to the platform without any interface or forced centering device, its height and position is preserved between campaigns. There is no need to make additional centering measurements, and different observers with various equipments will have their reference always to the same point. Moreover, open and simple structure will not attract vandals when the pillar is unattended.

**Table 4-1.** Approximate coordinates of GeoSatakunta GPS network in EUREF-FIN and the year of establishment.

Site	Name	X [m]	Y [m]	Z [m]	Year
OLKI	Olkiluoto	2863210.3	1126271.4	5568267.2	1994
1	Tahkoluoto	2829486.2	1107559.1	5589070.2	2002
2	Kivini	2830882.5	1126749.7	5584556.3	2002
3	Peräkulma	2842896.0	1129969.3	5577889.5	2002
4	Kuorila	2833450.6	1143091.4	5579998.0	2002
5	Nakkila	2839303.6	1151482.8	5575328.5	2002
6	Sääksjärvi	2822310.9	1147666.2	5584713.1	2002
7	Järventausta	2825465.2	1162441.2	5580109.9	2002
8	Huikko	2852909.1	1151451.6	5568442.8	2006
9	Monna	2874084.3	1135529.6	5560850.6	2005
10	Virovuori	2867232.3	1152070.6	5561012.2	2006
GPS11	Kuivalahti	2859164.5	1133699.2	5568849.4	2003
GPS14	Hankkila	2864514.9	1133711.2	5566120.9	2005
GPS15	Taipalmaa	2866984.1	1129664.5	5565663.1	2005



**Figure 4-2.** City of Pori surveyors have been built most of the observation pillars. (Photograph J. Ahola.)



**Figure 4-3.** Construction of GPS pillar.



**Figure 4-4.** A proper position of the antenna platform is measured with a builder's level when the pillar was casted. After that the platform cannot be adjusted. (Photograph J. Ahola.)



*Figure 4-5. A Dorne Margolin type antenna on a pillar. (Photograph J. Ahola.)*



*Figure 4-6. Receiver and batteries in the instrument box. (Photograph J. Ahola.)*



a)



b)



c)



d)

**Figure 4-7.** a) 1 Tahkoluoto is an open site near the shoreline. b) 2 Kivini is on the natural protection area and there are few trees around the pillar. c) 3 Peräkulma is located in a large forest cutting area which will be open at least next 15 years. d) 4 Kuorila is on the top of an open hill.



e)



f)



g)



h)

**Figure 4-7. (continued)** e) 5 Nakkila has been built near an old cow shelter which causes deterioration of the signal. The site is not suitable for high-precision deformation measurements. f) 6 Sääksjärvi is located in a small forest cutting area. g) 7 Järventausta has been established on the top of a rocky hill. h) 8 Huikko is located near the crossroad.



i)



j)



k)



l)

**Figure 4-7. (continued)** i) 9 Monna has been built under an electric line. j) 10 Virovuori is located on an open rocky hill. k) GSP11 Kuivalahti has been built on the top of a hill. It is a part of Olkiluoto local network and there is an absolute gravity point at the same site. l) GPS14 Hankkila has been established under an electric line.



m)



n)



o)

**Figure 4-7. (continued)** m) GPS15 Taipalmaa is located on top of a naturally open hill. n) OLKI Olkiluoto is a permanent GPS station of the FinnRef<sup>®</sup> network. Photograph has been taken in 2003. After that the surrounding pine trees have grown 3 to 5 meter tall. o) GPS12 Iso Pyrekari is located on a small islet. It belongs to the Olkiluoto local network, but we have not measured it in GeoSatakunta campaigns because of transportation problems there. (Photographs J. Ahola.)

### 4.3 Control markers

All the pillars are attached to the solid bedrock. We expect that the pillars are stable and the possible movements we observe are due to deformation. However, we cannot exclude the possibility of an unexpected event which may destroy the antenna platform or cause some damage to the pillar. Therefore we established auxiliary markers at pillars in 2006. The City of Pori assisted in the field work in 2006 when three markers were placed in the vicinity of each pillar. At the point 5 Nakkila it was not possible to establish auxiliary markers.

The centering measurements were made in 2006 with a precise tacheometer Wild T2002+DI2002. At the same time, azimuth from the pillar to the markers was determined using two GPS receivers. We are able to control the stability of the pillars by repeated centering measurements. The measurement accuracy is some tenths of millimeters which is enough to ensure the stability of the pillar. However, in this network accuracies are so high that the reconstruction of a destroyed pillar is not possible.



*Figure 4-8. Establishment of an auxiliary marker. (Photograph J. Ahola)*



*Figure 4-9. Centering measurement of the pillar at Tahkoluoto. (Photograph J. Ahola)*

#### **4.4 Equipments and measurement campaigns**

Measurement campaigns have been done in a co-operation with the Cities of Pori and (since 2005) Rauma. City of Pori has offered personnel and a car in transportation to the sites. We have observed the network three times per year since January 2003. First measurement has been in February, the second one in June and the last one in the middle of October (Table 4-2). The temperature has been varied from  $-25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  and the weather from sunshine to heavy rain.

The receiver and batteries are in an insulated box during the measurements (Fig. 4-6). The thermal insulation is necessary during the winter observations when the temperature can be well below zero. The box is attached with a chain and padlock to the pillar.

We have used Ashtech Z12 and  $\mu\text{Z}$  dual frequency receivers of the Finnish Geodetic Institute for the field campaigns. In all campaigns Ashtech Dorne Margolin Choke Ring antennas were attached directly on the platform using special bolts which fit perfectly on the hole of the platform. This eliminates centering and adjustment errors. Moreover, we ensured that the same antenna was used on the same pillar every time to eliminate the individual antenna phase center errors (Table 4-3).

Table 4-2. Schedule of the GPS campaigns.

Campaign	Time	Observed sites														
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	OLKI	
2003-1	21.-25.1.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2003-2	2.-3.6.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2003-3	20.-21.10.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2004-1	10.-11.2.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2004-2	8.-9.2.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2004-3	20.-21.10.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2005-1	8.-9.2.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2005-2	1.-2.6.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X
2005-3	17.-20.10	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X		X
2006-1	6.-9.2.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X		X
2006-2	29.5.-1.6.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X
2006-3	23.-26.10.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
2007-1	5.-8.2.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
2007-2	4.-7.6.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
2007-3	15.-18.10.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
2008-1	11.-14.2.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
2008-2	2.-5.6.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
2008-3	3.-6.11.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X

Table 4-3. Receivers and antennas used in campaigns.

Station	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	OL11	OL14	OL15	Olkiluoto
1-2003	03398	03436	04300	04293	LP00164U	03398	03436							03176
2-2003	03398	03436	LP00164U	GP10273	04293	LP00106U	04300							03176
3-2003	LP00174	04108	03436	03398	LP00168	LP00164U	GP10273							03176
1-2004	03398	04104	LP00164U	04098	LP00168	LP00174	GP10273							03176
2-2004	03398	LP00174	04098	LP00168	GP10273	LP00164U	03175							03176
3-2004	03176	04293	GP10273	03436	LP01087	ZR20001907	04098							LP00168
1-2005	03176	04293	LP00106U	03436	LP01087	ZR20001907	04098							LP00168
2-2005	LP00106U	04293	03176	04098	LP00164U	03436	LP01087							LP00168
3-2005	04300	04108	ZR20000701	ZR20001907	03398	LP01087	LP00164U		LP01087		04300	04108	LP00164U	LP00168
1-2006	04293	03436	ZR20000701	ZR20001907	03398	04300	LP00164U		04300		04293	04108	LP00164U	LP00168
2-2006	03436	LP00164U	LP01087	ZR20001907	04098	04108	04300		04108	04098	03436	LP00164U	04300	LP00168
3-2006	04098	03398	LP00174	ZR20000701	04293	LP01087	LP00164U	ZR2001907	LP01087	04293	04098	03398	LP00164U	LP00168
1-2007	04098	03398	ZR20001907	ZR20000701	LP00184U	LP01087	LP00164U	LP00174	LP01087	LP00184U	04098	03398	LP00164U	LP00168
2-2007	04293	04098	ZR20000701	ZR20001907	LP00164U	LP00167U	LP00184U	LP00174	04293	04098	LP00164U	LP00184U	LP00167U	LP00168
3-2007	03175	04098	LP00167U	ZR20000701	LP00184U	04293	GP10273	LP00164U	04293	03175	LP00184U	GP10273	04098	LP00168
1-2008	03175	04098	LP00167U	GP10273	LP00184U	04293	04108	LP00164U	04293	03175	LP00184U	04108	04098	LP00168
2-2008	LP02547	04293	LP00134U	GP10273	LP00167U	04300	04098	LP00164U	LP02547	04293	LP00167U	04098	04300	LP00168
3-2008	03398	04300	LP00167U	GP10273	LP02547	04098	LP00164U	LP00164U	LP02547	LP00184U	03398	04098	04300	LP00168
Antenna	11754	11772	11770	11761	11963	11959	11988	11194	11959	11963	11754	11772	11988	321
Exceptions				CR13995 (1-2003)		11754 (1-2003), 11194 (1-2004)	11772 (1-2003)							

In 2003-2005/2 observations were taken in one session lasting 24 hours. After the extension of the network, there were too many pillars to cover all of them in one session. Therefore, the total time for the field work increased from two days to four and the receivers were moved to the new pillars between the sessions.

With 24 hour-long sessions we try to diminish or eliminate satellite geometry and signal multipath related errors. During the 24 hour session the satellite geometry is changing to all possible states. Also the multipath repeats itself after one sidereal day, and therefore no new information is obtained after that. As a first approximation, multipath can be considered as a random error in a 24-h session.

Observations are taken in 30 s interval, using  $5^\circ$  cut-off angle. Due to the local circumstances, visibility is not free down to the horizon but obstacles like trees and buildings limit the visibility in some directions to much higher angles. Also the signal noise and multipath are increased with the zenith angle. Therefore, in processing the actual cut-off angle is much higher,  $15^\circ$  but all observations are archived for possible future use.



## 5 COMPUTATION

### 5.1 Computation software and strategy

The preliminary computation was made with *Trimble Total Control* (TTC) software. This was a “quick-check” to ensure that measurements were successful. This gives also the first estimation about the accuracy of the measurement and reveals possible problematic data.

Final computation, presented here, was done using Bernese v.5.0 software (Dach *et al.* 2007). This software is meant for scientific processing and it is widely used for similar high-precision networks ranging from global to local. The user has a possibility to define the processing parameters in full detail, but at the same time the processing is very demanding and time-consuming compared to commercial software. Because the user has a full control over the processing parameters, and he can choose best possible strategy, results are more accurate and variation is smaller. To process all campaigns in reasonable time the computation process was automated using the Bernese Processing Engine. The automation also enabled fast repeat of processing for determining the best possible processing strategy and parameters.

We have used IGS precise orbital elements to minimize satellite orbit related errors. Broadcast elements may give rise of up to 0.1 ppm errors in computed vectors which amount up to millimeter-range errors over longest vectors.

Observations were taken down to  $5^\circ$  but in processing we used  $15^\circ$  cut-off angle. There are several reasons for this; most importantly that on many sites visibility below  $15^\circ$  is restricted by trees and buildings. Also multipath, and ionospheric and tropospheric disturbances are increasing rapidly with smaller elevation angles. In practice,  $15^\circ$ – $20^\circ$  cut-off angle has turned out to be a reasonable compromise between data loss and avoiding low elevation related errors.

The data processing strategy was developed according to the general rules of GPS-processing with a special attention to outlier detection. The vector lengths range from five to 65 km. This set some further demands on the processing strategy. For shortest vectors, L1 (or L1 and L2 separately) gives best results, but when the length is well above 10 km, an ionosphere correction needs to be applied.

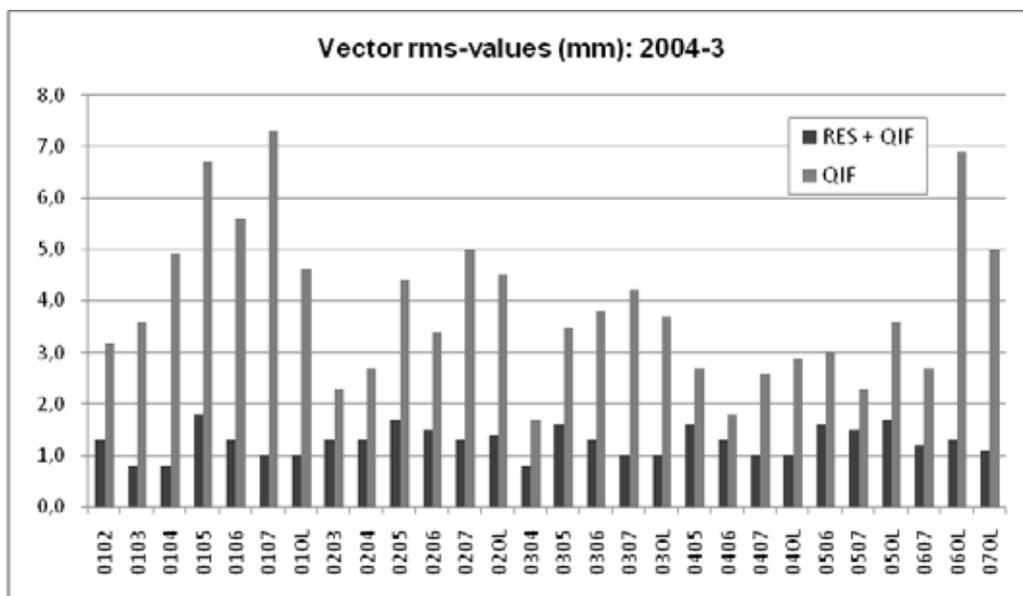
Single vectors were resolved in three stages. First we used L3 ionosphere-free linear combination for data screening and outlier detection to eliminate the large scattering detected in preliminary computation (Poutanen and Ahola, 2010). After that we used a Quasi-ionosphere free combination (QIF) of the Bernese software (Dach *et al.* 2007). This is formed combining L1 and L2 in a way where the integer character of the signal carrier wavelength is preserved on the double difference level. This improves stability and accuracy of the solution. The final solution was estimated using L3 and resolved ambiguities.

Single vectors between individual pillars were computed in one session. After that a network adjustment was applied where the Olkiluoto permanent station was kept fixed. As a result we obtain coordinates of the pillars.

## 5.2. GPS processing results

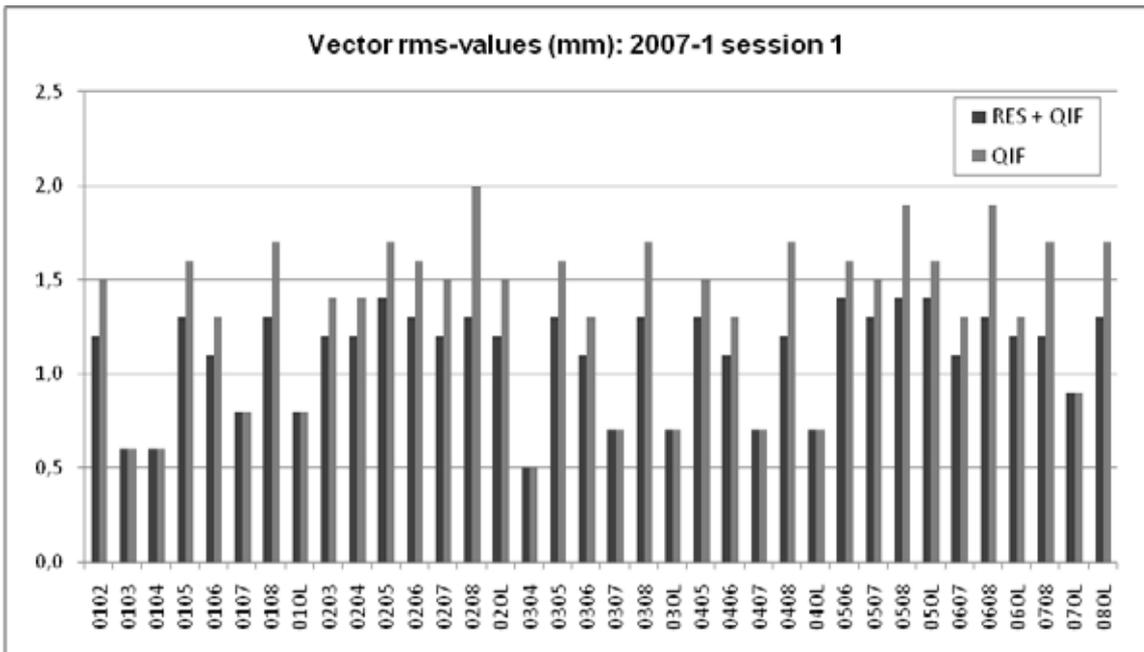
The GPS processing results showed that the computation was carried out successfully. The rms-values in the different parts of the computation process lied within the desired limits and the scattering of the results between different sessions was small. However, few problematic sessions and observations sites (pillars) were detected.

The effect of the processing strategy is clearly visible in the vector solutions. The figure 5-1 clearly shows the importance of the residual screening and outlier detection before final vector solutions. The vector rms-values of the campaign 2004-3 were larger than in other sessions when processed without residual analysis.

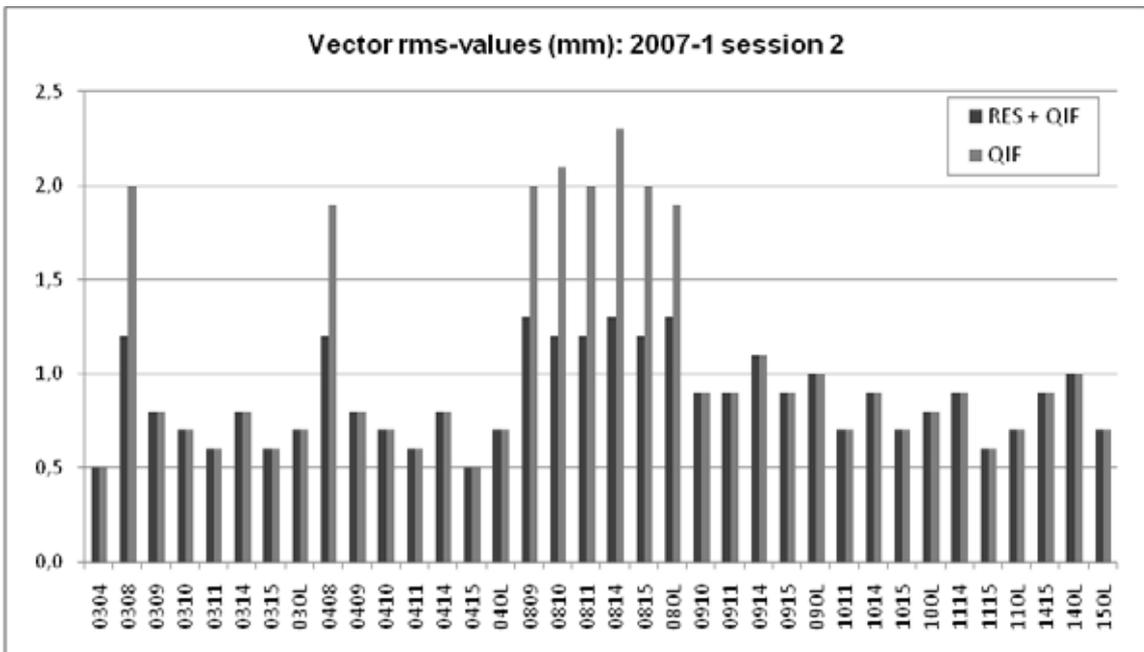


**Figure 5-1.** Large rms values were detected in vector solutions in the 2004-3 campaign if processed by QIF-strategy only. After the residual screening (RES+QIF) the rms values are of the same order of magnitude as in other sessions.

Typical rms-values of a vector solution are shown in figures 5-2 and 5-3. The residual analysis does not affect on the best resolved vectors (smallest rms-values) but generally it improves slightly the solutions. The rms-values of individual vectors in different sessions scatter only some tenths of millimetres. In the second session (figure 5-3) there were a lot of short and well-resolved vectors but the pillar 8 (Huikko) stands out clearly. After the residual analysis it has still the largest rms-values of the session but now they are of the same order of magnitude as the other vectors in the first session. In the final solution the vector rms-values varied from 0.5-1.6 mm without any significant scattering.



**Figure 5-2.** Automated residual analysis improves the accuracy of vector solutions.



**Figure 5-3.** In the second session there were a lot of short and well-resolved vectors but the pillar 8 is problematic: it has the largest rms-values also after the residual screening.



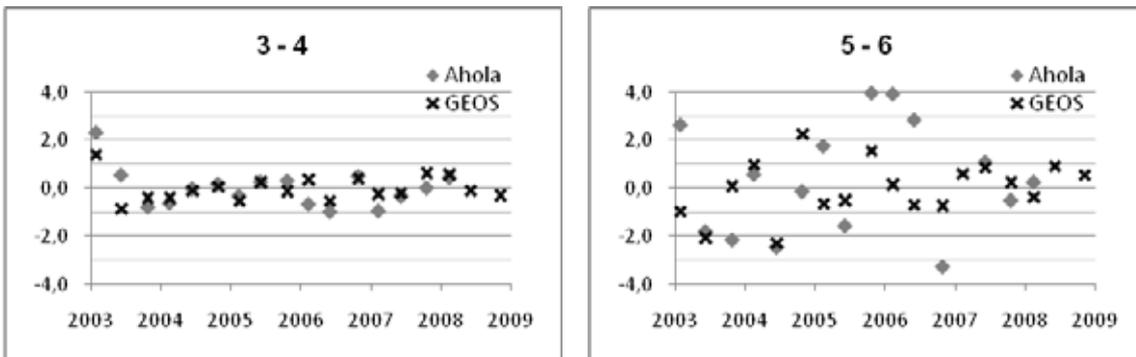
## 6 DATA ANALYSIS

GPS processing results of single session give good indication of data quality and reliability of the solution. However, the scattering in the vector time series can be large due to the character of GPS-observations. This makes the deformation analysis challenging. To determine the deformation of the network we analysed the vector time series and estimated the velocities of the pillars.

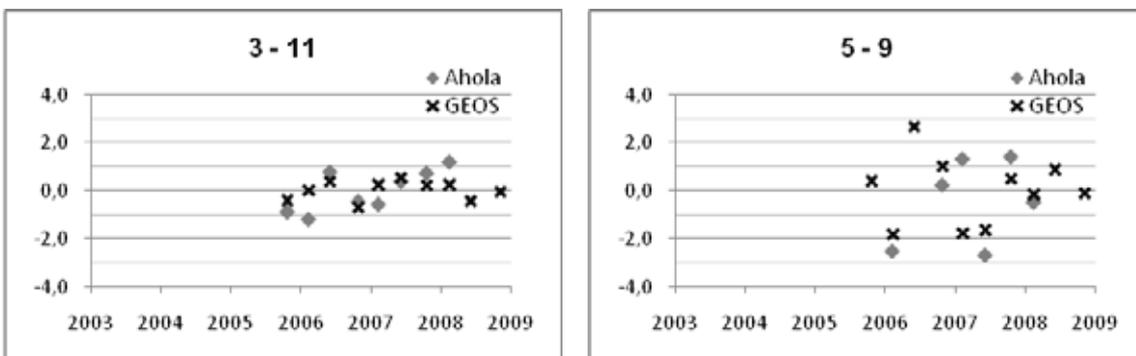
### 6.1 Vector time series

Using vector lengths computed from the coordinates of the pillars (Appendix 1), we can plot time series of the vectors in the network. The main features of plots are displayed here and a larger set of time series are shown in Appendix 2. The results of the preliminary computation (Poutanen & Ahola 2010) are included in plots to analyse and compare the solutions.

The scattering in the vector time series is on average less than 2.0 mm and mainly smaller than in Ahola's computation. Vectors with largest rms-values have also the largest scattering in time series plots and vice versa. The session-to-session scattering is expected but the difference between a good and problematic site is clear (Figures 6-1 and 6-2). The large scattering on sites 5 (Nakkila) and 8 (Huikko) is mainly because of obstacles are limiting the visibility at the site.

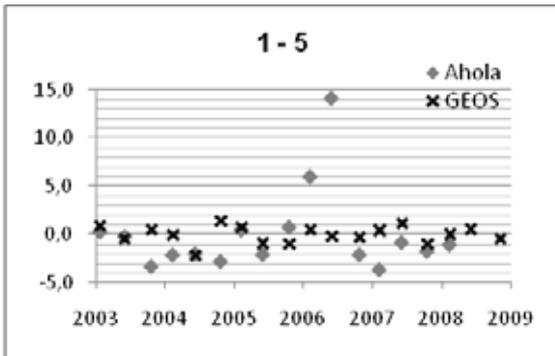


**Figure 6-1.** Example of a good and a problematic site (deviation from mean (mm)). In the case of problematic vector (5–6) the scattering is smaller in this determination (GEOS) compared with preliminary computation (Ahola).

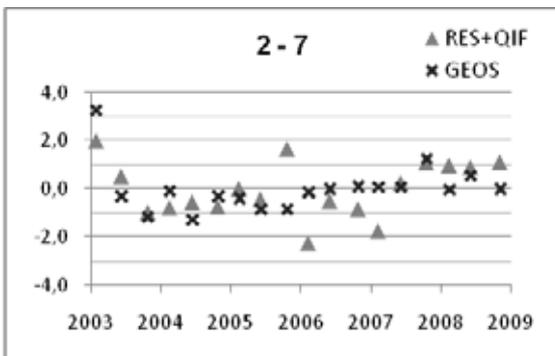


**Figure 6-2.** Short time series behave very similar to longer ones.

As already showed in the vector solution, the effect of the computation strategy is obvious in case of problematic sites whereas the time series are nearly identical in case of a good site. With the processing strategy used in this research we could eliminate most of the outliers existed in the preliminary computation (Figure 6-3). However, few outliers still exists in time series. The final L3 solution in vector processing did not improve rms-values of the solution, but a positive smoothing effect can be seen in some of the time series plots (Figure 6-4). In the final solution only the first observation (campaign 2003-1) seems to be an outlier and others the scattering is smaller than after QIF-solution.



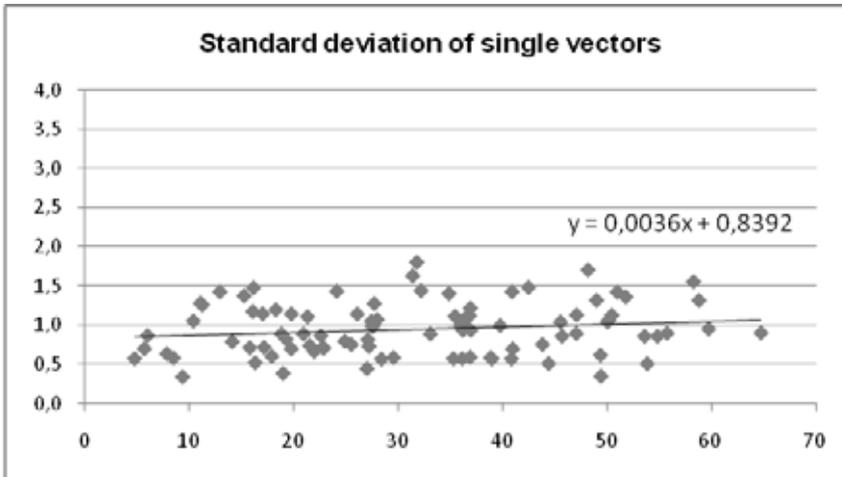
**Figure 6-3.** The outliers of the preliminary computation have disappeared in this solution.



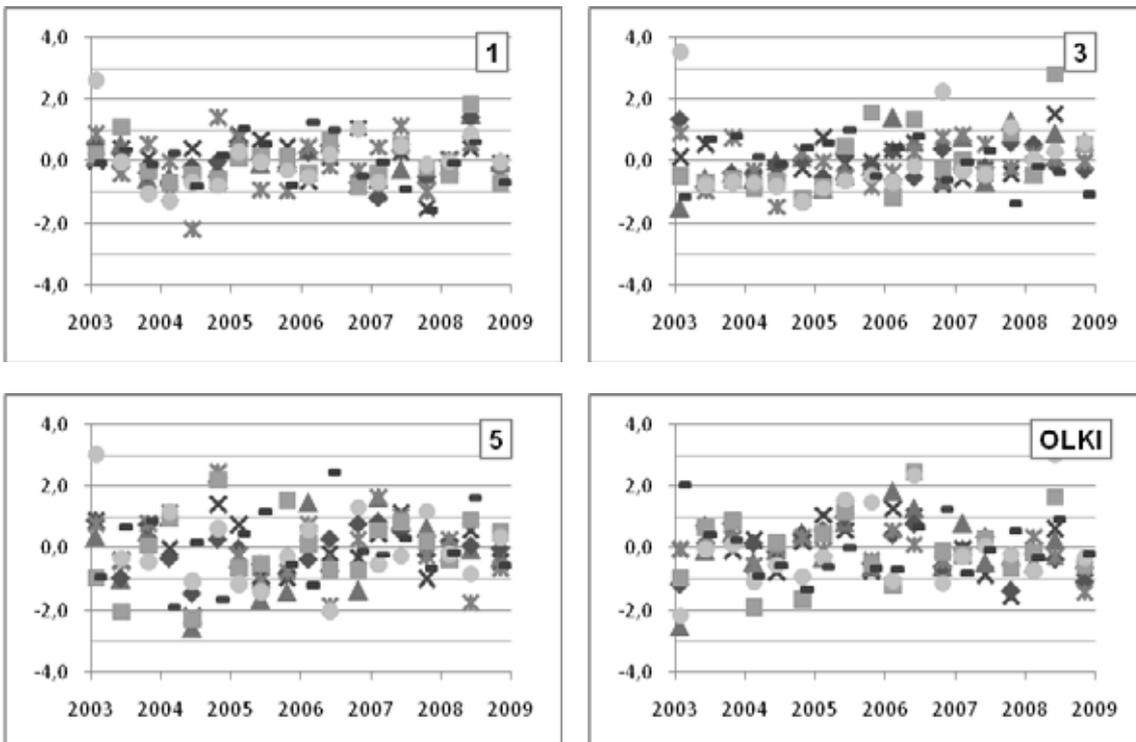
**Figure 6-4.** The final L3 solution (GEOS) still improves a bit the fairly good QIF-solution.

When analysing standard deviation of the time series as a function of vector length, there are no outlying observations and the small distance dependency is expected (Figure 6-5). Thus, any of the observation sites is not significantly more uncertain than others which would be seen in the figure. Figure 6-6 demonstrates the character of GPS-measurements. The time series from a single station behave uniformly. The measurement conditions are unique in every session and affect a lot to the received signals. Therefore a well resolved vector might, however, behave like an outlier in time series analysis. The detected behaviour is partly due to the uniform processing of the data.

The time series analysis showed that the GPS processing was successful. There was no evident trend in time series. Mostly the scattering was relatively large compared to the potential movement and hence, it is not possible to confirm any deformation. There are, however, some vectors with small scattering (less than 1.0 mm) with signs of minor changes.



**Figure 6-5.** Standard deviation (mm) as a function of vector length (km). Deviation depends only slightly on the vector length.



**Figure 6-6.** Vector time series from points 1, 3, 5 and OLKI. There seems to be some common trends. The larger scattering of the pillar 5 is mainly due to obstacles limiting the visibility at site.

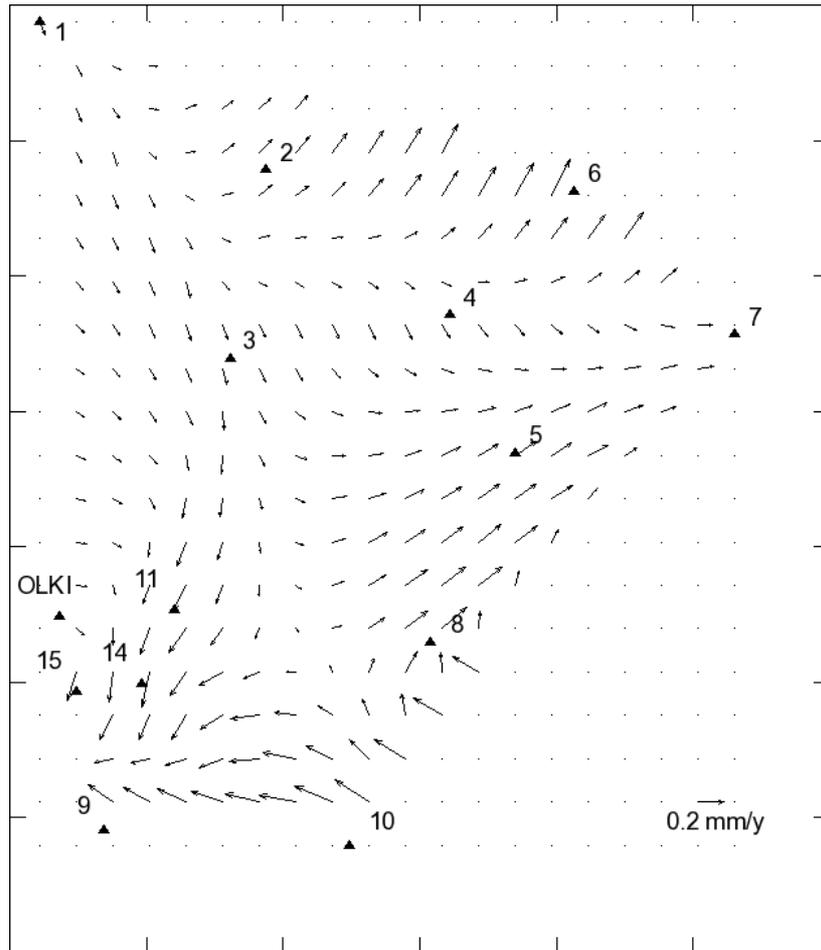
## 6.2 Deformation analysis

To get the first approximation of the crustal movements and to determine the velocities of the pillars we performed a deformation analysis (Kallio et al. 2009a) using coordinate time series. The deformation analysis was based on the coordinate differences between adjacent pillars and the Delaunay-triangulation was used. A free network adjustment was applied with station specific velocity parameters ( $v_x, v_y, v_z$ ) as additional parameters. The resolved velocities were transformed to the North-East-Up system. To illustrate the horizontal movements, the station velocities were interpolated in a grid and visualized as a velocity vector map. The results of the deformation analysis are presented in Table 6-1 and Figure 6-7. We used  $3\sigma$  as a limit to test the statistical significance of the estimated velocities: we consider the velocity significant if it is three times larger than the mean error.

The results show that only the north component of the pillar 6 (Sääksjärvi) is statistically significant. The larger mean errors of the southern part of the network are because of the shorter time series. Hence the estimated velocities, especially for the southern part of the network, are quite uncertain. The uncertainty of the results can be observed also when running the deformation analysis using the QIF-solution, which was nearly as good as the final solution. Then the magnitudes and directions of the velocity vectors vary in some parts of the network clearly.

**Table 6-1.** Results of the deformation analysis, statistically significant velocities in bold.

	Velocity (mm/a)		Mean error (mm/a)	
	North	East	North	East
<b>1</b>	-0,10	0,03	0,08	0,06
<b>2</b>	0,12	0,11	0,08	0,06
<b>3</b>	-0,13	0,03	0,07	0,05
<b>4</b>	-0,11	0,05	0,08	0,06
<b>5</b>	0,11	0,16	0,08	0,06
<b>6</b>	<b>0,32</b>	0,15	0,08	0,06
<b>7</b>	0,00	0,11	0,08	0,06
<b>8</b>	0,18	0,19	0,23	0,16
<b>9</b>	0,24	-0,23	0,15	0,11
<b>10</b>	0,18	-0,38	0,19	0,13
<b>11</b>	-0,22	-0,13	0,14	0,10
<b>14</b>	-0,30	-0,04	0,14	0,10
<b>15</b>	-0,31	-0,14	0,18	0,13
<b>OLKI</b>	0,01	0,08	0,07	0,05



**Figure 6-7.** *The resulting velocity vector map of the deformation analysis. Especially the velocities of the southern part of the network are still uncertain due to short time series.*

In the second approach the deformation analysis was performed using only the northern pillars (1–7) and the Olkiluoto station, which have longer and therefore more reliable time series. The results of the first campaign (2003-1) were omitted from the analysis because of the outlying behaviour detected in many vectors. The results are presented in Table 6-2 and in Figure 6-8.

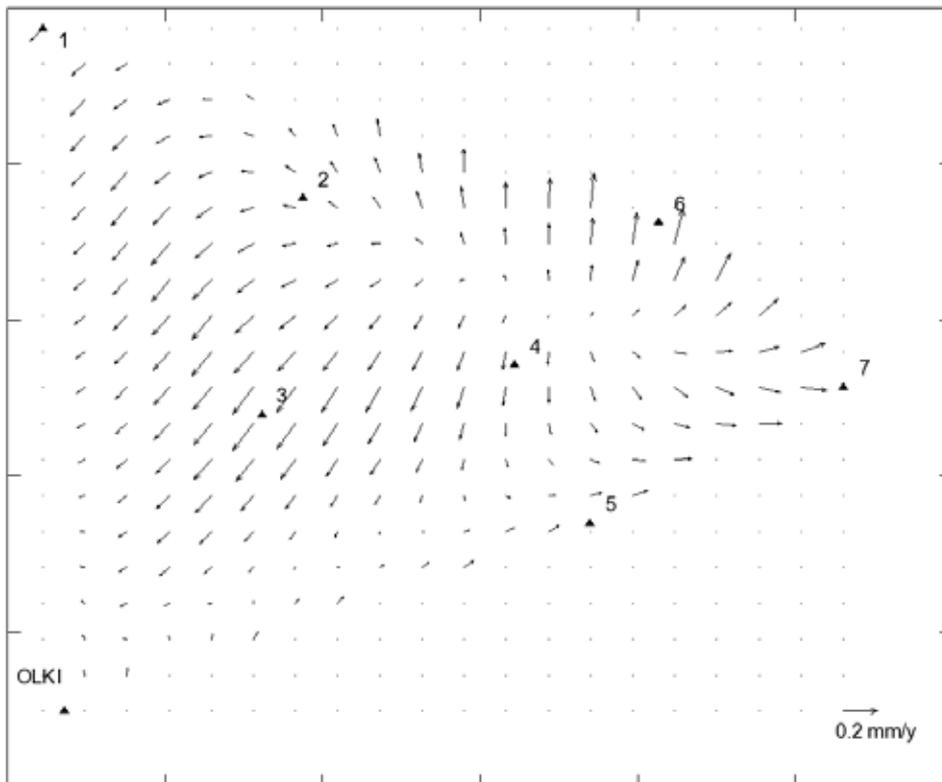
Now we could estimate statistically significant velocities for pillars 3 (Peräkulma), 6 (Sääksjärvi) and 7 (Järventausta). The estimated velocities are small (max 0.2 mm/a) but of the same order of magnitude than in Olkiluoto deformation studies (e.g. Ahola et al. 2008). The mean errors are slightly smaller than in the first analysis for the whole dataset. In addition the solution is not as sensitive to the GPS-processing strategy as in the first estimate. When overlaying the vectors with the geological information the possible change seems to take place in the vicinity of geologically interesting features, like the major shear zones (Figure 6-9).

The results are in line with simulation carried out by Kallio et al. (2009b), where it was estimated how well possible deformations can be detected from the data. According to

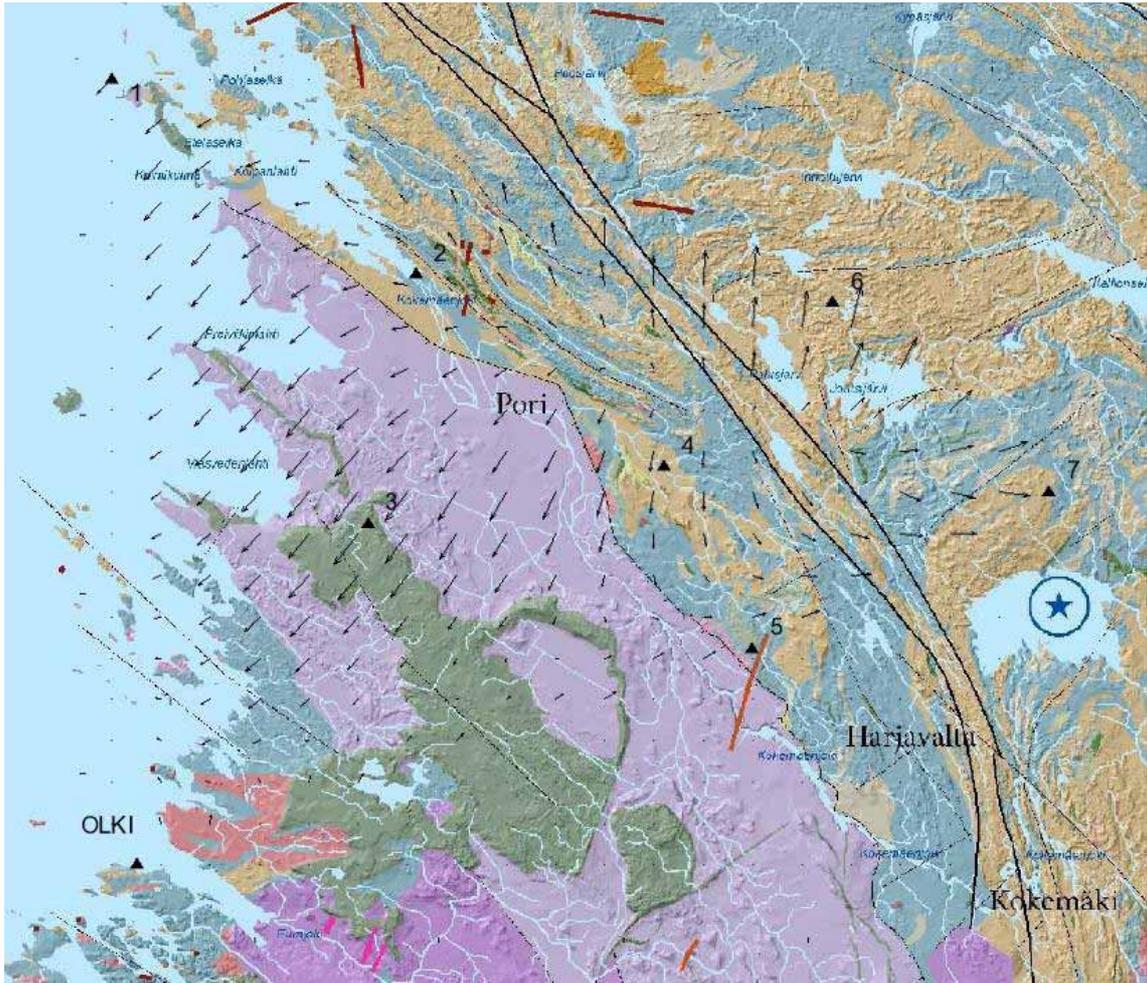
the analysis in five years data we will get on the level of 0.05 ppm, i.e. on a 30 km vector a 1.5 mm movement can be detected on a 99 % confidence level. To obtain more reliable results it is necessary to continue the research. More measurements campaigns are needed, especially to determine the deformation of the southern part of the network, but it is not necessary to carry out measurements as frequently.

**Table 6-2.** Results of the deformation analysis for the older part of the network (statistically significant velocities in bold).

	Velocity (mm/a)		Mean error (mm/a)	
	North	East	North	East
<b>1</b>	-0,08	-0,07	0,07	0,05
<b>2</b>	0,03	-0,06	0,07	0,04
<b>3</b>	-0,17	<b>-0,13</b>	0,06	0,04
<b>4</b>	-0,13	-0,02	0,06	0,04
<b>5</b>	0,04	0,07	0,07	0,04
<b>6</b>	<b>0,24</b>	0,04	0,07	0,05
<b>7</b>	0,00	<b>0,17</b>	0,08	0,05
<b>OLKI</b>	0,06	0,01	0,08	0,05



**Figure 6-8.** The velocity vector map for the Northern part of the network. The velocities of the pillars 3, 6 and 7 can be considered as statistically significant.



**Figure 6-9.** The estimated velocity vectors are slightly diverging in the vicinity of geologically interesting features, like the major shear zones (black solid lines) and Jotnian sandstone (see legend of Figure 1-1). Base map © Geological Survey of Finland.



## 7 CONCLUSIONS AND THE FUTURE

We have made three annual GPS campaigns in 2003–2008 to get a good and reliable start for the time series. It was decided that from 2009 onwards measurements will be done every 2-3 years. The current network covers the area of interest to obtain the movements in the area. We do not plan to add any new sites in the network. First, the number of points would increase too much to be manageable with current resources. Secondly, it would take many years before new points will give statistically equally significant results than the old ones, and therefore may disturb the analysis to be done in the network.

In five years we have reached the accuracy where any large movements can be excluded. There is, however, a possibility for 0.2-0.5 mm/y inter-station movements which can remain unobserved in the current data. Especially in the Southern part of the network, which is younger than the Northern part the time series are too short to draw any definite conclusions.

Another question is the mechanism of the possible movements. If the movements are abrupt events, happening only every now and then (and not necessarily accompanied by a detectable earthquake), one can see no movements at all during the quiet periods, but only a long-term monitoring will reveal them. This is a motivation to maintain the time series and continue observing campaigns regularly every few years.

The network is not only for geodynamics studies, but local authorities can use it for practical purposes as well. The network is the best possible reference for cities and municipalities in the area to tie their networks to the national reference frame, and this possibility has already been used quite extensively. Free access to the pillars were planned to serve specifically this purpose. Also for this purpose, long term stability and existence of the network is crucial.

We plan to continue our activities in the area also in the future. Observing campaigns in the network, combined with the activity at the Olkiluoto will be the basis of the research. We will also use existing gravity data and GPS-levelling results to compute a local geoid model, to fit it better in the sharp geoid features at the River Kokemäki. The Satakunta network is the first high-precision network in Finland of this size and therefore a valuable test field for geodetic techniques to detect minor deformations and network stability.



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**APPENDIX 1**

*Computed vectors (m)*

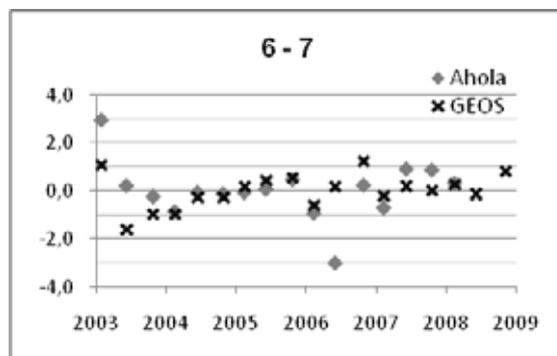
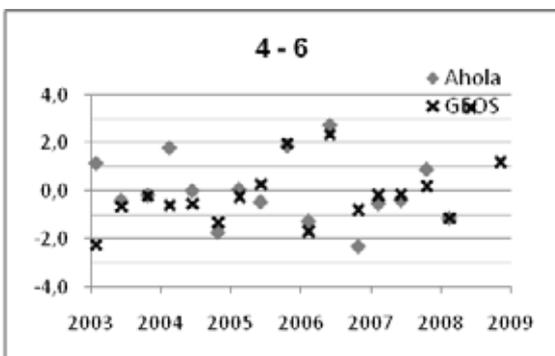
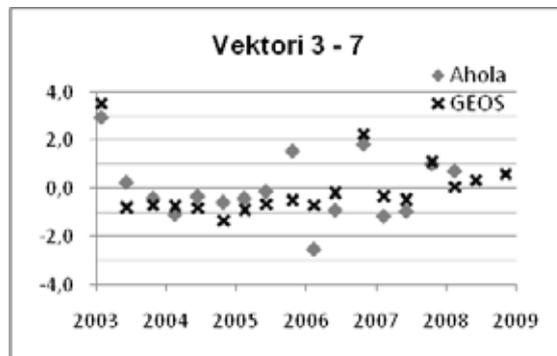
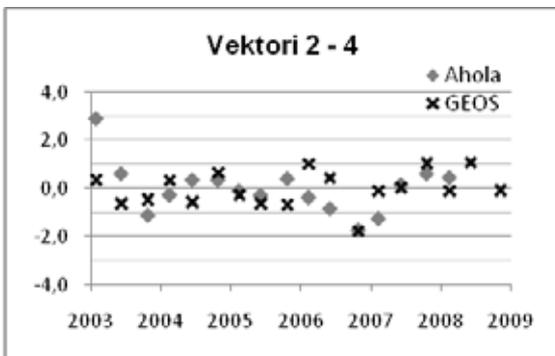
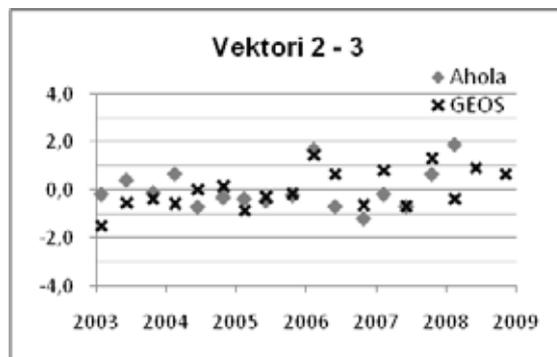
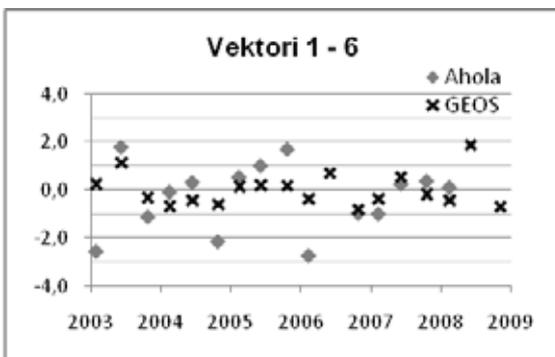
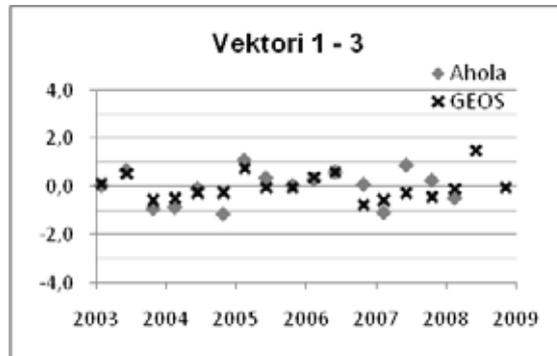
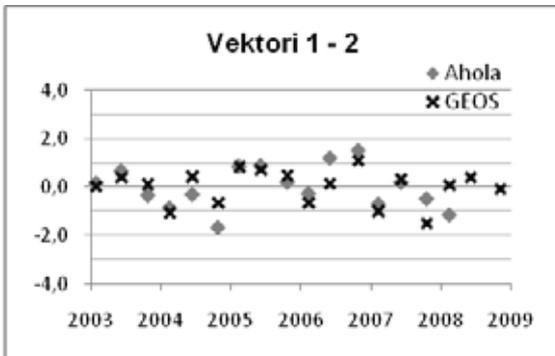
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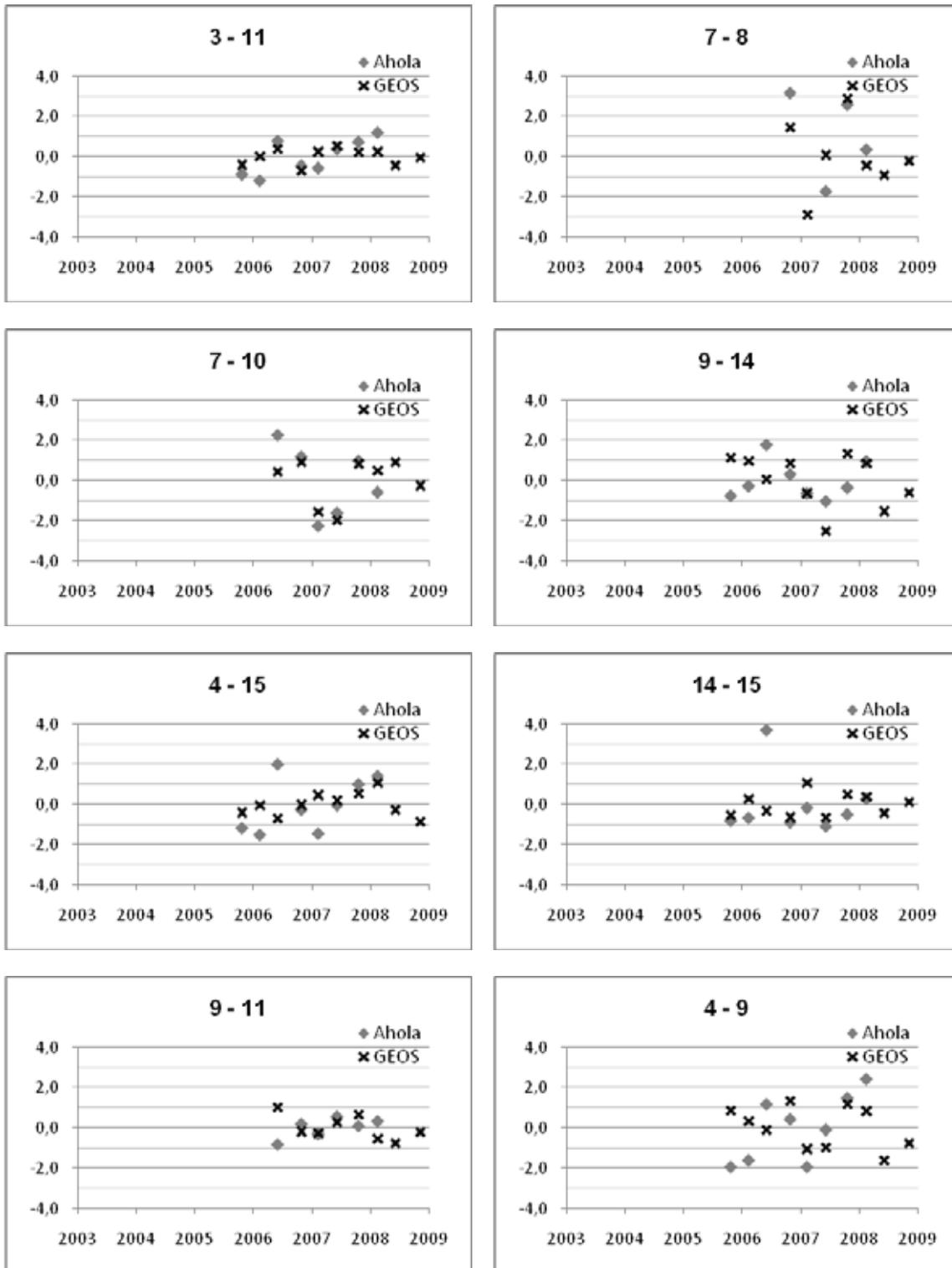
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86	11-14								6005,9744	6005,9732	6005,9741	6005,9753	6005,9732	6005,9754	6005,9729	6005,9735	6005,9740	6005,9744	
87	11-15								9358,3644	9358,3639	9358,3643	9358,3650	9358,3646	9358,3648	9358,3641	9358,3646	9358,3642	9358,3643	
88	11-OLKI								8478,2699	8478,2692	8478,2705	8478,2698	8478,2692	8478,2708	8478,2694	8478,2692	8478,2692	8478,2695	
89	14-15								4762,6579	4762,6587	4762,6581	4762,6579	4762,6595	4762,6578	4762,6590	4762,6589	4762,6581	4762,6586	
90	14-OLKI								7852,3756	7852,3750	7852,3754	7852,3757	7852,3755	7852,3771	7852,3763	7852,3755	7852,3751	7852,3763	
91	15-OLKI								5704,0541	5704,0529	5704,0530	5704,0543	5704,0538	5704,0549	5704,0550	5704,0543	5704,0537	5704,0542	

## APPENDIX 2

Vector time series between neighbouring stations Y-axis is the deviation from the mean (mm).



Vector time series from the southern part of the network.



Vector time series from Olkiluoto station.

