

# Geodynamics with an interferometric water level tilt meter

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# Michelson & Gale WT 1914-1919

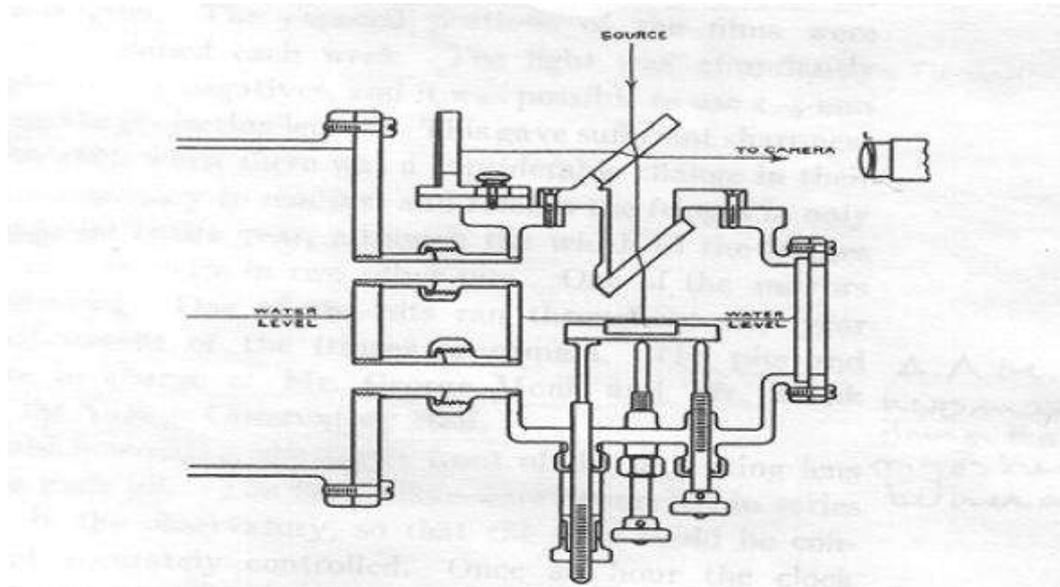
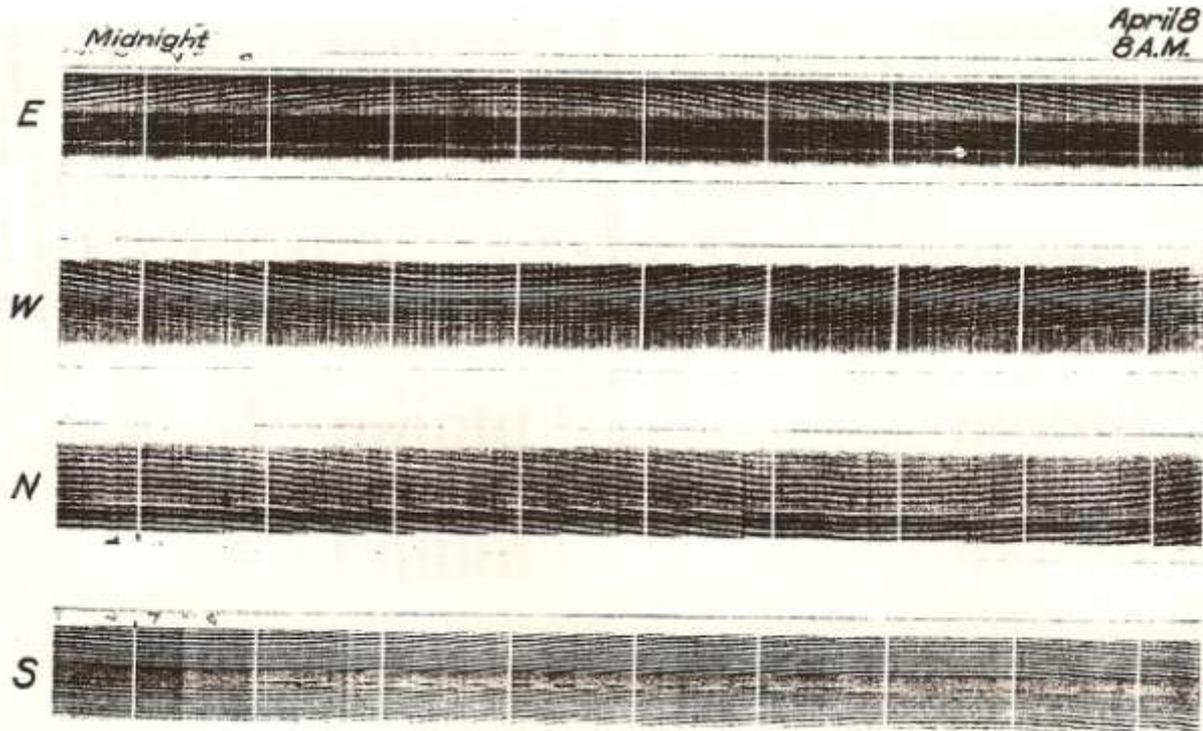


FIG. 1

Other interference arrangements are obvious which would give a displacement of a greater number of fringes, or permit the use of a shorter pipe; e.g., the fringes formed between the water surface and the lower mirror might be used, or the lower mirror might be dispensed with and use made of the fringes formed by the light reflected from the water surface and the vertical mirror. But the arrangement actually used was the most satisfactory, since the long pipes, 502 feet, were already installed.



Courtesy: Michelson & Gale, 1919

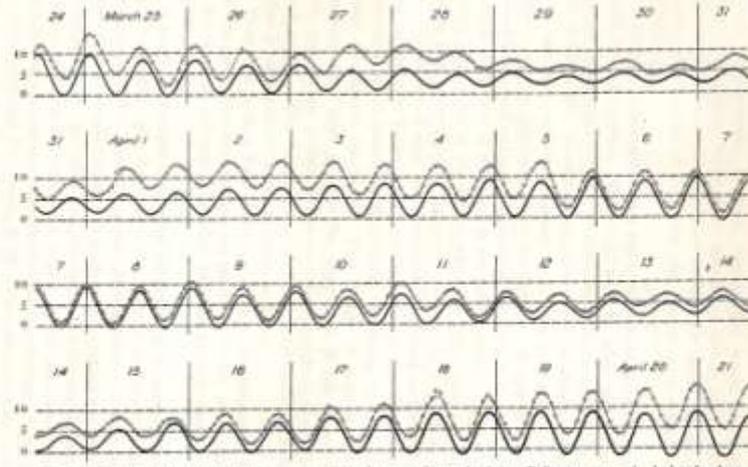


FIG. 2.—N-S tides, March 24 to April 21, 1917. Dotted curves, observed values. Full curves, c. of calculated values

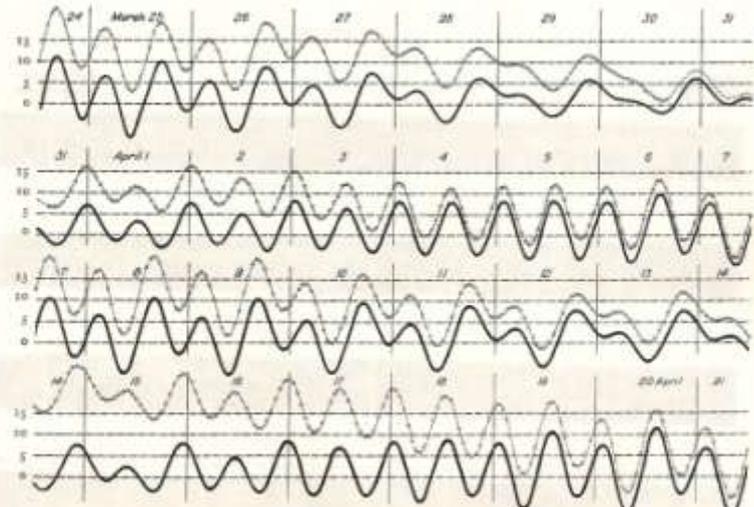
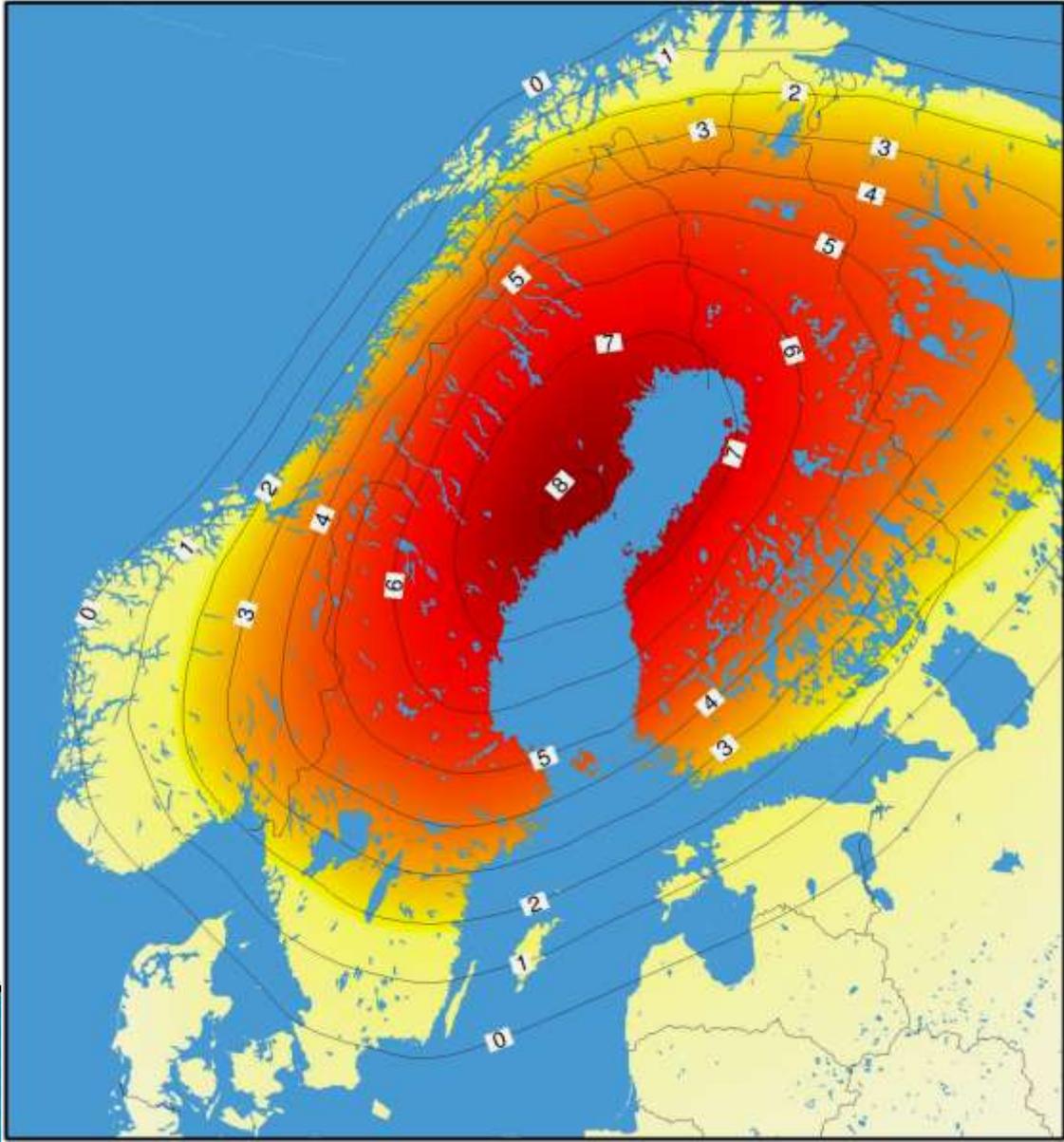


FIG. 3.—E-W tides, March 24 to April 21, 1917. Dotted curves, observed values. Full curves, c. of calculated values

Courtesy: Michelson & Gale, 1919



# A 1 km long tiltmeter for land uplift research – A plan by Kukkamäki, FGI in 1965

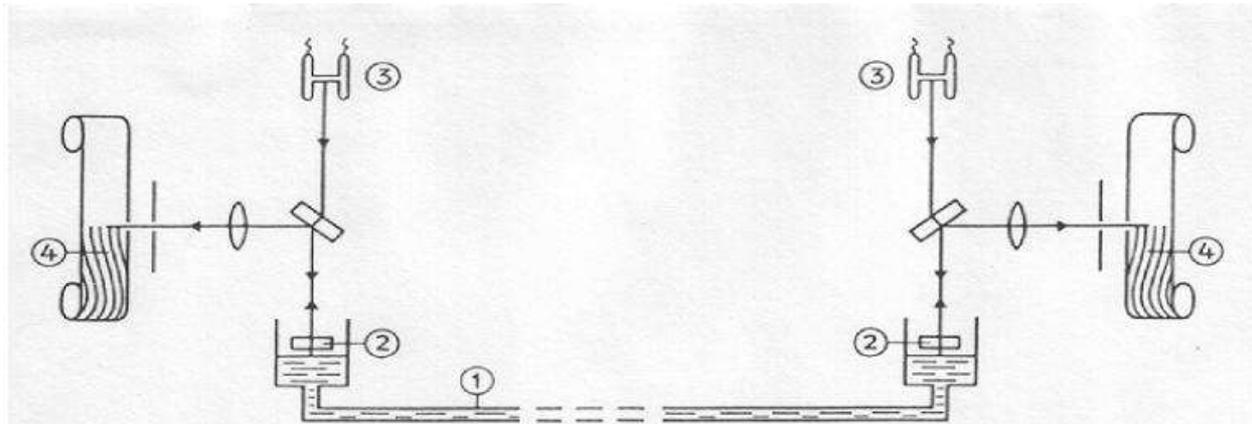


Fig. 1. Pipe level.

1. Pipe, 1000 m long
2. Fixed reference surface
3. Light source of the interferometer
4. Photographic record of interference fringes

A pipe about 1000 m long is planned to be placed in a horizontal drift situated perpendicularly to isobases. The pipe is filled with a suitable liquid, e.g. with mercury. The elevation of the liquid surface at each end is recorded with light interference by which an internal precision of one tenth of the interference fringe interval, i.e.  $\pm 0.02 \mu$  is to be obtained.

This precision, when compared with the yearly tilting of  $15 \mu$  per 1000 m would be satisfactorily high. This precision would be a real accuracy for

NS (62m long) & EW(177m long ) water tube tilt meters in Lohja mine  
1977-1996 by Kääriäinen, FGI

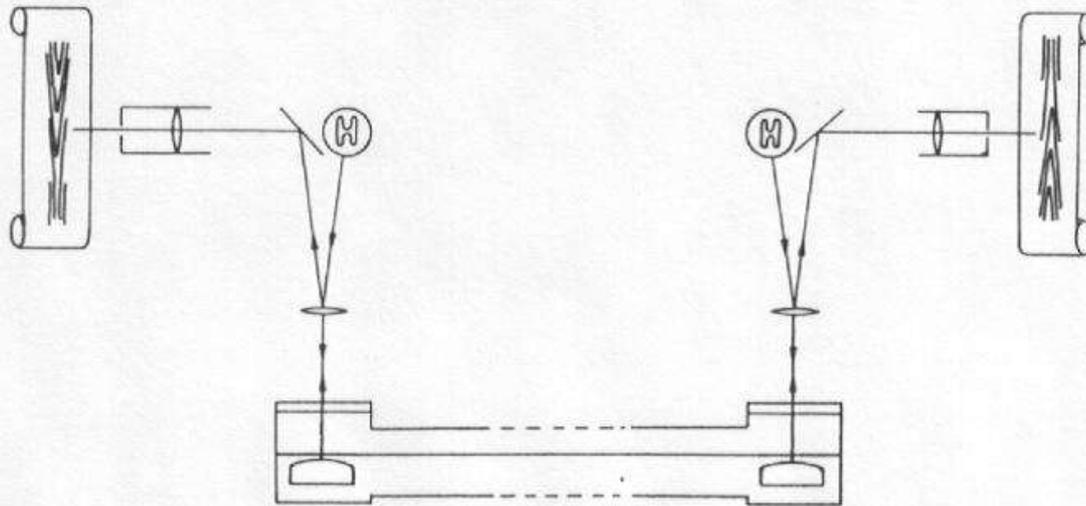


Fig. 2. The principle of the instrument .

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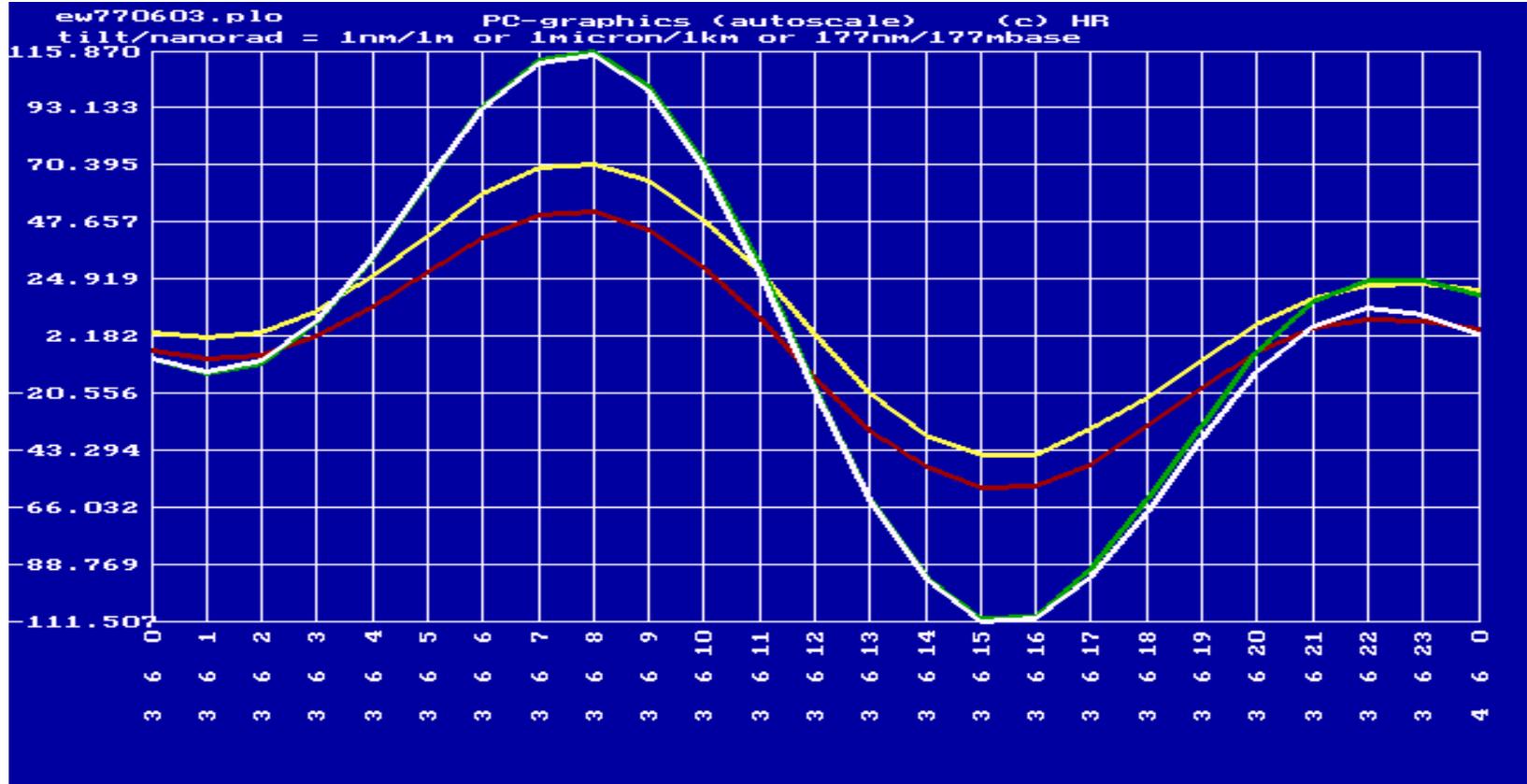






Photo:H. Ruotsalainen, FGI







## EWWT recordings analysed with Eterna 3.3 (Wenzel, 1995)

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<b>1.007595</b>	<b>1.011099</b>	<b>FI1</b>	<b>0.0560</b>	<b>0.49472</b>	<b>0.27922</b>	<b>8.2502</b>	<b>32.3242</b>
<b>1.013689</b>	<b>1.034320</b>	<b>THE1</b>	<b>0.0472</b>	<b>0.55569</b>	<b>0.30626</b>	<b>28.3914</b>	<b>31.5835</b>
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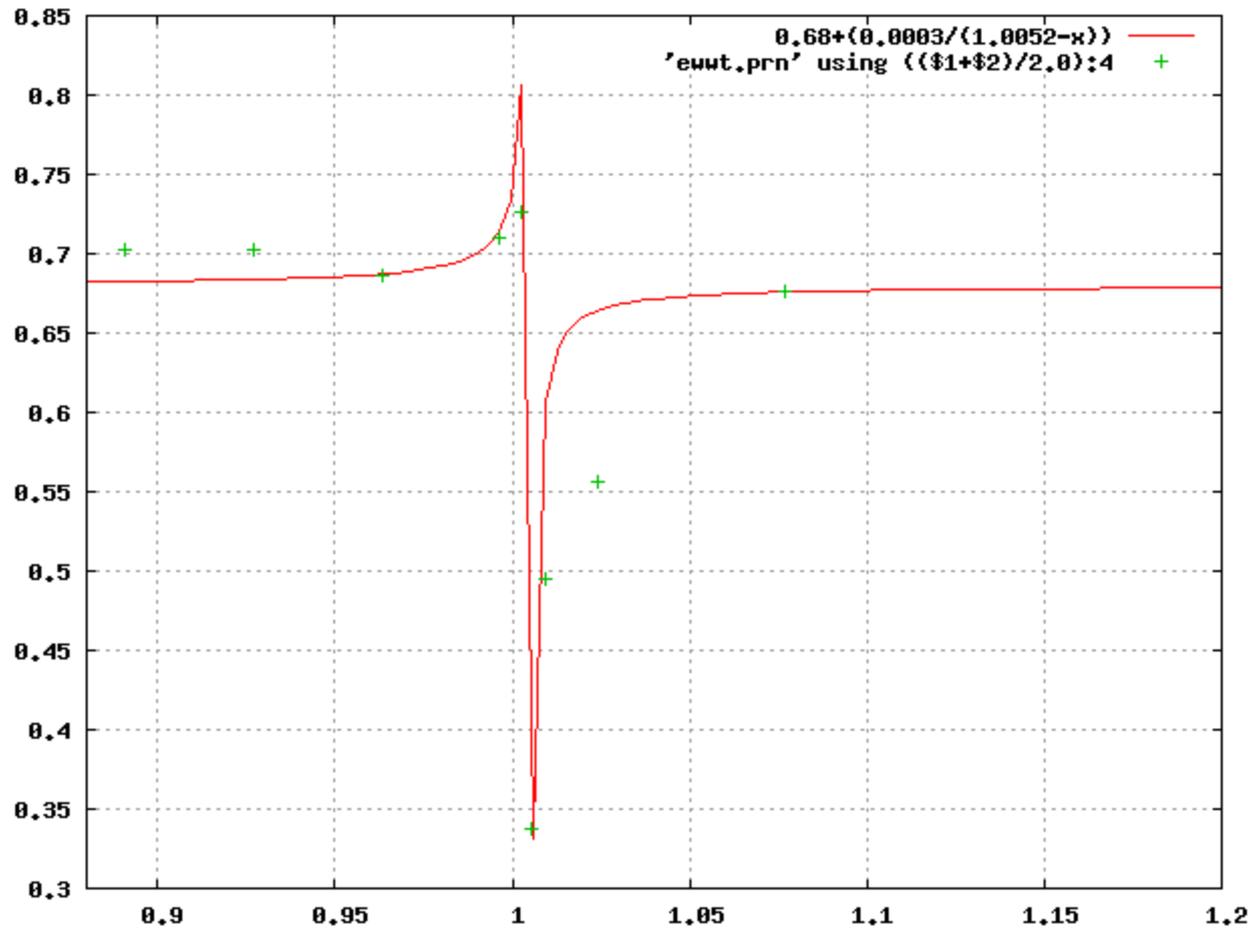


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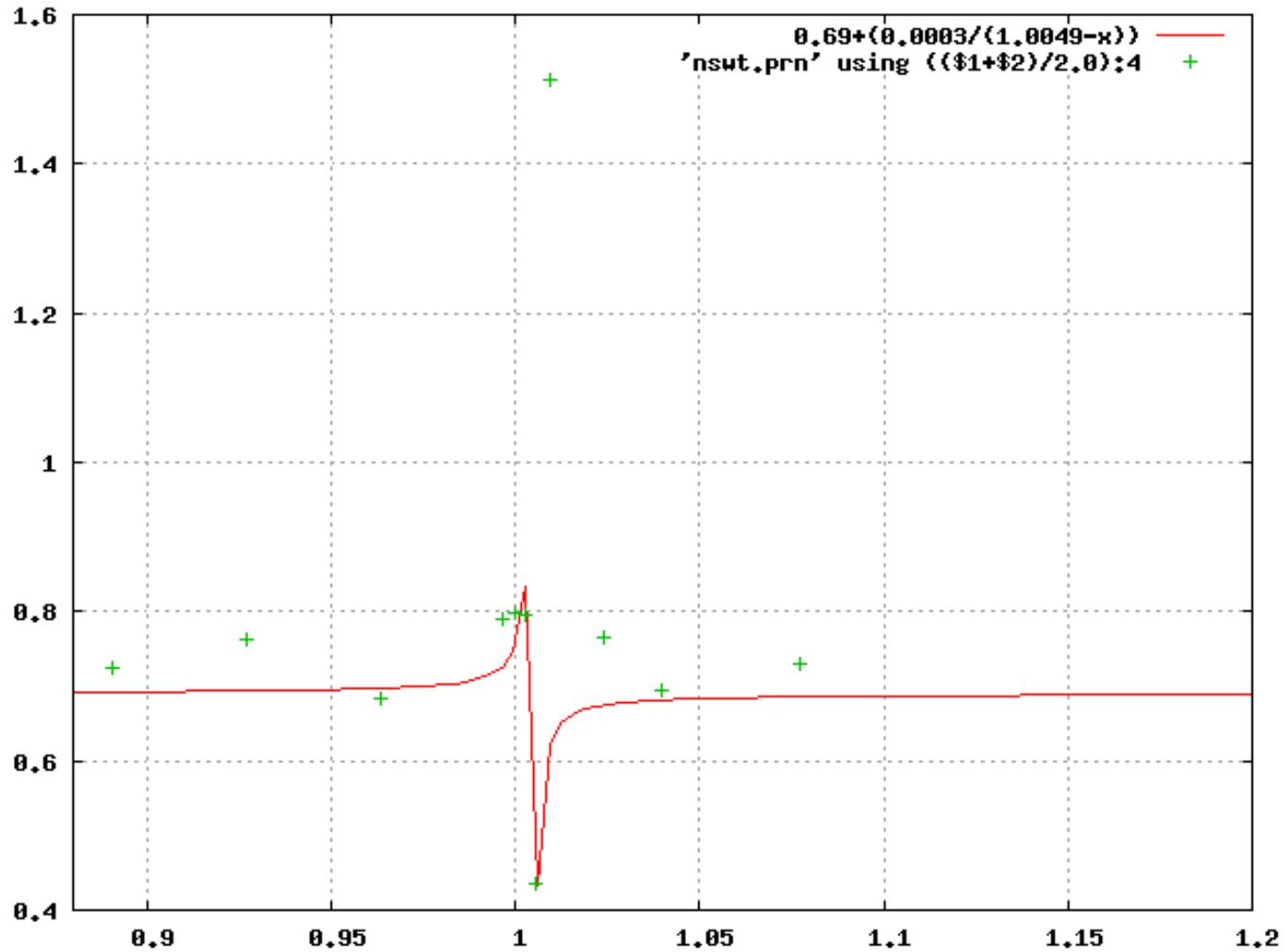
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# Recorded core resonance/tidal tilt signals recorded with EWWT in Lohja (nanoradians)

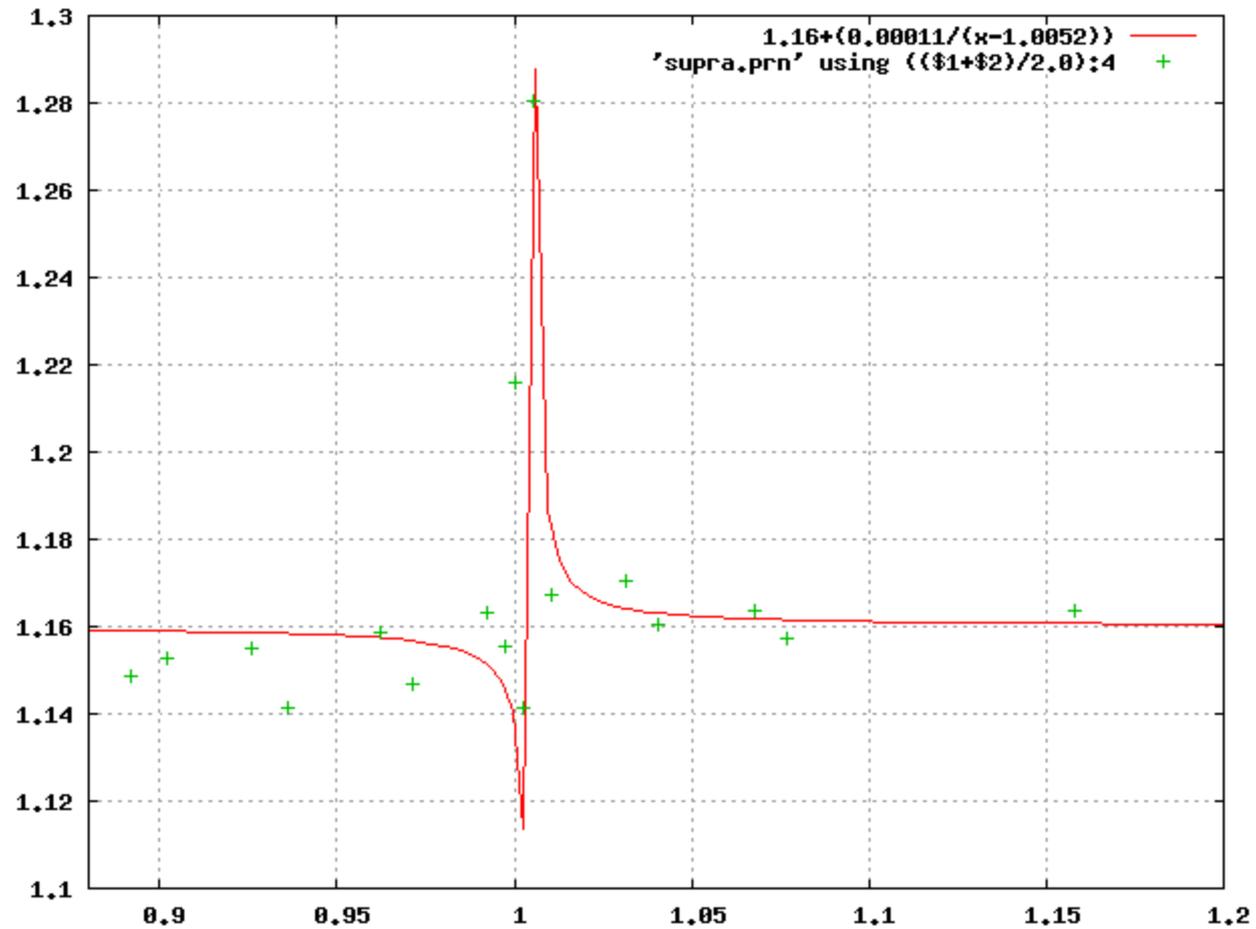


Courtesy: H.Ruotsalainen, FGI

Recorded core resonance/tidal tilt signals recorded with NSWT in Lohja (nanoradians)



Core resonance/tilt signals recorded with superconducting gravimeter GWR-TT20 in Metsähovi (Virtanen, 2006)

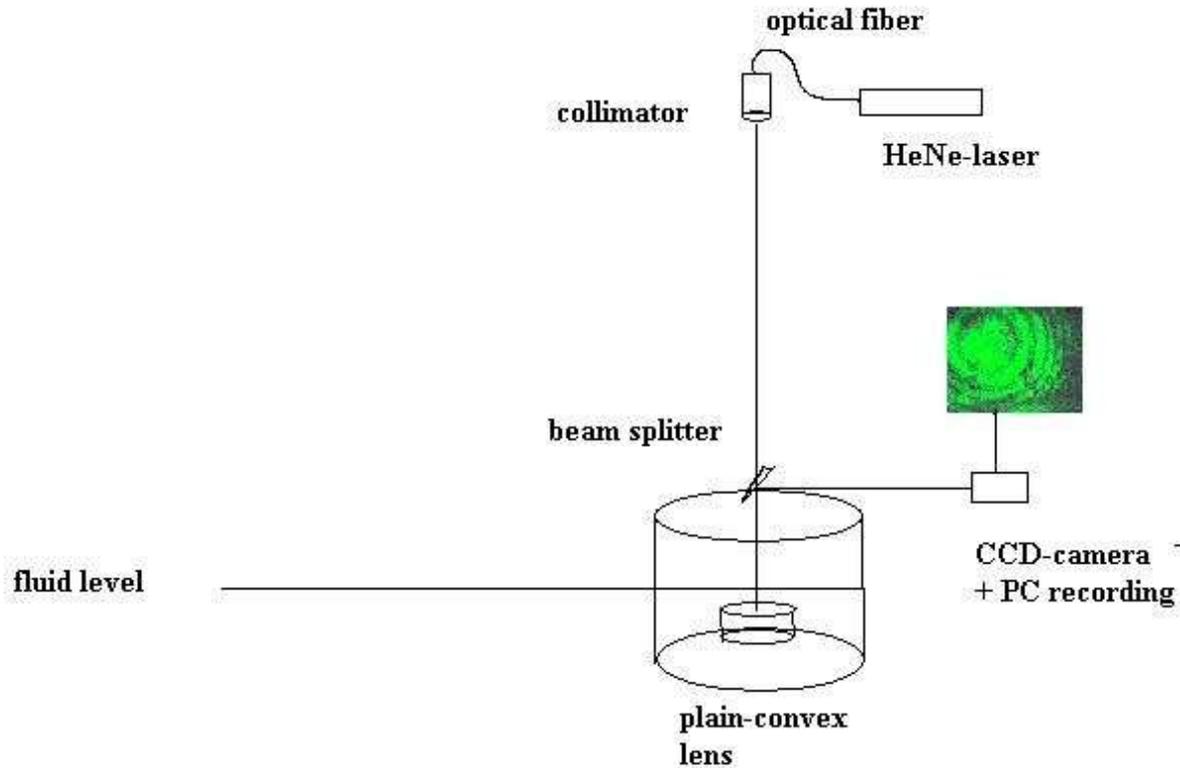




# Modernized water level tilt meter

- Project third generation WT started in year 2000
- Thermal expansion modelling were carried out
- Modular stainless construction
- New end pots were built at the Helsinki University of Technology and installed on the adjustable tripods with special ball&socket type joints to the tube
- End pots plated inside by teflon to avoid water friction against walls
- Single mode fibers used between 2 mW HeNe-lasers and collimators to avoid thermal influence of laser on the level interferometer
- Fringe image recordings are carried out using Basler digital firewire cameras
- Interference phase interpretation carried out by a computer on-the-fly with 15 hz sampling rate under Linux operating system programmed by A. Pavenis (Latvia, Riga University/FGI 2002-2005)
- Estimated tilt resolution 0.1 nanoradians with this 50.4 m tube. Resolution is comparable to 1mm tilt in 10000 km base.

# Fizeau-Kukkamäki level interferometer



(C) Courtesy: Hannu Ruotsalainen, FGI

# Prototype wt at the FGI lab

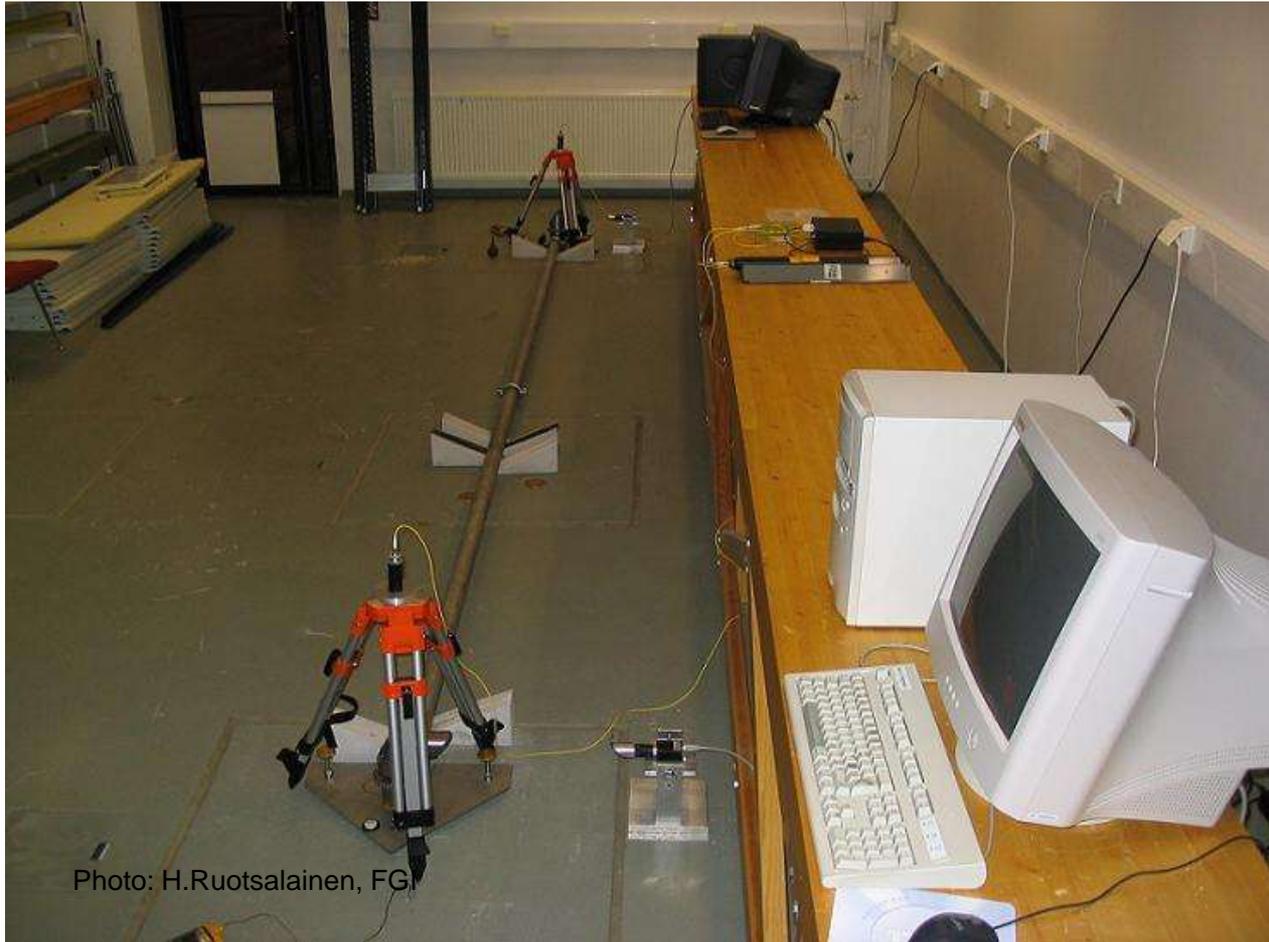


Photo: H.Ruotsalainen, FGI

## Proto WT (2.75m) in Lohja



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# New 50.4 m long proto NSWT in Lohja



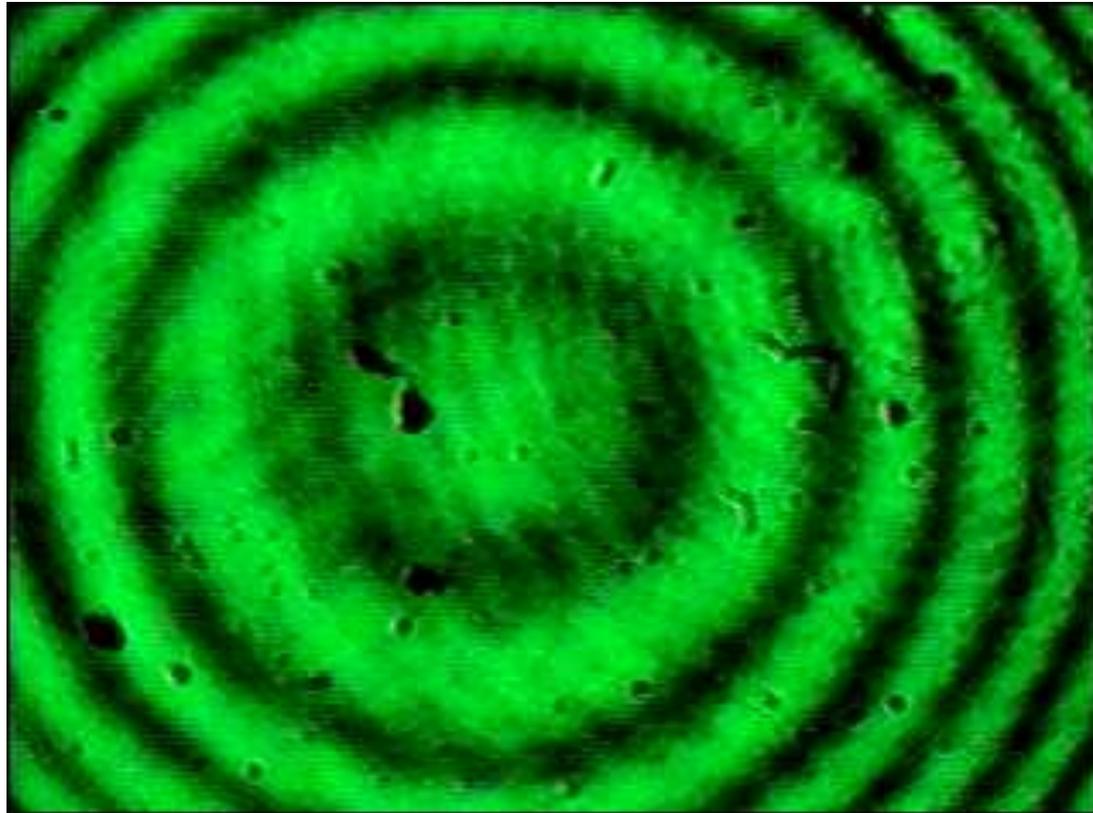
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Computers in entrance room (200 and 260 m from interferometers) recording fringes and interpreting on the fly with 15Hz sampling rate. Data is downloaded from computers on hard disks and transported to FGI for analyse e.g. monthly.

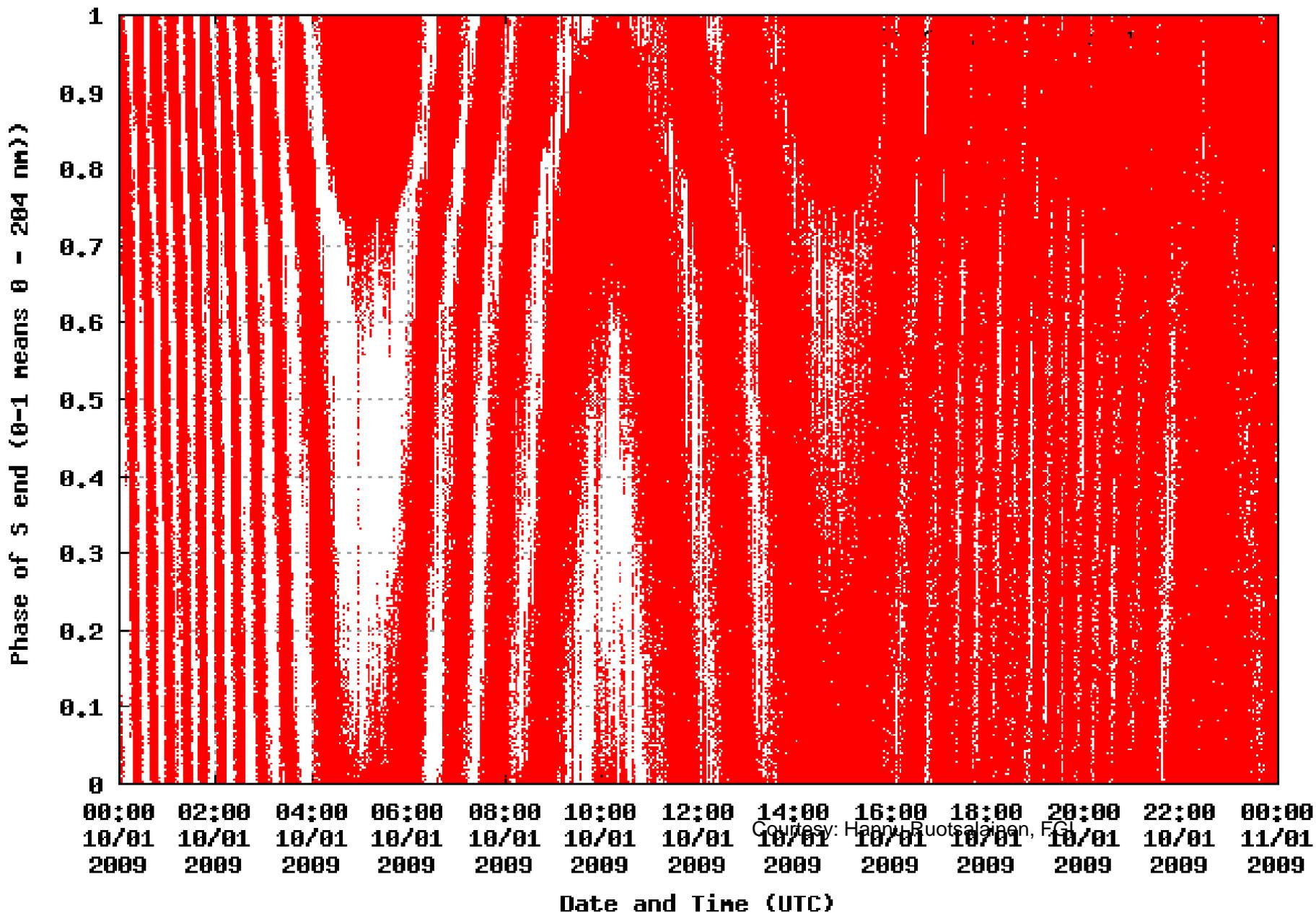


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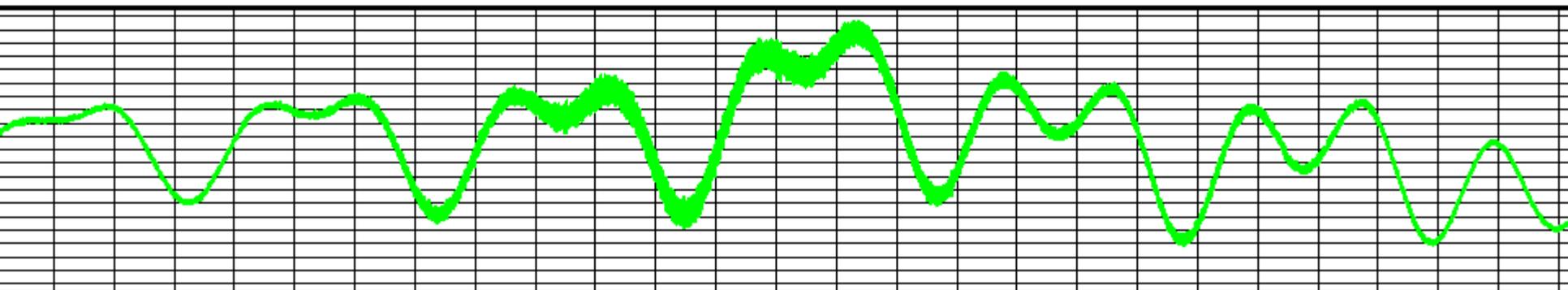
# S end pot phase recording of the new NS-WT in Tytyri mine Lohja Finland



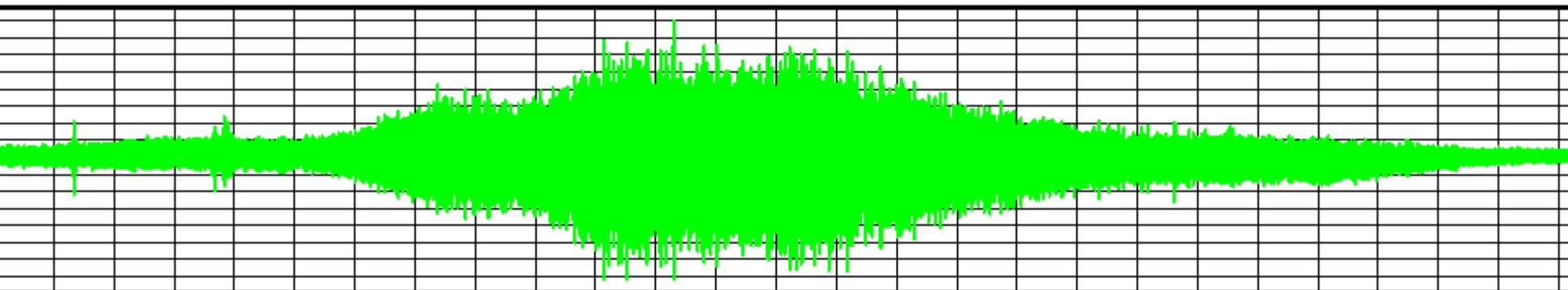
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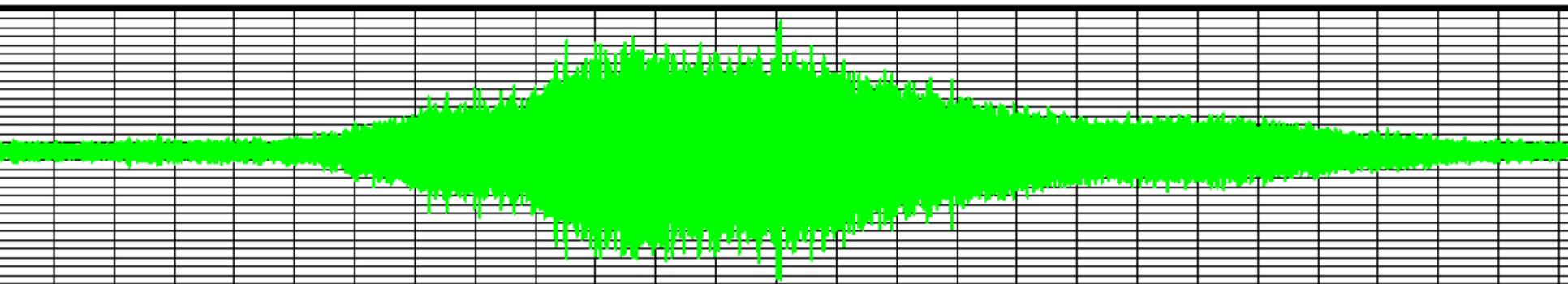
ohja:NSWT:Crustal tilt (10x nanorad)



Metsahovi:T020:Gres TA310 (nm/s^2)

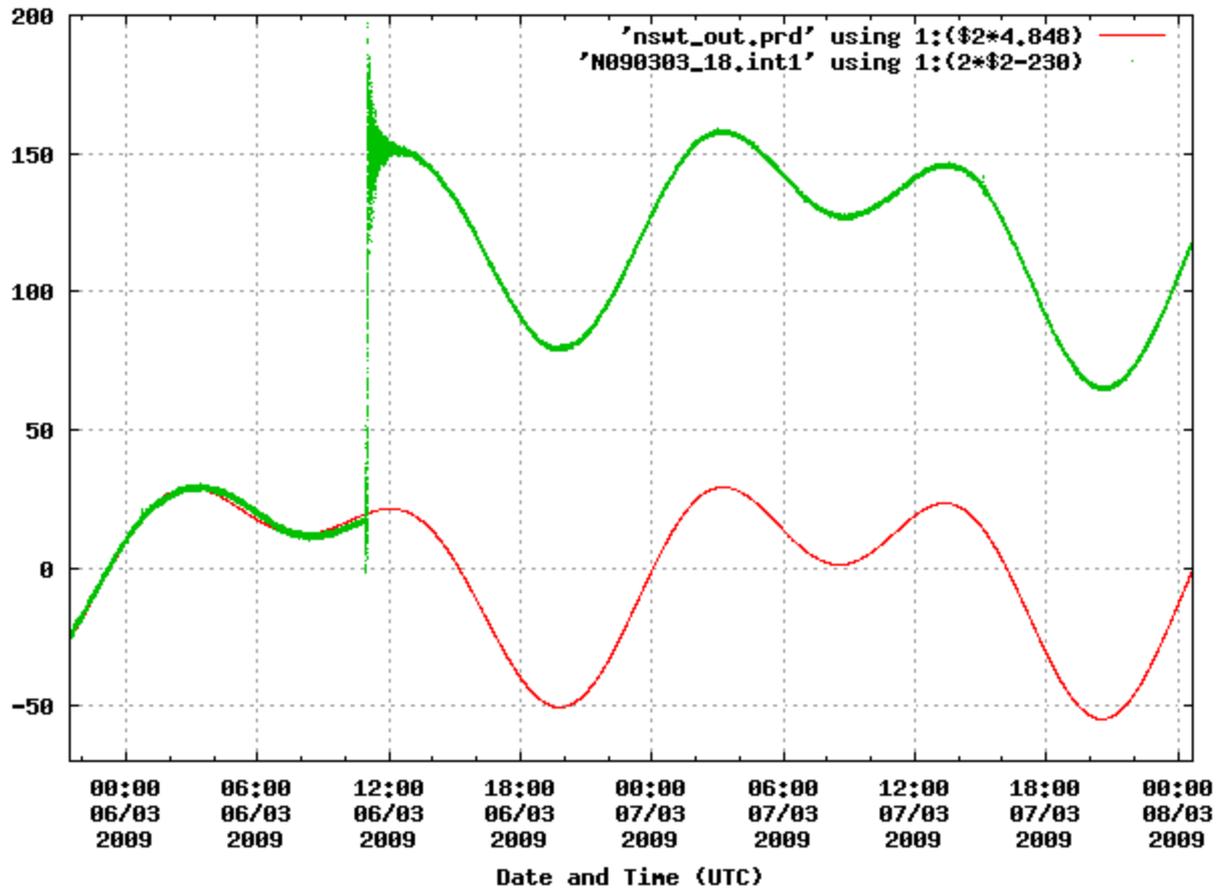


ohja:NSWT:Crustal tilt (BPIsq 0.100,0.5010x nanorad (10x nanorad)



ter level tilting in both ends and total of 50.4 m HT (nanoradians=1r

Recordings of the new NS-HT in Tytyri mine Lohja Finland



Comparison of old and new NSWT earth tide analyse result (main waves)

Wenzel Eterna 3.3 version

Adjusted tidal parameters of NSWT, Hartmann-Wenzel potential development 1995 used :

from [cpd]	to [cpd]	wave	ampl. [ mas ]	ampl.fac.	stdv. [deg]	ph. lead [ deg]	stdv.
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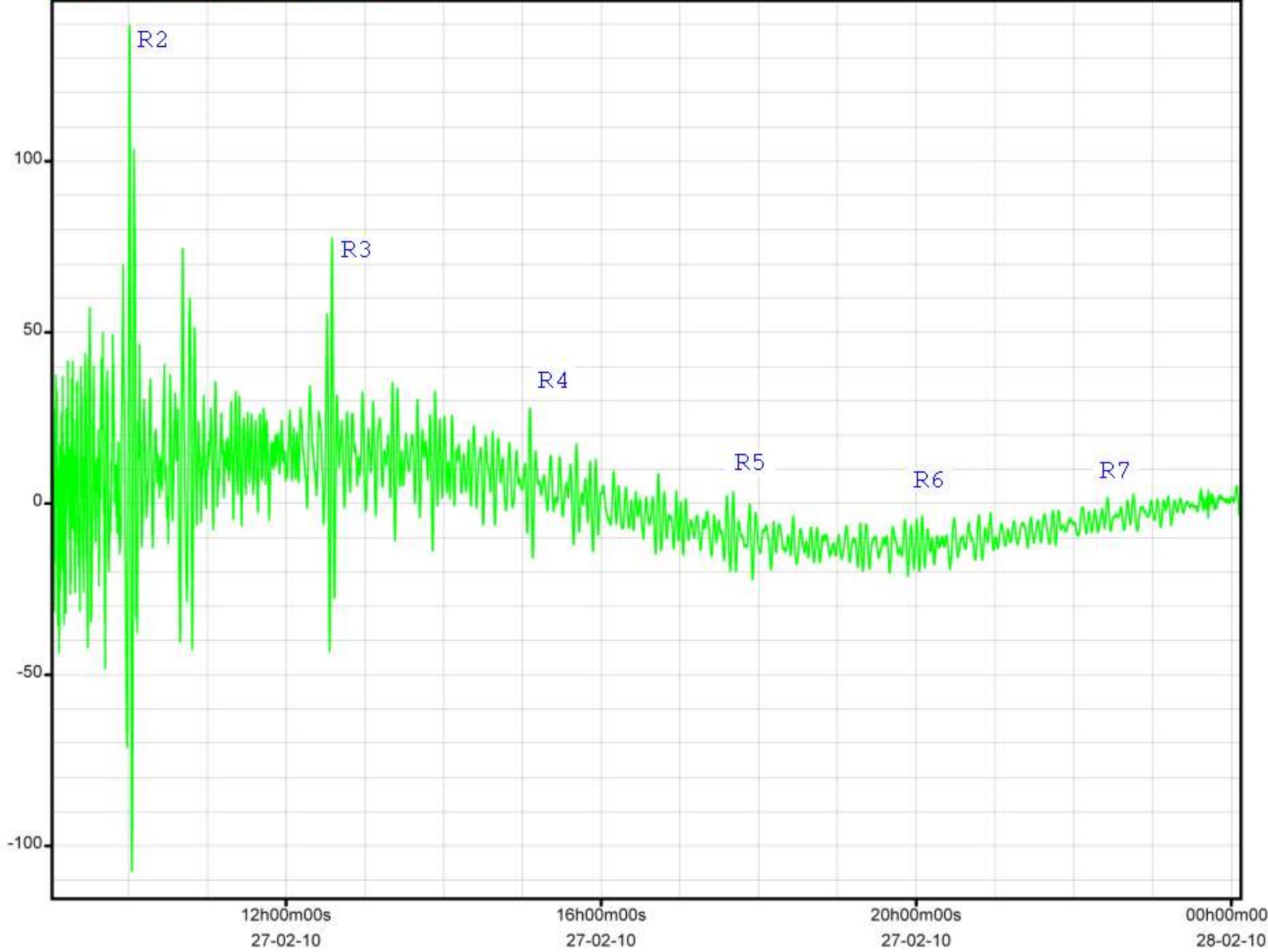
OLD NSWT (1054 days)

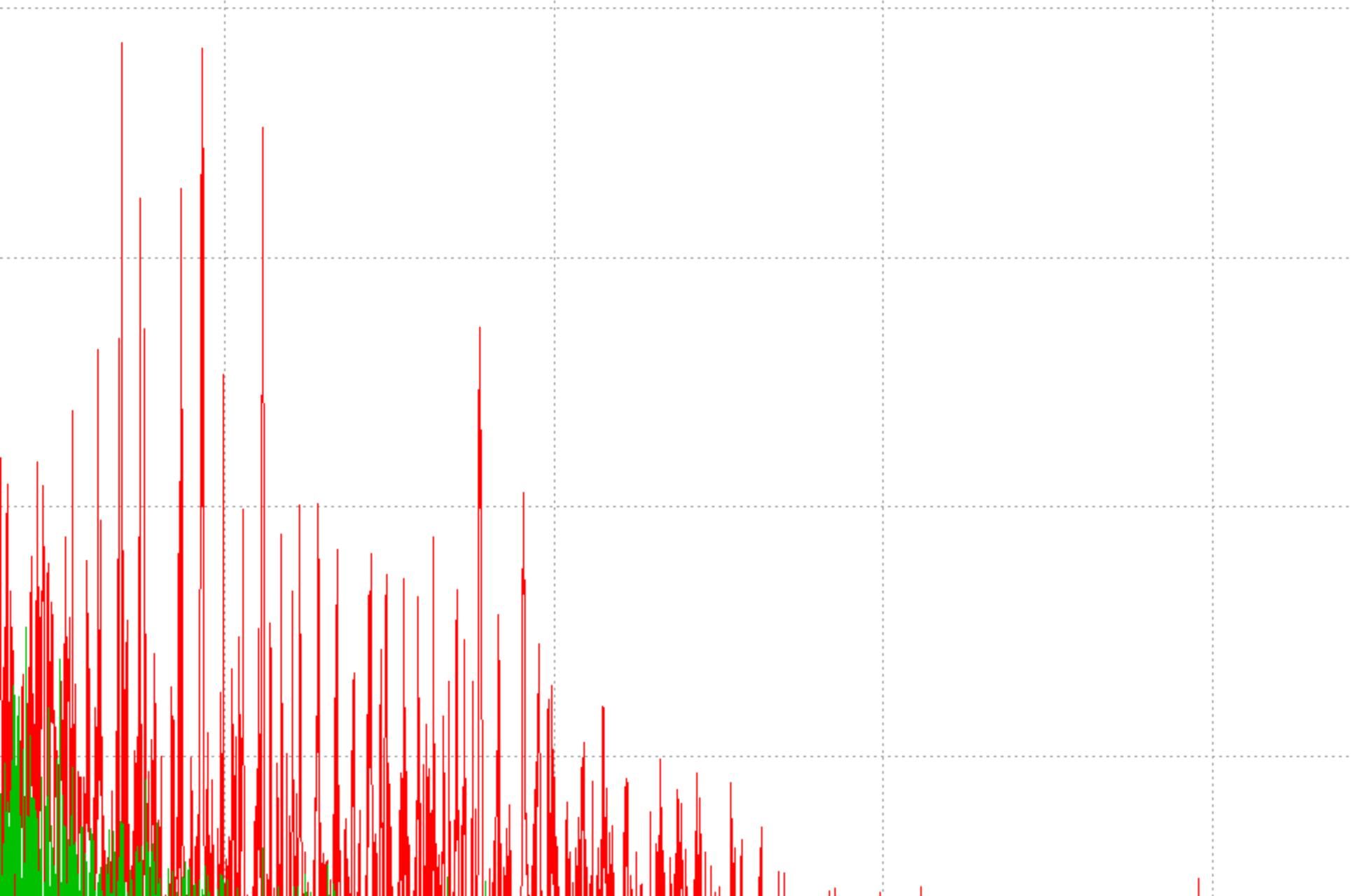
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1.923766	1.942754	M2	3.8793	0.57006	0.01521	-1.9471	1.5293
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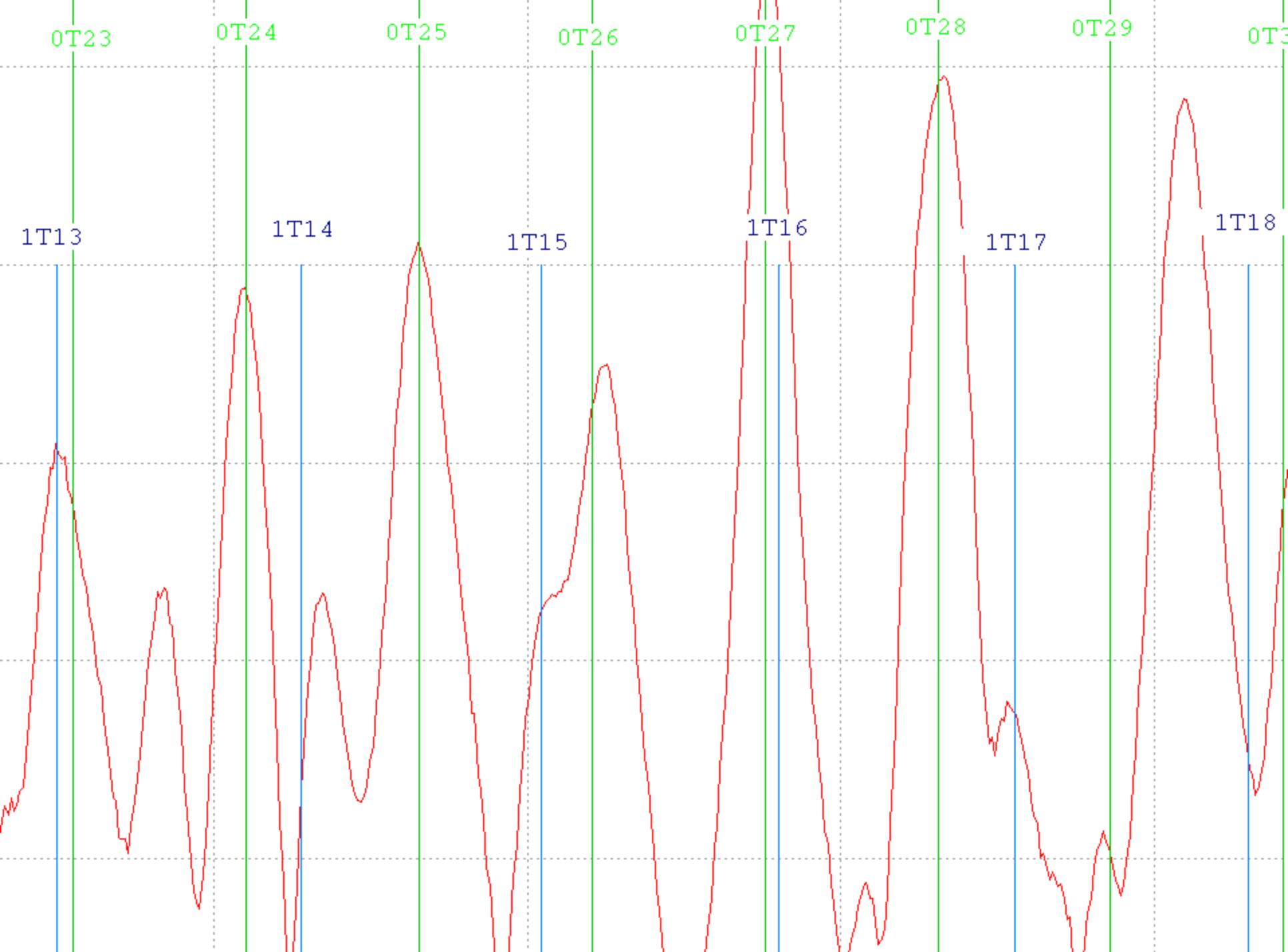
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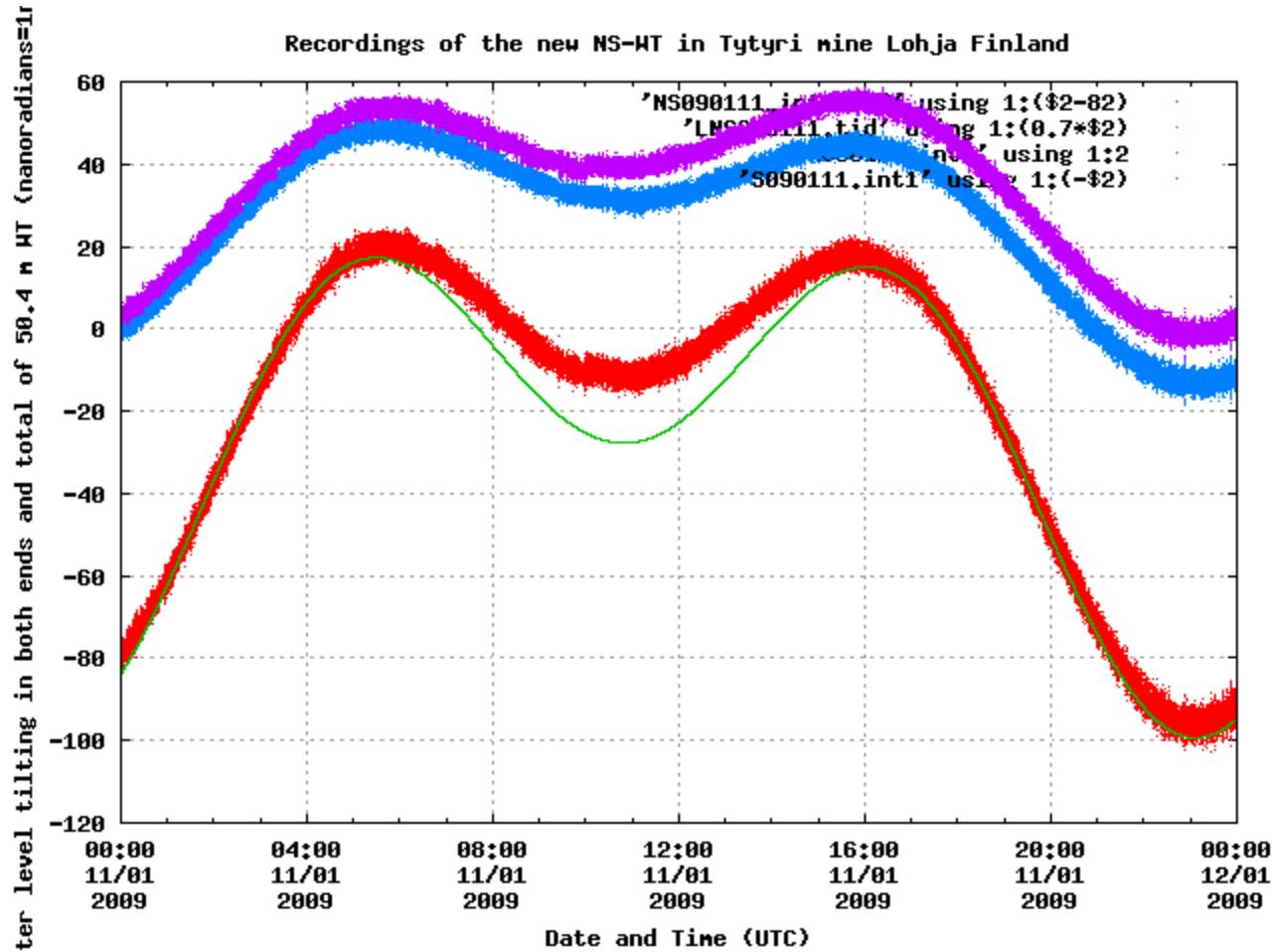




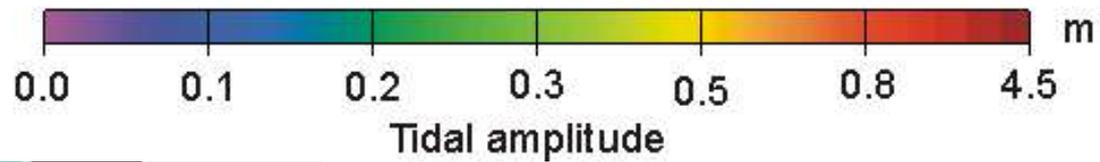
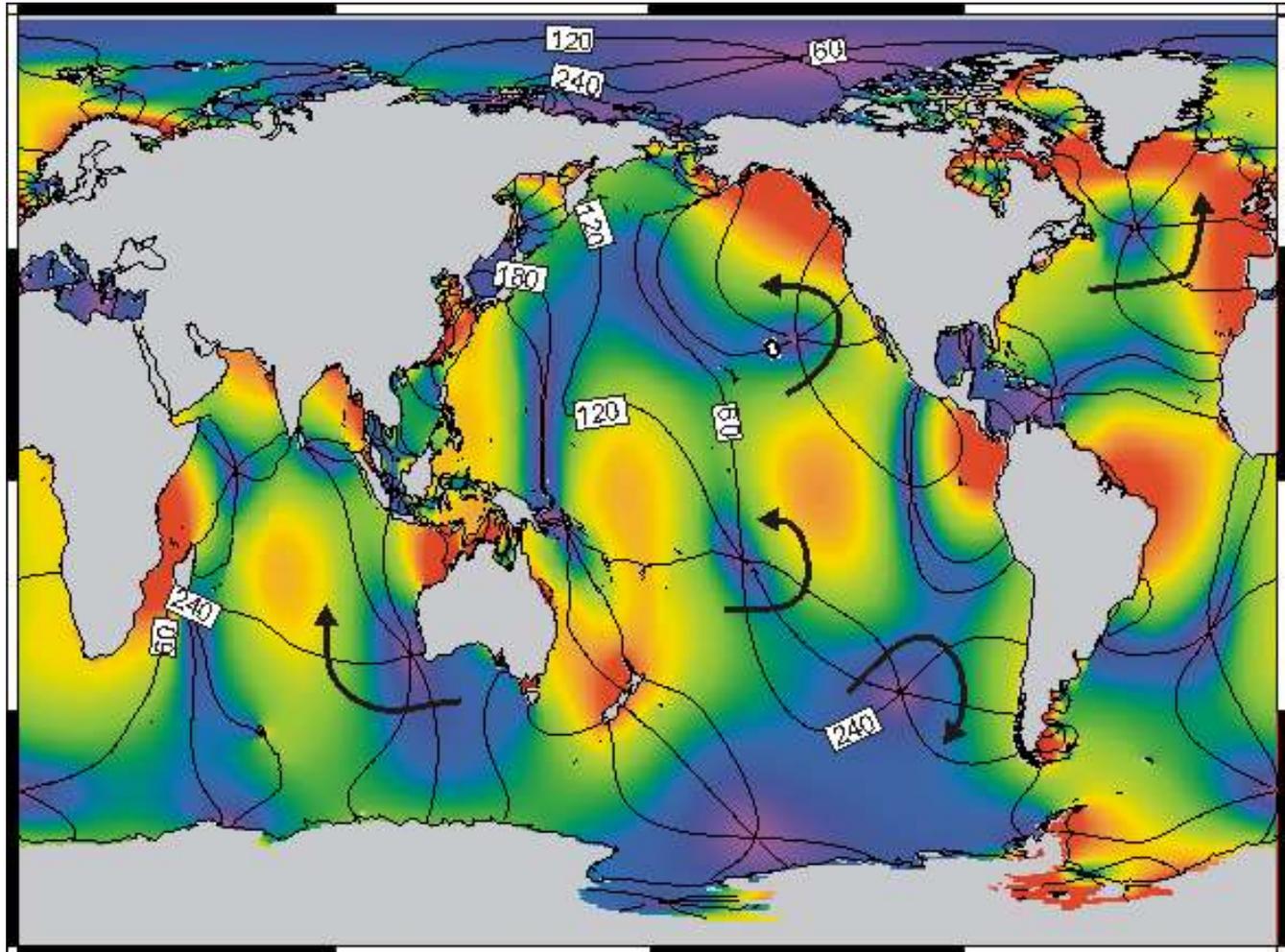




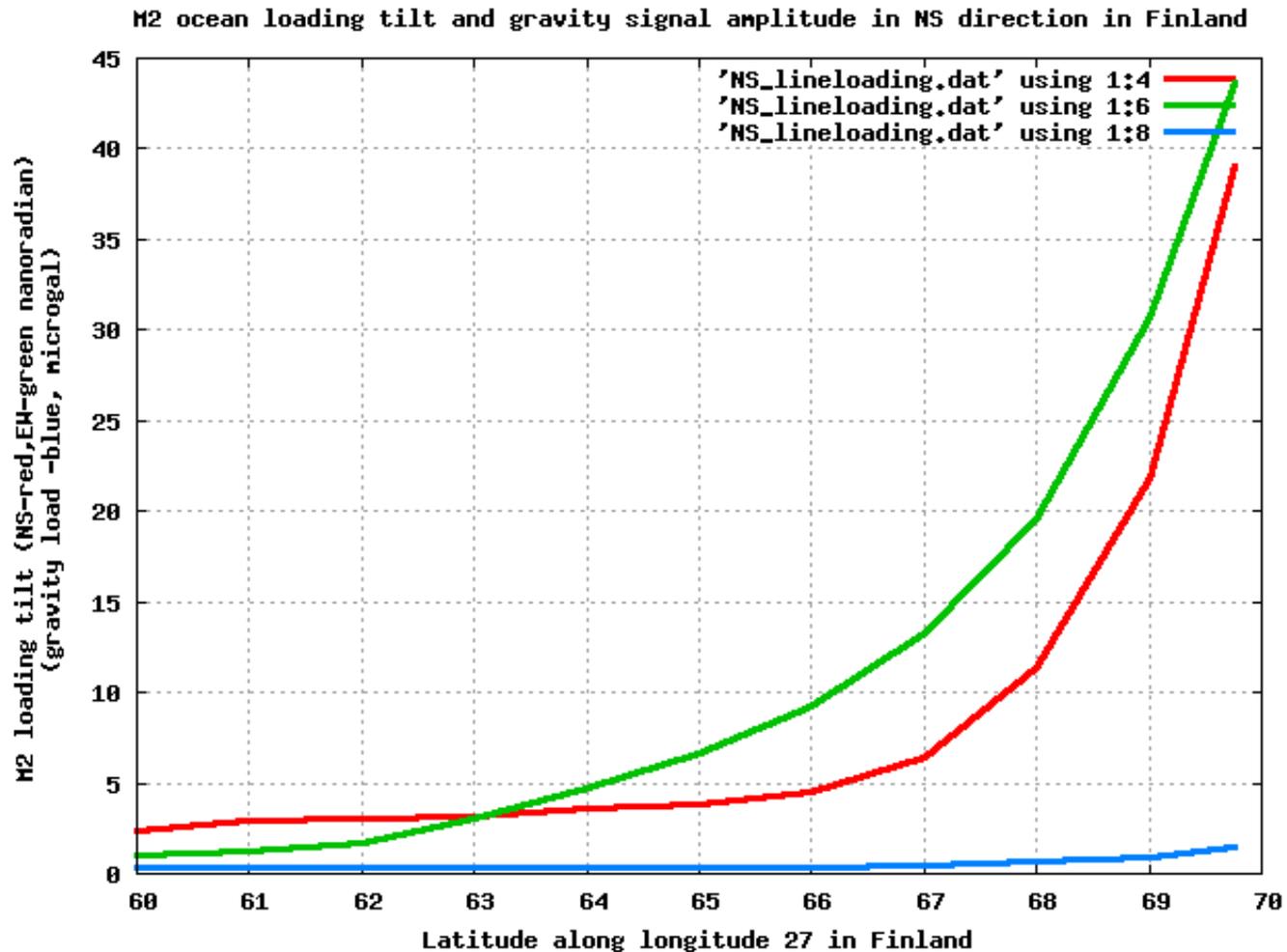
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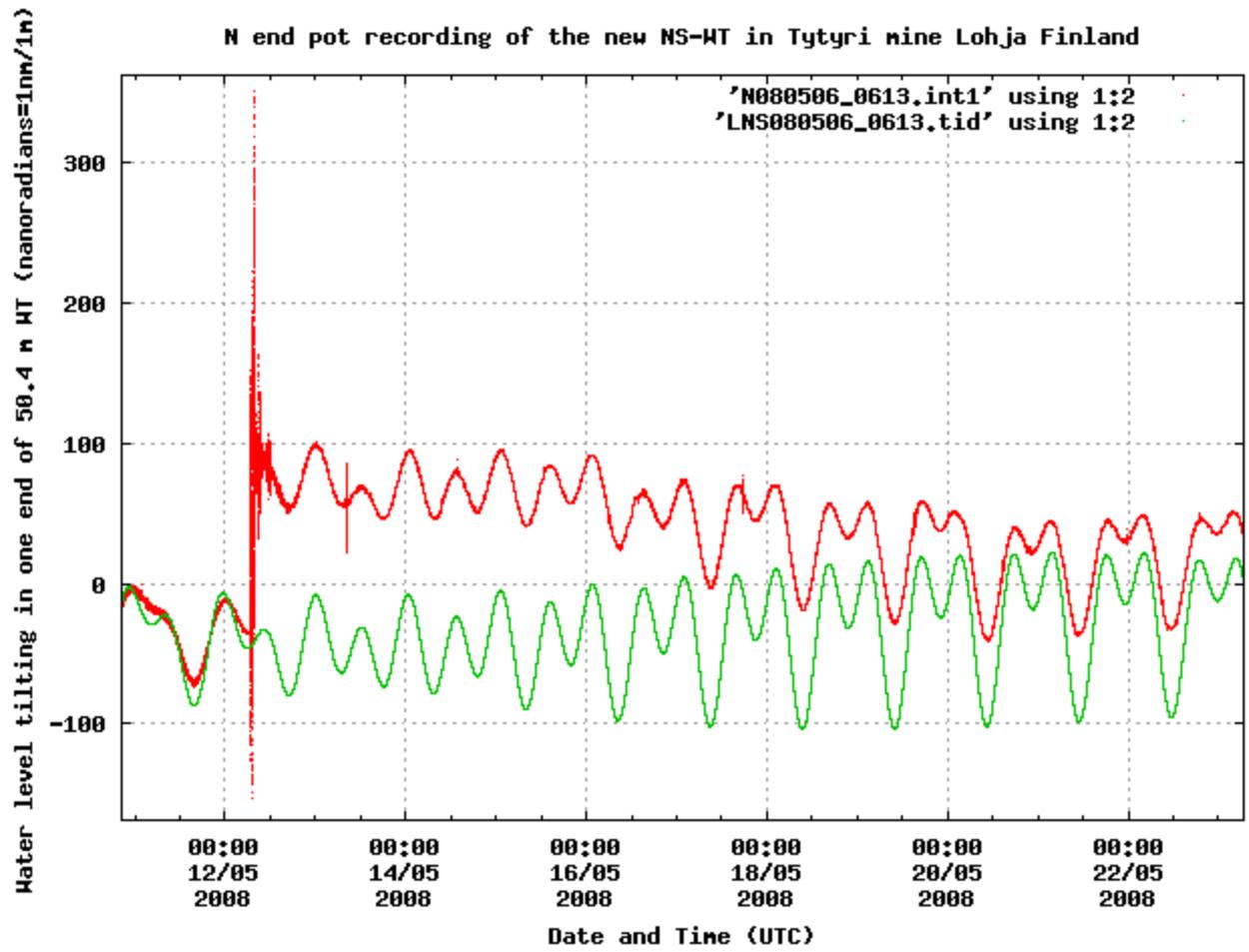


M2 ocean tide map by H.G. Scherneck,  
OSO, Sweden



M2 loadings along latitude 27 by D.C Agnew, (1997) NLOADF program and CSR4.0 model.

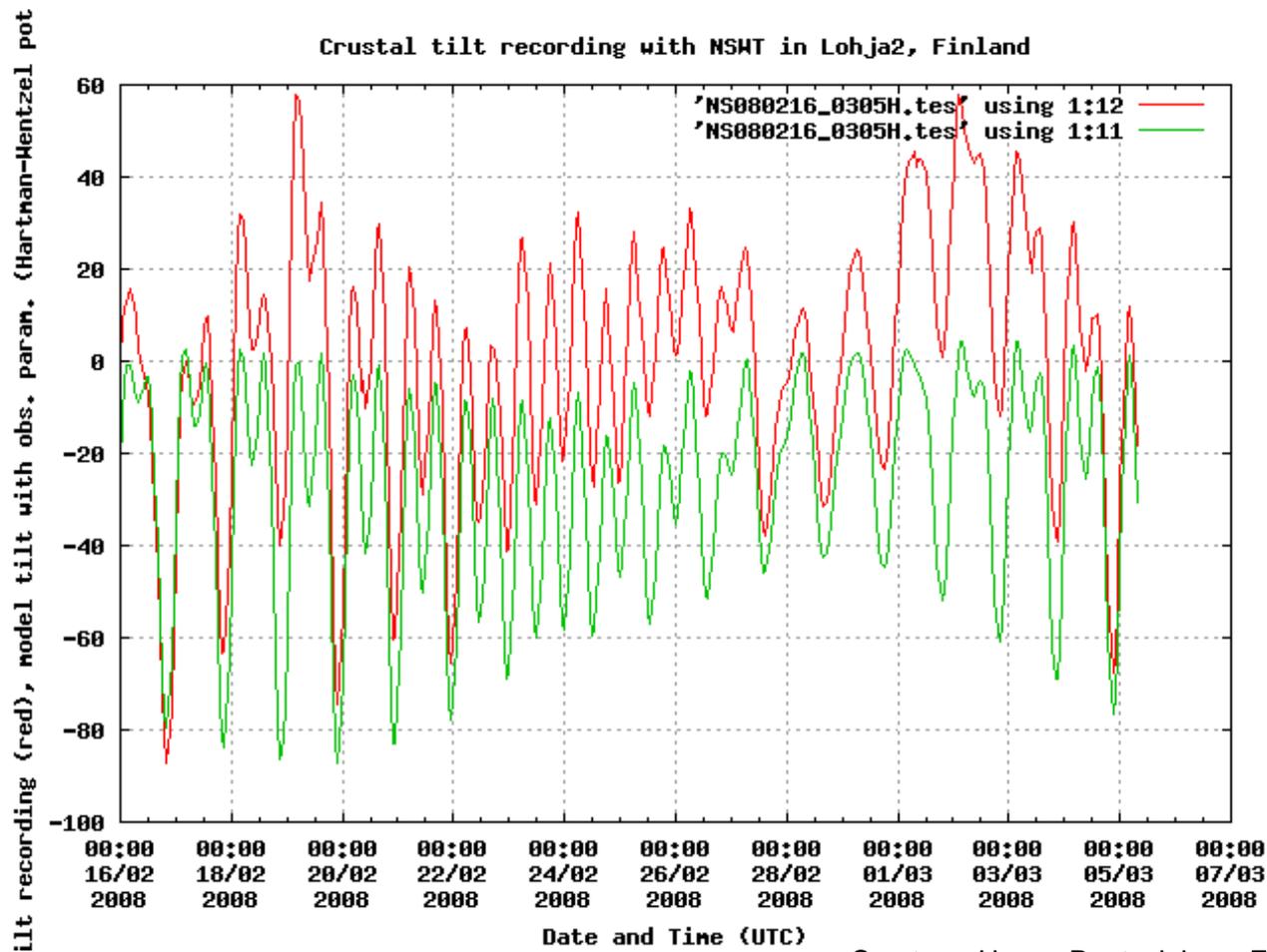




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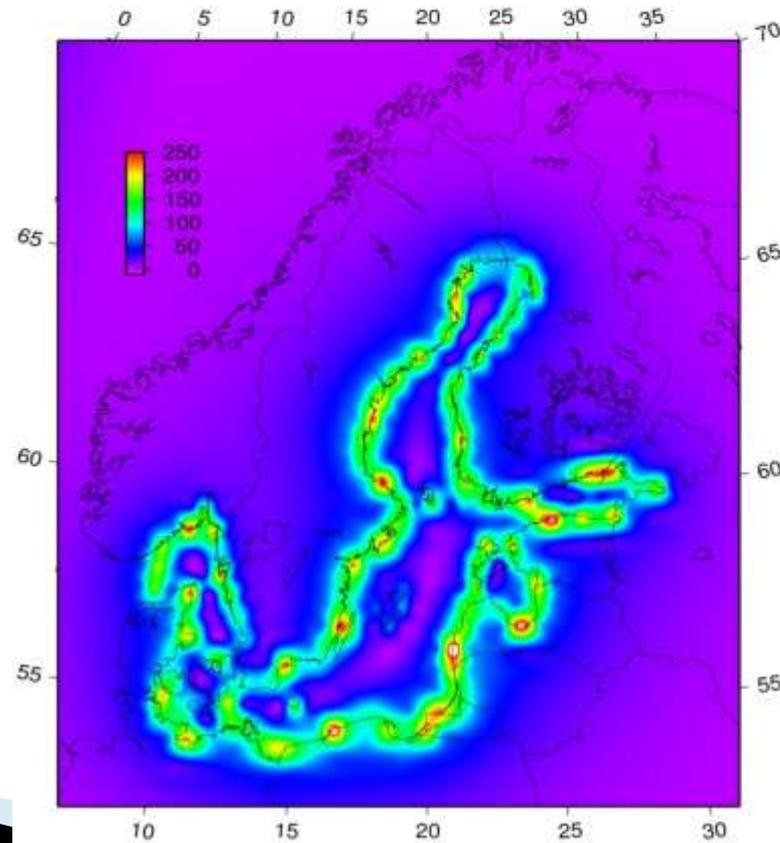
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## Green theoretical model tilt – red observed tilt



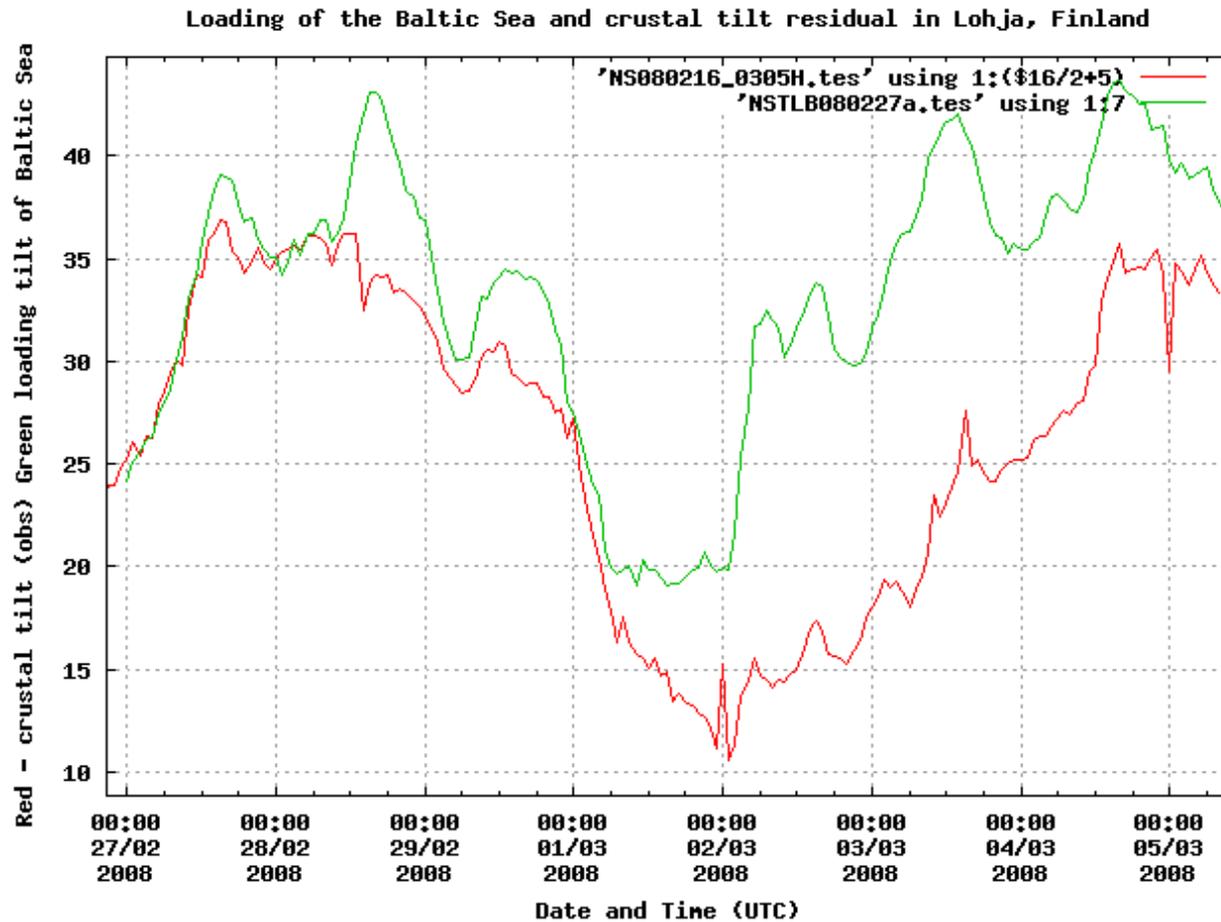
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Crustal loading tilt model of the Baltic Sea with 1 m standard level load  
D.C.Agnew's program NLOADF compiled by Maaria Nordman



Courtesy of map: M. Nordman, FGI

RED - NON-TIDAL RESIDUAL TILT of the NSWT  
GREEN- CRUSTAL LOADING MODEL OF BALTIC SEA,  
NLOADF, (Agnew 1997) and Baltic Sea level data from the Finnish Institute of Marine  
Research, and BOOS database



# Conclusions

- ▶ Modern Michelson-Gale type interferometric water level tilt meter (WT) with absolute scale can be modified to different lengths from 1m to several hundreds of meters in different azimuths.
  - ▶ WT can record broad spectrum of geodynamical signals from microseism and free oscillations and earth tide tilt. Toroidal modes of the free oscillations have been observed, which are not possible detect with gravimeters
  - ▶ M2 ocean tidal loading tilt signal observed – origin possibly from the Arctic Sea
  - ▶ Loading tilt signal of Baltic Sea also observed
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