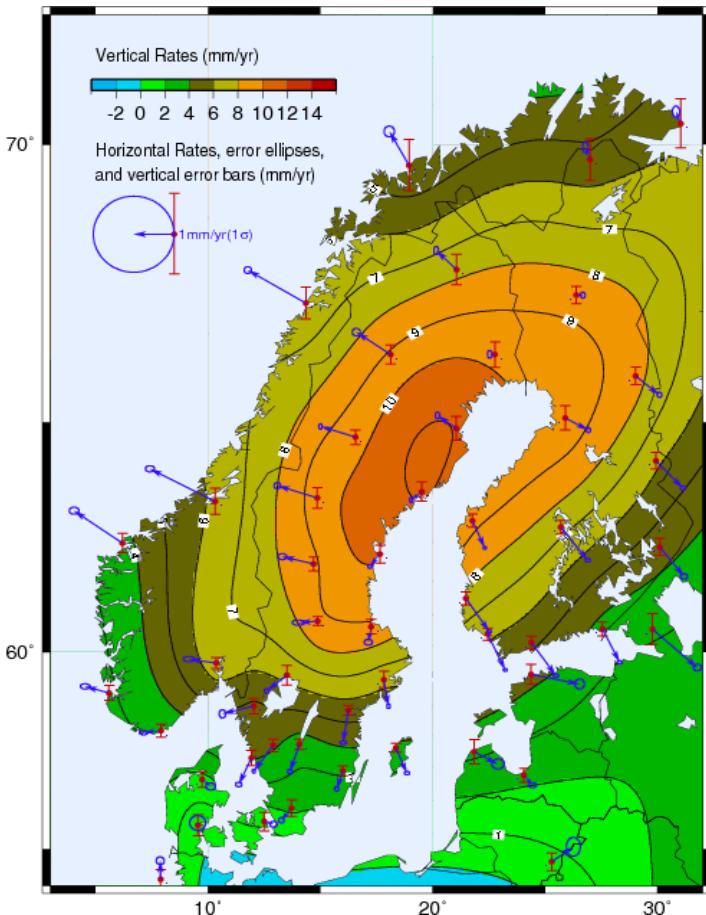


# Twenty years of search for the “true” crustal deformation in Fennoscandia from the BIFROST project



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# BIFROST 1993-2013

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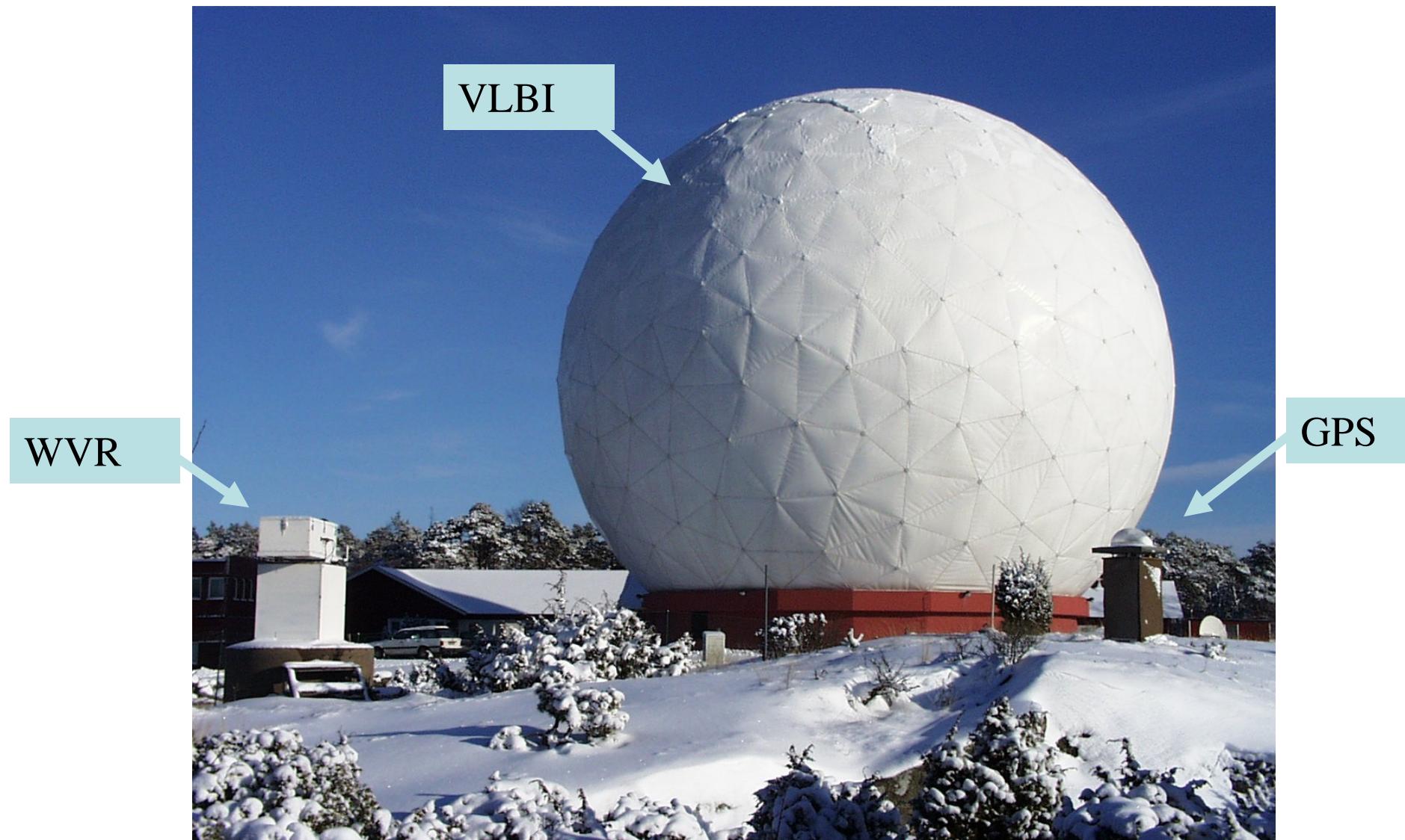
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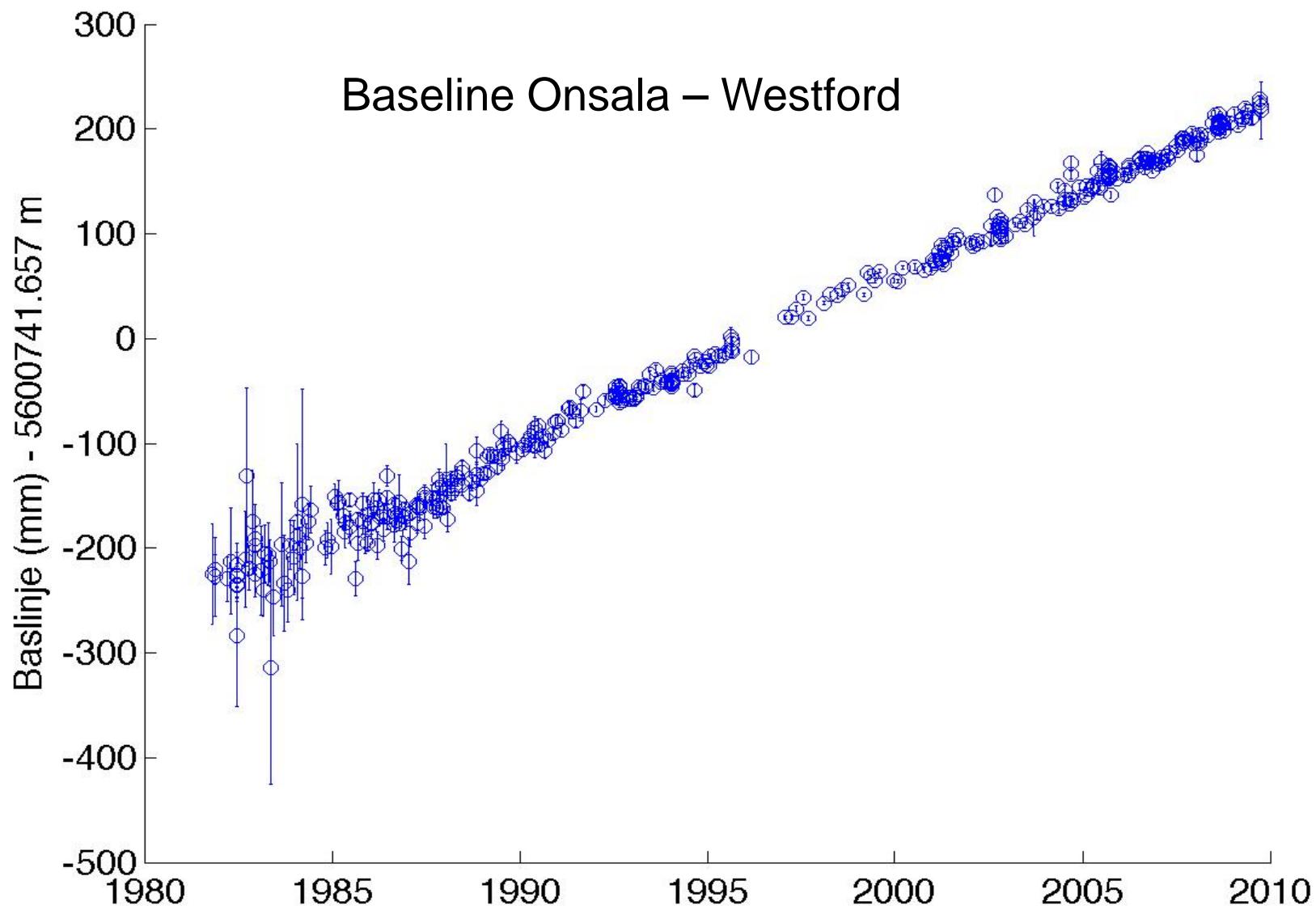
# Outline

- Historic tour
- The BIFROST project
- New velocity solution
  - GPS analysis
  - Evaluation of the velocity field and comparison to GIA model
- Next steps
- Conclusions



# Geodetic Observations at Onsala Space Observatory





# BIFROST - from initial idea to a project

- Geo-VLBI 1968, 1980-
- CIGNET/IGS station in Onsala 1986
- Why continuous regional GPS observations?
  - Deformation studies and ties to VLBI 1986
  - Investigation of error sources 1988
  - GIA project idea 1989
  - Land Survey contact 1990
  - NASA/DOSE support 1991
  - IGS (GIG) testing 1991
  - Atmospheric monitoring 1992
- Proposal research (1991); for equipment (1992)
- Proposal for BIFROST & SWEPOS granted 1992
- First BIFROST data + campaign 1993
- SWEPOS taken over by Lantmäteriet 1995
- BIFROST and SWEPOS 20 years 2013!!!

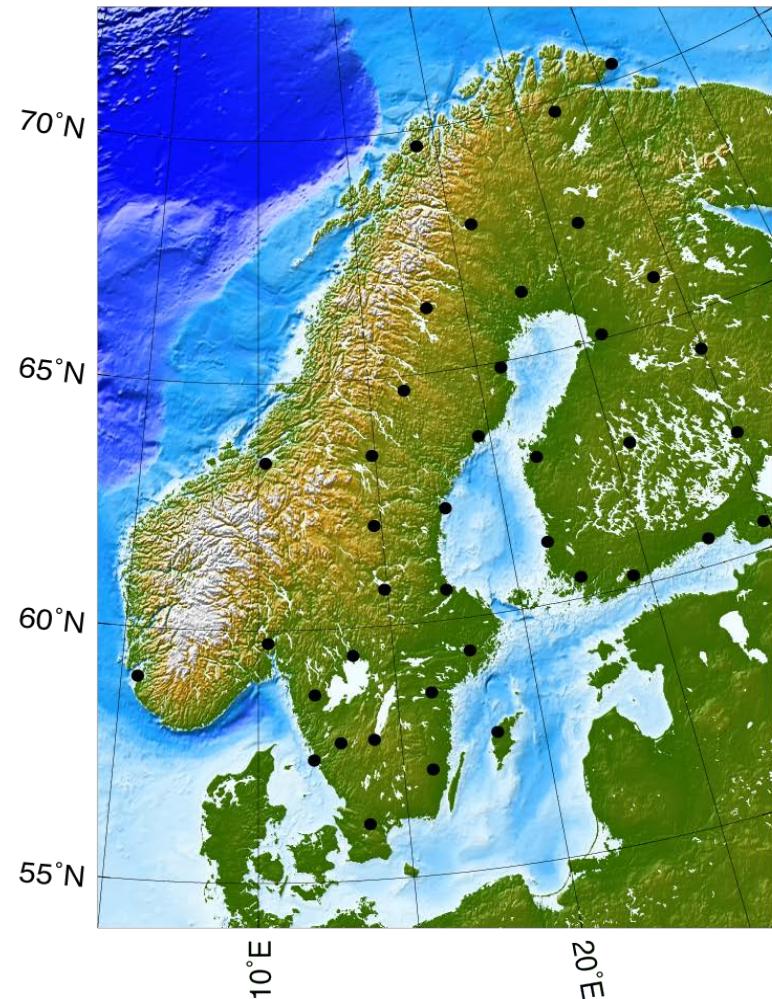


# BIFROST Project

- Permanent GPS systems across Norway, Sweden, and Finland
- First observations 1993
- Started with 16 sites, quickly increased to about 40 sites, ~100–200 km spacing
- First 3-D map of GIA (anywhere) produced 2001

## Published velocity results:

- 2002 Johansson et al, JGR  
GIPSY, Aug 1993 - May 2000
- 2007 Lidberg et al, J Geodesy  
GAMIT, 1996 - June 2004
- 2010 Lidberg et al, J Geodynamics  
GAMIT, 1996 - fall 2006



# **BIFROST Core Network – FINNREF, SATREF, SWEPOS**

# FinnRef (Finland)



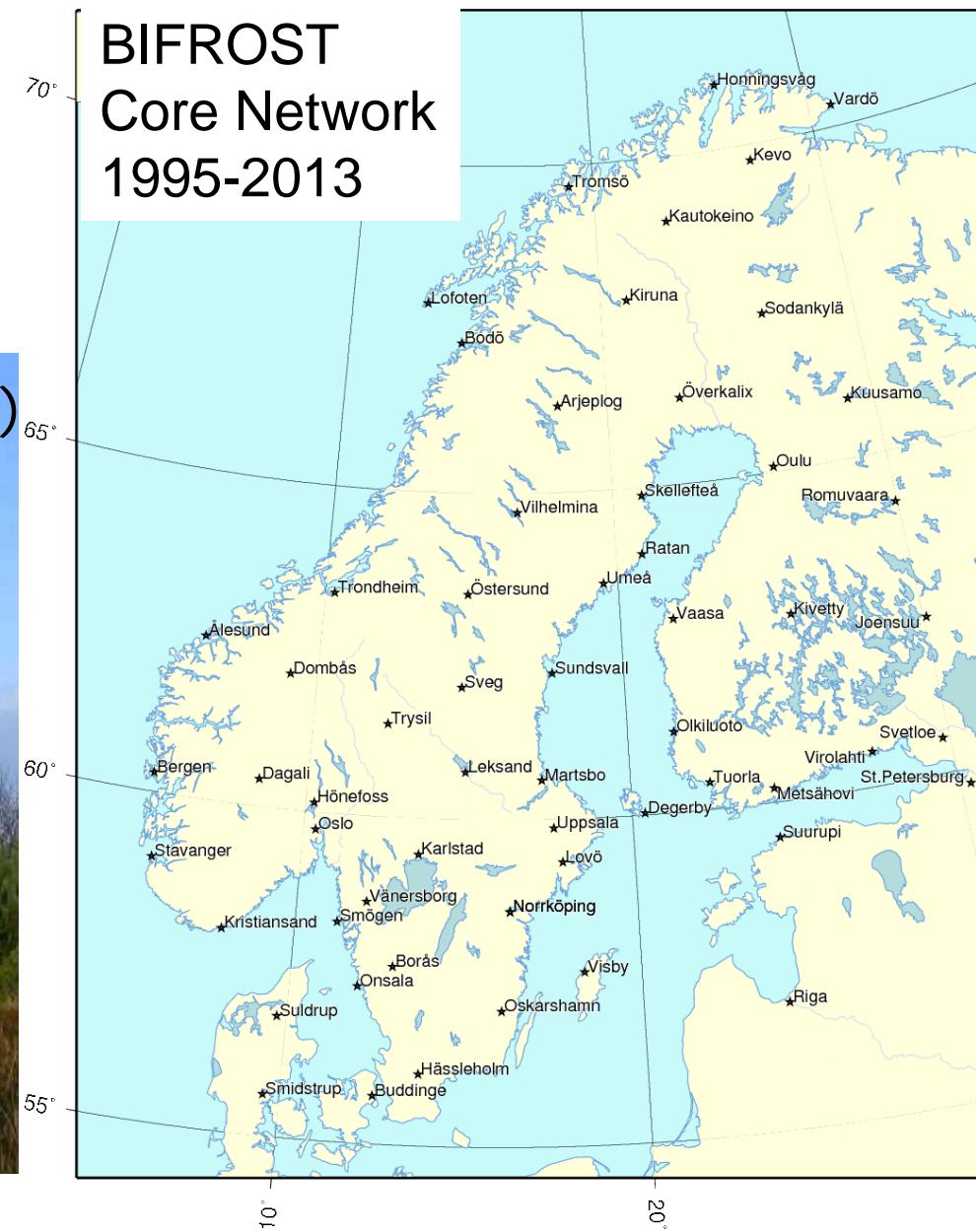
# SatRef (Norway)



# SWEPOS (Sweden)



# BIFROST Core Network 1995-2013



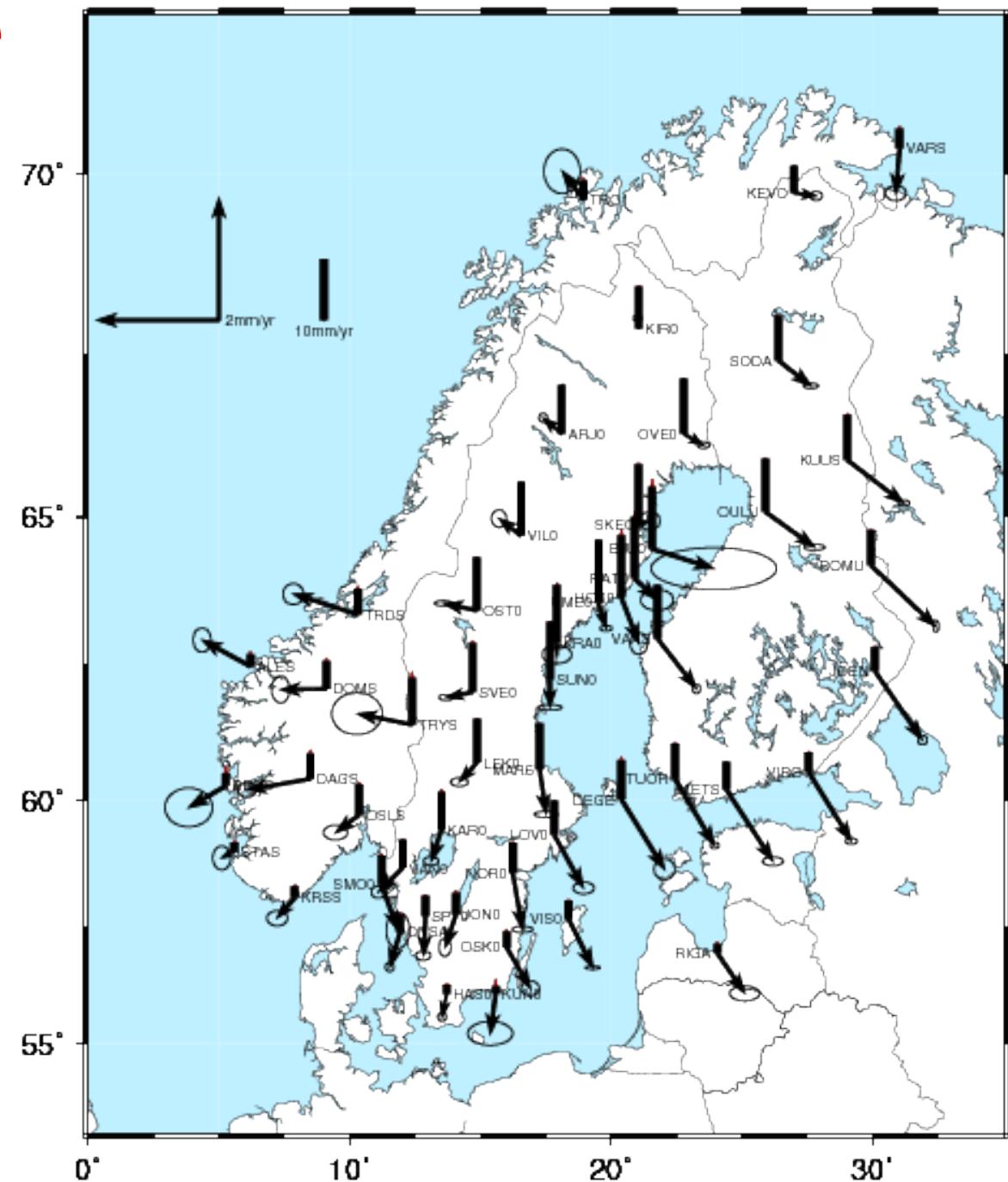
# New GPS velocity solution Aug. 2013

GIPSY v6.2

- 10° elevation cut off angle
- Trop. zenith delay & gradients
- VMF1 mapping function
- Absolute antenna PCV
- IGS/JPL products
- ITRF2008 (well: IGS2008...)
- PPP with ambiguity fixing
- Aug 1993 – Aug 2013

GAMIT/GLOBK

- Kierulf and Lidberg combination of several regional and a global solutions

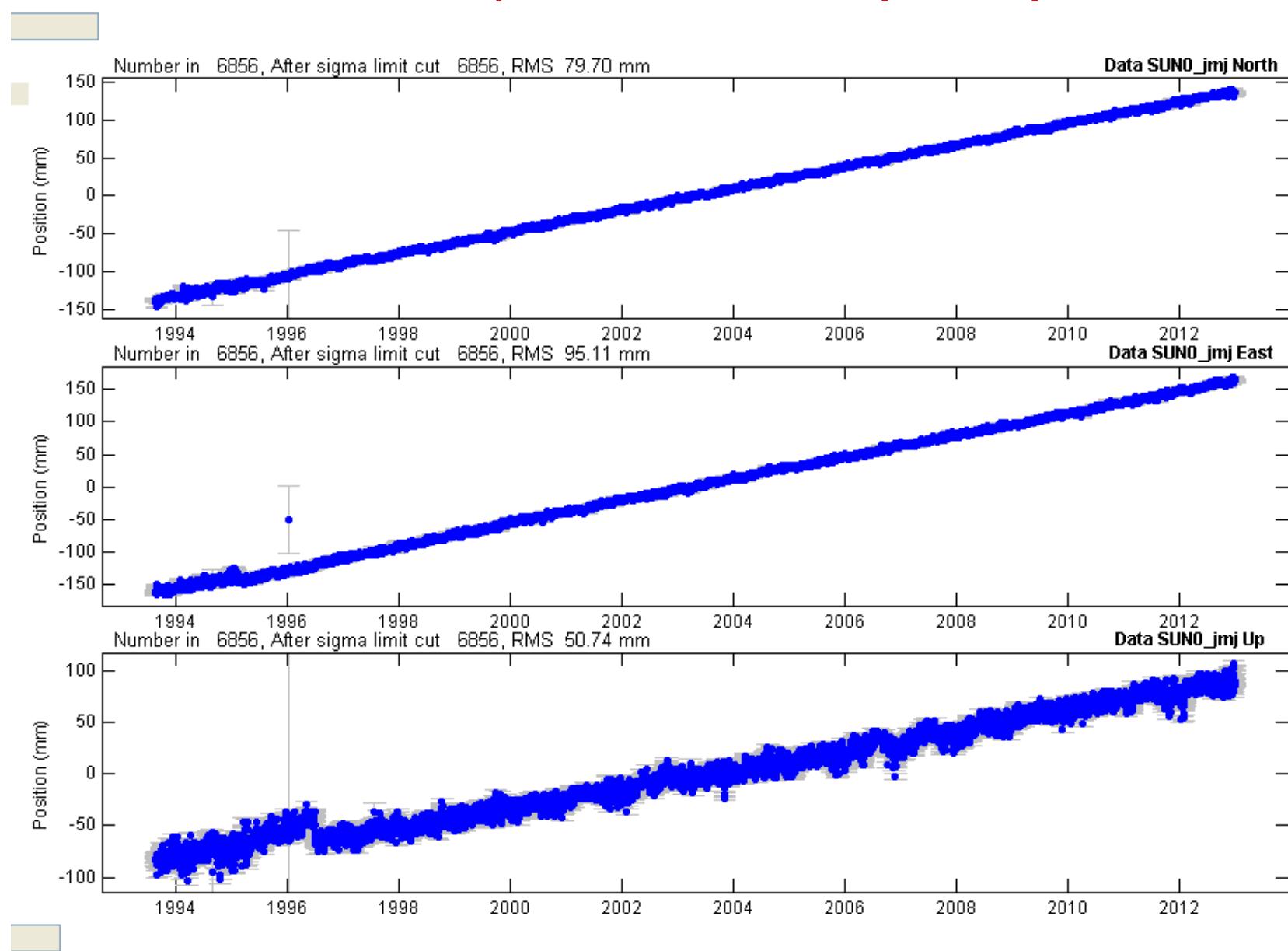


# RAW GPS time series (GIPSY solution August 2013) - ex time series analysis of Sundsvall (SUNO)

North  
 $\pm 150$   
mm

East  
 $\pm 150$   
mm

Up  
 $\pm 100$   
mm

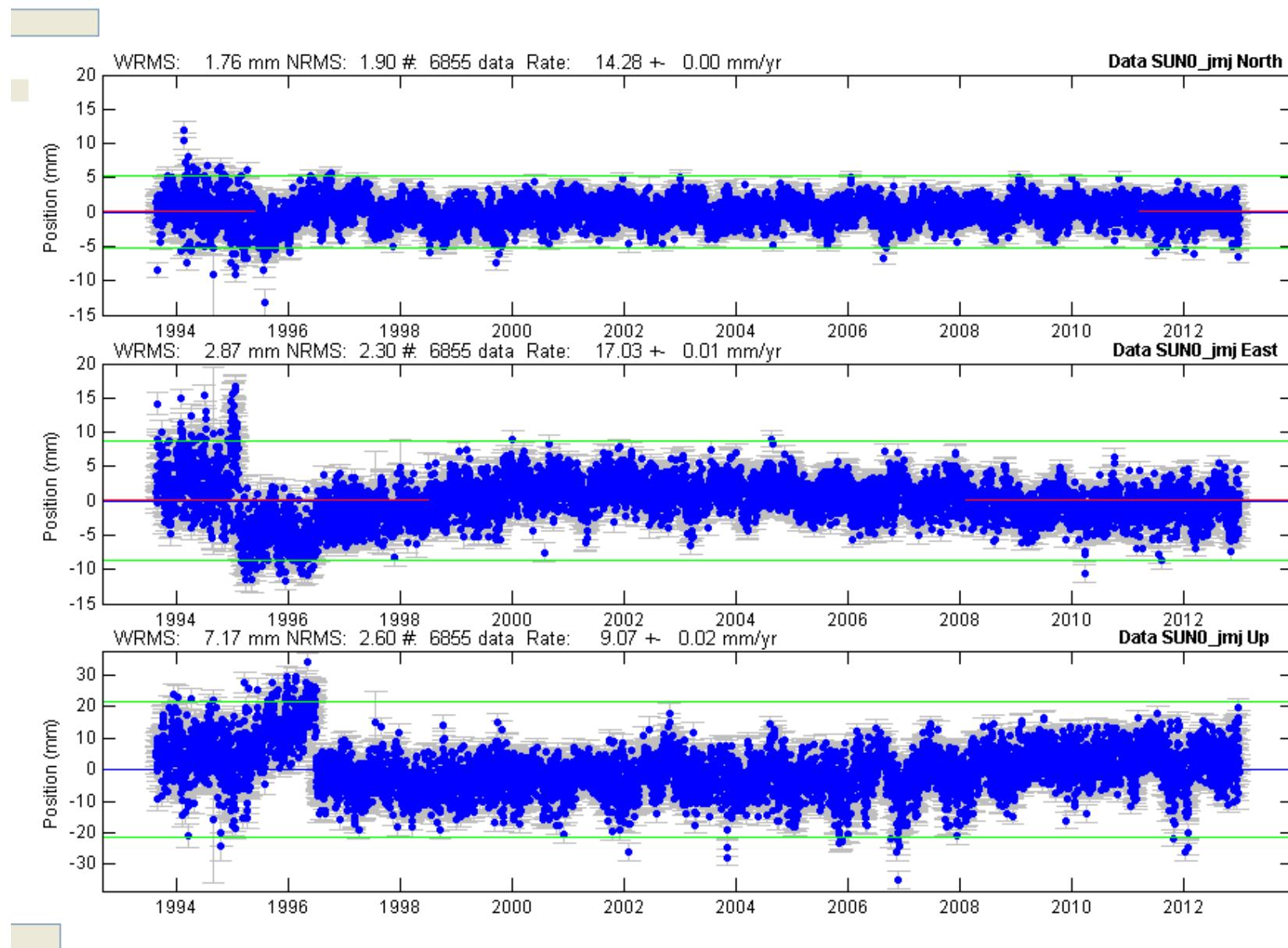


# "Detrended" time series (GIPSY solution August 2013) - ex time series analysis of Sundsvall (SUNO)

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East  
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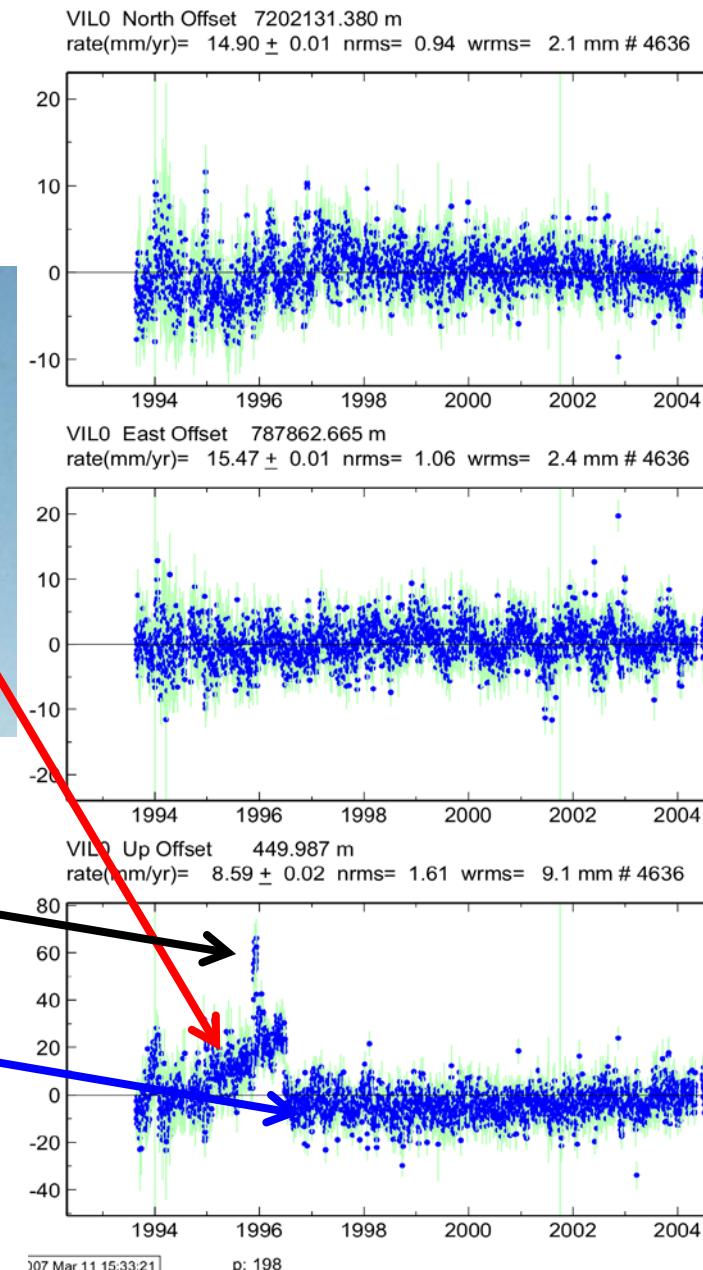
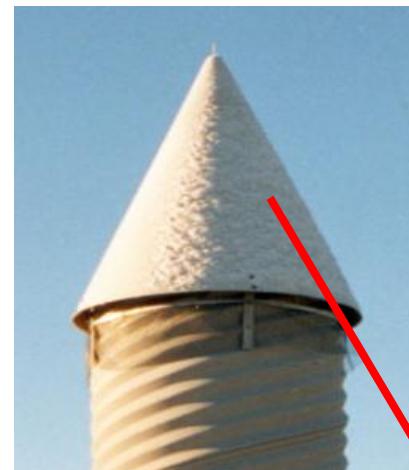
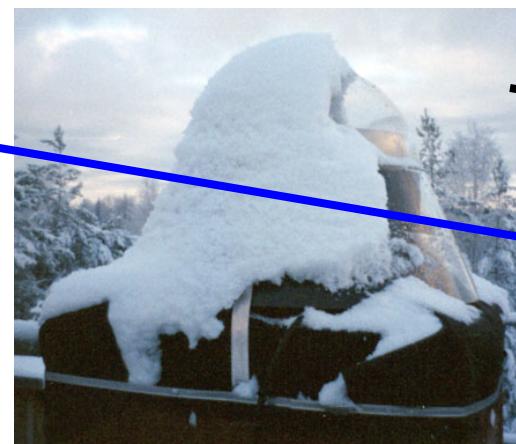
Up  
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# Site dependent effects

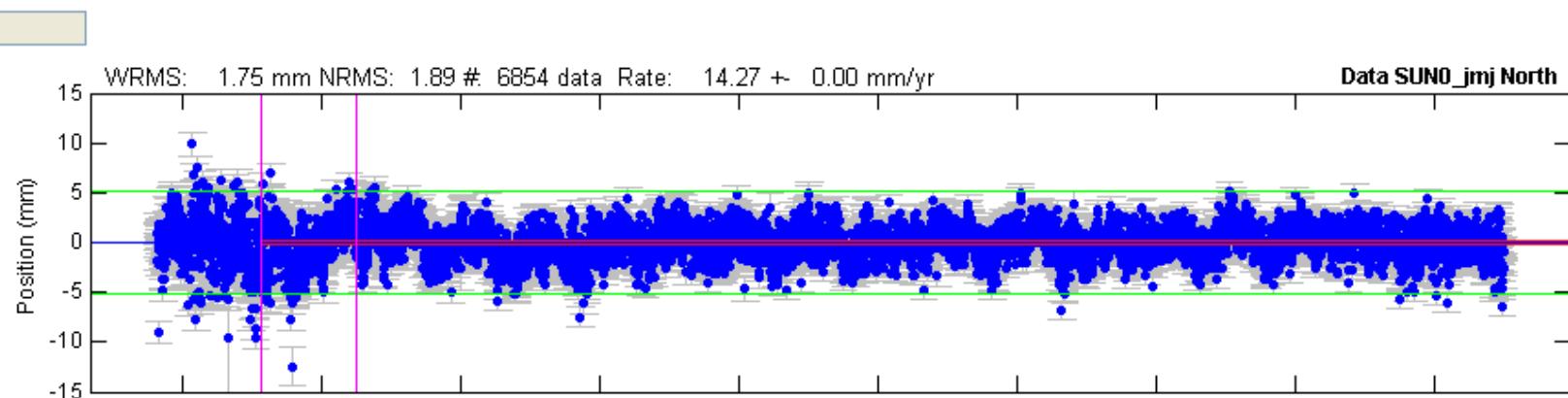
Several important issues were studied and published (1993-1997)

- Antenna model and attachment
- Radom model and attachment
- Distance to reflective or blocking environment
- Rain, condense, ice and snow

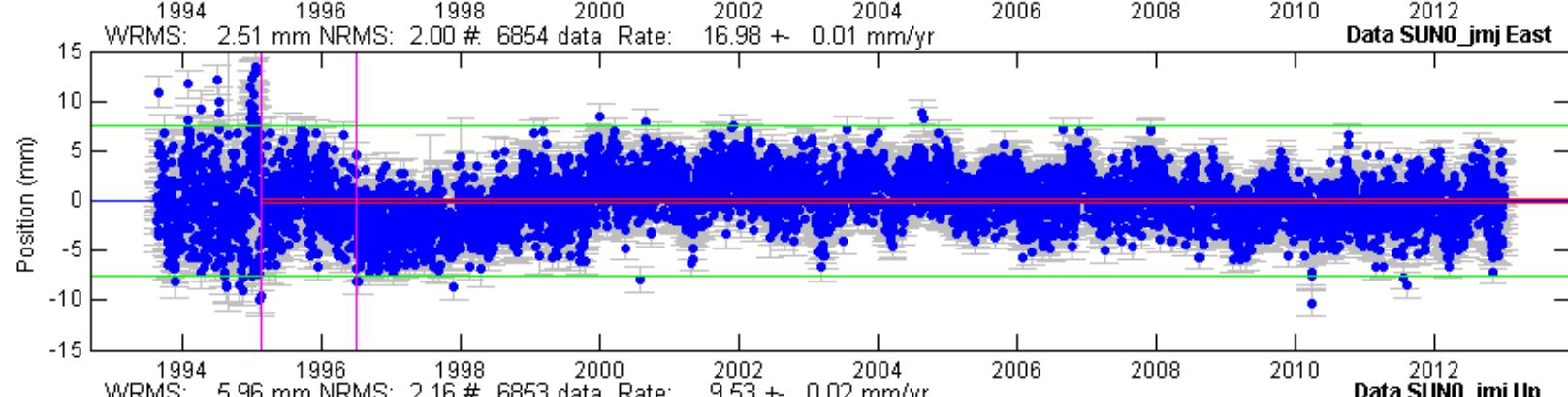


# Insert breaks for radome shifts (GIPSY solution August 2013) - ex time series analysis of Sundsvall (SUNO)

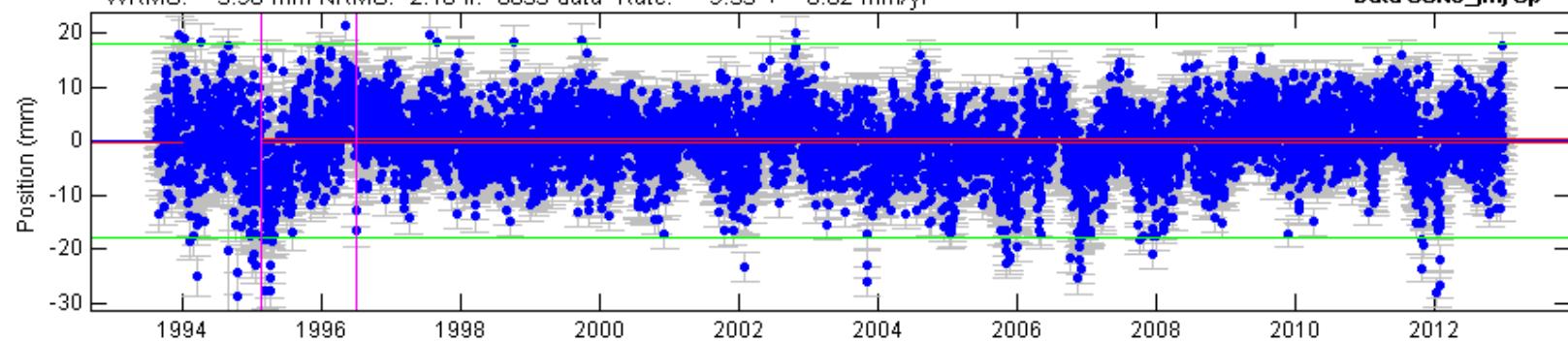
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East  
 $\pm 15$  mm

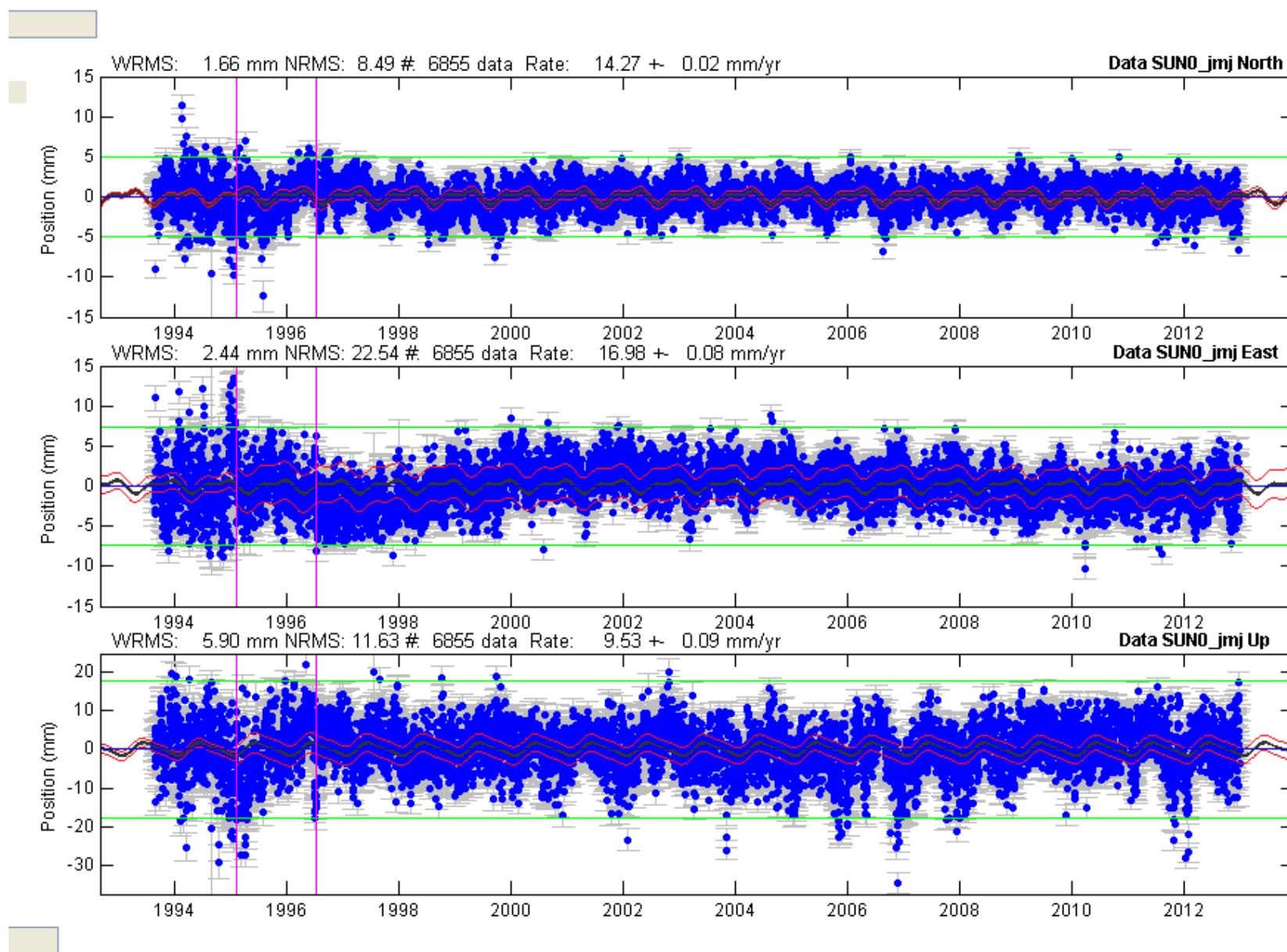


Up  
 $\pm 30$  mm

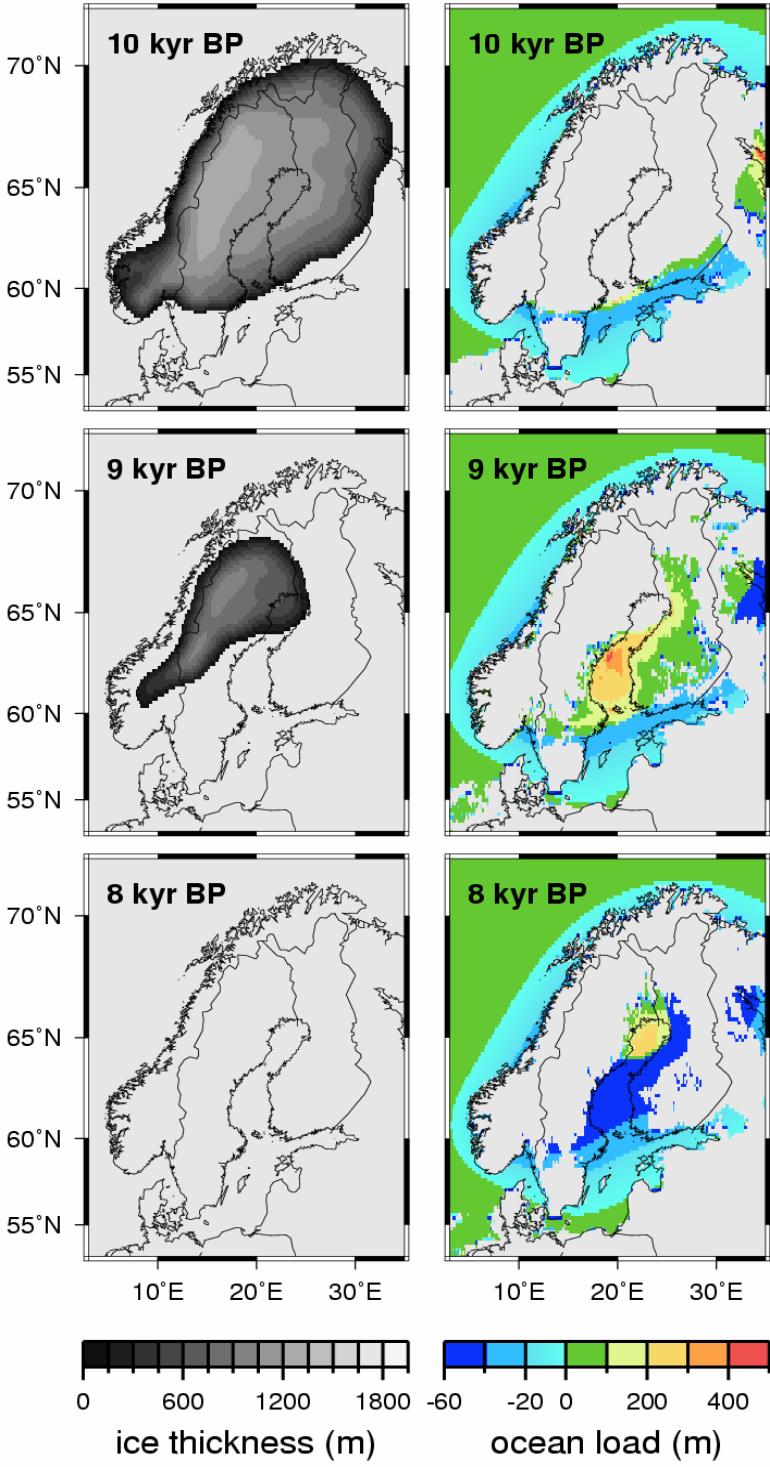


# Periodic differences (GIPSY solution August 2013) - ex time series analysis of Sundsvall (SUNO)

North  
 $\pm 15$  mm



# Glacial Isostatic Adjustment (GIA) model



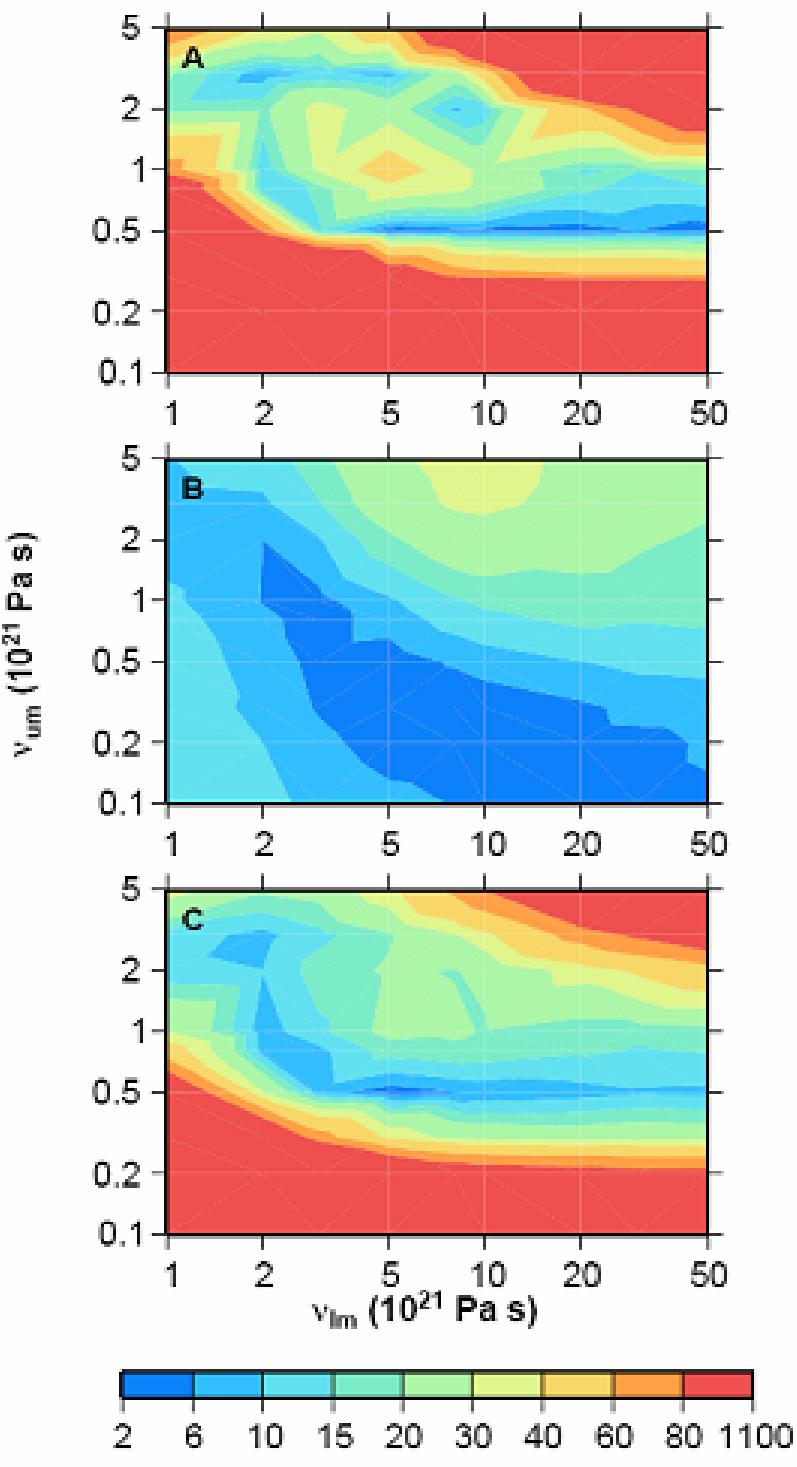
Update of the GIA model developed by (Milne et al Science 2001).

Ice history and method is identical but the new GPS velocity solution (Lidberg et al, 2007) is used for constraining the model, and not the solution in (Johansson et al JGR 2002).

Ice history model from Lambeck

120 km lithosphere,  
upper mantle visc.  $5 \times 10^{20}$  Pas  
lower mantle visc.  $5 \times 10^{21}$  Pas

**Thanks to Glenn Milne,  
Maaria Nordman, Pippa Whitehouse!!**

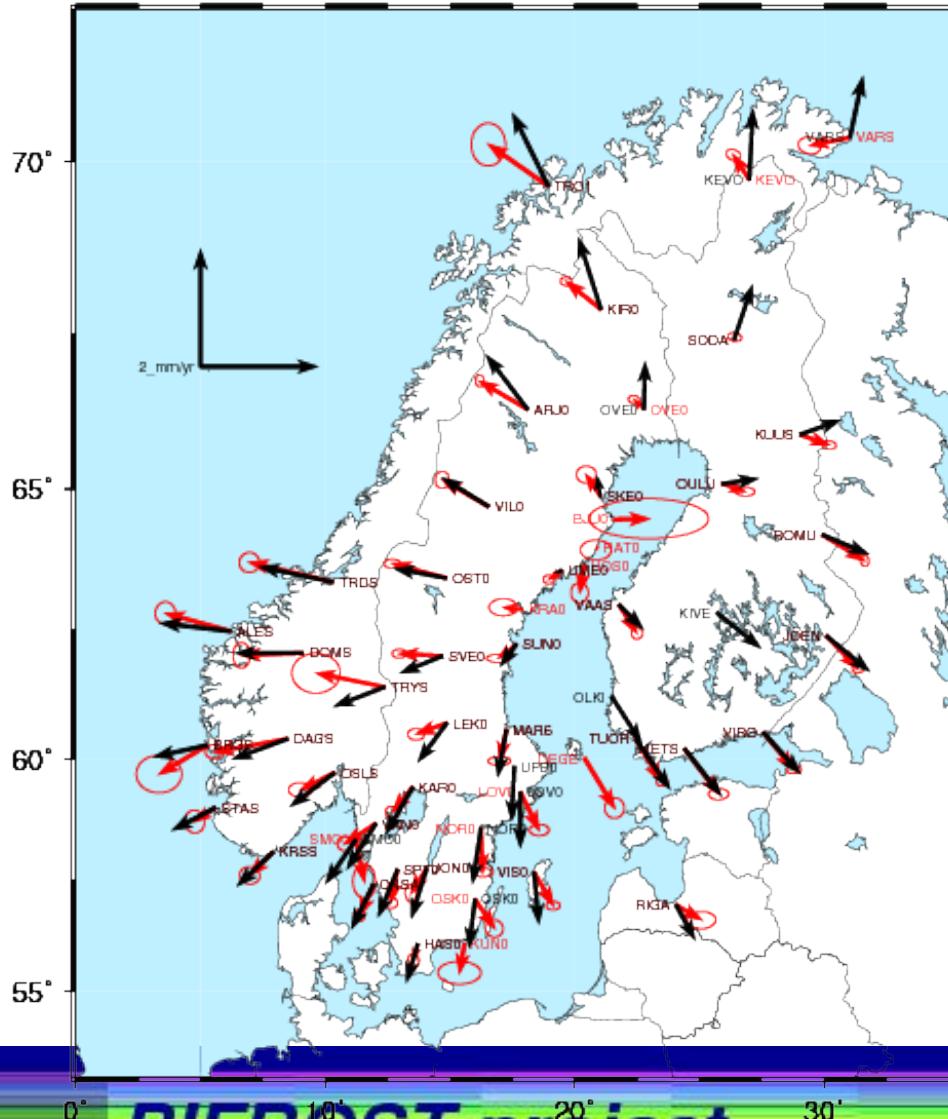


# Evaluating station velocity results

New GIPSY vs GIA model

RMS-p : 0.5 mm/yr (all sites)

(GIPSY vs GAMIT, RMS-p: 0.3 mm/yr)

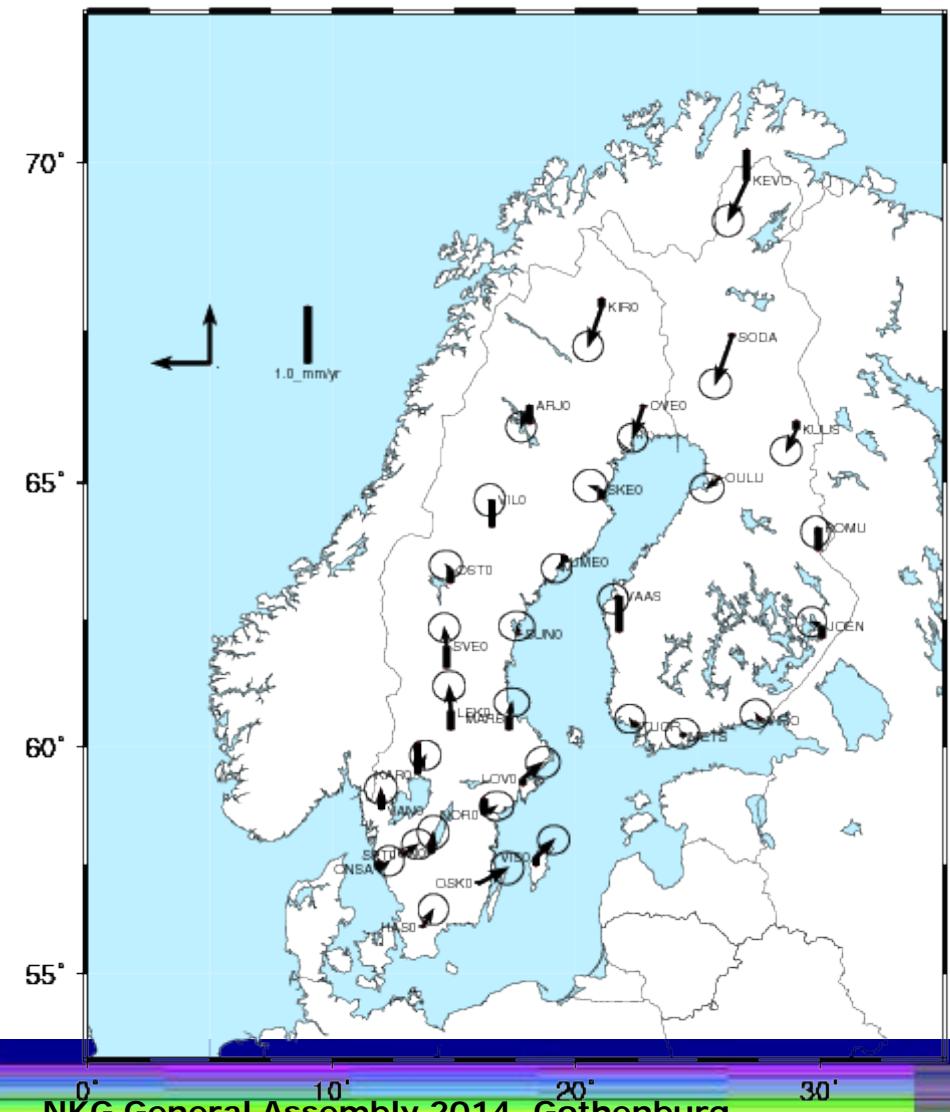


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New GIPSY minus GIA model

"best sites" : (0.3, 0.2, 0.3)  
(n,e,u) mm/yr std.

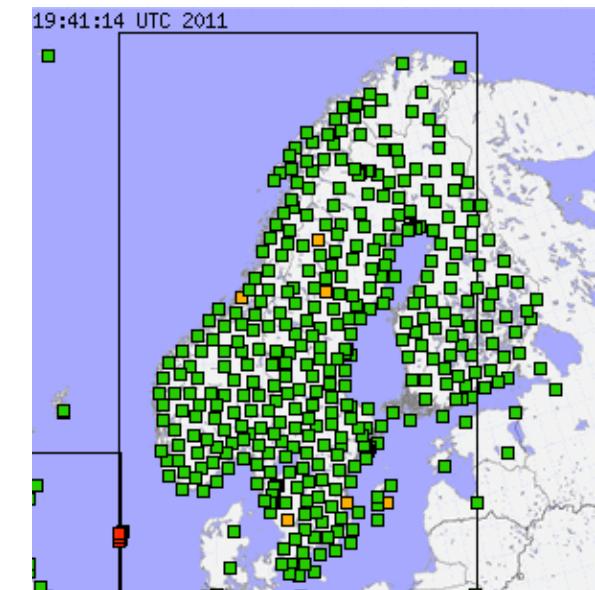
*(after 6-par fit, applying rotation and translation rates)*



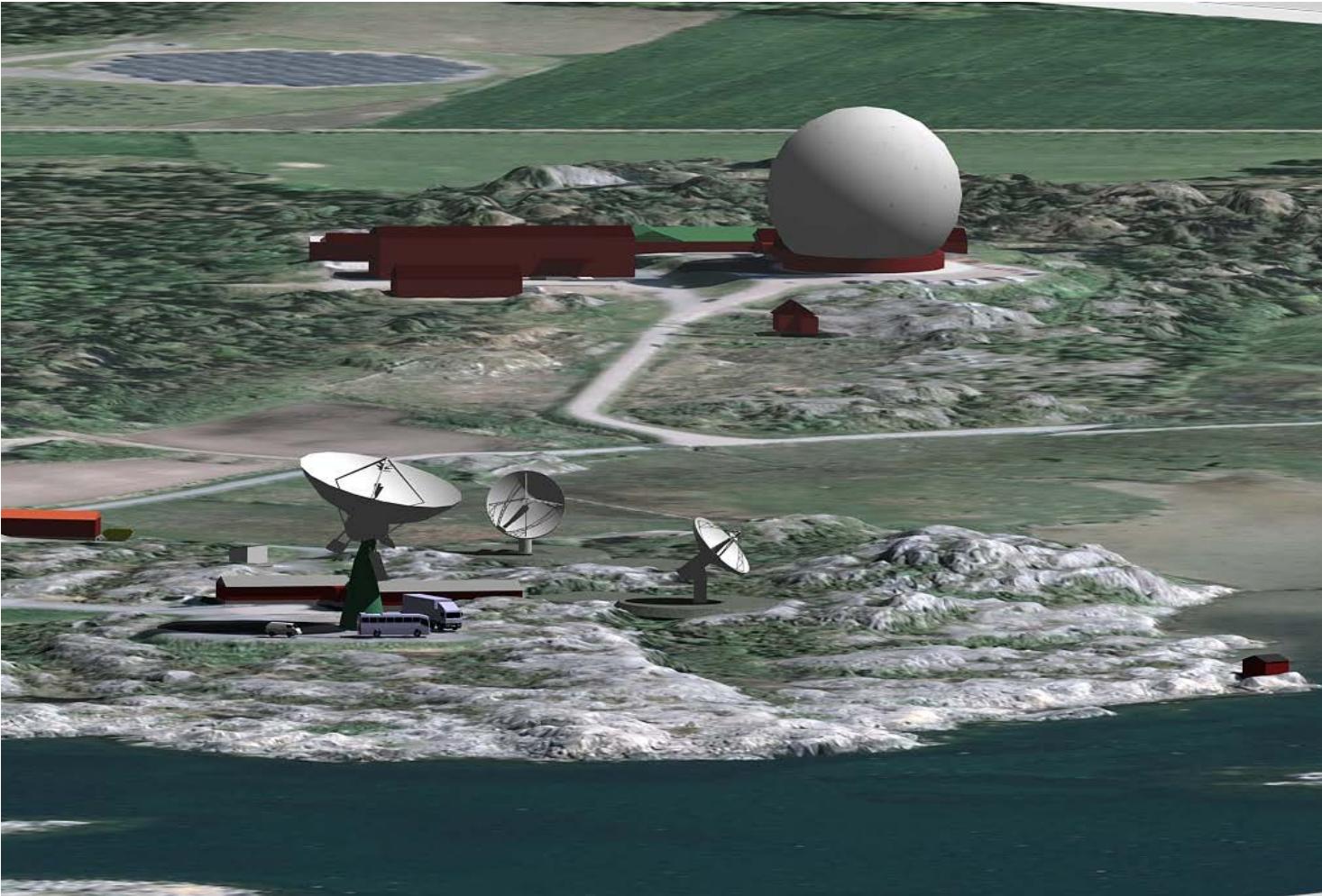
NKG General Assembly 2014, Gothenburg.

# Conclusion and outlook

- The velocity solutions presented here are preliminary. However, GPS-velocities and GIA-model agree at the 0.5 mm/yr level ( $1\sigma$ ) in both horizontal and vertical
  - ⇒ The velocities observed in northern Europe can be explained by the GIA model to the 0.5 mm/yr level!!
- GPS-results are highly dependent on the used reference frame
- Modernization of our observing system (GNSS stations) need special attention in order to keep long un-broken time series of observations
- Re-processing also with Absolute Site PCVs!



# Onsala VLBI Twin Telescope



- OTT to be built 2014-2015
- Onsala 20m used for Geo-VLBI 50 days/yr

- Additional GNSS installations
- Gravimeters (SCG etc)
- Seismograph
- Tide Gauge