

# An update on the cosmo-seismic correlations: a manifestation of a charged dark matter stream?

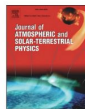
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## Research Paper

## Observation of large scale precursor correlations between cosmic rays and earthquakes with a periodicity similar to the solar cycle

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## ABSTRACT

The search for correlations between secondary cosmic ray detection rates and seismic effects has long been a subject of investigation motivated by the hope of identifying a new precursor type that could feed a global early warning system against earthquakes. Here we show for the first time that the average variation of the cosmic ray detection rates correlates with the global seismic activity to be observed with a time lag of approximately two weeks, and that the significance of the effect varies with a periodicity resembling the undecadal solar cycle, with a shift in phase of around three years, exceeding  $6\sigma$  at local maxima. The precursor characteristics of the observed correlations point to a pioneer perspective of an early warning system against earthquakes.

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# Observation of cosmo-seismic correlations: discovery $> 6\sigma$ !

“Astroparticle Physics Amateur”!

# The data

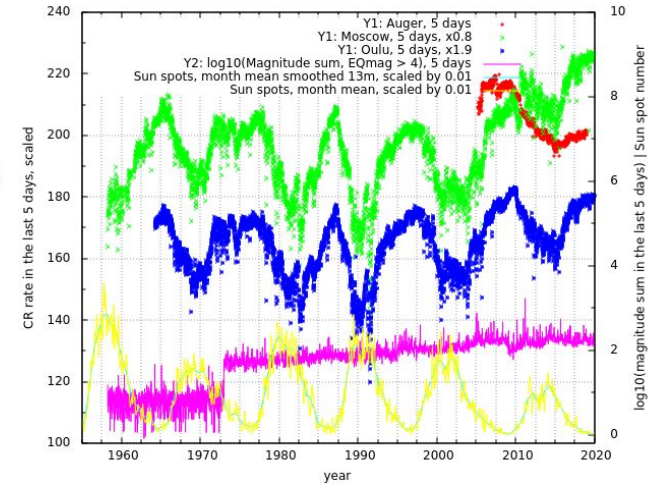
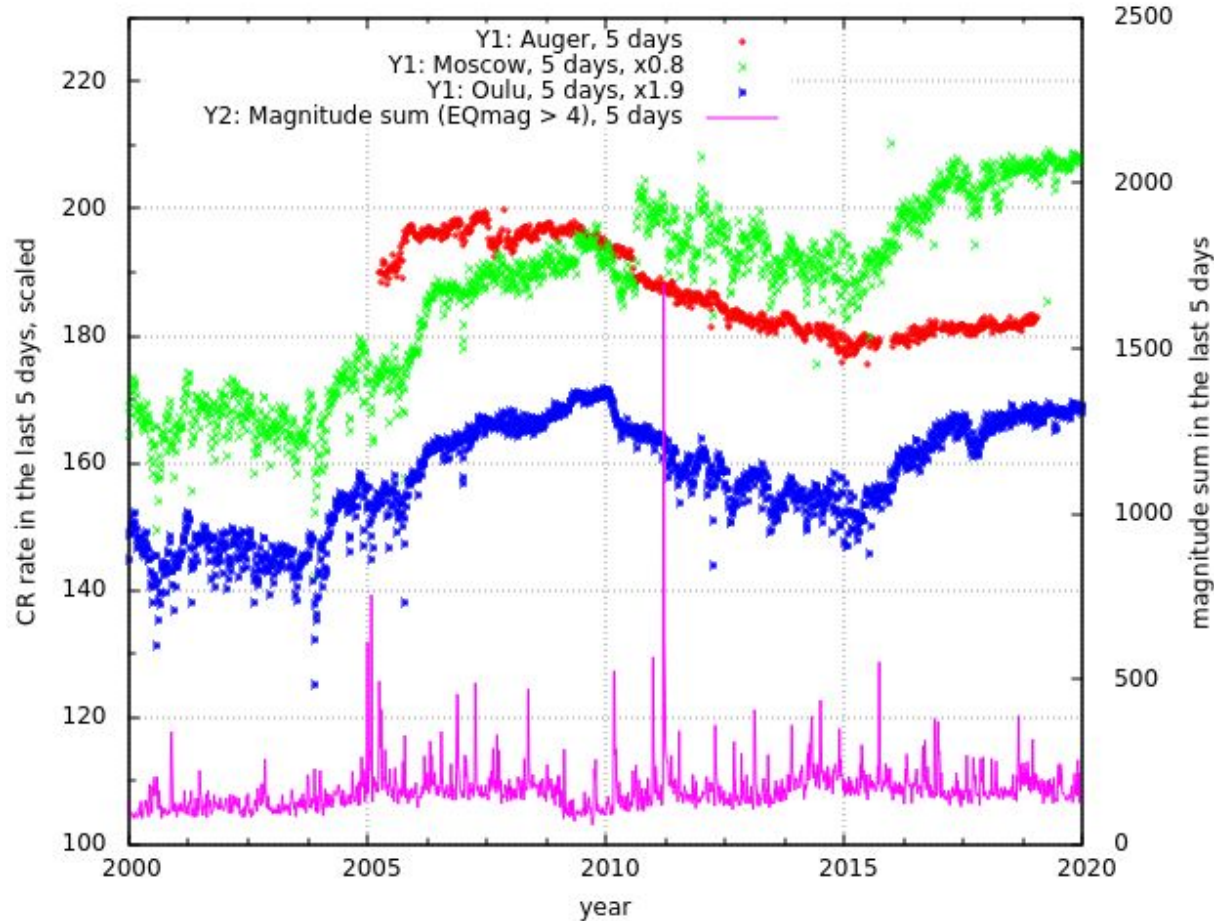
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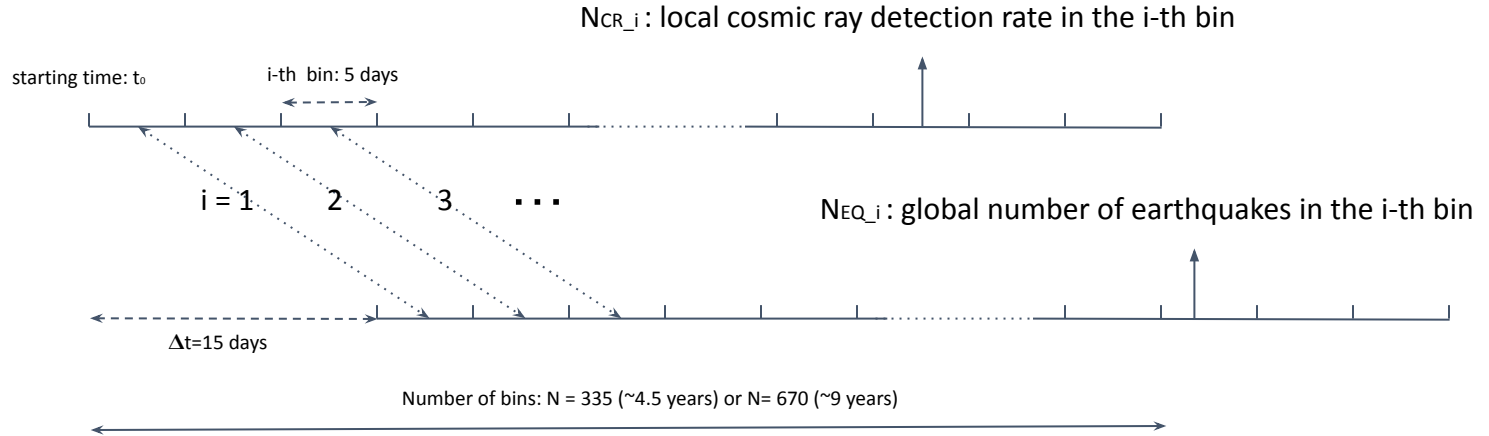
Checking for a correlation  $|dN_{CR}|$  vs.  $\Sigma \text{magnitude}_{EQ}$  using 5-day bins over  $\sim 4.5$  yr windows



# Dichotomic correlation

cosmic rays (CR):  
 $dCR_i = |N_{CR_i} - N_{CR_{i-1}}|$

earthquakes (EQ):  $N_{EQ_i}$



$M_{CR}$ : median of the CR data

$M_{EQ}$ : median of the EQ data

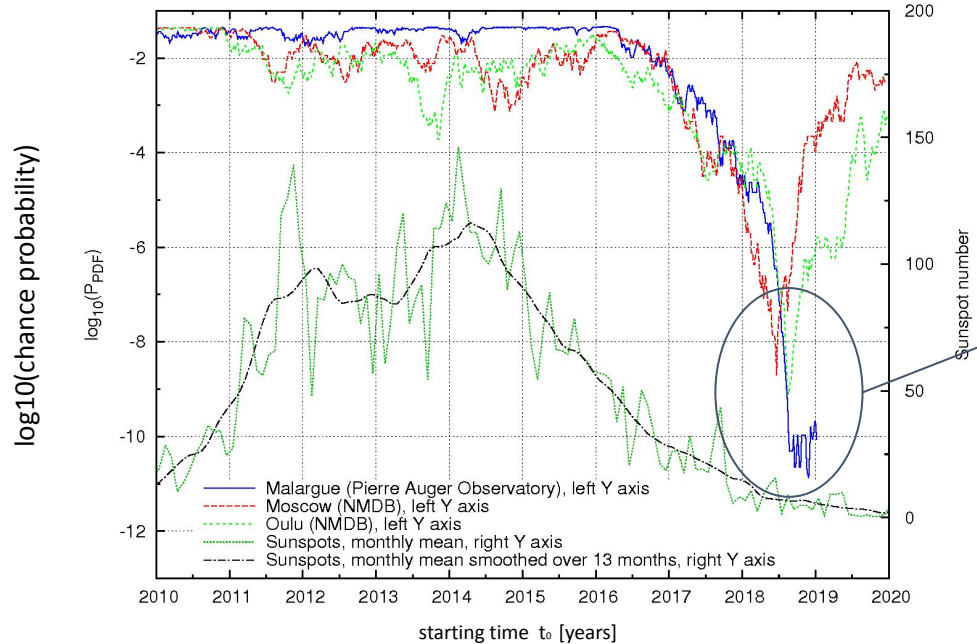
$N_+$ :  $((dCR_i > M_{CR}) \text{ and } (N_{EQ_i} > M_{EQ})) \text{ or } ((dCR_i < M_{CR}) \text{ and } (N_{EQ_i} < M_{EQ}))$

$N_-$ :  $((dCR_i > M_{CR}) \text{ and } (N_{EQ_i} < M_{EQ})) \text{ or } ((dCR_i < M_{CR}) \text{ and } (N_{EQ_i} > M_{EQ}))$

Chance probability:

$$P_{PDF}(N_{+/-} = k) = \left( \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \right) p_{+/-}^k (1 - p_{+/-})^{n-k}$$

# Local cosmic dynamics vs. global seismicity: dependence on geographical location?

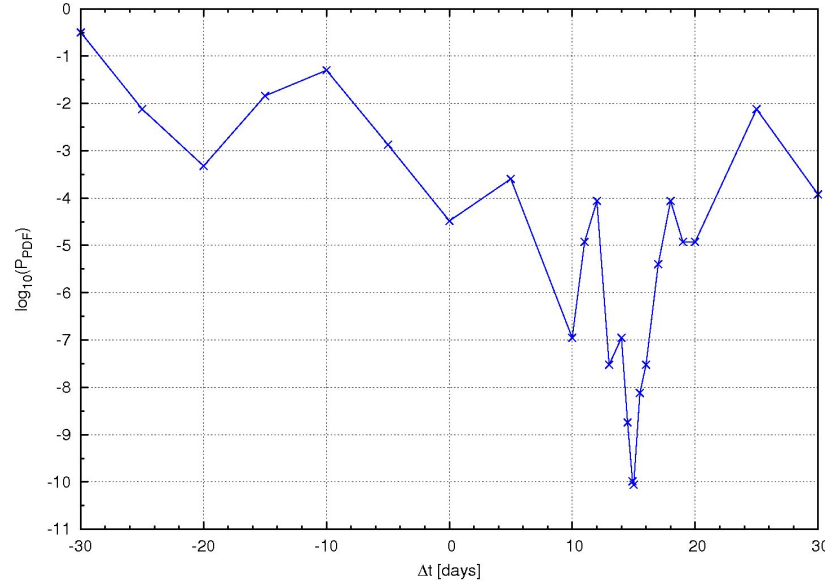


different cosmic ray sites see the **dichotomic** correlation effect differently? Need for more detectors?

analysis performed on  
“burning” data sample!

~6  $\sigma$  significance of the effect in three technically independent CR data sets collected by the Moscow and Oulu NMDB stations, and by the Pierre Auger Observatory, compared to sunspot numbers. **Each point** illustrates the correlation effect during **the last ~4.5 years** (335 **five-day intervals**). All the significance curves were obtained after fine tuning of the parameter  $\iota_0$  performed by applying 20 small shifts in time between 0 and 5 days.

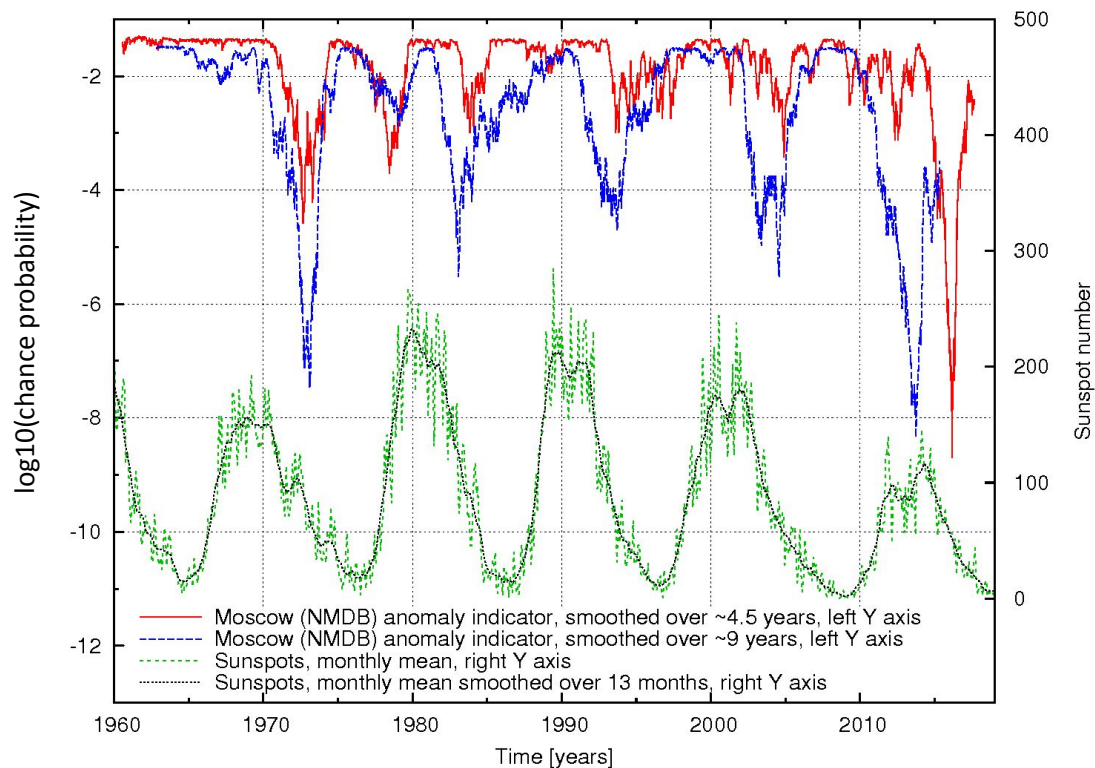
## Cosmic ray variation **15 days before** the corresponding change in seismic activity!



**Fig. 3:** The dependence of the significance of the *cosmo-seismic* correlations on the time shift  $t$  of the EQ data with respect to the Auger CR data, for the optimum free parameter set defined in Eq. 1. The positive or negative values of  $t$  correspond to the situations in which one compares the secondary cosmic ray data in a given time interval to the seismic data recorded in time intervals in the future or in the past, respectively.

# Interpretation: Role of the Sun or....?

P. Homola et al., 2022: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2204.12310>



The anomaly indicator in the Moscow NMDB data set compared to the sunspot number. Each point on the correlation significance curves corresponds to the effect found over the smoothing window length of **~4.5 years (1675 days, in red)** and **~9 years (3350 days, in blue)**, with the curve points located at the centers of the windows.

# The key “peculiar” properties of the cosmo-seismic effect

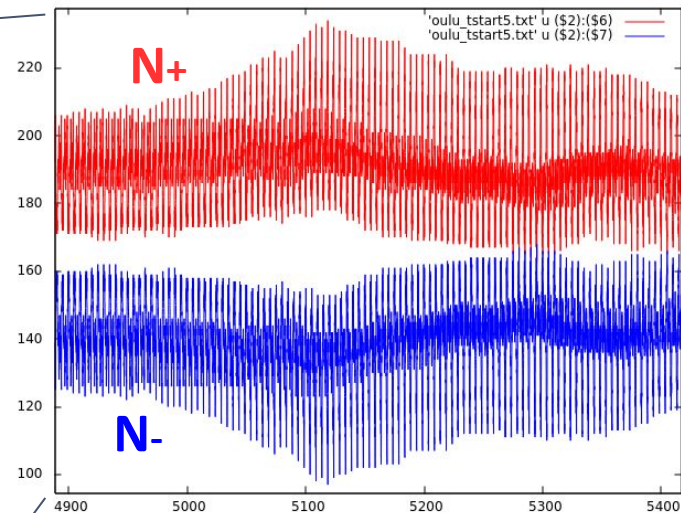
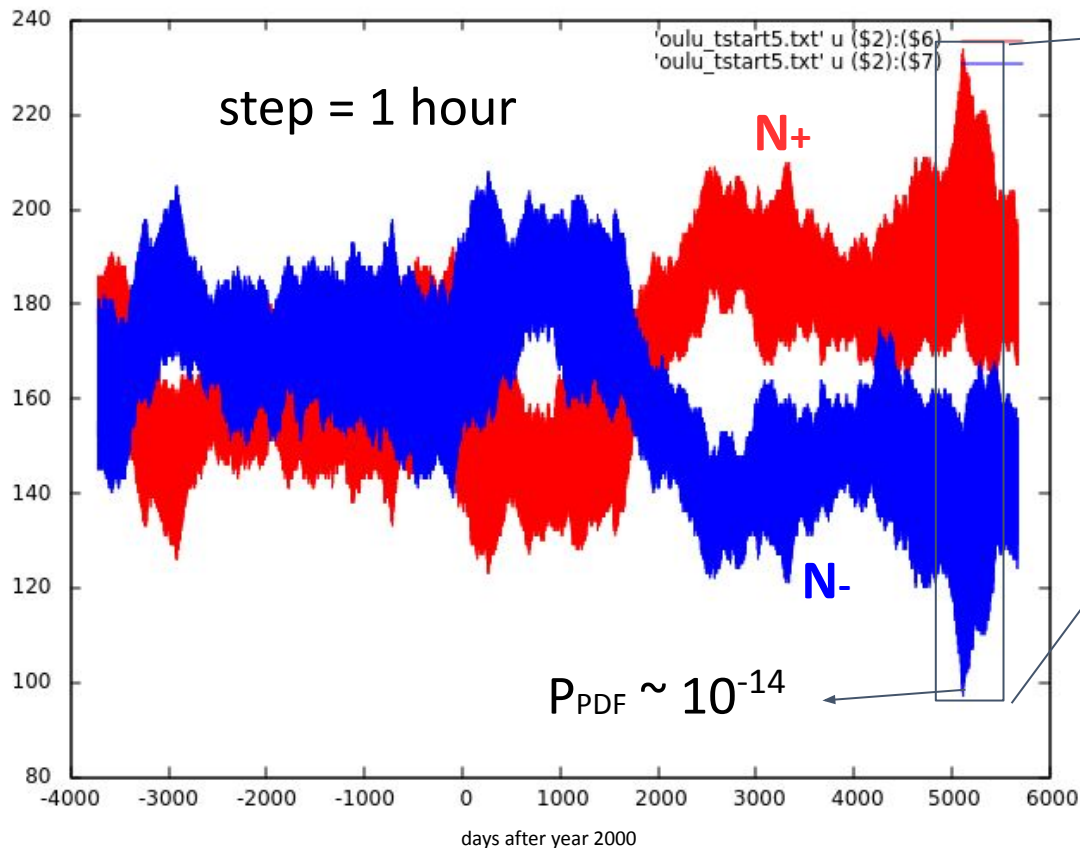
1. to sensitivity -> common periodicities & specific signal shape
2. dominant 24 h periodicity in EQs varying in time -> new EQ mechanism, Sun engaged magnetically!
3. EQs and non-tidal role of the Moon -> implies “third factor” active gravitationally
4. sidereal day periodicity in both EQ and CR data varying in time -> external stream + sensitivity to local conditions (or variations of the “third factor”?)
5. hemispherical / semiday EQ differences: external impact?
6. a special EQ week of the year at ~mid November: a specific external arrival direction?
7. radiation precedes earthquakes: a slower than light “third factor” capable of inducing radiation?

-> **charged dark matter stream** as the leading (only?) candidate physic scenario?



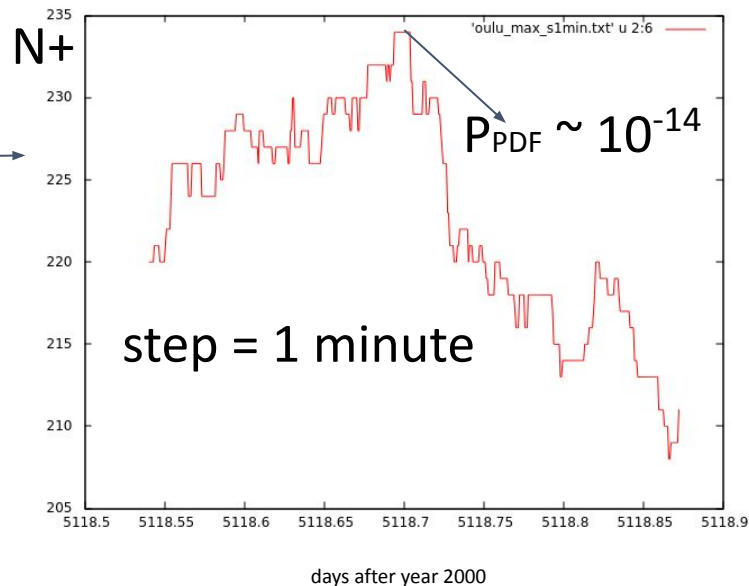
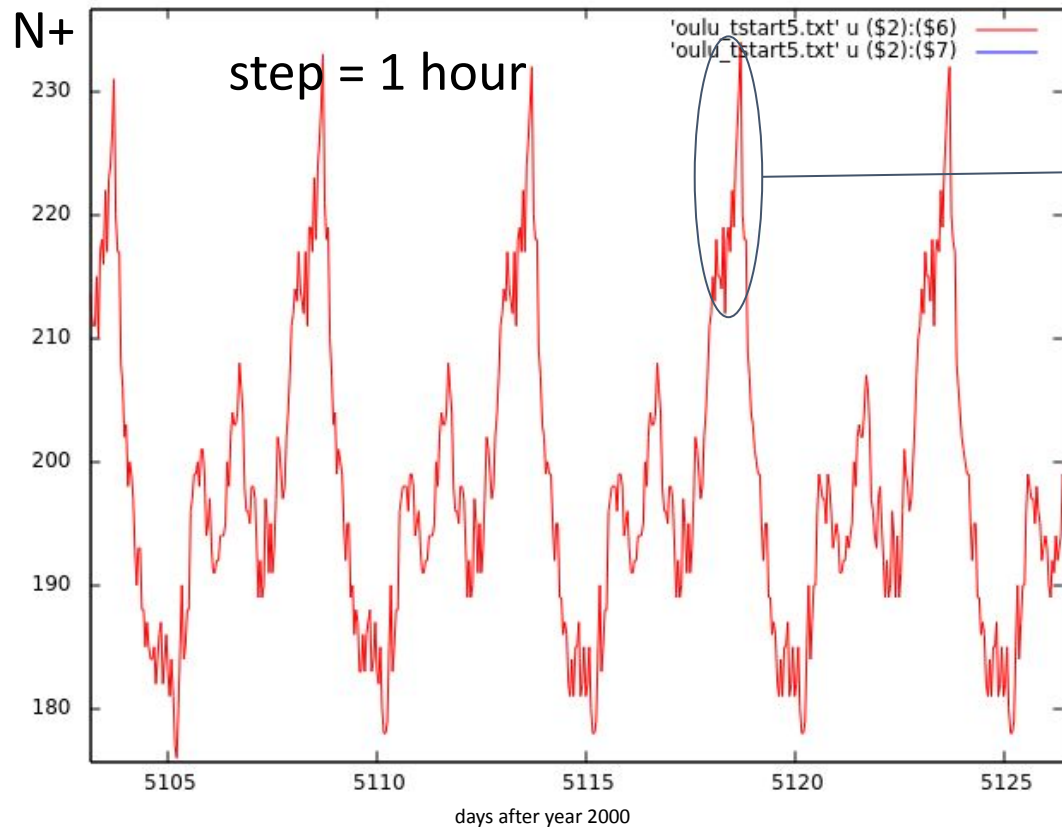
1. Sensitivity to very  
small  $t_0$  shifts: a  
uniquely characteristic  
signal behind?

# Sensitivity to very small to shifts



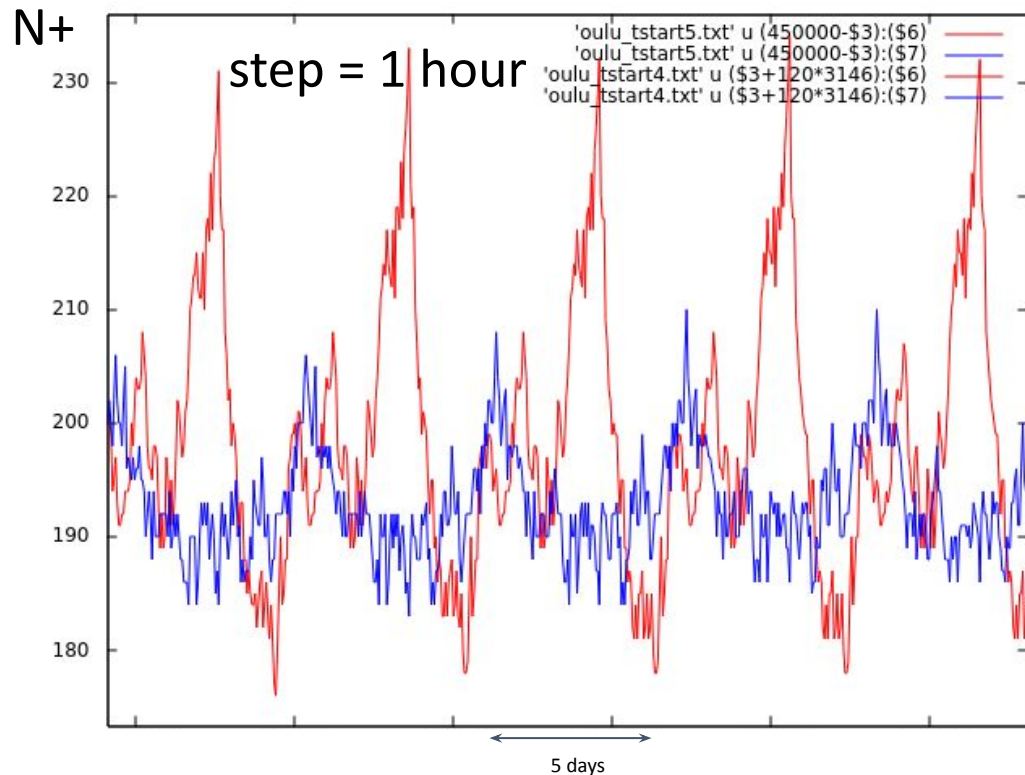
Oulu; CR data bins: 6hrs,  
cosmo-seismic bin:  $f \times 5$  days;  
 $f=0.999915$

# Sensitivity to very small shifts



Oulu; CR data bins: 6hrs,  
cosmo-seismic bin:  $f \times 5$  days;  
 $f=0.999915$   
(similar for other sites and  $f=1.0$ )

# Sensitivity to very small $t_0$ shifts



red:  $t_0 \sim 2014$

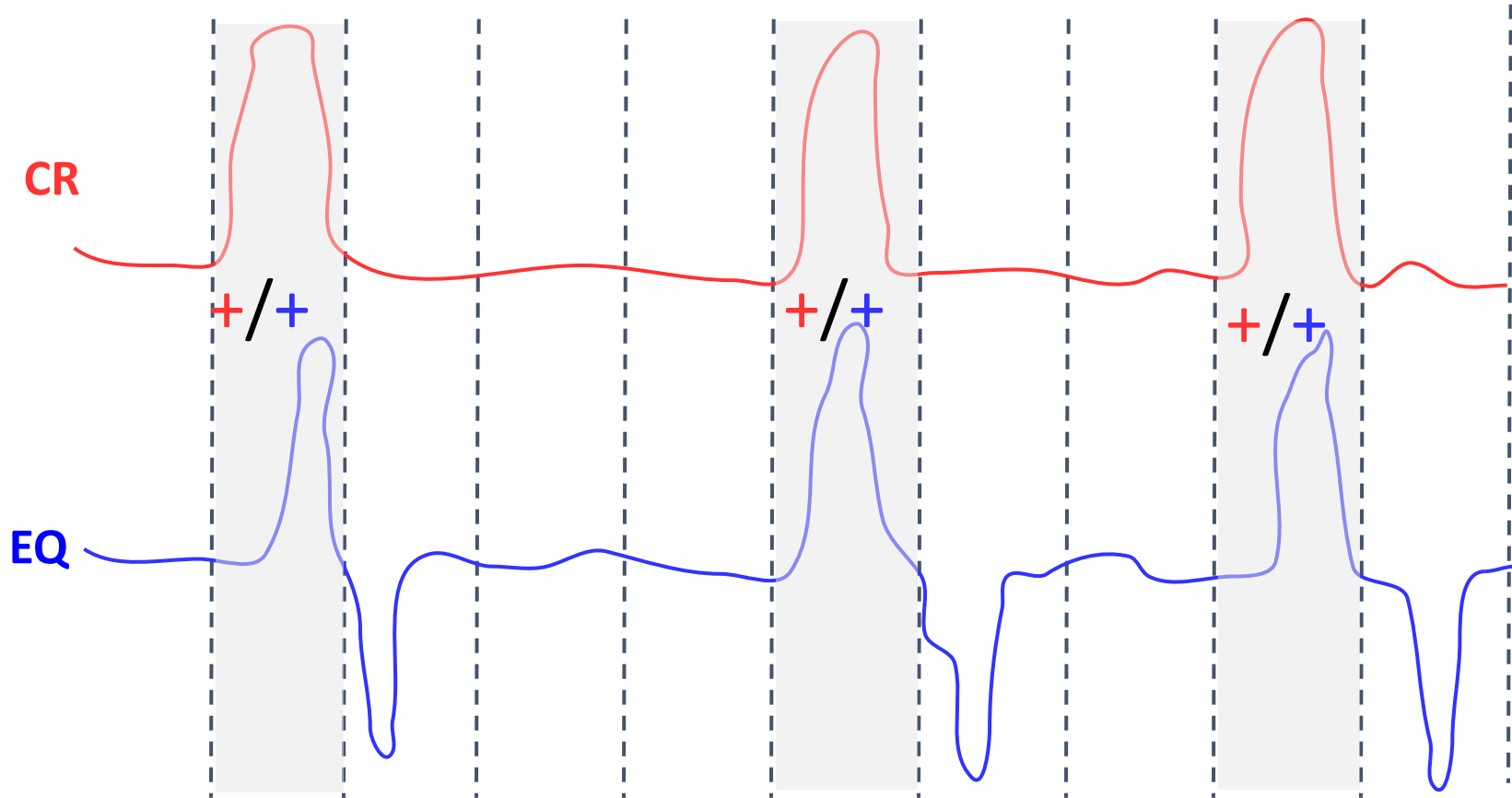
blue:  $t_0 \sim 2006$

-> optimum  $t_0$  evolves in time!

-> EQ data responsible for the  
 $t_0$  fine tuning effect?

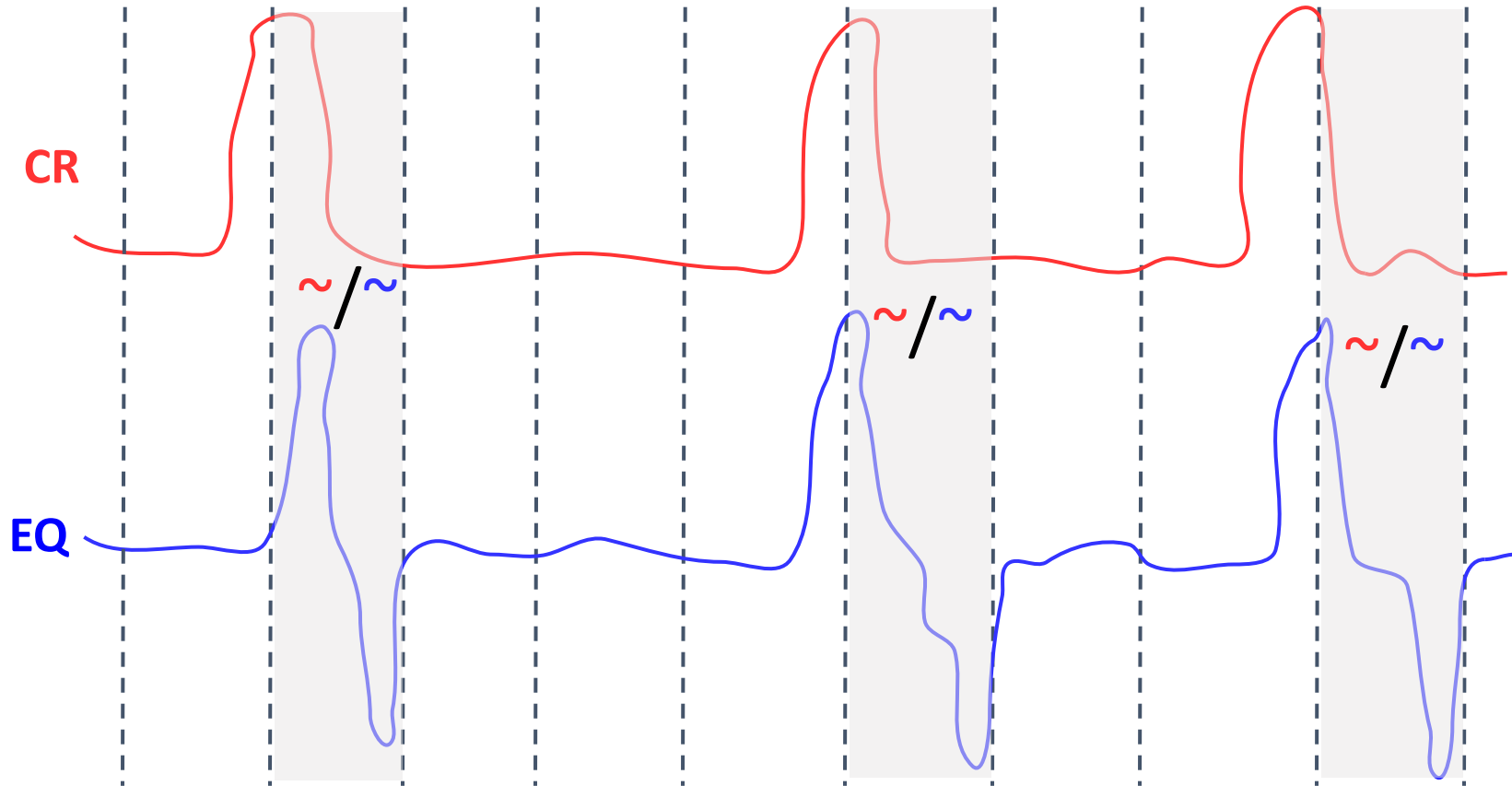
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“clicks” @ many points with just a small  $t_0$  shift?

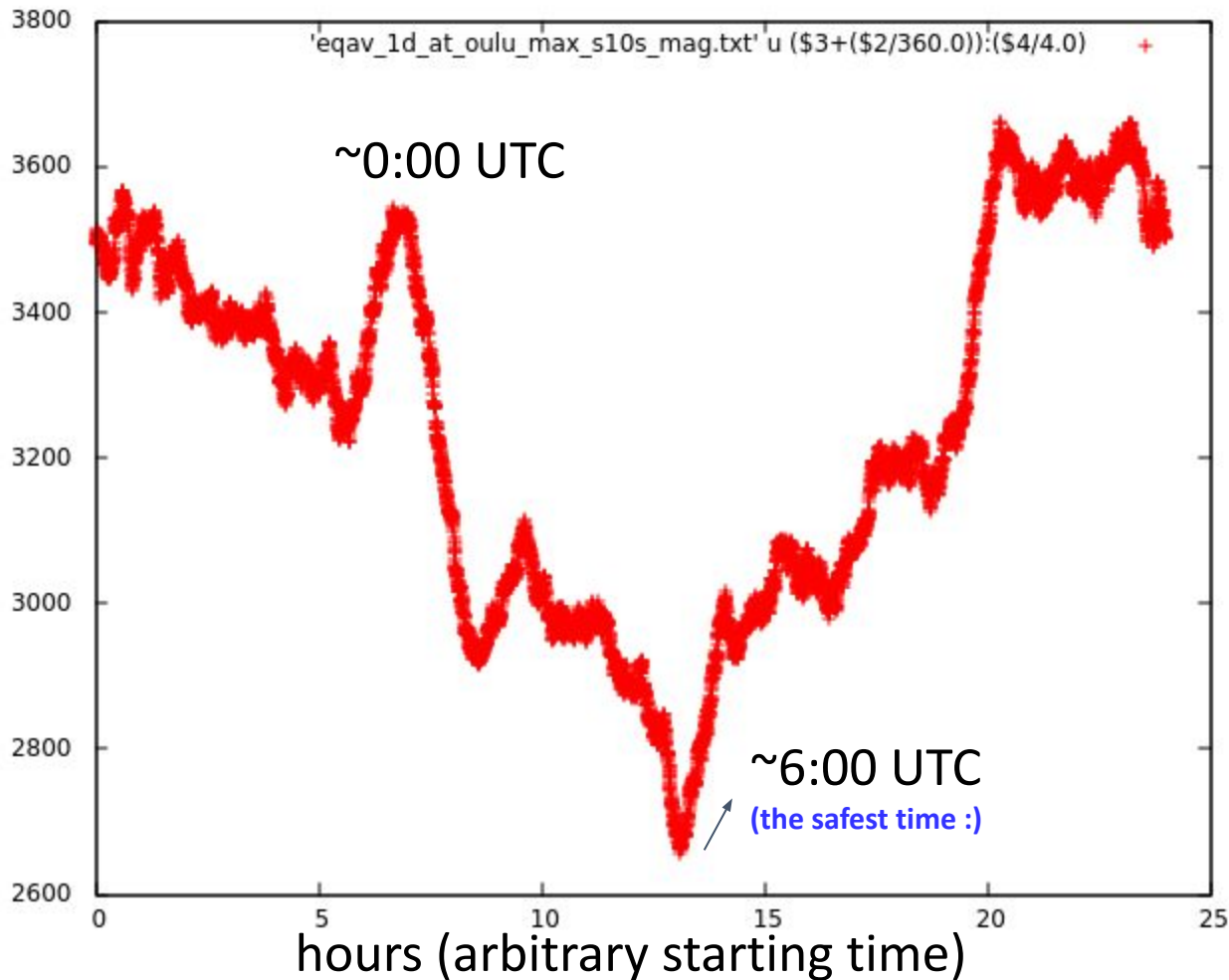




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2. Dominant,  
time-dependent 24  
hour periodicity in the  
EQ data: new EQ  
mechanism?

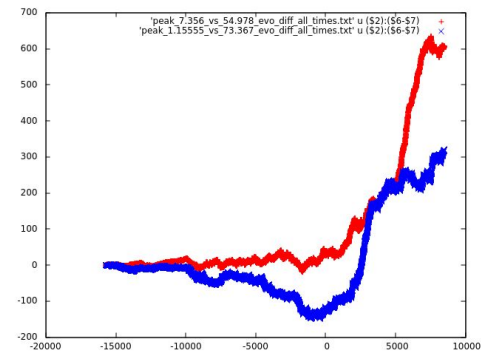
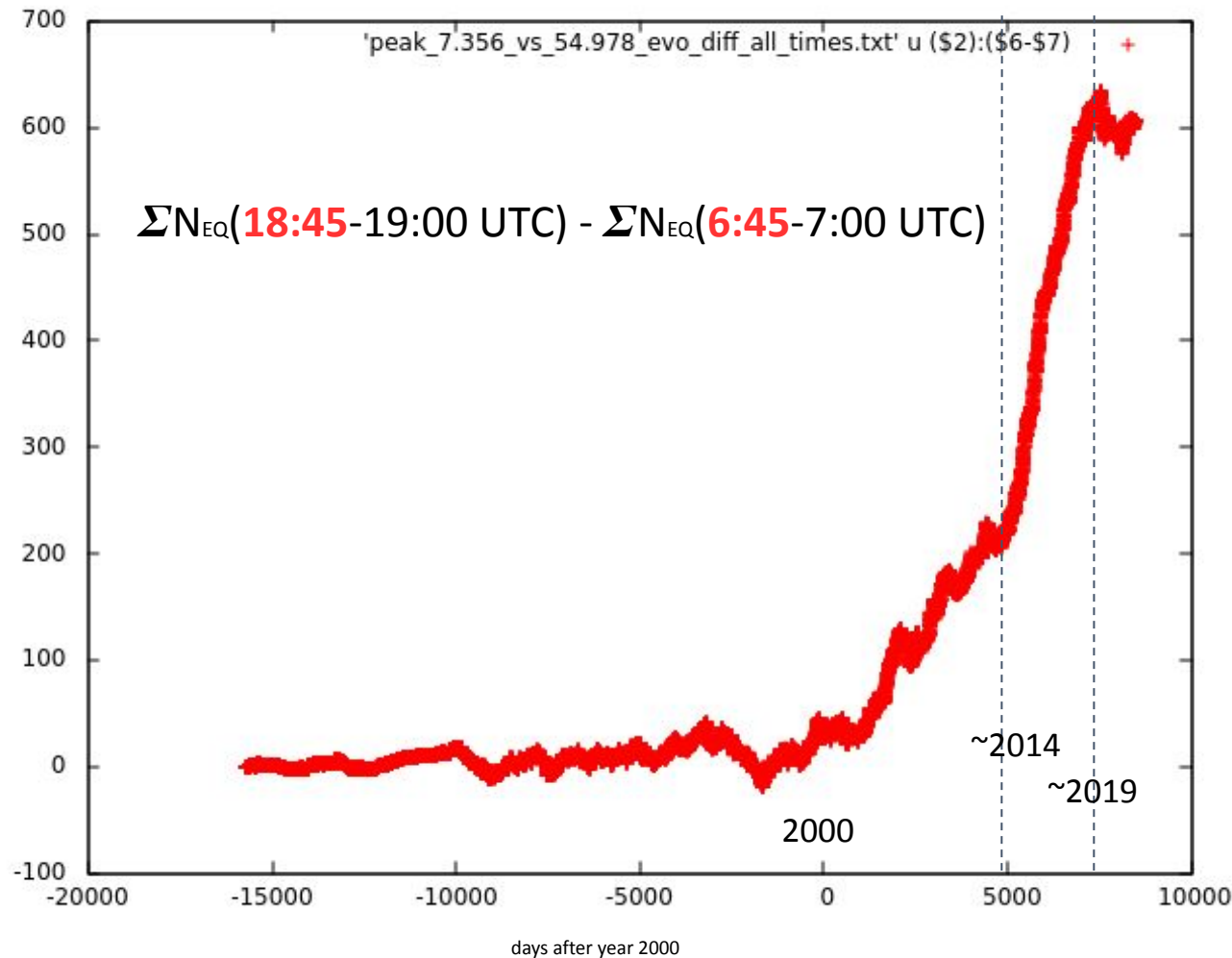


## 24 hour stacked $N_{EQ}$

- average 1 h bins
- 10 s sliding step
- ~2000 days since 2014
- **no or much weaker lunar day (24h 50 m) periodicity**

24 h periodicity -> **role of the Sun**

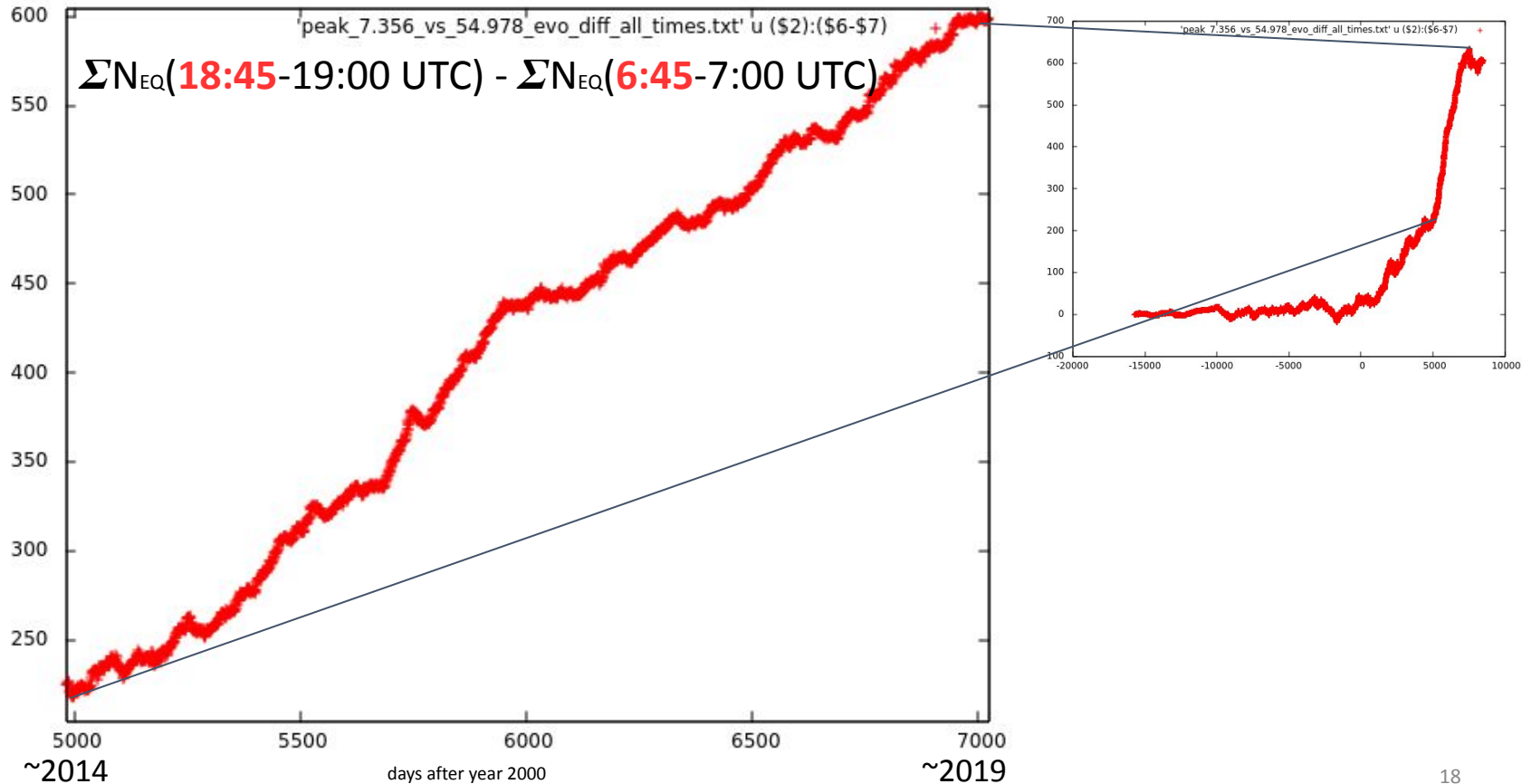
no lunar day periodicity  
-> **“third factor”**  
**sensitive to magnetism**



-> **“dramatic” 5 years**  
of increasing daily asymmetry  
for special time bins

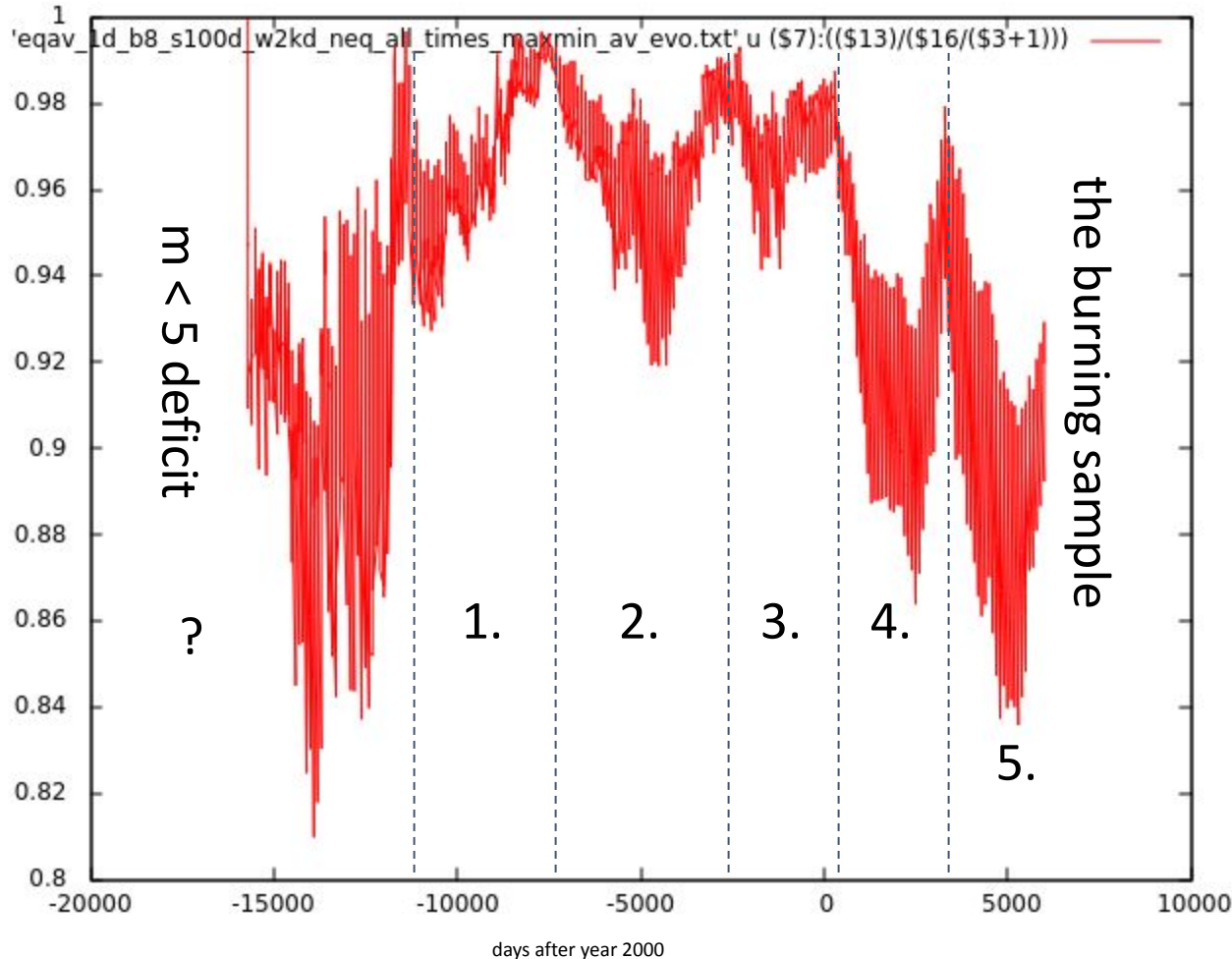
-> **different bins: different**  
**time evolution** & “dramatic”  
time

~ uniform daily  $N_{EQ}$  asymmetry increase during the “dramatic” time





minimum average  $N_{EQ}$  in 3 hours / daily average  $N_{EQ}$



24 hour asymmetry of  $N_{EQ}$  evolves with time!

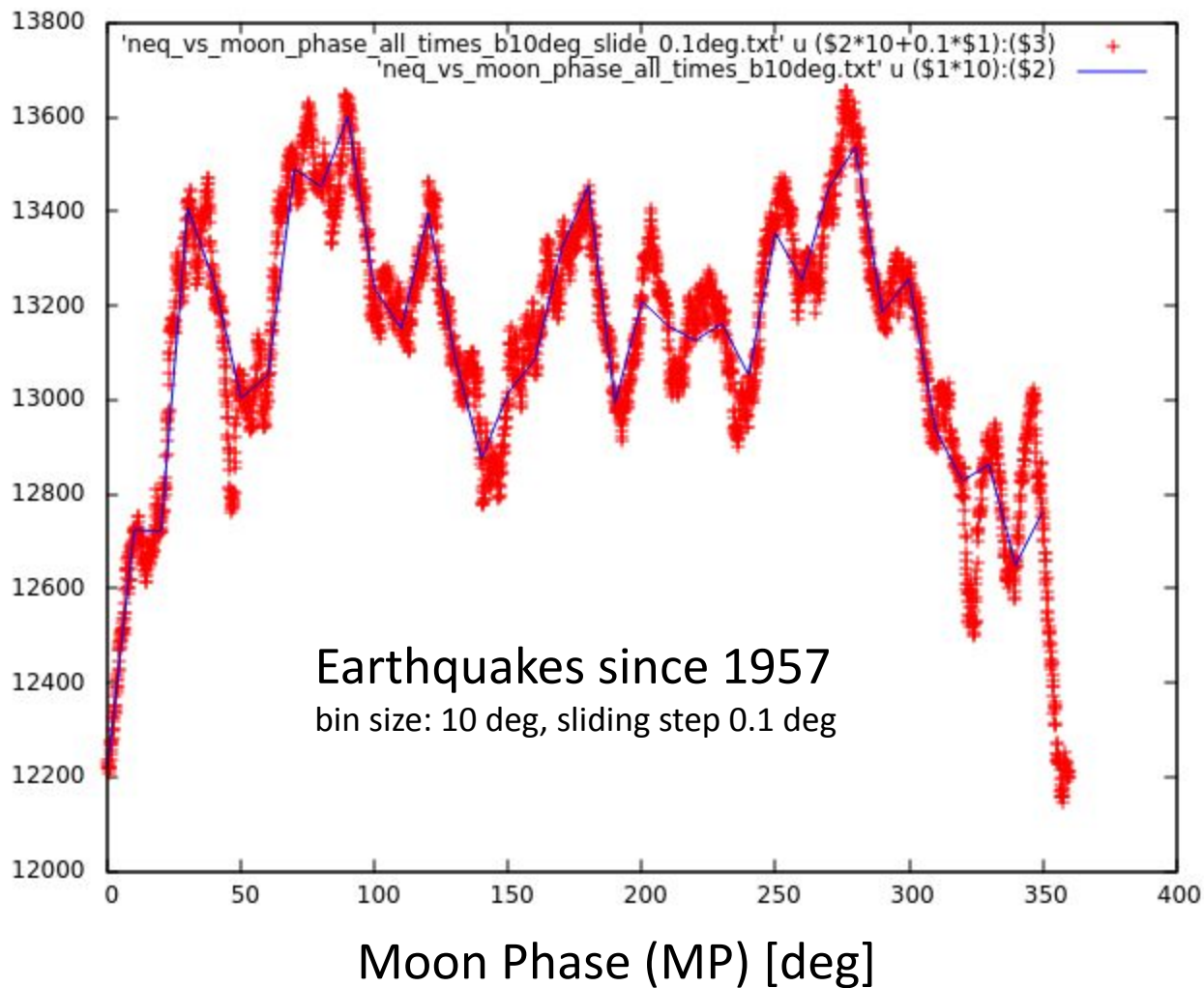
average 3 h bins.  
 averaged over time window of:  
 ~2000 days  
 sliding step: 100 days

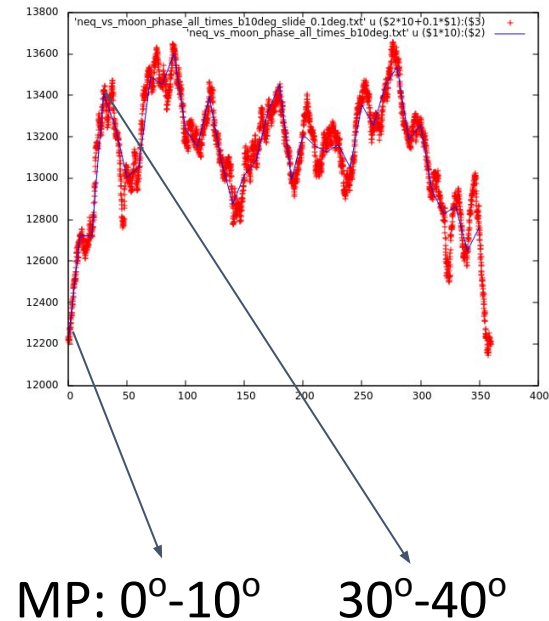
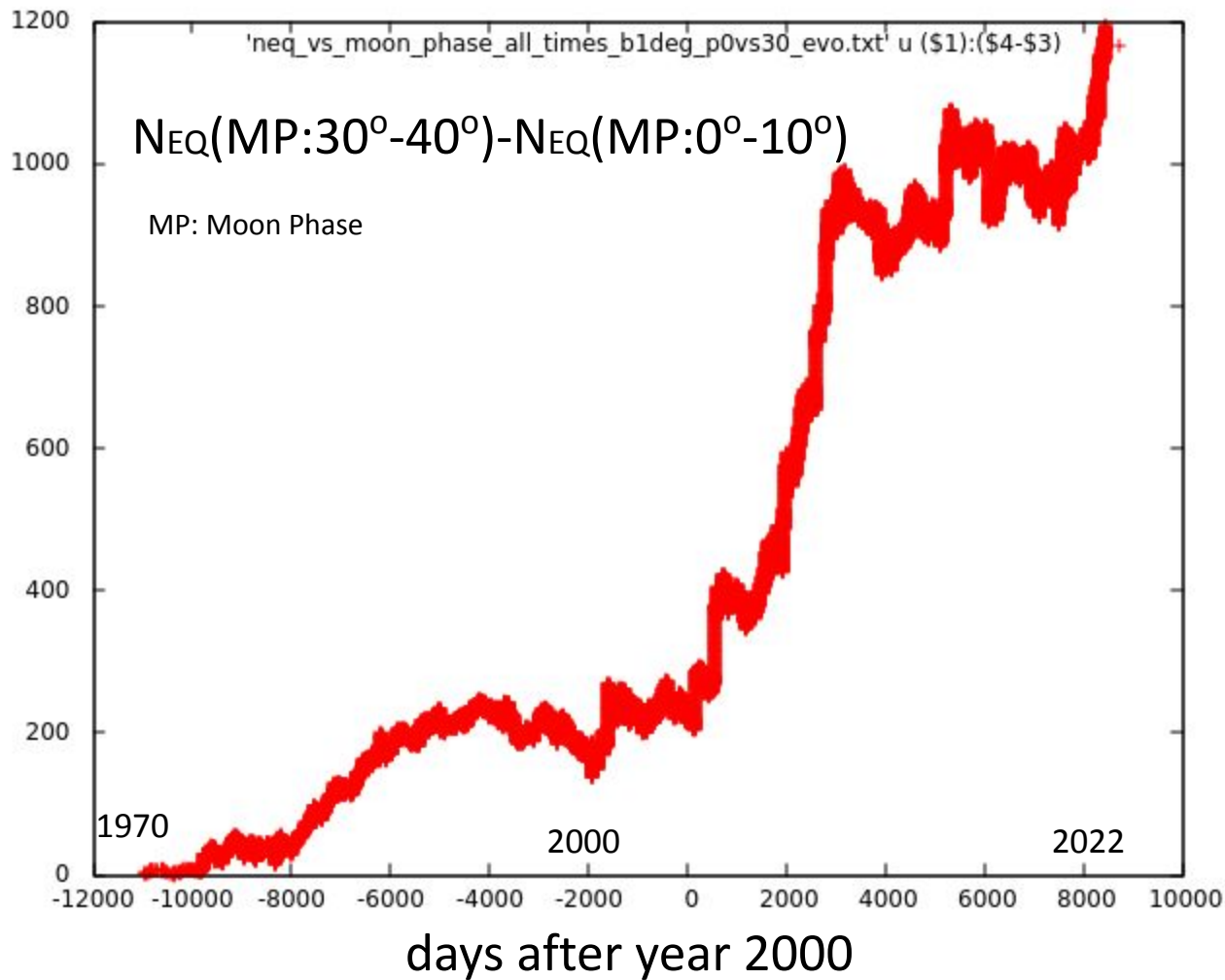
-> **different “eras” of 24h asymmetry?**  
 -> like Fig 4 (cosmo-seismic article)

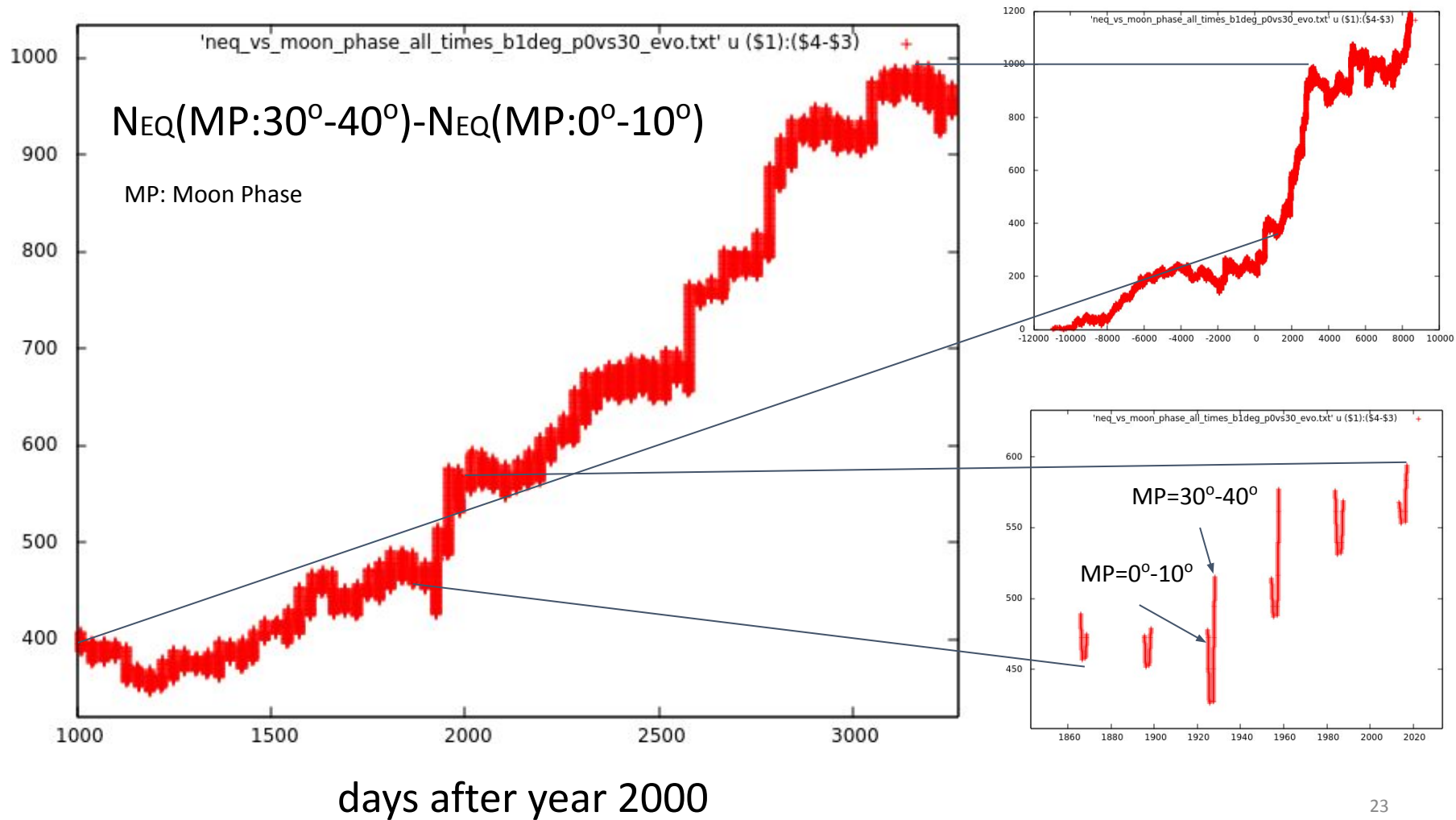
-> **variations of the “third factor” or its sensitivity to magnetism**

3. Non-tidal role of the  
Moon in triggering  
earthquakes? -> “third  
factor” active  
gravitationally

Number of Earthquakes,  $m \geq 4$





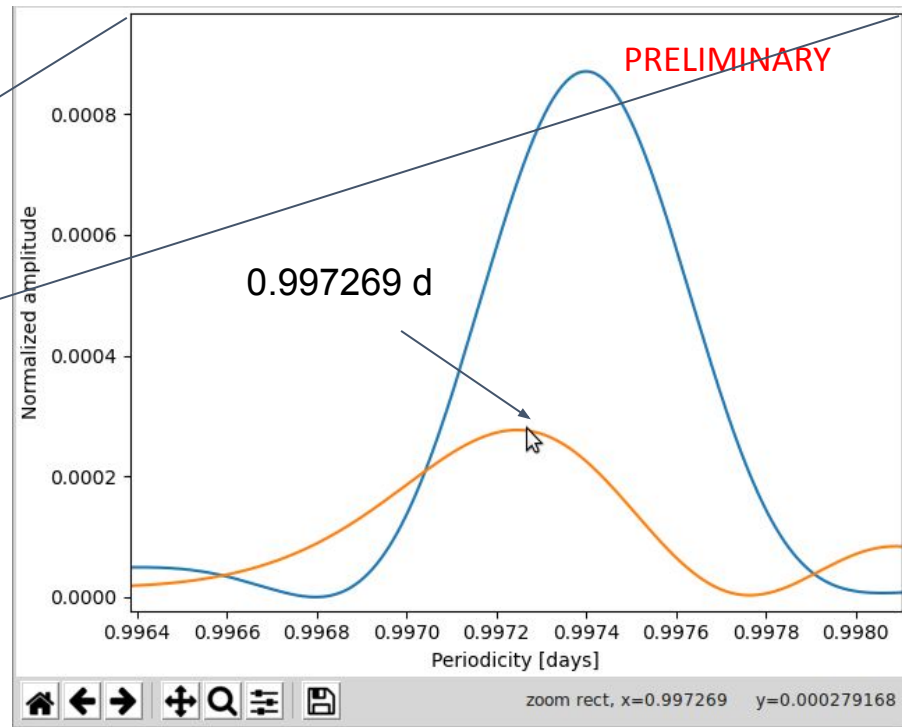
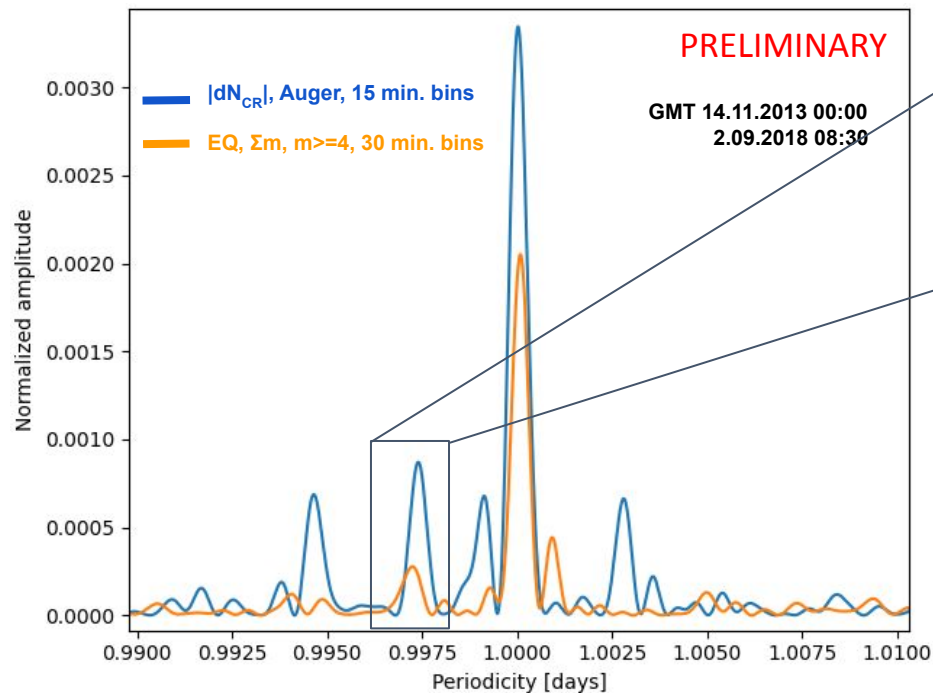




4. time dependent sidereal  
day periodicity in both EQ  
and CR data -> exosolar origin  
of the “third factor” + its  
inherent variations or  
sensitivity to local conditions

# 24h and sidereal day (SD) periodicities in $|dN_{CR}|$ and $\Sigma m_{EQ}$

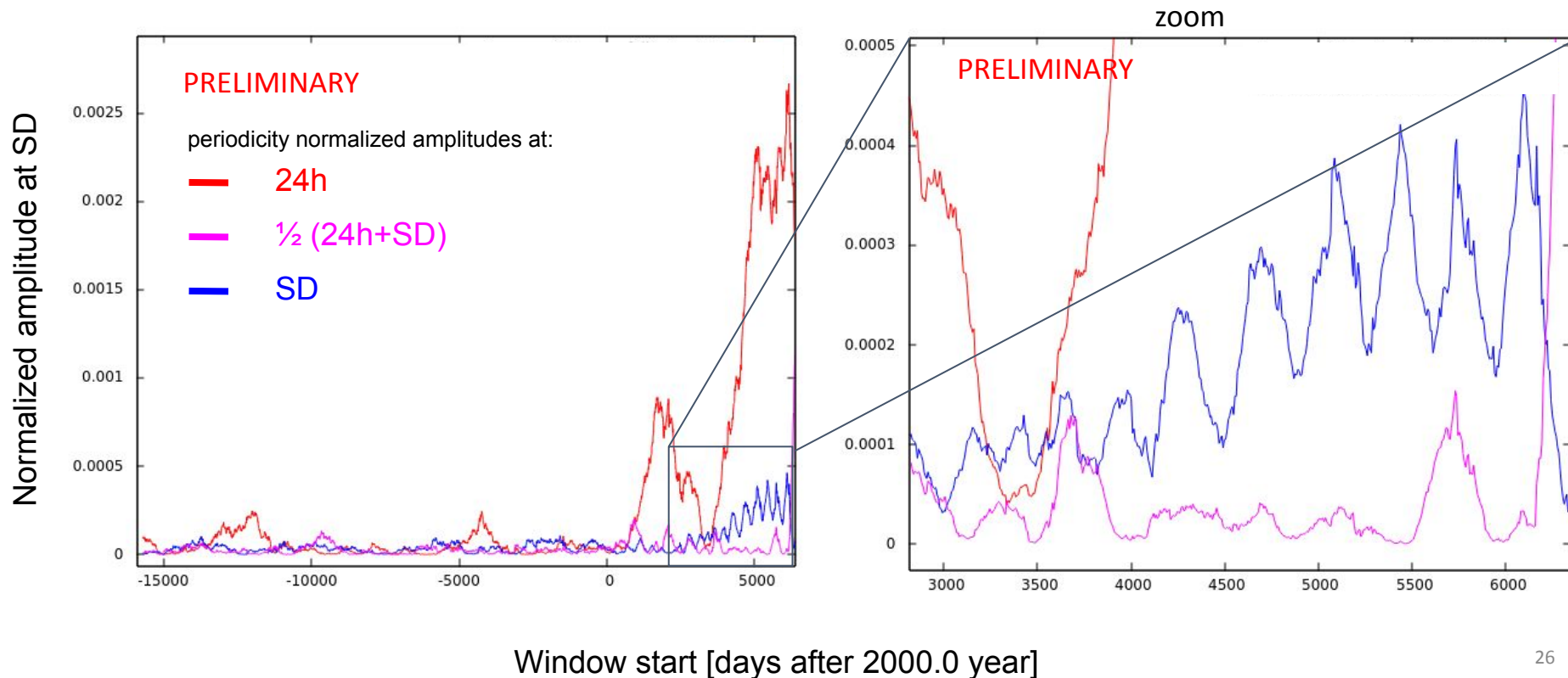
1 sidereal day = 23.9344696 hours  $\rightarrow$  0.997269567 day; Lomb-Scargle periodograms



Clear ~24h and sidereal day periodicities both in CR and EQ data, appearing only during the cosmo-seismic correlation maximum? Responsible for the periodicity of the effect? Does the exact 0.99727 d periodicity in (part of) EQ data confirm the “external impact”?

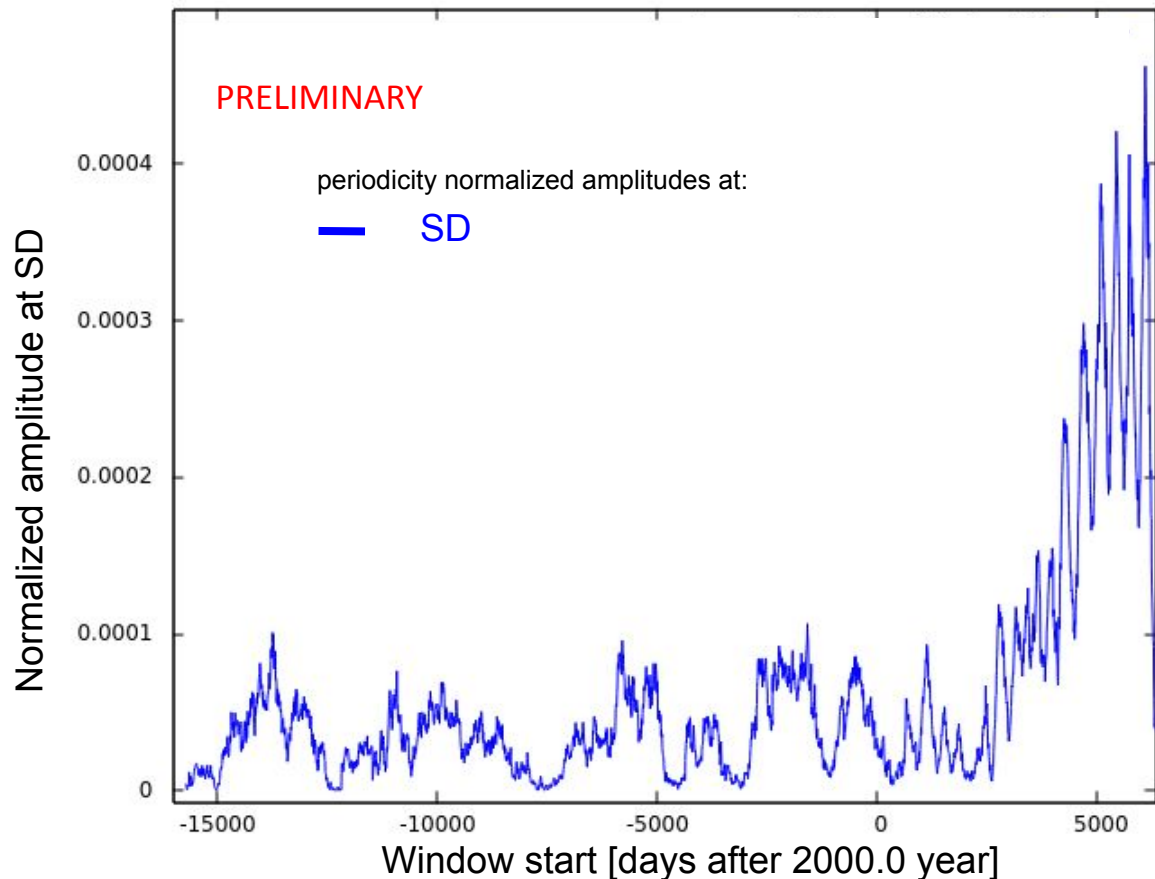
# Time evolution of the 24h & sidereal day (SD) periodicities:

EQ data,  $N_{\text{EQ}}$ , 30min. bins,  $m \geq 4$ , time window width: 4.5 yrs, step: 1 week



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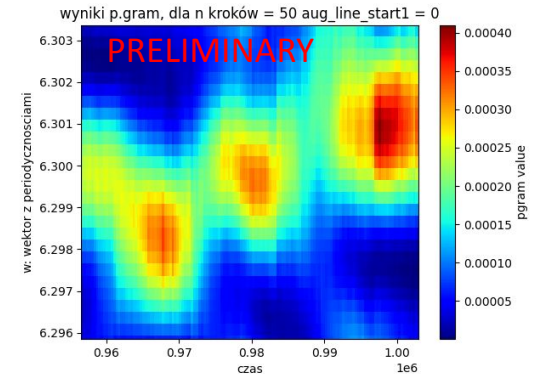
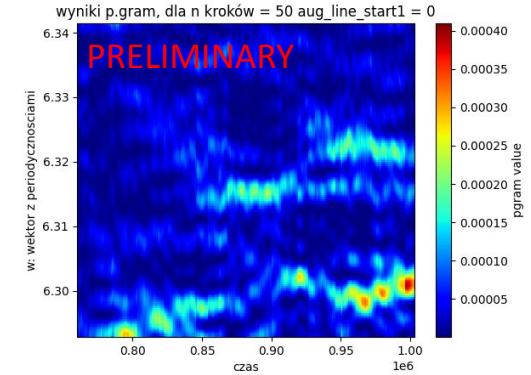
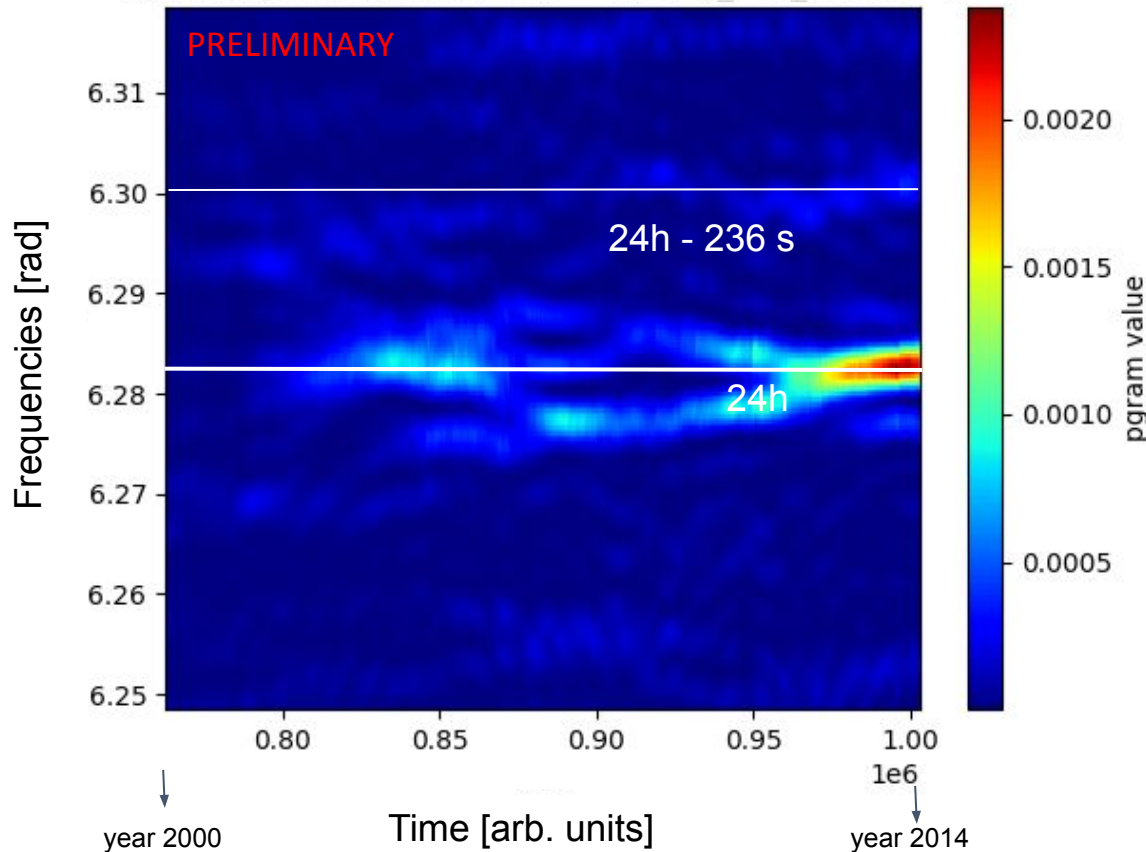
First fits (credit Maria Pycior):

- ~390 d of the right part
- ~11 y of the left

398.85d: period of the Earth & Jupiter synod

**What could be the final experimental confirmation of the DM stream? Similar subthreshold “behavior” in various channels / datasets?**

# 3d time evolution of periodicities in the EQ data: $N_{EQ}$ , 30 min. bins, $m \geq 4$ , time window width: 4.5 yrs, step: 1 week





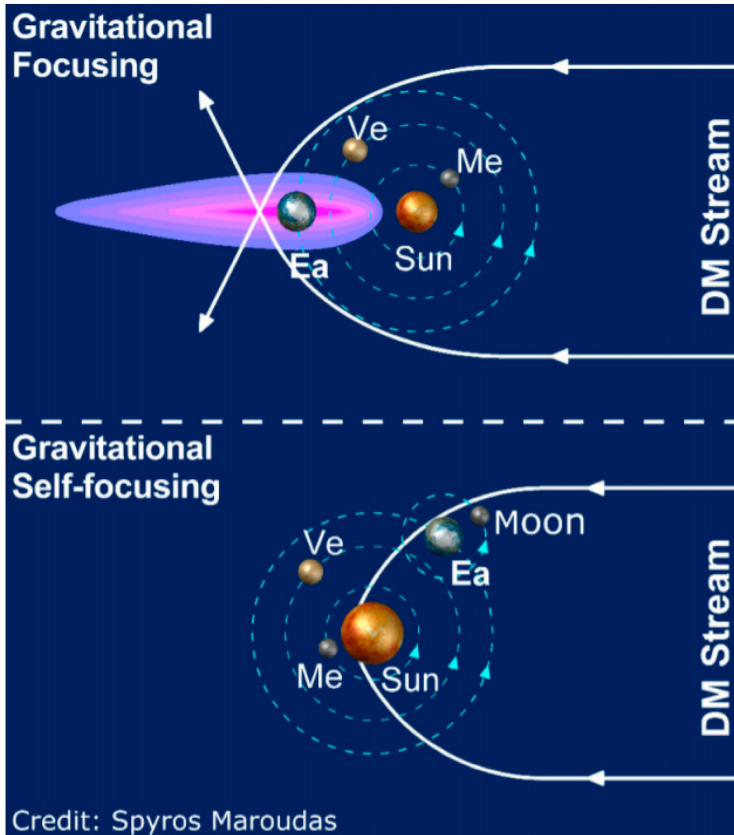
## Literature Support

- DM streams + focusing ~orders of magnitude
- super-heavy charged dark matter
- 24h Japan: “new EQ mechanism”, 2018
- spaceweather @ Radon (credit Brian)
- books: heliospheric current sheet, rotation of the Sun

# Interpretation: role of the Sun, or ... Dark Matter stream?

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PH: **(SH)DM overdensities:**

-> periodic (yearly?) CR variations?

-> delayed gravitational shocks?

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# Gravitational focusing effects on streaming dark matter as a new detection concept

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Cosmological simulations for cold dark matter (DM) indicate that a large number of streams might exist in our Galaxy. The present work incorporates gravitational focusing (GF) effects on streaming DM constituents by the Sun and the Earth preceding their encounter with Earth bound detectors. For streaming DM, the GF gives rise to spatiotemporal flux enhancements of orders of magnitude above the nominal DM density. Remarkably, due to Earth's rotation the derived flux enhancements appear as transient signals lasting about 10 seconds repeating daily for days or weeks. This work presents a novel opportunity for DM signal detection and identification, and the present simulation can be applied to any kind of invisible matter entering the solar system.

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“For **streaming dark matter**, the **gravitational focusing** gives rise to spatiotemporal **flux enhancements of orders of magnitude** above the nominal DM density. Remarkably, due to Earth's rotation the derived flux enhancements appear as transient signals lasting about 10 seconds repeating daily for days or weeks.”

**Planck mass charged gravitino dark matter**

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Following up on our earlier work predicting fractionally charged supermassive gravitinos, we explain their potential relevance as novel candidates for dark matter and discuss possible signatures and ways to detect them.

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# Evidence of Space weather in Radon Decay

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The Electron, Proton and Alpha Monitor, EPAM, located at the L1 Position approximately 1-million miles from the earth in the direction of the sun, was designed to detect fluctuations in solar output through counting the numbers of various particles hitting the detector. The EPAM detector is part of an early warning system that can alert the earth to coronal mass ejection events that can damage our electronic grids and satellite equipment. EPAM gives a real-time estimate of changes in the local solar magnetic field directed towards the earth, recorded in the fluctuations of solar particles being ejected. This paper presents an analysis of fluctuations in data taken by the Geological Survey of Israel, GSI, compared to the changes in detected numbers of protons as seen by EPAM. Surprisingly, the GSI and EPAM detectors show an unexpected correlation between the variation in count rate detected by the GSI detectors and an increased numbers of protons seen at EPAM; well above statistical significance of 5-sigma, indicating a non-random connection between the data sets. The statistically significant overlap between data taken by these two detectors, subject to very different conditions, may hint at a Primakoff mechanism whereby exotic particles, e.g. galactic Dark Matter, couple through magnetic fields to both photons and even nuclei. This work builds on an earlier paper on the observations of Radon decay and their implications for particle physics.

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spaceweather (solar cycle) 1 million km above Earth

What is most fascinating and unexpected in this analysis,

the EPAM proton count rate data shows a strong correlation with the count rate for gammas emitted from a chain decay process of 222 Rn, as seen by the GSI instruments.

radon (earthquake precursor) @ Earth

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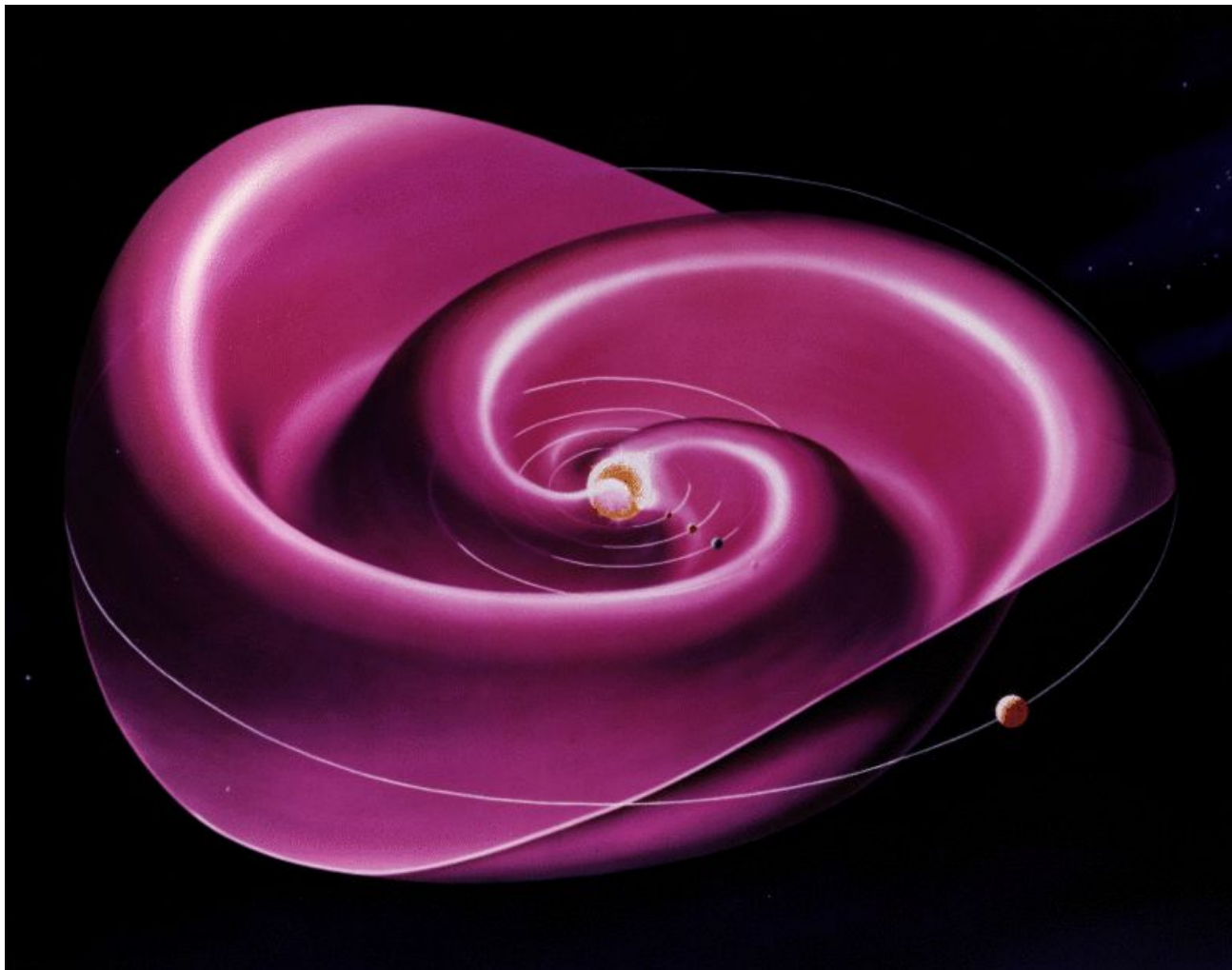
## Evidence for diurnal periodicity of earthquakes from midnight to daybreak

Jinlai Hao, Jinhai Zhang\* and Zhenxing Yao

<https://doi.org/10.1093/nsr/nwy117>

“Our work suggests that the earthquakes have a **dominant diurnal period**, at least from midnight to daybreak, which could be helpful to opening a **new window to explore the physical mechanism of earthquakes.**”





Heliospheric Current  
Sheet (- like?)  
behavior?

~10000 km thickness

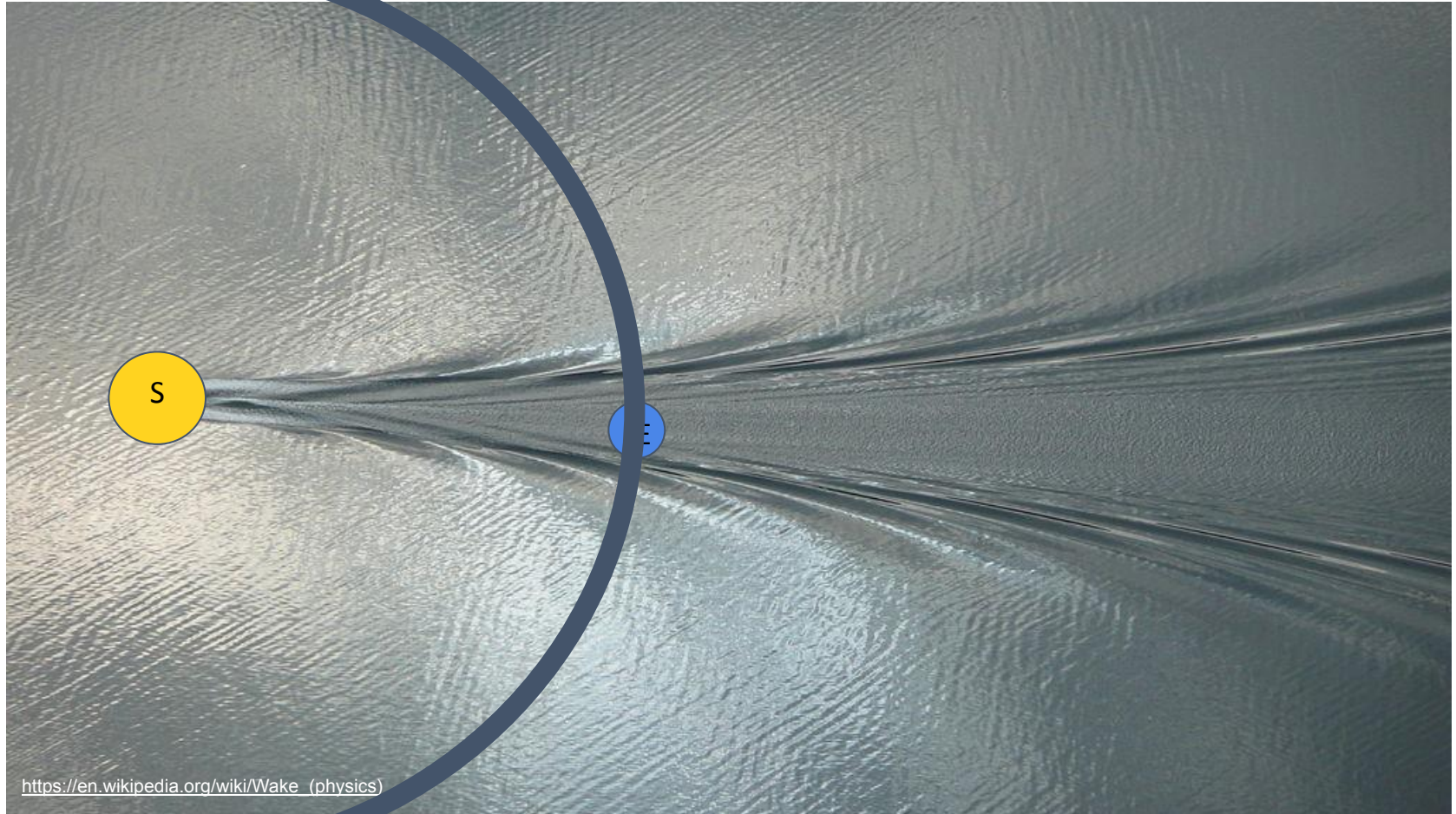
~heavier particles  
required?

~periodicities close to  
27 days,  $\frac{1}{2} \times 27$  days.

~opposite directions  
possible if both  
positive and negative  
charges involved?



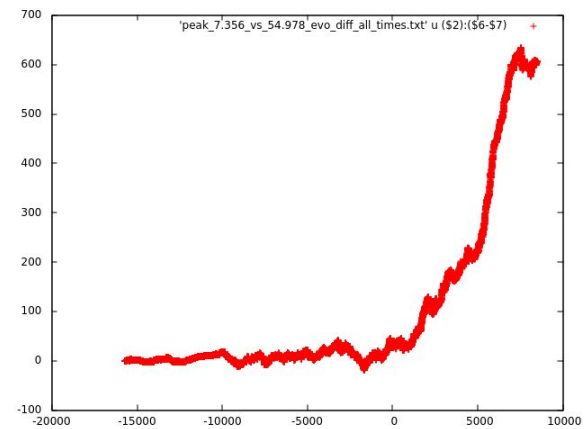
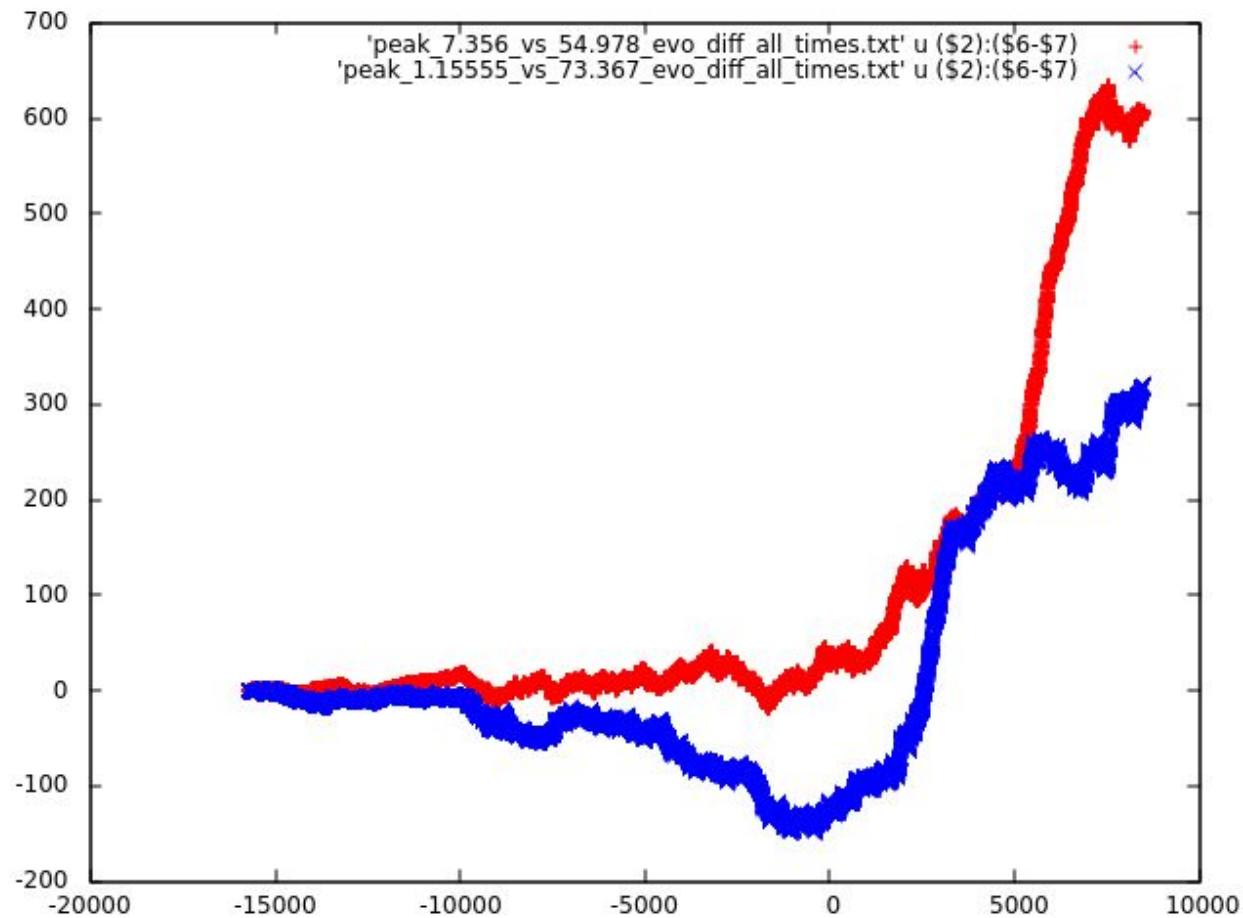
... or Dark Fluid -> dark wake(s)?



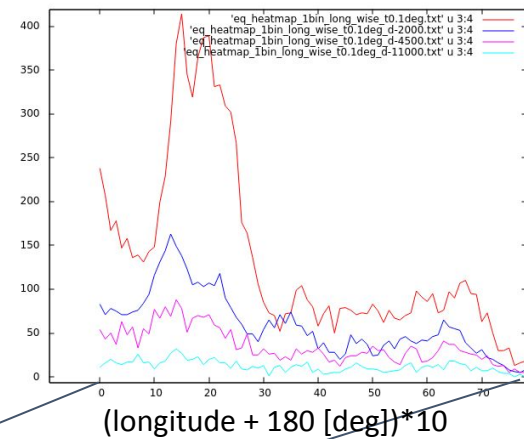
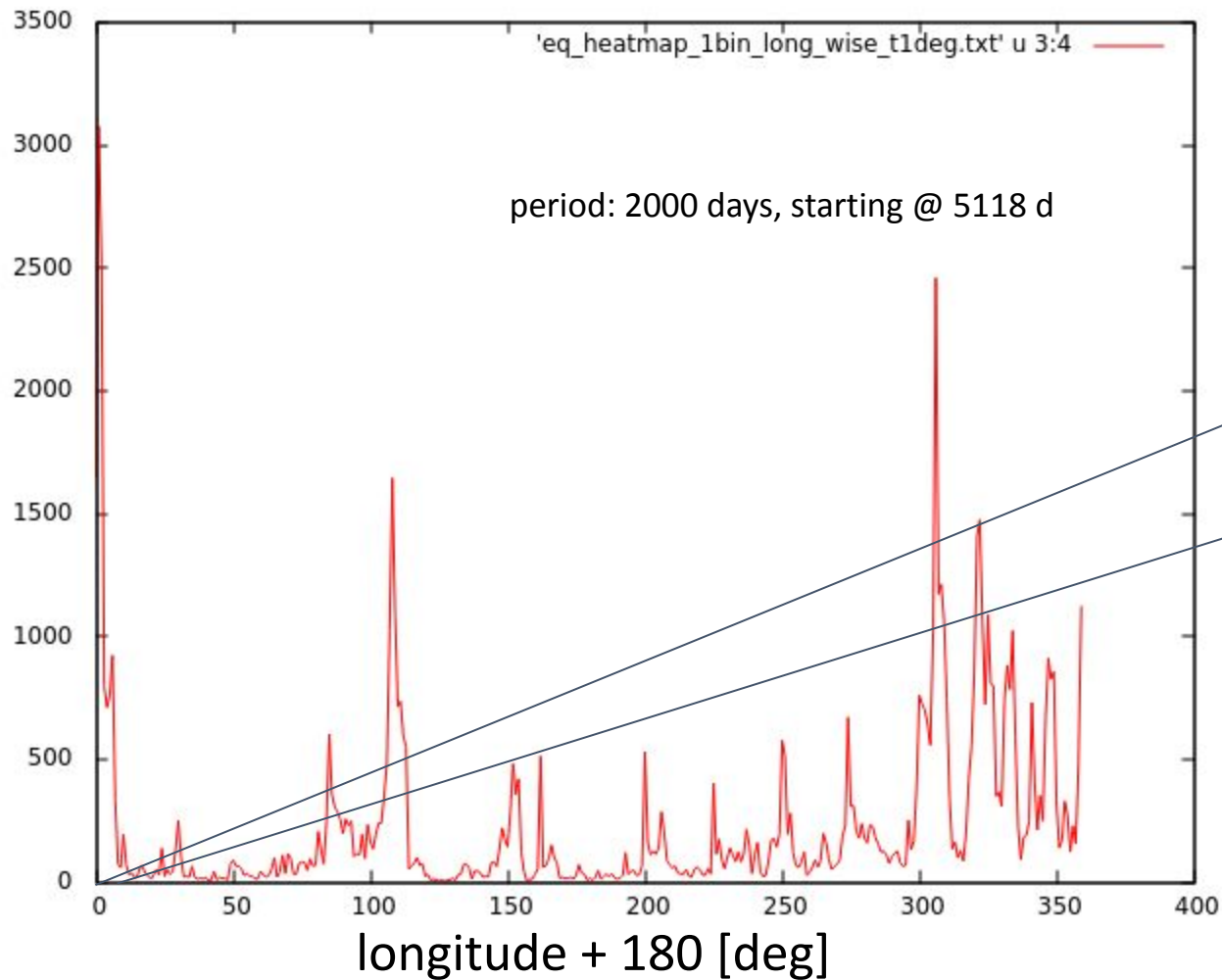
## Observable charged dark matter stream around?

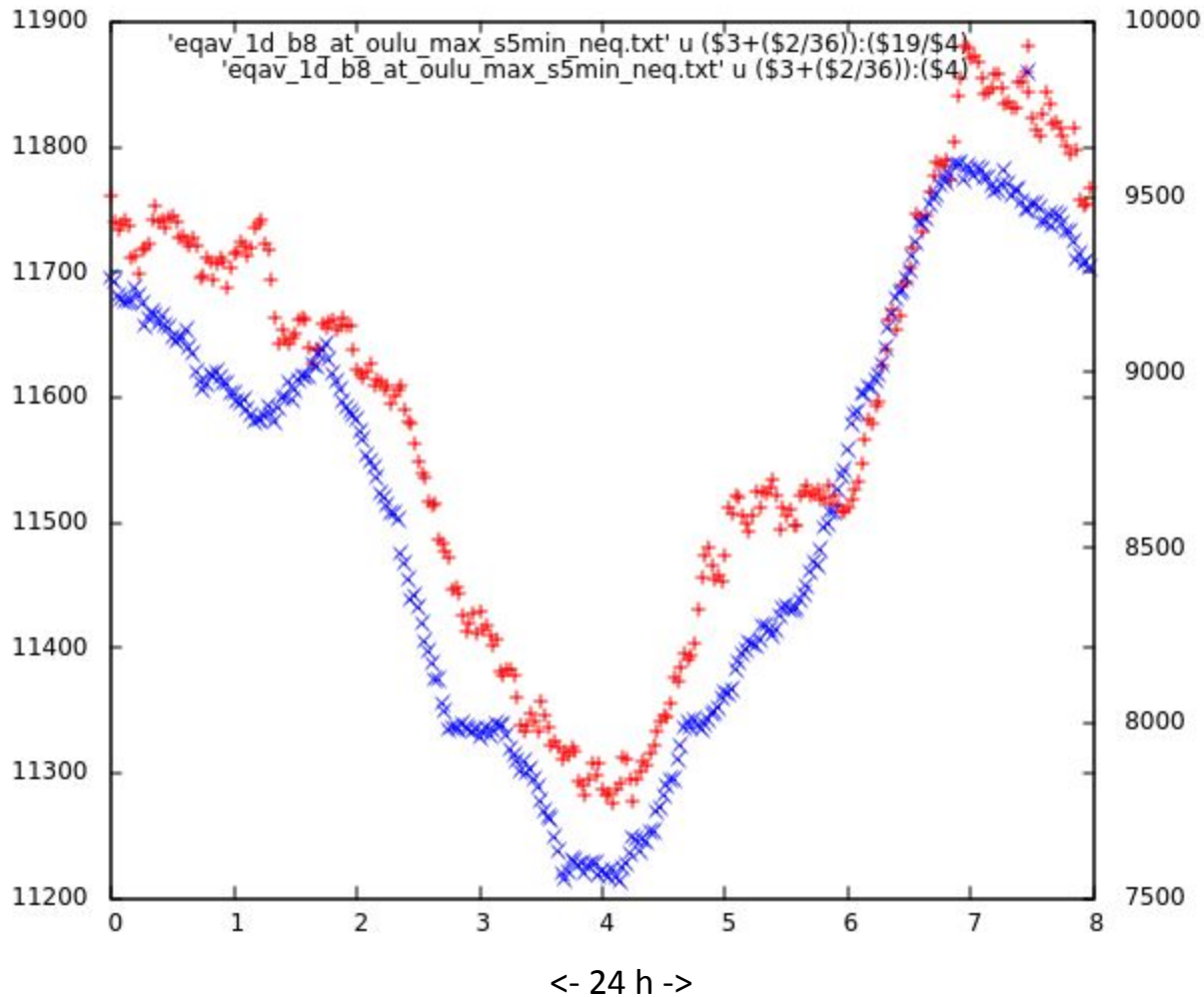
- foundations of physics!
- predicting some earthquakes by monitoring cosmic ray sources moving within the Solar System!
- revisiting climate change models by considering the new external factor!

**BACKUP**



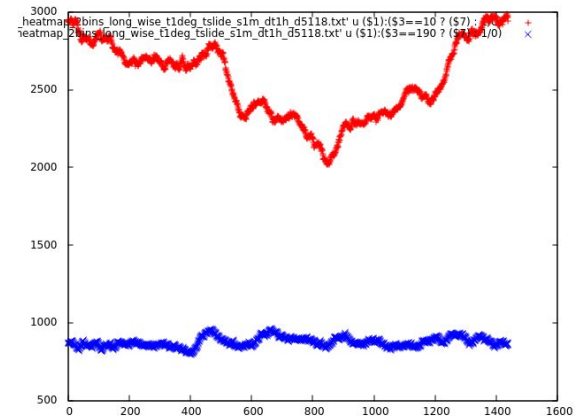
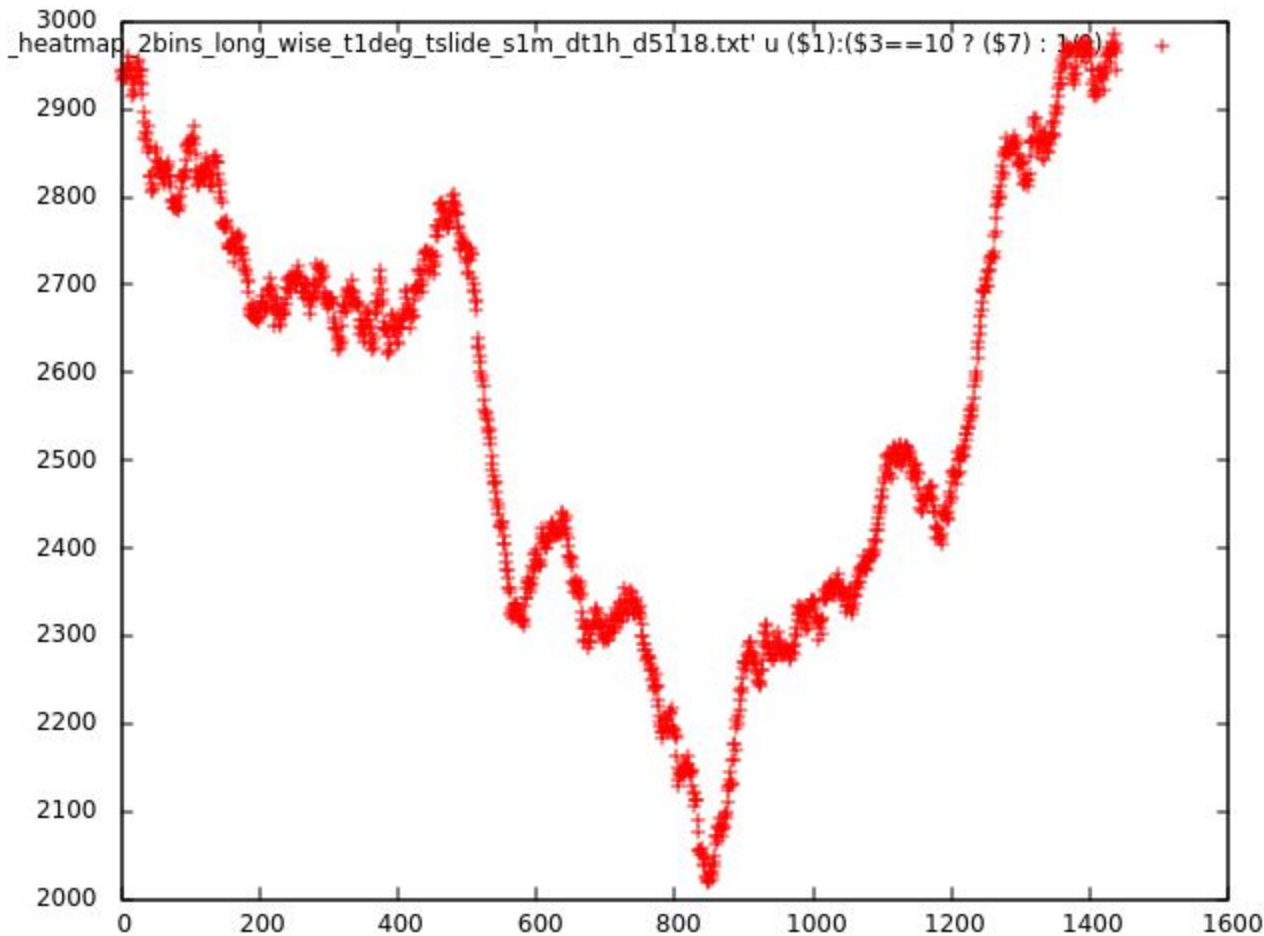
5. hemispherical &  
semiday differences in  
EQ data: external  
impact?





$N_{EQ}(t)$   
connected to EQ  
locations?



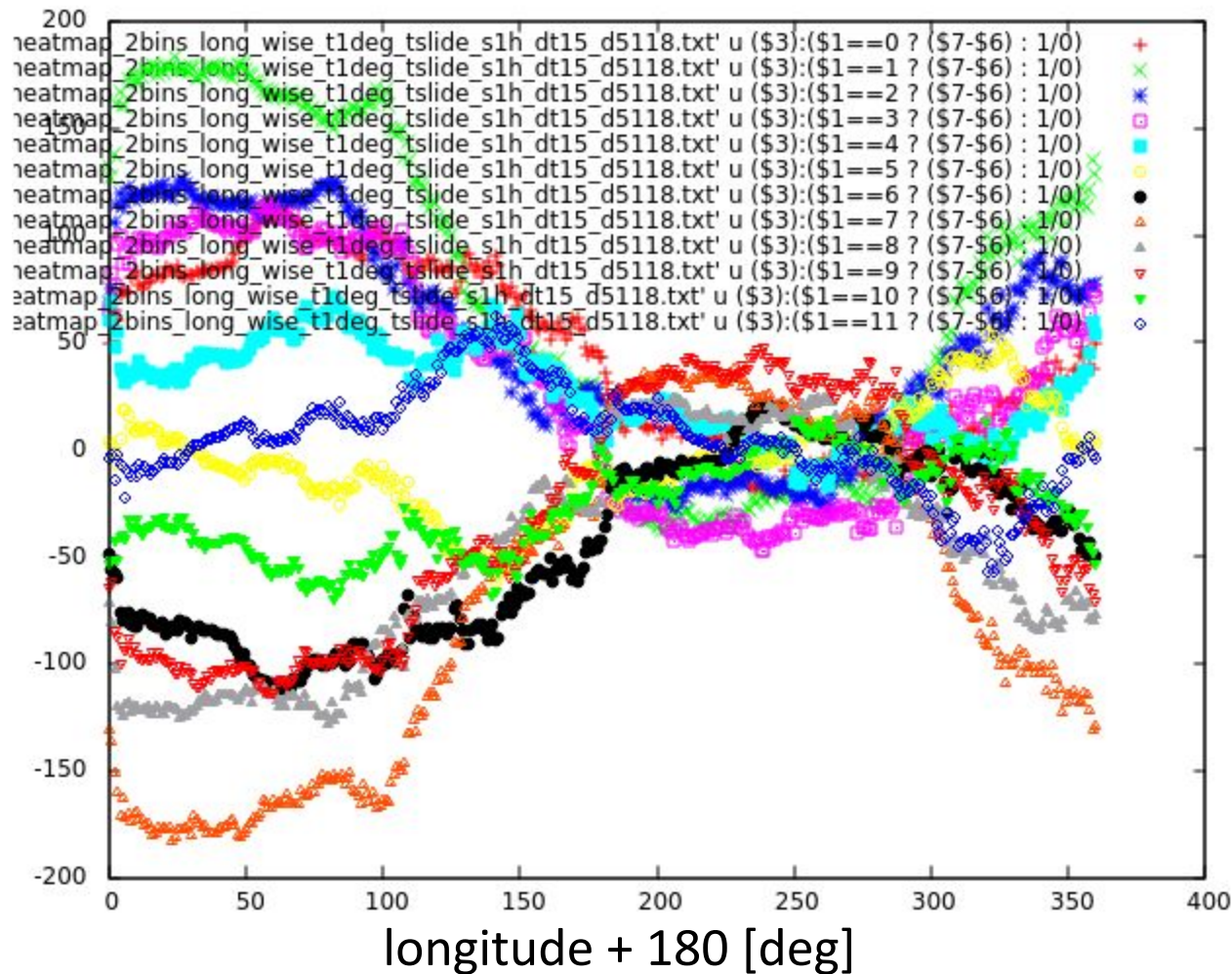


Daily NEQ asymmetry  
dictated by the most  
active regions:

**long: 10°E - 170°W**

VS.

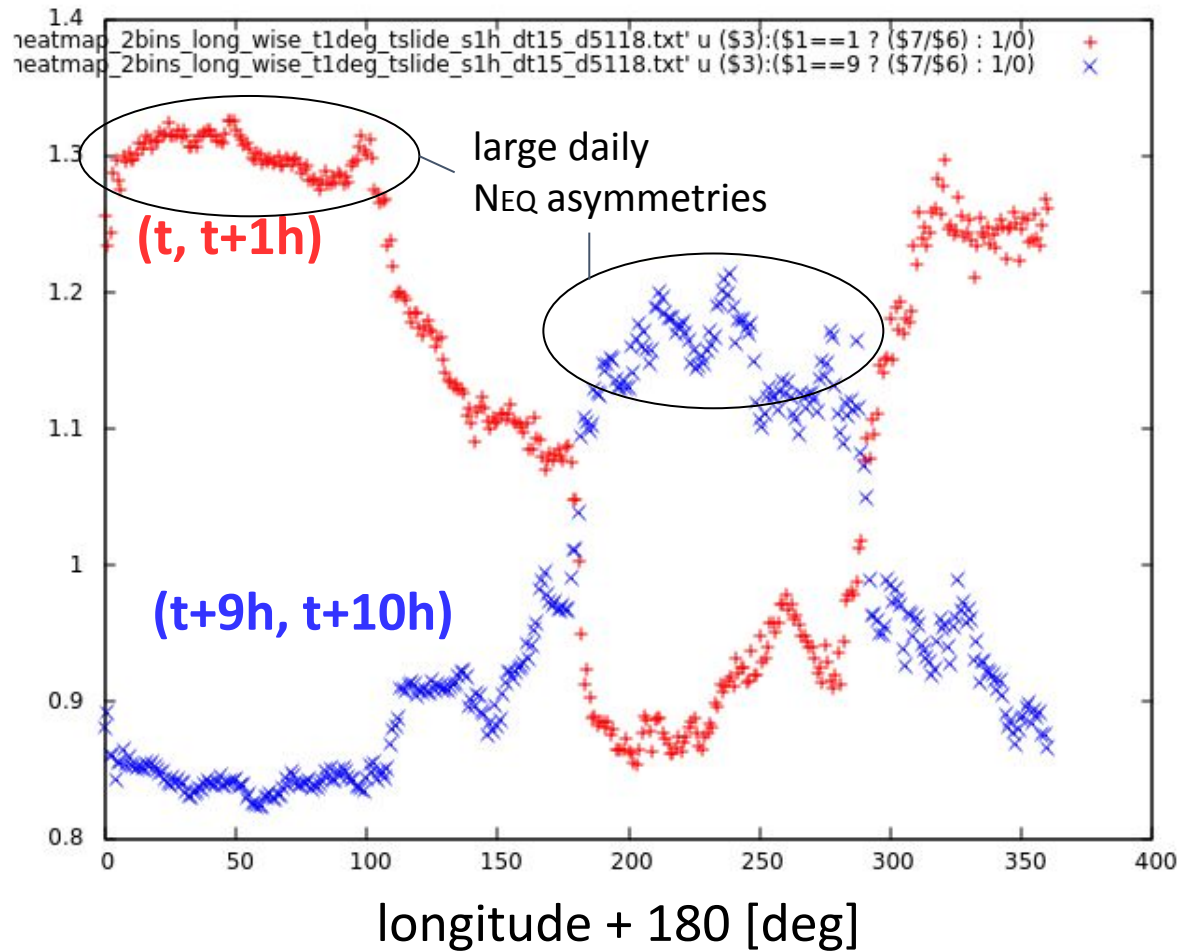
**long: 170°W - 10°E**



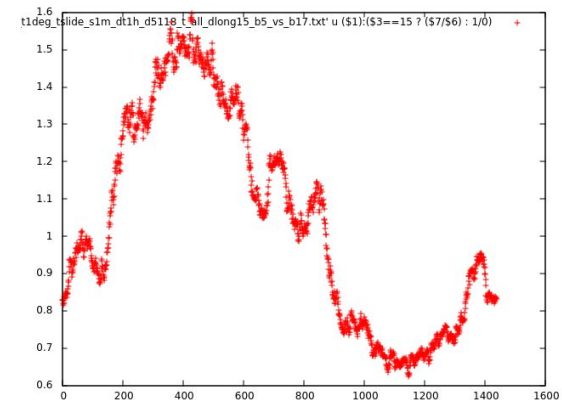
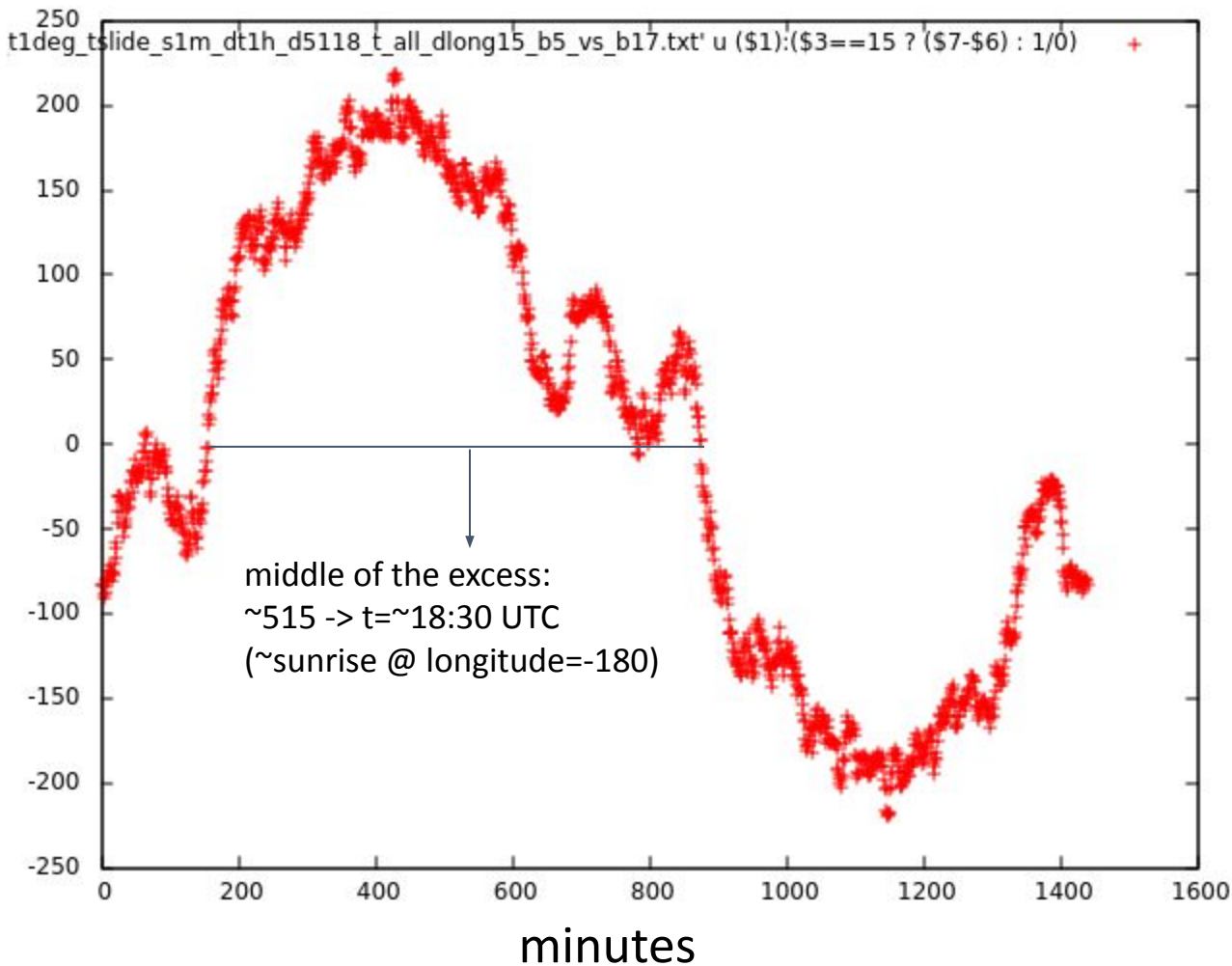
hemispheric asymmetries:  
NEQ(t)-NEQ(t+12h)

longitude range: 180 deg  
time range: 1h

colors: different time of  
the day, every 1 hour (the  
other half antisymmetric)



**selected** hemispheric  
asymmetries:  
 $\text{NEQ}(t)/\text{NEQ}(t+12\text{h})$   
longitude range: 180 deg  
time range: 1h

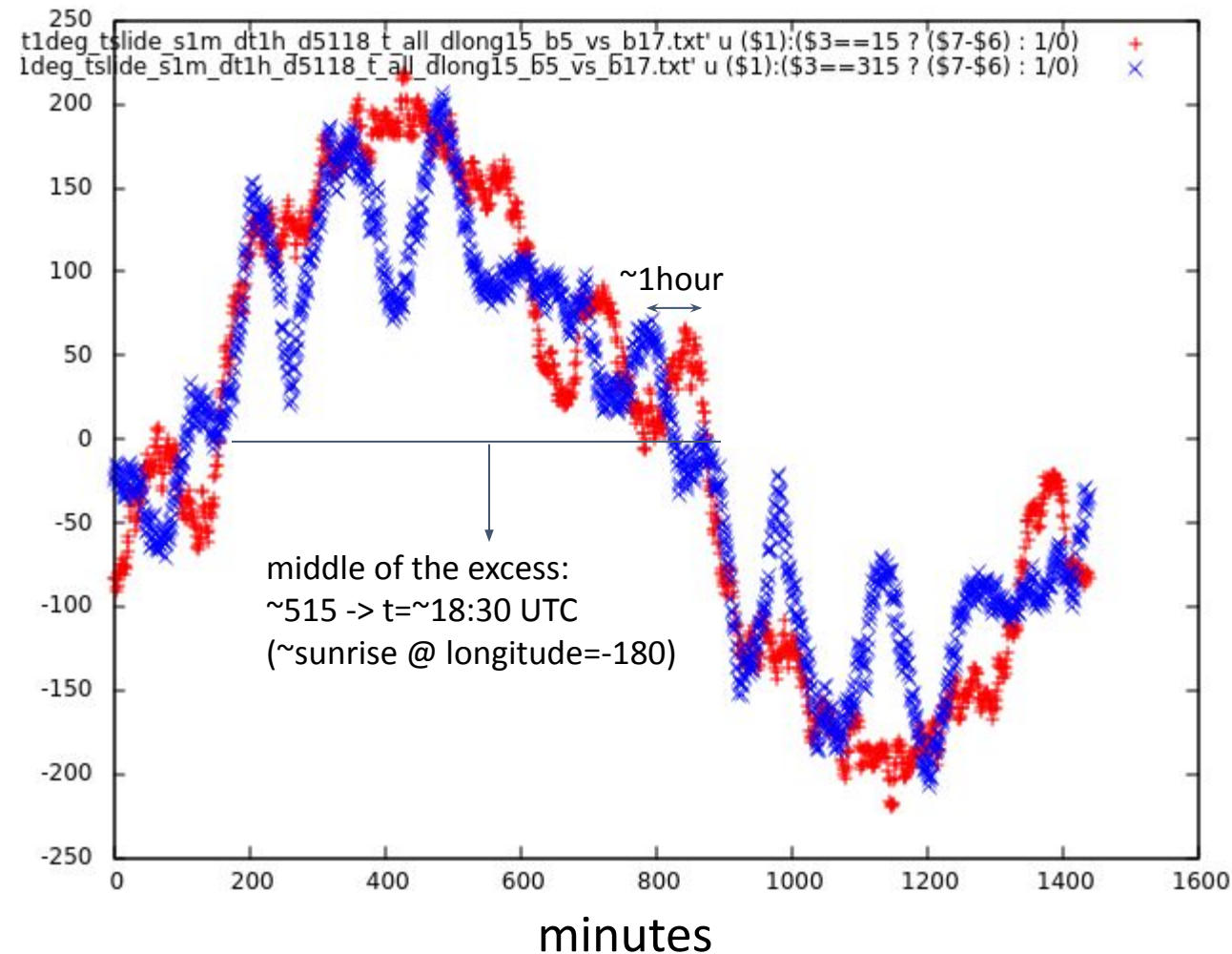


relative (up):  
 $\text{NEQ}(t)/\text{NEQ}(t+12\text{h})$

and

differential (left):  
 $\text{NEQ}(t) - \text{NEQ}(t+12\text{h})$

longitudes: (-180,-165)  
dt=1 hour  
max @ ~18:30 UTC



differential (left):  
 $NEQ(t) - NEQ(t+12h)$

longitudes:

(-180,-165) RED

vs

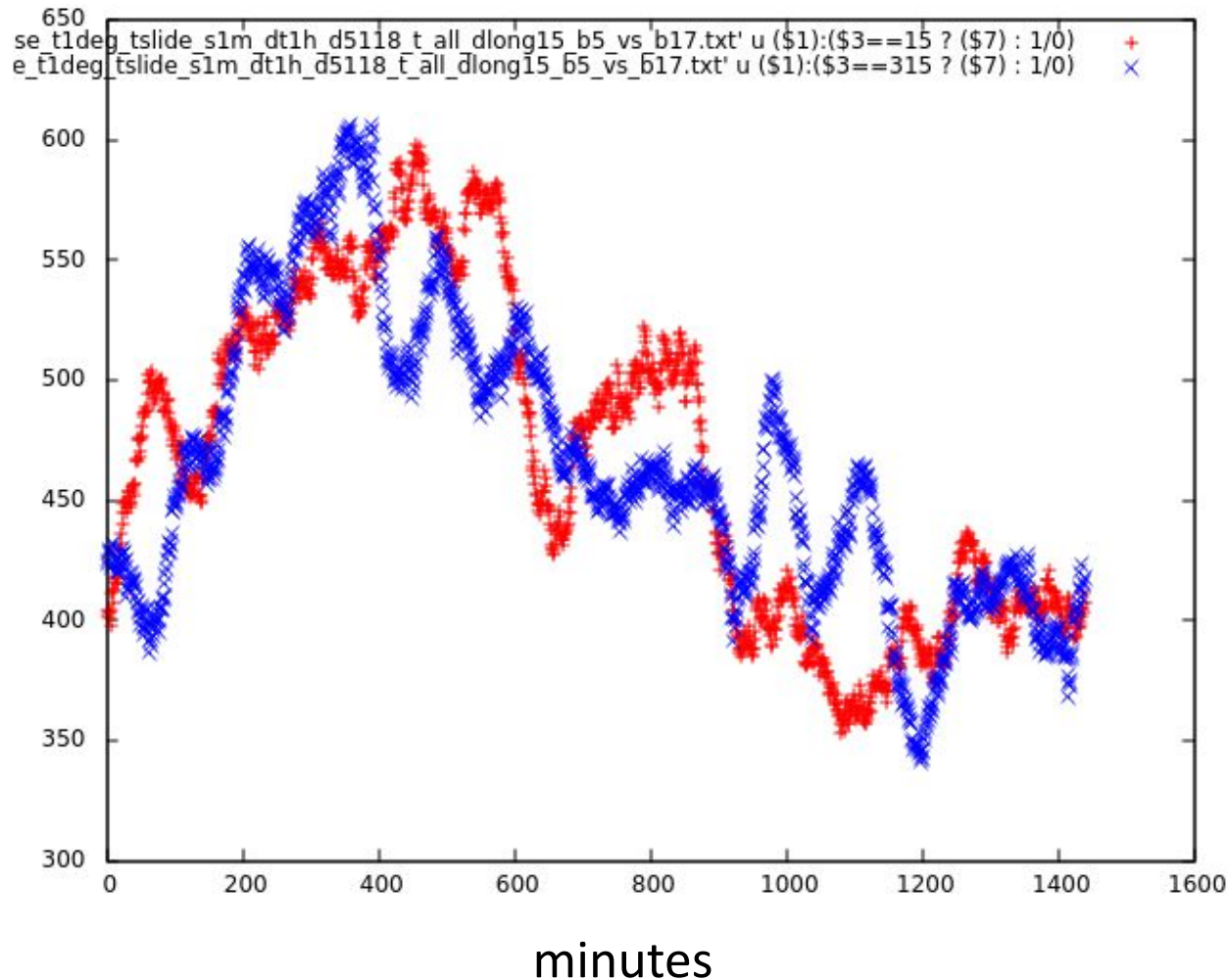
(120,135) BLUE

$dt=1 \text{ hour}$ , window: 2000 days  
 max @  $\sim 18:30 \text{ UTC}$

similar asymmetry shape  
 for distant (by  $\sim 60 \text{ deg}$  in long)  
 regions?

- what are the peaks in blue?
- blue “later” than red by 1hr? But 60 deg difference?





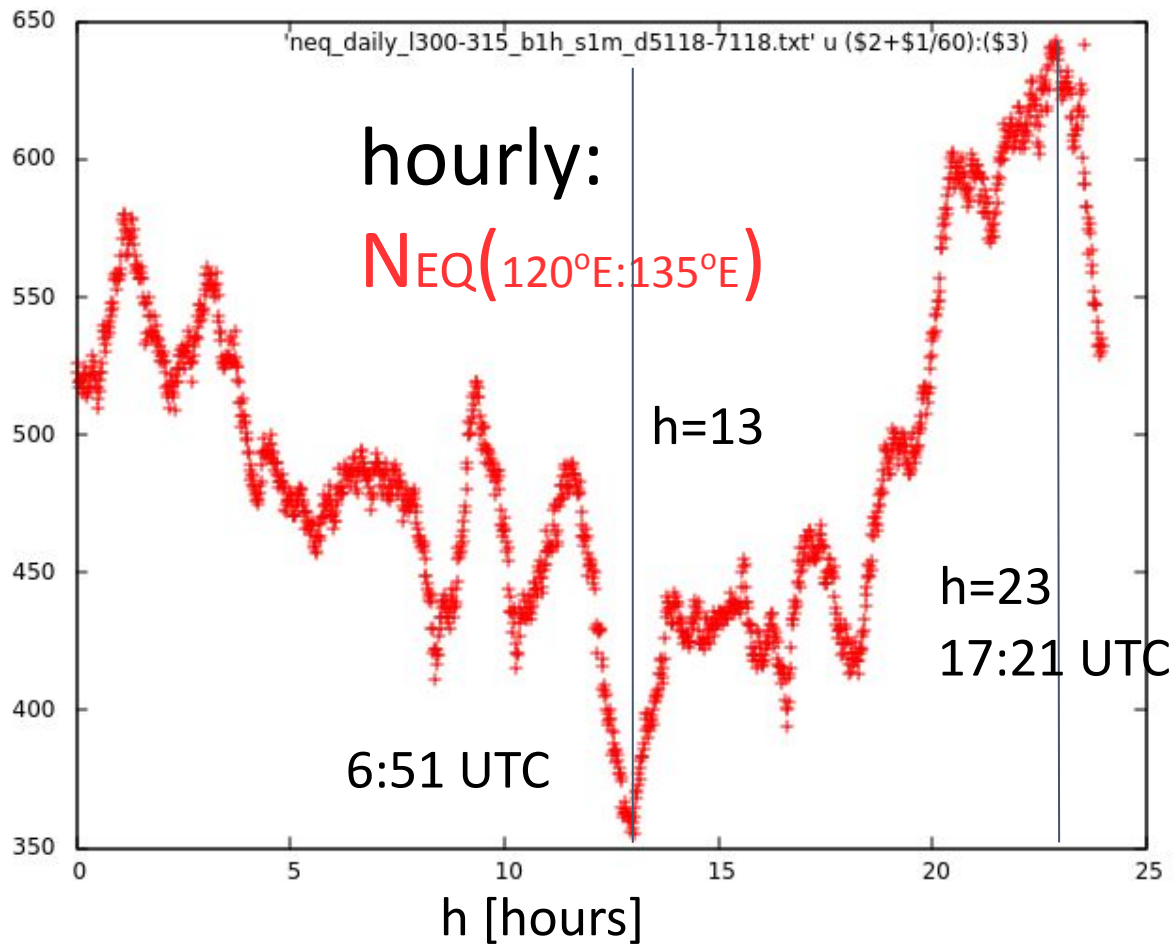
hourly:

$N_{EQ}(180^{\circ}W:165^{\circ}W)$

vs.

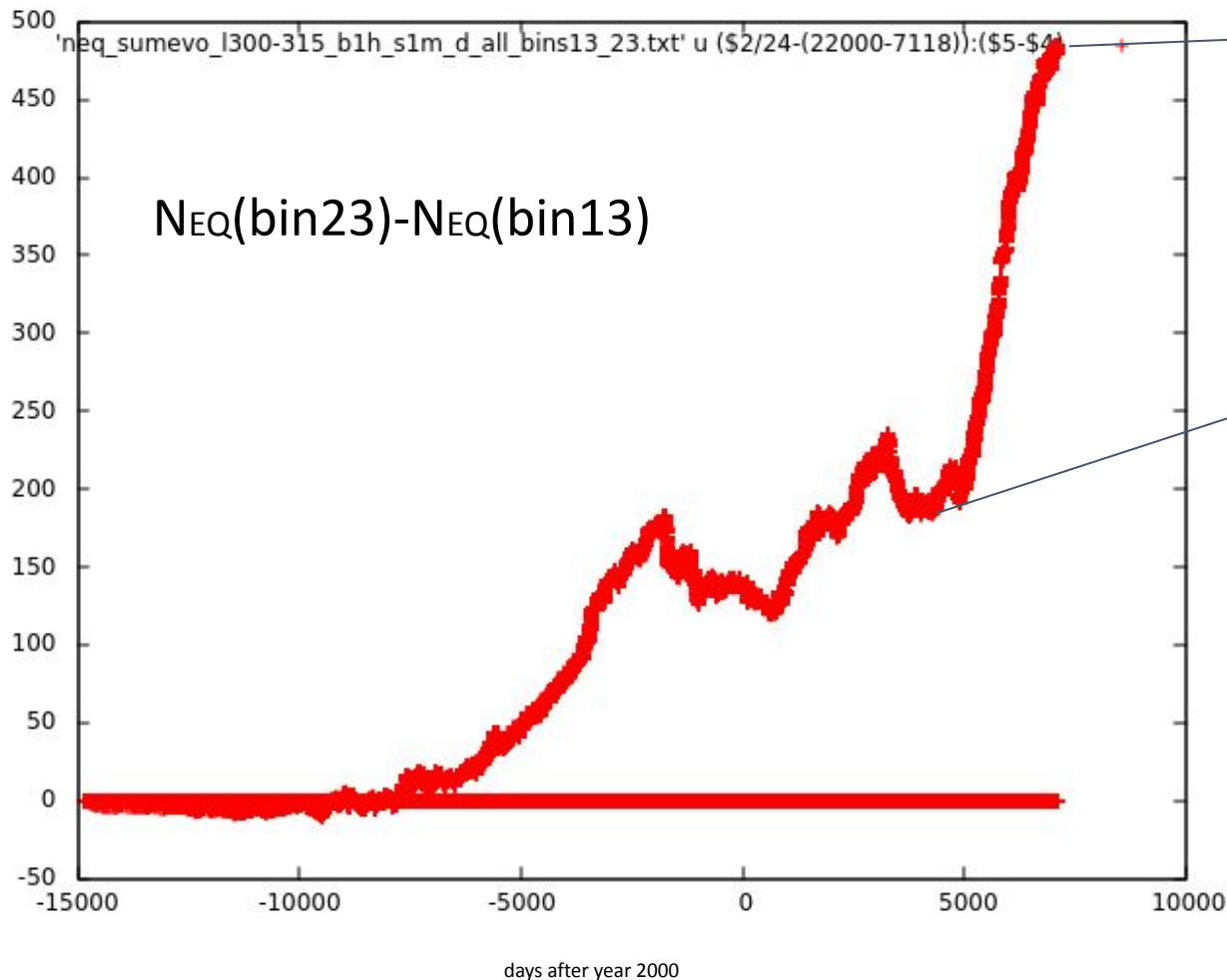
$N_{EQ}(120^{\circ}E:135^{\circ}E)$

-> distant locations but  
similar average daily  
asymmetry?

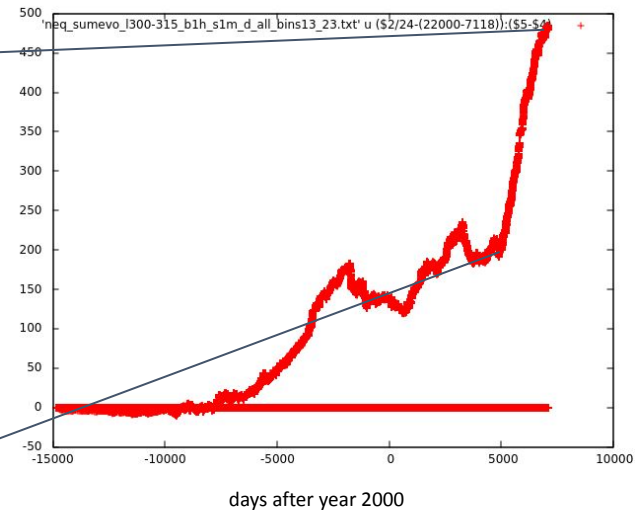
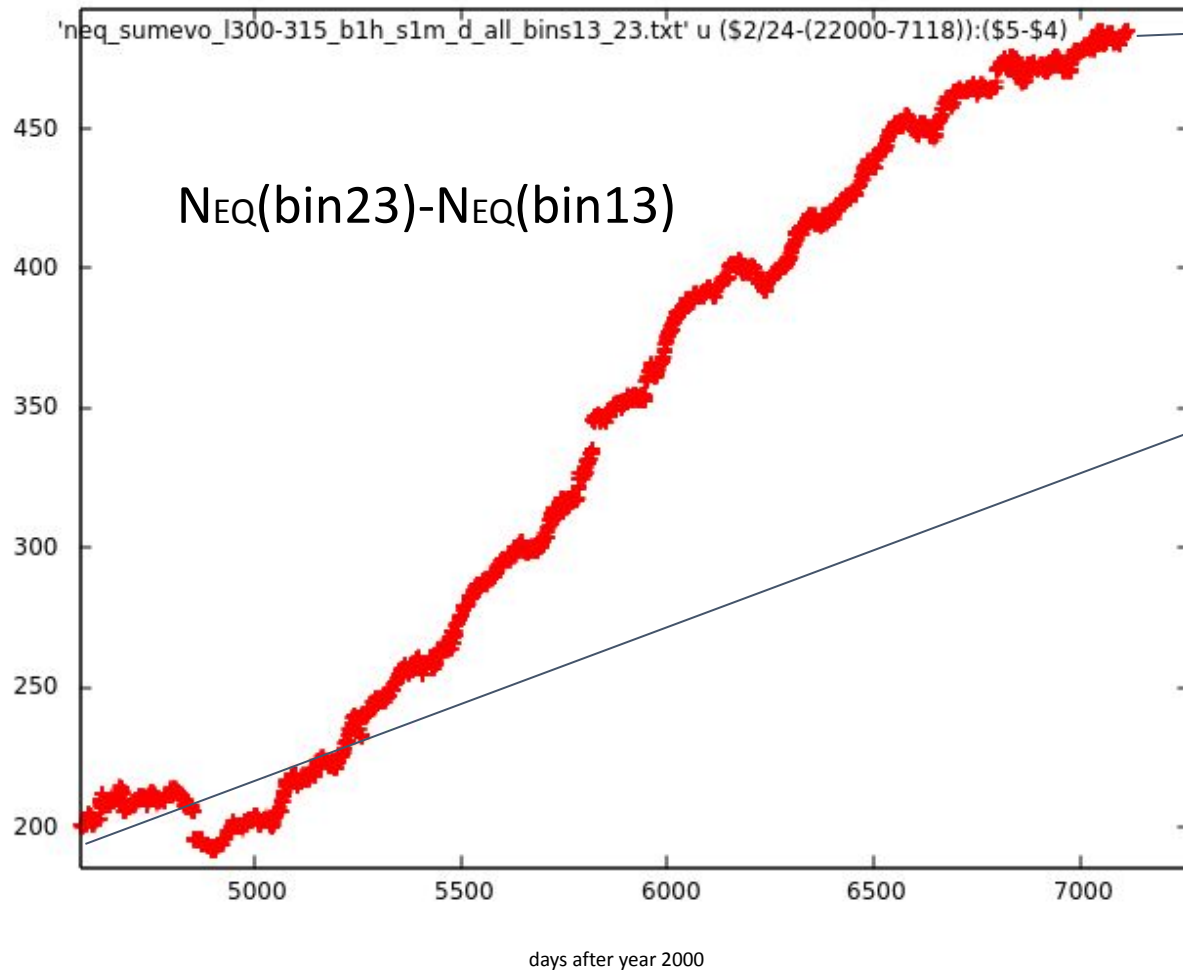


Let's focus on some region...



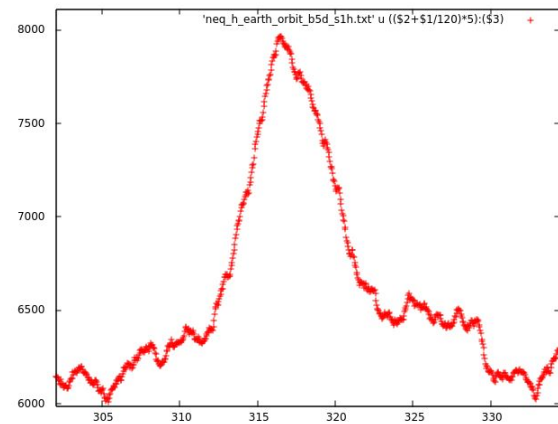
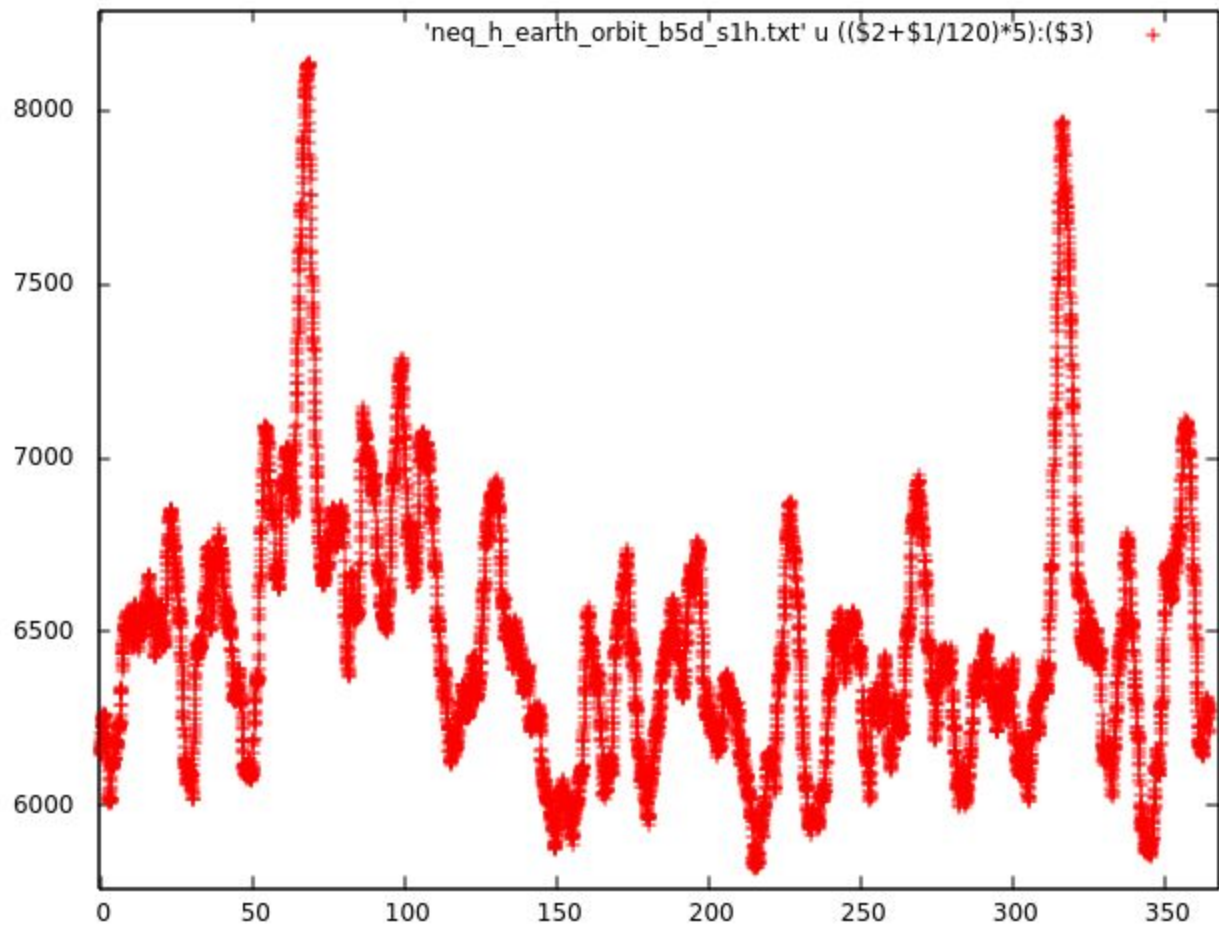


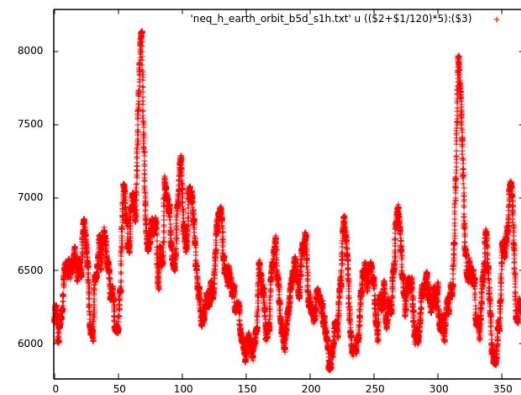
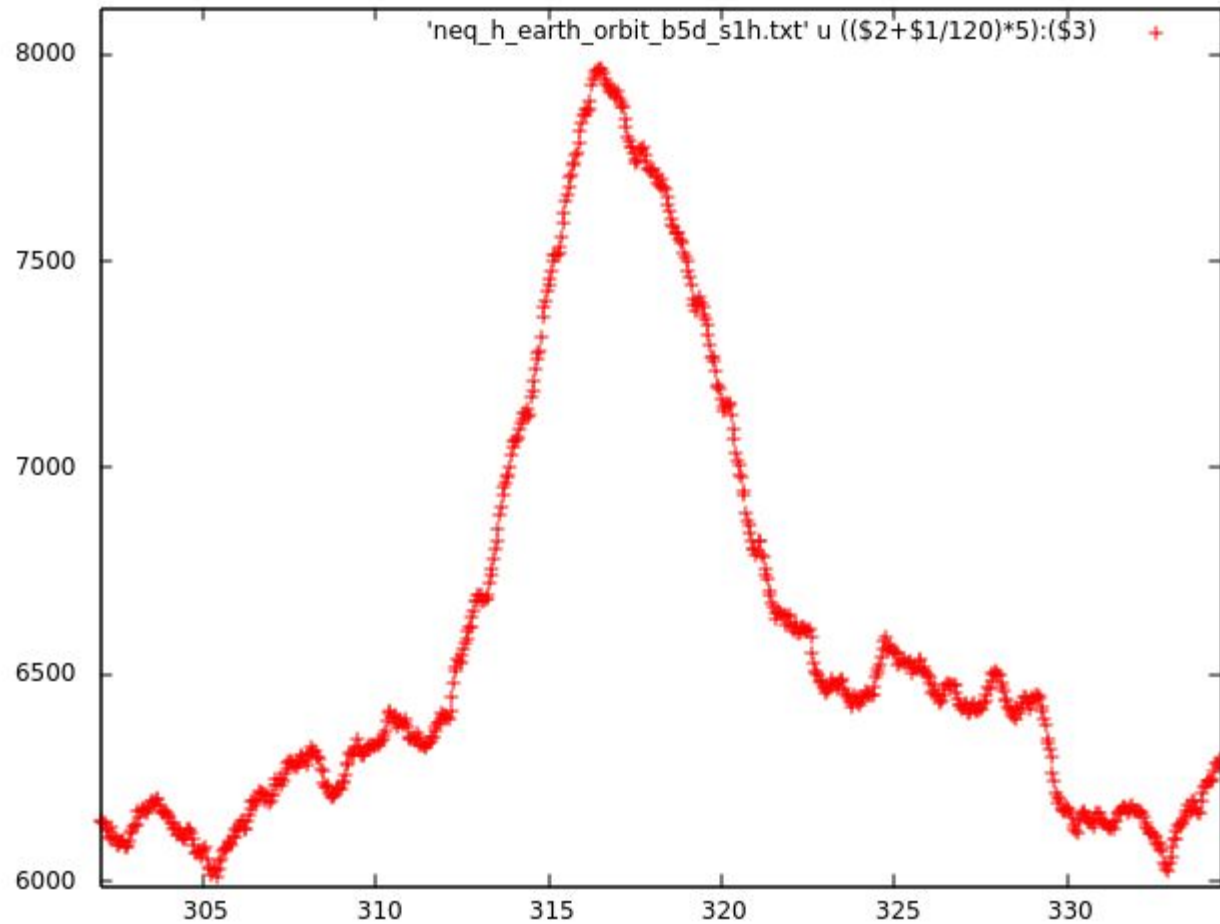
- any (semi)yearly behavior? (external stream)
- relation to solar magnetic field?
- tidal forces? But why so dynamic in time?
- no lunar day or synodic month in EQ data... but how about Moon quarters?

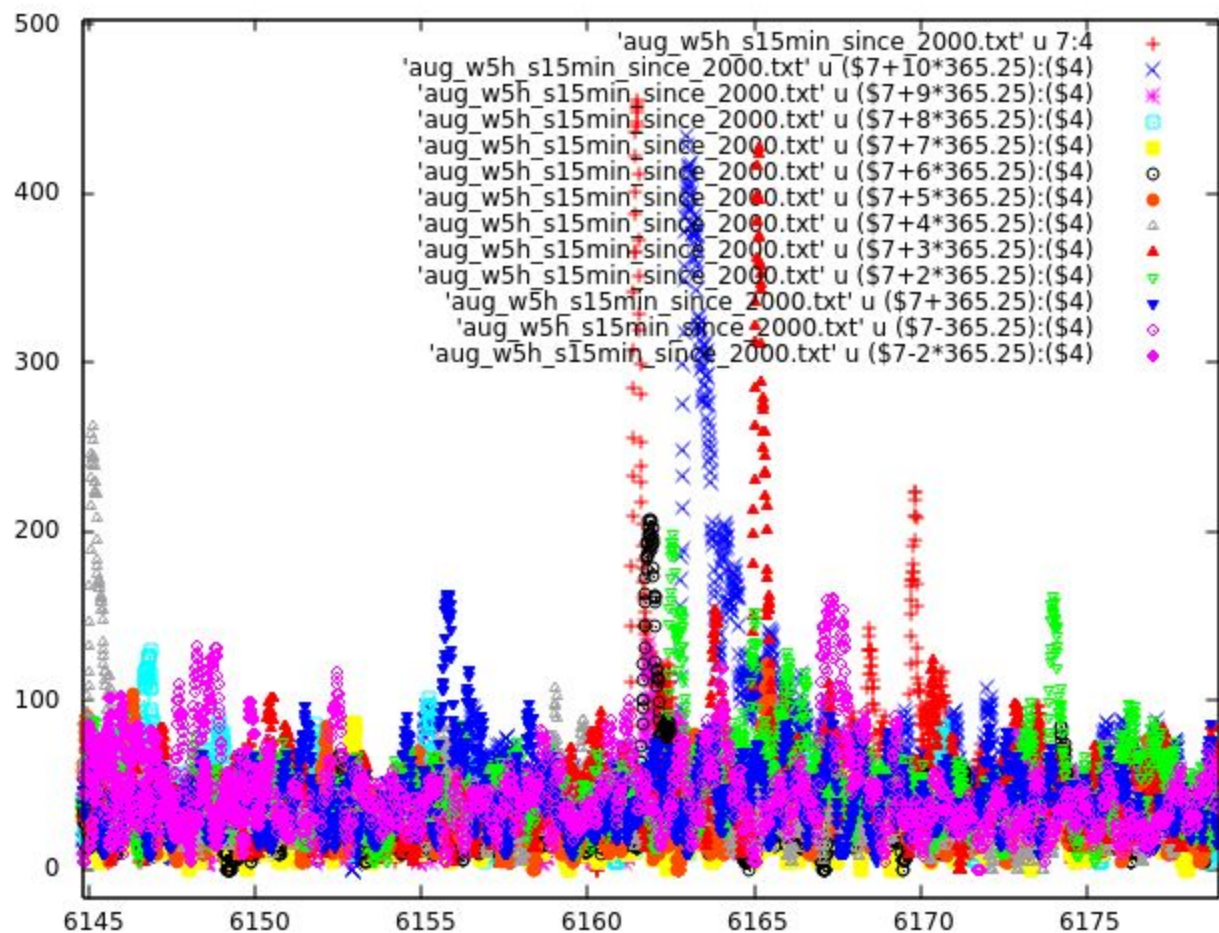


- any (semi)yearly behavior? (external stream)
- relation to solar magnetic field (cycles)?
- tidal forces? But why so dynamic in time, why no lunar day or synodic month in EQ data?
- ... but how about Moon quarters?

6. a special EQ week of  
the year at ~mid  
November: a specific  
external arrival  
direction?

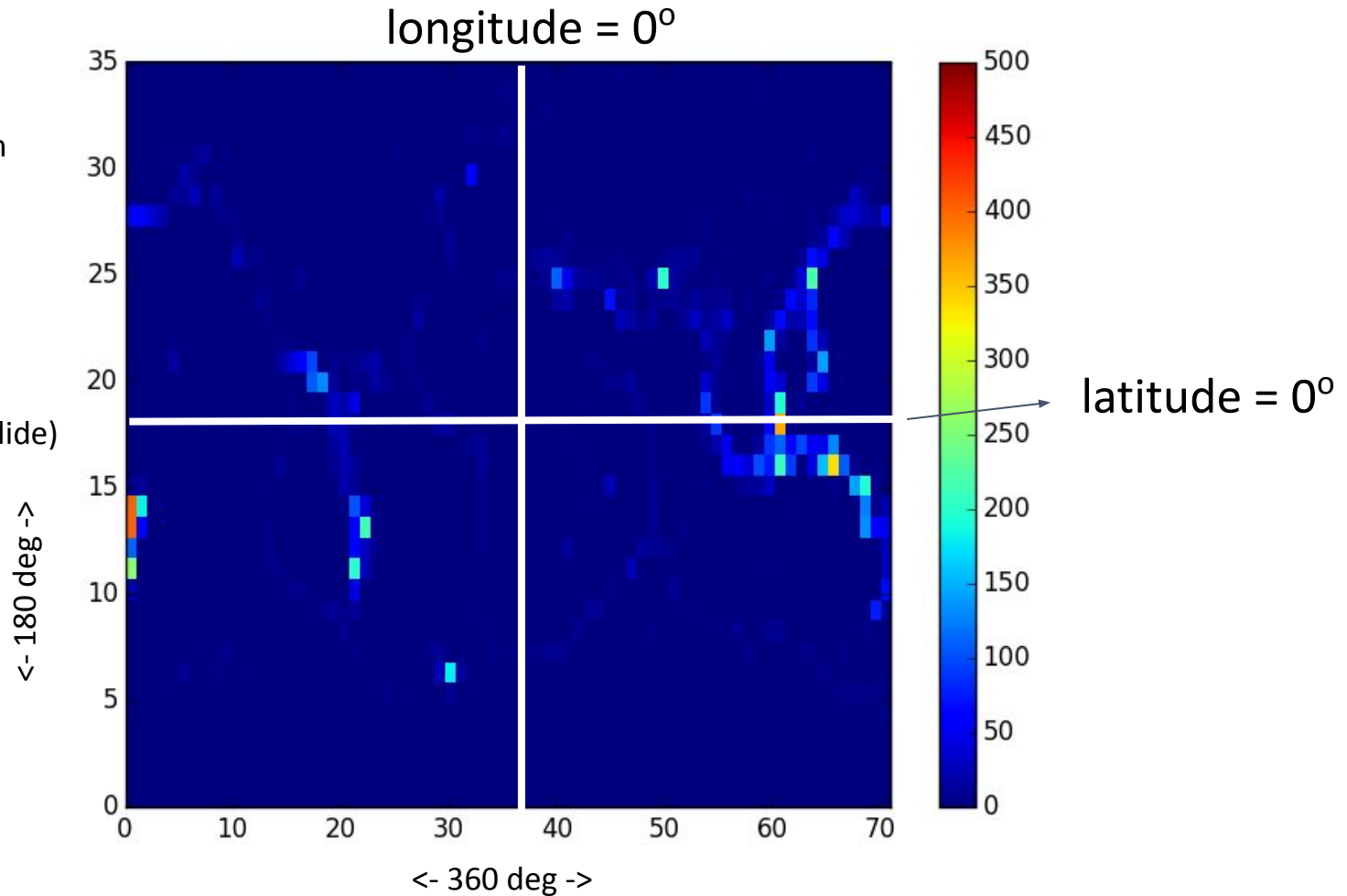




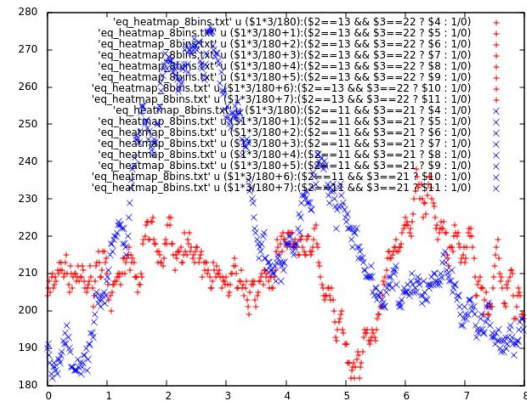
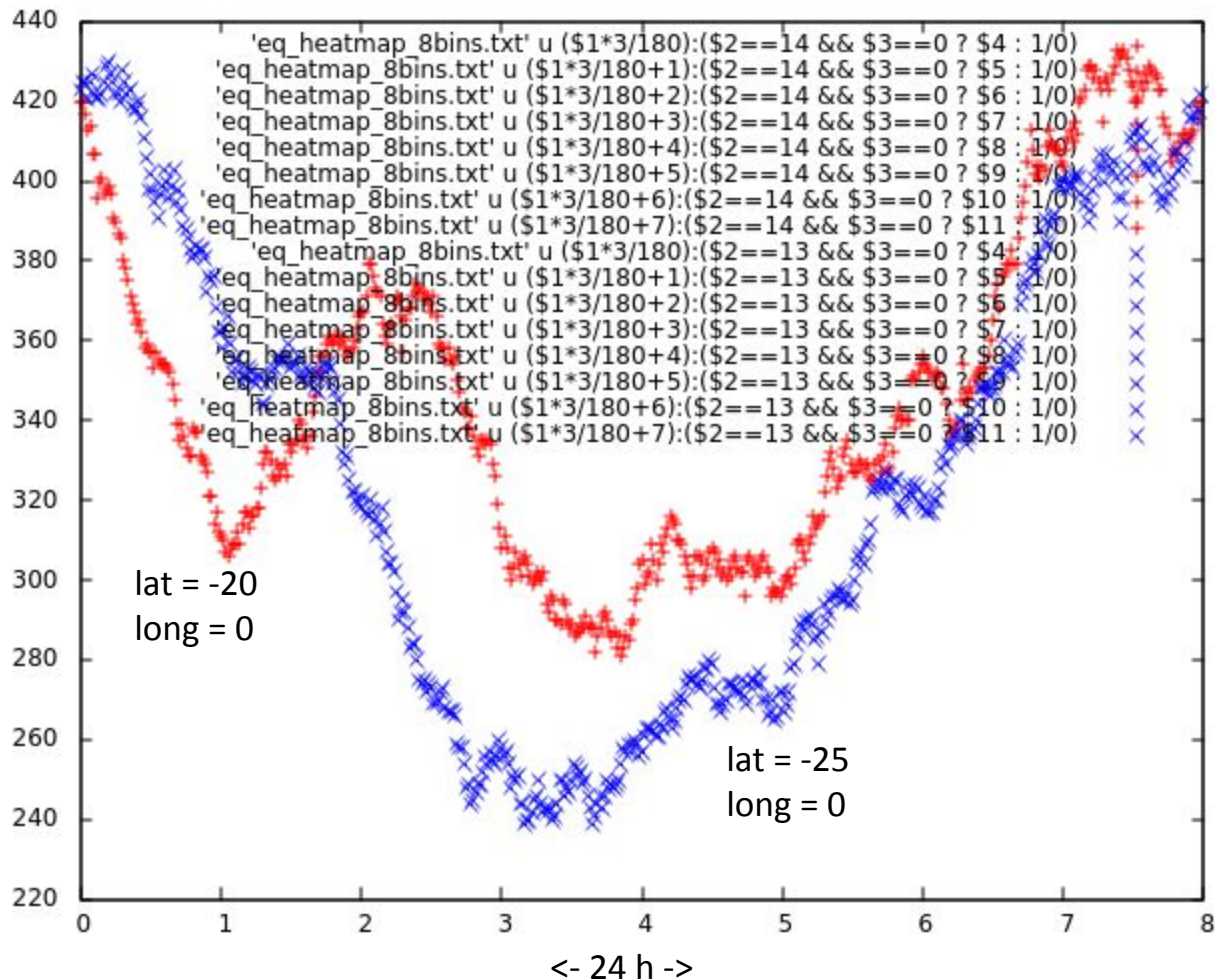


Average daily NEQ,  
bin: 3h, 8 bins / 24h  
tile: 5 deg x 5 deg  
lat = 0 deg -> 18  
long = 0 deg -> 36

time:  
bin 7 (cf. previous slide)



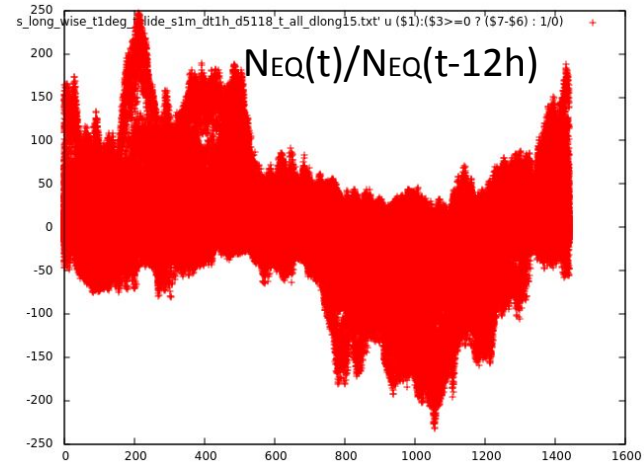
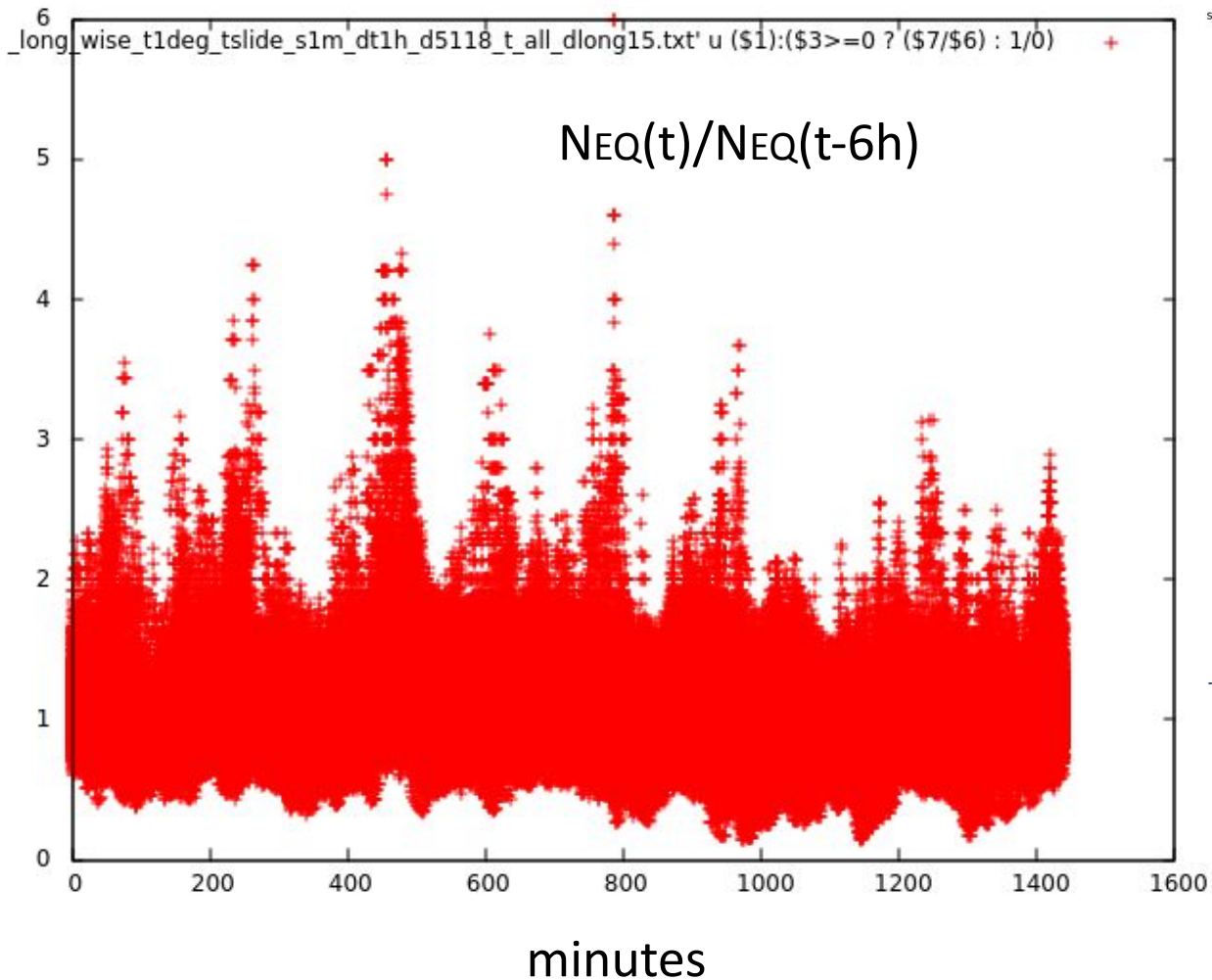




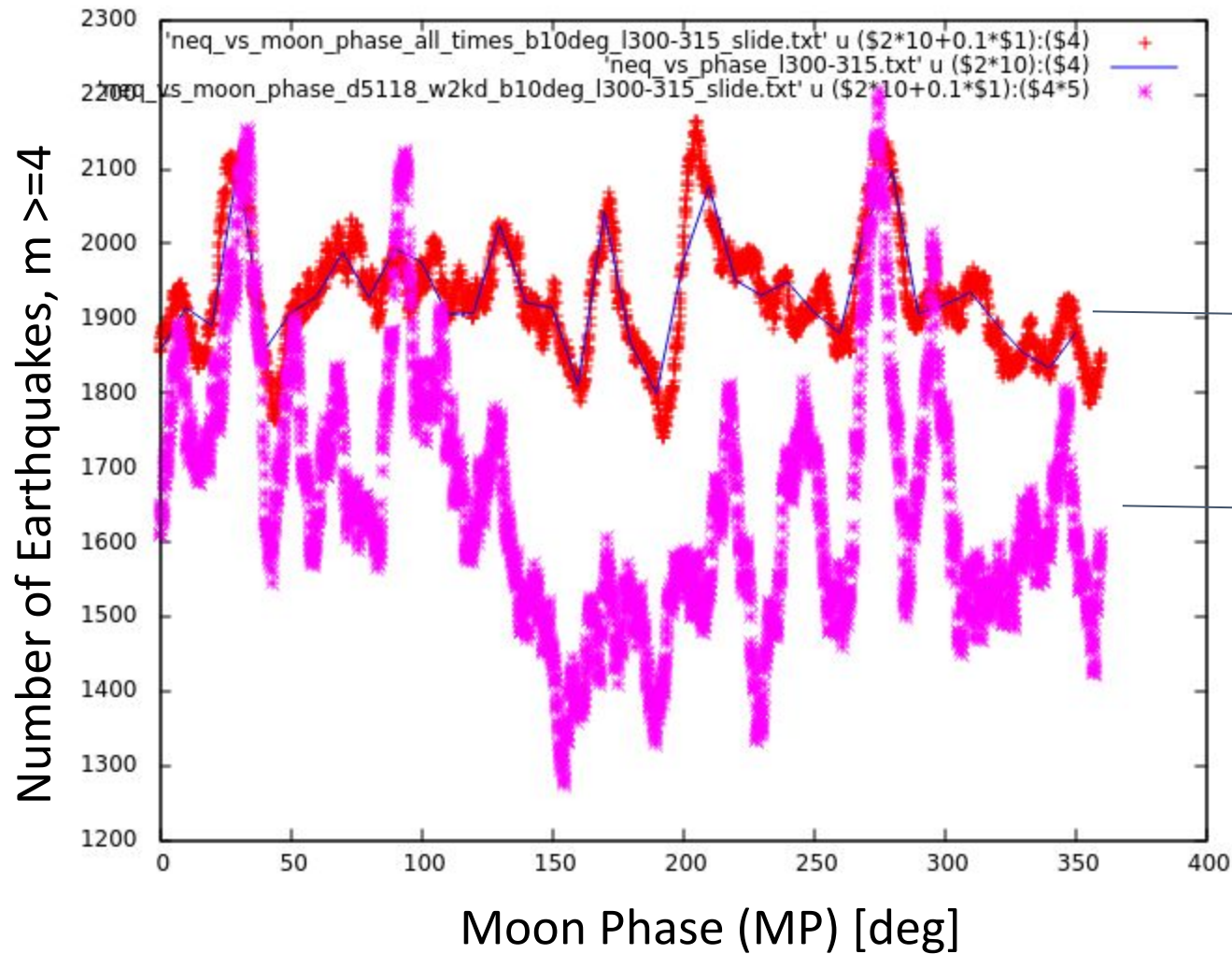
lat = -35  
long = -75

lat = -25  
long = -70

**local N<sub>eq</sub>**  
**(5 deg x 5 deg)**



→ “discreteness” of  
NEQ @ 6 hrs  
difference?



longitude cut:  
 $120^\circ \leq \text{long} \leq 135^\circ$

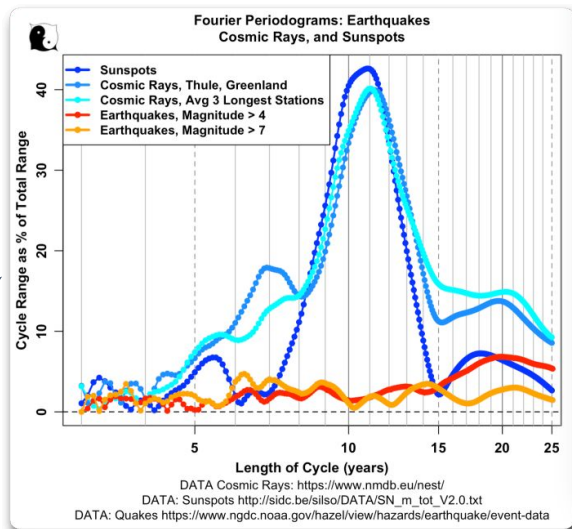
# Cosmic rays do not trigger earthquakes or how media support science

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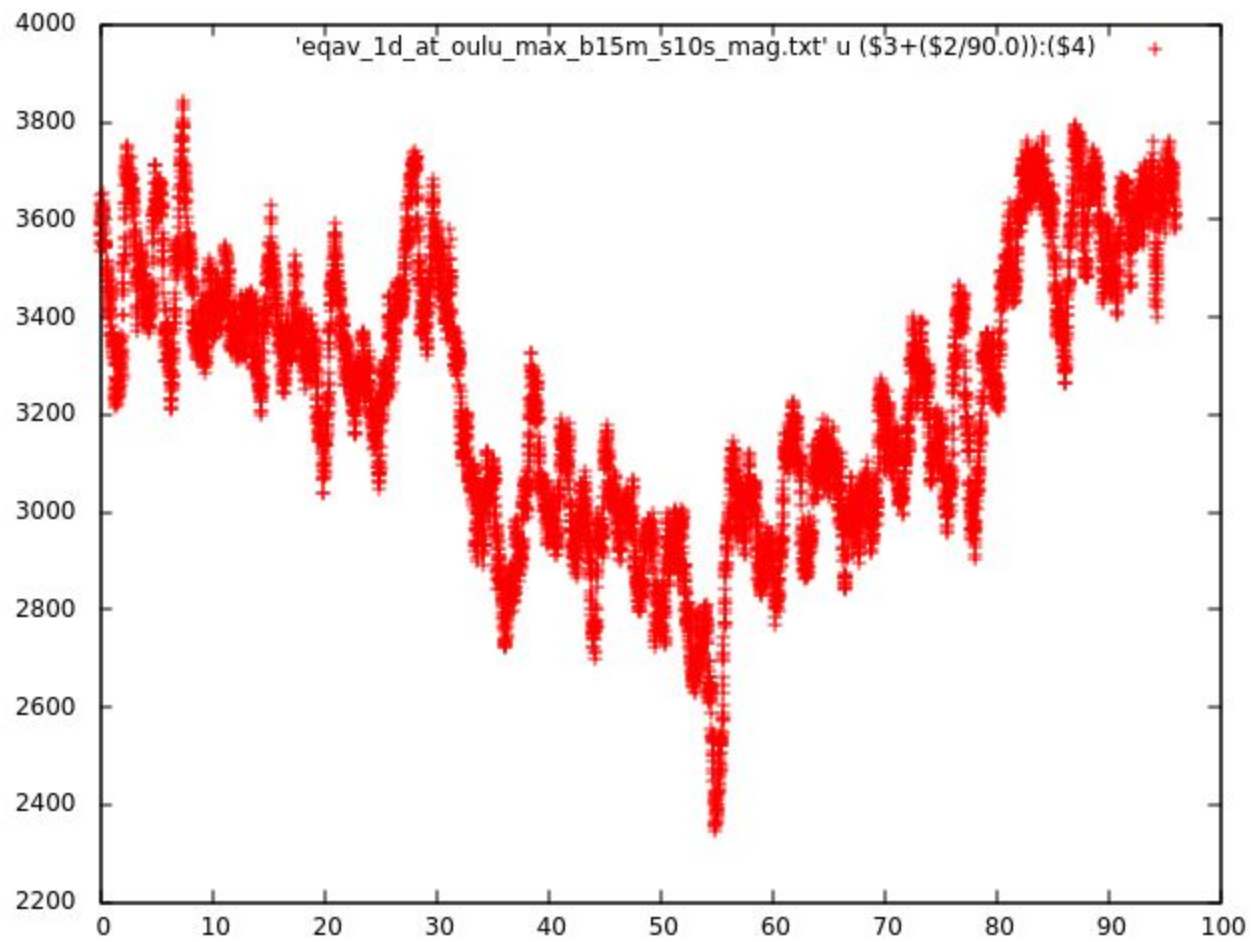
no solar activity cycle seen in the earthquake data

galactic cosmic rays / solar emission less likely to trigger earthquakes

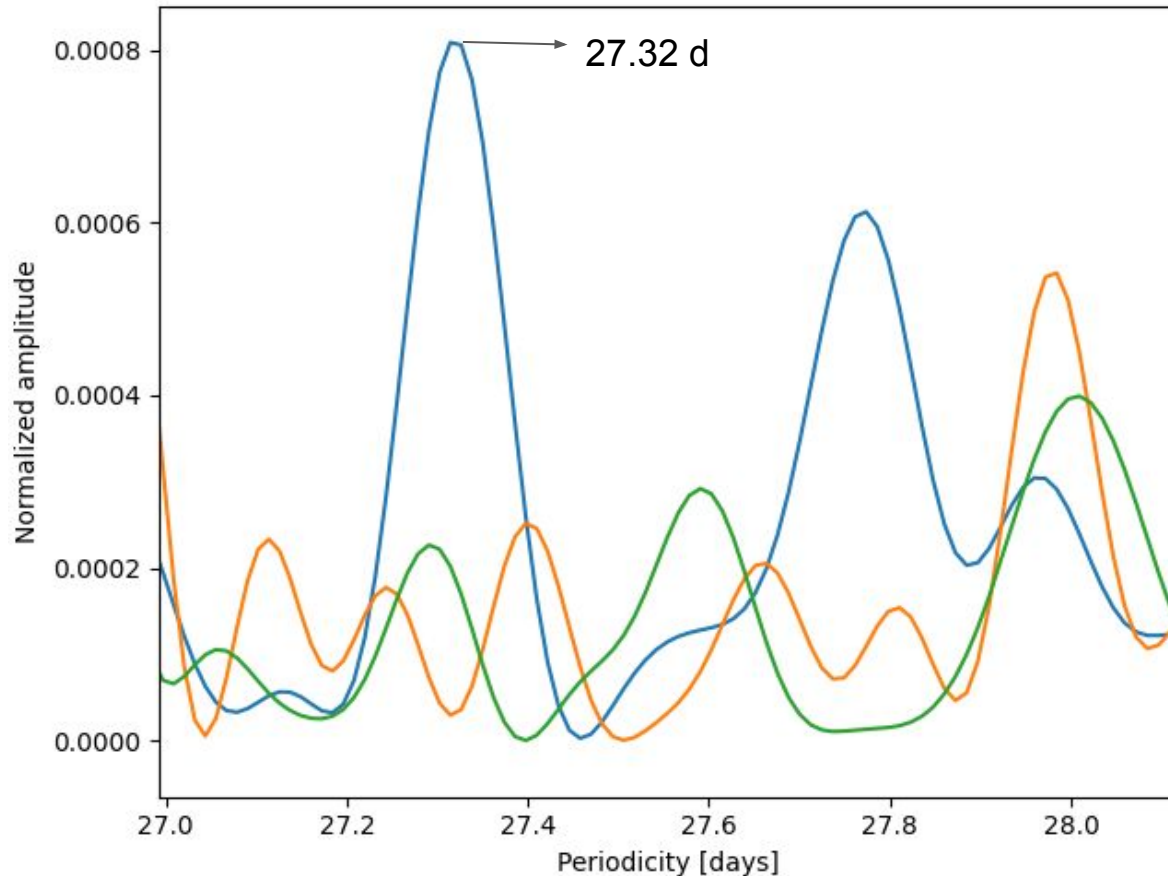
non-conventional explanation of the cosmo-seismic correlation more likely!

Figure 1. Fourier Periodograms of monthly sunspots, earthquake average magnitudes, and cosmic rays. The three longest records of cosmic rays are from Thule, Greenland; Jungfrauoch, Switzerland; and Newark, NJ USA. In addition to the earthquakes of magnitude greater than 4 studied by the authors, I also looked at earthquakes of magnitude greater than 7.





# 27.32 day periodicity in Earthquake data? Zoom a)



— 2001-2015

— 1986-2000

— 1971-1985

[ independent bins ]

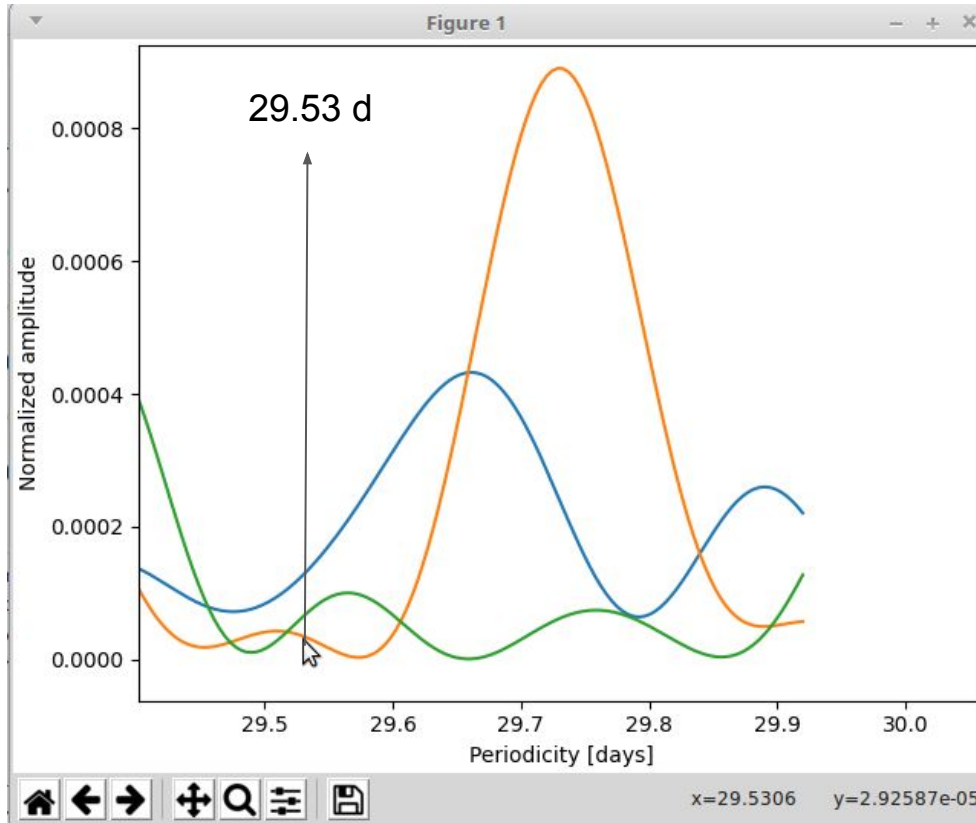
parameters:

- Lomb-Scargle periodogram
- EQ magnitude:  $m > 5.2$
- number of EQs / day
- max 25 EQs / day

conclusion:

if yes, its presence and strength varies with time (solar activity?)

# 29.53 day periodicity in Earthquake data? No



— 2001-2015  
— 1986-2000  
— 1971-1985

parameters:

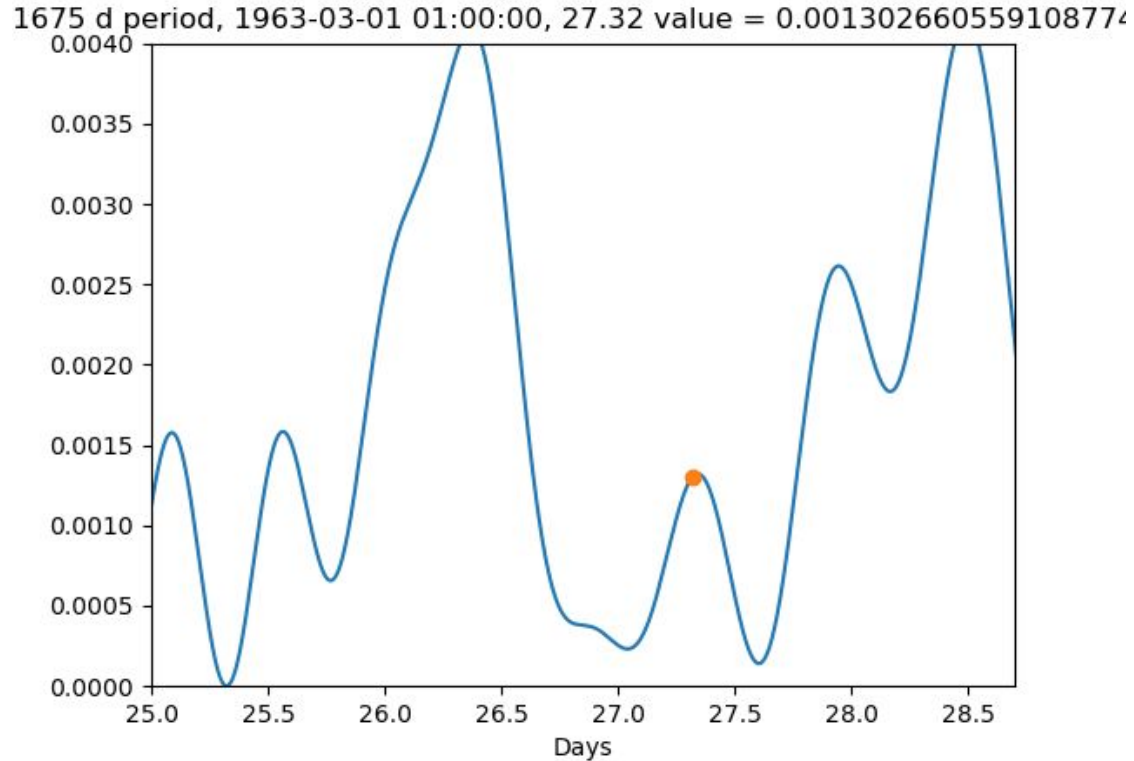
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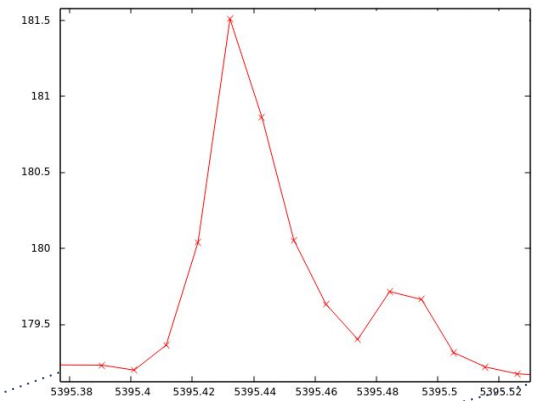
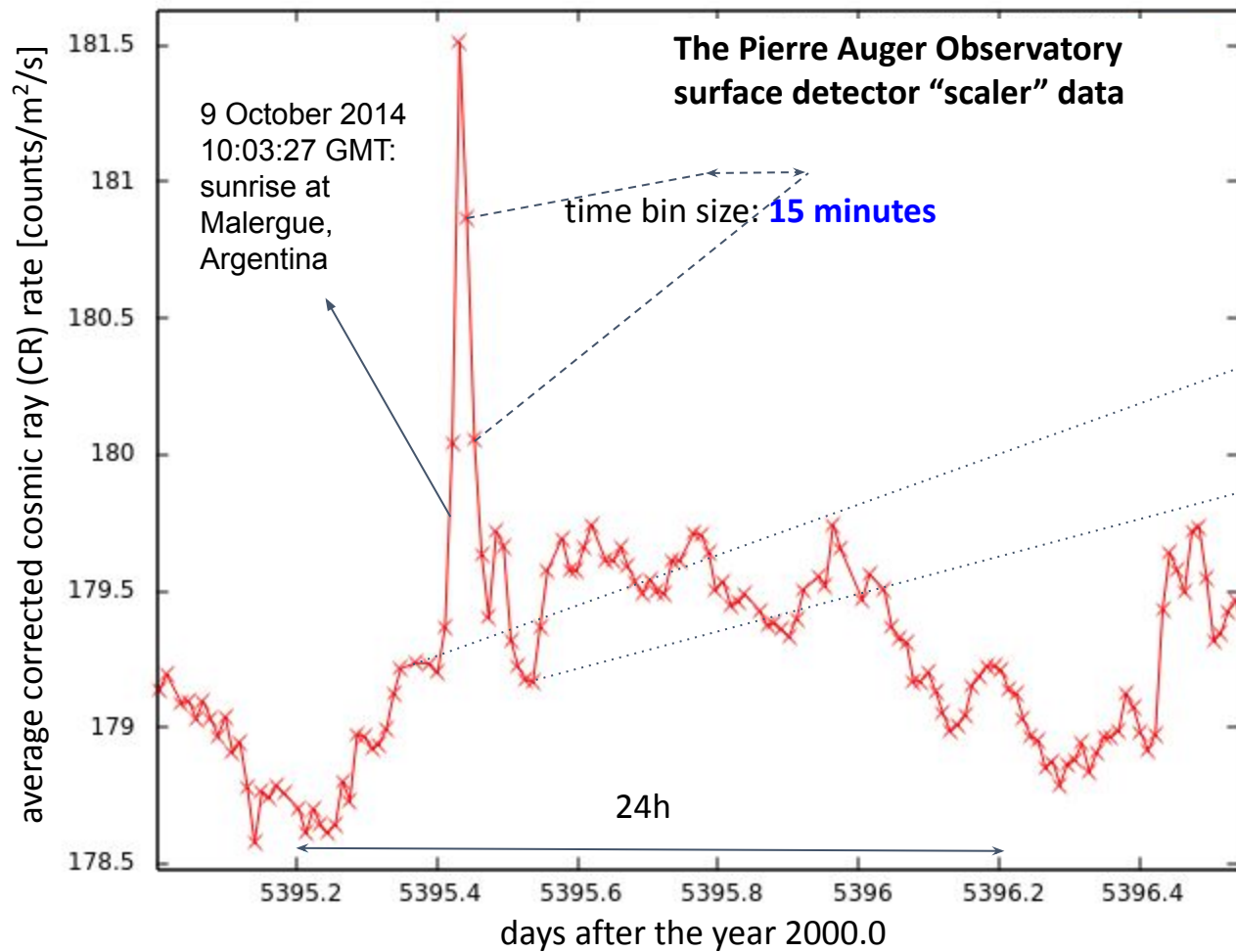
conclusion:

Nothing at 29.53d

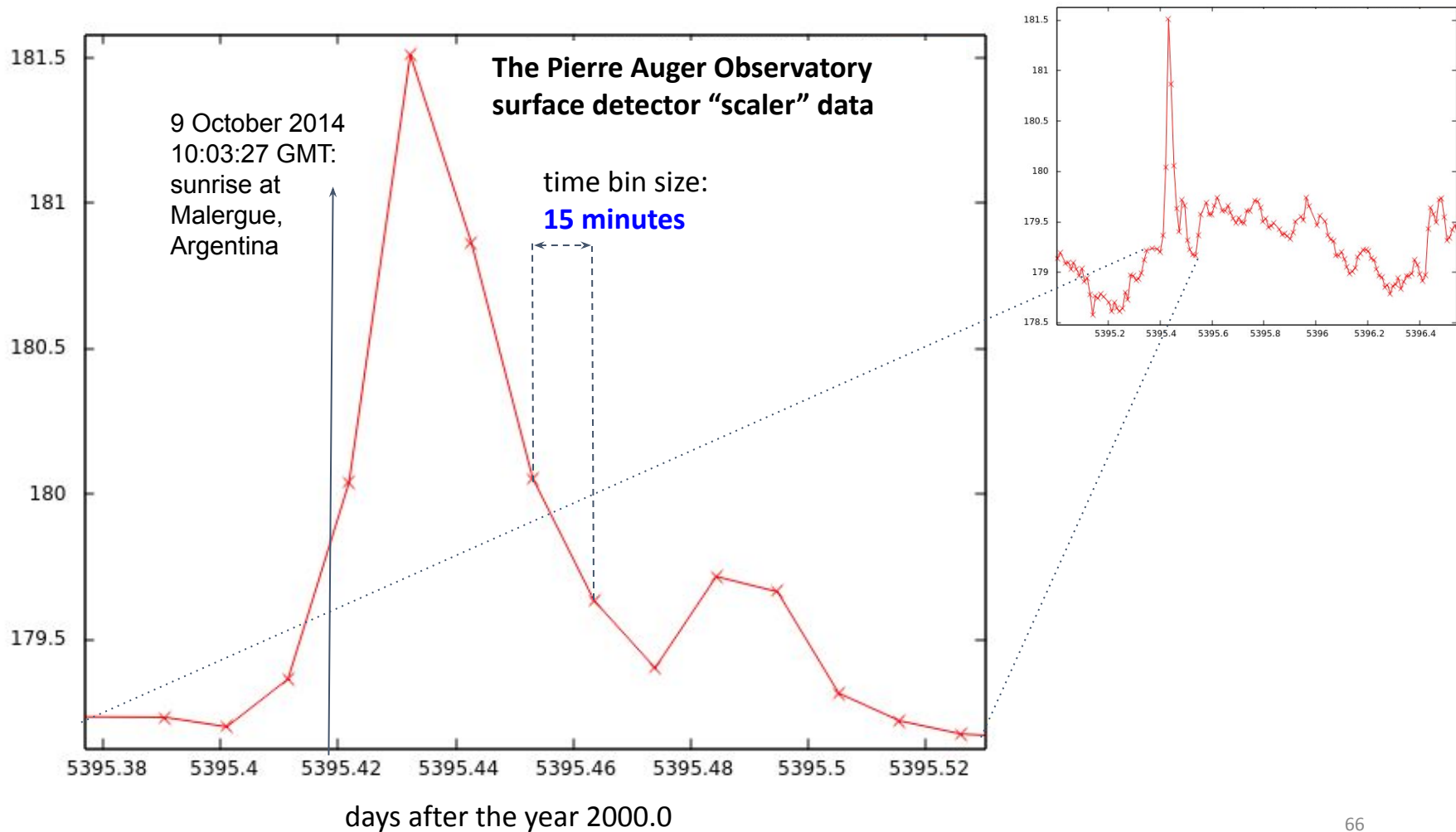


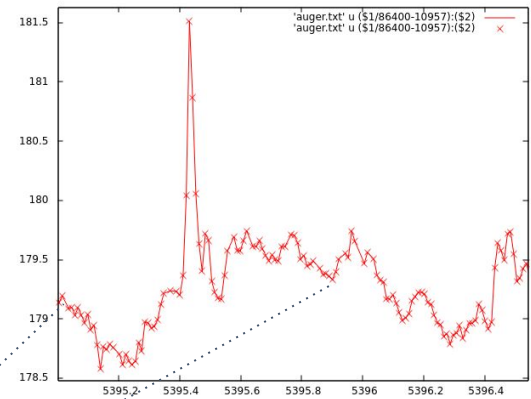
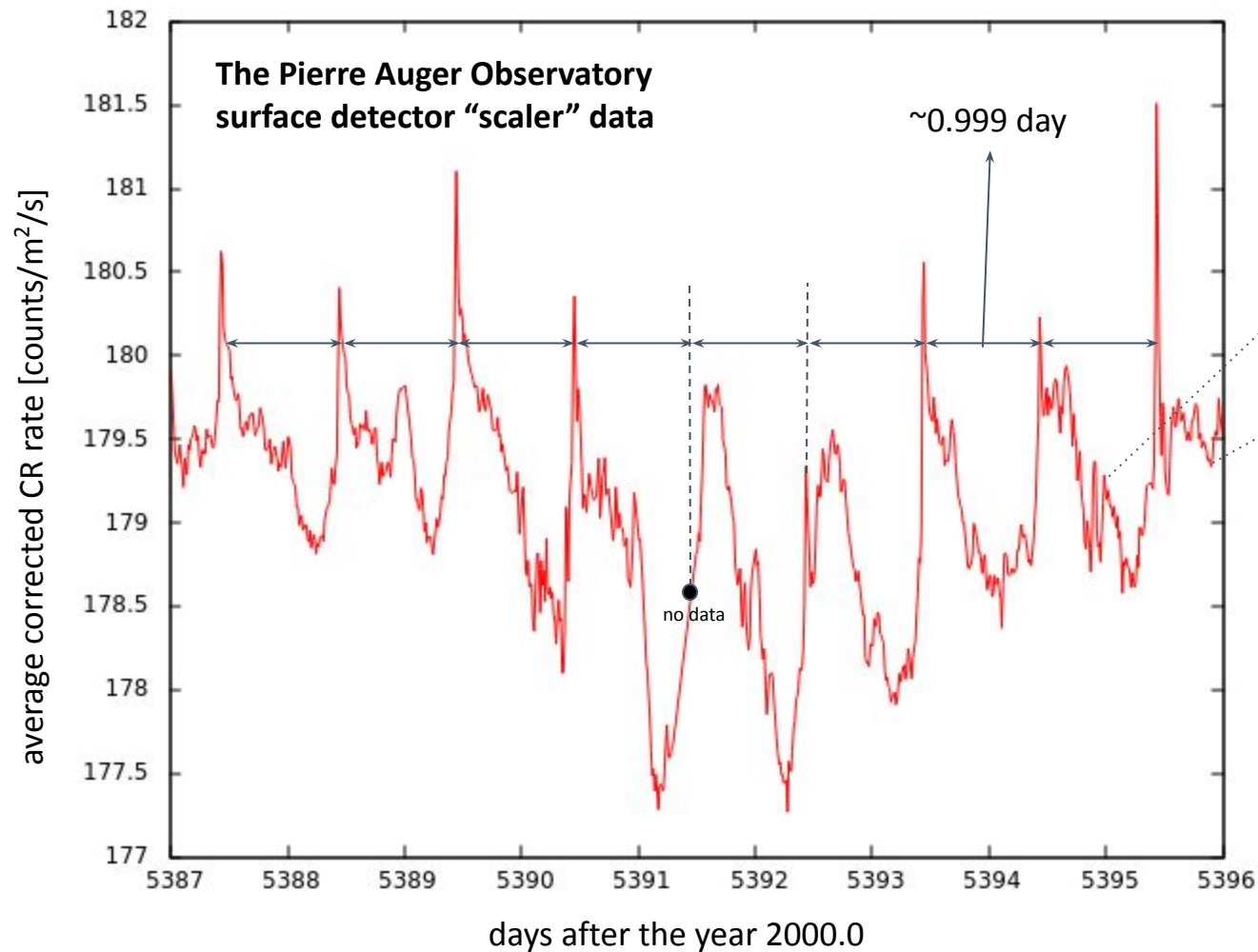
# Time evolution of the 27.32 d line [gif]



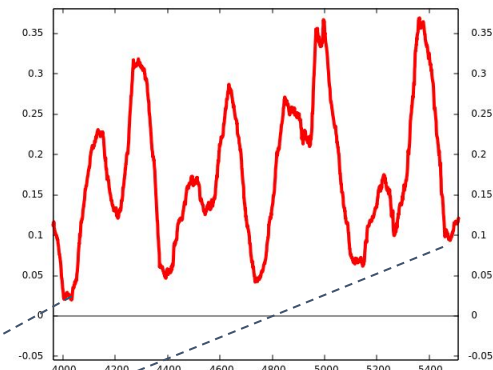
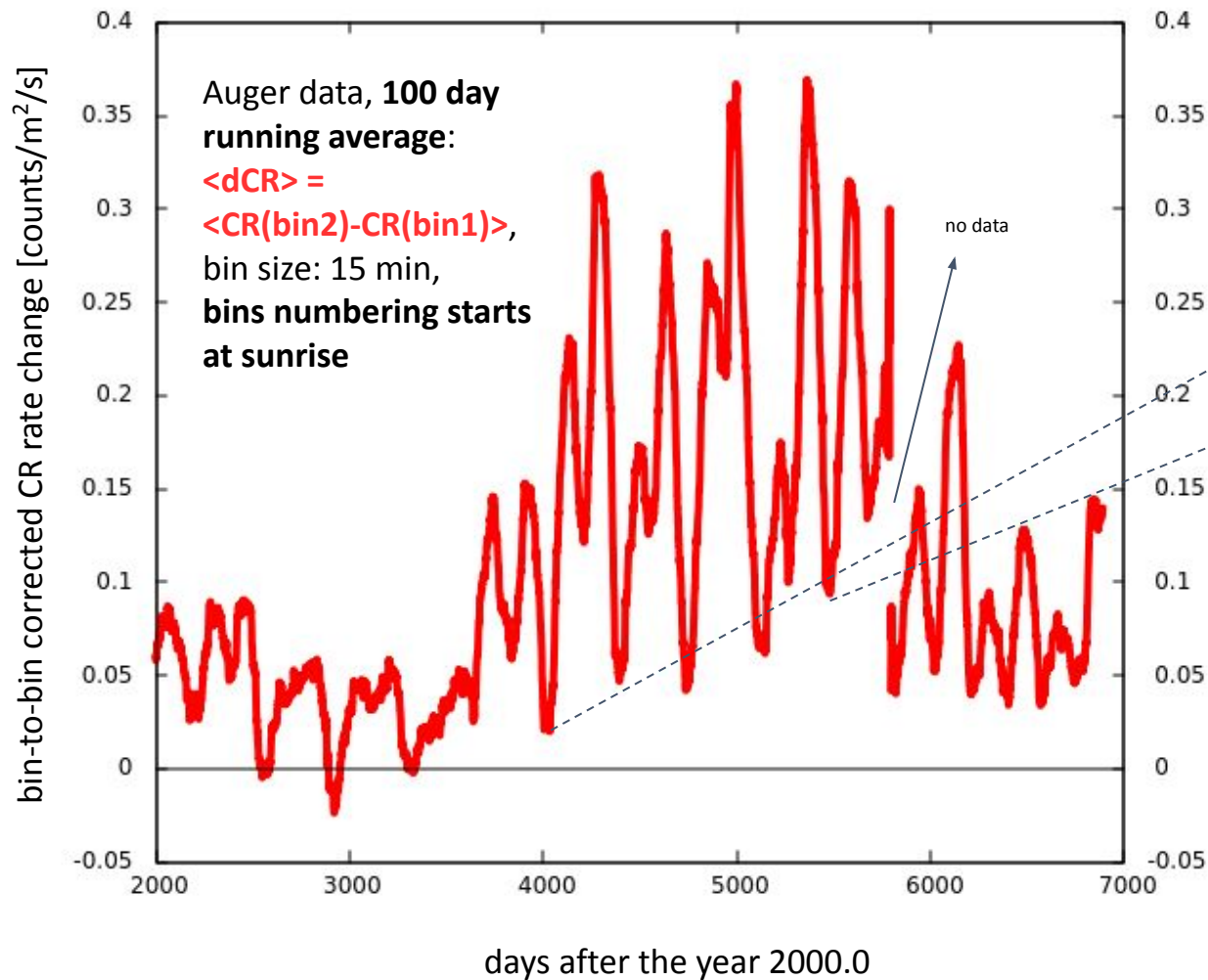


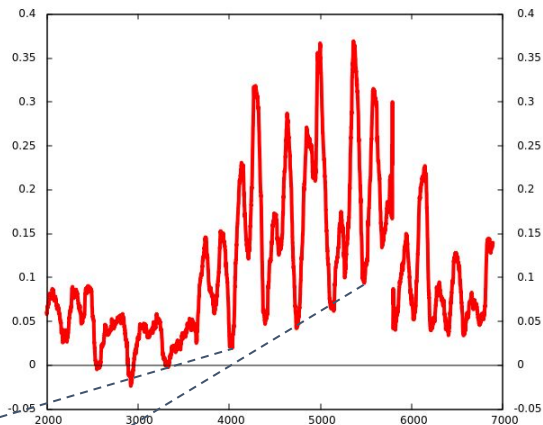
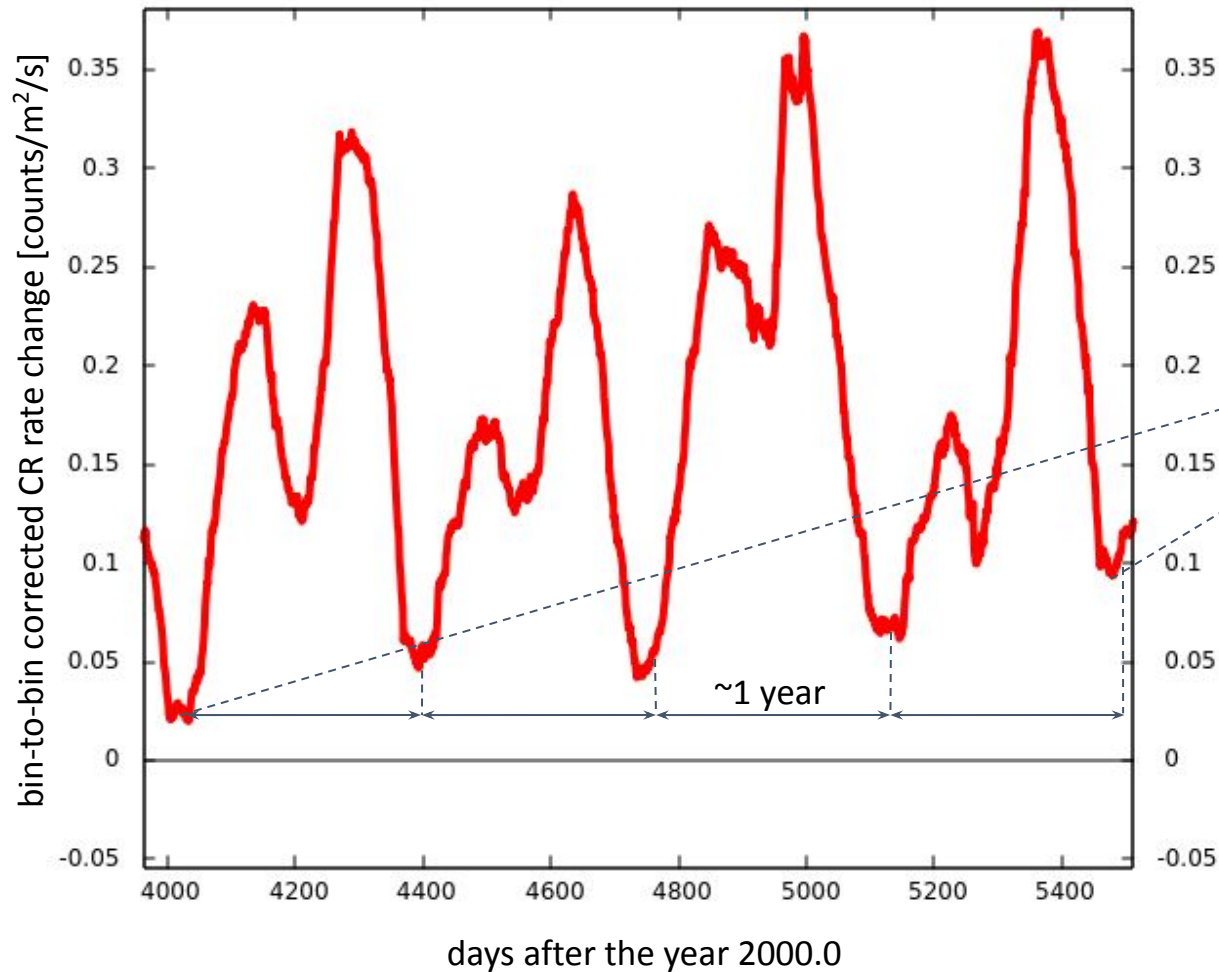
average corrected CR rate [counts/m<sup>2</sup>/s]



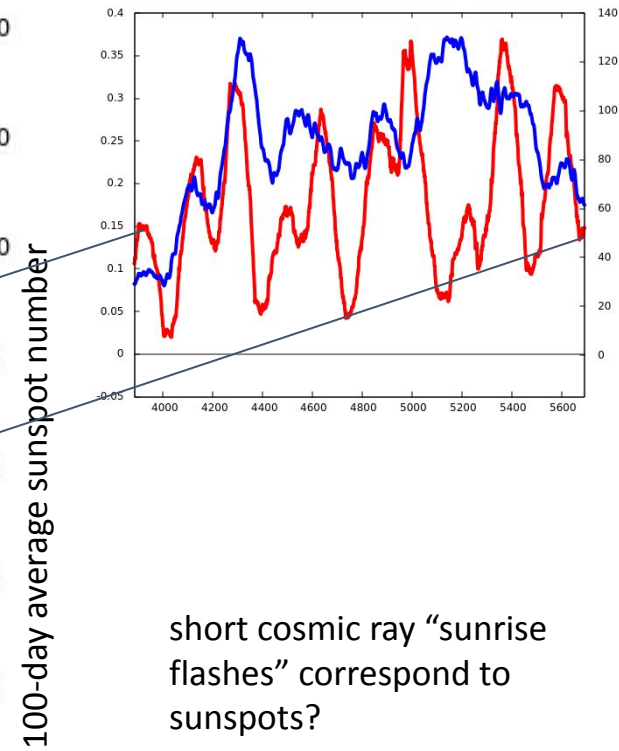
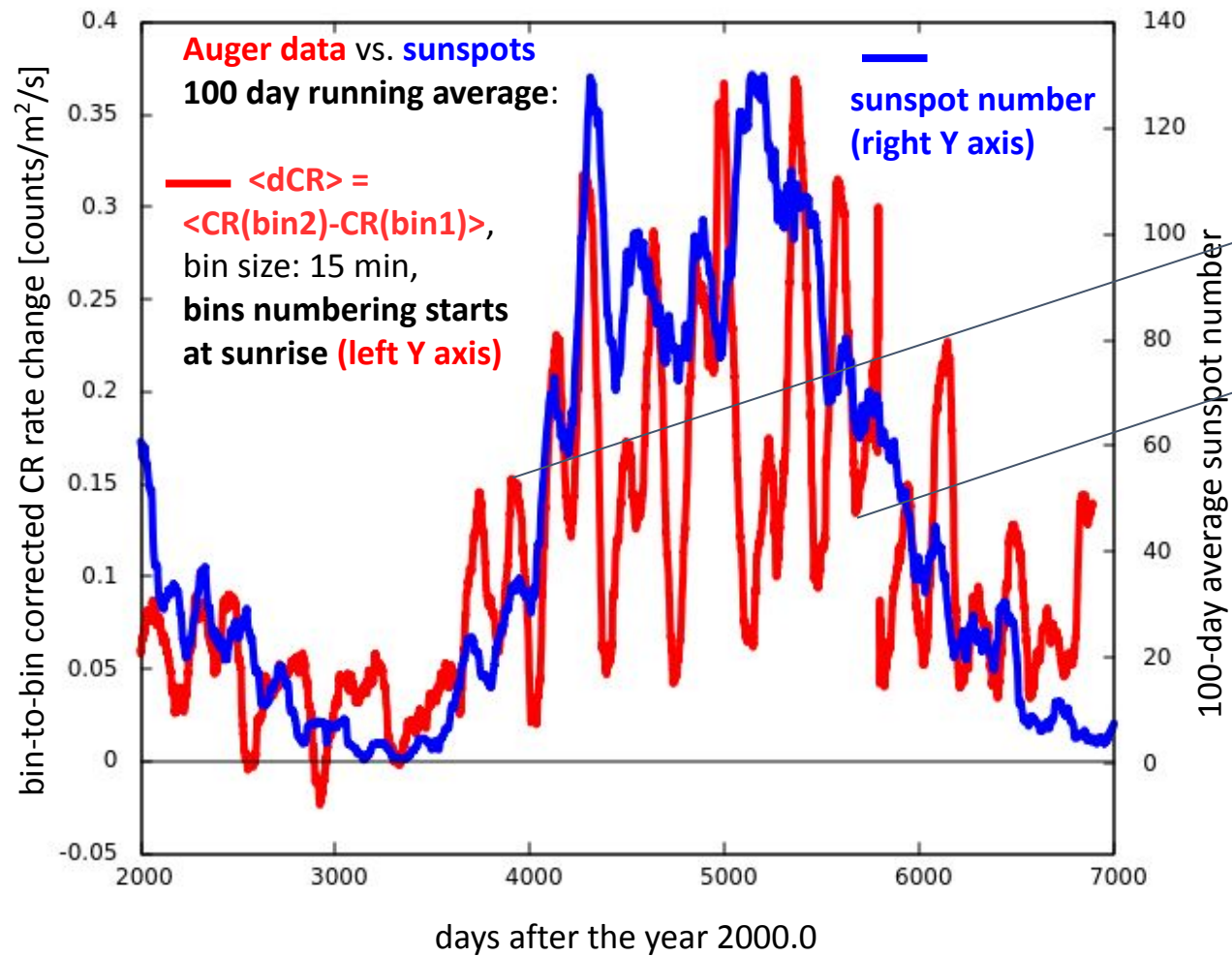


Cosmic ray “flares” **lasting for ~minutes**, at a periodicity of 0.99915 d or 1.00015 d: **~few minutes after the sunrise** at Malargue, Argentina





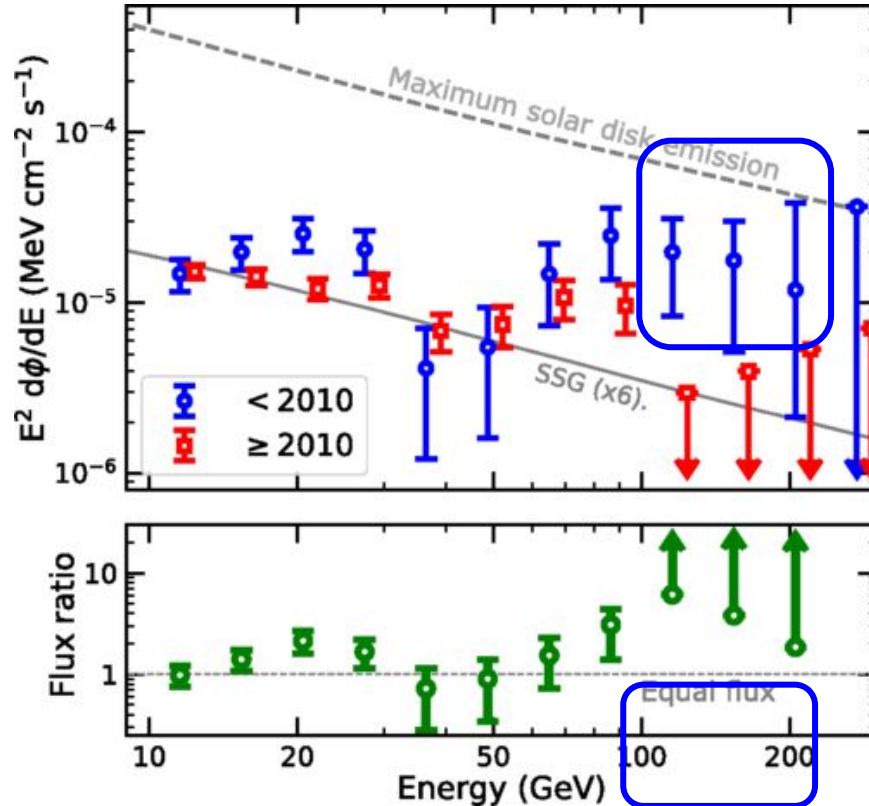
Auger data, 100 day  
running average:  
 $\langle dCR \rangle =$   
 $\langle CR(\text{bin2}) - CR(\text{bin1}) \rangle$ ,  
 bin size: 15 min,  
 bins numbering starts  
 at sunrise





Hard gamma emission from  
the solar disk seen only  
during the solar minimum  
(Fermi-LAT)

# Fermi-LAT: “a New Component of High-Energy Solar Gamma-Ray Production”, observed only during the solar minimum



(Top panel) The solar disk  $\gamma$ -ray spectrum during solar minimum (**before January 1, 2010; blue circles**) and after it (**red squares**). Small shifts along the x axis improve readability. The gray lines show the SSG model renormalized by a factor of 6 to fit the lowest-energy data point (solid line), and the maximum  $\gamma$ -ray flux that could be produced by hadronic cosmic rays (dashed line). (Bottom panel) The ratio of the  $\gamma$ -ray flux observed during and after solar minimum. All upper and lower limits are based on  $2\sigma$  Poisson fluctuations in the photon count.

“These **observations** provide important new clues about the mechanisms behind solar disk  $\gamma$ -ray emission, which **remains mysterious**.”

[T. Linden, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 131103, <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.121.131103>]

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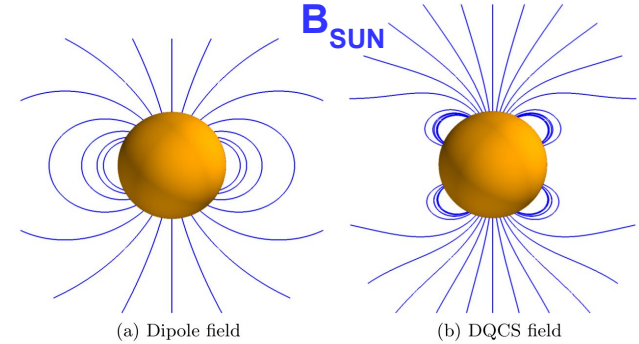
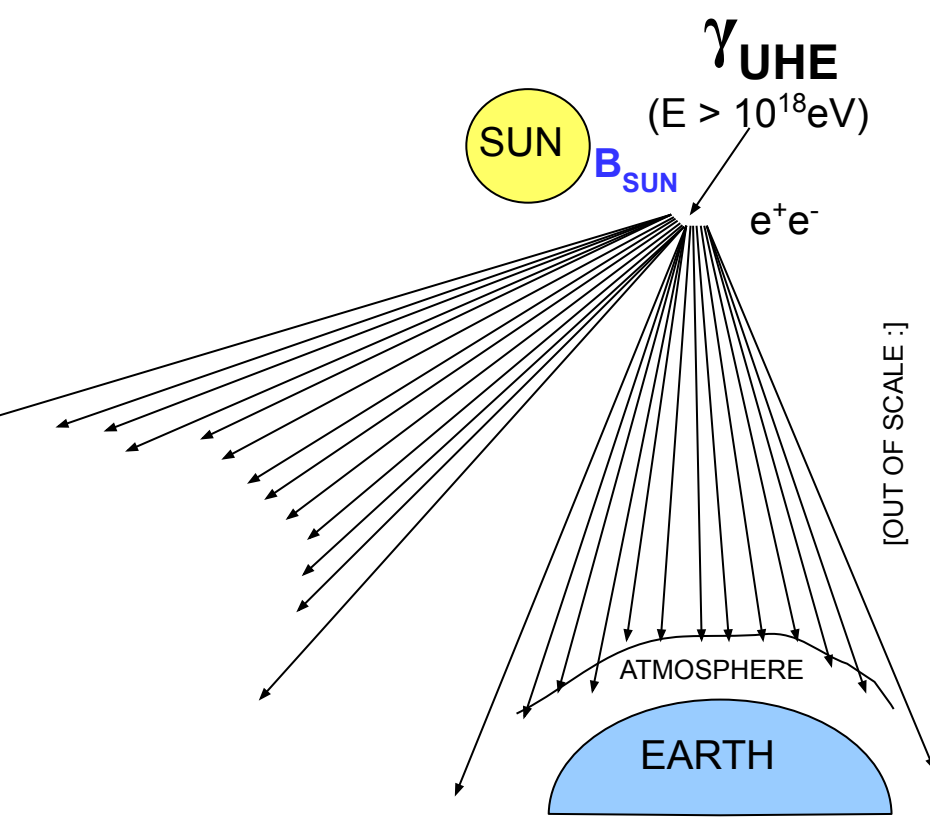

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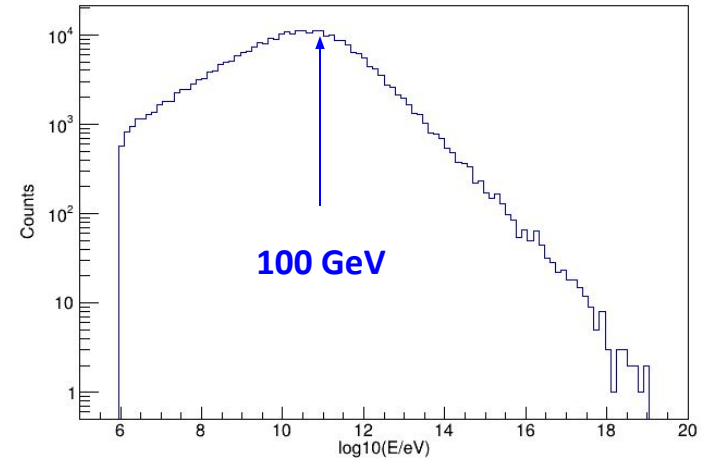
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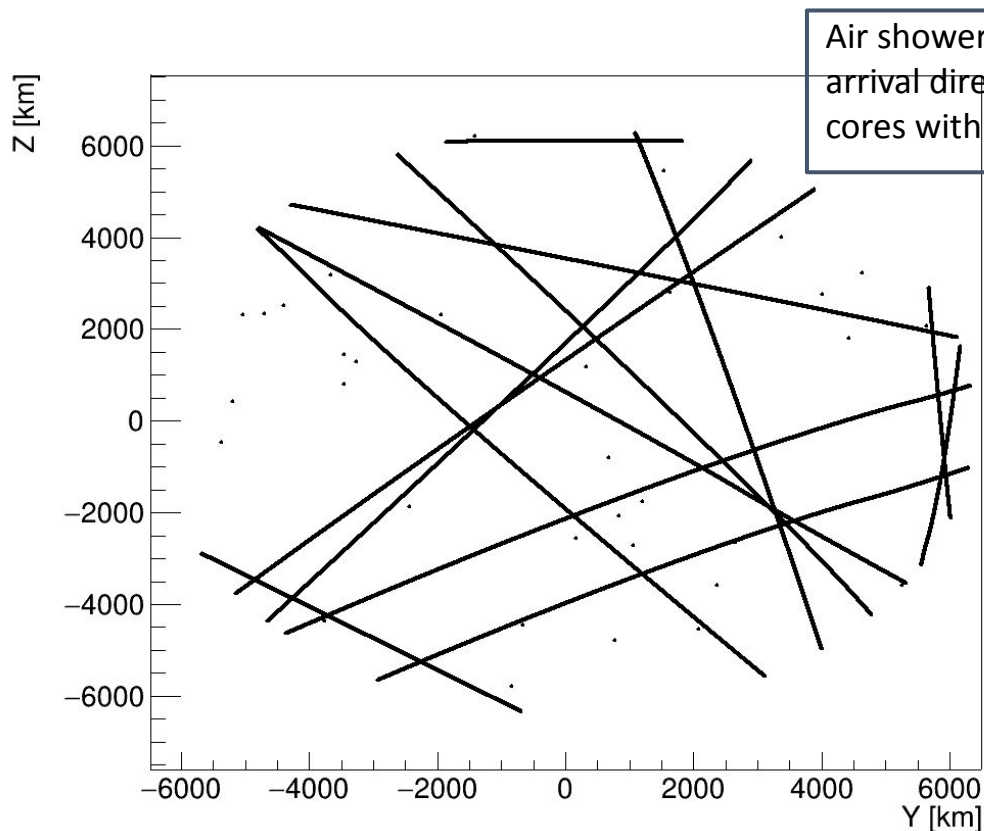
# $\geq \text{EeV}$ photons nearby the Sun $\rightarrow$ air shower walls



entire photon spectrum engaged



# Air shower walls & new astrophysical constraints



(!) **Comparable with the existing observations of the Sun in gamma rays**, e.g. Fermi-LAT [T. Linden, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 131103; [10.1103/PhysRevLett.121.131103](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.121.131103)], HAWC [A. Albert et al. (HAWC Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 98, 123011 (2018); [10.1103/PhysRevD.98.123011](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.98.123011)]

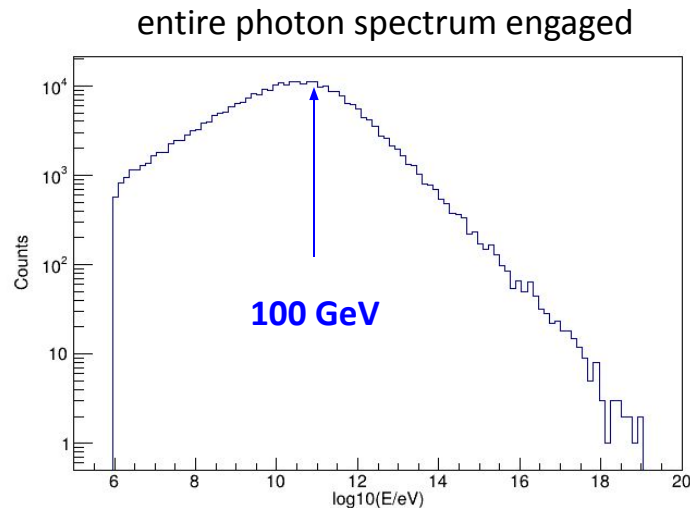
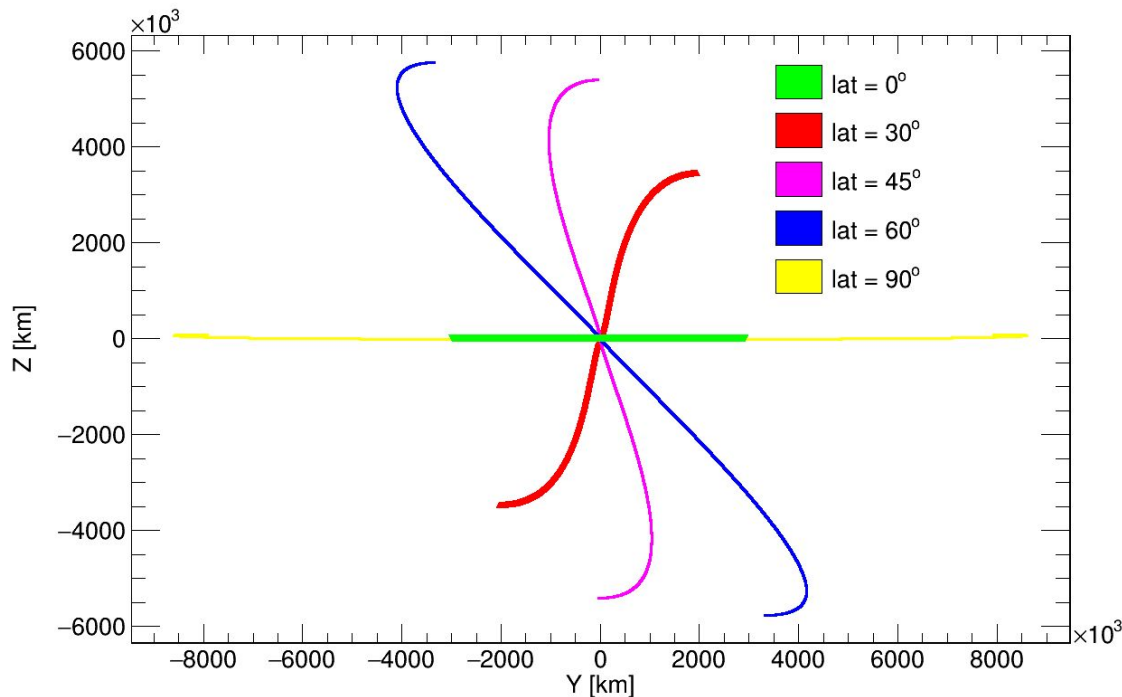
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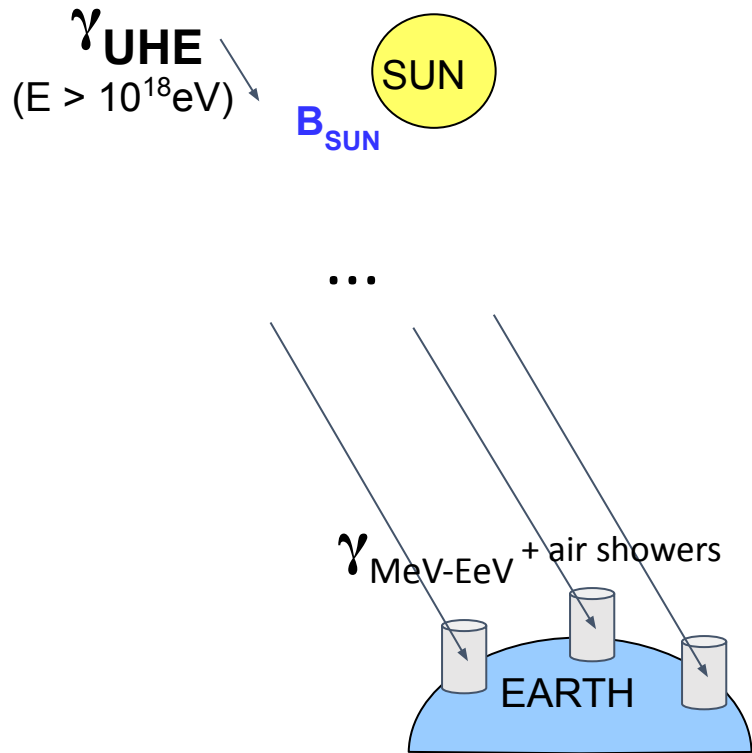
+ work in progress

# Air shower walls: footprints up to 1AU, all photon energies

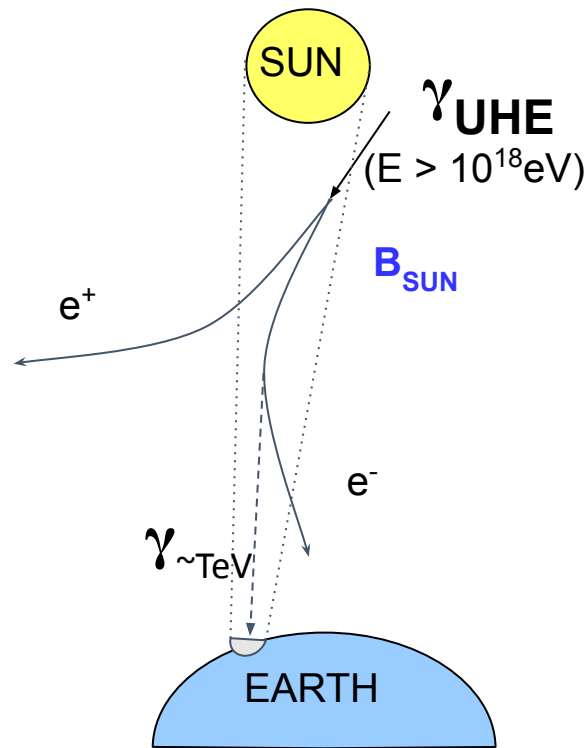
footprints very thin ( $\sim 1\text{m}$ ), up to 1 AU long, non-trivial shapes, dependent on incidence angle and impact parameter



# Air shower walls: observe or constrain UHE photons



- displacement  $> \sim 100 \text{ km}$
- similar arrival directions
- consistent timing



- $\gamma_{\text{TeV}}$  from the direction of the Sun
- characteristic E spectrum excess towards TeV