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GNSS applications at Centro de Investigação em Ciências Geo-Espaciais

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URBAN TRAFFIC FLOW PREDICTION BY USING GPS AND NEURAL NETWORKS THEORY

To study methods to recognize traffic patterns inside a city, by using:

- GPS, for GIS data acquisition and trajectories information;
- Artificial Neural Networks, as analyzing tool, in order to answer questions like
 - Which are the most used roads at 16h00 pm ?
 - Which are the jam arcs concerning the atmospheric conditions ?



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Methodology

- **Digital cartography actualization - GPS**
- **Driver's trajectory acquisition - GPS**
- **Database treatment - GIS**
- **Neural Network Design**
- **Analysis of the Neural Network results**

GPS

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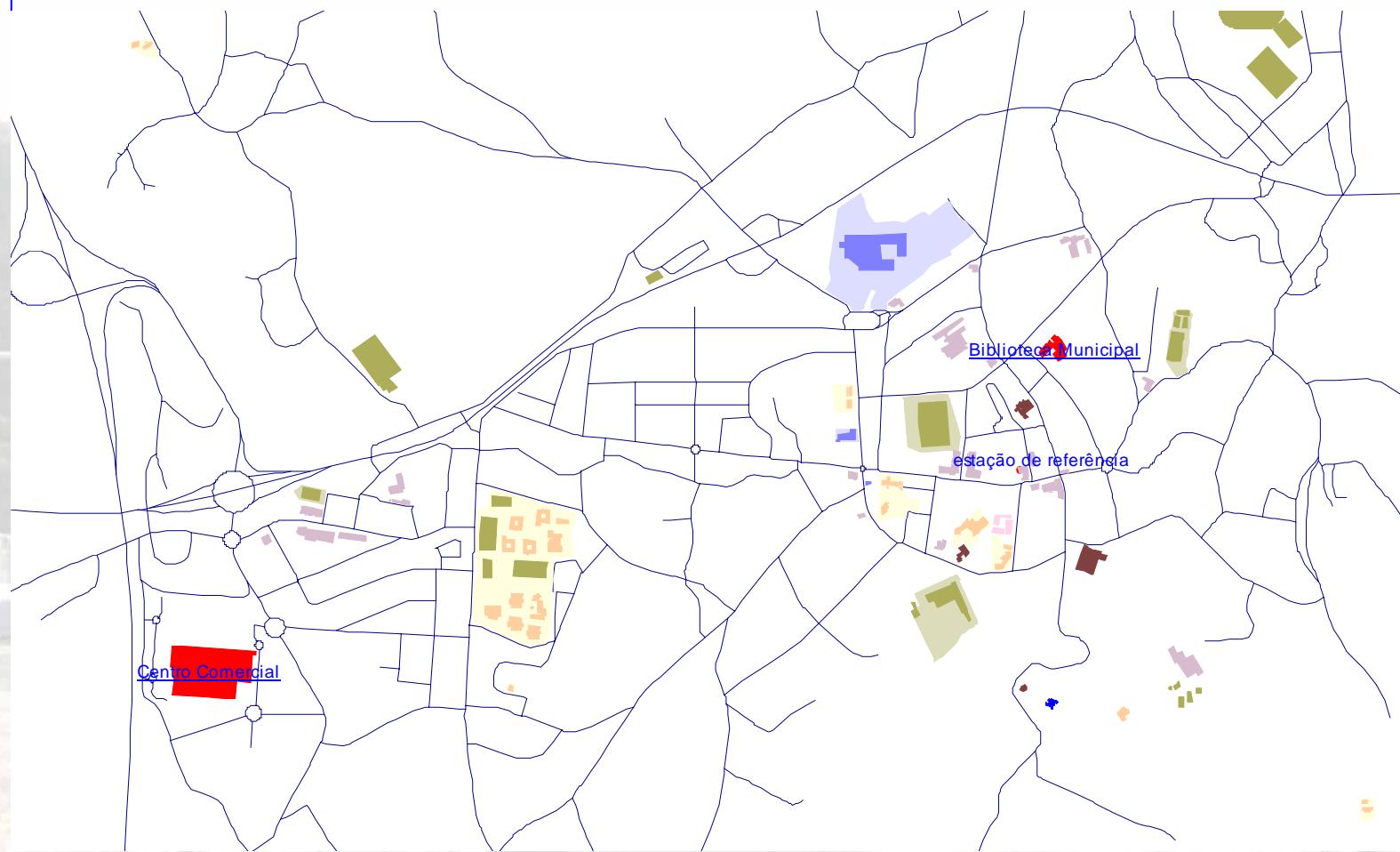
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Differential GPS by using a City Hall Reference Station



Data precision: codes and phases for GIS update; codes for the driver's trajectories

Study area





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Digital cartography actualization - GPS

**Some features and attributes
considered:**

- Pavement maintenance
- Speed limit in each street
- Pavement, taking into account the atmospheric conditions
- Number of crossing points

Sample drivers characteristics

- Different ages
- Different cultural levels
- Different jobs
- Different knowledge of the city center

Experiment

These persons were invited, several times, to drive under different weather conditions, at a different hour of the day, all days of the week, from one same point, in downtown, to a shopping center, 5 km away, in the periphery. Their trajectories were recorded by a Trimble GeoExplorer 3 GPS receiver



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Neural network design

**By using the MATLAB neural networks toolbox,
several networks were trained.**

Input layer:

- **Traffic perception**
- **Pavement maintenance**
- **Speed limits**
- **Hour of the day**
- **Type of pavement face to weather conditions**
- **Number of cross-roads/ pedestrian conflicts**

Three different studies were developed

- **Arc by arc of the road neural network**

Objective: To recognize traffic patterns

- **Static neural network, with concurrent inputs**
- **Dynamic neural network, with 4 input sequences**

Objective: Traffic prediction



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Arc by arc of the road network

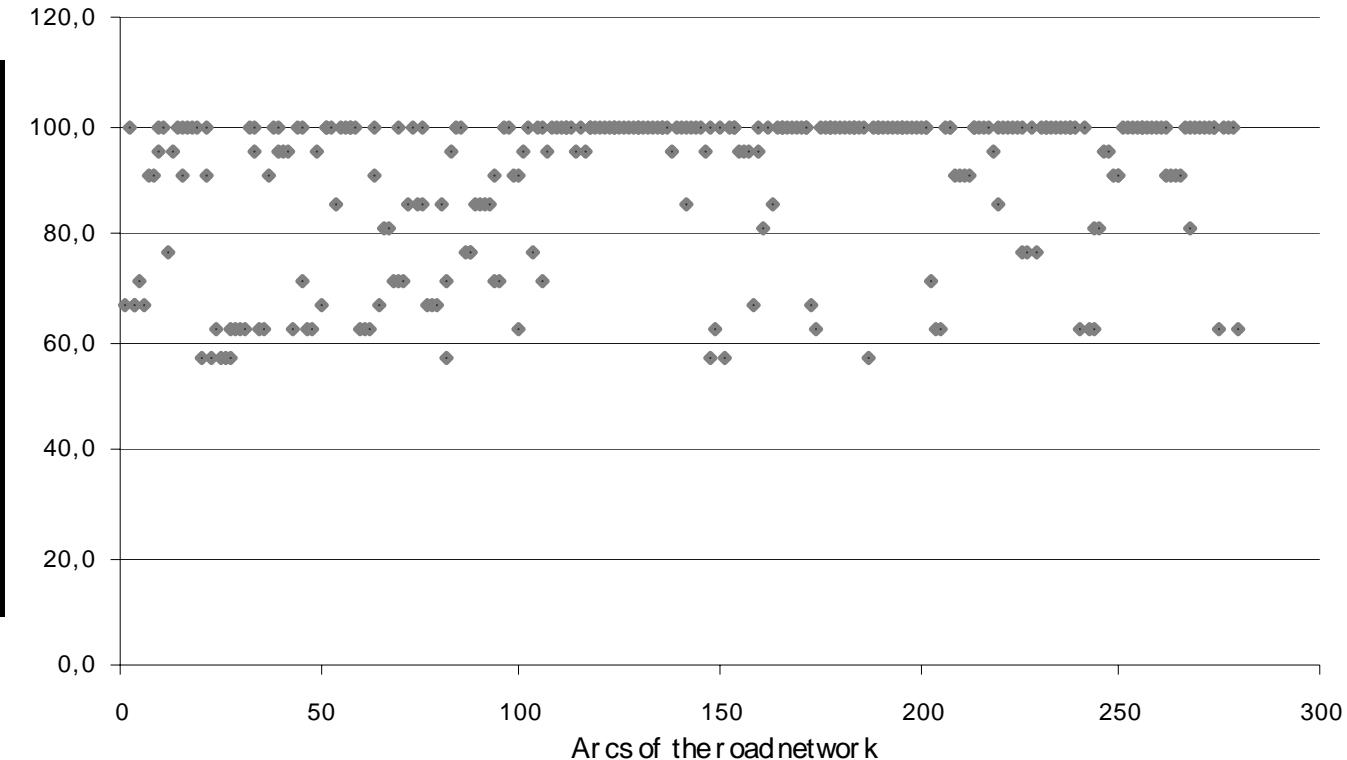
Network design:

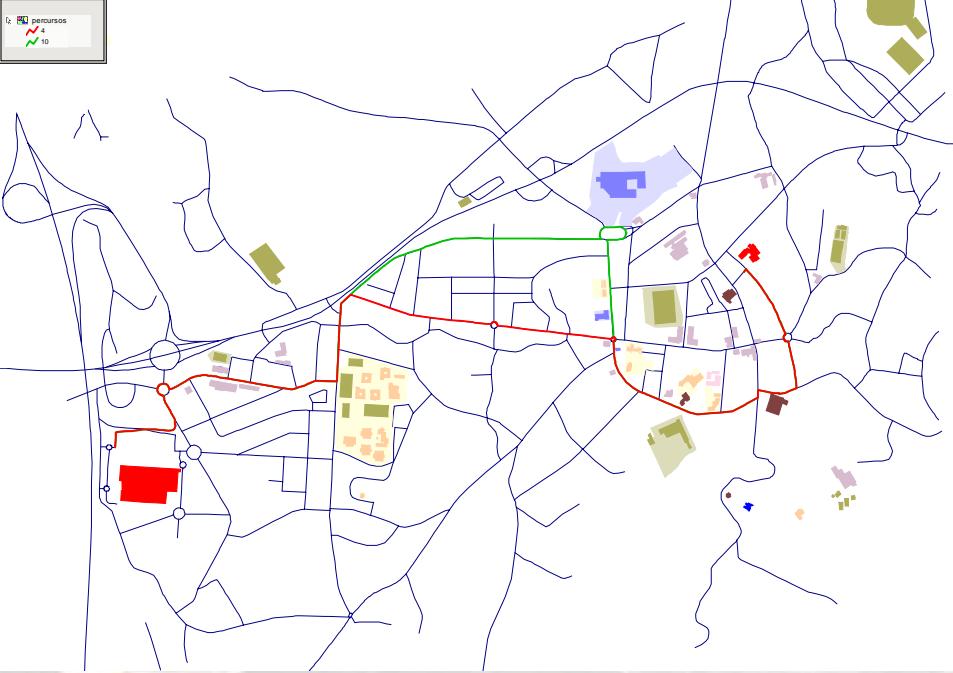
- 6 neurons in the hidden layer
- Learning rate (< 0.5)
- Momentum (0.5-09)

Output in binary form:

The driver passed or not through the arc

Percentage of success considering arcs traveled





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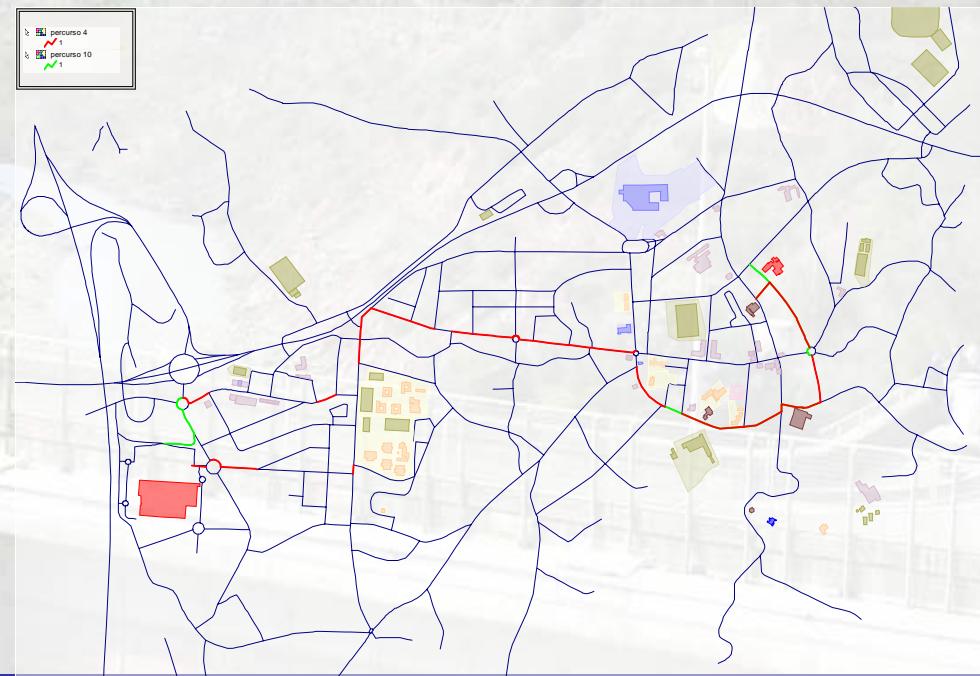


Trajectory 4 - red

←Original trajectory

GIS data

Neural Network
trajectory →





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Static and Dynamic networks

Four sequences for the inputs:

- *Group 1: dry pavement and rush hour*
- *Group 2: dry pavement and not rush hour*
- *Group 3: wet pavement and rush hour*
- *Group 4: wet pavement and not rush hour*

Output:

Percentage of people that traveled through each arc in the same conditions.



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RESULTS

Similar behavior between the dynamic
and the static network

Error of 20% in the prevision of the
percentage of drivers who pass the arc

ILS calibration with DGPS

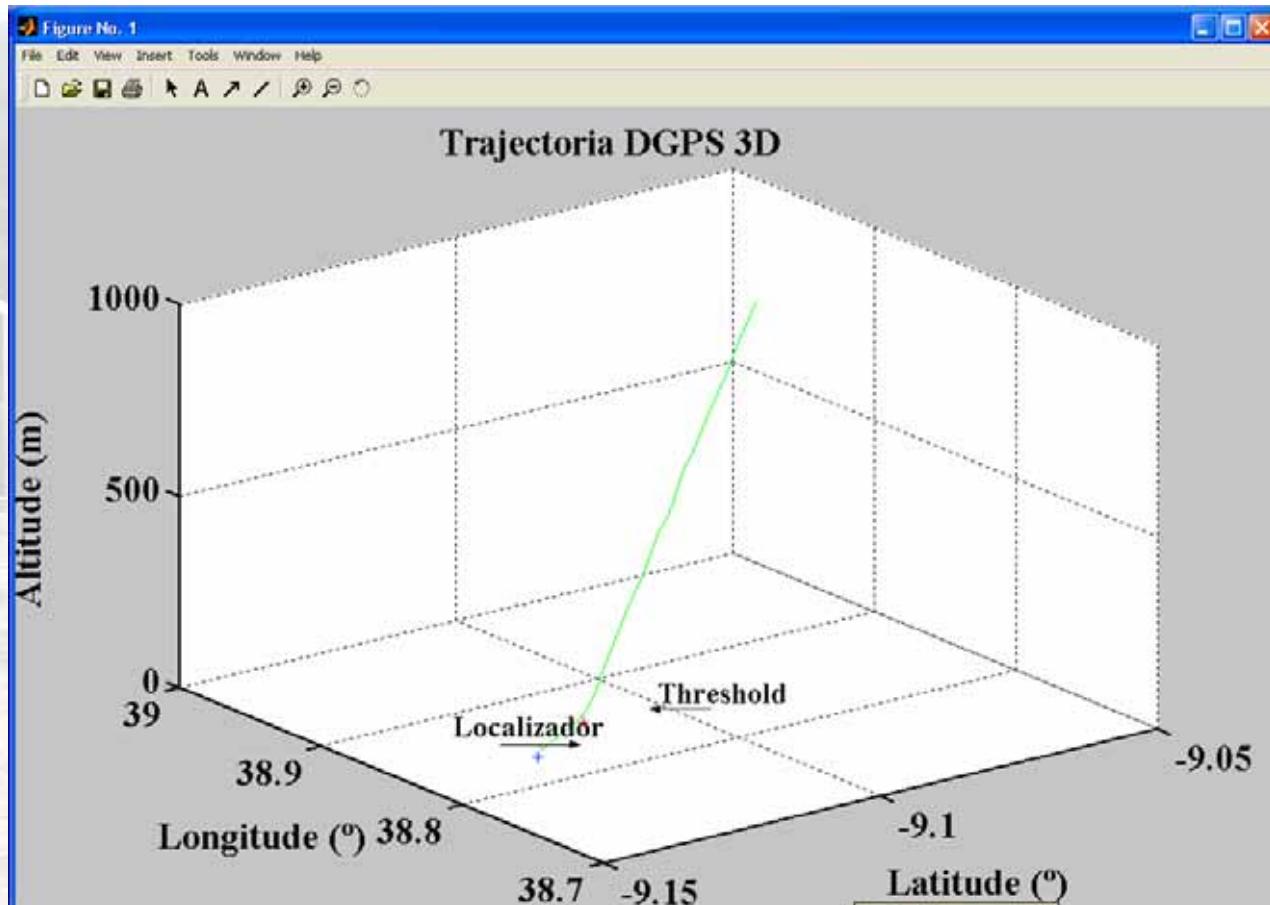
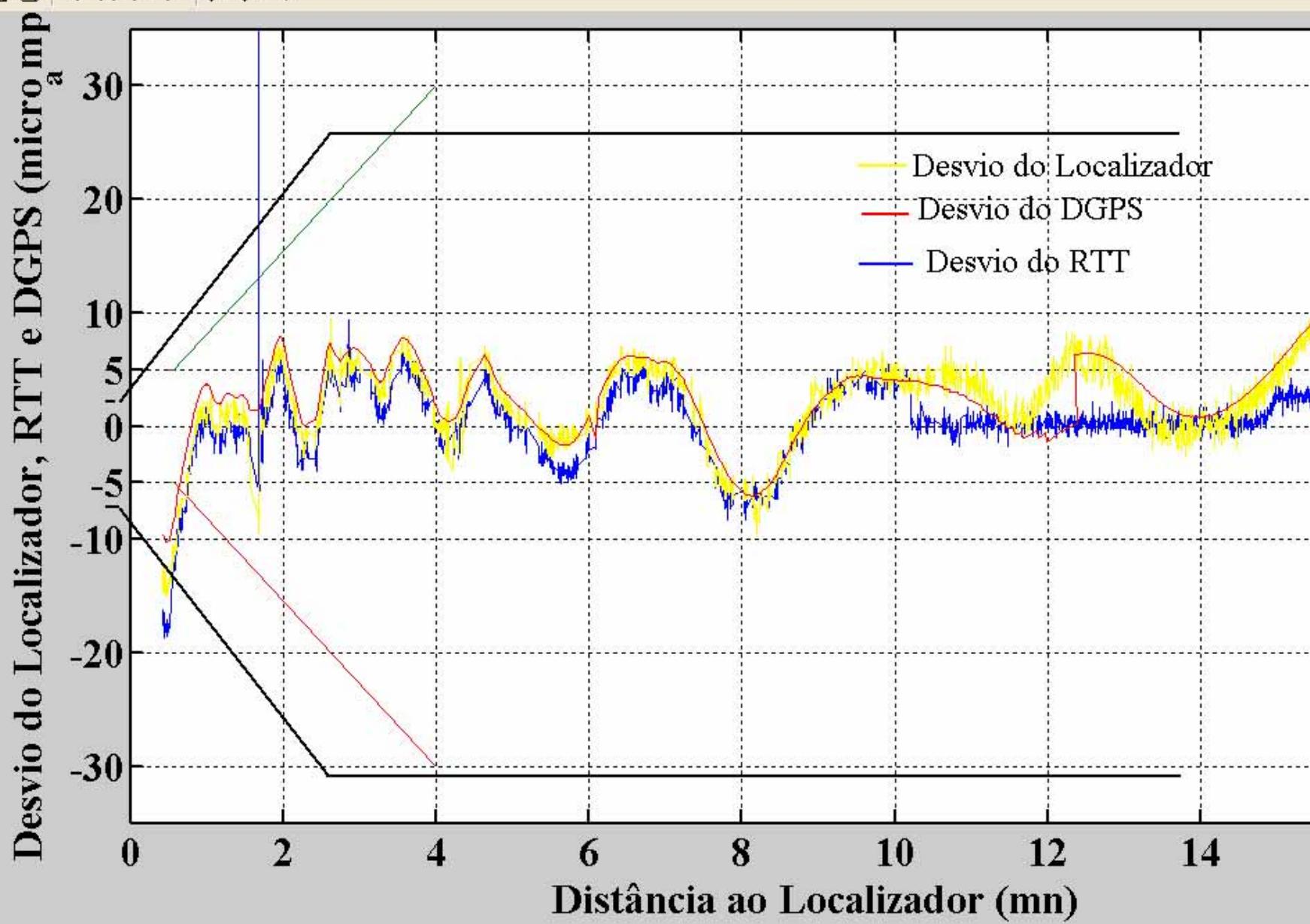
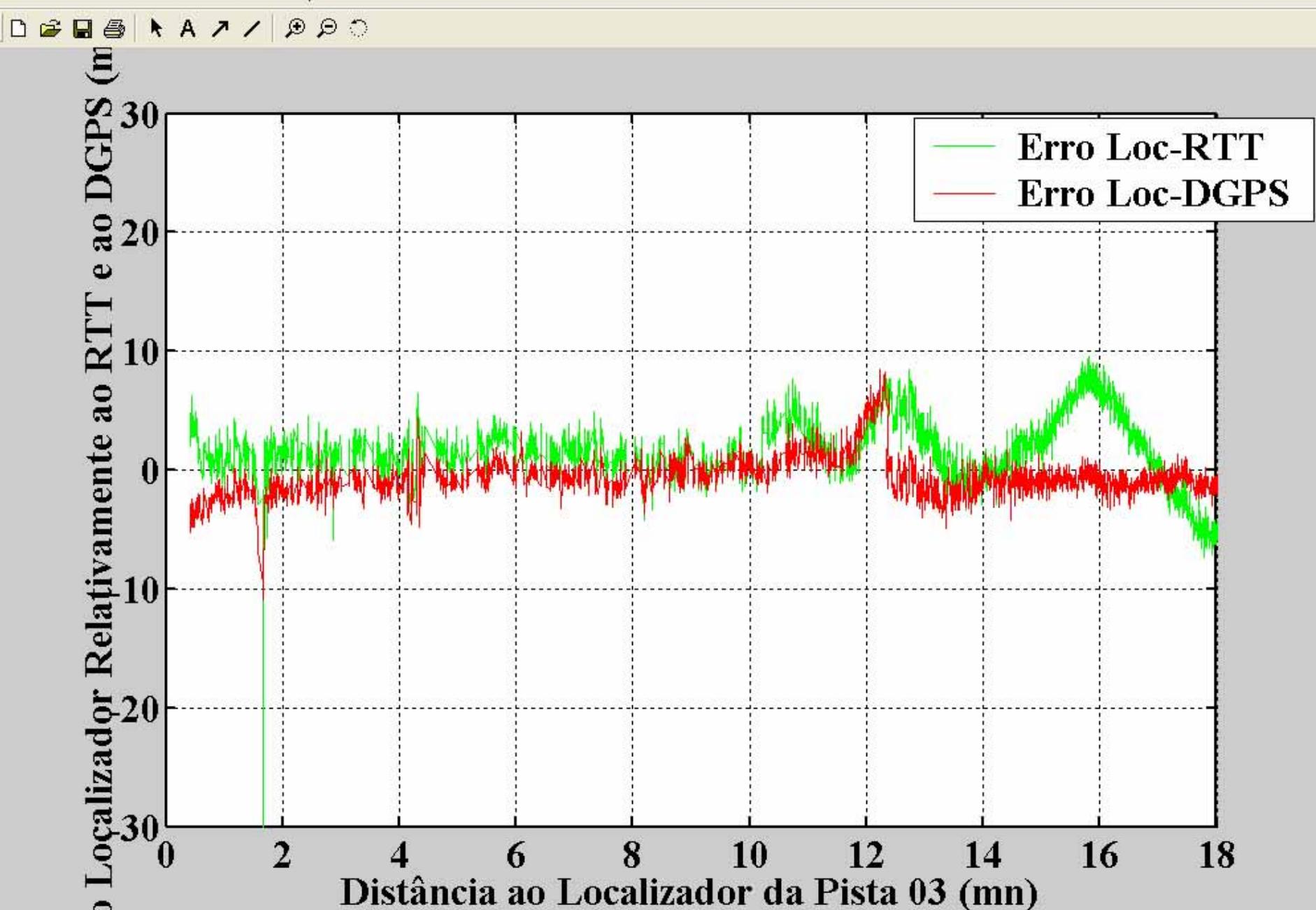


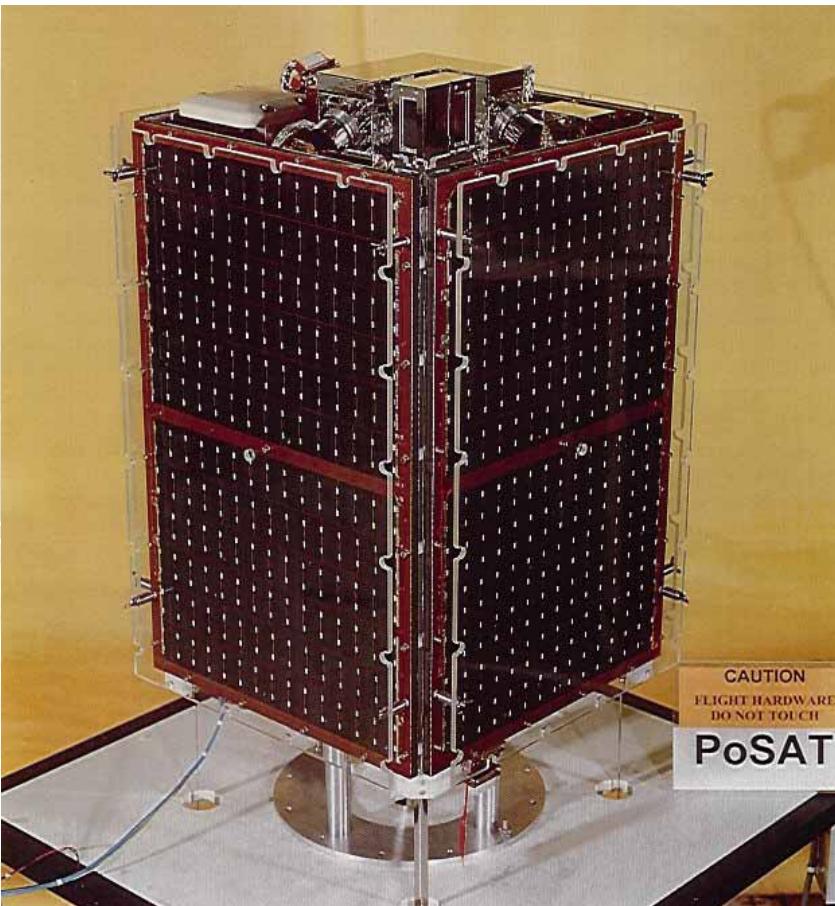
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Satellite Navigation using GPS data





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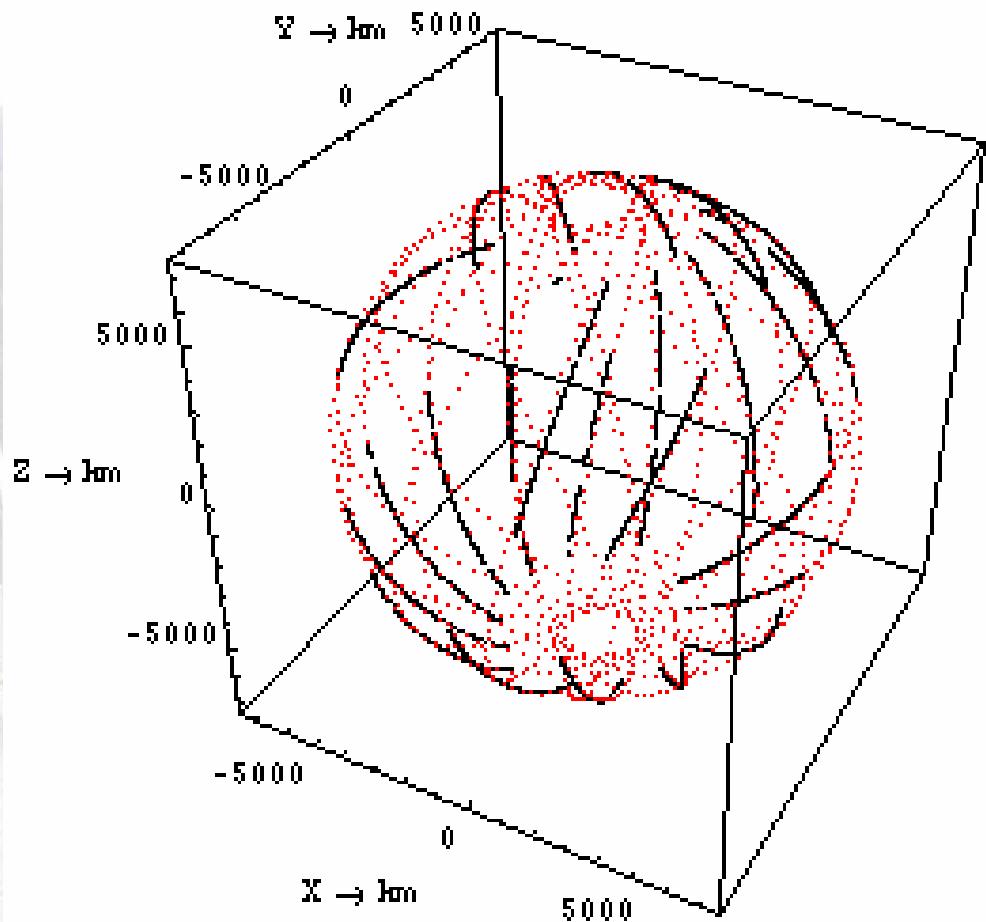
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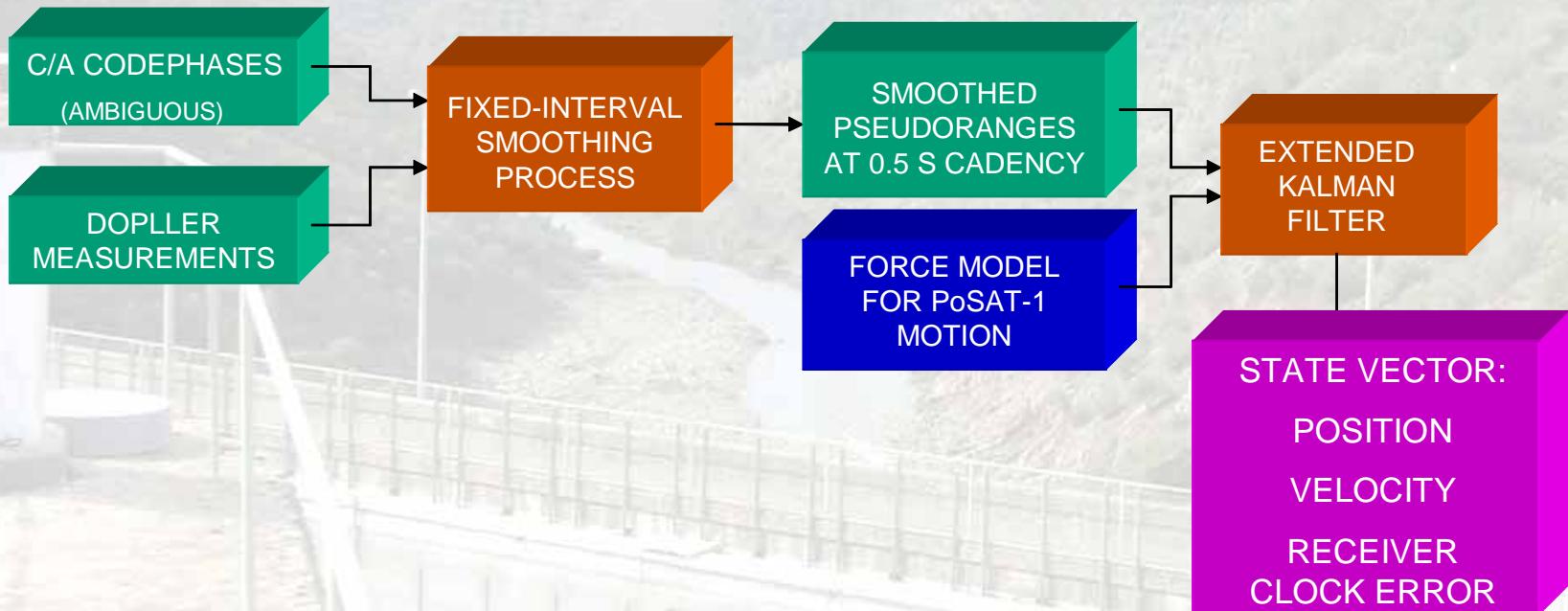


One day observed orbit arcs EPEC



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PoSAT-1 Autonomous Navigation





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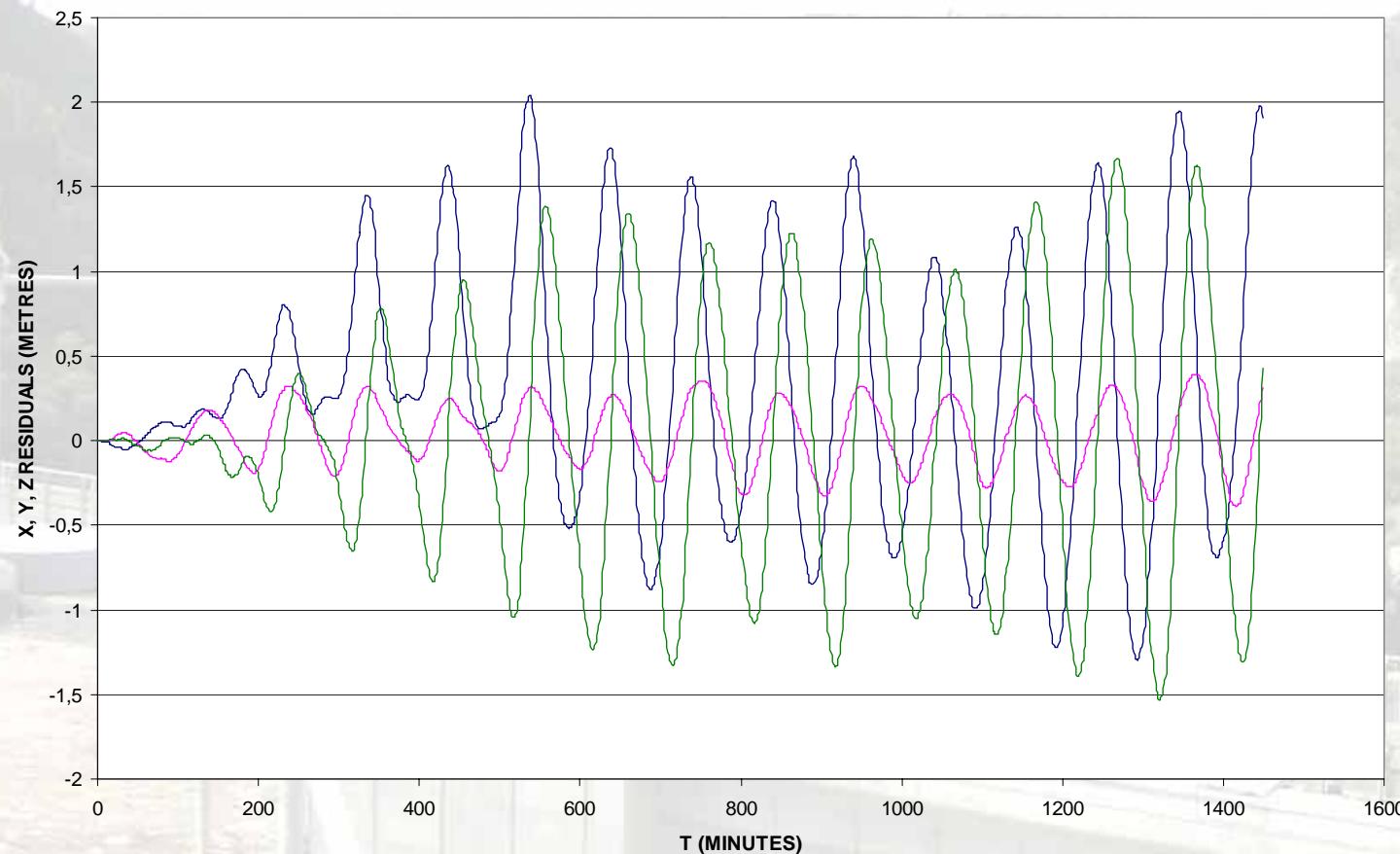
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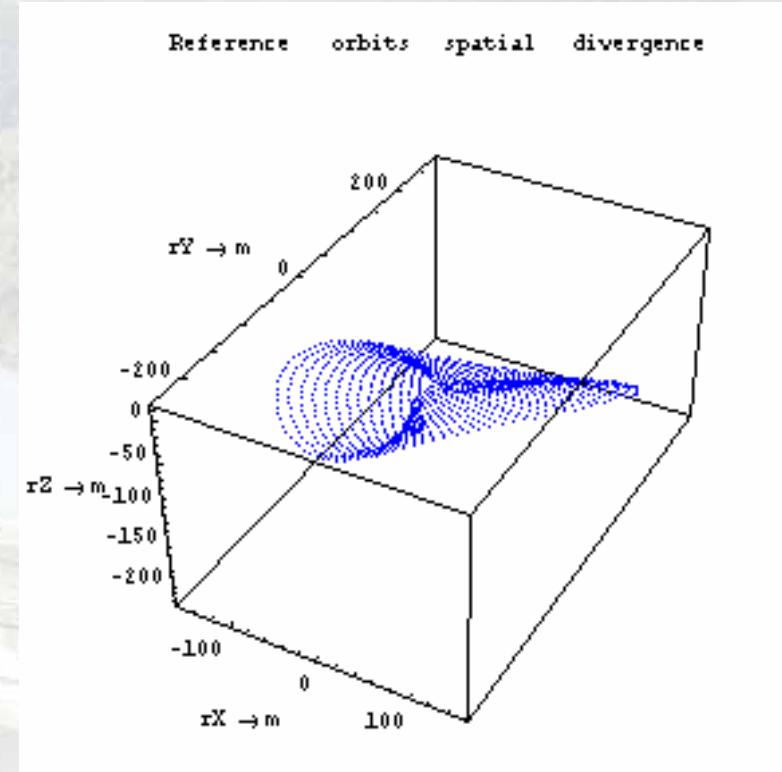
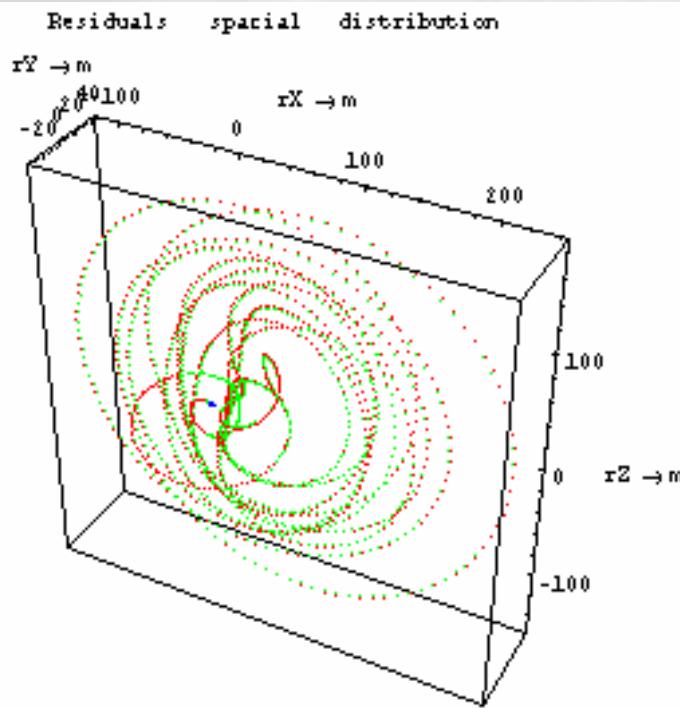


THE SENSITIVITY OF THE REDUCED DYNAMICS TO THE EARTH'S GRAVITY MODEL IN SATELLITE ORBITOGRAPHY

PoSAT-1 POSITION RESIDUALS (JGM3-EGM96)



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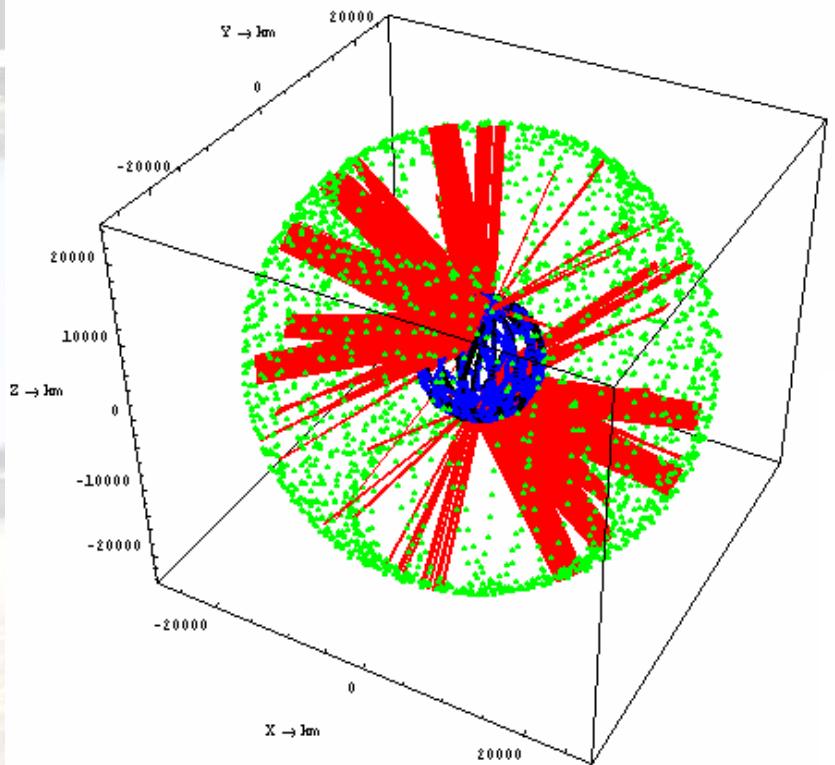
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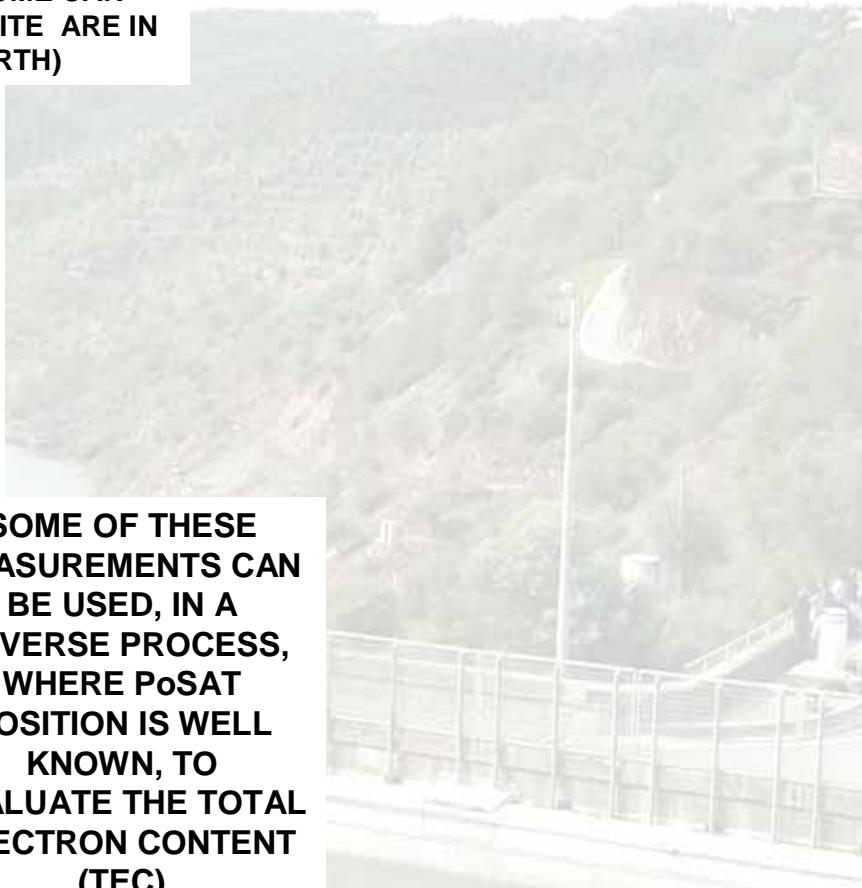
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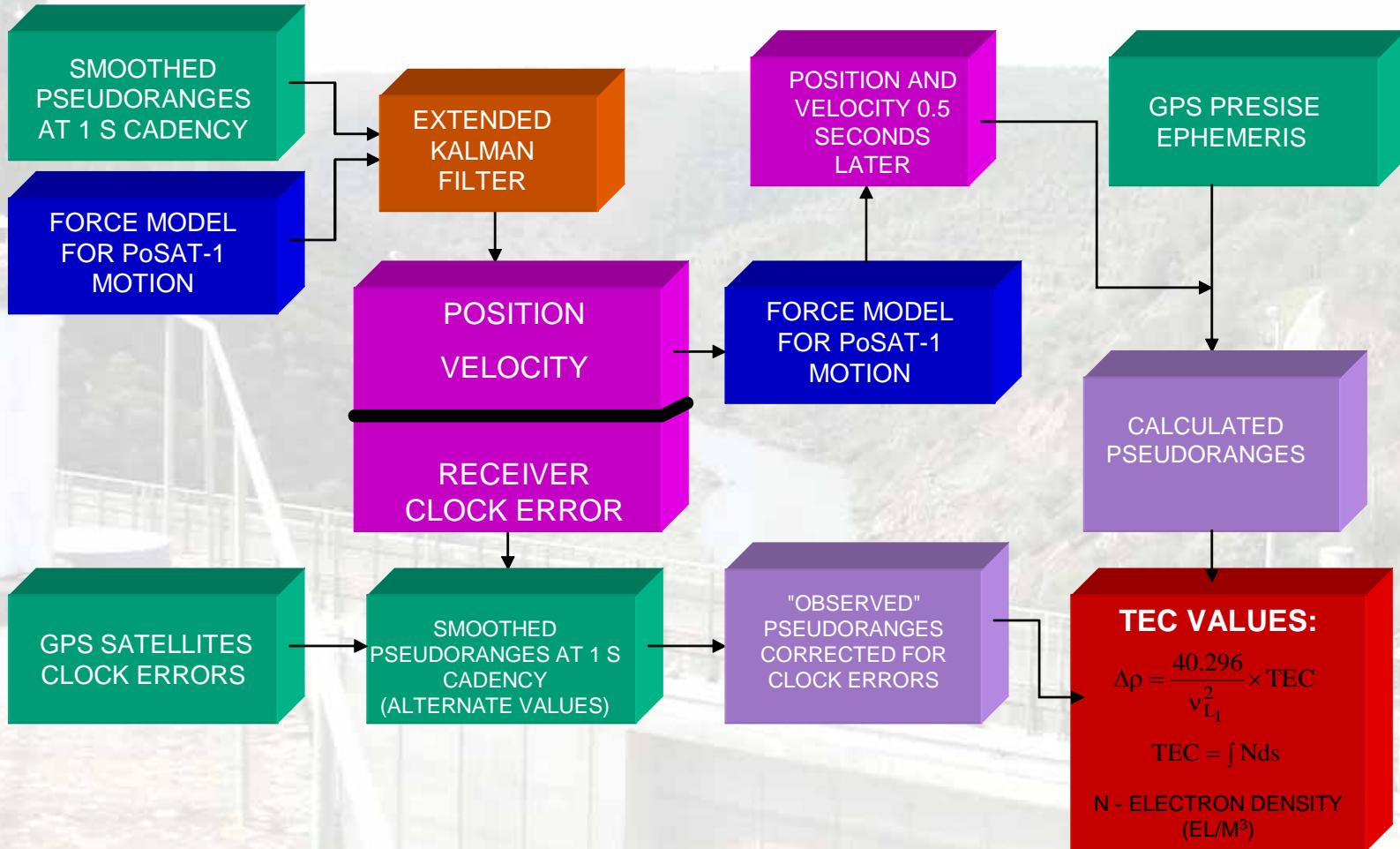
AS SEEN FROM BOARD, MANY CONTIGUOUS DIRECTIONS OF GPS SIGNAL PATH CROSS THE HIGH IONOSPHERE AND SOME CAN CROSS ALL THE IONOSPHERE (PoSAT AND GPS SATELLITE ARE IN OPPOSITE POSITIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE EARTH)



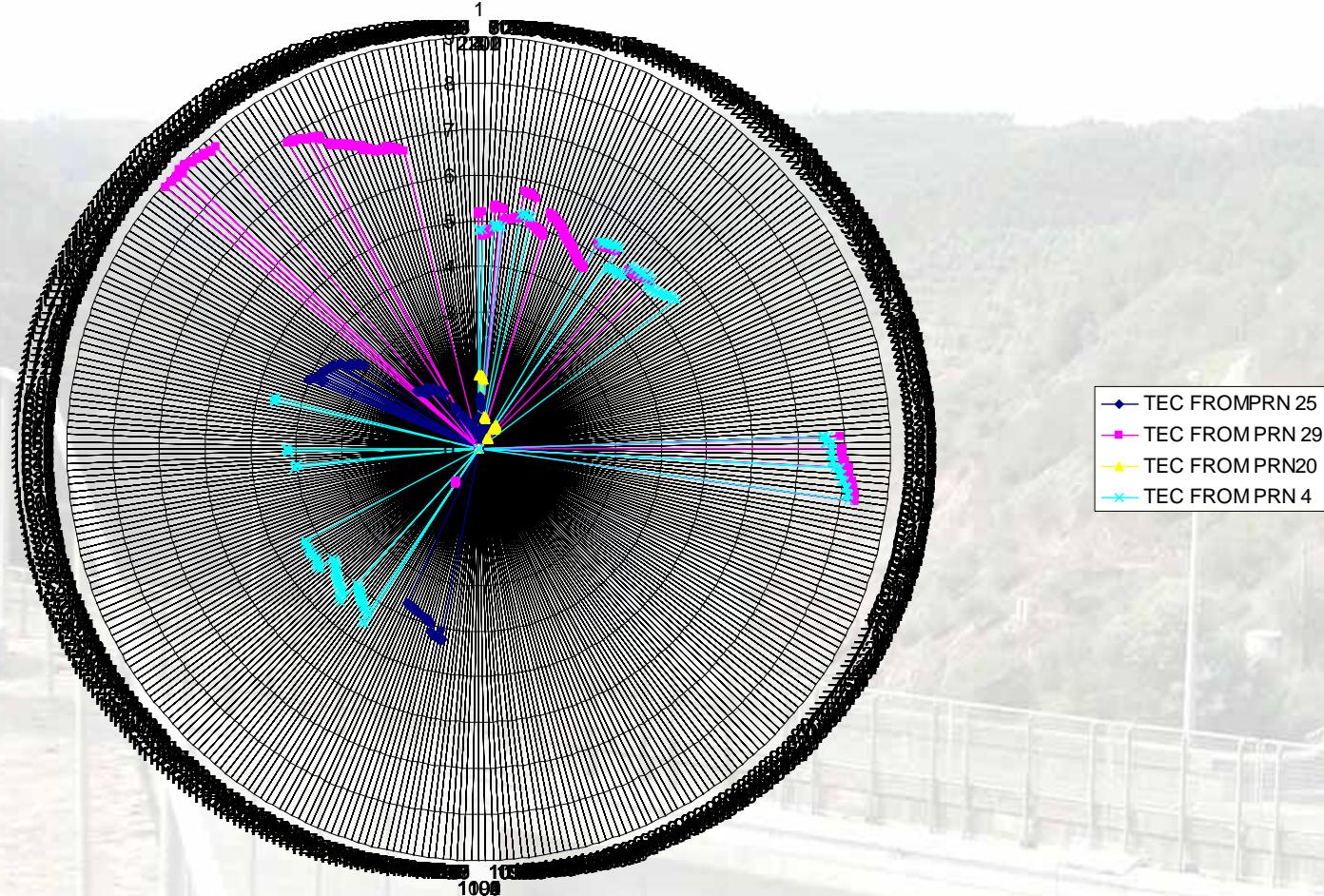
SOME OF THESE MEASUREMENTS CAN BE USED, IN A REVERSE PROCESS, WHERE PoSAT POSITION IS WELL KNOWN, TO EVALUATE THE TOTAL ELECTRON CONTENT (TEC)



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GPS Meteorology

Data to process:

**Code and carrier phases measurements
available from the Portuguese GPS
reference stations**

IGS ultra-rapid orbits

Validation of the results:

**Meteorological data, also available, from
the same stations**

Tropospheric effect evaluation

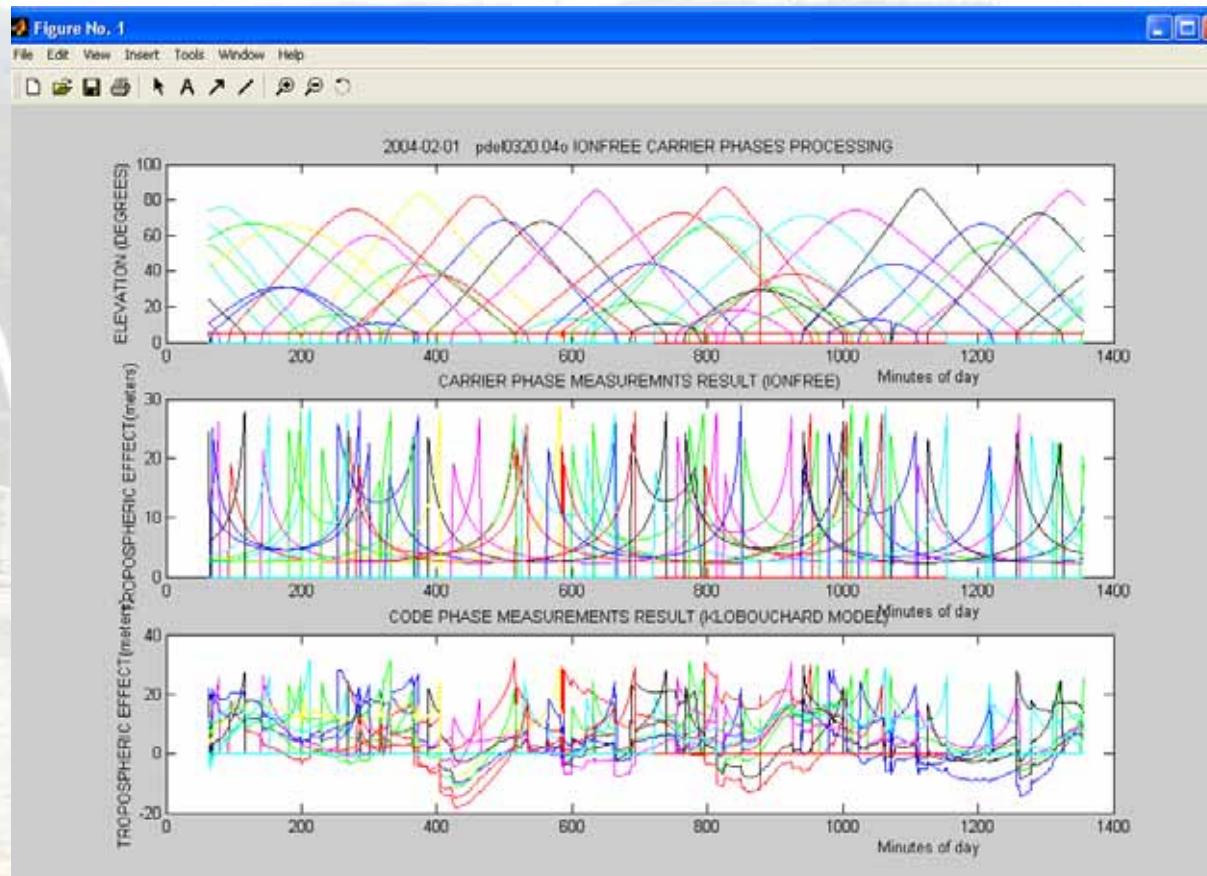


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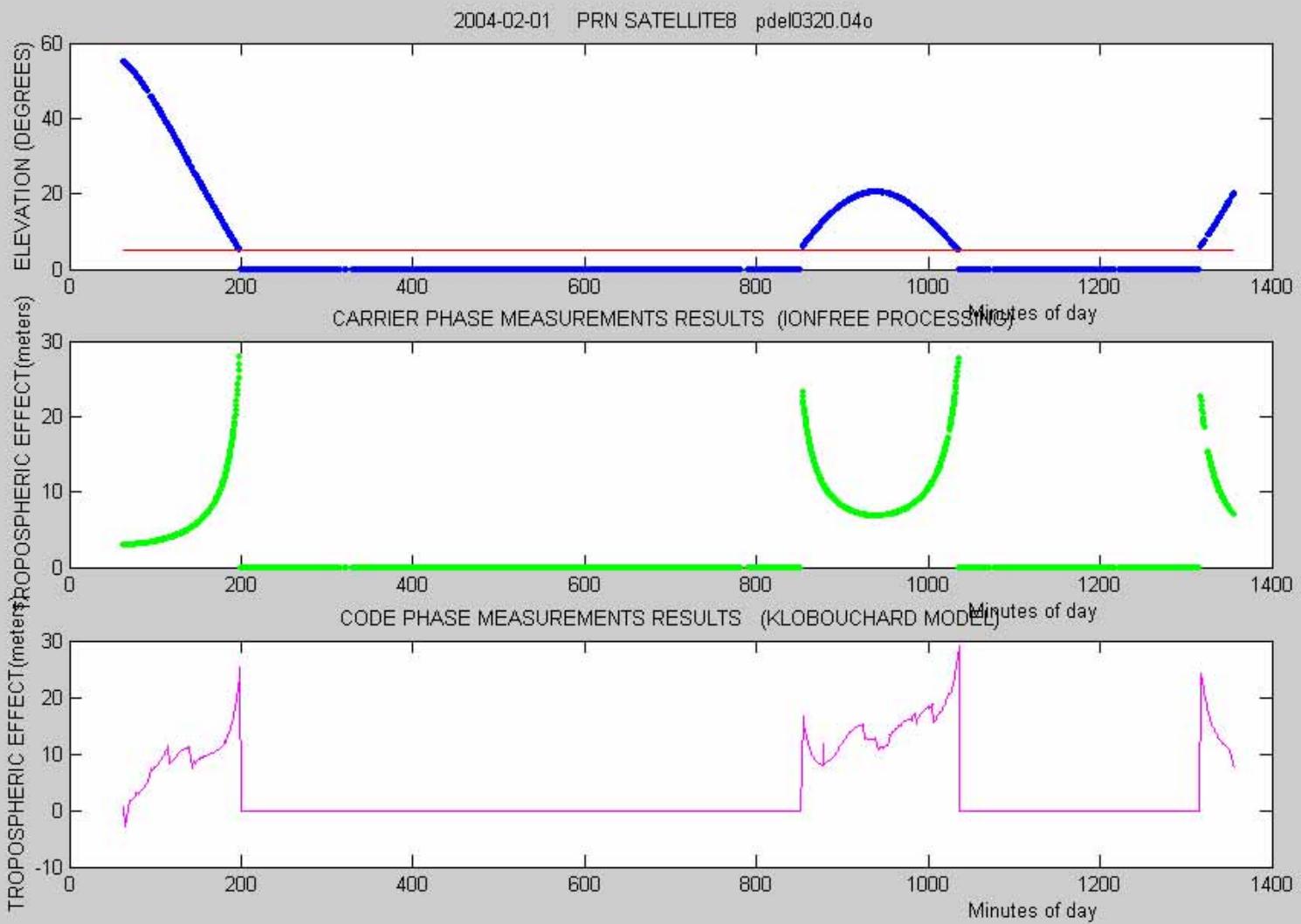
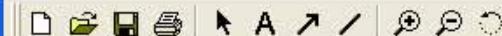
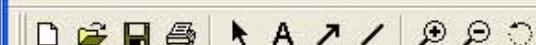


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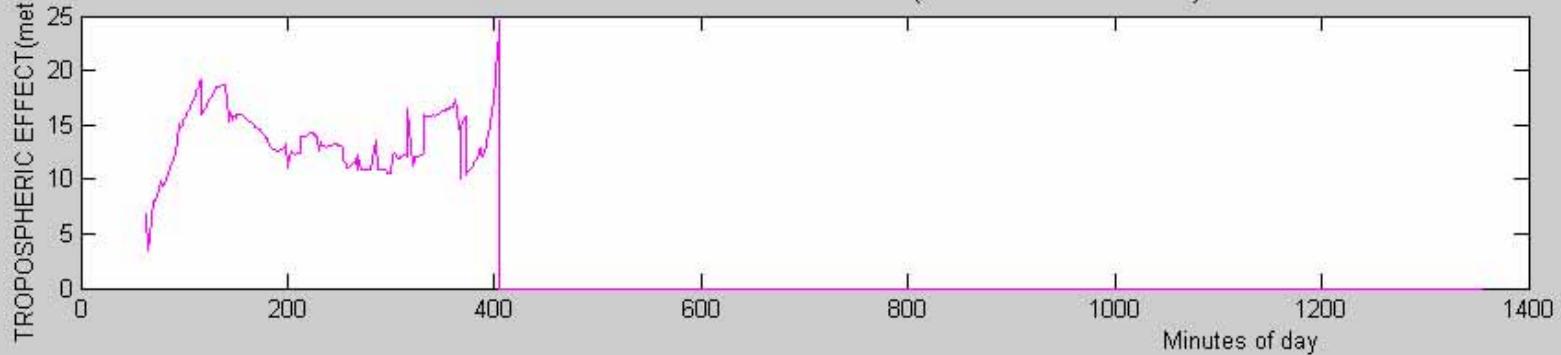
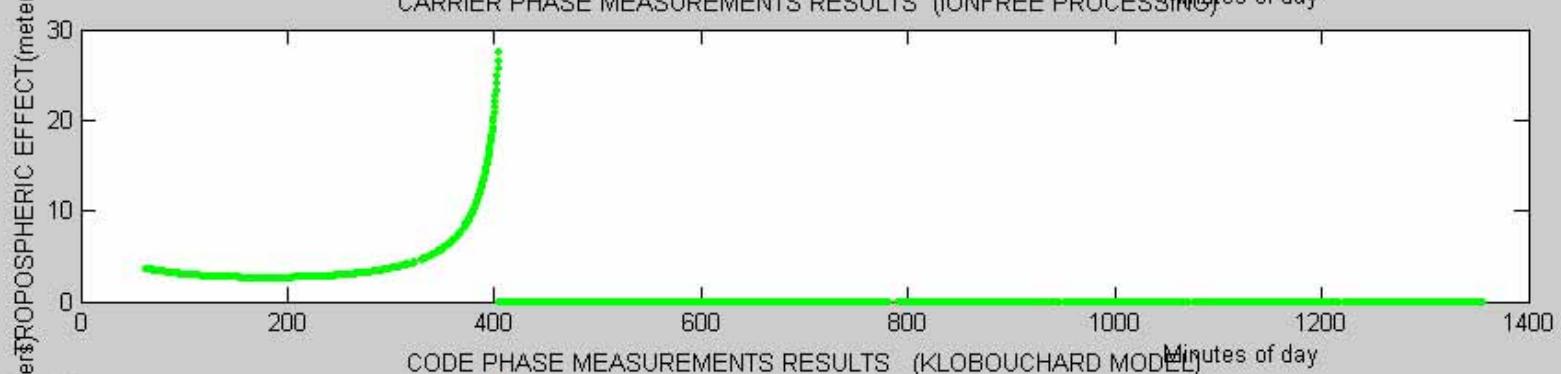


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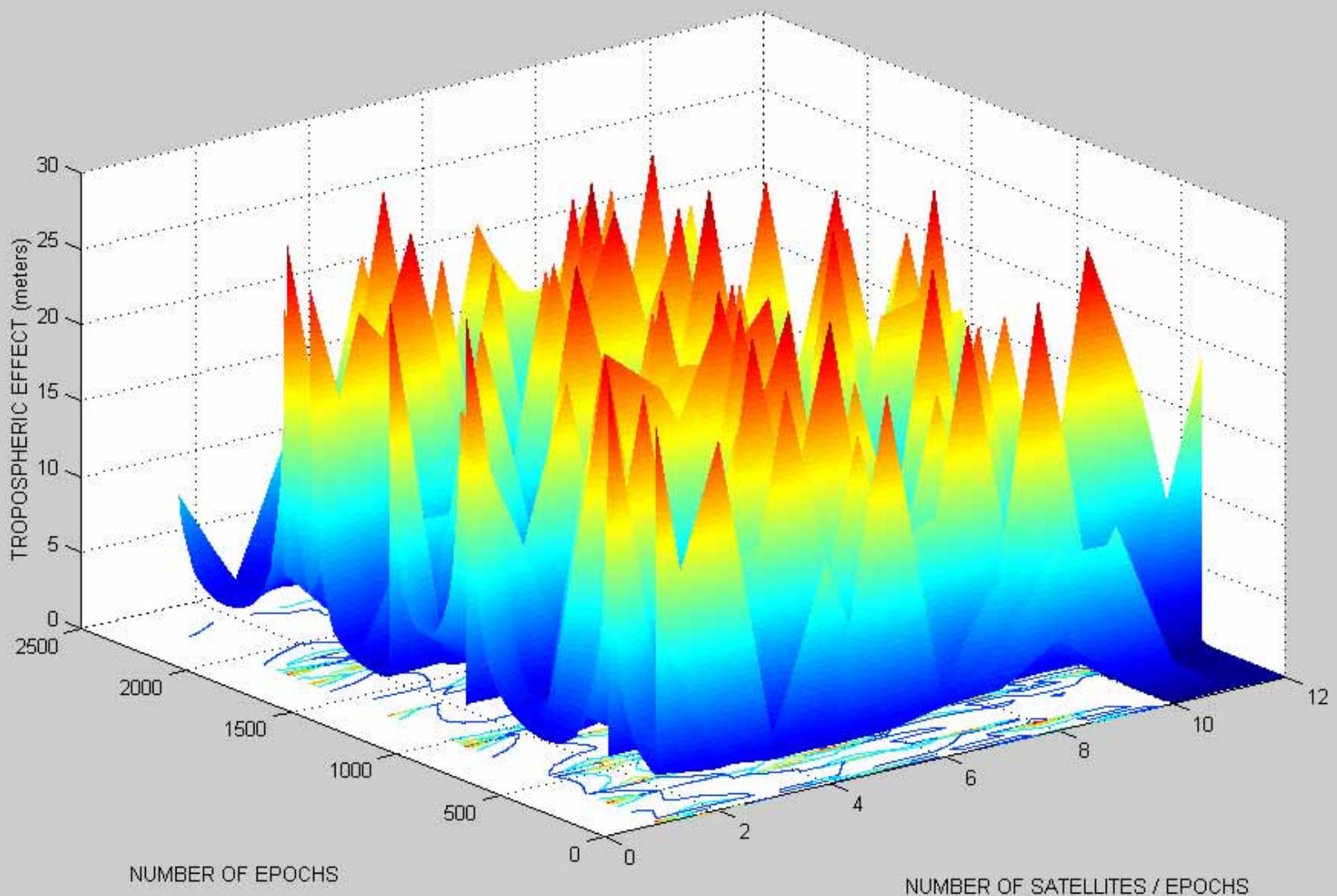
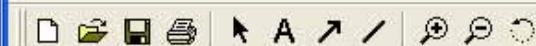
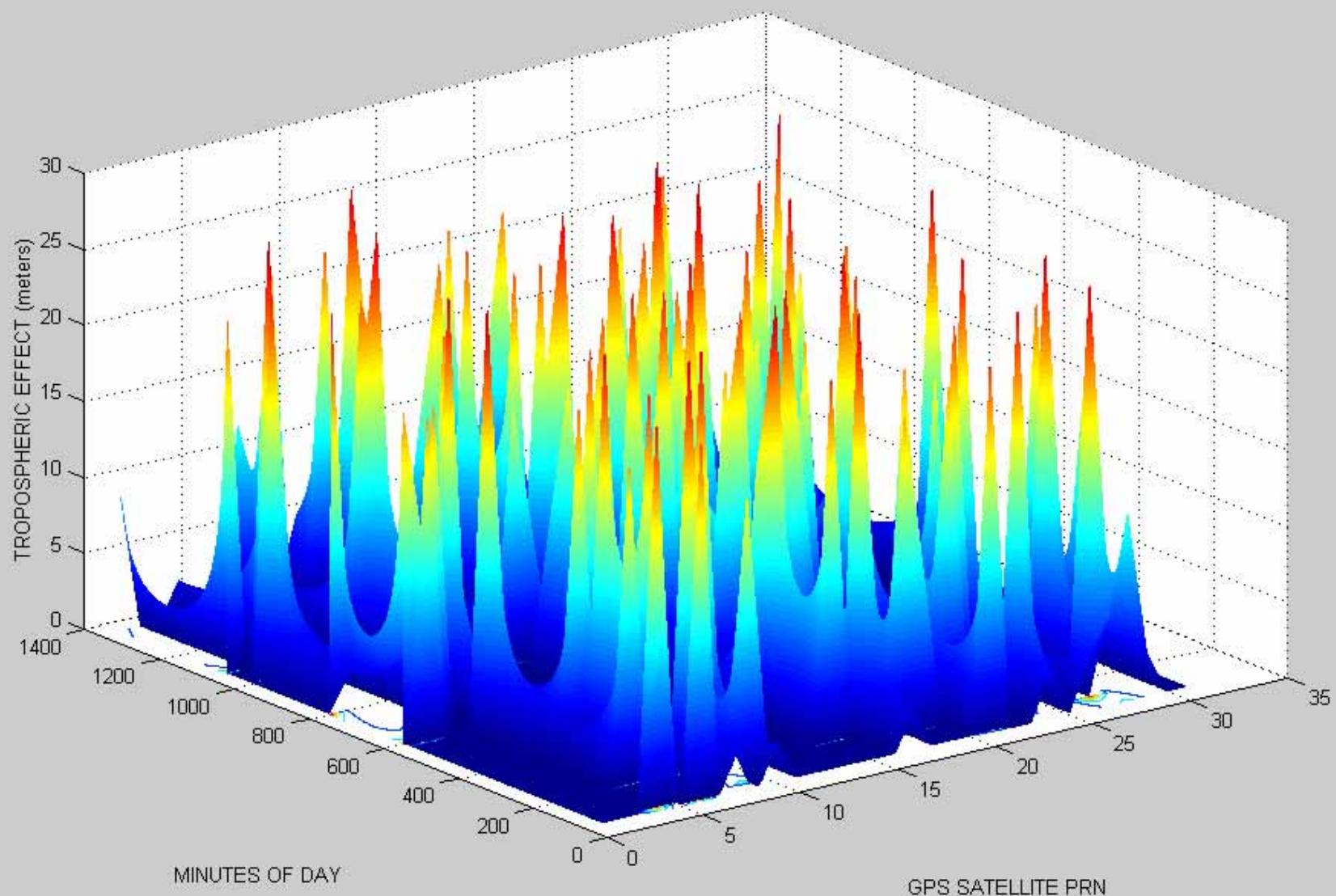
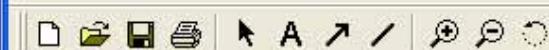


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Tropospheric models studied

- SAASTAMOINEN
- MODIFIED HOPFIELD
- GOAD MODEL
- REMONDI MODEL (SIMILAR TO GOAD MODEL)

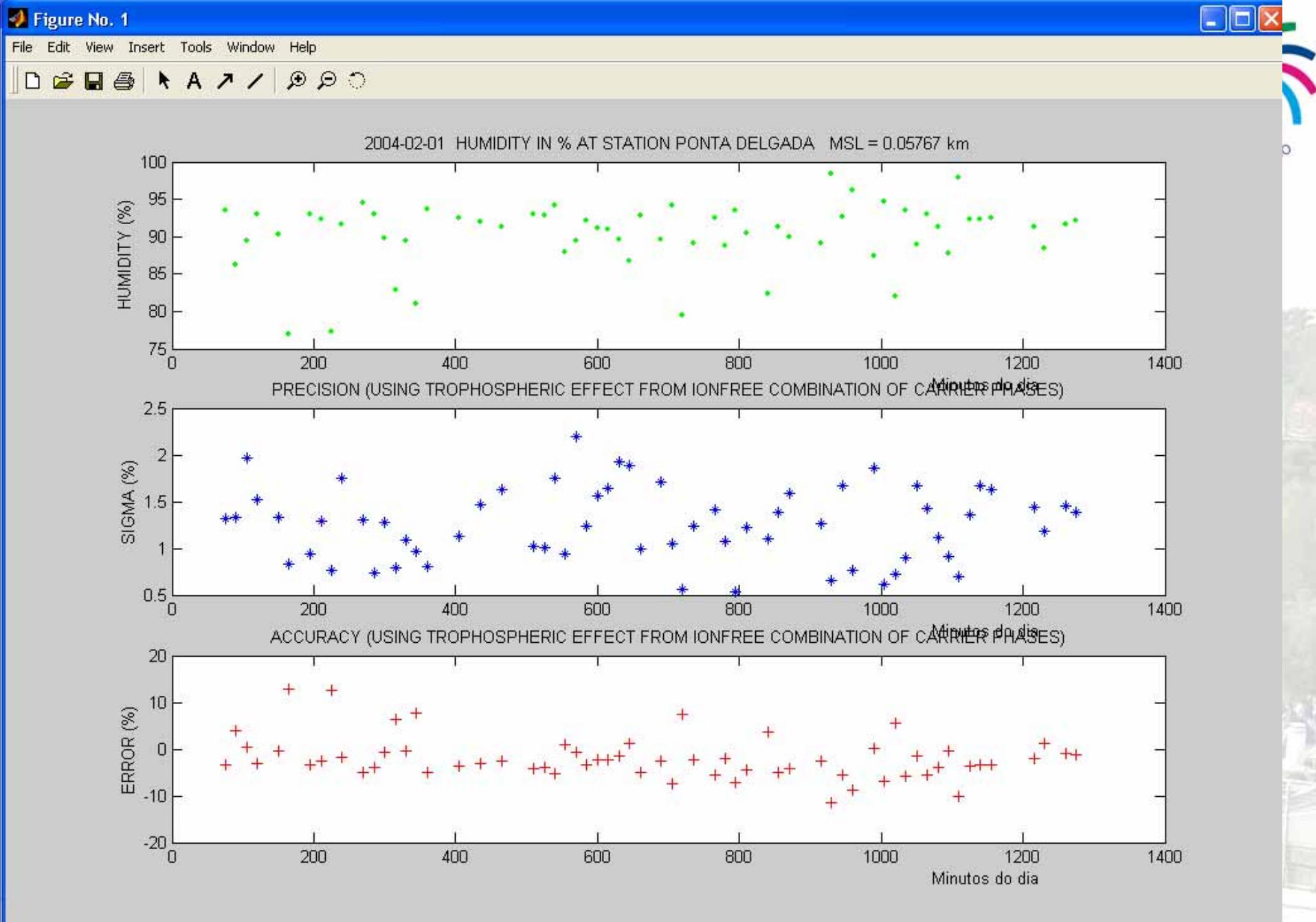


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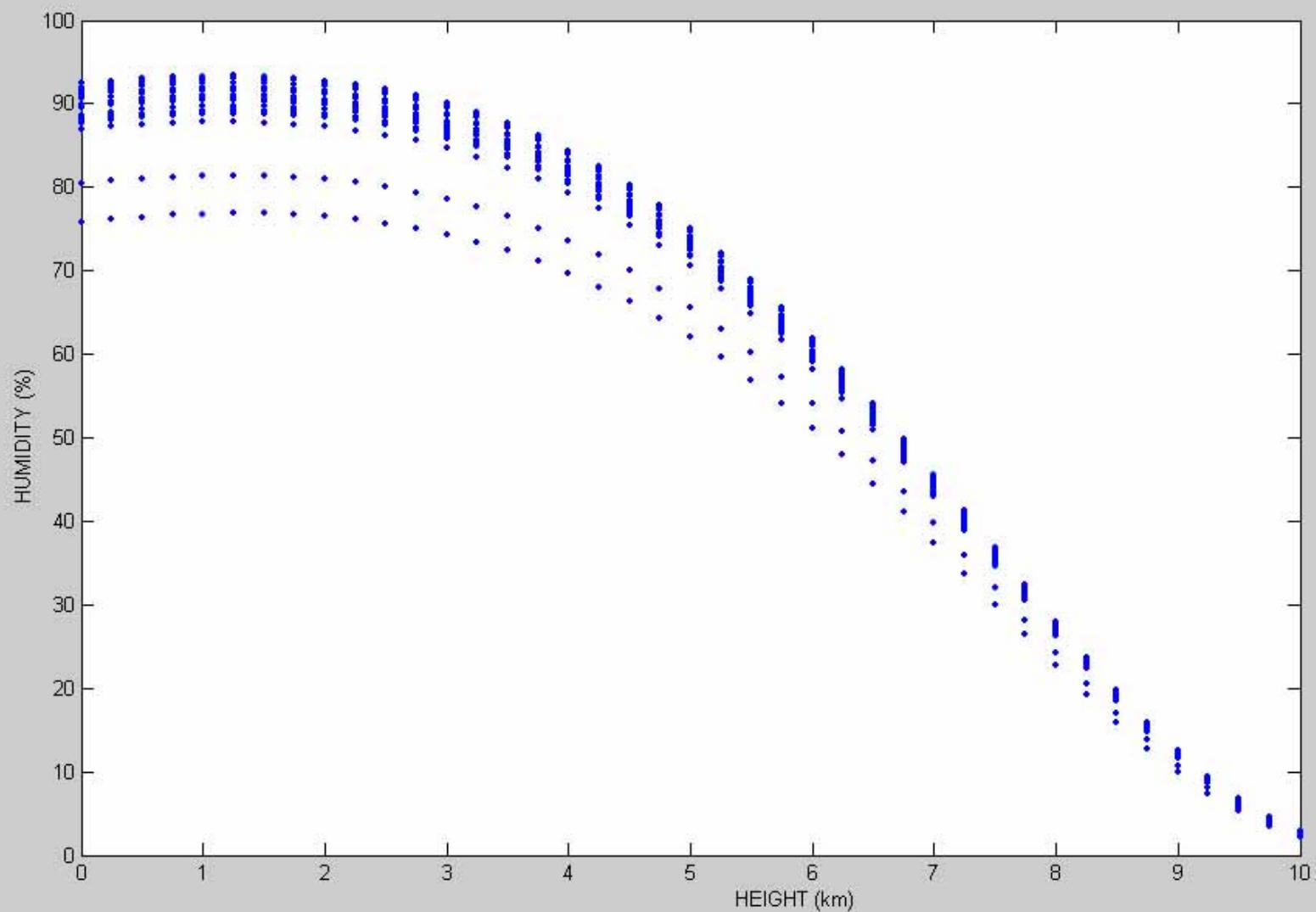
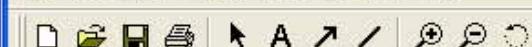
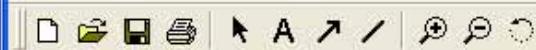


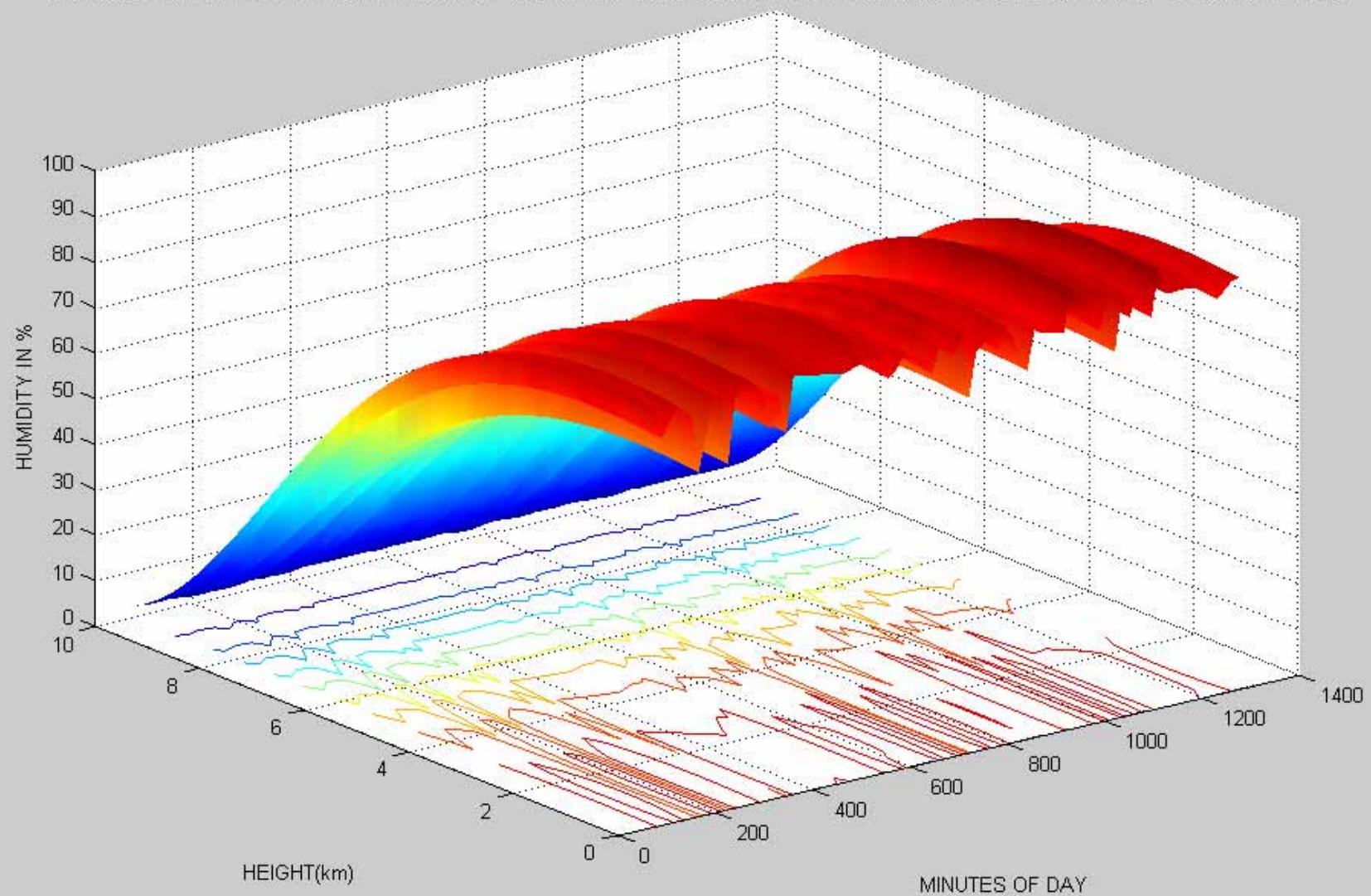
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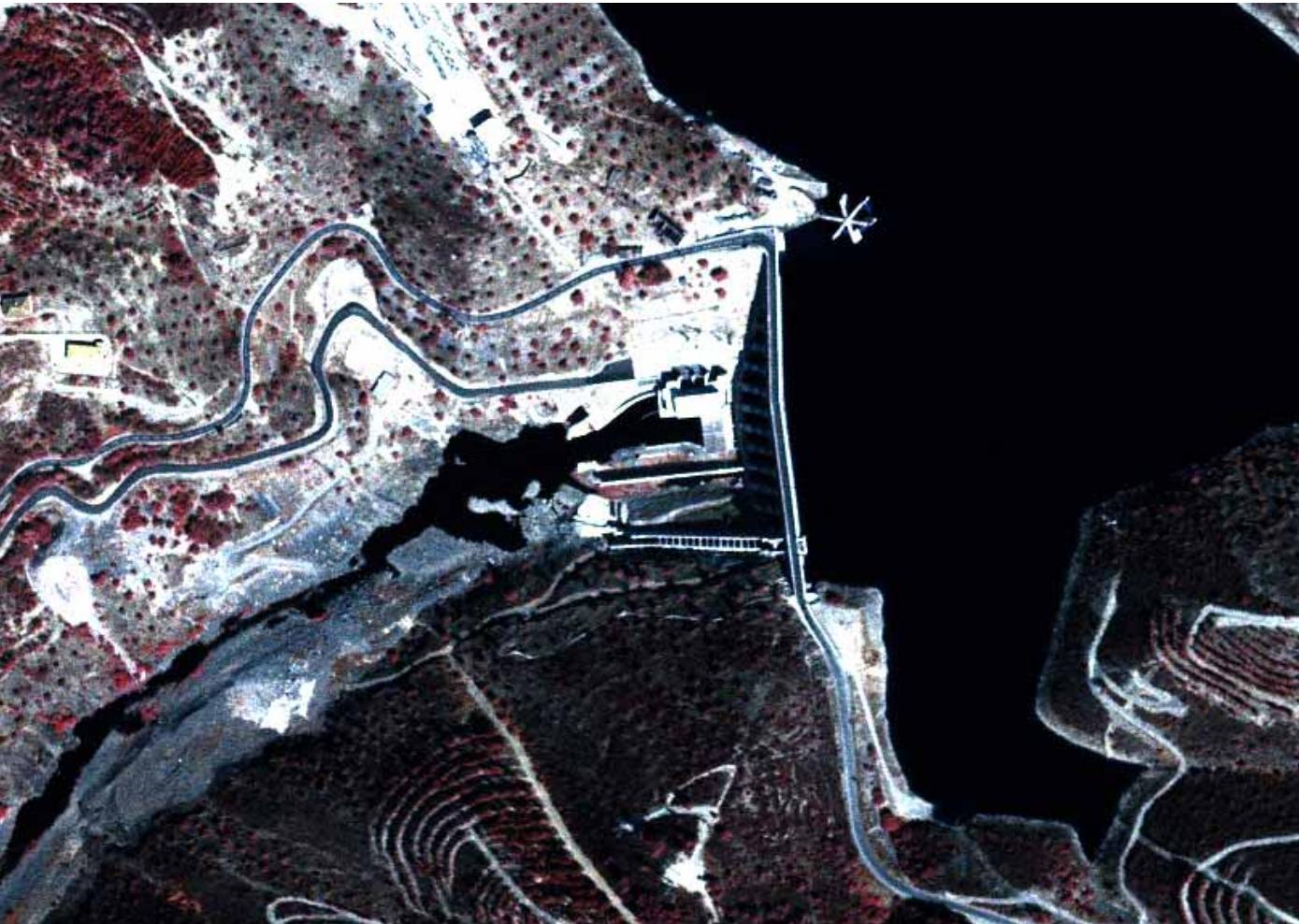
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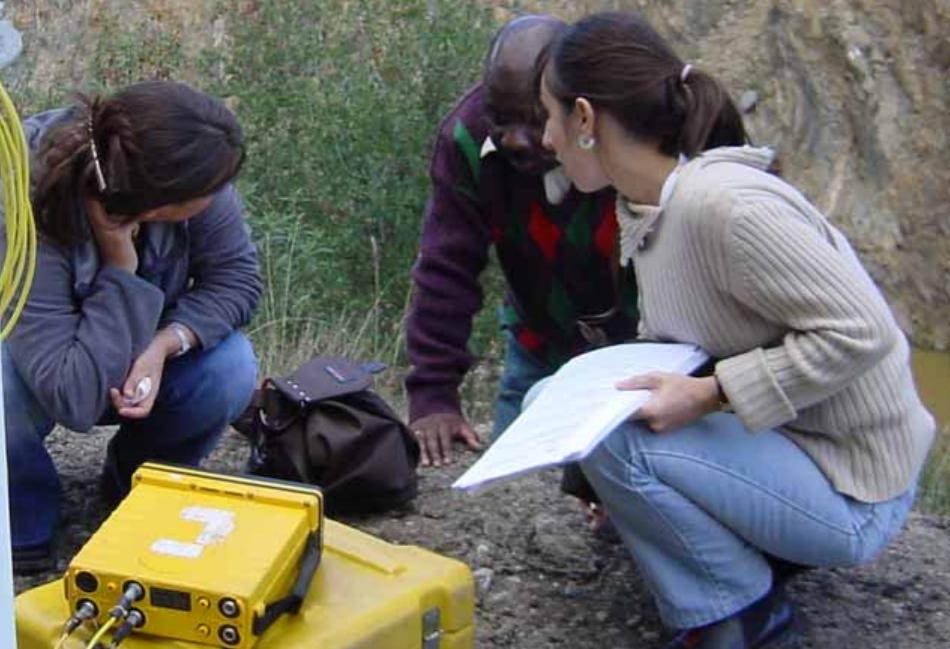


Dam control with GPS Pracana case study





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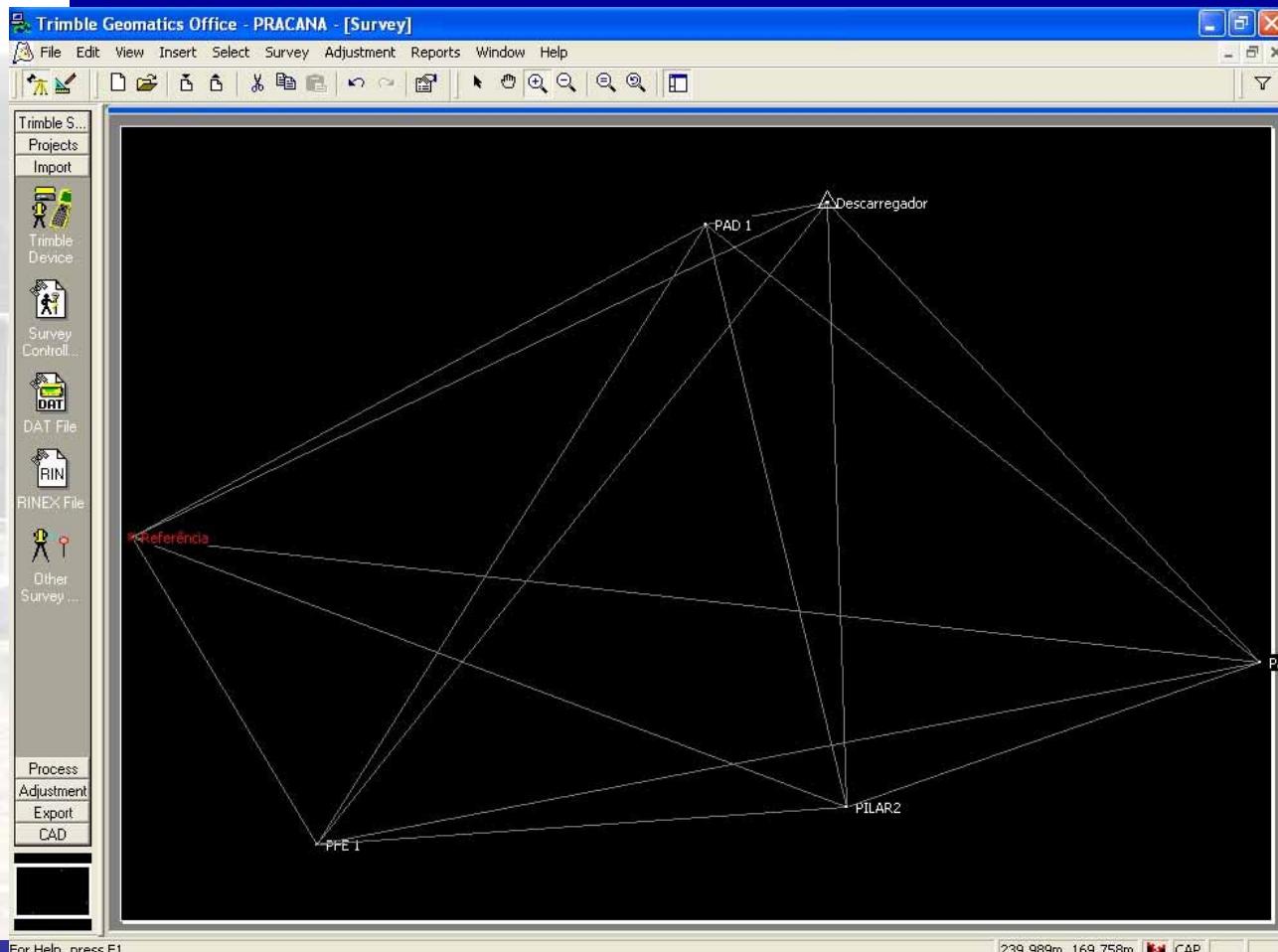
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High Precision Network





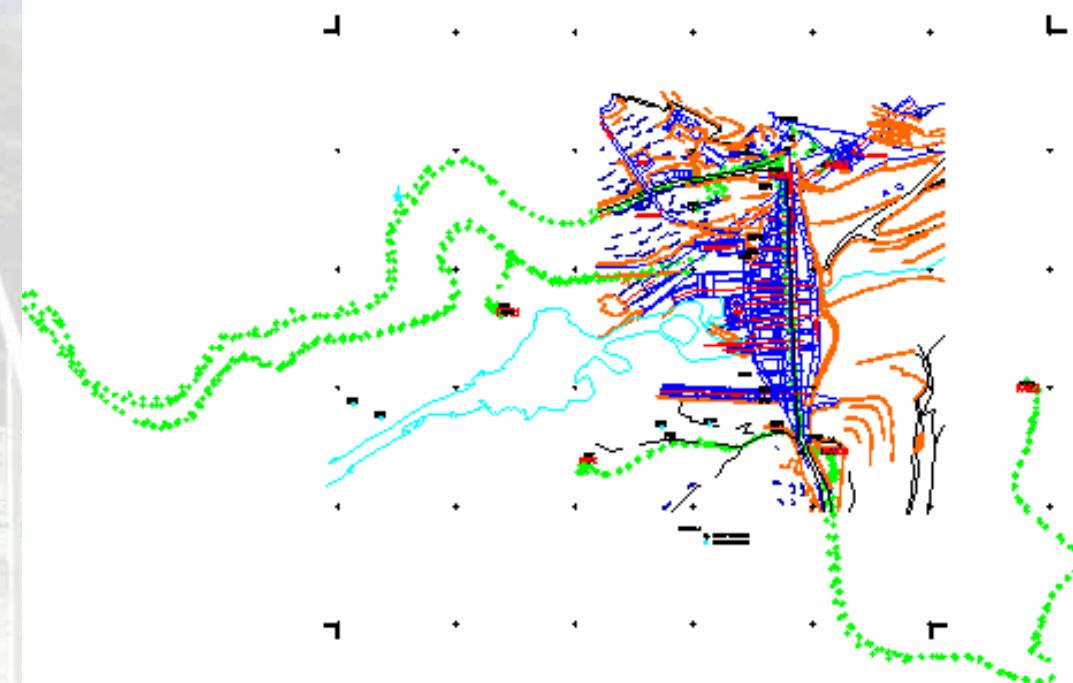
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High precision Agriculture



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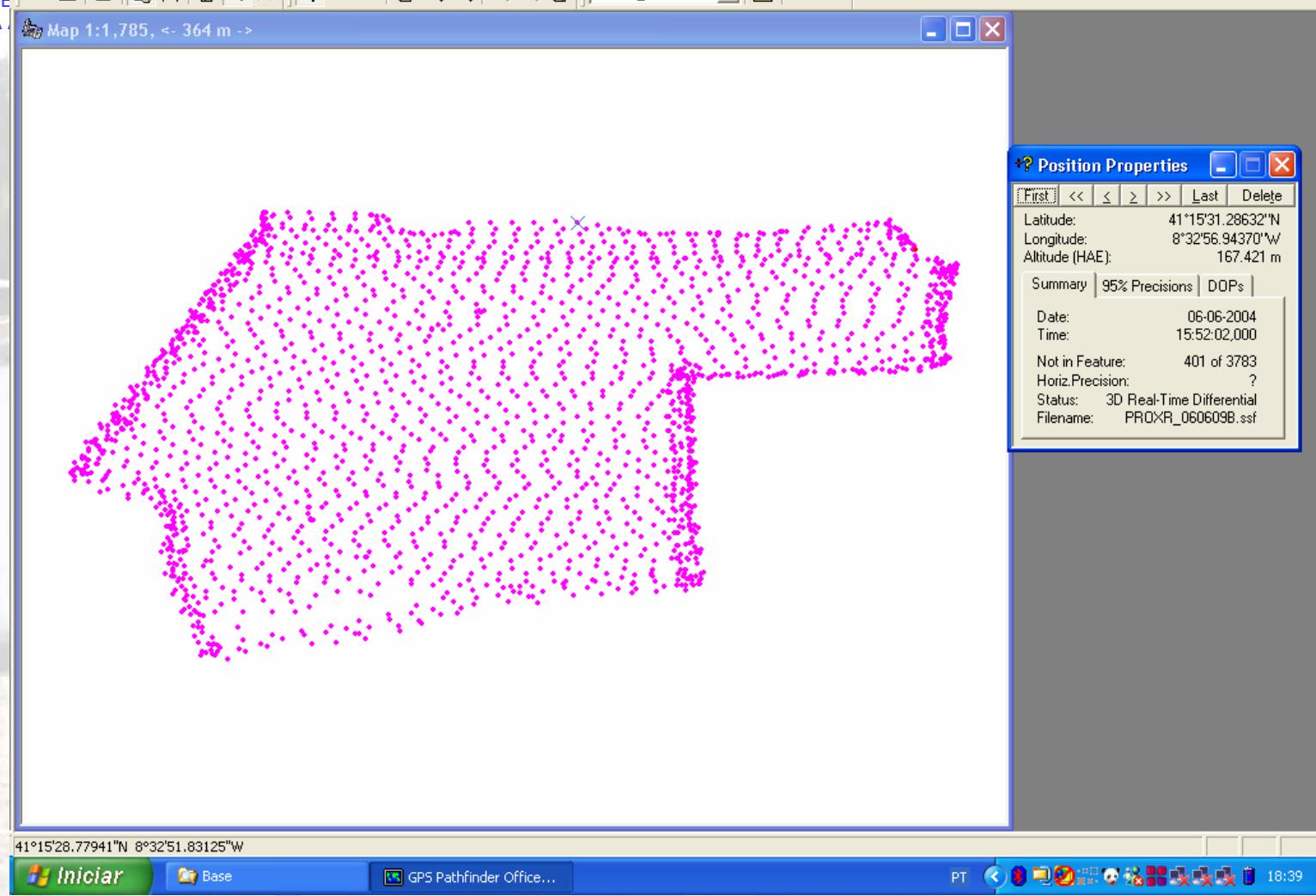
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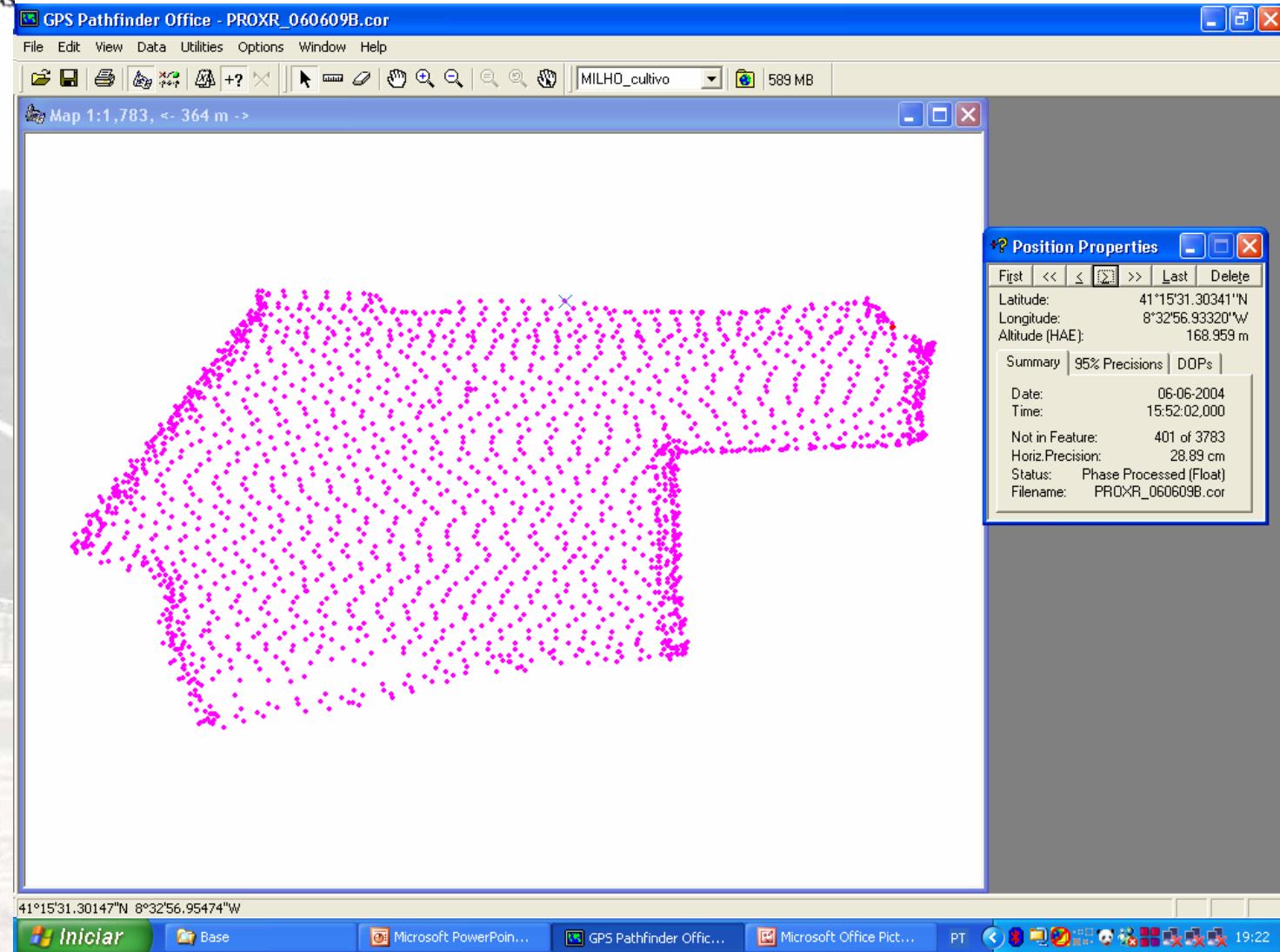
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- The nº1 Journal of Navigation will be published next January