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## SINGLE-FREQUENCY GPS POSITIONING PERFORMANCE IN NORTHERN ADRIATIC REGION DURING GEOMAGNETIC STORM ON 22 - 24 JANUARY 2012

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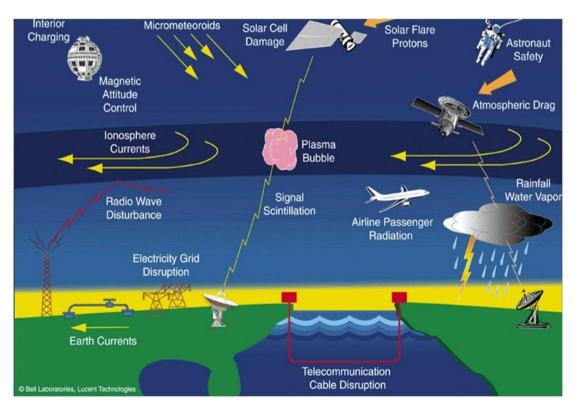
#### Introduction

- Core GNSS market projected to create US\$ 112 billion this year (Glen Gibbons, in InsideGNSS, Jan/Feb 2012)
- Space weather and ionospheric disturbances as the major source of GNSS positioning performance deteriorations
- Understanding space weather and ionospheric effects on GNSS leads to sustained provision of quality of PNT service
- Case-study analyses grow the knowledge base and contribute to understanding of extremely complex positioning environment

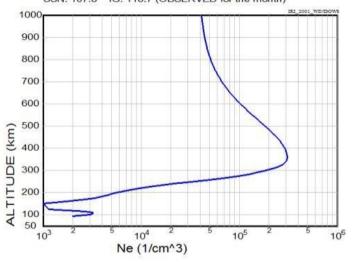
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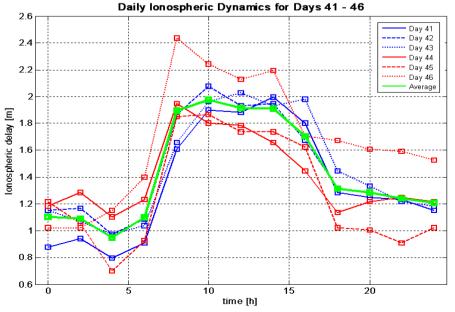
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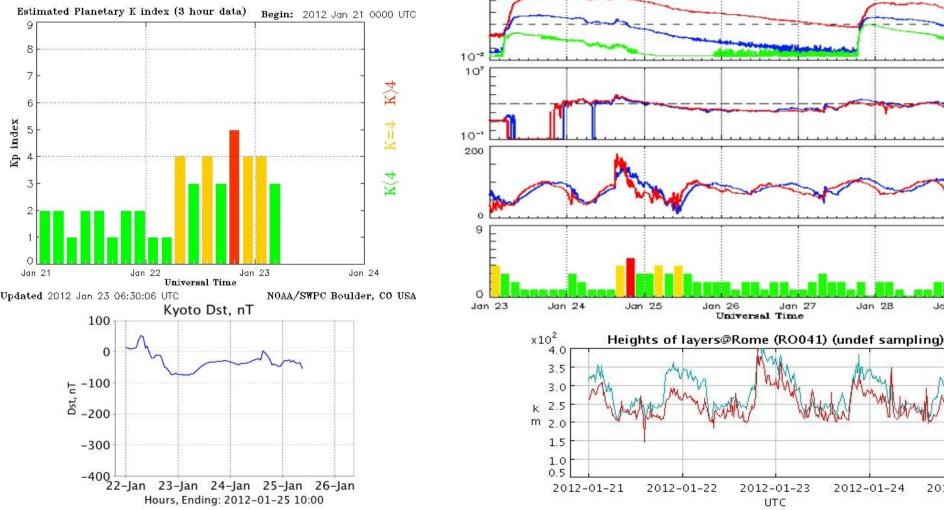
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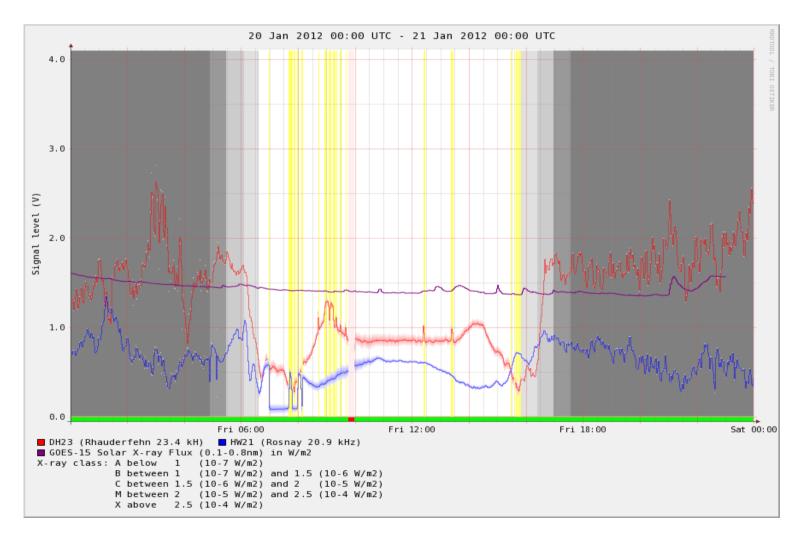
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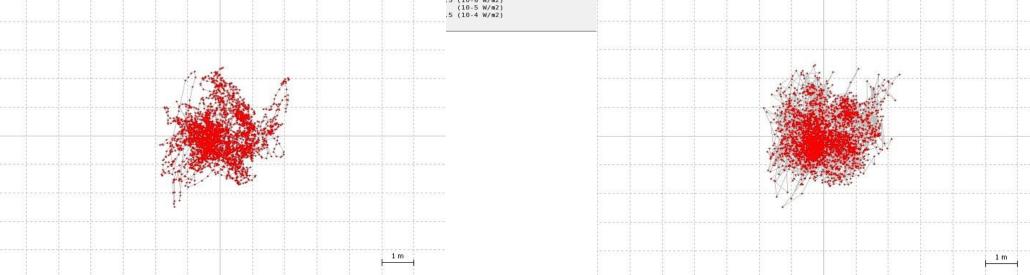
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- Single-frequency GPS positioning performance in observed period – methodology
- Single-frequency GPS performance: reconstructed from the archived RINEX files using single-frequency (L1) pseudoranges, ionospheric corrections modelled using the broadcast coefficients of Klobuchar model
- SID monitor data: observed VLF signals strength, reference stations: Rosnay, France and Rhauderfehn, Germany

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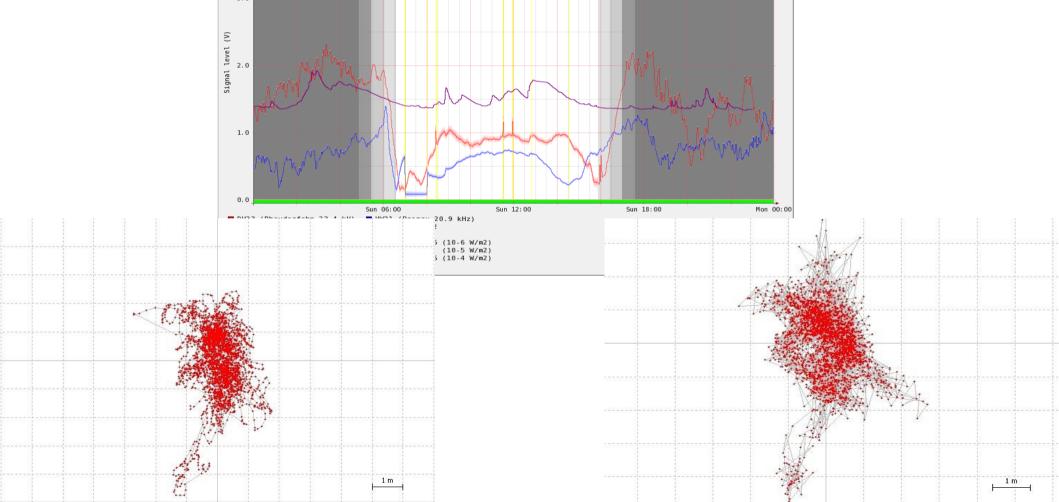
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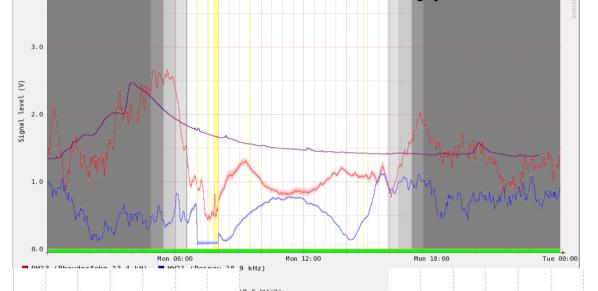
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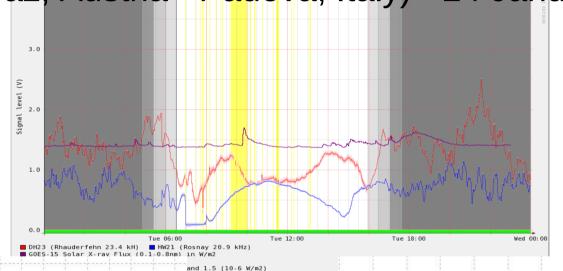
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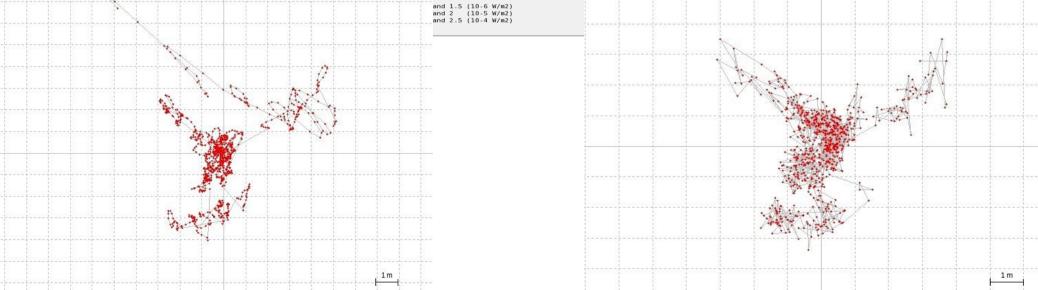
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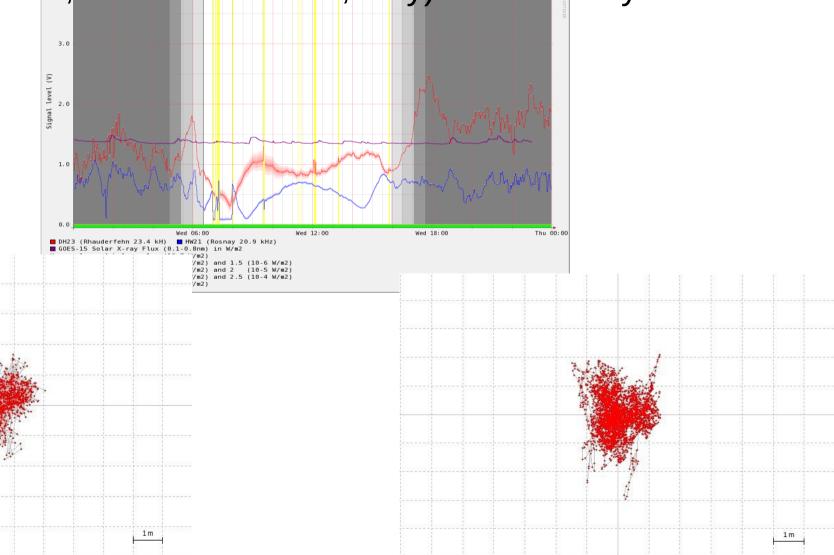
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### Discussion

- Geomagnetic storm on 22 24 Jan 2012 caused increased scattering of estimated positions of a stationary reference GPS receiver
- GPS positioning effects of the geomagnetic storm in correlation with modifications of SID monitor data waveform
- Geomagnetic storm caused deep ionospheric effects, affecting lower layers

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### Conclusion

- Importance of sustained quality of GNSS PNT services
- Space weather disturbances cause deteriorations of GNSS PNT services
- Strong geomagnetic storm can cause lowionosphere effects, correlated with GNSS performance deterioration

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