

# Risques telluriques vus de l'espace

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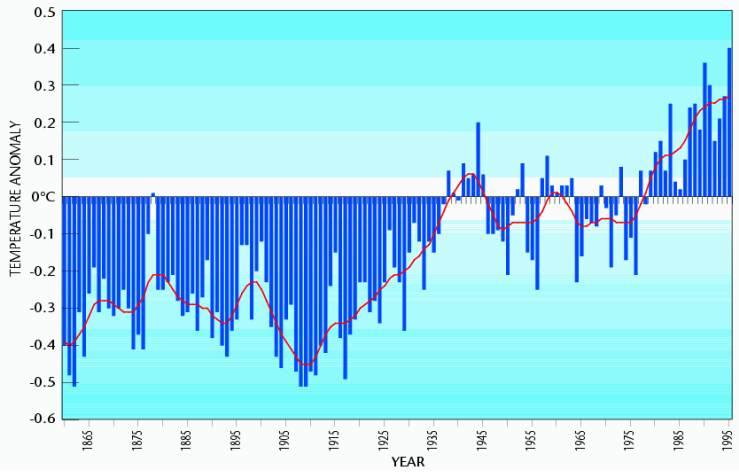
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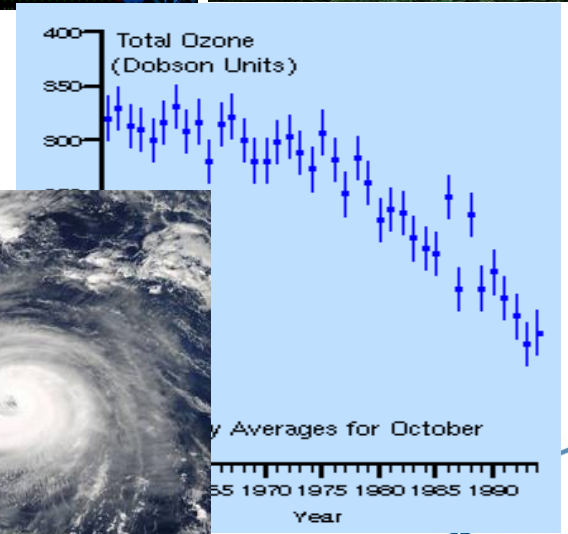
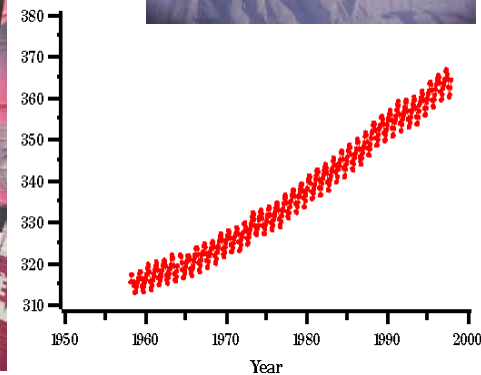
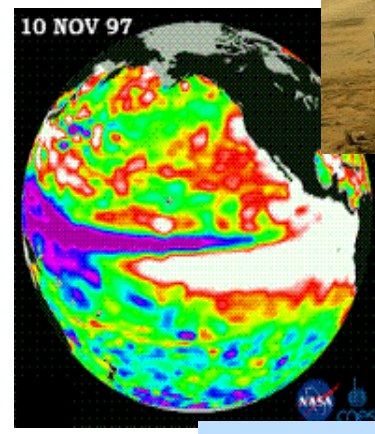
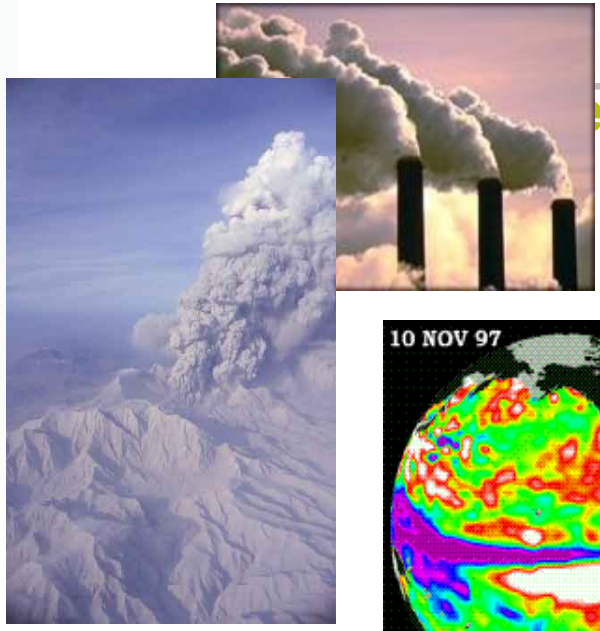
*Satellite missions make it possible to improve both static and dynamic knowledge of the Earth system by providing:*

- geophysical measurements complementary to measurements acquired on the ground, at sea or by air (topography, bathymetry, gravimetry, magnetism, etc.) for a better static characterization of the Earth system;*
- continuous observations - during the life of one or more missions (magnetism, gravimetry, geodesy, surface imaging) perennial, complementary to those obtained in situ, in order to follow the dynamics of the Earth system.*

# GLOBAL SURFACE TEMPERATURE ANOMALIES



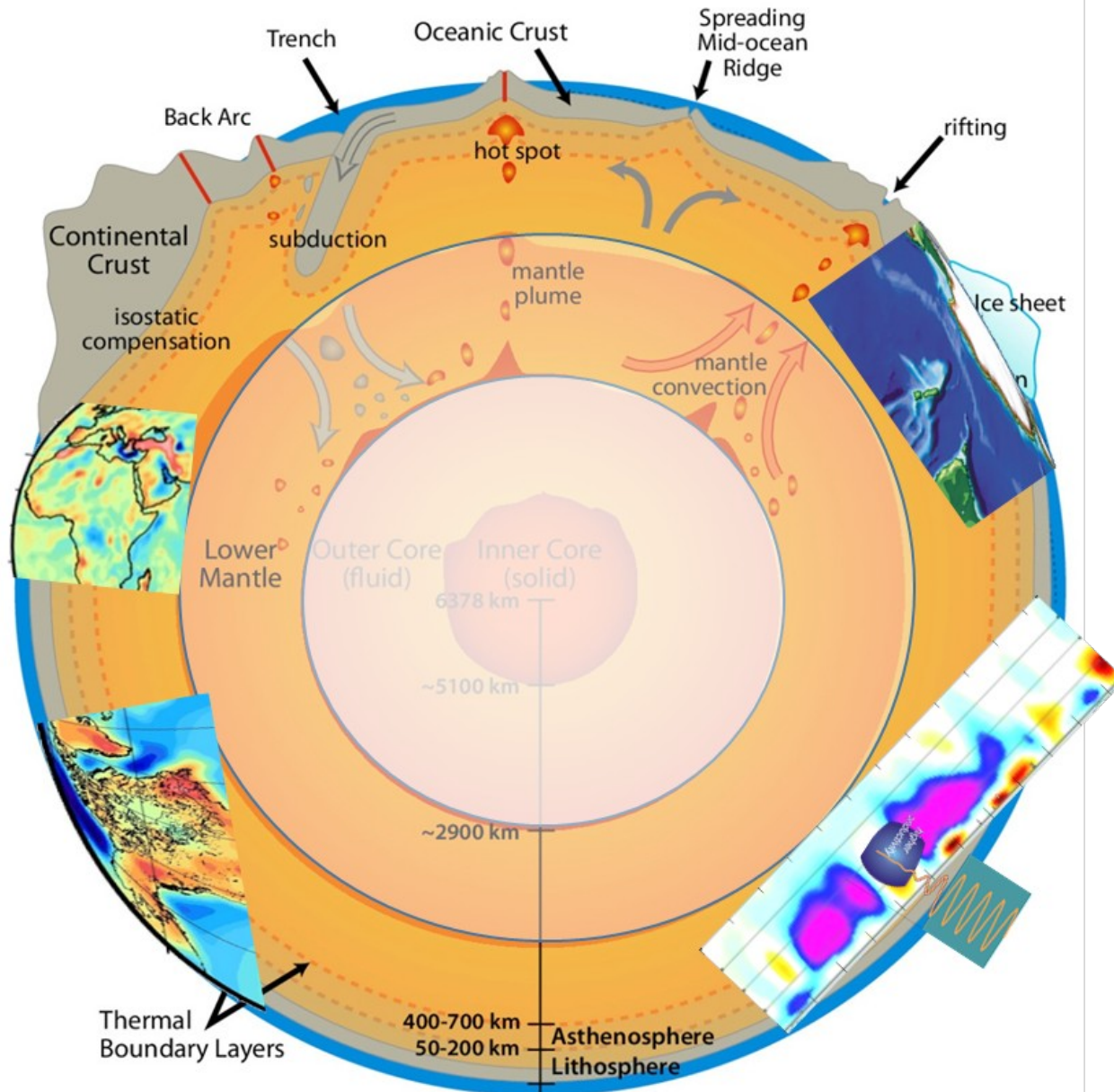
# Earth's system



Source: Dave Keeling and Tim Whorf (Scripps Institution of Oceanography)



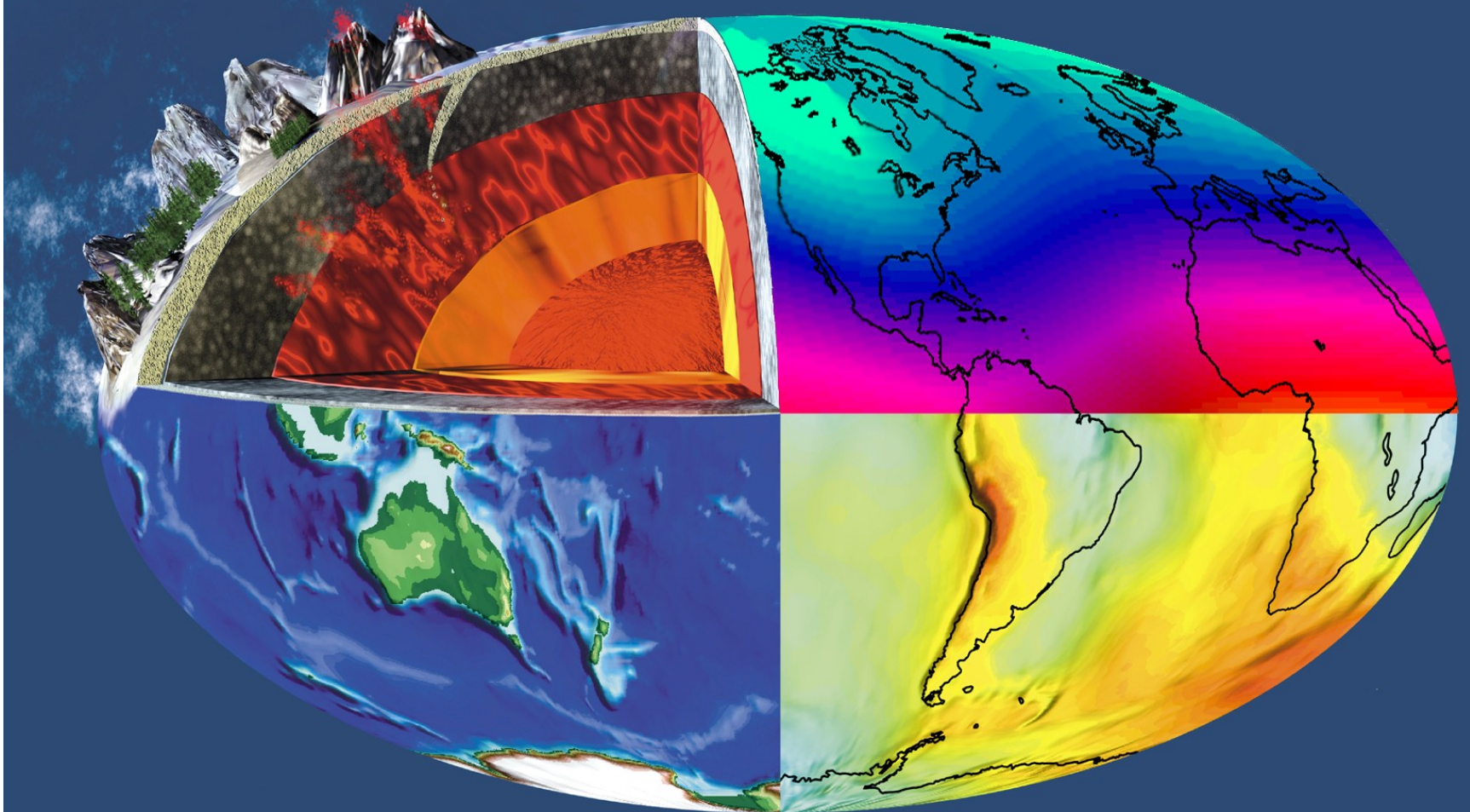
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Earth's interior & georisks

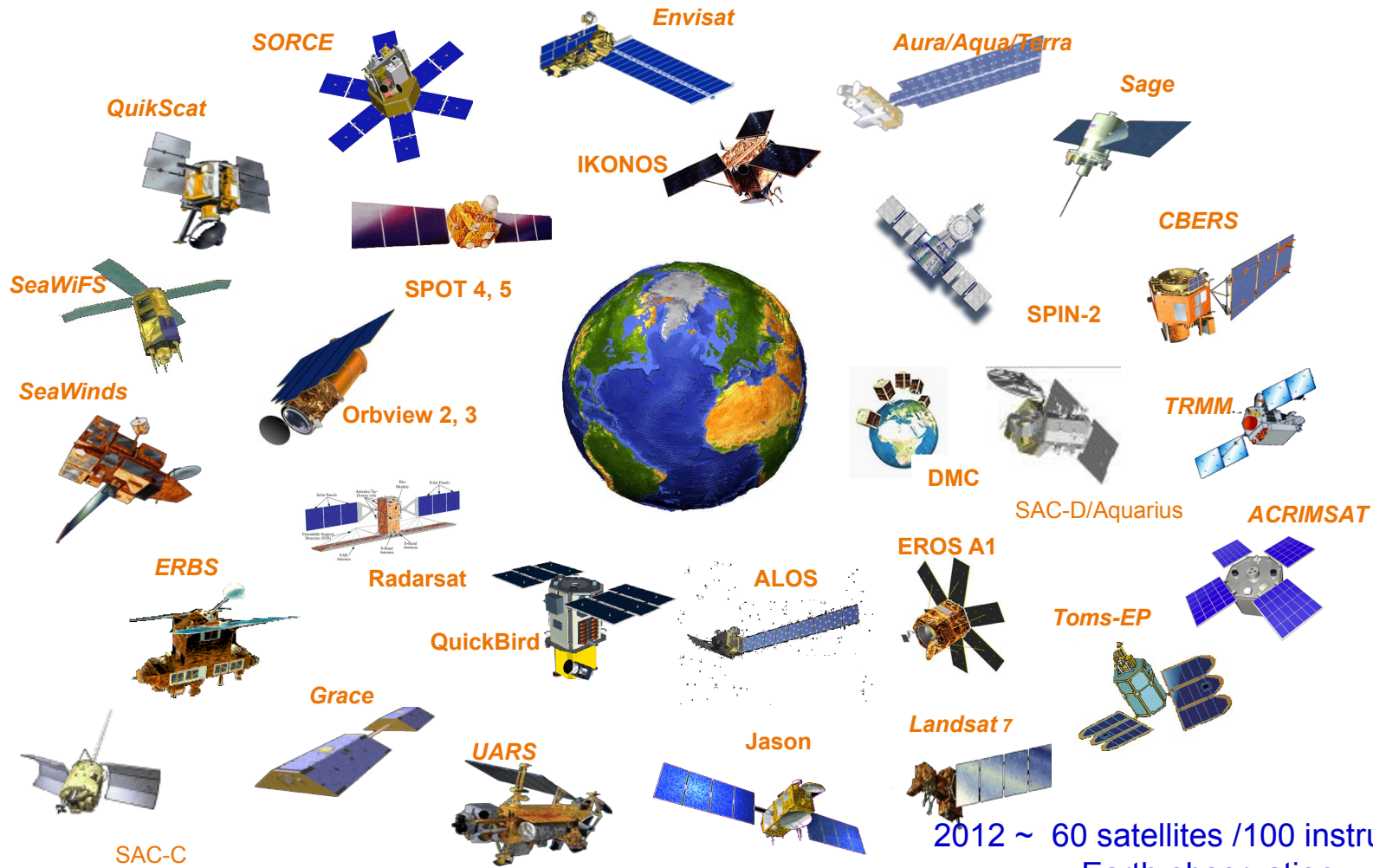
Magnetic field



Topography & surface deformation

Gravity field

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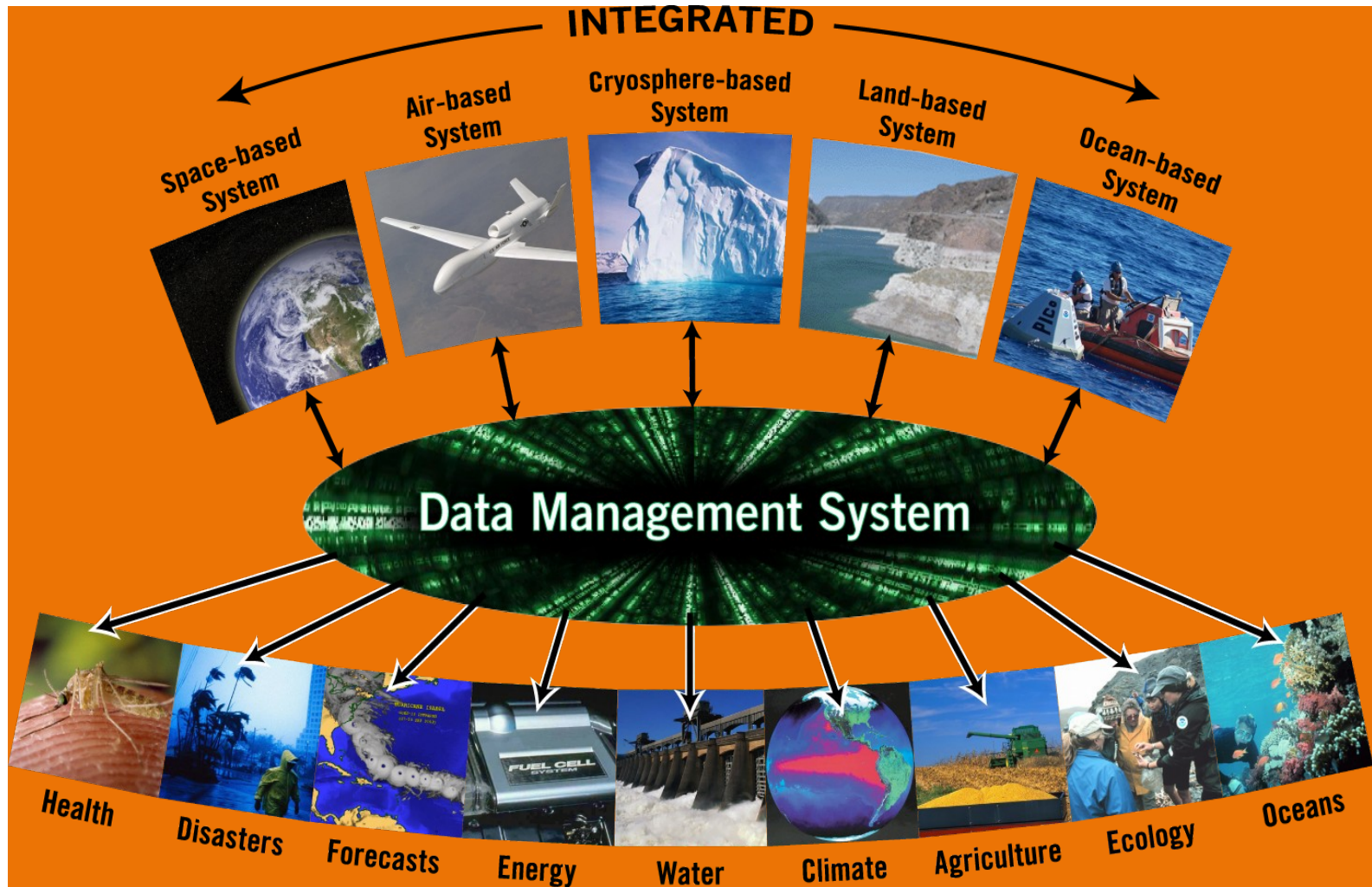


2012 ~ 60 satellites / 100 instruments for Earth observation  
2015 ~ 150 satellites / 300 instruments

## Global Earth observation System of systems



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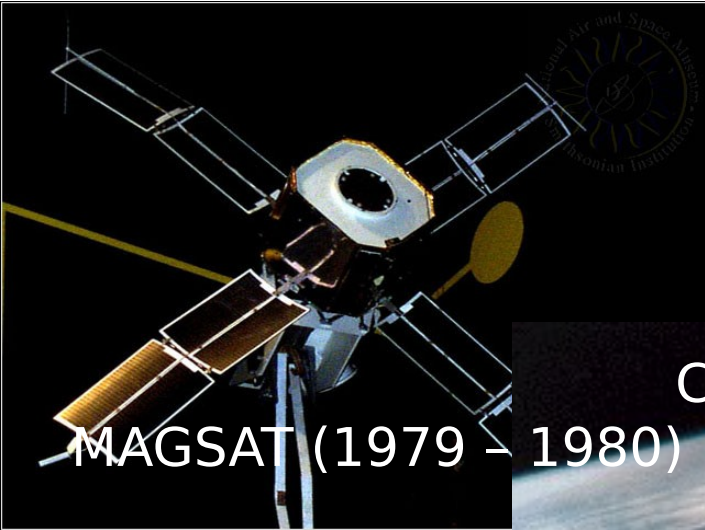
International framework for Earth observation coordination

European Copernicus contribute to GEOSS

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# Satellite data to study the dynamical Earth



MAGSAT (1979 - 1980)



CHAMP (2000 - 2010)



Swarm (1999 - 2013(?))



SAC-C (2000 - 2013)



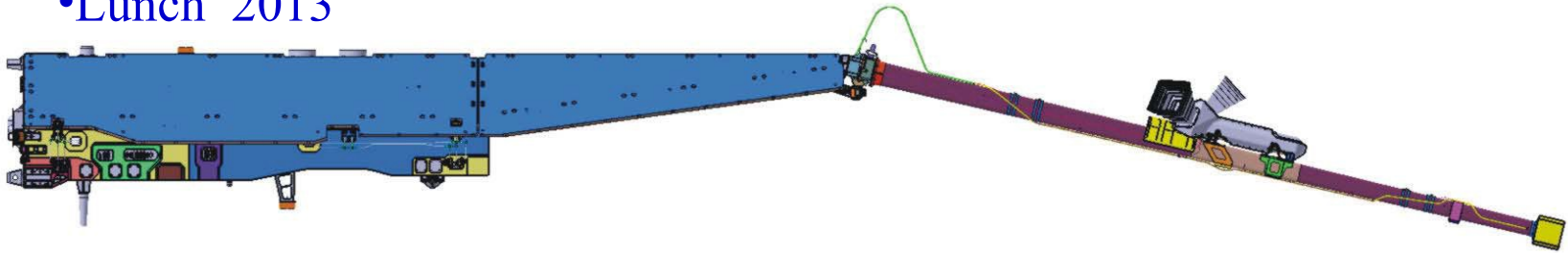
Swarm (2013 - )

# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth

## Swarm

- Cooperation ESA/CNES
- 3 satellites
- 2 altitude orbits
- Lunch 2013

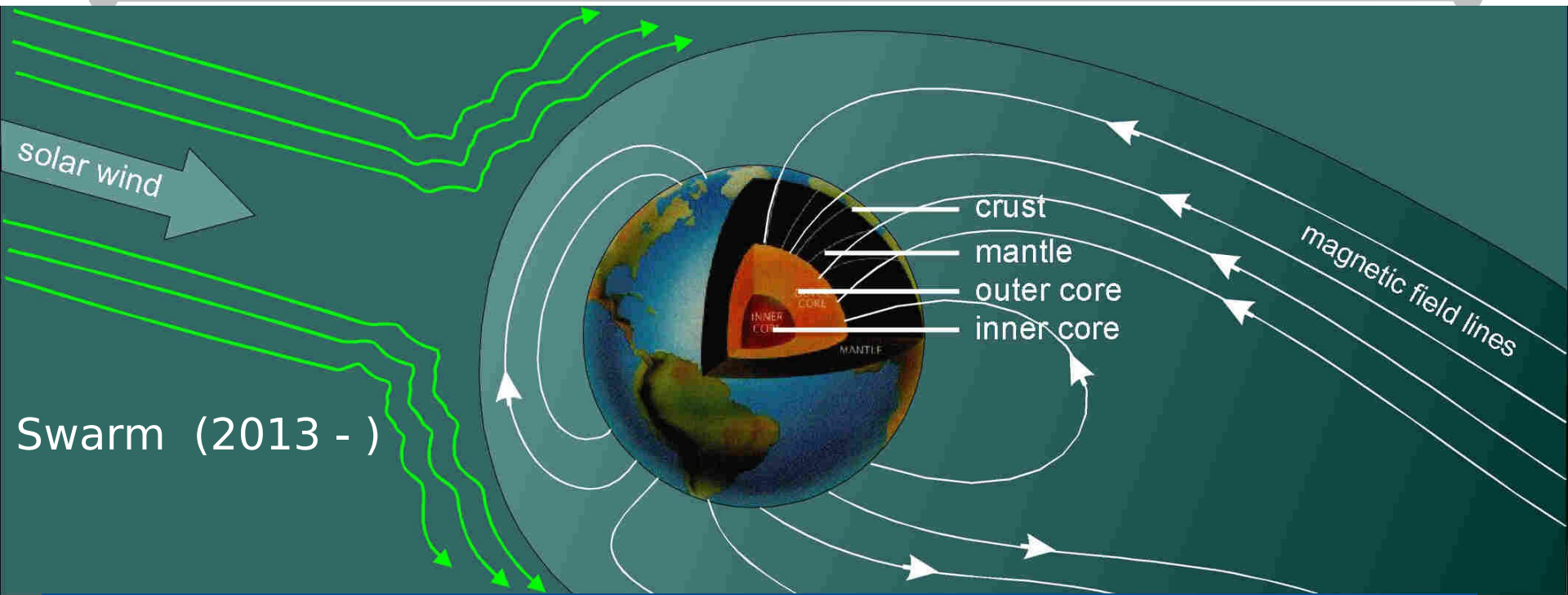
DC Mag Random  
Error  
at VFMS < 1.0 nT



Long & slim body  
9m, 1m<sup>2</sup>, 400kg + 100kg fuel

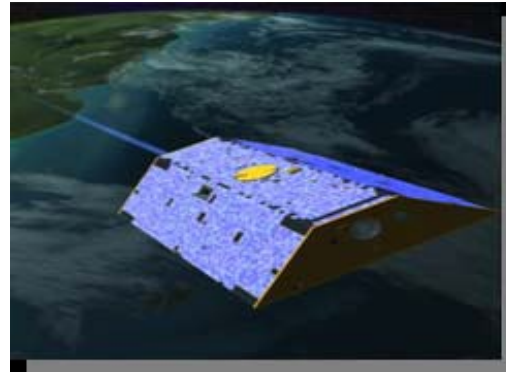
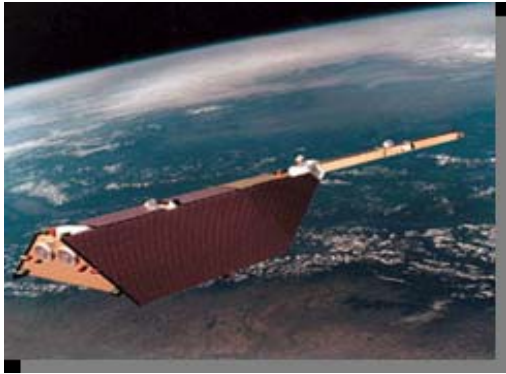
DC Mag Random Error  
at ASMS < 0.3 nT

# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth



- *provide the best survey ever of the geomagnetic field and its temporal evolution*
- *gain new insights into the Earth system by improving our understanding of the Earth's interior and its physical environment*

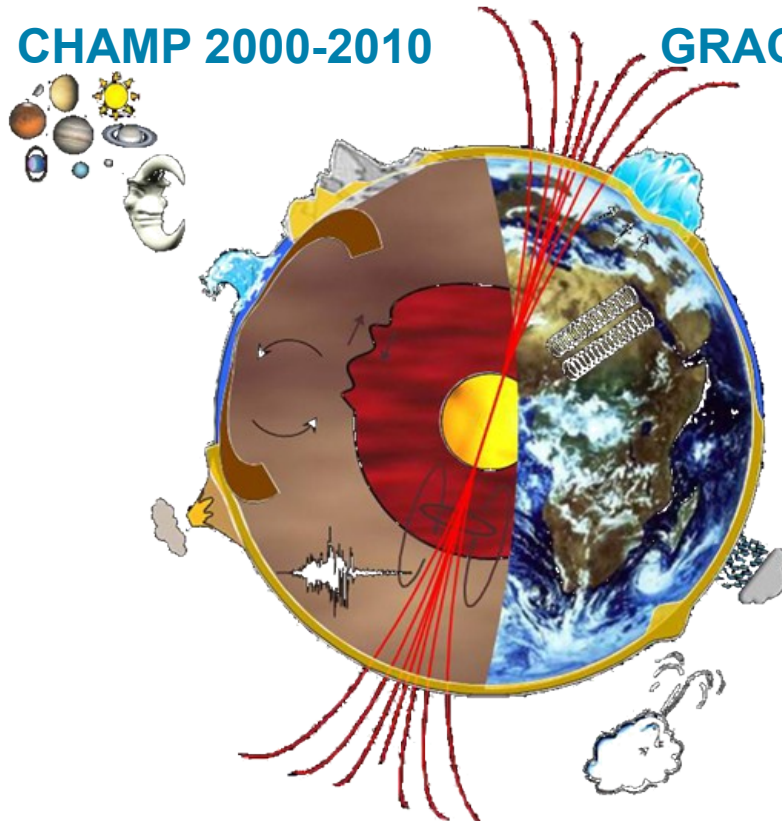
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CHAMP 2000-2010

GRACE 2002-?

GOCE 2009-2013



Masses (re-) distribution

**Satellite missions**

**CHAMP**

**GRACE**

**GOCE**

$g$

$g(t)$

$g$

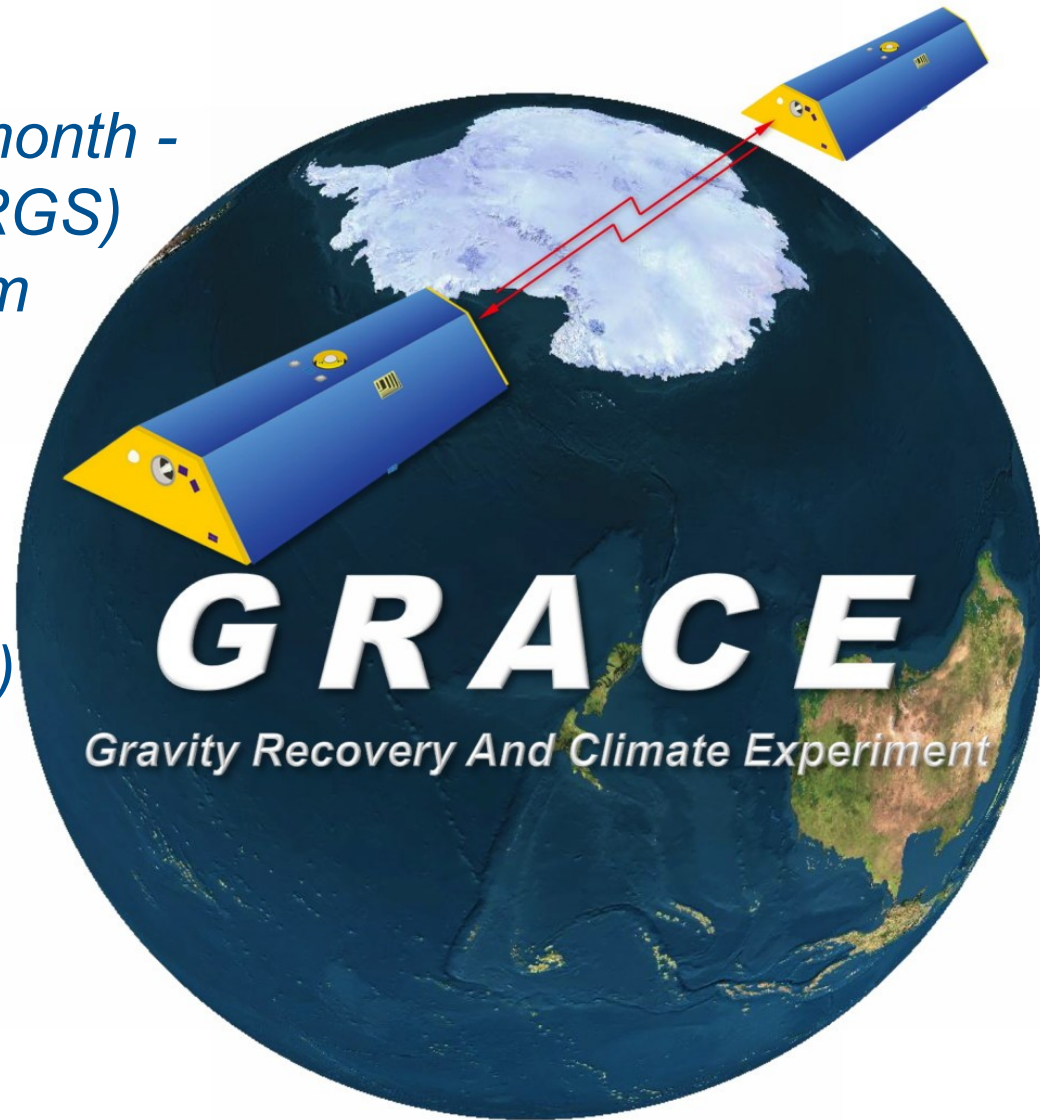
# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth

## *Mission GRACE : 2002*

- *Temporal resolution : 1 month - 10 days (solutions GRGS)*
- *Spatial resolution: 300 km*

*Altitude ~ 485 km (start)  
~300 km (...end)*

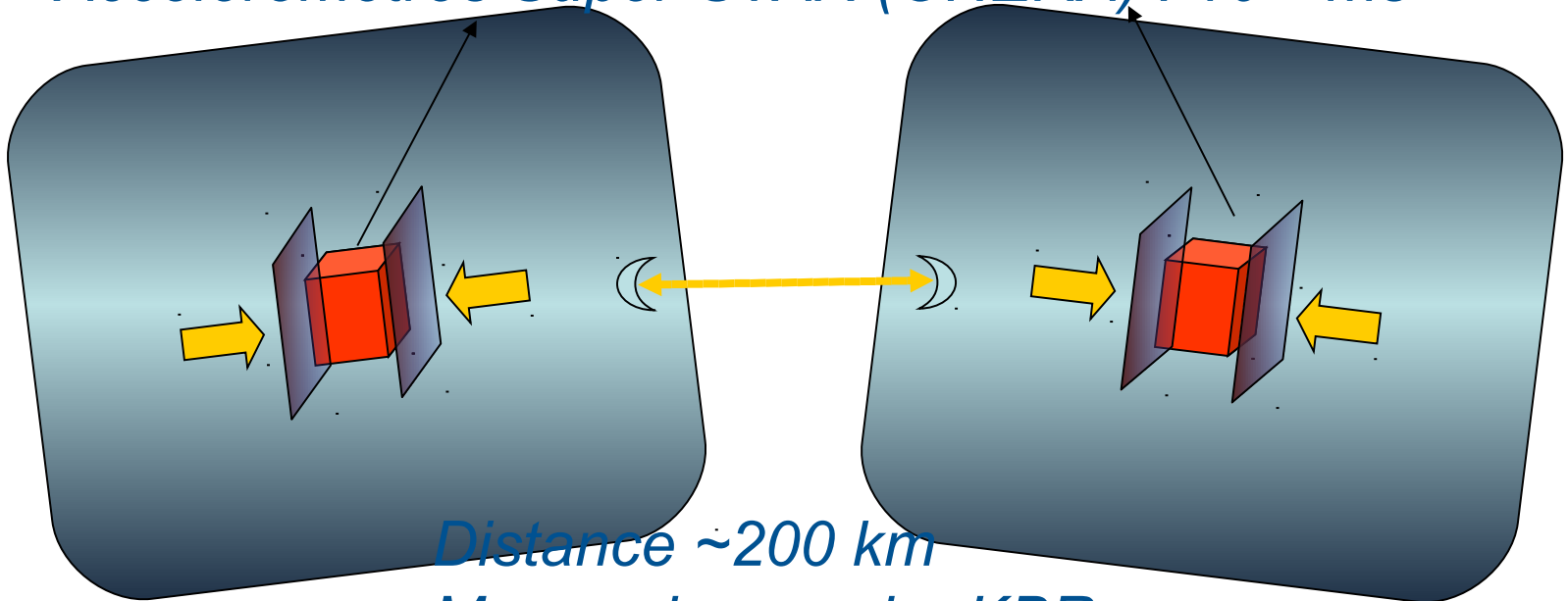
*Distance inter-satellite  
~ 200 km*



# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth

Orbits (GPS) : precision  $\sim 1$  cm

Accelerometres Super-STAR (ONERA) :  $10^{-10} \text{ ms}^{-2}$



Distance  $\sim 200$  km

Mesured par radar KBR

$\Rightarrow$  speed relative  $\sim 0.1 \mu\text{m/s}$  !!!)





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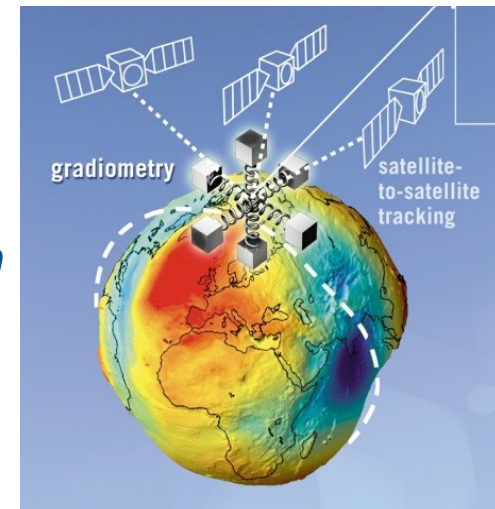
**Original objectives:**  
*high resolution geoid to  
determine **ocean currents**  
and study the **lithosphere***



**Gravity gradients  $V_{ij}$  from:**

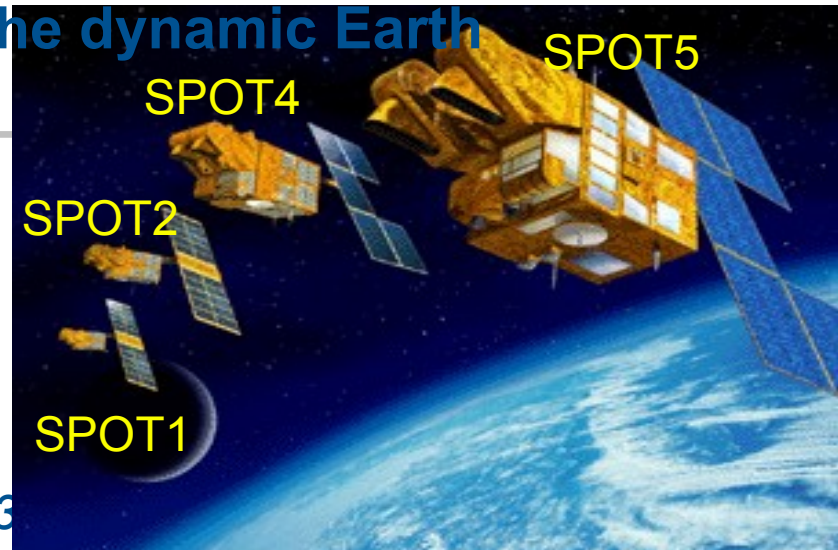
- *low orbit (250 km) - GPS*
- *gradiometry at scales < 750-1000 km*
- *compensation of atmospheric drag*

$$V_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$$



**Mass anomalies geometry**

# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth



*SPOT 1 : launched in 1986 – orbit down in 2003*

*SPOT 2 : launched in 1990 – stopped operations in 2009*

*SPOT 3 : launched in 1993 – stopped operations in 1996*

*SPOT 4 : launched in 1998 – new band IR; Passenger : instrument Vegetation 1*

*SPOT 5 : launched in 2002 – Passengers: VEGETATION-2 et HRS (High resolution stereo camera)*

*SPOT 6 : launched in 2002*

*SPOT 7 : launched in 2014*

*Pléiades 1 & 2 (2011/2012 – )*



# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth

*The Pléiades constellation is composed of two very-high-resolution optical Earth-imaging satellites. Pléiades 1A and Pléiades 1B provide the coverage of Earth's surface with a repeat cycle of 26 days.*

*Pléiades 1A  
December 17, 2011*

*Pléiades 1B  
December 2, 2012*



## Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth

- *two "small satellites" (mass of one ton) offering a spatial resolution at nadir of **0.7 m** and a field of view of **20 km***
- *great agility enables a daily access all over the world, which is a critical need for defence and civil security applications, and a coverage capacity necessary for the cartography kind of applications at scales better than those accessible to SPOT family satellites.*



# Satellite data to study the dynamic Earth



19 January 2015, shows a new island that has formed from the eruption of the Hunga Tonga underwater volcano, in Tonga



Rotterdam Harbor acquired in 2013

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## State of the art and current challenges

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*In spite of all these measurements, the great spatio-temporal variability of the geodynamic processes complicates singularly the study of the "Solid Earth" system. Thus, time scales and spatial characteristics vary over several orders of magnitude:*

- from the second (earthquakes) to million years (plate tectonics)*
- from the centimeter (fault) to the tens of thousands of kilometers (oceanic mid-dorsal).*

*Specific methods and analyzes are therefore necessary to characterize the phenomena related to land-based risks.*

# State of the art and current challenges

*A superimposition of sources*

*Variability in space and time*

- Contributions internes

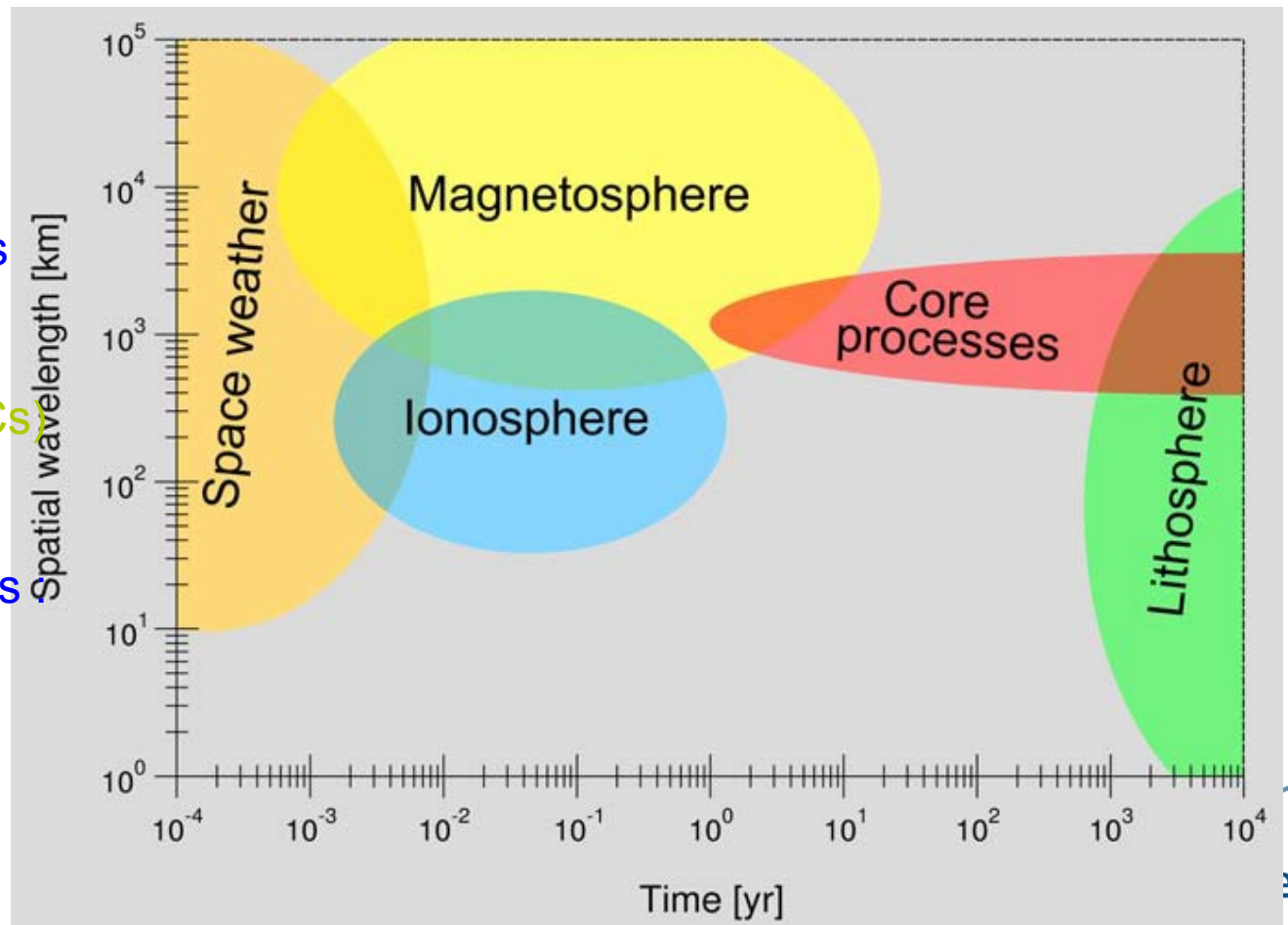
- Noyau
- Lithosphère

- Contributions externes

- Ionosphère
- Magnétosphère
- Courants alignés (FACs)

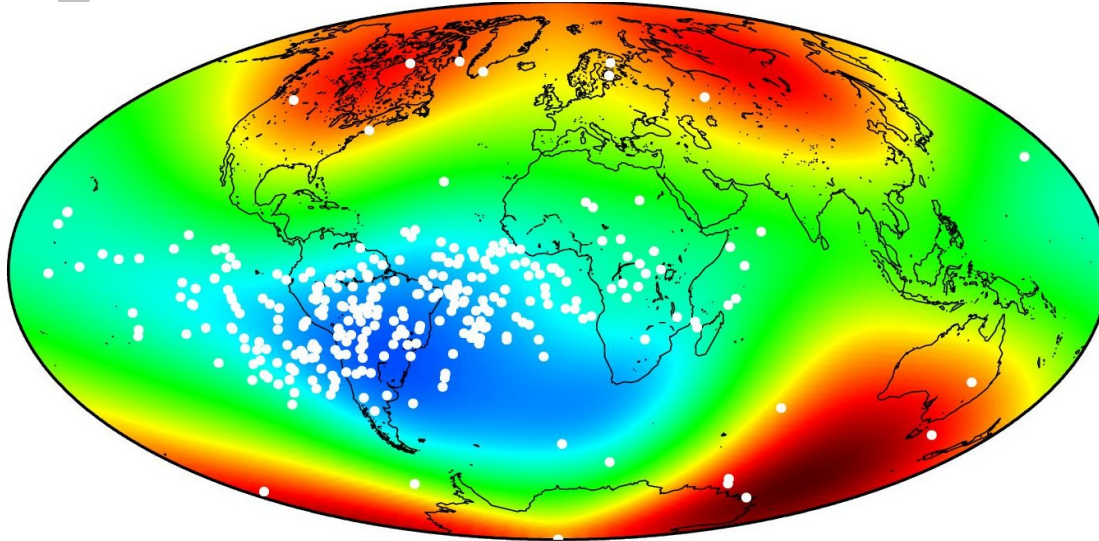
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- Courants océaniques

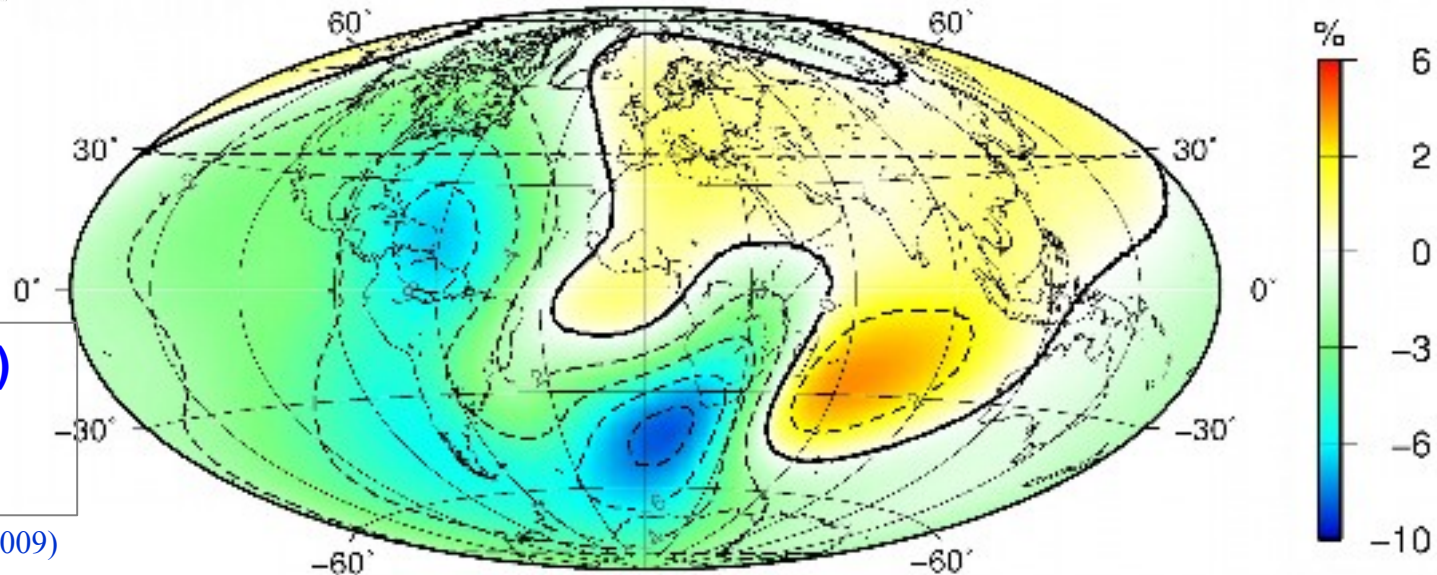




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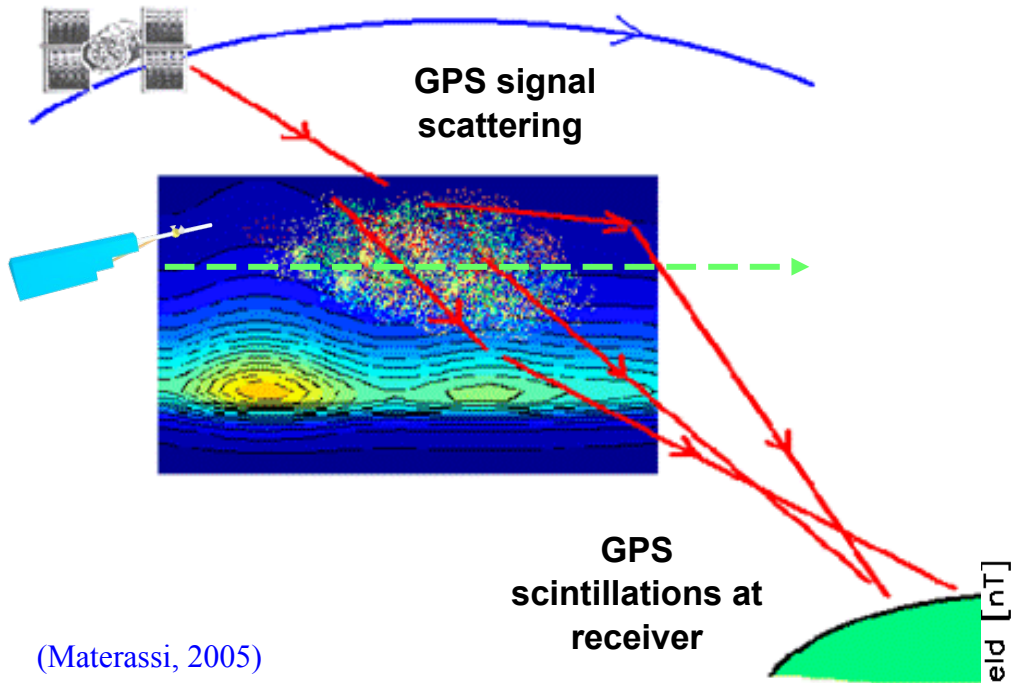
Lost connection  
(Topex/Poseidon 1992-2006)



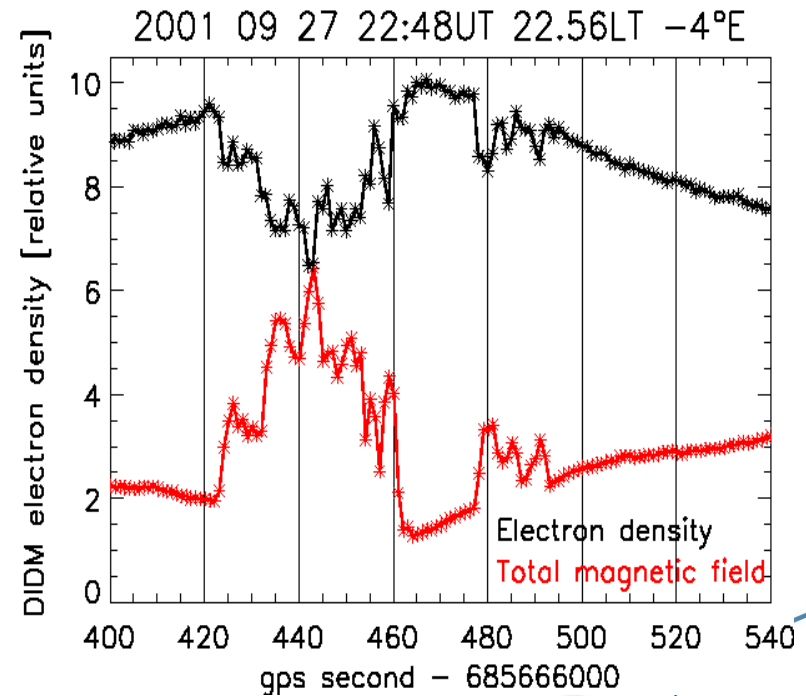
$\Delta F$  (MAGSAT (1980)  
– CHAMP (2005))

(Mandea et al., 2009)

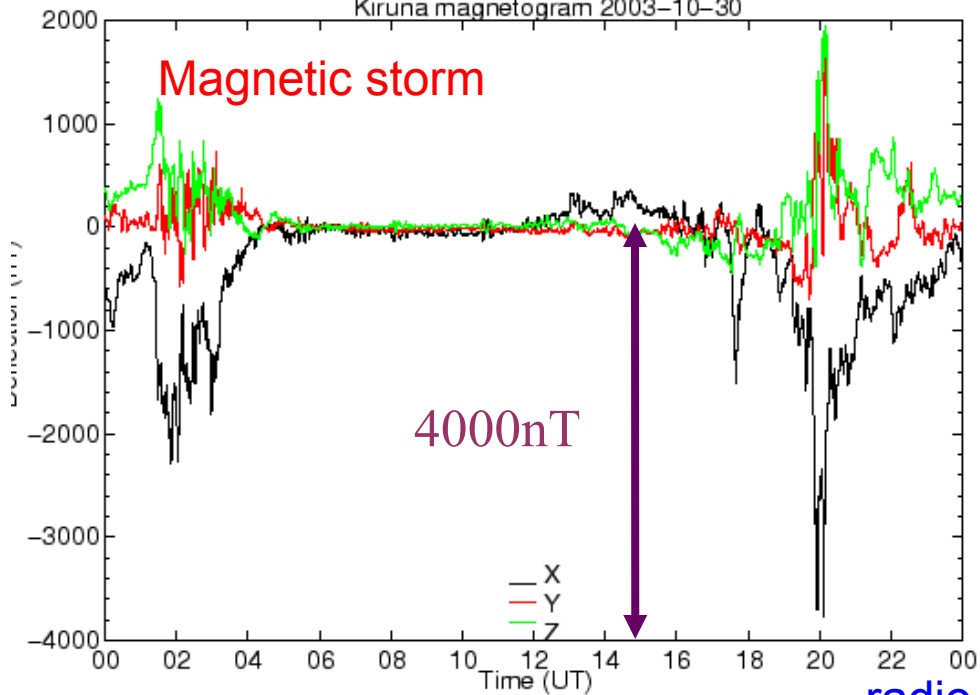
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In < 8 min after a CME - effects on radio communications and GPS



Kiruna magnetogram 2003-10-30



aurorale



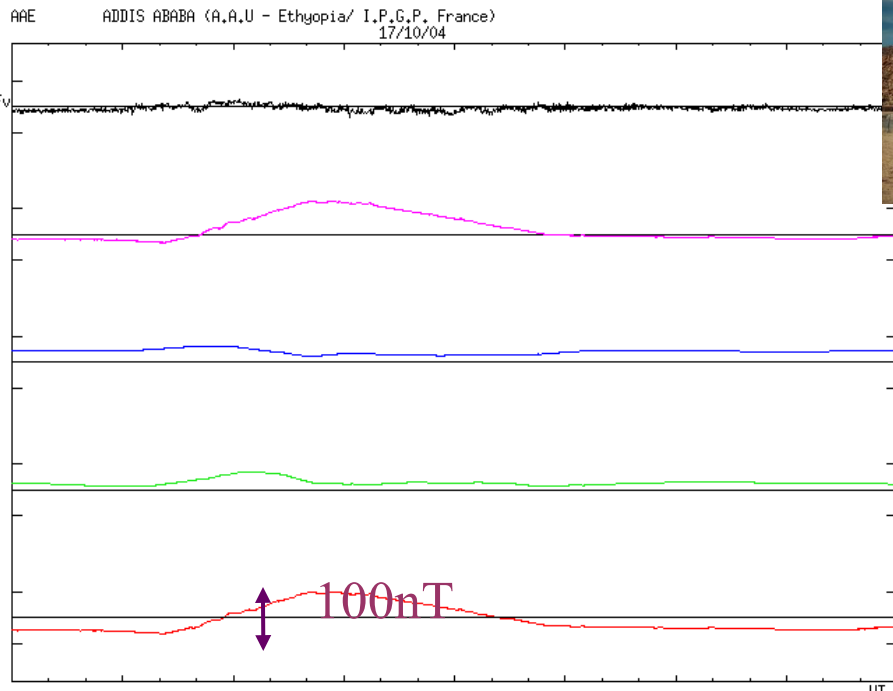
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radio



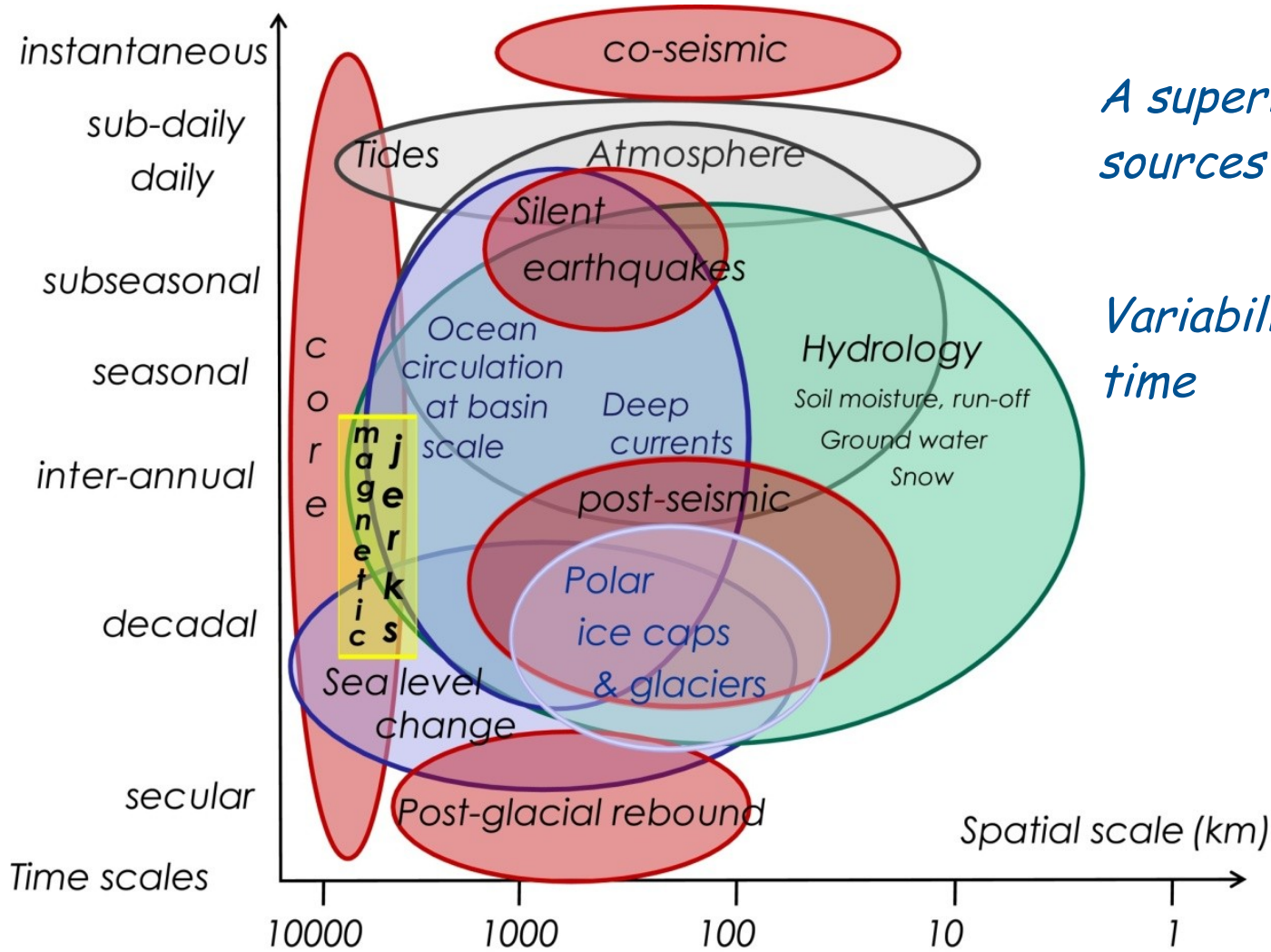
transport of electricity



Satellites operation



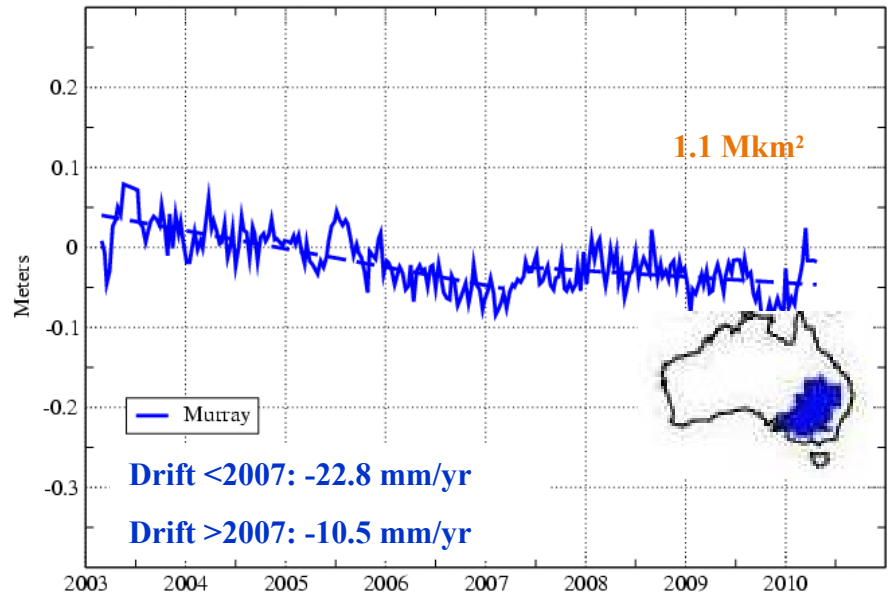
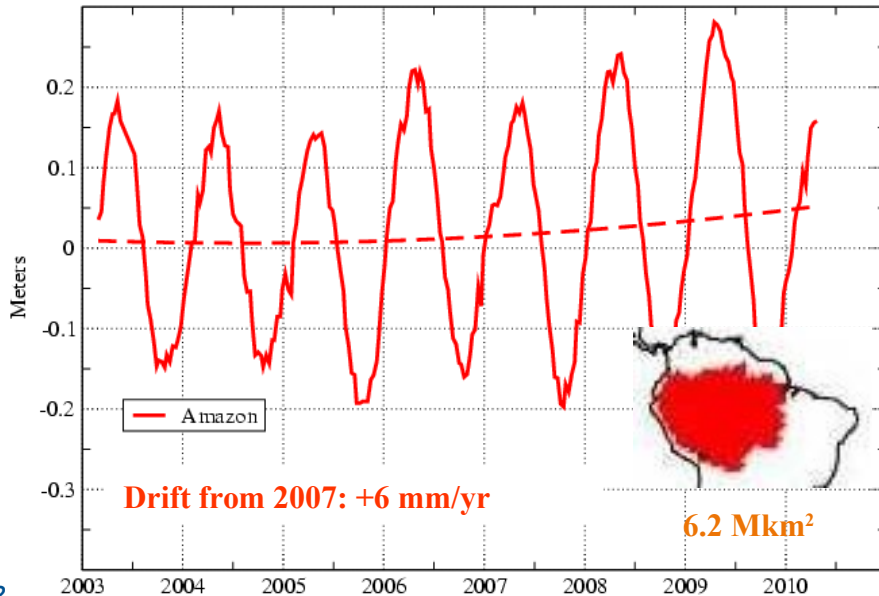
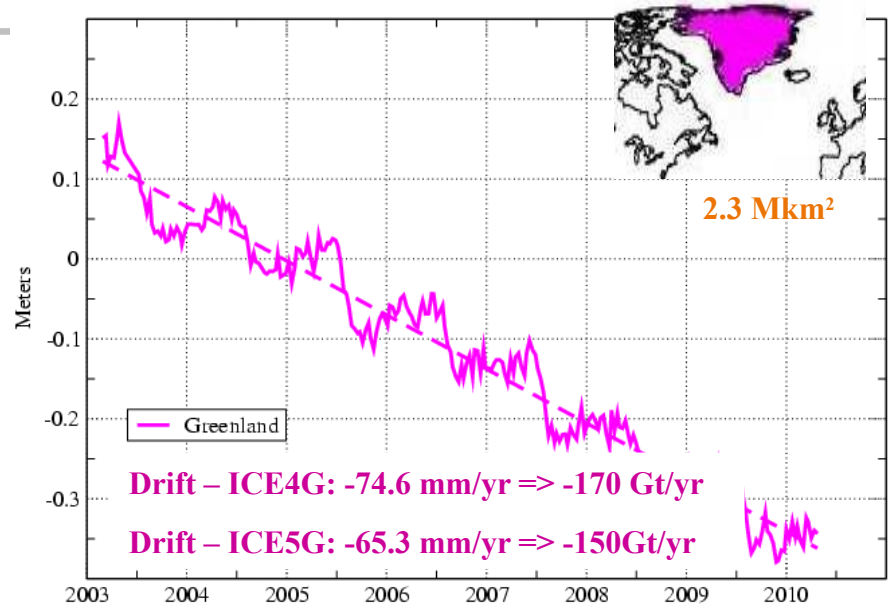
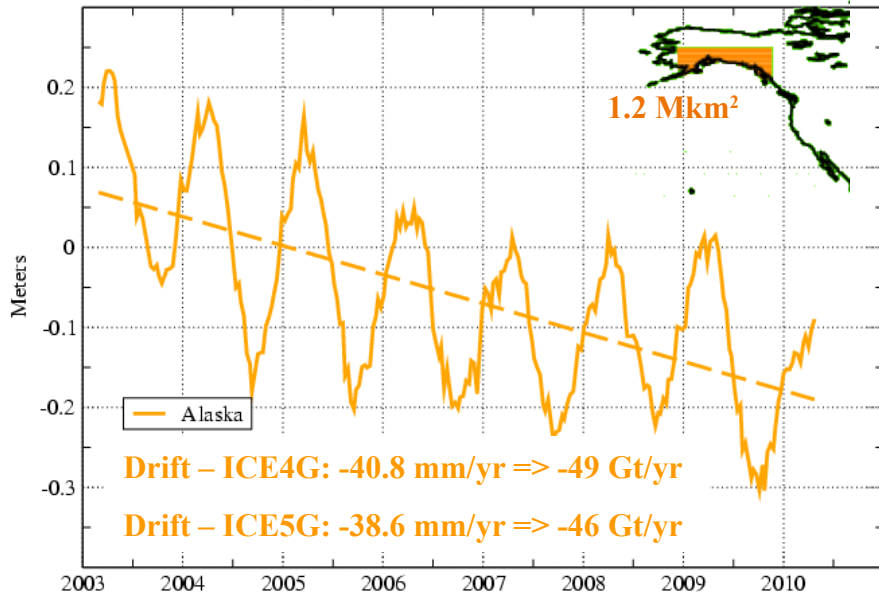
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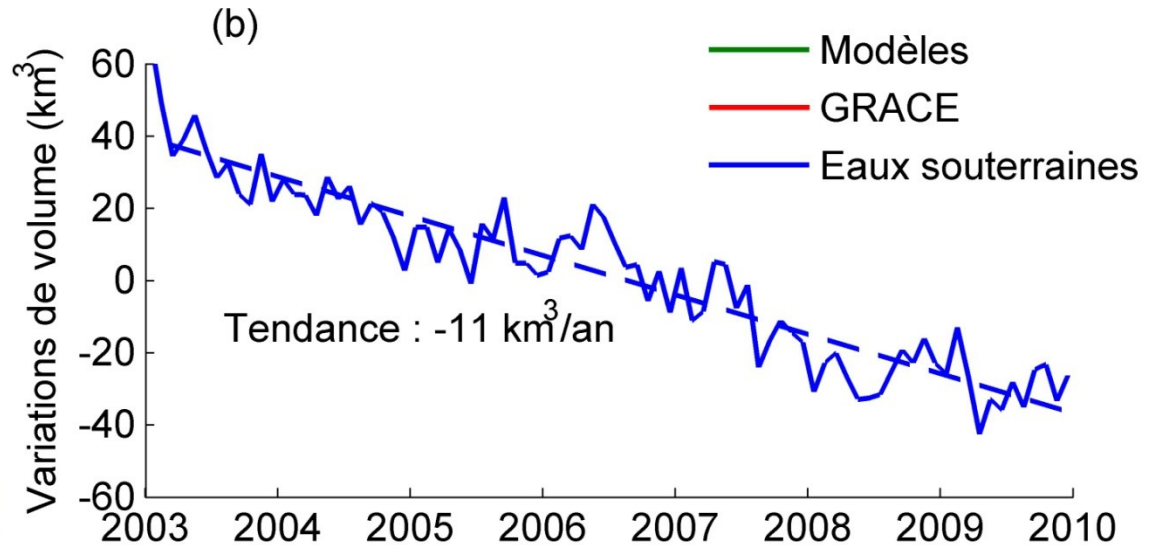
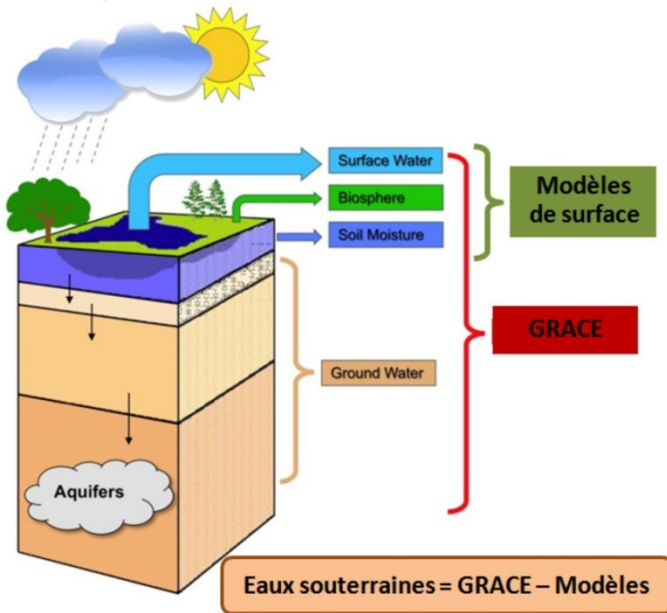
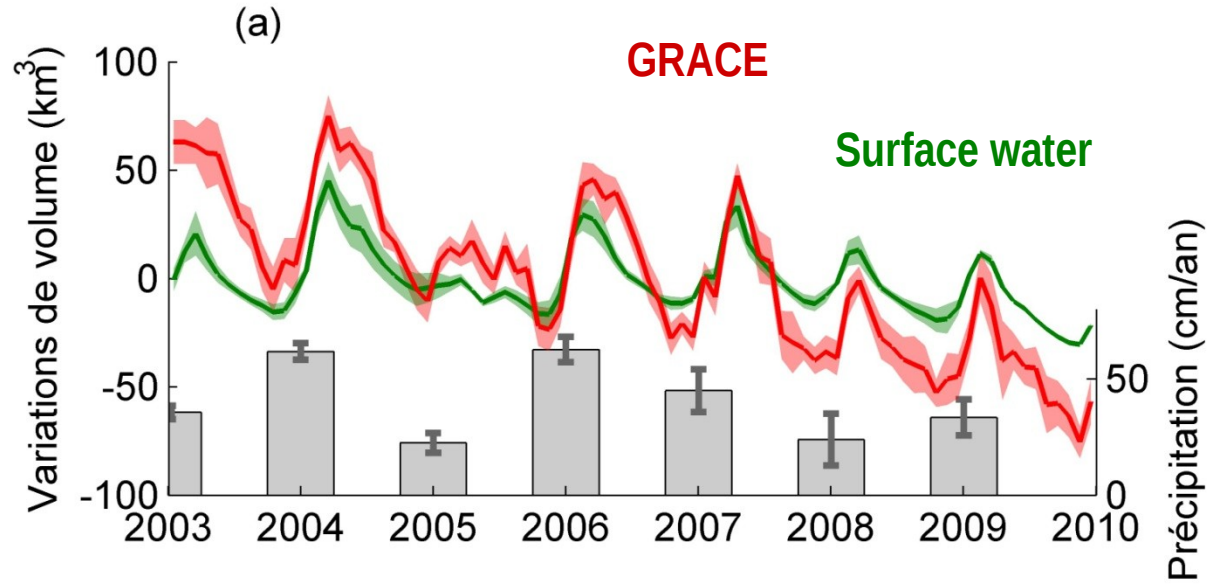
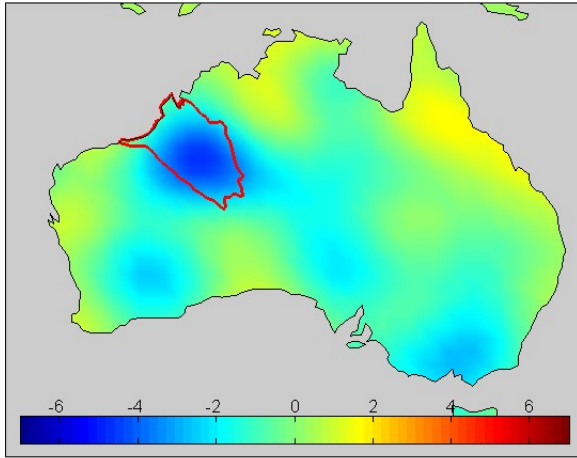
*Variability in space and time*

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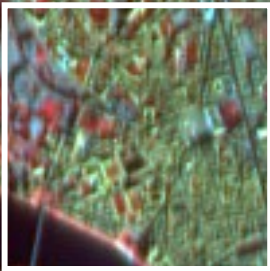


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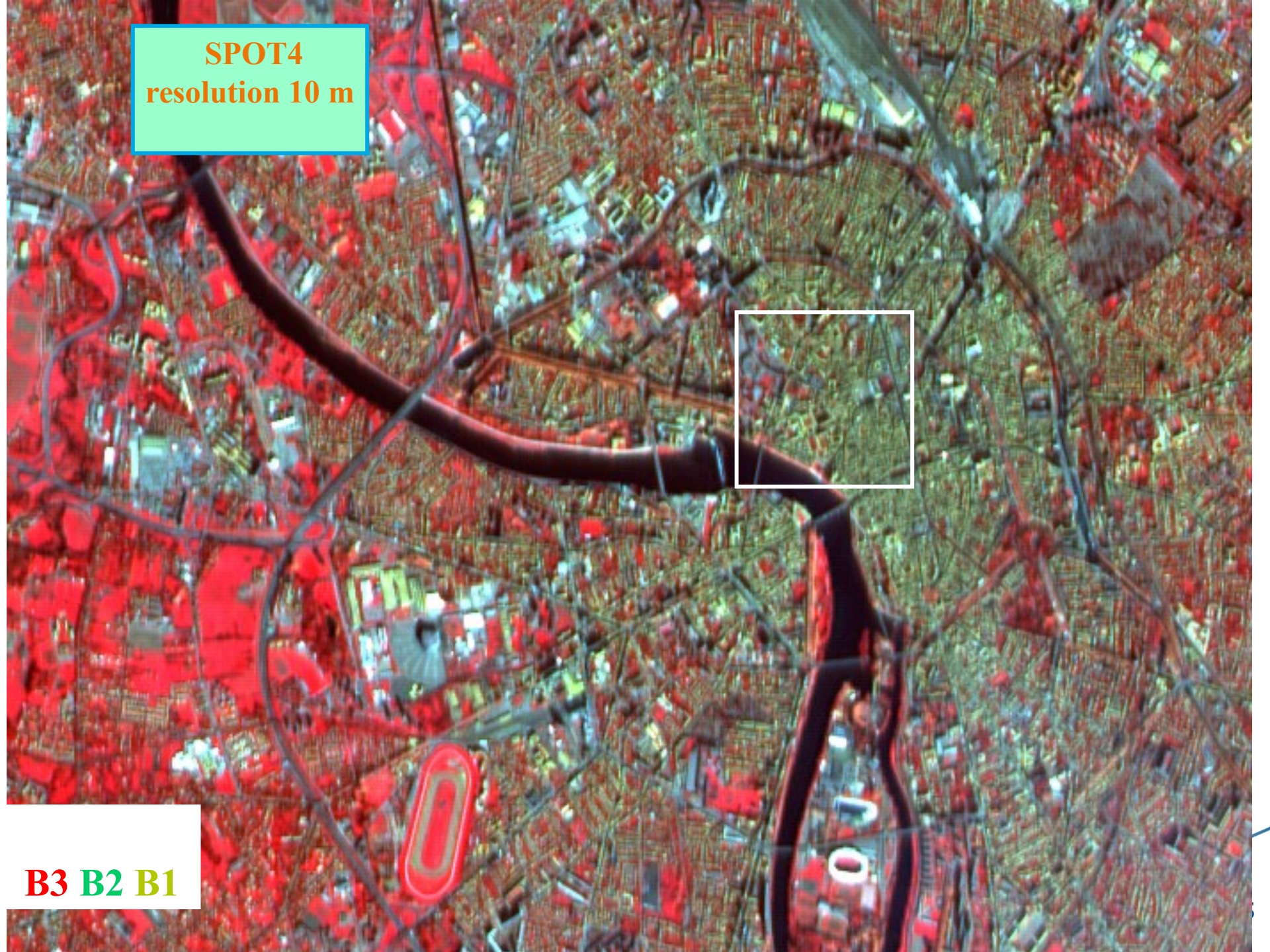
Canning Basin - GRACE trend over 2003-2009 (cmEWH/year)

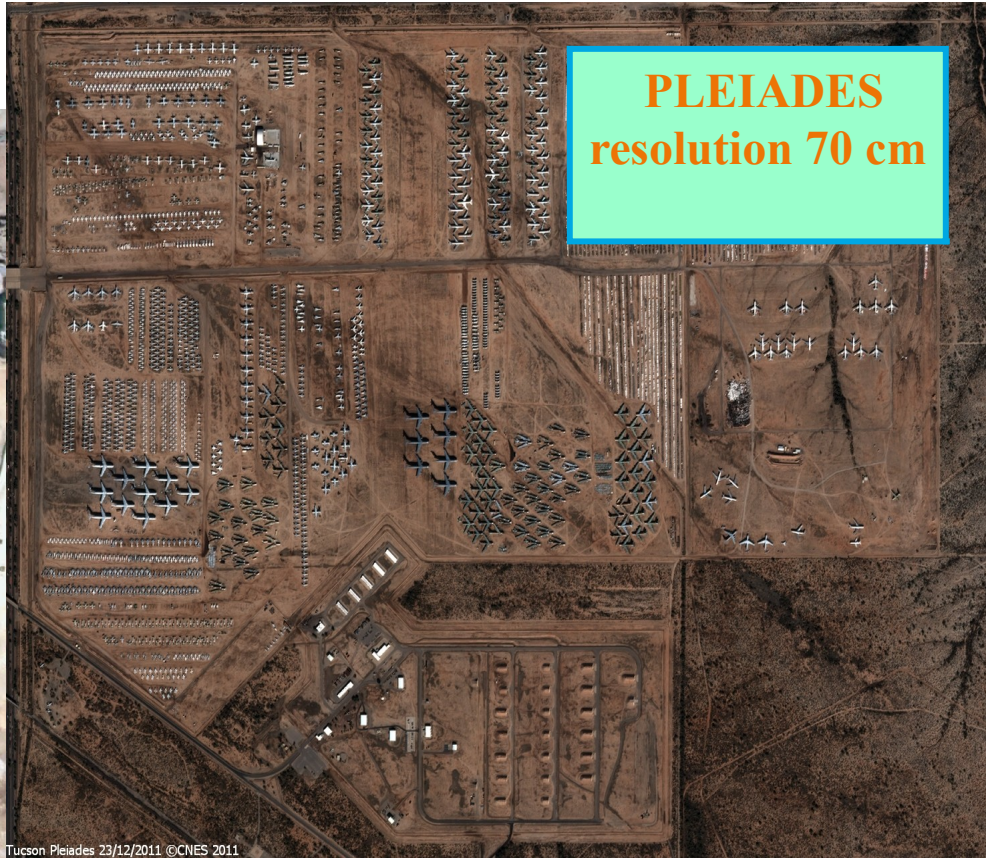


**SPOT4**  
**resolution 10 m**



**B3 B2 B1**





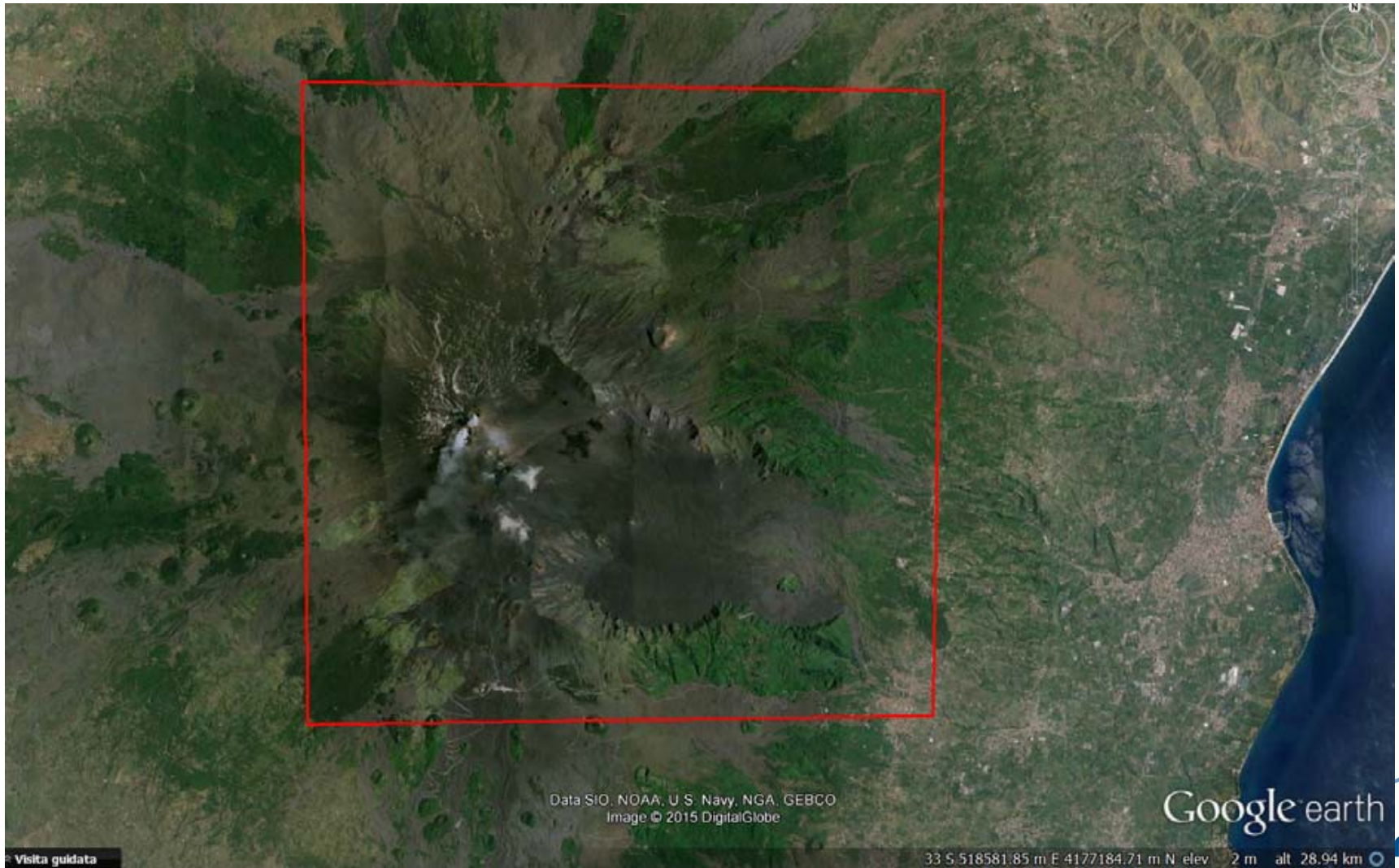
Tucson Pleiades 23/12/2011 ©CNES 2011

Pyramide Pleiades 24/12/2011 ©CNES 2011

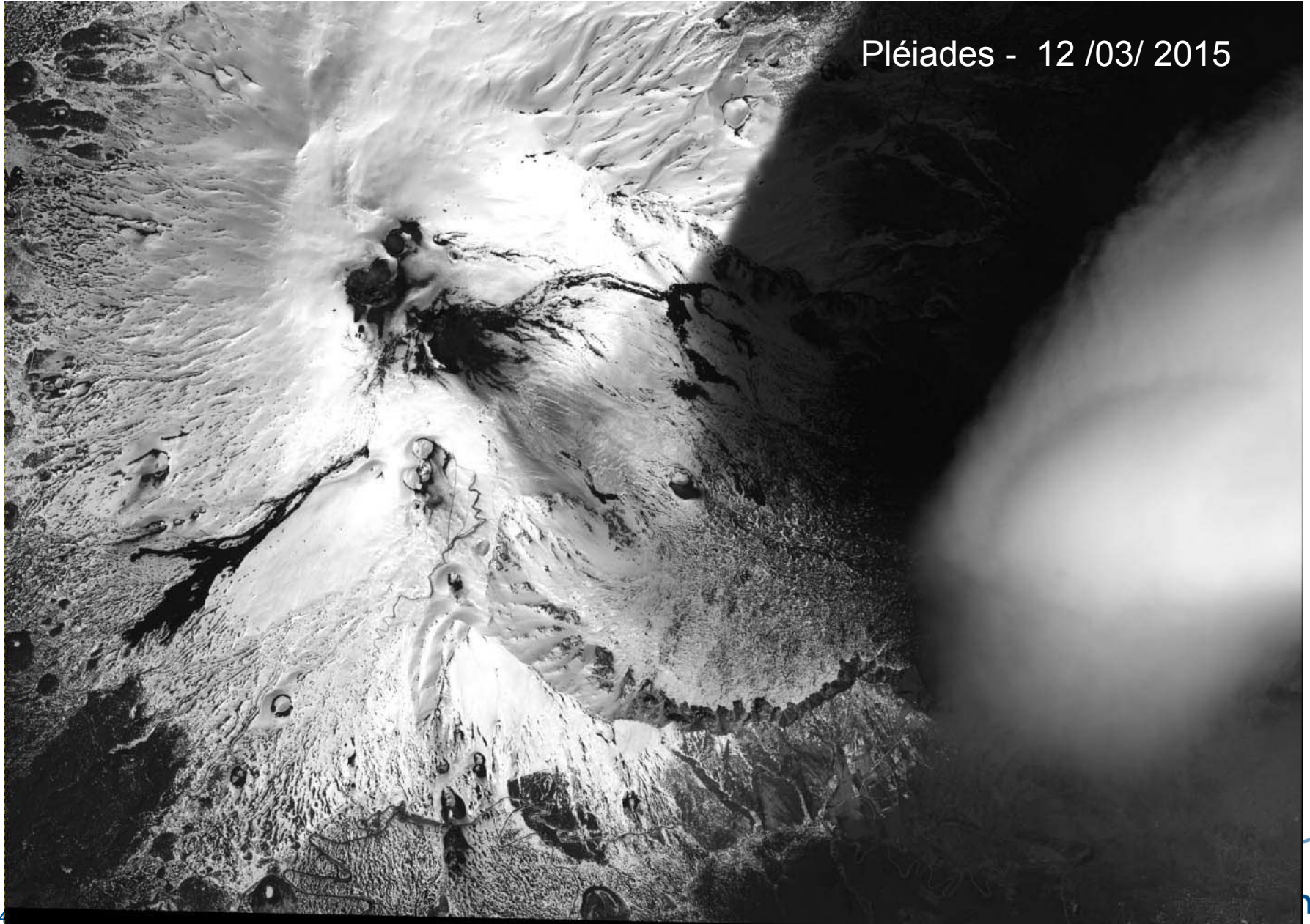


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## *ETNA - Pleiades acquisition*



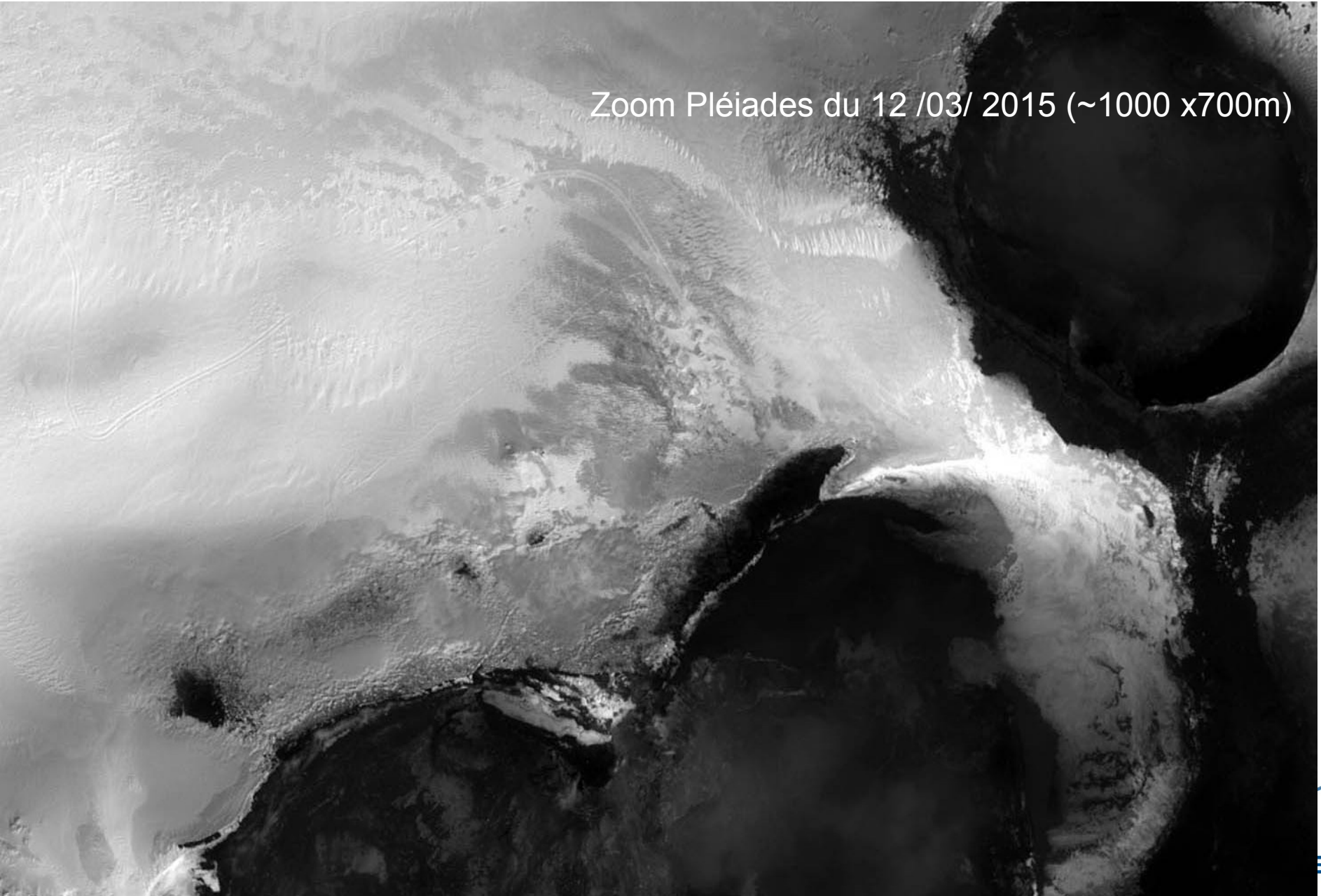
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Pléiades - 12 /03/ 2015

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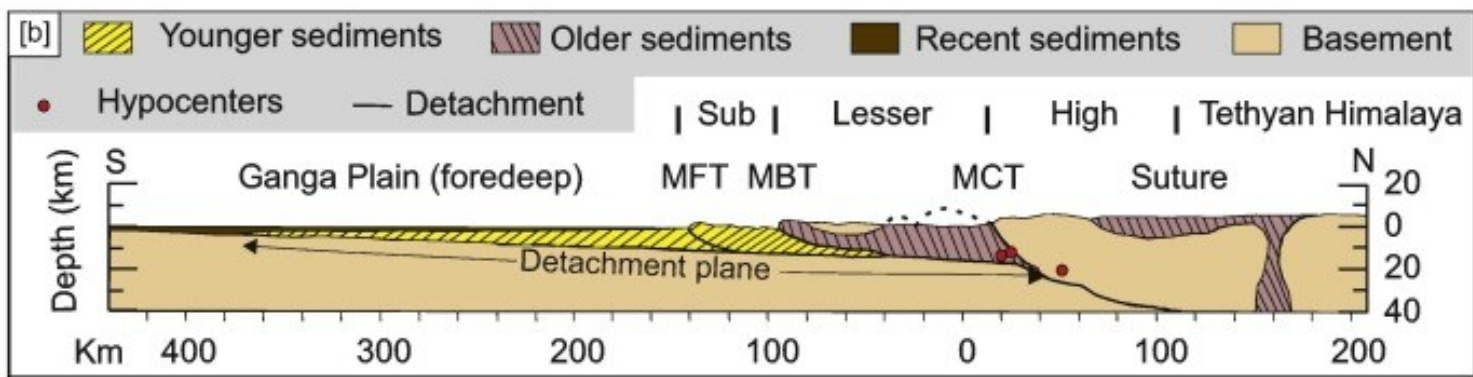
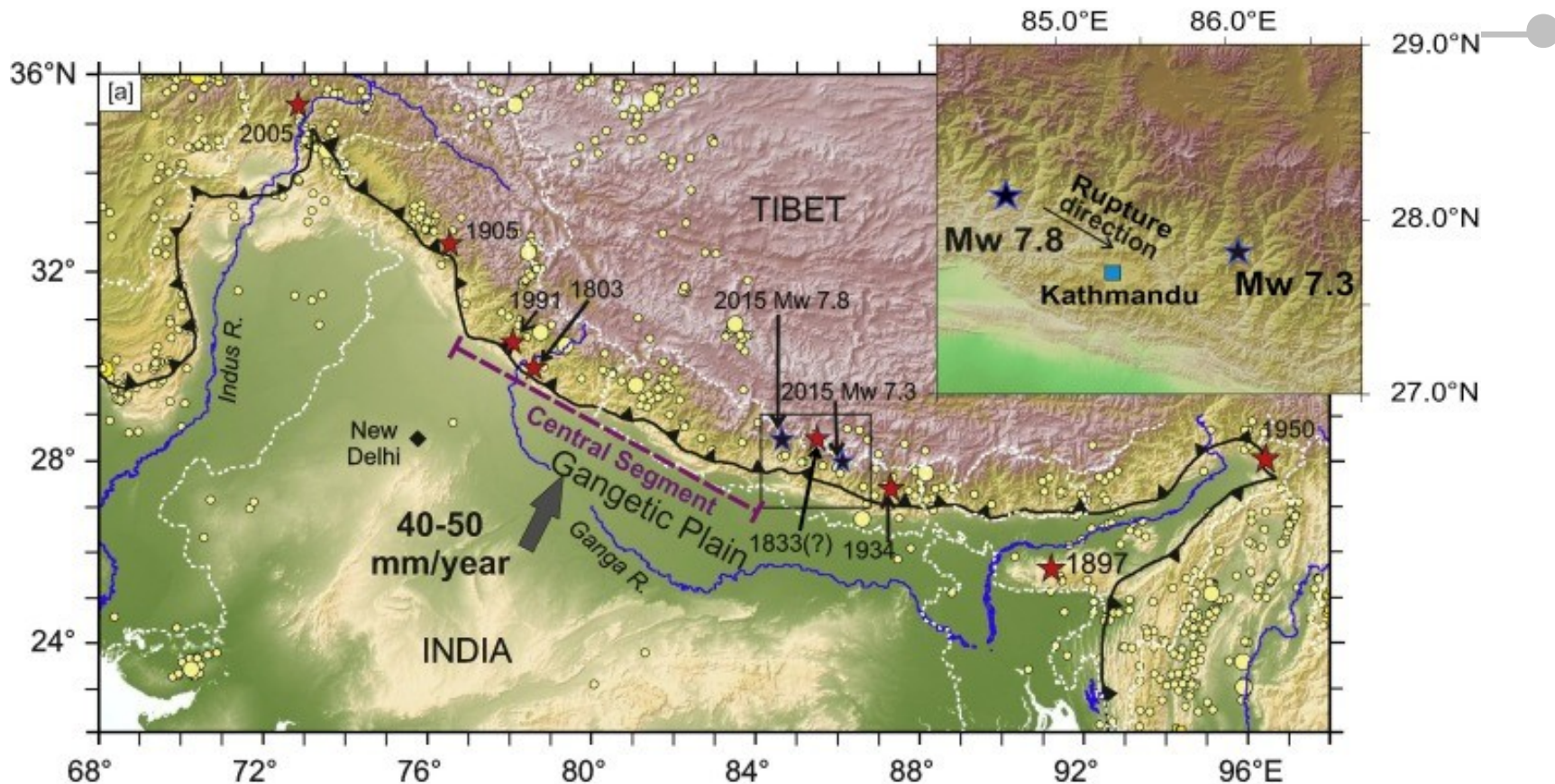
Zoom Pléiades du 12 /03/ 2015 (~1000 x700m)



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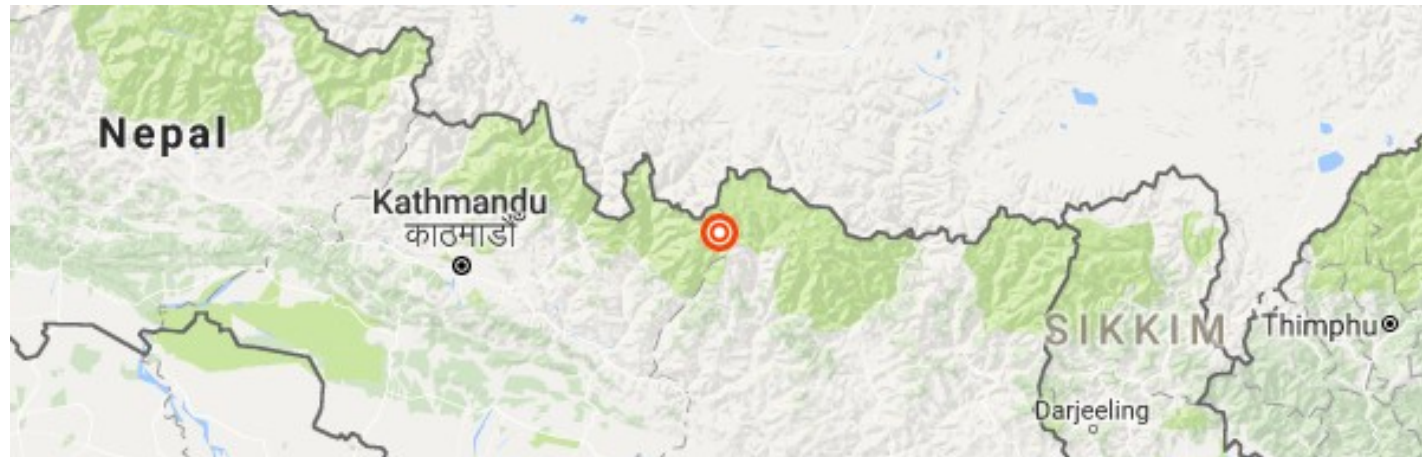
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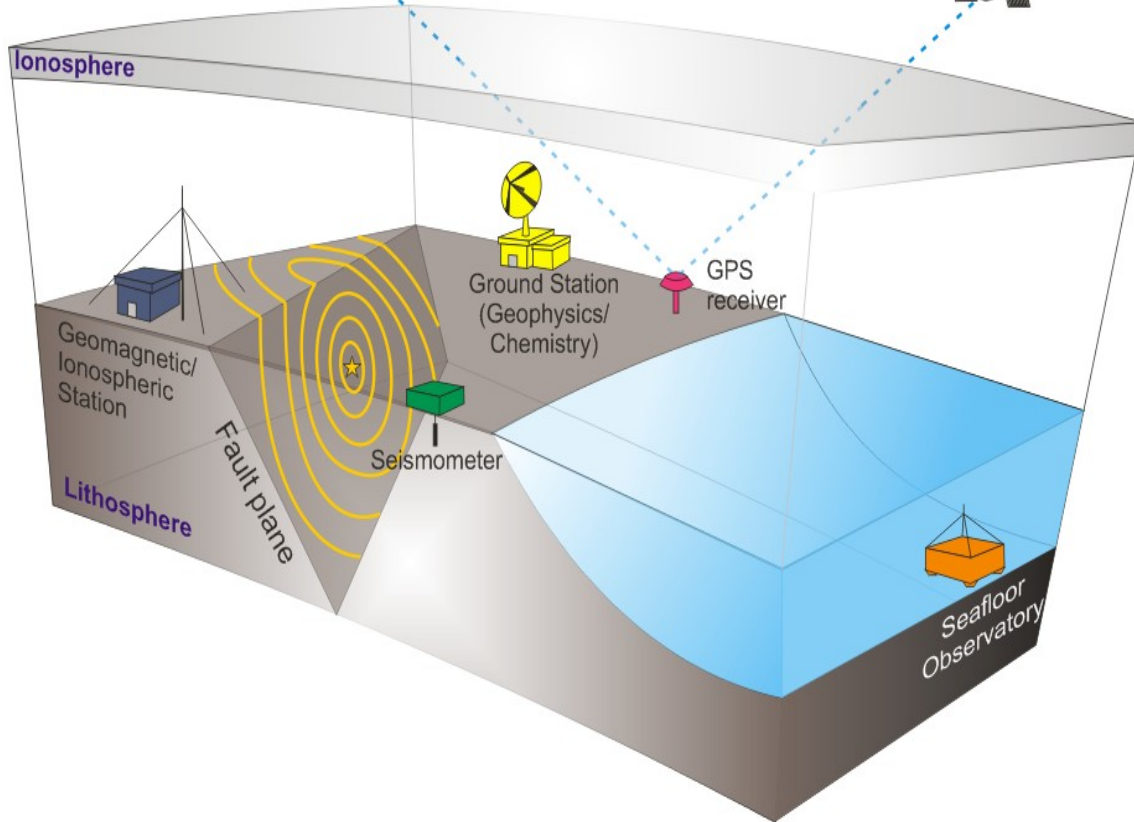
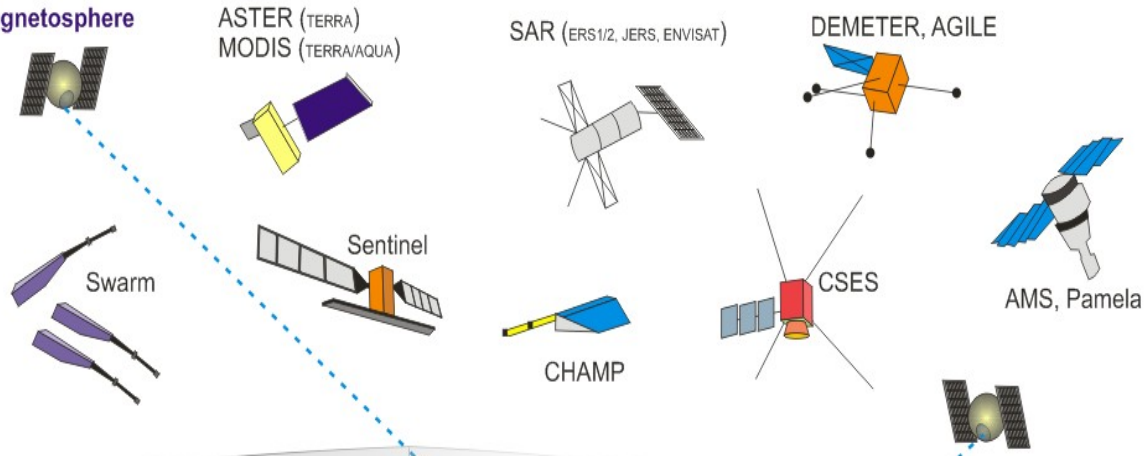
## Case study: the Nepal EQ

Gorkha EQ followed by 475 aftershocks with magnitude  $>4$  until Nov 28

Magnitude 5.4 earthquake  
16 km from Gumdol, Nepal · Nov 28, 12:35 AM



## Magnetosphere



The goal is not an EQ prediction, but to understand the process of earthquake preparation and the geospheres coupling.

Interest  
Lithosphere-  
Atmosphere-  
Ionosphere  
Coupling (LAIC).

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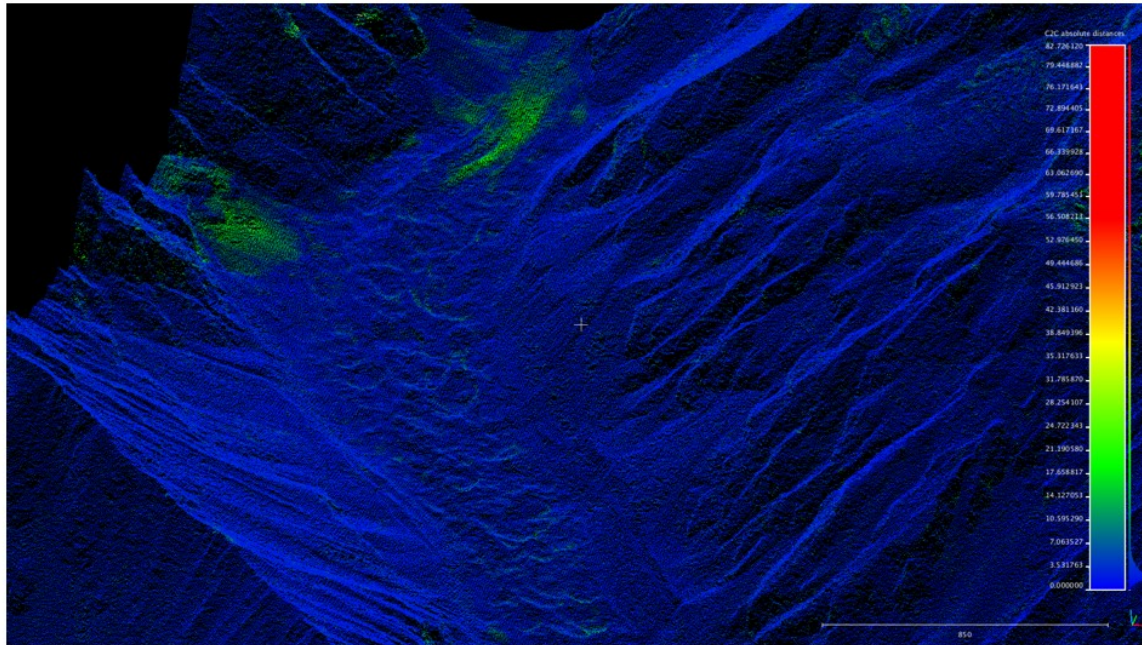


La place Durbar à Katmandou, classée au patrimoine mondial de l'UNESCO avant et après le séisme d'avril 2015  
Satellite Pleiades - Images du 29 novembre 2014 et du 27 avril 2015. Copyright CNES - Distribution Airbus DS

Two days after the earthquake that struck Nepal, the Pleiades satellites, developed by CNES, have captured an image of the capital city, Kathmandu.

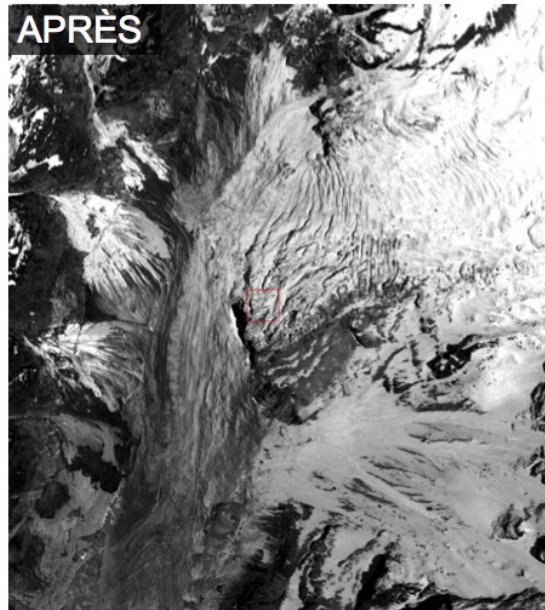
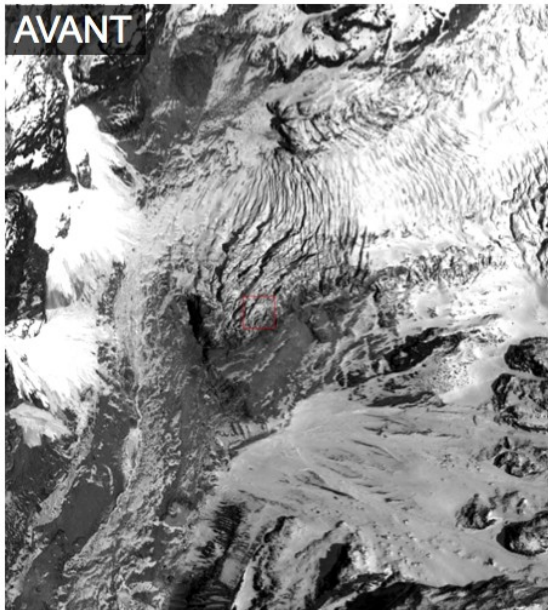


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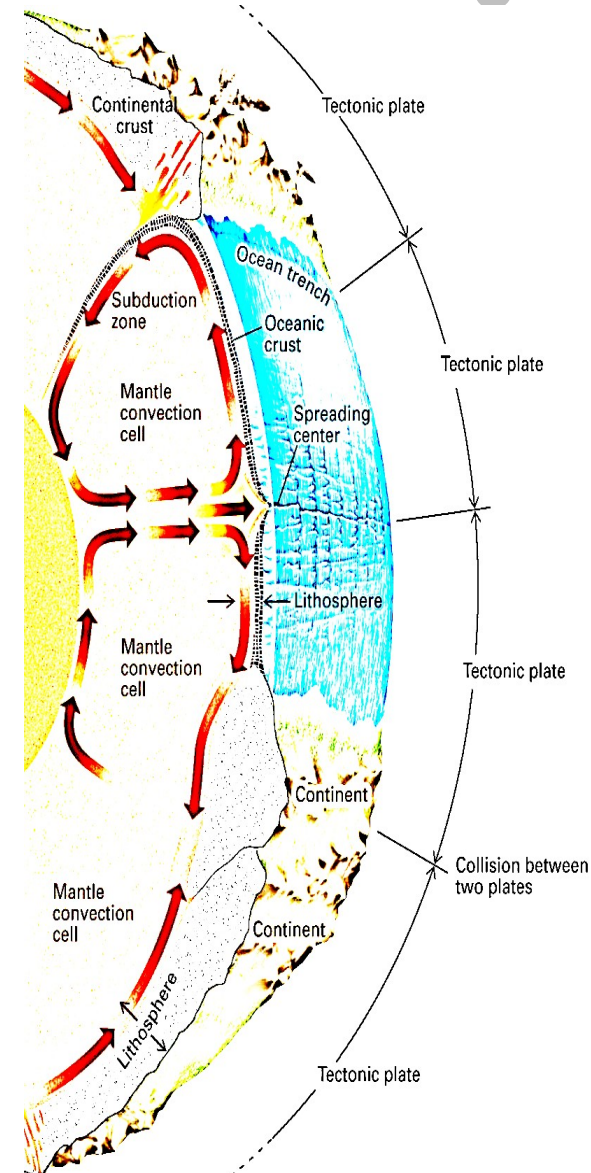
Images Spot 6/7

DEM model computed before and after the Nepal EQ.



# Case study: the Nepal EQ

**For Science: Lithosphere is complex.**  
Understanding the (EQ) process is a fundamental step to know lithosphere and its interaction with the rest of the planet



**For society:** Understanding the EQ Process (and its eventual forecast) is one of the greatest challenges of science for which we need both ground and space observations

# Case study: the Nepal EQ

## Patterns in the EQ possible signature

### Ionospheric anomalies

*(short term— observed from satellites or ionosondes or GPS networks)*

- ionospheric density
- EM field
- TEC

### Atmospheric anomalies

*(short term)*

- Thermal anomalies
- Clouds anomalies

### Seismic fore-patterns

*(from seismic and magnetic data)*

- Acceleration (interm. term)
- non linear pdf (short term)

## Case study: the Nepal EQ

On April 25, 2015 (06.26 UTC) a large earthquake occurred in Nepal Himalaya 77km NW of Kathmandu:

- ✓ magnitude Mw 7.8
- ✓ epicenter 28.15°N, 84.71°E
- ✓ depth of 15 km

According to USGS

fault rupture plane @295o and the dip 10oNNE

the rupture surface @~100km along the strike &80 km along the downdip

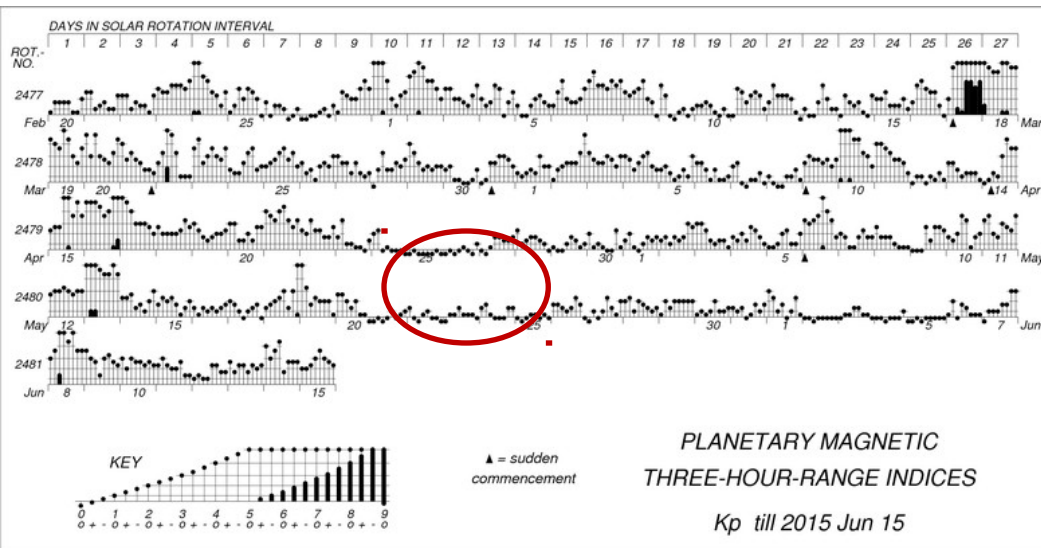
17 days later (May 12, 2015), a strong aftershock followed approximately 77km NE of Kathmandu, with a smaller estimated magnitude of Mw 7.3

# Case study: the Nepal EQ

## Swarm data

- VFM (Low Resolution)
- ASM Level1B 1Hz
- electron density Ne 2 Hz

along the tracks that flew in a circular region within  $R=2750$  km (Dobrovolsky radius strain  $R=10^{0.43M}$ ) to be more conservative → a slightly larger area with a magnitude  $M=8$ .

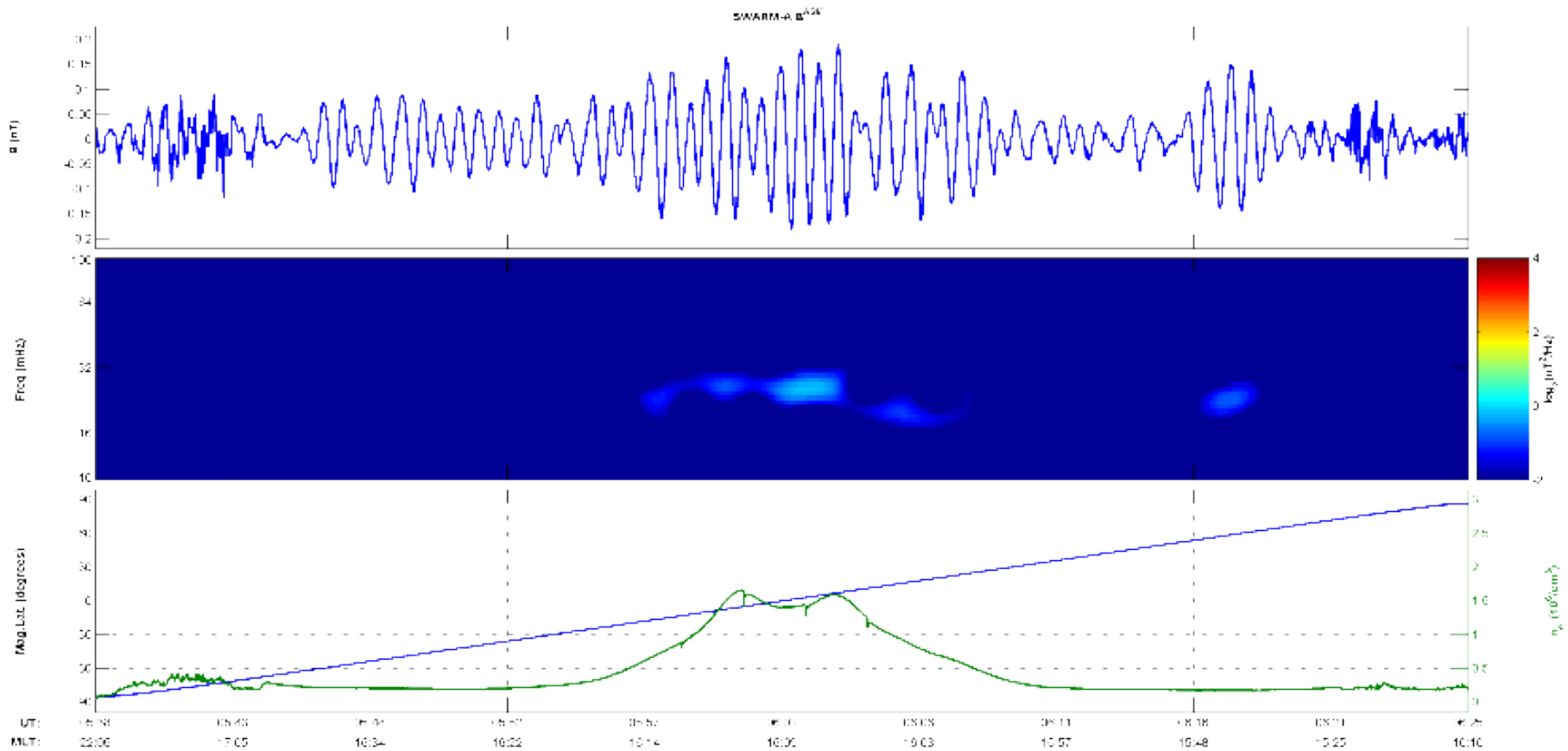


## Data Analysis

wavelet analysis of Swarm data for the same day of the earthquake

- ✓ magnetically calm period around the EQ occurrence
- ✓ intense ULF anomaly detected by the wavelet analysis
- ✓ solar activity magnetic indices are rather low → probability that this anomaly is due to the very last phase of preparation of the impending EQ.

# Case study: the Nepal EQ



ULF anomalous and persisting signal (from around 3 to 6 UTC) is clearly detected before the earthquake.

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After this single-spot analysis → a more extensive analysis for two months around the earthquake occurrence, to confirm or refute the cause-effect relationship.

Two-step analysis:

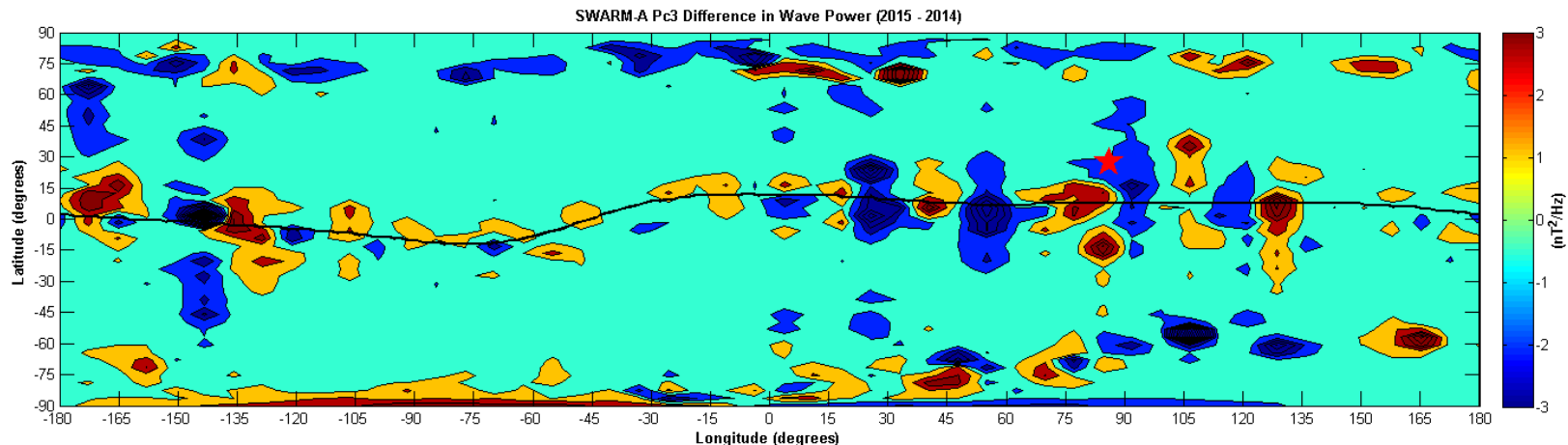
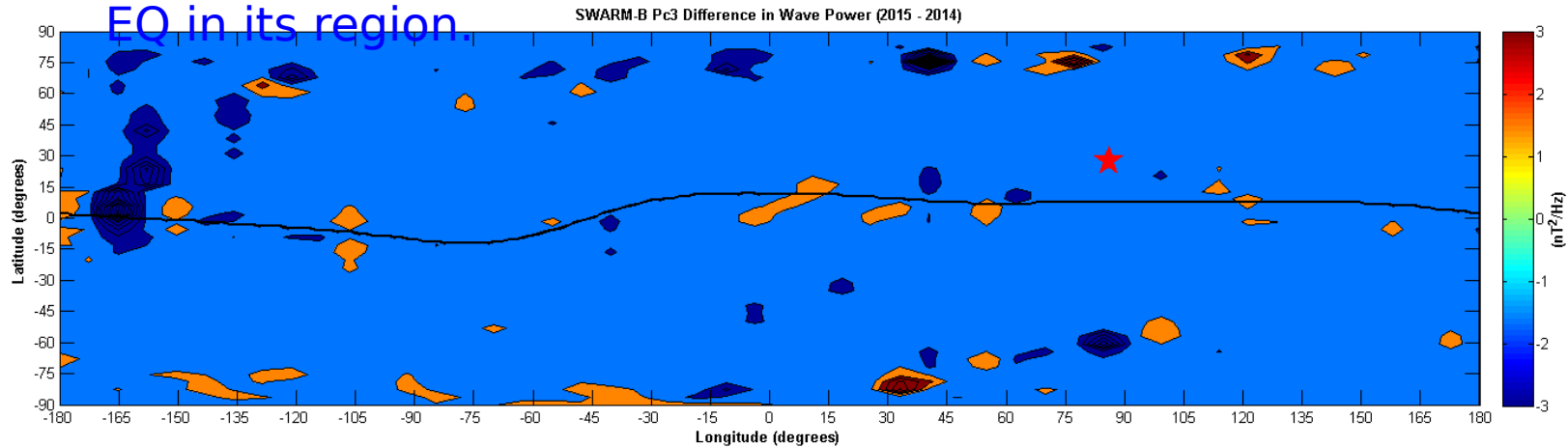
i) the comparison of the average power in Pc3 frequency band (0.022-0.1 Hz) for a 2-month period in 2015 with that of the previous year, when no large earthquake occurred in the area of interest

ii) the search for the single “anomalies” and then of the temporal behavior of the cumulative number of anomalies in

- Swarm data
- Ground data extracted from the USGS Catalog (1 April to 10 May, 2015, with magnitude  $M \geq 4$ )

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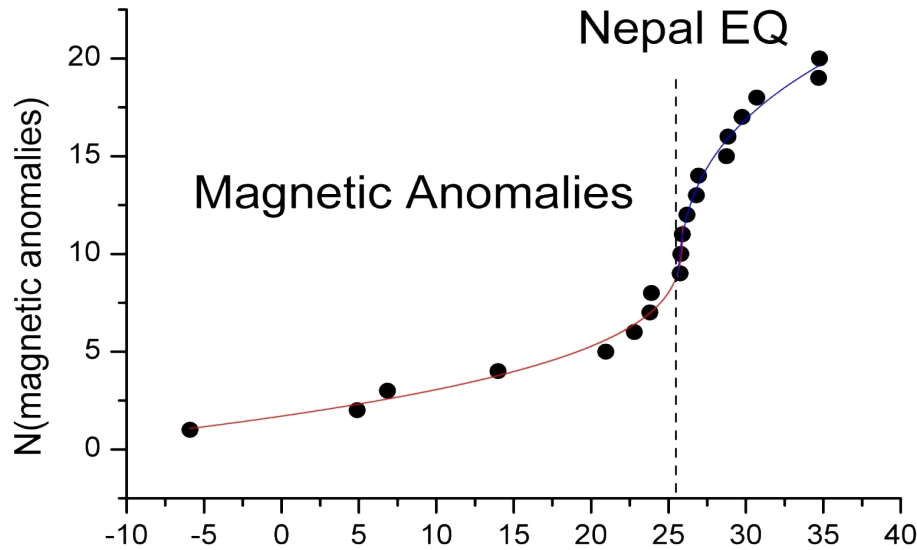
Pc3 difference in wave power 2015-2014 for Swarm B satellite, suggesting an ionospheric contribution for the Nepal EQ in its region.



Pc3 difference in wave power 2015-2014 for Swarm A satellite;



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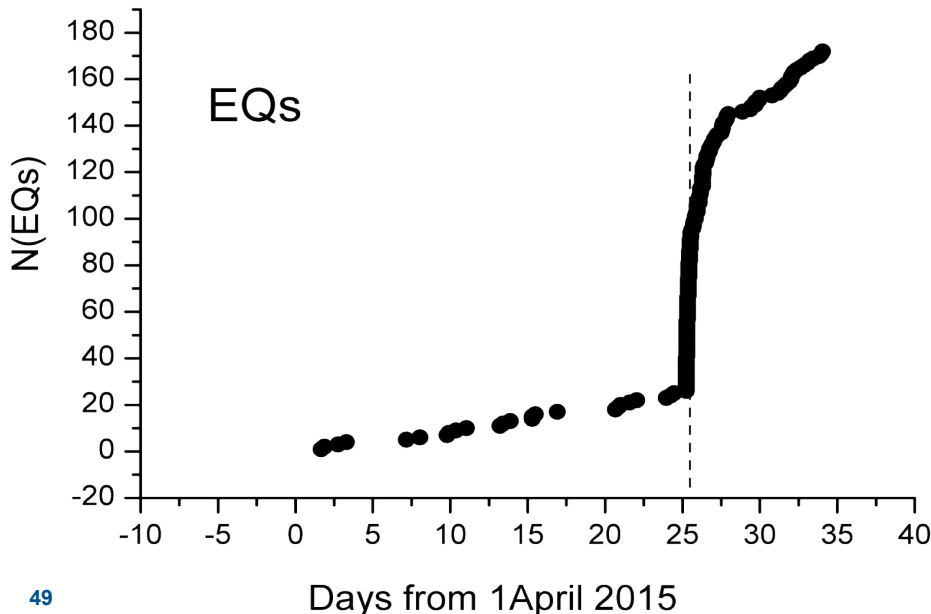
✓ define as “anomaly” that value exceeding some sigmas along track only

- occurred during magnetic quiet times
- within the Dobrovolsky circular area around the epicenter with a radius of  $R=10^{0.43M}$  (=2750 km for Nepal M8)

(Dobrovolsky et al., 1979)

✓ Compute cumulative number of them,  $N(\text{magnetic anomalies})$ , at the exact time they occur is given

✓ agreement with the corresponding curve deduced from M4+ earthquakes (EQs) analysis



## Case study: the Nepal EQ

Cumulative numbers of anomalies

- ✓ follows the same typical power-law behavior of a critical system approaching its critical time → the large seismic event of 25 April, 2015
- ✓ recovers as the typical recovery phase after a large earthquake.

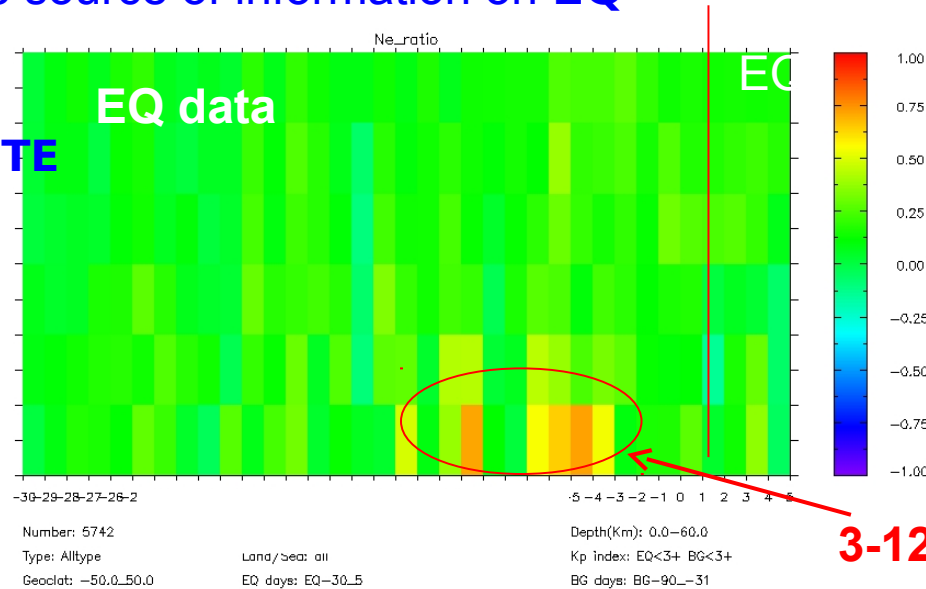
The impressive similarity of this behavior with the analogous of seismic data analysis, provides strong support to the lithospheric origin of the satellite magnetic anomalies, as due to the LAI coupling during the preparation phase of the Nepal earthquake

# Conclusions

Space data – a possible source of information on **EQ**

## 1) DEMETER SATELLITE (2004-2010)

**Ionospheric  
Electronic  
Density**



**DEMETER satellite  
(2004-2010)**  
~ 9000 EQs  
M $\geq$ 5 and h < 40 km

**3-12 days in advance**

*(Li & Parrot, 2013)*

**2) CHAMP SATELLITE - wavelet analysis of data with respect of Sumatra EQ - some specific features are observed after the two Sumatra EQ, with periods of about 16 and 30 s.**

*(Balasis & Manda 2007)*

**3) PLEIADES SATELLITES - active faults & EQ - unified view of the EQ cycle**

*(Klinger, 2016)*

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## Process

Authorised User sends a request for Charter activation

Direct link to the user/response community who will use the maps



24/7 operators respond to requests by quickly tasking satellites

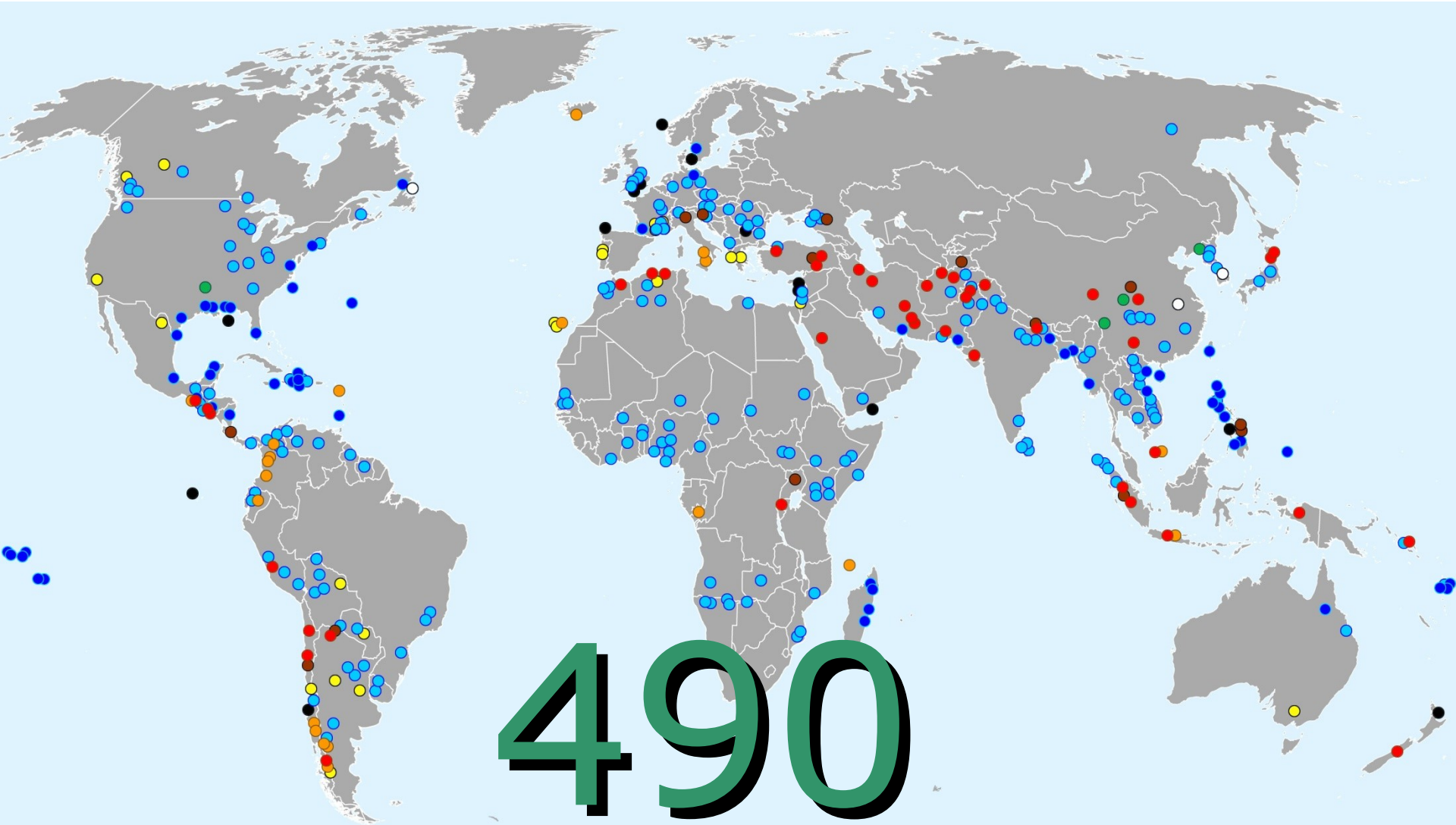


Satellite images received and turned into useful maps

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## Map of activations

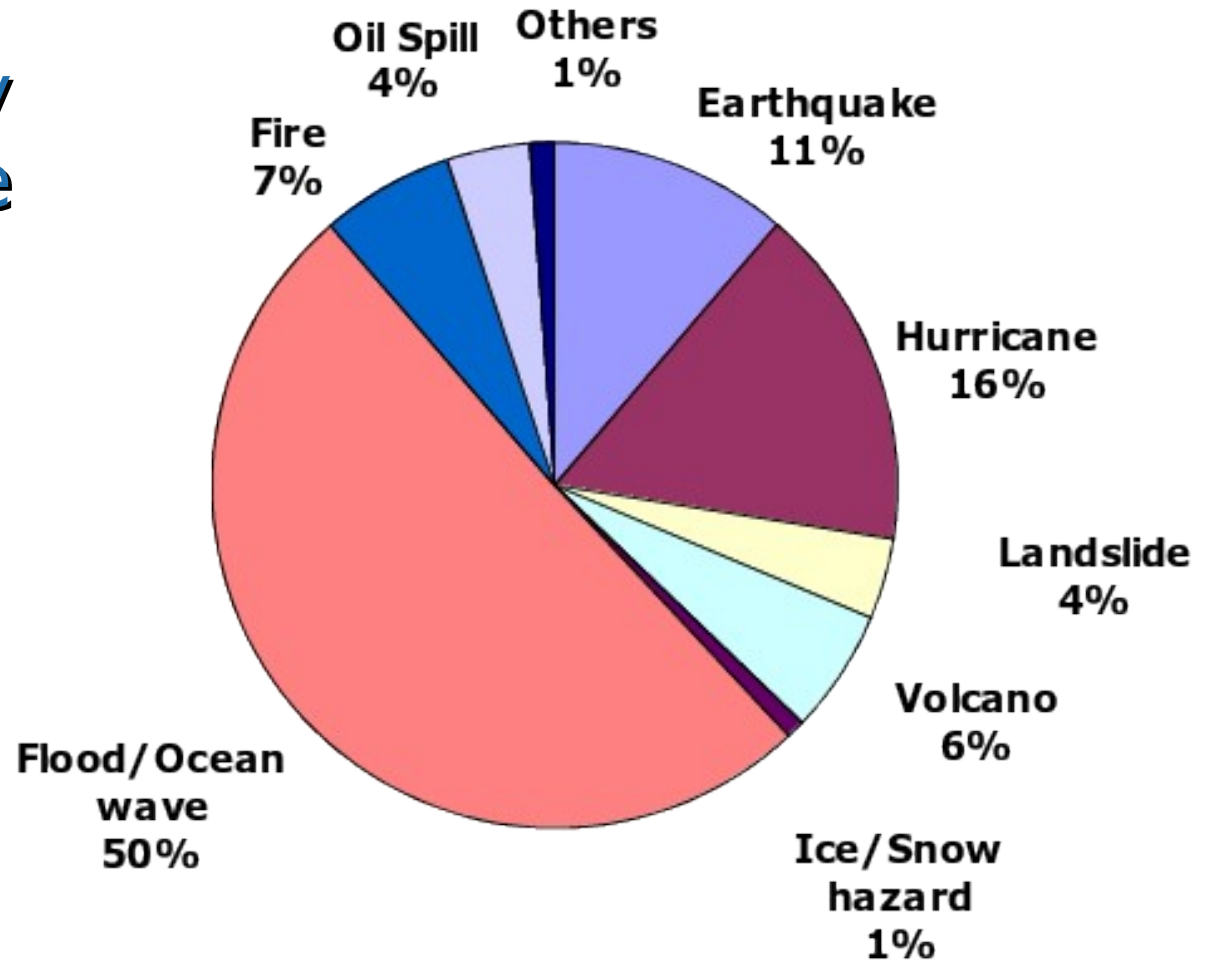


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- Legend:** ● Earthquake ● Landslide ● Volcano ● Storm/hurricane ● Flood/ocean wave ○ Ice/snow hazard ● Fire ● Oil spill ● Other



## Activations by disaster type



For 490 activations – July 2016





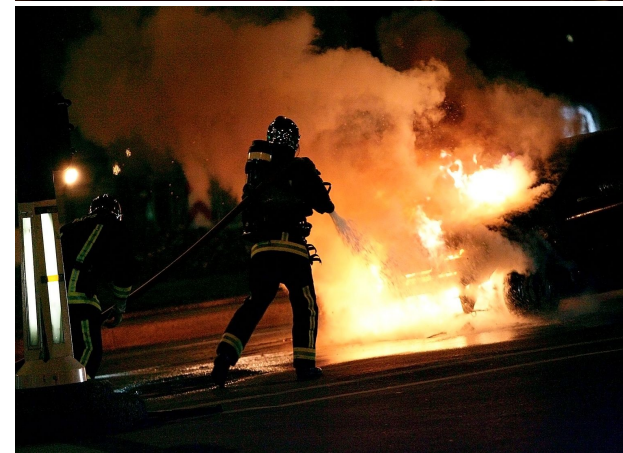
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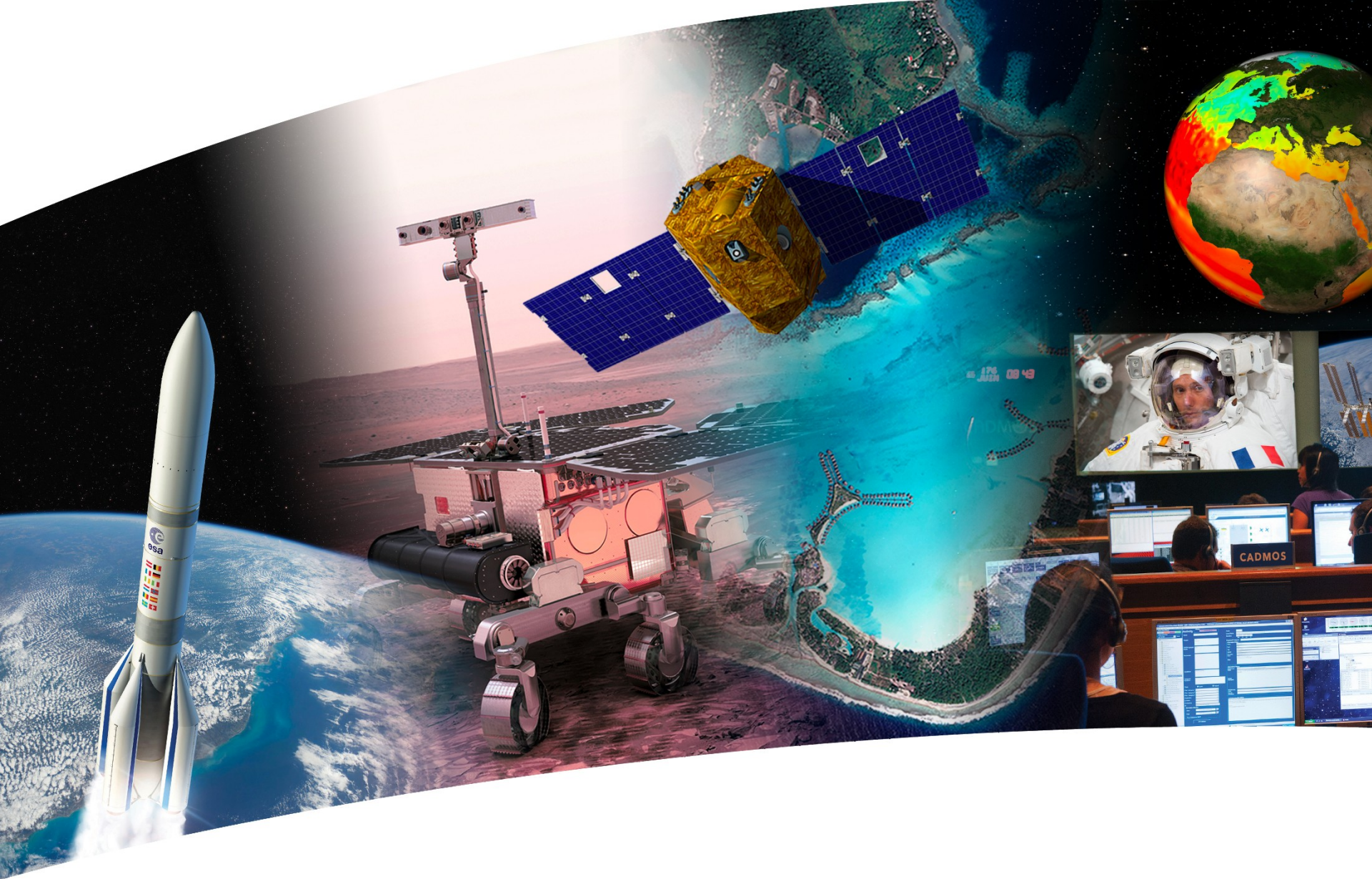
Direct activation by an Authorised User

Activation via an Authorised User on behalf of a user from another country without AU

Activation via the UN for UN users

Activation for Asia Pacific users via Sentinel Asia (Asian Disaster Reduction Centre)





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