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# Doris Phase Measurements – Rinex Data Format

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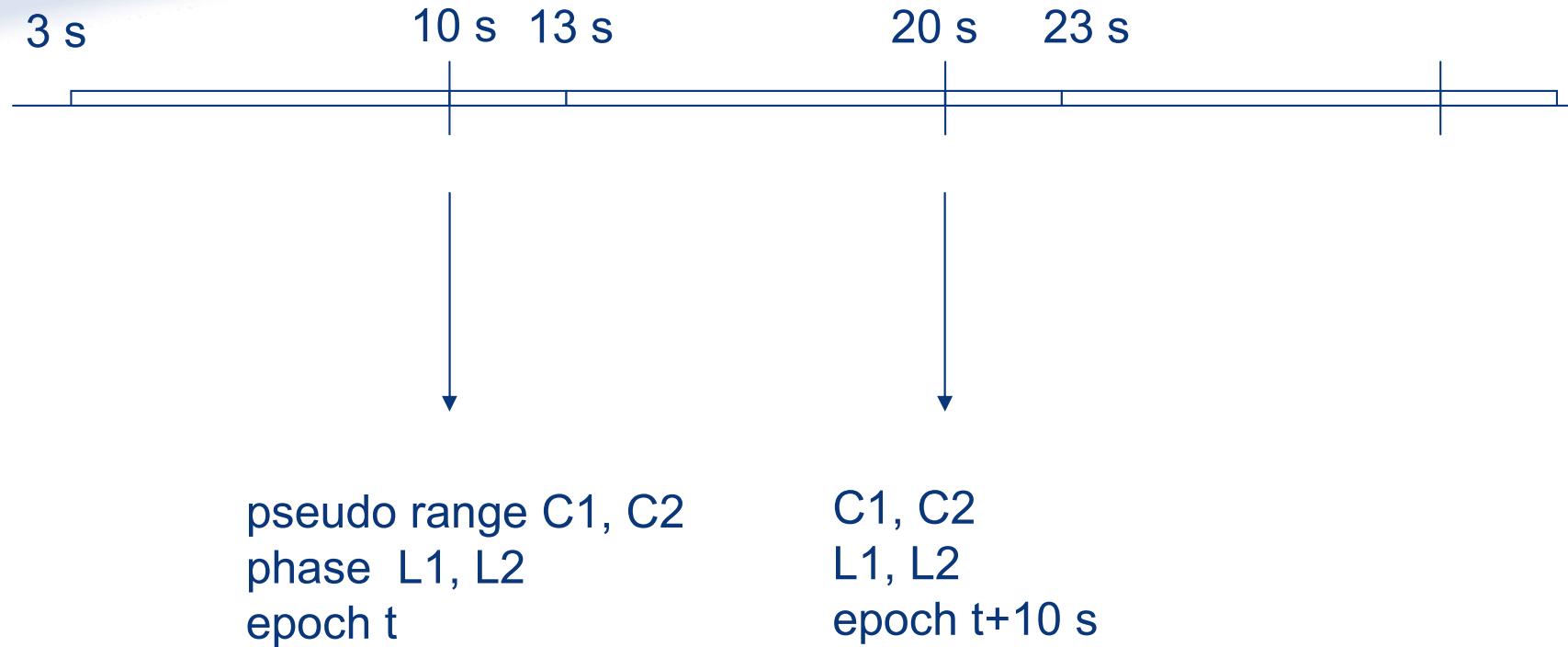
## New instrument generation

- more channels (two for Jason1, six/seven for Jason2)
- new measurement definitions
  - Jason 1 : delta phase, and it3 measurement
  - Jason 2 : synchroneous phase and pseudo-range

## New file format

- Doris Rinex format, extension of GPS Rinex 3 format

# Doris pseudo-range and phase measurements



All epochs are present in the rinex file (0 s – 3 s – 10 s – 13 s - 20 s ....)  
present study (also POD) : only 0 s - 10 s - 20 s ...

Notation : frequency 1 for 2 GHz, and frequency 2 for 400 MHz

## Some characteristics

### Acquisition strategy :

Below 5 degrees, acquisition is performed by channel 7

Above 5 degrees, the emitter is designated by Diode (channels 1 to 6)

and removed from channel 7 → frequent interruptions around 5 degrees

### Low elevations :

New troposphere models are needed to process correctly these low elevations

current POD process > 10 degrees

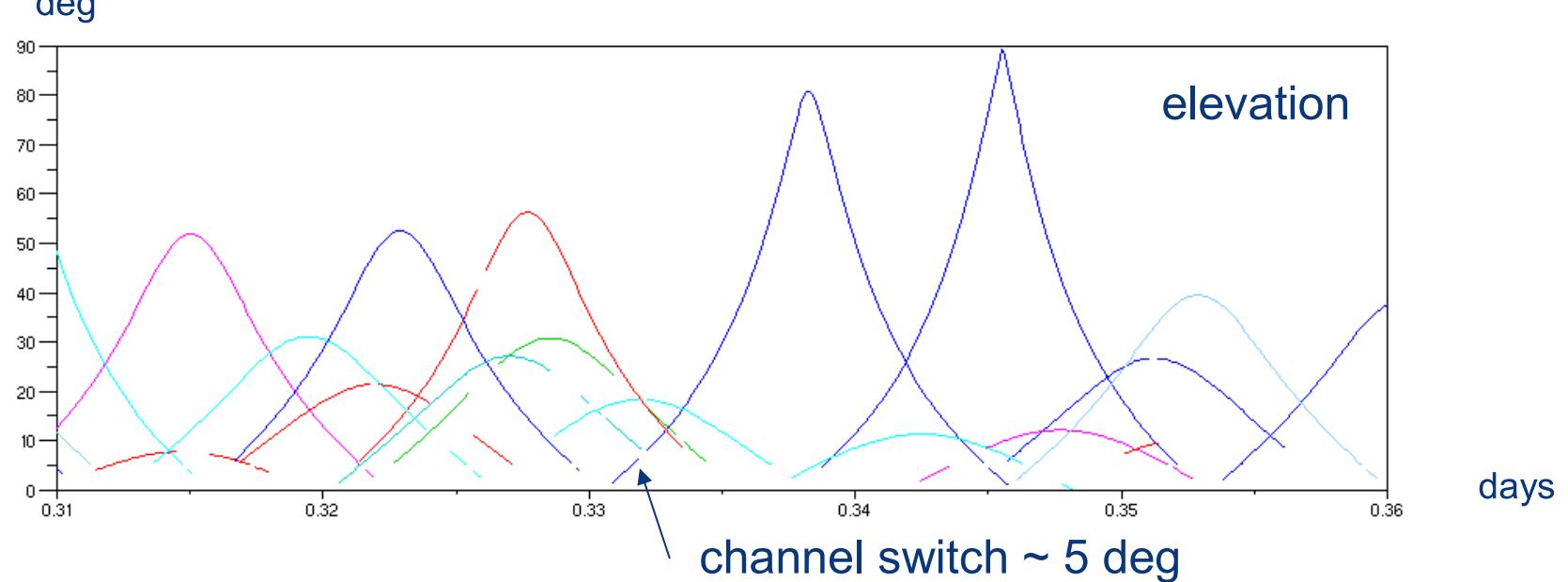
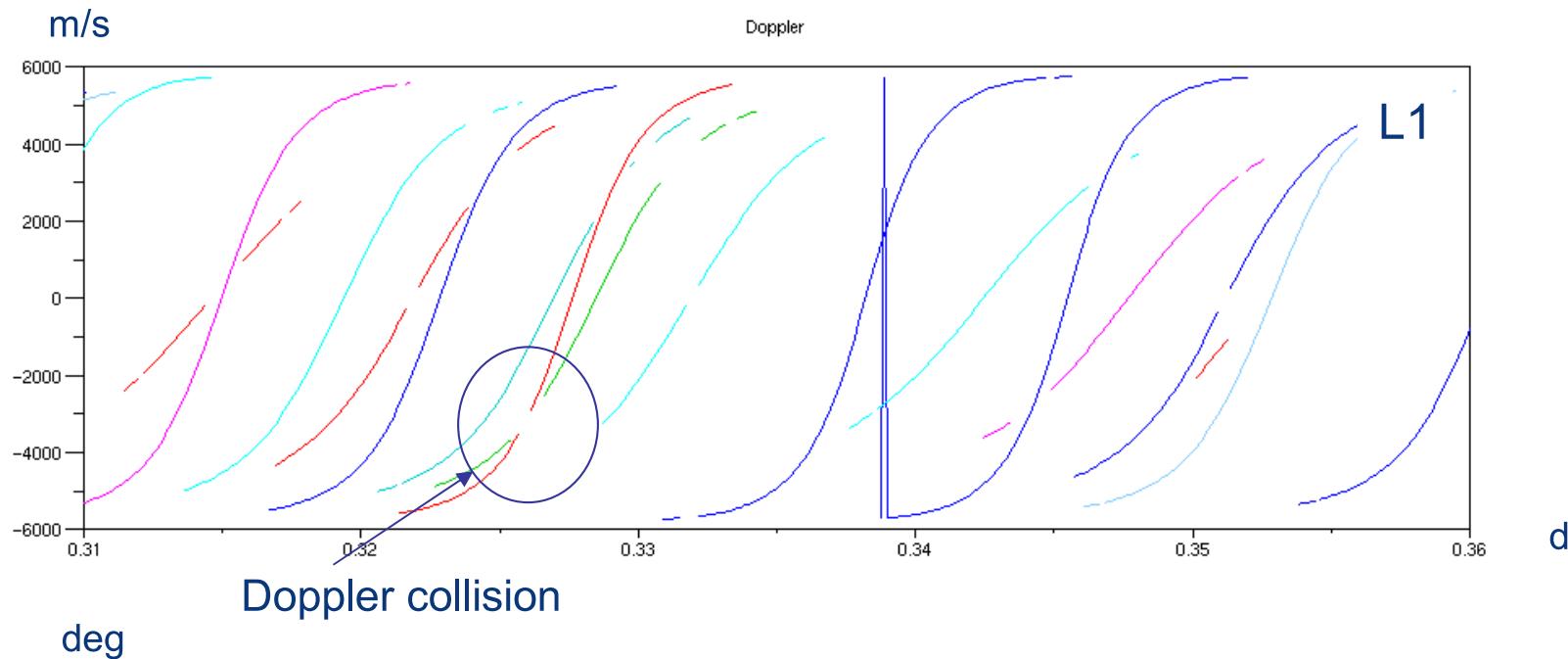
< 10 degrees useful for positioning, tropospheric studies ...

30 % of the measurements are below 10 degrees

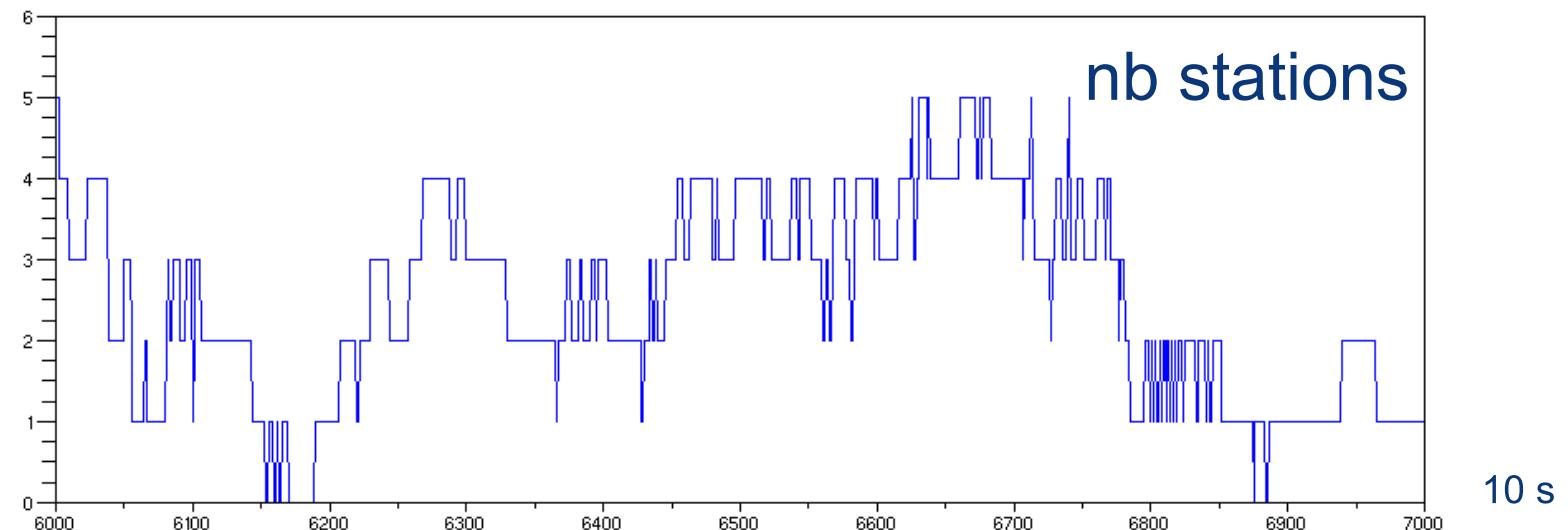
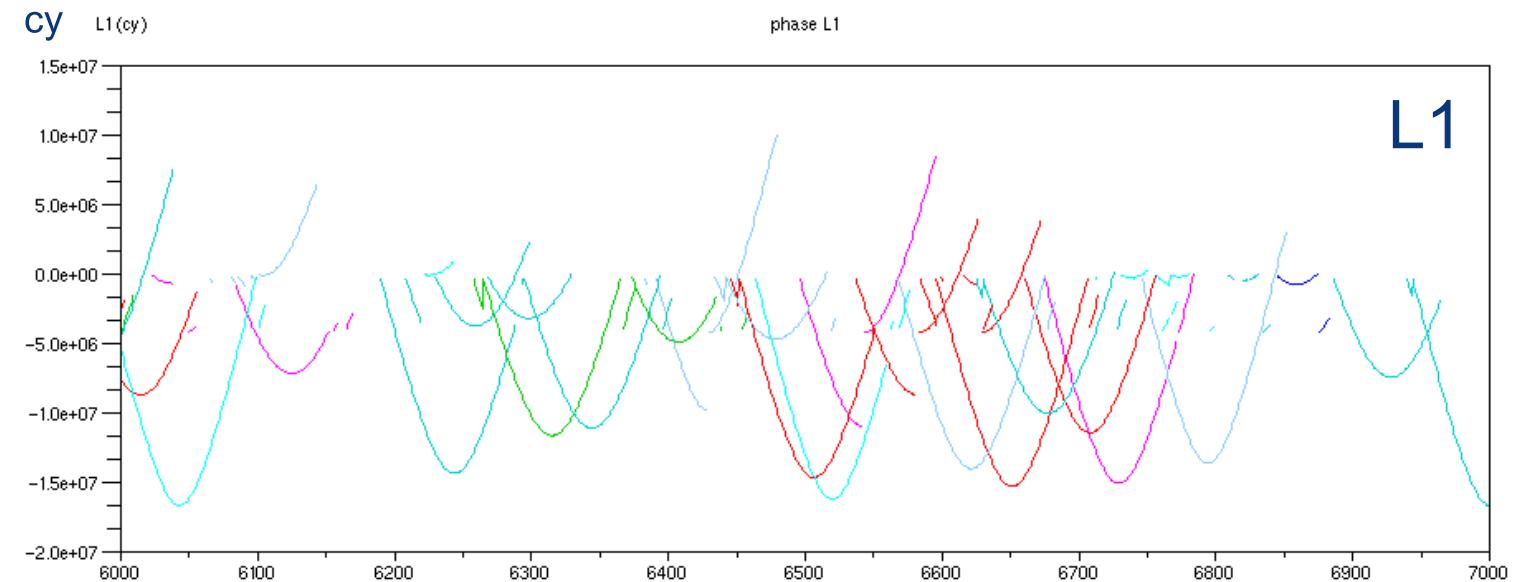
### Doppler collisions :

When two signals have the same Doppler, interruption in the measurements  
true for all Doris instruments, but will interrupt here the phase continuity

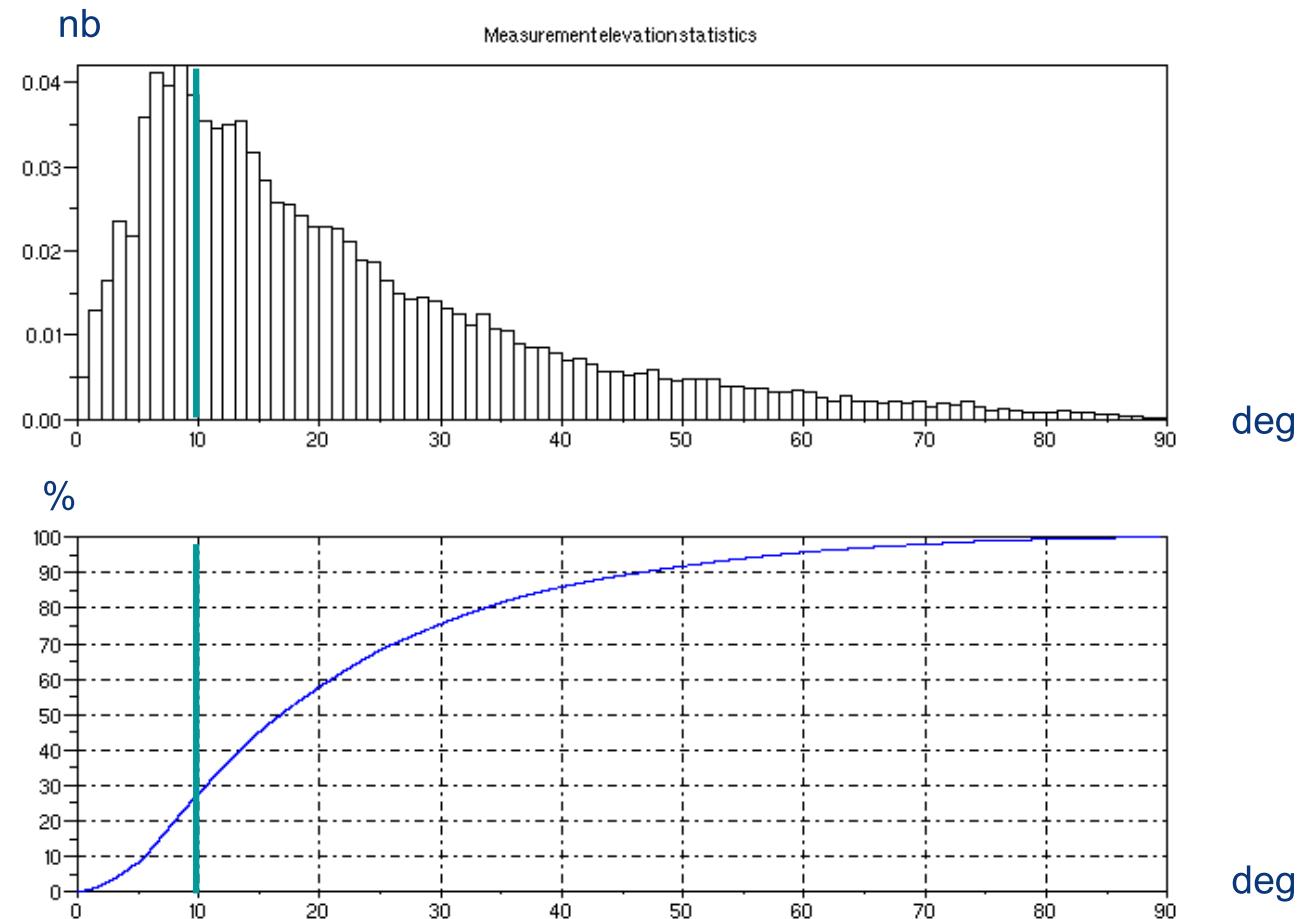
# Acquisition strategy, Doppler collisions



# Phase measurements



# Statistics for measurement elevation



Around 30 % of the measurements are below 10 degrees  
- these measurements are eliminated from the POD process  
they are probably very interesting for positioning or troposphere analysis

# Doris Rinex Format

GPS like phase and pseudo-range measurements  
 all instrumental delays corrected  
 Synchronous acquisition (on board Jason 2).

Example :

reception epoch										estimated on board clock offset		
> 2008 08 31 01 13 16.979948170	0	5								4.873984107	0	
D18 -13343786.710	0	-2629434.840	0	-135193433.464	1	-135193362.999	1	-118.700	7			
-106.800	7	2170.119		997.259	1	19.377	1	80.328	1			
D20 -86550.535	1	-17056.397	1	-145734619.907	2	-145735021.607	2	-133.050	7			
-121.500	7	2170.119		1000.828	1	21.500	0	73.000	0			
D19 -2710106.688	0	-534036.209	0	-128063516.563	3	-128062854.027	3	-128.500	7			
-123.950	7	2170.119		1000.984	1	9.836	1	73.279	1			
D16 -11123449.559	0	-2191909.891	0	-144169109.475	4	-144168971.573	4	-118.350	6			
-108.200	6	2170.119		1010.628	1	25.361	1	72.098	1			
<b>D15 -2666097.739</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-3893168.756</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-145712808.006</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-145711965.597</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-135.850</b>	<b>7</b>			
				995.344	1	25.800	0	86.000	0			
L1 phase										Meteo	W1 S/N ratio	
station number (krvb)												
C1 pseudo-range												

Purpose : estimate the on board clock offset

For Jason 2 : use of the master beacons only  
reference offsets are given in the header

D01	JIUB	JIUFENG	21602S005	3	0	STATION	REFERENCE
...							
D15	KRVB	KOUROU	97301S004	3	0	STATION	REFERENCE
D20	TLSB	TOULOUSE	10003S005	3	0	STATION	REFERENCE
D39	YEMB	YELLOWKNIFE	40127S009	3	0	STATION	REFERENCE
D49	HBMB	HARTEBEESTHOEK	30302S008	3	0	STATION	REFERENCE
...							
D52	HEMB	ST HELENA	30606S004	3	0	STATION	REFERENCE
	4					# TIME	REF STATIONS
D15	-0.495	-6.944				TIME	REF STATION
D20	29.774	5.787				TIME	REF STATION
D39	-61.692	-158.565				TIME	REF STATION
D49	-11.419	-38.194				TIME	REF STATION
	bias ( $10^{-6}$ s)	drift ( $10^{-14}$ s/s)					

from the rinex

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 &= c(t_{rec}^{rec} - t_{emi}^{emi}) \\
 &= D(t_{rec}^{rec} - h_{rec}) + c(h_{rec} - h_{emi})
 \end{aligned}$$

from the header (a few  $\mu$ s)

↓  
 model ↑      ↑ adjusted (polynomial)

Use of the master station measurements only

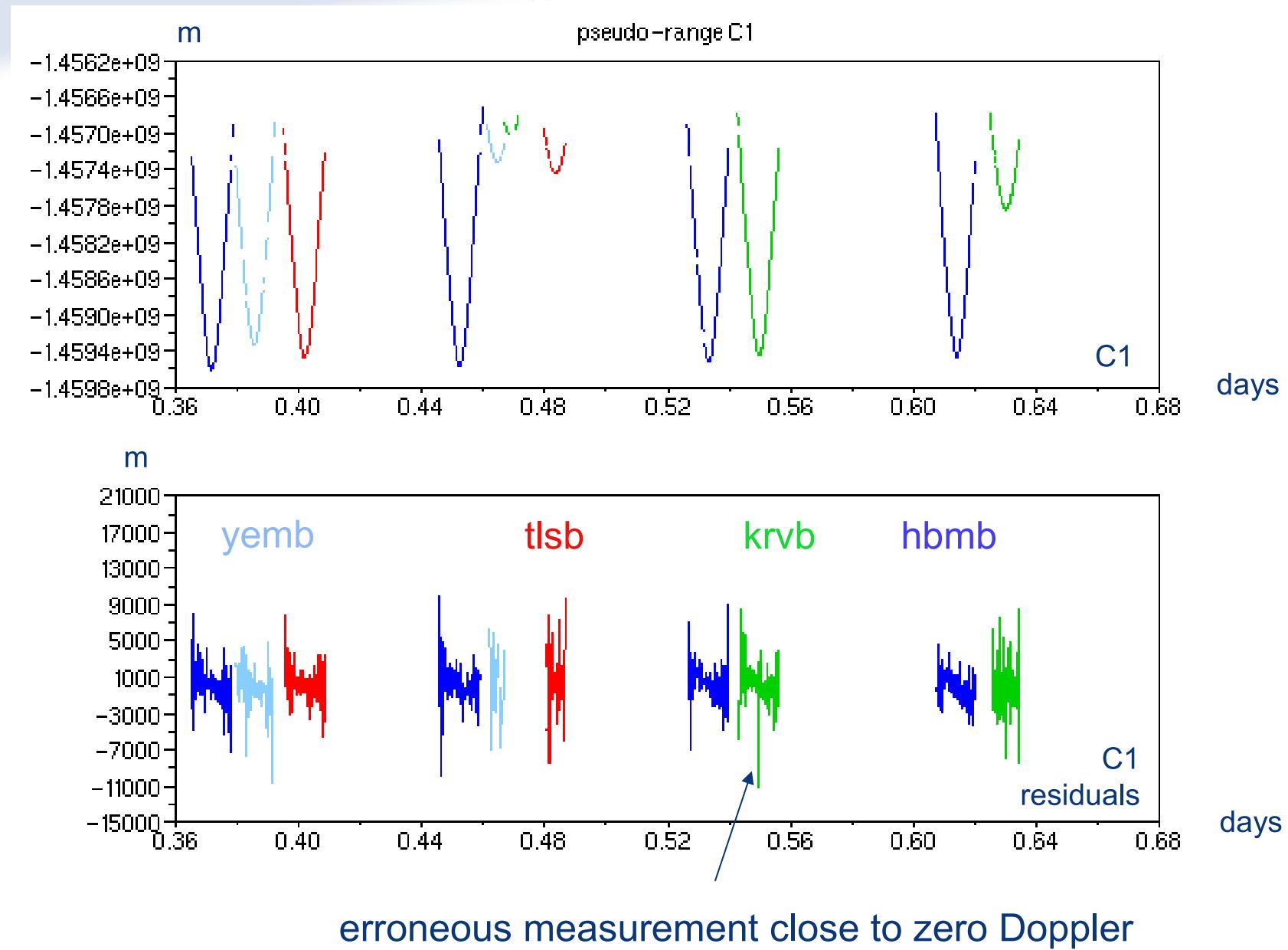
$h_{rec}$  : polynomial prepresentation for the on board clock offset  
 (typically degree 2-3 for a 10 days arc)

Other formulation :

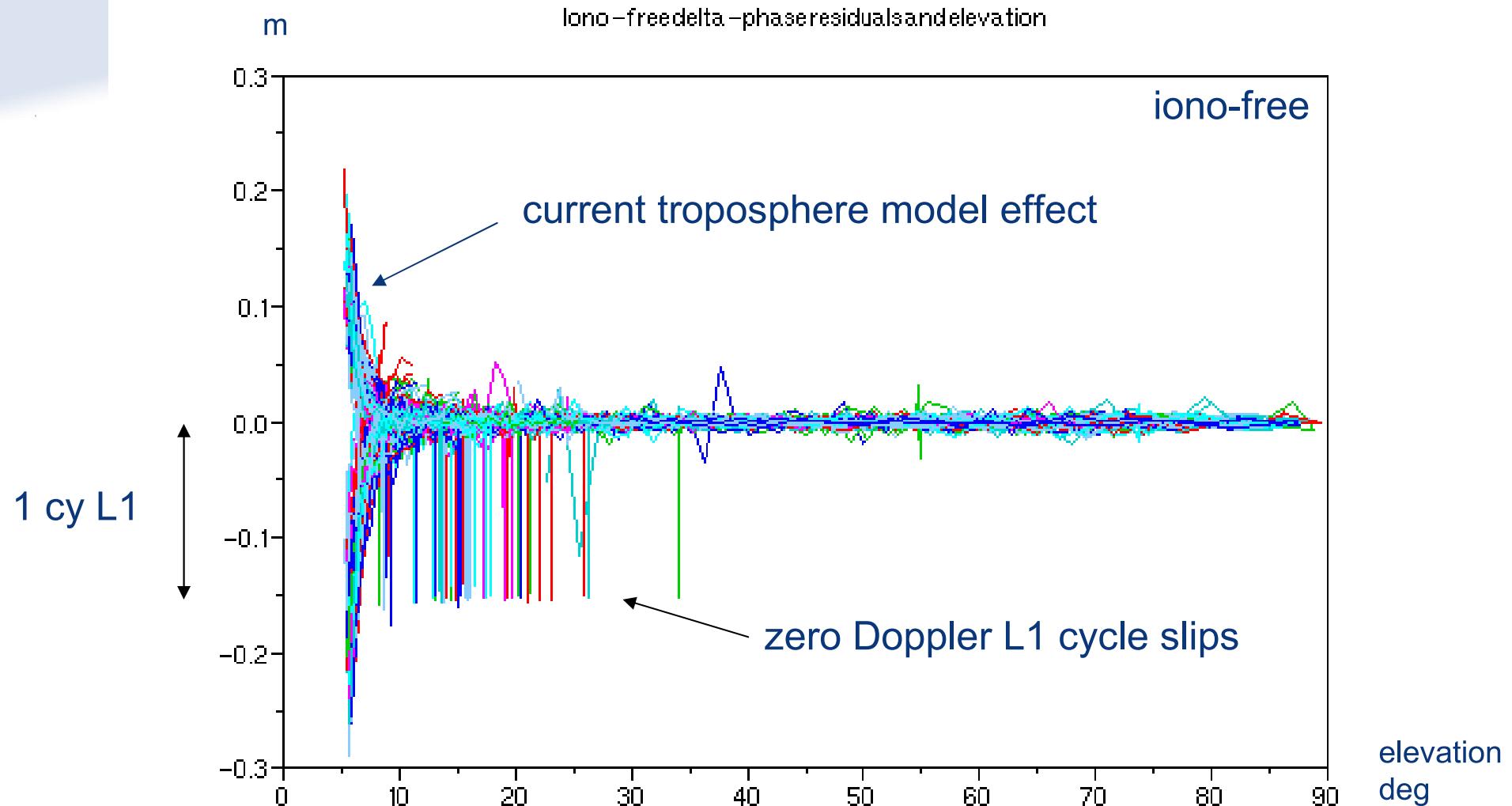
$$t_{emi} = t_{rec}^{rec} - \frac{C_1}{c} - h_{emi} \rightarrow D(t_{emi}) \rightarrow h_{rec} - h_{emi} = \frac{C_1 - D}{c}$$

# On board clock offset adjustment

→  
offset ~ -5s



# Delta-phase residuals, all measurements

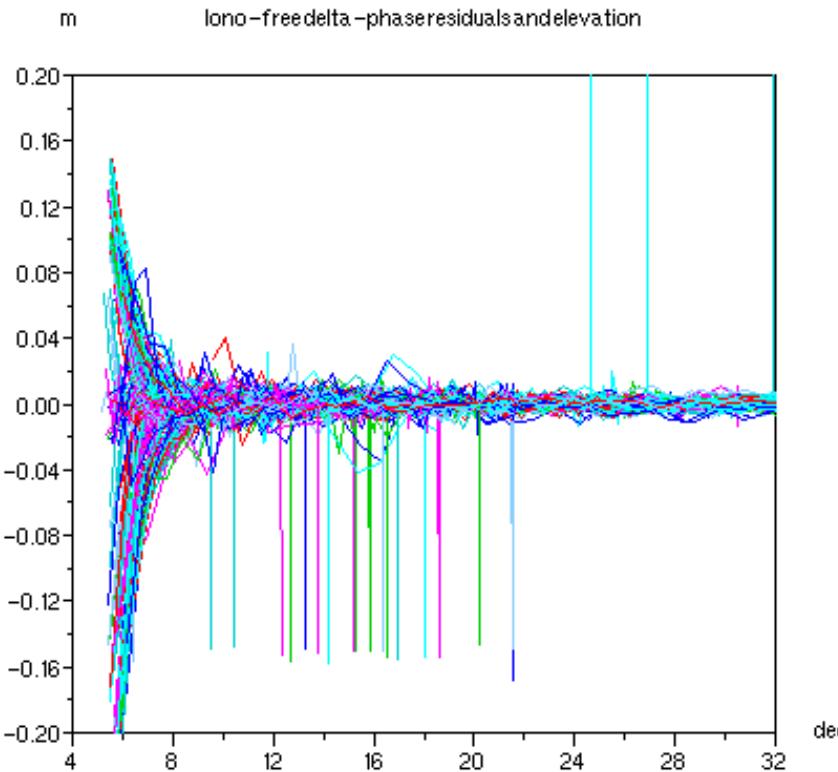


Elevation > 5 degrees only

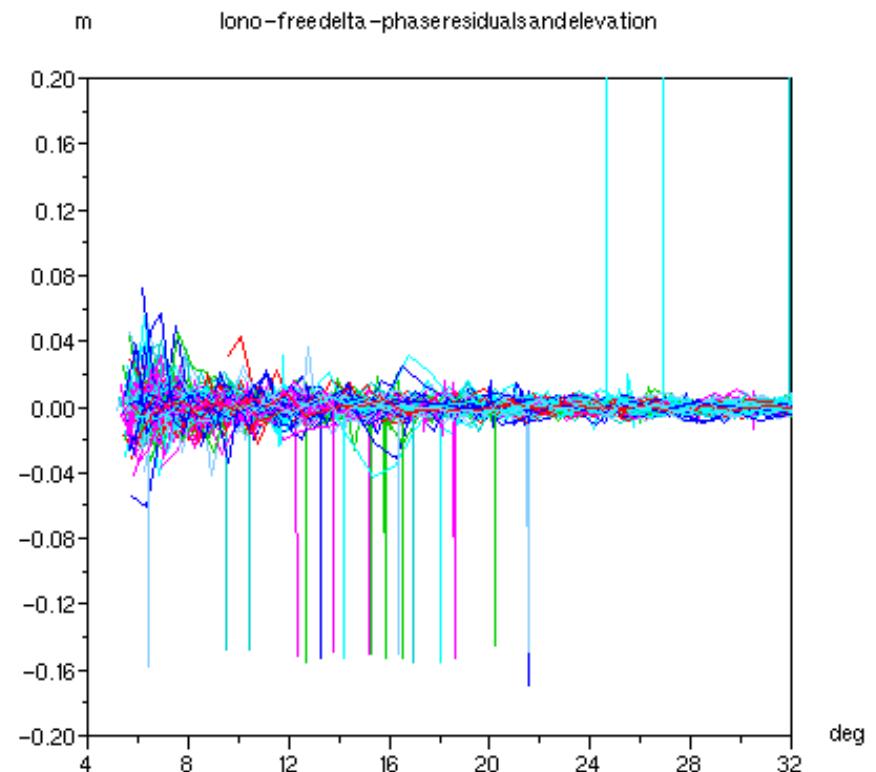
Most cycle slips occur below 30 degrees, and when Doppler is close to 0  
(small Doppler measurements are flagged in the Rinex file)

# Improvement of the troposphere models

## Delta phase measurements



Current model



GPT – GMF model

No significative troposphere effect on POD, but possible changes in station positioning

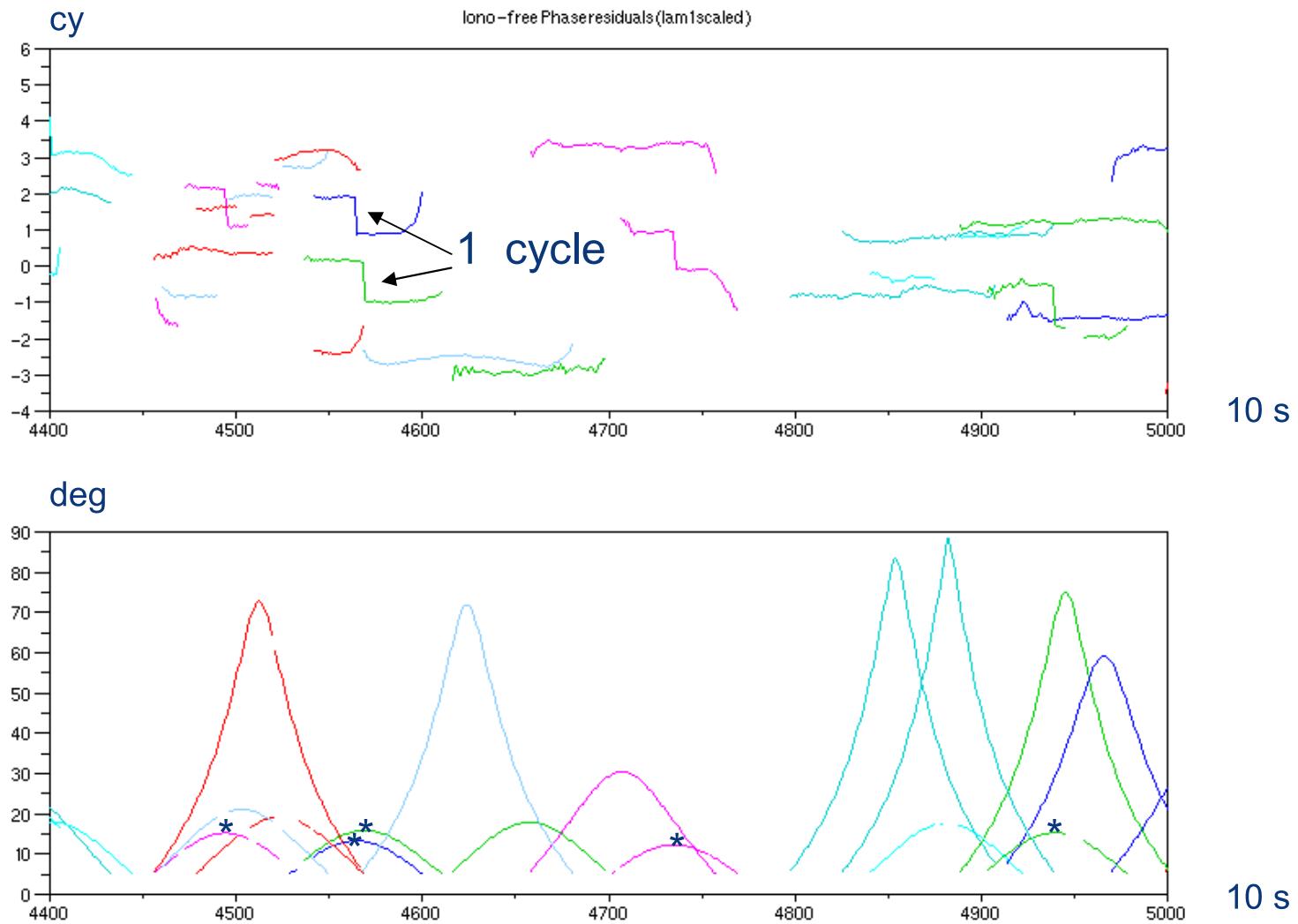
# Phase residuals

$$L_1 - \frac{\lambda_2}{\gamma \lambda_1} L_2$$

(~ iono-free)

no adjusted bias

Elevation



# Study of the phase residuals

Correction of the L1 cycle slips using  $5^*L1-L2$

Threshold for passes definition on iono-free  $L_2 - \frac{\gamma\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} L_1 : 0.5 \text{ cy L2}$

(elimination of the remaining L2 cycle slips, assuming no L1 errors)

Phase residuals : see Spot5 SWT Venice 2006 (reconstructed measurements)  
now we have directly the phase measurements

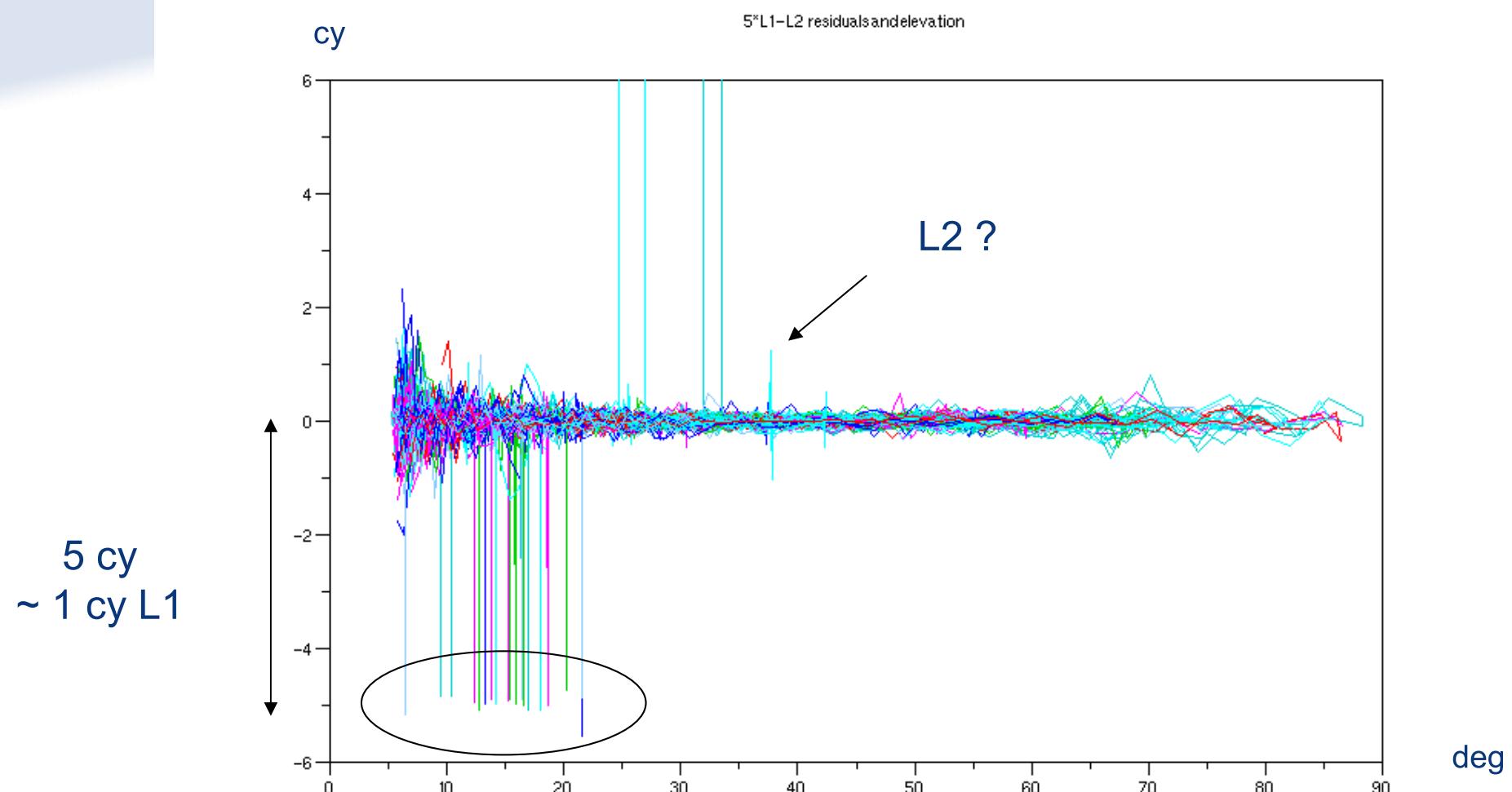
Analysis of the phase residuals for the remaining full passes  
(passes with more than 500 s continuous measurements)

Allan variance

Time history

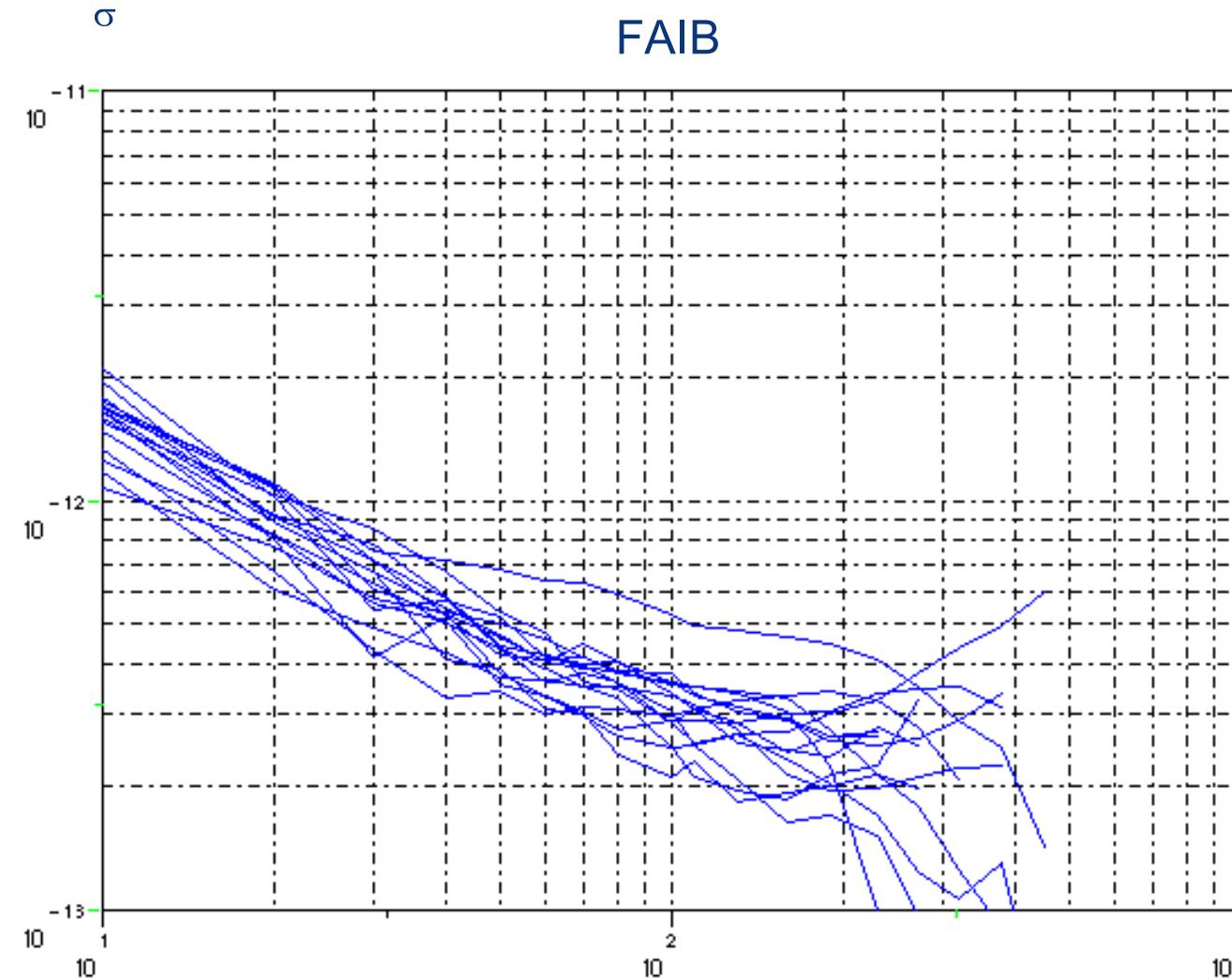
Results similar to Spot 5

## Combination 5\*L1-L2



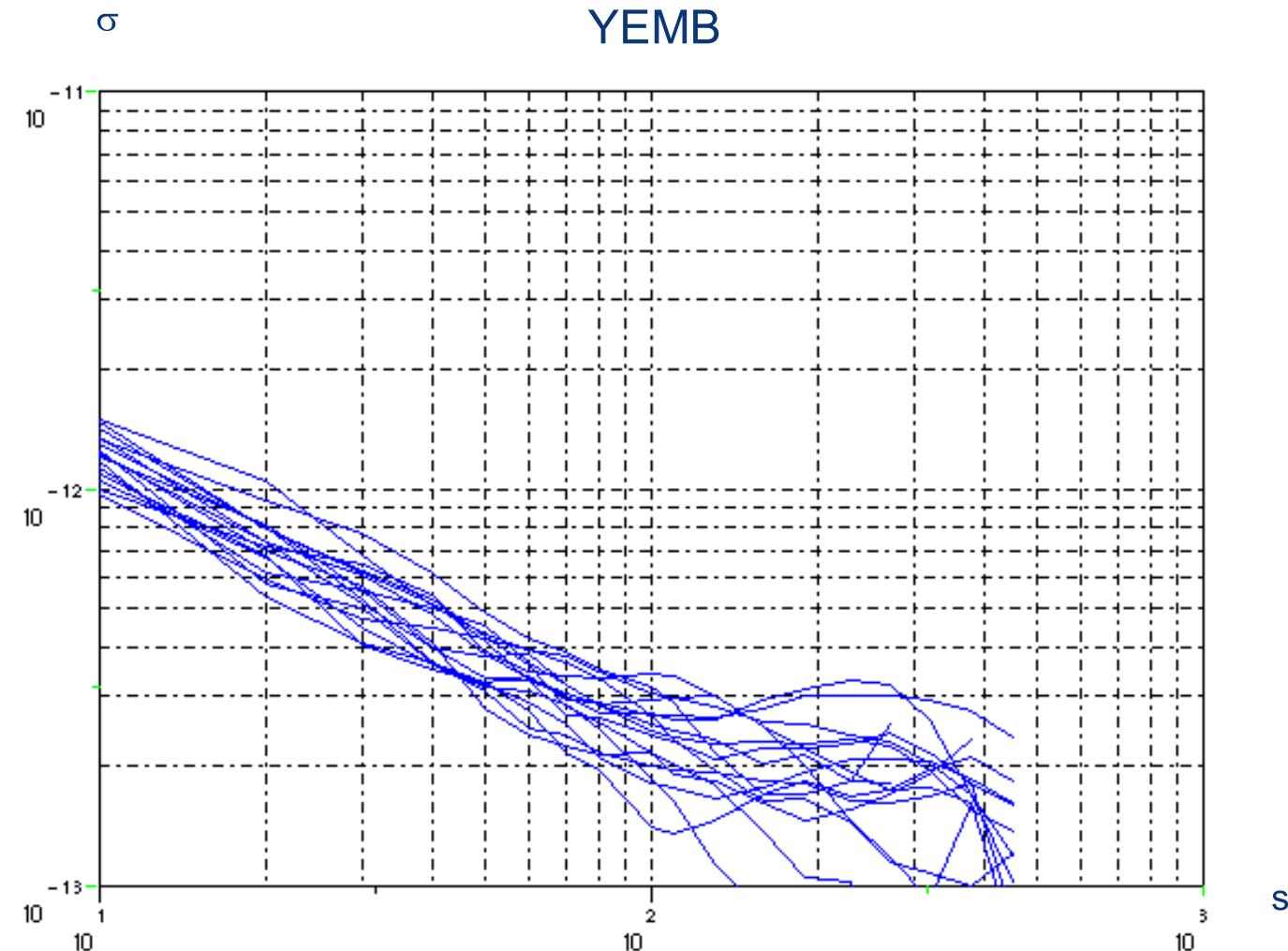
Correction of the small Doppler L1 cycle slips

# Allan variance FAIB



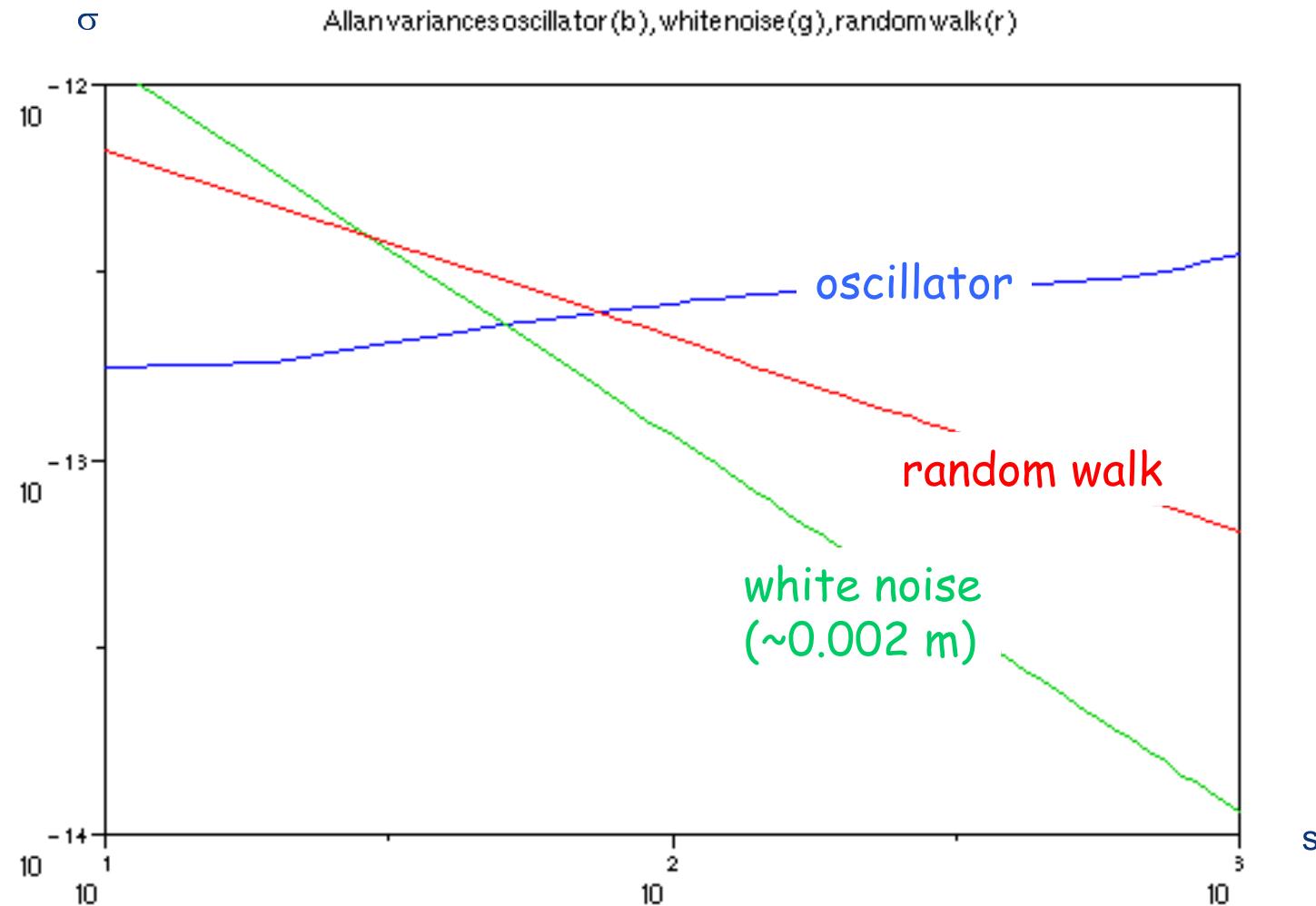
Slope between  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and -1 : effect of the oscillator combined with phase measurement noise

## Allan variance YEMB



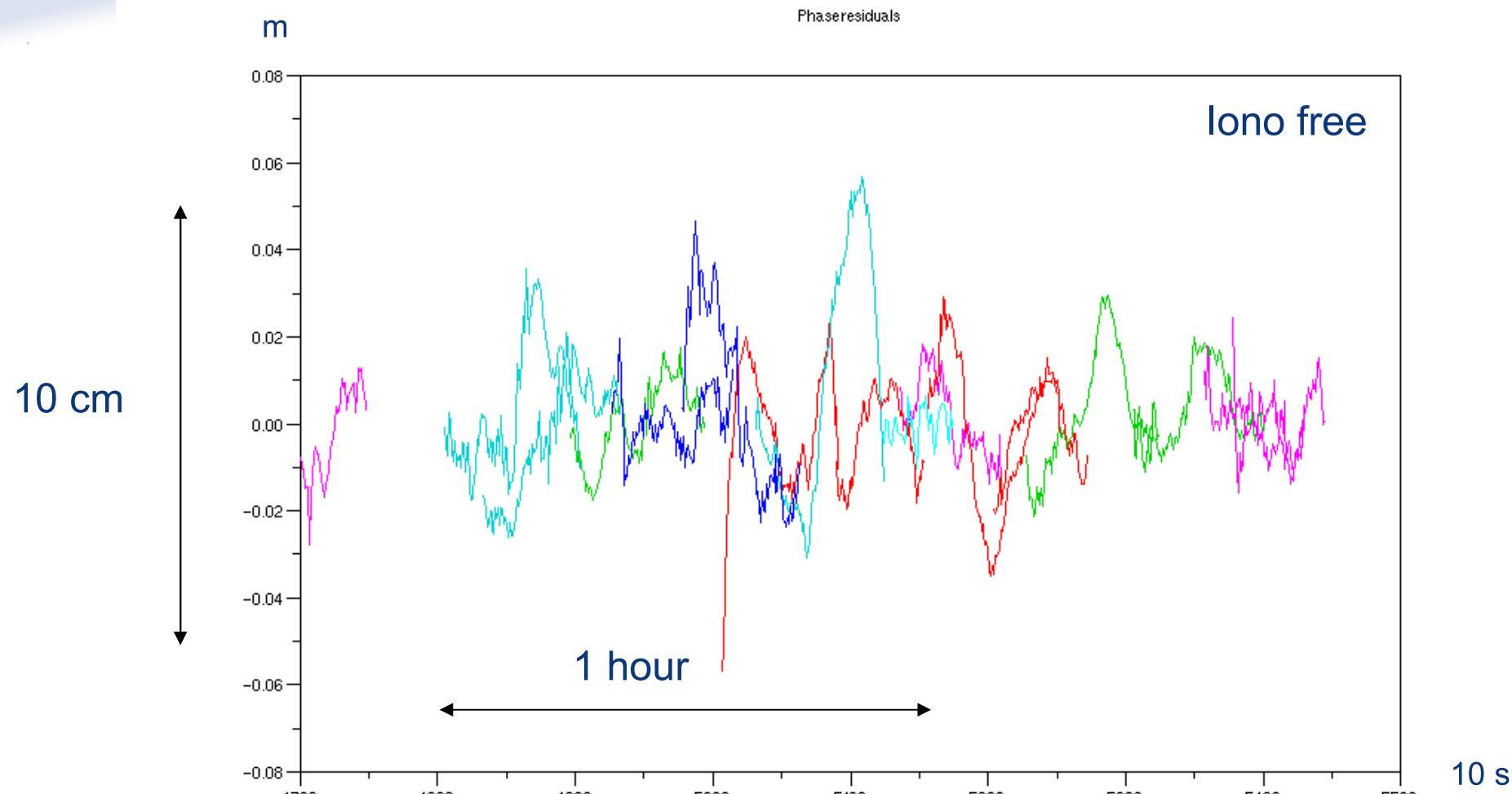
Slope between  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and -1 : effect of the oscillators combined with phase measurement noise ?

# Allan variance characteristics



See SWT 2006 presentation (Venice)

# Phase residuals time history

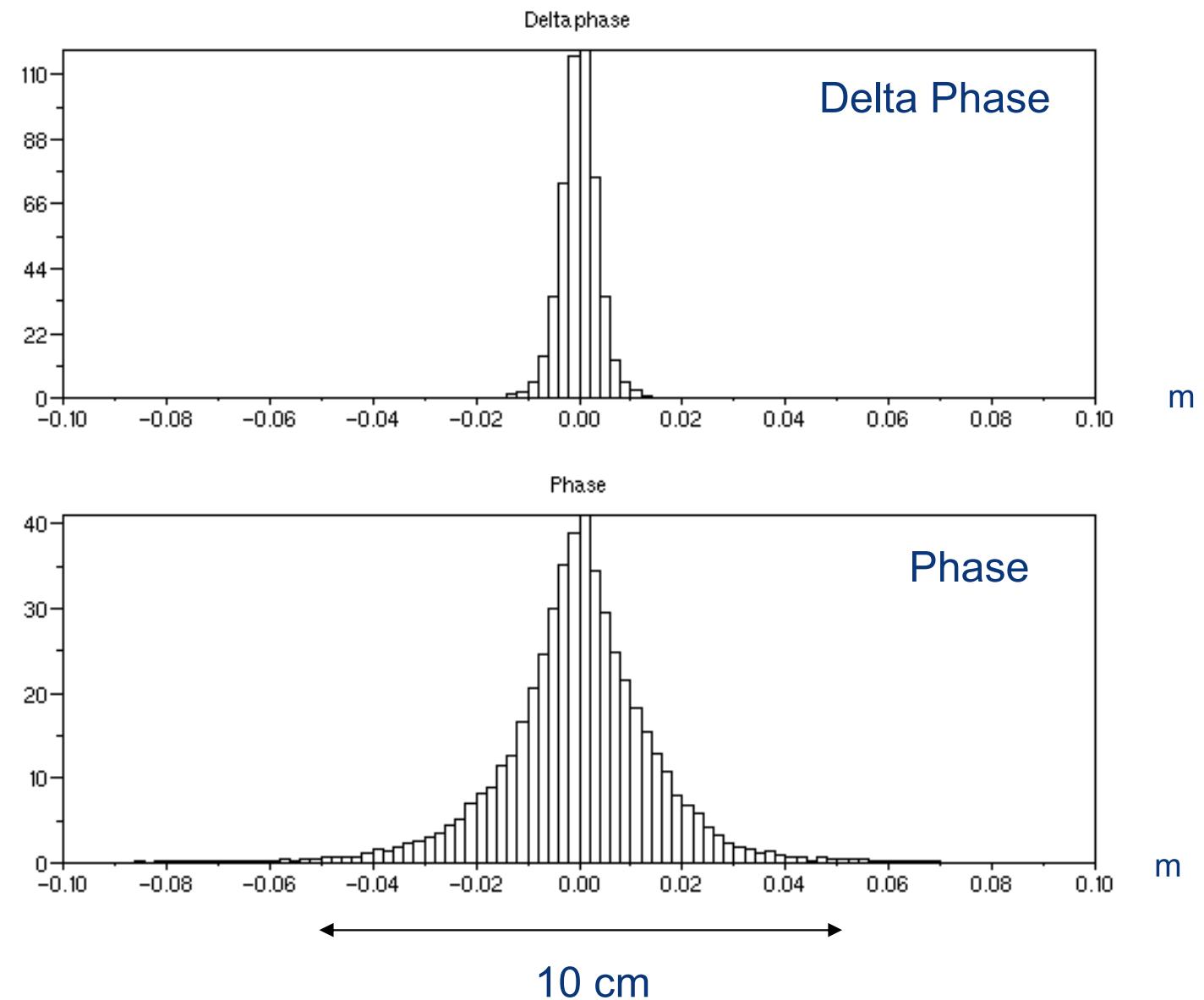


(bias and drift adjusted for each pass)

# Phase and Doppler residuals statictics

rms is important due to  
the low frequency content

does not reflect the true  
measurement noise



# Conclusions

Rinex format : very easy to use

- no specific satellite/receiver correction to apply
- the observables are very similar to GPS (pseudo-range and phase)
- currently used in the POD Jason2 process

Phase measurements :

Investigation of the small cycle slips occurrence

*L1 jumps* possible at low Doppler, low elevation

- all these jumps can be reconstructed

*L2 jumps* not so frequent

- not easy to detect and reconstruct

Allan variance analysis

- confirmation of the 2006 Spot5 studies
  - similar noise and oscillator effects
- it is necessary to take into account the oscillator behaviour
  - the best way (up to now) : Doppler by differentiating the phase

Doris solutions using phase : improve the parameterisation for  
the oscillators behaviour