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WHAT IS DEOS?

OLD DEOS:

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NEW DEOS:

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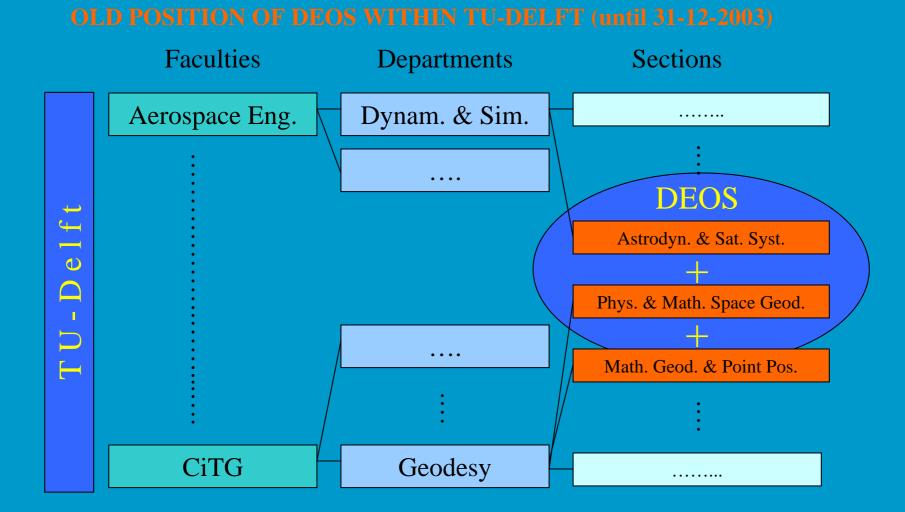
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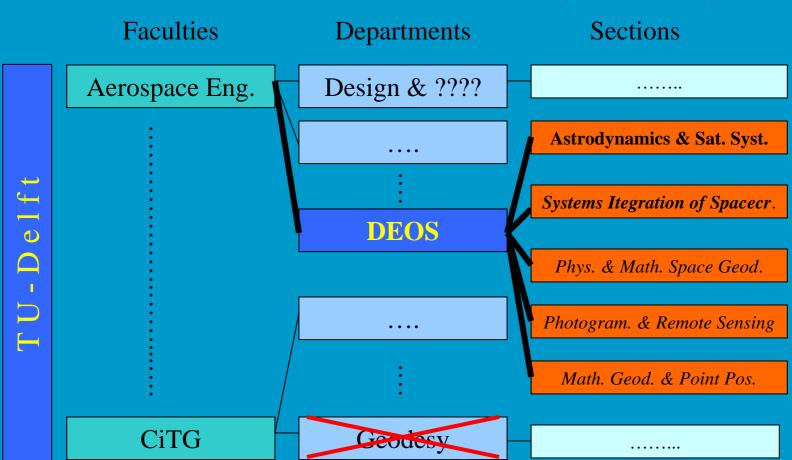


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NEW POSITION OF DEOS WITHIN TU-DELFT (from 1-1-2004)

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DEOS Mission:

".....develop and exploit (space-)geodetic observation techniques to enhance our knowledge of the kinematic and physical properties of the Earth, comprising its motion, interior, crust, oceans, cryosphere and atmosphere....."

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Main Research Topics:

- Precise satellite orbits
- Geo-kinematics
- Gravity fields
- Geophysical signals
- Instrumentation & operations

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Relevant Satellite Missions (instruments):

- Lageos-I, Lageos-II, Starlette, Westpac (SLR)
- Topex/Poseidon (RA, SLR, DORIS, GPS)
- ERS-1 and ERS-2 (RA, SLR, PRARE, SAR)
- Global Positioning System (GPS)
- GOCE (SGG, GPS), GRACE (SST, GPS, ACC), CHAMP (SLR, GPS, ACC)
- Jason, GFO (RA, DORIS, GPS)
- ENVISAT (RA, SLR, DORIS, SAR)
- CRYOSAT (RA, DORIS?, GPS?)



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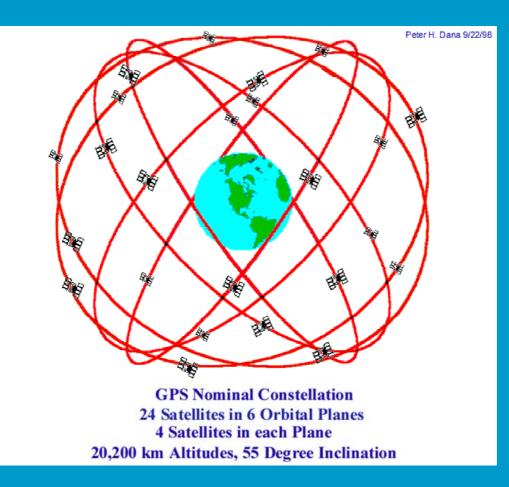
Ongoing GPS projects:

- South-East Asia
- Carpathians (Romania)
- Azores-Gibraltar region (Portugal)
- Umbria-Marche earthquake (Italy)
- Eurasia-Africa plate boundary (Southern Italy)
- Atmospheric water vapor detection
- Permanent GPS stations in Netherlands (2+4), Russia, Singapore, Angola, Azores (2), Romania (6) and Indonesia (3)

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The Global Positioning System space segment (nominal constellation)



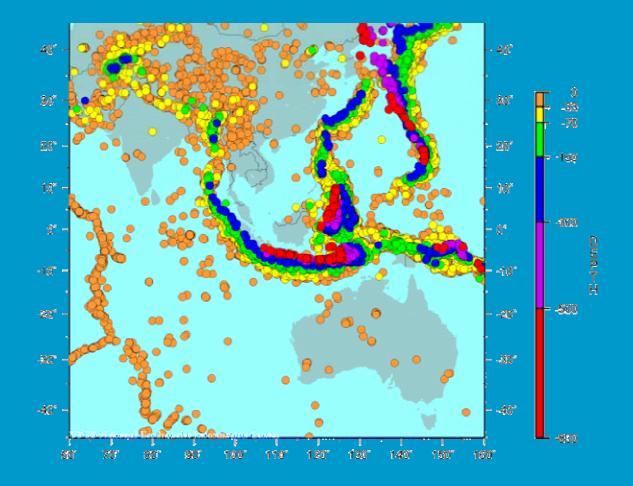
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Earthquakes (M > 5) since 1973 in South-East Asia



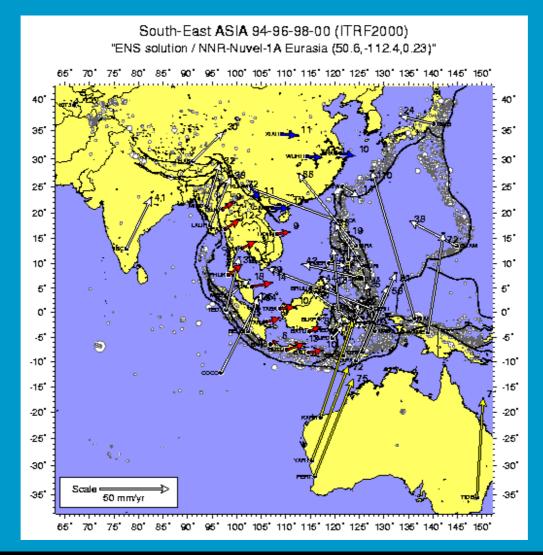
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GPS observations of tectonic motions in South-East Asia



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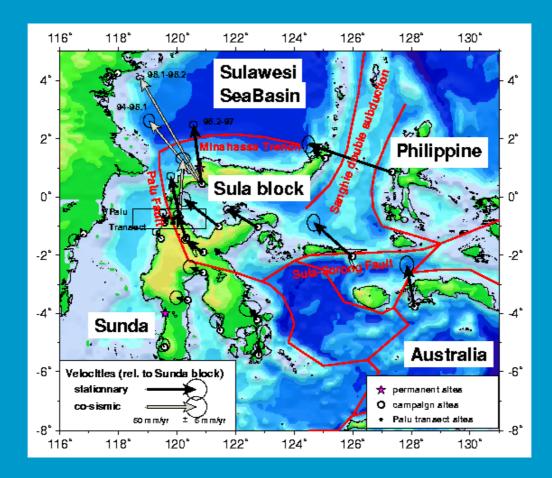
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Tectonic setting of the triple plate junction near Sulawesi



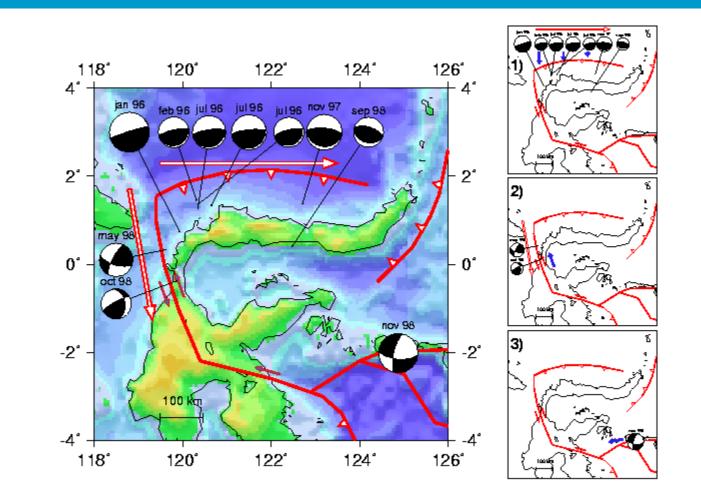
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Migration of earthquakes along the Minahassa trench and Palu fault



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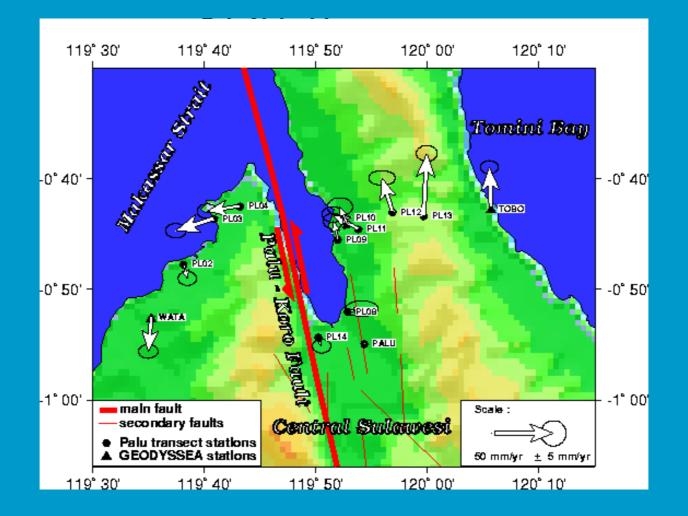
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Relative motion across the Palu-Koro fault (Sulawesi) from GPS obs.



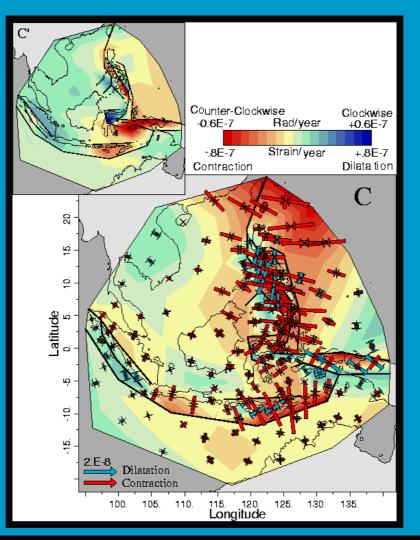
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Rotation and strain in South-East Asia derived from GPS observations



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GPS field work in Indonesia in cooperation with local staff



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Setting up a GPS field station in Sulawesi



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Leica GPS receivers for field work (ISES funding)



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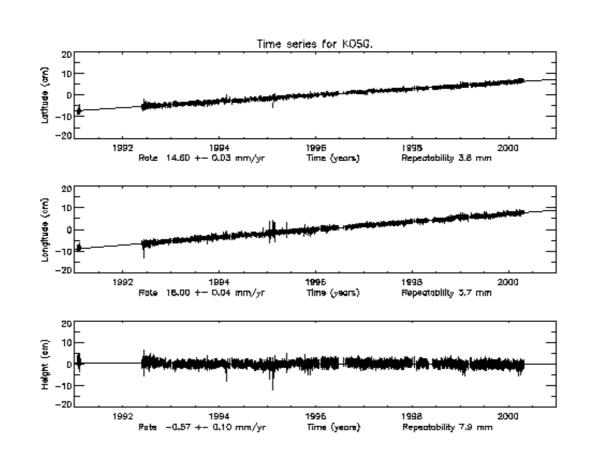


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Time-series of GPS position solutions of KOSG permanent station



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Damage to railroad due to Izmit earthquake (Turkey, August 17, 1999)



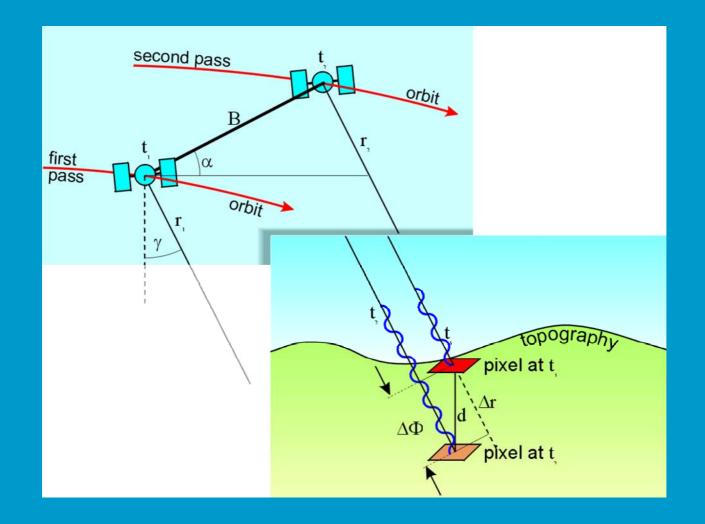
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Principle of satellite SAR Interferometry



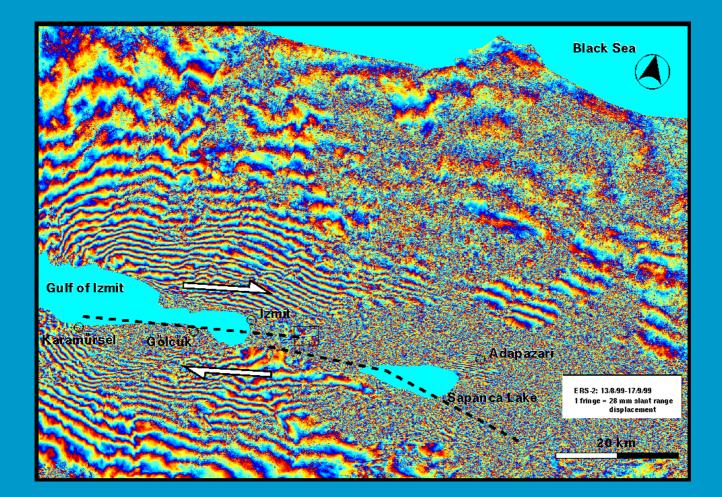
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Interferogram of two ERS-2 SAR images of Izmit earthquake



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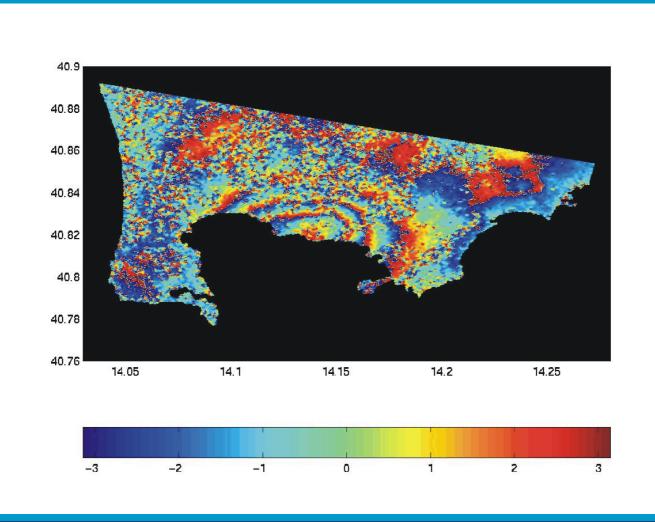
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Campi Flegrei, Italy; interferometric phase image (Mar 97-Mar 99)



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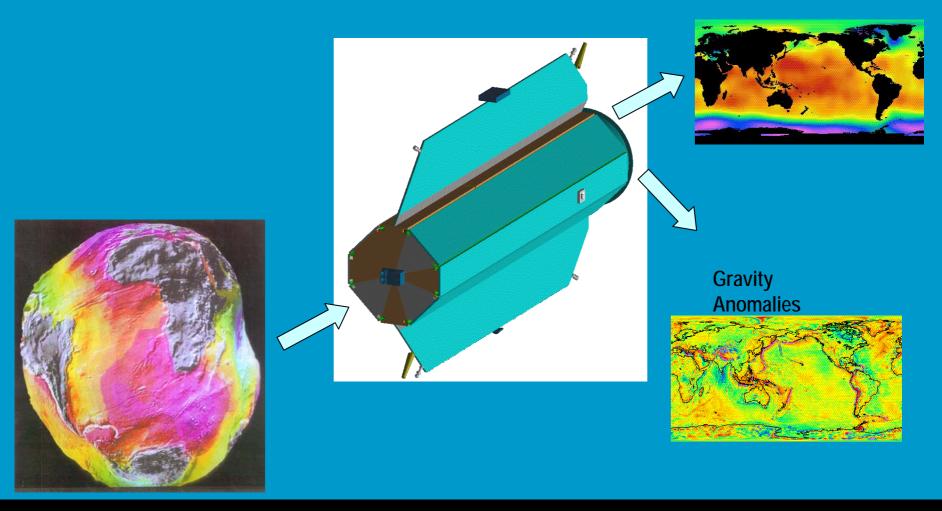
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The Gravity and Ocean Circulation Explorer (GOCE) mission

Geoid



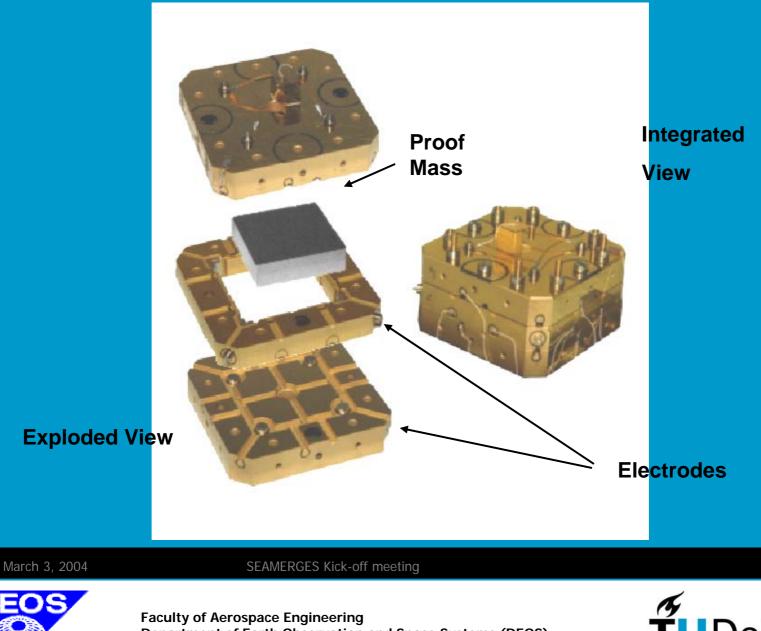
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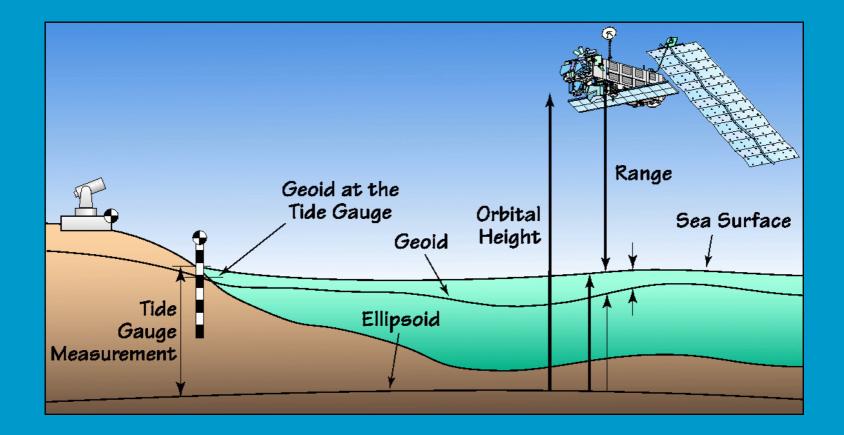




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Principle of satellite Radar Altimetry (RA) for sea surface height obs.



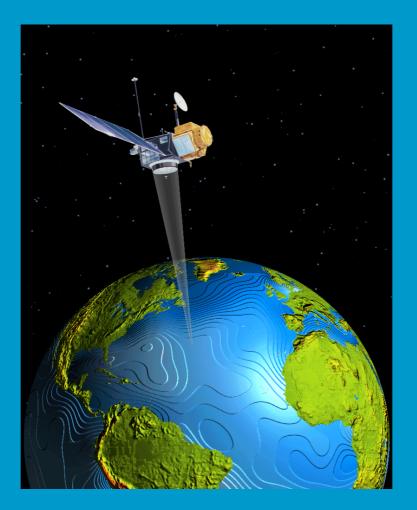
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The Topex/Poseidon Radar Altimeter (RA) satellite mission



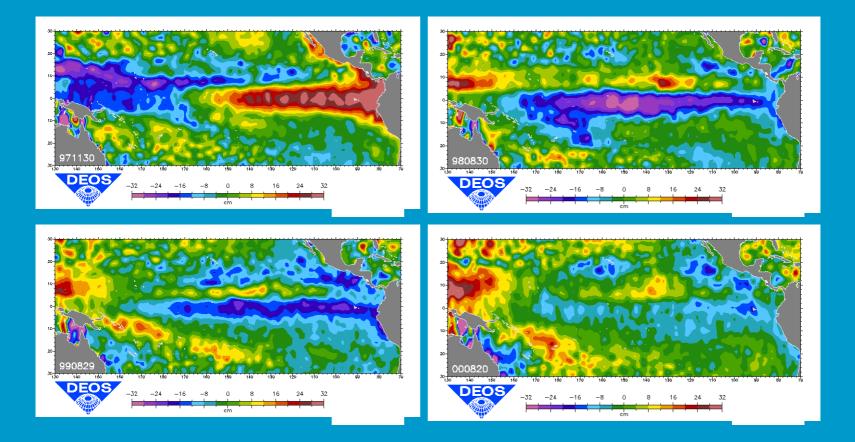
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Evolution of El Nino/La Nina determined from RA observations



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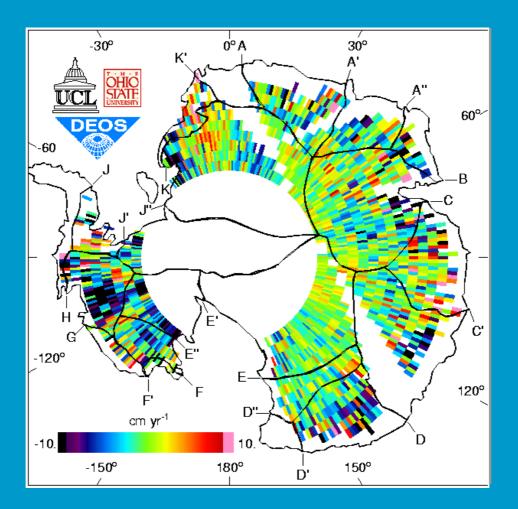
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Changes in thickness of the Antarctic ice sheet from ERS-2 RA data



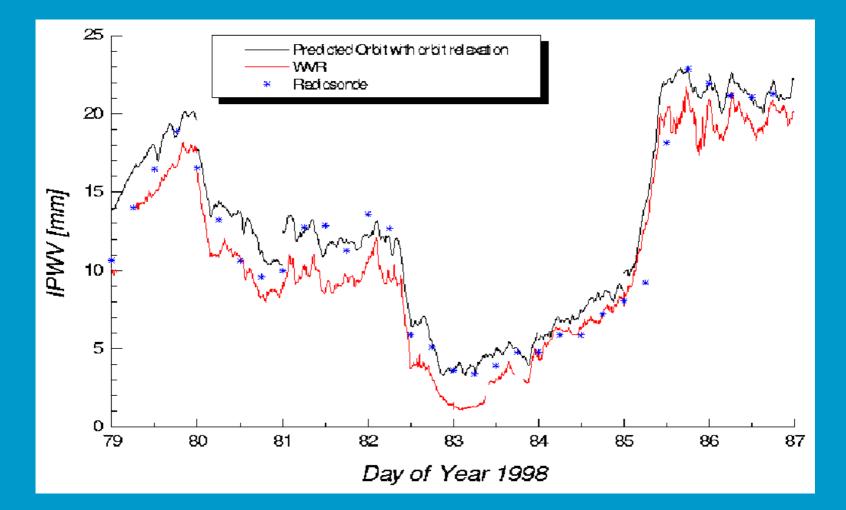
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Measuring atmospheric water vapor with GPS



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