

ITRF datum and ILRS network geometry



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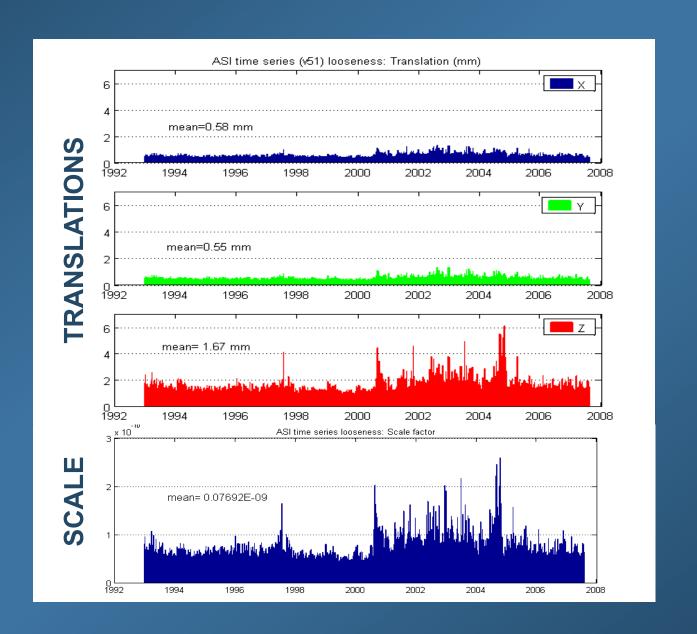
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The SLR sensitivity to the TRF datum





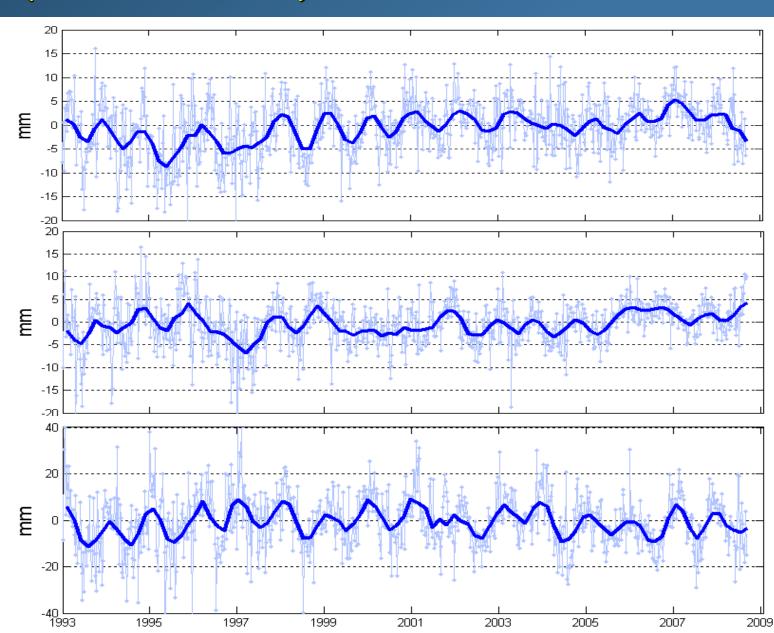
Translations to SLRF2005

(ASI v12 time series)

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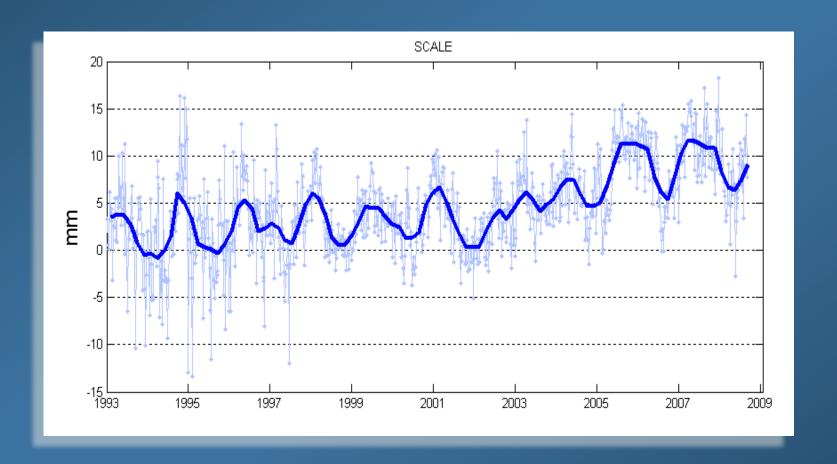
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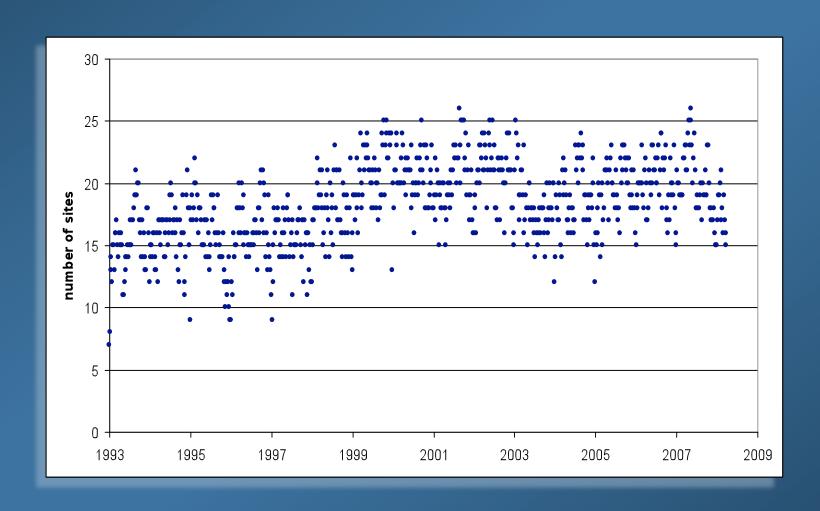




Scale to SLRF2005 (ASI v12 time series)

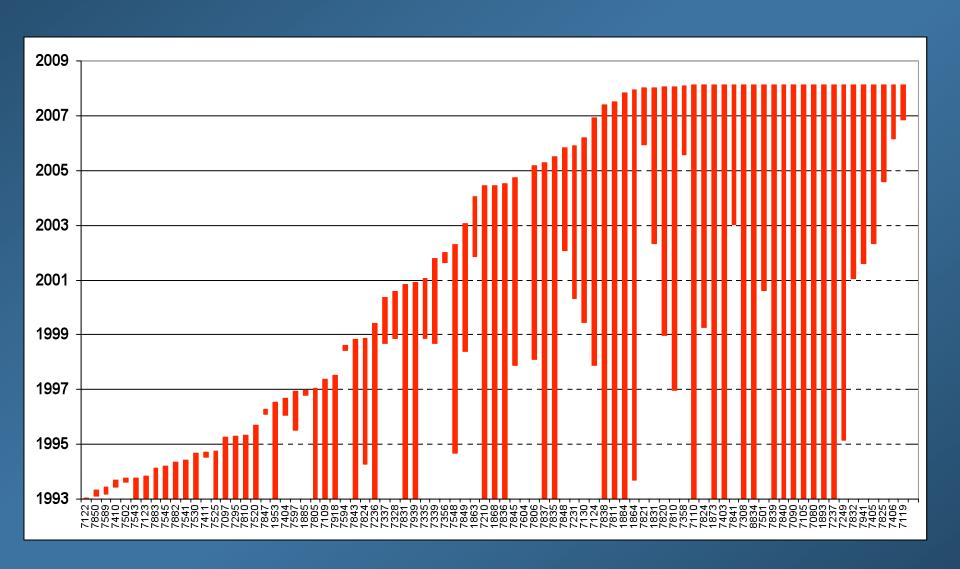


The number of sites in the SLR network

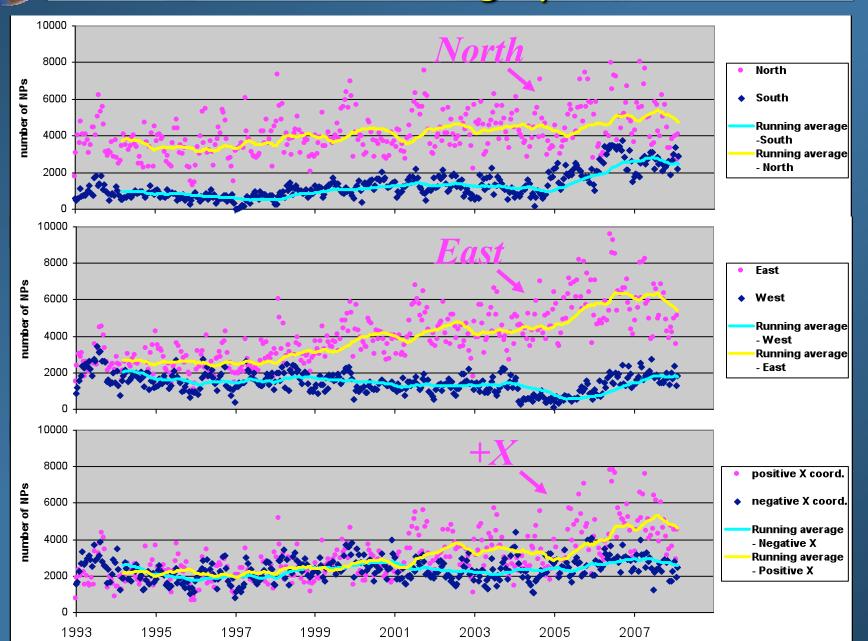




The SLR network temporal coverage



LAGEOS 1/2 data Geographical distribution





The data barycenter

A weekly time series of the LAGEOS 1/2 *data barycenter* has been computed, expressed as coordinates (dX,dY,dZ) in the ITRF reference frame.

$$dX = \sum_{i} X_{i} n_{i} / N_{tot}$$

$$dY = \sum_{i} Y_{i} n_{i} / N_{tot}$$

$$dZ = \sum_{i} Z_{i} n_{i} / N_{tot}$$

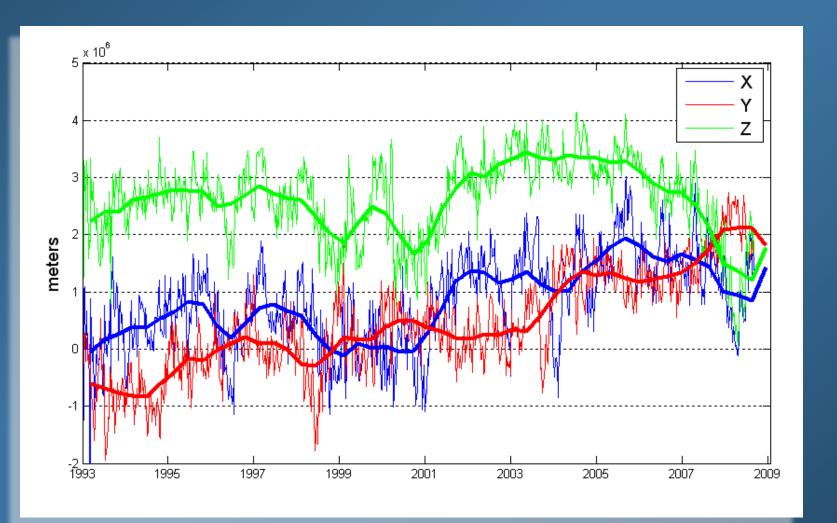
where:

 X_{i} , Y_{i} , Z_{i} : X, Y, Z coordinate of the i-th site of the week

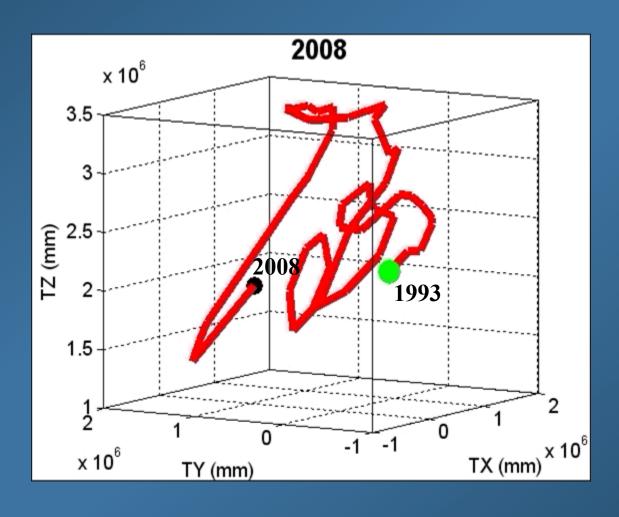
 n_i : number of observations of the i-th site of the week

 N_{tot} : total number of observations in the week



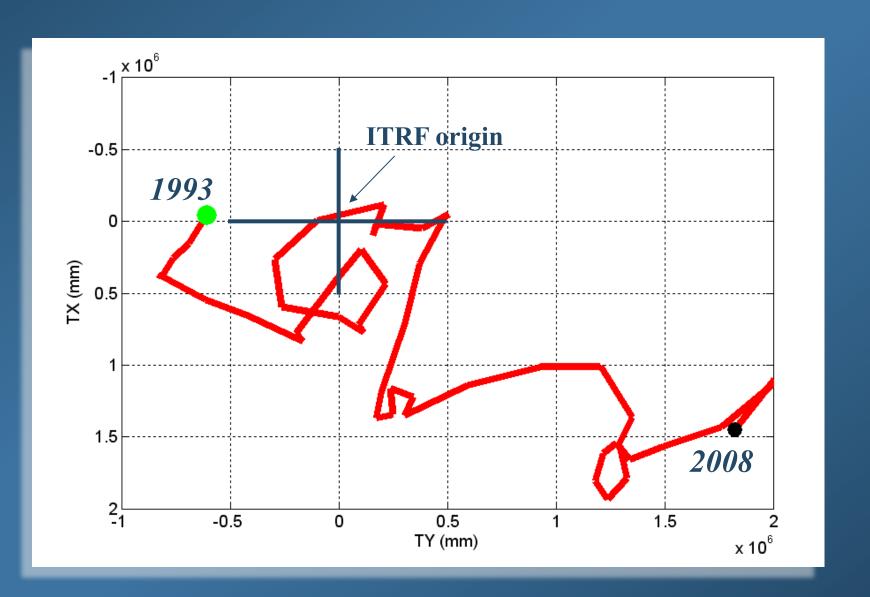


3D data barycenter evolution



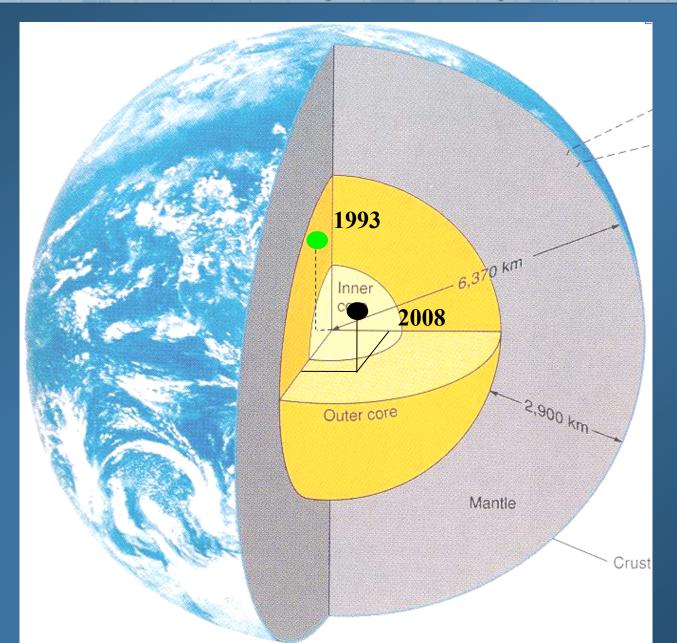


Data barycenter on the XY plane



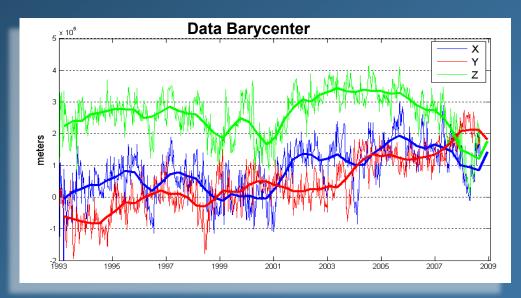


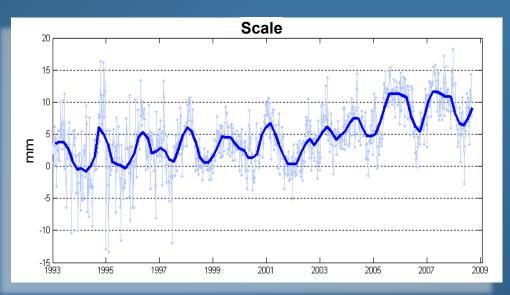
The data barycenter position





Correlations





Correlation coefficients

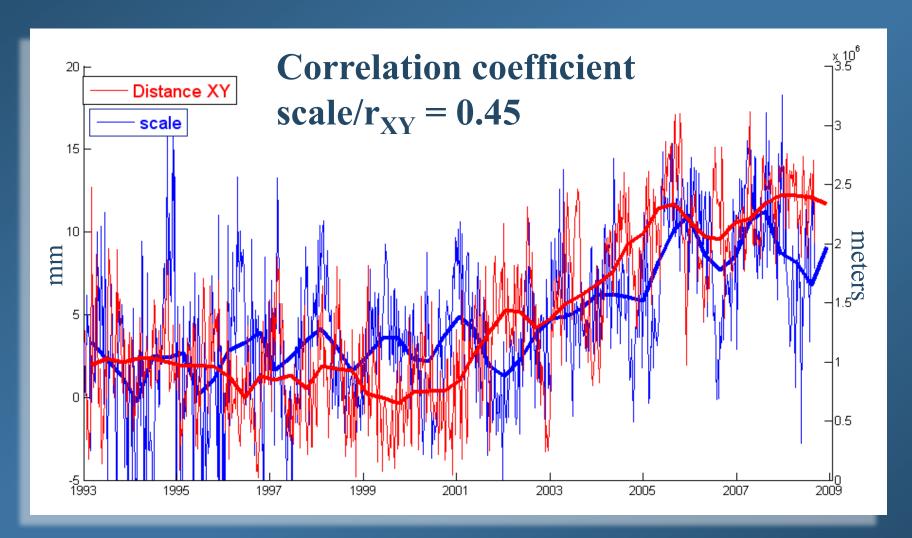
scale/X = 0.32

scale/Y = 0.45

scale/Z = 0.06



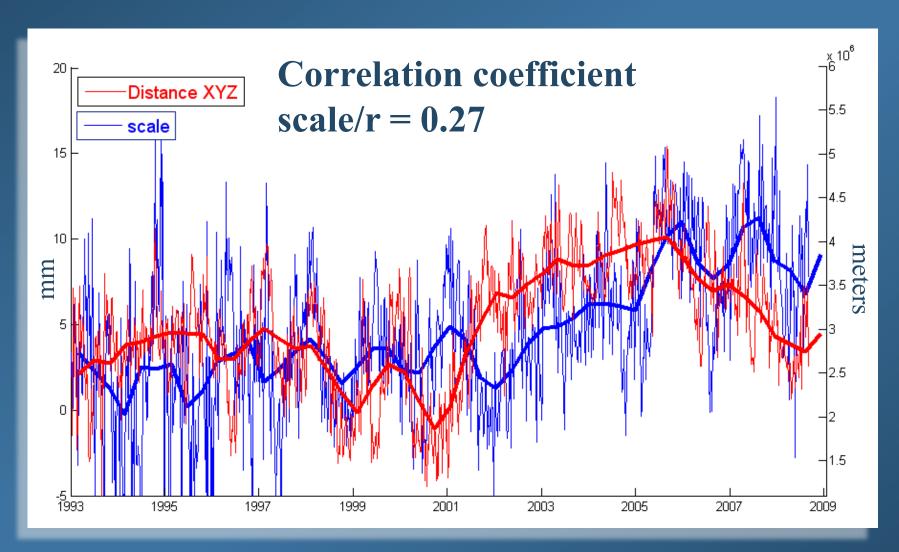
XY eccentricity vs scale



r_{XY} = distance of the data barycenter from the ITRF origin, in the XY plane (equator)



3D eccentricity vs scale



r = distance of the data barycenter from the ITRF origin

Concluding remarks

- Unbalanced data distribution since 2002
- Possible effect of the <u>longitudinal</u> data distribution on the scale to SLRF2005
- No evidence of the North/South data distribution influence on the scale to SLRF2005
- Further investigations with network simulation to:
 - ✓ assess the correlation scale/data barycenter
 - ✓ check the reliability of scale estimation