



On the TEC determination from the ionospheric DORIS products

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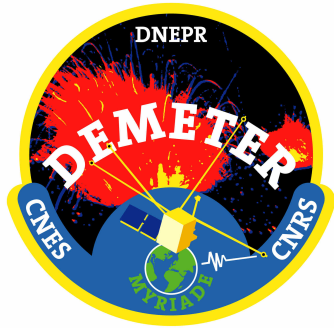


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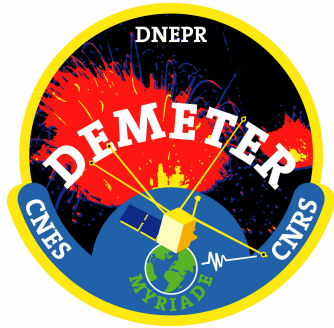
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We take the ionospheric data files from

<ftp://cddisa.gsfc.nasa.gov/pub/doris/products/iono/ssa>

In a file related to each pass close to a station, we use the following parameters : date, time, count interval (2GHz), ionospheric correction (2GHz), elevation angle, azimuth, station-satellite distance.

For each station, we calculate at each time the coordinates (latitude and longitude) of the satellite track and then the coordinates of the sub-ionospheric point at which the TEC will be estimated (assuming a thin ionospheric layer at a constant altitude).



Method to extract the TEC parameter

We use the following equation between the DORIS measurements and the TEC values:

$$IC(i) = c * [k_1(i) * TEC_1(i) - k_2(i) * TEC_2(i)] \text{ for } i = 1, N$$

Where N is the number of measurements, IC is the ionospheric correction in m/s ($0.02 \text{ cy} \rightarrow 0.3 \text{ mm/s}$ at 2 GHz), c is a constant related to the frequency of emission and the count interval, k is a geometric factor to convert a slant TEC to a vertical TEC, TEC_1 is the TEC value at the subionospheric point related to measurement at the beginning of the counting period, and TEC_2 is the TEC value at the subionospheric point related to measurement at the end of the counting period.



Method to extract the TEC parameter

We assume that the TEC values can be approximated by a polynomial of degree N (N = 5) function of the latitude of the subionospheric point:

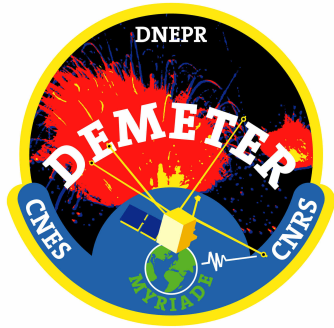
$$\text{TEC}(i) = a_0 + a_1 * \text{lat}(i) + a_2 * \text{lat}(i)^2 + a_3 * \text{lat}(i)^3 + a_4 * \text{lat}(i)^4 + a_5 * \text{lat}(i)^5$$

If we take into account the previous equation, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IC}(i) = & c * [k_1(i) - k_2(i)] * a_0 + c * [k_1(i)*\text{lat}_1(i) - k_2(i)*\text{lat}_2(i)] * a_1 \\ & + c * [k_1(i)*\text{lat}_1(i)^2 - k_2(i)*\text{lat}_2(i)^2] * a_2 + c * [k_1(i)*\text{lat}_1(i)^3 - k_2(i)*\text{lat}_2(i)^3] * a_3 \\ & + c * [k_1(i)*\text{lat}_1(i)^4 - k_2(i)*\text{lat}_2(i)^4] * a_4 + c * [k_1(i)*\text{lat}_1(i)^5 - k_2(i)*\text{lat}_2(i)^5] * a_5 \end{aligned}$$

This is a matrix equation: $\text{IC} = \text{B A}$

where IC is the vector of the DORIS measurements (N), A is the vector of unknown polynomial coefficients (6) and B is a matrix of size N*6.

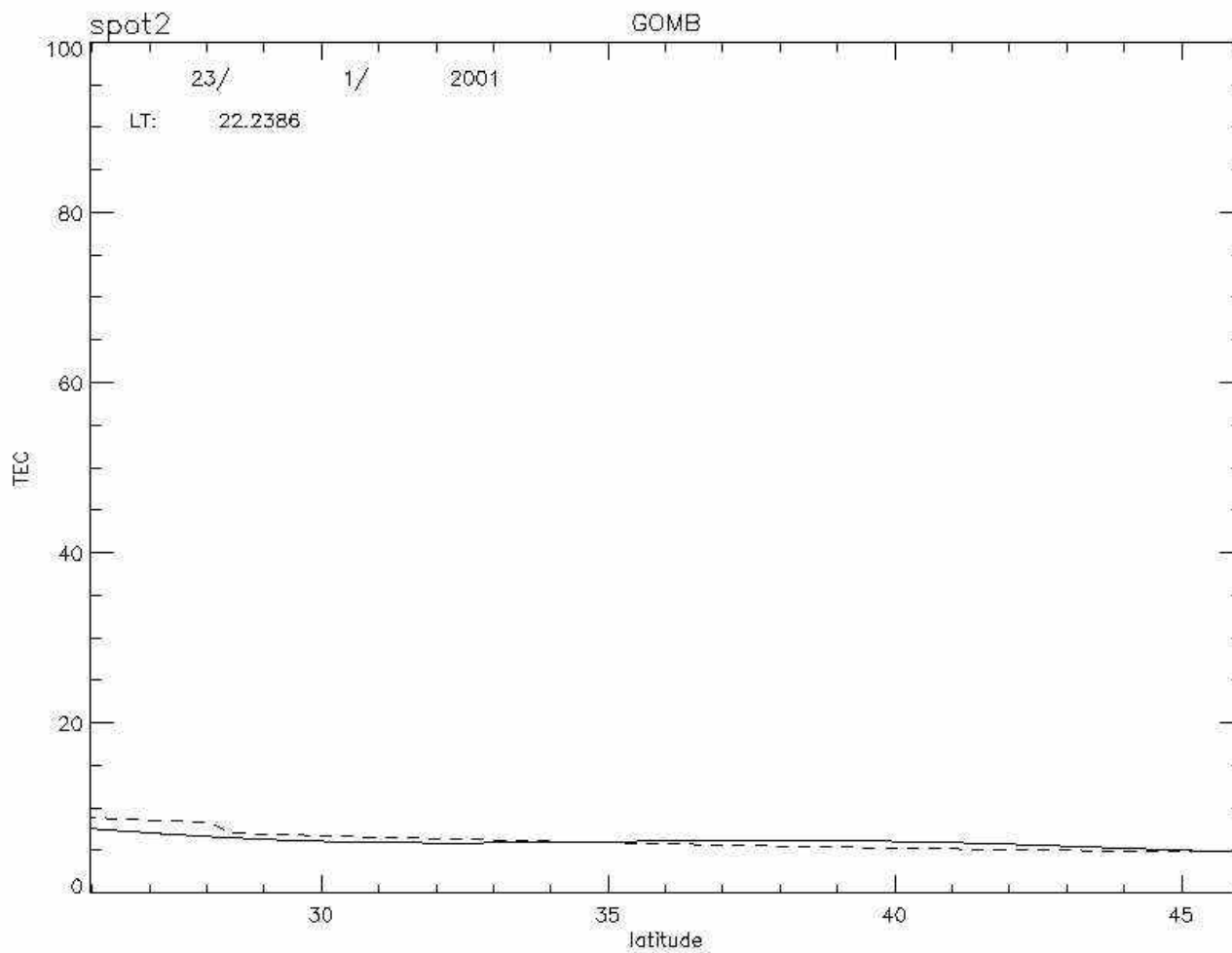


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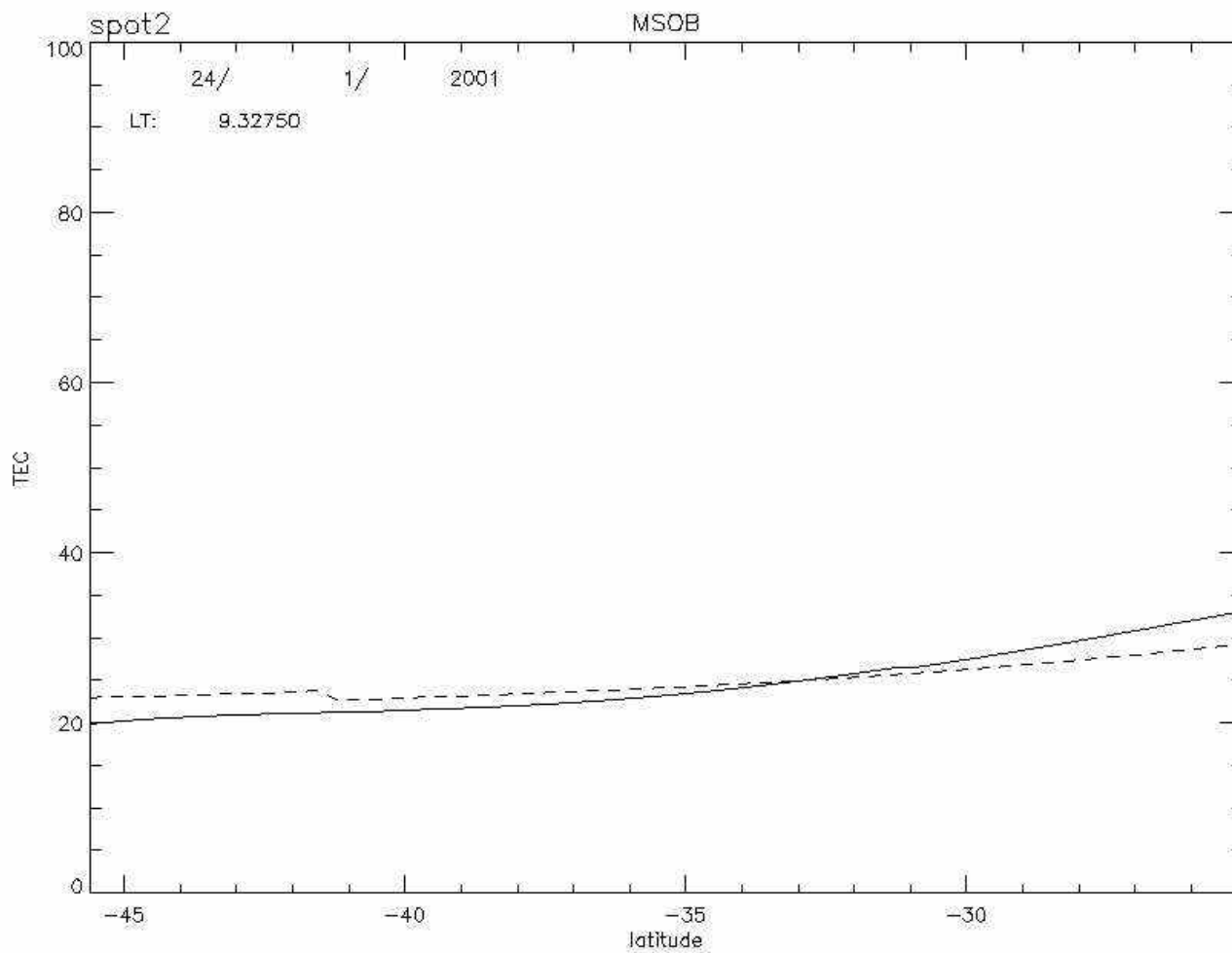
We solve this system with a least square method (IDL software) in order to get the coefficients a_j .

We calculate the TEC values at each subionospheric point.

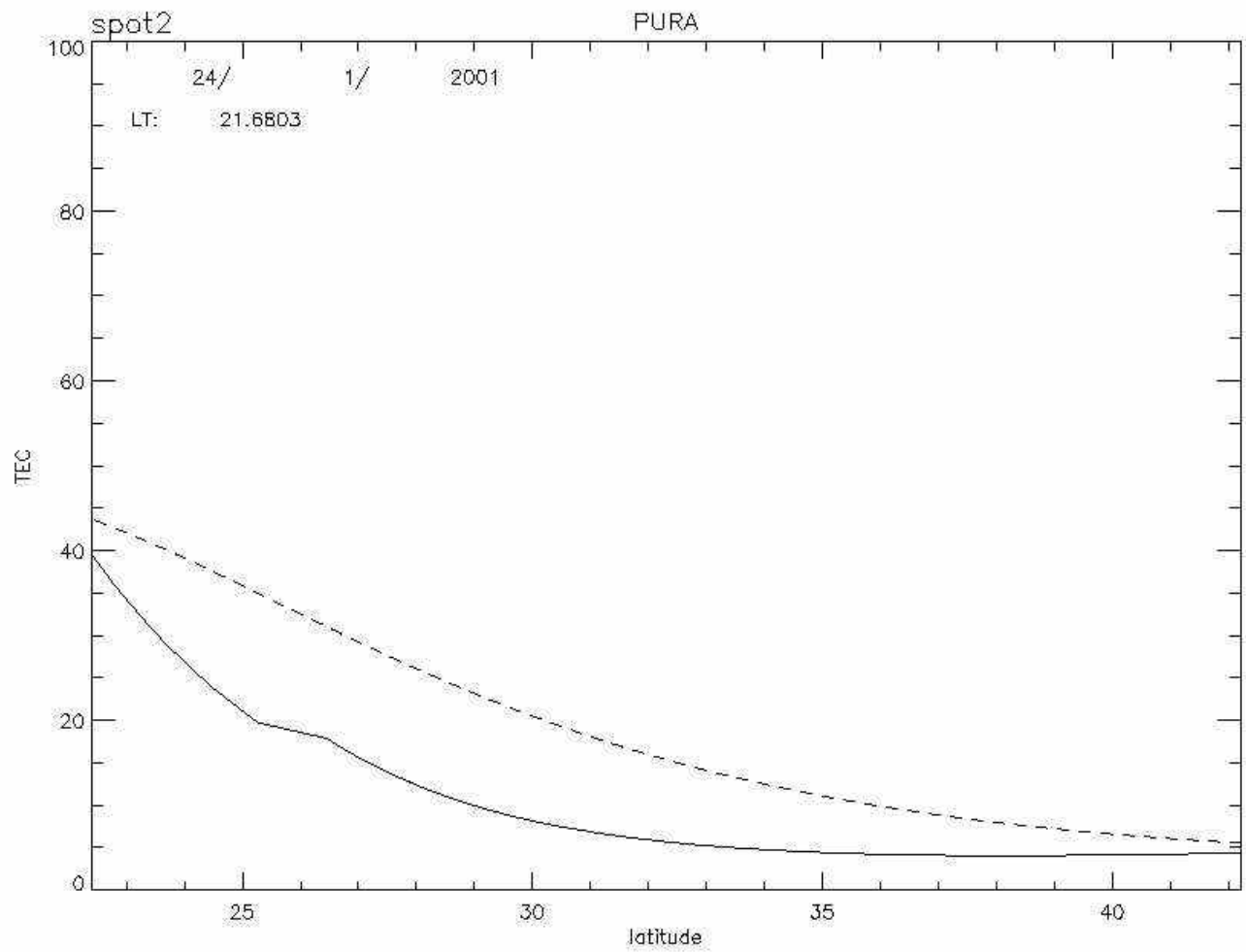
We compare the results with TEC values given by the IRI 2001 model.



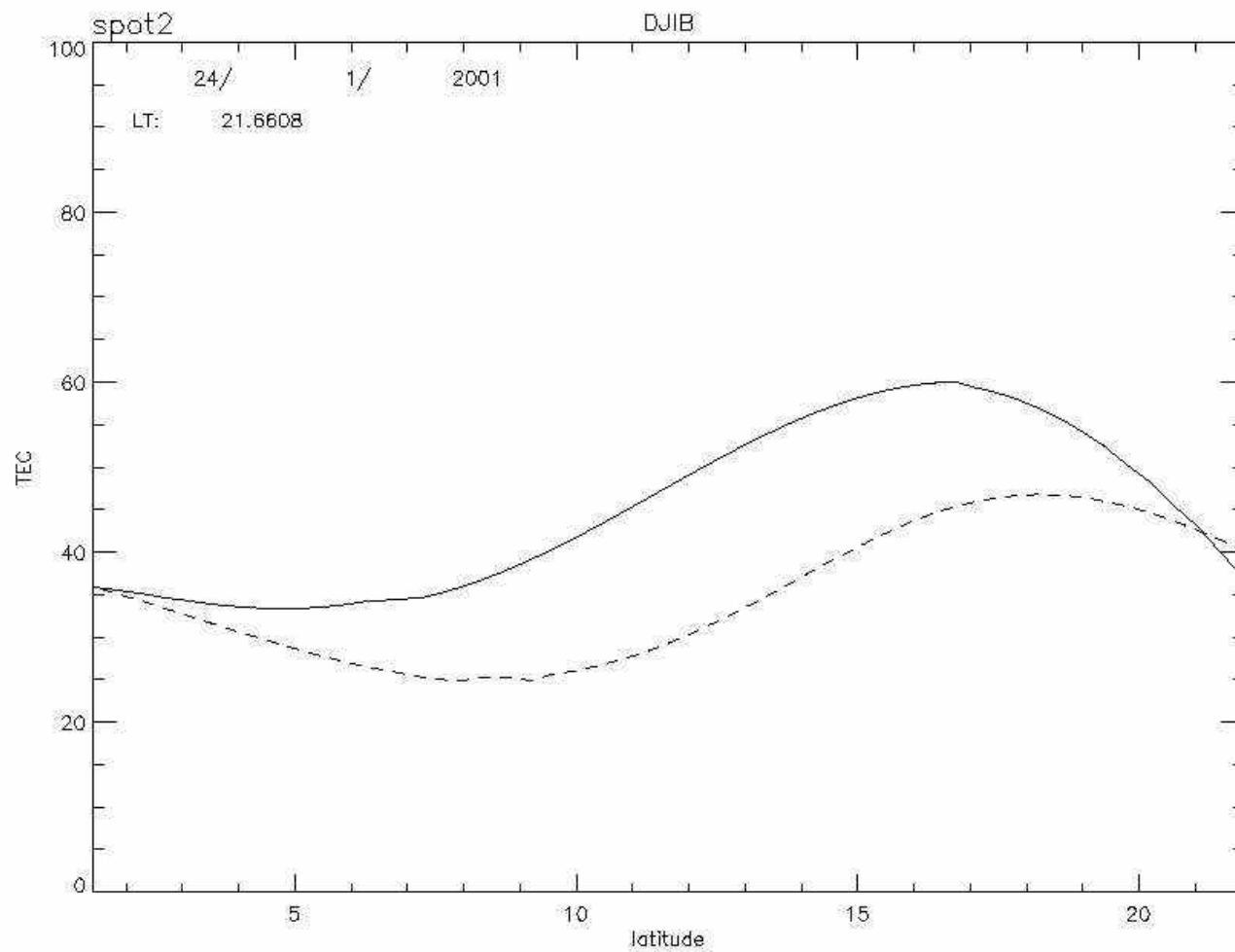
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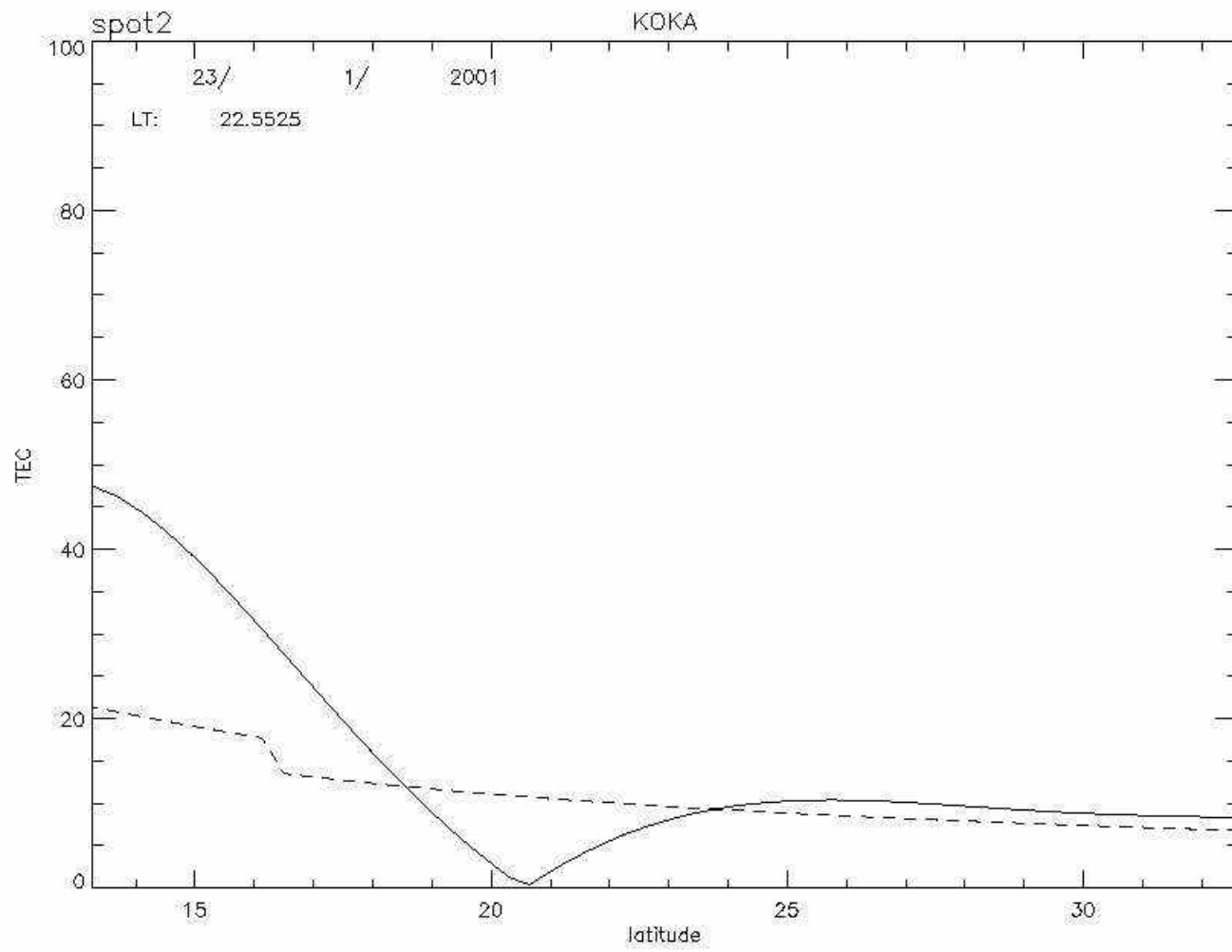
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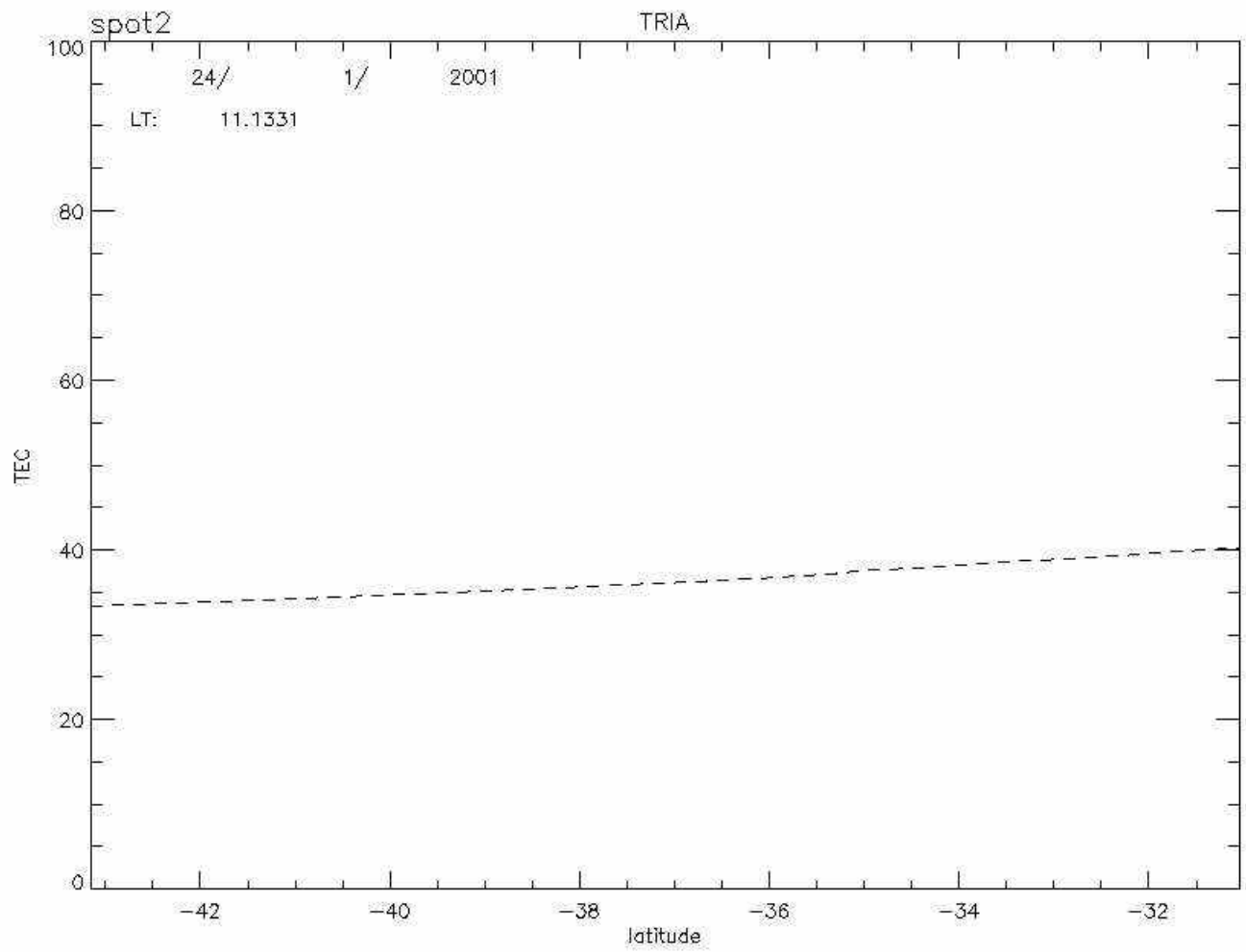


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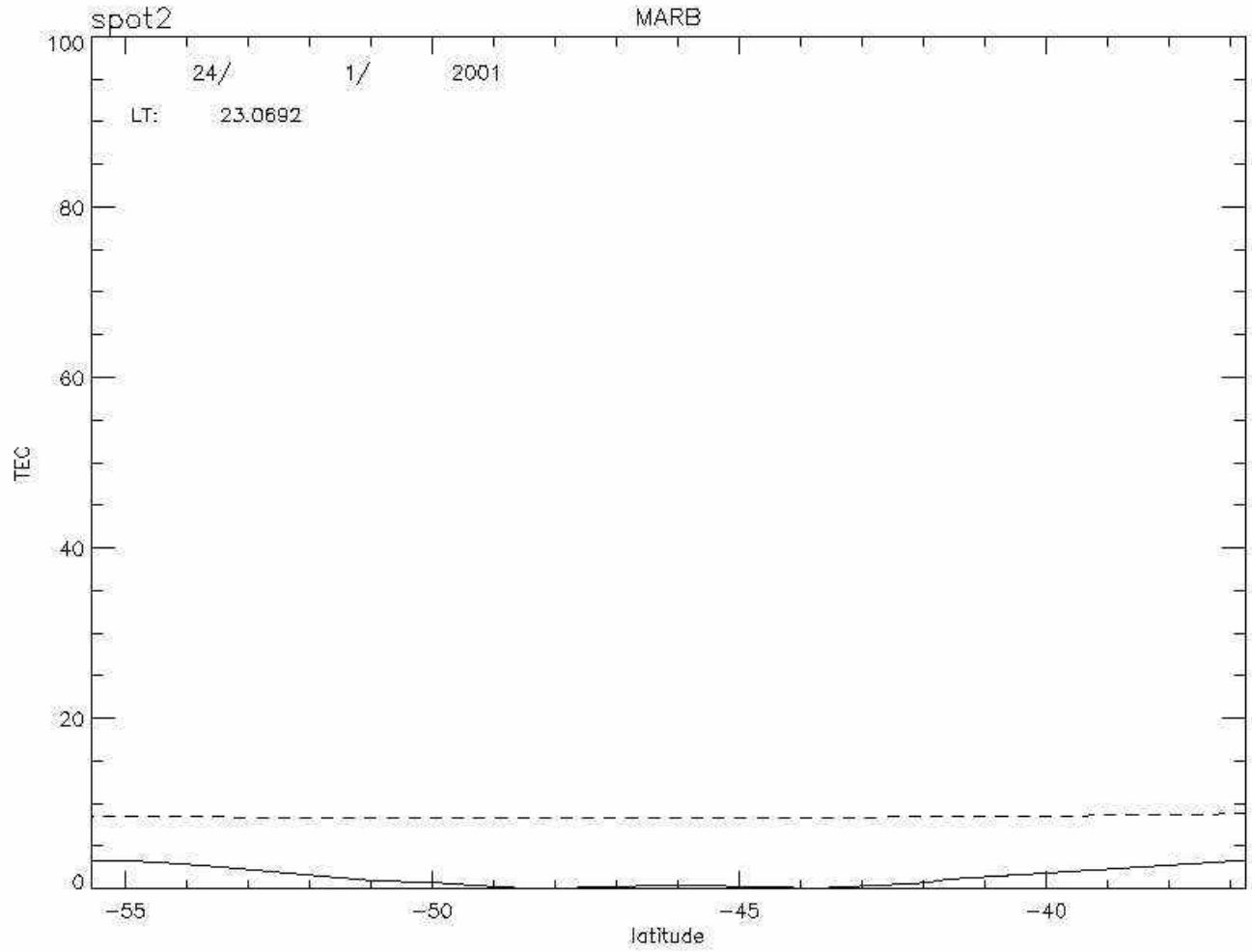
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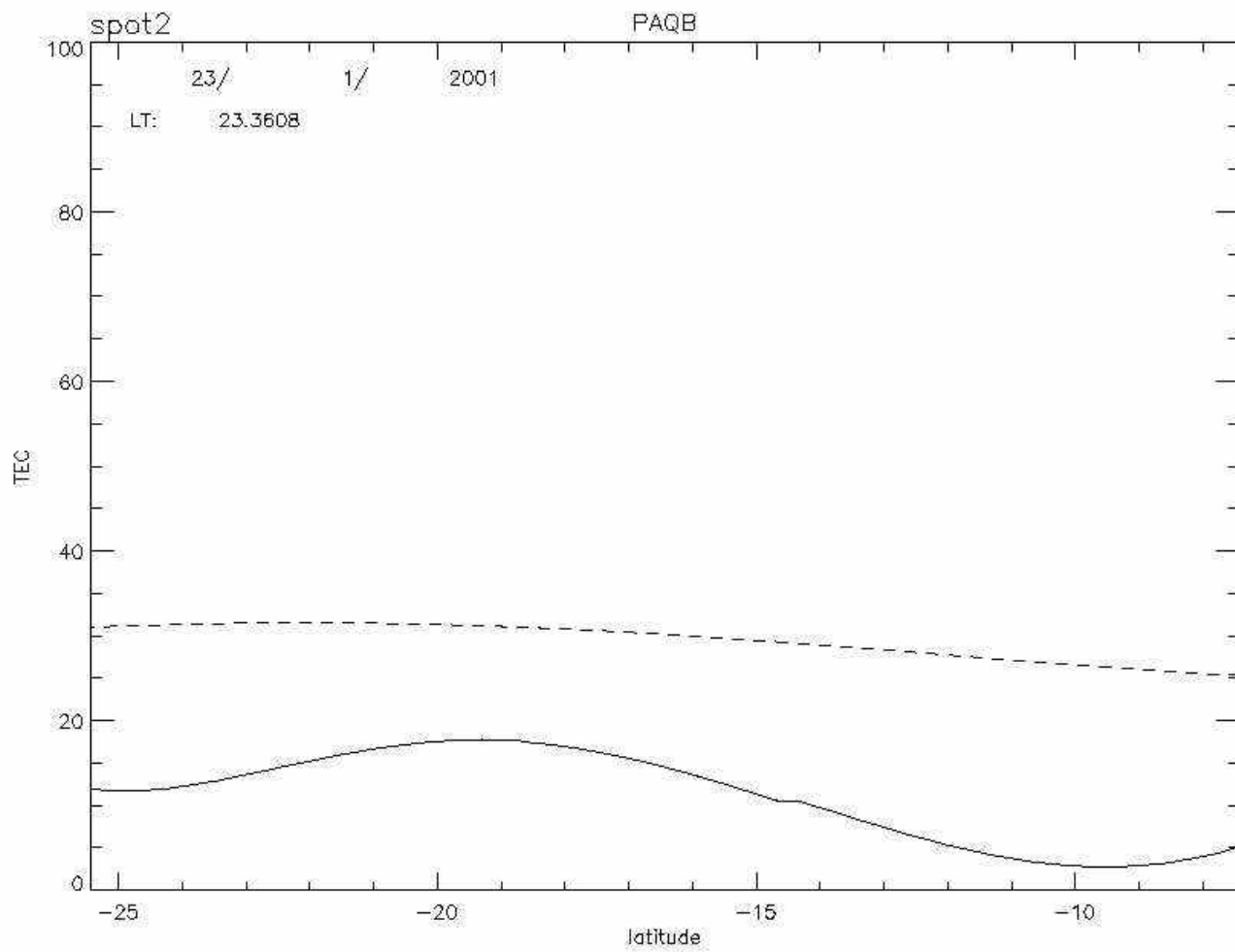
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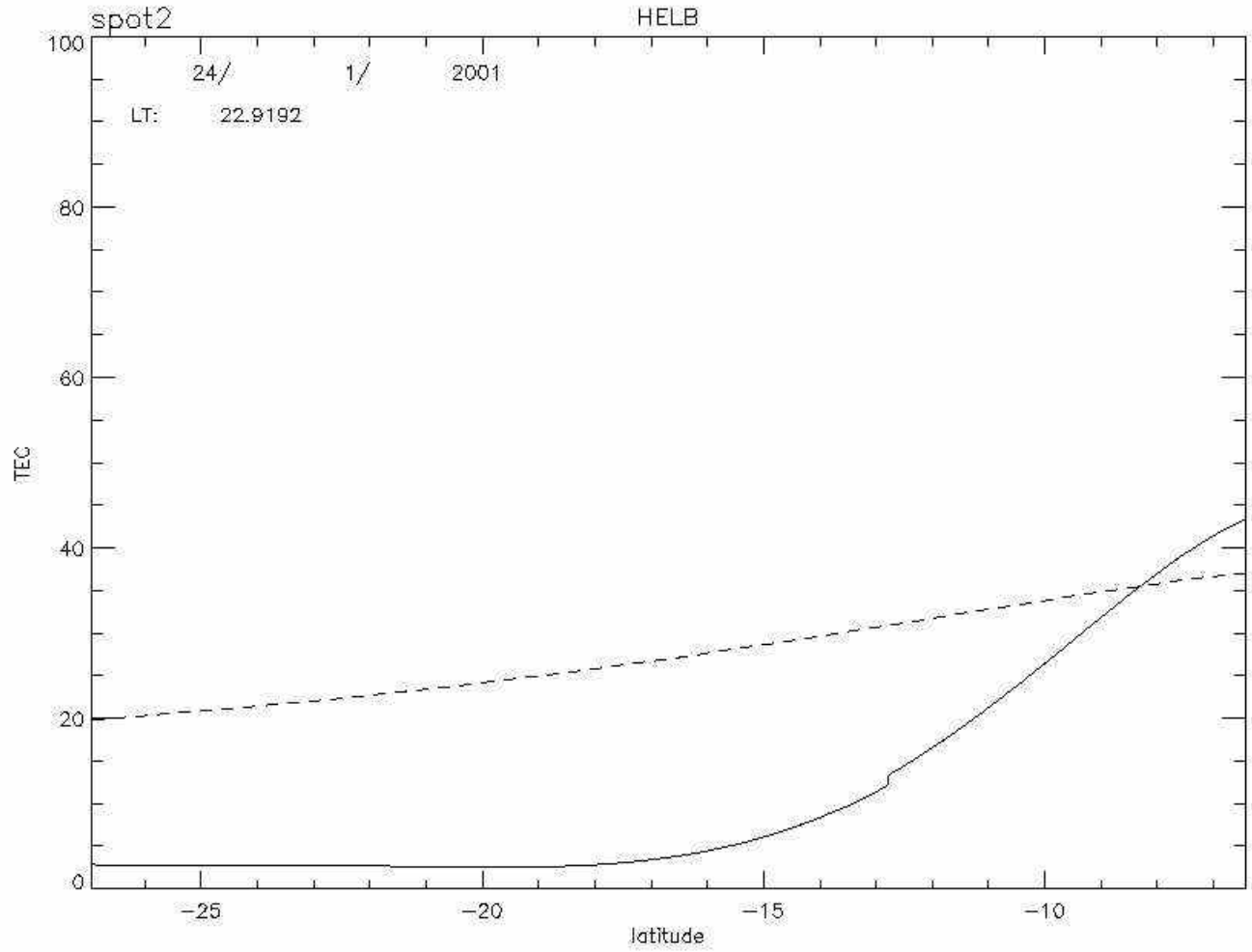
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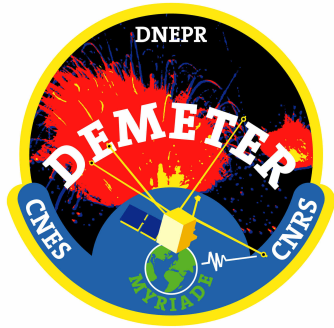
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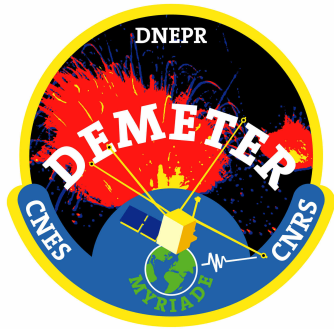
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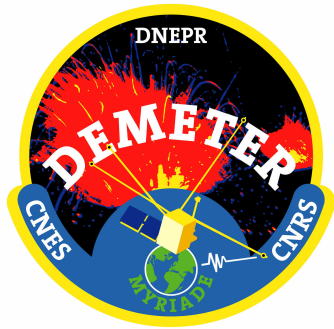
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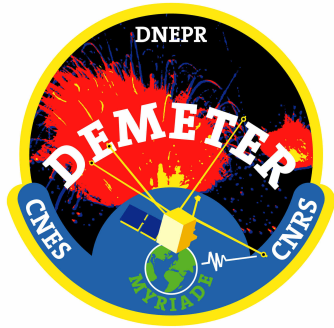
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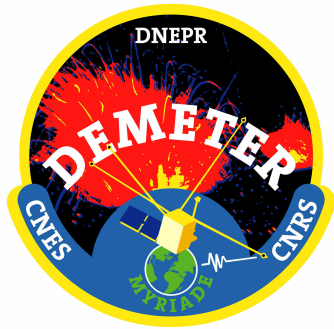
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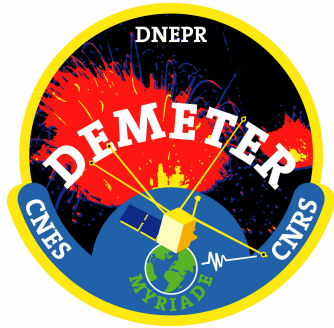
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Other Problems with the data

- We do not know the normal situation
- We do not know how to use the parameter « elimination criteria »
- We have no criteria to eliminate wrong data



Conclusions

The DEMETER micro-satellite which will be launched on June 29, 2004 is devoted to the study of ionospheric perturbations in relation with the seismic activity.

DEMETER will perform local measurement of the electron density and during the mission we intend to take into account ionospheric data from many other sources to survey the ionosphere.

