

Do West Bohemian earthquakes displace the surface ?

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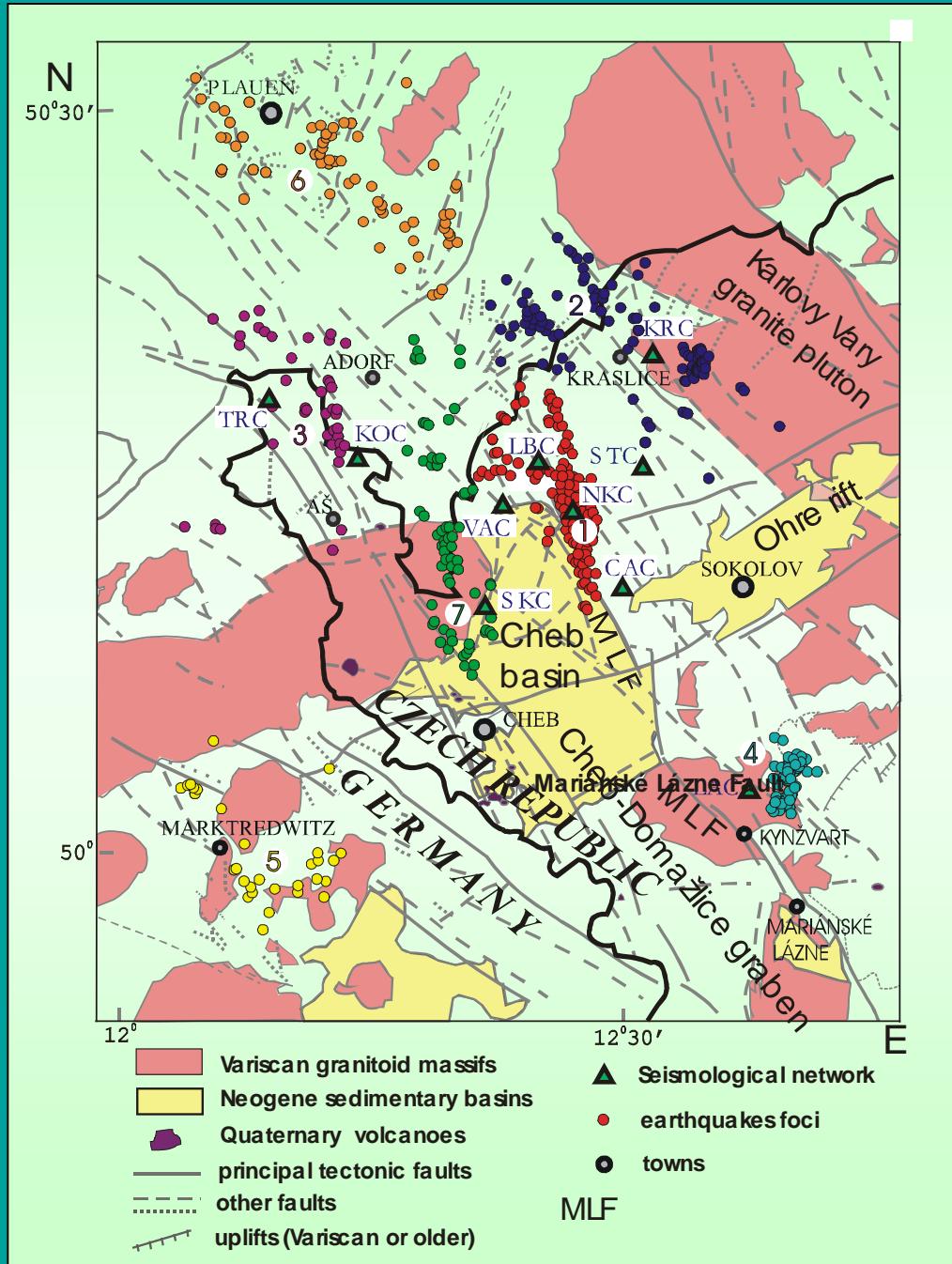
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West Bohemia seismoactive region

- Geology
- Seismicity

Epicentral zones of
1 – Nový Kostel
2 - Kraslice-Klingenthal
7 - Skalná



(Adopted after Horálek et al., 2000)

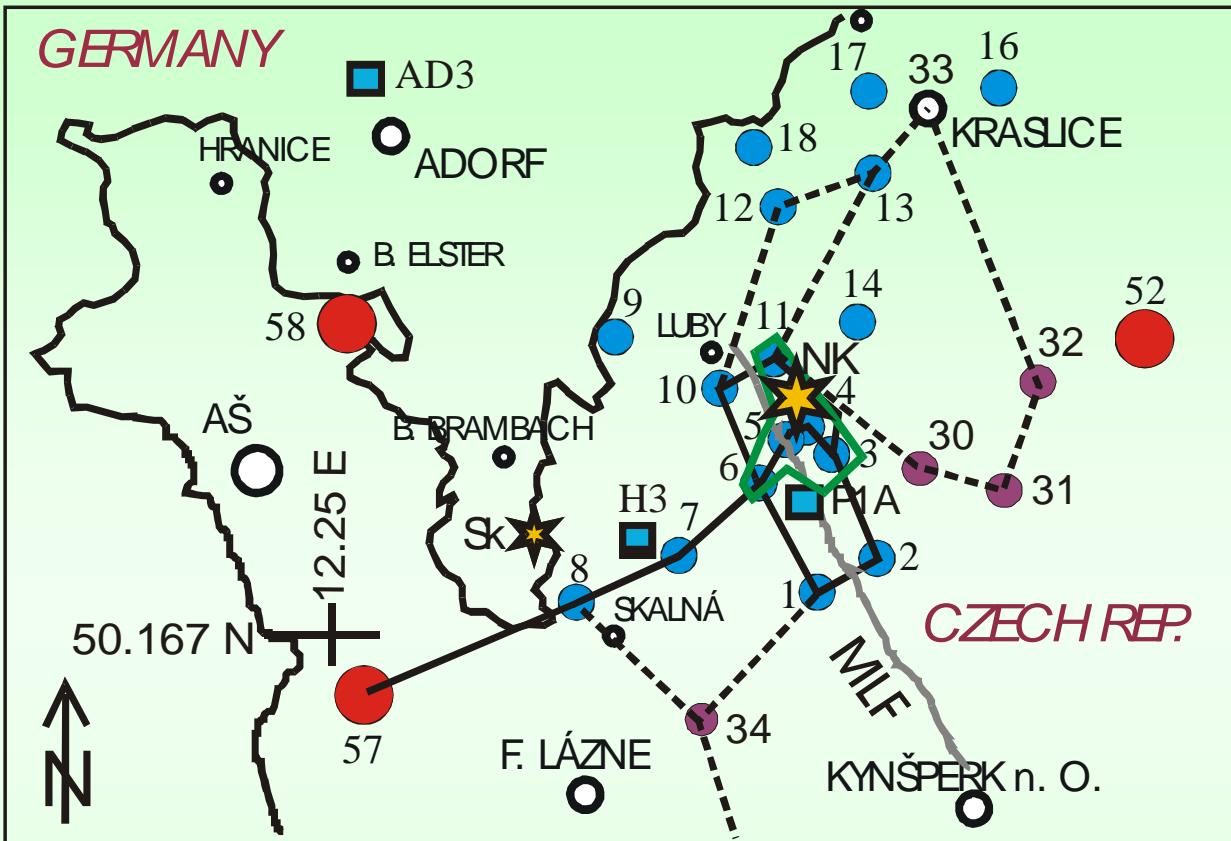
What non-seismological data we may need ?

- GPS, leveling, InSAR – surface dynamics
- Groundwater level, CO₂ – fluids dynamics
- 4D Gravity – stress changes, pore pressure
- Tilts – blocks dynamics
- Volcanological research – magma activity
- DEM analysis, gravity survey, . . . - tectonics

Thanks to EPOS/CzechGeo Project we could mainly improve the observation, data transfer and storage of:

GPS/GNSS, Tilts/Inclination, Groundwater level, Gravity, Precise levelling, Volcanic structures search

Geodynamic network



● Outer geodynamic network

● Inner geodynamic network

— Mariánské Lázně fault

■ Area of levelling network

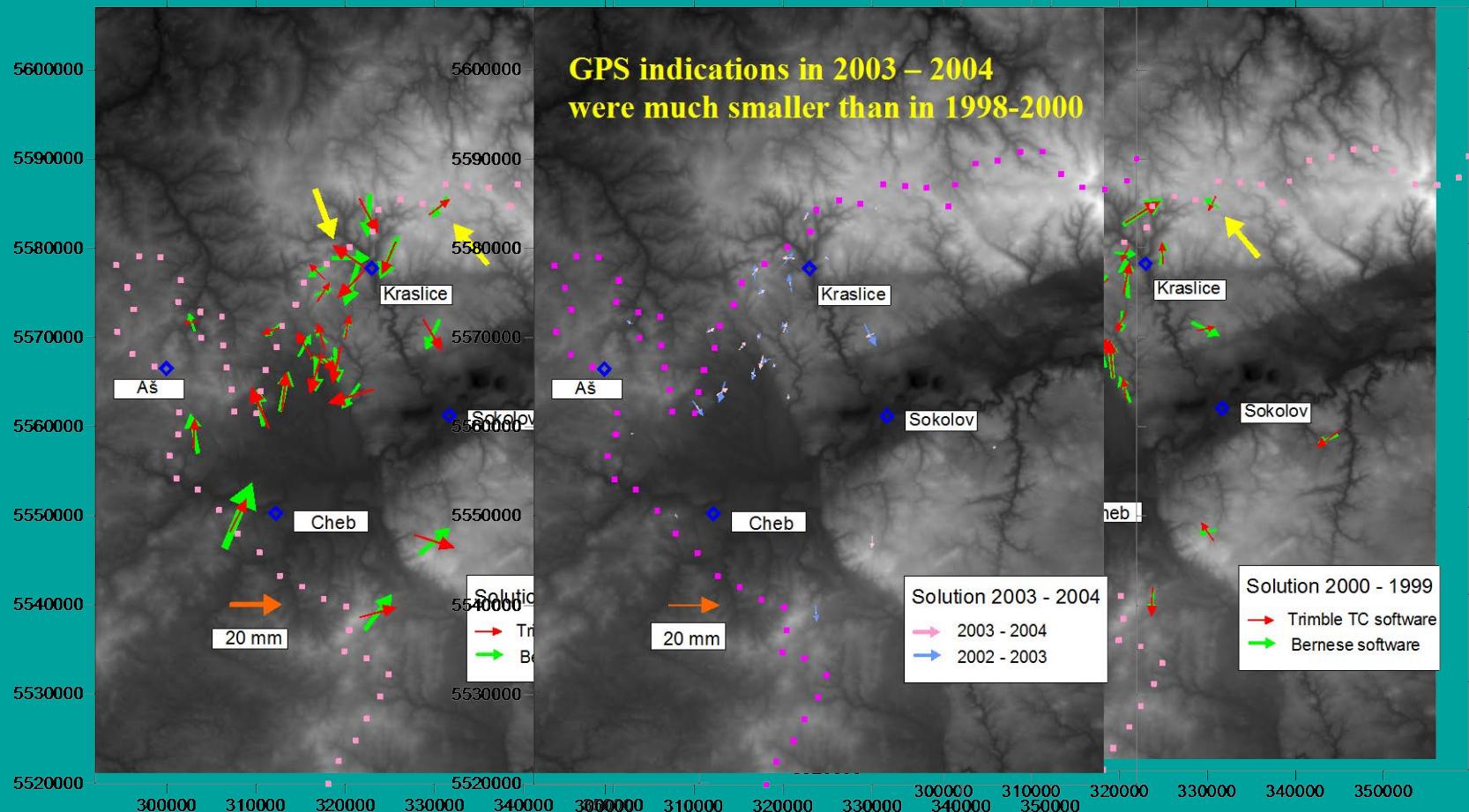
● Additional gravity stations

— Gravimetric connections

■ Hydrogeological boreholes

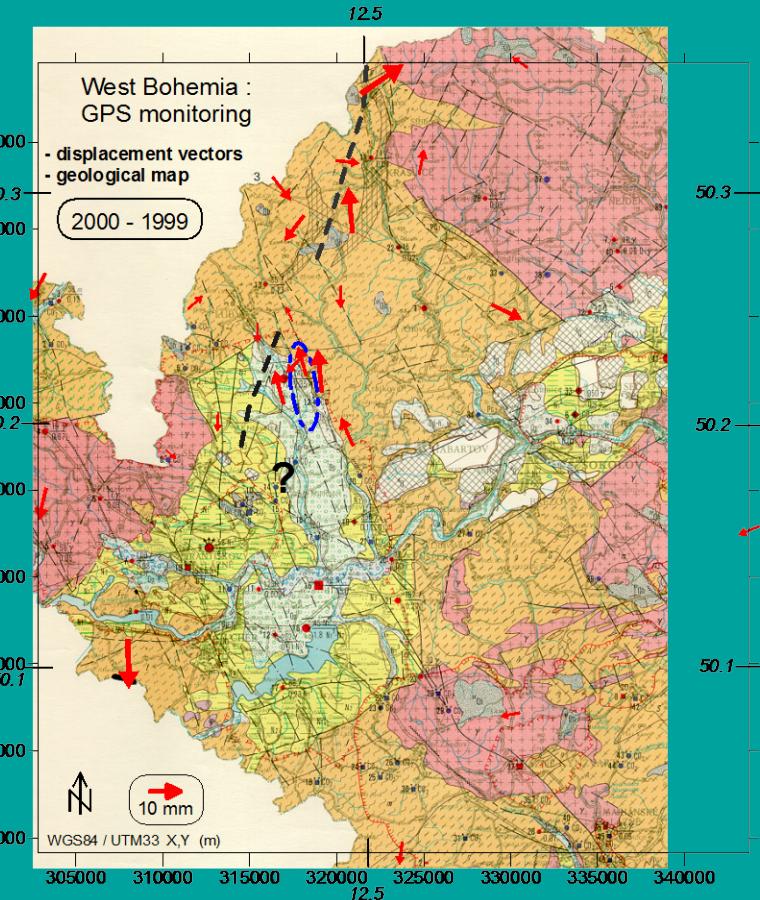
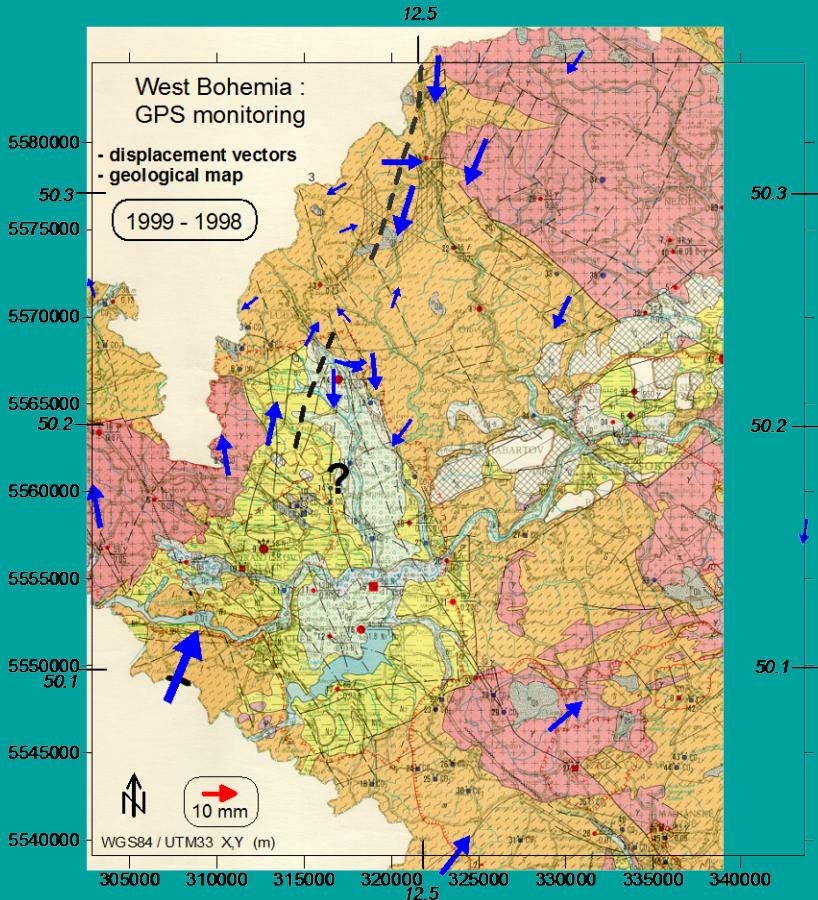
★ Epicentral areas Nový Kostel and Skalná

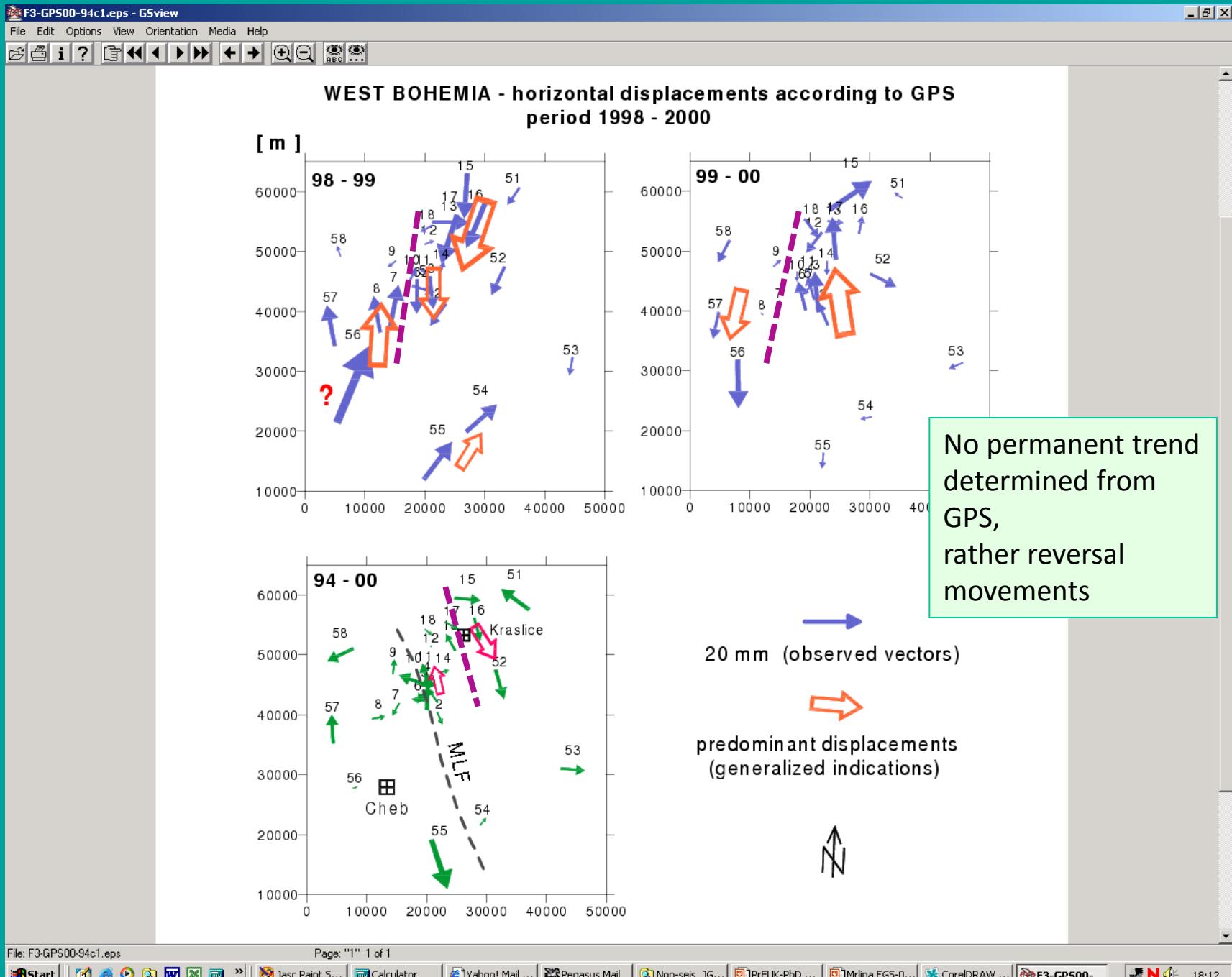
GPS 1998 - 2000

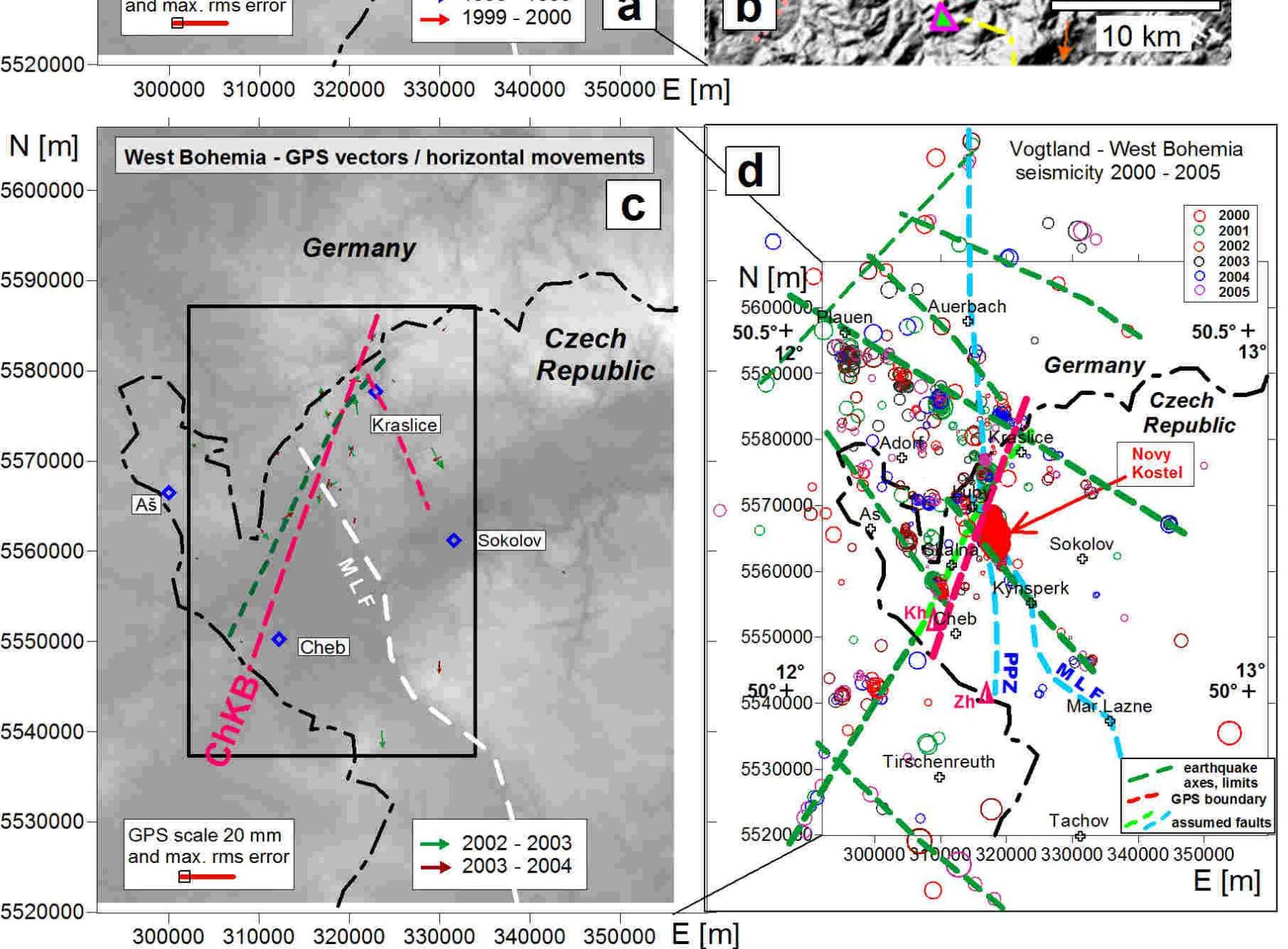


Indications of surface dynamics

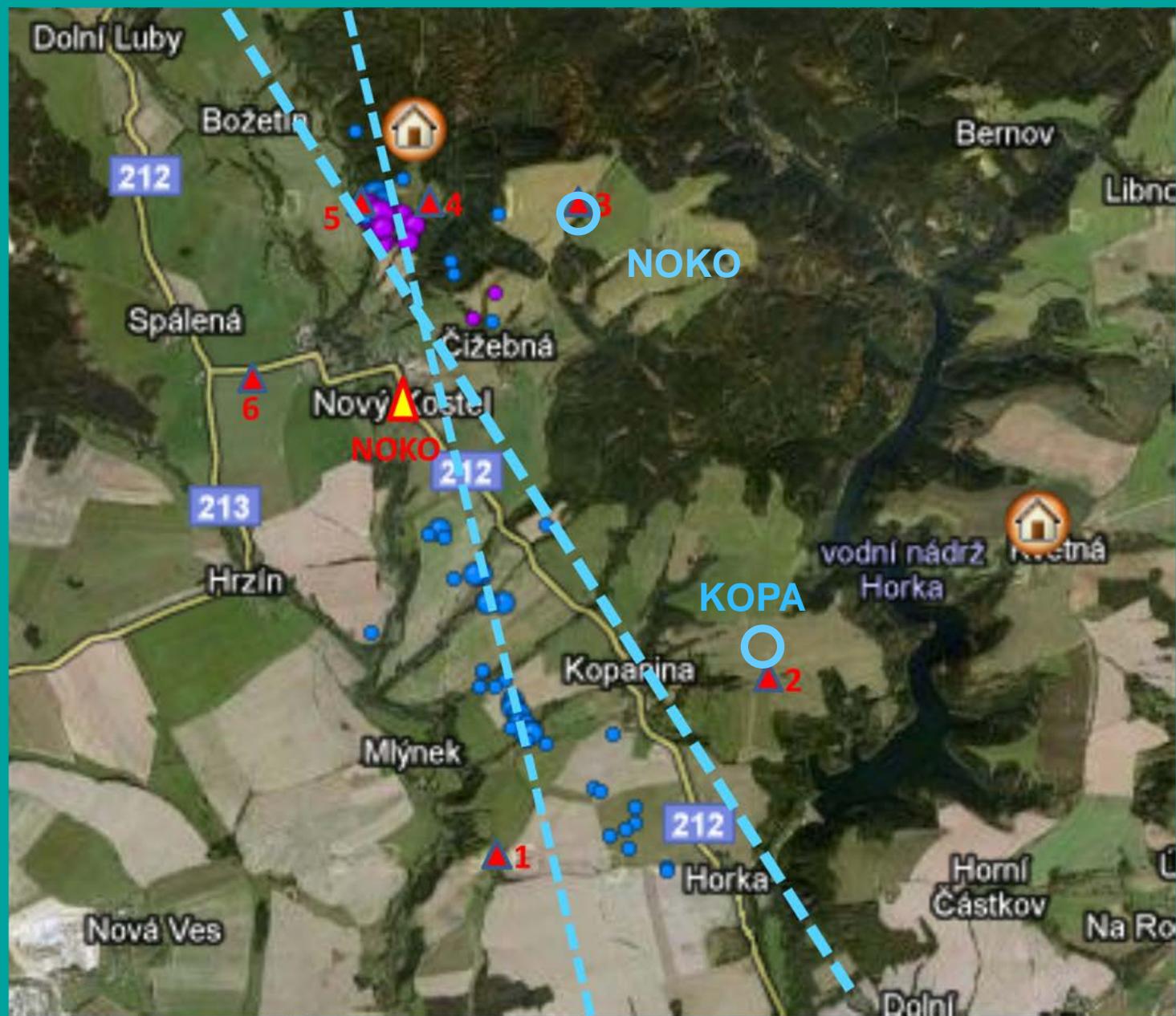
From geological map the extent of the Tertiary Cheb basin (yellow) is evident, the basin is surrounded by metamorphic rocks (orange) and granites (red). Complete GPS network is presented. The period 1998 – 2000 shows the most remarkable results. Despite no fault is derived from displacements, two black lines were used to highlight the boundary between indications of reverse movements. Blocks aside the division lines of N-S to NNE-SSW direction seem to exhibit dextral movements in 1998-99, and sinistral movements in 1999-2000. This fits the fault plane solutions of the earthquake swarm “Autumn 2000” which showed prevailing sinistral displacements as well (focal zone marked by blue dashed ellipse). Obviously, tectonic regime in the area is not characterized by a long term trend of displacements, but rather by reverse movements.





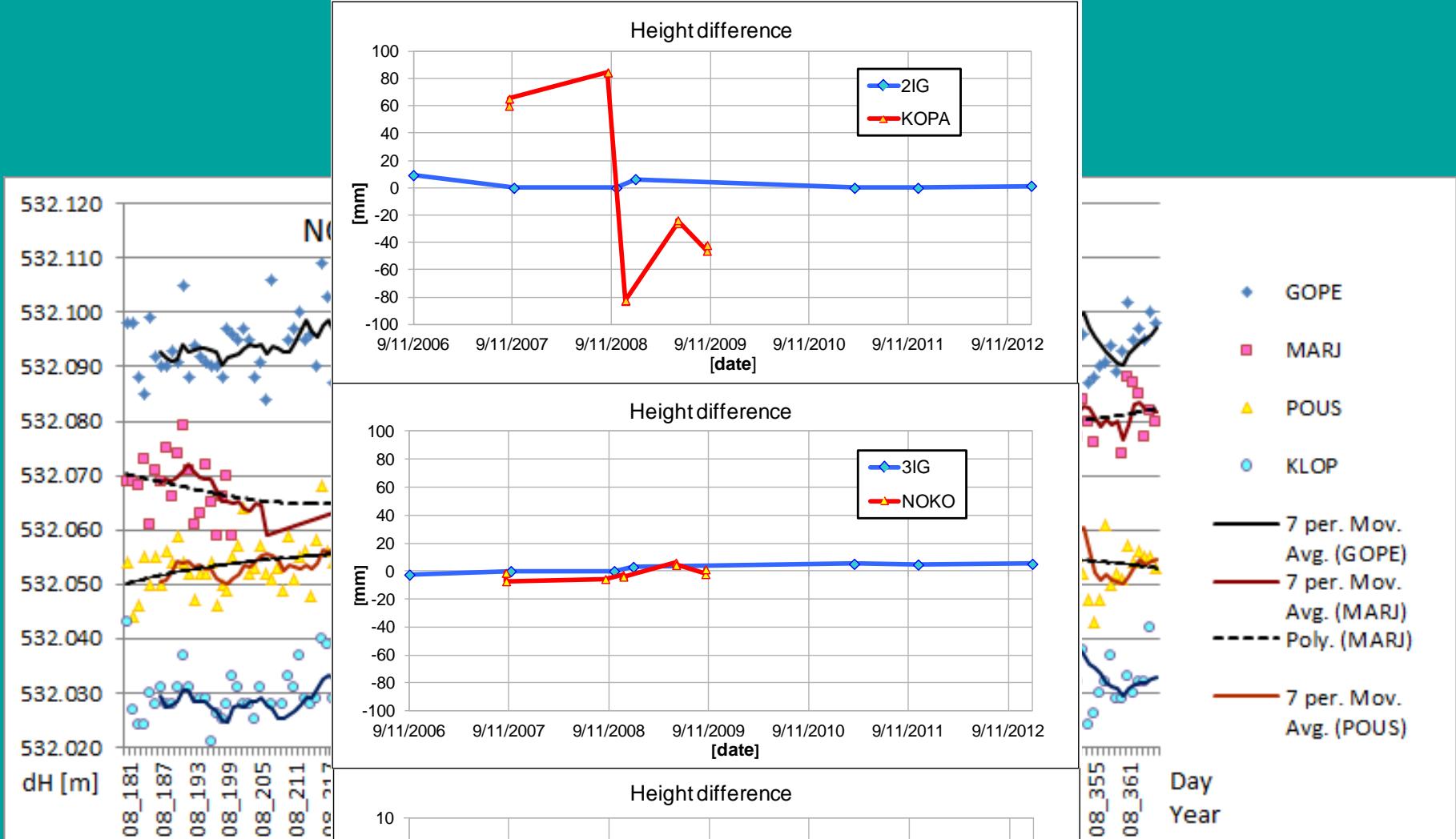


GPS micro-net NOKO





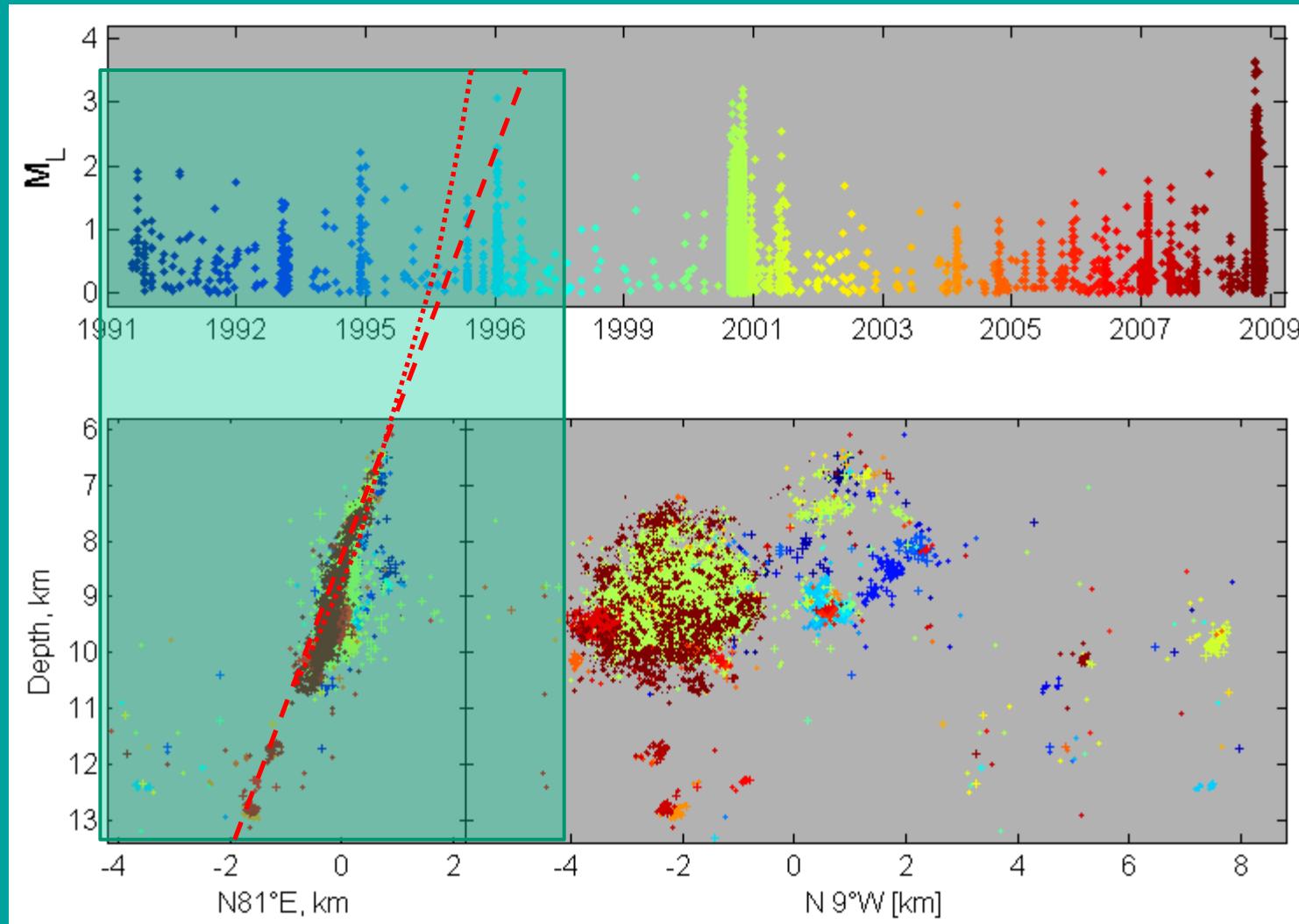




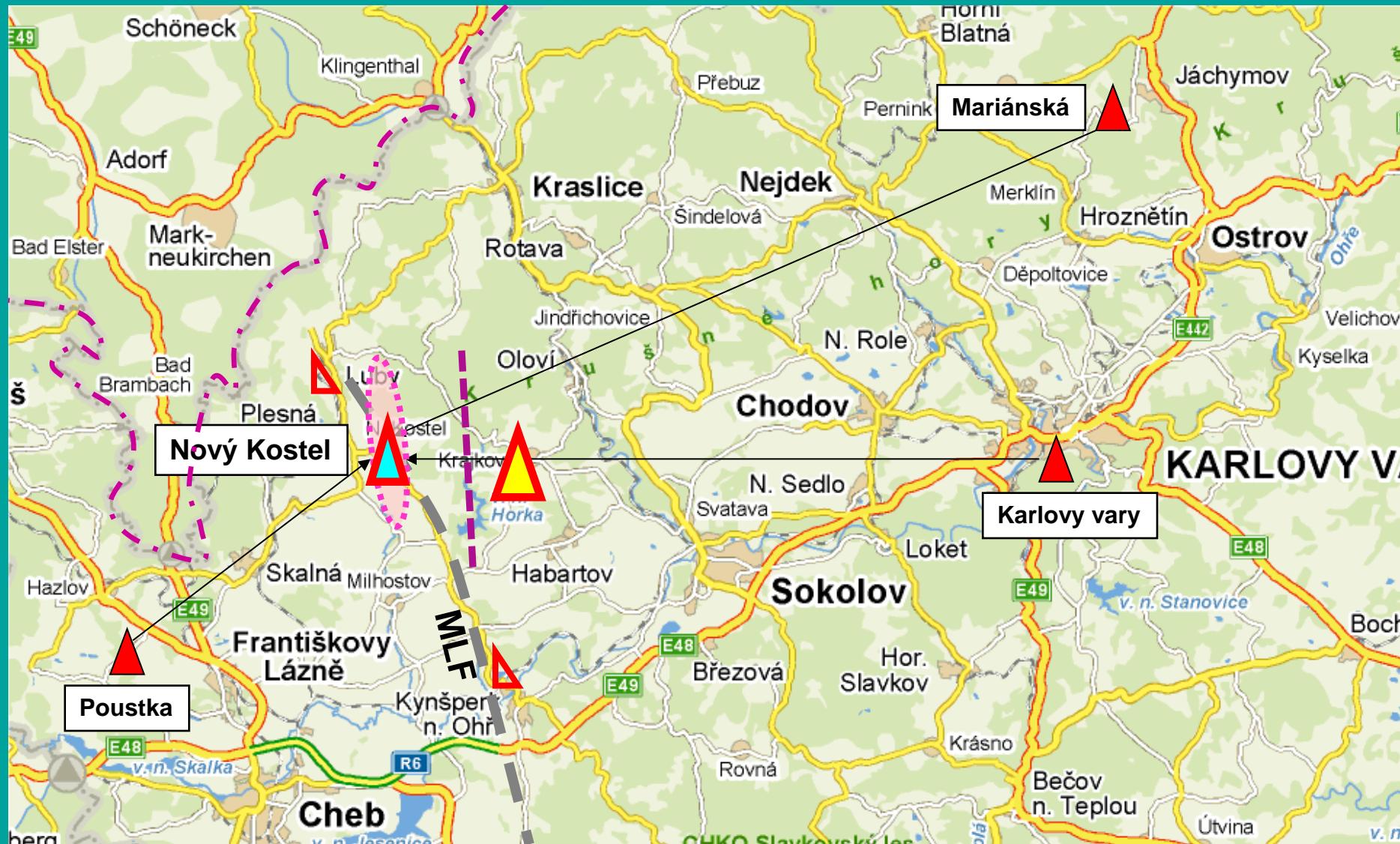
Unfortunately, we don't see any significant vertical displacement over 10 mm in the studied period



Fault projection to surface



Installation of permanent GPS station in Novy Kostel



Within CzechGeo we intend to set up new permanent GNSS
station east of Novy Kostel (east of fault ?)

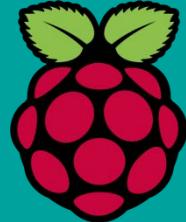


Updating of GNSS data transfer from permanent observatory NKOS

Trimble 5700 Receiver
- measuring GPS data in 15s interval



Teltonika RUT955
- Linux LTE Router



RPI Linux computer

- 6h logging data from receiver
- upload to GFU FTP server

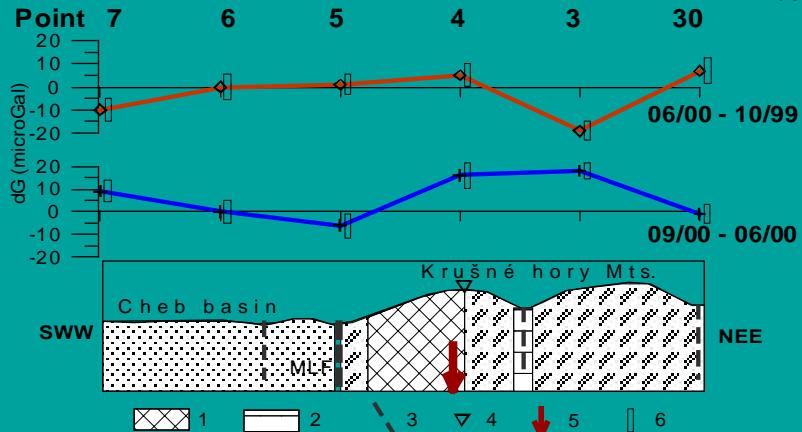
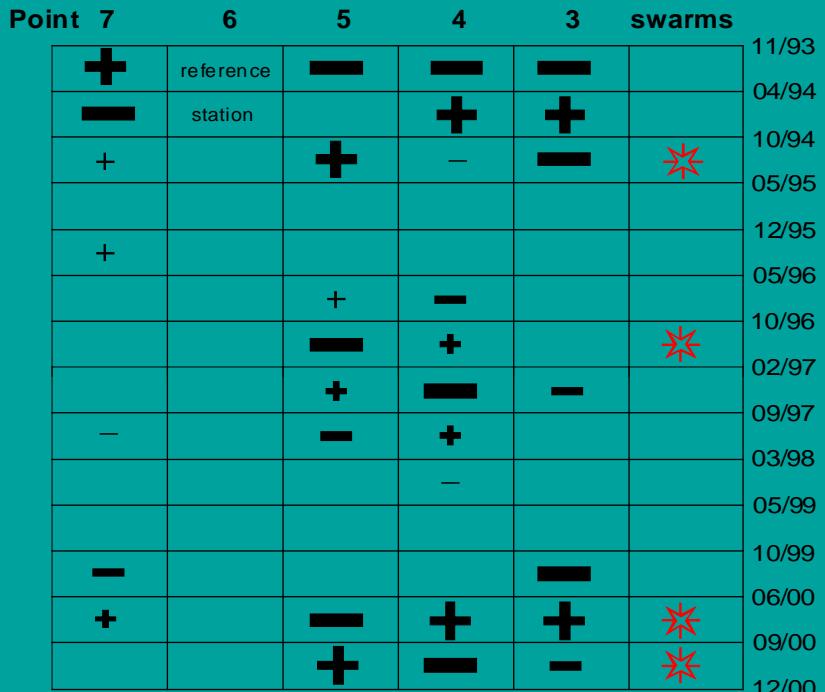


GFU FTP server

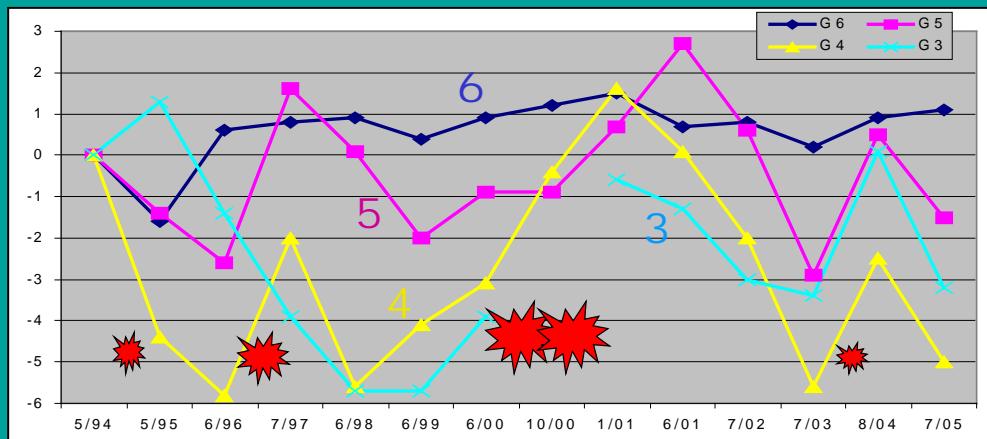


TELIS Linux processing server
with GAMIT/GLOBK

Gravity changes



Vertical displacements

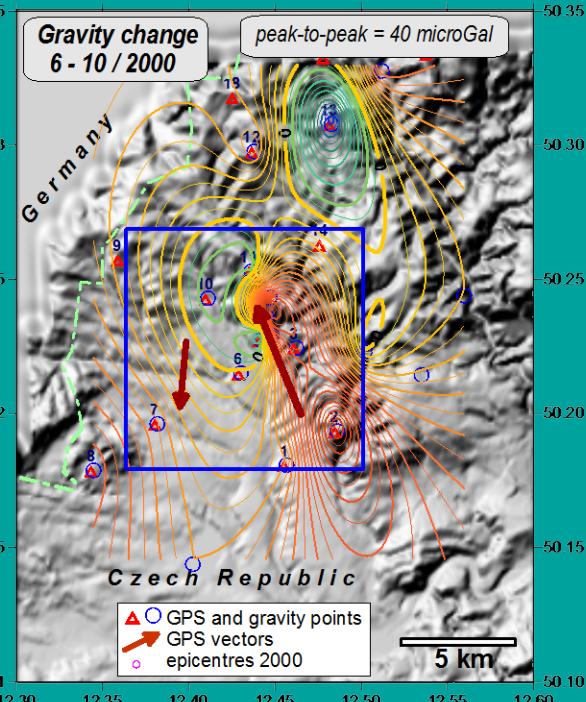
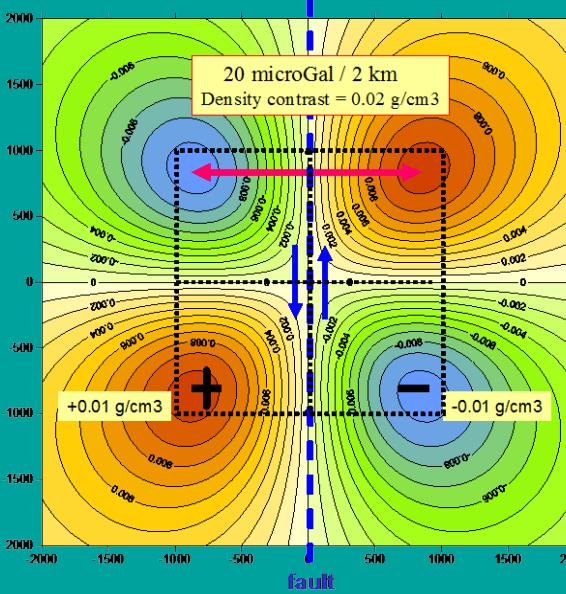
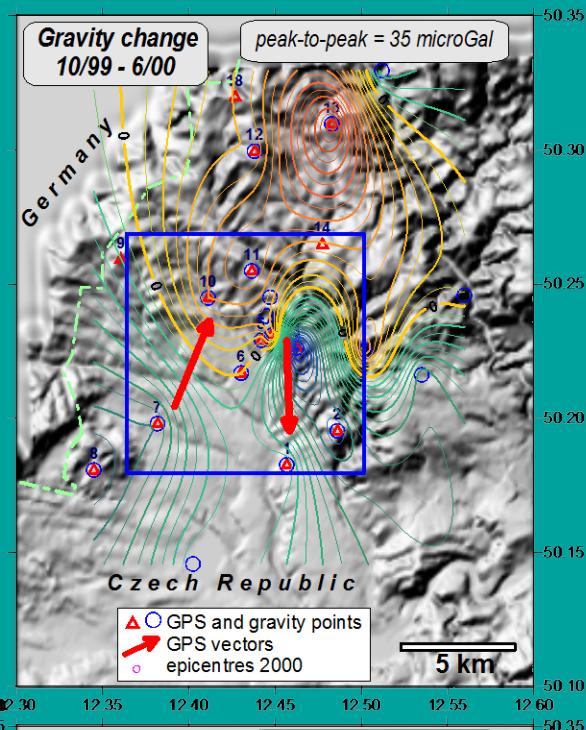
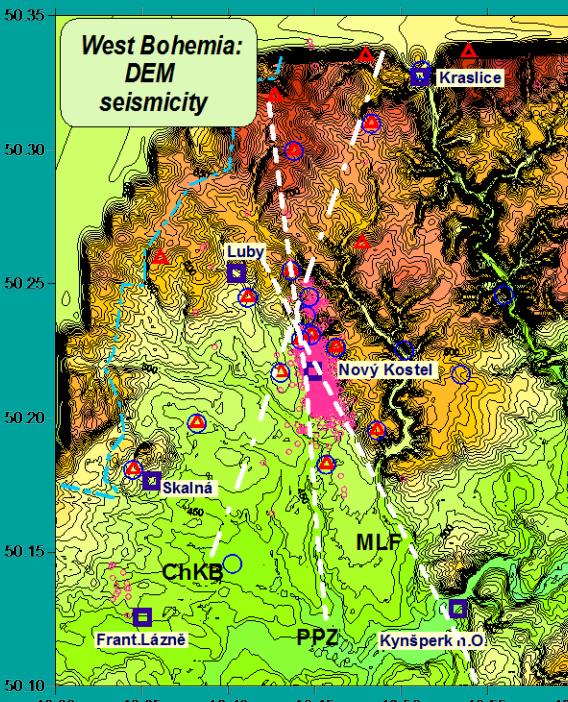


Gravity changes are not caused by vertical movements

West Bohemia:

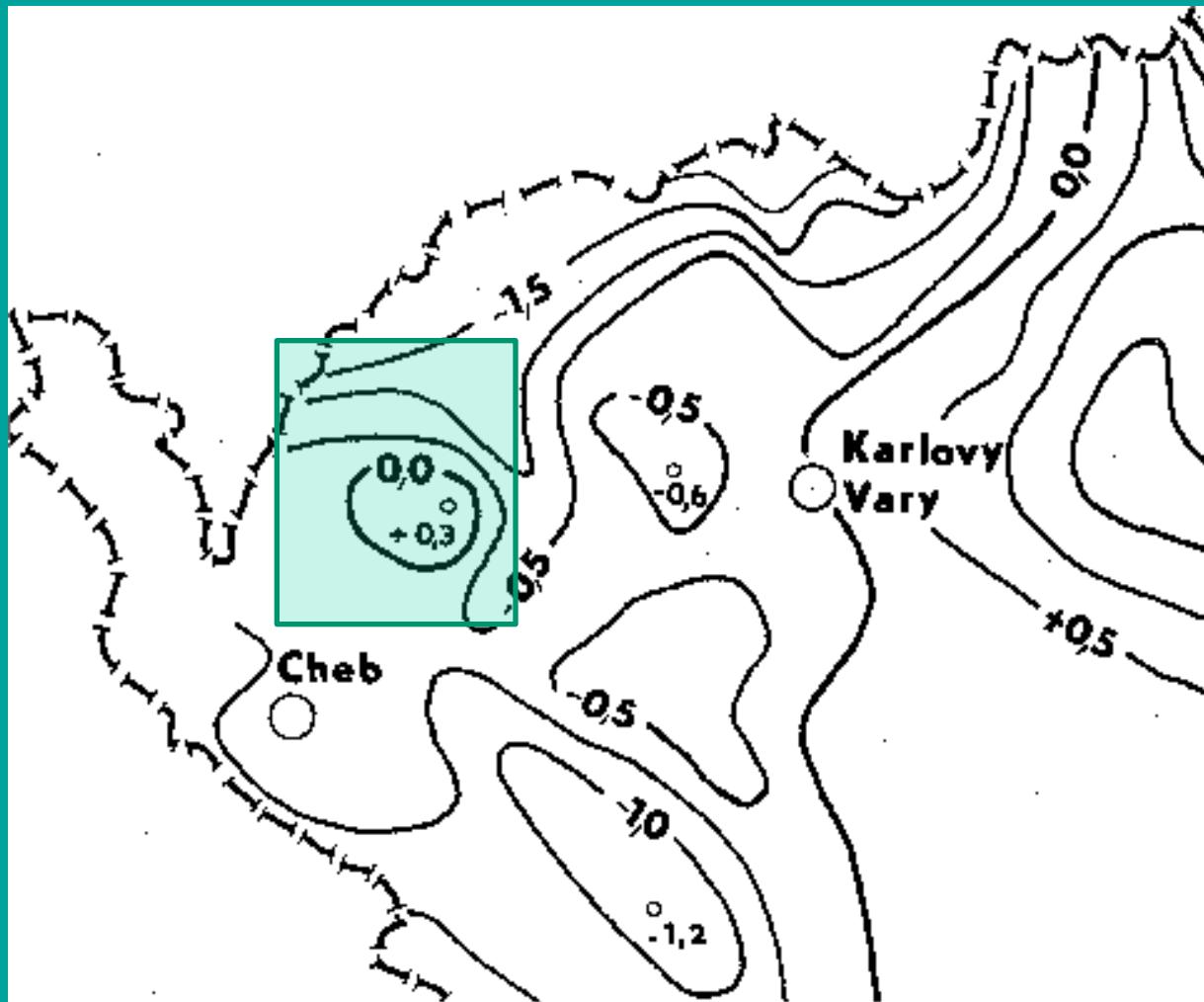
Relation of

- Gravity changes
- GPS displacements
- Seismicity

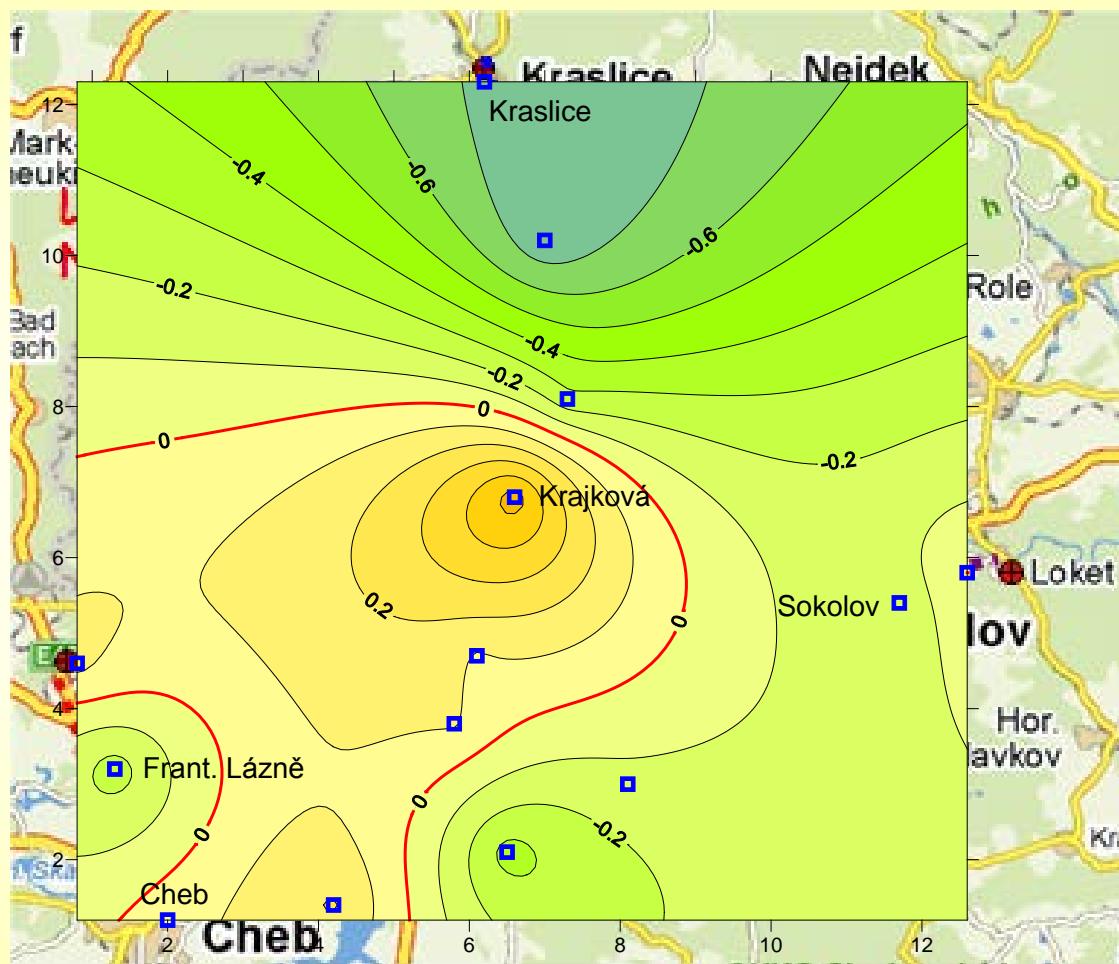


Within **CzechGeo** frame
we wish to install
a permanent gravimeter
in Novy Kostel

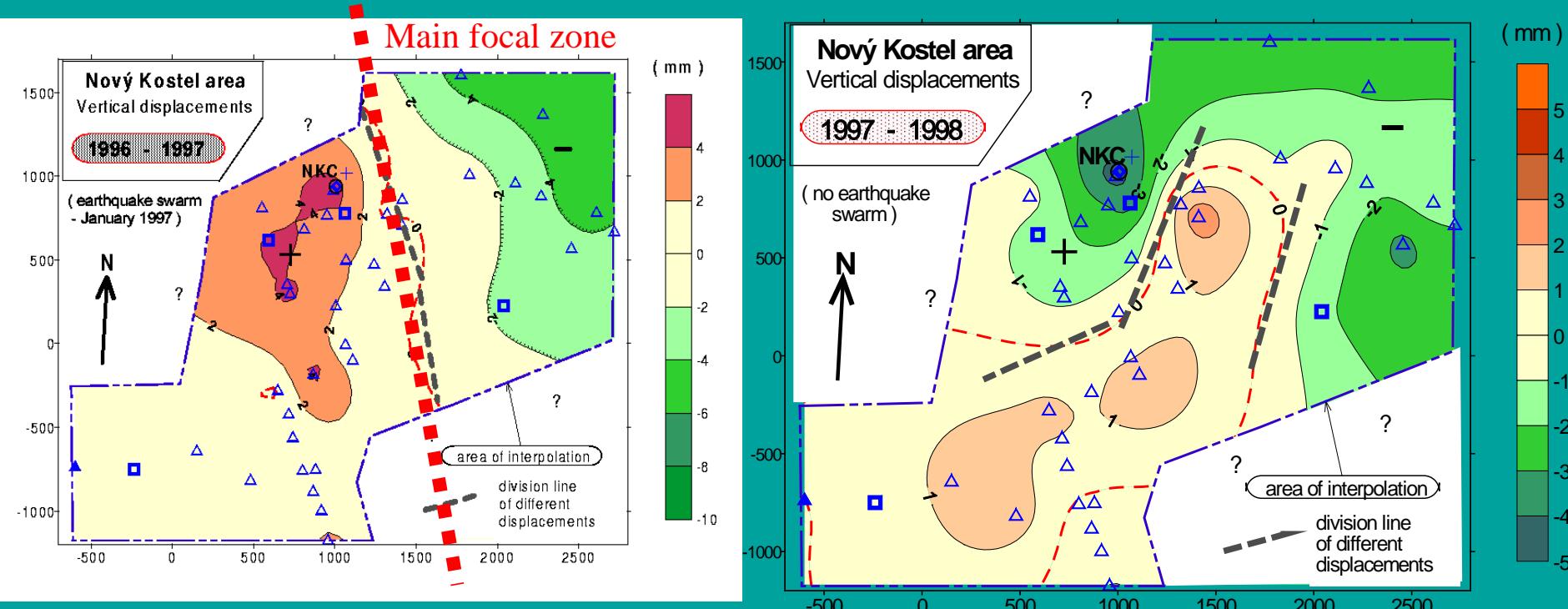
Historical precise levelling



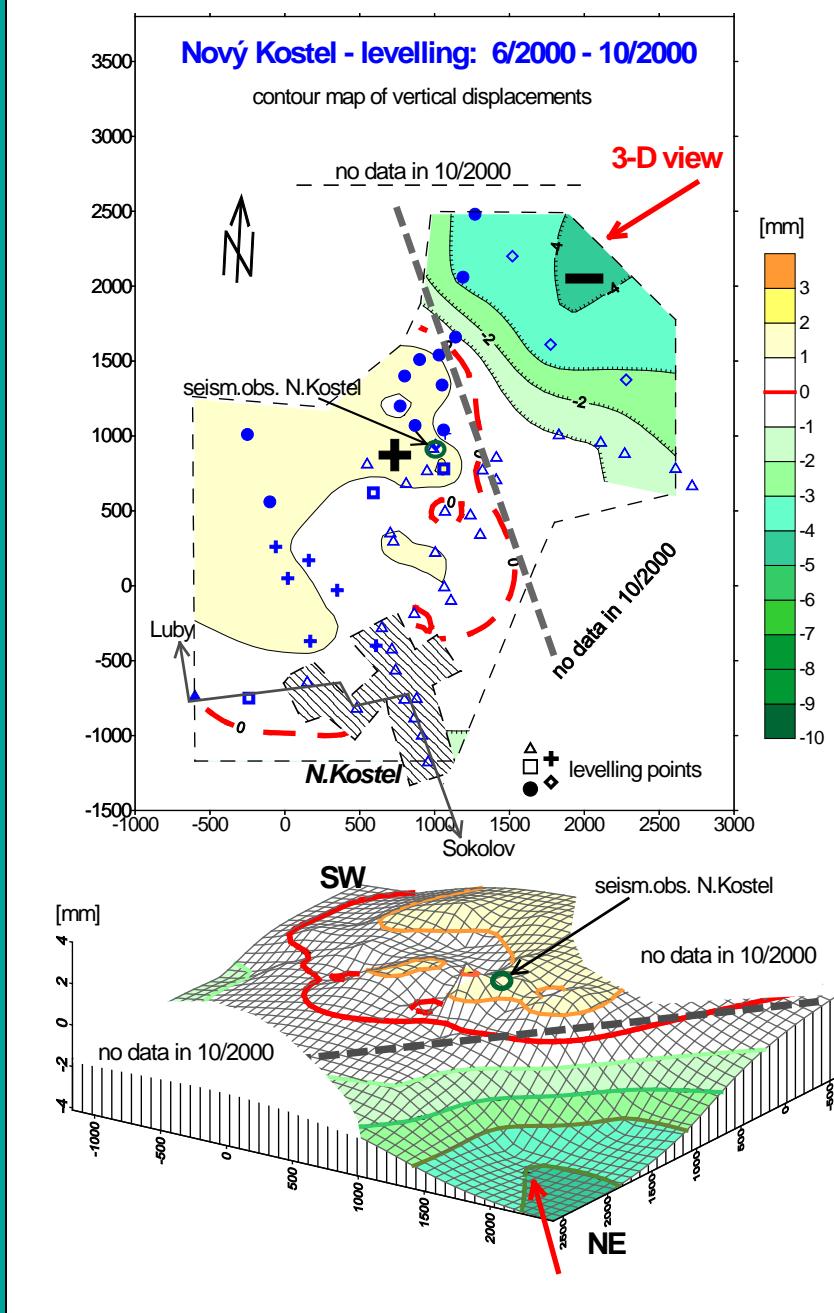
1967-1956



Precise levelling

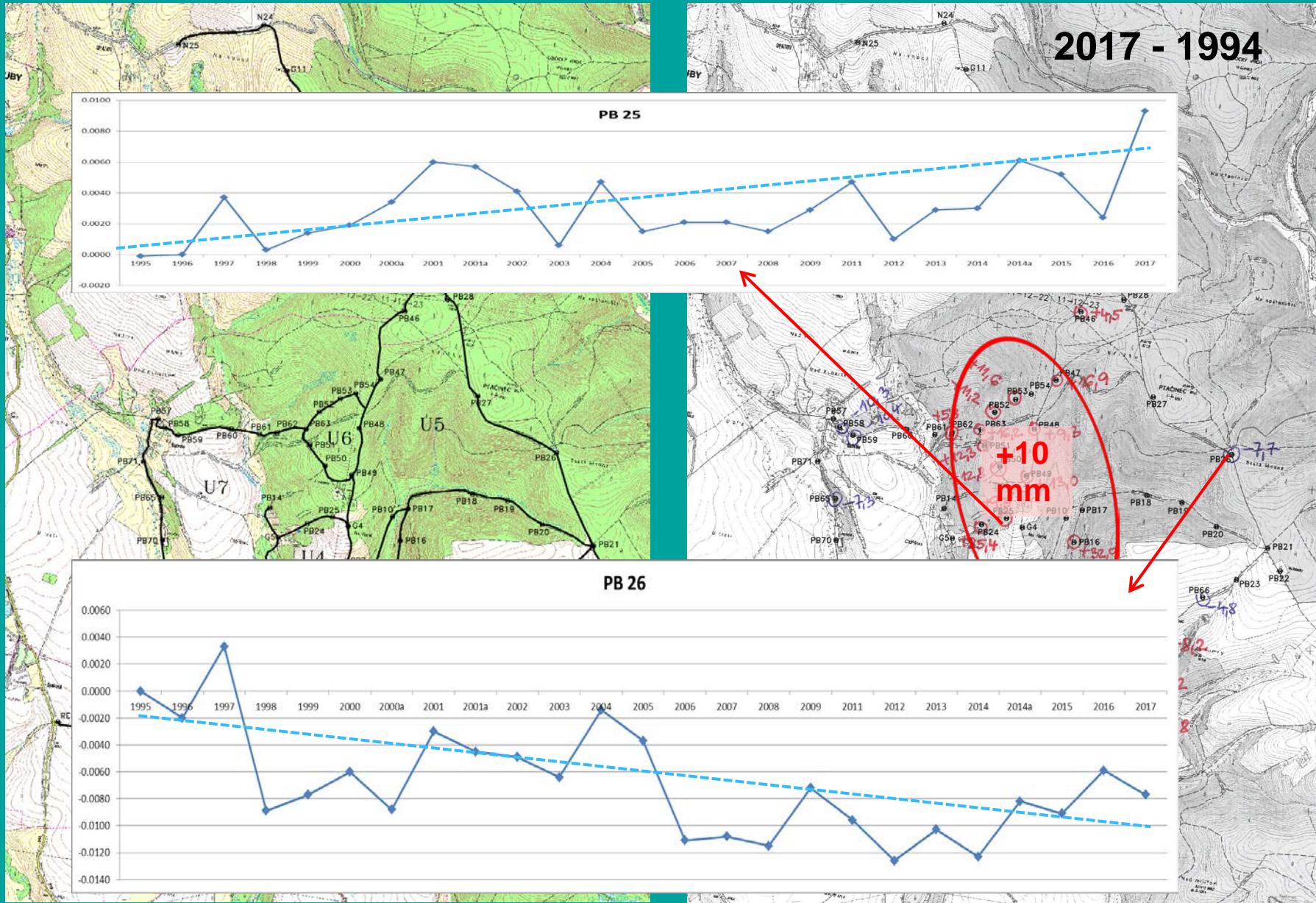


Earthquake swarm “Autumn 2000”



Similar vertical
surface movements
like in
January 1997

Novy Kostel precise levelling network



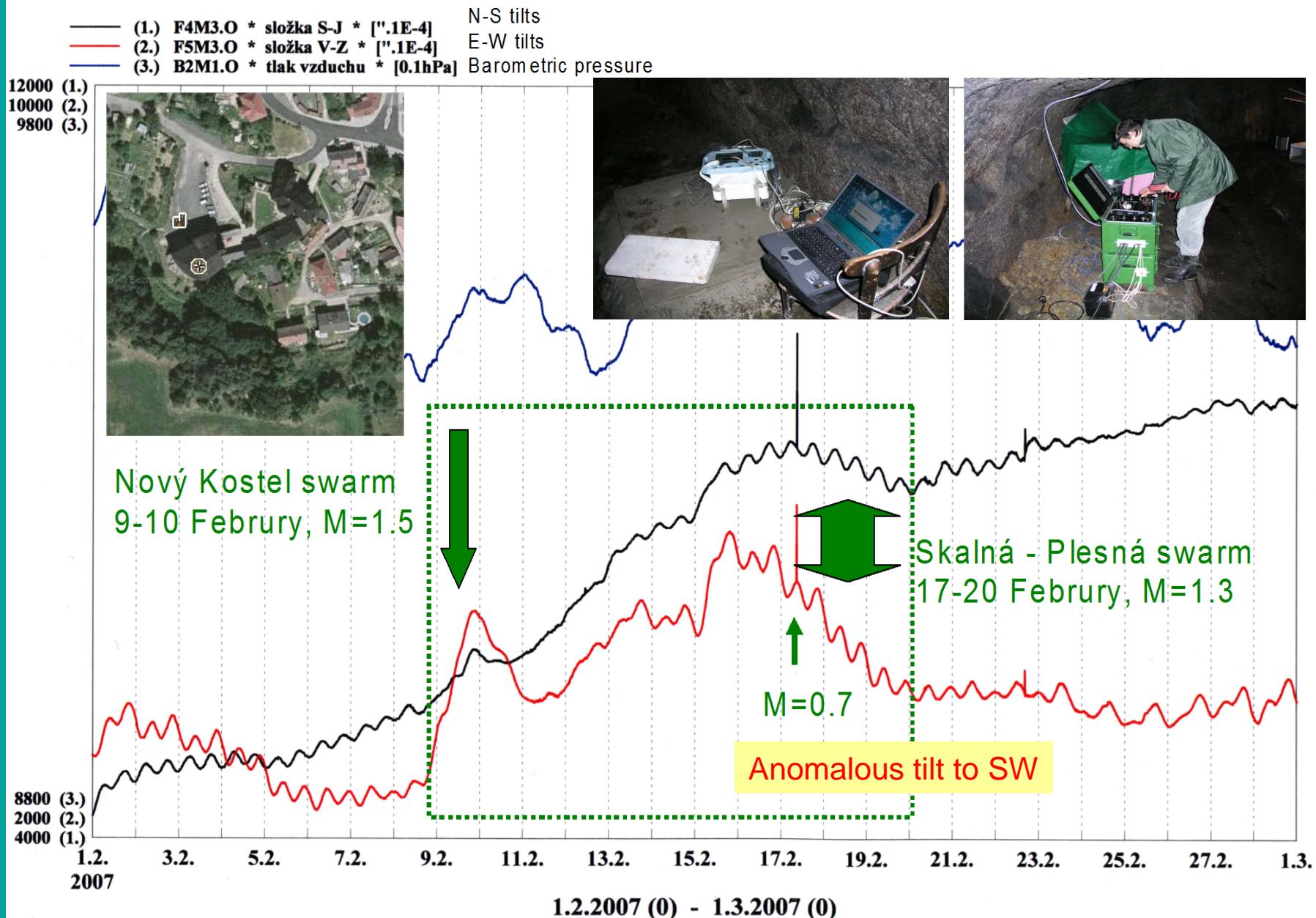
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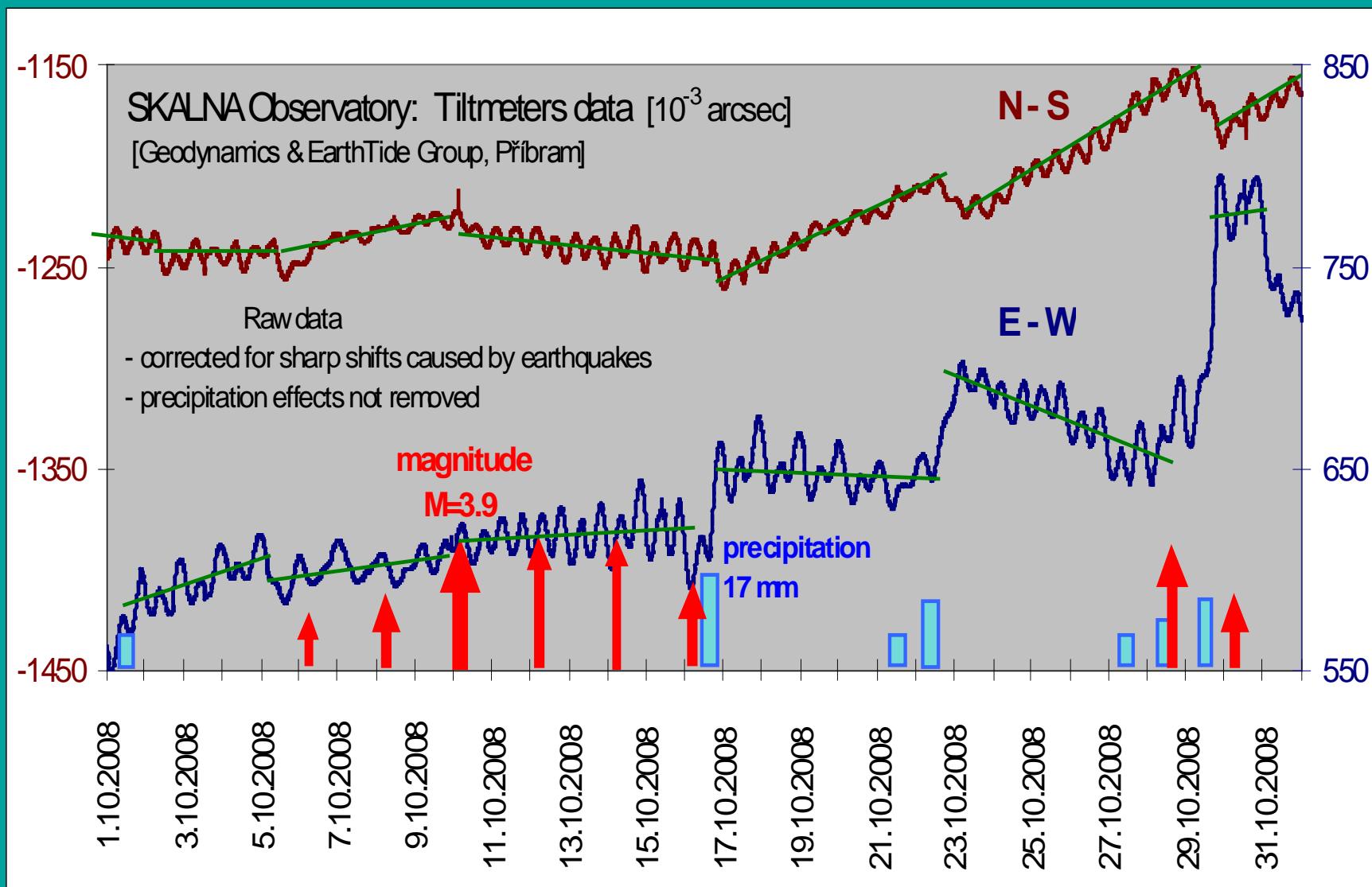
Does this mean that even small earthquake swarms
may produce recordable geodynamic signals ???

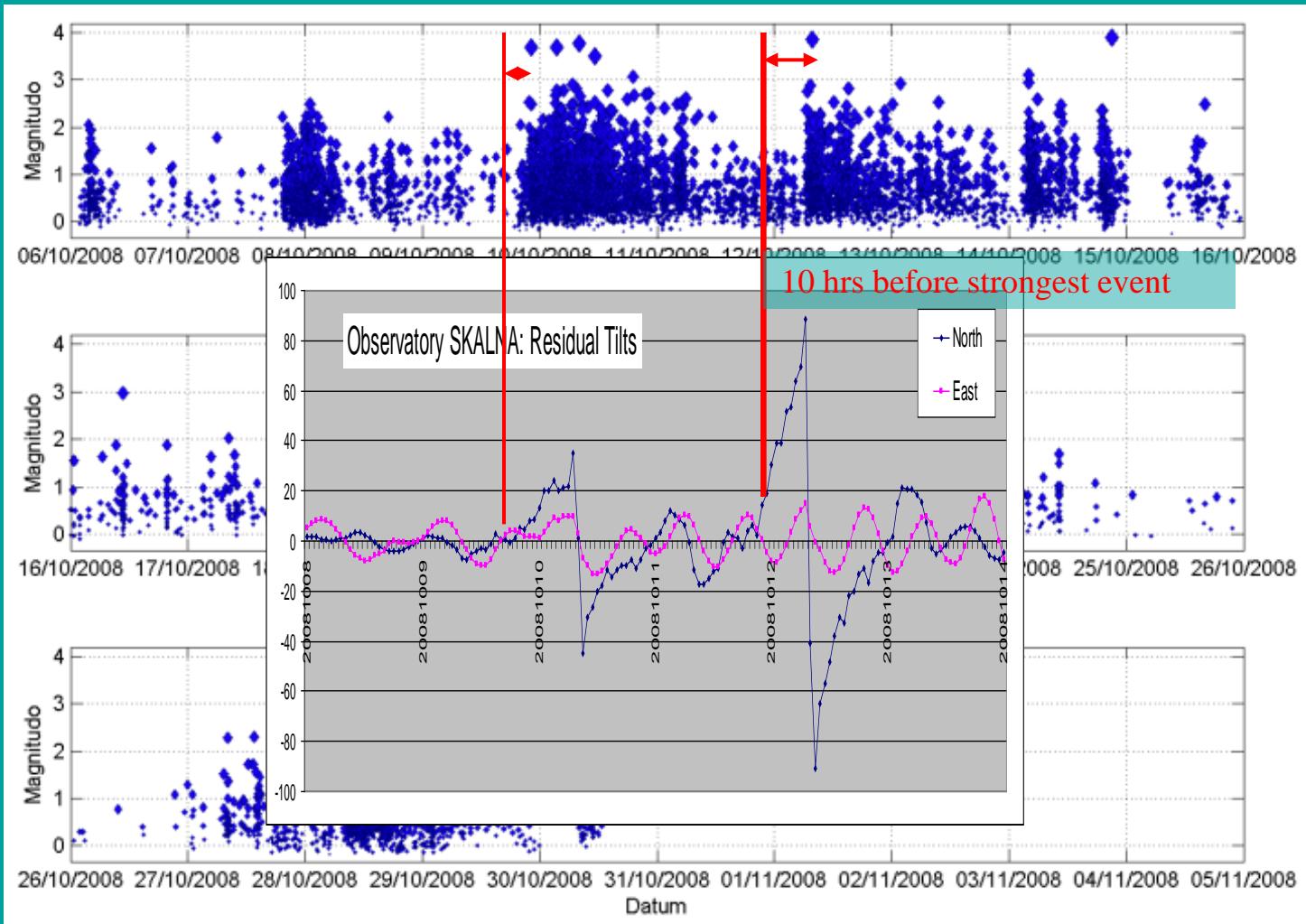
With support of CzechGeo,
our Group of Geodynamics constructed a prototype
of a **new 2-component tide-sensitive tiltmeter** in 2016-2017 !



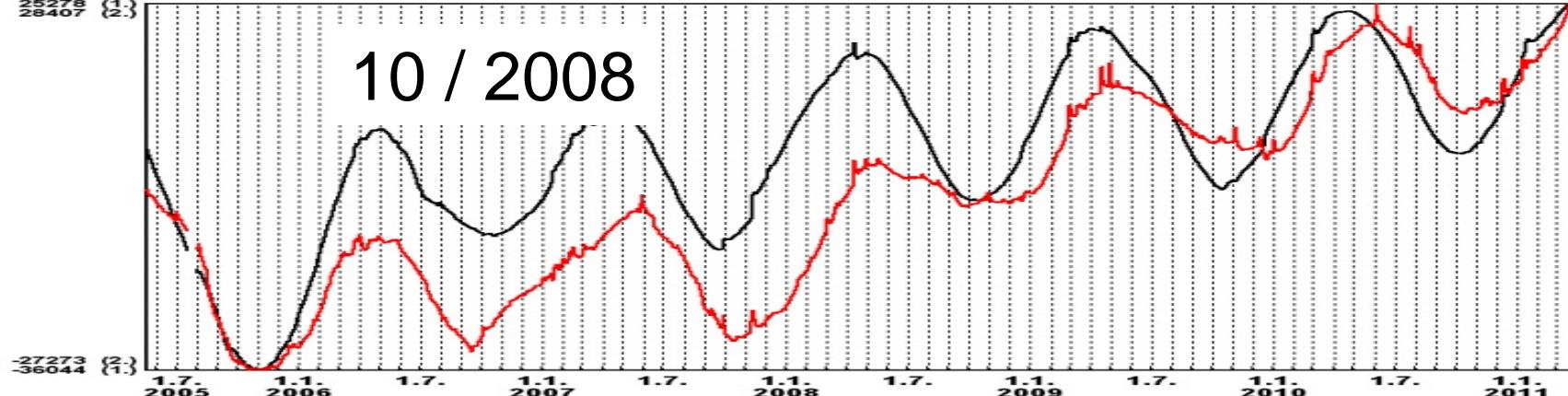
SKALNA – tilts in February 2007: earthquakes swarms periods



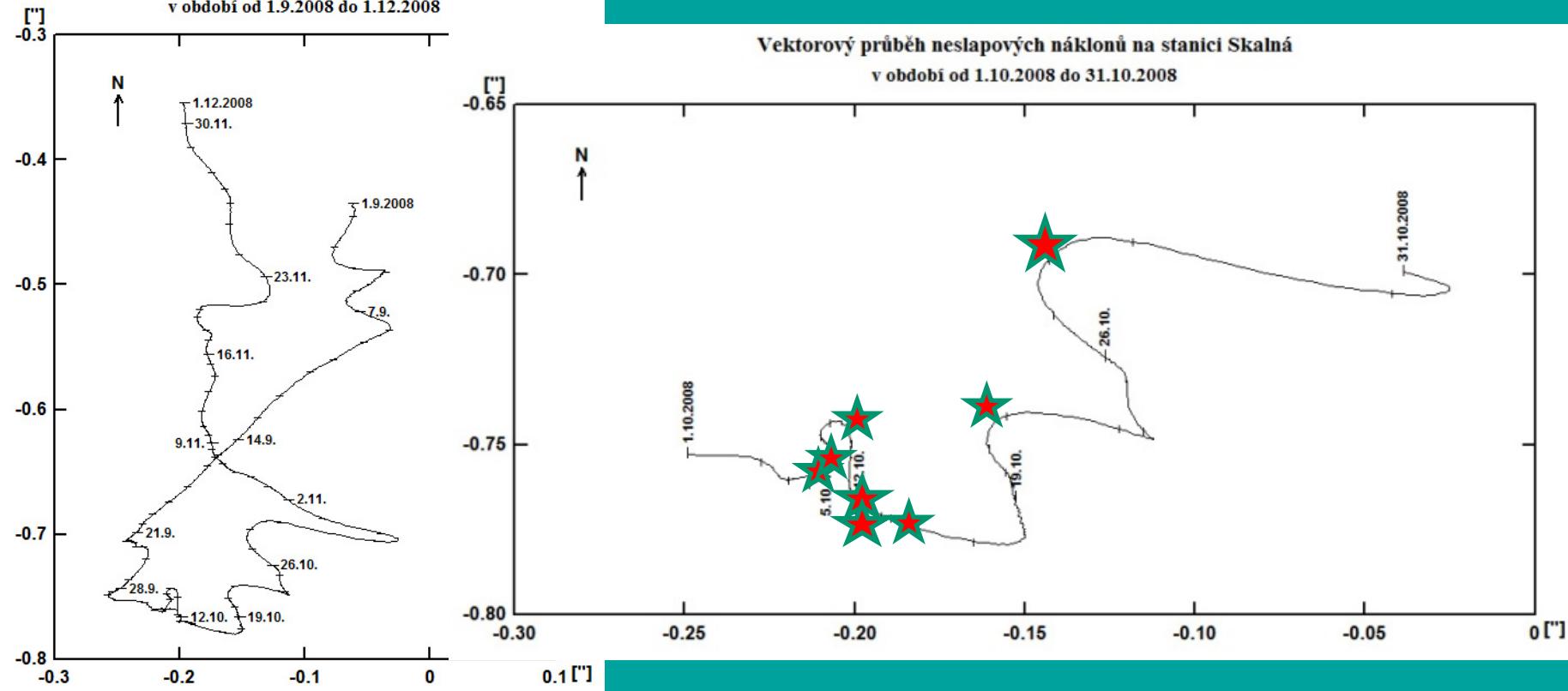




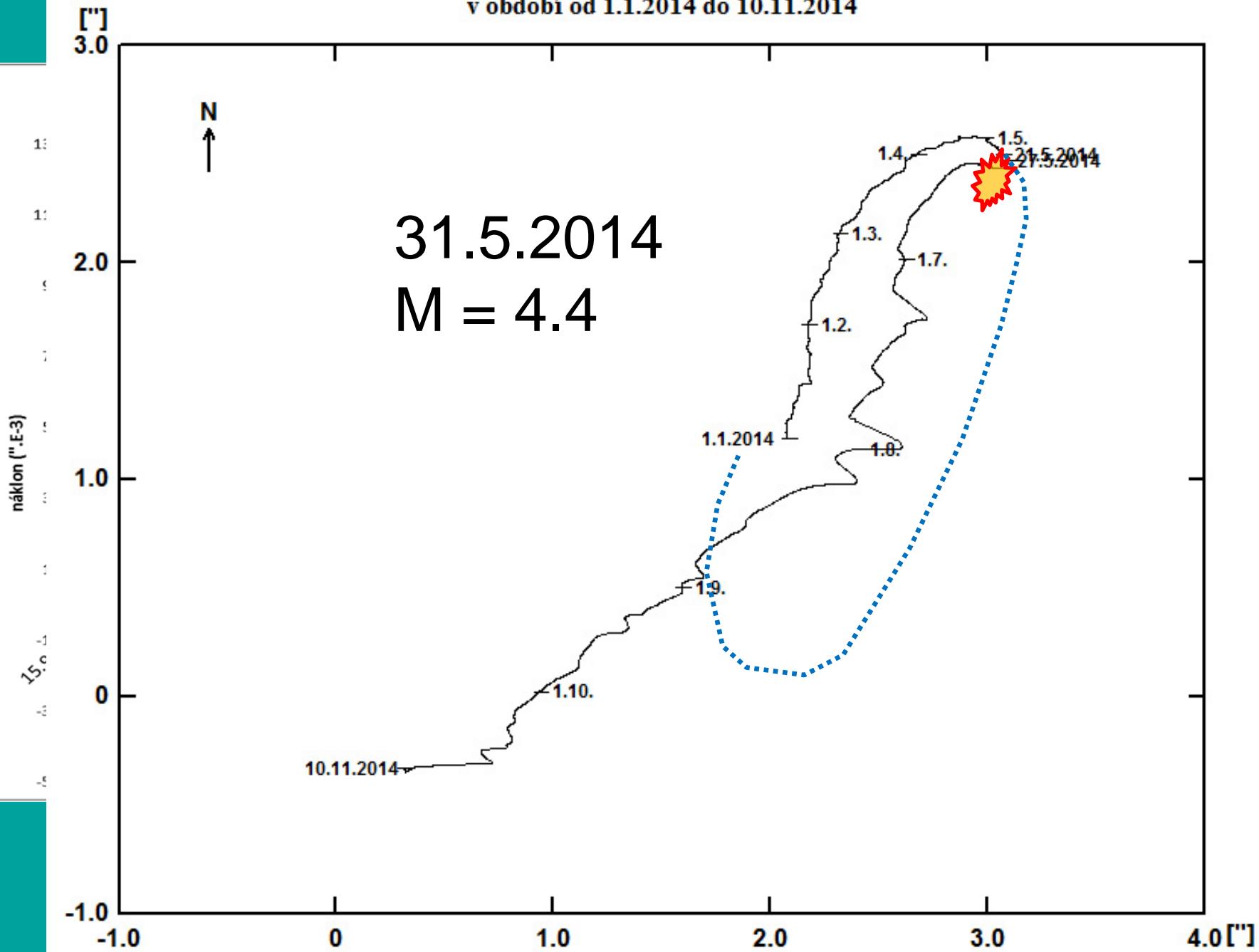
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v období od 1.9.2008 do 1.12.2008



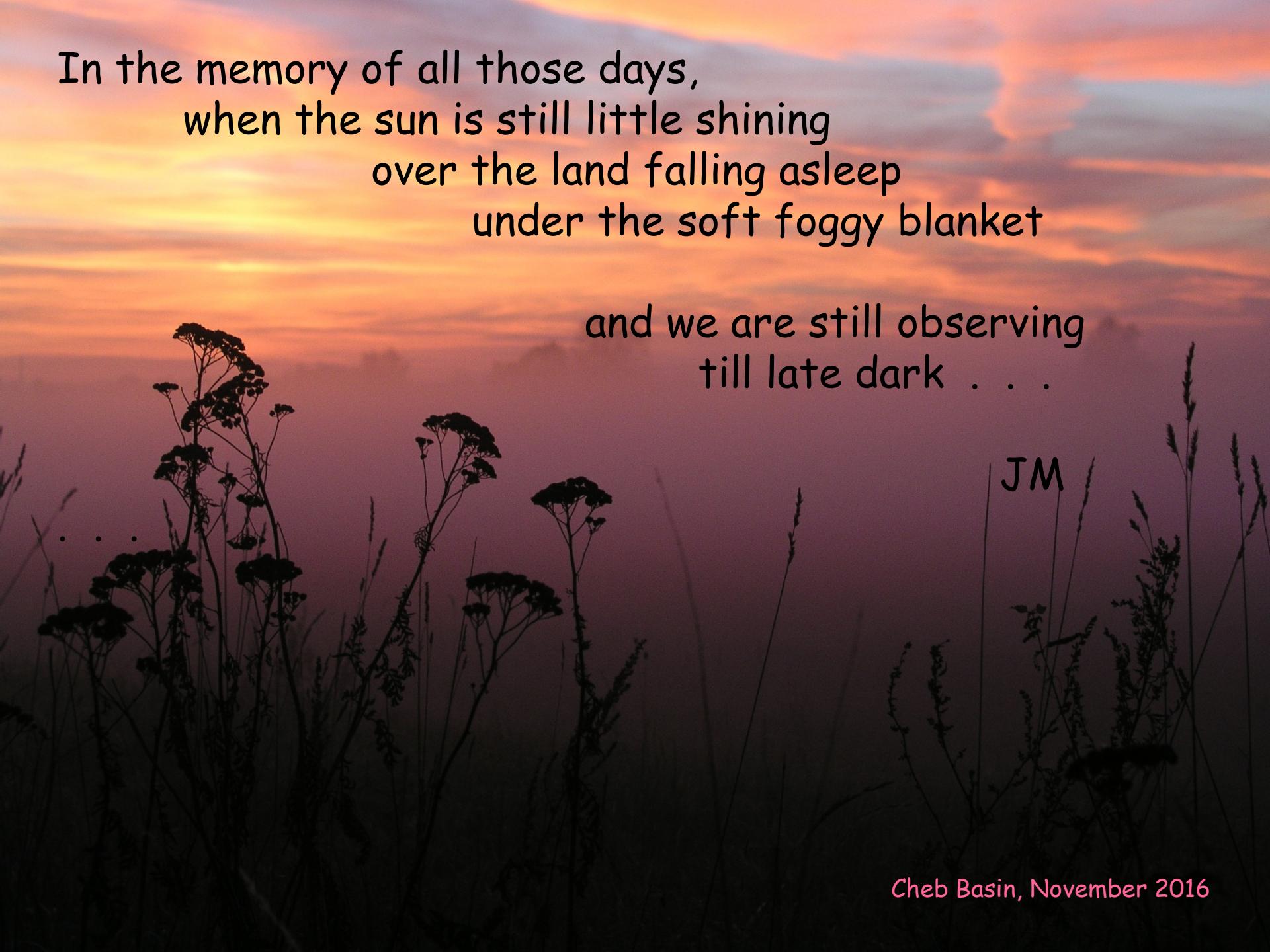
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We have the following Partners to progress with dynamic, structural and tectonic models building

- GPS, leveling, InSAR – surface dynamics (IG ASCR, GFZ)
- Groundwater level, CO₂ – fluids dynamics (IG ASCR, GFZ)
- 4D Gravity – stress changes, pore pressure (IG ASCR, . . .)
- Tilts – blocks dynamics (Uni Jena, IG ASCR, Russian Academy)
- Volcanological research – magma activity (IG ASCR, GFZ, Uni Leipzig, Museum Goerlitz, Bavarian Geol. Survey)
- DEM analysis, gravity survey, . . . - tectonics (IG ASCR, . . .)

. . . and use the results for ICDP drilling planning, but also for practical use - spa, CO₂ control, search for volcanoes, . . .

A silhouette photograph of tall grasses and wildflowers against a vibrant sunset sky. The sky is filled with warm, orange, yellow, and pink hues, transitioning into darker shades of purple and blue at the bottom. The foreground is dark, showing the silhouettes of various plants.

In the memory of all those days,
when the sun is still little shining
over the land falling asleep
under the soft foggy blanket

and we are still observing
till late dark . . .

JM

Cheb Basin, November 2016

