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Analysis of Swarm Electric Field Data in View of Tsunami Events and related Earthquakes

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It is proven that different events on the Earth and in its atmosphere have their own impact on Earth electric field, and the earthquakes are amongst these phenomena. Many strong earthquakes (EQ) induce tsunamis, which are also suspected as contributing to the gravity waves having an impact on the ionospheric TEC.

The sensitivity of Swarm LP and POD GNSS data to EQs and tsunamis is analyzed in this study at around 500 km high orbit. Three Swarm satellites are equipped with Langmuir Probes (LP) measuring in-situ electron density of Earth electric field and POD GNSS receivers determining topside Total Electron Content (TEC) in the topside ionosphere. The integrity of both data sources is also analyzed.

The investigation of Swarm data in view of Tsunamis and earthquakes is difficult due to the several factors. The major drawbacks are:

- only three satellites (with respect to GNSS systems), the two of which fly almost together, which gives in fact only two survey tracks
- lower orbits in relations to GNSS
- orbital repetition is far from exact, which seriously limits the number of comparable observations in terms of the location and time of the day
- number of large earthquakes and tsunami events in time of Swarm science mission is limited, and many Earthquakes do not coincide sufficiently with Swarm passes in time and space

Introduction (3)

Swarm LP data is analyzed just after the earthquakes, as well as several days before and after the earthquakes and resulting tsunami events. The GNSS POD topside TEC from Swarm is analyzed together with LP data, in order to validate LP and assess integrity of both data sources. In-situ electron density disturbances are compared to selected/available STEC measurements between LEO and GNSS satellites.

Some preliminary calculations of GNSS phase differences from selected nearby ground stations are also compared. These initial comparisons are made in order to look for possible correlations between Swarm POD TEC and ground GNSS data, and to prepare for further work.

Spectral look on LP and TEC data close to EQ/tsunami events

- Analyzed are Swarm LP data (EFIxLP, L1B) and TEC (Level2daily) data
- Signal and its disturbances are composed of various frequencies corresponding to various phenomena. Different frequencies can originate from normal solar activity, and different from wide range of phenommena in the electric field therefore FFT is used for spectral analysis
- Swarm speed is fast and its iteraction with TIDs can be extremely short therefore we should analyze the signal carefully and find TIDs wavelengths precisely (other reason of frequency domain application)
- LP Ne data have calculated ROD and RODI and ROD (or subsequently residual ROD^r) is used in spectra short-term FFT (STFFT) analysis
- TEC data have calculated ROT and ROTI and ROT (or subsequently residual ROT) is used in STFFT analysis

Spectral look on LP and TEC: the closest large tsunami events during Swarm mission

3 EQ/tsunami events with closest passes are investigated:

	WAVE	HEIGHT	EQM	LAT	LON	DATE	TIME D	EPTH
Ŷ	Loyalty Islands,	50	7.1	-22.0660	170.0500	20180829	035159	26.6
Ŷ	Alaska,Pacific	25	7.9	56.0460	-149.0730	20180123	093143	25.0
ଚ	Kamchatka, Pacific	10	7.7	54.4710	168.8150	20170717	233413	11.0
00	Papua, Pacific	19	7.9	-4.5090	153.4500	20161217	105112	103.0
ଟ	Solomon Islands,	56	7.8	-10.6760	161.3300	20161208	173846	41.0
00	New Zealand,	231	7.8	-42.7570	173.0770	20161113	110256	23.0
00	Chile, Pacific	467	8.3	-31.5700	-71.6540	20150916	225433	24.9
00	Chile, Pacific	210	8.2	-19.6420	-70.8170	20140401	234646	20.5











Kamchatka

<mark>New Zealand</mark>



0 0.02 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.1

Solomon Islands

Spectral look on LP and TEC:

FFT parameters

- Frequencies (sampling) from 1s. to 256 s. (2 points to 512 points) for LP (2 Hz) and from 1s. to 256 s. (1 point to 256 points) for TEC (1 Hz)
- Spectrograms: Large overlaping of windows (small time step) overlap = (256 10) s.
- Scale in Hz and also in seconds of Swarm track (wavelengths must be later recalculated to km)
- Spectrogram window: In first iteration: Tukey Window 512 points (256 seconds from 2Hz data) for LP, and 256 points for 1Hz POD TEC



- Signal decomposition by FFT for selected bands, primarily we divided signal into 3 bands: (max. – 180 s., 107 - 41 s., 57 - 12 s., kindly suggested by MHP (UPC) ;-)), so the frequencies above 12 s. were removed
- Selected are 3 close passes from different days: $\Delta \phi < 2^{\circ}, \Delta \lambda < 5^{\circ}, \Delta UTC < 0.4 h$ from central pass in day of EQ, just after EQ

Spectral look on LP and TEC: selection of the most similar passes CHILE **NEW ZEALAND PAPUA NEW-GUINEA** % New Zealand, 231 7.8 % Papua,Pacific % Chile,Pacific 7.9 467 8.3 19 -42.7570 173.0770 -31.5700 -71.6540 -4.5090 153.4500 20161113 110256 23.0 20150916 225433 24.9 103.0 20161217 105112 and a Za . , 180° E 60[°] W 20[°] W 0° 180[°] E 12**0'** W 60. 10 80 20[°] S 40[°]S

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Spectral look on LP and TEC:

selection of the most similar passes

Selected Comparable Times of Passes (the most close that possible in time of the day, Lat and Lon), first point of selected track compared and approximately repeated $\Delta \phi < 2^\circ$, $\Delta \lambda < 5^\circ$, $\Delta UTC < 0.4$ h

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LP, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS CHILE 2015

ROD, Swarm B

EQ > 2015.09.16 22:54:33

Tukey Window, Size 256 s.,

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23.35 23.4 23.45 23.5 UTC



In the vicinity of Chile-Illapel EQ, Swarm crosses edges of equatorial anomaly, which is a dominating signal is spectral sense. On the other hand Swarm B is higher than A/C. Separation and removal of long-wavelength patterns must be done.

LP, FFT DECOMPOSITION CHILE 2015

ROD, Swarm B

EQ > 2015.09.16 22:54:33

FFT decomposition into freq.: 12-57 s., 41-107 s., 108-max. s.



The equatorial anomaly signal occupies LP signal at wide band of frequencies and it is hard to separate the same frequencies along the whole Swarm track. Different frequencies occur in different places.

POD TEC, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS CHILE 2015

ROT, Swarm B, PRN 29

EQ > 2015.09.16 22:54:33

Tukey Window, Size 256 s.,



POD TEC shows similar behavior. TEC models can be helpful in the further research for detrending. However, some separated signal parts can be noted also from these SFFT samplings. Resampling after efficient detrending must be made.

LP, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS NEW ZEALAND 2016 (first pass)

ROD, Swarm A

EQ > 2016.11.13 11:02:56





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12.95

Noisy signal, occupying many frequencies, 3 days before the EQ and quite far to the South from NZ

Some signal before middle point is separated, not mixed with high freq. noise, as before

POD TEC, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS NEW ZEALAND 2016 (first pass)

ROT, Swarm A, PRN 15

EQ > 2016.11.13 11:02:56

Tukey Window, Size 256 s.,



as well as in LP signal

Less noise, more low frequencies and are better separated

LP, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROD, Swarm A

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12

Tukey Window, Size 256 s.,



LP, FFT DECOMPOSITION PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

10:51:12

EQ > 2016.12.17

ROD, Swarm A

FFT decomposition into freq.: 12-57 s., 41-107 s., 108-max. s.



There are large gradients at some selected frequencies. Recalculations of units and comparison with ground data will be necessary...

POD TEC, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROT, Swarm A, PRN 32

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12

Tukey Window, Size 256 s.,



RESAMPLINGS

- close tracks from 9 days taken (similar longitudes and UTC time), passes separated by 3 or 5 days
 Δφ < 2°, Δλ < 6°, ΔUTC < 0.9 h from central pass just after the EQ (light green)
- Long wavelength signal removal by FFT, from selected band 200 s. to max. long-wavelength
- Frequencies (resampling): different spacing for lower and higher frequencies: from 6 s. with step 2 s. to 80 s., and from 80 s. with step 20 s. to 260 s.
- Still large overlaping of windows (neighbouring windows moved by 10 s.)
- WINDOW: Hamming Window 64 seconds (128 points from 2Hz data for LP), and 64 points for 1Hz POD TEC



RESAMPLED: LP, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROD

Signals below 200 s. removed, **Hamming** Window, Size 64 s., resampling of frequencies: in points [260:-20:80,80:-2:6]



There are signatures in LP signals on Dec 6th and Dec 9th of 2016, at frequencies between 12 s. and, say 80 s.

The region is seismologically very active. Aside from 7.9 EQ/tsunami on Dec 17th, there was also 7.8 EQ/tsunami on Dec 8th

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12

EQs/Tsunami events in the southern Pacific (the largest)

Date	Place	Max. peak from TG (cm)	Max. peak Lat	Max. peak Lon	Max. peak Time (UTC)
20180829	Loyalty Islands, Pacific	50	-19.5326	169.2660	20180829052700
20180515	Pensylvania, Atlantic	22	41.2833	-72.9083	20180516005600
20180123	Alaska, Pacific	25	41.7450	-124.1830	20180123152100
20170717	Kamchatka, Pacific	10	52.7308	174.1030	20170718001200
20170501	Alaska, Pacific	6	58.1933	-136.3430	20170501131500
20170424	Chile,Pacific	16	-33.0273	-71.6259	20170424223700
20170122	Papua,Pacific	4	-6.6928	156.4090	20170122074800
20161217	Papua,Pacific	19	-6.6928	156.4090	20161217131900
20161208	Solomon Islands, Pacific	56	-20.6929	164.9420	20161208210100
20161121	Honshu,Pacific	35	39.0000	141.7500	20161121225600
20161113	New Zealand, Pacific	231	-42.4129	173.7030	20161113114400
20160901	New Zealand, Pacific	21	-37.5503	178.1590	20160901165900
20160819	South Georgia, Atlantic, Indian	14	-54.2800	-36.5000	20160819092900
20160812	Vanuatu,Pacific	22	-19.5326	169.2660	20160812025400
20151111	Chile,Pacific	58	-29.9501	-71.3353	20151111033500
20151018	Alaska, Pacific	18	59.5480	-139.7350	20151018131300
20150916	Chile,Pacific	467	-29.9501	-71.3353	20150917002400

Date	Place	EQ magnitude	EQ Lat	EQ lon	EQ time (UTC)	EQ Depth (km)
20180829	Loyalty Islands, Pacific	7.1	-22.0660	170.0500	20180829035159	26.6
20180515	Pensylvania, Atlantic				20180515000000	meteo
20180123	Alaska, Pacific	7.9	56.0460	-149.0730	20180123093143	25.0
20170717	Kamchatka,Pacific	7.7	54.4710	168.8150	20170717233413	11.0
20170501	Alaska, Pacific	6.2	59.8440	-136.6950	20170501123155	2.0
20170424	Chile,Pacific	6.9	-33.0730	-72.0510	20170424213826	25.0
20170122	Papua,Pacific	7.9	-6.2140	155.1220	20170122043023	136.0
20161217	Papua,Pacific	7.9	-4.5090	153.4500	20161217105112	103.0
20161208	Solomon Islands, Pacific	7.8	-10.6760	161.3300	20161208173846	41.0
20161121	Honshu, Pacific	6.9	37.3920	141.4030	20161121205949	11.0
20161113	New Zealand,Pacific	7.8	-42.7570	173.0770	20161113110256	23.0
20160901	New Zealand, Pacific	7.0	-37.3590	179.1460	20160901163757	19.0
20160819	South Georgia, Atlantic, Indian	7.4	-55.2790	-31.8740	20160819073222	10.0
20160812	Vanuatu,Pacific	7.2	-22.4950	173.1100	20160812012635	10.0
20151111	Chile,Pacific	6.9	-29.4830	-72.0350	20151111015438	12.0
20151018	Alaska, Pacific				20151018051900	landslide
20150916	Chile,Pacific	8.3	-31.5700	-71.6540	20150916225433	24.9

There was also previous tsunami on Dec, 8th in the region.



These 2 EQs in December of 2016 induce tsunamis and are included in tsunami database, however there were significantly more Eqs, which will be shown later...

RESAMPLED: LP, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROD

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12



And resampled with smaller 64 s. window, clearly separated signal at 30 s. frequency just after the EQ on Dec 17th, 2016. The closer to EQs, the stronger power spectrum and better separation of frequencies can be noticed. These frequencies occupy band somewhere between 20 s. and 60 s.

RESAMPLED: LP, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROD

(although TEC is larger)

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12

10.82 10.84 10.86 10.88 10.9 10.92 10.94 UTC



large, around 200 s. in fast Swarm track

RESAMPLED: POD TEC, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROT, Swarm A, PRN 32

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12

Signals below 200 s. removed, **Hamming** Window, Size 64 s., resampling of frequencies: in points [260:-20:80,80:-2:6]



Similar signatures in POD TEC signals on Dec 6th and Dec 9th of 2016, at frequencies between 12 s. and, say 80 s.

Still remember that aside from 7.9 EQ/tsunami on Dec 17th, there was also 7.8 EQ/tsunami on Dec 8th

RESAMPLED: POD TEC, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROT, Swarm A, PRN 32

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12



These signals of lower frequency and smaller amplitude can be suspected to come from the edges of equatorial anomaly: to be checked ! And again, in POD TEC, the same clearly separated signal at 30 s. frequency just after the EQ on Dec 17th, 2016.

RESAMPLED: POD TEC, SFFT SPECTROGRAMS PAPUA NEW-GUINEA 2016

ROT, Swarm A, PRN 32

EQ > 2016.12.17 10:51:12



These signals of lower frequency and smaller amplitude can be suspected to come from the edges of equatorial anomaly: to be checked ! On Dec 25th, in POD TEC, we have aside from suspected solar effects, a separated signal of unknown origin. Its frequency appears to be higher than 30 s. ! Or there are two signals !

On Dec 28 th, we see again separated strong signal at 30 s. frequency

The largest Eqs (>= 6.0) in Papua NG region in December 2016 (far from total numer)

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Reamaining EQs (>= 5.4) in Papua NG region in December 2016 (far from total numer)

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Very preliminary ground GNSS data investigation

Differences of phase observations from nearby IGS stations will be used in the validation in future research. Some examples of ROT and TEC can be shown (GPS and GLONASS satellites)



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CONCLUSIONS...

- some signal at around 0.04 frequency (around 30 s. of Swarm track) repeats in many LP and POD TEC records close to EQs and just after EQs, whereas equatorial anomaly, usually is related with frequencies lower than 100 s. (only these are available everyday)
- LP Ne and POD TEC signals show very good integrity of the signals in spectral sense
- additional detrending and resampling must be made in order to find interesting frequencies more precisely (selected frequencies taken to analyses)
- more distant places, but quiet environment (tsunami response)
- different FFT windows?
- Interpretation referring to speeds of TIDs, recalculation of frequency units, relatively to Swarm and to ground observations. Comparison with ground GNSS.