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Editorial Note

Poland has three magnetic observatories: Belsk, Hel and Hornsund. Yearbooks for these observatories have been published regularly since 1966 for Belsk and Hel, and since 1978 for Hornsund. During the years, formats of yearbooks have been changing. There are three types of formats. The first is the classical one, with hourly means and K indices. Additionally, microfilms of magnetograms were made. This data format was suitable for analog recording of variations. Let us name it F1. The second category, F2, is connected with the introduction of digital recording. The yearbook was similar but no microfilms were made and minute-data have been sent to World Data Centers. After some years of digital recording, we changed the format again, skipping tables with hourly values and publishing plots of variations for each day. This format is named F3. For individual observatories, the various formats were used in the following years:

Belsk	F1: 1966-1983,	F2: 1984-1999,	F3: 2000-2005
Hel	F1: 1966-1994,	F2: 1995-1999,	F3: 2000-2005
Hornsund	F1: 1978-1992,	F2: 1993-1999,	F3: 2000-2005

Now we decided to publish only one yearbook for all the observatories, containing information on the activity of each observatory, plots of variations based on hourly means, and secular variations. One-minute data are available in INTERMAGNET and WDC. They are also on the server of the Institute of Geophysics.

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1. INTRODUCTION

This publication contains basic information on geomagnetic observations carried out in 2006 in three Polish geophysical observatories: Belsk (BEL), Hel (HLP), and Hornsund (HRN). All these observatories belong to the Institute of Geophysics, Polish Academy of Sciences. Observatories Belsk and Hel are located on the territory of Poland, while Hornsund is in Spitsbergen archipelago, governed by Norway.

In 2006, like in the previous years, the Belsk, Hel and Hornsund observatories have kept a close collaboration with the world network of geomagnetic observatories INTERMAGNET. The Belsk Observatory joined INTERMAGNET in 1992, Hel in 1999, and Hornsund in 2002.

It is to be noted that the present publication is the first joint yearbook for all the three Polish observatories.

2. DESCRIPTION OF OBSERVATORIES

The location of observatories is shown in Fig. 1 and Table 1. The geomagnetic coordinates in Table 1 were calculated in relation to the geomagnetic pole located at 83.2°N , 118.3°W on the basis of model IGRF-10 from epoch 2005.

The methodology of geomagnetic observations in all the three observatories was very similar, based on the "Guide for Magnetic Measurements and Observatory Practice" (Jankowski and Sucksdorff 1996). The instruments were similar too. Absolute measurements were made with the use of DI-flux magnetometers and proton magnetometers. The magnetic field variations were measured with the use of PSM magnetometers equipped in Bobrov's quartz variometers. The spare sets are equipped in PSM magnetometers or LEMI flux-gate magnetometers.

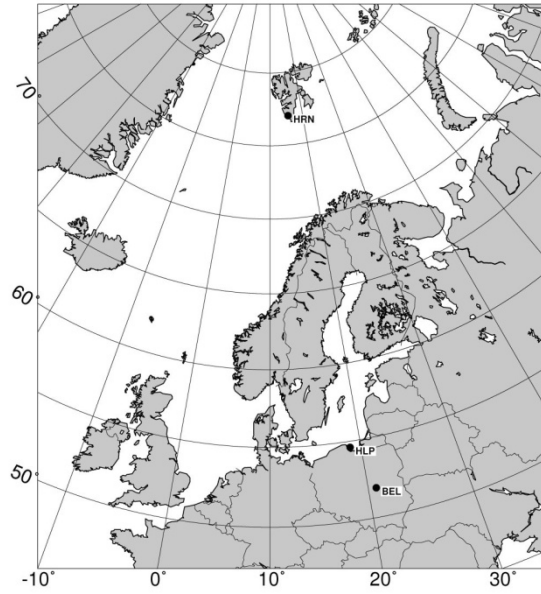


Fig. 1. Location of the Belsk, Hel and Hornsund observatories.

Table 1
Coordinates of the Polish Observatories

Observatory	Geographic coordinates		Geomagnetic coordinates		Elevation [m]
	Latitude	Longitude	Latitude	Longitude	
Belsk (BEL)	51°50.2' N	20°47.5' E	50.2°N	105.2° E	180
Hel (HLP)	54°36.5' N	18°49.0' E	53.2°N	104.6° E	1
Hornsund (HRN)	77°0.0' N	15°33.0' E	73.9°N	126.0° E	15

Continuous recording has been made by means of microprocessor-based digital loggers DR-02 or DR-03. Owing to the recording system we use and the fact that we strictly obey the procedures relating to the so-called magnetic service, the gaps in one-minute data from Belsk and Hel are practically absent. Short gaps have only occurred in records of the Hornsund station, because the conditions prevailing there are much harder than in Poland.

It is worth mentioning that in 2006 the Belsk and Hel Observatories have been continuing the permanent observation of the Shumann effect. Two horizontal components and the vertical component of the electric field have been recorded at a frequency of 100 Hz. This recording was initiated in both observatories in 2004 (Neska and Satori 2006).

2.1 Central Geophysical Observatory at Belsk, Central Poland

The Observatory at Belsk began continuous observations of the Earth magnetic field in 1965 (Jankowski and Marianiuk 2007). It continued the activity of the first Polish magnetic Observatory at Świder near Warsaw, working incessantly through the years 1920-1975. The magnetic observations were transferred from Świder to Belsk because of a strong increase of artificial noise from the Warsaw agglomeration, in particular due to the electric railroad passing nearby the Świder Observatory.

The Belsk Observatory is located at a distance of about 50 km south of Warsaw and about 2 km northwest of the village Belsk Duży. The premises of the Observatory, about 10 ha in area, is at the edge of the forest reserve Modrzewina, far away of people's settlements and automobile traffic. The location of the observatory in relation to the nearby towns and villages is shown in Fig. 2. The Observatory is surrounded by typically agricultural regions (with fertile soil, mostly apple orchards), so the direct neighborhood is deprived of sources of major artificial geomagnetic field disturbances. It is only the electric railroad (DC powered) situated some 14 km away of the Observatory to the north that produces some small artificial magnetic disturbances, whose average level usually does not exceed 1 nT.

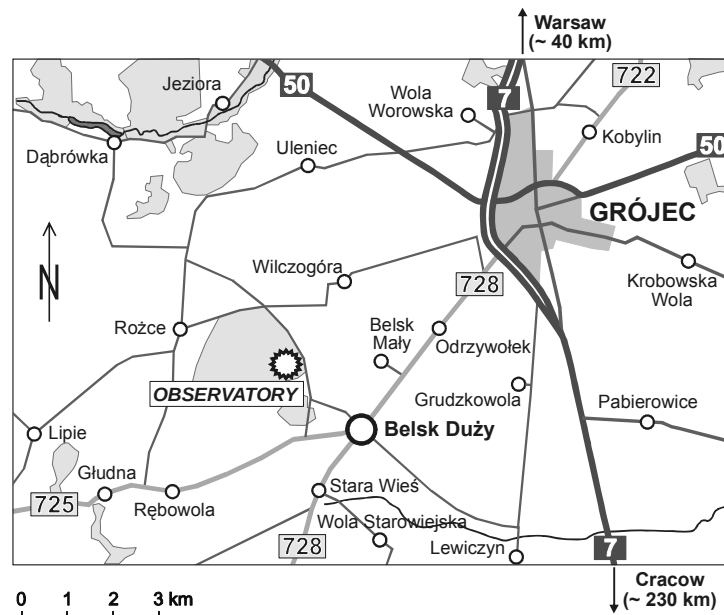


Fig. 2. Location of the Belsk Geophysical Observatory.

More information about the region in which the Observatory is located can be found, in English, Polish and German, on the internet pages of Grójec district (<http://www.grojec.pl>) to which the village Belsk Duży belongs. Relevant information can also be found at home pages of the Belsk Observatory and those of the Institute of Geophysics (<http://www.igf.edu.pl>).

2.2 Geophysical Observatory at Hel, Northern Poland

The Observatory at Hel began continuous observations of the earth magnetic field in 1932 (Jankowski and Marianiuk 2007). The observations were stopped in 1939, after the outbreak of World War II. During the war, the Observatory as well as its equipment and data were completely destroyed. After reconstruction, continuous observations at Hel were resumed in 1957.

The Hel Observatory is located in a small resort town at the end of Hel Peninsula by the Bay of Gdańsk (see Fig. 3). It is the area of Seaside Landscape Park (Nadmorski Park Krajobrazowy), weakly industrialized and urbanized. The region, surrounded by water from three sides, lacks any major artificial noise and is a good place for continuous magnetic observations.

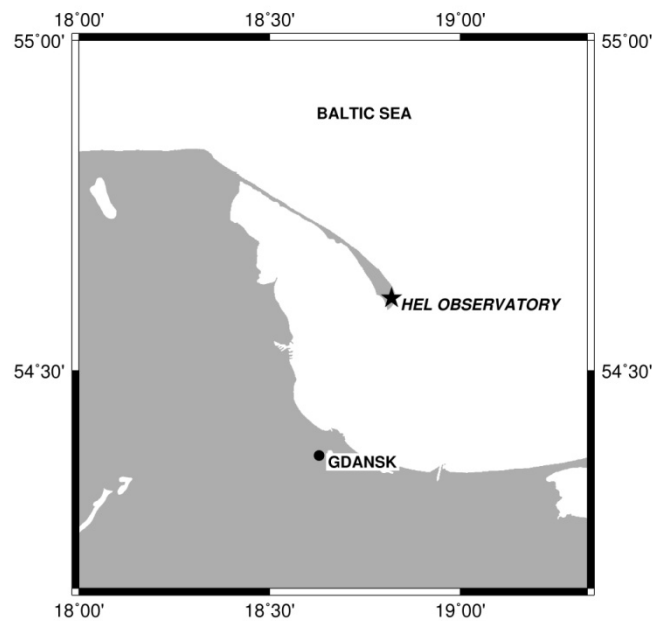


Fig. 3. Location of the Geophysical Observatory at Hel.

The observatory premises, about 4.5 ha in area, is surrounded by mixed forest (mainly pine and birch trees). Pavilions with measurement and recording instruments are located at small clearings.

More information about the town of Hel where the Observatory is located can be found at the address: <http://www.hel-miasto.pl/>.

2.3 Hornsund, Spitsbergen

The Polish Polar Station Hornsund is situated on the White Bear Bay (Isbjørnhamna) in Hornsund Fiord, Spitsbergen Island, Svalbard archipelago. (See Fig. 4). More information on the Svalbard Archipelago can be found at the address: <http://svalbard.com>

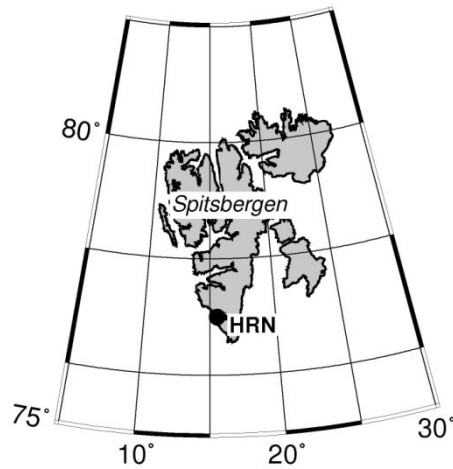


Fig. 4. Location of Polish Polar Station Hornsund.

The Hornsund station is the northernmost Polish scientific facility carrying out year-round activity. The Hornsund region is situated in a zone of strong magnetic field activity, much stronger than on the magnetic pole. Therefore, it is a very interesting place for magnetic observations.

Polish geomagnetic observations in the Arctic were initiated during the II Polar Year; a magnetic station was then established by S. Siedlecki and C. Centkiewicz on the Bear Island. In the years 1932/33, they had carried out continuous recording of magnetic field and performed absolute measurements. In the years 1957/58, in the framework of the III International Geophysical Year, measurements of magnetic declination and inclination were made by J. Kowalczyk and K. Karaczun in five sites in the Hornsund Fiord region.

Since the beginning of October 1978, continuous magnetic field recording has been put into operation, and systematic absolute measurements have been implemented (Jankowski and Marianiuk 2007). Since then, PSP Hornsund has begun to fulfill all the requirements for geomagnetic observatory.

Since 1993, PSP Hornsund has been participating in the IMAGE (International Monitor for Auroral Geomagnetic Effects) project. In the framework of this project, Hornsund data are being sent to a server in Finland, once a month on the average. Since 2002, PSP Hornsund is included into the global near-real-time magnetic observatory network INTERMAGNET, sending the results, via Internet, to the GIN (Geomagnetic Information Nodes) centers in Edinburgh and Paris.

3 INSTRUMENTATION

3.1 Introduction

Simplified block diagrams of geomagnetic observations in Belsk, Hel, and Hornsund Observatories are shown in Figs. 5, 6, and 7.

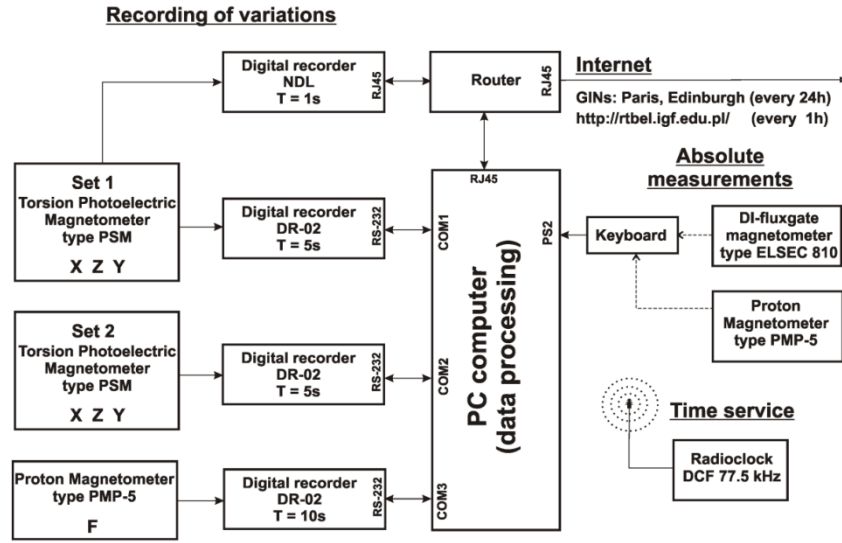


Fig. 5. Block diagram of magnetic observations system at Belsk

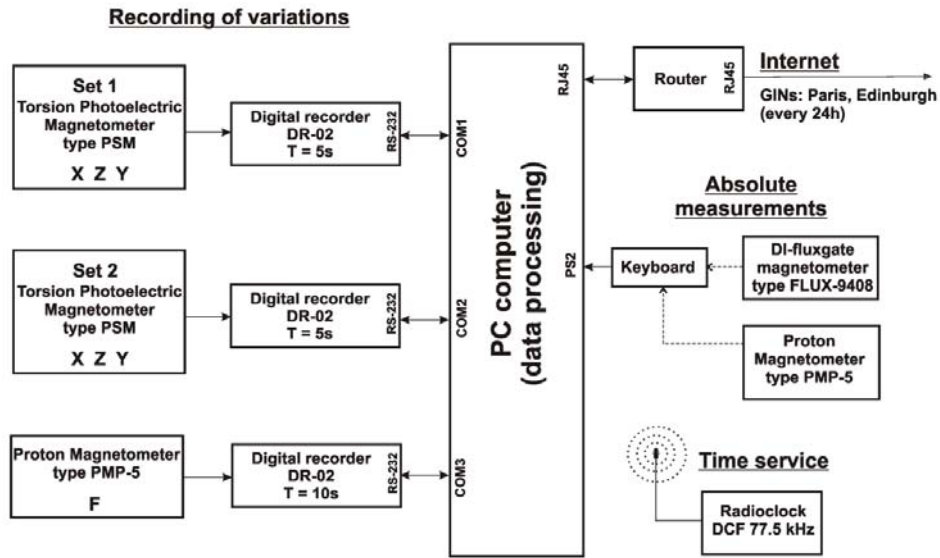


Fig. 6. Block diagram of magnetic observations system at Hel.

3.2 Absolute measurements

In all the three Polish observatories, the absolute measurements used for determination of bases of the recordings are performed by means of DI-flux and proton magnetometers. DI-flux magnetometers measure the absolute values of the angles of declination D and inclination I , while the proton magnetometers measure the absolute val-

ues of the total magnetic field vector F . From the measured values of F , D , and I , we can calculate all the remaining magnetic field components, H , X , Y , and Z .

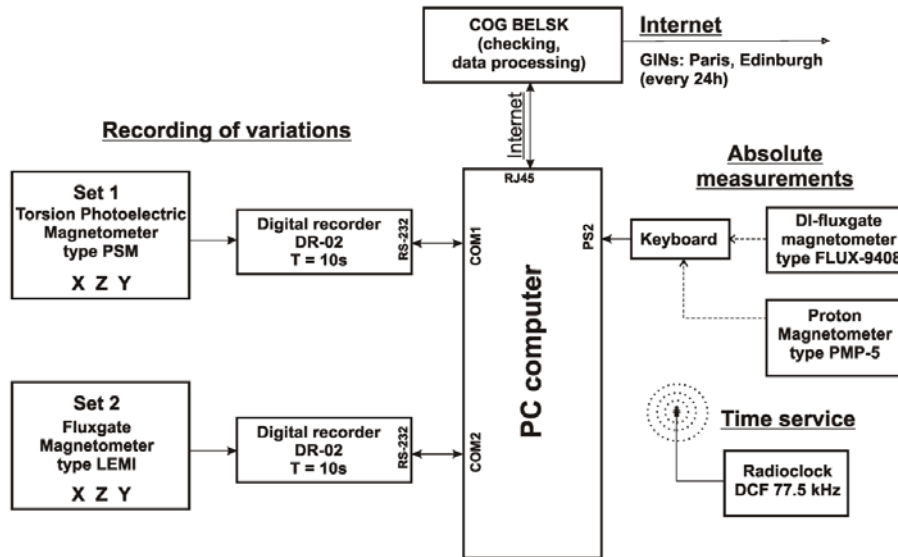


Fig. 7. Block diagram of the magnetic observations system at the Polish Polar Station Hornsund.

The instruments for absolute measurements are listed in Table 2, and the basic parameters of the instruments in Table 3.

Table 2
Instruments for absolute measurements

	Belsk	Hel	Hornsund
DI-fluxgate (fluxgate, theodolite)	ELSEC 810, THEO-10B sn: 002208	FLUX-9408 THEO-10B sn: 160334	FLUX-9408 THEO-10B sn: 160326
Proton magnetometer	PMP-5 sn: 128 PMP-8 sn: 13/1998	PMP-8 sn: 21/2006	PMP-5 sn: 115
Frequency of measurements	6 per week	2 per week	2 per week

The results of absolute measurements are determined by means of a special computer package DIFLUX, which calculates the base values on the basis of data from the measurement protocol (Tomczyk 2008, this issue).

Table 3

Basic parameters of the instruments for absolute measurements

Fluxgate declinometer/inclinometer ELSEC 810 / THEO-10B	
Producer	ELSEC Oxford, UK
Mean square error of a horizontal direction	$\sigma_D \approx \pm 5''$
Mean square error of a zenith direction	$\sigma_I \approx \pm 5''$
Fluxgate declinometer/inclinometer FLUX-9408 / THEO-10B	
Producer (FLUX-9408).....	Institute of Geophysics Pol. Acad. Sc.
Mean square error of a horizontal direction	$\sigma_D \approx \pm 5''$
Mean square error of a zenith direction	$\sigma_I \approx \pm 5''$
Proton magnetometer model PMP-8	
Producer	Institute of Geophysics Pol. Acad. Sc.
Resolution	0.01 nT
Absolute accuracy	0.2 nT
Proton magnetometer model PMP-5	
Producer	Institute of Geophysics Pol. Acad. Sc.
Resolution	0.1 nT
Absolute accuracy	0.2 nT

Table 4

Mean errors of measurements of B_X , B_Y and B_Z in 2006

Observatory	Element	Set I		Set II	
		Number of measurements [n]	Mean error [mB]	Number of measurements [n]	Mean error [mB]
Belsk	B_X	304	± 0.5 nT	302	± 0.6 nT
	B_Y	304	± 0.5 nT	302	± 0.6 nT
	B_Z	304	± 0.3 nT	302	± 0.4 nT
Hel	B_X	82	± 0.7 nT	—	—
	B_Y	82	± 0.7 nT	—	—
	B_Z	82	± 0.4 nT	—	—
Hornsund	B_X	82	± 1.0 nT	—	—
	B_Y	79	± 1.3 nT	—	—
	B_Z	89	± 0.8 nT	—	—

The bases B_A of digital recording of elements X, Y and Z were calculated from the formula:

$$B_A = A - \varepsilon_A \times (a - 32768),$$

where A is the result of absolute measurement [nT], ε_A is the scale value of the recording [nT/bit], a is the recorded instantaneous value [bits].

For the digital records with a resolution of 16 bits, the values of $2^{15} = 32768$ bits, corresponding to zero voltages on inputs of these loggers, were adopted as the base levels.

Results of base determinations and the smoothed values adopted for further computations are depicted in Figs. 8, 9, 11, and 13 in the chapters describing individual observatories.

The mean random errors of a single base measurement, m_B , and the number of measurements n taken in 2006 are listed in Table 4.

Thermal coefficients of magnetic sensors are not taken into account in calculations, with a view to the following facts:

- tests made every few years indicated that the coefficients are very small, less than $0.2 \text{ nT/}^\circ\text{C}$,
- the magnetic sensors are located in thermostat-controlled wooden boxes where the daily temperature variations are of the order of $0.1\text{-}0.2^\circ\text{C}$.

3.3 Recording of geomagnetic field variations

As we already mentioned, the continuous digital recordings of geomagnetic field variations in all the Polish observatories are performed by means of magnetometers PSM and digital loggers DR-2 (or DR-3). In spare sets, we use magnetometers PSM or LEMI. Both the main and spare sets record the components in the rectangular coordinate system X, Y, Z. At Belsk and Hel, continuous recording of the total magnetic field modulus F is performed as well. The basic parameters of the recording systems are listed in Table 5.

Magnetometers PSM

Magnetometers PSM were designed at the Institute of Geophysics PAS with the use of torsion quartz variometers of V. N. Bobrov system (Marianiuk 1977, Jankowski *et al.* 1984). In these magnetometers, the magnet's deflections in response to the magnetic field changes are transformed by means of photoelectric converters into the electric current changes. Owing to a strong negative feedback, the voltage changes on the output of the converter are in linear proportion to the magnetic field changes. The magnetometers PSM are characterized by good stability, of about 3-5 nT/year, and small noise, below 10 pT.

Magnetometers LEMI

Magnetometers LEMI were designed at the Lviv Centre of the Institute of Space Research (Ukraine). They employ flux-gate sensors. These magnetometers have been successfully used as auxiliary sets. Their stability is not much less than that of PSM's, and they are also characterized by good orthogonality of sensors and relatively small self noise.

Table 5

Basic instruments for the magnetic field variations recording

		Belsk	Hel	Hornsund
SET 1	Name of magnetometer Kind of sensor	PSM Bobrov	PSM Bobrov	PSM Bobrov
	Type	PSM-8511-01P	PSM 8511-09P	PSM-8911-05P
	Sensor's orientation	XYZ	XYZ	XYZ
	Range	+/- 850 nT	+/- 850 nT	+/- 5000 nT
	Magnetometer's producer	Institute of Geophysics PAS	Institute of Geophysics PAS	Institute of Geophysics PAS
	Digital recorder Producer	DR-02,DR-03 EL-LAB	DR-03 EL-LAB	DR-02 EL-LAB
	Sampling interval	5 s and 1 s	5 s	10 s
SET 2	Name of magnetometer Kind of sensor	PSM Bobrov	PSM Bobrov	LEMI fluxgate
	Type	PSM-8511-01P	PSM 8511-03P	LEMI-003/95
	Sensor's orientation	XYZ	XYZ	XYZ
	Range	+/- 820 nT	+/- 820 nT	+/- 10,000 nT
	Magnetometer's producer	Institute of Geophysics PAS	Institute of Geophysics PAS	Institute of Geophysics PAS
	Digital recorder Producer	DR-02,DR-03 EL-LAB	DR-02 EL-LAB	DR-02 EL-LAB
	Sampling interval	5 s and 1 s	5 s	10 s
Total field	Name of magnetometer	PMP-5	PMP-5	—
	Producer	Institute of Geophysics PAS	Institute of Geophysics PAS	Institute of Geophysics PAS
	Sampling interval	10 s	10 s	—

Proton magnetometers PMP-5 and PMP-8

Magnetometers PMP-5 and PMP-8 were designed at the Institute of Geophysics PAS. These are classical proton magnetometers, in which the precession signal is forced in a cycle of proton polarization by means of direct current. The resolution of magnetometers PMP-5 is 0.1nT, that of PMP-8 being 0.01nT. The stability of both magnetometers is better than 0.3 nT/year. More information about these instruments can be found on the page of Geophysical Instruments Laboratory at: http://dkag.igf.edu.pl/pmp8_ang.htm

Digital loggers DR-02 and DR-03

The digital loggers were designed in the early 1990s by the enterprise EL-LAB (Poland) especially for recording the long-term slow-changing variations. These are

independent instruments and their cooperation with the computer resolves itself to the read-out of data via the RS-232 interface. Model DR-03 is equipped in clock synchronized by a GPS.

3.4 Calibration of magnetic sensors

The verification of scale values of recording systems in all the three observatories was made by the classical electromagnetic method: electric currents were passed through calibration coils woven over variometers. The currents induce the magnetic field of precisely known intensity. The measurements are made at least few times a year.

The scale values of magnetometers PSM and LEMI, parameters of calibration coils of PSMs, and mutual orthogonality of sensors in PSMs and LEMIs is checked every few years in large calibration coils installed at the Belsk Observatory.

Table 6
Scale values adopted for computations in 2006

Observatory	Set	Period	Scale values		
			X [nT/bit]	Y [nT/bit]	Z [nT/bit]
Belsk	Set I	Jan 01-Dec 31	0.0250	0.0250	0.0249
	Set II	Jan 01-Dec 31	0.0248	0.0251	0.0250
Hel	Set I	Jan 01-Sep 25	0.0250	0.0250	0.0250
		Sep 26-Dec 21	0.0249	0.0248	0.0249
		Dec 22-Dec 31	0.0250	0.0248	0.0249
	Set II	Jan 01-Sep 26	0.0149	0.0147	0.0147
		Sep 27-Dec 21	0.0247	0.0246	0.0243
		Dec 22-Dec 31	0.0249	0.0249	0.0250
Hornsund	Set I	Jan 01-Dec 31	0.149	0.151	0.149
	Set II	Jan 01-Dec 31	0.307	0.308	0.307

3.5 Data treatment

In processing the results of digital recordings we used the software packet developed for the needs of an observatory operating in the INTERMAGNET network. This software makes it possible to perform, among other things, the following operations:

- conversion of magnetic data into the INTERMAGNET text format IMFV 1.22 and creation in this format of daily files containing one-minute means of X, Y, Z and F (authors: J. Reda and A. Palka),
- automatic transmission of data, via the Internet, to the Institute of Geophysics PAS in Warsaw and data centers in Paris and Edinburgh (author: M. Neska),

- archivation of data and plotting of magnetograms (author: J. Reda),
- calculation of results of absolute measurements (author: S. Tomczyk),
- automatic calculation of geomagnetic indices K and C (Nowożyński *et al.* 1991). The indices are calculated with the use of ASm (Adaptive Smoothed) method, developed at the Institute of Geophysics PAS, and recommended by IAGA in 1991. The currently used program calculates the indices from one-minute means in the INTERMAGNET CD-ROM Data Format or in the IMFV 1.22 format. The program for calculation of indices may be taken from the INTERMAGNET page:
http://www.intermagnet.org/Software_e.html
- test printouts to check various parameters of recording adopted for calculation and a possibility of looking over current and past data curves or tables.

The diagrams illustrating the annual variations of X, Y, and Z, monthly variations of X, Y, Z and F, bases of recording sets as well as plots of K indices for 2006 were prepared with the use of program `imagplot.exe` provided to us by INTERMAGNET.

3.6 Data availability

The newest data from Belsk, Hel and Hornsund observatories can be viewed in graphic form through the WEB application

<http://rtbel.igf.edu.pl>

described by Nowożyński and Reda (2007).

On this page, the Belsk data appear with one-hour delay. The Hel data are made available a few hours after the end of the day, while the delay for Hornsund is 2 days on the average. The page makes it possible to view the archival data from any observatory belonging to the INTERMAGNET network (in the form of curves on the screen). It offers also a possibility of calculating the K indices according to the ASm method (Nowożyński *et al.* 1991) and E indices (Reda and Jankowski 2004).

On the Institute's server we also keep, for about ten years, the WEB application:

<http://www.igf.edu.pl/mag/index.html> (author: M. Jankowski)

This application enables a comparison of data from two Polish observatories, Belsk and Hel, and offers a possibility to get both the recent and archival data from these two observatories.

The current data (of status REPORTED) from all the three observatories can be found in INTERMAGNET centers in Edinburgh and Paris at the Internet addresses:

<http://www.intermagnet.bgs.ac.uk/cgi-bin/imagform>

http://obsmag.ipgp.jussieu.fr/cgi-bin/form_e

Data from Belsk, Hel and Hornsund are also available from the WDCs. Addresses of some WDC pages with magnetic data are the following:

WDC for Geomagnetism, Edinburgh

<http://www.wdc.bgs.ac.uk/catalog/master.html>

WDC for Geomagnetism, Kyoto.

<http://swdcd.db.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/wdc/Sec3.html>

All the three observatories have in their archives the original data, whose sampling periods are listed in Table 5. For those interested, these data can be made available on request.

4 MAJOR EVENTS IN 2006

4.1 Belsk

The most important event in 2006 was the XII IAGA Workshop held at the Belsk Observatory (Reda 2007). The Workshop consisted of two parts: Measurement Session (Reda and Neska 2007) and Scientific Session. It was attended by over 100 scientists representing 32 countries from 5 continents.

4.2 Hel

In April 2006 there was a change of the personnel. Alicja Czyszek and Jarosław Czyszek terminated their work in the Observatory. The responsibility for the Observatory was given to Stanisław Wójcik. Since September 2006, half-time position was given to Anna Wójcik.

In September 2006, the recording sets were interchanged in their role. The spare set has become the basic set.

4.3 Hornsund

In summer 2006, the instrumentation for Schumann effect recording was reinstalled. An improved arrangement was installed in place of the former one.

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6 PERSONNEL TAKING PART IN THE WORK OF BELSK, HEL AND HORNSUND OBSERVATORIES IN 2006

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- Jan Reda (head of Geomagnetic Laboratory at Belsk)
- Janusz Marianiuk (consulting)
- Mariusz Neska (data processing)
- Halina Suska (data processing, observer)
- Krzysztof Kucharski (observer)
- Benedykt Pachocki (observer)
- Józef Skowroński (observer)

6.2 Hel

- Stanisław Wójcik (head of Geophysical Observatory, since April 2006)
- Jarosław Czyszek (head of Geophysical Observatory, until April 2006)
- Alicja Czyszek (observer, data processing)
- Anna Wójcik (observer)
- Mariusz Neska (data processing)
- Jan Reda (data processing)

6.2 Hornsund

- Włodzimierz Glegolski (head of geomagnetic observations, until September 2006)
- Mariusz Neska (head of geomagnetic observations, since October 2006)

- Mirosław Stefański (observer)
- Jarosław Czyszek (observer)
- Piotr Modzel (observer)
- Jan Reda (data processing)

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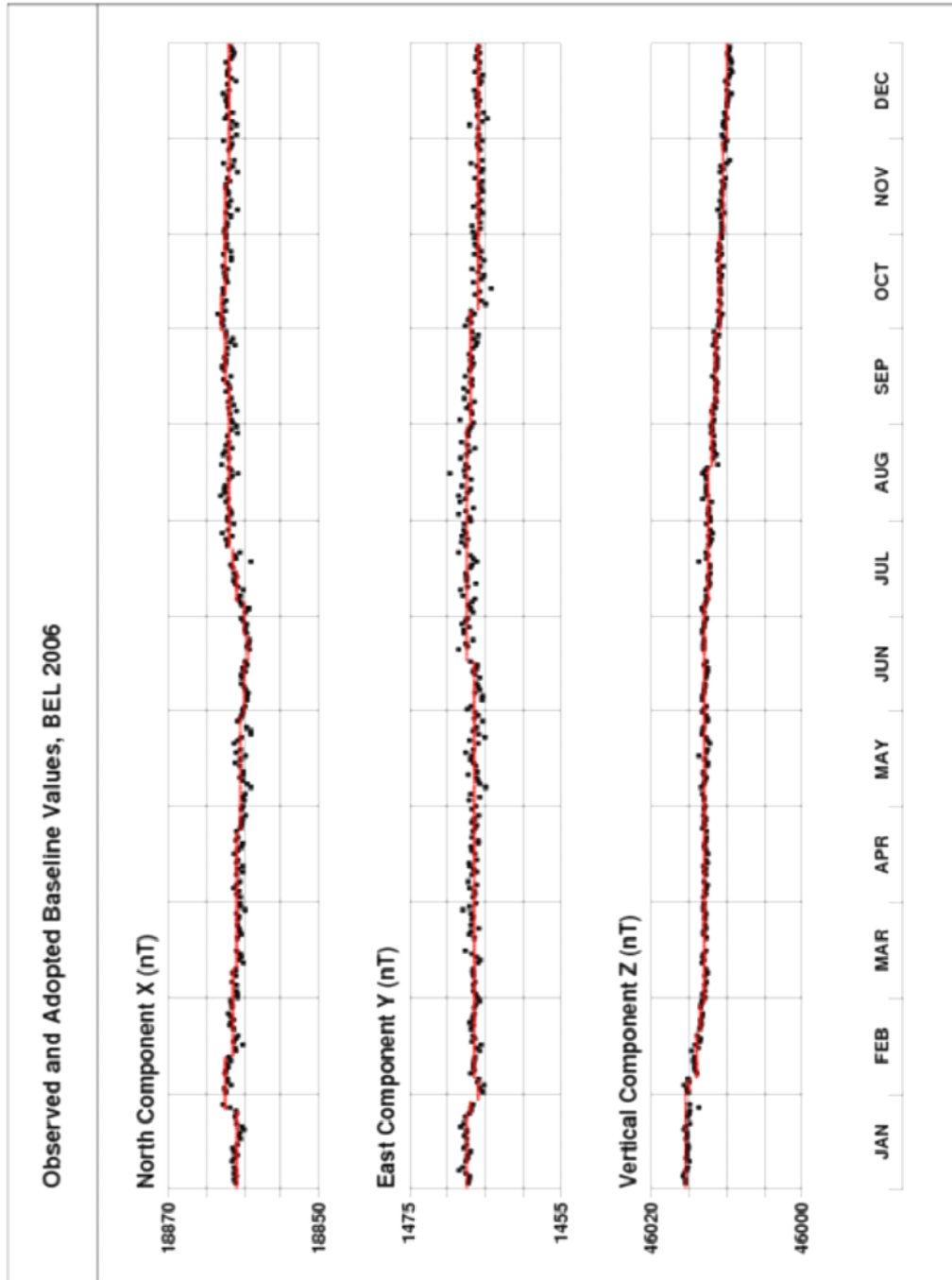


Fig. 8. Base values of set 1, Belsk 2006.

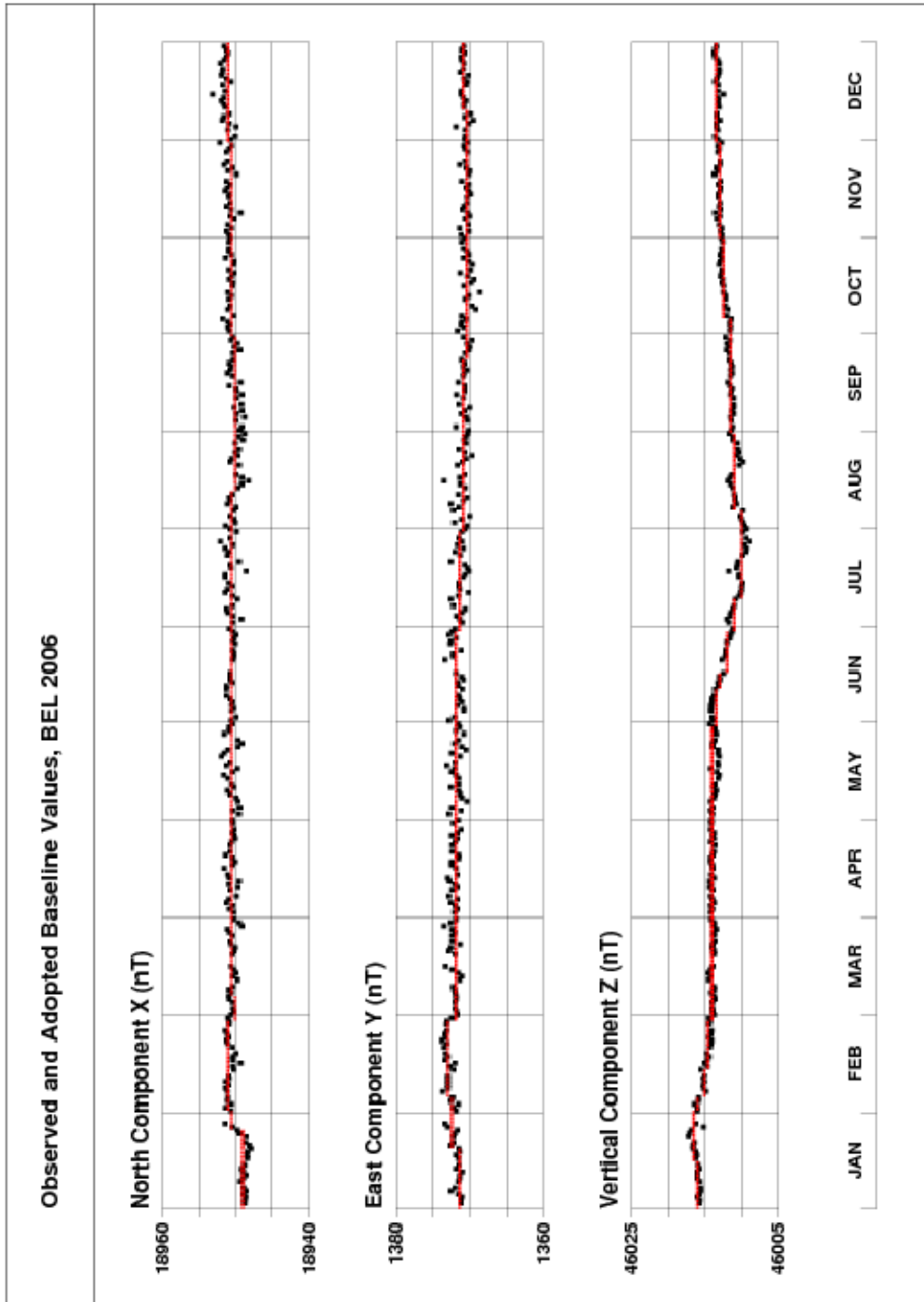


Fig. 9. Base values of set 2, Belsk 2006.

Annual mean values of magnetic elements in Belsk Observatory

No	Year	D [°']	H [nT]	Z [nT]	X [nT]	Y [nT]	I [°']	F [nT]
1	1966	2 04.2	18901.2	45023.3	18888.9	682.8	67 13.6'	48829.8
2	1967	2 05.6	18906.2	45047.7	18893.6	690.7	67 14.0	48854.3
3	1968	2 06.2	18917.8	45071.3	18905.5	694.6	67 13.8	48880.5
4	1969	2 06.3	18935.7	45093.5	18922.9	695.6	67 13.3	48907.9
5	1970	2 06.6	18953.0	45123.1	18940.2	697.7	67 13.0	48941.9
6	1971	2 06.6	18975.5	45146.4	18962.6	698.8	67 12.2	48972.1
7	1972	2 08.0	18991.6	45176.3	18978.4	706.7	67 11.9	49005.9
8	1973	2 10.2	19004.6	45210.8	18991.0	719.4	67 12.0	49042.8
9	1974	2 13.3	19016.3	45245.6	19002.0	737.1	67 12.2	49079.3
10	1975	2 16.4	19035.2	45273.5	19020.2	754.9	67 11.7	49112.4
11	1976	2 18.5g	19049.7	45306.9	19034.3	767.3	67 11.7	49148.8
12	1977	2 22.0	19062.1	45336.6	19045.8	787.4	67 11.7	49181.0
13	1978	2 27.4	19058.6	45375.7	19041.1	817.1	67 13.0	49215.7
14	1979	2 32.3	19061.4	45401.4	19042.7	844.2	67 13.5	49240.5
15	1980	2 37.2	19063.2	45418.4	19043.3	871.2	67 13.9	49256.8
16	1981	2 42.9	19047.1	45448.9	19025.7	902.0	67 15.7	49278.7
17	1982	2 48.3	19034.8	45478.8	19012.0	931.3	67 17.3	49301.6
18	1983	2 52.4	19032.6	45498.8	19008.7	953.8	67 18.0	49319.2
19	1984	2 56.9	19022.8	45519.8	18997.6	978.4	67 19.2	49334.8
20	1985	3 00.8	19015.2	45542.0	18988.9	999.5	67 20.3	49352.3
21	1986	3 05.1	19003.3	45570.4	18975.8	1022.8	67 21.8	49373.9
22	1987	3 08.5	18999.1	45592.7	18970.6	1041.2	67 22.7	49392.9
23	1988	3 12.4	18983.0	45626.4	18953.3	1062.0	67 24.6	49417.8
24	1989	3 15.9	18966.2	45662.1	18935.4	1080.3	67 26.6	49444.3
25	1990	3 18.8	18961.5	45684.3	18929.8	1095.9	67 27.5	49463.1
26	1991	3 22.2	18950.8	45709.3	18918.0	1114.1	67 28.8	49482.0
27	1992	3 25.3	18954.8	45726.1	18921.0	1131.2	67 29.1	49499.1
28	1993	3 29.8	18956.4	45743.7	18921.1	1156.0	67 29.4	49516.0
29	1994	3 34.8	18953.6	45772.4	18916.6	1183.3	67 30.4	49541.4
30	1995	3 39.8	18959.3	45796.8	18920.6	1211.5	67 30.7	49566.2
31	1996	3 45.0	18965.7	45821.9	18925.1	1240.6	67 30.9	49591.8
32	1997	3 50.9	18962.8	45856.9	18920.0	1272.7	67 32.0	49623.0
33	1998	3 57.3	18955.8	45897.1	18910.6	1307.6	67 33.6	49657.5
34	1999	4 02.5	18957.8	45930.6	18910.6	1336.4	67 34.3	49689.2
35	2000	4 07.8	18955.4	45968.7	18906.2	1365.4	67 35.5	49723.5
36	2001	4 13.0	18962.4	46004.8	18911.1	1394.2	67 36.0	49759.6
37	2002	4 18.4	18969.2	46043.6	18915.6	1424.4	67 36.6	49798.0
38	2003	4 24.2	18970.2	46089.6	18914.2	1456.7	67 37.7	49840.9
39	2004	4 29.4	18980.3	46121.0	18922.0	1486.0	67 37.9	49873.8
40	2005	4 34.7	18984.3	46154.6	18923.7	1515.5	67 38.5	49906.4
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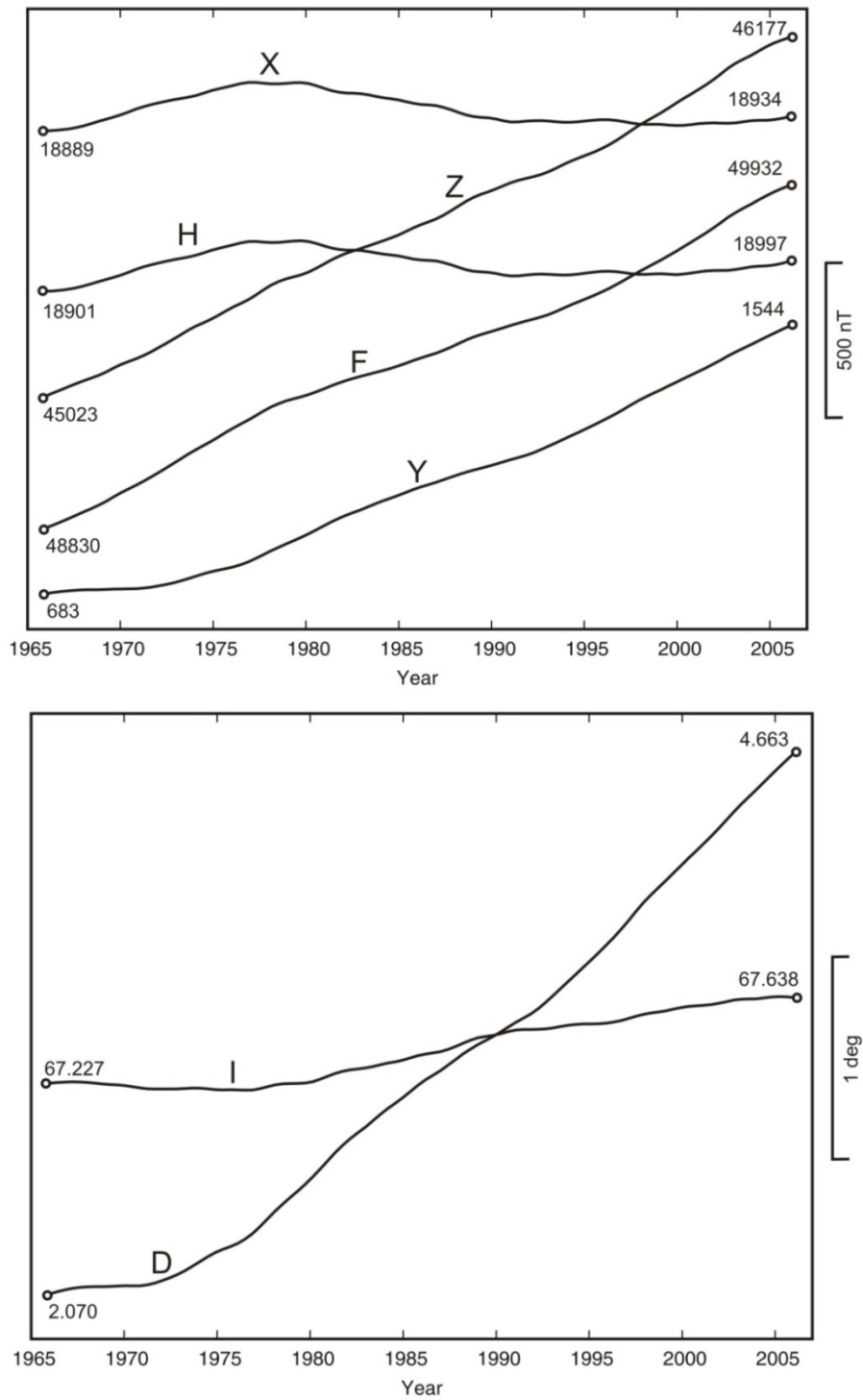


Fig. 10. Secular changes of H, X, Y, Z, F, D and I at Belsk.

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEAN VALUES OF MAGNETIC ELEMENTS

BEL	2006												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MEAN
	NORTH COMPONENT: 18500 + ... in nT												
All days	432	434	434	428	438	438	439	433	435	435	433	426	434
Quiet days	435	438	439	439	438	441	440	437	441	441	440	436	439
Disturbed days	428	427	426	411	432	434	434	425	430	426	422	411	426
	EAST COMPONENT: 1000 + ... in nT												
All days	529	532	534	538	539	543	545	549	550	554	557	563	544
Quiet days	528	531	531	534	540	541	544	548	548	551	555	559	543
Disturbed days	532	534	538	540	541	543	547	551	553	558	559	569	547
	VERTICAL COMPONENT: 46000 + ... in nT												
All days	166	165	166	172	172	174	177	181	182	185	189	197	177
Quiet days	166	163	164	166	170	172	175	179	180	183	188	196	175
Disturbed days	167	167	168	176	173	175	178	185	182	185	192	195	179

Three-hour-range indices K and magnetic character figures C
 Belsk, January – March, 2006
 The limit of K = 9 is 450 nT

Day	January			February			March		
	K	ΣK	C	K	ΣK	C	K	ΣK	C
1	3112 3222	16	0	0111 2002	7	0	3223 3211	17	0
2	1122 1224	15	1	1112 1222	12	0	1011 1112	8	0
3	2100 1320	9	0	1012 0142	11	0	1110 1111	7	0
4	0100 0020	3	0	3211 1201	11	0	1111 0102	7	0
5	0011 1112	7	0	1021 1021	8	0	1010 0102	5	0
6	2211 2222	14	0	2312 4344	23	1	1112 3244	18	1
7	3121 2311	14	0	2111 1122	11	0	3321 1133	17	0
8	0011 1211	7	0	2101 0011	6	0	1101 2132	11	0
9	0001 0000	1	0	0011 1132	9	0	0000 1141	7	0
10	0000 1111	4	0	1001 0034	9	0	1223 3325	21	1
11	0011 1110	5	0	2221 2311	14	0	4232 1222	18	1
12	2111 0011	7	0	2311 1200	10	0	0122 1121	10	0
13	1011 1222	10	0	0000 1221	6	0	0011 1011	5	0
14	1001 1131	8	0	1000 0001	2	0	0011 1012	6	0
15	2111 0132	11	0	0123 2244	18	1	2223 2330	17	0
16	1222 3444	22	1	3222 2122	16	0	1212 1312	13	0
17	3322 2221	17	0	1211 1112	10	0	0011 1112	7	0
18	2224 1323	19	1	0001 1011	4	0	0134 3555	26	1
19	1012 2224	14	1	2121 2232	15	0	5443 4344	31	2
20	2112 2442	18	1	3223 5544	28	1	3333 2354	26	1
21	2212 1001	9	0	3324 4443	27	1	2322 2434	22	1
22	0022 2311	11	0	4332 3432	24	1	3222 1133	17	0
23	2333 3334	24	1	1112 1012	9	0	1111 1112	9	0
24	3222 1101	12	0	3112 2100	10	0	1101 1223	11	0
25	2111 1244	16	1	2111 0000	5	0	2211 1131	12	0
26	4413 3646	31	2	1211 2224	15	1	1102 2343	16	1
27	3222 3333	21	1	2111 1002	8	0	3200 1314	14	1
28	2211 1132	13	0	0011 1123	9	0	1211 2222	13	0
29	1111 0101	6	0				1212 1123	13	0
30	1010 0010	3	0				1111 1033	11	0
31	0100 1210	5	0				1112 2231	13	0

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Belsk, April – June, 2006

The limit of K = 9 is 450 nT

Day	April			May			June		
	K	ΣK	C	K	ΣK	C	K	ΣK	C
1	0011 1101	5	0	0111 0000	3	0	2214 2332	19	1
2	0011 2111	7	0	1011 1121	8	0	2222 1321	15	0
3	0001 1111	5	0	1110 1122	9	0	2121 3211	13	0
4	1123 2345	21	1	1222 5433	22	1	1111 2110	8	0
5	4333 5442	28	1	3322 2211	16	0	1101 1211	8	0
6	1232 2222	16	0	2211 3544	22	1	2234 4353	26	1
7	1111 1001	6	0	3343 3232	23	1	4333 3434	27	1
8	1002 1122	9	0	2212 1111	11	0	3344 3543	29	1
9	5443 4355	33	2	1112 1111	9	0	3223 2332	20	1
10	3332 3332	22	1	0001 1123	8	0	2122 3332	18	1
11	2111 2112	11	0	3323 3344	25	1	2111 2212	12	0
12	1111 1110	7	0	4332 3223	22	1	1011 2212	10	0
13	1213 4433	21	1	3312 2232	18	1	1101 1111	7	0
14	3545 4544	34	2	3221 1111	12	0	1112 2234	16	1
15	3334 3554	30	1	1111 1112	9	0	2344 4443	28	1
16	3222 2332	19	1	1101 1101	6	0	2222 2242	18	1
17	2111 1224	14	1	2211 3312	15	0	2332 3331	20	1
18	4211 1212	14	1	2233 3532	23	1	0123 2211	12	0
19	2010 1111	7	0	1221 2222	14	0	1110 1100	5	0
20	0113 3210	11	0	2122 1221	13	0	2112 2210	11	0
21	1112 2422	15	1	3112 0231	13	0	0101 1121	7	0
22	4335 3221	23	1	3112 2324	18	1	1212 2221	13	0
23	1222 1112	12	0	2121 2111	11	0	0001 1120	5	0
24	3212 1012	12	0	1112 3200	10	0	0011 2221	9	0
25	3101 1211	10	0	1311 1123	13	0	2112 1211	11	0
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27	1111 2222	12	0	1110 0101	5	0	1111 2322	13	0
28	3233 2112	17	0	1213 2122	14	0	3333 4233	24	1
29	1111 1012	8	0	0101 1112	7	0	3223 3432	22	1
30	0011 0000	2	0	1112 4332	17	1	2222 3322	18	1
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 Belsk, July – September, 2006
 The limit of K = 9 is 450 nT

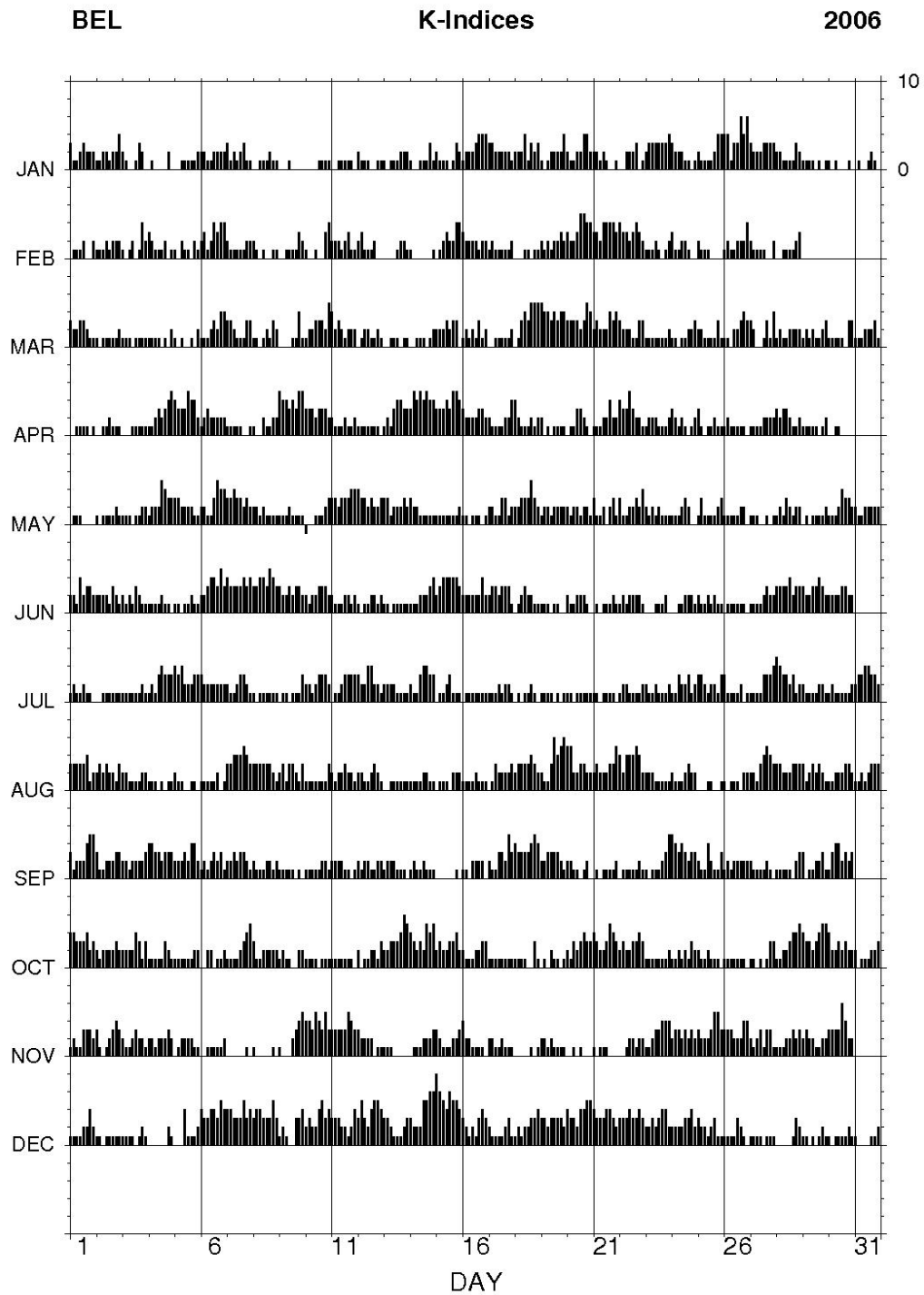
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2	0011 1111	6	0	2323 2213	18	1	3112 2233	17	0
3	1111 1121	9	0	2211 1122	12	0	2212 2223	16	0
4	1213 4333	20	1	1110 1011	6	0	4433 2333	25	1
5	4342 2233	23	1	2110 0110	6	0	2223 2442	21	1
6	3222 2222	17	0	1111 1201	8	0	1212 3231	15	0
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8	1011 1111	7	0	3333 3321	21	1	2111 2212	12	0
9	0110 1113	8	0	2313 3213	18	1	1111 1010	6	0
10	2212 3332	18	1	1111 1113	10	0	1111 1221	10	0
11	0112 3333	16	0	2122 3221	15	0	2222 1101	11	0
12	3224 4221	20	1	2211 2321	14	0	2122 1122	13	0
13	2222 1111	12	0	0011 1111	6	0	1222 1110	10	0
14	2113 4433	21	1	1111 2211	10	0	1211 2111	10	0
15	0112 3111	10	0	0111 0222	9	0	0000 0010	1	0
16	0111 1111	7	0	1111 2111	9	0	1102 2220	10	0
17	1112 1221	11	0	0132 2223	15	0	2113 3253	20	1
18	0101 1210	6	0	2333 3432	23	1	4333 3454	29	1
19	1111 0101	6	0	2113 6456	28	2	2233 3321	19	1
20	1101 1111	7	0	5522 3322	24	1	2211 0120	9	0
21	1101 1110	6	0	2322 2335	22	1	0101 1112	7	0
22	1221 1112	11	0	4244 4542	29	1	0111 1121	8	0
23	2112 1112	11	0	2221 1111	11	0	1011 1235	14	1
24	1132 2312	15	0	2111 2322	14	0	5434 3233	27	1
25	3321 2213	17	0	0001 1001	3	0	2114 2113	15	1
26	3111 1201	10	0	1011 1022	8	0	1212 2222	14	0
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28	5433 2312	23	1	3322 2333	21	1	1111 1023	10	0
29	2111 1221	11	0	3123 2321	17	0	3011 2231	13	0
30	1211 1112	10	0	1122 2332	16	0	1344 2323	22	1
31	2334 4332	24	1	1121 2333	16	0			

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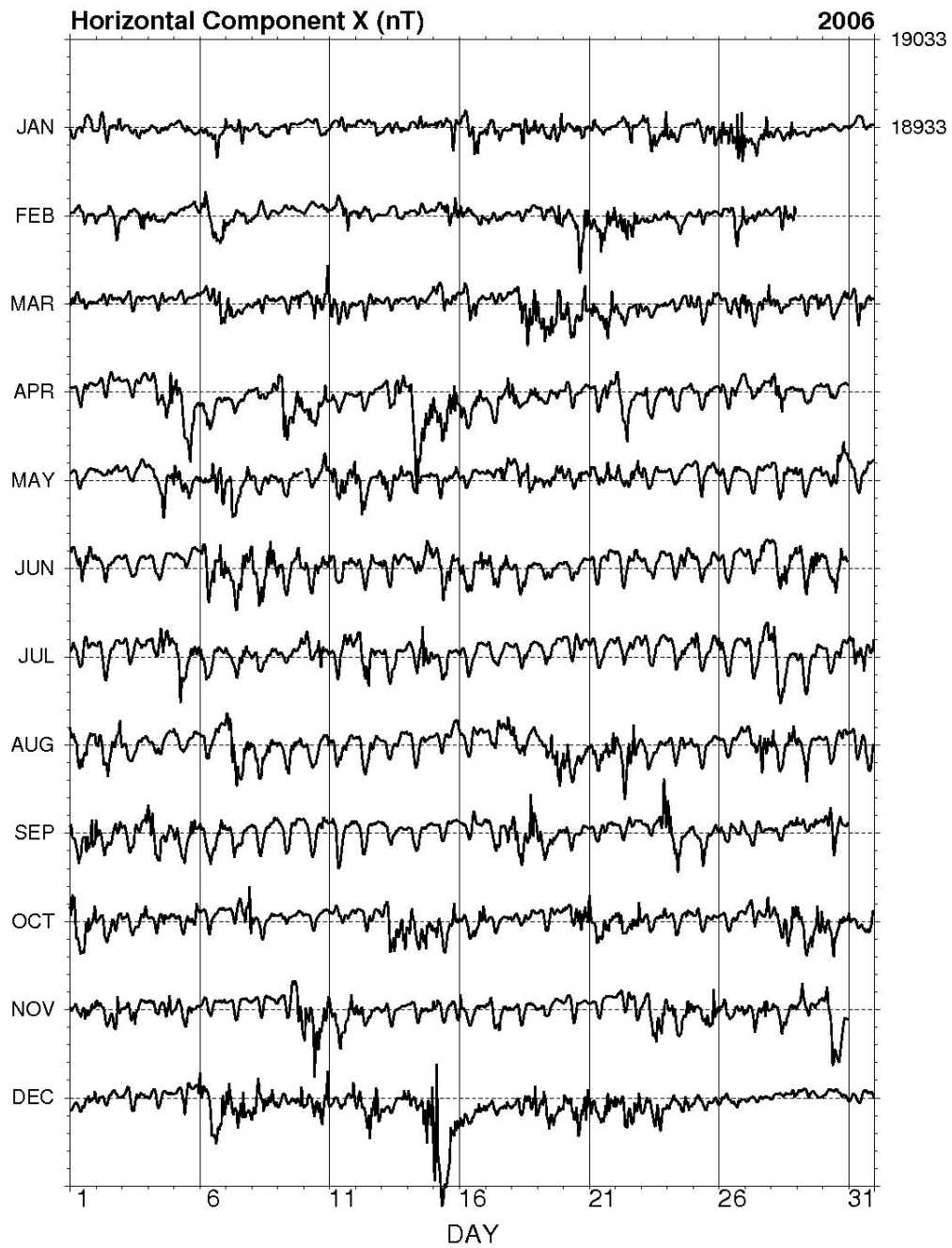
Belsk, October – December, 2006

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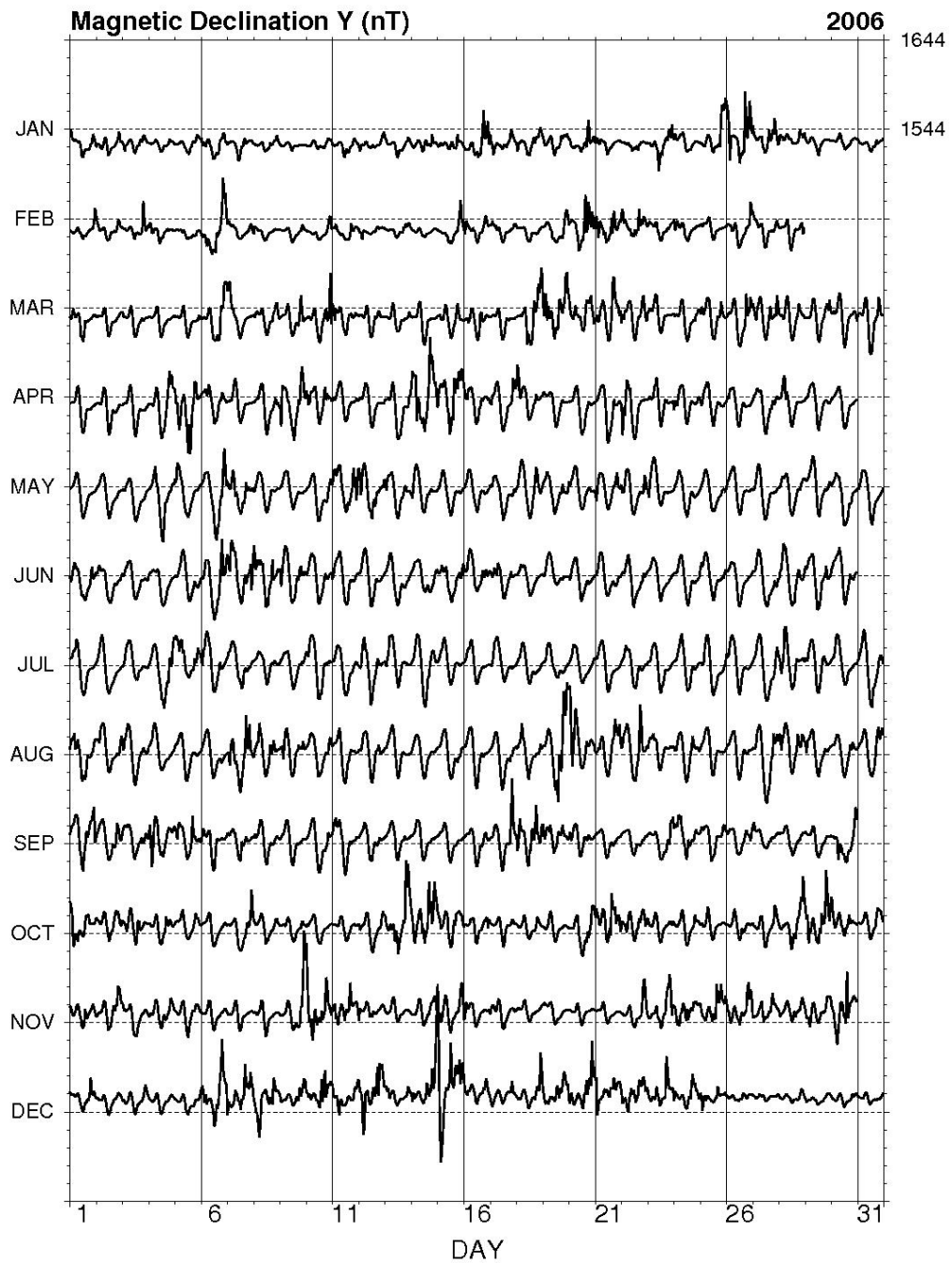
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2	2122 2232	16	0	3101 2343	17	1	1101 1111	7	0
3	2222 4313	19	1	2112 3221	14	0	1111 0121	8	0
4	1111 1321	11	0	2212 2232	16	0	0000 0021	3	0
5	1111 1122	10	0	0122 2211	11	0	0004 1112	9	0
6	0022 0112	8	0	0011 1112	7	0	4334 4354	30	1
7	1111 2345	18	1	0000 0010	1	0	4433 3534	29	1
8	3112 2222	15	0	1000 0010	2	0	3443 3353	28	1
9	1211 0022	9	0	1000 2345	15	1	1210 0334	14	1
10	1111 0111	7	0	4435 4353	31	2	2322 4534	25	1
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13	2233 3465	28	2	1110 0000	3	0	3321 1123	16	0
14	4323 2545	28	1	0111 2223	12	0	3222 5566	31	2
15	2322 3342	21	1	3211 1223	15	0	8654 6554	43	2
16	2111 2233	15	0	4221 1110	12	0	3212 1343	19	1
17	1111 1111	8	0	2211 2111	11	0	2111 1231	12	0
18	1111 0031	8	0	0000 0101	2	0	1212 2334	18	1
19	0102 1101	6	0	2212 1111	11	0	3323 3332	22	1
20	2132 3433	21	1	0010 1000	2	0	4332 4455	30	1
21	4322 3543	26	1	1011 1000	4	0	4333 4432	26	1
22	2322 3343	22	1	0012 2122	10	0	3334 3343	26	1
23	1111 1112	9	0	1123 3444	22	1	2232 3442	22	1
24	1121 2132	13	0	2332 3232	20	1	2222 3342	20	1
25	2112 1110	9	0	3222 3553	25	1	3221 2311	15	0
26	1111 1110	7	0	3332 2244	23	1	1111 3210	10	0
27	1101 0133	10	0	2123 1331	16	0	1111 0111	7	0
28	1122 3445	22	1	1112 2323	15	0	0000 0132	6	0
29	4332 3455	29	1	2322 1122	15	0	1101 0121	7	0
30	4223 2322	20	1	3333 6422	26	2	1011 1121	8	0
31	2011 1223	12	0				1000 0112	5	0



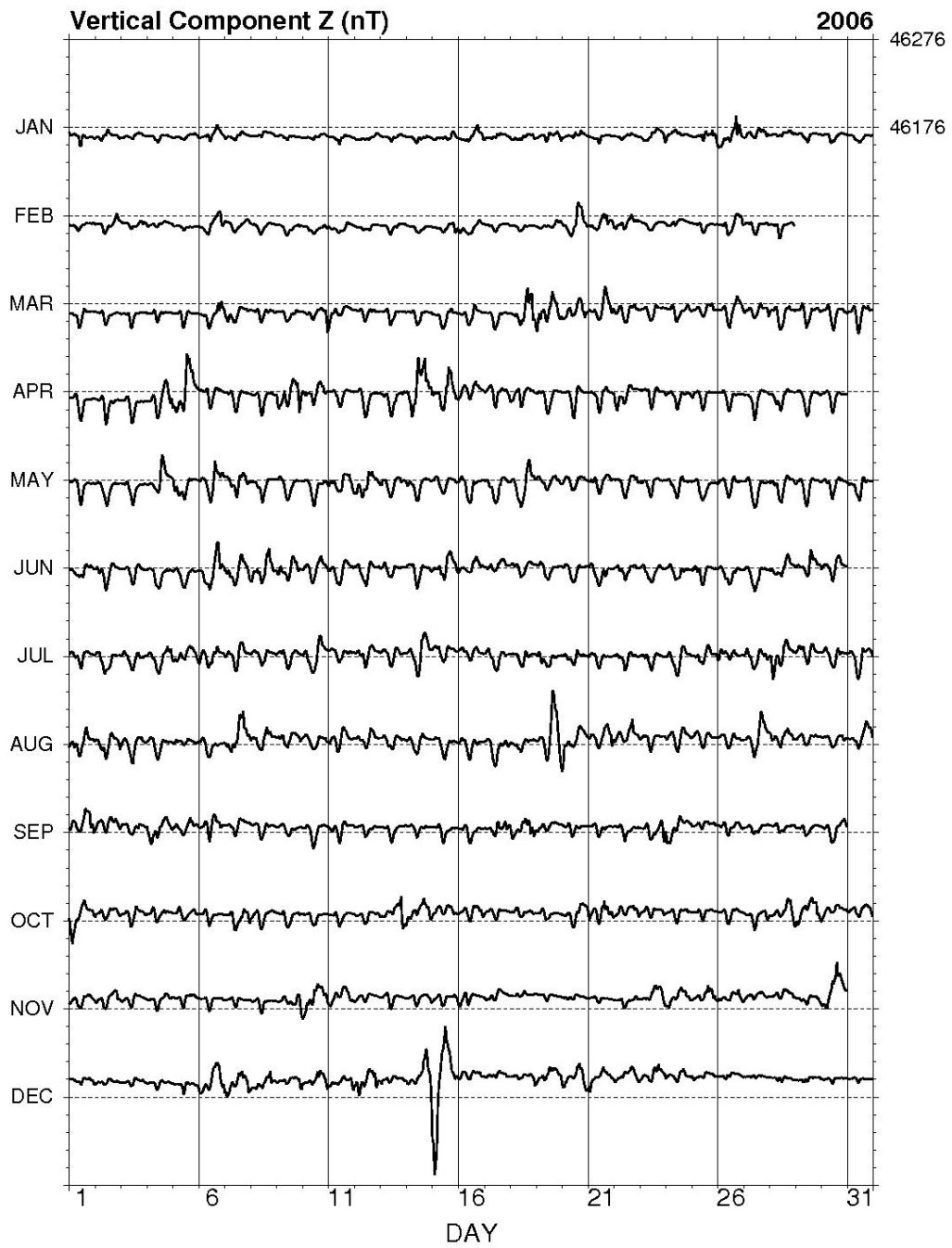
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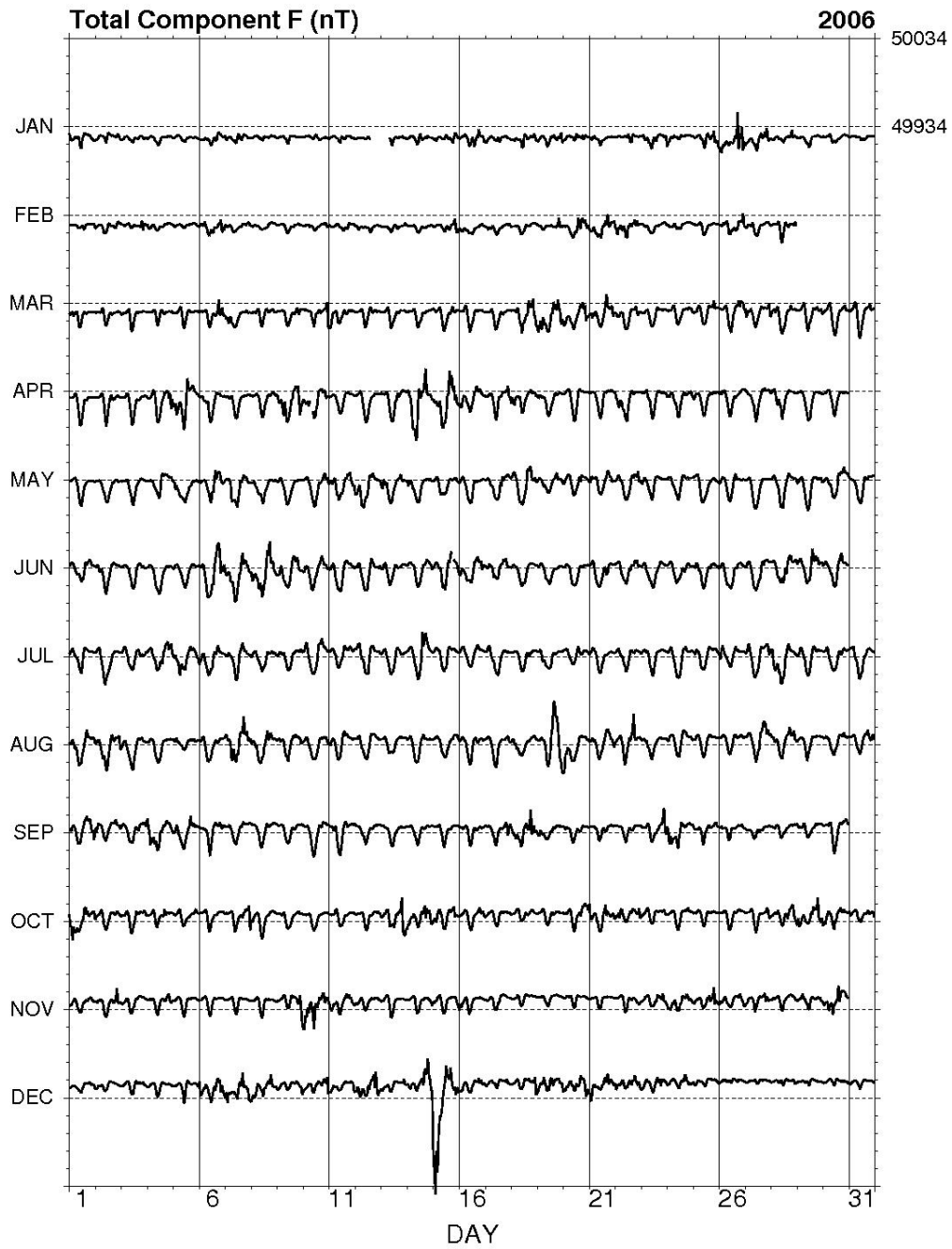
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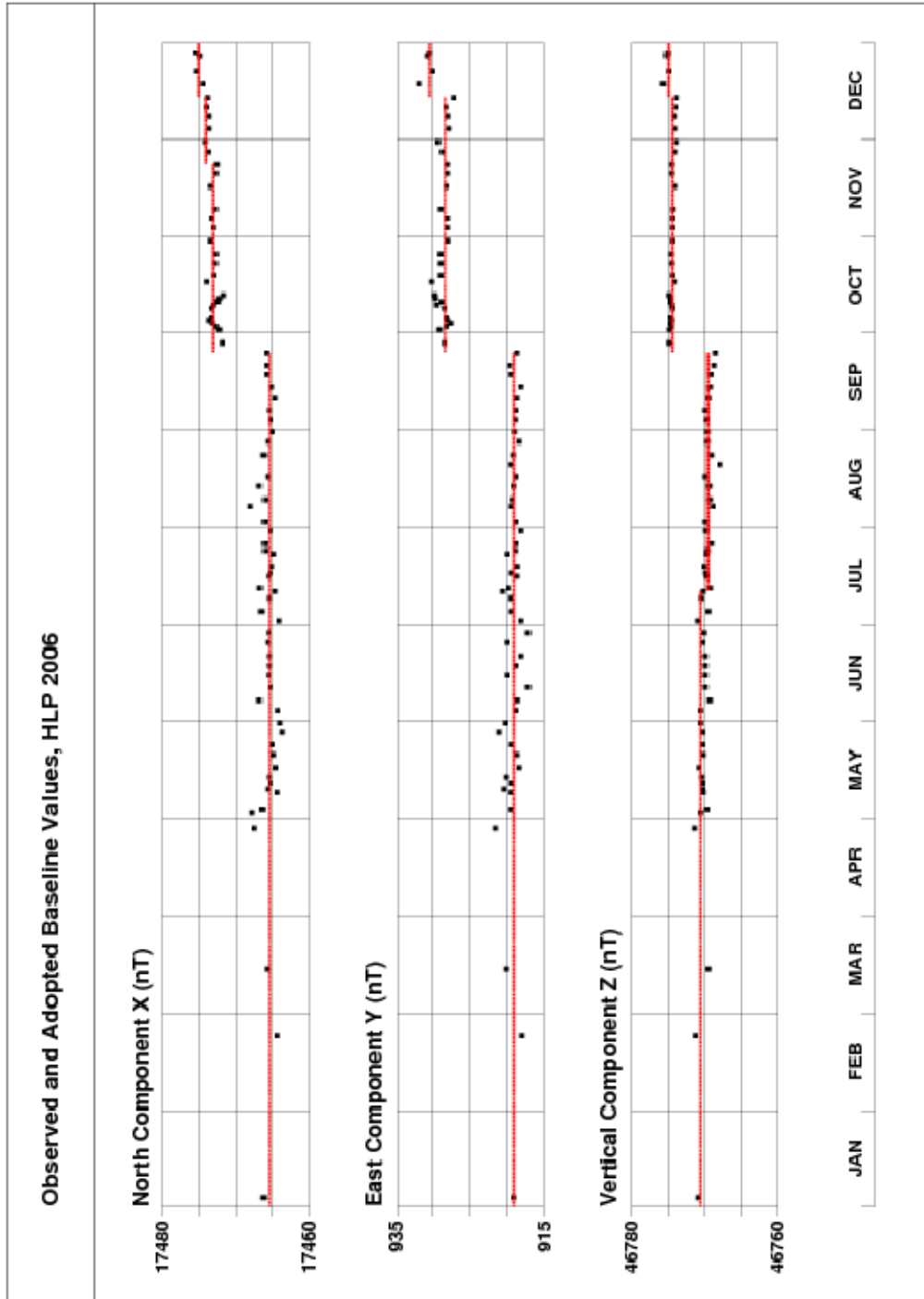


Fig. 11. Base values of set 1, Hel 2006.

Annual mean values of magnetic elements in Hel Observatory

No	Year	D [°']	H [nT]	Z [nT]	X [nT]	Y [nT]	I [°']	F [nT]
1	1953	-0 14.5	17388	45327	17388	-73	69 00.8	48548
2	1954	-0 10.0	17394	45374	17394	-51	69 01.5	48594
3	1955	-0 04.2	17379	45430	17379	-21	69 03.9	48640
4	1956	0 03.9	17371	45450	17371	20	69 05.0	48656
5	1957	0 05.7	17372	45475	17372	29	69 05.5	48680
6	1958	0 10.2	17380	45535	17380	52	69 06.5	48739
7	1959	0 14.7	17390	45565	17390	74	69 06.6	48771
8	1960	0 17.6	17402	45602	17402	89	69 06.8	48810
9	1961	0 19.8	17422	45625	17422	100	69 06.0	48838
10	1962	0 22.7	17438	45647	17438	115	69 05.5	48864
11	1963	0 26.5	17449	45663	17448	134	69 05.2	48883
12	1964	0 28.6	17464	45676	17463	145	69 04.6	48901
13	1965	0 30.0	17476	45692	17475	152	69 04.2	48920
14	1966	0 31.6	17485	45710	17484	161	69 04.0	48940
15	1967	0 33.3	17492	45743	17491	169	69 04.4	48973
16	1968	0 34.4	17502	45769	17501	175	69 04.4	49001
17	1969	0 34.3	17524	45792	17523	175	69 03.5	49030
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19	1971	0 35.7	17565	45849	17564	182	69 02.3	49098
20	1972	0 36.1	17579	45880	17578	184	69 02.1	49132
21	1973	0 38.5	17595	45912	17594	197	69 01.9	49168
22	1974	0 41.9	17606	45951	17605	215	69 02.2	49208
23	1975	0 45.0	17625	45984	17623	231	69 01.7	49246
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25	1977	0 55.0	17651	46045	17649	282	69 01.5	49312
26	1978	1 00.2	17646	46085	17643	309	69 02.9	49349
27	1979	1 05.1	17651	46112	17648	334	69 03.2	49375
28	1980	1 11.5	17653	46127	17649	367	69 03.5	49390
29	1981	1 17.5	17637	46156	17632	398	69 05.2	49411
30	1982	1 23.4	17620	46184	17615	427	69 07.1	49431
31	1983	1 28.6	17614	46200	17608	454	69 07.8	49444
32	1984	1 33.5	17602	46219	17596	479	69 09.1	49457
33	1985	1 37.9	17591	46239	17584	501	69 10.3	49472
34	1986	1 42.7	17579	46263	17571	525	69 11.6	49490
35	1987	1 46.3	17572	46285	17564	543	69 12.6	49508
36	1988	1 51.0	17555	46318	17546	567	69 14.6	49533

No	Year	D [°']	H [nT]	Z [nT]	X [nT]	Y [nT]	I [°']	F [nT]
37	1989	1 55.5	17535	46352	17525	589	69 16.7	49558
38	1990	1 58.4	17527	46374	17516	604	69 17.8	49575
39	1991	2 00.6	17513	46398	17502	614	69 19.3	49593
40	1992	2 03.9	17515	46416	17504	631	69 19.6	49611
41	1993	2 10.0	17516	46428	17503	662	69 19.8	49622
42	1994	2 15.9	17512	46456	17498	692	69 20.7	49647
43	1995	2 21.3	17518	46481	17503	720	69 21.0	49672
44	1996	2 26.6	17523	46506	17507	747	69 21.2	49698
45	1997	2 32.9	17519	46539	17502	779	69 22.3	49727
46	1998	2 39.8	17512	46581	17493	814	69 23.8	49764
47	1999	2 45.4	17511	46615	17491	842	69 24.7	49796
48	2000	2 51.9	17507	46657	17485	875	69 25.9	49833
49	2001	2 57.7	17515	46692	17492	905	69 26.2	49869
50	2002	3 03.7	17520	46730	17495	936	69 26.9	49906
51	2003	3 10.8	17519	46777	17492	972	69 28.1	49950
52	2004	3 16.6	17529	46809	17500	1002	69 28.2	49983
53	2005	3 22.3	17531	46843	17501	1031	69 28.9	50016
J	2006.	0 -1.5	-2	9	-2	-8	0 0.6	7
54	2006	3 29.9	17550	46859	17517	1071	69 28.1	50038

Note: Since 2006 the observatory has stopped introducing the so-called historical corrections. These corrections were related, among other things, with variable location of the instruments for absolute measurements. In the 2006.0 line we include the jump value J relating to the neglect of historical corrections. The jump values are defined as follows:

$$\text{jump value J} = \text{old site value} - \text{new site value}$$

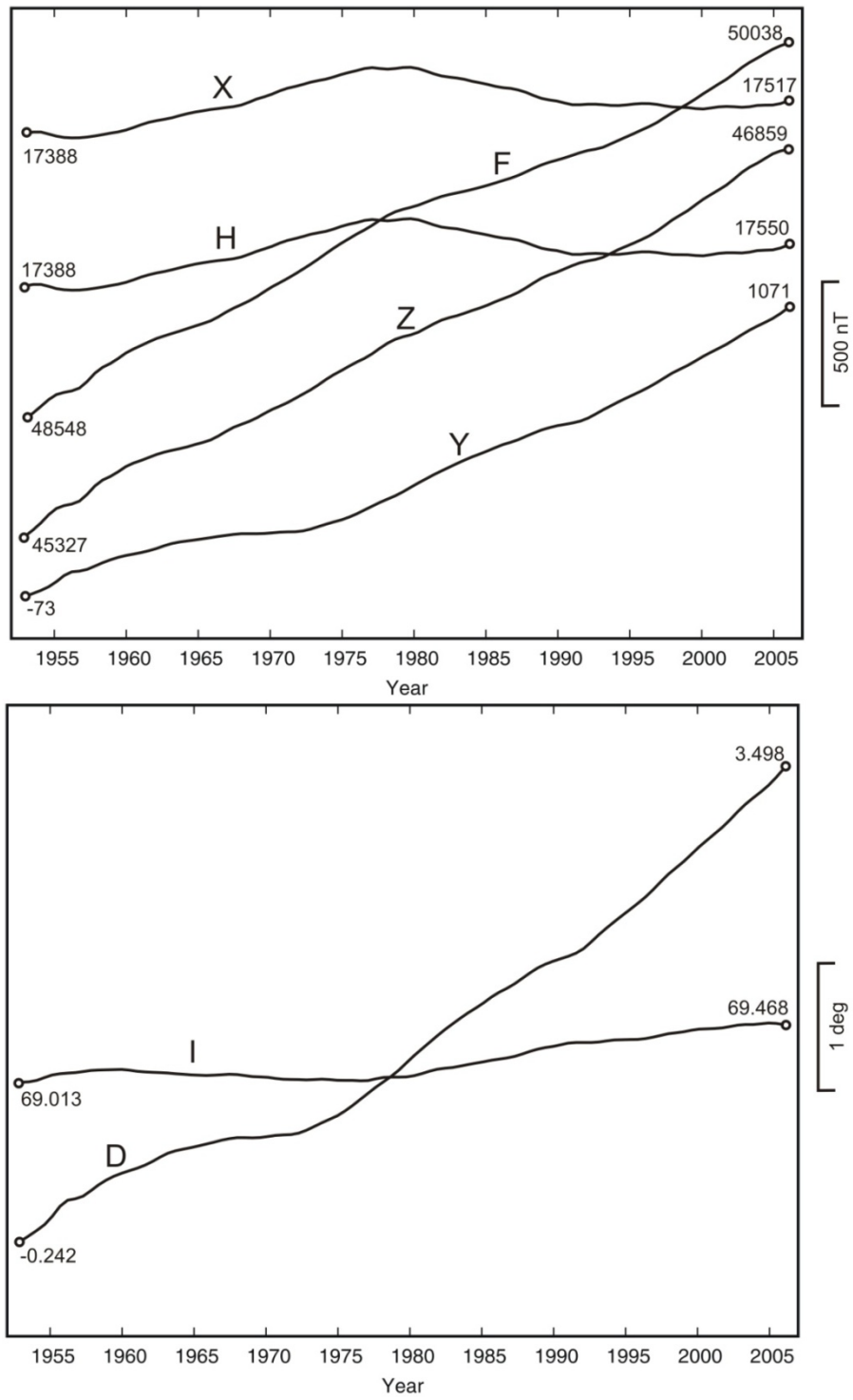


Fig. 12. Secular changes of H, X, Y, Z, F, D and I at Hel.

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEAN VALUES OF MAGNETIC ELEMENTS

HLP	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MEAN	2006
	NORTH COMPONENT: 17000 + ... in nT													
All days	512	514	514	509	523	524	525	519	520	518	516	510	517	
Quiet days	515	518	518	520	524	527	526	522	525	523	523	519	522	
Disturbed days	506	508	507	493	518	521	520	512	516	509	506	495	509	
	EAST COMPONENT: 1000 + ... in nT													
All days		54	56	60	64	66	70	72	75	78	83	86	92	71
Quiet days		53	55	56	60	67	68	71	75	76	80	84	88	69
Disturbed days		57	58	64	66	68	70	73	78	81	87	88	99	74
	VERTICAL COMPONENT: 46500 + ... in nT													
All days	344	344	347	354	355	359	361	365	365	366	371	378	359	
Quiet days	343	343	344	349	353	357	359	363	364	364	370	377	357	
Disturbed days	344	346	348	358	357	361	361	369	365	365	373	375	360	

Three-hour-range K-indices
Hel, January – March, 2006
The limit of $K = 9$ is 550 nT

Day	January		February		March	
	K	ΣK	K	ΣK	K	ΣK
1	2101 2222	12	0010 1003	5	3122 3101	13
2	2112 1223	14	1011 0112	7	1011 1002	6
3	2000 1220	7	0001 0142	8	1010 1111	6
4	0001 0010	2	3211 1101	10	1111 0002	6
5	0001 1111	5	1011 1021	7	1000 0101	3
6	2211 2222	14	2312 4244	22	1012 3244	17
7	2111 2301	11	2100 1122	9	3321 1132	16
8	0011 1101	5	2001 0011	5	1001 2132	10
9	0001 0000	1	0011 1022	7	0100 0131	6
10	0000 0010	1	1000 0034	8	2223 3325	22
11	0001 1110	4	1111 2310	10	3222 1212	15
12	2011 0011	6	2311 1200	10	0122 2120	10
13	1000 1211	6	0000 0221	5	0001 0011	3
14	1001 1131	8	0000 0001	1	0002 1002	5
15	2101 0132	10	0123 2244	18	2122 2330	15
16	1223 3444	23	3322 1122	16	1212 1312	13
17	2311 2121	13	1211 1112	10	0001 1012	5
18	22-13 1323	-1	0001 1011	4	0134 3555	26
19	1012 2224	14	2121 2232	15	5443 4344	31
20	2101 2442	16	2223 5544	27	3333 3353	26
21	2212 1000	8	3324 4333	25	2322 2433	21
22	0012 2301	9	4333 2432	24	3222 1133	17
23	2233 3334	23	1112 1012	9	1111 1112	9
24	3221 1101	11	3122 1100	10	1102 2223	13
25	2111 1244	16	2110 0000	4	2211 1230	12
26	4423 3645	31	1211 2223	14	1002 2243	14
27	3223 2333	21	2011 1002	7	3301 1313	15
28	2111 1132	12	0011 1123	9	1211 1222	12
29	1010 0001	3			1112 1123	12
30	1000 0010	2			1001 1033	9
31	0100 1201	5			1012 2131	11

Three-hour-range K-indices
Hel, April – June, 2006
The limit of K = 9 is 550 nT

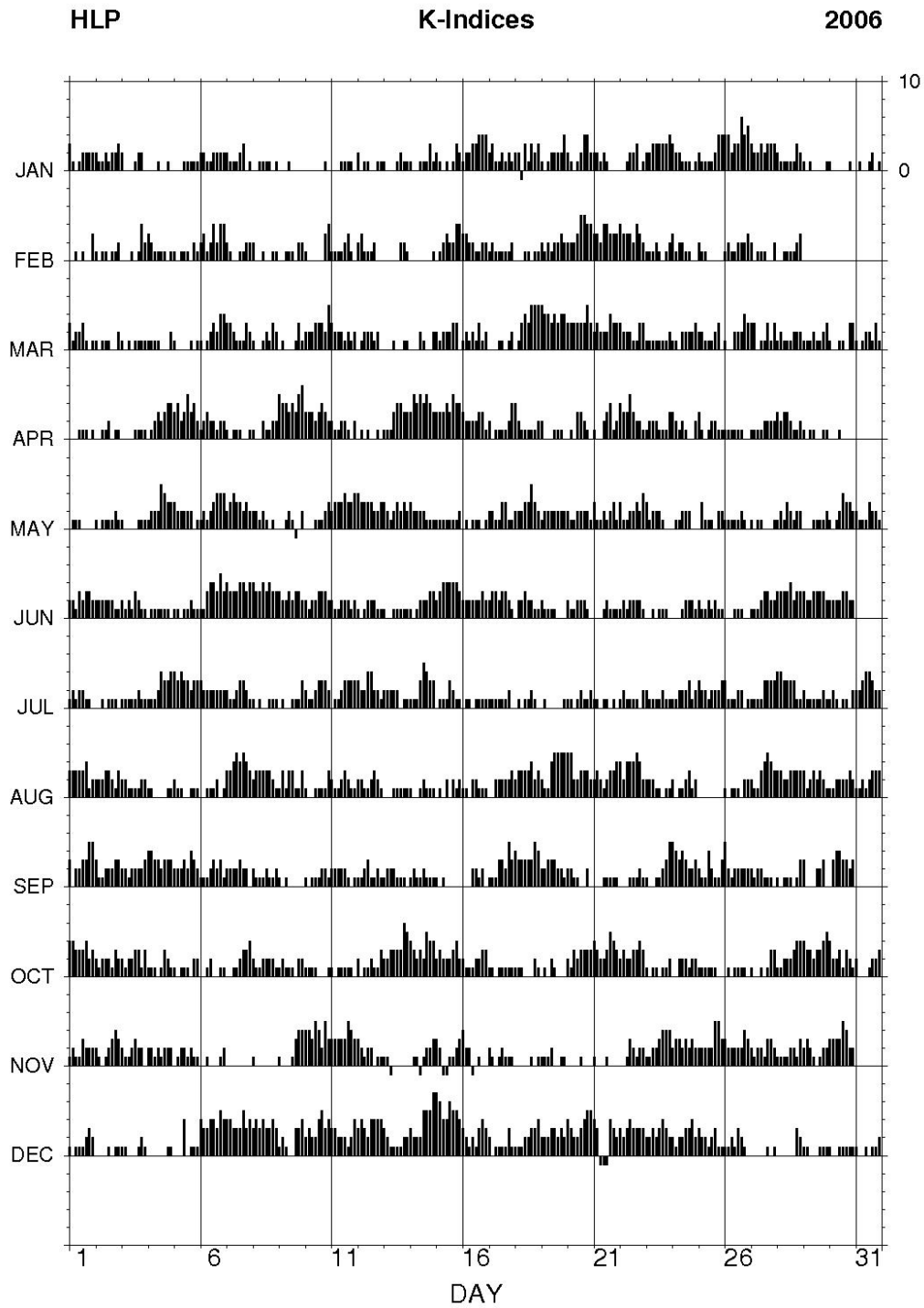
Day	April		May		June	
	K	ΣK	K	ΣK	K	ΣK
1	0001 1101	4	0111 0000	3	2213 2332	18
2	0011 2011	6	1011 1121	8	2222 2211	14
3	0000 1111	4	1000 0111	4	2121 3211	13
4	0123 2344	19	1222 5433	22	0111 1110	6
5	3423 5342	26	3222 2201	14	1101 1211	8
6	1232 2122	15	1212 3444	21	1134 4353	24
7	1011 1001	5	2343 3232	22	4333 4434	28
8	1002 1122	9	2212 1010	9	4334 3433	27
9	5443 4356	34	0012 1-1-12	-1	3223 2332	20
10	3332 3432	23	0001 1123	8	2122 3332	18
11	2112 2102	11	2333 4334	25	2112 2212	13
12	0101 0010	3	4333 3223	23	1012 2211	10
13	1113 4433	20	3212 3232	18	1001 1111	6
14	3545 4543	33	3222 2111	14	1012 2233	14
15	3334 3544	29	1111 1112	9	2344 4443	28
16	3222 2331	18	0101 1101	5	2222 2232	17
17	2011 1124	12	2211 3311	14	2332 3321	19
18	4211 0112	12	2223 3532	22	0223 2211	13
19	2000 1110	5	1222 2222	15	2111 1000	6
20	0103 3210	10	2112 2221	13	2112 2210	11
21	1002 3412	13	3112 1231	14	0001 2111	6
22	4335 3221	23	3112 2324	18	1212 2221	13
23	1222 1113	13	3122 2100	11	0010 1110	4
24	3212 1002	11	0112 2200	8	0001 2221	8
25	3101 2211	11	0311 1022	10	2112 1211	11
26	1111 1100	6	1111 1210	8	0001 1100	3
27	1111 2222	12	1011 0001	4	1112 3322	15
28	3233 2112	17	1213 2122	14	3333 4233	24
29	1011 0011	5	0001 1112	6	3223 3332	21
30	0001 0000	1	1012 4332	16	2222 3322	18
31			2111 3221	13		

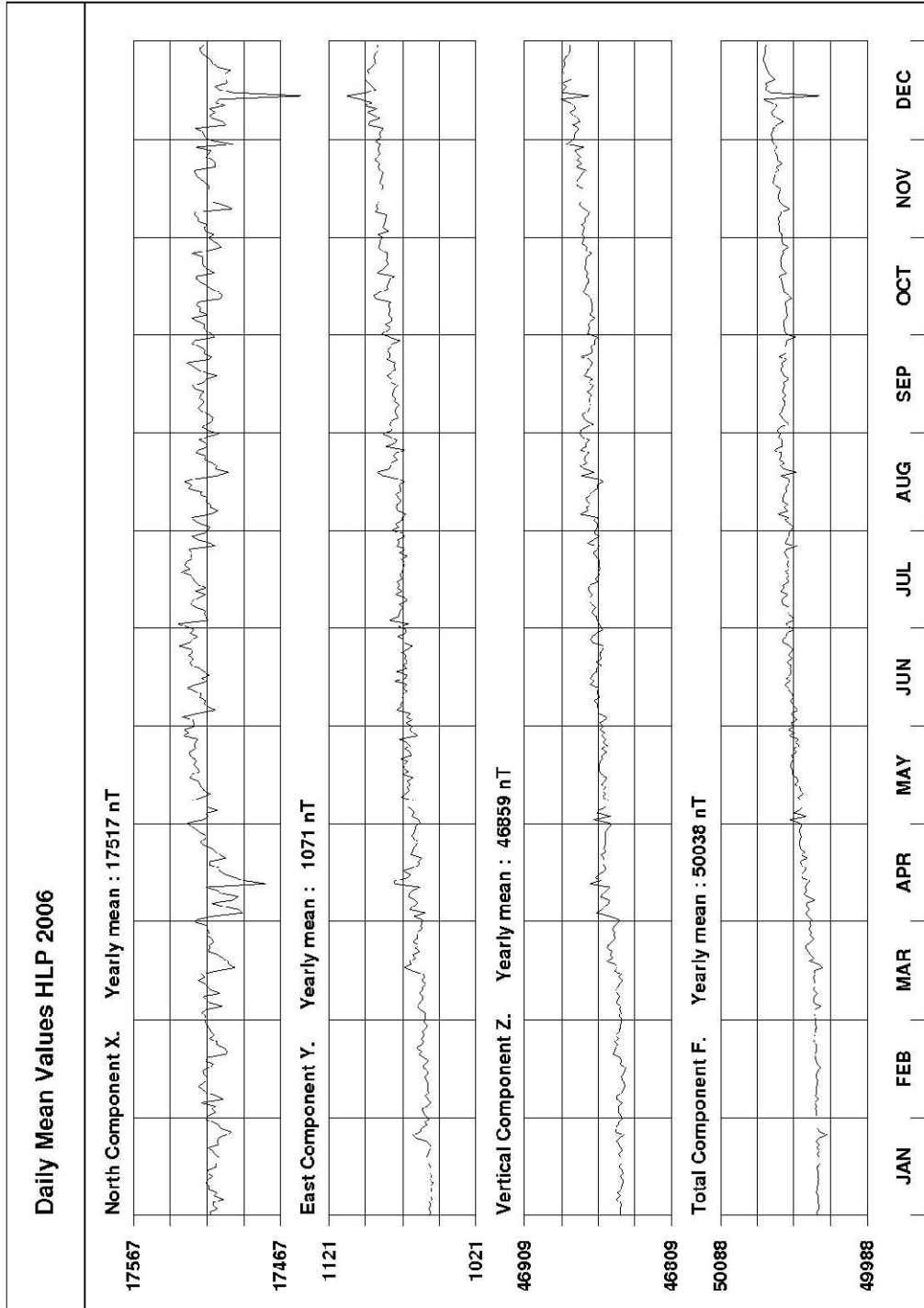
Three-hour-range K-indices
Hel, July – September, 2006
The limit of K = 9 is 550 nT

Day	July		August		September	
	K	ΣK	K	ΣK	K	ΣK
1	1212 2110	10	3333 3412	22	3022 3355	23
2	0010 1110	4	2223 3213	18	3112 2233	17
3	1111 1211	9	2211 1122	12	2212 2223	16
4	1112 4334	19	1100 0011	4	4433 2333	25
5	4343 3233	25	2110 0111	7	2223 2432	20
6	3222 2222	17	0011 1201	6	1112 3231	14
7	2112 3321	15	3345 4543	31	2222 3220	15
8	1010 0111	5	2333 3321	20	2111 2112	11
9	0100 1113	7	1313 3113	16	1010 0000	2
10	2112 3332	17	1001 1113	8	1011 1221	9
11	0112 3333	16	2112 3211	13	2222 2101	12
12	3224 4221	20	2211 2321	14	1123 1121	12
13	2222 2011	12	0001 1111	5	1222 1110	10
14	1113 5433	21	1001 2111	7	1211 2111	10
15	0111 3211	10	0102 0212	8	1010 0000	2
16	0110 1111	6	1102 2111	9	0002 2120	7
17	1111 1120	8	0022 2223	13	1113 3253	19
18	0101 1210	6	2333 3423	23	4333 3354	28
19	0100 0001	2	2114 5555	28	2233 3221	18
20	1101 2112	9	5522 3332	25	2211 0020	8
21	1101 1010	5	2321 2334	20	0001 1111	5
22	1211 1102	9	4244 4542	29	0001 1121	6
23	2111 1211	10	2221 1011	10	1001 1235	13
24	1122 2312	14	2011 2312	12	5434 3223	26
25	3221 2223	17	0000 0000	0	2114 2113	15
26	3111 2201	11	1011 1022	8	1212 2222	14
27	1111 3333	16	2113 4543	23	2122 1110	10
28	4433 3311	22	3322 3333	22	1011 1013	8
29	2111 1121	10	3123 2321	17	3000 2230	10
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31	2234 4322	22	1121 2333	16		

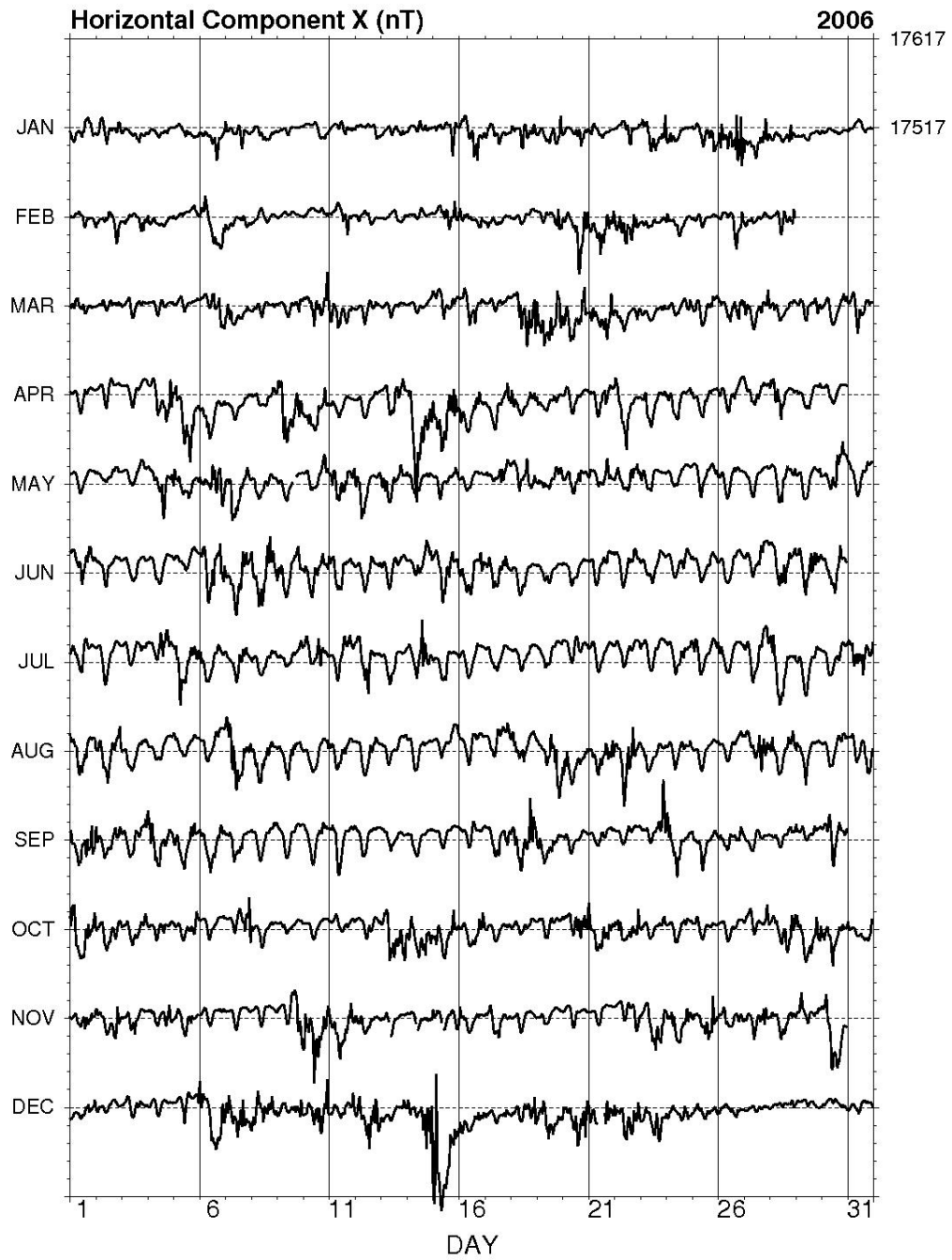
Three-hour-range K-indices
Hel, October – December, 2006
The limit of K = 9 is 550 nT

Day	October		November		December	
	K	ΣK	K	ΣK	K	ΣK
1	4433 3423	26	1211 3222	14	1011 1232	11
2	2122 2132	15	2101 2343	16	0000 1011	3
3	2122 3313	17	2112 3220	13	1100 0121	6
4	1110 1321	10	2212 1222	14	0000 0011	2
5	1011 1022	8	0122 1211	10	0004 0111	7
6	0012 0011	5	0010 0012	4	4334 4354	30
7	0011 2334	14	0000 0000	0	4433 3534	29
8	2112 2221	13	1000 0000	1	3434 3343	27
9	1211 1022	10	1000 1344	13	1210 0334	14
10	1111 0001	5	4435 4253	30	2322 4534	25
11	1011 1110	6	3333 3543	27	3322 2124	19
12	2011 2113	11	3212 2011	12	3432 4444	28
13	2233 3365	27	11-10 0000	-1	3211 1122	13
14	4323 2544	27	011-1 1223	-1	3222 5557	31
15	2322 2342	20	32-1-1 1123	-1	7644 6554	41
16	2111 2233	15	422-1 0100	-1	3212 1343	19
17	1101 1111	7	2101 2111	9	2011 1131	10
18	1110 0021	6	0000 0101	2	1112 2334	17
19	0102 1000	4	1112 0011	7	2223 3232	19
20	2132 3333	20	0000 1000	1	4322 3455	28
21	4322 3543	26	1000 1000	2	43-1-1 -1432	-1
22	2322 3343	22	0013 2122	11	3234 3333	24
23	1011 0112	7	1122 3444	21	2232 3432	21
24	0022 2122	11	2332 3232	20	2122 3342	19
25	1111 1100	6	2222 2553	23	3221 2311	15
26	0101 1110	5	3222 2243	20	1121 3210	11
27	1001 0133	9	2122 1332	16	0000 0101	2
28	1122 2344	19	1111 2213	12	0000 0032	5
29	4332 3345	27	2321 0122	13	1100 0111	5
30	4223 1321	18	3333 5422	25	1001 1111	6
31	2000 1223	10			1001 0112	6

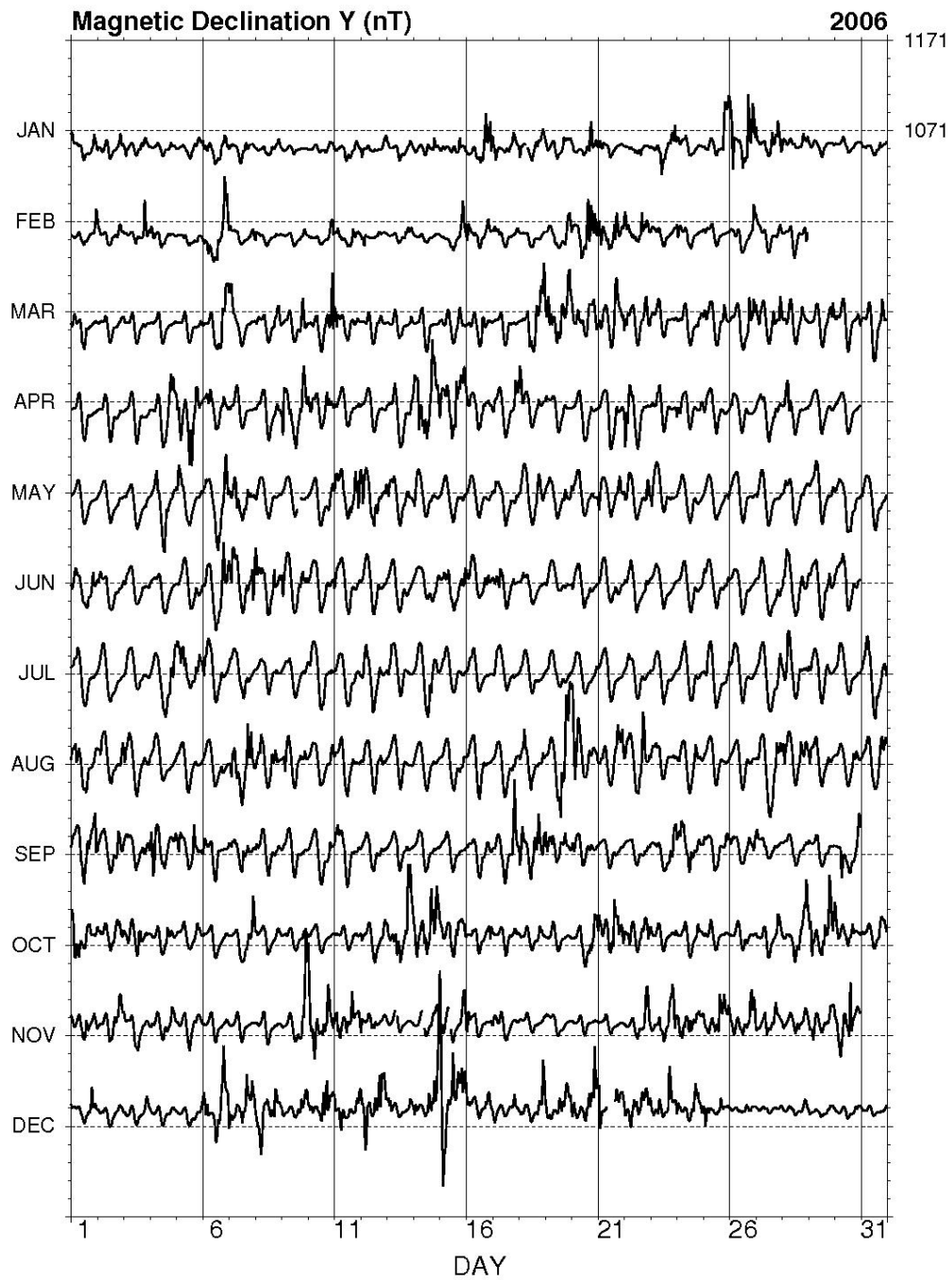




HLP - Hourly Mean Values



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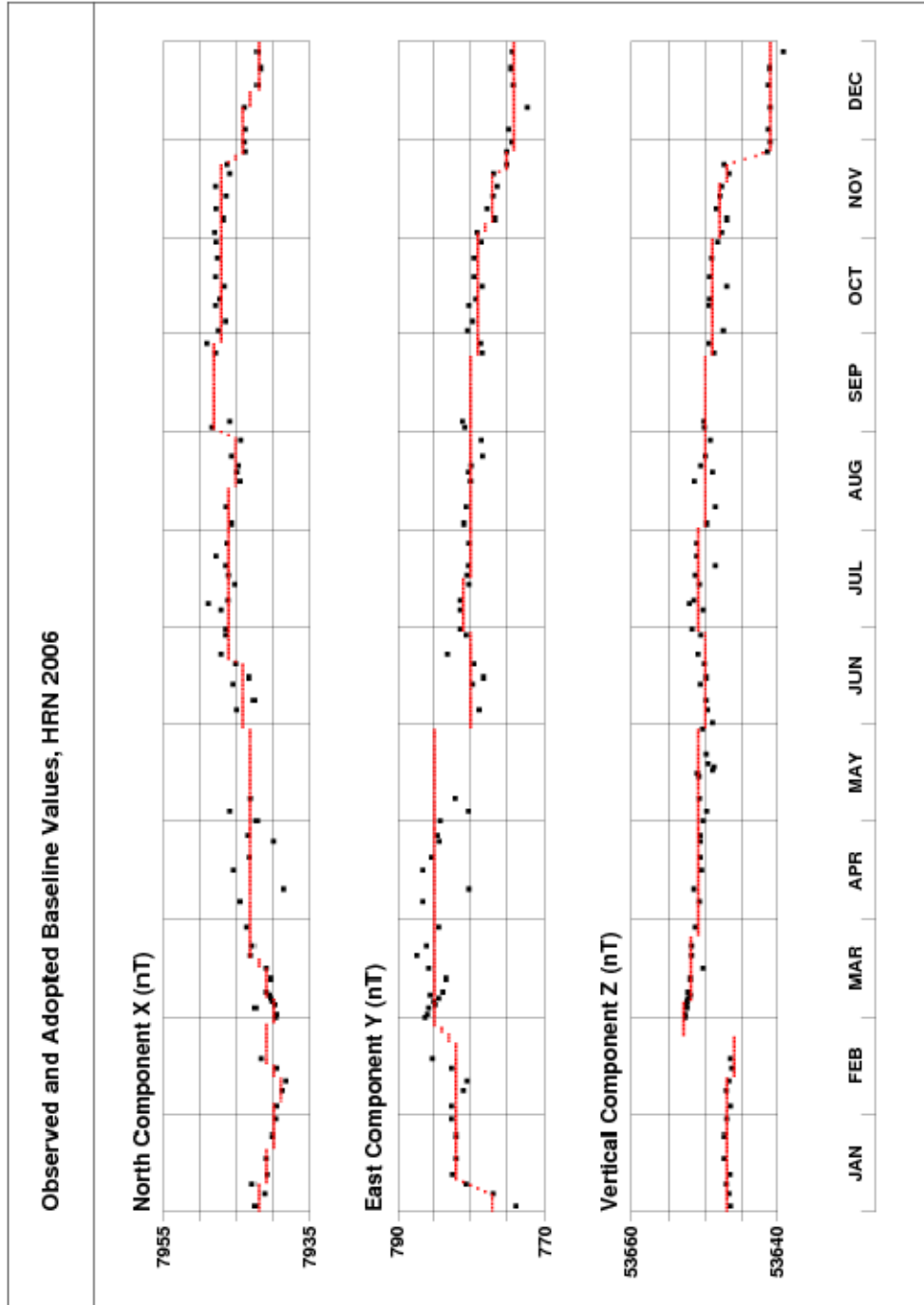


Fig. 13. Base values, Hornsund 2006.

Annual mean values of magnetic elements in Hornsund Observatory

Year	D [° ']	H [nT]	Z [nT]	X [nT]	Y [nT]	I [° ']	F [nT]
1979	-0 32.2	8384	53447	8384	-79	81 05.1	54101
1980	-0 14.2	8370	53447	8370	-35	81 06.0	54098
1981	-0 09.3	8351	53449	8351	-23	81 07.2	54097
1982	-0 09.4	8319	53481	8319	-23	81 09.5	54124
1983	-0 02.0	8295	53457	8295	-5	81 10.8	54097
1984	0 07.7	8266	53439	8266	19	81 12.4	54075
1985	0 14.3	8238	53405	8238	34	81 13.9	54037
1986	0 20.4	8213	53392	8213	49	81 15.3	54020
1987	0 25.6	8193	53360	8193	61	81 16.3	53985
1988	0 34.7	8168	53368	8168	82	81 17.9	53989
1989	0 40.8	8148	53369	8147	97	81 19.2	53987
1990	0 47.2	8122	53360	8121	112	81 20.7	53975
1991	0 53.0	8107	53355	8106	125	81 21.6	53967
1992	1 01.4	8088	53352	8087	144	81 22.8	53962
1993	1 12.9	8065	53356	8063	171	81 24.3	53962
1994	1 25.9	8044	53374	8041	201	81 25.8	53977
1995	1 38.4	8038	53374	8035	230	81 26.1	53976
1996	1 51.4	8023	53385	8019	260	81 27.2	53985
1997	2 07.2	8004	53406	7999	296	81 28.6	54003
1998	2 24.0	8001	53440	7994	335	81 29.1	54036
1999	2 39.1	7998	53471	7989	370	81 29.6	54066
2000	2 55.5	7996	53504	7986	408	81 30.0	54098
2001	3 12.4	7992	53542	7979	447	81 30.6	54135
2002	3 29.7	7989	53585	7974	487	81 31.2	54177
2003	3 49.8	7965	53646	7947	532	81 33.3	54234
2004	4 04.2	7961	53675	7941	565	81 33.8	54262
2005	4 20.5	7953	53707	7930	602	81 34.6	54293
2006	4 36.2	7958	53727	7932	639	81 34.5	54314

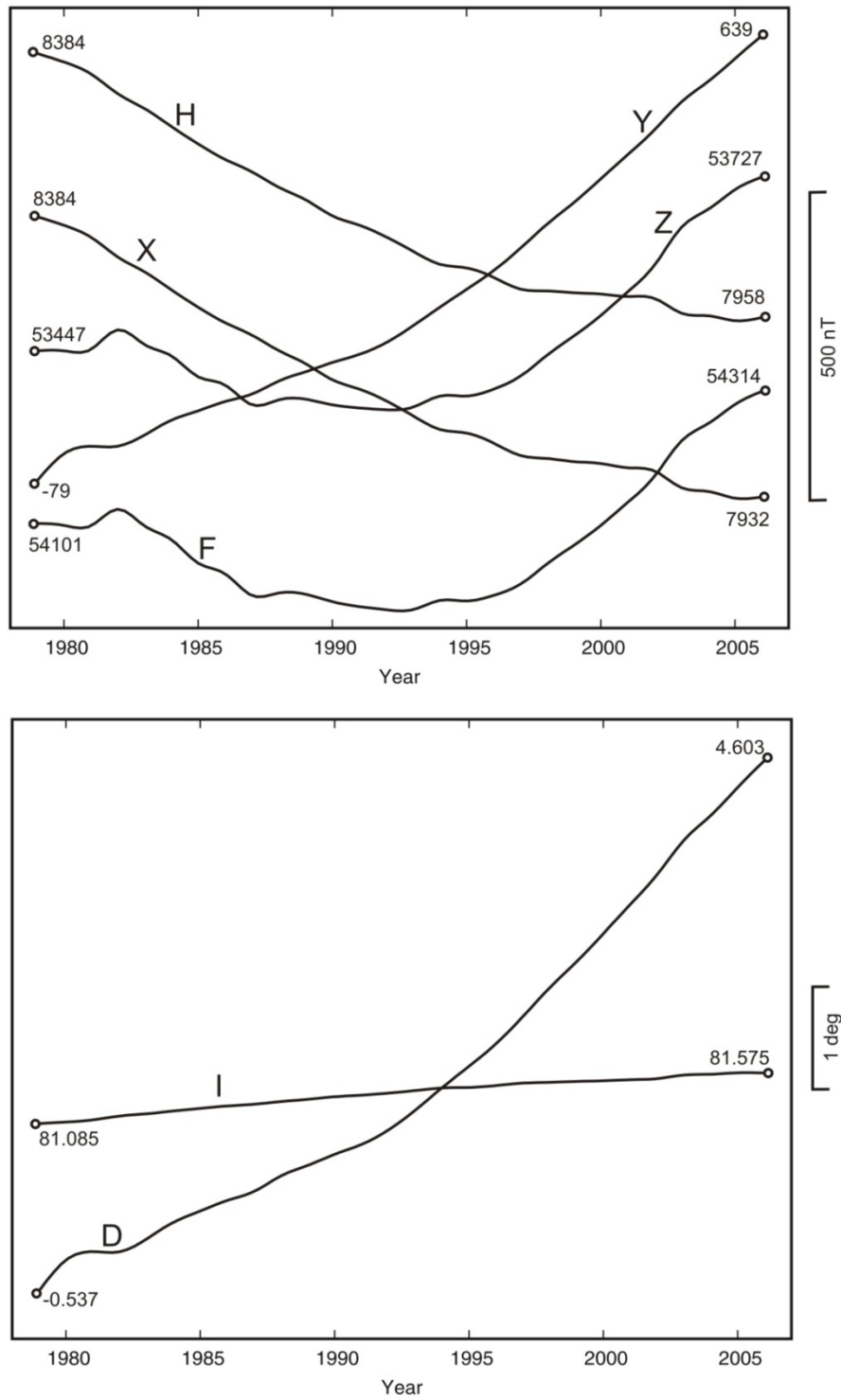


Fig. 14. Secular changes of H, X, Y, Z, F, D and I at Hornsund.

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEAN VALUES OF MAGNETIC ELEMENTS

HRN	2006												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MEAN
	NORTH COMPONENT: 7500 + ... in nT												
All days	425	426	431	435	453	452	446	441	434	426	418	396	432
Quiet days	433	434	436	443	450	445	443	443	438	438	433	428	439
Disturbed days	399	397	402	402	444	458	440	446	428	401	390	333	412
	EAST COMPONENT: 500 + ... in nT												
All days	124	127	128	137	122	132	137	140	148	150	156	162	139
Quiet days	122	123	128	130	122	132	136	141	146	146	152	151	136
Disturbed days	133	133	131	156	128	132	142	135	154	163	170	179	146
	VERTICAL COMPONENT: 53500 + ... in nT												
All days	213	211	222	227	218	219	217	223	233	240	246	260	227
Quiet days	206	206	211	212	215	214	219	220	225	223	228	240	218
Disturbed days	223	210	241	256	211	214	213	214	242	272	276	283	238

Three-hour-range indices K
Hornsund, January – March, 2006
The limit of K = 9 is 2500 nT

Day	January		February		March	
	K	ΣK	K	ΣK	K	ΣK
1	3123 3232	19	0121 2003	9	3223 3210	16
2	1222 2215	17	3112 1011	10	0222 1002	9
3	1111 1231	11	0111 1041	9	1211 1010	7
4	1111 1040	9	2222 2100	11	0222 1002	9
5	0112 2143	14	1122 3000	9	0101 1001	4
6	2221 3111	13	0542 4224	23	0111 3143	14
7	4322 1214	19	2222 1013	13	3421 2111	15
8	0122 1111	9	2122 0010	8	-1122 2032	-1
9	0112 0000	4	0032 1045	15	1100 1051	9
10	0000 1010	2	1111 0024	10	1222 3226	20
11	0012 1133	11	2222 2210	13	3342 2211	18
12	1221 0011	8	1332 2100	12	0132 2141	14
13	0110 1342	12	0111 1134	12	0221 2001	8
14	0111 2021	8	1120 0000	4	0101 2112	8
15	2112 1011	9	0122 2155	18	2332 2250	19
16	1133 2354	22	4442 2242	24	0222 1312	13
17	4333 3232	23	0322 2111	12	0121 1011	7
18	2333 1254	23	0101 1000	3	0234 3535	25
19	1233 2345	23	1333 1154	21	5454 3265	34
20	2212 1240	14	1334 4355	28	3444 2364	30
21	1222 2100	10	4334 5652	32	2543 3325	27
22	0122 3300	11	4444 3254	30	3333 2254	25
23	0244 3115	20	233-1 -1-1-1-1	-1	1333 2102	15
24	4343 3000	17	-1-1-1-1 -1100	-1	1212 3113	14
25	0111 2244	15	122-1 -1000	-1	2232 1051	16
26	5333 3757	36	0222 2314	16	0212 2224	15
27	4444 3365	33	3221 2002	12	3321 3315	21
28	3332 2152	21	1112 2113	12	1322 2141	16
29	1221 0001	7			1321 2133	16
30	1101 1020	6			1111 1022	9
31	0210 1101	6			1222 2241	16

Three-hour-range indices K
Hornsund, April – June, 2006
The limit of K = 9 is 2500 nT

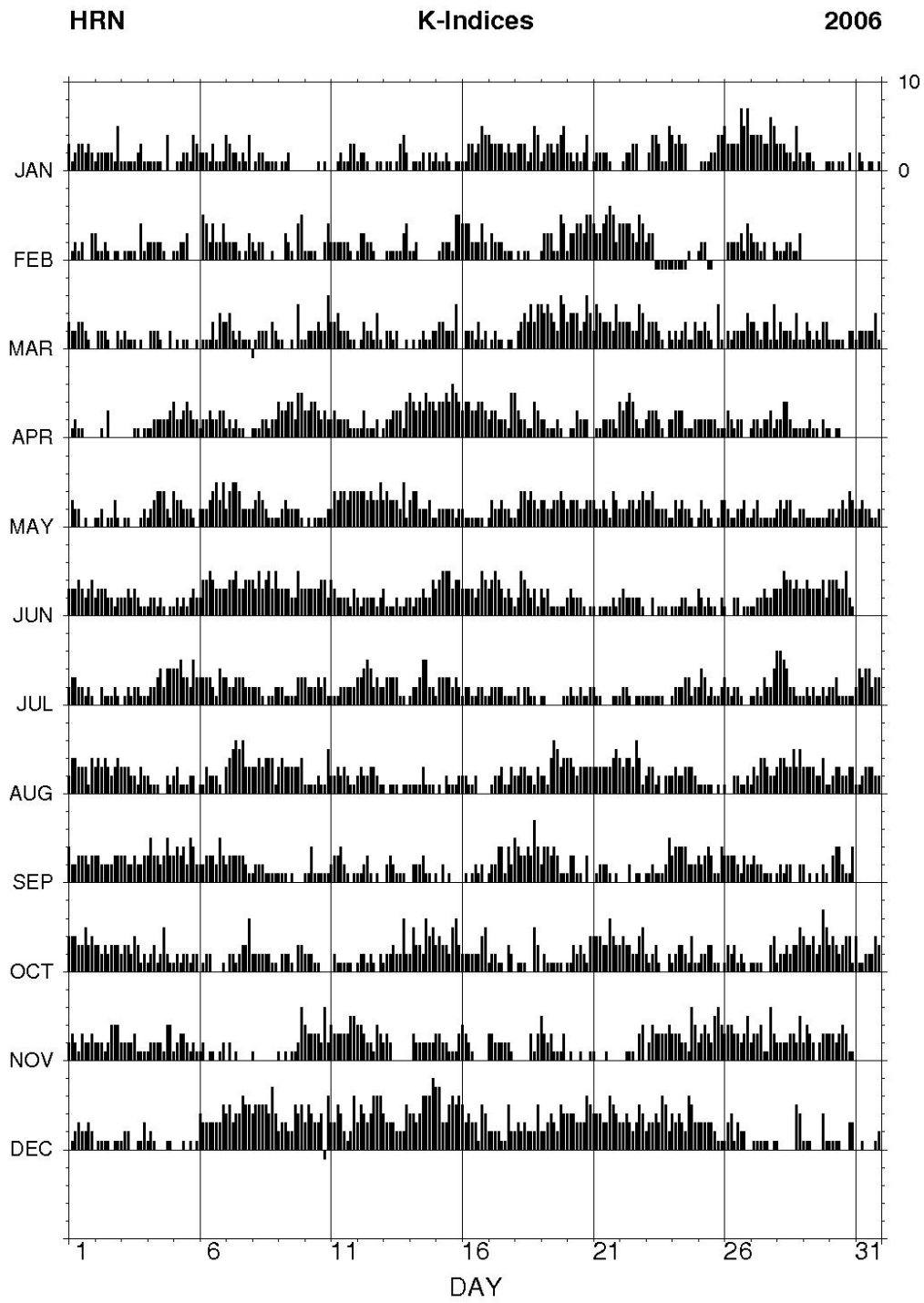
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	K	ΣK	K	ΣK	K	ΣK
1	0121 1000	5	0322 0100	8	3334 3234	25
2	0010 3000	4	1120 1131	10	2333 2212	18
3	0000 1101	3	0110 0012	5	2232 3211	16
4	1122 2223	15	1234 4421	21	1221 2101	10
5	4223 4322	22	4332 2210	17	1212 1232	14
6	1223 2233	18	2223 4535	26	2445 4333	28
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9	4334 4255	30	1232 2221	15	3333 2253	24
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11	2322 2211	15	2434 4344	28	4322 2213	19
12	1131 1120	10	4443 4335	30	2122 2212	14
13	1223 3314	19	3433 3251	24	3111 2112	12
14	5434 3544	32	3442 2231	21	2122 3224	18
15	3445 4654	35	1222 2212	14	3455 5344	33
16	3443 3443	28	2111 1110	8	3333 2354	26
17	2332 2215	20	1322 3221	16	3454 3232	26
18	5322 1143	21	1244 3432	23	1254 3231	21
19	2211 1210	10	3322 3343	23	3231 1111	13
20	0113 2220	11	2333 2233	21	2322 2101	13
21	0112 2221	11	3223 2143	20	1011 1121	8
22	4345 4211	24	2223 3234	21	2322 2221	16
23	2333 2102	16	3342 2221	19	0020 1110	5
24	2333 1112	16	1323 2210	14	1112 2111	10
25	2222 2211	14	1322 1013	13	3212 1102	12
26	1321 2200	11	3211 2231	15	1002 2011	7
27	1221 2231	14	1231 1111	11	1122 3223	16
28	2244 2111	17	2323 3112	17	3354 4343	29
29	1121 1021	9	2111 1111	9	3433 3342	25
30	1011 0000	3	2212 3243	19	4443 3521	26
31			2232 2112	15		

Three-hour-range indices K
Hornsund, July – September, 2006
The limit of K = 9 is 2500 nT

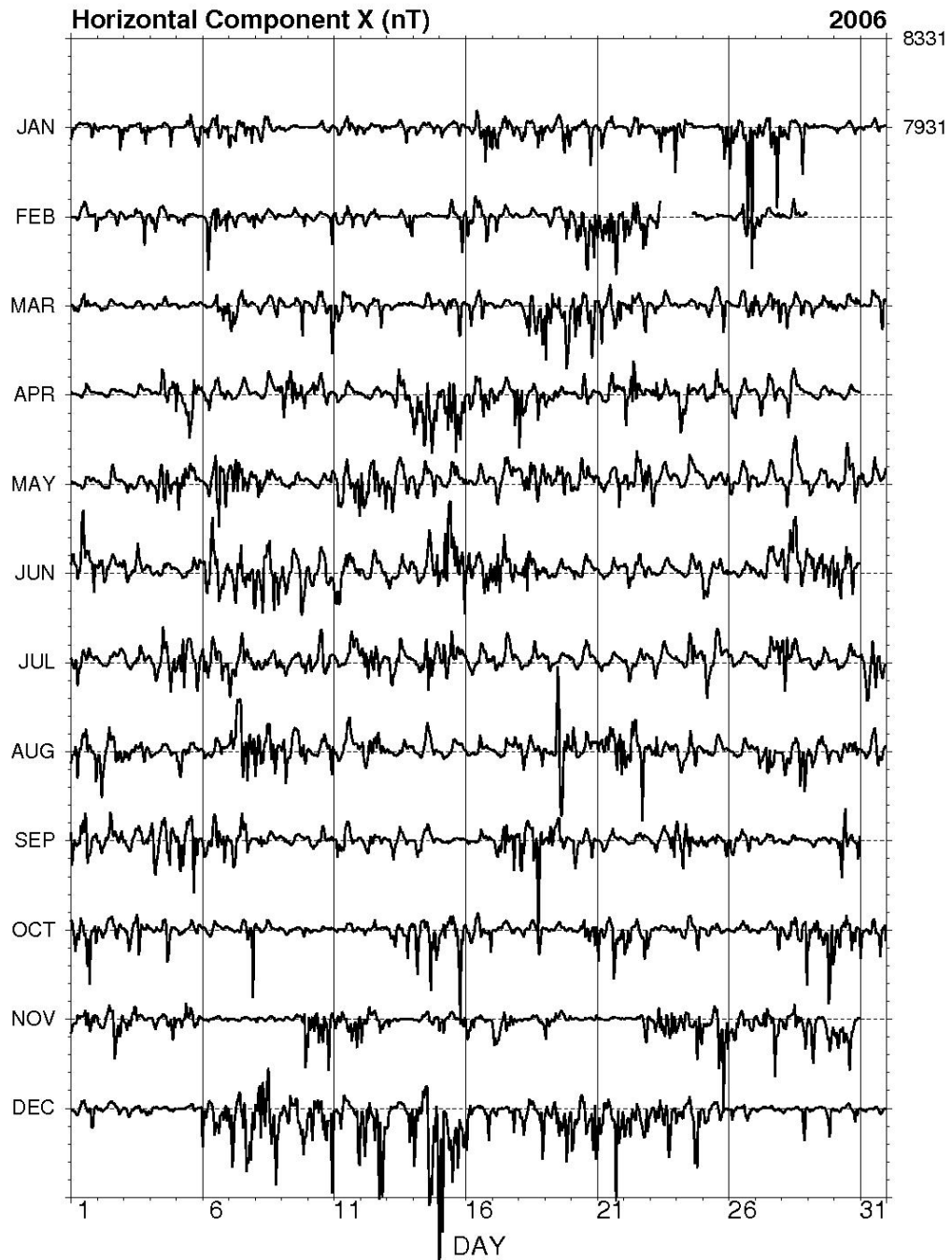
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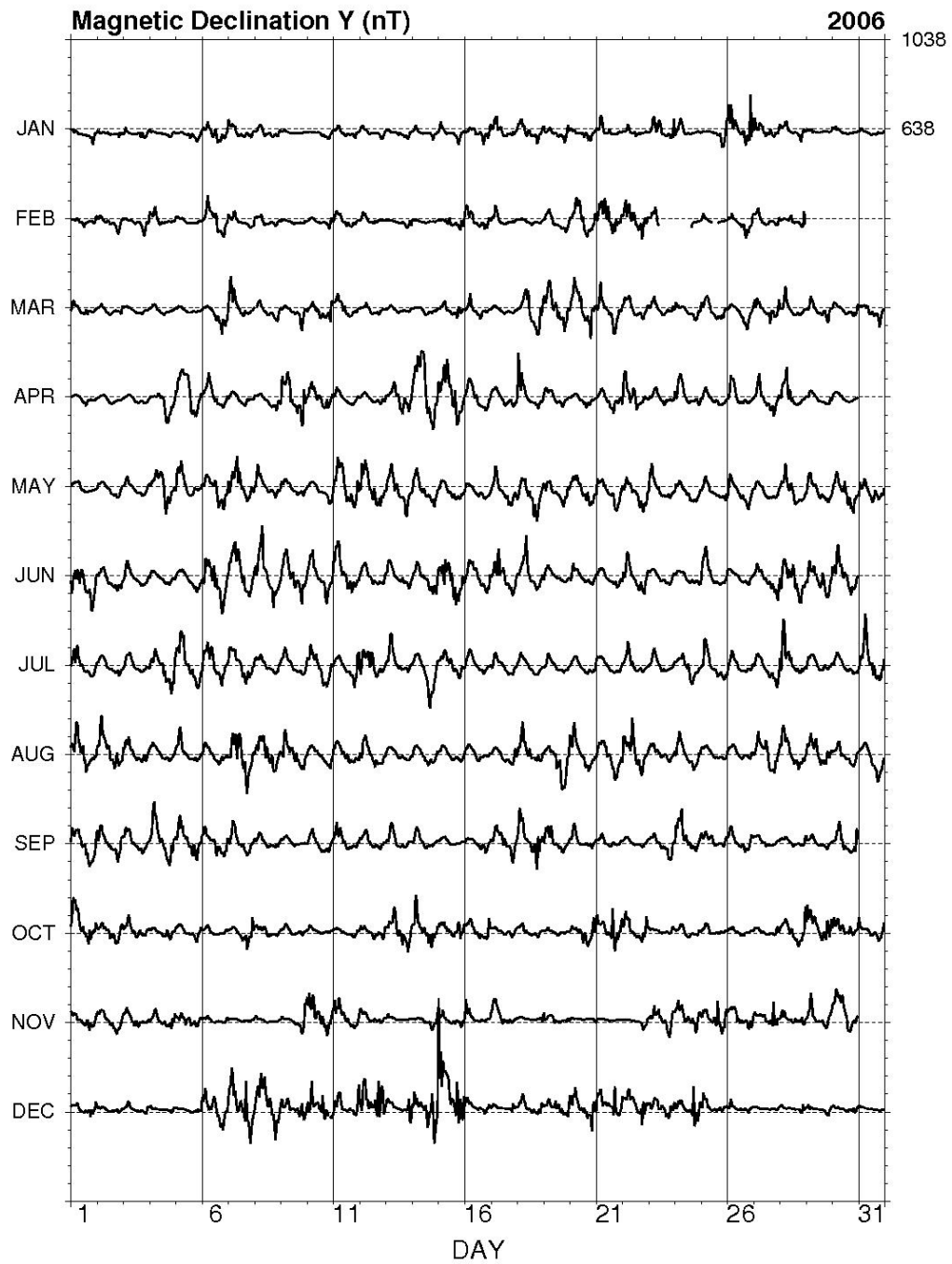
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9	0222 1033	13	1010 1126	12	2332 2545	26
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17	1221 1032	12	3322 2221	17	2222 1152	17
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22	3433 2245	26	0011 1034	10	3343 2354	27
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24	1233 2141	17	3332 2164	24	4343 2653	30
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27	1111 0034	11	2334 1163	23	0111 1101	6
28	1223 2335	21	2222 3325	21	1000 0054	10
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DIFLUX Software Package for Calculation of Absolute Magnetic Measurement Results

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Abstract

The DIFLUX software described in this paper is meant for calculating values of the Earth's magnetic field components and base values of the magnetic recordings from absolute measurements and continuous recordings of magnetic variations. It is a much improved version of various softwares that have formerly been used at Belsk. The DIFLUX software has been applied in all the three Polish observatories and some observatories abroad.

1. INTRODUCTION

The main objective of every magnetic observatory is to perform continuous magnetic observations so as to be able to determine, with high accuracy, the value of each natural field component at any moment of time. The observations include continuous recording of the field variations as well as the calibrations and base measurements. Calibrating measurements serve for accurate determination of the scale values, and base measurements for determination of bases of these recordings.

The amplitudes of the natural magnetic field variations are usually small against the background of a very large constant component. Therefore, the recording of these changes is usually made after truncation of the constant component (Marianiuk *et al.* 1987). The exact value of this truncation, i.e., the base value of the recording of a given component, is determined from absolute magnetic measurements. The description of a software for the calculation of bases is the main objective of this publication.

2. ABSOLUTE MAGNETIC MEASUREMENTS

At present, the absolute measurements in most geomagnetic observatories are made by means of DI-flux magnetometers (Bitterly *et al.* 1984). These instruments respond to the field's component parallel to the single-axis fluxgate sensor fixed at the nonmag-

netic telescope of the theodolite. The absolute measurements with these instruments can be made by two methods: zero method and residual method. In the zero method, the sensor is to be put exactly perpendicular to the geomagnetic field being measured, so as to achieve the zero indication of the magnetometer (hence the name of the method), and then the angles on the horizontal and vertical circles of the theodolite are to be read out. In this way, the declination angle D and magnetic inclination angle I are read out. Knowing these two angles, and the total natural magnetic field vector F obtained from proton magnetometer measurements, one can calculate all the rest of components: H , X , Y , and Z .

In the course of measurement, which usually lasts some tens minutes, the field components undergo changes, so in order to correctly calculate the results one needs to know the relative values of these components at the instants the readings of the instrument indications have been made. These values are obtained from the continuous recording of the field. Elimination of field changes during the measurement is called the time reduction of the measurement. Since the whole measurement is fairly complicated and demands high precision in operating the theodolite and reading the individual indications of the instrument (with an accuracy up to one second), another, equivalent method, called the residual method, is used in practice. It is much more convenient and simpler, since the magnetometer's sensor is positioned in specific locations, and the magnetometer readings (in nanoteslas), together with the time of the readings, are written down.

To calculate the results of absolute measurement with the DI-flux magnetometer, a special software packet has been developed. The input data are the protocols from the DI-flux and proton magnetometer measurements, and the magnetic recording performed during the measurement. As a result of the calculations, the absolute values of all the field components at a specific time moment are obtained, as well as the base values of the magnetic recording.

Theoretical background and the detailed procedures of performing the absolute magnetic measurements with the use of DI-flux magnetometers have been described in various publications (as, e.g., Jankowski and Sucksdorff 1996), so they will be omitted here.

3. SOFTWARE DESCRIPTION

DIFLUX is a software for calculating values of the Earth's magnetic field components and base values of the recording from the data on absolute measurement and continuous recording of magnetic variations. It is a much improved version of various former softwares used at Belsk for absolute measurement calculation.

Making an absolute measurement, the readings of the clock indications and DI-flux and proton magnetometers are written down into the respective cells of the form. An example of such a form is shown in Fig. 1.

Data from the protocol are downloaded to the computer via keyboard. The digital recording of magnetic variations in the course of the measurement are downloaded automatically with the help of an appropriate window.

Declination / Inclination measurement form (DI-flux i PMP-5)

Place Belsk Point Pillar 2 Date 2007-10-16 Observer K. Kucharski

I. Magnetic declination D				Azimuth mark = $102^{\circ} 01' 12''$			
Azimuth mark „before” DA = $97^{\circ} 21' 24''$				Azimuth mark „after” DB = $277^{\circ} 21' 21''$			
1) Position D1	lp	UT	Reading	2) Position D2	lp	UT	Reading
Telescope E sensor UP	1	12:28:00	-027	Telescope W sensor UP	1	12:31:00	066
	2	28:30	-026		2	31:30	065
Horizontal circle $90^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	29:00	-027	Horizontal circle $270^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	32:00	065
	4	29:30	-027		4	32:30	064
Vertical circle $90^{\circ} 00' 00''$	5	30:00	-027	Vertical circle $90^{\circ} 00' 00''$	5	33:00	065
3) Position D3	lp	UT	Reading	4) Position D4	lp	UT	Reading
Telescope E sensor DOWN	1	12:34:00	032	Telescope W sensor DOWN	1	12:37:00	014
	2	34:30	032		2	37:30	014
Horizontal circle $270^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	35:00	032	Horizontal circle $90^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	38:00	014
	4	35:30	032		4	38:30	014
Vertical circle $270^{\circ} 00' 00''$	5	36:00	032	Vertical circle $270^{\circ} 00' 00''$	5	39:00	014
II. Magnetic inclination I							
1) Position I1	lp	UT	Reading	2) Position I2	lp	UT	Reading
Telescope N sensor DOWN	1	12:40:00	002	Telescope S sensor UP	1	12:43:00	039
	2	40:30	001		2	43:30	038
Horizontal circle $180^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	41:00	001	Horizontal circle $180^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	44:00	038
	4	41:30	000		4	44:30	038
Vertical circle $292^{\circ} 20' 00''$	5	42:00	000	Vertical circle $112^{\circ} 20' 00''$	5	45:00	039
3) Position I3	lp	UT	Reading	4) Position I4	lp	UT	Reading
Telescope N sensor UP	1	12:46:00	-003	Telescope S sensor DOWN	1	12:49:00	046
	2	46:30	-004		2	49:30	046
Horizontal circle $00^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	47:00	-003	Horizontal circle $00^{\circ} 00' 00''$	3	50:00	046
	4	47:30	-003		4	50:30	047
Vertical circle $67^{\circ} 40' 00''$	5	48:00	-004	Vertical circle $247^{\circ} 40' 00''$	5	51:00	046
III. Total field F							
lp	UT	Reading [nT]	REMARKS:				
1	12:51:30	49962.6					
2	52:00	62.5					
3	52:30	62.3					
4	53:00	63.0					
5	53:30	62.2					

Fig. 1. An example of a form of absolute measurement protocol.

The DIFLUX software is a window application, containing the local data basis for collecting the downloaded data and making calculations. It works in the Windows environment on operating systems: Windows 98, Windows Millenium, Windows 2000, and Windows XP. A context help feature provides suitable description of all the functions; it consists in opening of a help window with information on the currently performed operation. An example of such a window is shown in Fig. 2

The software was created with regard to the persons who do not have much knowledge of how the computers work, so its operation is intuitive and the loading of data is simple. The software automatically verifies data; for instance, it checks whether the admissible, previously defined ranges of magnetometer indications have not been exceeded, whether all the data needed have been entered, or is even able to ascertain the correctness of the performed measurement on the basis of calculated correlation coefficients between the data from digital recording and those from the DI-flux magnetometer. Its additional advantage is the option of expandable lists with the most probable readings of the instrument indications, and the reading of time. The user does not have to introduce the whole read-out, but can make a choice of the respective item from the list, which highly speeds up the data downloading process. To give an example, a window for data downloading from the measurement protocol is shown in Fig. 3.

In case some data that are indispensable for calculating the measurement result have been omitted, a list of errors is created, which contains detailed information on the kind of error and the read-out position to which it refers to. Once all the data have been entered, the measurement results are calculated and printed; an example of the printout is shown in Fig. 4.

The software also makes it possible to publish the initial and calculated data in the Internet via the local internet server. Using a standard internet explorer program, e.g., Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox, it is possible to view the current results of absolute measurements.

The observatory name, range of dates, and the kind of data, are all selected by means of a dynamic menu. An example of such an internet visualization is shown in Fig. 5.

The DIFLUX software is now utilized for calculation of absolute magnetic measurements in all Polish observatories and some observatories in other countries. It was also used for making calculations during the international XII IAGA Workshop held in Belsk in 2006 (Reda and Neska M. 2007).

All general and detailed information on the DIFLUX software are available at the address stomczyk@igf.edu.pl. The software can be taken from the author's homepage: <http://www.igf.edu.pl/~stomczyk/>.

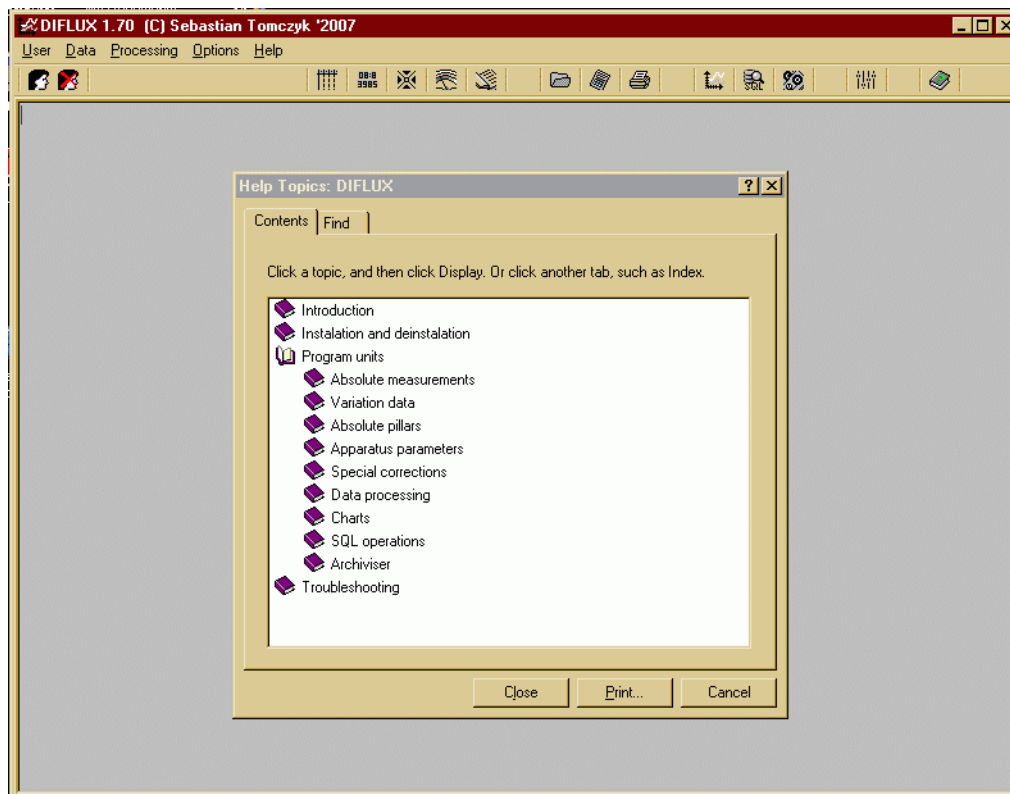


Fig. 2. The main window and help window of the DIFLUX software.

The screenshot shows the 'Readings' window in the DIFLUX software. It contains a table with the following columns: Date, No, Position, UT, Reading, and Remarks. The table displays data for the date 2007-10-16. The 'Reading' column shows values in nT, and the 'Remarks' column contains notes like 'Overrange' and 'Error of entering of data'. A dropdown menu is open for the 'Reading' column of the last row, showing a list of values from +60.0 nT to +66.0 nT.

Date	No	Position	UT	Reading	Remarks
2007-10-16	1	DA [deg]		097° 21' 24"	
2007-10-16	1	DB [deg]		277° 21' 21"	
2007-10-16	1	D1 [nT]	12:28:00	-27.0 nT	
2007-10-16	1	D1 [nT]	12:28:30	-26.0 nT	
2007-10-16	1	D1 [nT]	12:29:00	-27.0 nT	
2007-10-16	1	D1 [nT]	12:29:30	-27.0 nT	
2007-10-16	1	D1 [nT]	12:30:00	-27.0 nT	
2007-10-16	1	D2 [nT]	12:31:00	+66.0 nT	
2007-10-16	1	D2 [nT]	12:31:30	+655.0 nT	Overrange
2007-10-16	1	D2 [nT]		+65.0 nT	Error of entering of data
* 2007-10-16	1	D2 [nT]	12:32:30	+64.0 nT	

Fig. 3. Window for entering the data in the DIFLUX software.

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RESULTS OF ABSOLUTE MEASUREMENTS

Place: COG BELSK
 Date: 2007-10-16
 Protocol No: 1
 Point: Pillar 2
 Measurement device: DIF-8
 Registration set: SET 1
 Observer: Krzysztof Kucharski

INPUT DATA:

Azimuth of mark: +102° 01' 12''
 Azimuth mark reading DA: +097° 21' 24''
 Azimuth mark reading DB: +277° 21' 21''

DATA FOR REFERENCE TIME:

Reference date: 2007-10-16
 Reference time: 12:40:00

SPECIAL CORRECTIONS:

dX = +00.00 nT
 dY = +00.00 nT
 dZ = +00.00 nT
 dF = +02.50 nT

MAGNETIC ELEMENTS AND BASE VALUES:

D = +004° 43' 01''
 I = +067° 38' 39''

 F = 49961.56 nT
 H = 19003.19 nT
 X = 18938.83 nT Bx = 18861.78 nT
 Y = 01562.74 nT By = 01466.84 nT
 Z = 46206.45 nT Bz = 46006.65 nT

CORRELATION FACTORS:

rD = 0.87
 rI = 0.90
 rF = 0.82

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Fig. 4. An example of printout of the DIFLUX software calculation protocol.

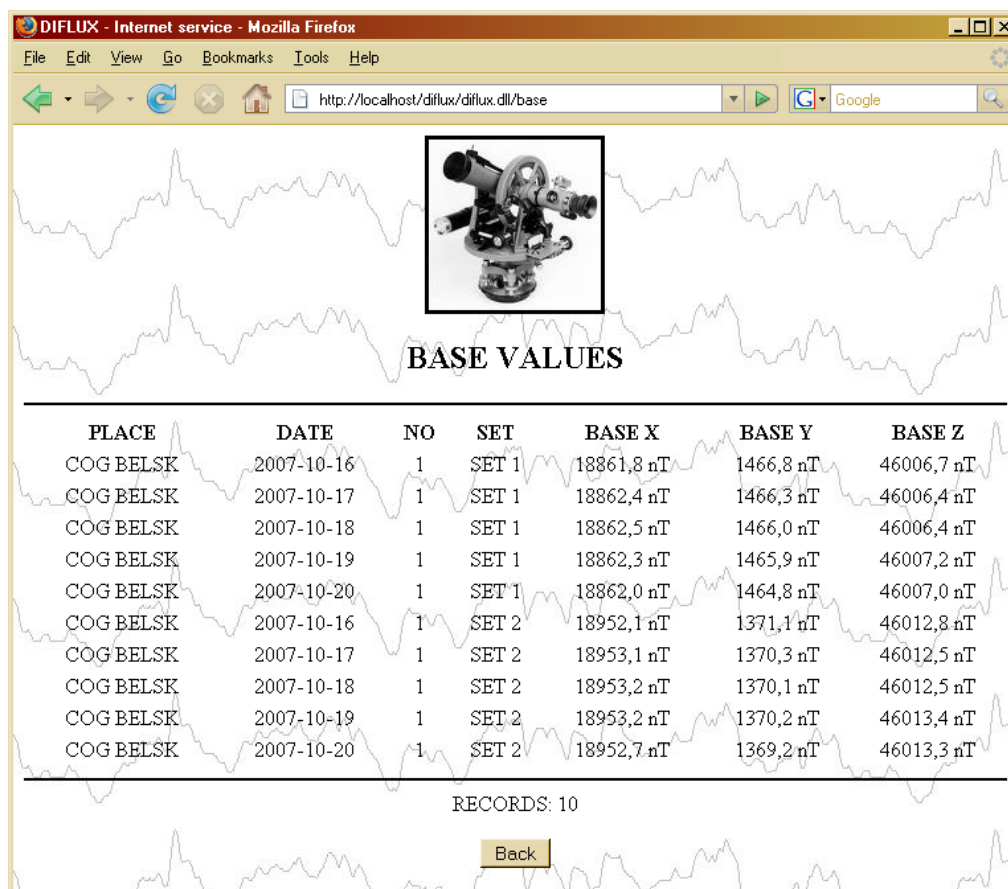


Fig. 5. An example of the internet facility of the DIFLUX software.

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Comparison of Short-Period Geomagnetic Variations Recorded in Different Regions of Poland

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Abstract

In this publication, we present exemplary comparisons of synchronously recorded magnetic micro-pulsations in the ELF band, i.e., in a frequency range between ~ 2 Hz and ~ 35 Hz, carried out in several places in Poland and on Spitsbergen Island. The measurements in the observatories in Belsk and Hornsund (Spitsbergen) were made by means of induction coil magnetometers constituting part of the instruments for investigating the Schumann resonance phenomenon. The records in West Pomerania and Suwałki region were carried out by using an induction coil magnetometer MI-0.17, as applied in magnetotelluric field soundings.

Furthermore, data recorded in the Bieszczady Mountains by the Astronomical Observatory of the Jagiellonian University in Cracow were also used in this comparison.

The geomagnetic micro-pulsations in the ELF band propagate over huge distances within the wave-guide made up by the Earth-ionosphere cavity. Hence, there exists a significant similarity between synchronous recordings in different, remote places.

1. INTRODUCTION

In 2004, two sets of instruments for investigating the Schumann resonance phenomenon were installed in the Polish observatories in Belsk and Hornsund (Spitsbergen) in the framework of the Polish-Hungarian grant NATO EST. CLG.980431. Schumann resonances are a phenomenon based on the propagation of electromagnetic variations of very long wave-length and extremely low frequency (ELF, i.e., frequencies between some Hz and some dozens of Hz) in the natural cavity resonator formed by the surface of the terrestrial globe and the lower ionosphere. The source of the ELF waves is the global atmospheric thunderstorm activity which is concentrated mainly in the

tropical zones of Africa, America and Asia. During one second, there occur about one hundred atmospheric electric discharges in these zones, hence the feeding of energy to this resonance cavity can be regarded as an almost uninterrupted process.

The instruments installed in Belsk and Spitsbergen allowed for a continuous recording of variations of two perpendicular horizontal magnetic (X and Y) and vertical electric (E_z) field components in the frequency range between 2 and 35 Hz with a sampling interval of 0.01 s. Induction coils are the sensors for the magnetic components. The antennas for the electric component have been constructed in the classical way; they consist of metallic barrels of 40 cm diameter and 60 cm height, fixed on energetic insulators of about 2.5 m height. A more detailed description can be found in (Neska M. and Satori 2006).

In the present paper we describe observations concerning the comparison of magnetic components recorded synchronously in different places. For these comparisons we used the continuous measurements carried out in Belsk and Hornsund, records obtained in several places of Poland by means of a portable induction magnetometer, and data from Hylaty forester's lodge in Bieszczady Mountains, collected by the Jagiellonian University.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE INSTRUMENTS, THEIR PARAMETERS AND AMPLITUDE-PHASE CHARACTERISTICS

About ten years ago, two magnetometer sets with induction coils were designed and constructed in the Belsk Geophysical Observatory. These magnetometers, together with telluric amplifiers, have been applied for magnetotelluric field soundings in a frequency range from ~ 0.002 Hz to ~ 35 Hz. A description of these magnetometers can be found in (Marianiuk 1998, 1999). To give just a rough draft, a simplified block schema of a magnetometer with induction coils is shown in Fig. 1. An important feature of these magnetometers is a strong negative feedback (through feedback coil L_F) which allows for obtaining a flat amplitude characteristic in a broad band, from ~ 0.01 Hz to ~ 30 Hz.

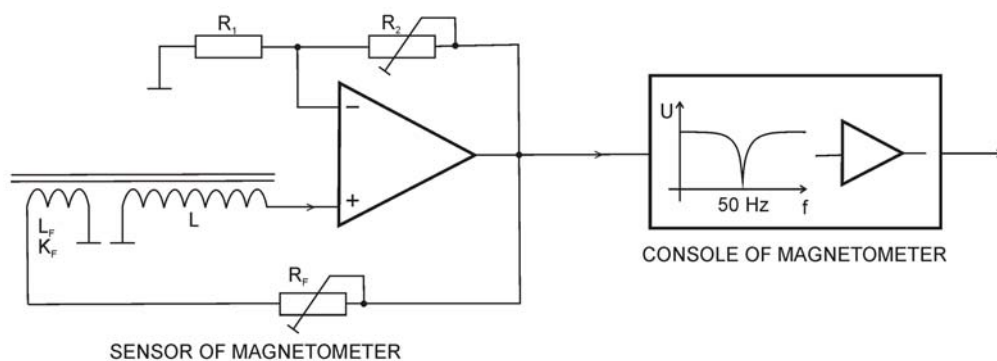


Fig. 1. Block schema of induction magnetometer model MI-0.17.

A next induction magnetometer was constructed in Belsk in 2003; it was destined for Hornsund Polar Station to record the Schumann resonance phenomenon. This magnetometer possesses a flat amplitude characteristic in the band $\Delta f \approx 2 - 33$ Hz and (in this range) a scale value $\varepsilon = 0.1$ pT/mV. This magnetometer has measured the magnetic micro-pulsations for two years, until a damage of the sensor of X component occurred when water penetrated into the interior of the coil.

In summer 2007, a next version of induction magnetometer, with two measurement ranges, was installed on Spitsbergen. The first range, with a narrow band pass $\Delta f_1 = 2.5 - 33$ Hz and a scale value $\varepsilon_1 = 0.1$ pT/mV, is used for investigating Schumann resonances. The second one having a broader band pass $\Delta f_2 = 0.08 - 33$ Hz and a smaller sensitivity $\varepsilon_2 = 2$ pT/mV, is destined to record the short-period magnetic pulsations PC1 – PC3. A simplified block schema of the apparatus with this magnetometer is shown in Fig. 2.

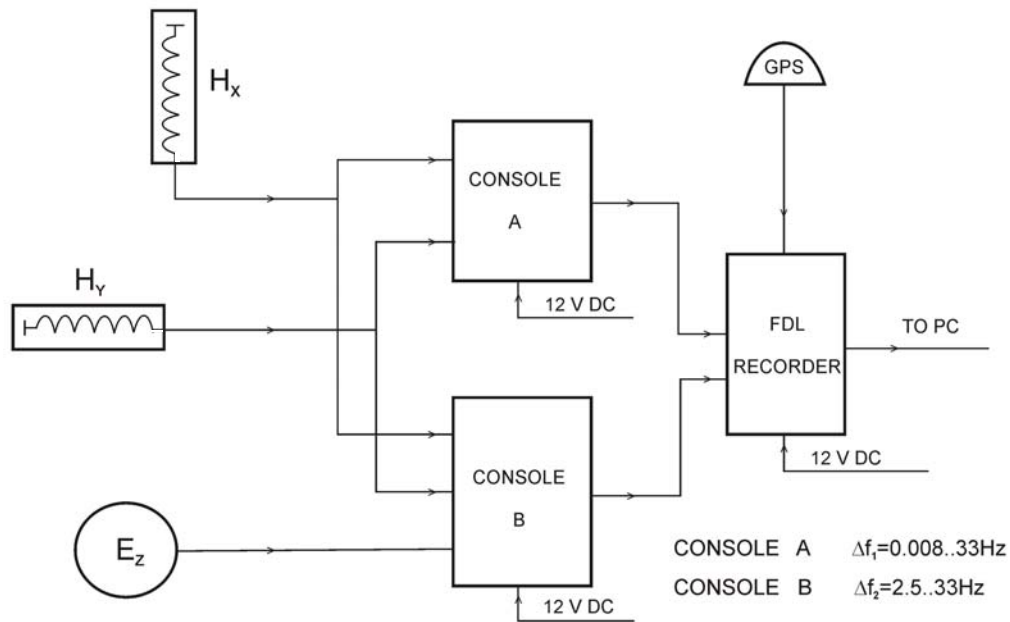


Fig. 2. Block schema of instruments with induction magnetometers installed on Spitsbergen Island and in Belsk.

Currently, in the Institute of Geophysics there are three sets of induction magnetometers. Two of them work stationarily in Belsk and Hornsund, and the third one, possessing three channels, $H(=X)$, $D(=Y)$, and Z (i.e., the vertical magnetic component), is used for magnetotelluric field measurements.

The magnetometer currently installed in Belsk has two measurement ranges, similar to the Spitsbergen one, where one range serves for observing the Schumann resonance phenomenon. The second range has a broad pass band which allows for recording magnetic variations of periods between ~ 0.03 and ~ 1000 s.

The induction magnetometer for field work has one measurement range with parameters similar to the second range of the magnetometer installed in Belsk. Its amplitude characteristic is flat in the frequency range $\Delta f = 0.01 - 30$ Hz and its scale value amounts to $\varepsilon = 10$ pT/mV.

Simplified amplitude-phase characteristics of all three magnetometers are shown in Fig. 3.

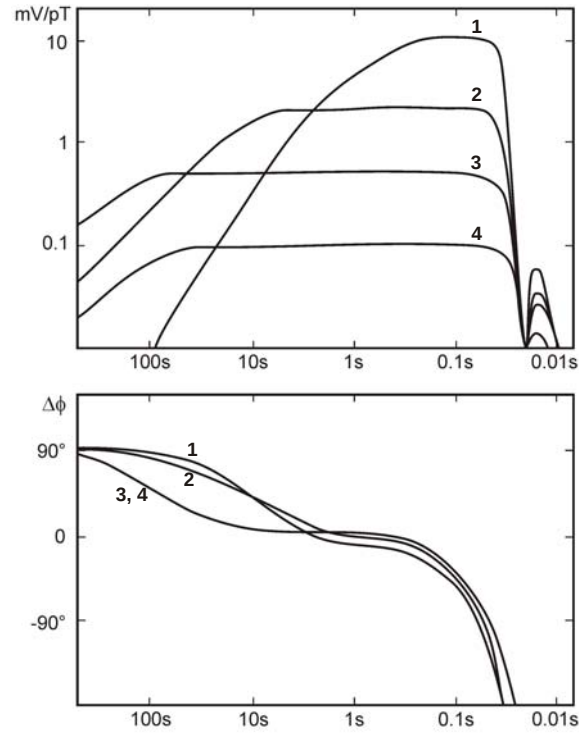


Fig. 3. Amplitude-phase characteristics of induction magnetometers. Curves 1 and 2 – induction magnetometer in Hornsund. Curves 1 and 3 – induction magnetometer in Belsk. Curve 4 – induction magnetometer for field surveys.

3. EXAMPLES OF TIME SERIES COMPARED

During magnetotelluric surveys carried out by means of the induction magnetometer in West Pomerania in 2005, a significant similarity has been noticed between magnetic time series recorded in the field and those recorded in Belsk by the Schumann resonance instrument. Because the parameters of both magnetometers were rather different at this time, the time series comparison experiments were repeated in 2007.

The first of these comparison measurements was realized on May 12, when the magnetometer was installed in the village Karcino close to Kołobrzeg, at a distance of about 440 km northwest from Belsk. In spite of a significant level of local artificial noise there and a relatively large distance, there is a clear similarity in the curves im-

aging synchronous magnetic variations in Belsk and Karcino. This similarity of recorded time series can be seen in Fig. 4.

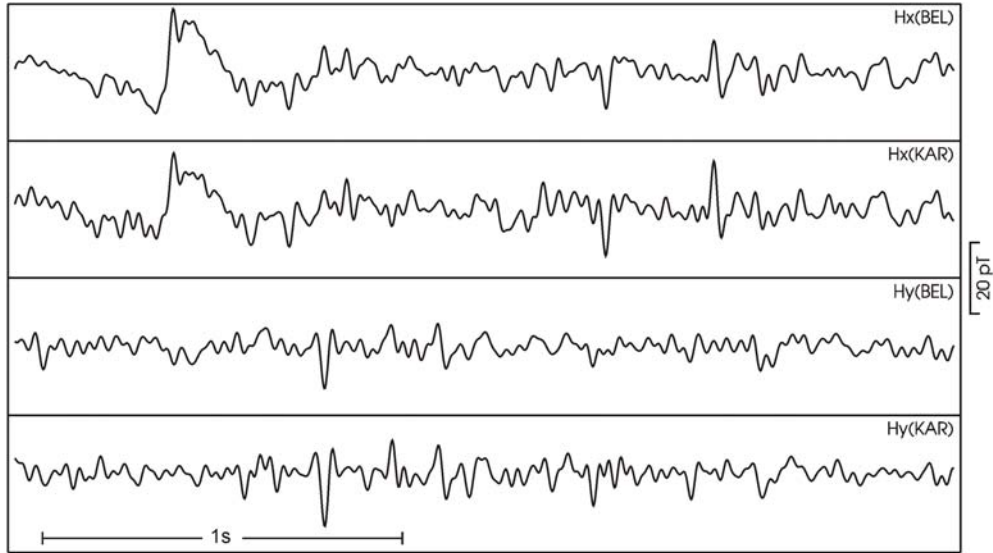


Fig. 4. Comparison of time series recorded in Belsk and Karcino.

Having compared few-hour records from the two places, the following facts were noticed:

- The similarity of time series of north components, X_{Bel} and X_{Kar} , is clearly greater than that of components Y_{Bel} and Y_{Kar} .
- The correlation in the higher frequency range (more than some Hz, i.e., the so-called Schumann band of ELF) is significantly clearer than the correlation of longer-period variations, in the order of magnitude of some dozens of seconds.
- Time series recorded in Karcino seem to be more noisy than those in Belsk in the frequency range > 30 Hz. This was most probably caused by a higher level of artificial disturbances connected with the power network (50 Hz), and a higher sampling frequency in Karcino (400 Kz) than in Belsk (100 Hz). These different sampling intervals caused differences in the parameters of the low-pass filter that is automatically switched on in the FDL data loggers when the chosen sampling frequency demands it. The higher sampling frequency makes some specific details more visible. This can be the reason (together with the network disturbances) why the Karcino time series looks more noisy.
- From time to time (about every 2-3 s) there appear impulses or impulse groups for which component X_{Bel} is clearly correlated with Y_{Kar} but with opposite sign. Variations correlated in this way have, on the average, 2-3 times higher amplitudes than the directly correlated variations. The sources of those variations were probably strong atmospheric thunderstorm discharges in-between

the recording places, i.e., Belsk and Kołobrzeg. This observation is illustrated by Fig. 5.

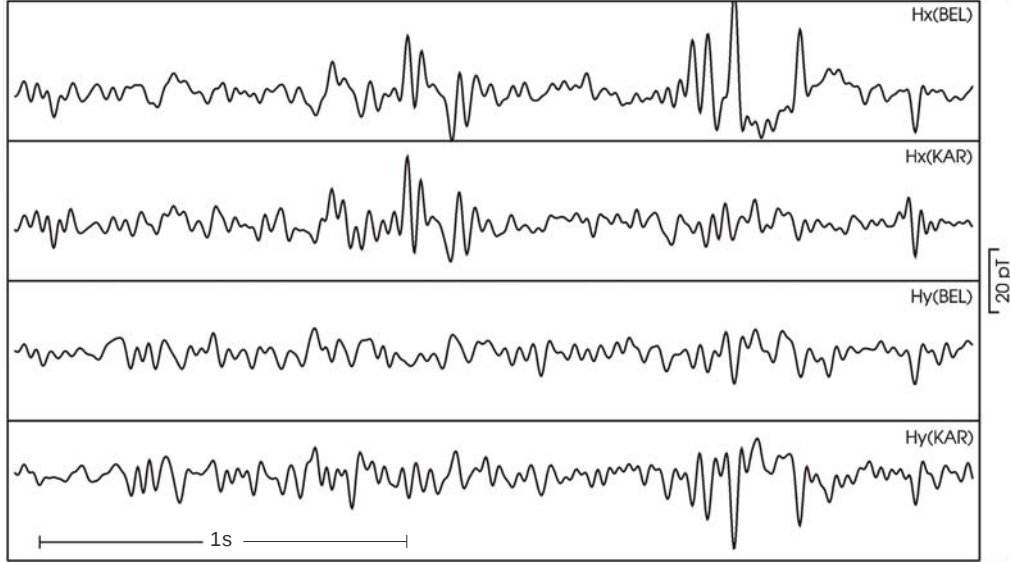


Fig. 5. Comparison of time series recorded in Belsk and Karcino with disturbances probably caused by a regional atmospheric thunderstorm.

During the fall of 2007, another experiment was made; a field induction magnetometer was installed in a forester's lodge close to Suwałki in north-east Poland. This region, ca. 290 km away of Belsk, has a relatively small level of artificial noise of regional extent. Some little local disturbances could be observed in the morning and evening only. Most probably, two farms at a distance of ca. 300 m from the installed instruments were the source of these disturbances.

The data record with the induction magnetometer installed in this forester's lodge has been carried out with a sampling frequency of 100 Hz and lasted from 13:30 on October 17 through 09:20 the next day, i.e., for almost 18 hours. Comparing these data with those measured in Belsk one can conclude the following:

- Time series recorded in Belsk and Suwałki regions are more alike than those from Belsk and Karcino. Practically all variations with amplitudes greater than 1-2 pT that have been registered in Belsk are visible in Suwałki records as well. This is illustrated in Fig. 6 where the similarity with Belsk is shown for both places (variations over 1 s are skipped by high-pass filtering).
- The amplitudes of the variations and the form of the time series are also similar in both places and the differences of amplitudes are, in general, not greater than 10-20% of their value. Certain differences that are sometimes visible, especially on the east components Y_{BEL} and Y_{SUW} , are possibly caused by slightly different amplitude-phase characteristics of the magnetometers installed in Belsk and Suwałki.

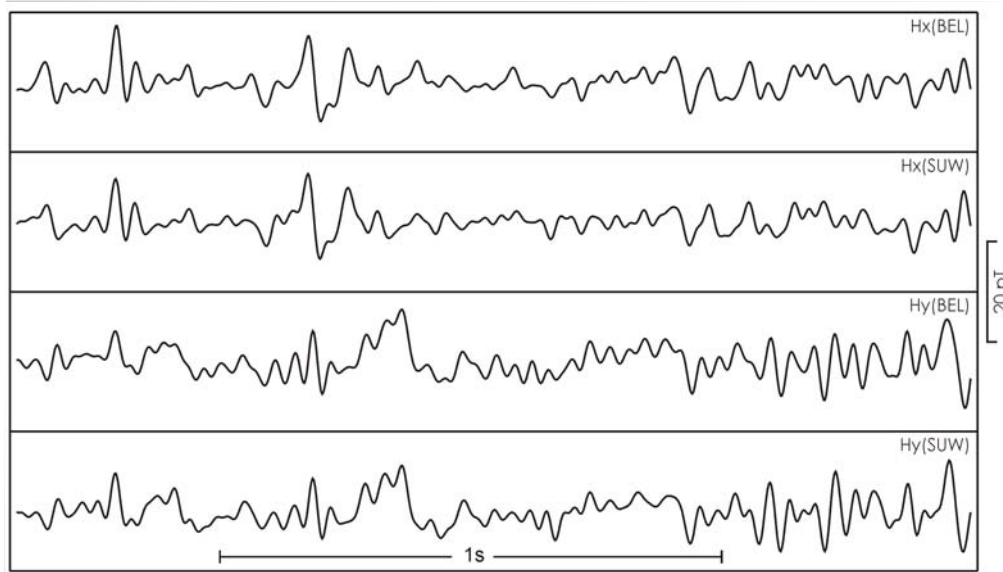


Fig. 6. Comparison of time series recorded in Belsk and Suwałki.

- No impulses or impulse groups of opposite correlation, such as those observed during spring measurements in Karcino, were now detected.
- From the comparison of longer-period time series (period range from 1-200 s) it follows that the similarity between Belsk and Suwałki is not so great anymore. The time series in Suwałki are clearly “smoother”. Most probably, this is due to artificial regional disturbances occurring in Belsk. They originate mainly from an electric railway north of the observatory, at a distance of 14 km.

As already mentioned, the set of instruments for observing Schumann resonances in Hornsund (Spitsbergen, 77°00'N, 15°33'E) has been reinstalled (the site was changed) and modernized in summer 2007. Therefore, it became possible to compare data of magnetic micro-pulsations in the ELF band recorded synchronously in the three places: Belsk, Suwałki, and Hornsund.

In spite of the large distance from Poland to Spitsbergen (ca. 3000 km), the similarity of time series is significant. Practically all variations with amplitudes over 5 pT occur in Belsk as well as on Spitsbergen. An example is shown in Fig. 7, where the time series of component X are presented, that were recorded in Belsk, Suwałki, and Hornsund synchronously. As one can see, the similarity of time series recorded in Poland and in mid geographic latitudes and in the far north is very distinct, although in Hornsund the amplitudes of Schumann-band variations are smaller by ca. 30%.

In December 2007 we got data of the magnetic micro-pulsations record carried out in the forester's lodge Hylaty in the Bieszczady Mountains situated at a distance of ca. 300 km southeast of Belsk. These measurements have been performed by the Institute of Physics and the Astronomical Observatory of the Jagiellonian University in Cracow (Odzimek *et al.* 2006) for several years.

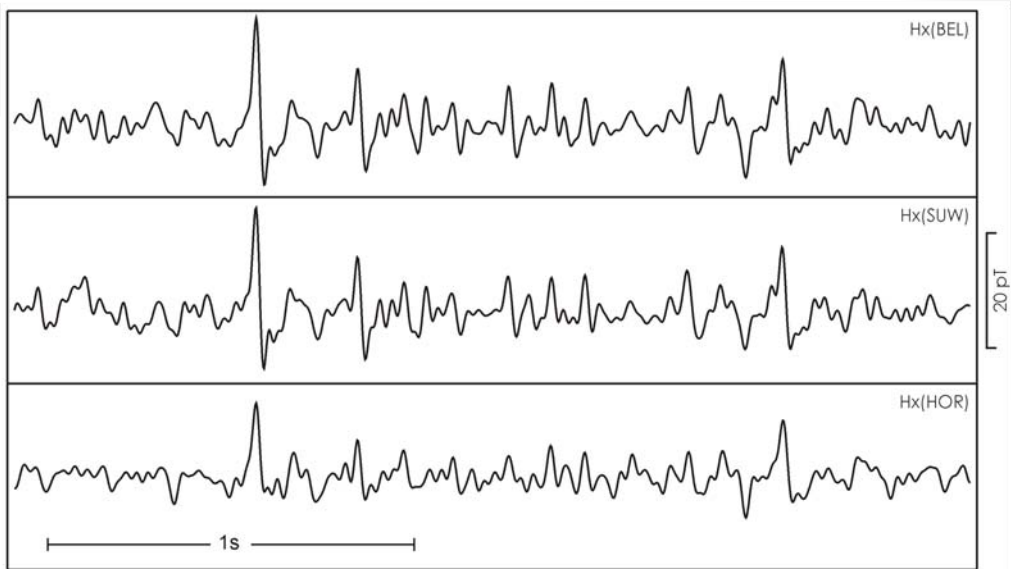


Fig. 7. Comparison of time series recorded synchronously in Belsk, Suwałki, and Hornsund on Spitsbergen Island.

Hylaty is situated in a relatively sparsely populated area. In spite of this, the level of 50 Hz power network noise is remarkable on the original records. In Fig. 8 these artificial disturbances have been filtered out and the similarity of these records to those from Belsk is very distinct.

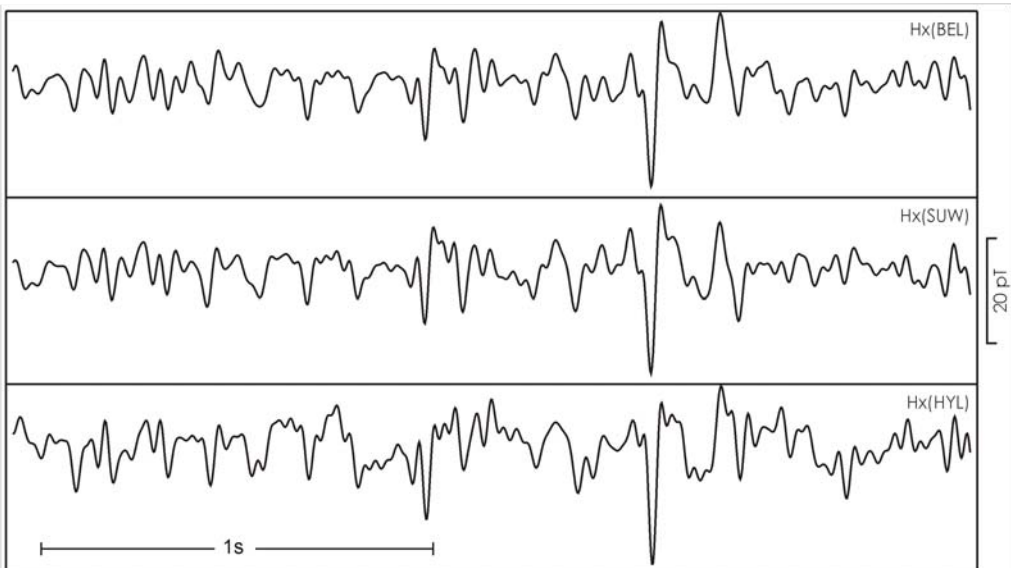


Fig. 8. Comparison of time series recorded in Suwałki, Belsk, and in Bieszczady Mountains.

4. SUMMARY

Comparing magnetic time series of ELF range recorded synchronously in Belsk Observatory, several other places in Poland, and in Hornsund on Spitsbergen Island we could state their remarkable similarity. Of course, the clearest similarity occurs between the closest localities, i.e., Belsk–Suwałki and Belsk–Hylaty, somewhat less distinctive in the case of Karcino in West Pomerania and the worst between Belsk and the remote Hornsund, Spitsbergen.

This great similarity of time series can be explained by a relatively simple model: The resonance cavity between the surface of the Earth and the ionosphere acts as a wave-guide for the ultra-long electromagnetic ELF waves that are generated in the tropics. The smaller amplitudes of variations in the far north can be caused by attenuation in the non-perfect wave-guide. An interference of waves arriving to Spitsbergen from two opposite directions is also conceivable, e.g. from south and north, after circuiting almost the whole terrestrial globe with a phase shift of ca. 70 ms. However, in order to resolve this problem, a more detailed analysis is needed.

To get a quantitative estimation of this similarity, we calculated coherency coefficients between data from all the studied sites and those from Belsk. They have been calculated for two frequencies, 15 and 25 Hz, and compiled in Table 1. It can be seen that, as could be expected, these coefficients are usually smaller for higher frequencies, which is especially pronounced in the case of Hornsund. This is a consequence of stronger attenuation of short-period variations in the Earth-ionosphere wave-guide.

The estimation errors for the calculated coefficients are ca. 10% since the results for different data segments analyzed in the described way vary by this order of magnitude.

Table 1
Table of coherency coefficients

	H _X (15 Hz)	H _Y (15 Hz)	H _X (25 Hz)	H _Y (25 Hz)
Belsk-Suwałki (290 km)	0.92	0.68	0.94	0.66
Belsk-Karcino (440 km)	0.90	0.73	0.77	0.57
Belsk-Hylaty (300 km)	0.82	0.52	0.85	0.47
Belsk-Hornsund (3000 km)	0.54	0.57	0.10	0.27

The tests and comparisons presented here prove, in our opinion, that the continuous magnetic records carried out in Belsk Observatory can serve as a reference not only for miscellaneous low-frequency field measurements, as it is practiced currently, but also for recordings of high-frequency variations in the ELF band.

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