

測地VLBI技術による 高精度周波数比較

VLBI MEASUREMENTS FOR FREQUENCY TRANSFER



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✓ Introduction

» *Previous study*

- *Intercomparison : VLBI (IVS) vs. GPS (IGS)*
 - Wettzell - Onsala
- *How stable are current VLBI systems?*
 - Kashima34m – Kashima11m
 - Kashima11m – Koganei11m

✓ Intercomparison between VLBI and other techniques

» *Can the VLBI measure the right time difference?*

- Kashima34m - Kashima11m
 - Artificial change by Line Stretcher & Trombone

✓ Conclusions



Introduction

Background

✓ Development of frequency standard

- Atomic fountains



NICT-CsF1
..... developing

2×10^{-15}
@a few days

- Optical clocks



NICT
optical clocks
..... developing

$10^{-17} \sim$
@a few hours

✓ Time and frequency transfer technique

- » GPS Carrier Phase

2×10^{-15} @1day

- » TWSTFT

$2-4 \times 10^{-15}$ @1day

- » *long averaging period*

- » *insufficient accuracy*

➤ improvements of highly precise time and frequency transfer techniques are strongly desired

VLBI

Previous study

Intercomparison : VLBI vs. GPS

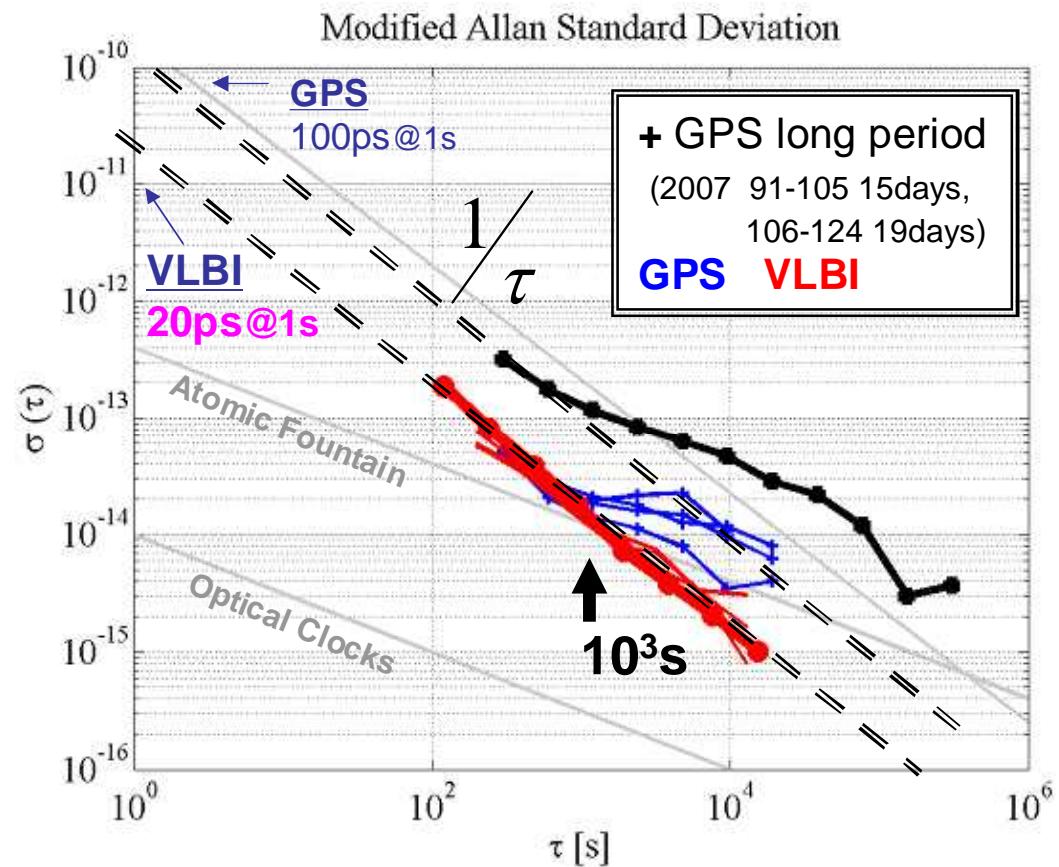
1. Wettzell-Onsala

- VLBI vs. GPS CP
- IVS and IGS data



at each site

VLBI and GPS data are shared.
The geodetic VLBI technique
has the potential for precise
frequency transfer

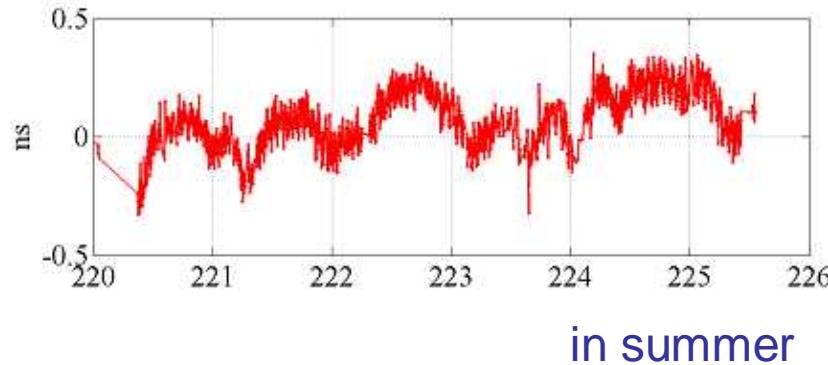


- ✓ VLBI is more stable than GPS
- ✓ surpassing the stability of atomic fountain at 10^3 s
- ✓ VLBI stability : follows a $1/\tau$ law very closely
- ✓ 2×10^{-11} (20ps) @1s

Previous study

How stable are current VLBI systems?

Kashima34m-Kashima11m



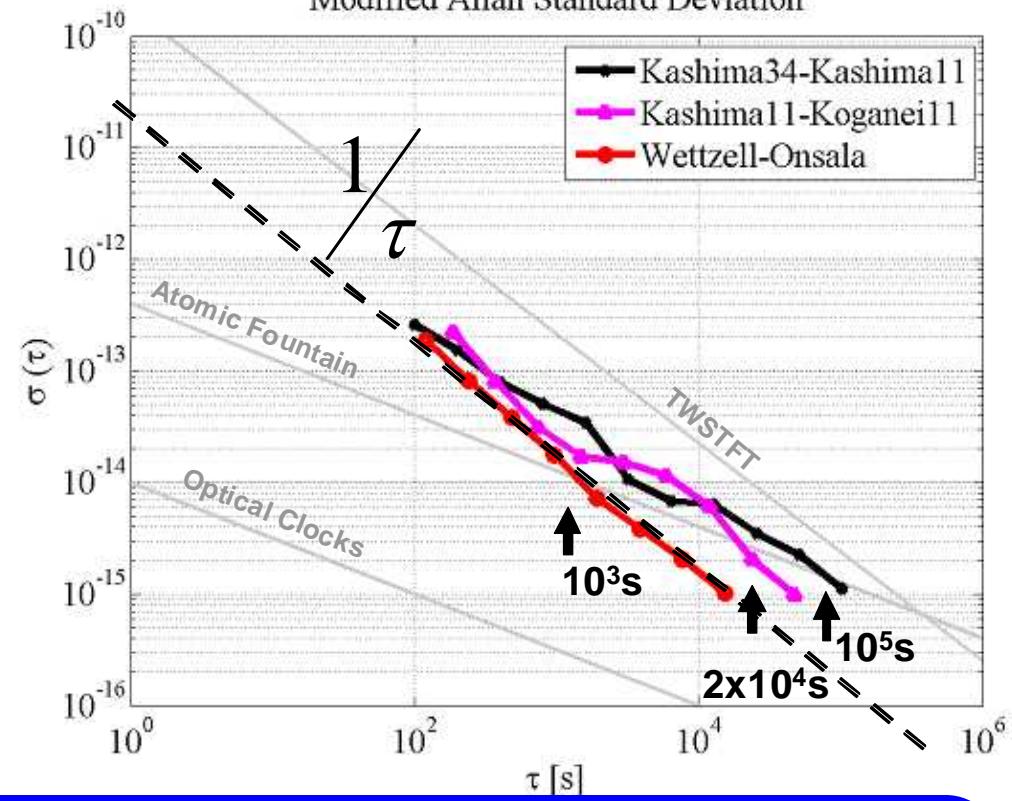
in summer

Kashima11m – Koganei11m



after removing linear trend

Modified Allan Standard Deviation



How stable are current VLBI systems?

surpassing the stability of atomic fountain at 2×10^4 , 10^5 s

unstable than international baseline (Wettzell-Onsala)

influence of temperature change

Measures to reduce the influence of the temperature change are necessary.

What's Next ?

- ✓ The geodetic VLBI technique has the potential for precise frequency transfer
 - » VLBI is more stable than GPS
 - » surpassing the stability of atomic fountain at 10^3 s (Wettzell-Onsala)
 - » $2 \times 10^4, 10^5$ s (Kashima11-Koganei, Kashima34-Kashima11)

✓ Improve the station environment

» for Geodesy for T&F transfer



✓ Intercomparison

» MARBLE

» International

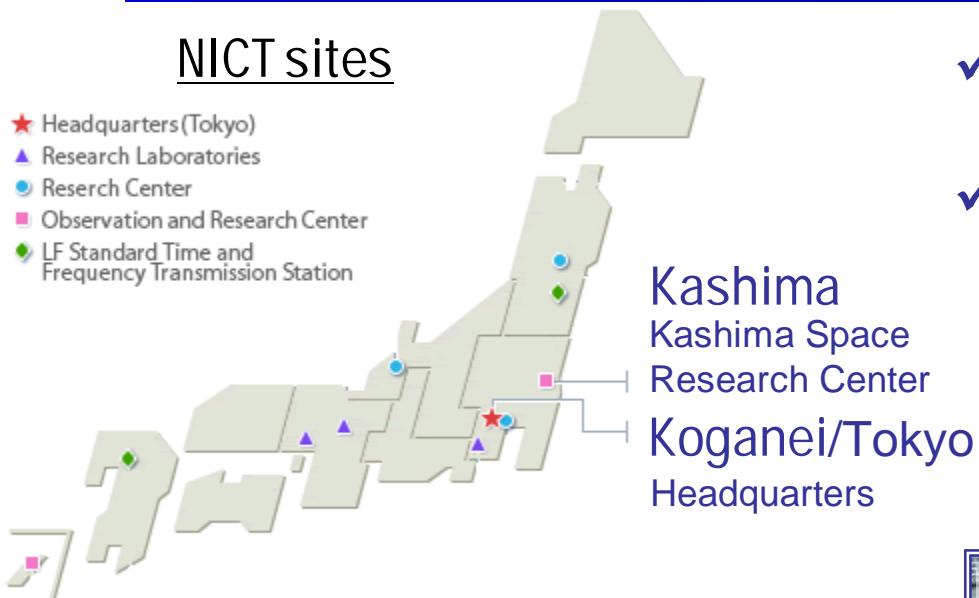
» other techniques : GPS, DMTD, TWSTFT, TEC(ETS-8)

✓ Calibrate instrumental delay

Intercomparison: VLBI vs. other techniques

NICT sites

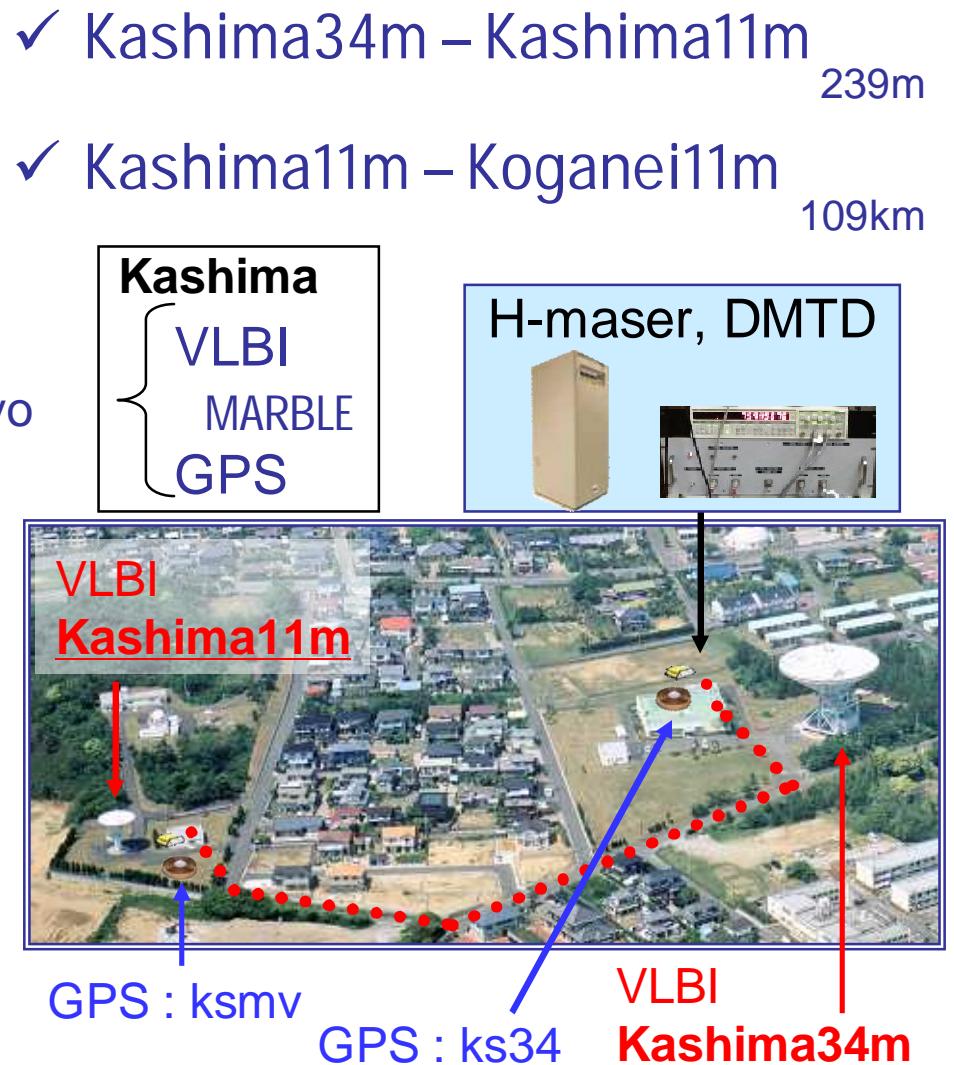
- ★ Headquarters(Tokyo)
- ▲ Research Laboratories
- Research Center
- Observation and Research Center
- ◆ LF Standard Time and Frequency Transmission Station



Koganei



VLBI
GPS
TWSTFT
TEC (ETS-8)

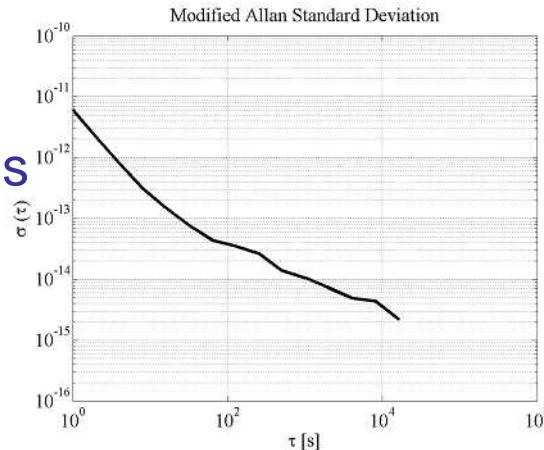


Can the VLBI measure the right time difference?

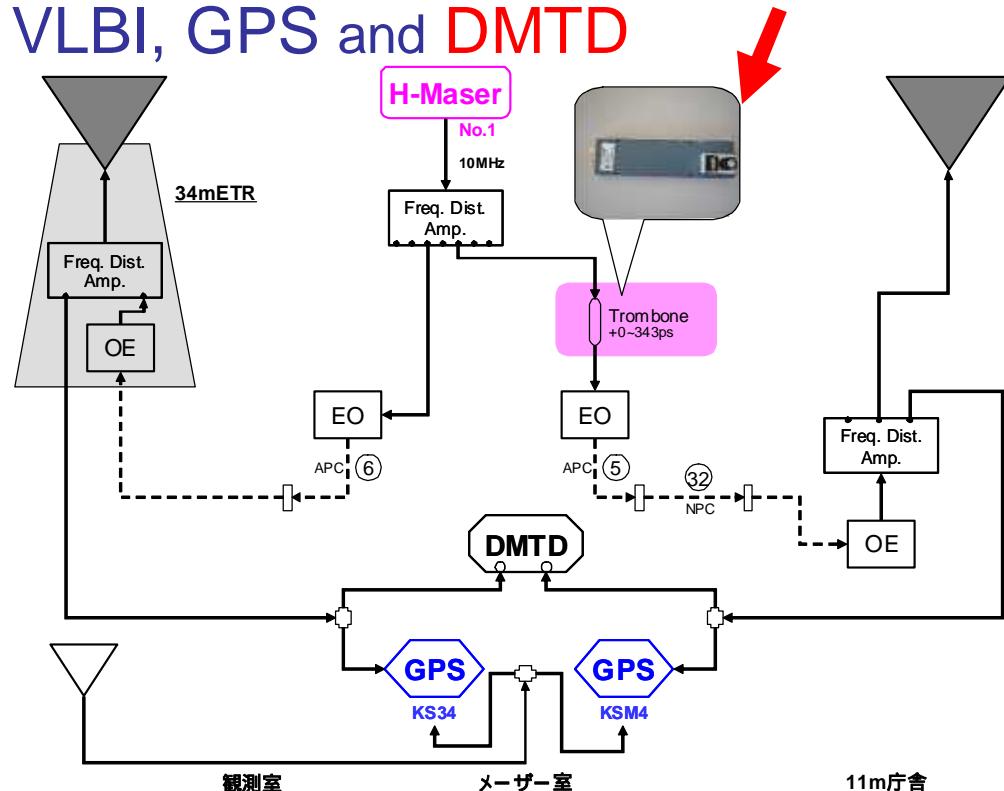
✓ Kashima34m – Kashima11m

- » Artificial time difference change
 - using Line Stretcher & Trombone
- » Intercomparison between VLBI, GPS and DMTD

DMTD
 $6 \times 10^{-12} @ 1s$
(6ps)



Trombone



Differences with the normal observation

✓ Normal Geodetic VLBI

» Observation

- multiple sources
- antenna slew time
- different scan time
- 24 hours

» Data Analysis

- estimate
clock parameter
atmospheric delay
station coordinates

✓ This study

» Observation

- **one source** : 3C84
- no antenna slew time
- same scan time
- a few hours

» Data Analysis

- estimate only
clock parameter
- atmospheric delay :
short baseline, one source
- station coordinates :
fixed to a-priori coordinates

Data analysis

✓ VLBI

- » CALC/SOLVE
- » single baseline
- » S/X ionosphere-free linear combination
 - clock offset / 30sec



- » Time Defference
clock offset / 30sec

✓ GPS

- » NR Canada's PPP
 - IGS Final Orbit & Clock(30s)
- » Precise Point Positioning
 - satellite clock interpolation
 - clock offset / 30sec



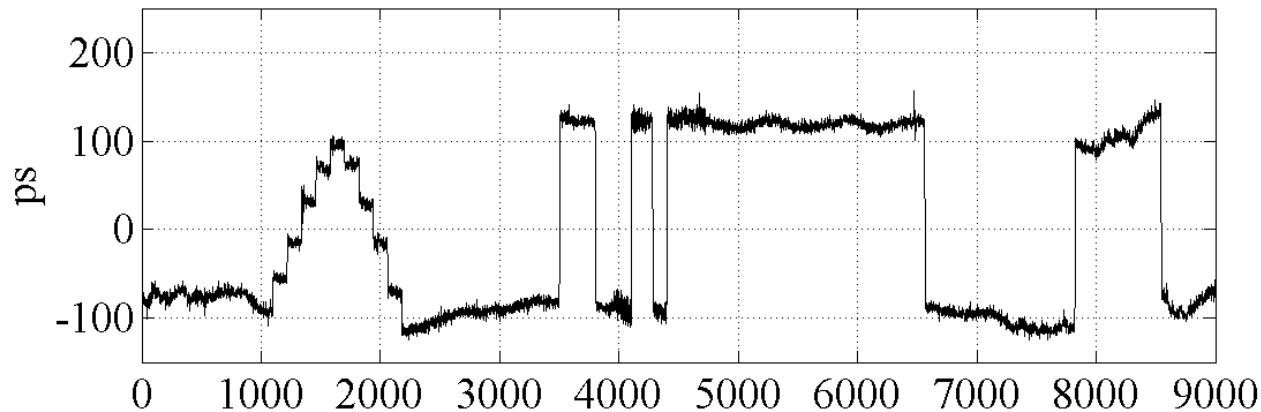
- » Time Defference
clock offset A – clock offset B / 30sec

vs. DMTD Time Difference / 1sec

DMTD

Time Difference

DMTD



5 6 12 14 16 18
4 7 11 13 15 17
3 8
2 9
1 10

0 Max

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DMTD

1	37.9
2	39.7
3	46.9
4	38.8
5	26.7
6	-22.5
7	-45.0
8	-43.3
9	-55.1
10	-43.7

42 ps

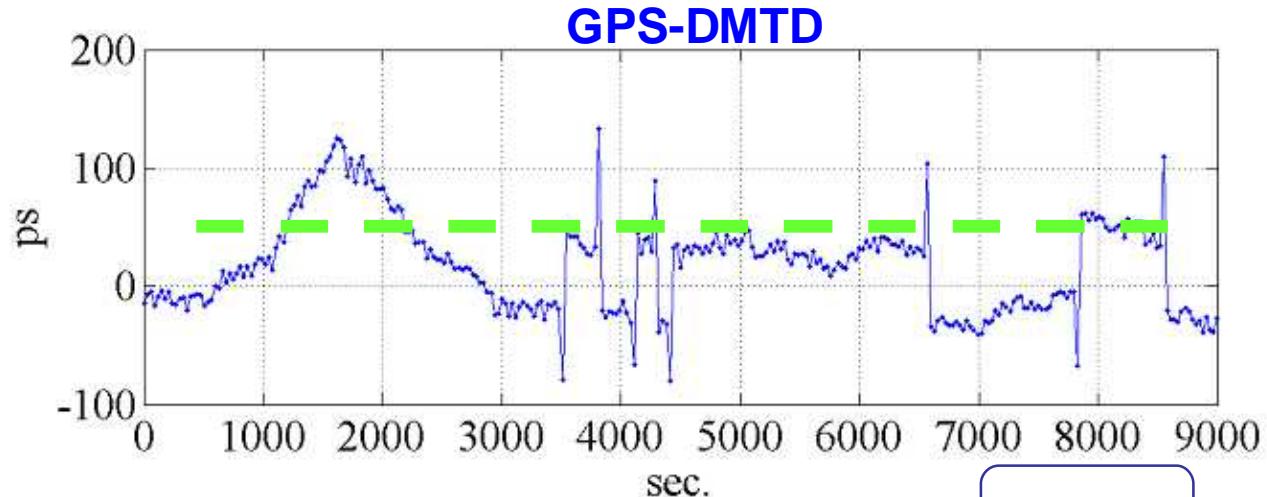
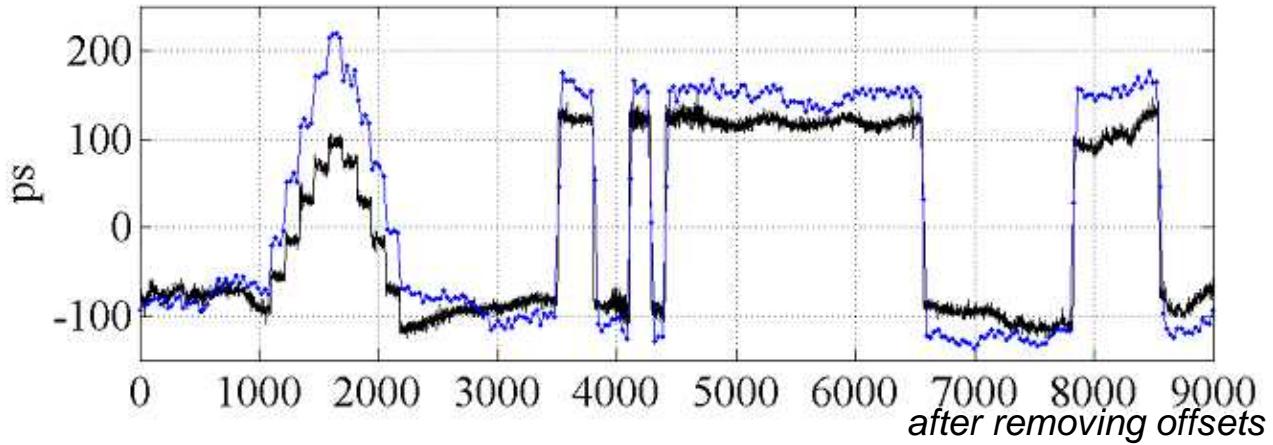
11	207.9
12	-210.1
13	214.2
14	-215.3
15	216.8
16	-210.6
17	203.8
18	-212.3

211 ps

GPS vs. DMTD

rms : GPS-DMTD

Time Difference

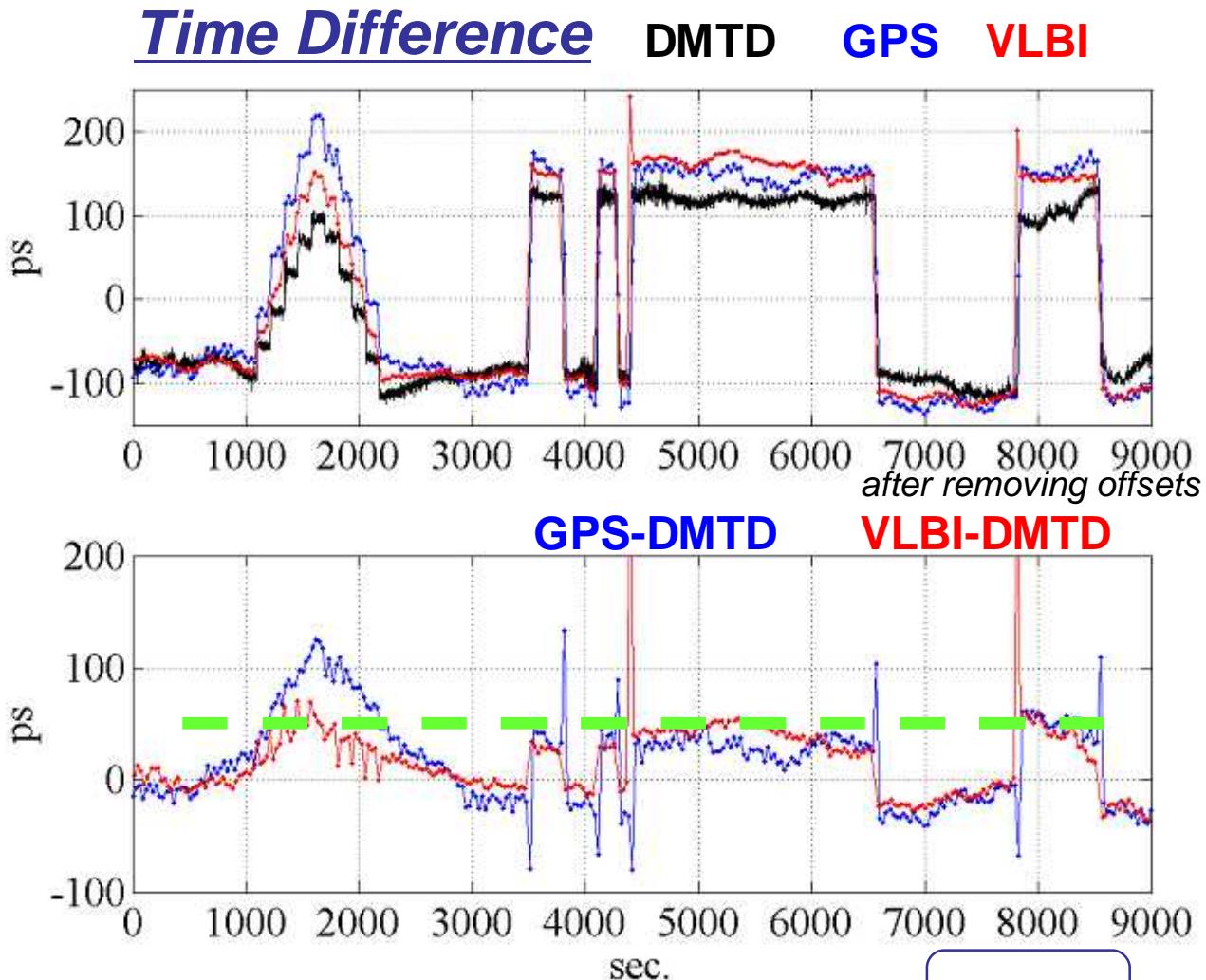


44 ps

	DMTD	GPS	GPS-DMTD
1	37.9	61.7	23.8
2	39.7	66.3	26.7
3	46.9	62.1	15.2
4	38.8	54.6	15.8
5	26.7	44.3	17.7
6	-22.5	-43.7	21.2
7	-45	19 ps	8.0
8	-43.5	-54.0	10.7
9	-55.1	-72.0	16.9
10	-43.7	-65.3	21.6
11	207.9	268.0	60.1
12	-210.1	-263.0	52.9
13	214.2	273.0	58.8
14	-215	62 ps	67.7
15	216.	60.6	
16	-210.6	-274.3	63.7
17	203.8	269.3	65.6
18	-212.3	-279.0	66.7

VLBI vs. GPS and DMTD

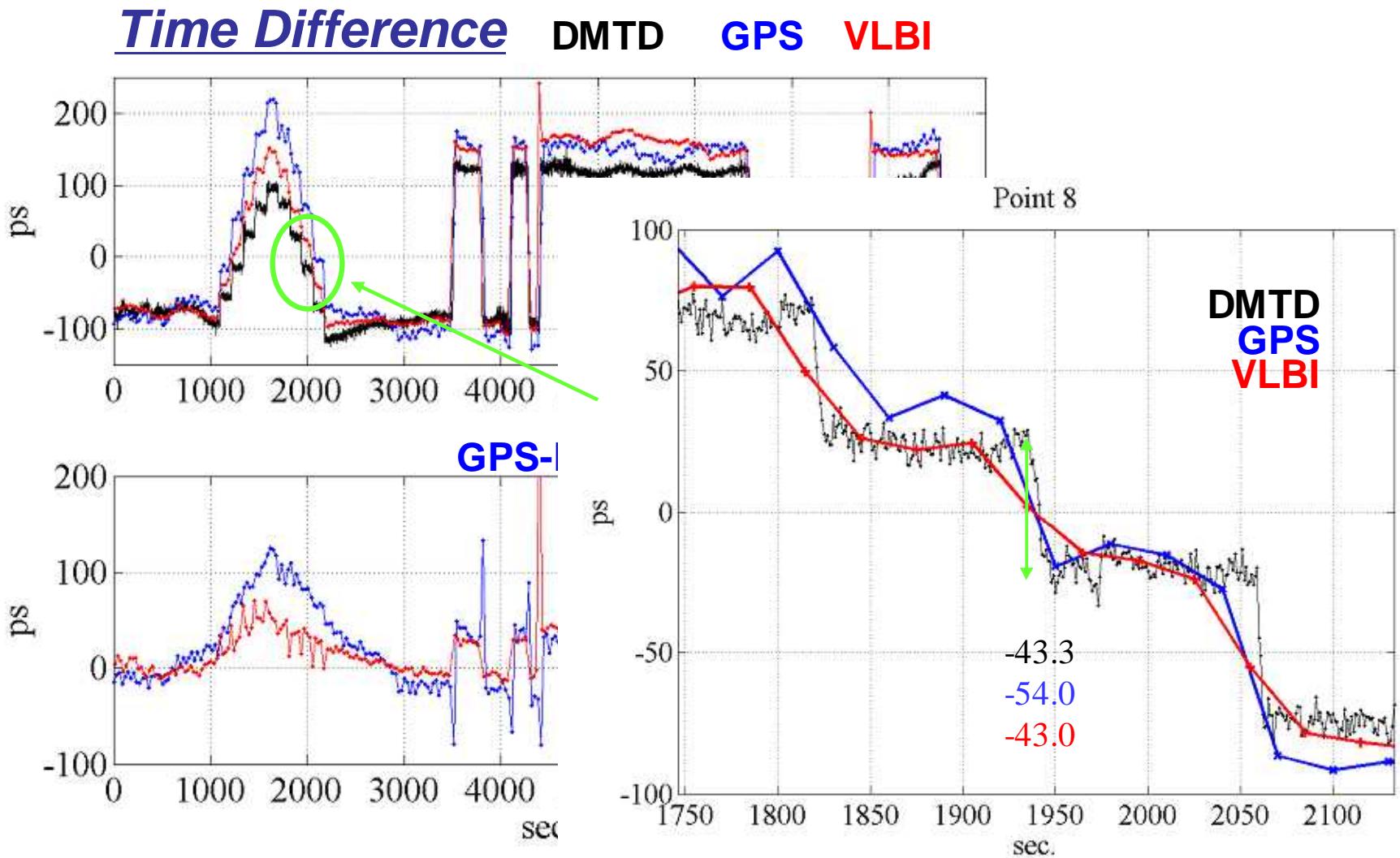
rms : VLBI-DMTD



30 ps

after removing offsets

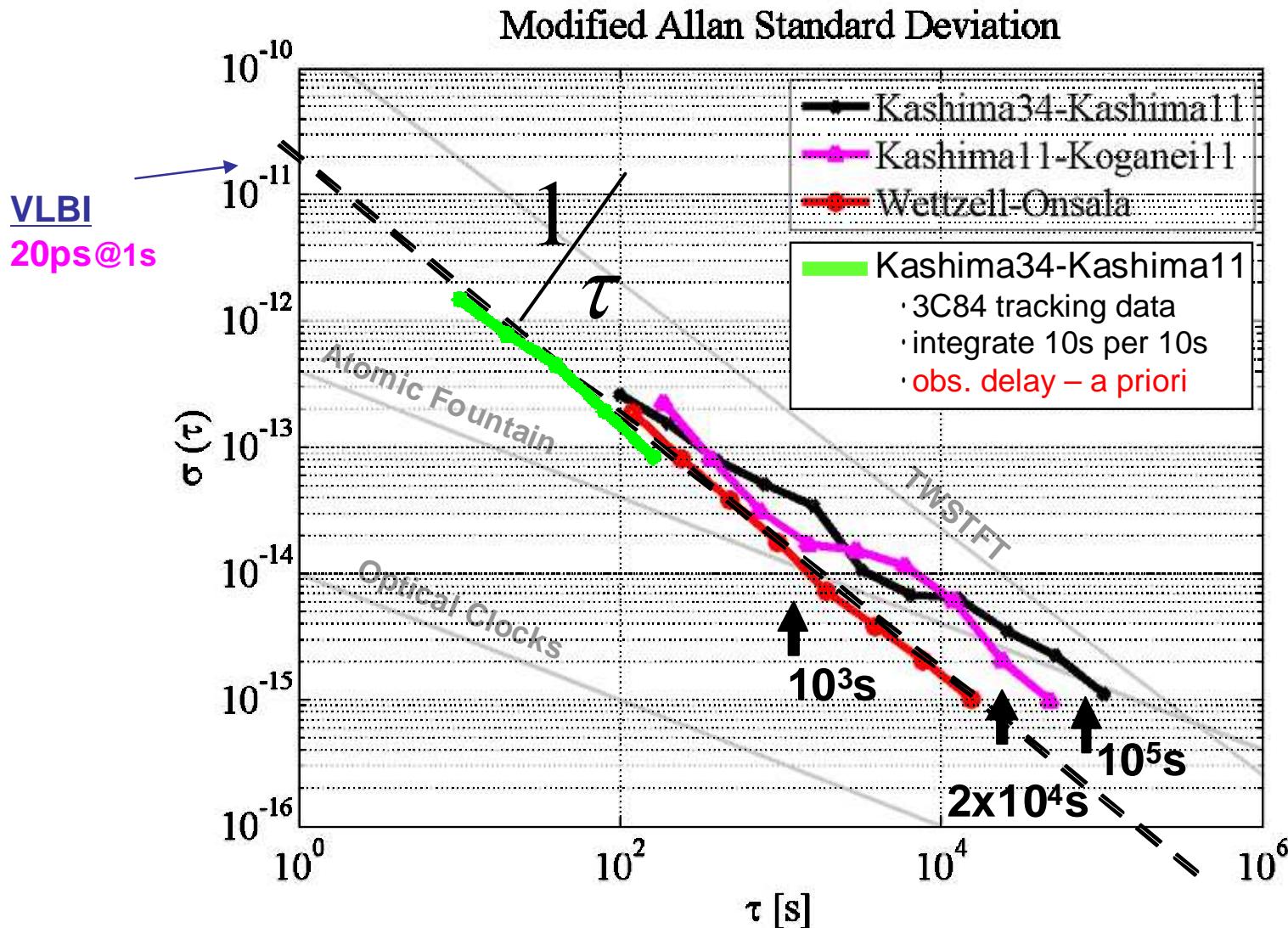
VLBI vs. GPS and DMTD



Conclusions

- ✓ Can the VLBI measure right time difference?
 - » VLBI vs. GPS CP and DMTD
 - » Artificial change
 - VLBI vs. DMTD: rms **9ps@40ps, 43ps@200ps**
good agreement
 - GPS vs. DMTD: rms **19ps@40ps, 62ps@200ps**
 - » The geodetic VLBI technique can measure the right time difference.

How stable are current VLBI systems?



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