

Nonlinear Displacement Models in Regional Reference Frames: A Case Study of the **REDGEOMIN** (Chile) and **SIRGAS** GNSS Networks

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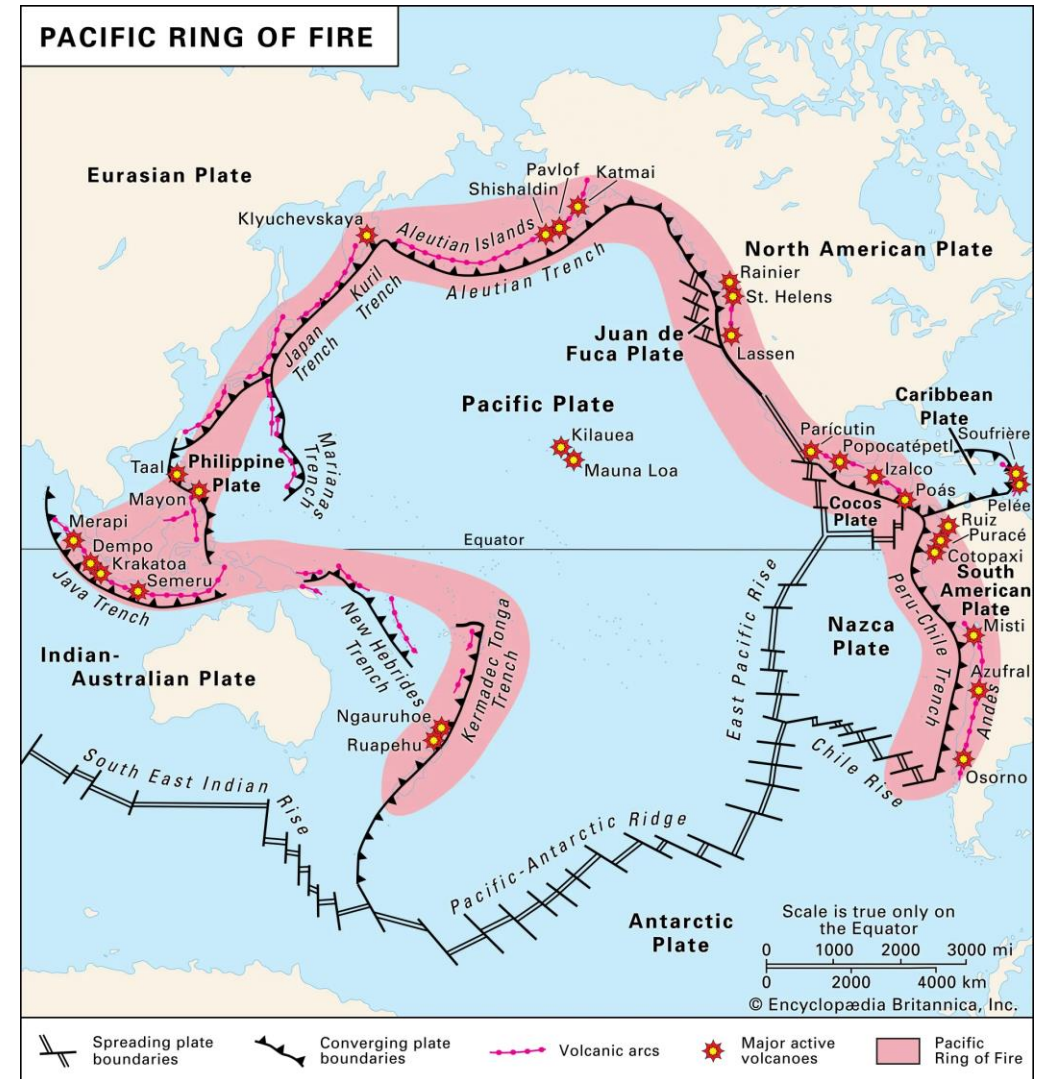
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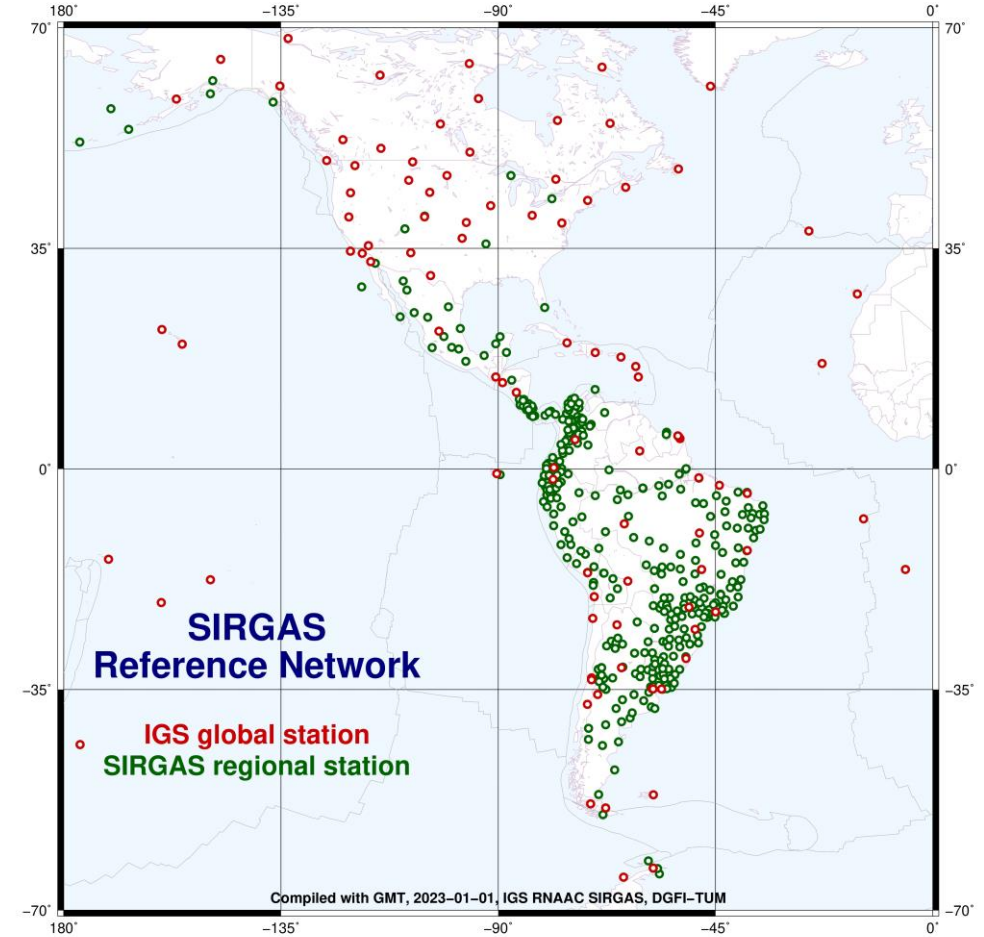
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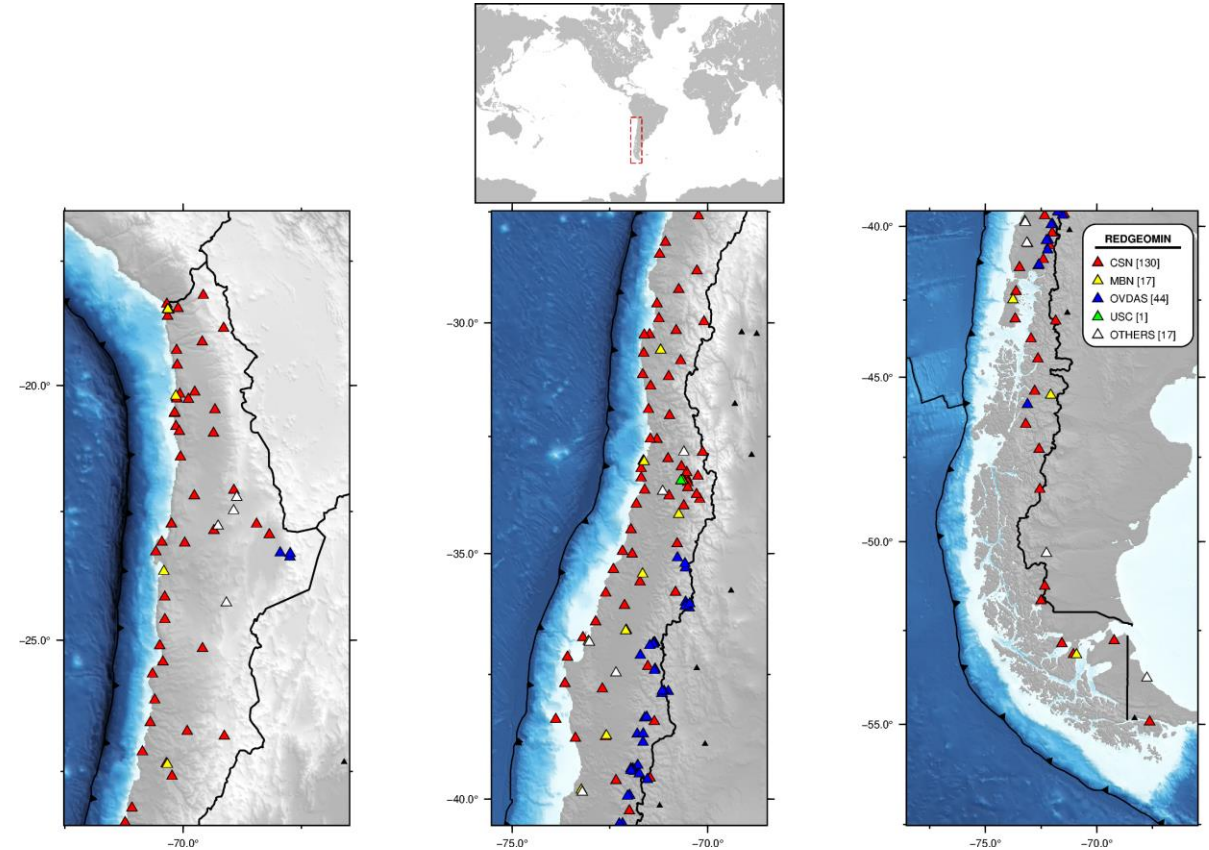
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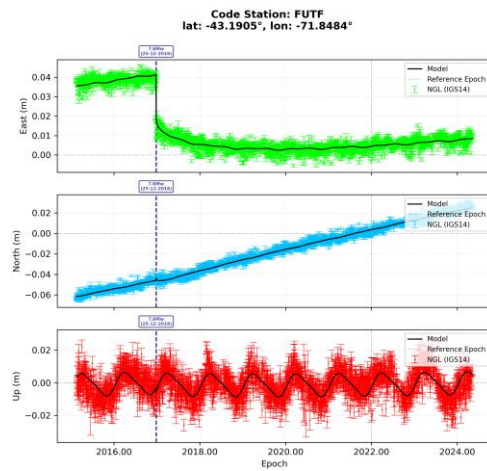
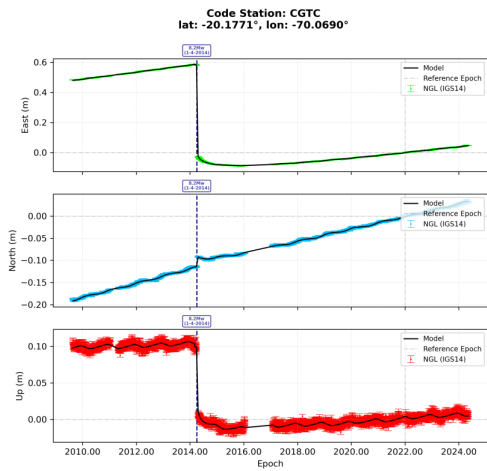
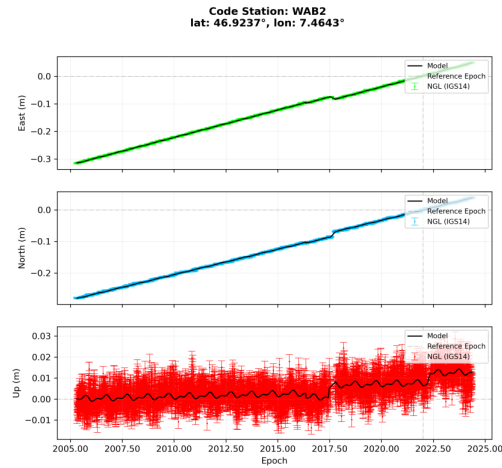
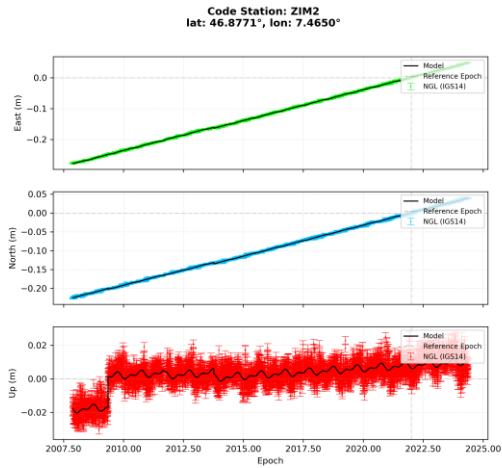


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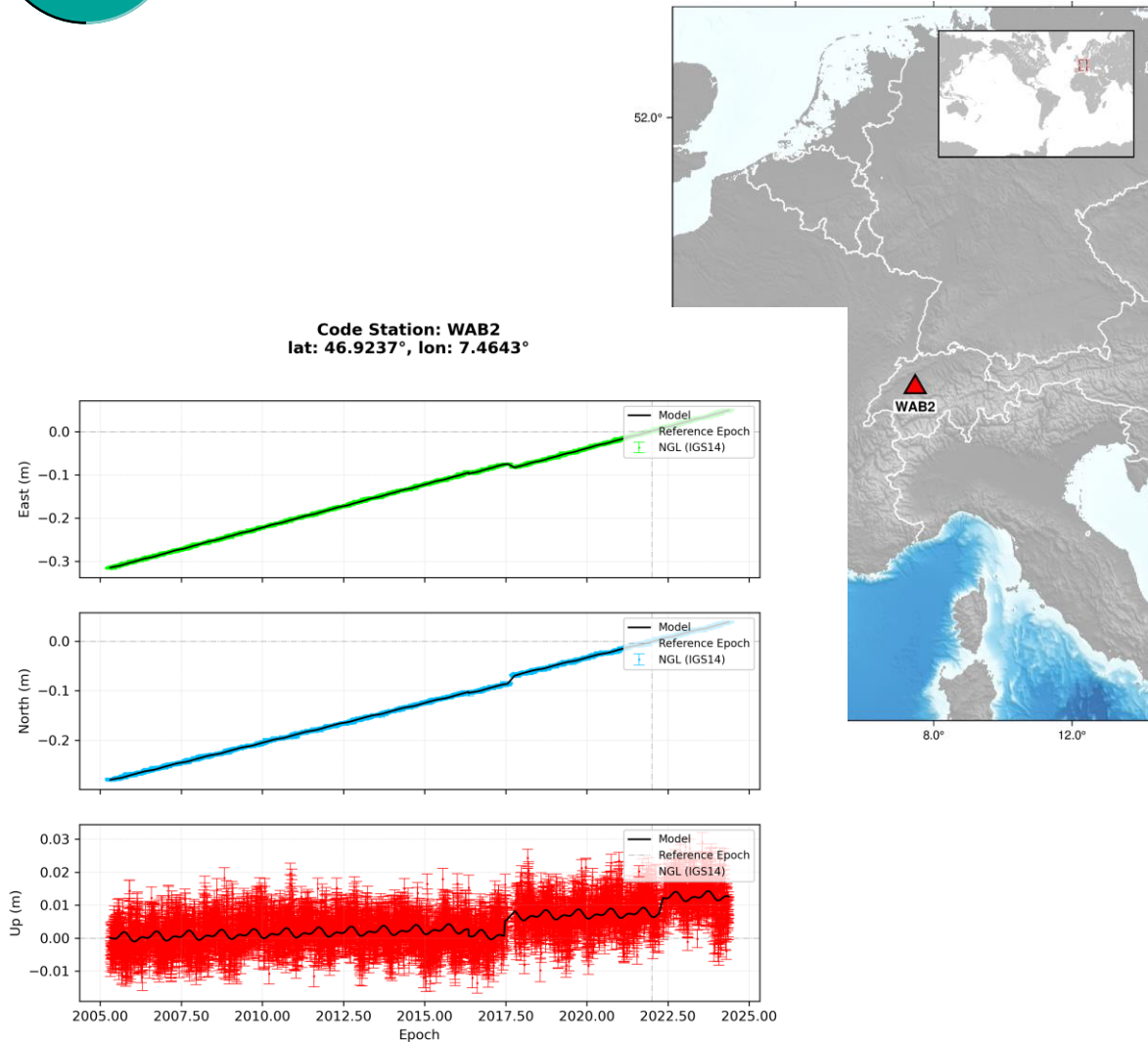
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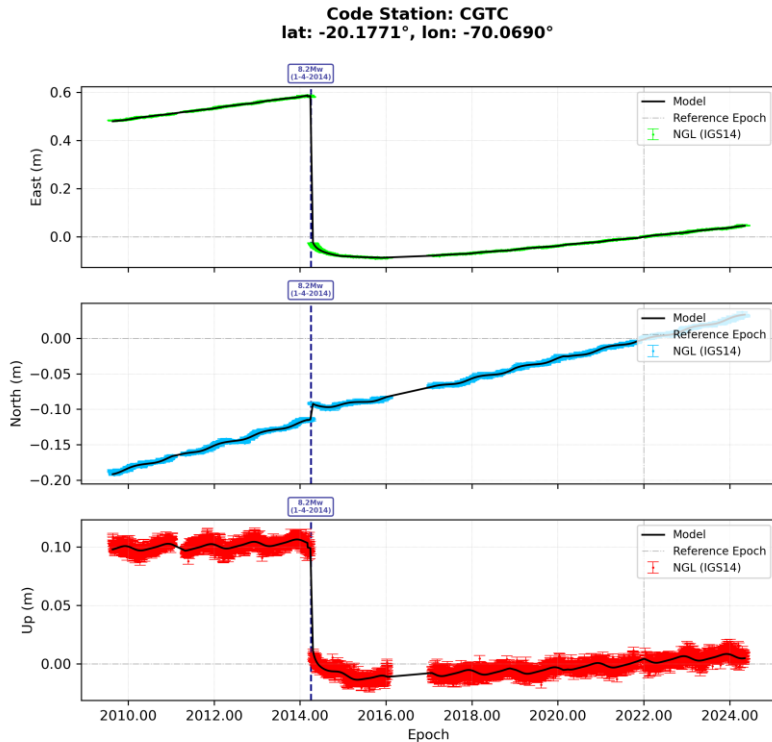
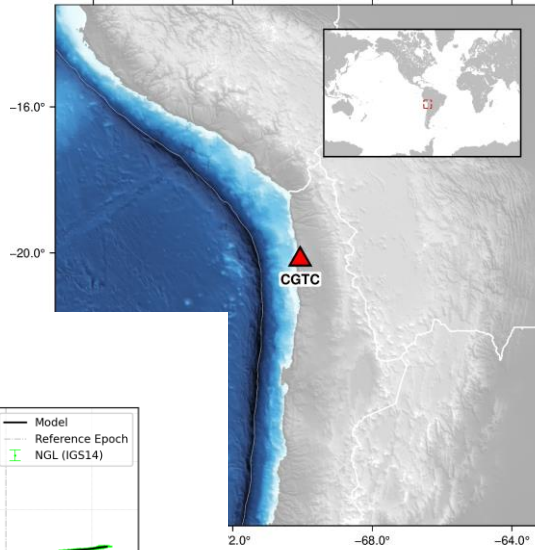
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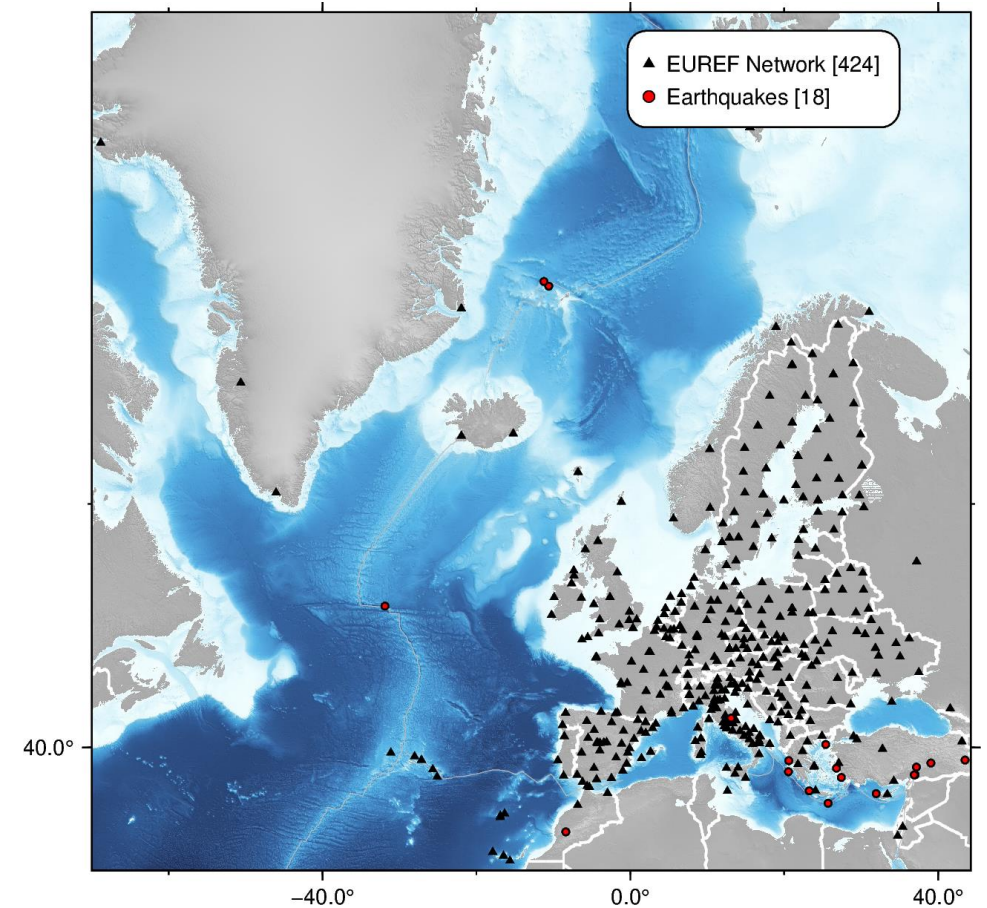
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 - Analyse both seismic and non-seismic events affecting these displacements.
 - Incorporate existing deformation patterns in the study area to cluster stations for interpolation in data-sparse zones.



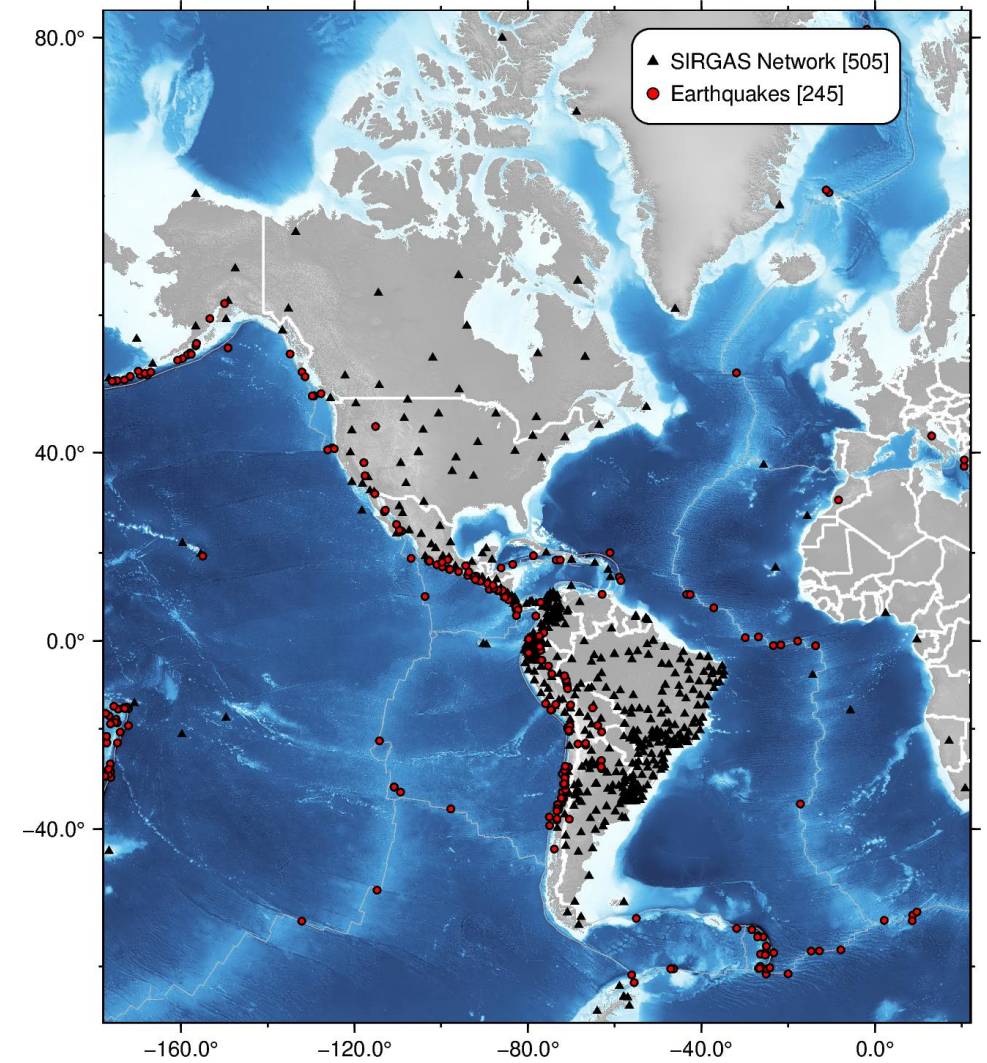
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Methodology

Data Download

- IGS products for processing:**
- Orbit file (.SP3)
 - BIAS file (.BIA)
 - Rotation parameters (.ERP)
 - IGS coordinates (.SNX)
 - Antenna corrections (.PCV)

- Weekly GNSS solution for the REDGEOMIN (Chile).
Supplemented with NGL

REDGEOMIN

SIRGAS

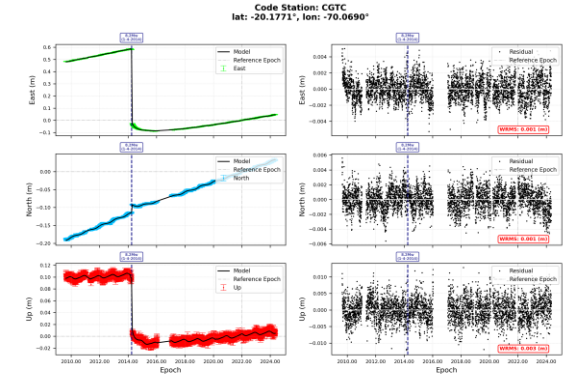
- Weekly GNSS solution from REPRO2 SIRGAS network (IGb14)
(Sánchez, L. et al., 2022)

Data Modelling

- Update time series of all available GNSS stations.
 - Apply nonlinear displacement models to the processed data.
- Ensure residuals with millimetre precision for accurate modelling of displacements.

- Information Extraction**
- Obtain model parameters associated with the seismic cycle.
 - Use machine learning tools to cluster GNSS stations based on their behaviour.

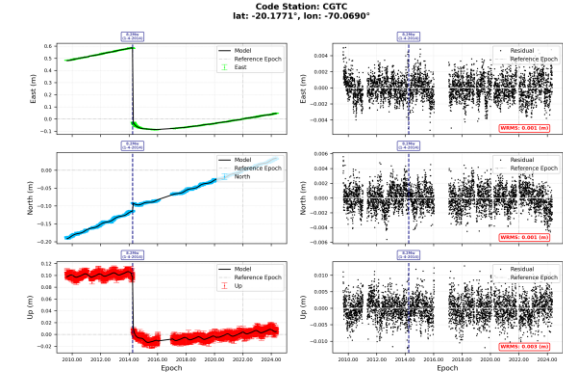
- Employing the k-means method to group stations with similar deformation patterns (horizontal velocities)





Modelling Techniques

- **Nonlinear Displacement Models**
 - Post-seismic, co-seismic, and inter-seismic modelling



$$x(t) = \boxed{x_0 + v(t - t_R)} + \boxed{\sum_{j=1}^{n_j} A_j H(t - t_j)} + \boxed{\sum_{s=1}^{n_s} \left[B_s \cos\left(2\pi \frac{t}{t_s}\right) + C_s \sin\left(2\pi \frac{t}{t_s}\right) \right]} +$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{eq=1}^{n_{eq}} D_{eq} H(t - t_{eq}) + \sum_{eq=1}^{n_{eq}} E_{eq} \log\left(1 + \left(\frac{t - t_{eq}}{\tau_{eq}}\right) H(t - t_{eq})\right) + \sum_{eq=1}^{n_{eq}} F_{eq} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{t - t_{eq}}{\tau_{eq}}}\right)}$$

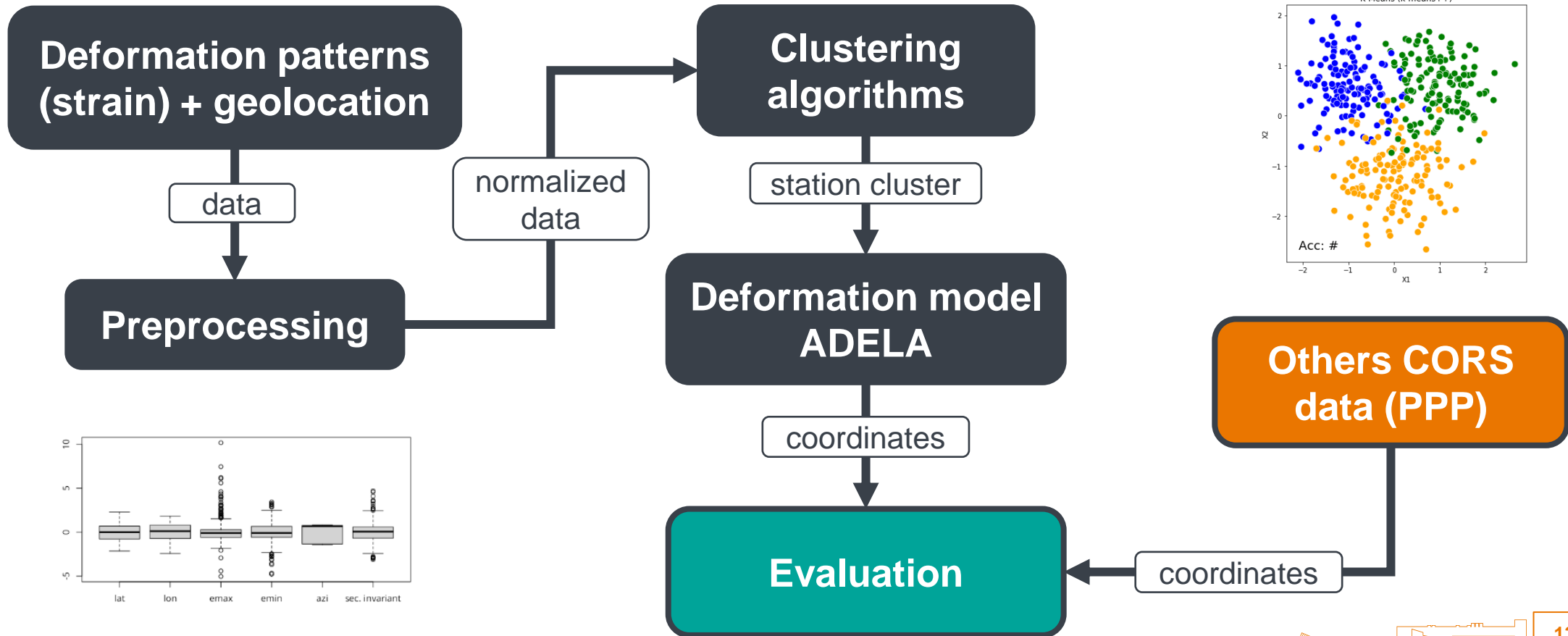
Coseismic and Postseismic Deformation





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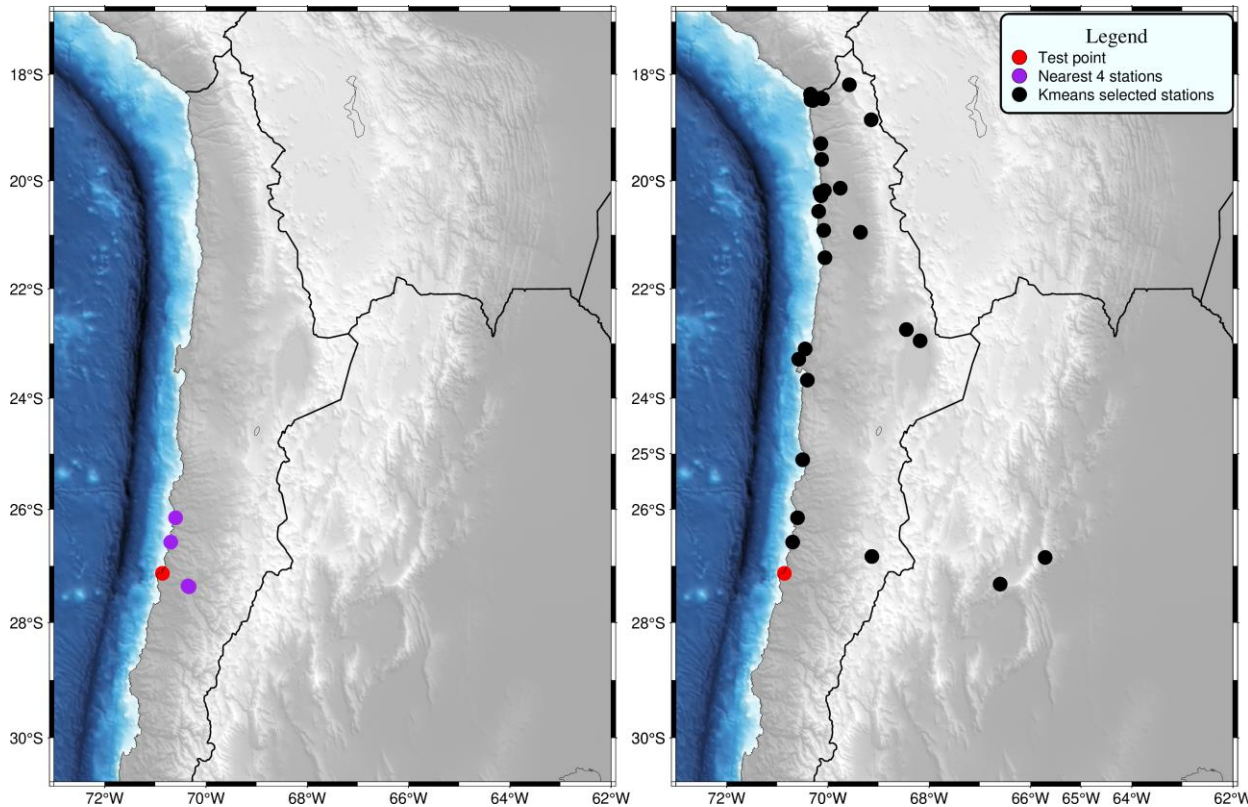
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In the image, a point is shown where coordinates are to be calculated for a specific epoch. The map on the left uses displacement interpolation with the 4 nearest stations. The map on the right uses the k-means method to cluster the stations and generate interpolation with the entire corresponding group.

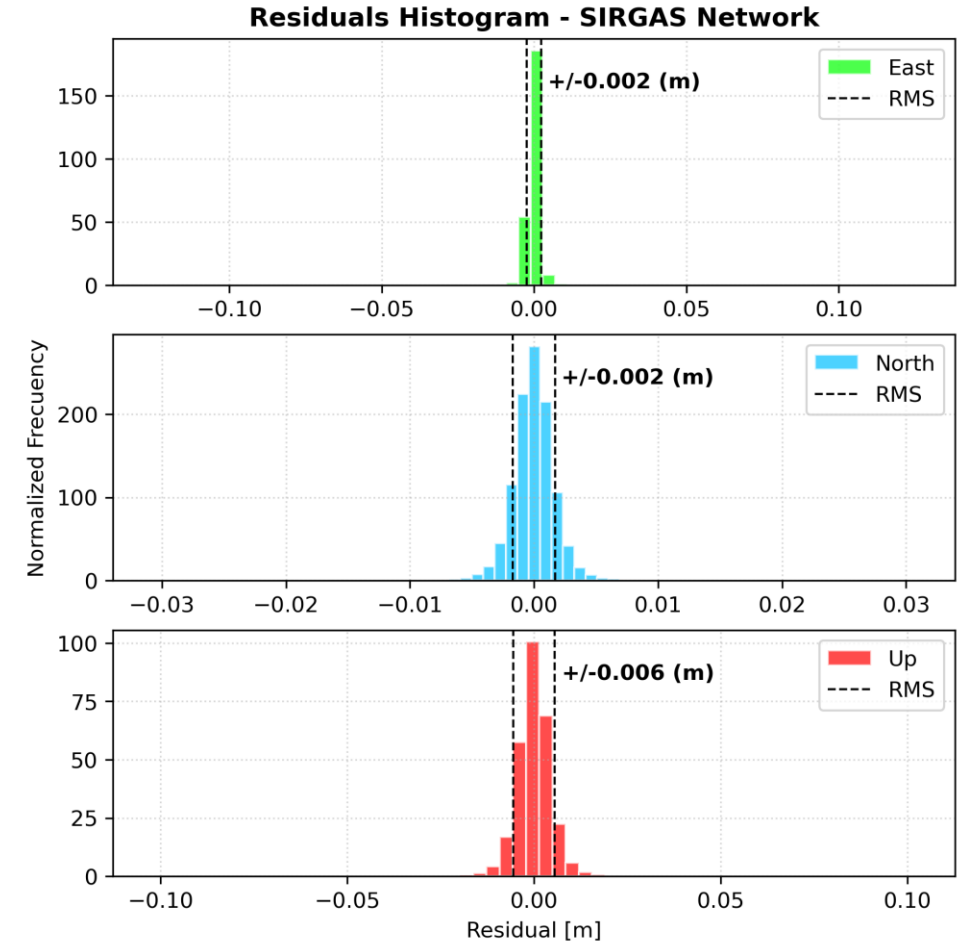


Results – SIRGAS



The residuals for the SIRGAS network, which are the differences between the model and the observed data, are compiled in a histogram that shows the residuals for the entire network. Key points to highlight:

- Millimetre-level precision in the East, North and Up coordinates with RMS values of 2 mm, 2 mm and 6 mm, respectively.



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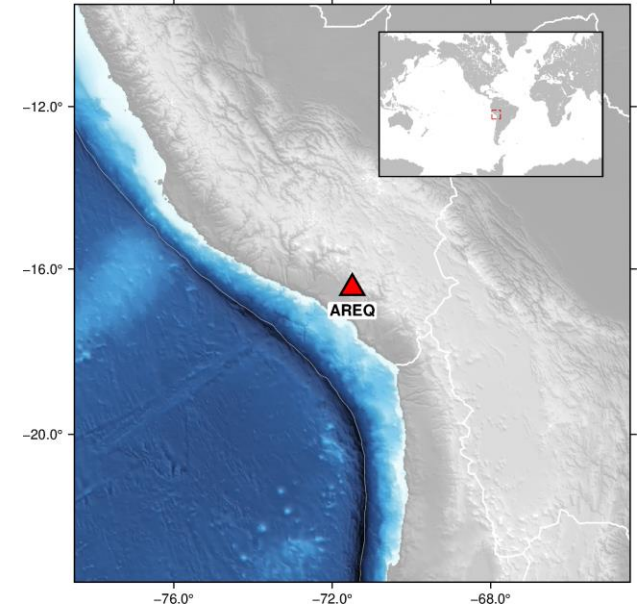
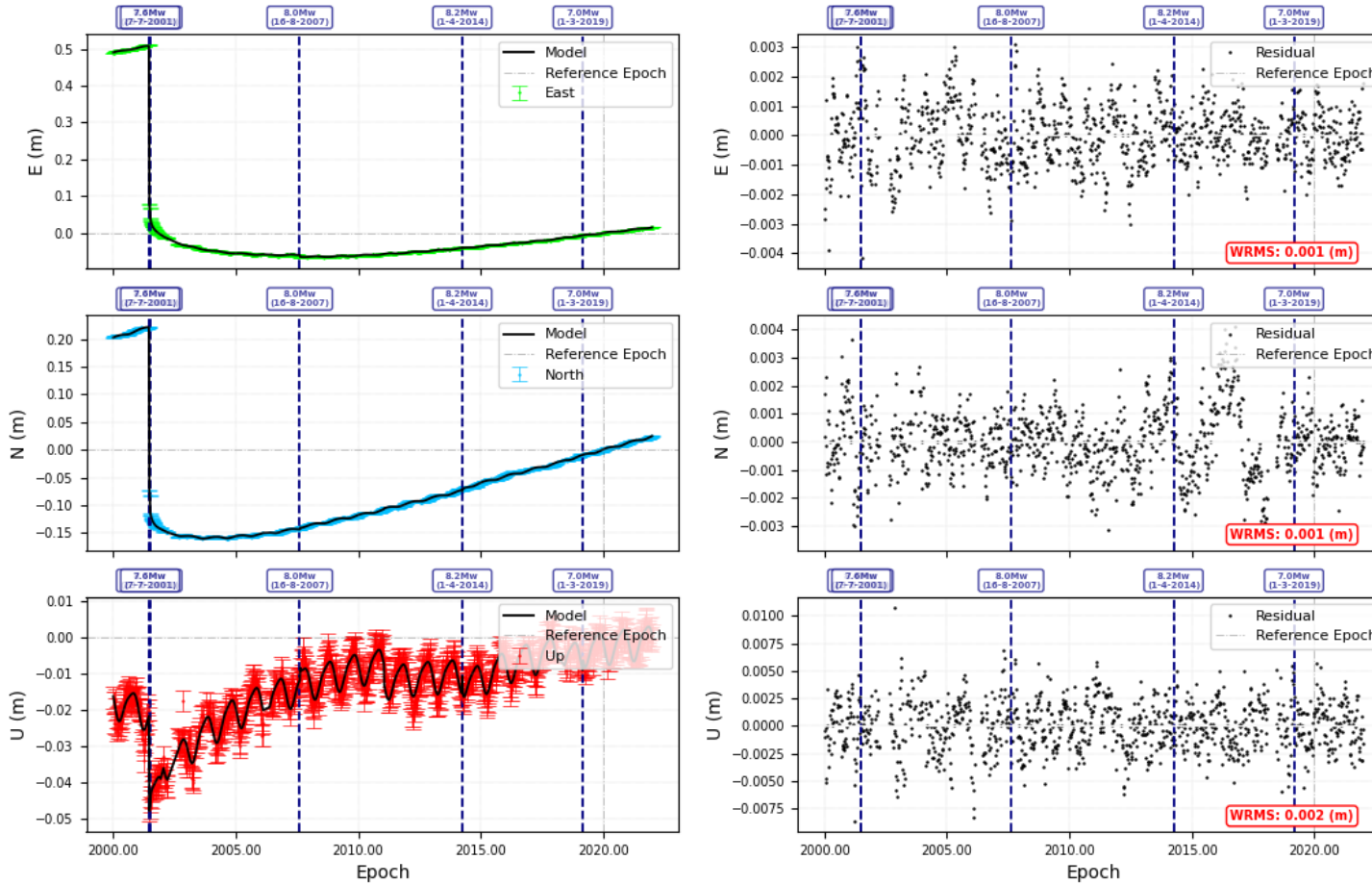




Results – SIRGAS



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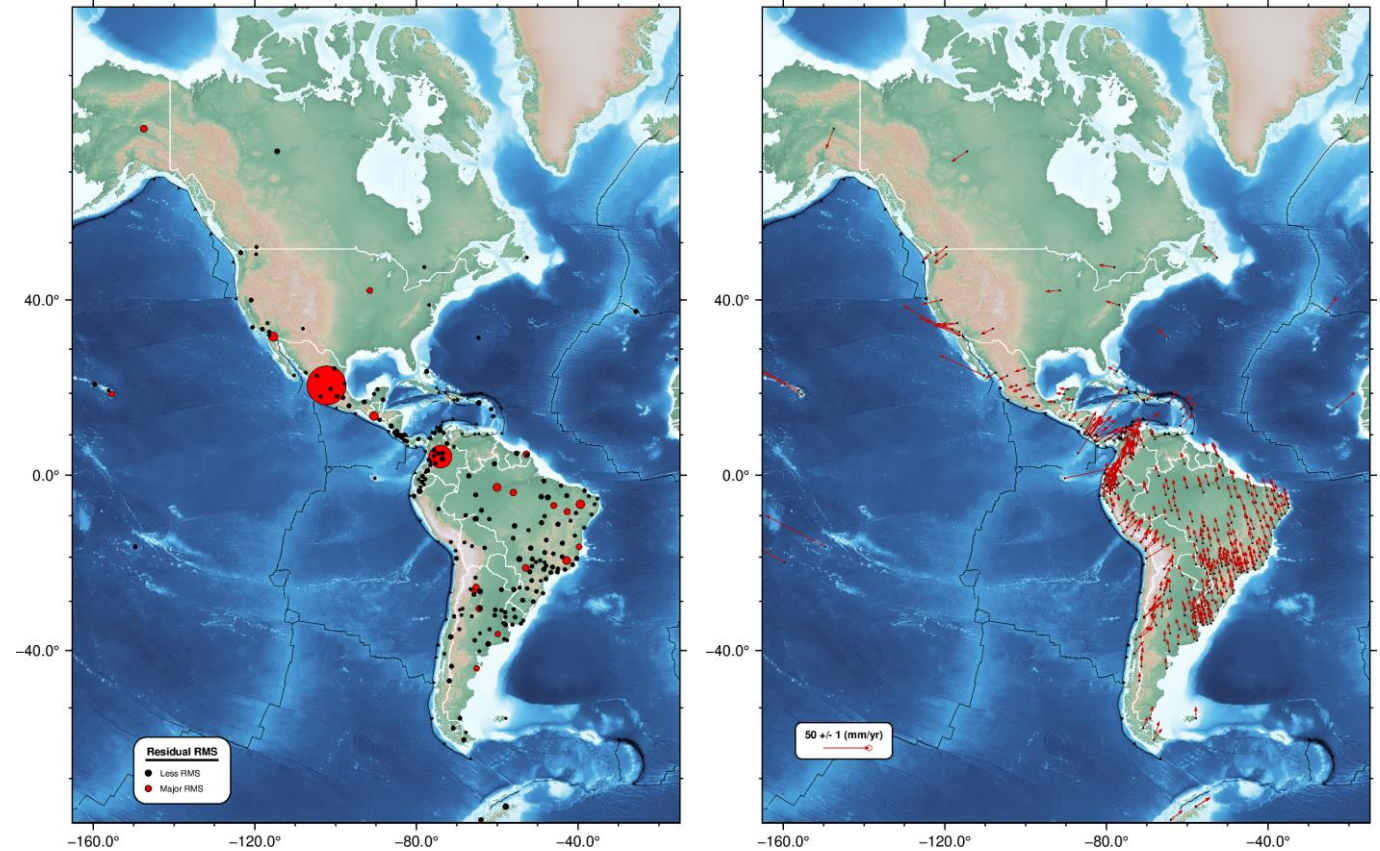


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- **Regional Observations**

- Differential behaviors resulting from the complex tectonic interaction in the region.
- Deformation patterns that align with the different plate boundaries.



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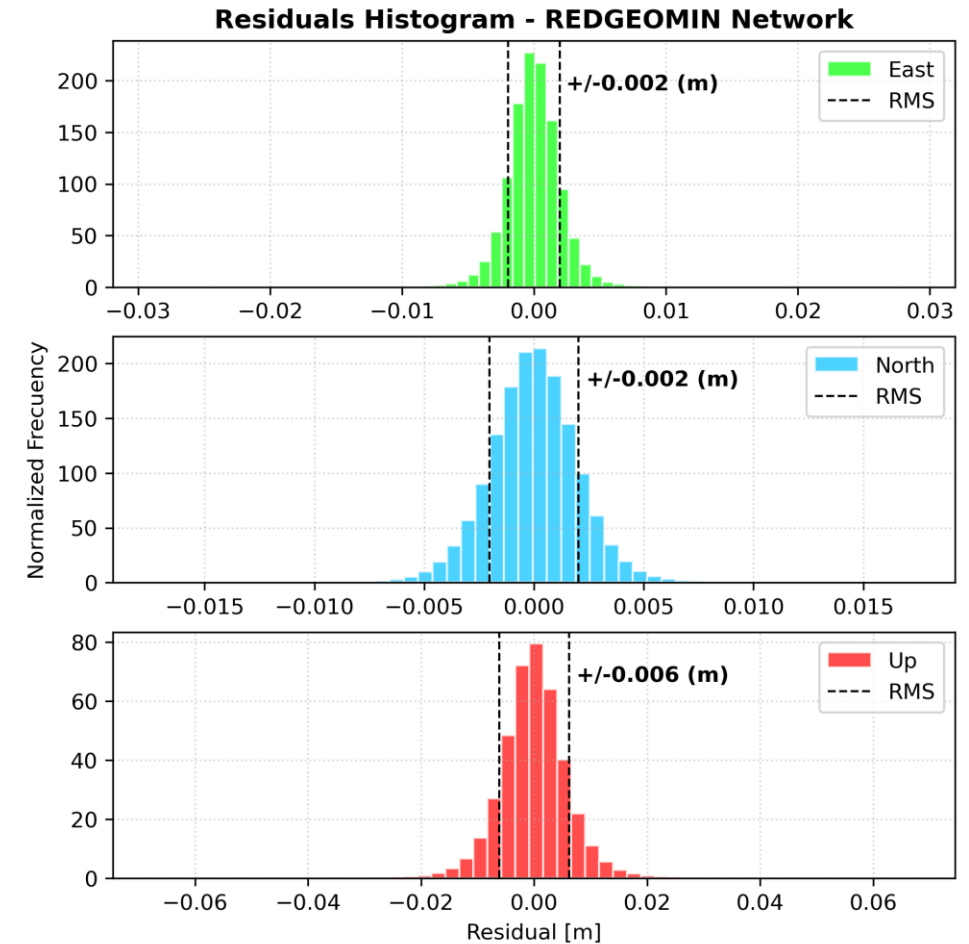


Results – REDGEOMIN



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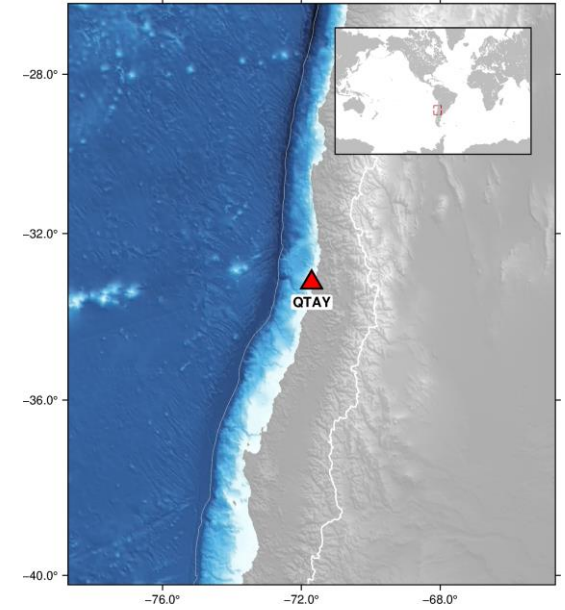
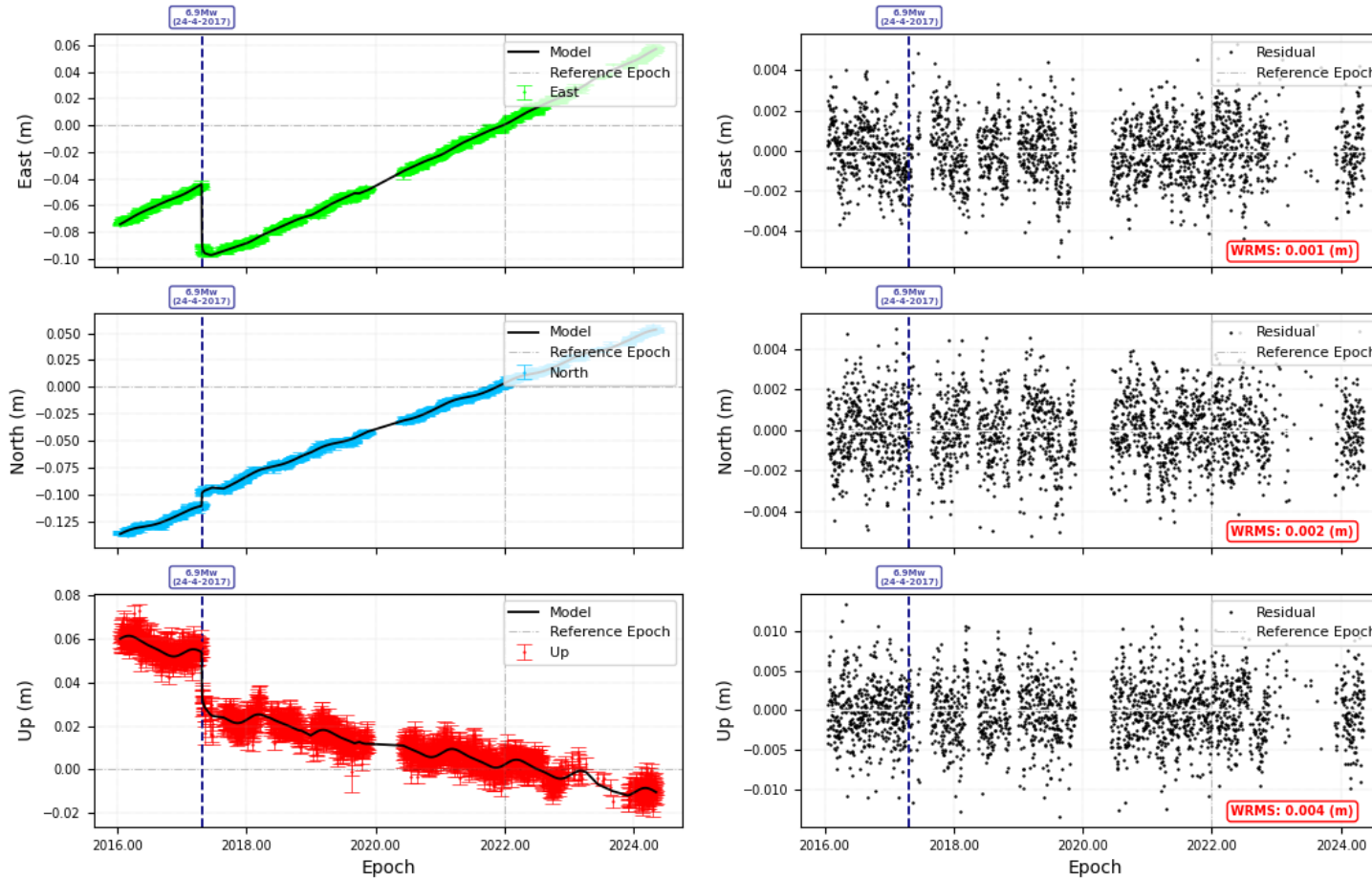




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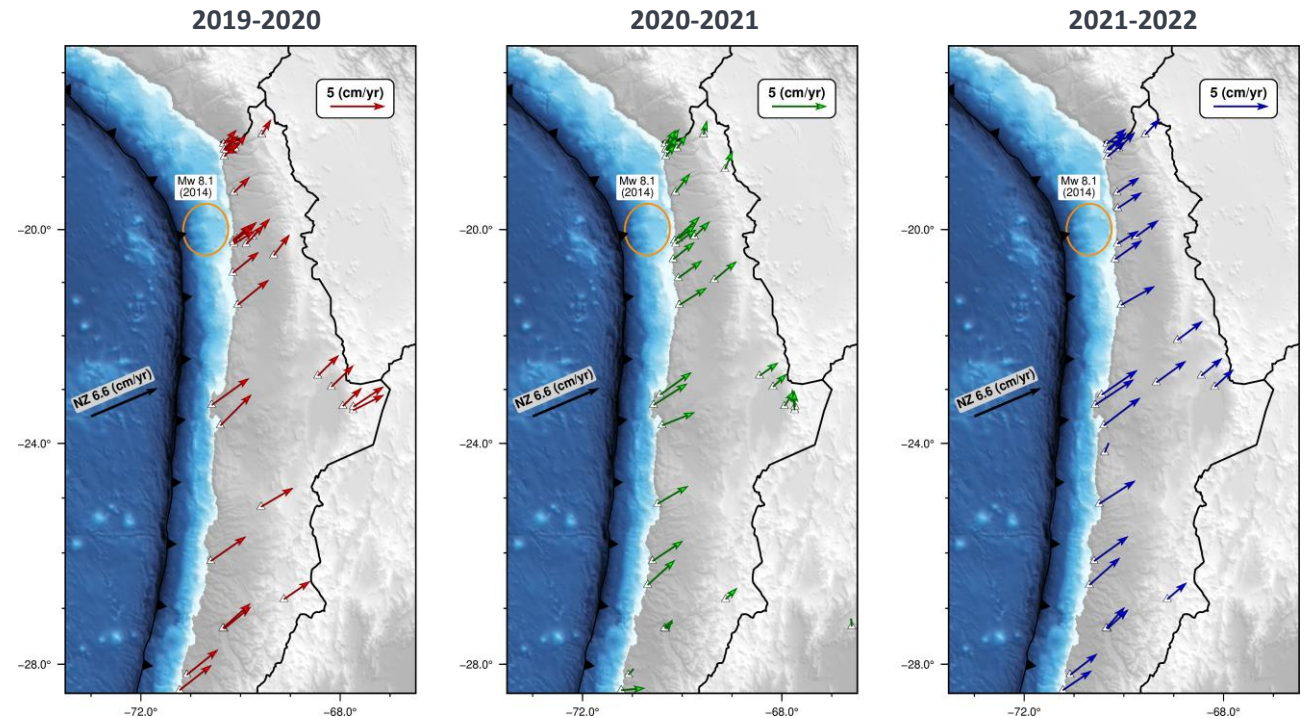
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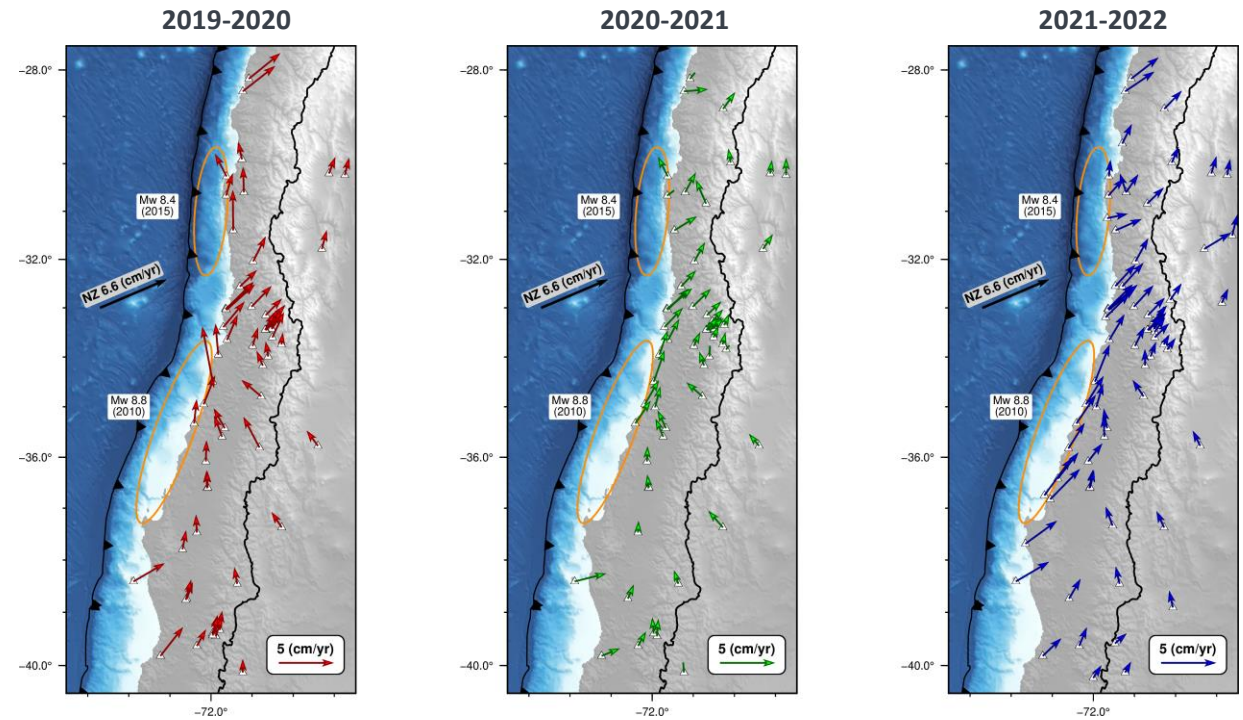


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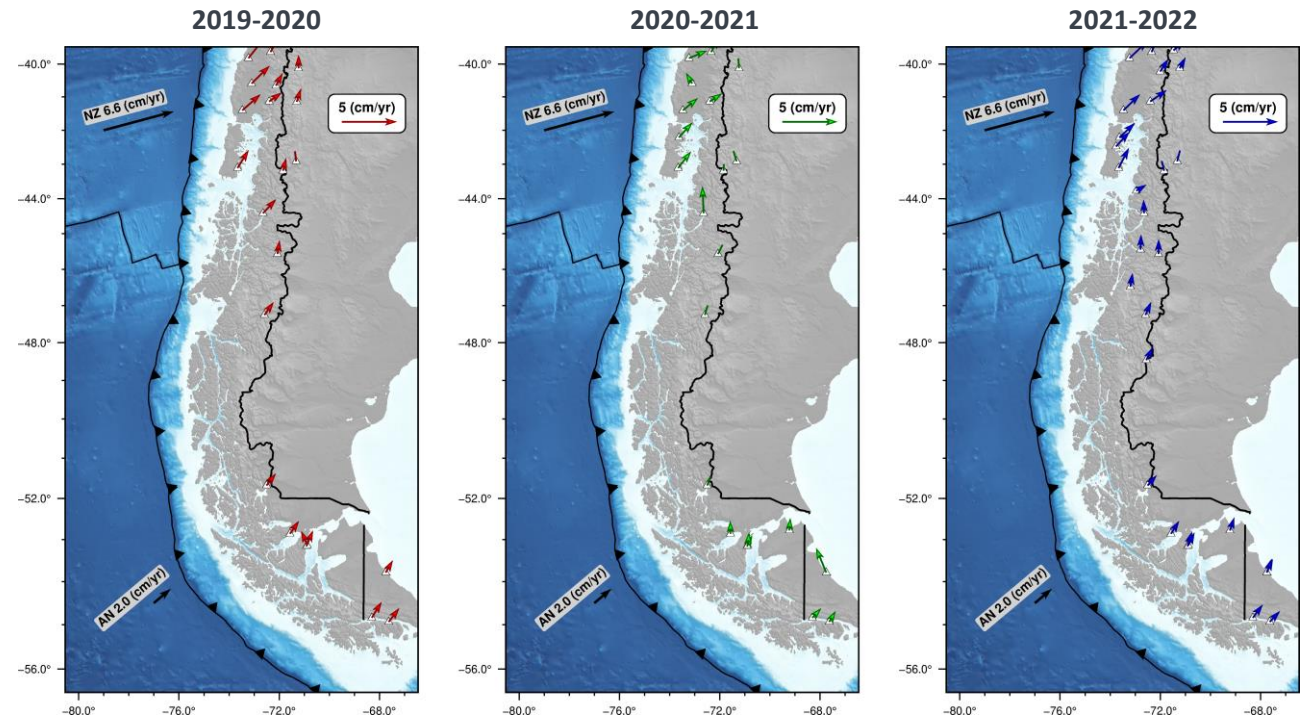
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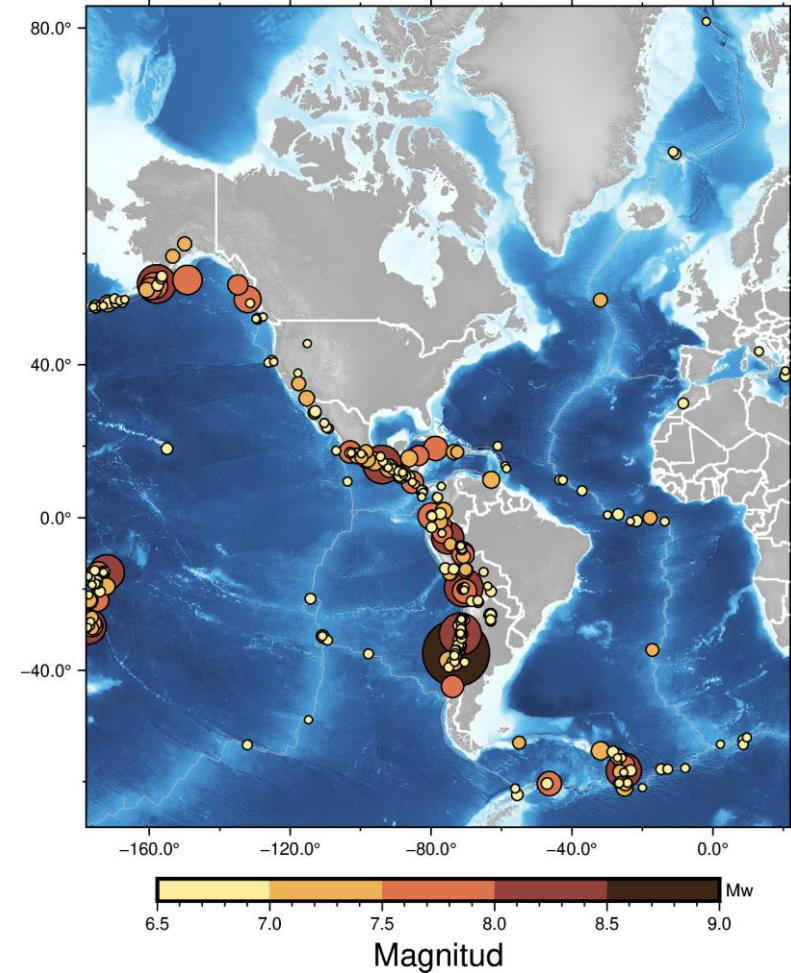


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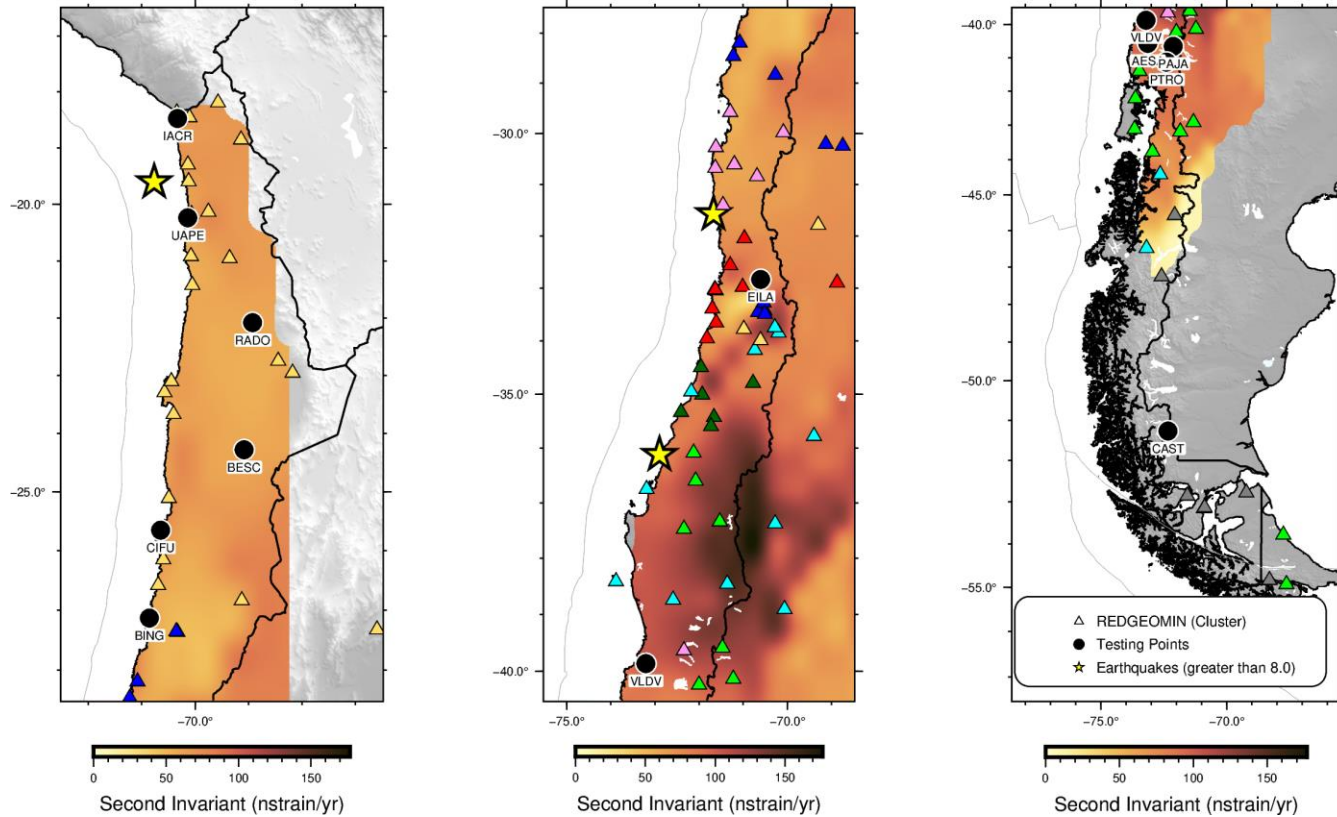
- **Deformation Rates**
 - Analysis of Earth's surface changes
 - Accurate fitting of GNSS time series enhances understanding of surface deformation, especially in regions with complex tectonic contexts.
- **Behavioral Differentiation**
 - Areas affected by significant seismic events
 - REDGEOMIN and SIRGAS exhibit deformation patterns influenced by seismic activity and major earthquakes.



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Practical Implications



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- **Sectorization of the region**
 - Improved precision in regional reference frames.
- **Application of GNSS Data Analysis**
 - Impact on updating and modifying geodetic reference systems for enhanced precision and reliability.

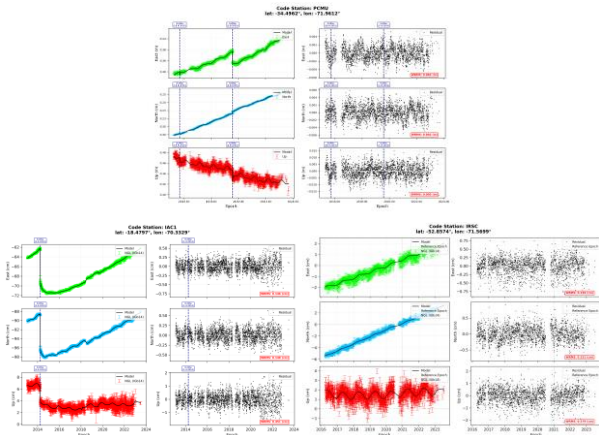
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MEAN (m)	0.006	0.005
MEDIAN (m)	0.004	0.004
STD_DEV (m)	0.005	0.003





Products

Time series coordinates USC Geodetic Processing and Analysis Center



PSD files Testing stage at BSW

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Deformation Model ADELA (Analysis of Deformation beyond Los Andes)





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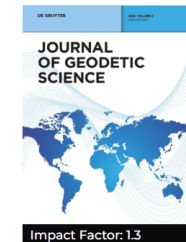
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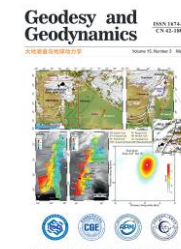
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Conclusions

- **Summary of Findings**

- In continental Chile, there is a pressing need to transition from a static to a kinematic reference frame, given the considerable magnitude of surface deformation caused primarily by seismic activity.
- Non-linear modeling of GNSS time series is crucial in study regions like SIRGAS and REDGEOMIN due to the complex geodynamic context and high seismic activity.

- **Future Work**

- To fully utilize the potential of ML tools (clustering), it is necessary to incorporate relevant information such as active fault systems and the diverse geological contexts prevailing in different regions of the country.
- Apply clustering techniques with machine learning tools to distinguish areas with similar deformation behaviors and analyze these variations over time, observing how they evolve.
- Work on densifying the GNSS station network to improve the surface deformation model and explore more clustering methods to describe surface deformation behavior with greater precision.



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