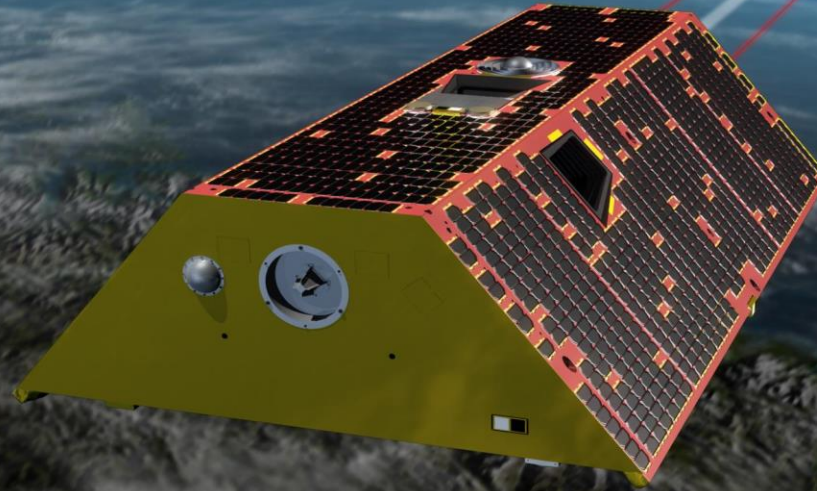


Non-gravitational accelerations and magnetic disturbances

What can be observed from the residual series of accelerometers on GRACE C?

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A data driven model of drag and SRP – Analysis of Residuals

- **Filter method of ACW1B:** Create a weighted 1Hz dataset
- Model **the Drag and the Solar Radiation Pressure** (SRP) from measurements of GRACE C
- Investigation of **residual series** using signal **decomposition**

Weighted datasets are important:

Analysis in the frequency domain

Accuracy of the models

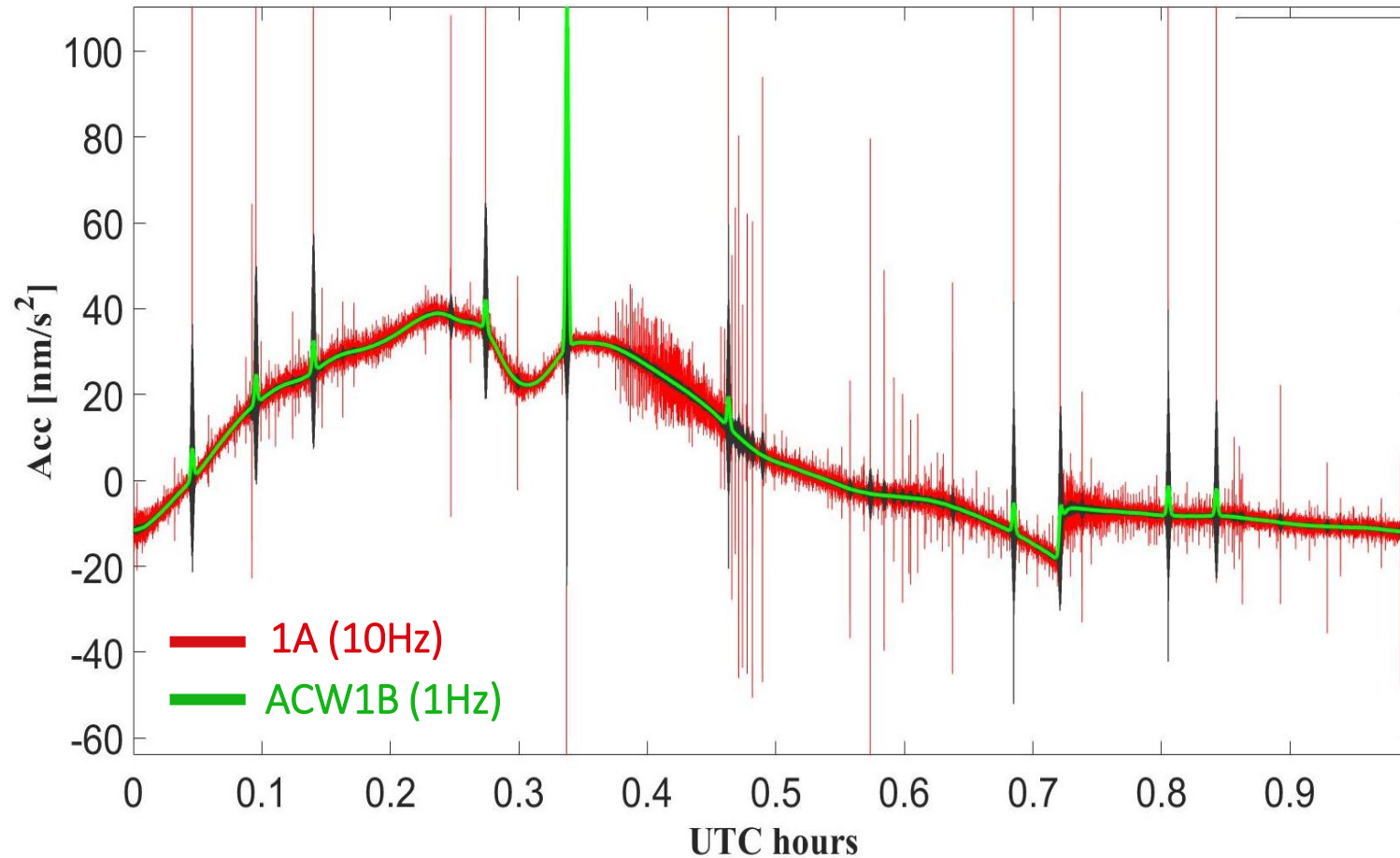
Physical Drag models are not well determined

Large residuals in the x-axis

Analysis into different frequency bands

ACW1B: Weighted dataset

Radial direction: z-axis



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Importance of Weighted datasets

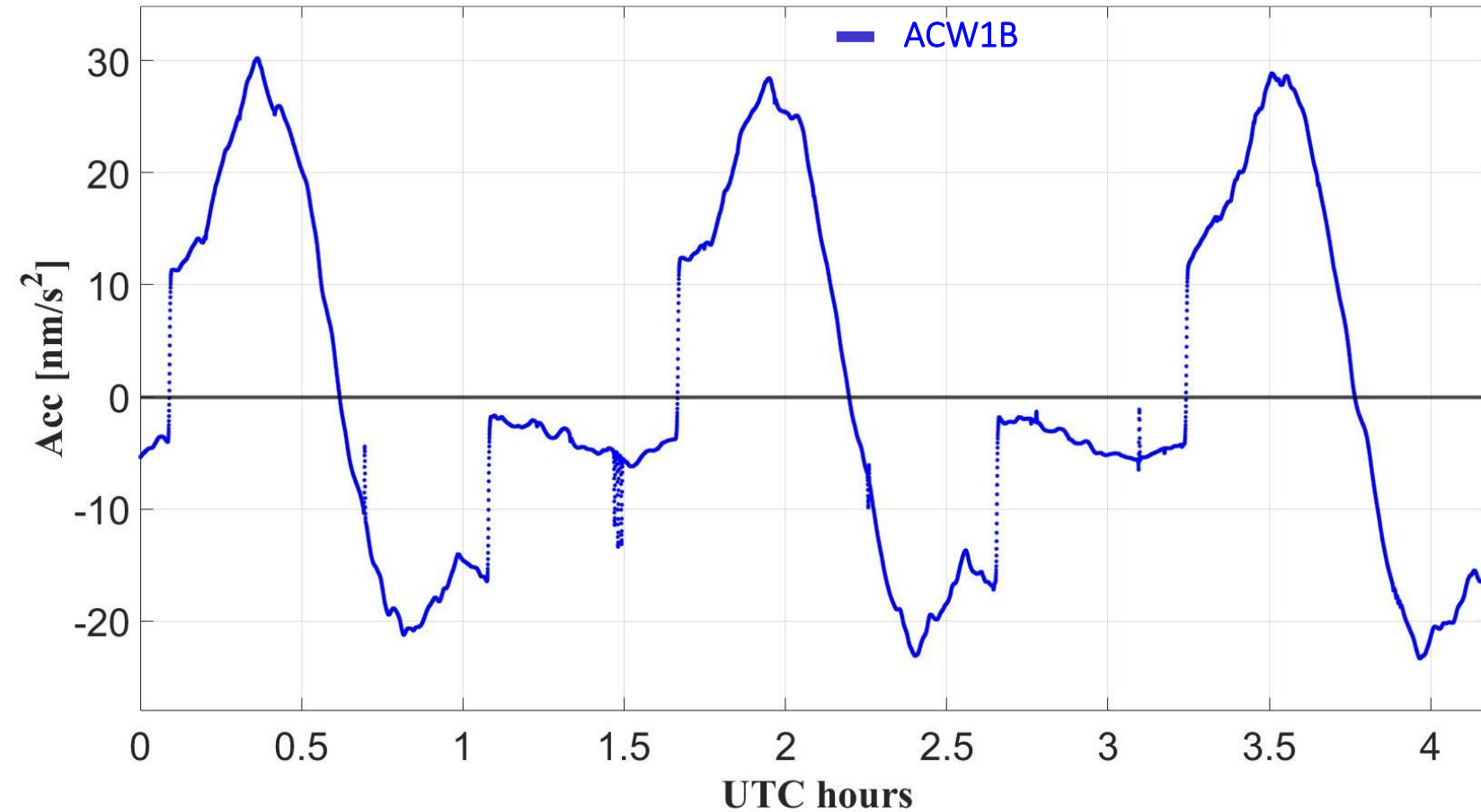
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Models and Residuals are weighted

Noisy measurements on the **y-axis** and the **z-axis**

Drag and Radiation Pressure Models on GRACE-FO

Innovation: DRAG and SRP weighted models based on satellite measurements

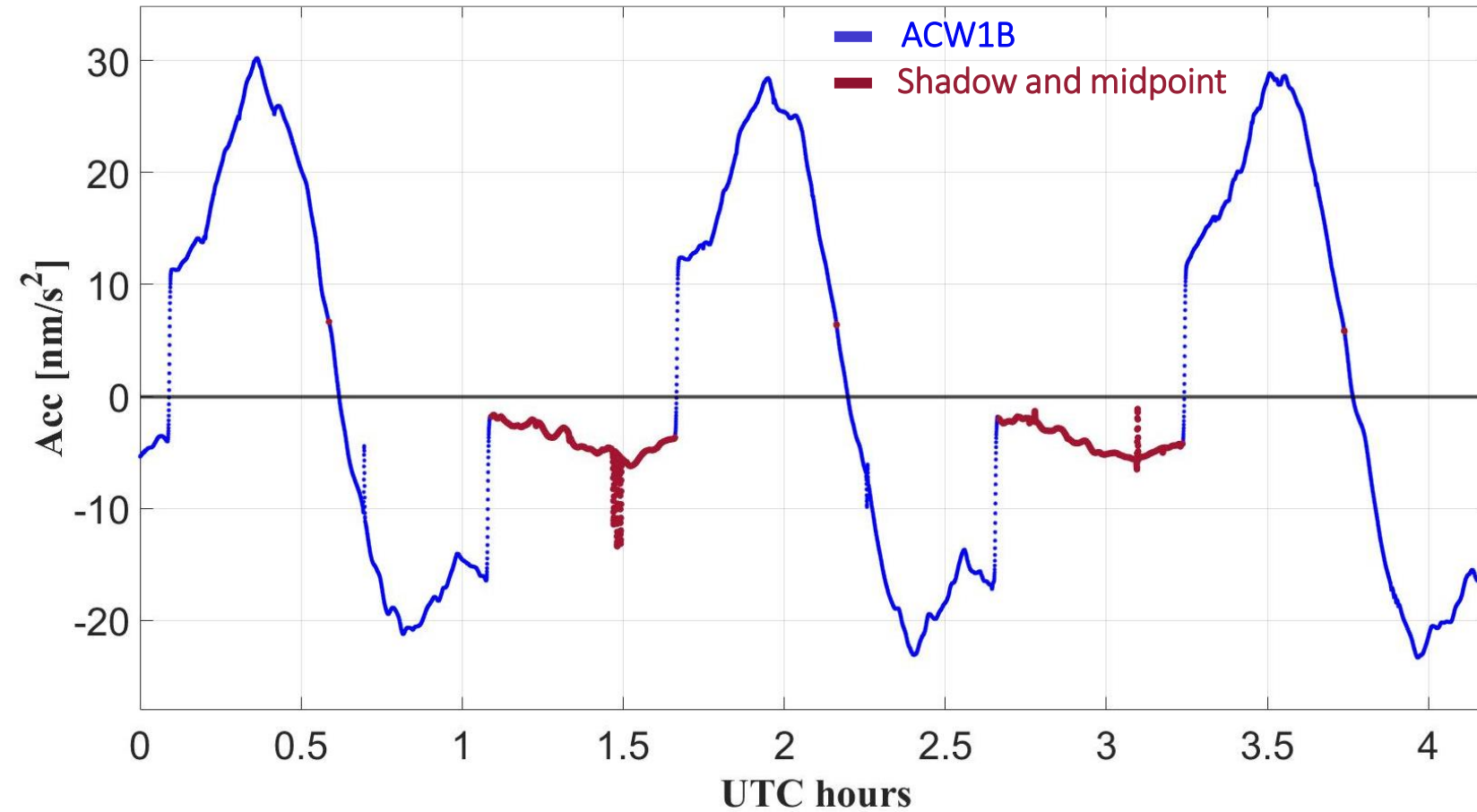


x-axis (along track)

- The most affected axis by the **drag**
- Model of drag very **challenging**
- The **largest** residuals

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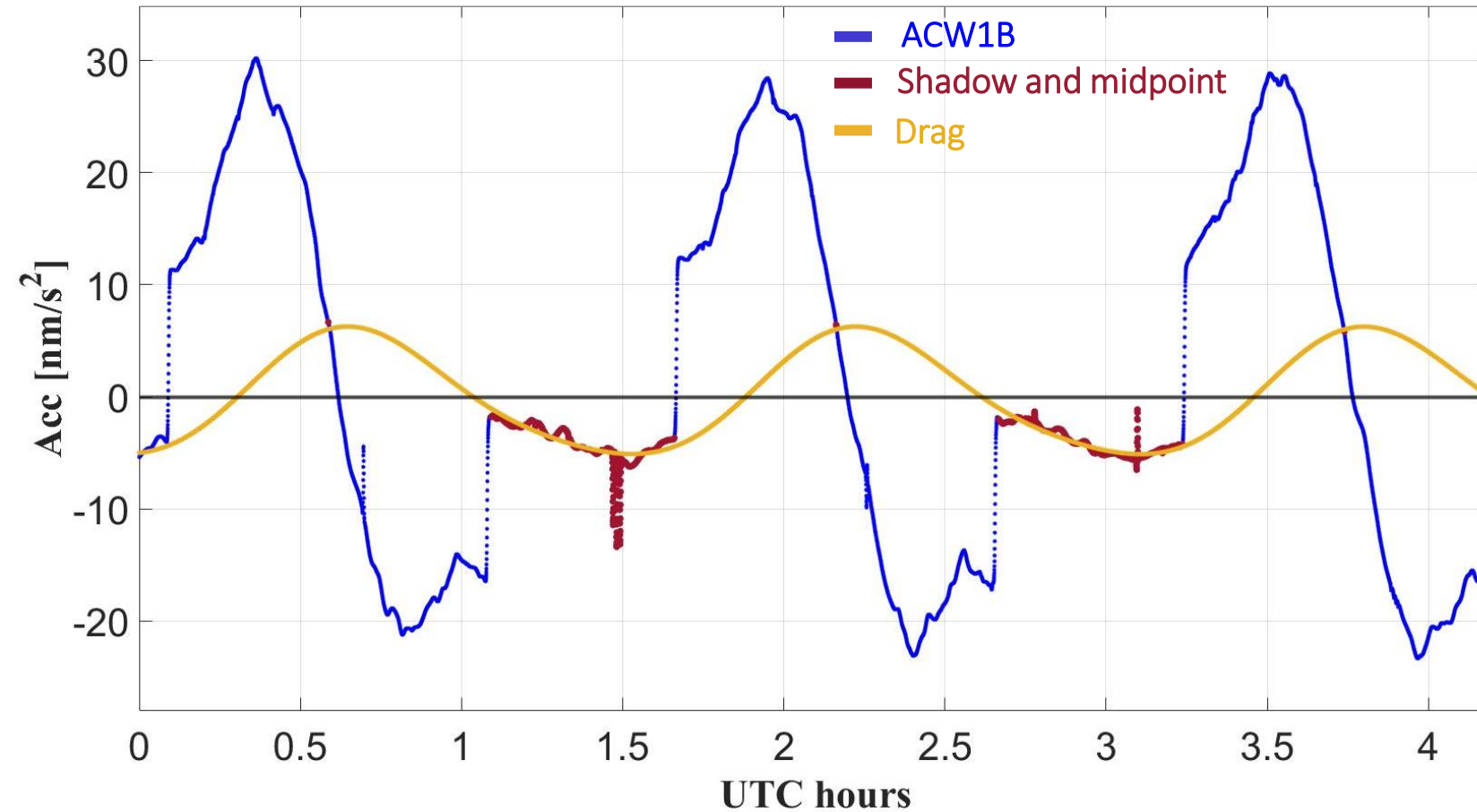


x-axis (along track)

- Select the **shadow parts** and the **midpoint** of the sun part.
- These points → **SRP=0**

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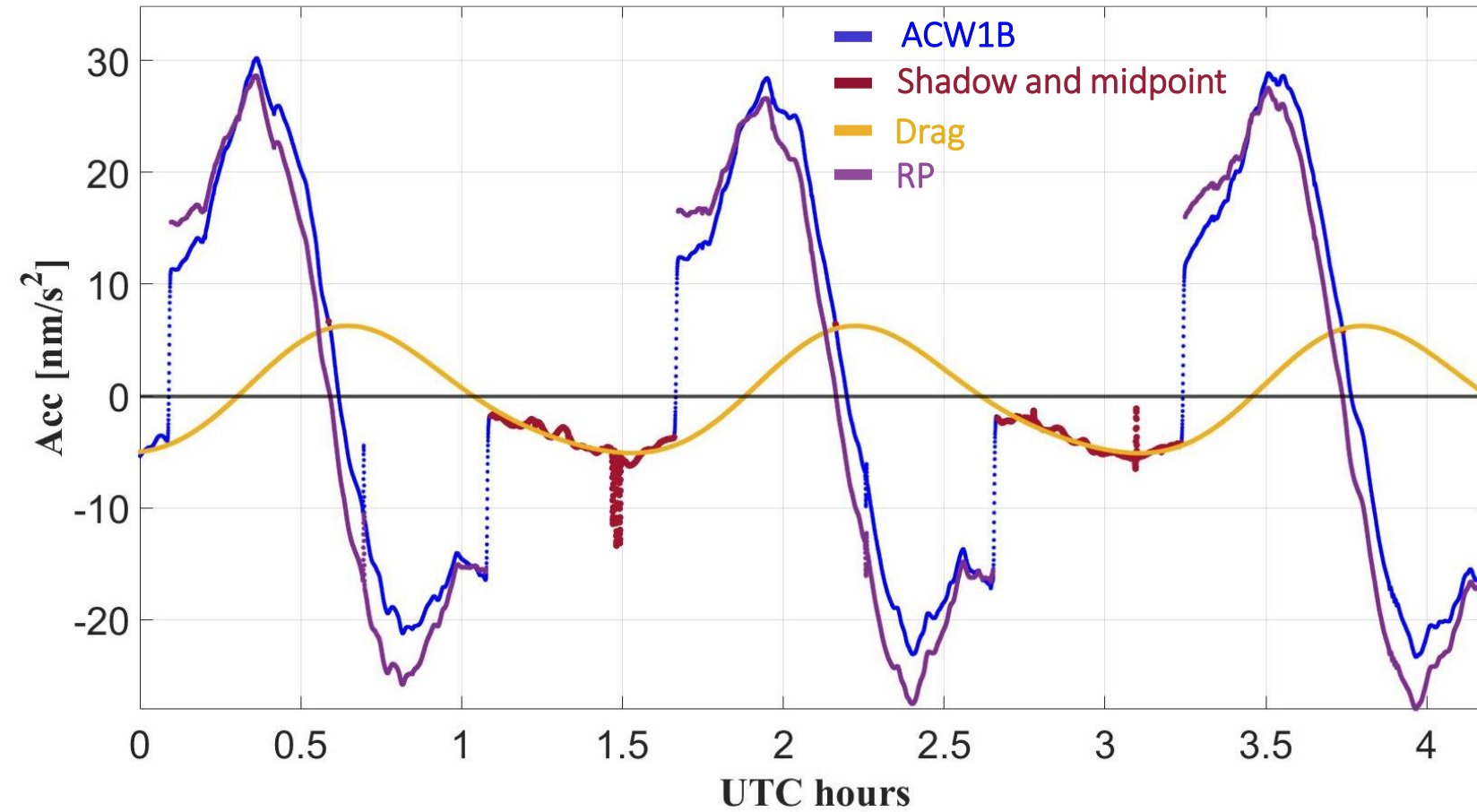


x-axis (along track)

- Modelling the drag using the LSSA.
- Resonant frequencies: 0.17mHz 0.35mHz (**Period** and **2nd harmonic**)

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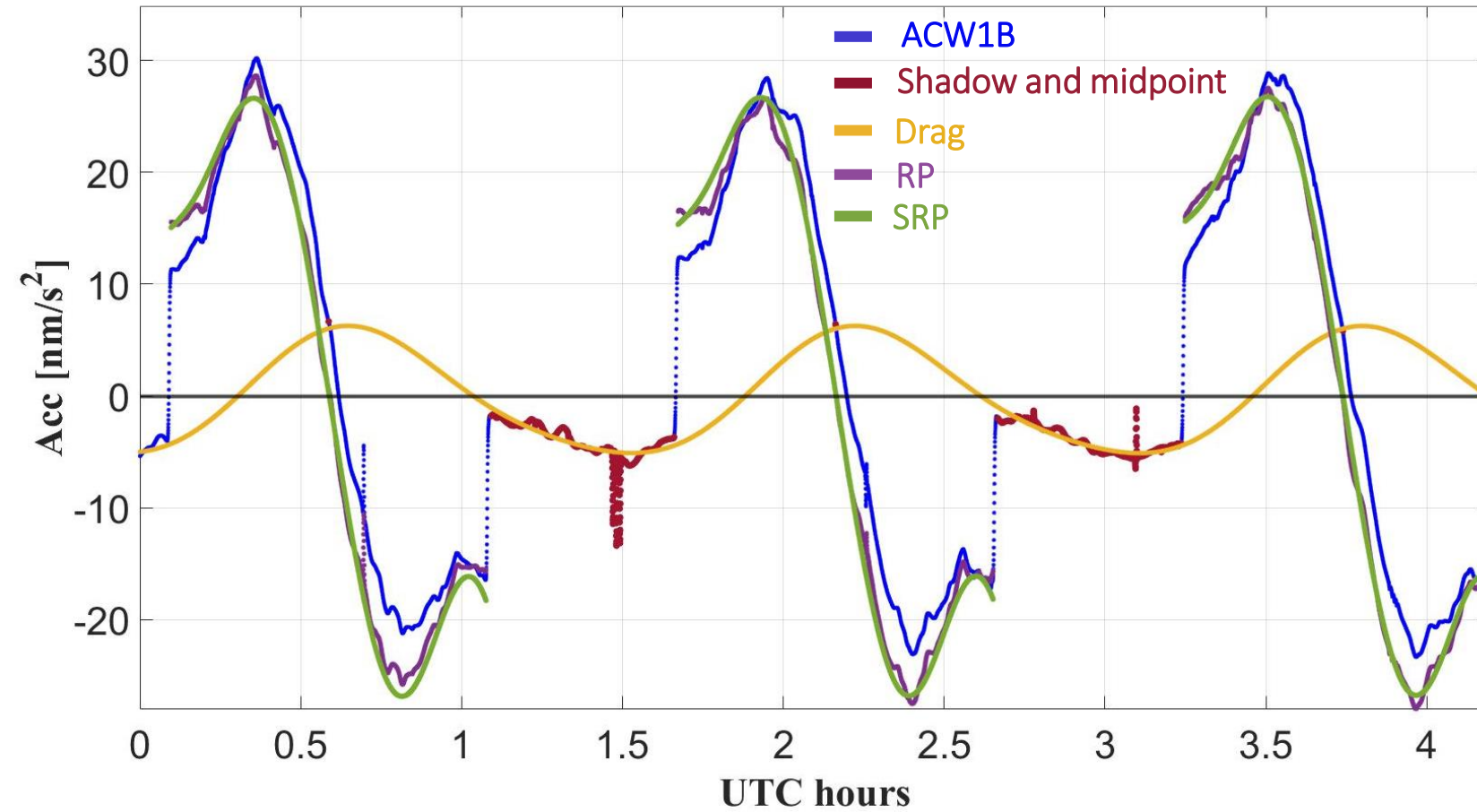


x-axis (along track)

- Radiation Pressure = ACW1B- drag
- RP: SRP, Thermal Radiation, shorter drag variations

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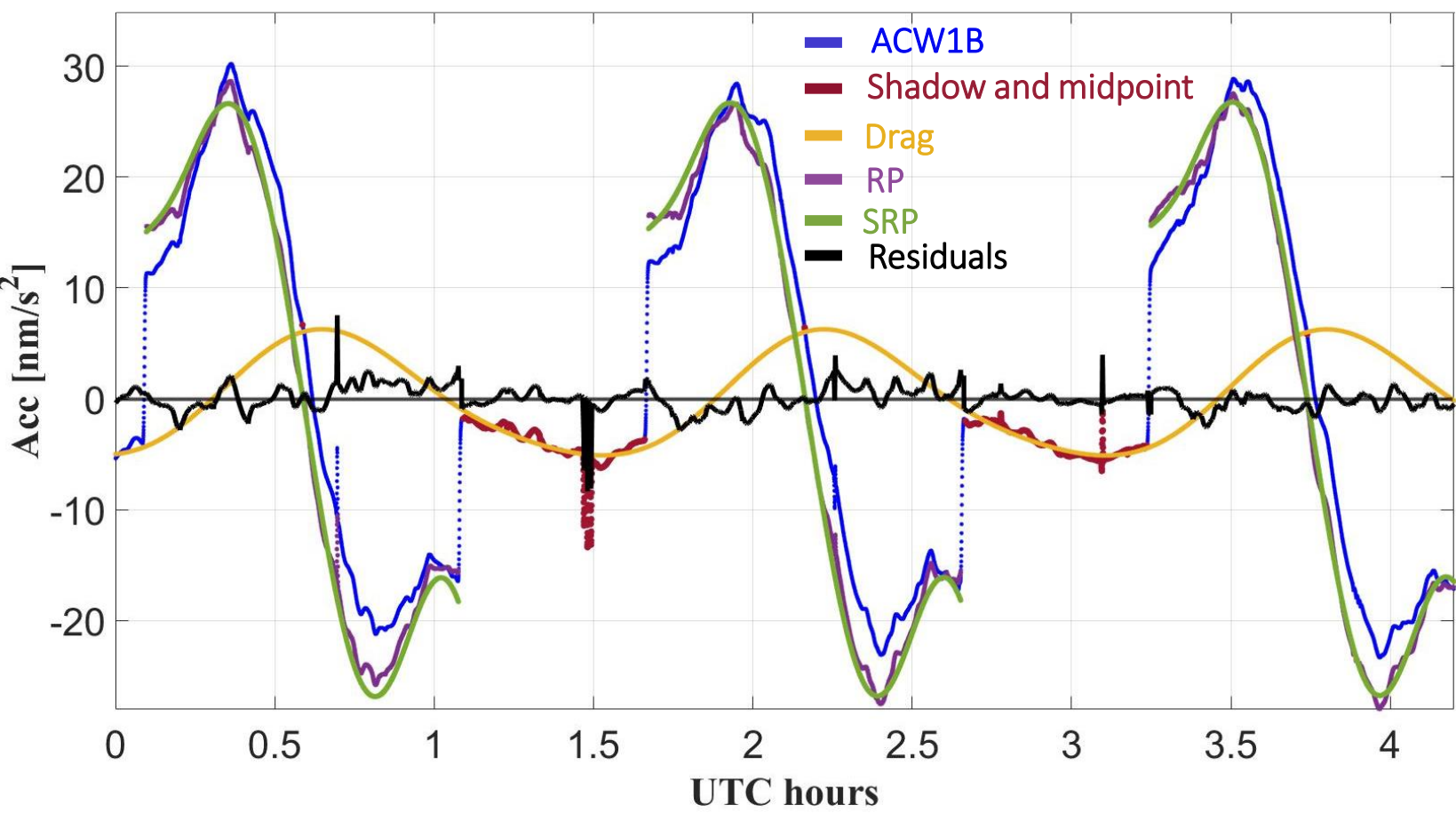


x-axis (along track)

- Modeling the RP \longrightarrow SRP
- Resonant frequencies: **Period** and the **3 harmonics**

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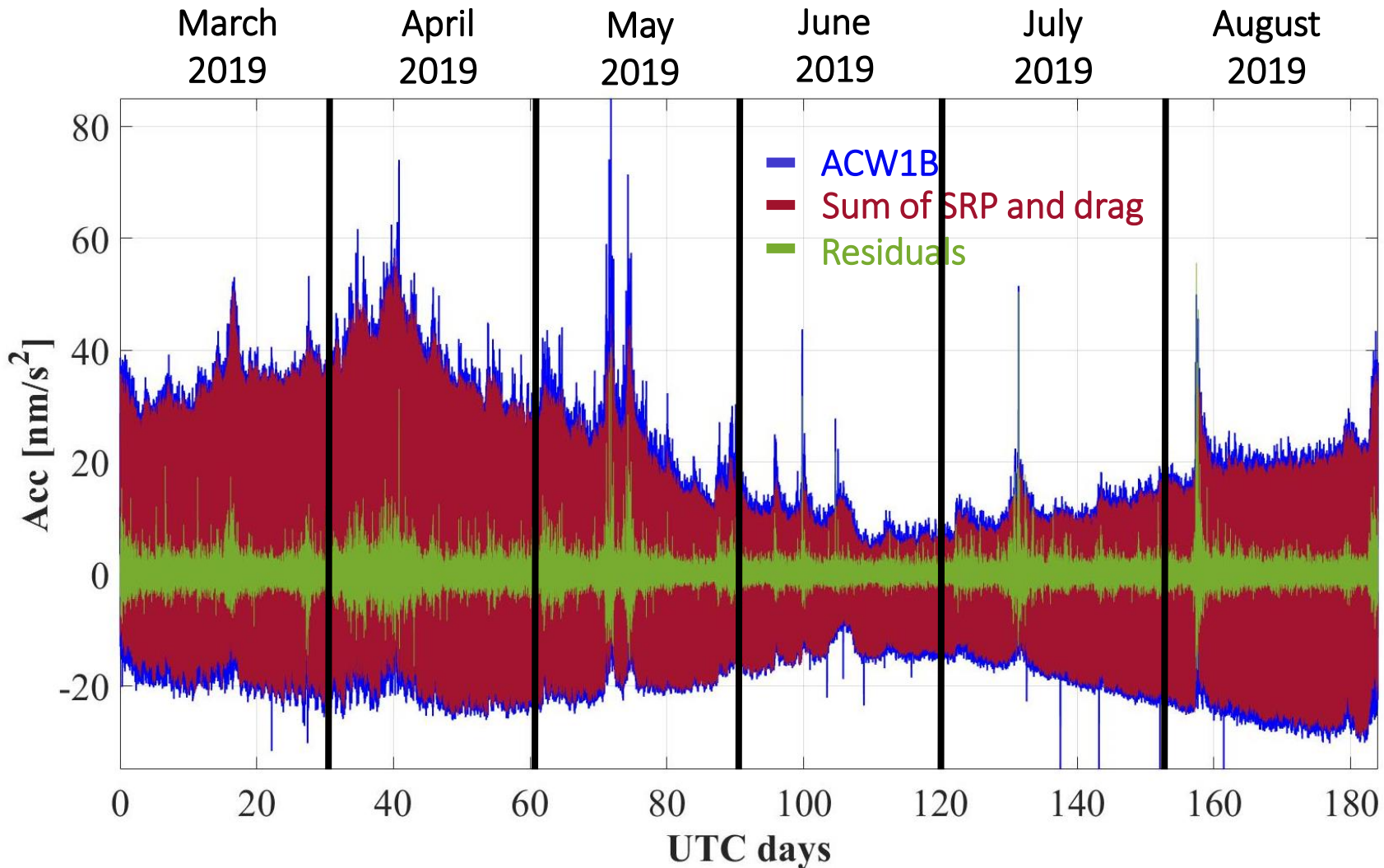


- x-axis (along track)
- Drag variations, Radiation Pressure
 - Weighted residuals

	Standard deviation
ACW1B	$\sim 0.5 \text{ nm/s}^2$
DRAG	$\sim 1.5 \text{ nm/s}^2$
SRP	$\sim 1.8 \text{ nm/s}^2$

Drag and Radiation Pressure Models on GRACE-FO

Weighted data driven model of Drag and SRP: March 2019-May 2019



x-axis (along track)

- Drag variations, ERP, Thermal variations
- $Kp > 4$ → Larger Residuals

Signal Decomposition of Residuals

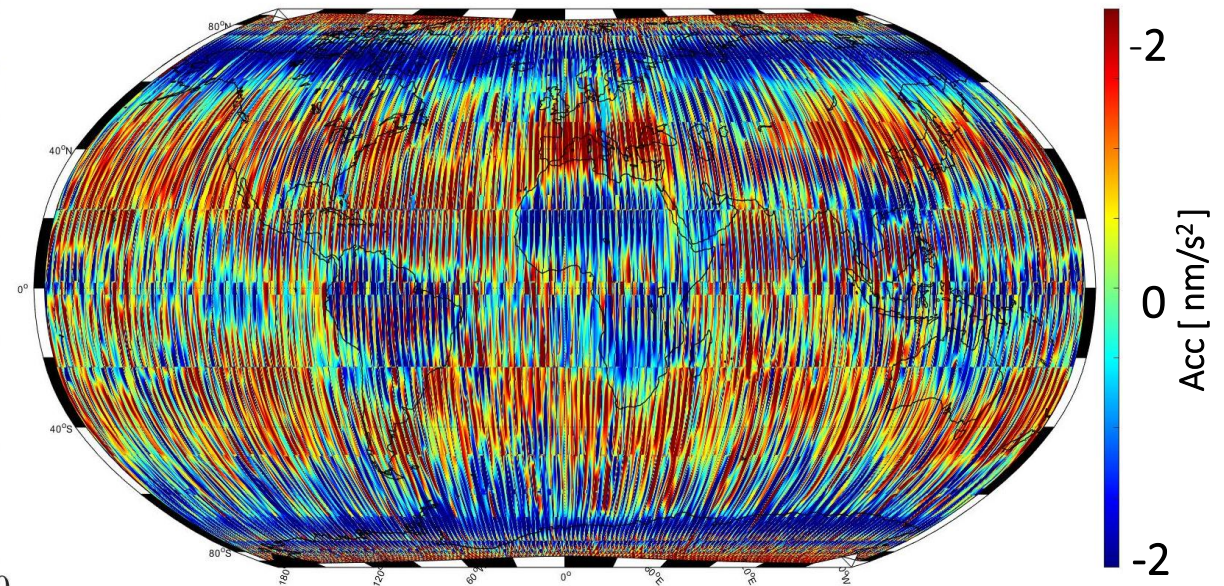
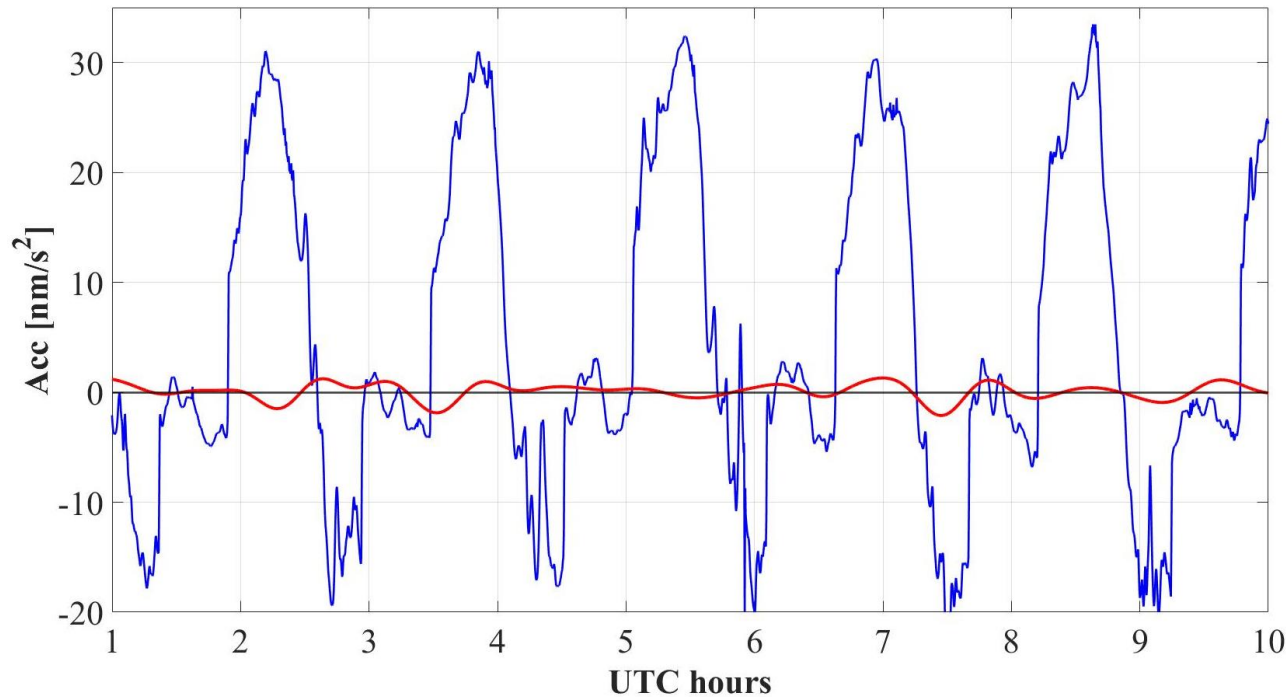
Signal Multiresolution: Signal Decomposition using wavelets into different levels **x-axis**

- Residual series: lowpass filter of 9mHz
- Decomposition using wavelets db4 of 13 Levels

0.1 mHz – 0.51 mHz



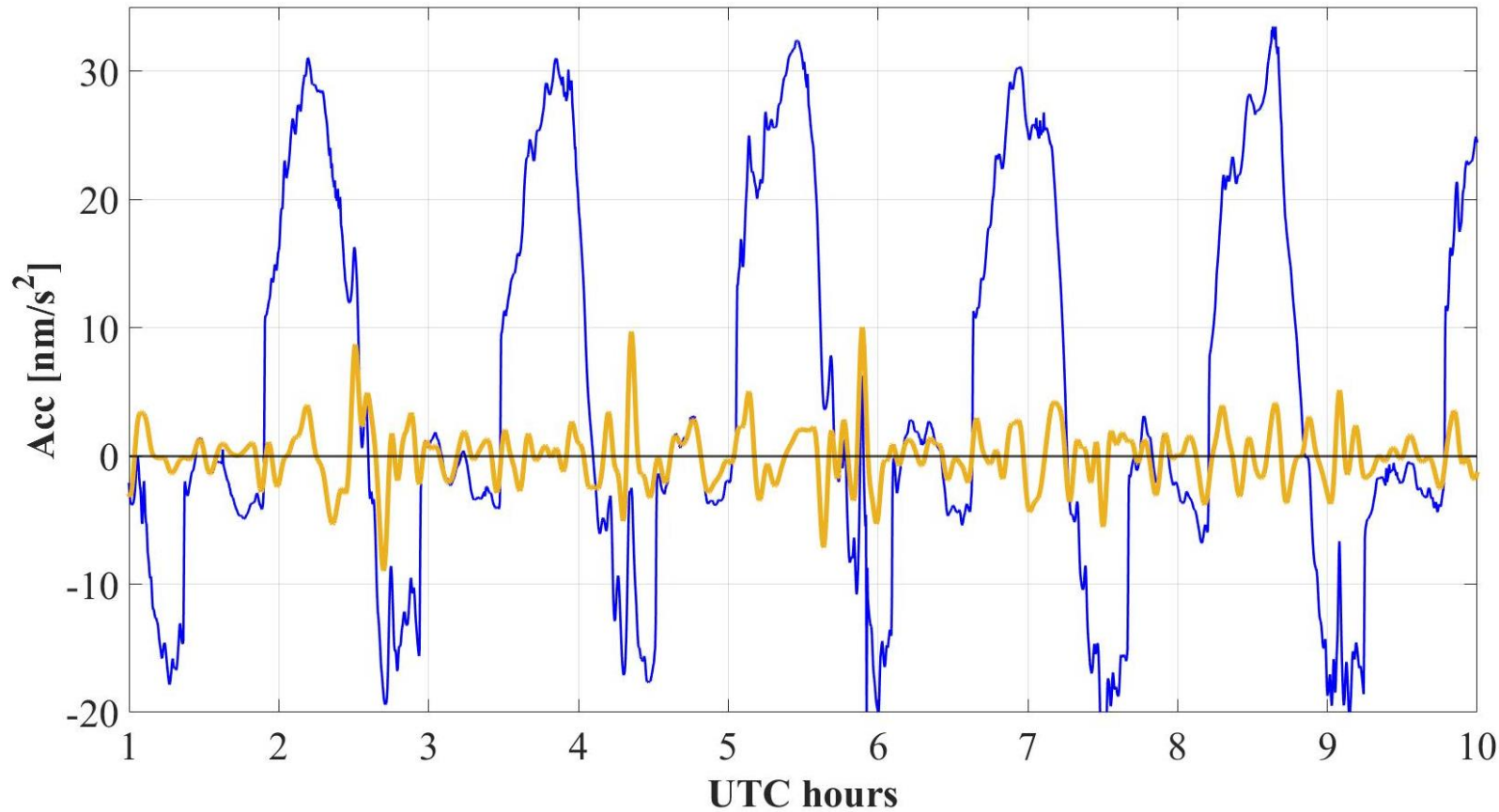
Radiation?



Signal Decomposition of Residuals

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0.5 mHz – 4 mHz → Drag variations due to atmospheric changes



Shorter wavelengths

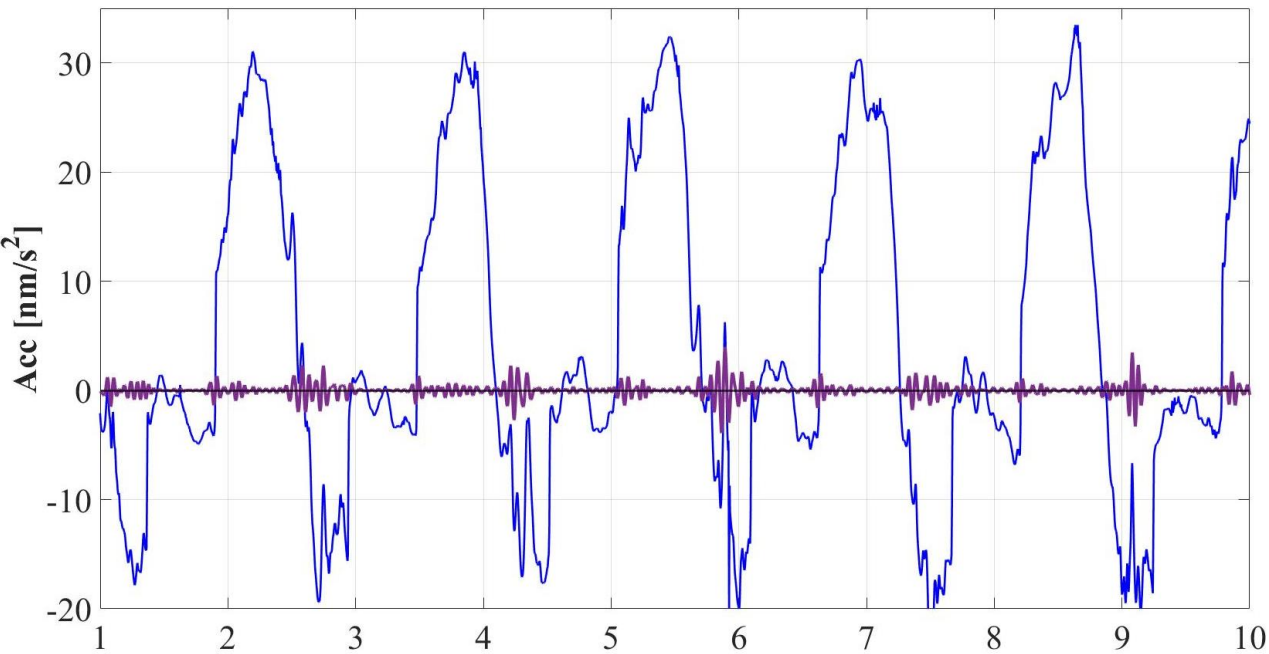
Disturbances in
agreement with the
shadow parts

Signal Decomposition of Residuals

$4\text{mHz} - 8\text{ mHz}$ \longrightarrow Disturbances only in the poles

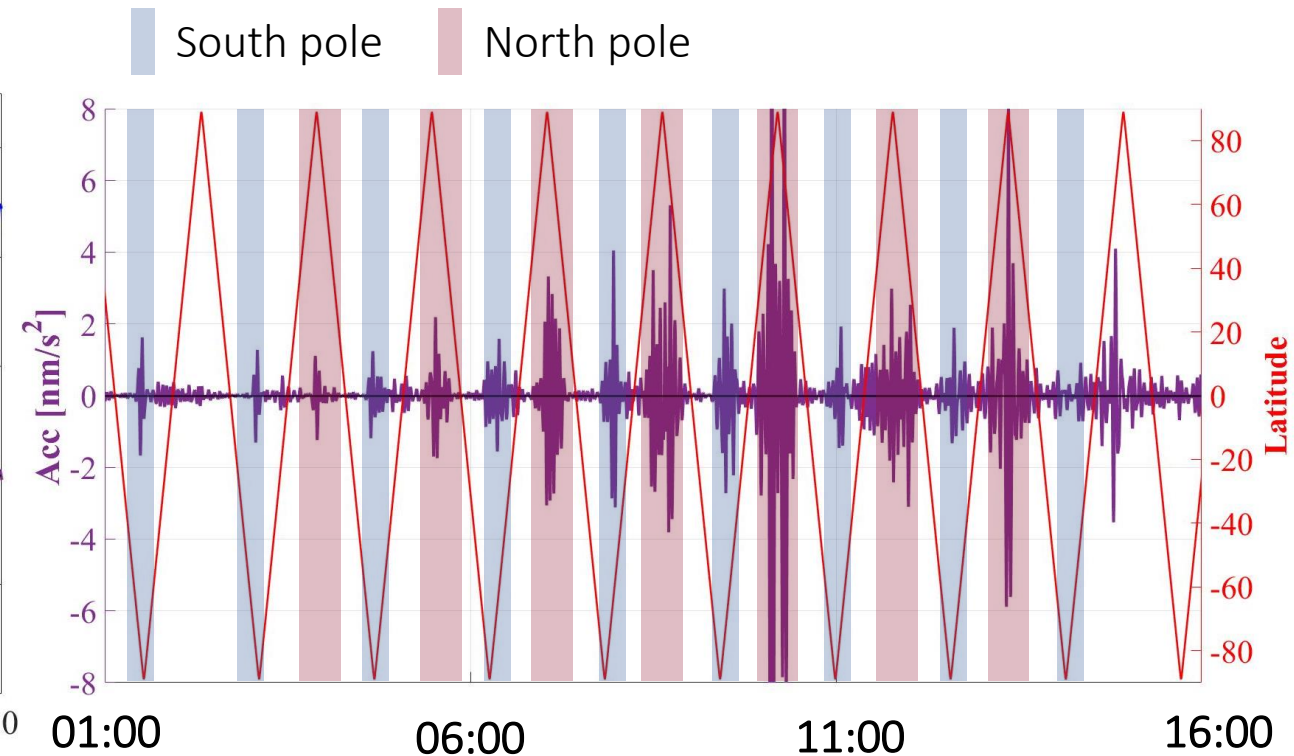
Ignore Signals $< 0.5\text{ nm/s}^2$

Quiet day : Disturbances at descending orbits 65° S



UTC hours – 4 March 2019

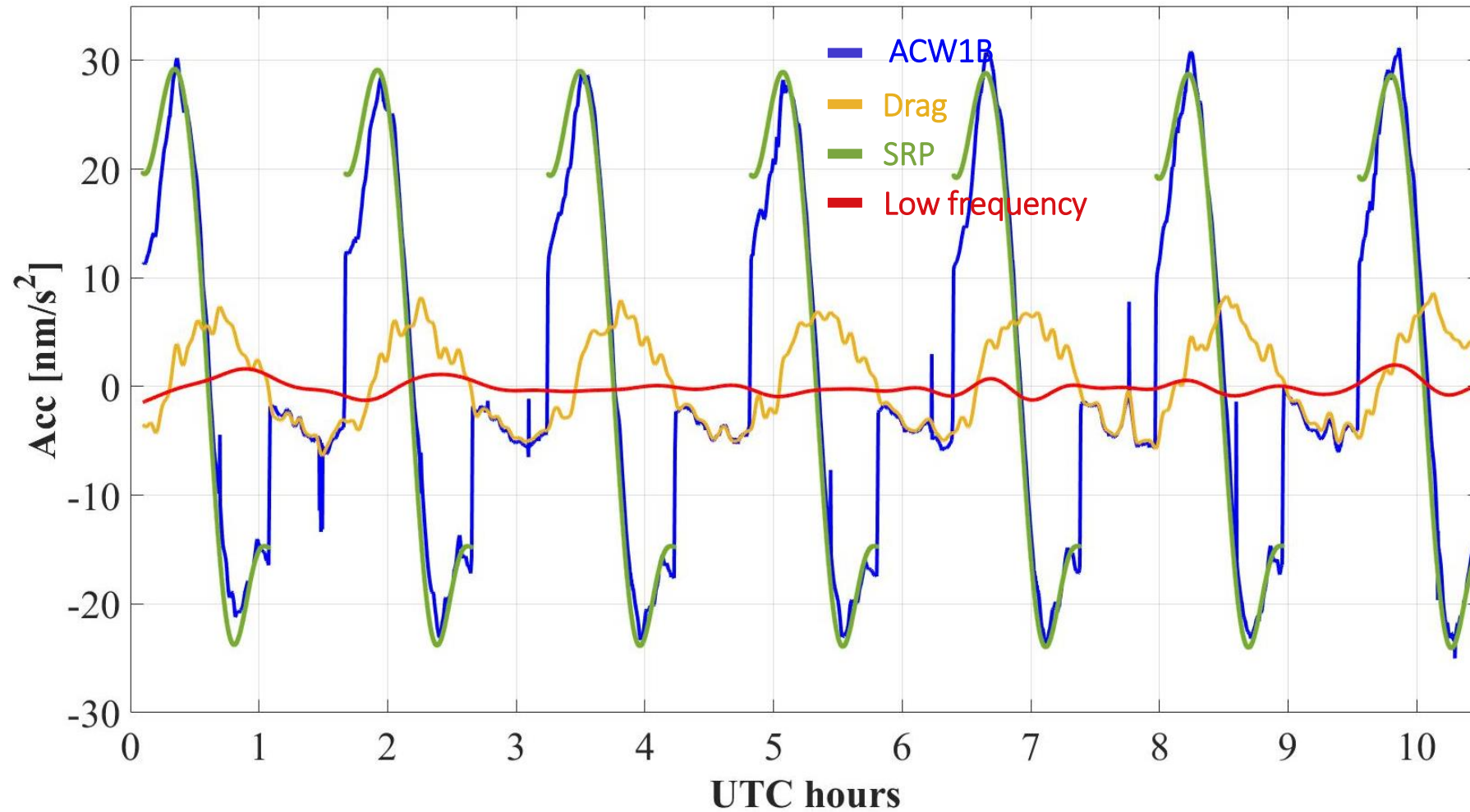
Correlation with the LT of the geomagnetic storm



UTC hours – 5 August 2019

Final SRP and Drag models

x-axis: November 18, 2018



Attribute the shorter drag variations to the drag model from LSSA

Summary – Future Work

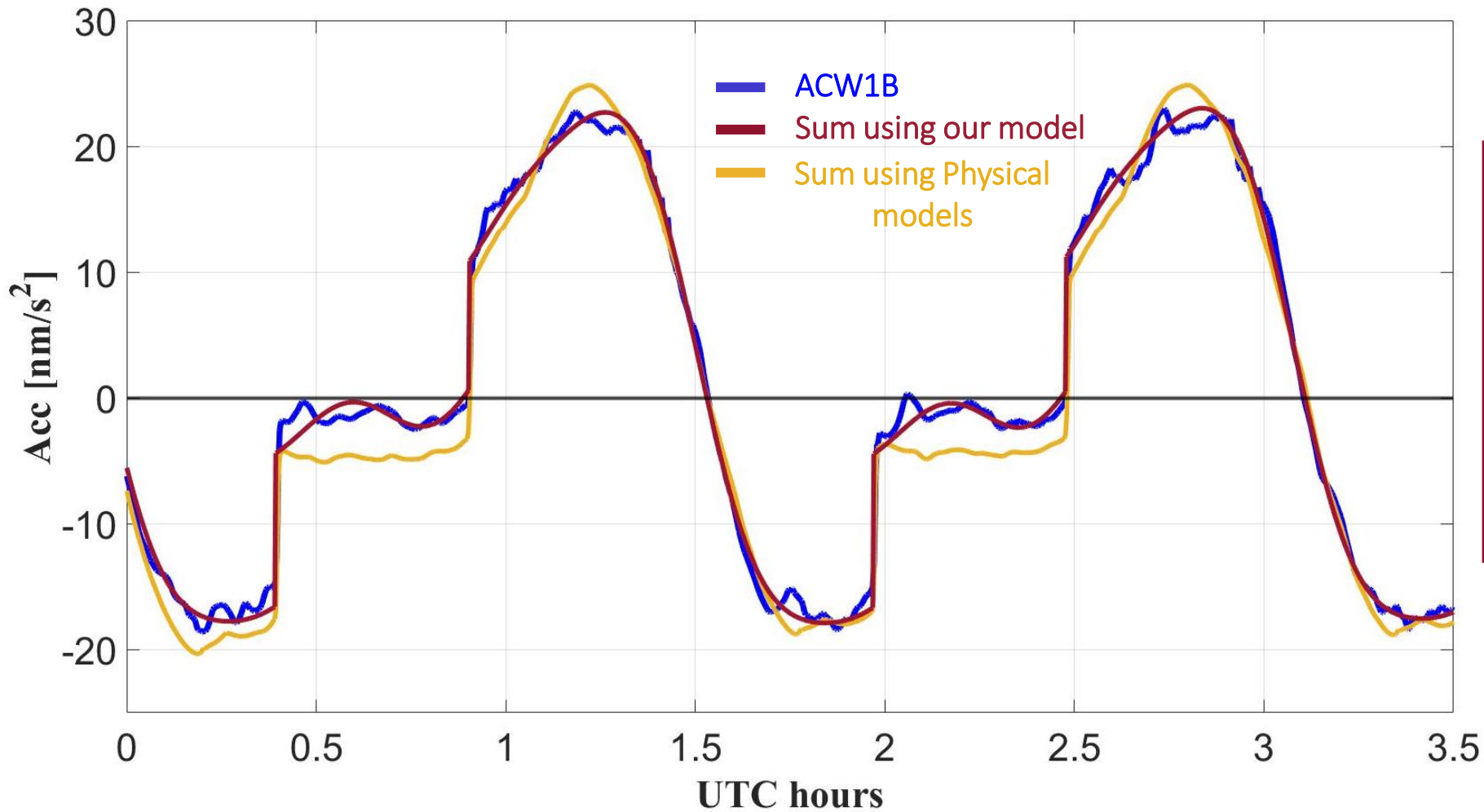
- ✓ **Weighted dataset** of 1A and 1B is provided
 - ✓ The **first drag** and **SRP data-driven model** has been derived for GRACE-C
 - ✓ Weighted models and residual series
 - ✓ Signal **decomposition of residuals** using wavelets into 13 Levels
 - ✓ **4mHz – 8 mHz** disturbances only connected to **Field Aligned Currents** or **geomagnetic storms**
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- Improve the variances of ACW1B by choosing different windows for the ACF
 - Derive the drag and SRP models for a year for GRACE-FO and Swarm for comparison purposes
 - Attribute the low-frequency signals to ERP and Thermal Radiation
 - Investigation of residuals of the y-axis and z-axis using 1-D and 2-D signal decomposition

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!



Back up Material

Comparison with Physical models



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LSSA MODEL

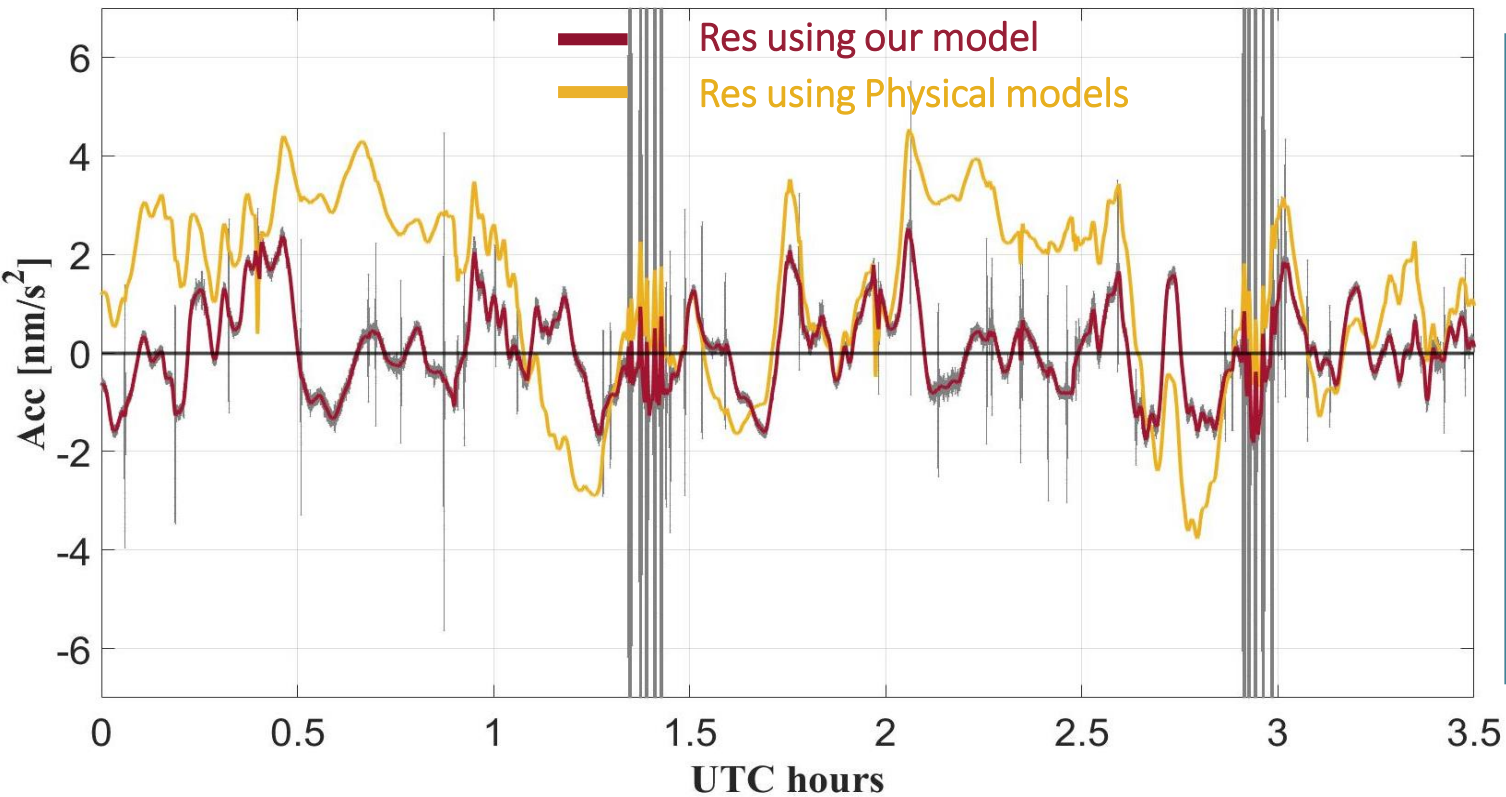
Better fit in penumbra transitions

Better fit in shadow parts

Better fit in sun parts

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Weighted Residuals

The spikes **do not affect** the solution / large standard deviations

Our residuals are **2.5x smaller**

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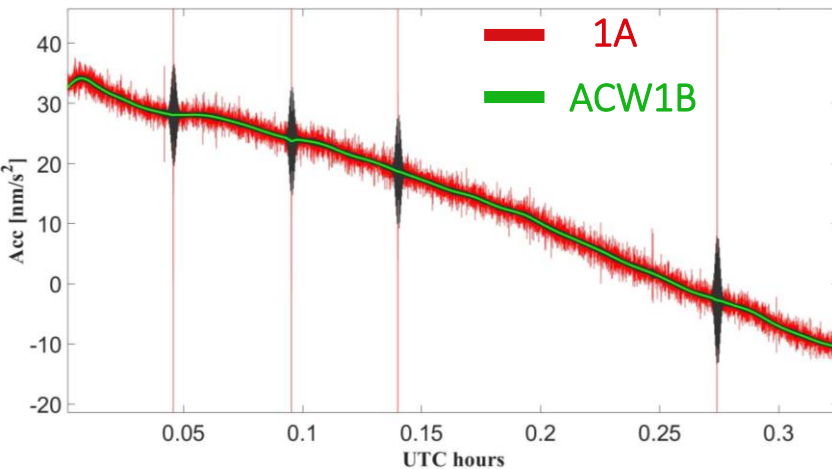
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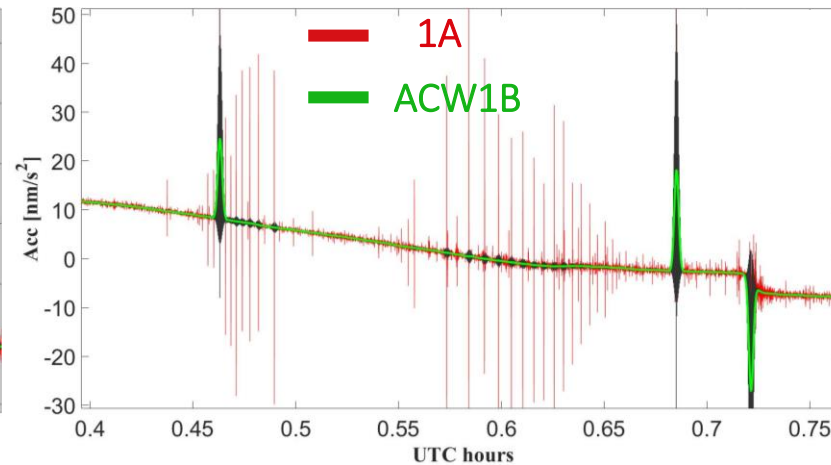
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y-axis



z-axis

