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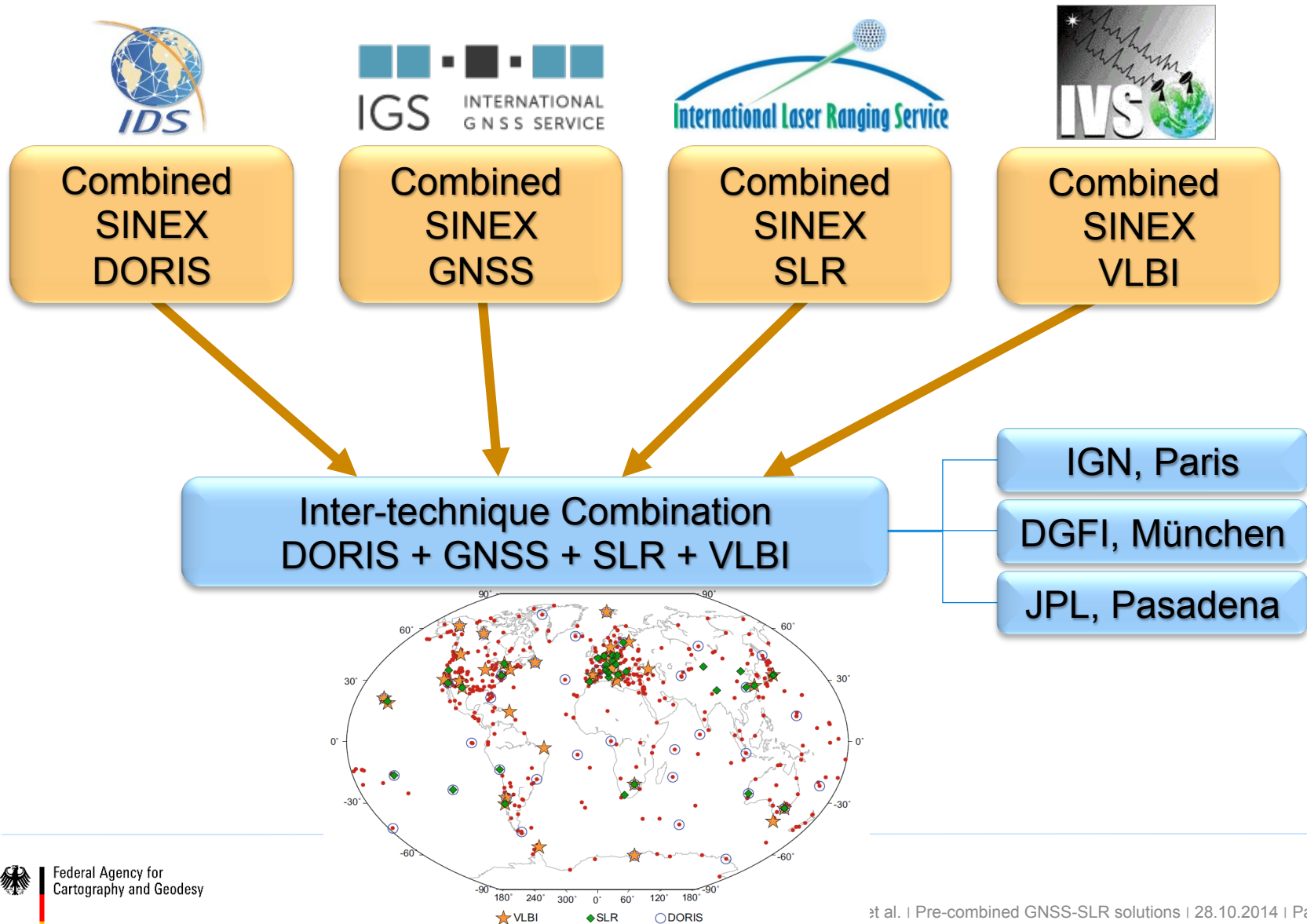
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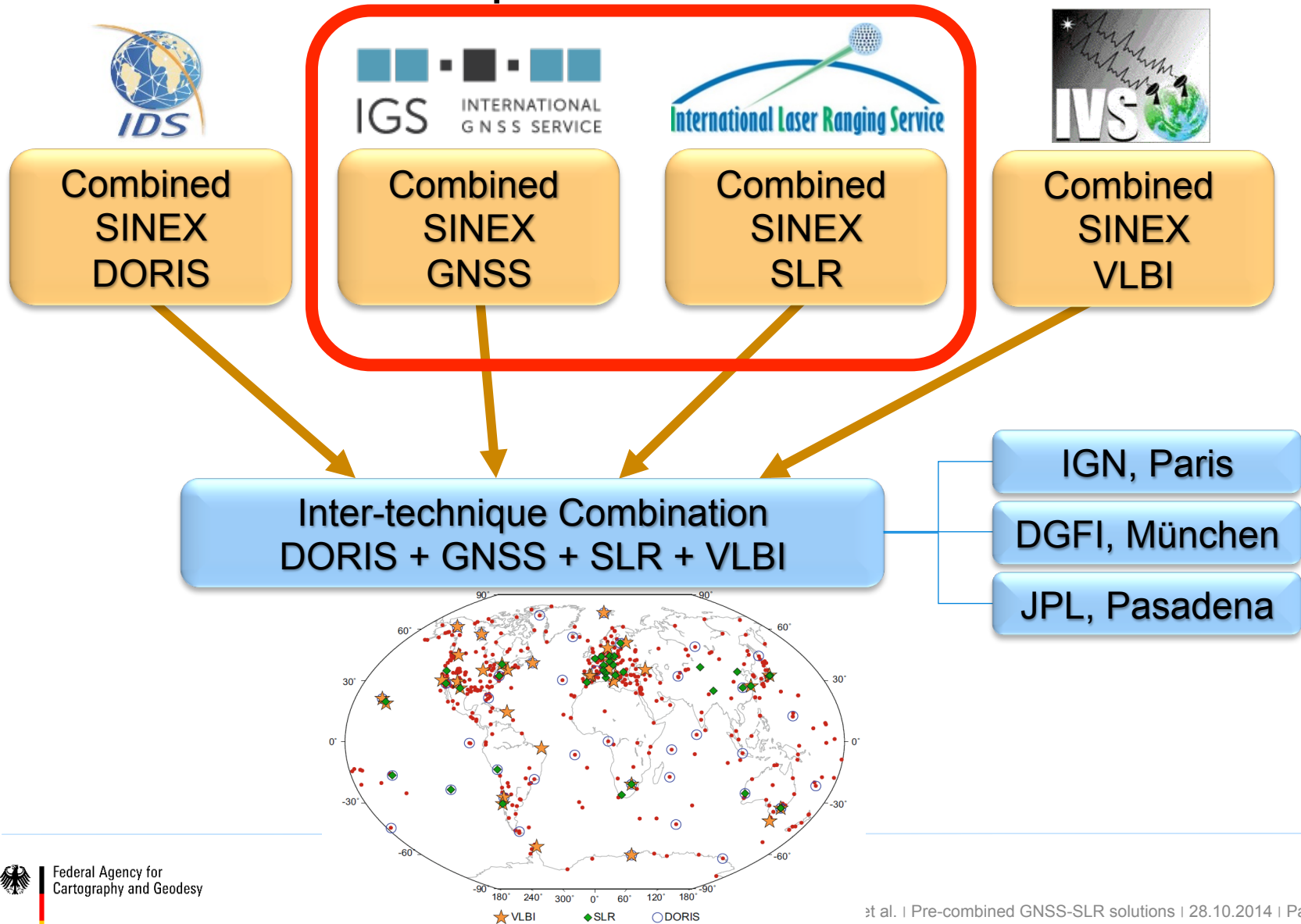
Pre-combined GNSS-SLR solutions for the ITRF2013

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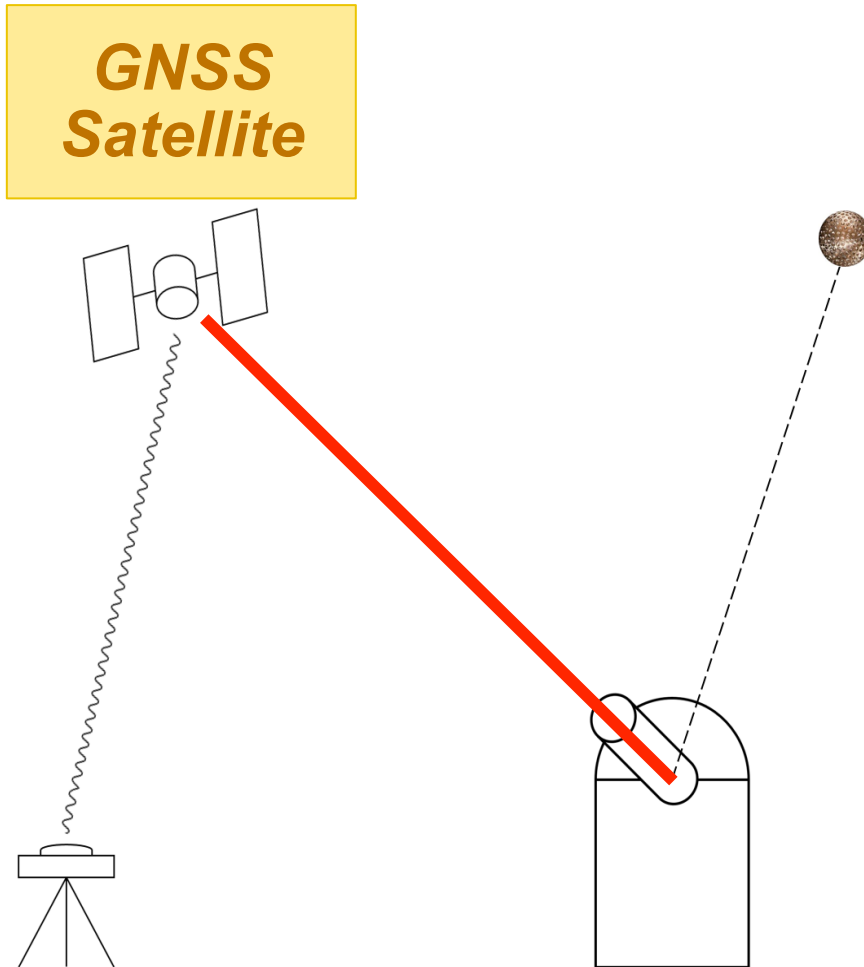
Current ITRF approach



Call for ITRF2013: pre-combined solutions



Satellite co-locations GNSS-SLR

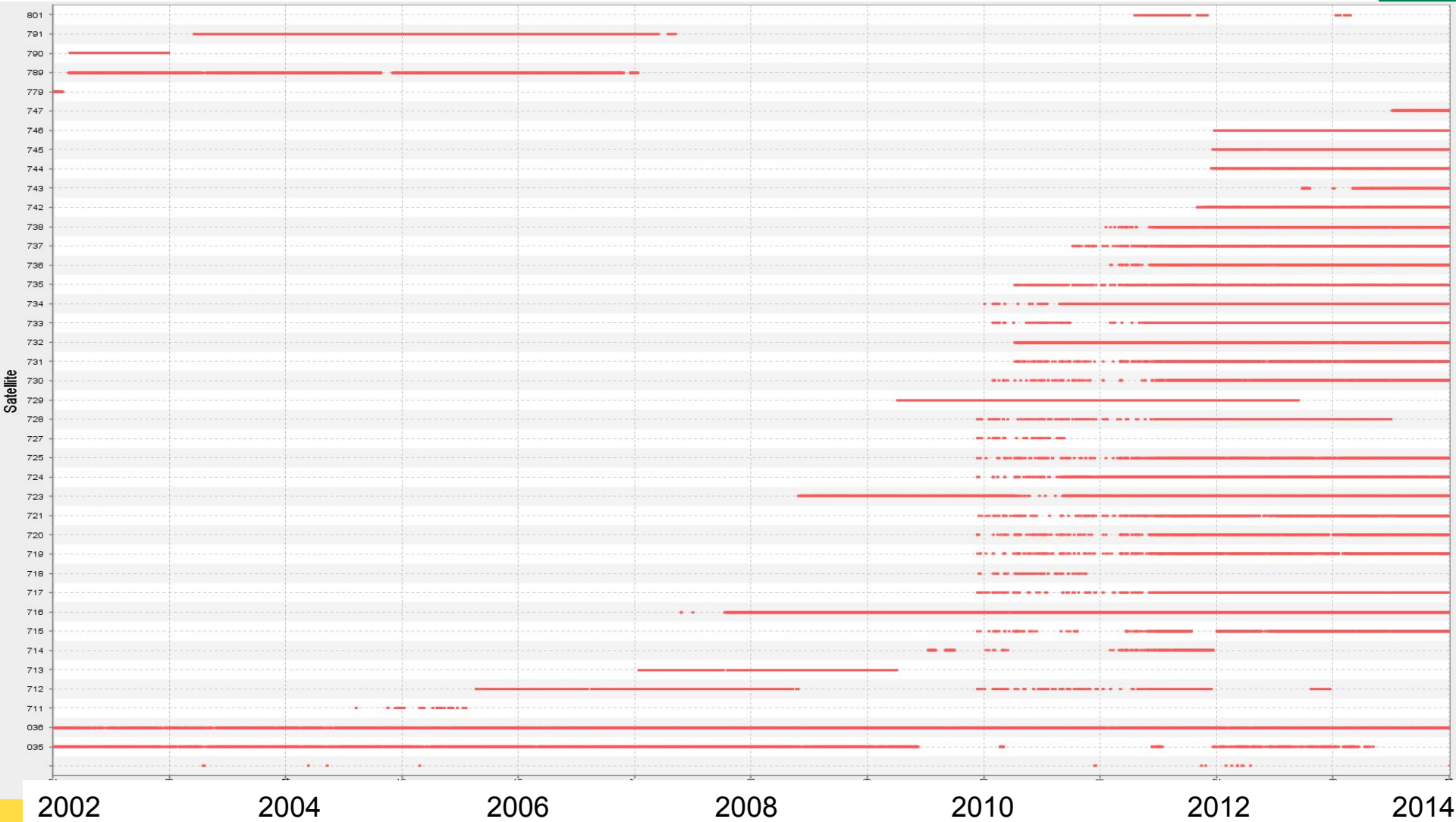


Additional information needed:

- Offset of **microwave satellite antenna** (w.r.t. Center-of-Mass)
- Offset of **laser retro-reflector array** (w.r.t. Center-of-Mass)

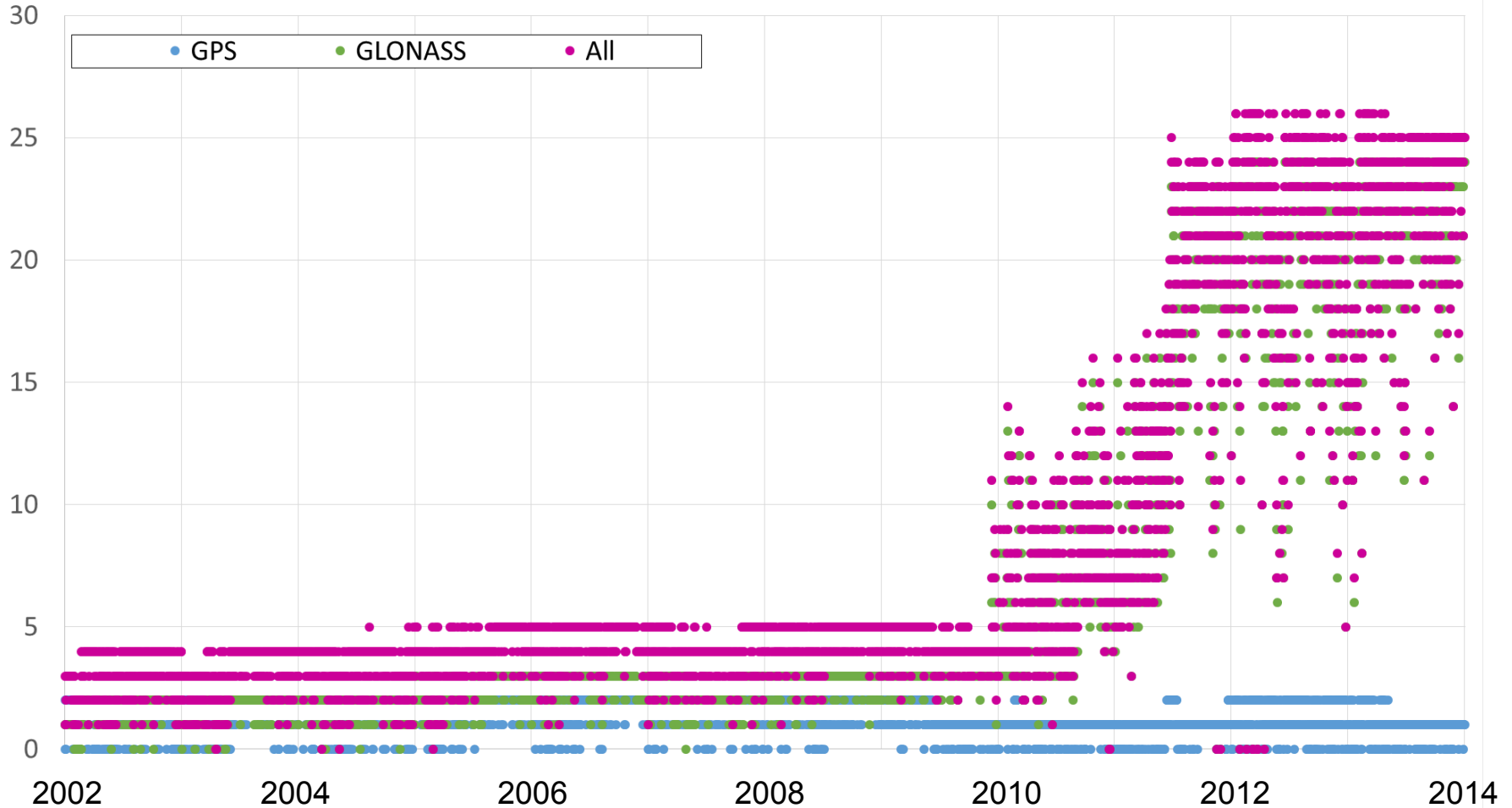
Stations do not need to be co-located !

GNSS satellite co-locations



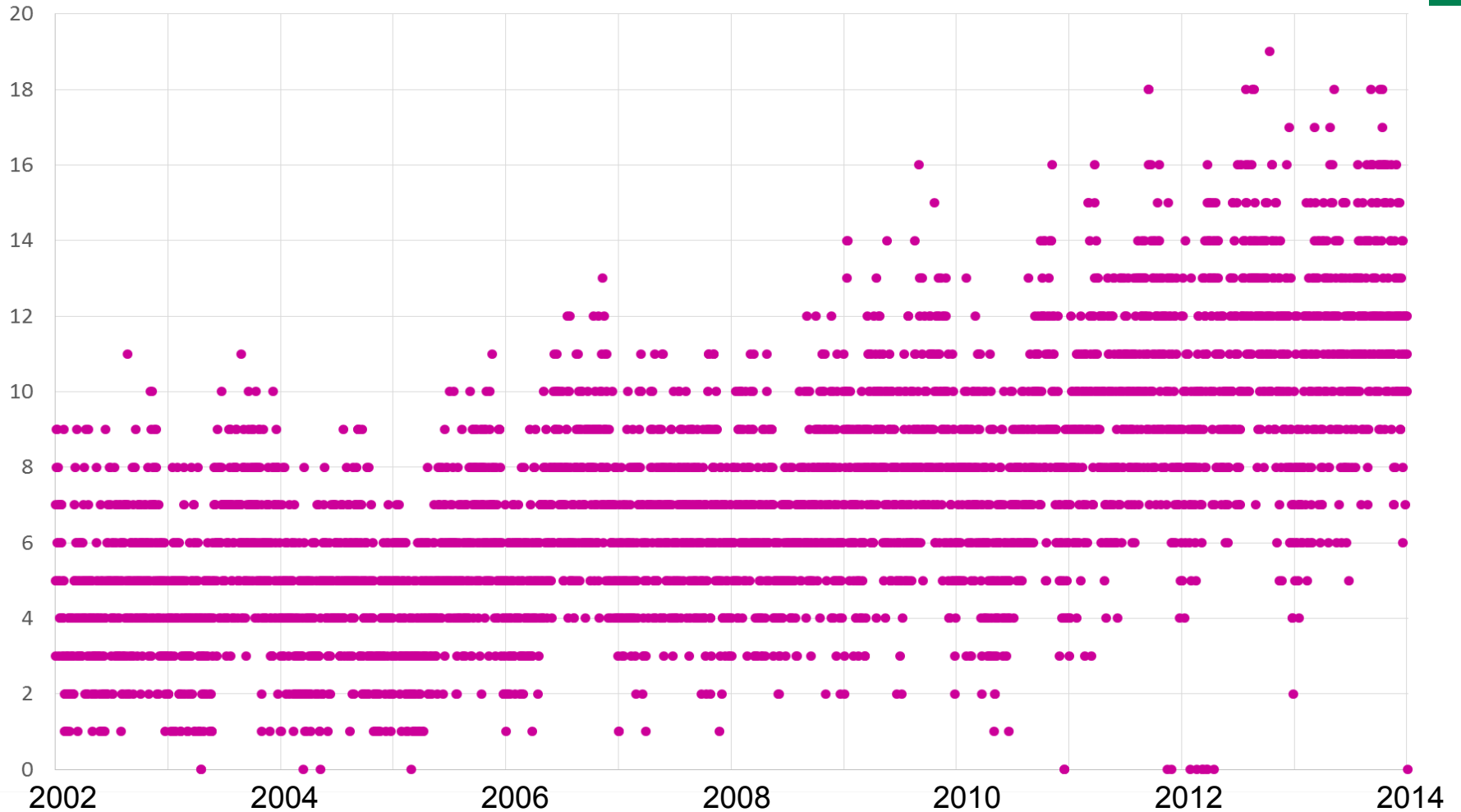
GNSS satellite co-locations

Satellites per day tracked by SLR

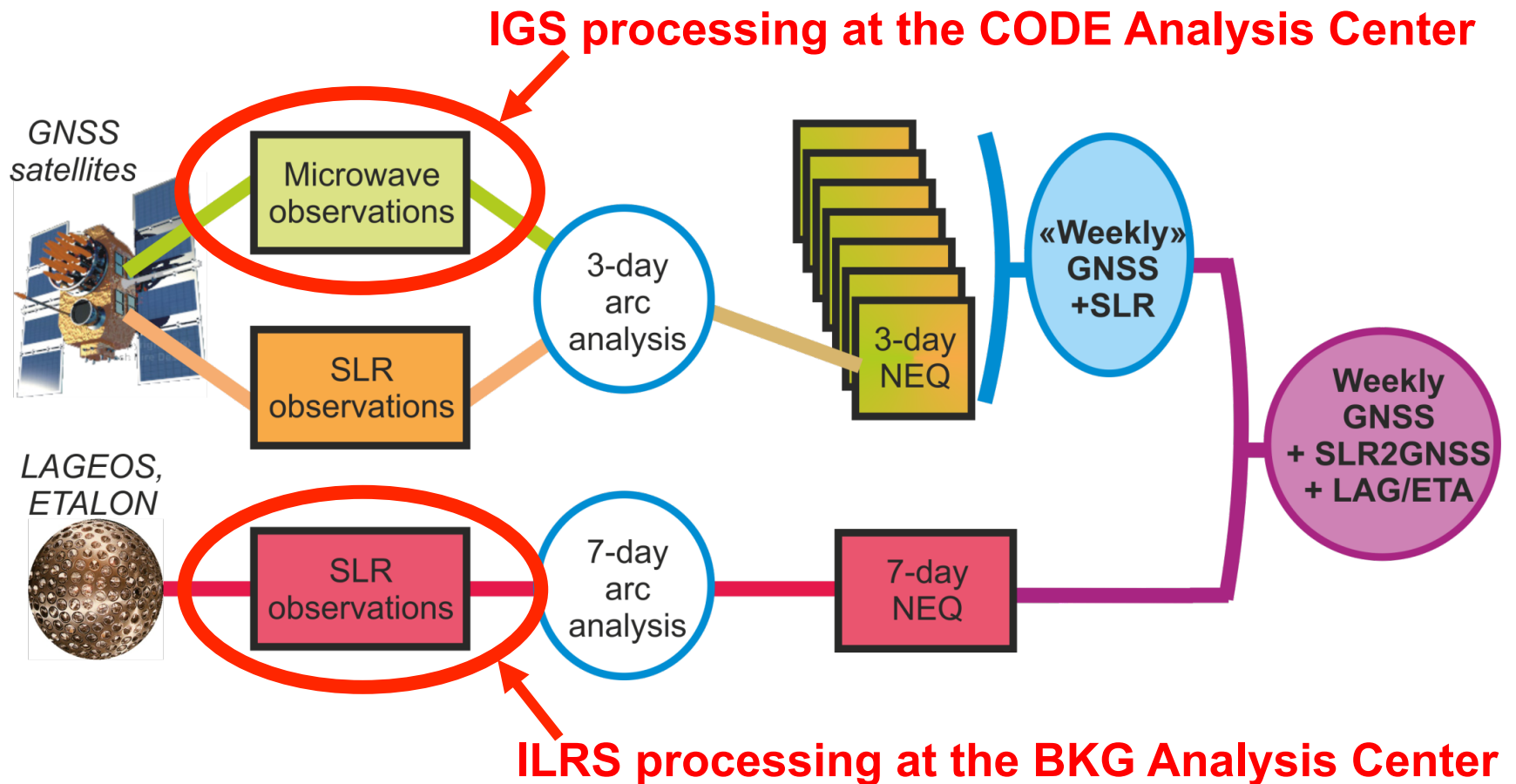


GNSS satellite co-locations

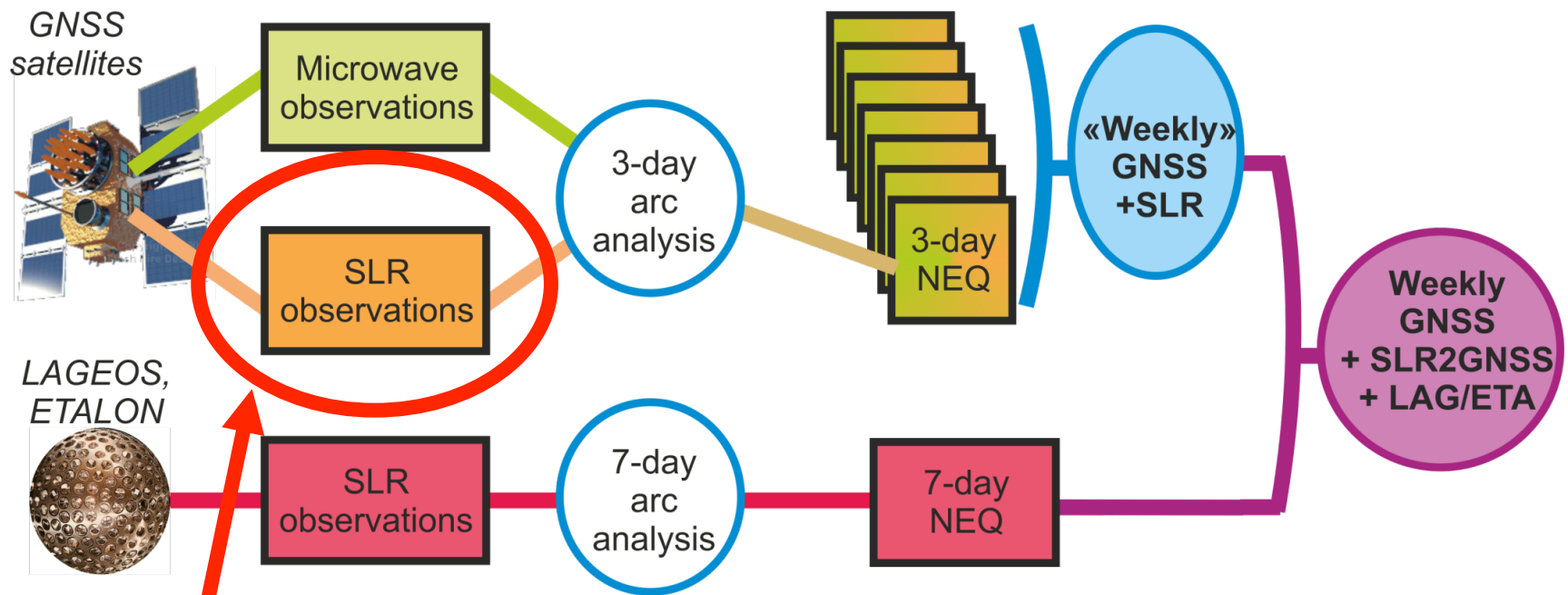
Stations per day that tracked GPS/GLONASS



Pre-combined GNSS-SLR solutions from CODE



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Using **co-locations at GNSS satellites** for connecting both techniques

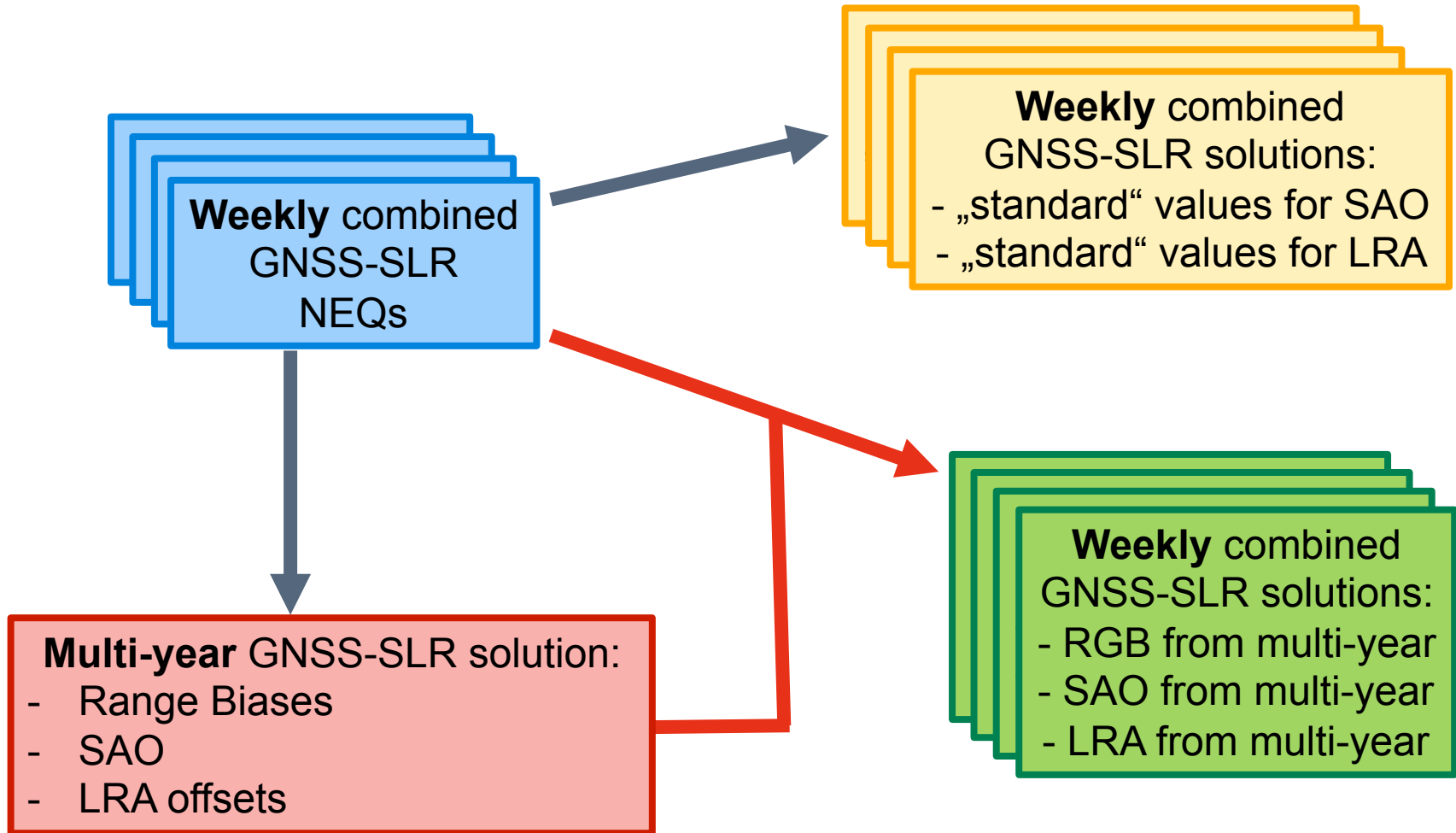
Common parameters

Direct combination

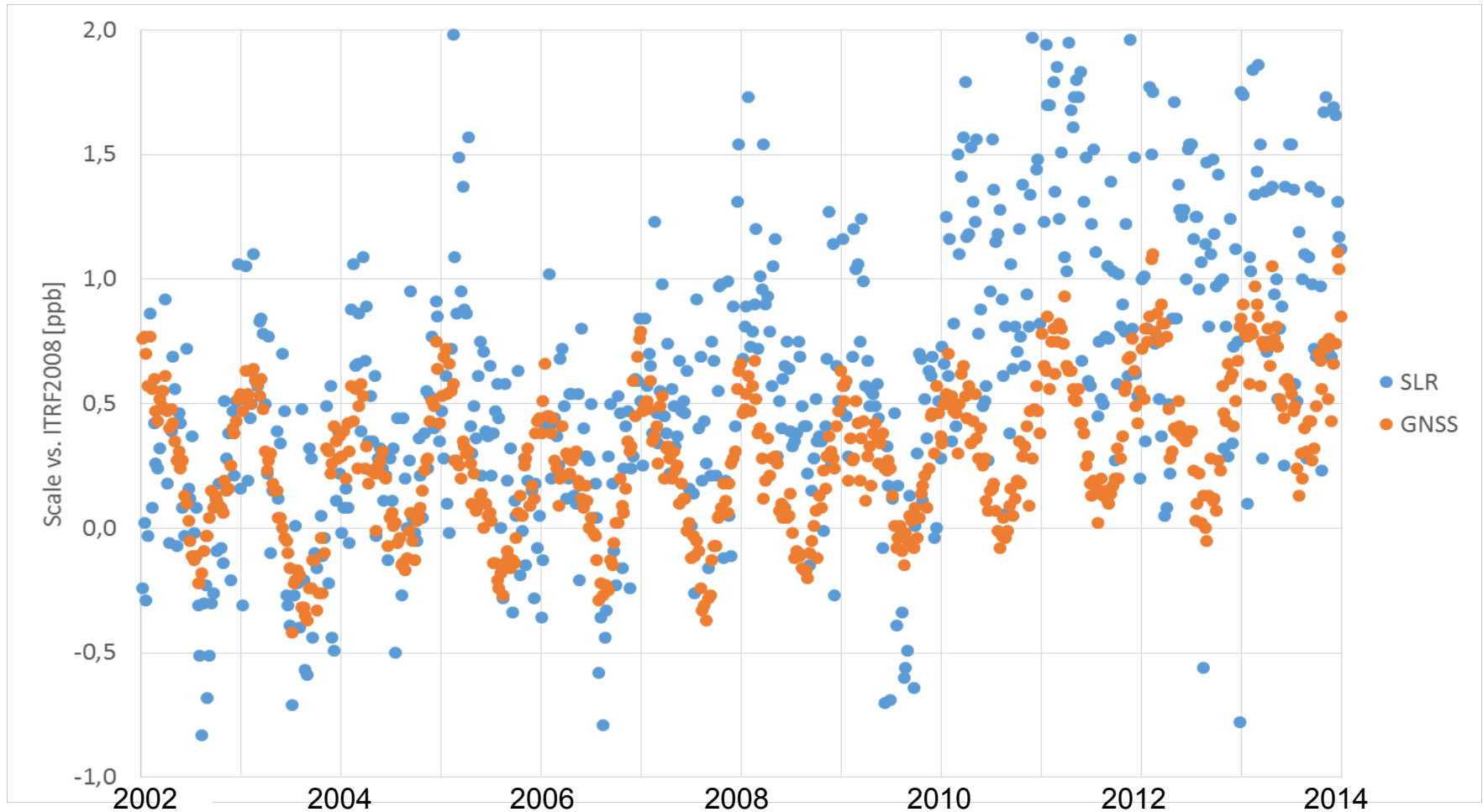
(**Indirect** combination by applying **correction terms**)

	GNSS microwave	SLR @ GNSS	SLR spherical satellites
Station coordinates	GNSS	SLR	SLR
ERP	X	X	X
Geocenter	X	X	X
Orbits GNSS satellites	X	X	
Microwave Sat. antenna offsets	X		
Laser Reflector Array offsets		X	
Range Biases		X	(X)
Orbits spherical satellites			X

Strategy for pre-combined solutions



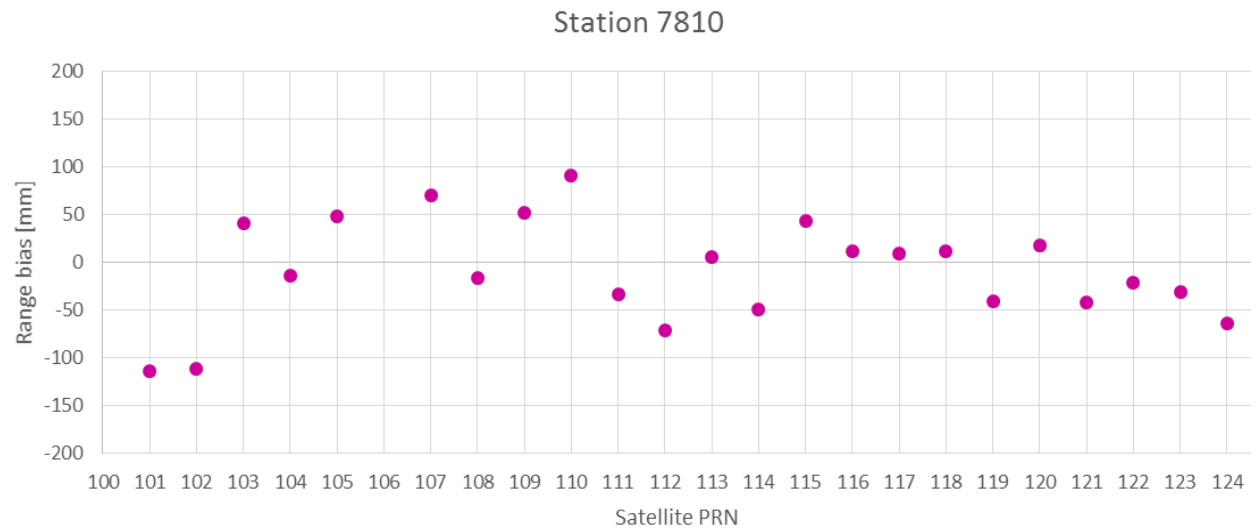
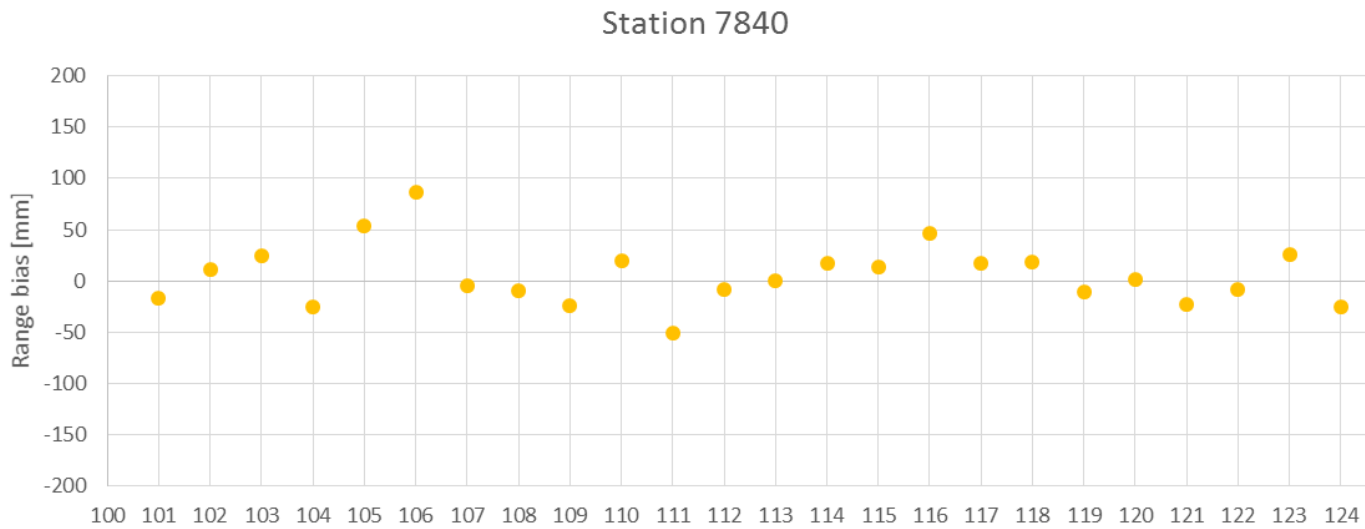
Scale w.r.t. ITRF2008



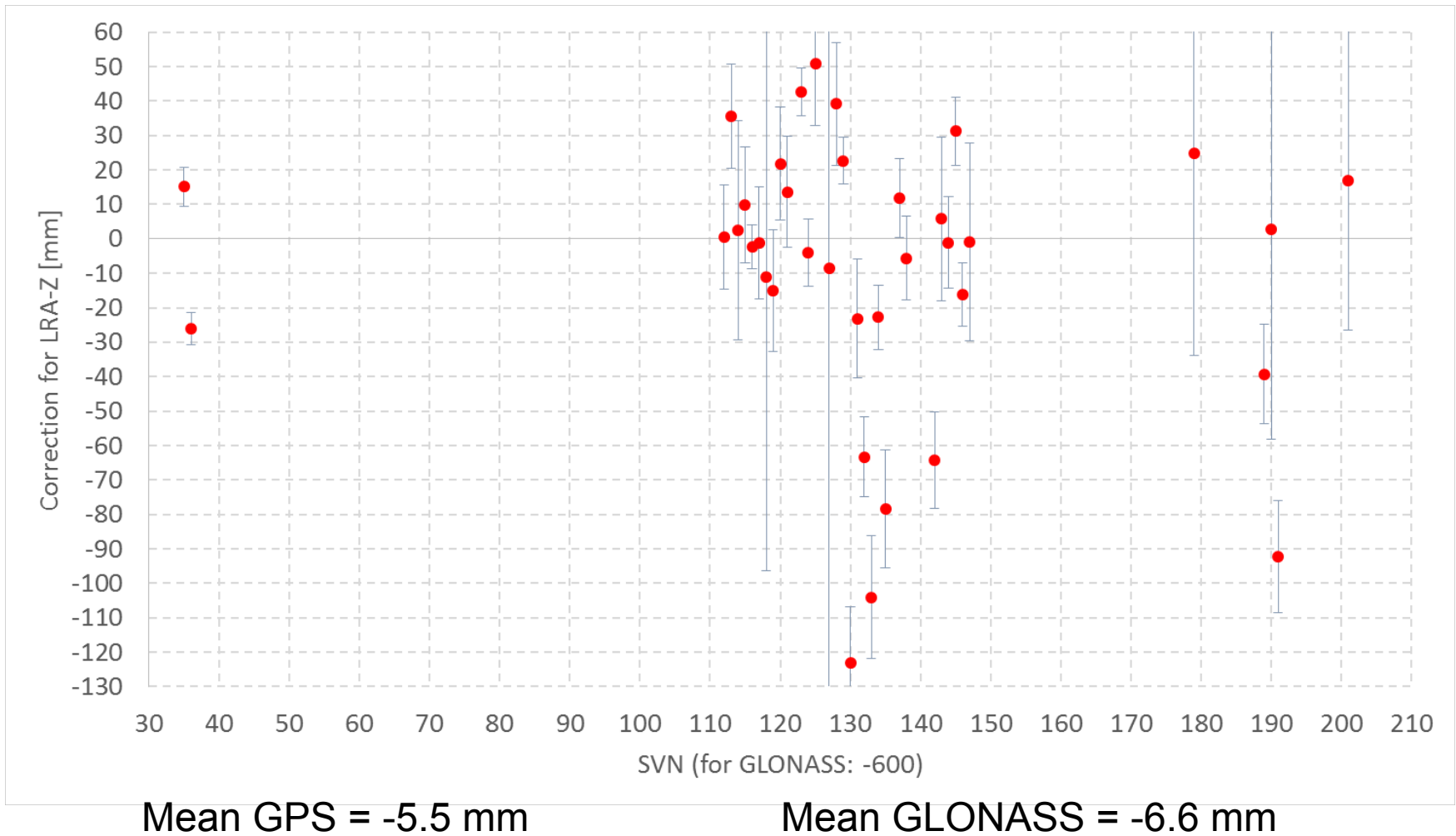
Mean SLR = 0.57 ppb

Mean GNSS = 0.28 ppb

Range biases



Laser retro-reflector array offsets



Summary

- Satellite co-locations provide an additional connection to strengthen inter-technique combination
- More data from space-geodetic stations are included in reference frame computation
- „To Do“ for our contribution to ITRF2013:
 - Generate best-possible multi-year solution
 - Verify Range Biases, SAO and LRA corrections
 - Generate weekly SINEX

Thank you for your kind attention!

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