

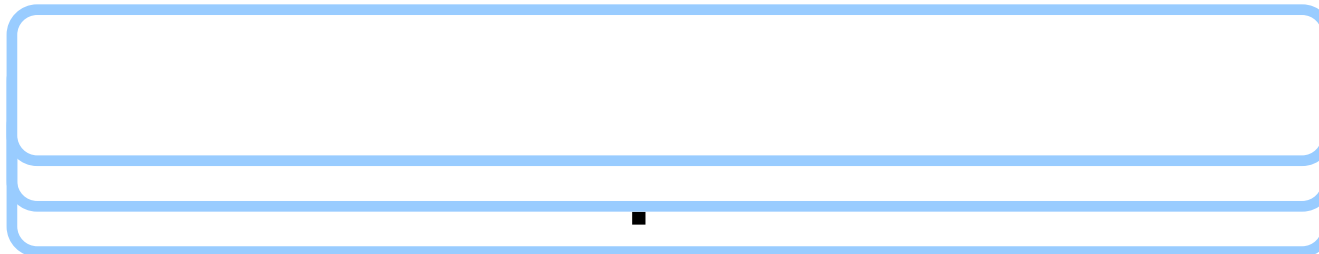
# NICT station report

## NICT

- New organization
- Regular TWSTFT links
  1. Asia link
  2. NICT-Hawaii-USNO linkEu-Asia link
- R&D for advanced TWSTFT



# New organization from 2011/4



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Leader: Dr. Yuko Hanado

Atomic frequency standards group  
Y. Hanado

Cs fountain  
Optical clock  
fs comb  
...

★ Japan standard time group  
K. Imamura  
T. Iwama  
UTC(NICT)  
regular T&F transfer  
calibration  
...

★ Space-time measurement group  
J. Amagai  
Advanced TWSTFT  
Optical fiber transfer  
VLBI  
...

★ Satellite time management group  
S. Hama

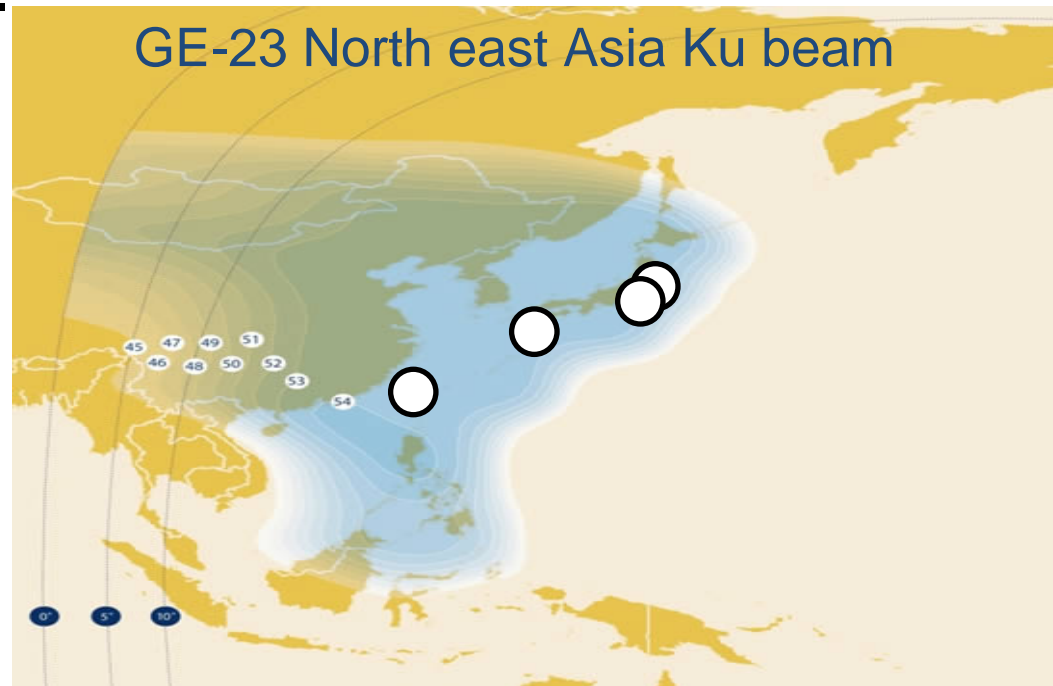
QZSS  
ETS-VIII



# Regular TWSTFT link

## 1. Asia link

- Satellite changed from IS-8(166°) to GE-23(172°) in April 2011.

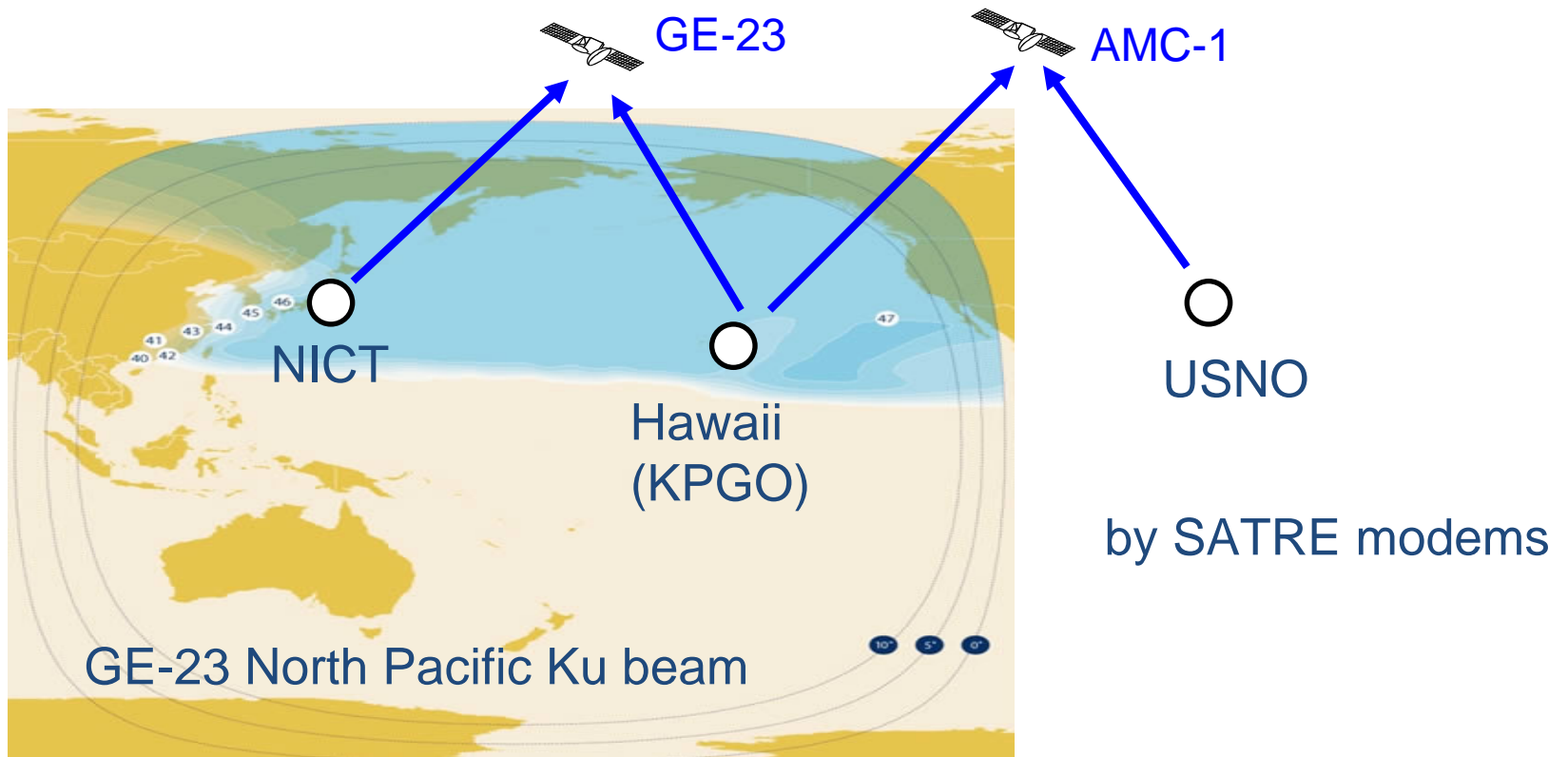


by NICT modems

NICT, TL and 2 domestic stations perform time transfer once per hour.

# Regular TWSTFT link

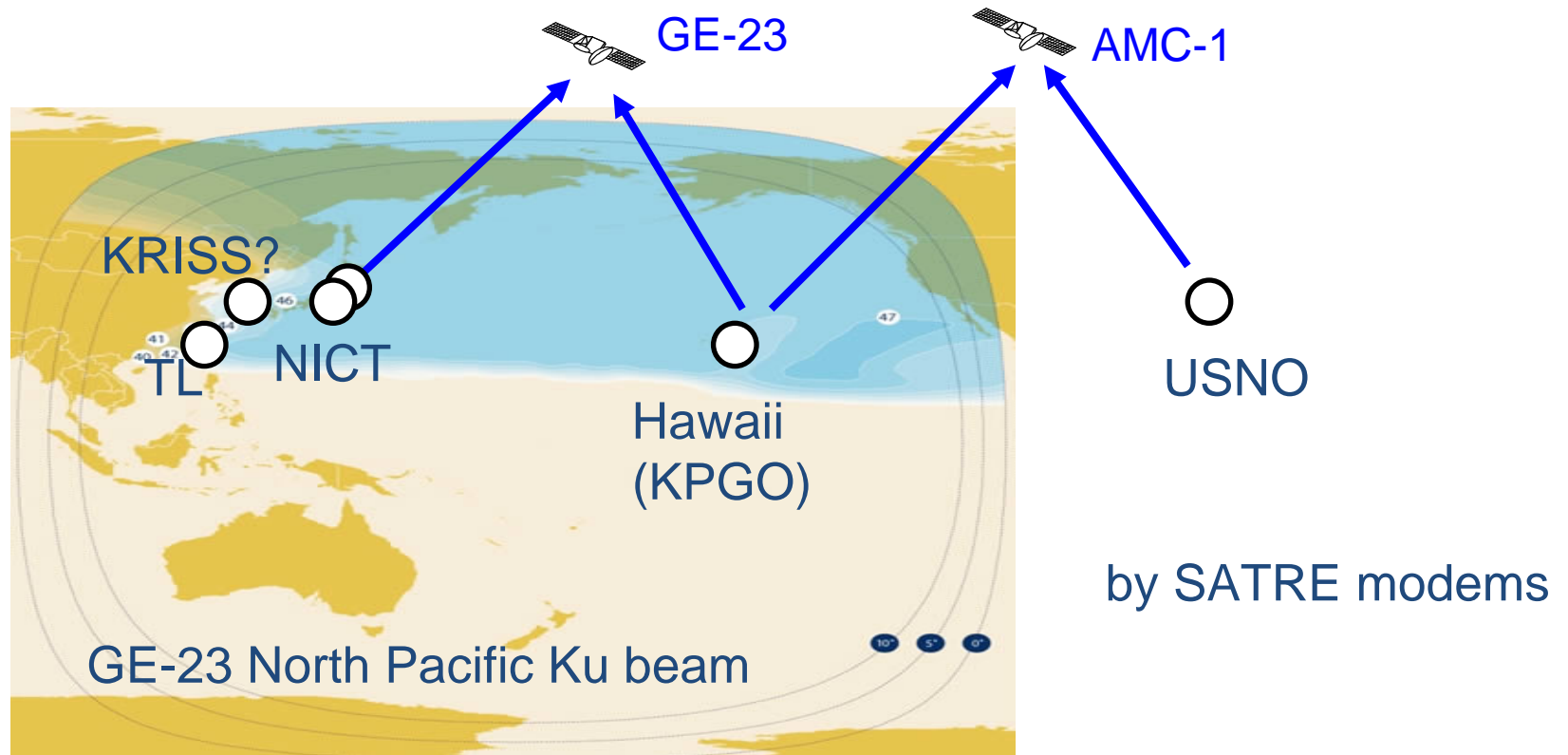
## 2. NICT-Hawaii-USNO link



NICT connects USNO via Hawaii every 2 hours.

# Regular TWSTFT link

1+2. Combine 2 links of Asia and Asia-Hawaii in 2012



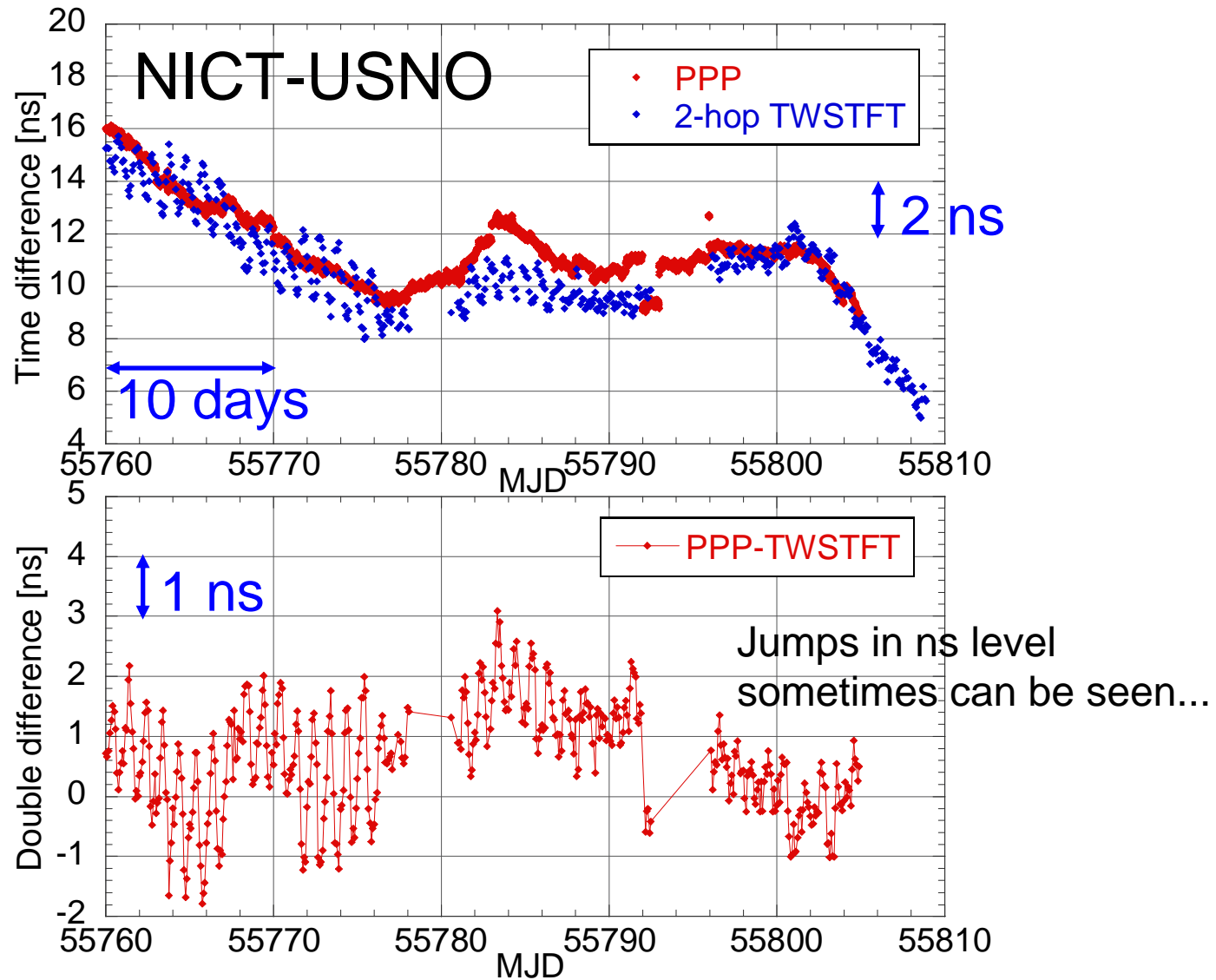
We will stop time transfer by NICT modem and employ operations using SATRE modem.

*Please contact us if you want to join this link.*

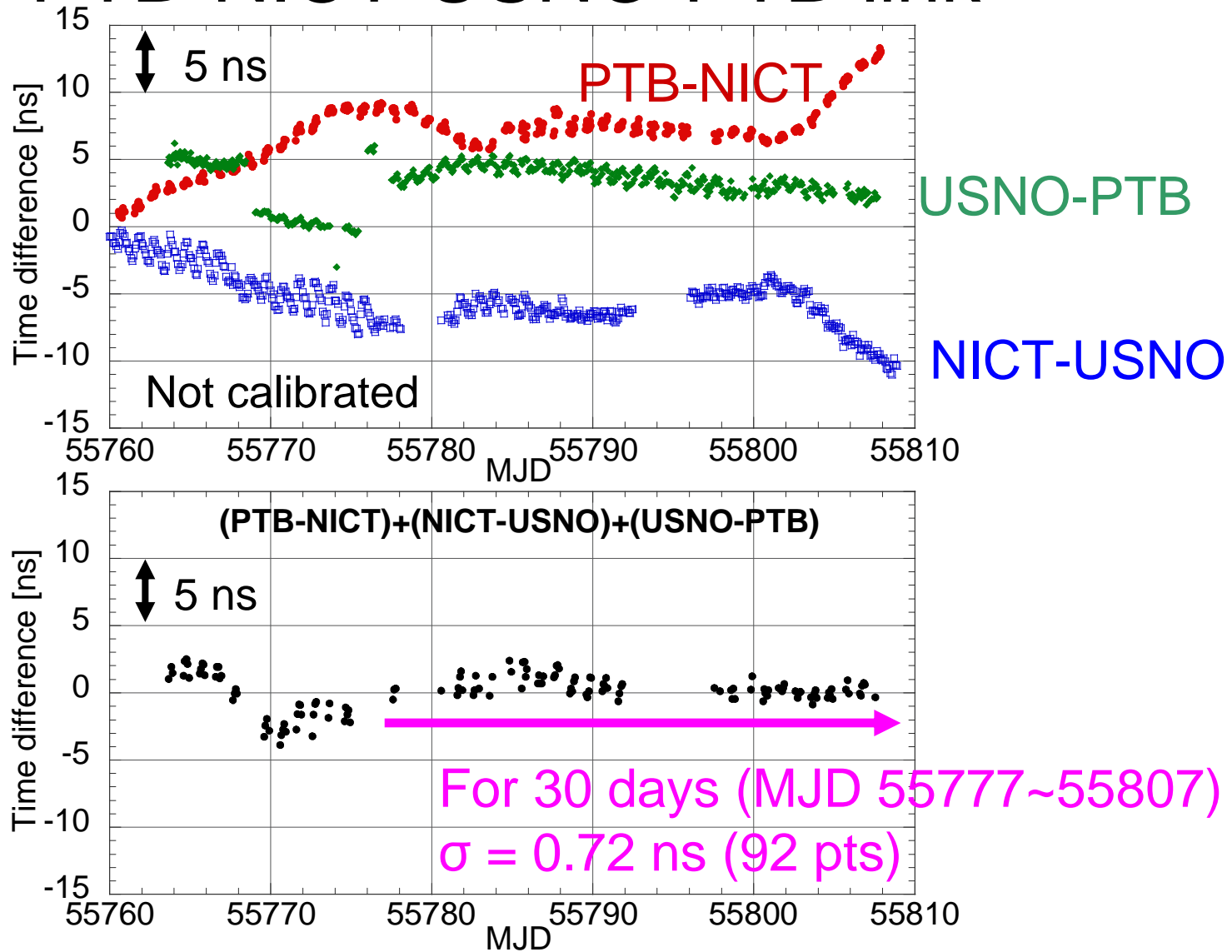


# Regular TWSTFT link

## 2. NICT-Hawaii-USNO link



# Regular TWSTFT link PTB-NICT-USNO-PTB link



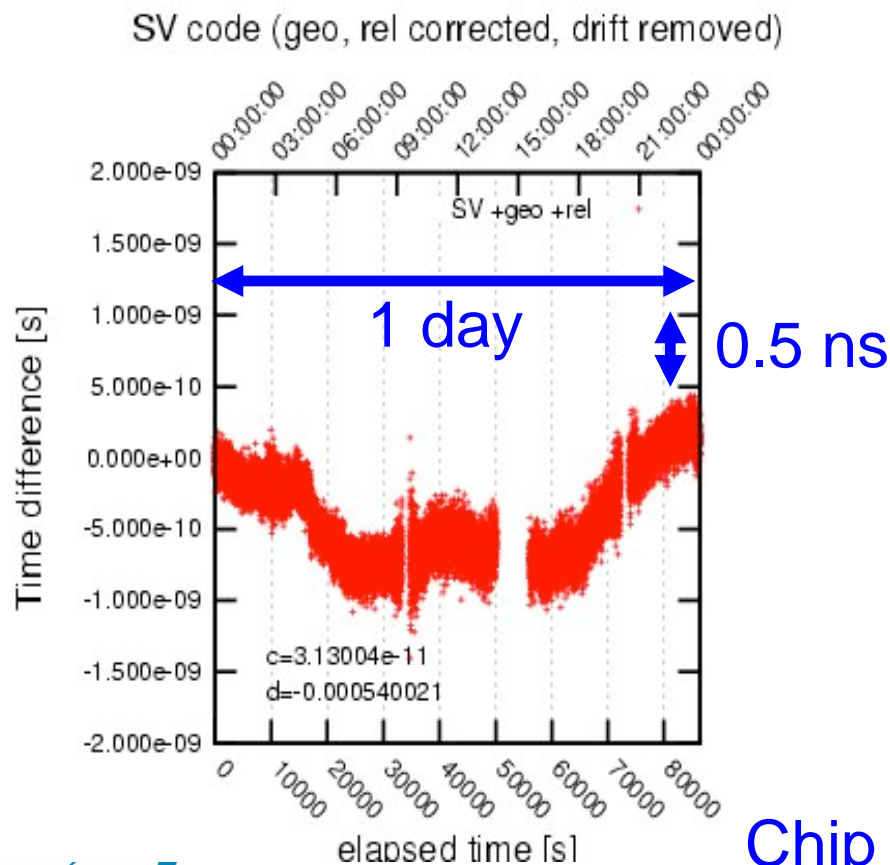
# R&D for advanced TWSTFT

- QZSS
- DPN
- Carrier phase

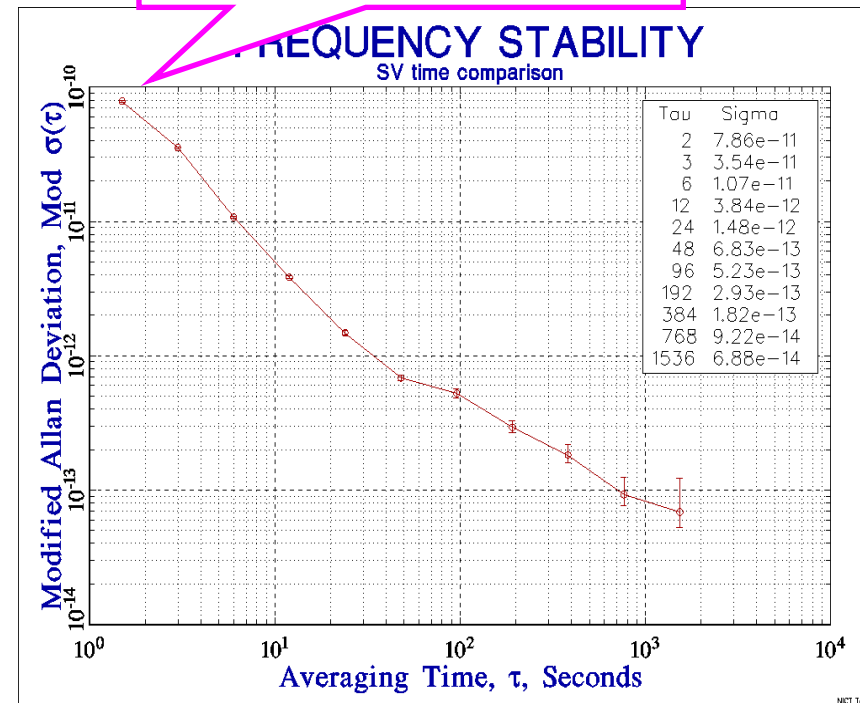


# QZSS

- Two-way time transfer experiment between onboard Rb clock and ground started in Dec 2010.



$8e-11$  @ 1.5 sec



Chip rate : 10 Mcps

# Current status of DPN TWSTFT Satellite changed

- Previous (∼ March 2011)

**IS-8**

DPN Frequency separation : **20.24 MHz**

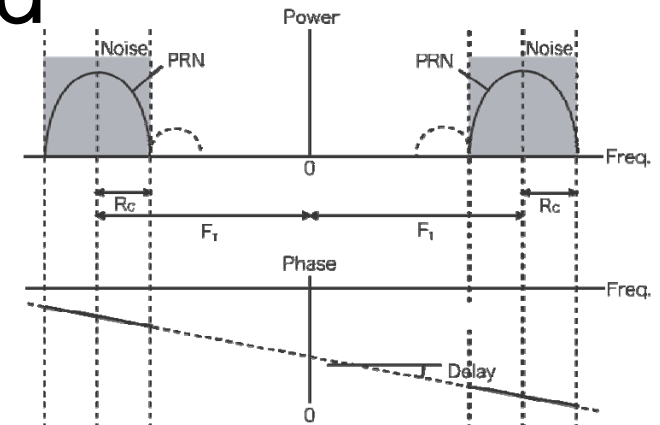
Sampling : 64 Msps × 1ch

- New (April 2011 ∼ )

**GE-23** (Wide cover area : low EIRP & G/T)

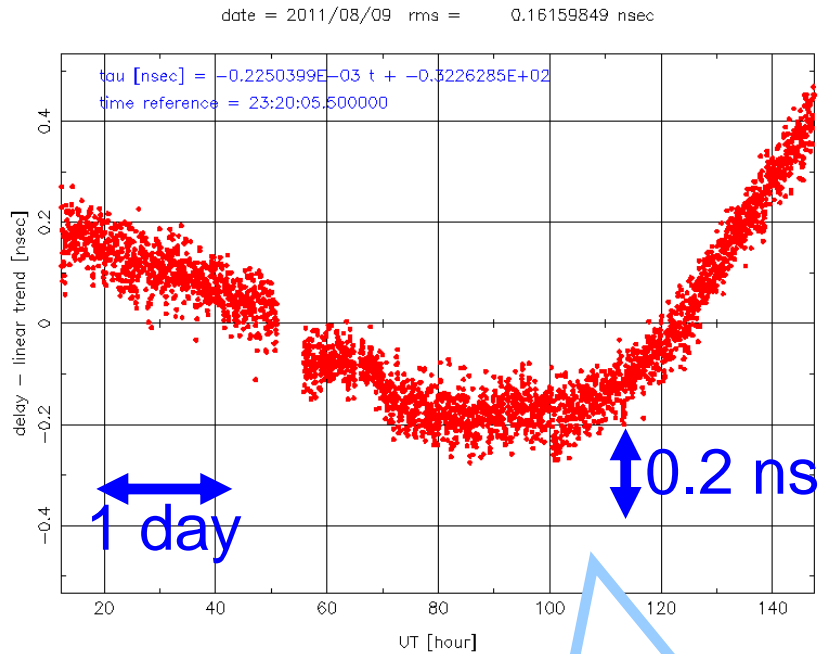
DPN Frequency separation : **31.7 MHz**

Sampling : 8 Msps × 2ch



# DPN result after satellite change

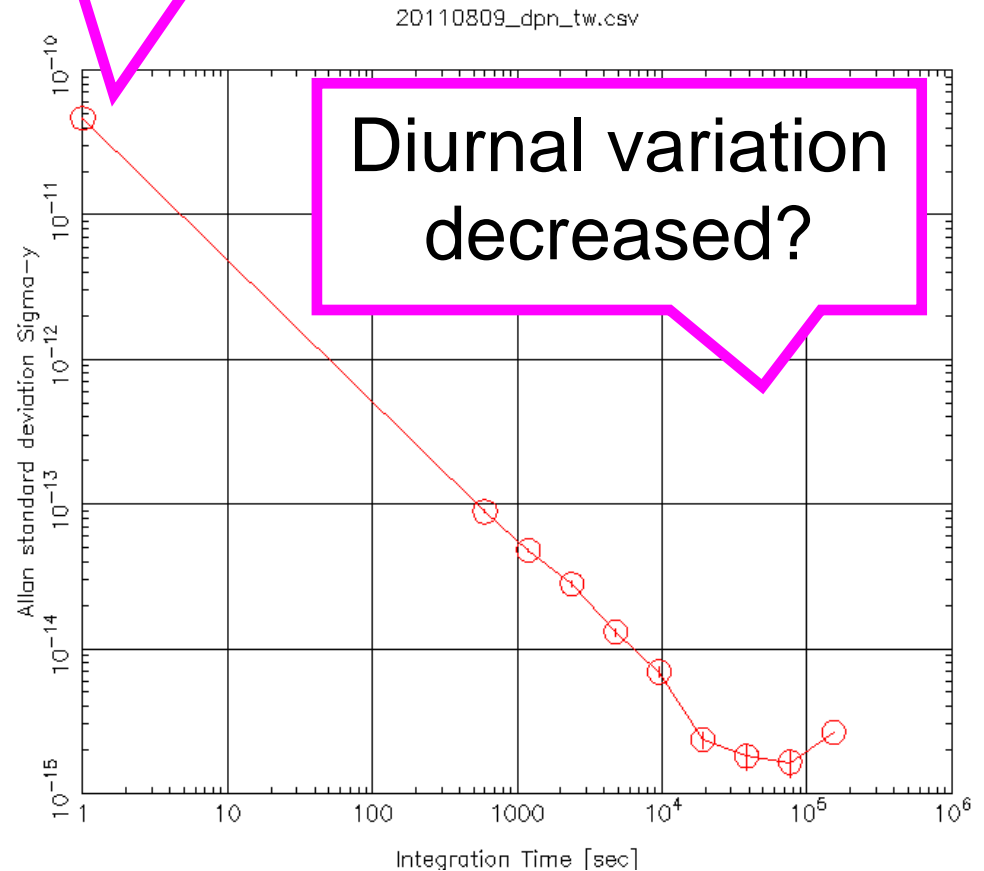
Domestic test: UTC(NICT)-HM(Kashima)



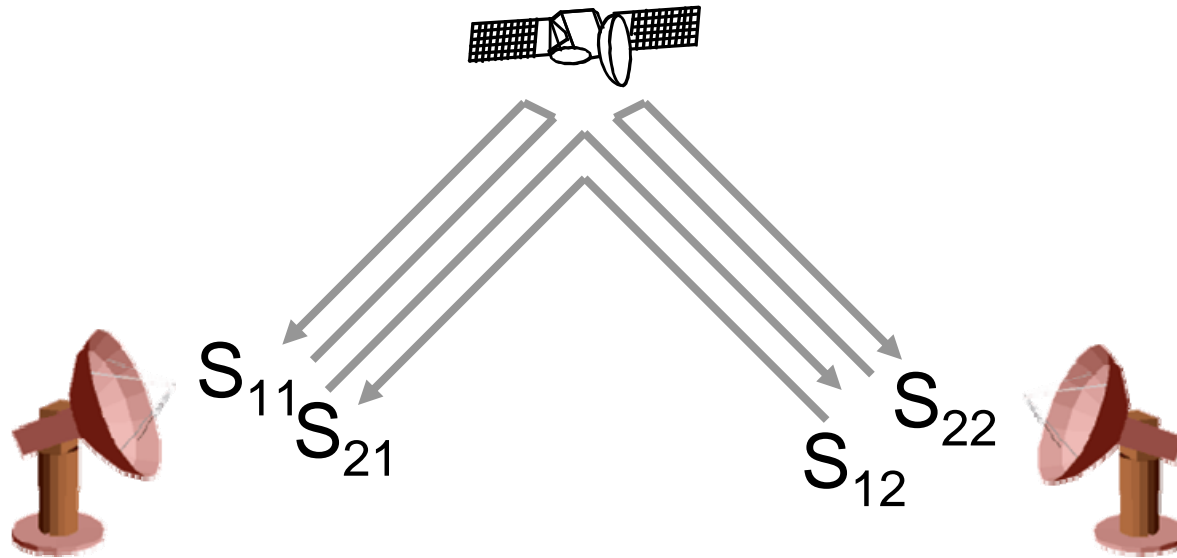
Frequency change in Kashima

$5e-11$  @ 1 s

5 sec/10 min  
1sec integration

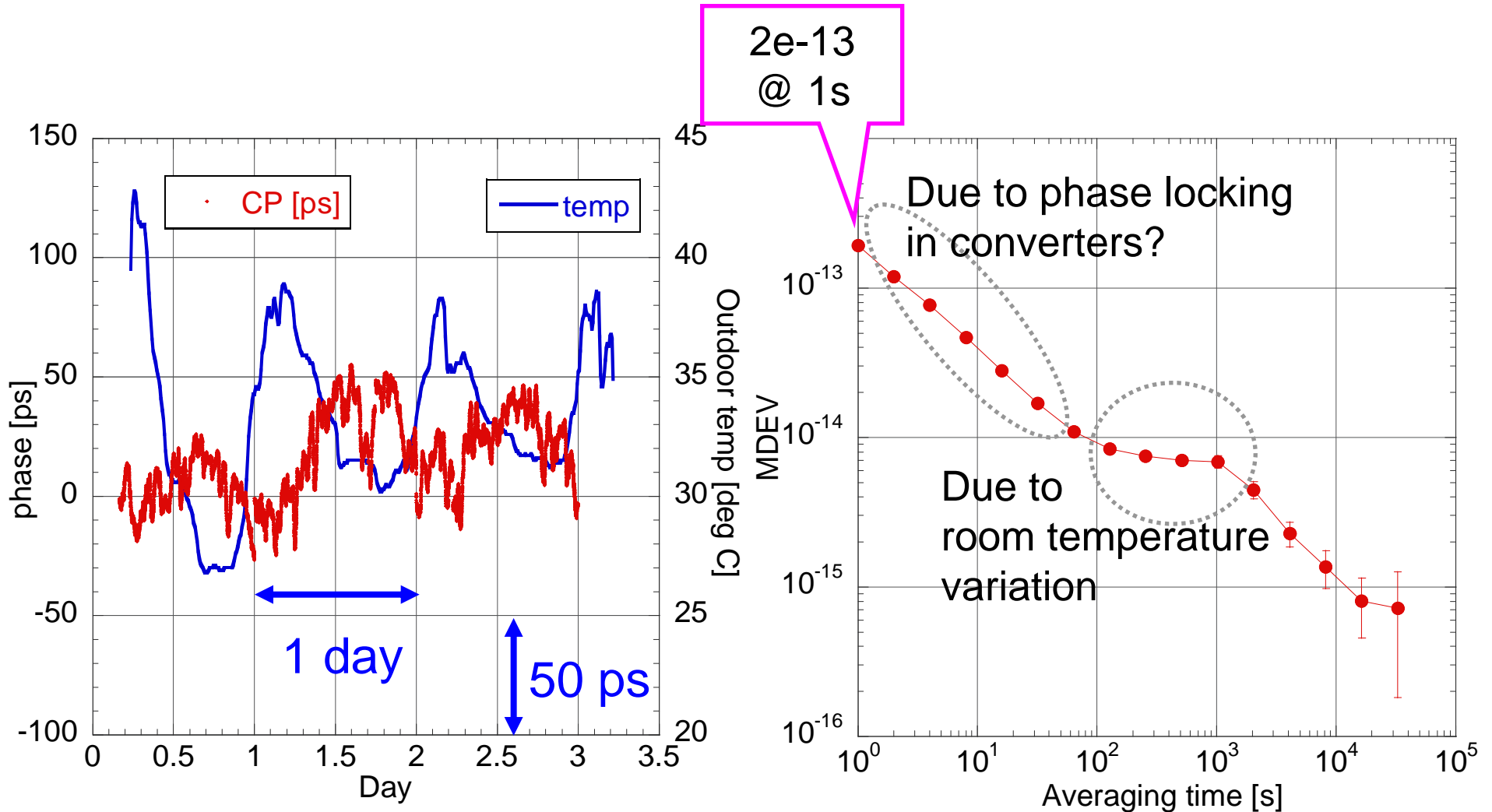


# Carrier phase



- Cancellation of onboard clock using ranging and counterpart signals
- Phase detection by A/D sampler
- Ambiguity solution using code

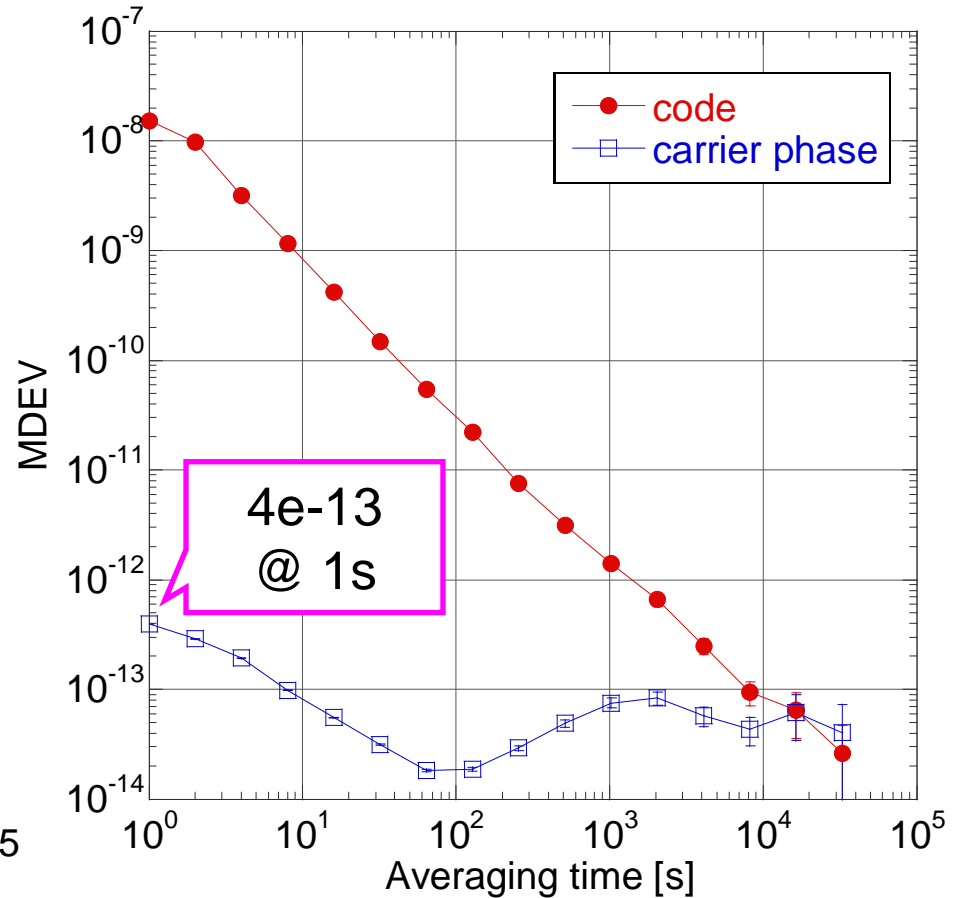
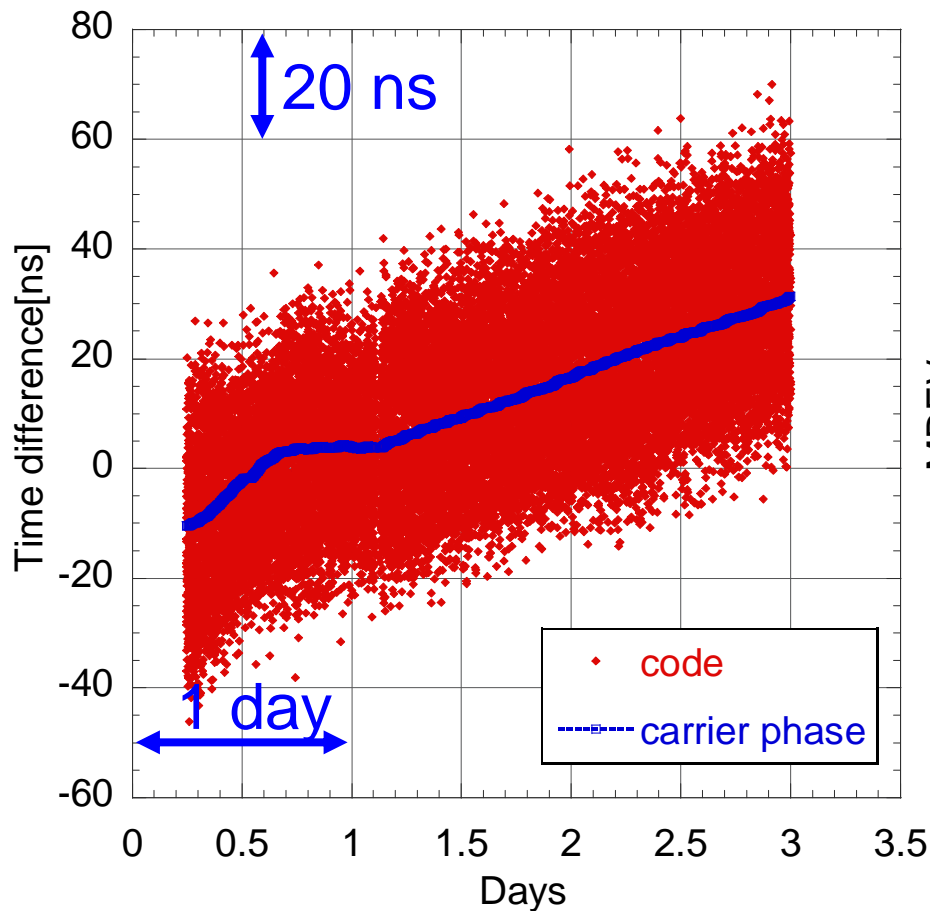
# Common clock in zero baseline via GE-23



128kbps coded signal was generated by AWG.

# Short baseline (~140 km) via GE-23

## UTC(NICT)-HM(Kashima)



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# Future plan

## DPN

- Study about diurnals and long-term stability in domestic and NICT-TL links

## Carrier phase

- Proof test with GPS or faster coded signal
- Estimation of error sources
- Evaluation of availability of current equipment  
ex. NICT/SATRE modems, U/C, D/C...

Thank you for your kind attention.

