

# Long-term estimation of diurnal vertical $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ drift velocities using C/NOFS and ground-based magnetometer observations

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## Key Points:

- Development of a relationship between C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts and magnetometer derived EEJ during 2008-2014.
- At least 80% of the differences between observed and derived  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  lie within  $\pm 5$  m/s when validated with radar observations
- The developed relationship is applicable during quiet and disturbed conditions

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## Abstract

We report on the development of a new mathematical expression to estimate local day-time (0700-1700 LT) vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift in low latitudes using a combination of ground-based magnetometer measurements and Communications and Navigation Outage Forecasting System (C/NOFS) satellite observations. The expression was developed over Jicamarca (11.8°S, 77.2°W; 0.8°N geomagnetic) and validated with Jicamarca Unattended Long-Term studies of the Ionosphere and Atmosphere (JULIA) mode and incoherent scatter radar (ISR) measurements during the period 2008-2014. The obtained correlation coefficient (R) values computed using observed and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities are 0.79 and 0.84 for ISR and JULIA respectively when data are available during 2008-2014. Storm-time comparison between observed and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities agreed well with R of 0.92 and 0.87 during 05-08 August 2011 and 08-11 March 2012 geomagnetic storm periods for ISR and JULIA observations respectively. Overall, we found that the developed expression is applicable in estimating vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift response during quiet and geomagnetic storm periods. Based on these findings, we suggest that it is possible to develop accurate day-time global vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift model over the equatorial latitude regions using inexpensive magnetometer observations and available satellite data.

## 1 Introduction

The importance of zonal electric fields in influencing plasma electrodynamics in low or equatorial latitude regions is well known [e.g., *Scherliess and Fejer*, 1997, 1999; *Patra et al.*, 2004; *Fejer et al.*, 2008; *Huang et al.*, 2005; *Patra et al.*, 2014] and include controlling the extent of the equatorial ionisation anomaly and vertical coupling between the low and high altitude ionospheric layers and associated physical processes. However, in general, electric field data remain sparse in most longitude sectors. Traditionally, day-to-day variability studies of equatorial vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts at all local times were possible using the Jicamarca Incoherent Scatter Radar (ISR). The evidence that 150 km echoes are a proxy of F2-region vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts [e.g., *Kudeki and Fawcett*, 1993; *Chau and Woodman*, 2004] has made it possible to study changes of vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts in other longitude sectors during local daytime [*Patra and Rao*, 2006; *Patra et al.*, 2008]. Although there have been deployment of back scatter 150 km echo radars that have filled data-gaps in different longitude sectors such as India and Indonesia [*Patra and Rao*, 2006; *Patra*

47 *et al.*, 2008, 2012, 2014], there is still limited vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift observations in other  
48 regions hindering accurate understanding of the global ionospheric plasma dynamics. It  
49 therefore still remains necessary to explore different techniques or approaches that can im-  
50 prove data coverage both in time resolution domain and in different longitude sectors. In  
51 this regard, satellite data provides the necessary global coverage, but are non-continuous  
52 over particular longitude sectors and local times and are hence more appropriate for de-  
53 veloping climatological models. Logistically, it is almost impossible to deploy radars at  
54 all longitude sectors due to the huge acquisition and operational costs. In an effort to in-  
55 crease continuous vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift data coverage in low/equatorial latitudes, we propose  
56 a simple mathematical approach based on simultaneous consideration of ground-based  
57 magnetometer and Communications and Navigation Outage Forecasting System (C/NOFS)  
58 satellite data. The first challenge with this is how to validate the proposed approach since  
59 vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift data is scarce in many longitude sectors. For the beginning, this is  
60 best done over a location or longitude sector with extended vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift observa-  
61 tional data, which makes Jicamarca (11.8°S, 77.2°W; 0.8°N geomagnetic) an excellent  
62 choice for this study. The developed approach can then be transferable to other longitude  
63 sectors with a particular level of confidence. We have developed a simple expression re-  
64 lating daytime equatorial electrojet (EEJ) estimated from magnetometer measurements  
65 ( $\Delta H$ ) using the differential method [e.g., *Rastogi and Klobuchar*, 1990; *Anderson et al.*,  
66 2002, 2004] and C/NOFS vertical component of the ion plasma drift observations over  
67 Jicamarca during 2008-2014. These two datasets can be related based on previous find-  
68 ings that ground-based magnetometer derived EEJ approximates daytime changes in the  
69 vertical component of the phase velocity of irregularities near 150 km [e.g., *Chau and*  
70 *Woodman*, 2004; *Anderson et al.*, 2004] which correspond to the vertical ion drift and thus  
71 the zonal electric field in equatorial regions. The developed expression was validated with  
72 Jicamarca ISR's vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and Jicamarca Unattended Long-Term studies of the  
73 Ionosphere and Atmosphere (JULIA) system data, including separate treatment of different  
74 geophysical conditions. We wish to state that it has been shown previously that JULIA  
75 vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift data correlate well with EEJ [e.g., *Anderson et al.*, 2004] and have  
76 high agreement with ISR vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift observations [*Kudeki and Fawcett*, 1993;  
77 *Chau and Woodman*, 2004]. A clear historical perspective linking 150 km echo Doppler  
78 velocities to equatorial vertical drifts along with relevant references has been presented in  
79 *Rodrigues et al.* [2015]. Ground-based magnetometer data have advantage of being con-

80 tinuous with high temporal resolution and are available in a number of longitude sectors,  
81 thus increasing the probability of getting coincidental observations when the satellite is  
82 within the vicinity of the magnetometer location. It is established that the difference be-  
83 tween horizontal components of the Earth's magnetic field observations ( $\Delta H$ ) from mag-  
84 netometer locations at the equator and about  $6^\circ - 9^\circ$  away from the equator is a proxy of  
85 EEJ which has a linear relationship with vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift [Anderson *et al.*, 2002, 2004;  
86 Yizengaw *et al.*, 2014] during local daytime. Therefore the development of a mathematical  
87 relationship between C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift and  $\Delta H$  has the potential to provide  
88 high temporal resolution vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  databases in longitude sectors where low latitude  
89 magnetometers exist. This would in turn contribute to formulation of empirical models  
90 in equatorial latitudes as well as performing extended day-to-day vertical drift variability  
91 on a long-term basis by utilising the extended magnetometer network consisting of pairs  
92 that satisfy the criteria for estimating EEJ [e.g., Yizengaw and Moldwin, 2009]. Although  
93 the approach based on magnetometer observations is valid during local daytime, it may  
94 be possible in future to develop  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift models covering all times by combining ver-  
95 tical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift data estimated from daytime magnetometer  $\Delta H$  and night-time satellite  
96 observations.

## 97 **2 Data sources and method**

98 The Ion Velocity Meter (IVM), one of the instruments of the Coupled Ion Neu-  
99 tral Dynamics Investigation (CINDI) package onboard C/NOFS satellite provides in situ  
100 observations of equatorial meridional/vertical component of the ion plasma drift [e.g.,  
101 Stoneback *et al.*, 2011, 2012; Yizengaw *et al.*, 2014] that are used in this study. C/NOFS  
102 satellite which was launched in April 2008 in a  $13^\circ$  inclination orbit had initial perigee  
103 and apogee at 400 km and 850 km respectively [Stoneback *et al.*, 2011]. The IVM instru-  
104 ment provides vertical ion plasma drift, ion composition and temperature. Detailed infor-  
105 mation about the instrument calibration for ion plasma drift measurements can be found  
106 in Stoneback *et al.* [2012]. The other instrument of CINDI is the neutral wind meter that  
107 gives neutral velocity and density observations. In our analysis, we limited C/NOFS ver-  
108 tical ion plasma drift (equivalent to vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift at about 400 km) observations  
109 within  $\pm 4$  degrees latitude from the geomagnetic equator based on the fact that the EEJ is  
110 a strip of enhanced current within  $\pm 3^\circ$  from the dip equator. Also a study by Manoj *et al.*  
111 [2006] showed that the correlation between EEJ derived from ground-based magnetome-

ter data and CHAMP satellite observations deteriorated beyond  $\pm 4^\circ$  from the geomagnetic equator. The longitudinal consideration was limited within  $77.2^\circ\text{W} \pm 8^\circ$  to ensure that the local time did not change considerably, while the altitude range was 400-550 km which has been used in several investigations [e.g., *Stoneback et al.*, 2011; *Yizengaw et al.*, 2014; *Rodrigues et al.*, 2015]. From now onwards and for convenience purposes, there may be instances where C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift is simply referred to as C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift, especially during the comparison with ISR and JULIA measurements. The outliers in C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  data were removed per satellite pass (within our defined latitude/longitude and altitude grid) using the median filtering technique centered at determining the median and median absolute deviation. The scaled median deviation ( $\delta$ ) was determined following a procedure in *Huber* [1981]; *Huber and Ronchetti* [2009]; *Lomidze et al.* [2018] as  $\delta = b \times \text{median}(|y_i - \text{median}(y_i)|)$ , where the constant  $b = 1.4826$  is associated with data exhibiting normal distribution [e.g., *Rousseeuw and Croux*, 1993; *Leys et al.*, 2013] and  $y_i$  is the number of observations, in this case, per satellite pass within the defined spatial/altitude resolution. Therefore values outside the range;  $\text{median} \pm 2.5\delta$  (per satellite pass) were eliminated from further analysis. In total, the combination of median and scaled median absolute deviation removed 2.82% of C/NOFS vertical ion drift as outliers which did not exhibit regular trend in their diurnal temporal variability.

The EEJ was determined from horizontal component of the Earth's magnetic field using a pair of magnetometer stations; Jicamarca ( $11.8^\circ\text{S}$ ,  $77.2^\circ\text{W}$ ;  $0.8^\circ\text{N}$  geomagnetic) and Piura ( $5.2^\circ\text{S}$ ,  $80.6^\circ\text{W}$ ;  $6.8^\circ\text{N}$  geomagnetic). Differencing H-component (to give  $\Delta H$ ) using magnetometer data from a station located at the equator and another one away from the equator by  $6^\circ - 9^\circ$  is a widely accepted method of determining EEJ and or vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift [*Rastogi and Klobuchar*, 1990; *Anderson et al.*, 2002, 2004; *Yizengaw et al.*, 2011, 2012] during local daytime. The reader is referred to *Anderson et al.* [2002, 2004]; *Yizengaw et al.* [2012] for a detailed description of the method.

Figure 1 shows (a) the location of Jicamarca and Piura magnetometer stations (red dots) along with the spatial coverage considered for C/NOFS vertical ion drifts (enclosed in blue dashed lines) around Jicamarca, (b) daytime H (nT) after removing the background H value by subtracting the average nighttime baseline value between 2300-0300 local time [*Yizengaw et al.*, 2014] over Jicamarca (black curve) and Piura (blue curve) for 08 January 2011, and (c) daytime  $\Delta H$  (nT) obtained using data in (b) as well as available C/NOFS vertical ion drift (m/s) (plotted as black dots) on 08 January 2011. Figure 1(c) shows

145 that for most of the time when data are available, C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift and  
146 magnetometer  $\Delta H$  agree even in revealing downward vertical drifts manifesting as nega-  
147 tive values in the observations. There were considerable instances with negative values of  
148  $\Delta H$  and C/NOFS vertical ion drift during our period of study as we will show later in the  
149 next section. It has long been established that counter-electrojet (CEJ) occurs during lo-  
150 cal daytime in low solar activity conditions [Rastogi, 1974]. A recent longitudinal study  
151 over the African, South American and Phillipine regions during 2009 showed that there  
152 were occurrences of CEJ sometimes in local morning and especially in later afternoon  
153 [Rabiu *et al.*, 2017]. Some of the mechanisms associated with CEJ include vertical upward  
154 winds in equatorial regions [e.g., Raghavarao and Anandarao, 1980] and Sudden Strato-  
155 spheric Warming (SSW) driven dynamo processes [Vineeth *et al.*, 2009]. As a result of  
156 the prolonged solar minimum that caused complexities in ionospheric changes especially  
157 during 2008-2011 [Chen *et al.*, 2011; Perna and Pezzopane, 2016], our subsequent analysis  
158 and statistics involve significant CEJ durations when  $\Delta H$  and C/NOFS vertical ion plasma  
159 drifts were negative.

### 160 **3 Relationship between C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift and magnetometer ob-** 161 **servations**

162 Selecting C/NOFS vertical ion plasma (or simply vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ ) drift data and  $\Delta H$   
163 at times when both datasets are available within 2008-2014 yields a dataset that can be  
164 used to develop a mathematical relationship between these two variables. The exact data  
165 range used starts from 5 September 2008 (at 1206 LT) to 06 March 2014 (1005 LT). Fig-  
166 ure 2 shows the outcome of C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift and  $\Delta H$  data with a corre-  
167 lation coefficient of 0.57 (number of data points is 3939) during local daytime (0700-1700  
168 LT). Recently, Kumar *et al.* [2016] reported similar results by comparing EEJ and verti-  
169 cal  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts from ROCSAT-1 in the Indian and Japanese sectors and over Jicamarca  
170 where a simultaneous comparison was done using JULIA and EEJ to assess the agreement  
171 at different altitudes. Using data during 2001-2013, Kumar *et al.* [2016] obtained correla-  
172 tion coefficient values of 0.61 and 0.56 between ROCSAT measurements and  $\Delta H$  over the  
173 Indian and Japanese sectors, respectively. When separated according to levels of geomag-  
174 netic activity, correlation values during quiet conditions ( $K_p < 3$ ) were 0.6 and 0.52 over  
175 the Indian and Japanese sectors respectively during 2001-2003. It therefore appears that  
176 correlation values do not vary much based on geophysical conditions. Magnetometer data  
177 have temporal resolution of 1 minute and were used as a benchmark for choosing the co-

197 **Table 1.** RMSE and correlation coefficient (R) values between vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift estimated from the  
 198 C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift-magnetometer  $\Delta H$  relationship and available ISR measurements over  
 199 Jicamarca during 2008-2014

Function of $\Delta H$ for $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ estimation	correlation coefficient (R)	RMSE (m/s)
Linear	0.762	7.27
Quadratic	0.774	7.309
Cubic	0.777	7.134
Fourth order polynomial	0.774	7.198
Fifth order polynomial	0.756	7.437

178 incidental C/NOFS data. A relationship between JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts and magne-  
 179 tometer  $\Delta H$  has previously been established [Anderson *et al.*, 2004] over Jicamarca using  
 180 2001-2003 datasets. Among the different approaches investigated, Anderson *et al.* [2004]  
 181 developed an expression estimating vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts as a third order polynomial func-  
 182 tion of  $\Delta H$  using JULIA and magnetometer measurements during local daytime. We note  
 183 that this expression was developed for datasets that were close in terms of altitude varia-  
 184 tions. Magnetometer  $\Delta H$  is a proxy of EEJ which is the eastward current within the iono-  
 185 spheric E-region at  $\approx 120$  km [Richmond, 1973; Rastogi and Klobuchar, 1990; Anderson  
 186 *et al.*, 2004], while JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift data are regarded as measurements at 150  
 187 km [e.g., Kudeki and Fawcett, 1993; Chau and Woodman, 2004; Patra *et al.*, 2014]. In our  
 188 case, we are correlating  $\Delta H$  (EEJ) at  $\approx 120$  km with C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift  
 189 (altitude range of 400-550 km) and therefore should experimentally determine the appro-  
 190 priate mathematical function that best relates the two sets of measurements. To determine  
 191 the solution, we tested a number of functions relating C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift  
 192 and  $\Delta H$  (in Figure 2), and estimated vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift for the entire  $\Delta H$  database during  
 193 times when the ISR made observations (over the period 2008-2014). The ISR observa-  
 194 tions were later used to validate the performance of each investigated expression. Table 1  
 195 shows the root mean square error, RMSE (m/s) and correlation coefficient (R) values for  
 196 the different functions investigated.

200 In Table 1, statistical values indicate that vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  is best estimated with a cu-  
 201 bic function of  $\Delta H$  which has the lowest RMSE (7.13 m/s) and high R (0.78) over the

202 interval 2008-2014. We suggest that this method can be adopted for other longitude sec-  
 203 tors (since satellite data are available) where there are magnetometer measurements hence  
 204 increasing day-to-day vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift coverage that has been previously limited to re-  
 205 gions with radar instrumentation. However the coefficients of the cubic function should  
 206 be re-determined for each longitude sector under consideration to take into account local  
 207 time effects such as contributions to vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts arising from E-region migrating  
 208 and non-migrating tides and longitudinal conductivity differences [Millward *et al.*, 2001;  
 209 Lühr *et al.*, 2008]. A vital aspect to mention is that our study included the extended low  
 210 solar activity period of 2008-2010 where low correlation between solar activity and verti-  
 211 cal drift has been reported over the African sector [Dubazane *et al.*, 2018]. Observations  
 212 during the extended solar minimum of 2008-2009 showed complex behaviour as they dis-  
 213 agreed with the previously established understanding that vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts have solar  
 214 activity dependence [e.g., Richmond, 1973; Fejer *et al.*, 1991] over the equatorial latitudes.  
 215 Figure 3(a) shows the JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift variability from 2001-2015 at 1200 LT.  
 216 The solar flux F10.7 is superimposed on Figure 3(a) and generally shows little correla-  
 217 tion from 2008-2010 which may be directly related to the complexity of the ionospheric  
 218 variability during this extended solar minimum period [Chen *et al.*, 2011; Solomon *et al.*,  
 219 2013; Ezquer *et al.*, 2014; Perna and Pezzopane, 2016]. In Figure 3(b) ISR vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$   
 220 drift changes are shown at 1200 LT during 2008-2014. Figure 3 generally demonstrates  
 221 that JULIA data are more extensive than ISR data during our period of study 2008-2014.  
 222 Based on the data presented in Figure 3(a) showing no clear correlation between vertical  
 223  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities and solar activity during the extended solar minimum, we have also  
 224 investigated developing separate expressions for estimating vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift in 2008-  
 225 2010 and 2011-2014; and compared results with the combined datasets' outputs. The final  
 226 expressions are

$$\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} = -6 \times 10^{-6} \Delta H^3 - 0.0002 \Delta H^2 + 0.399 \Delta H - 1.872, \quad \text{for } 2008 - 2014 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} = -3 \times 10^{-5} \Delta H^3 + 0.002 \Delta H^2 + 0.484 \Delta H + 0.123, \quad \text{for } 2008 - 2010 \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} = 7 \times 10^{-6} \Delta H^3 - 0.001 \Delta H^2 + 0.361 \Delta H - 3.488, \quad \text{for } 2011 - 2014 \quad (3)$$

227 Equations (1)-(3) were developed from the C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift and ground-  
 228 based magnetometer derived  $\Delta H$  presented in Figure 2. The next section presents valida-  
 229 tion results of the developed expressions.



## 4 Results and Discussion

Figure 4 shows scatter plots of observed (JULIA and ISR) vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and (a)  $\Delta H$ , (b) C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift, (c) derived  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift using equation (1), (d) derived  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift using equations (2) and (3). The JULIA mode of the Jicamarca ISR provides E-region ( $\sim 150$  km) vertical irregularity drift assumed to be almost equivalent to the background vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift as shown in literature [e.g., *Chau and Woodman, 2004*]. The ISR provides drift profiles (200-800 km) and this study used the publically available averaged drifts in the range 225-600 km. We should add that restricting ISR altitudes within the C/NOFS altitude (400-550 km) data consideration did not significantly change results. In Figure 4(a), the correlation between  $\Delta H$  and JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift is higher (0.833) than the corresponding value for ISR vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift (0.778). When ISR altitude averaging was limited to 400-550 km, the correlation coefficient value slightly changed to 0.75. The difference in correlation values between  $\Delta H$  and JULIA/ISR vertical drifts is expected due to the altitudinal difference at which JULIA and ISR provide  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  measurements. While JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift data (at lower bottomside F2 region of 150 km altitude) can be regarded as observations at constant altitude, it has been demonstrated that ISR vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts have temporal altitudinal variability exhibiting a general increase and decrease with altitude during morning and afternoon hours respectively [e.g., *Pingree and Fejer, 1987; Hui and Fejer, 2015*]. Correlation results in Figure 4(b) for the case of JULIA and C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  give  $R_{\text{JULIA}} = 0.72$  compared to  $R_{\text{ISR}} = 0.53$  for ISR and C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ . Due to the altitude consideration, one would expect the correlation to be higher for C/NOFS and ISR vertical drifts. It is noted that there were less cases of coincidental C/NOFS and ISR vertical drifts observations, making it a bit difficult to conclude based on limited information. Relatively low correlation between C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and JULIA/ISR measurements (compared to R values for  $\Delta H$  and ISR/JULIA data) is partly attributed to the different physical mechanisms at different altitudes, and the fact that a longitudinal range of  $16^\circ$  for C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift is considered.

In terms of correlation with respect to local time dependance, Table 2 shows R values computed between  $\Delta H$  and C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift, and derived and observed ISR/JULIA  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift during 2008-2014 at different times with interval of 2 hours. While the R values between  $\Delta H$  and C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift are significantly lower for 13:00-15:00 LT and 15:00-17:00 LT, we see higher (above 0.7) R val-

**Table 2.** Correlation coefficient values for different local time ranges during 2008-2014 over Jicamarca

Local time range	Correlation coefficient (R) between		
	$\Delta H$ (nT) and C/NOFS	Derived and observed	Derived and observed
	vertical ion drift (m/s)	ISR $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ (m/s)	JULIA $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ (m/s)
07:00-09:00	0.558	0.802	0.820
09:00-11:00	0.583	0.705	0.868
11:00-13:00	0.524	0.766	0.847
13:00-15:00	0.385	0.833	0.818
15:00-17:00	0.230	0.803	0.737

264 ues between derived and observed ISR/JULIA  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift at all local times. Starting from  
 265 the developed expression relating  $\Delta H$  and C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift; which was  
 266 later used to derive both ISR and JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift at times when their obser-  
 267 vations were available, we notice that the primary trend determinant of the derived ver-  
 268 tical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift values is  $\Delta H$ . Therefore if the trend behavior of vertical drift variabil-  
 269 ity is captured in  $\Delta H$  changes (which is usually the case), we expect improved results of  
 270 derived ISR/JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift. In this case, the coefficients will affect mainly  
 271 the magnitude and not the trend of the derived values. The R values between  $\Delta H$  and  
 272 C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift, derived and observed ISR vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift; and de-  
 273 rived and observed JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift are 0.534, 0.766 and 0.846 respectively  
 274 during 1000-1400 LT. The general high correlation between derived and observed JU-  
 275 LIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift could be due to the fact that the altitudinal difference between  
 276 the EEJ ( $\Delta H$ ) and JULIA observations is relatively small (about 40 km) compared to the  
 277 range of ISR or C/NOFS observations. Additionally, afternoon downward drifts observed  
 278 in C/NOFS data have been reported [Stoneback *et al.*, 2011] which were found to be ab-  
 279 sent in JULIA 150 km echo drifts [Rodrigues *et al.*, 2015]. This is partly responsible for  
 280 the lower R values reported in Table 2 during 13:00-17:00 LT as the downward drifts seen  
 281 in C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift could be absent in  $\Delta H$ . Overall, during 1300-1500 LT  
 282 and 1500-1700 LT, simultaneous occurrence of negative C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift  
 283 and  $\Delta H$  accounted for 5.99% and 5.56% respectively. For the 1300-1500 LT range, neg-  
 284 ative values of C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift made up 31% in comparison with 11%  
 285 for  $\Delta H$ . These values slightly changed to 36% and 10% for C/NOFS vertical ion plasma

286 drift and  $\Delta H$  respectively during 1500-1700 LT. Figure 4(b) was generated by limiting  
 287 C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift observations within  $\pm 4$  degrees latitude and  $77.2^\circ \text{W} \pm 8^\circ$  ge-  
 288 ographic longitude around Jicamarca. Previous studies have used an extended latitude of  
 289 about  $8^\circ - 10^\circ$  away from the geomagnetic equator [e.g., *Patra et al.*, 2014; *Stoneback*  
 290 *et al.*, 2011; *Yizengaw et al.*, 2014] and obtained high correlation values with 150 km echo  
 291 radar measurements [e.g., *Patra et al.*, 2014]. However, for the development of the rela-  
 292 tionship involving EEJ derived data that is applicable over an extended period covering  
 293 different solar activity levels, it is necessary to limit the latitude range to within the EEJ  
 294 region in our analysis. Using the developed relationship in equation (1) (that comprised  
 295 data in Figure 2 from 2008-2014) to derive vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift during periods when the  
 296 ISR and JULIA made measurements, the scatter plot between derived and observed values  
 297 is shown in Figure 4(c). It is observed that there is a slight improvement in the correla-  
 298 tion for ISR and JULIA observations with R values of 0.791 and 0.841 respectively when  
 299 compared with  $\Delta H$  (Figure 4(a)). Previously, *Anderson et al.* [2004] developed the same  
 300 order of polynomial function of  $\Delta H$  based on JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift. Interestingly,  
 301 a direct comparison (not shown) with *Anderson et al.* [2004] expression gives R values  
 302 of 0.76 and 0.83 for ISR and JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift respectively during 2008-2014.  
 303 Considering expressions developed separately for low (2008-2010) and high (2011-2014)  
 304 solar activity periods (using expressions in equations (2) and (3)) due to the extended na-  
 305 ture of the deep solar minimum, the results are shown in Figure 4(d) for derived vertical  
 306 drift denoted as  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}_s$  and observations from JULIA and ISR. The accuracy is almost the  
 307 same and so the development of separate expressions seems not to significantly change re-  
 308 sults. This agrees with the study of *Rodrigues et al.* [2015] which found that the extreme  
 309 solar minimum during 2008-2009 did not lead to noticeable changes/effects in daytime  
 310 JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts. We however think that if F10.7 or any solar activity indica-  
 311 tor was used as an input, the results would perhaps be different and so it is advantageous  
 312 to use  $\Delta H$  that seems to exhibit the inherent behaviour of  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  changes. From now on-  
 313 wards, the discussion will only use derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts using equation (1) that  
 314 contains coefficients from the entire dataset (2008-2014) used in our study.

315 Figure 5 shows the distribution of the differences (observed-derived) between the  
 316 derived and observed vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities for (a) ISR and (b) JULIA in 2008-  
 317 2004. In both cases, the mean differences are close to 0 m/s and the standard deviation  
 318 values are basically the same. For both ISR and JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  observations, at

336 **Table 3.** Summary of correlation coefficient and RMSE values for different storm periods with  $Dst \leq -100$  nT  
 337 during 2008-2016 when  $\Delta H$  and vertical drift data were simultaneously available over Jicamarca

Storm period	Minimum Dst (nT)	R	RMSE (m/s)	Data source
05-08 August 2011	-107	0.92	4.37	ISR
08-11 March 2012	-131	0.87	4.31	JULIA
08-10 October 2012	-105	0.77	7.06	JULIA (only 08 <sup>th</sup> had data)
13-15 November 2012	-108	0.96	3.88	JULIA (only 14 <sup>th</sup> had data)
25-27 August 2015	-100	0.78	5.08	ISR
07-08 October 2015	-124	0.80	5.99	JULIA
19-21 January 2016	-104	0.92	4.99	JULIA (19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> had data)

319 least 80% of differences lie within -5 m/s and 5 m/s when the developed relationship is  
 320 validated over the entire available respective datasets during 2008-2014. We have investi-  
 321 gated the potential of the developed expression in estimating local daytime vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$   
 322 response during geomagnetic storms. For this purpose, we considered strong geomagnetic  
 323 storms with  $Dst \leq -100$  nT during 2008-2016 when ISR and JULIA observations were si-  
 324 multaneously available with  $\Delta H$  measurements. Table 3 shows the summary of correlation  
 325 coefficient and RMSE values for different storm periods with  $Dst \leq -100$  nT during 2008-  
 326 2016 when we had  $\Delta H$  and vertical drift data over Jicamarca. There were only two storm  
 327 periods when ISR vertical drifts and  $\Delta H$  were present. Important to point out is that Table  
 328 3 contains results of 2015 and 2016 which were not covered during the process of devel-  
 329 oping the expression relating C/NOFS ion drifts and  $\Delta H$ . Given that correlation coefficient  
 330 values are above 0.75 in all cases with RMSE values comparable to some previous stud-  
 331 ies [e.g., *Anderson et al.*, 2004] and even lower in some cases as is the case for the 13-15  
 332 November 2012 storm period (despite the limited dataset available), we suggest that the  
 333 developed relation can be utilized for all geophysical conditions. We re-state that *Ander-*  
 334 *son et al.* [2004] obtained a RMSE value of 3.79 m/s using the same order of polynomial  
 335 on  $\Delta H$  and JULIA vertical drifts data during 2001-2003.

338 In details, we present results for storm periods of 05-08 August 2011 and 08-10  
 339 March 2012 when ISR and JULIA observations were available respectively. In both cases,  
 340 we have compared our expression's performance with the earlier developed expression by

341 *Anderson et al.* [2004]. Figure 6 shows the observed (black dots) and derived  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift  
 342 during the storm period of 05-08 August 2011. The derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities  
 343 based on C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  and  $\Delta H$  expression are plotted as red dots. Correspond-  
 344 ing values based on JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  and  $\Delta H$  relationship (expressed as  $(\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B})_{A2004}$ )  
 345 from *Anderson et al.* [2004] are shown in blue dots. In the subsequent graphical represen-  
 346 tation where diurnal vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift comparisons are performed, the colors of respec-  
 347 tive observed and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts are similar to the description above. Shown  
 348 in Figure 6(a) are the symmetric disturbance field in the H-component, SYM-H (nT) and  
 349 Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field, IMF Bz (nT) in red and blue curves  
 350 respectively. The SYM-H index is equivalent to high resolution Dst index [*Wanliss and*  
 351 *Showalter, 2006*] and provides information about storm-time ring current system. The oc-  
 352 currence of the 05 August 2011 geomagnetic storm was a result of complex changes in  
 353 solar wind conditions that involved the launching of three coronal mass ejections on 02-03  
 354 August and became geoeffective on 04-05 August 2011 [*Huang et al., 2014*]. On the 06  
 355 August 2011 at 0322 UT, the SYM-H reached its peak value (-132 nT) of the main-phase  
 356 and thereafter the recovery process started and lasted at least 3 days. Figure 6 shows that  
 357 at the commencement of the main phase onset (1906 UT or 1357 LT over Jicamarca on  
 358 05 August 2011), there was a sharp increase in vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift (Figure 6(b) on 05 Au-  
 359 gust 2011) which is a manifestation of penetrating electric field of magnetospheric origin  
 360 [e.g., *Fejer and Scherliess, 1995, 1998; Huang et al., 2005*] during the southward turning  
 361 of IMF Bz and this was well reproduced by the developed mathematical expression (red  
 362 dots). On the 06 August 2011 during the recovery phase, the local daytime vertical drift  
 363 decreased probably due to the westward electric field generated by the disturbed iono-  
 364 spheric dynamo [e.g., *Blanc and Richmond, 1980; Huang, 2013*] and the dominance of  
 365 R2 current when IMF Bz turns north [e.g., *Kikuchi et al., 2000; Yizengaw et al., 2011*].  
 366 The developed expression not only follows the decreased vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  velocities, but also  
 367 estimates well the magnitude of the vertical drifts. Overall, we obtained a high R value  
 368 (0.92) between observed and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities during the storm pe-  
 369 riod of 05-08 August 2011. The computed RMSE of 4.37 m/s is less than the correspond-  
 370 ing result (RMSE=6.77 m/s) generated for the same order of polynomial in *Anderson et al.*  
 371 [2004] which estimated vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  velocities based on JULIA and  $\Delta H$  measurements.  
 372 The R value is similar (0.92) for both approaches during this storm period. What is sig-  
 373 nificant is that our approach uses C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and  $\Delta H$  observations and

374 may be applicable even during geomagnetic storm conditions as shown in Figure 6(b).  
 375 Despite the differences in accuracy, the earlier developed relationship [Anderson *et al.*,  
 376 2004] also follows the vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift variability during this storm period. Figure 7  
 377 shows a comparison of JULIA observed and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities for ge-  
 378 omagnetically disturbed period of 08-10 March 2012. Figure 7(a) presents variations of  
 379 SYM-H (nT) and IMF Bz (nT) plotted in red and blue colors respectively. The vertical  
 380 black dashed lines correspond to the times of the shock (1103 UT) and storm main phase  
 381 onset (0100 UT) on 08 March and 09 March 2011 respectively. The solar wind condi-  
 382 tions and interplanetary causes of this storm period are detailed in *Tsurutani et al.* [2014].  
 383 While the shock hit the Earth's magnetosphere at 1103 UT on 08 March, the storm main  
 384 phase occurred on 09 March 2012 with SYM-H (nT) index reaching -148 nT at around  
 385 0800 UT. In Figure 7(b), the observed (black dots) and derived (red and blue dots) ver-  
 386 tical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities are compared during local daytime. Unfortunately there were  
 387 no JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift observations as well as  $\Delta H$  to derive  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  velocities on  
 388 08 March 2012. For the rest of the storm period, the variations in JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$   
 389 velocities are captured by the corresponding derived  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities (red dots) with  
 390 some occasional overestimation as is the case at around 1552 UT on 09 March during the  
 391 sharp increase of the vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift believed to be due to penetrating electric fields  
 392 [Habarulema *et al.*, 2016]. Nevertheless, the derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts respond to the  
 393 most important physical feature where penetrating electric fields of magnetospheric ori-  
 394 gin enhances the daytime eastward electric field in equatorial latitudes. For our approach  
 395 based on C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  and  $\Delta H$ , the computed R and RMSE values are 0.87  
 396 and 4.31 m/s respectively during the 09-11 March 2012. The approach in *Anderson et al.*  
 397 [2004] gives R and RMSE values of 0.90 and 6.67 m/s respectively; and generally under-  
 398 estimates the observed vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities (see blue dots in Figure 7(b)). Gener-  
 399 ally, based on results in Figures 6-7 and Table 3, it is feasible to conclude that the devel-  
 400 oped expression based on C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and magnetometer  $\Delta H$  observations  
 401 is applicable in estimating vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  velocities during geomagnetic storm conditions.  
 402 Mathematically, this is possible and understandable as most of the daytime time vertical  
 403 drift changes are reflected in the EEJ ( $\Delta H$ ) measurements which respond identically to  
 404 vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift during magnetically disturbed conditions.

405 Finally, we validate our expression during other periods not covered by the data  
 406 which was used to develop it. We recall that equation (1) was developed using C/NOFS

425 **Table 4.** Correlation coefficient (R) and root mean square error (RMSE) values computed using observed  
 426 (ISR and JULIA) and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) for some days in 2014. Observed ISR and JULIA vertical  
 427  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) are compared with corresponding vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) obtained using our expression based on  
 428 C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (denoted as C/NOFS( $\Delta H$ ) func) and *Anderson et al.* [2004] relationship (denoted as  
 429 JULIA( $\Delta H$ ) func) respectively.

ISR with:			C/NOFS( $\Delta H$ ) func		JULIA( $\Delta H$ ) func		JULIA with:			C/NOFS( $\Delta H$ ) func		JULIA( $\Delta H$ ) func	
Date (2014)	R	RMSE (m/s)	R	RMSE (m/s)	Date (2014)	R	RMSE (m/s)	R	RMSE (m/s)	R	RMSE (m/s)	R	RMSE (m/s)
23 April	0.83	2.77	0.83	4.38	27 June	0.95	2.81	0.95	5.30				
06 May	0.88	5.06	0.86	5.81	28 July	0.95	3.84	0.95	3.70				
26 Nov	0.89	7.20	0.89	2.42	28 Aug	0.83	9.01	0.88	3.61				
16 Dec	0.79	6.37	0.78	3.28	08 Dec	0.97	4.88	0.97	4.05				

407 vertical ion plasma drift (equivalent to  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ ) velocities and  $\Delta H$  during the period of  
 408 September 2008 to March 2014. Figure 8 shows observed and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  ve-  
 409 locities on randomly chosen days within the period of May-December 2014 when ISR  
 410 and JULIA made observations. Our approach is once again compared with derived ver-  
 411 tical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities generated using expression in *Anderson et al.* [2004], which  
 412 was developed based on JULIA and  $\Delta H$  observations. Figure 8(a) graphically compares  
 413 observed ISR (black dots) and derived (red and blue dots for our relationship and *Anders-*  
 414 *son et al.* [2004] expression respectively) vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  velocities for 23 April 2014, 06  
 415 May 2014, 26 November 2014 and 16 December 2014 during local daytime (0700-1700  
 416 UT). Figure 8(b) is similar to Figure 8(a), but for JULIA and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  ve-  
 417 locities on days 27 June 2014, 28 July 2014, 28 August 2014 and 08 October 2014. The  
 418 statistical summary for the comparisons is presented in Table 4. In all cases, the R values  
 419 computed from observed and our derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities are highly sim-  
 420 ilar/comparable to the corresponding results when *Anderson et al.* [2004] expression is  
 421 used. In terms of RMSE, with exception of 27 June 2014, the *Anderson et al.* [2004] ex-  
 422 pression gives lower values for observed JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift comparisons. This is  
 423 an expected result as *Anderson et al.* [2004] developed their expression based on JULIA  
 424 vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and  $\Delta H$  observations.

430 Figure 8 and Table 4 essentially demonstrate that it is possible to follow diurnal  
431 changes in vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities based on the polynomial function developed us-  
432 ing C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift and  $\Delta H$  observations. This opens up new oppor-  
433 tunities to develop low latitude vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift models using a combination of satel-  
434 lite and magnetometer measurements especially during local daytime that is accurate in  
435 all longitude sectors. In fact such models can be valid for all local times since satellites  
436 would also provide observations during nighttime (although sparse). Magnetometer mea-  
437 surements which are continuous and have high temporal resolution would then provide  
438 reliable day-time vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift database. Pairs of magnetometers that satisfy the re-  
439 quirements to allow the development of expressions (similar to what has been done in this  
440 study) in different longitude sectors exist [e.g., *Yizengaw et al.*, 2011, 2014] in African,  
441 American, Indian and Asian sectors. Therefore, based on the presented results and ap-  
442 proach, it is possible to develop new empirical vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift models and update the  
443 existing ones such as the Scherliess-Fejer (SF) model [*Scherliess and Fejer*, 1999] and the  
444 ROCSAT-1 based quiet equatorial model [*Fejer et al.*, 2008] to account for the recent un-  
445 usual changes in solar activity such as the extended solar minimum of 2008-2010.

## 446 5 Conclusions

447 For the first time, a mathematical relationship between C/NOFS vertical ion plasma  
448 drift (equivalent to  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift at about 400 km) and magnetometer  $\Delta H$  observations has  
449 been developed and validated with ISR and JULIA observations during local daytime  
450 (0700-1700 UT) covering a period of 2008-2014. While we restricted our analysis to Ji-  
451 camarca (11.8°S, 77.2°W; 0.8°N geomagnetic) due to the availability of the actual ob-  
452 servations to validate our approach, the order of the developed function is transferable to  
453 different longitude sectors which have magnetometer locations that can estimate the EEJ.  
454 We stress that while the order of the polynomial can be kept, new coefficients should be  
455 derived for a different longitude sector to account for local contributions to vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$   
456 velocities such as E region tides (both migrating and nonmigrating) influence on the elec-  
457 tric field [*Millward et al.*, 2001; *Lühr et al.*, 2008; *Maute et al.*, 2012]. Overall, the devel-  
458 oped expression can reconstruct at least 75% of the observed vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities  
459 from the ISR and JULIA observations. Of significant importance is the robustness of the  
460 polynomial function to also estimate vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift velocities during geomagnetic  
461 storms. Given the recent developments in magnetometer deployments to estimate the EEJ



in different longitude sectors [Yizengaw *et al.*, 2014], we suggest that the developed approach is a suitable basis for developing high resolution empirical vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  models even in longitudes without radar observations.

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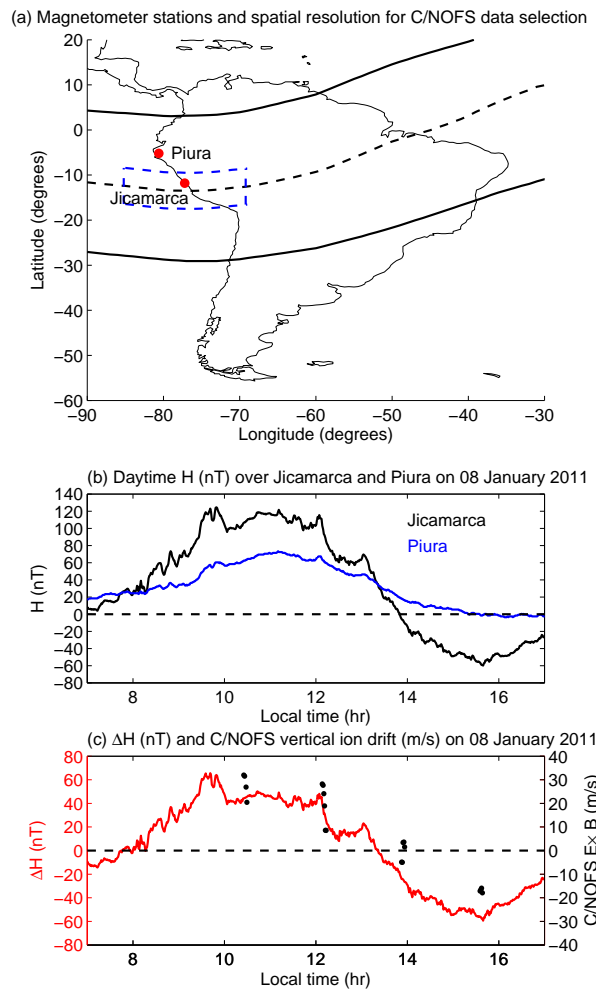


Figure 1: (a) Location of magnetometer stations (red dots), illustration of the spatial coverage (within the blue enclosure) used for C/NOFS vertical ion drift data consideration within altitude of 400-550 km around Jicamarca, (b) daytime H (nT) after removing the background H value by subtracting the average nighttime baseline value between 2300-0300 local time over Jicamarca (black curve) and Piura (blue curve) for 08 January 2011, and (c) daytime  $\Delta H$  (nT) or simply EEJ obtained using data in (b) along with available C/NOFS vertical ion drift (m/s) (plotted as black dots) on 08 January 2011. In (a), the dashed black line represents the geomagnetic equator while the solid black lines show the southern and northern crests of the equatorial ionisation anomaly at  $\pm 15^\circ$  from the geomagnetic equator.



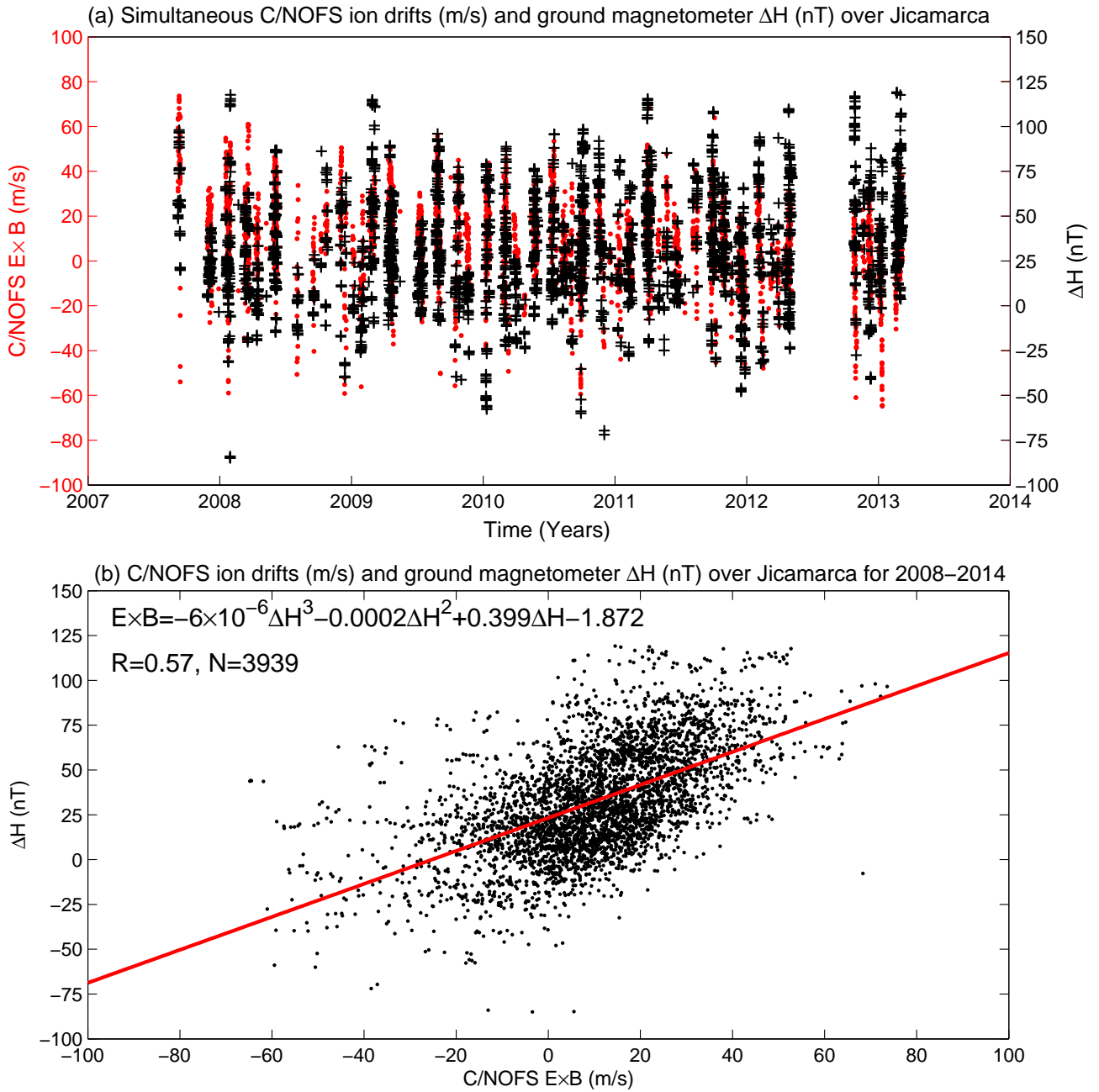


Figure 2: Representation of (a) simultaneous C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drifts (**red dots**) equivalent to vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift (m/s) and  $\Delta H$  (nT) (black positive sign) availability (2008–2014) over Jicamarca during local daytime (0700–1700 LT); and (b) **scatter plot of C/NOFS vertical ion plasma drift or  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift (m/s) and  $\Delta H$  (nT)**. The derived cubic expression is shown in (b) along with correlation coefficient ( $R$ ) of 0.57 obtained using 3939 number of observations.

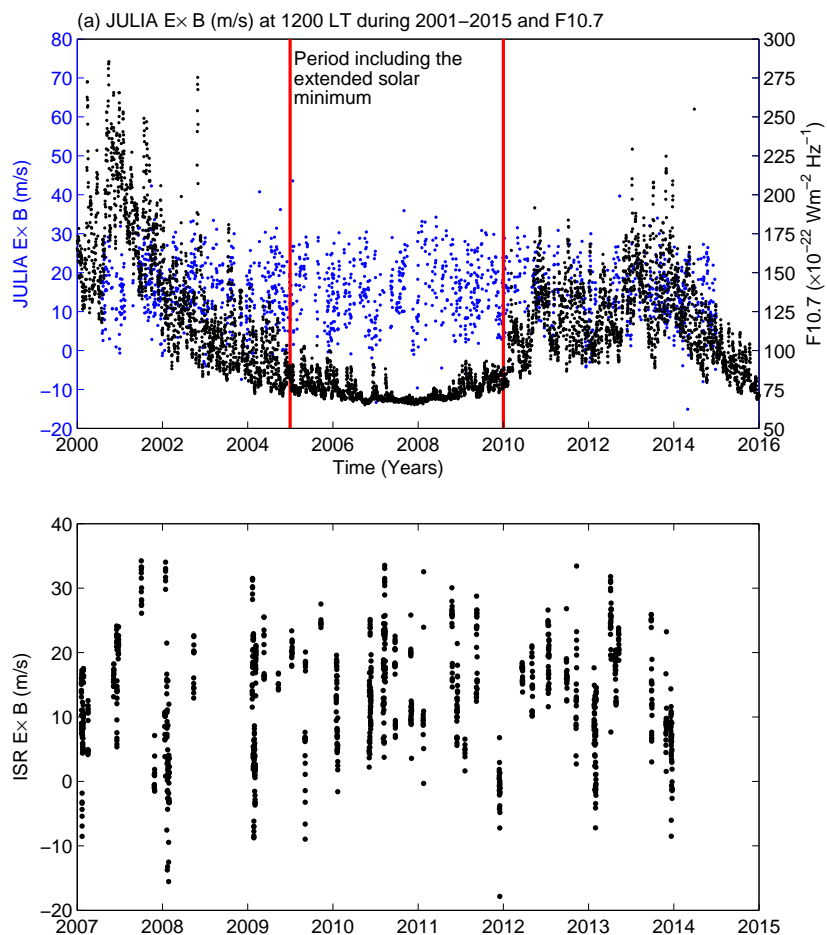


Figure 3: (a) Comparison of JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) variability at 1200 LT (2001-2015) with solar flux at 10.7 cm wavelength, F10.7 (2000-2016). The vertical red lines highlight the period (2005-2010) including the prolonged solar minimum. **Panel (b) shows an example of ISR  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) availability at 1200 LT from 2008-2014 used in evaluating the derived expression between C/NOFS vertical ion drifts and ground-based magnetometer  $\Delta H$  (nT).**

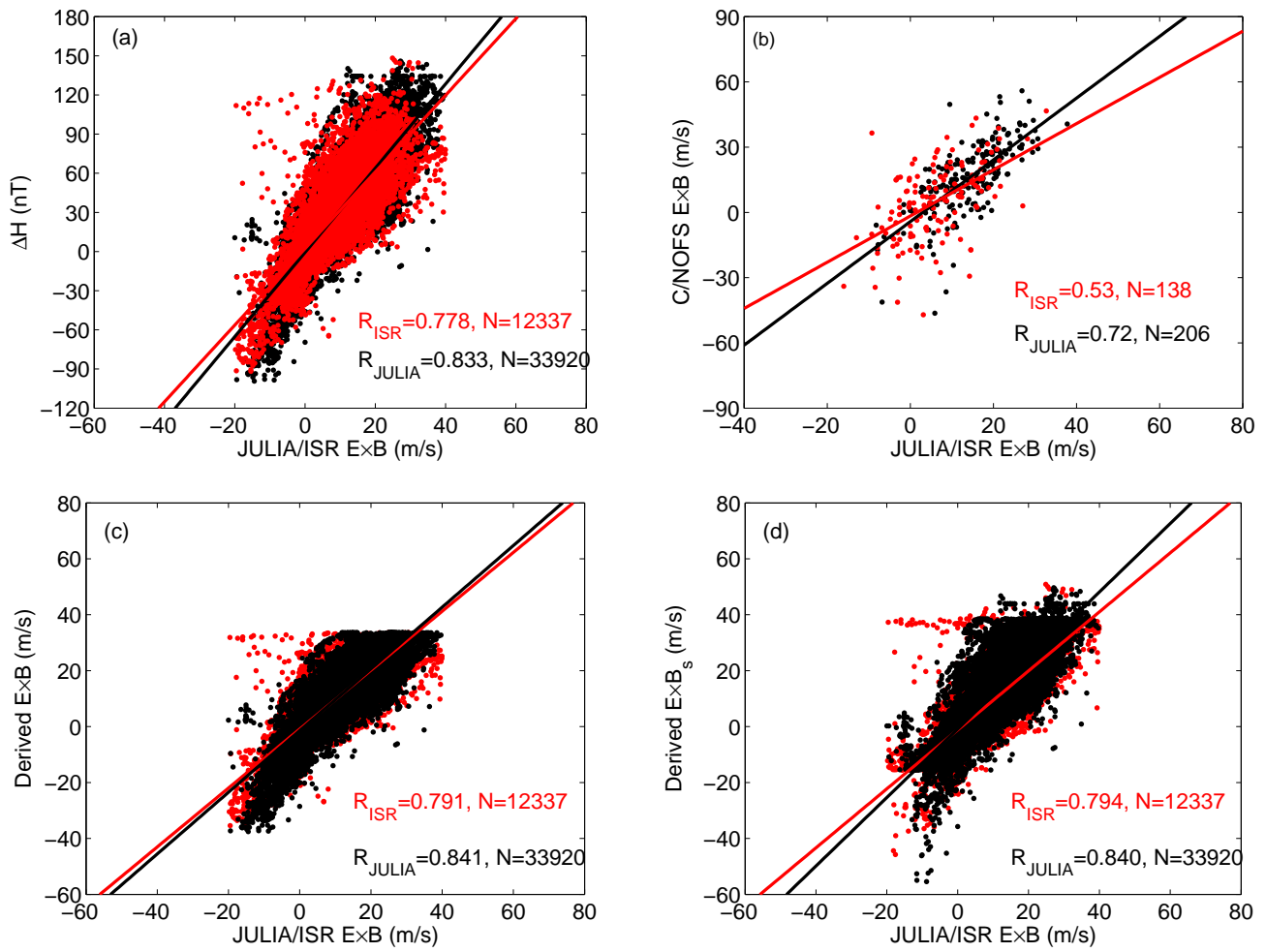


Figure 4: Scatter plots of measured (JULIA and ISR) vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift and (a)  $\Delta H$ , (b) C/NOFS vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$ , (c) derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift using equations (1), (d) derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drift using equations (2 and 3).

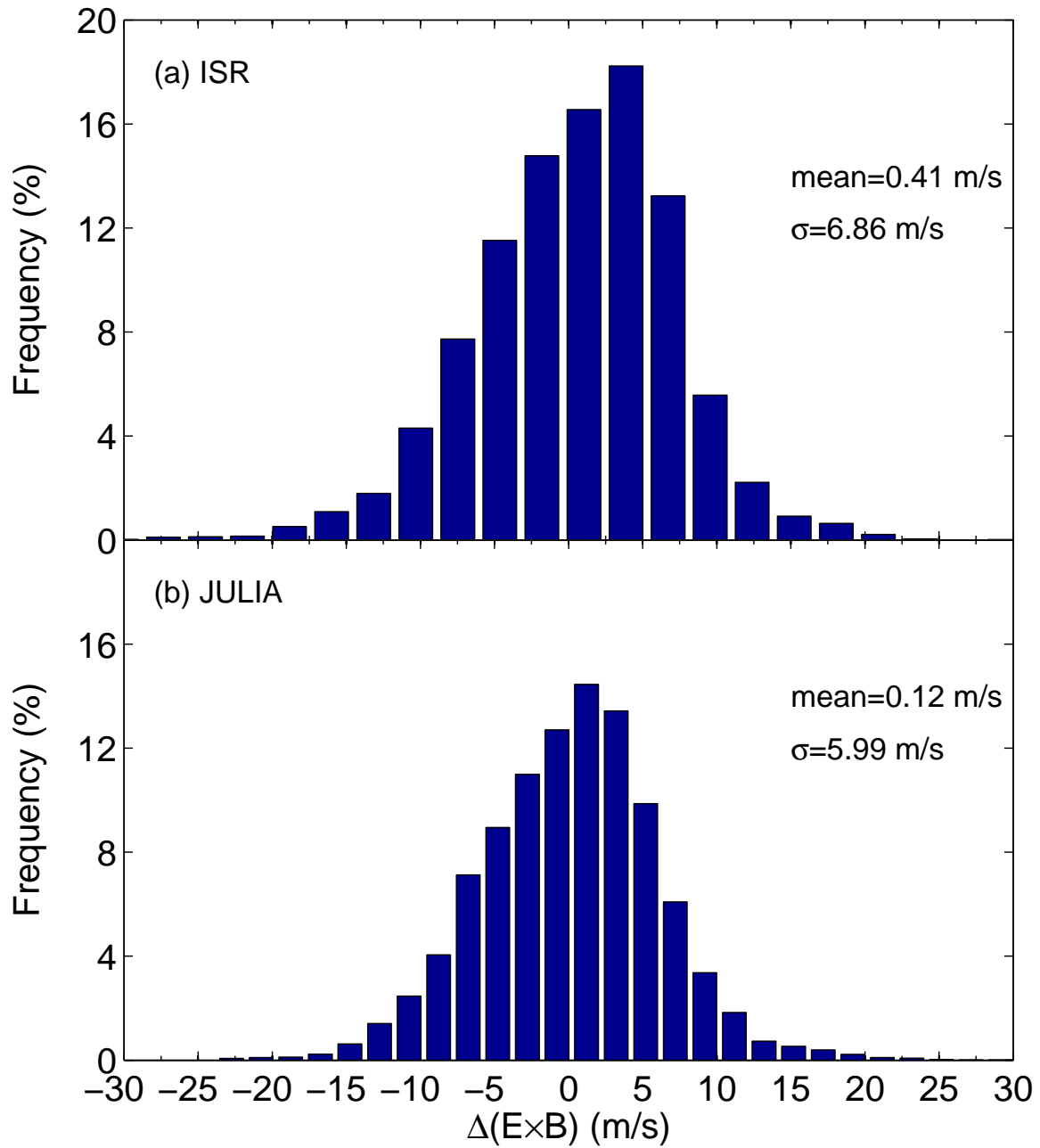


Figure 5: Distribution of differences (observed-derived= $\Delta(\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B})$ ) between derived and observed (a) ISR, and (b) JULIA vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  drifts during for 2008-2014.

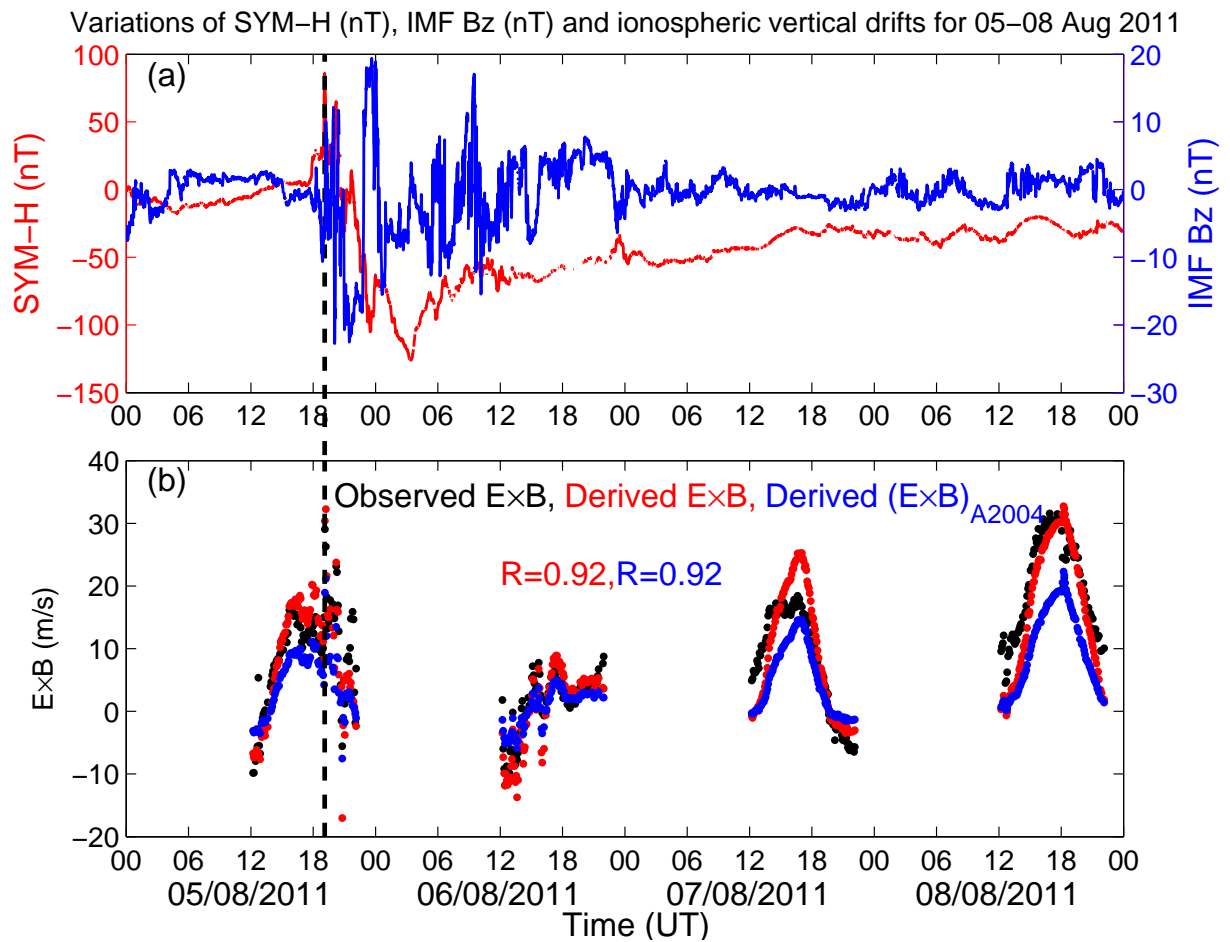


Figure 6: Changes in (a) SYM-H (nT) and IMF Bz (nT) for 05-08 August 2011 storm period, (b) ISR observed (black dots) and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) with C/NOFS (red dots) and JULIA (blue dots denoted as  $(\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B})_{A2004}$  obtained using expression developed by Anderson et al., [2004]) based functions during the storm period of 05-08 August 2011. The vertical dashed line represents the storm onset time at 1906 UT on 05 August 2011. Jicamarca LT=UT-5.15.

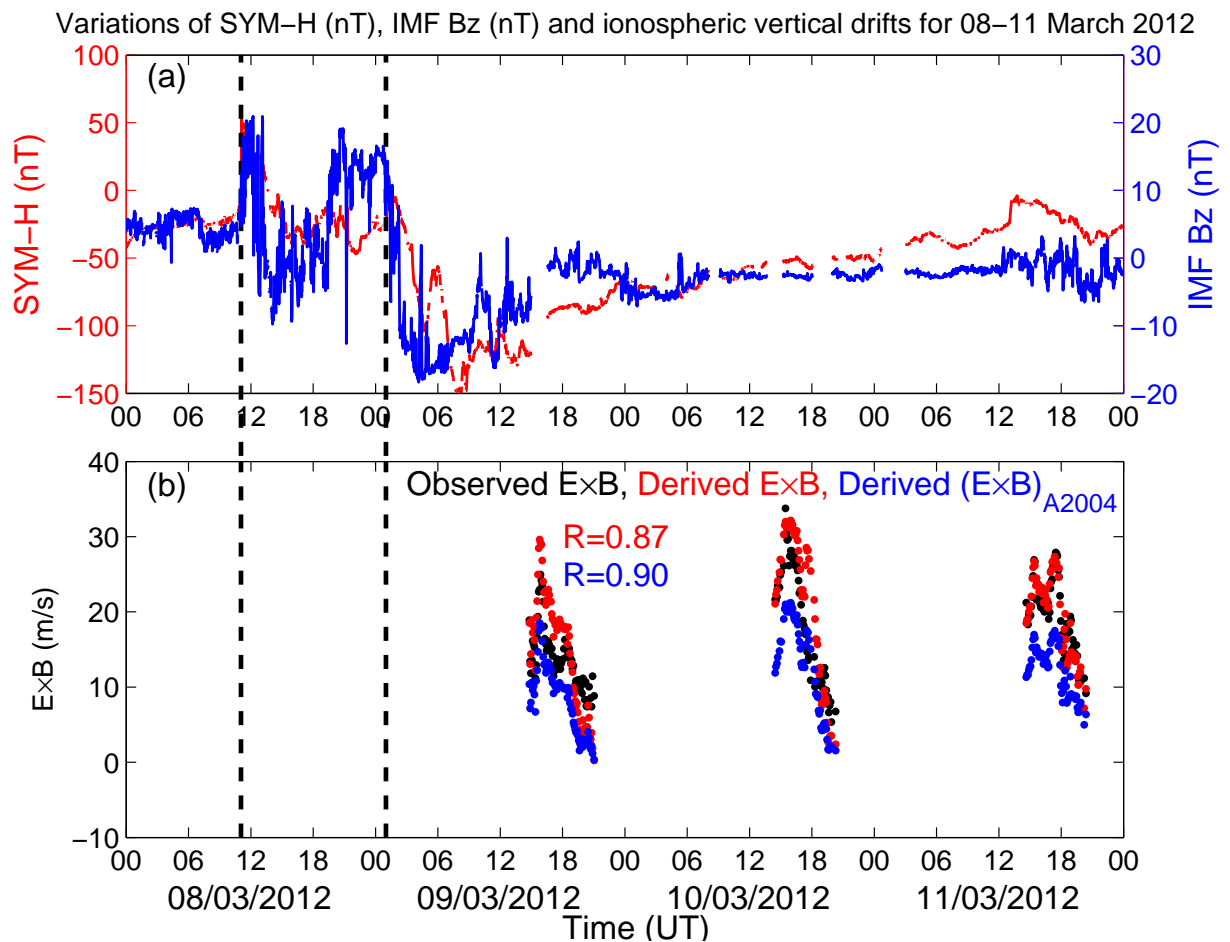
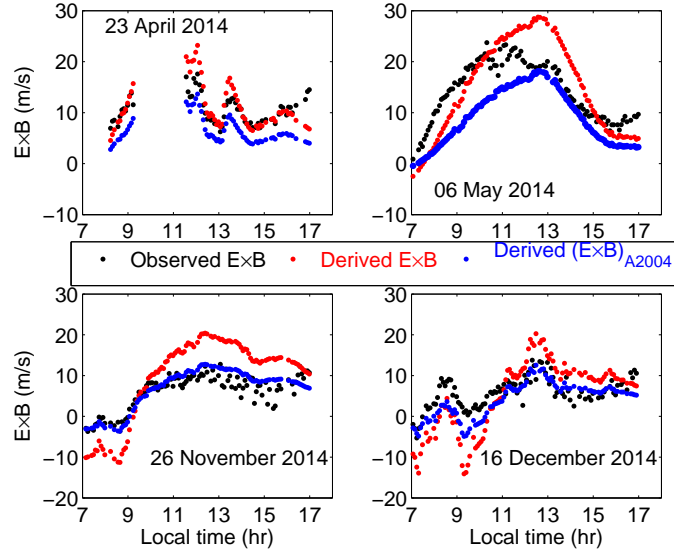
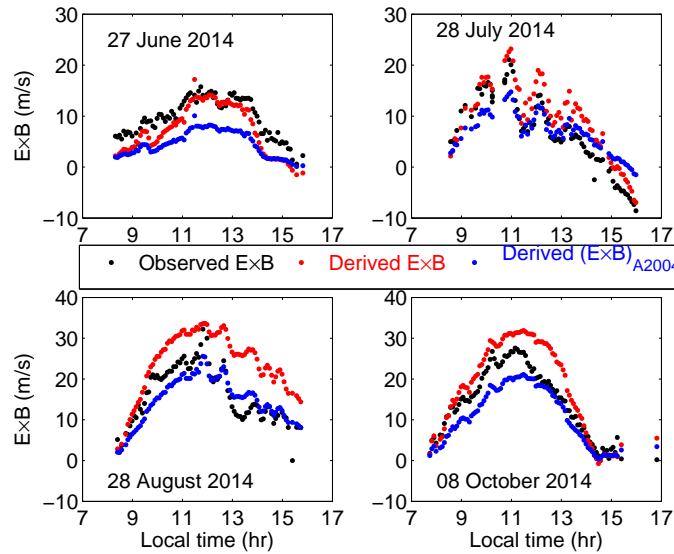


Figure 7: Variations in (a) SYM-H (nT) and IMF Bz (nT) for 08-11 March 2012 storm period, (b) JULIA observed (black dots) and derived vertical  $\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$  (m/s) with C/NOFS (red dots) and JULIA (blue dots denoted as  $(\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B})_{A2004}$  obtained using expression developed by Anderson et al., [2004]) based functions during the storm period of 08-11 March 2012. Vertical dashed lines correspond to the shock and mainphase onset times at 1103 UT and 0100 UT on 08 March and 09 March respectively



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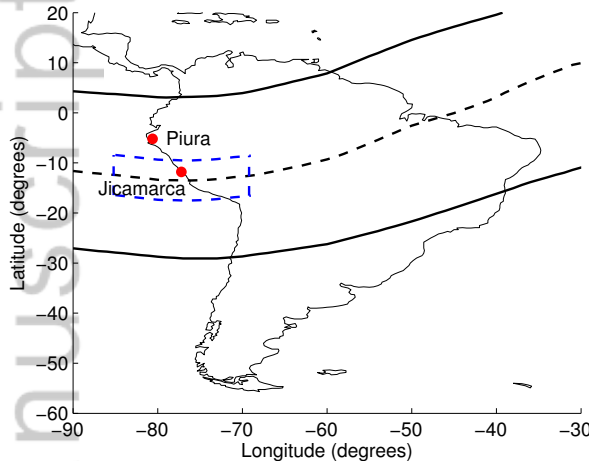
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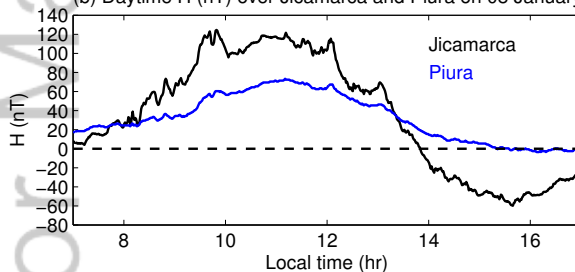
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(b) Daytime H (nT) over Jicamarca and Piura on 08 January 2011



(c)  $\Delta H$  (nT) and C/NOFS vertical ion drift (m/s) on 08 January 2011

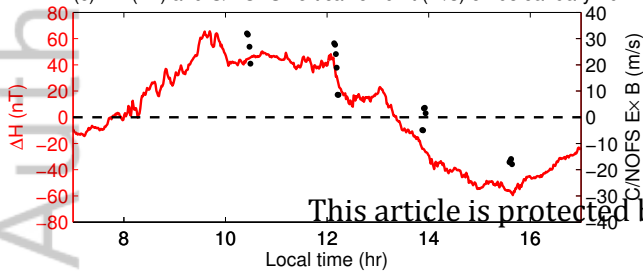
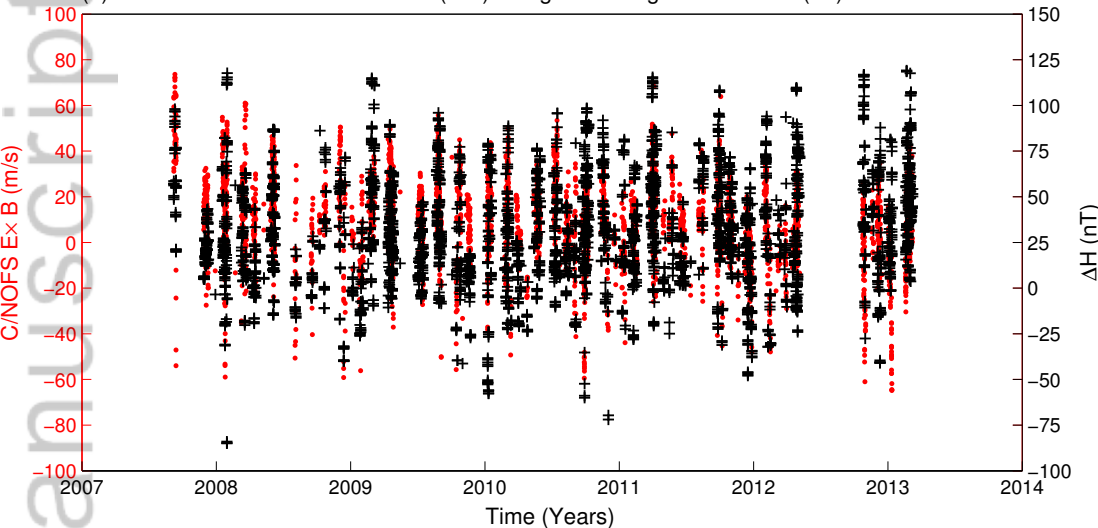


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(a) Simultaneous C/NOFS ion drifts (m/s) and ground magnetometer  $\Delta H$  (nT) over Jicamarca



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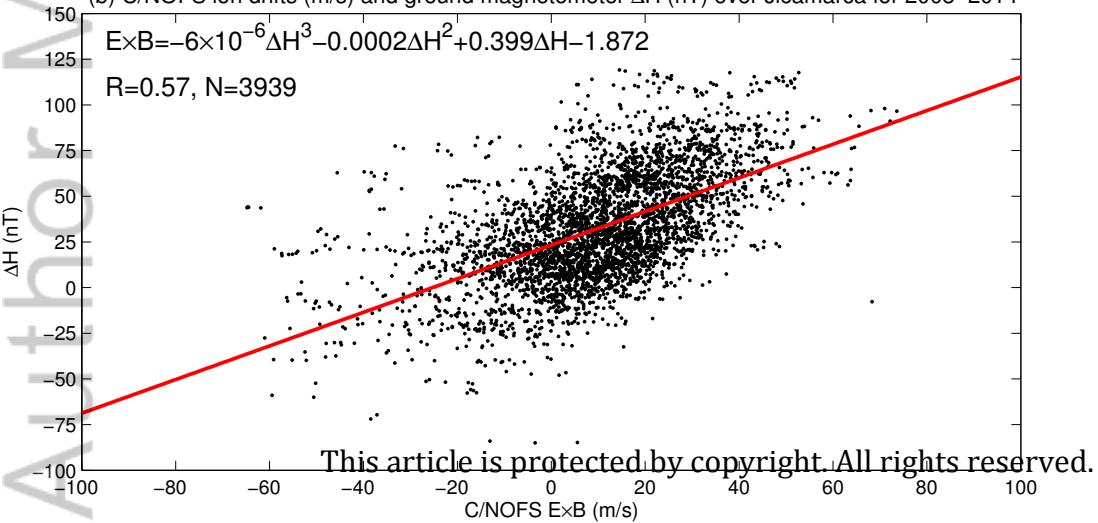
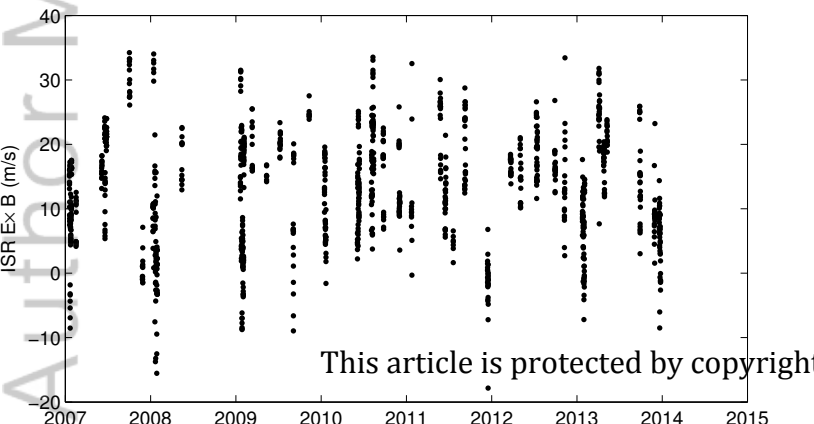
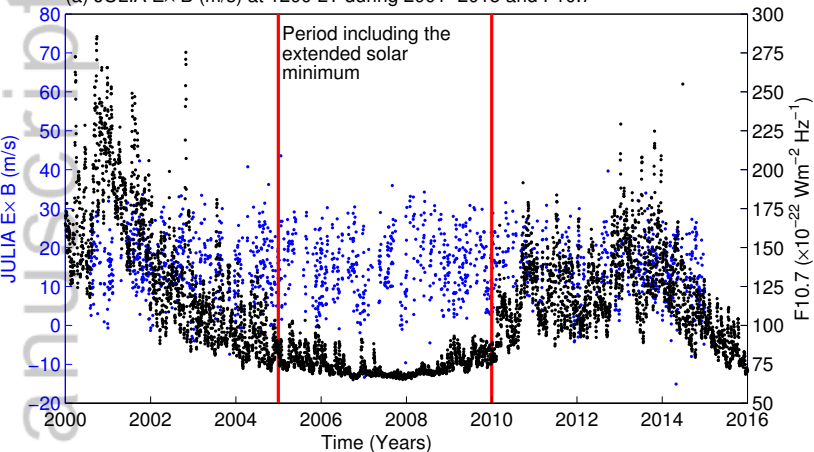


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(a) JULIA Ex B (m/s) at 1200 LT during 2001–2015 and F10.7



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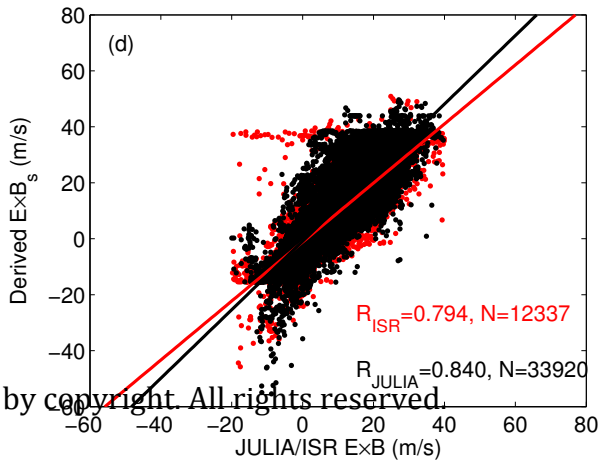
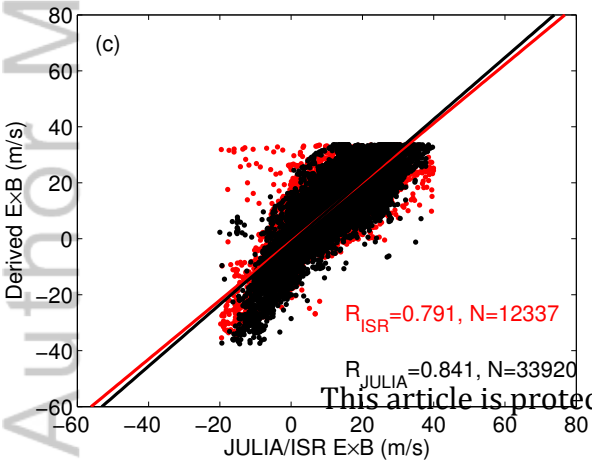
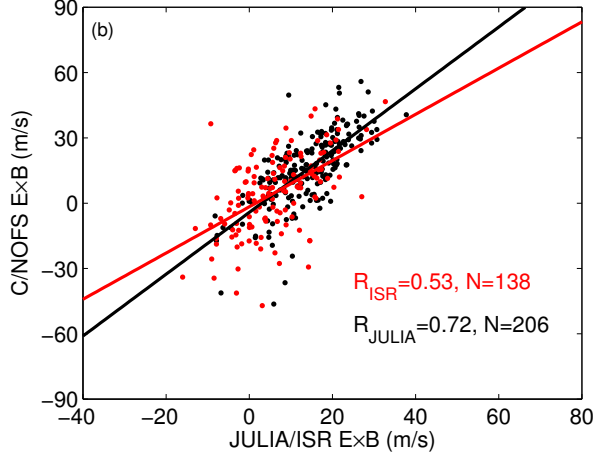
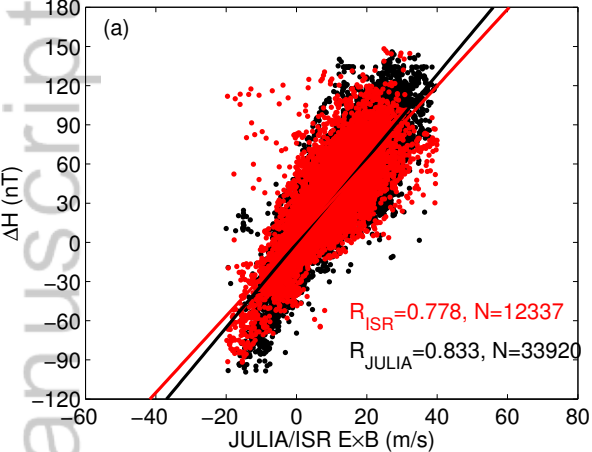


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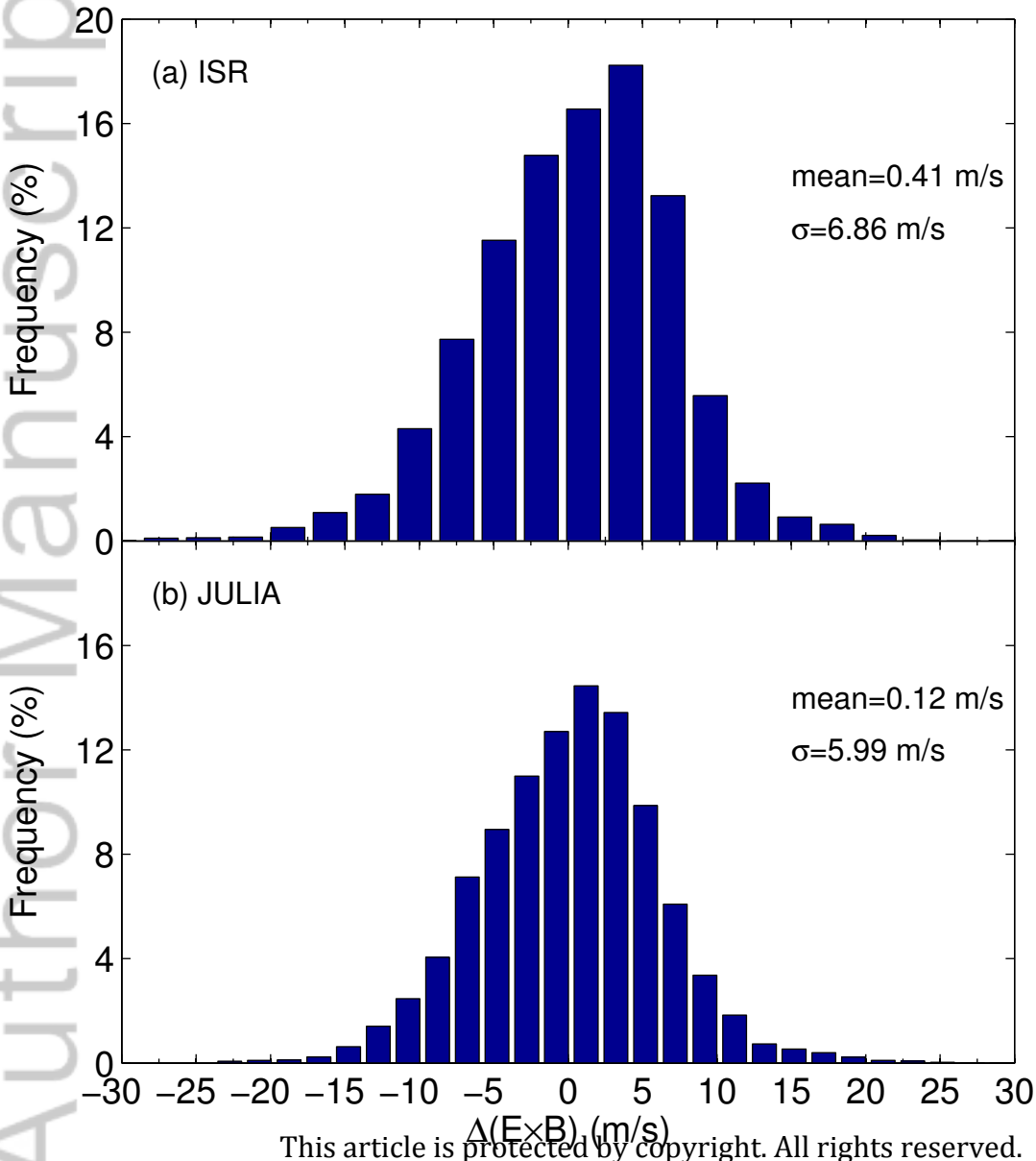


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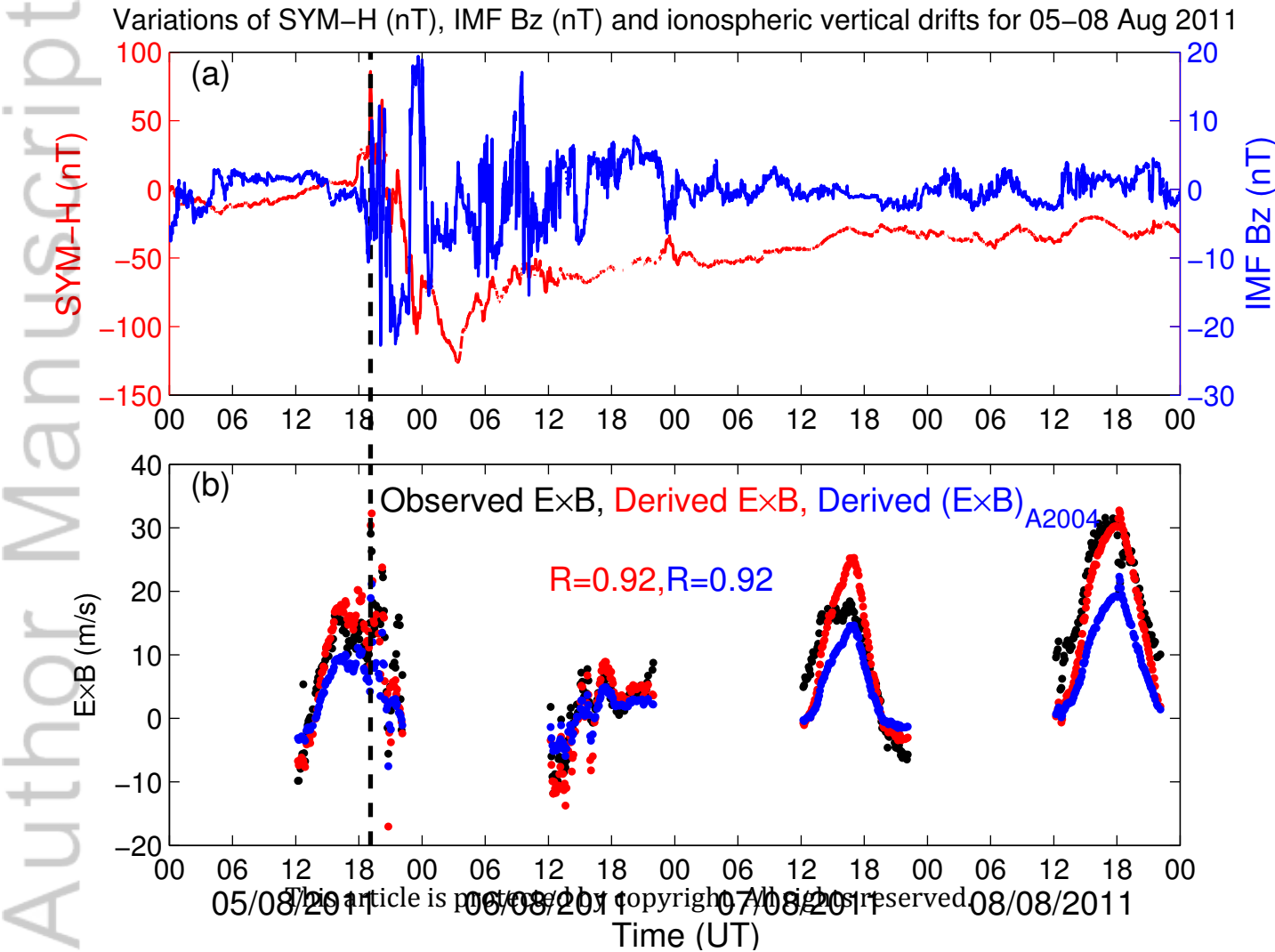


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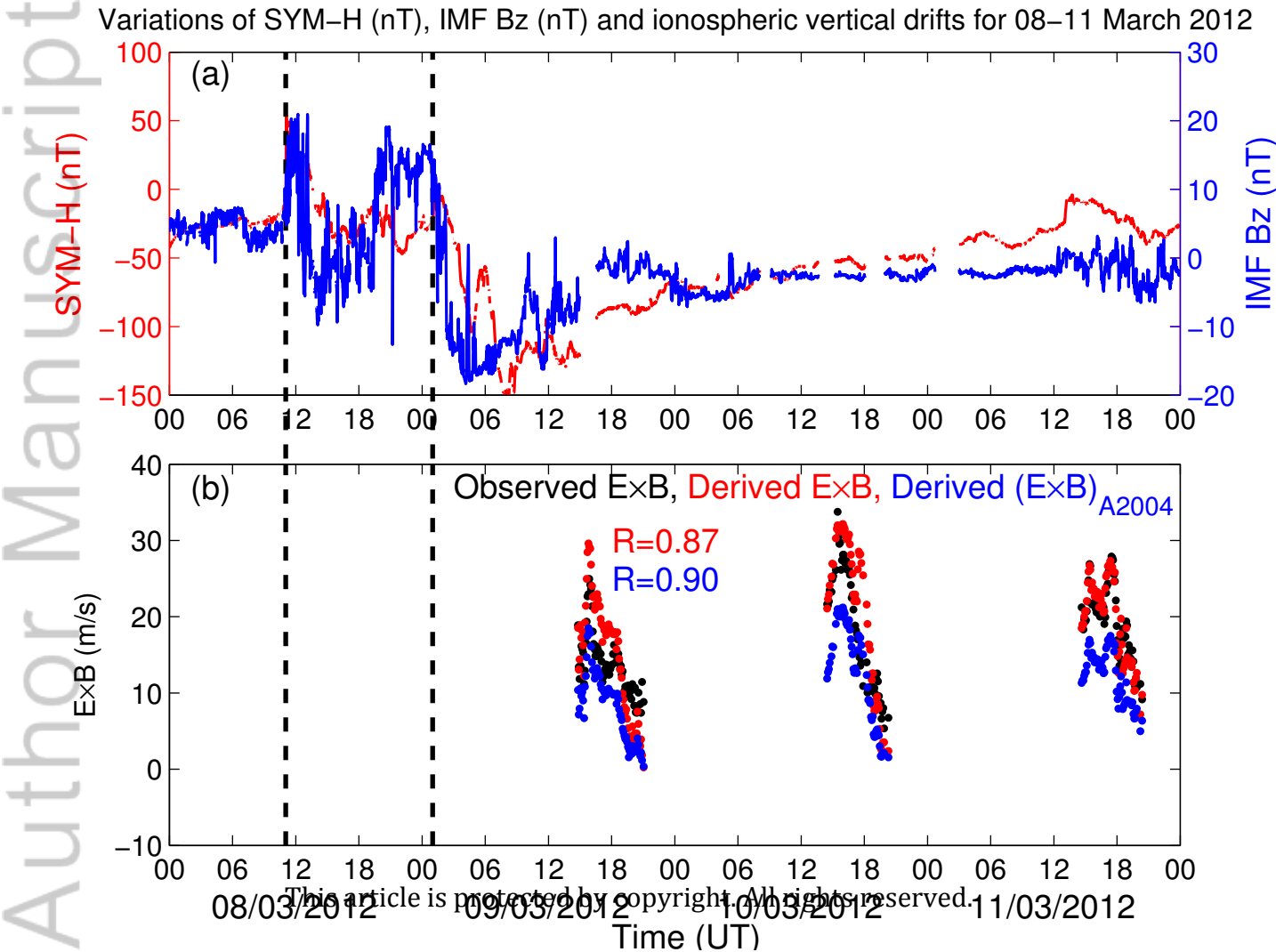
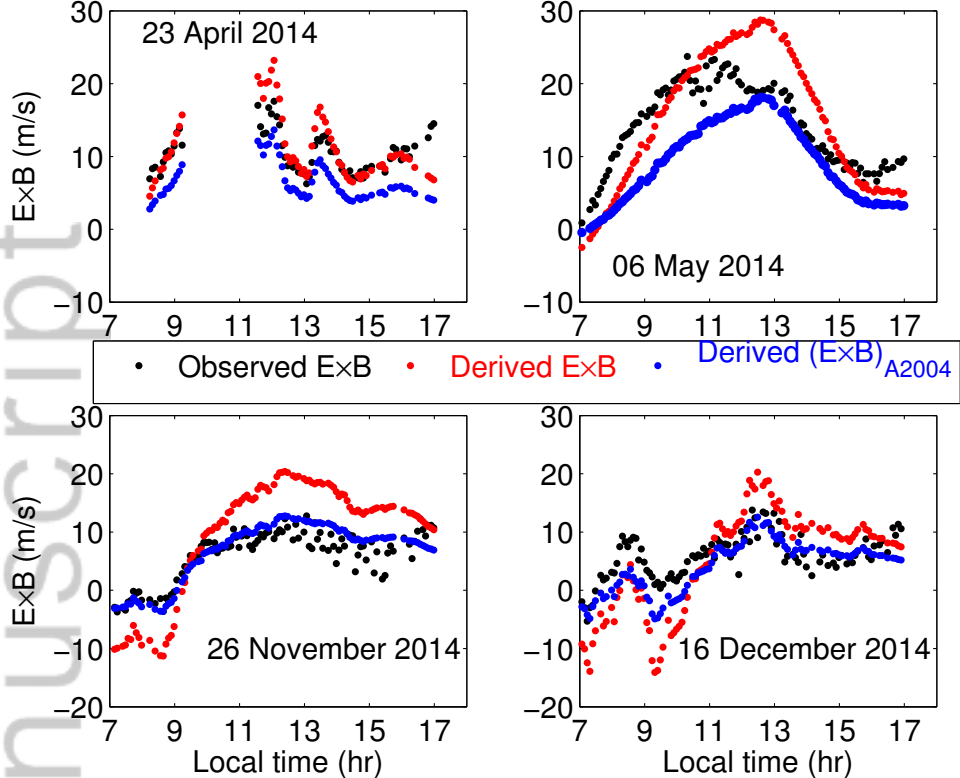
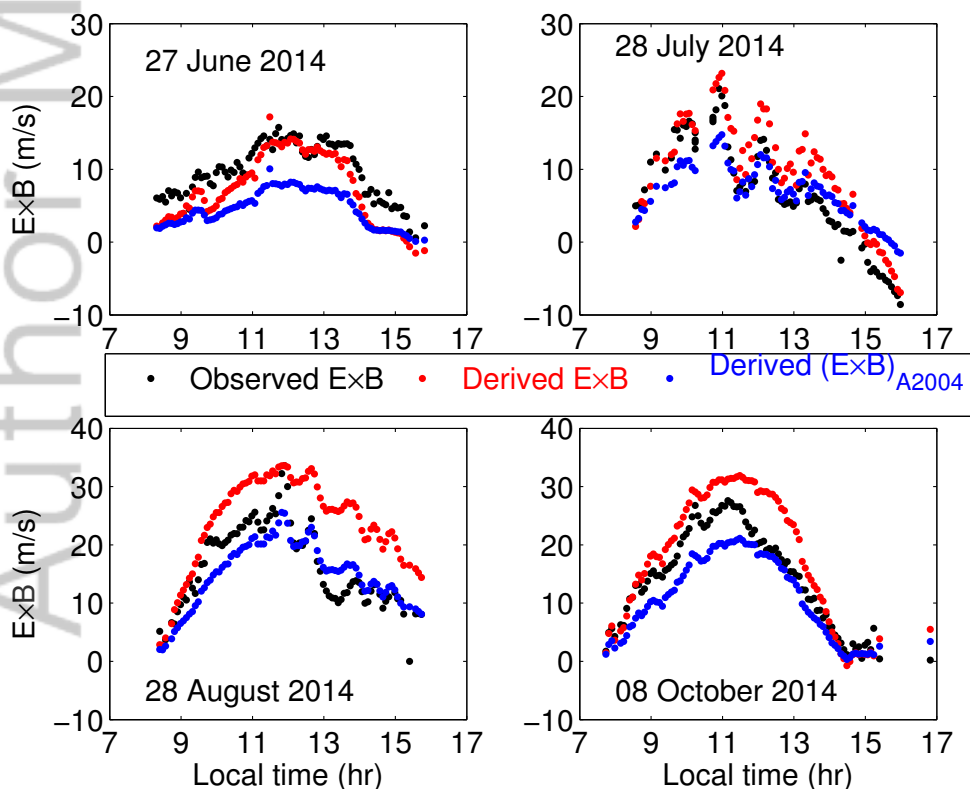


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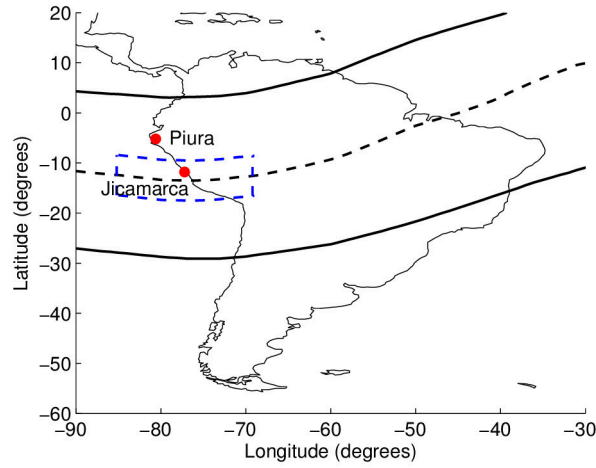


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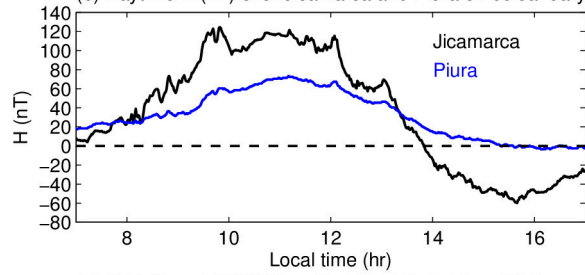


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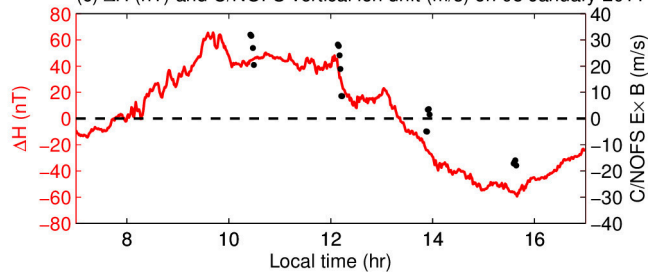
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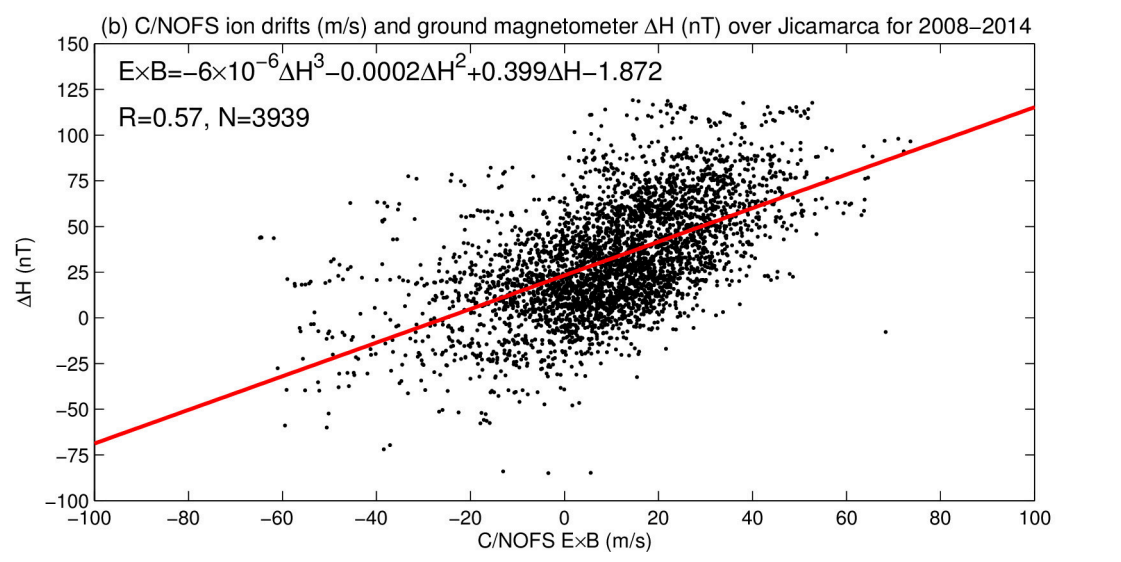
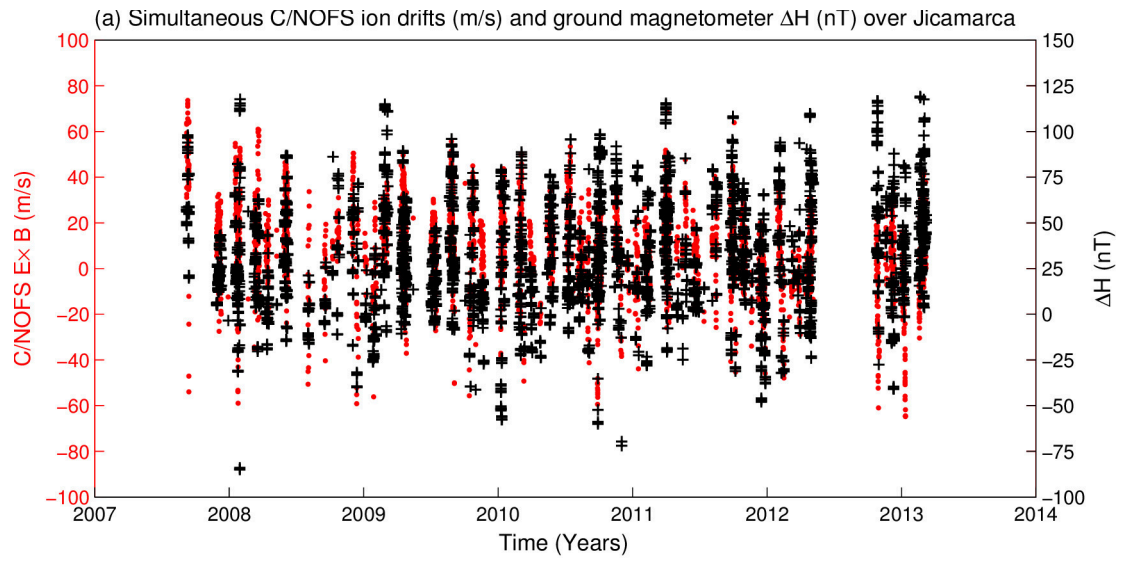


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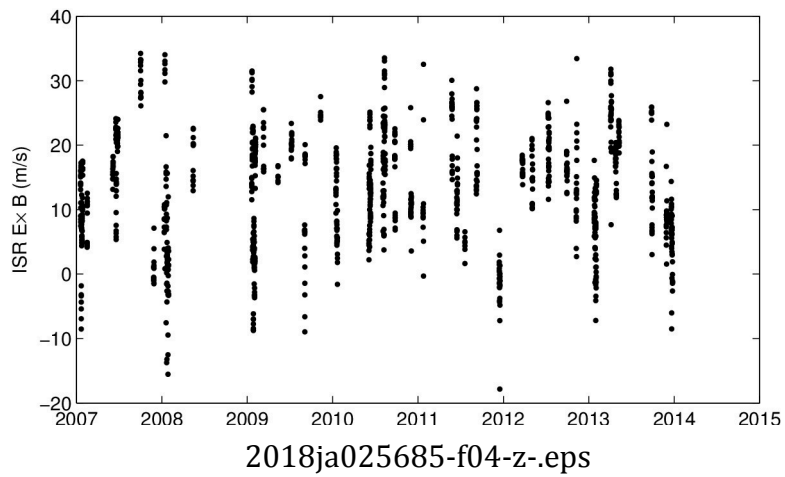
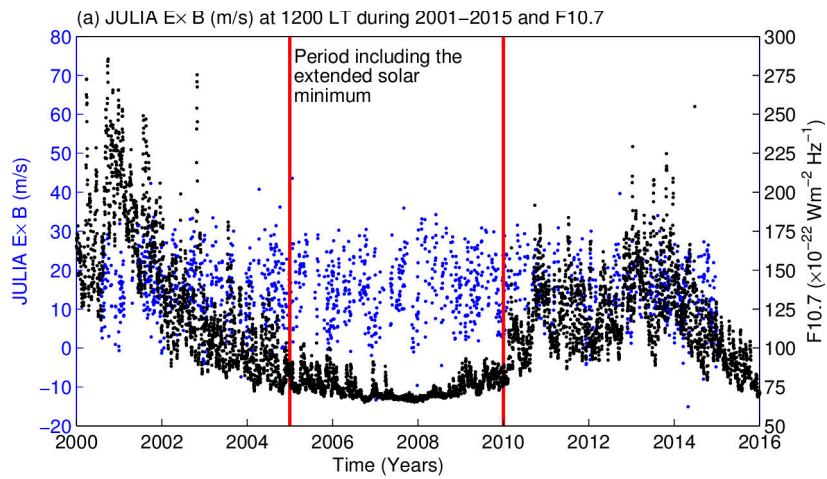


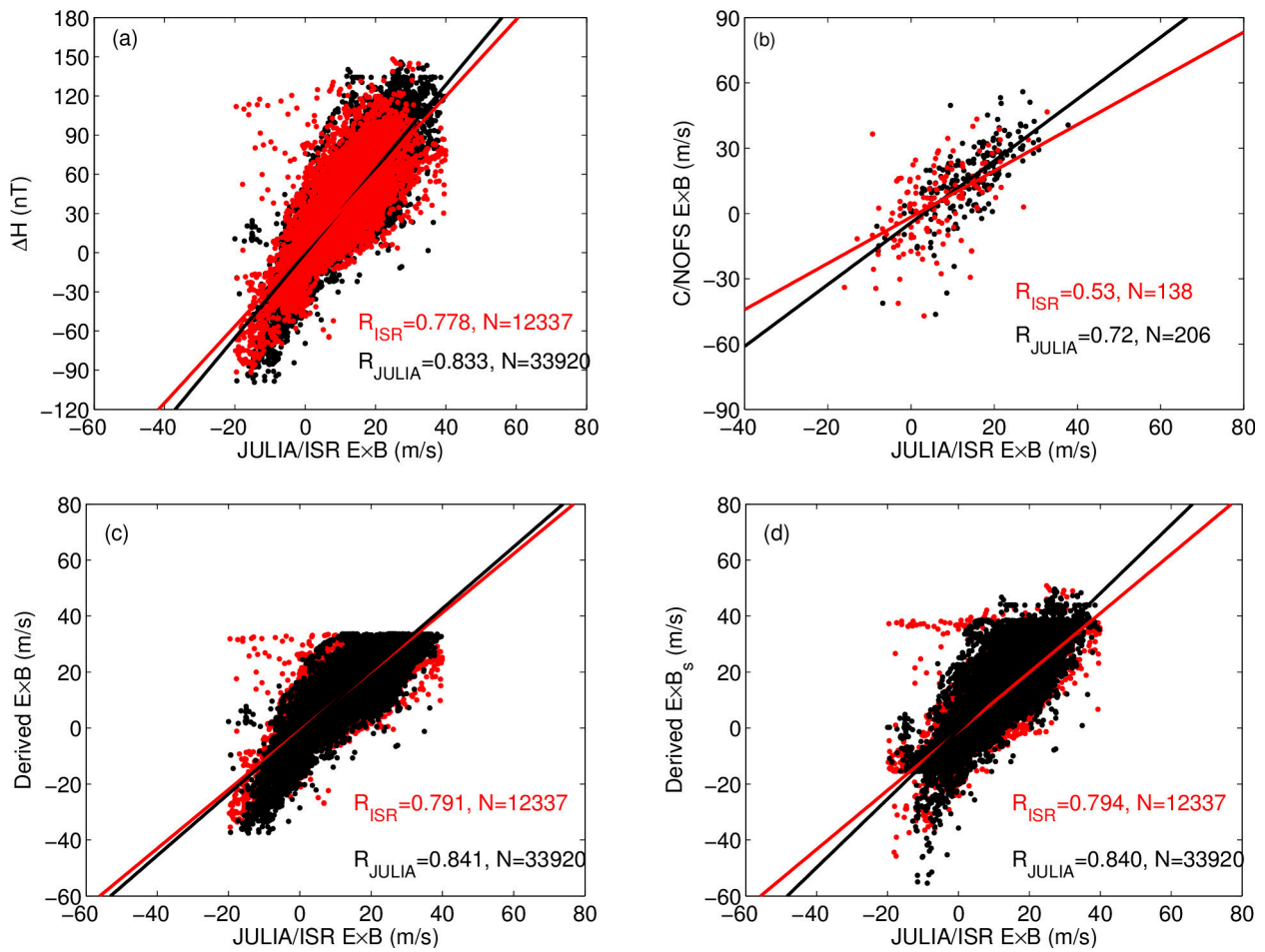
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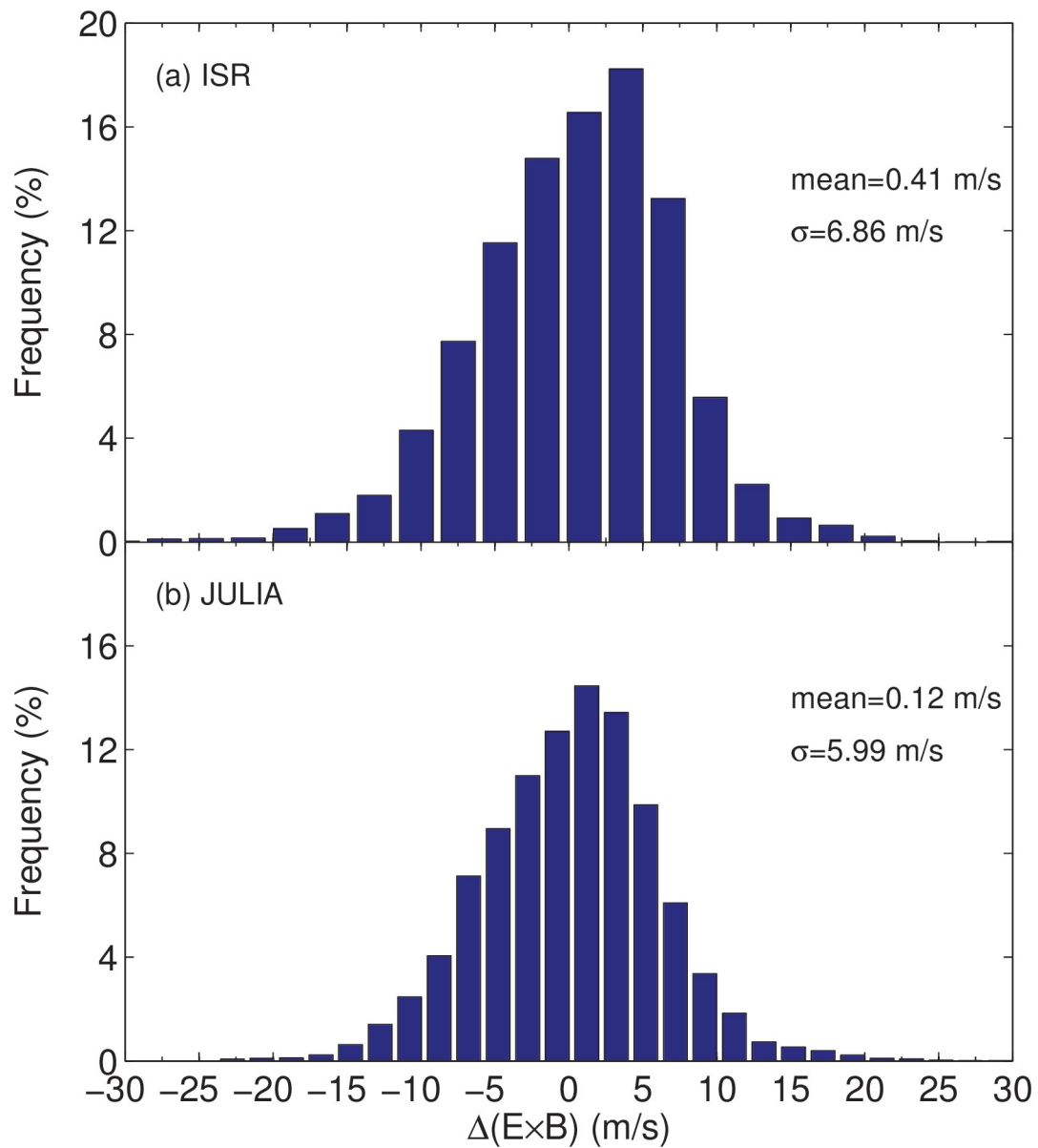


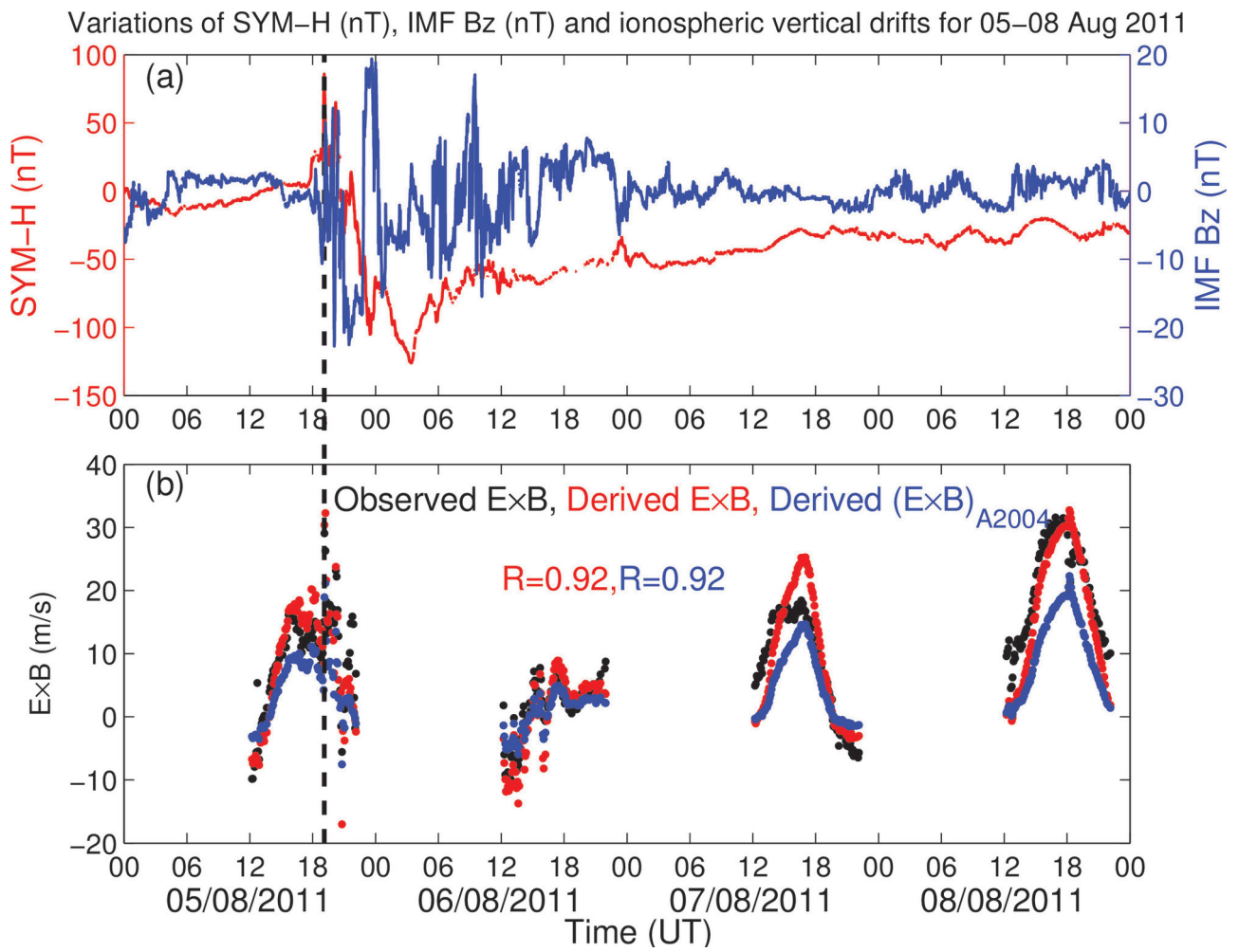
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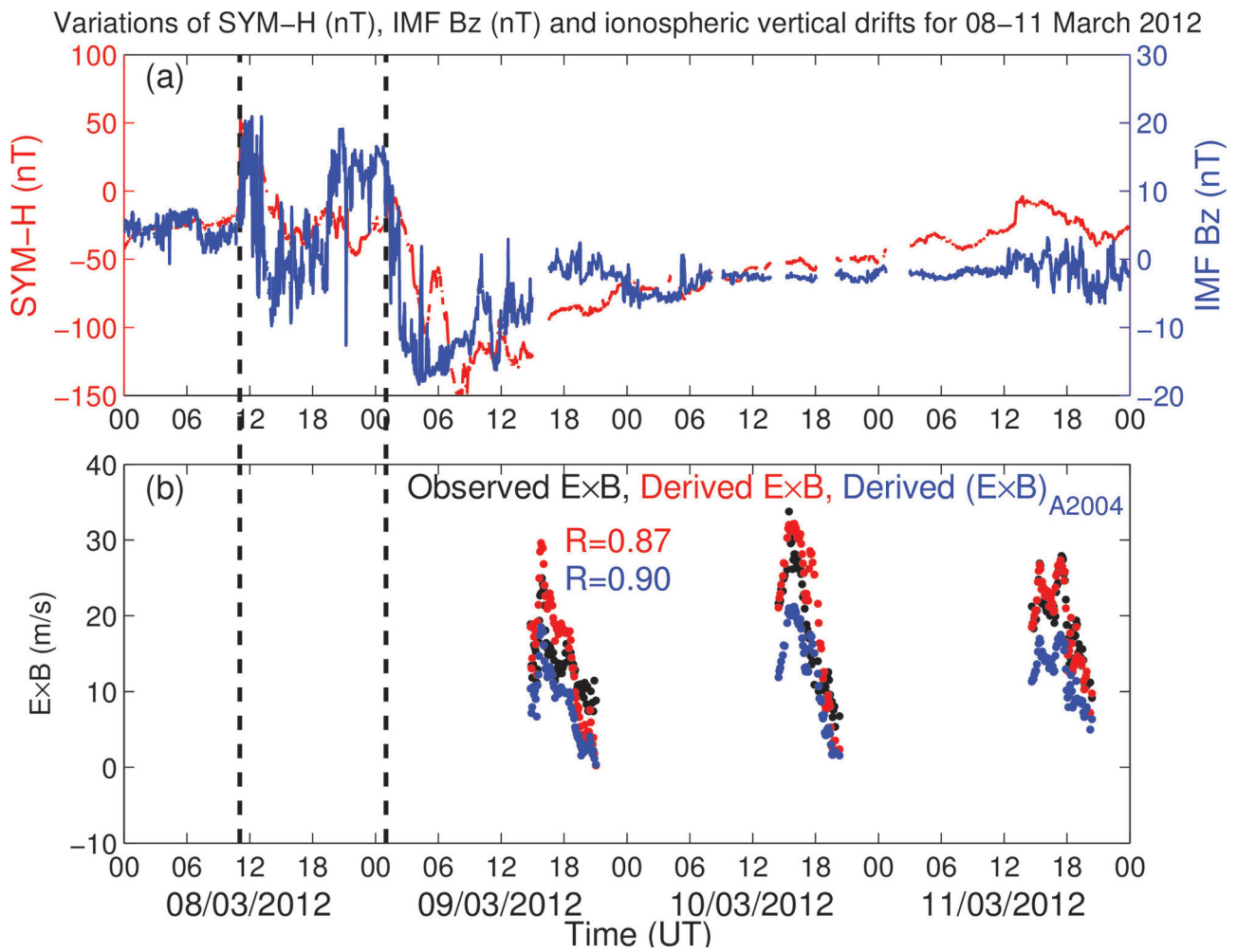


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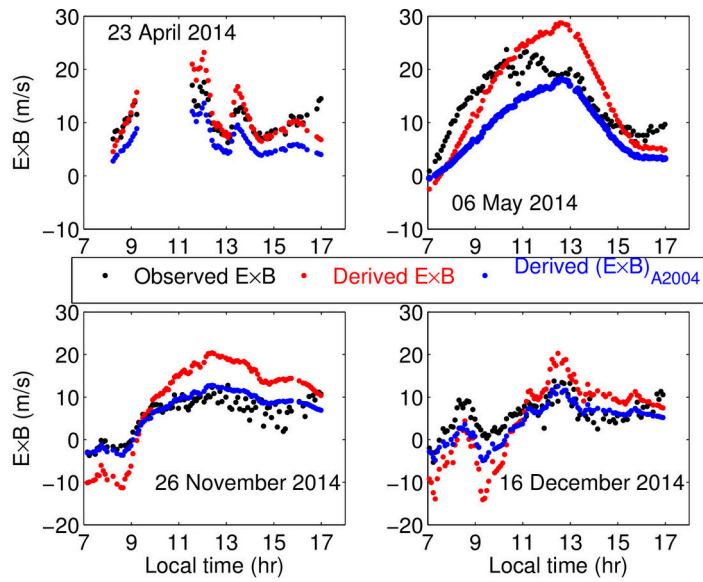




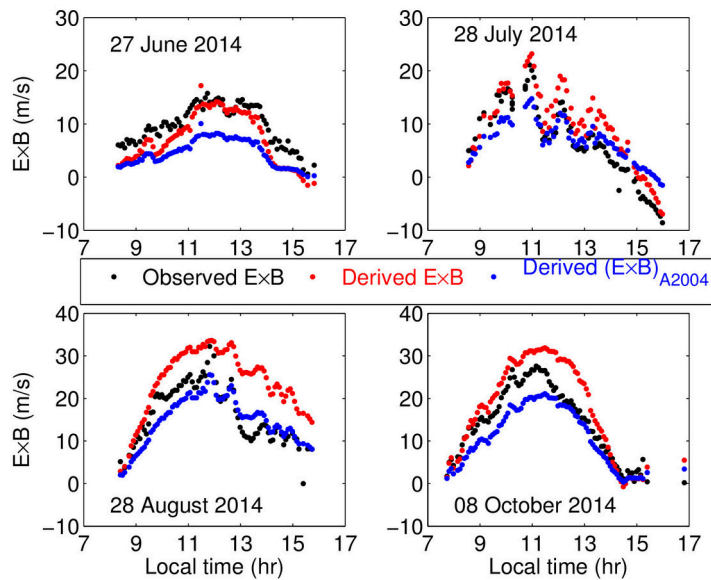
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