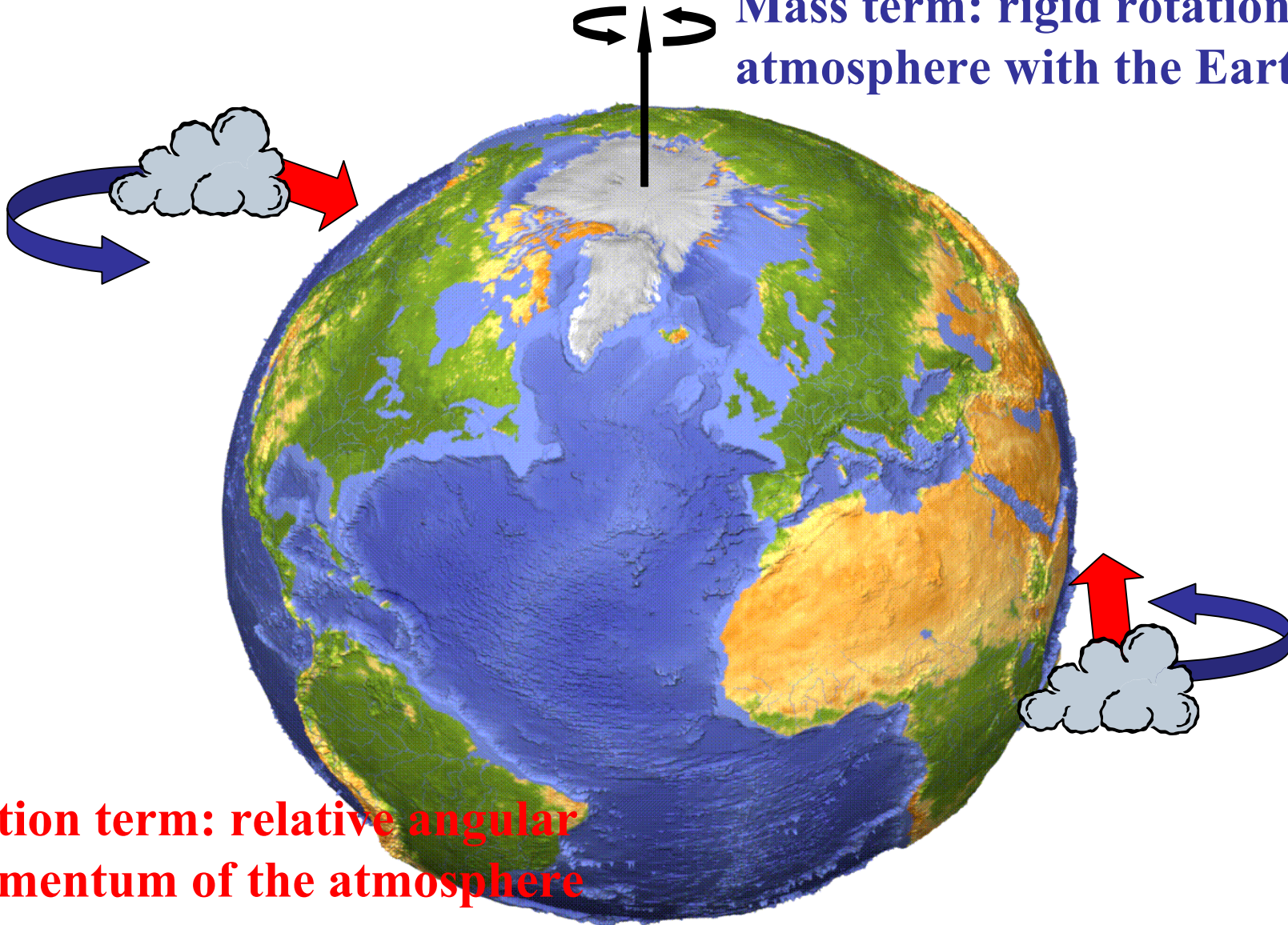


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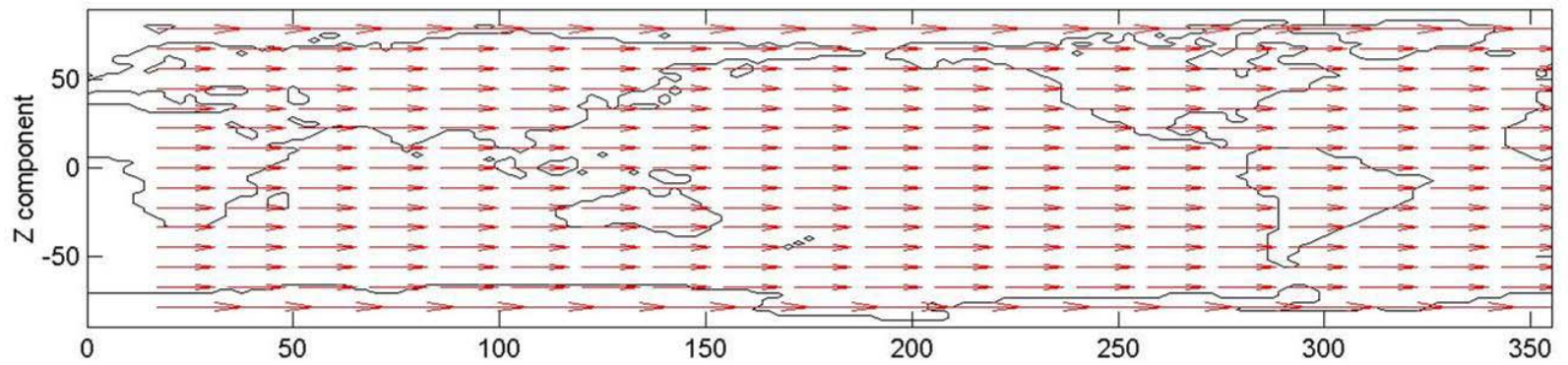
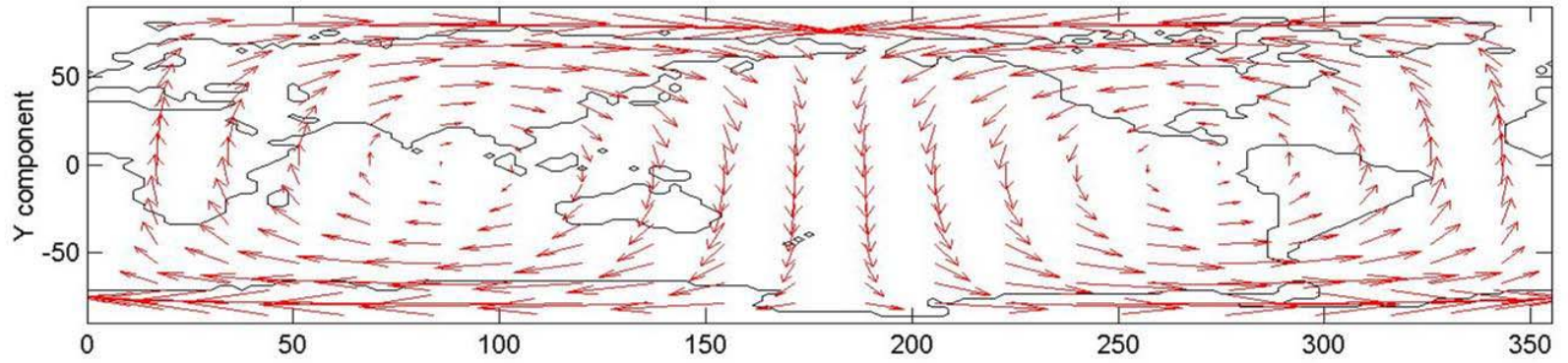
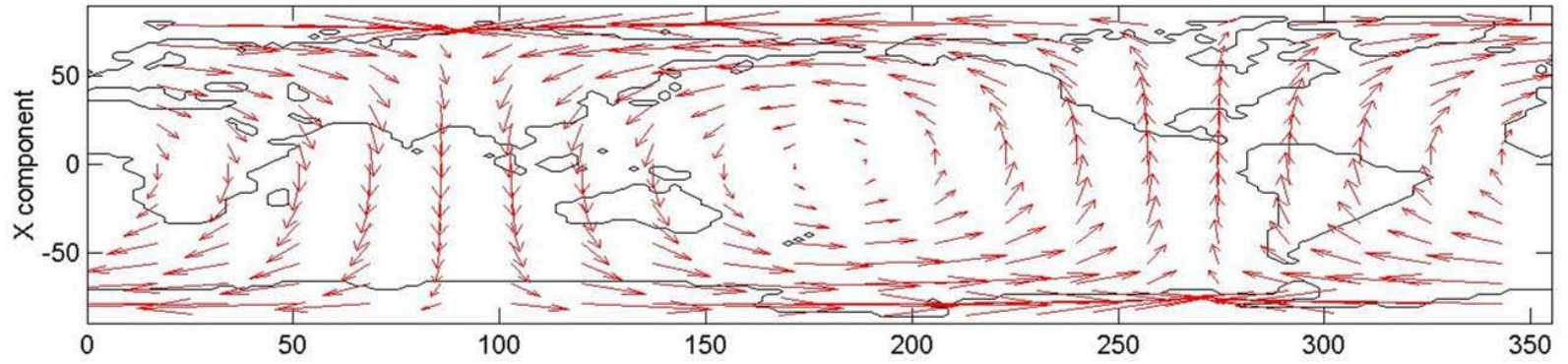
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Mass term: rigid rotation of the atmosphere with the Earth

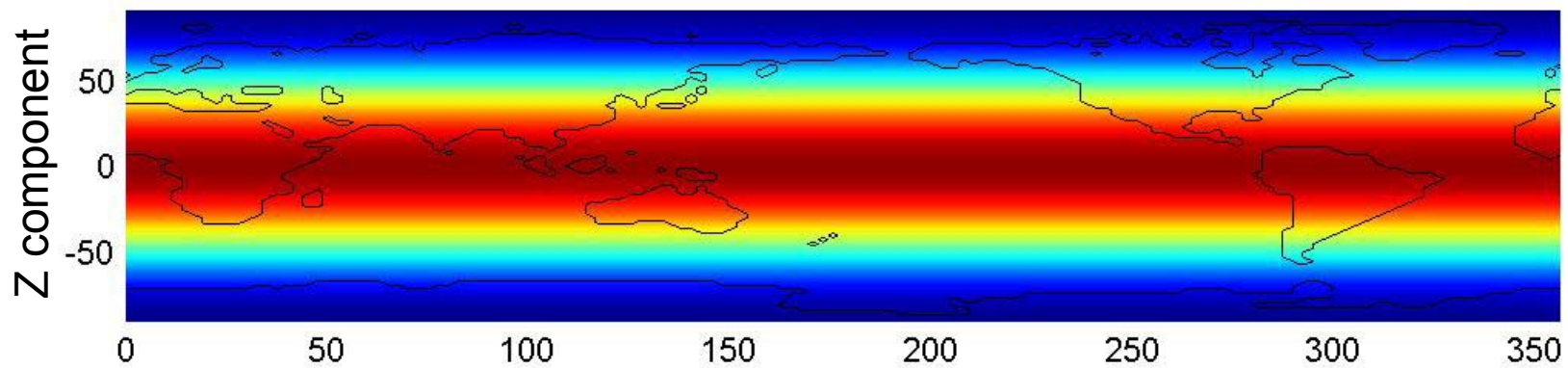
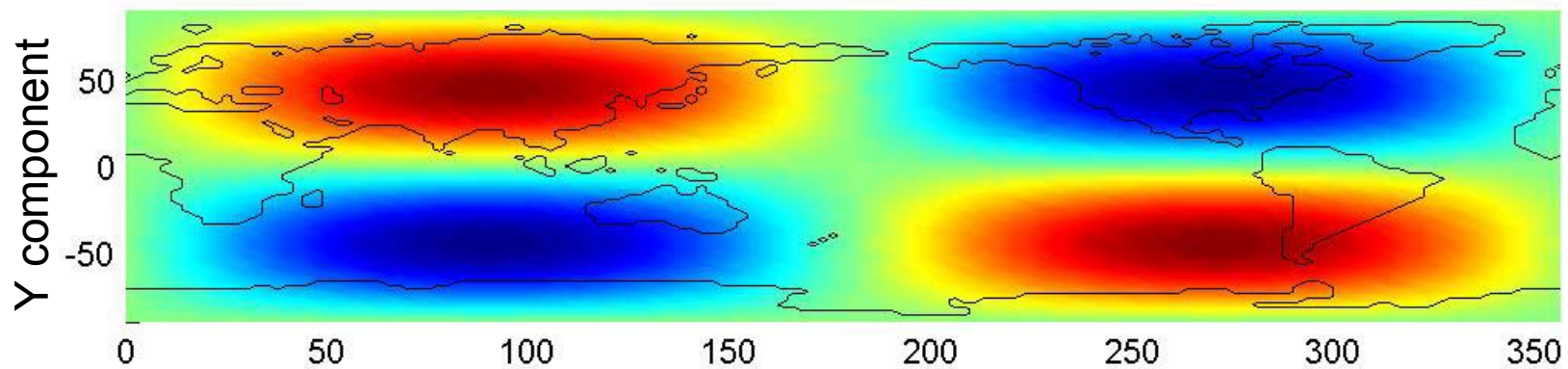
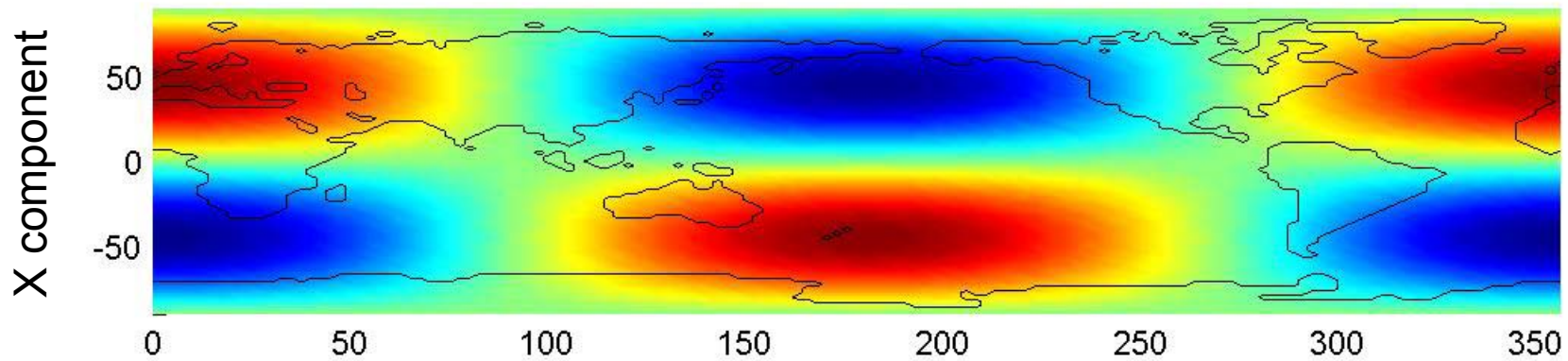


Motion term: relative angular
Momentum of the atmosphere

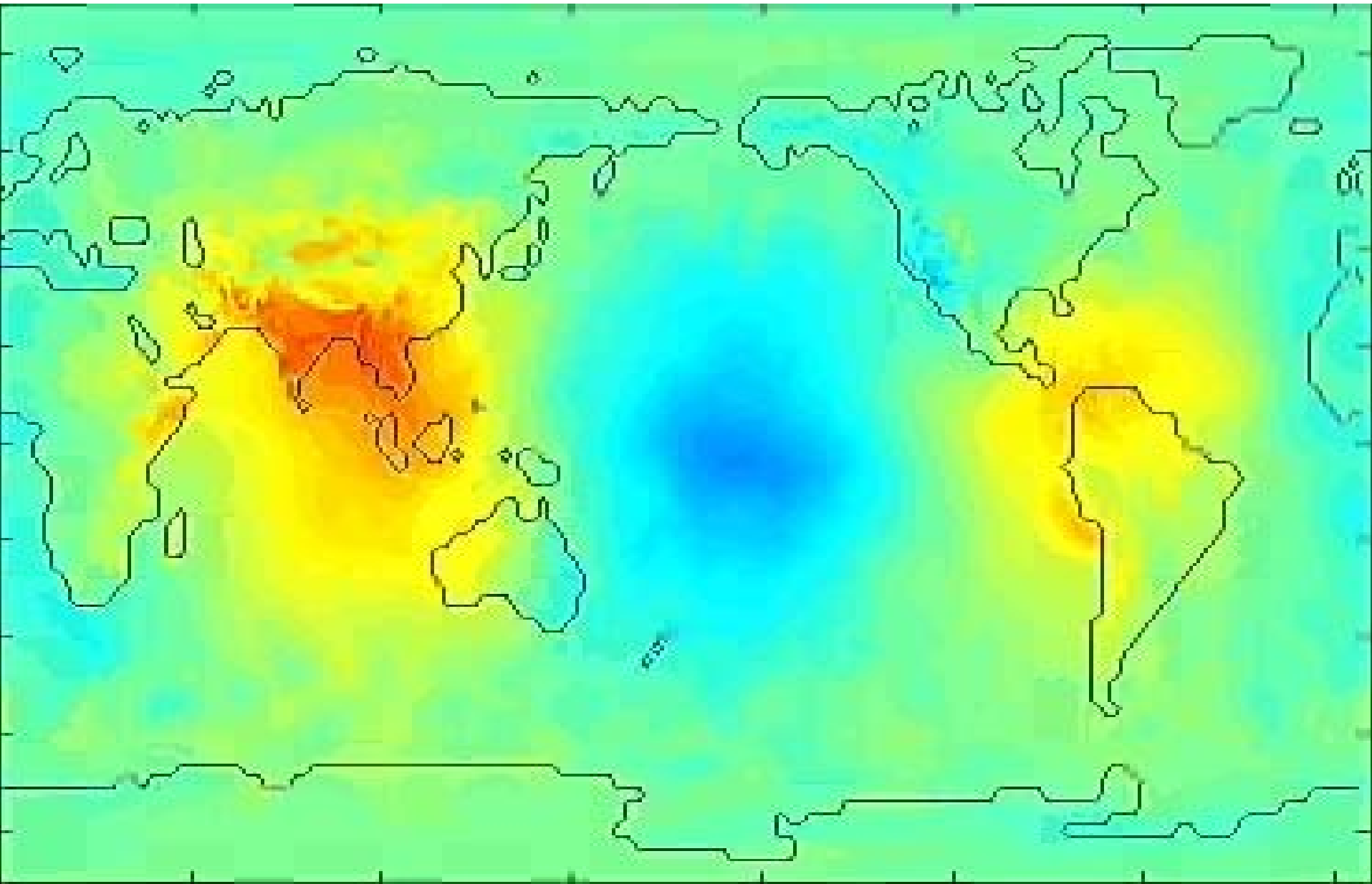
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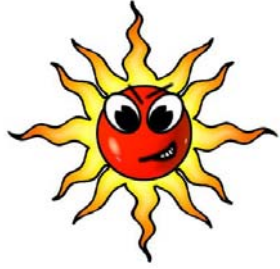


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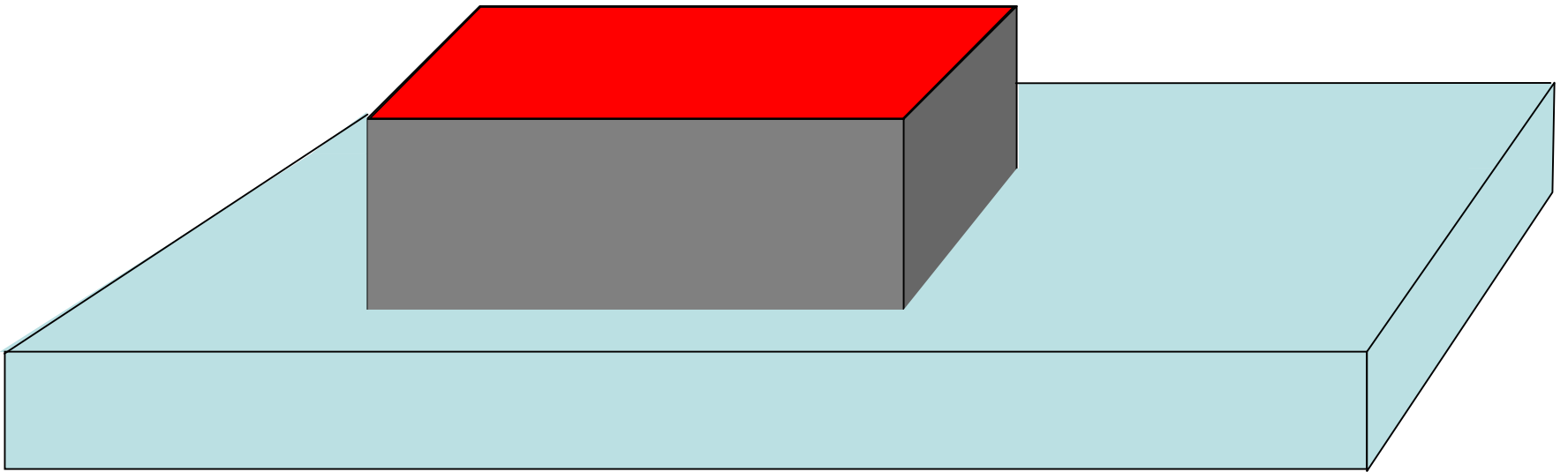
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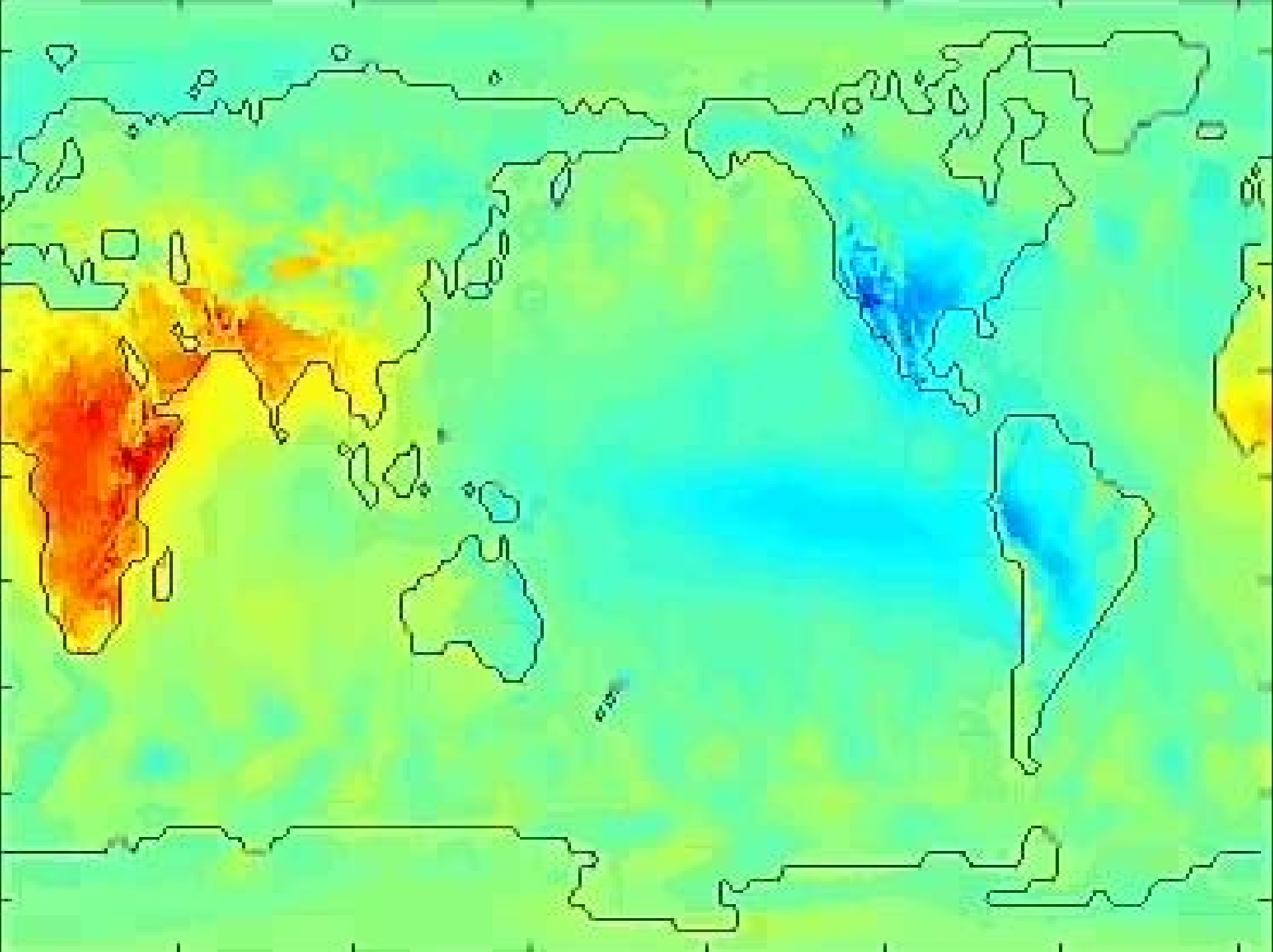




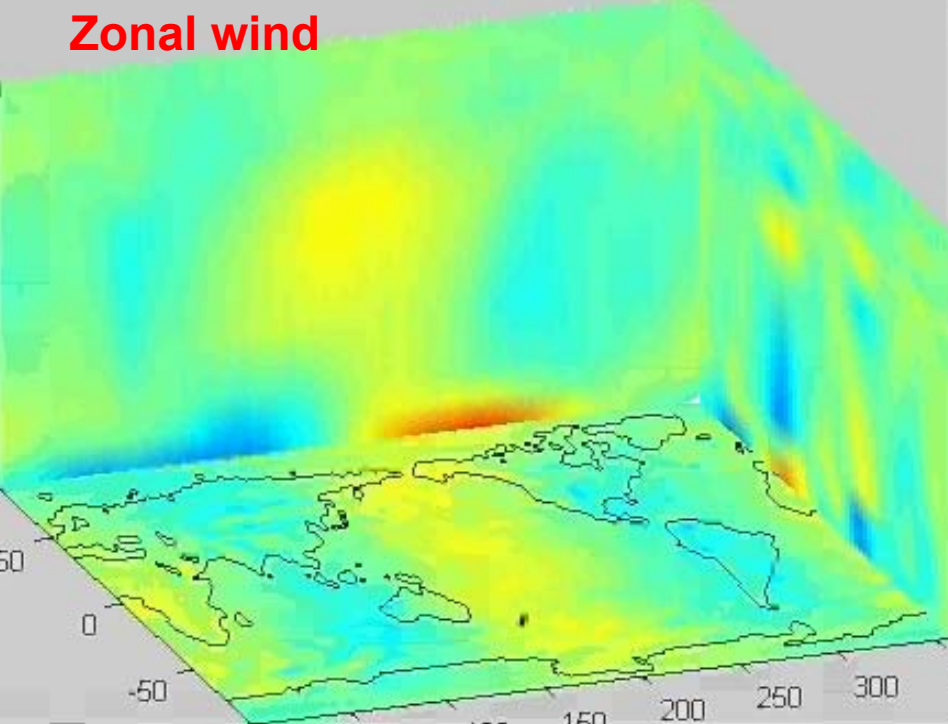
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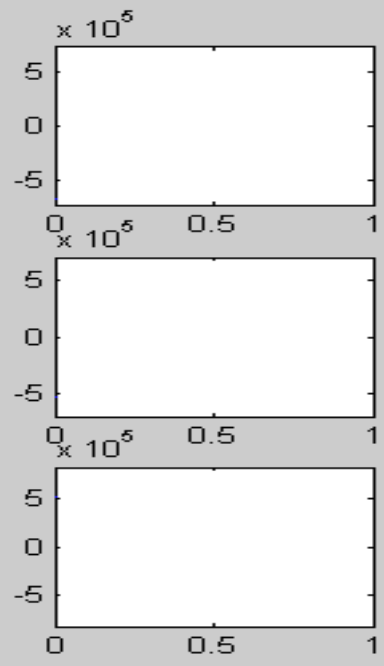
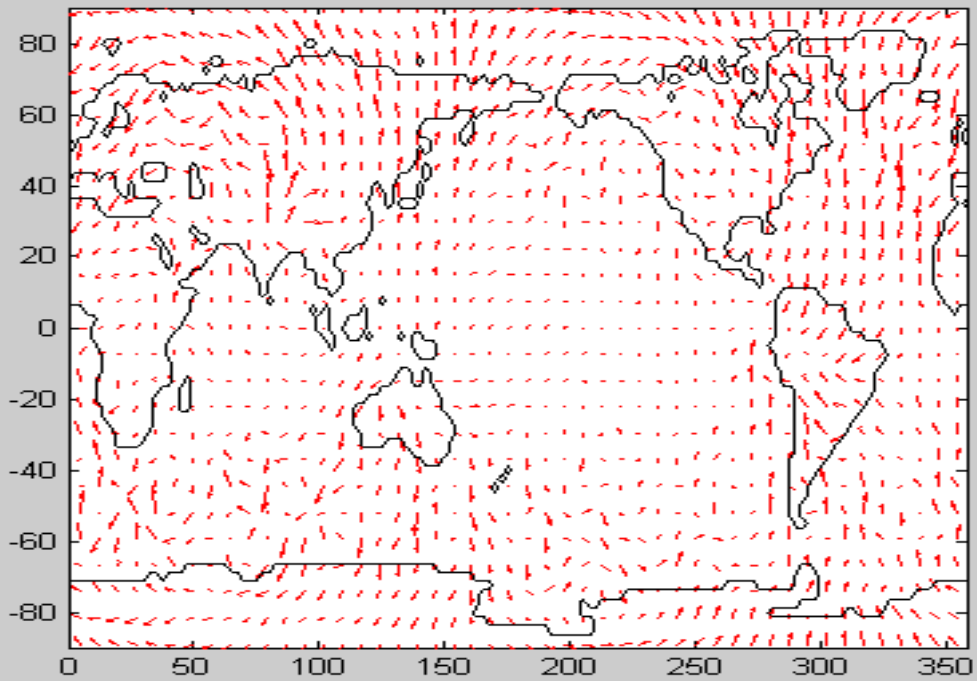
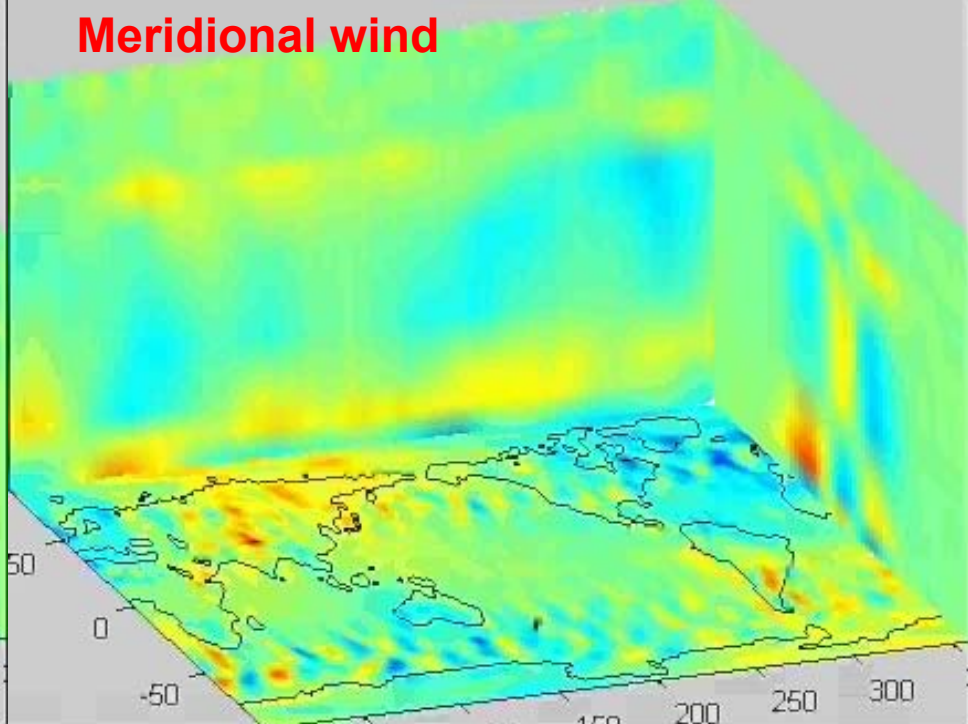




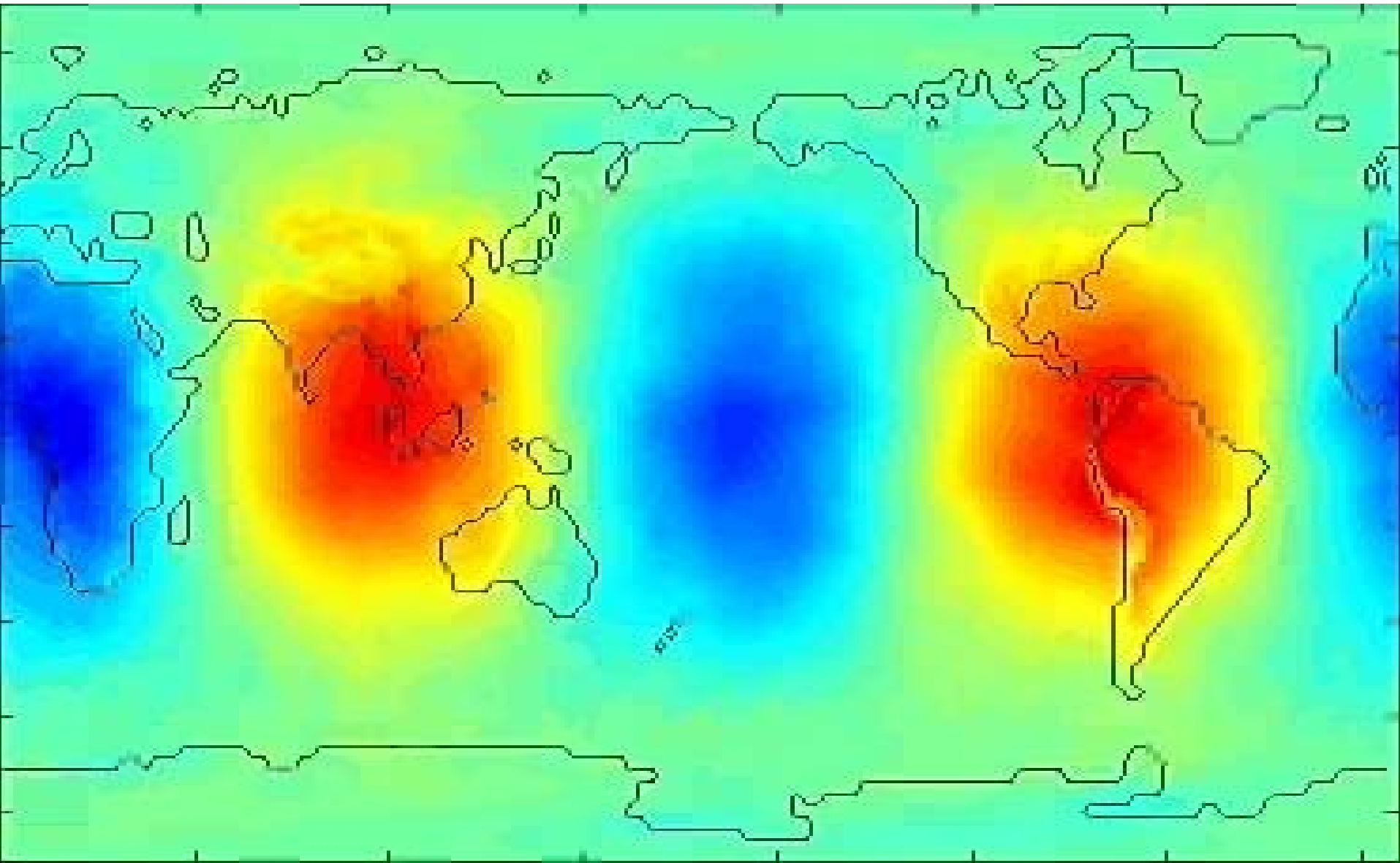
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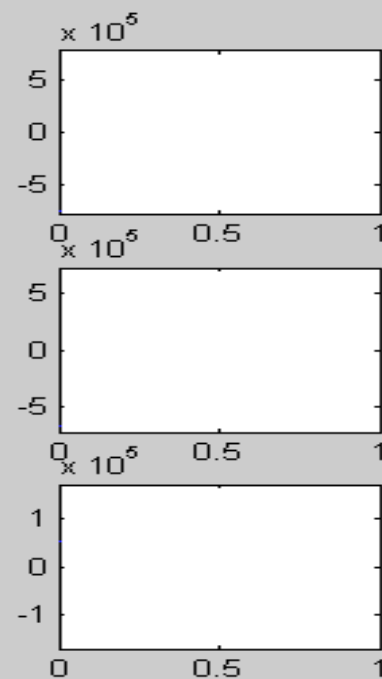
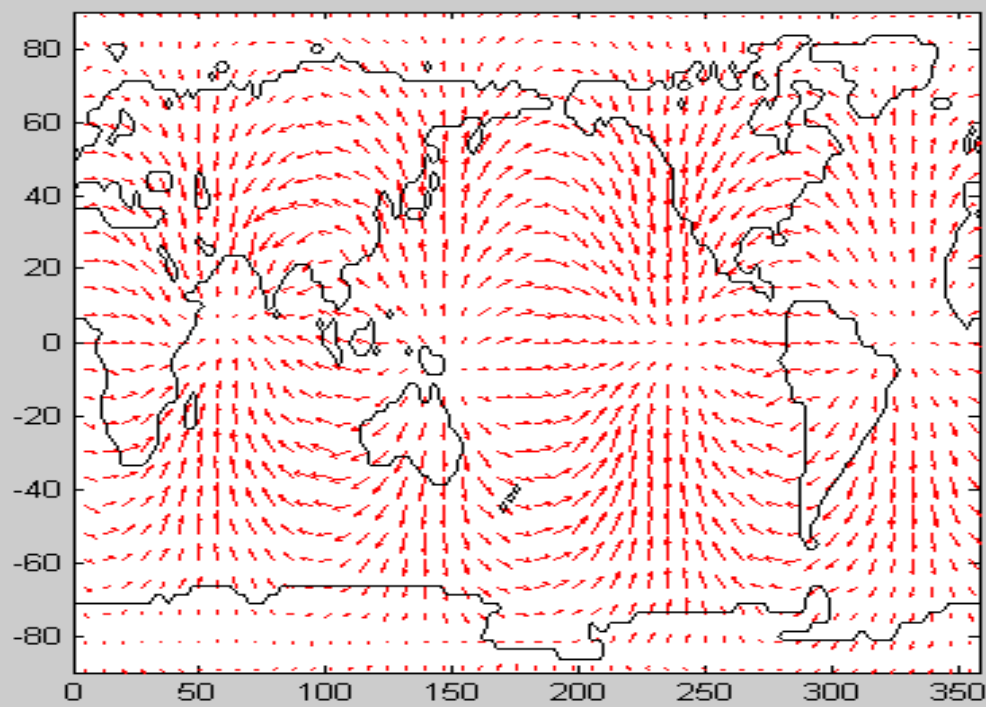
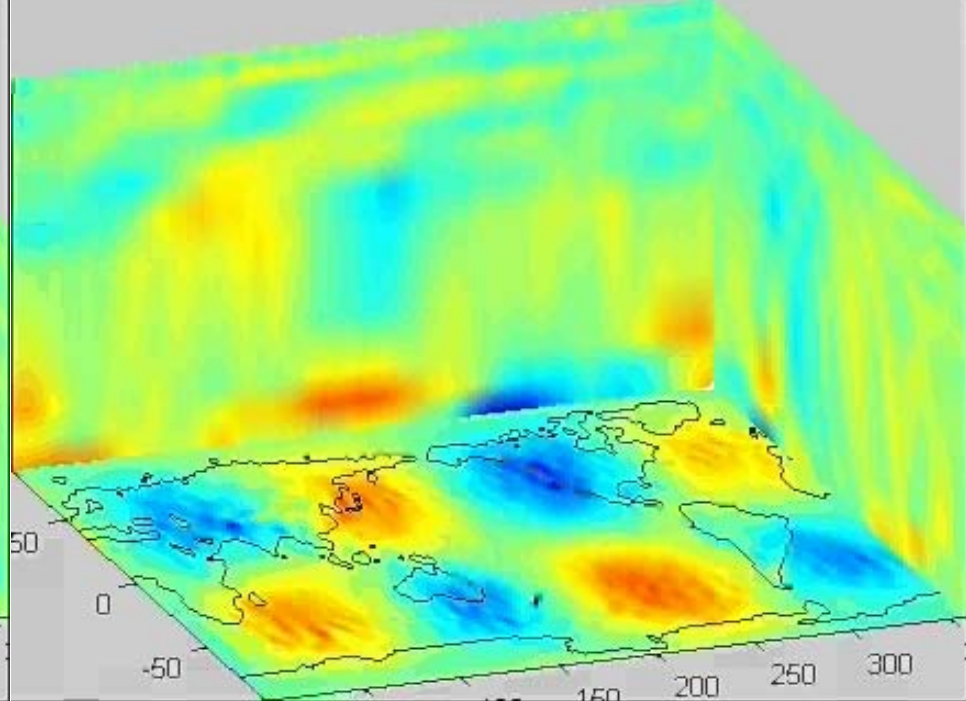
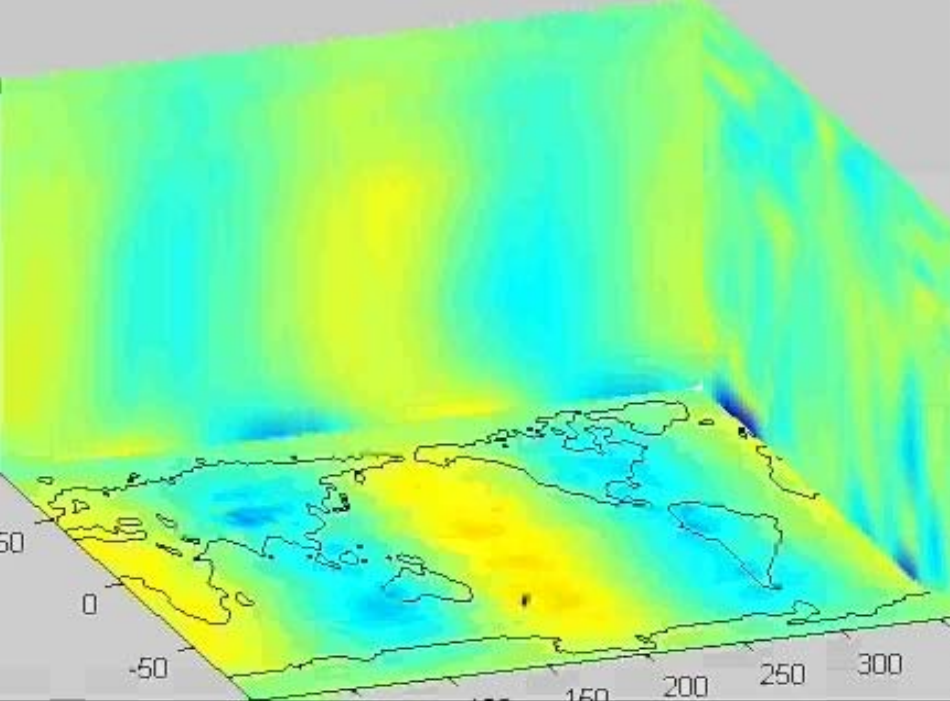


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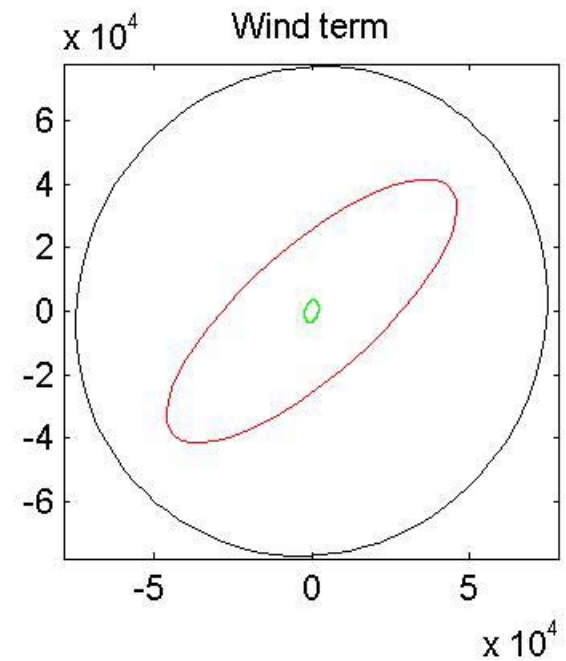
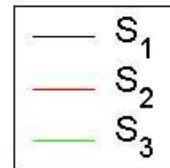
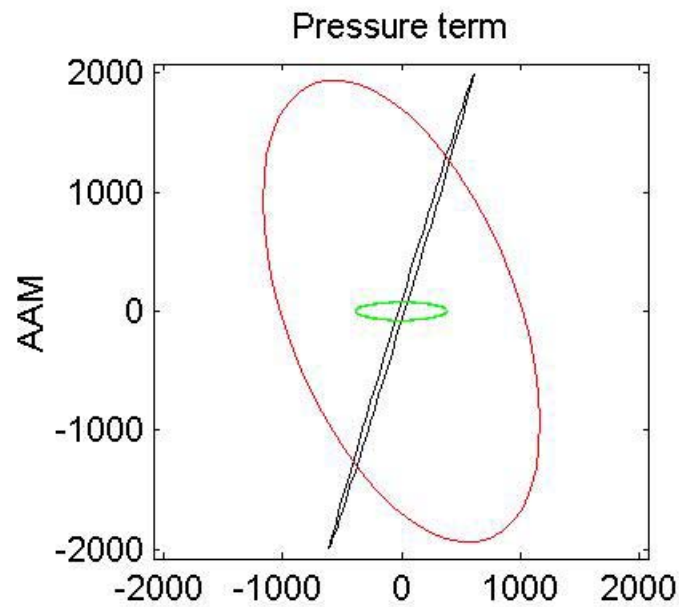


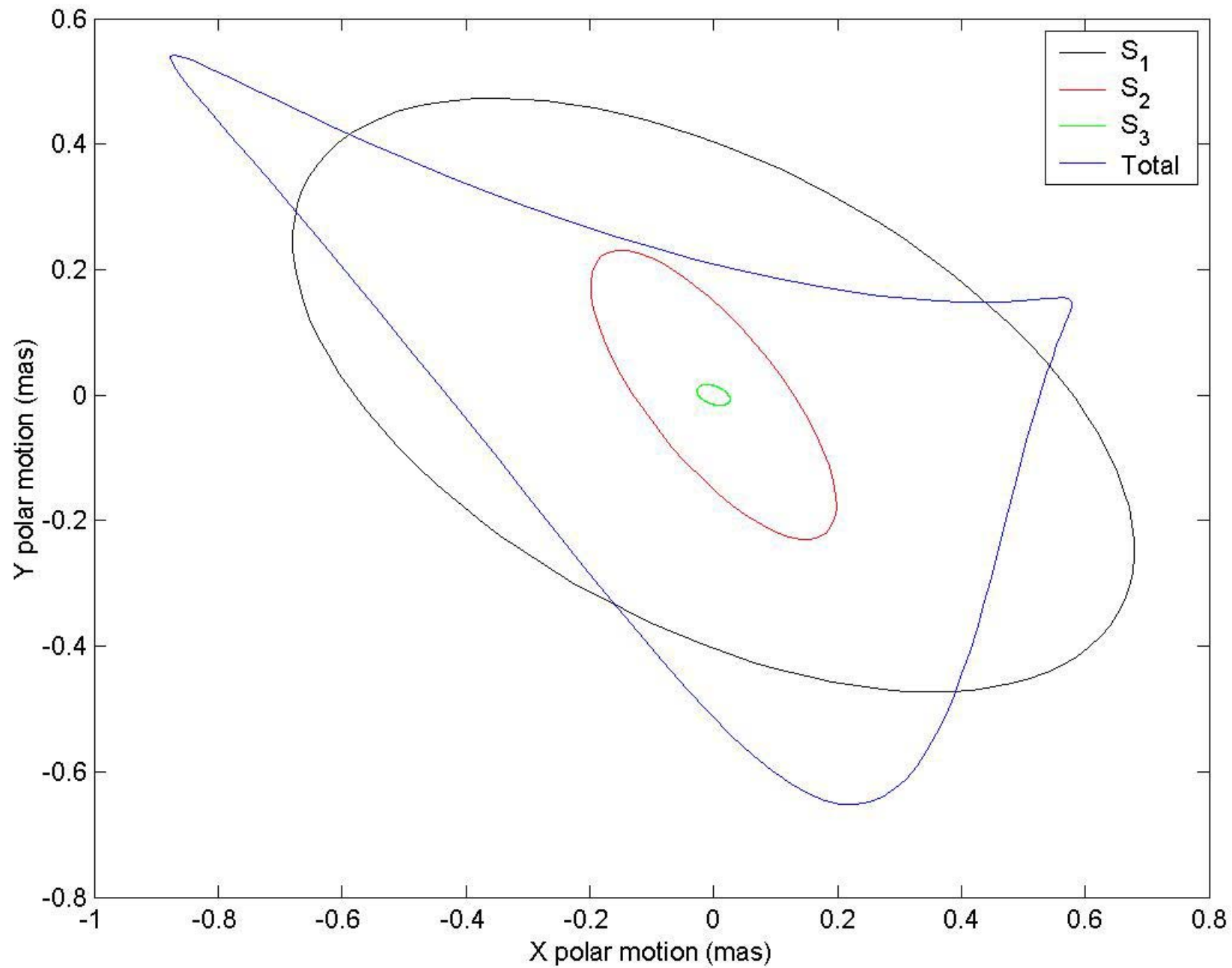
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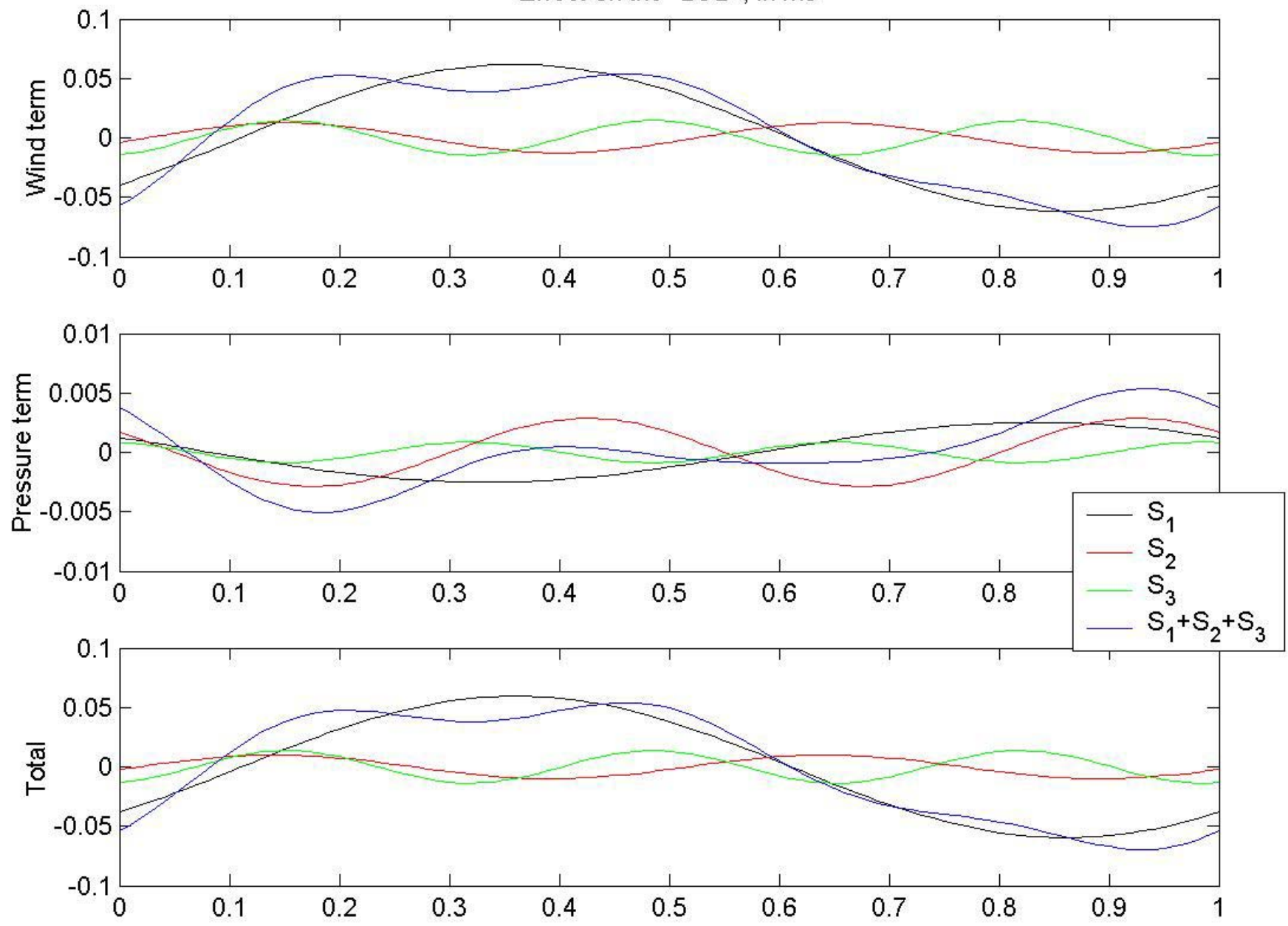


Equatorial angular momentum

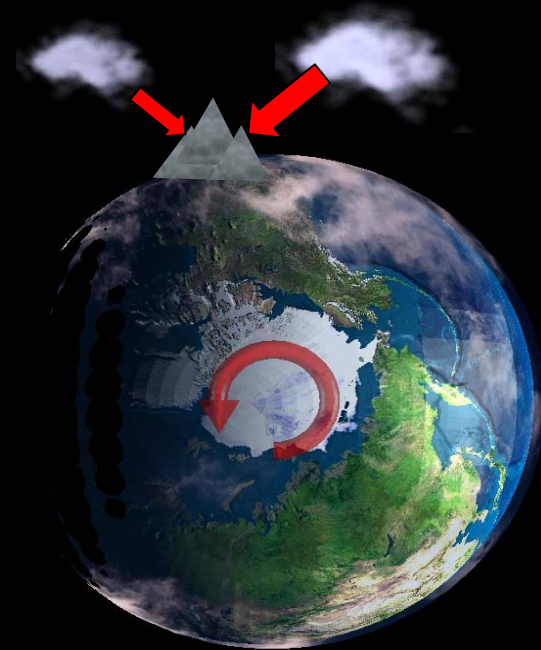




Effect on the "LOD", in ms

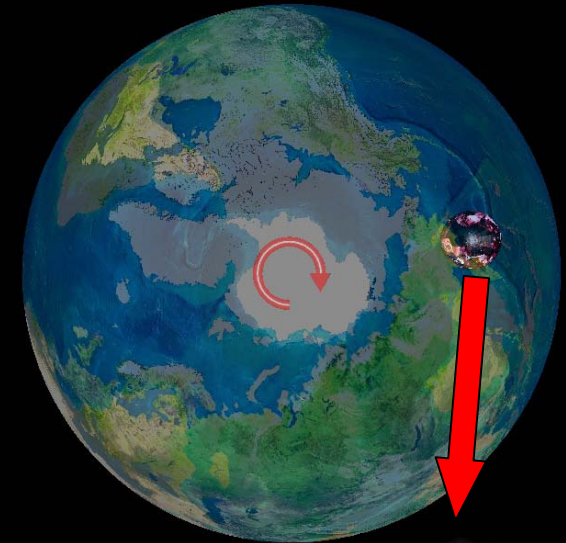
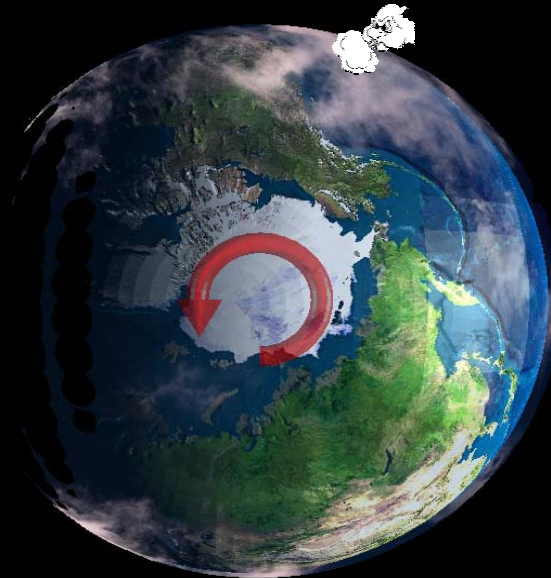


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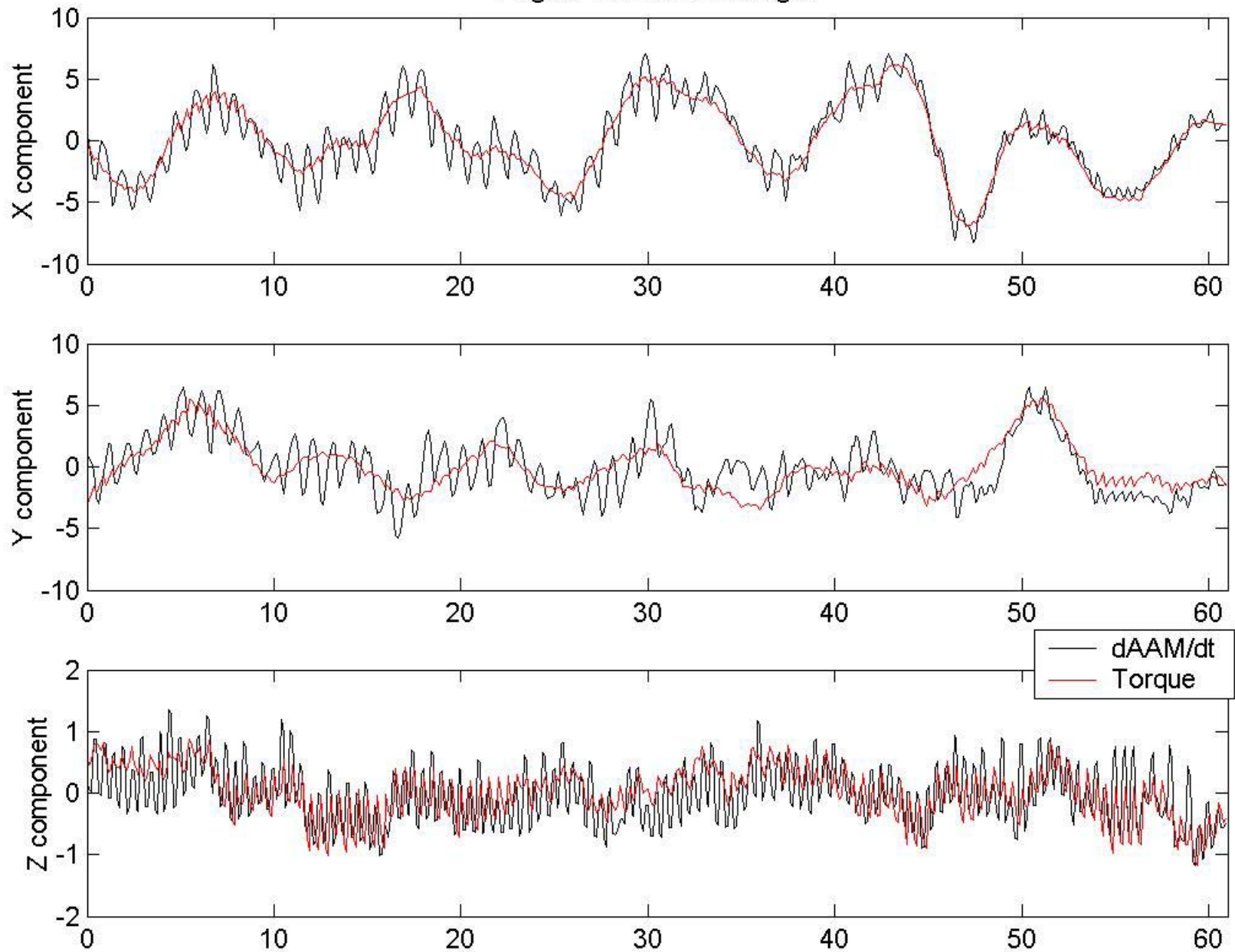
Mountain torque

Friction torque

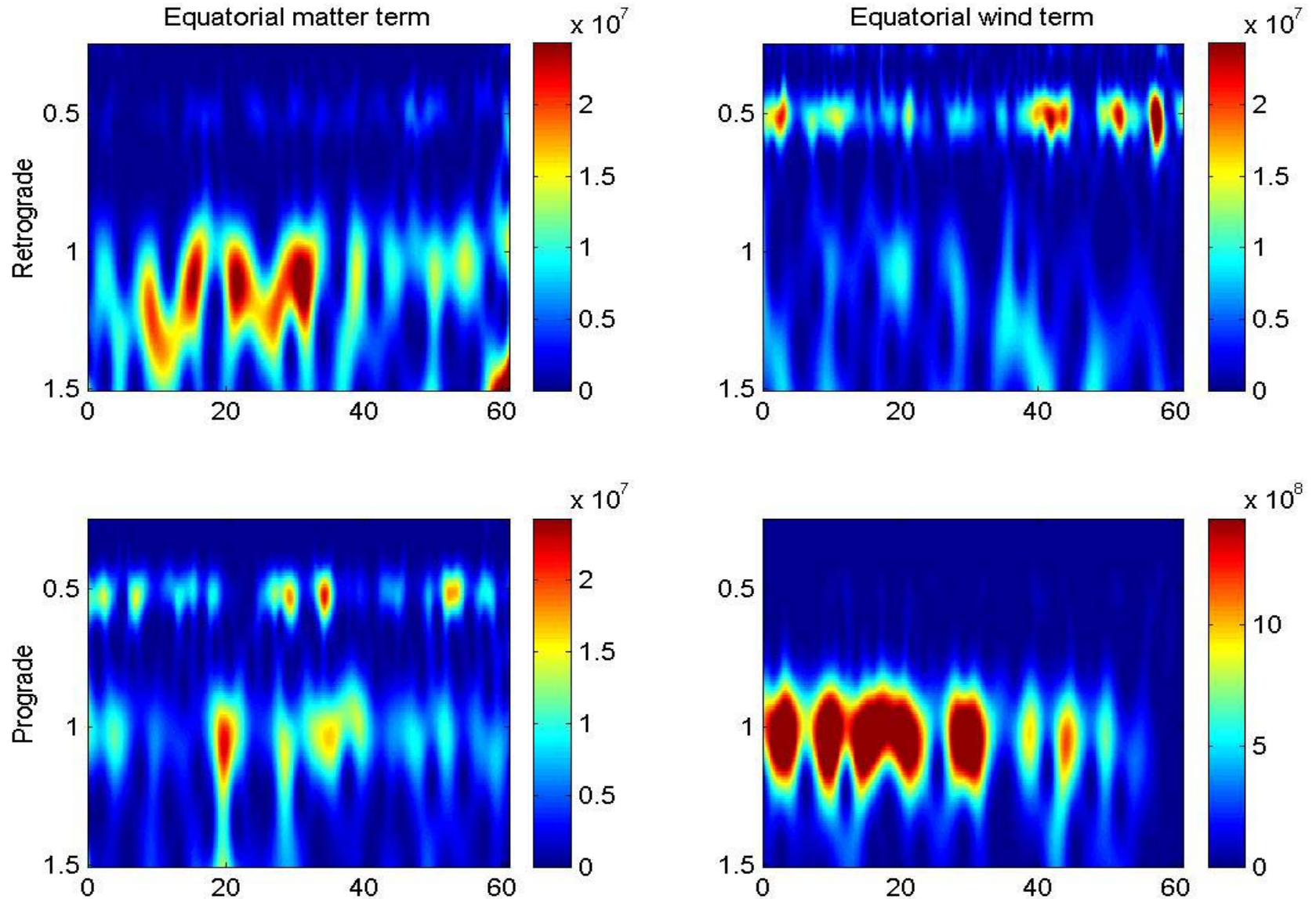


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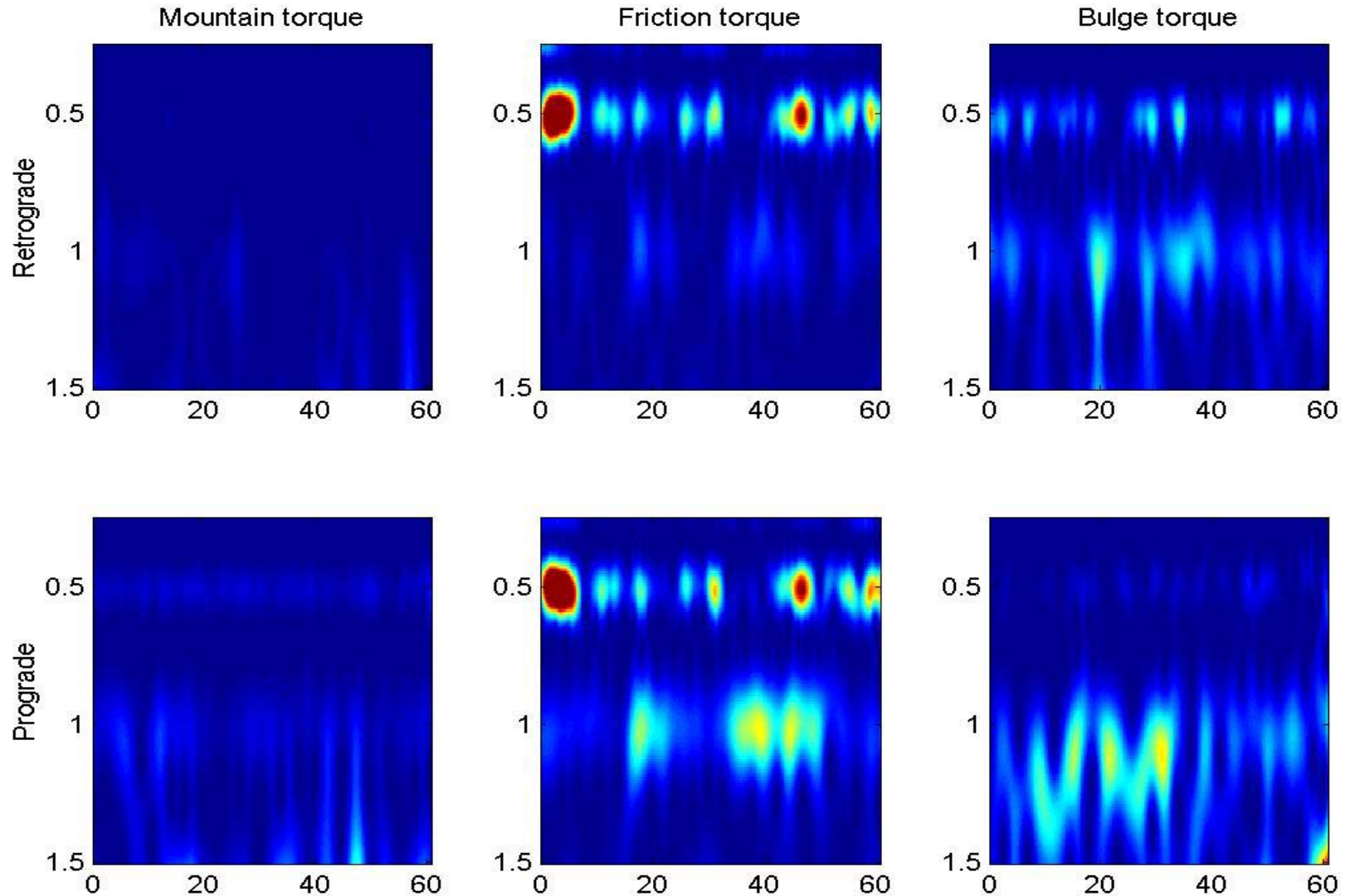
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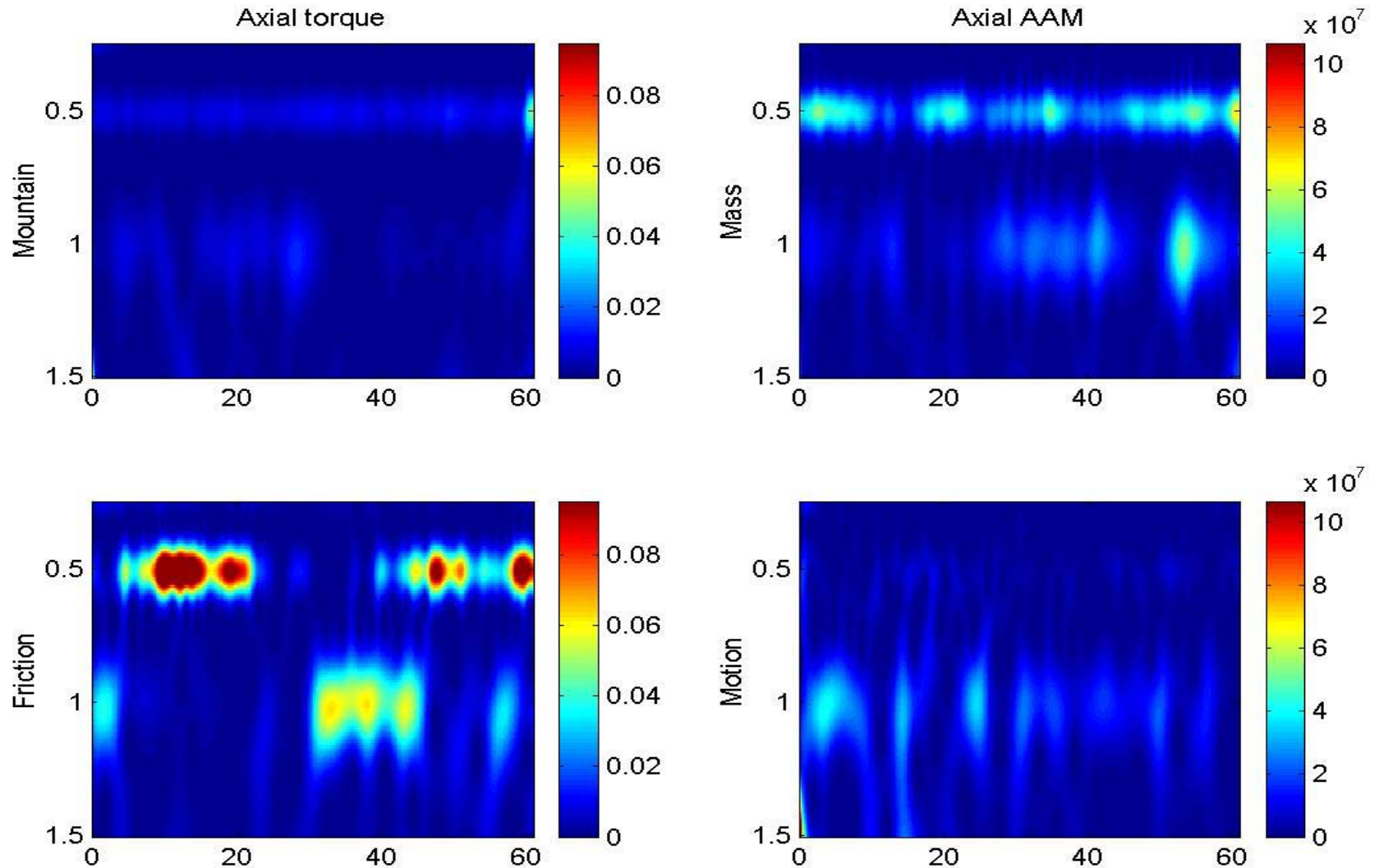
Equatorial AAM




Equatorial torque



Axial component



Conclusions

- Data quality issues (mean day might be better)
- HF signal stronger in the AAM than in the torque
 Torque approach cannot be used to explain AAM variation
- Very high time variability of the HF signal
- Strong difference between S_1 and S_2 resulting in a smaller ratio S_2/S_1
- PM signal at the mas level, and LOD signal at the ms level???