



MAXIMIZING “Experience Index” of GIRO Data Repositories



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Outline

- Getting to Ionogram data
- Getting to Plasma Drift data
- Getting to Global Ionosphere Specifications

Scenarios

- **Scientist:**
 - URSI ionospheric characteristics
 - Electron density profiles
 - Global Ionosphere
- **Expert Scientist:**
 - Ionograms
 - Plasma drifts
- **Student:**
 - Understand data
- **Engineer:**
 - Raw data
- **HF Prediction Agencies and Radio Amateurs:**
 - Real-time specifications
- **Other Instrument Teams:**
 - Validate their instrument

What do we all want?



GIRO Users:

- Model ionosphere
- Study processes
- Locate relevant data
- Access data **quickly**
- Get good quality data
- Avoid format problems
- Avoid fighting computers
- Publish **quickly**
- Enjoy life



GIRO Crew:

- Enjoy life
- Make GIRO a powerful tool
- Cut development costs
- Cut maintenance costs
- Cut troubleshooting costs
- Cut documentation costs
- Cut computer HW costs
- Cut networking costs

Three paths to GIRO data

WWW PORTALS



- DIDBase Portal
- Fast Chars on the Web
- DriftBase Portal

(no registration necessary)

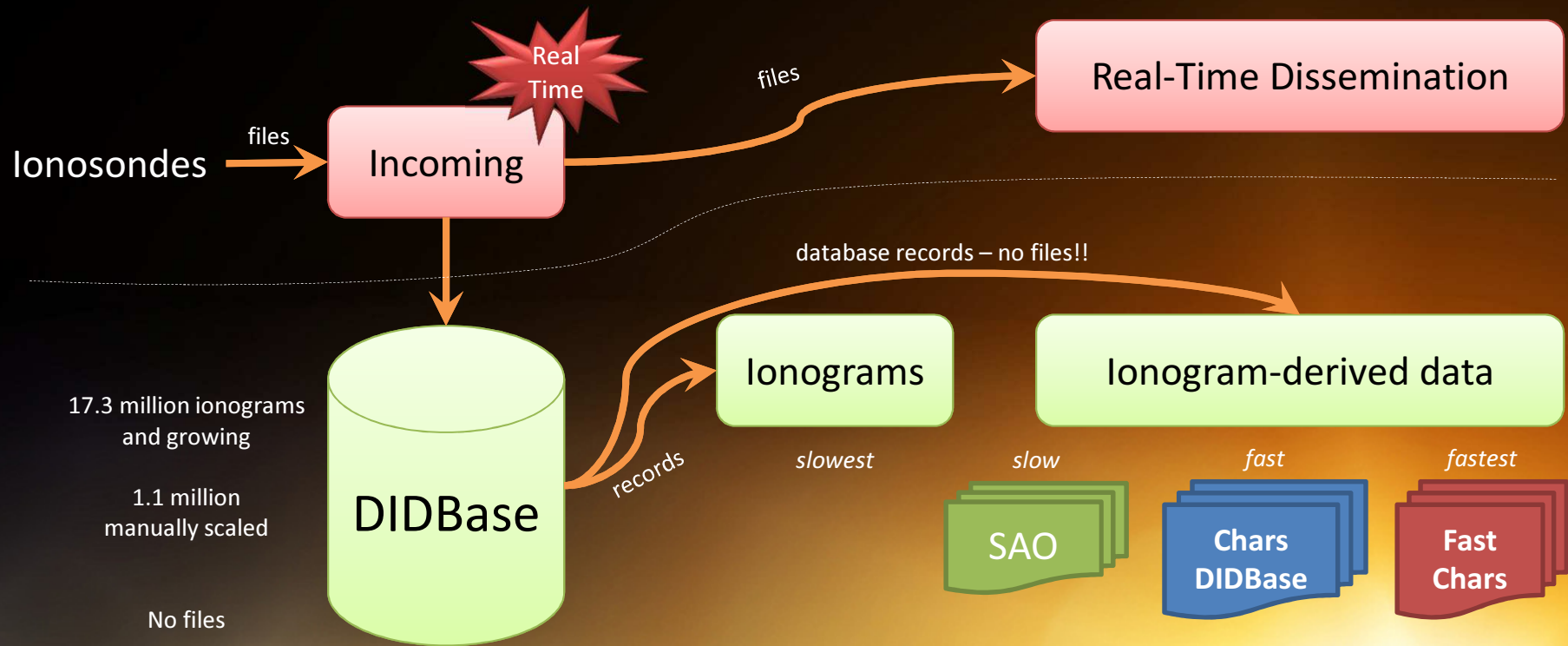
EXPLORERS

- SAO Explorer
- Drift Explorer

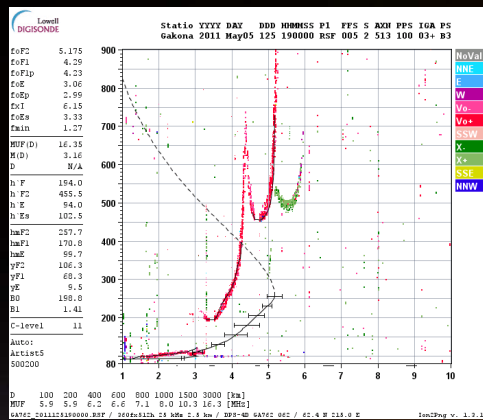
REAL-TIME DISSEMINATION

- FTP Release Server

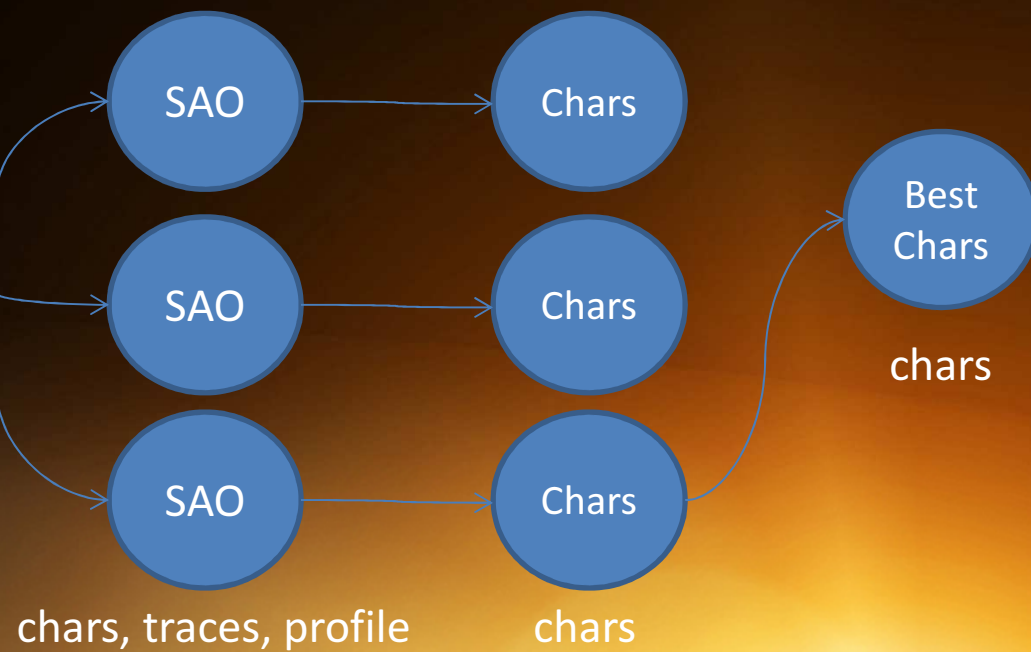
Ionogram Data



Three access modes to DIDBase



ionogram





Fast Chars on the Web

Fast
Chars

DIDBase

Digital Ionogram Data Base (DIDBase)
Ionogram-Derived Characteristics 13.5 million ionograms and counting

1. Select Time Interval:
All times in UTC
Start: 2012-07-02 21:00
Stop: 2012-07-03 03:00
+1 Hour +1 Day
Visit DIDBase Portal for [data availability](#) (live scan of DIDBase, wait for reply)

2. Pick one GIRO Location:
(AH223) AHMEDABAD
Search

3. Select Data to Download:
foF2 -- F2 layer critical frequency
foF1 -- F1 layer critical frequency
foE -- E layer critical frequency
foEs -- Es layer critical frequency
foEs -- Blanketing frequency of Es-layer
foEa -- Critical frequency of auroral E-layer
foP -- Critical frequency of F region patch trace
f_o -- Maximum frequency of F trace
MUF -- Maximum usable frequency, 3000 km
MD -- MUF(3000)foF2
hF2 -- Minimum virtual height of F2 trace
hF -- Minimum virtual height of F trace
hE -- Minimum virtual height of E trace
hEs -- Minimum virtual height of Es trace
hEa -- Minimum virtual height of auroral E trace

Control-click to select multiple characteristics

Link Station

- PLEASE READ RULES OF THE ROAD : Rules of the road for using this data service
- DIDBase Web Portal : Web Portal for browsing images of ionograms and ionogram-derived data in DIDBase
- DIDBase Availability Chart : Table of stations with start/stop coverage dates (live)
- SAO Explorer : Java application for Digisonde ionogram display and editing with ARTIST-5. Download SAO Explorer [here](#).
- Digisonde Station Map at UMLCAR
- Lowell Digisonde International (LDI) Digisonde homepage

GIRO
Louisvale, LV12P 2011.12.10 02:15

```
# Global Ionospheric Radio Observatory
# GIRO Tabulated Ionospheric Characteristics, Version 1.0 Revision B
# Generated by DIDBGetValues on 2014-04-24T17:32:40.785Z
#
# Location: GEO 23.0N 72.5E, URSI-Code AH223 AHMEDABAD
# Instrument: Ionosonde, Model: DPS-4D
#
# Query for measurement intervals of time:
# 2012-07-02T01:00:00.785Z - 2012-07-03T07:00:00.785Z
#
# Data Selection:
# CS is Autoscaling Confidence Score (from 0 to 100, 999 if manual scaling,
# foF2 [MHz] - F2 layer critical frequency
# foF1 [MHz] - F1 layer critical frequency
# foE [MHz] - E layer critical frequency
#
#Time CS foF2 QD foF1 QD foE QD
2012-07-02T01:07:30.000Z 95 5.825 // --- 2.01 //
2012-07-02T01:15:00.000Z 100 5.875 // --- 2.06 //
2012-07-02T01:22:30.000Z 95 6.000 // --- 1.96 //
2012-07-02T01:30:00.000Z 100 6.025 // --- 2.28 //
2012-07-02T01:37:30.000Z 100 6.125 // --- 2.13 //
2012-07-02T01:45:00.000Z 95 6.225 // --- 2.33 //
2012-07-02T01:52:30.000Z 95 6.200 // --- 2.38 //
2012-07-02T02:00:00.000Z 95 6.350 // --- 2.58 //
2012-07-02T02:07:30.000Z 95 6.413 // 3.43 // 2.68 //
2012-07-02T02:15:00.000Z 95 6.450 // --- 2.68 //
2012-07-02T02:22:30.000Z 100 6.625 // --- 2.88 //
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<http://giro.uml.edu/didbase/scaled.php>

Compare to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/lists/iono_day/

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GIRO Fast Chars vs. NOAA SWPC

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GIRO Fast Chars

```
:Product: ElArenosillo_iono.txt
:Issued: 2014 Apr 30 1425 UTC
# Prepared by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Please send comments and suggestions to SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
#
# Units for foF2, MUF(D), foEs, foE, fMUF, foF1, fxI & fbEs = MHz
# Units for yF2, D, hmE, h'F, h' & hmF2 = km
# Units for TEC = 10^16 el/m^2
# Missing data: -1.0,-1,-1.00
#
# Real-Time Ionosonde Data
# El Arenosillo N37E353 Instituto Nacional de Tecnica Aeroespacial-DGS-256
#
# UT Date      Time
# YR MO DA    HHMM   foF2 hmF2 MUF(D) D  h'F yF2 fMUF h'  fxI foF1 foE hmE foEs fbEs ITEC
#-----
2014 04 29    0000   6.3 287 2.77 -1 287 88  5.9 429 7.0 -1.0 -1.0 -1 3.9 -1.0 9.6
2014 04 29    0015   6.3 307 2.74 -1 307 91  5.8 425 6.9 -1.0 -1.0 -1 2.4 -1.0 9.9
2014 04 29    0030   6.3 317 2.72 -1 317 94  5.8 428 7.1 -1.0 -1.0 -1 -1.0 -1.0 10.4
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2014 04 29    0115   6.2 297 2.71 -1 297 93  5.7 430 6.9 -1.0 -1.0 -1 -1.0 -1.0 9.8
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SWPC iono_day

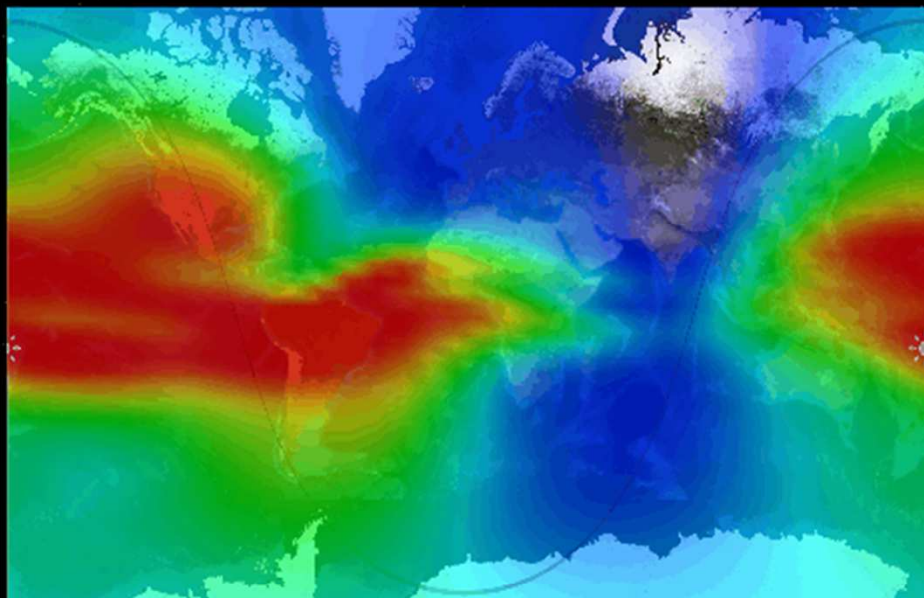
DIDBase vs DriftBase on the Web



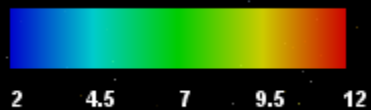
Faster than Explorers

IRTAM v0.1B

Time UT - 2004.11.06 23:52:00

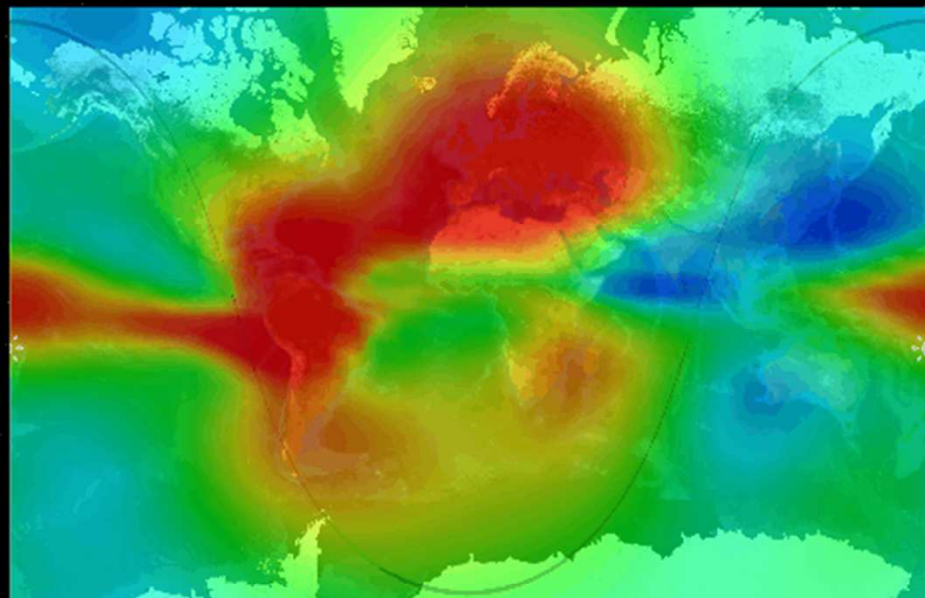


Map: foF2 (IRTAM) MHz



IRTAM v0.1B

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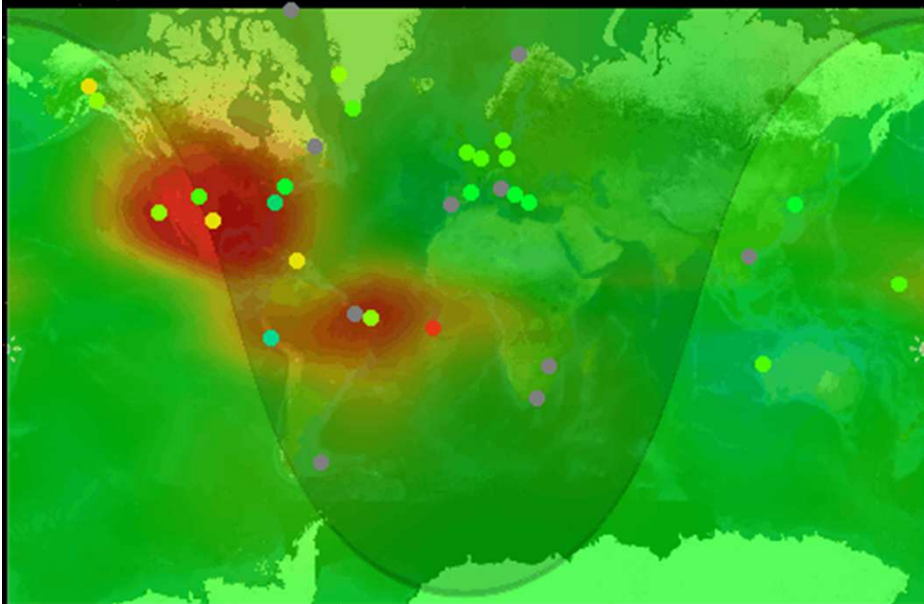


Map: hmF2 (IRTAM) km



IRTAM v0.1B

Time UT - 2004.11.06 23:52:00



Map: foF2 (IRTAM-IRI) MHz



-4.9 -2.4 0 2.4 4.9

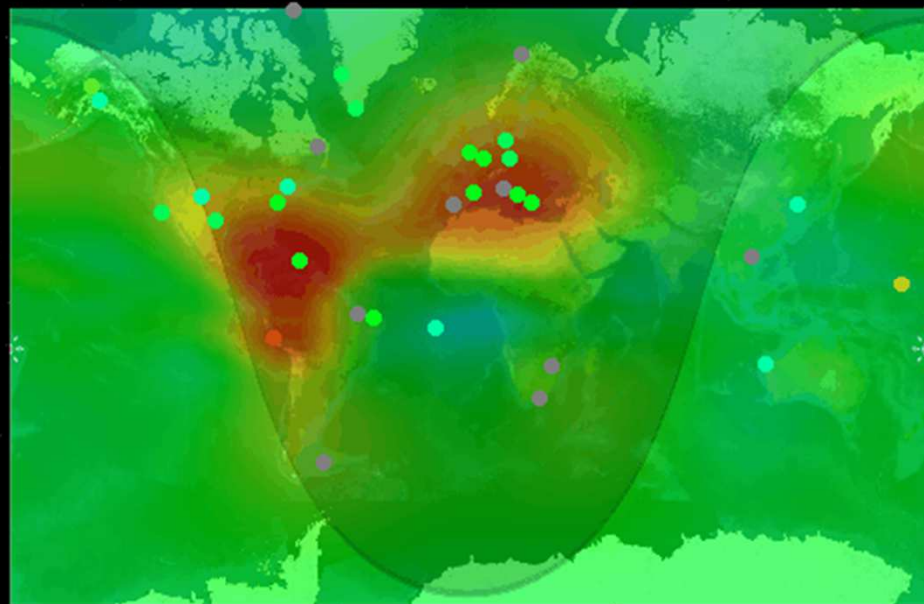
Circles(sites): foF2 (GIRO-IRI) MHz



-4.9 -2.4 0 2.4 4.9

IRTAM v0.1B

Time UT - 2004.11.06 23:52:00



Map: hmF2 (IRTAM-Brunini) km



-160 -75 10 95 180

Circles(sites): hmF2 (GIRO-Brunini) km



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Dissemination of IRTAM data

- Currently only animated latest 24-hour maps published on GIRO Web Portal
- GAMBIT Project is near future



Global Adaptive Modeling
of the Bottomside Ionospheric Timelines

Past
data

Prototype is running, release plans by Christmas 2014

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Take-home summary

- Fast Chars on the Web: good solution for many tasks
 - Real-time data are available
 - Please pay attention to Confidence Score (CS)
- Use DriftBase Web Portal
- Setup a “GIRO Mirror” is latency is too high
- Watch for GAMBIT Première in December 2014

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Gracias Danke Ευχαριστίες

THANK YOU

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Tack Grazie Спасибо Dank
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