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1 Introduction

ROSETTA's Flyby at asteroid 21 LUTETIA happened on July 10, 2010. RPC-MAG was switched on in the time between 2010-07-7T15:42 and 2010-07-13T16:15. The Closest Approach (C/A) took place at 2010-07-10T15:44:56.6 \pm 7.2 s. The C/A distance (ROSETTA - LUTETIA) was 3160 km. The Asteroid Sun distance was 2.72 AU, the distance to the Earth 3.05 AU. The Flyby velocity was about 15 km/s. Spacecraft flips occurred at C/A-04:19h and C/A+3:41h. The instrument performance was flawlessly. There were no problems from the instrument side.

This document gives a brief description of the executed activities and show the obtained data. Housekeeping data (Temperature of the OB & IB sensor, Filter Stages A & B, Filter configuration register, Reference voltage, negative and positive 5V supply voltage, and the coarse HK sampled magnetic field data of the OB sensor) are presented as well as magnetic field science data of the OB and IB sensor in the activated modes. Magnetic field data are plotted in s/c coordinates and ECLIPJ2000 coordinates if not otherwise stated. They are calibrated according to the results of the ground calibration and the results of the inflight temperature model 006 using the actual flight data. Sensitivity, Misalignment, and Temperature effects are taken into account. The s/c residual field is not subtracted.

The spectra of the magnetic field data measured by the OB sensor are plotted in section 5. As usual an influence of ROSETTA's reaction wheels (refer to section 6) can be seen in Burstmode.

From time to time there are also horizontal lines in the dynamic spectrum to be seen. These lines represent constant frequencies and are caused by the LAP instrument. This behavior was investigated and proofed during the PC10 campaign in November 2010. See RO-IGEP-TR0030 for further details.

The data quality and a comparison between OB,IB sensor and ROMAP is presented in section 4.

The Rotation Angles of the Solar Arrays and the High Gain Antenna have been plotted in section 7 for the assessment of their influence to the magnetic field data.

A temperature profile for the whole Fly-By is shown in section 8.

The results and assessment of the very flyby are presented in section 9.

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2 The Fly-By Geometry

This section gives an overview about the trajectory during the Fly-By.

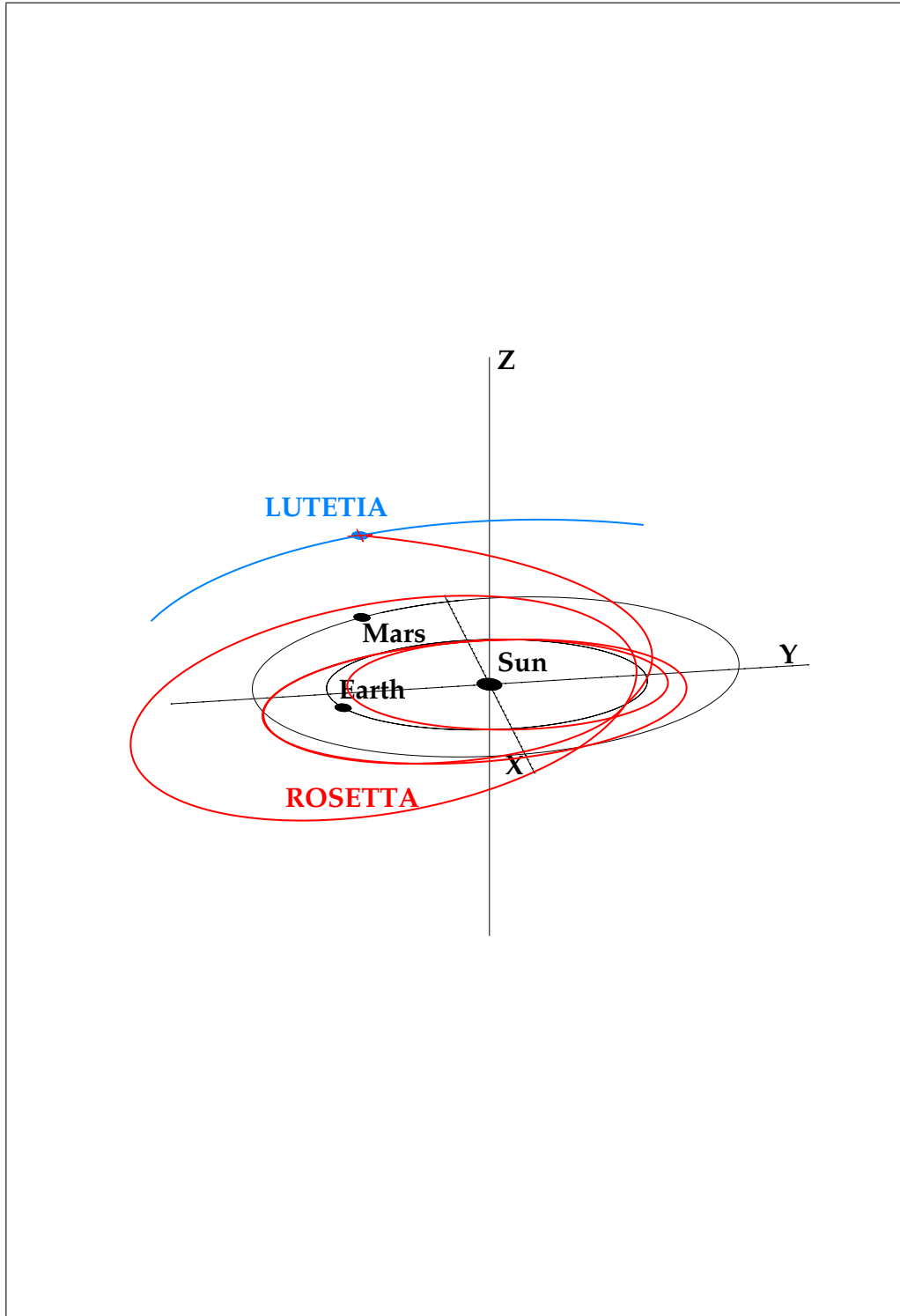


Figure 1: The Celestial Situation. ECLIPJ2000 coordinates

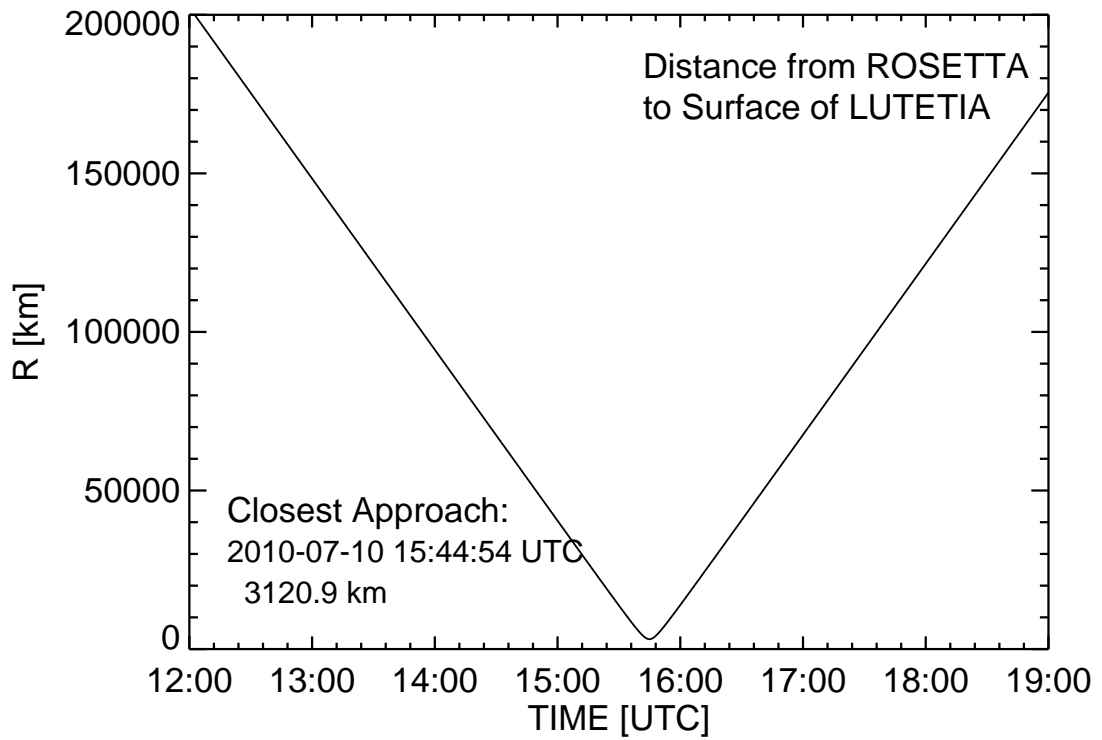


Figure 2: ROSETTA'S Distance to the LUTETIA Surface - Overview

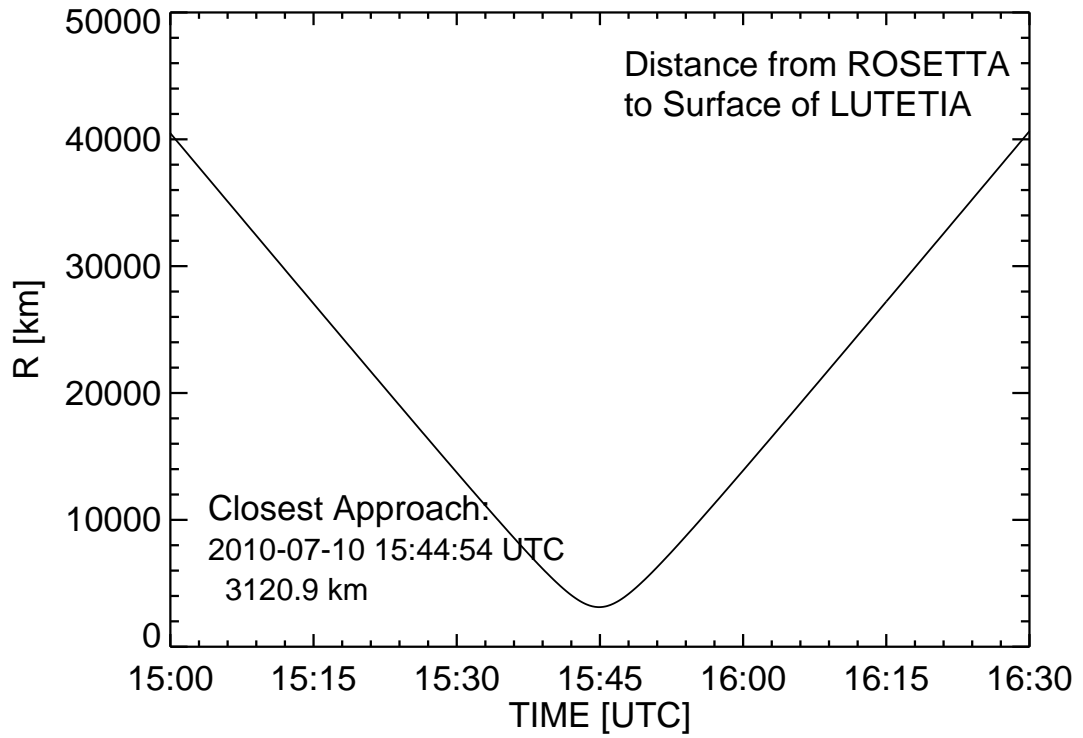


Figure 3: ROSETTA'S Distance to the LUTETIA Surface - Zoomed View

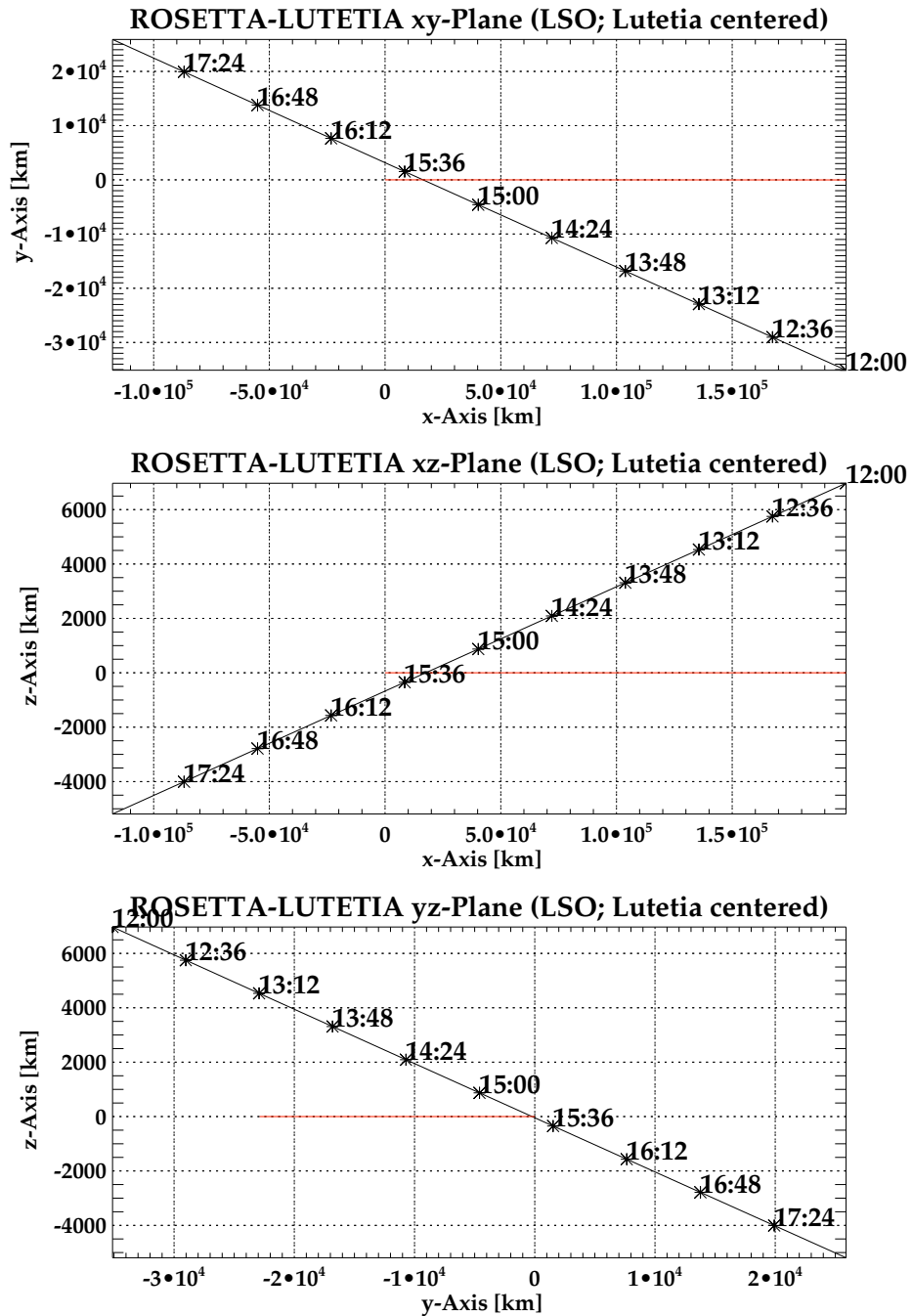


Figure 4: ROSETTA'S Fly-By Trajectory in LSO coordinates. Red Line: SUN Direction

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3 Activities and data plots of the STEINS Fly By

This chapter presents all relevant data /data types measured by RPCMAG day by day:

- Housekeeping data (HK).
- Calibrated LEVEL_B data (s/c coordinates) of the IB and OB sensor with the original sampling frequency.
- Calibrated LEVEL_C data (ECLIPJ2000 coordinates) of the IB and OB sensor with the original sampling frequency.

3.1 July 07, 2010:

3.1.1 Actions

MAG was switched on immediately after PIU and set to HK mode at 15:42:19. The normal mode SID 2 was set at 16:10:34. All commands passed smoothly and the instrument followed in the expected way. Then there were normal mode data until 17:00 only, although no mode change happened. Probably the science packets got lost in the ESA DDS or already on the s/c. As this phase was only used for warming up the sensor, the loss does not be a problem.

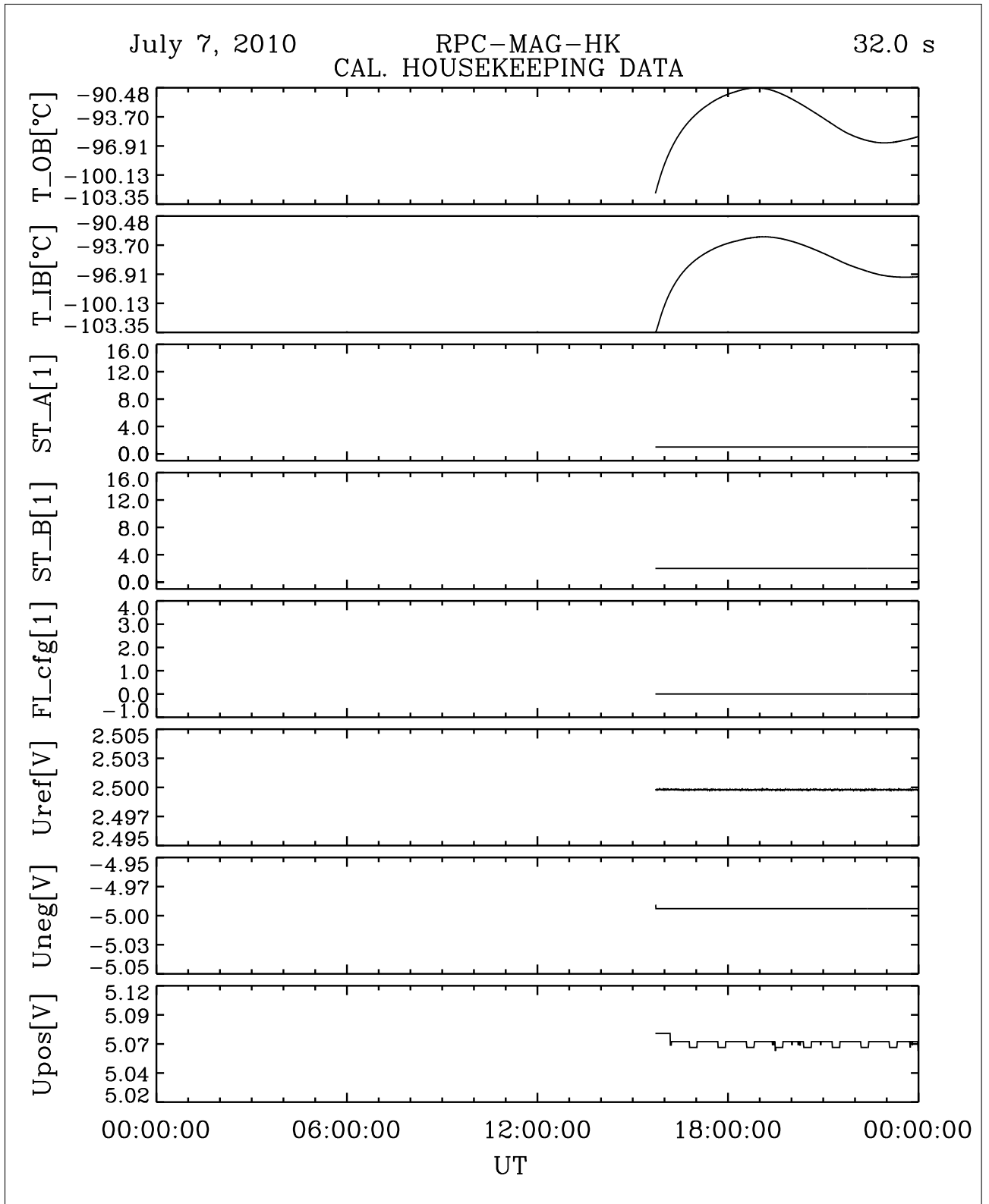


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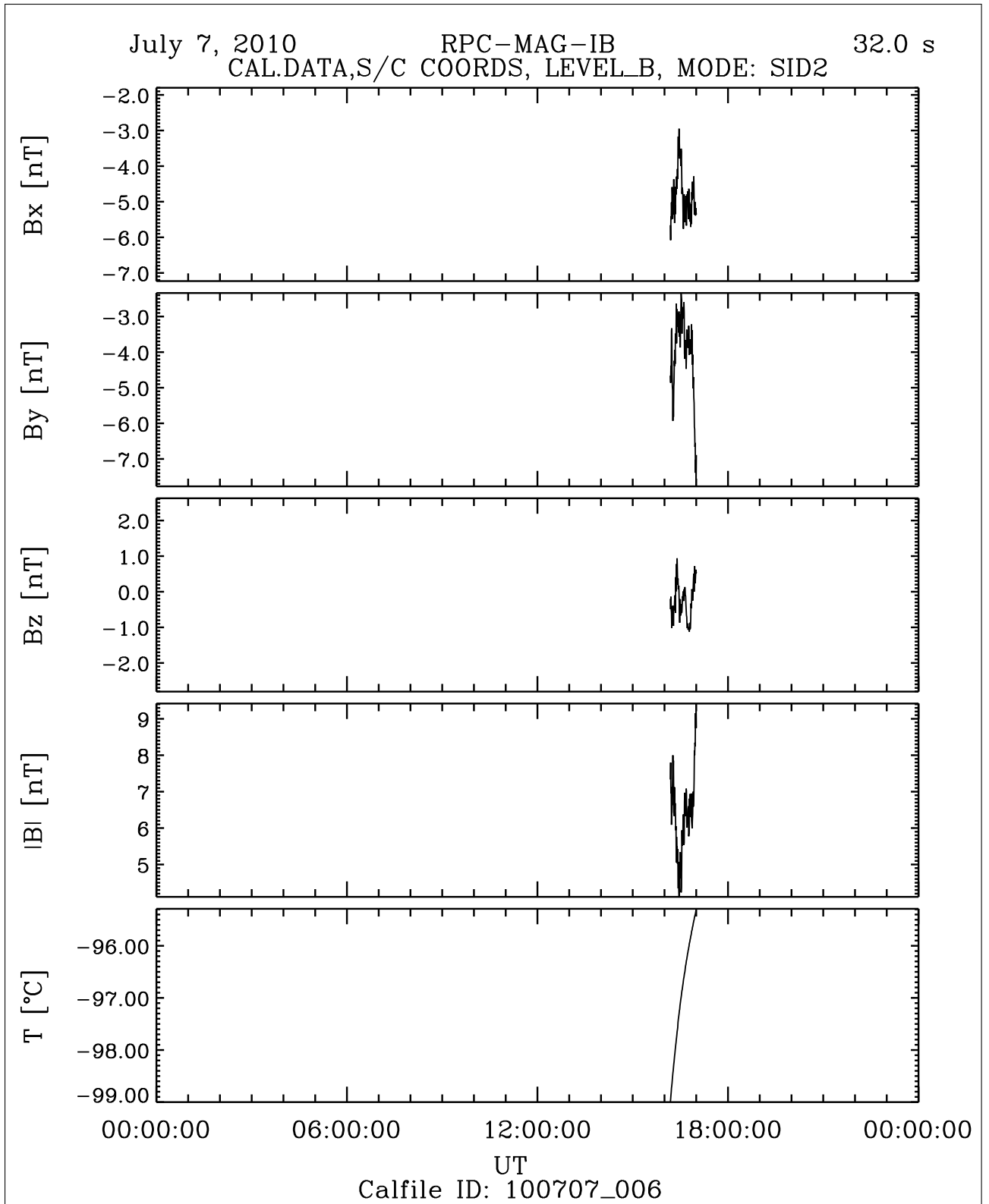


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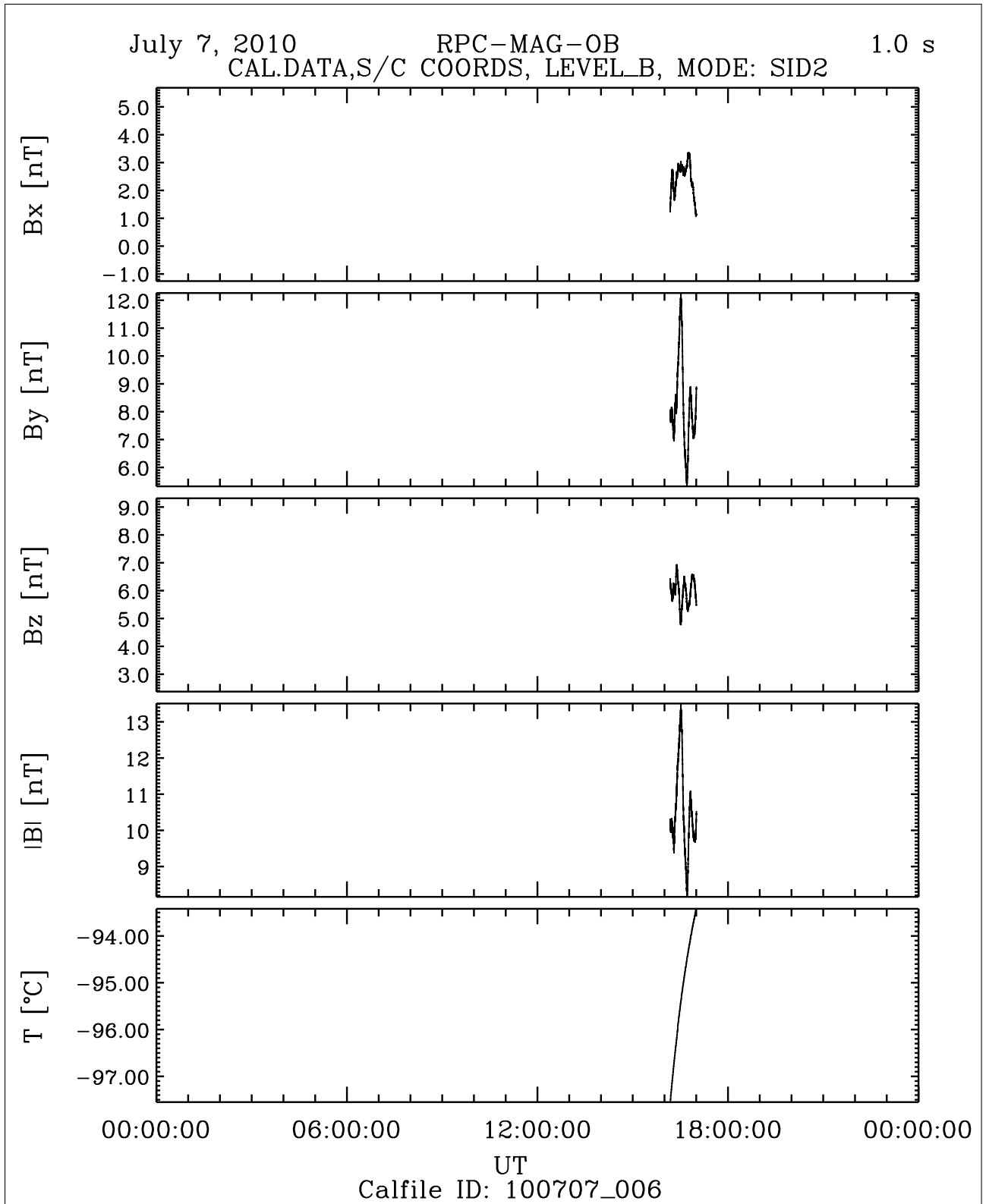


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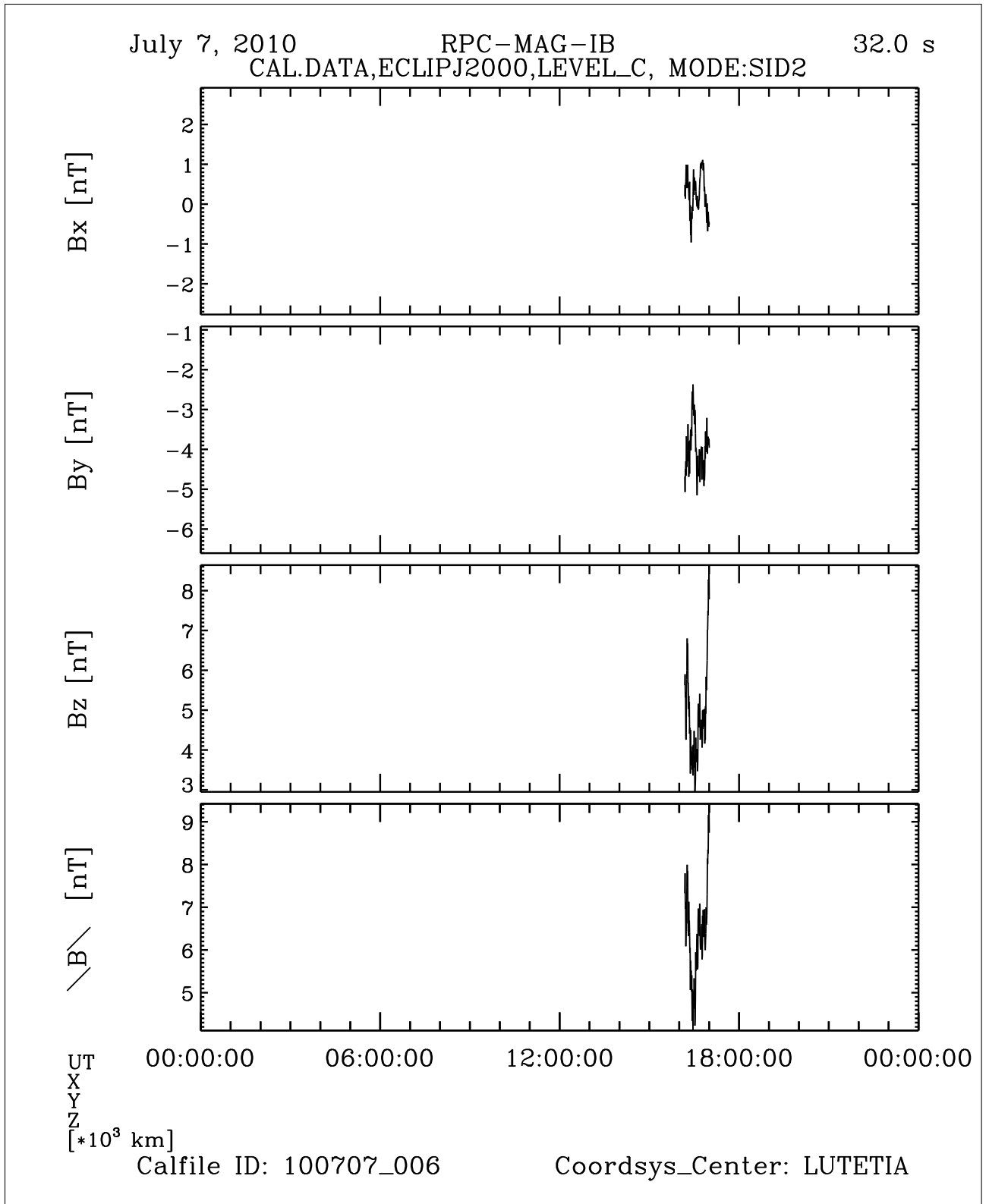


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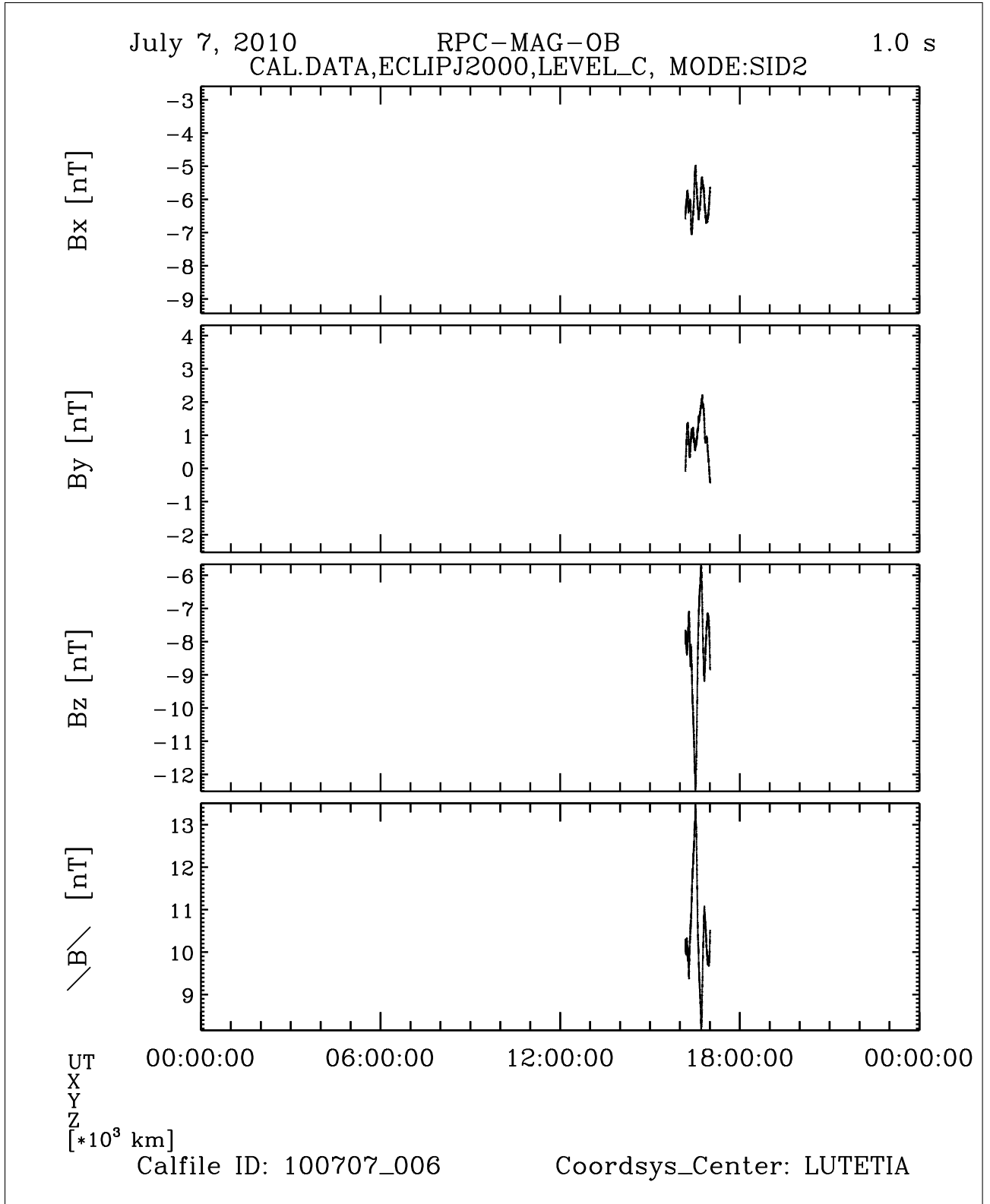


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3.2 July 08, 2010:

3.2.1 Actions

MAG stayed in SID 2. No problems occurred.

3.2.2 Plots of Calibrated Data

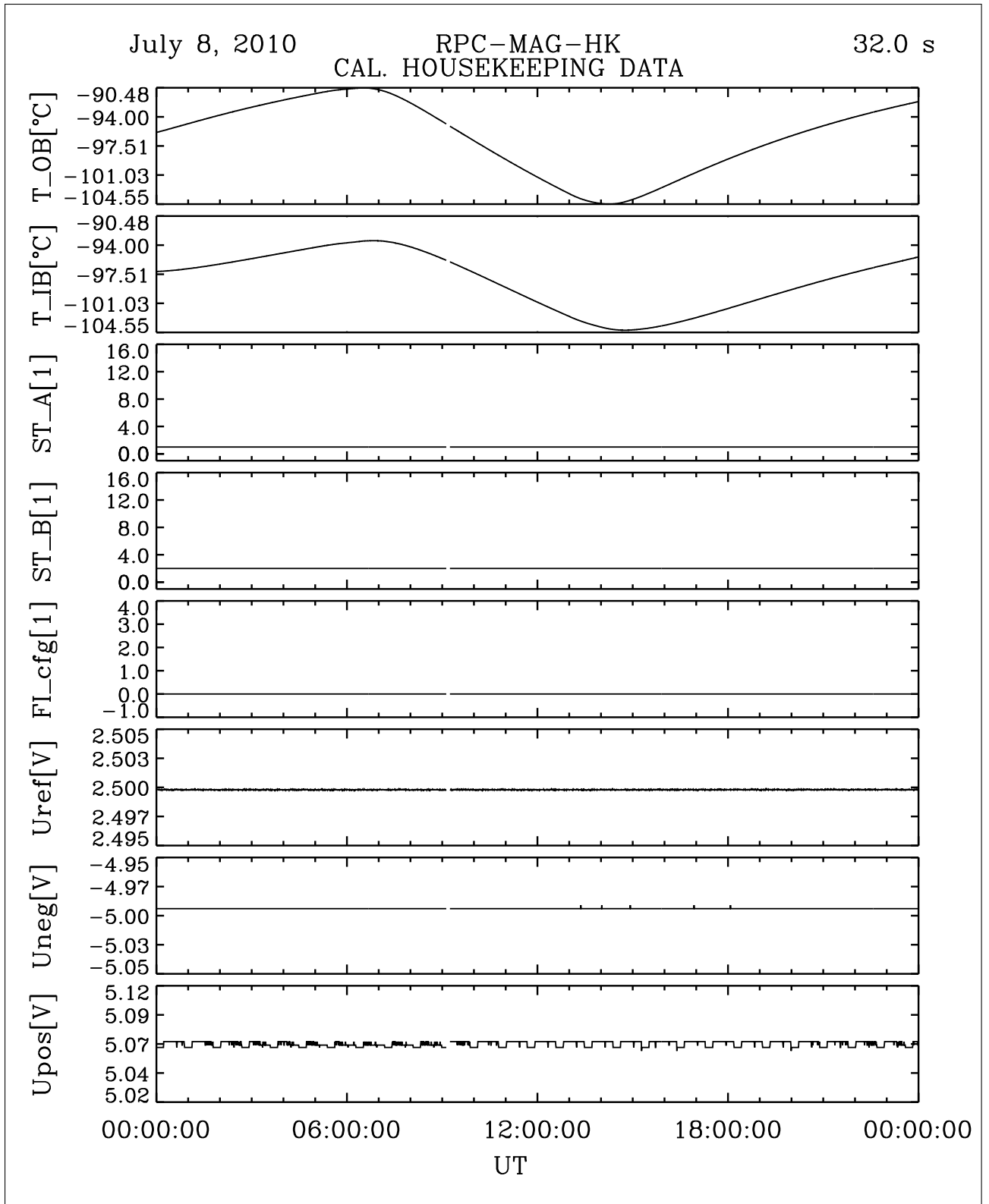


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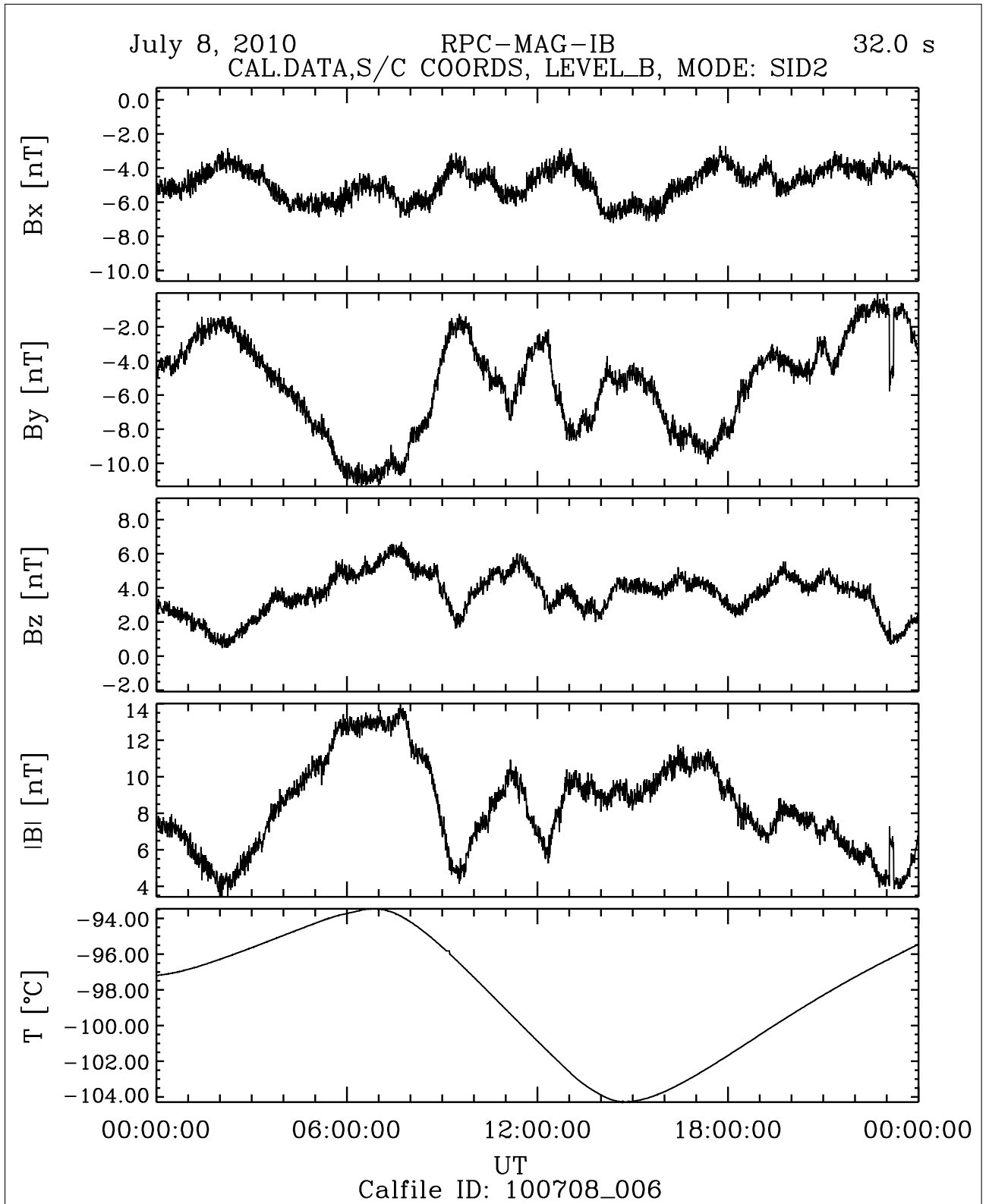


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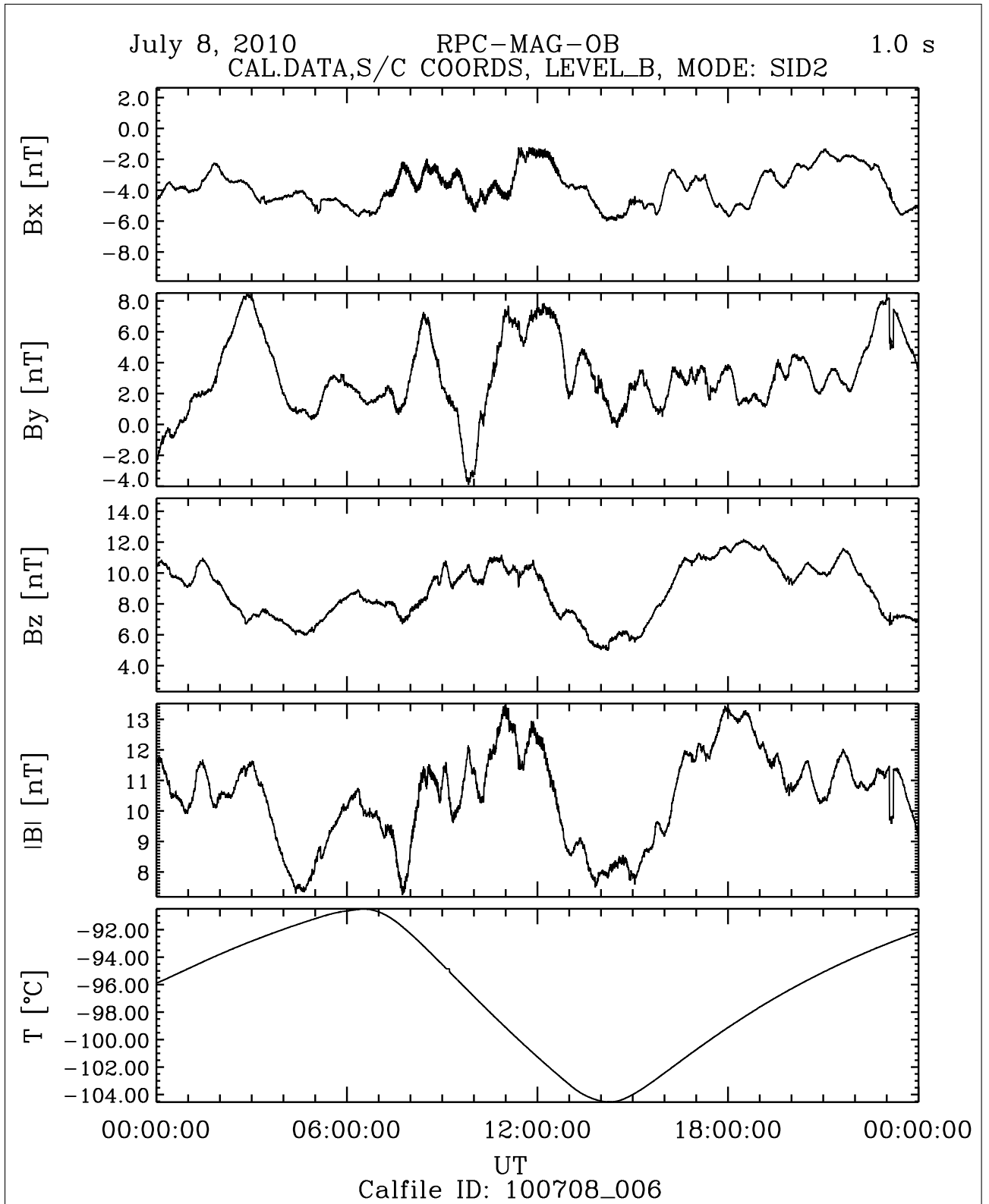


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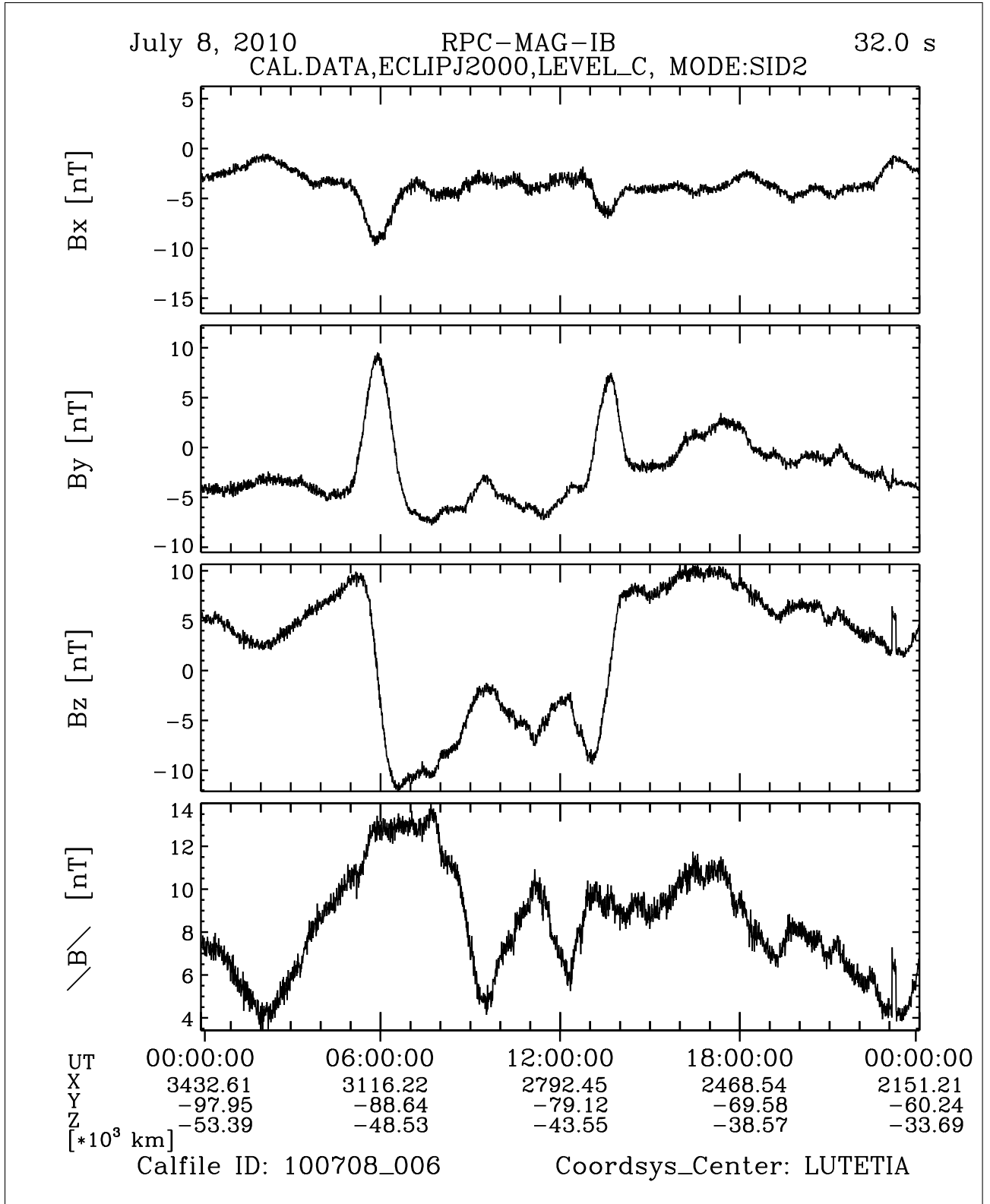


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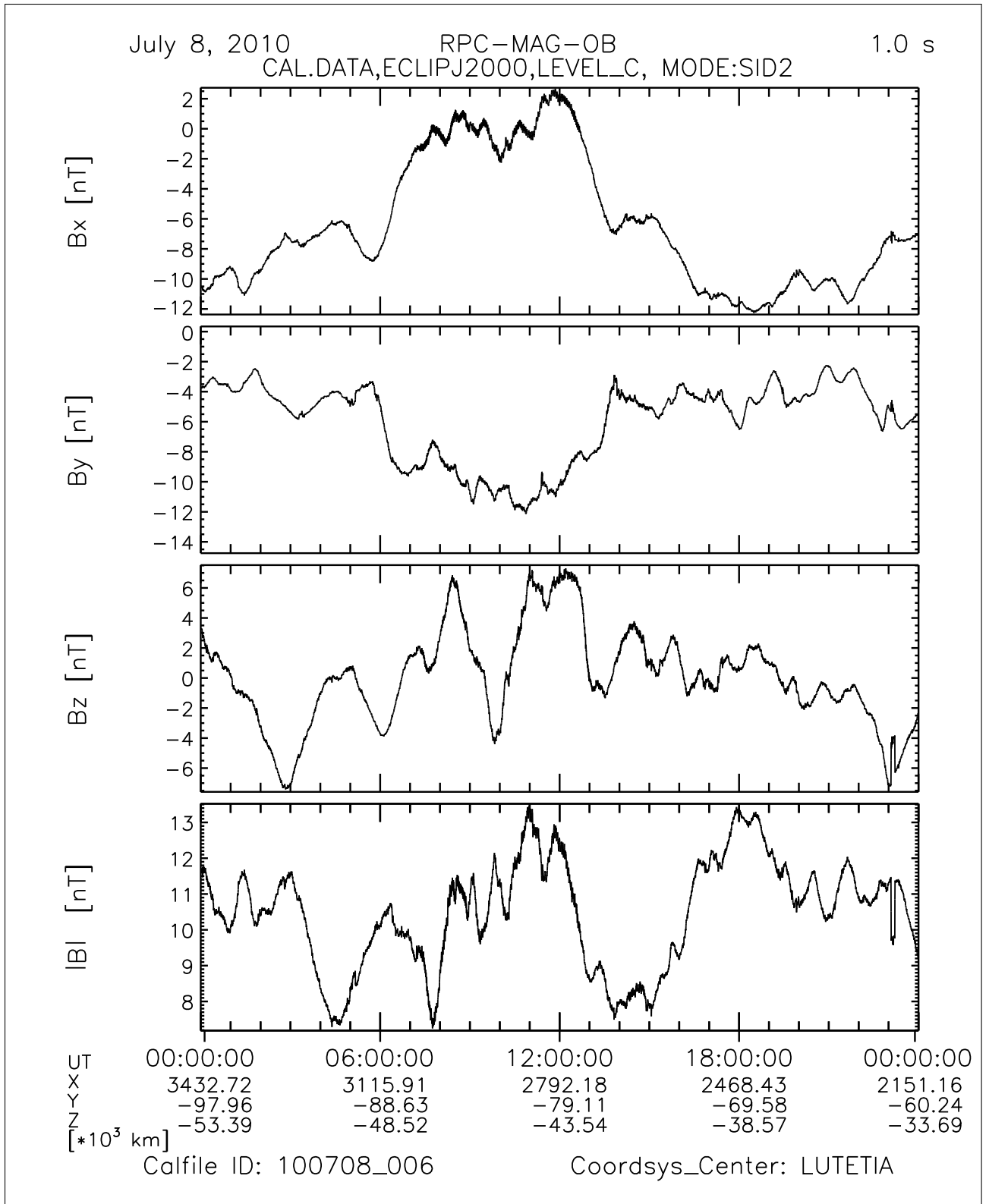


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3.3 July 09, 2010:

3.3.1 Actions

MAG stayed in SID 2. No problems occurred.

3.3.2 Plots of Calibrated Data

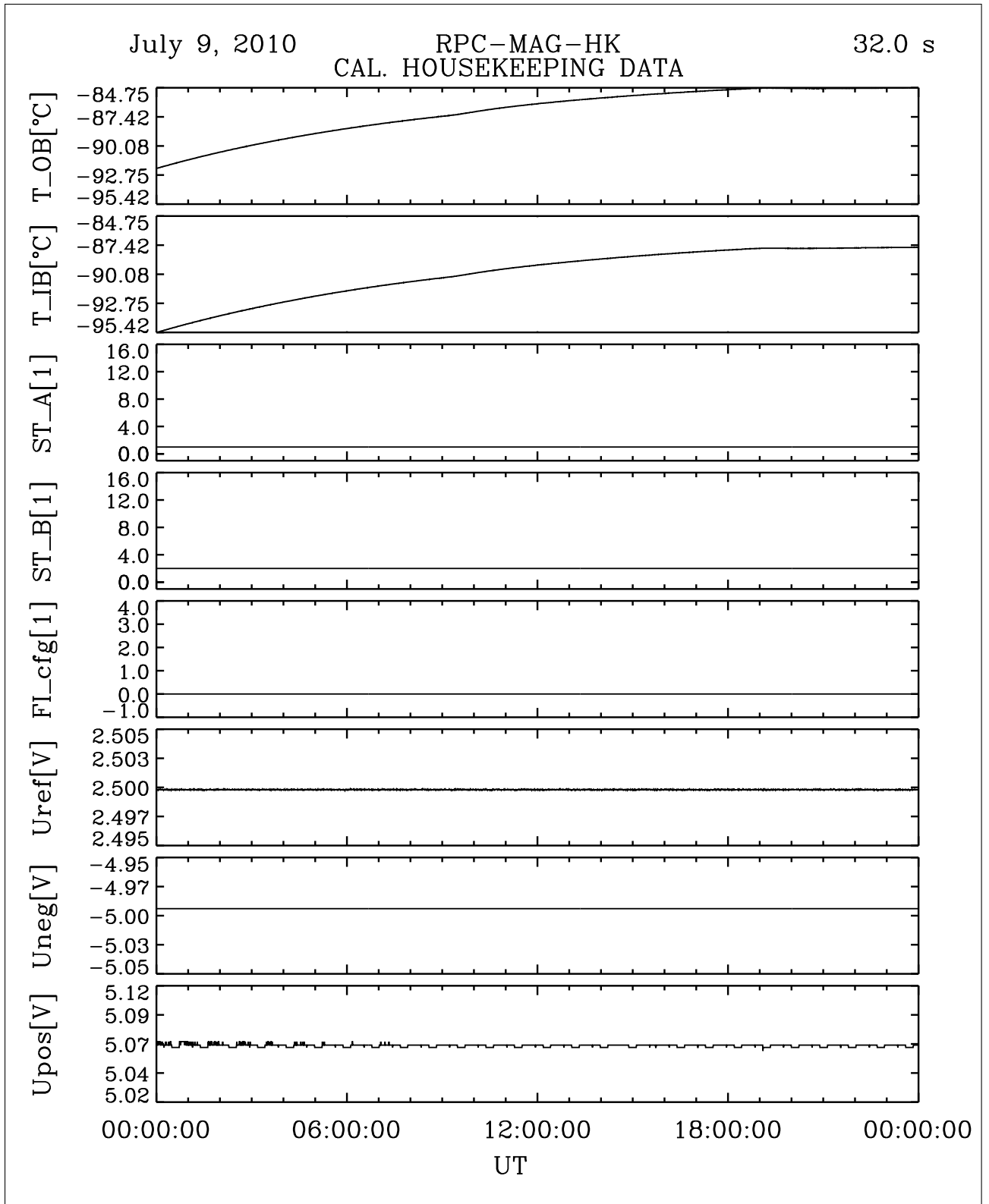


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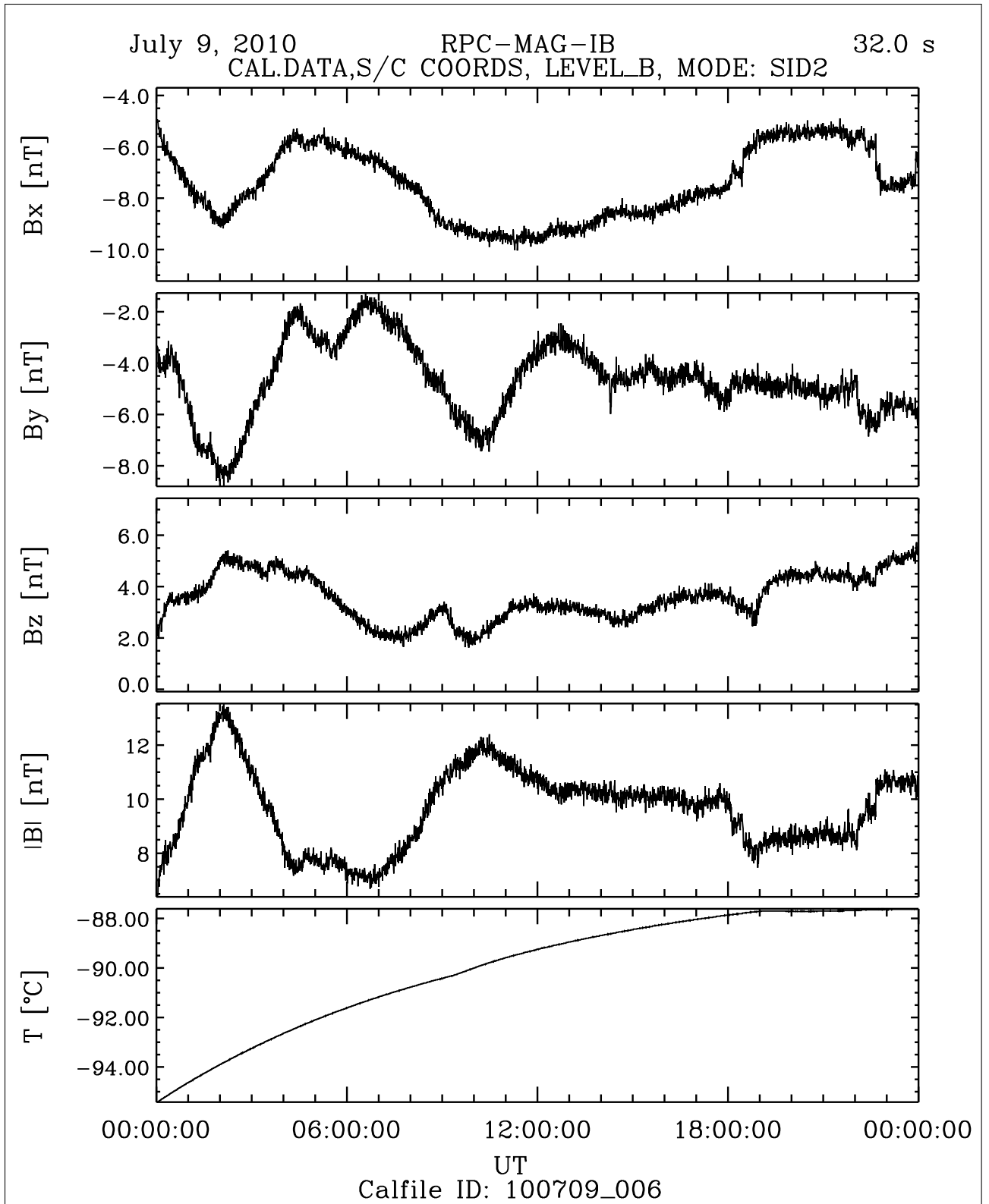


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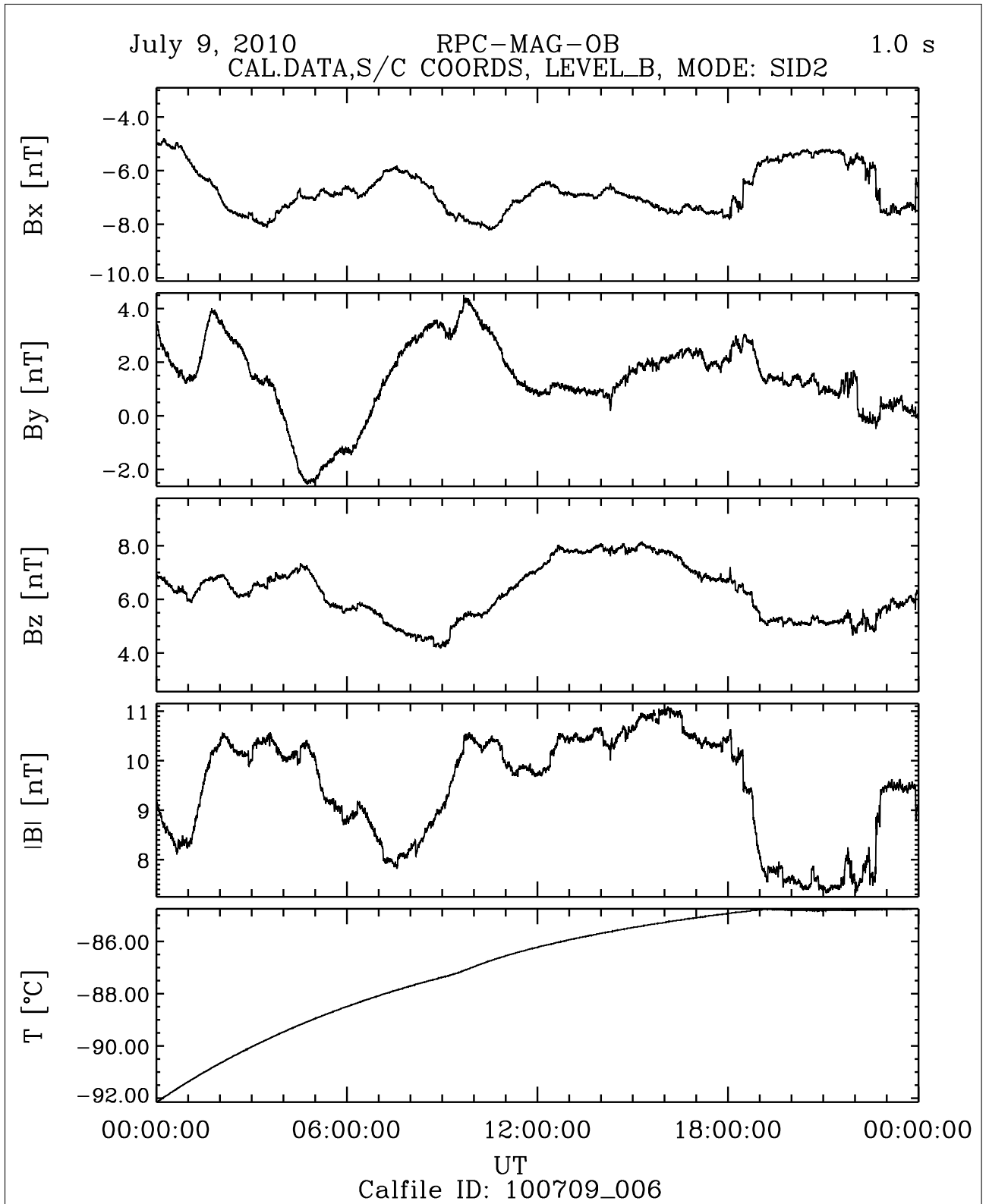


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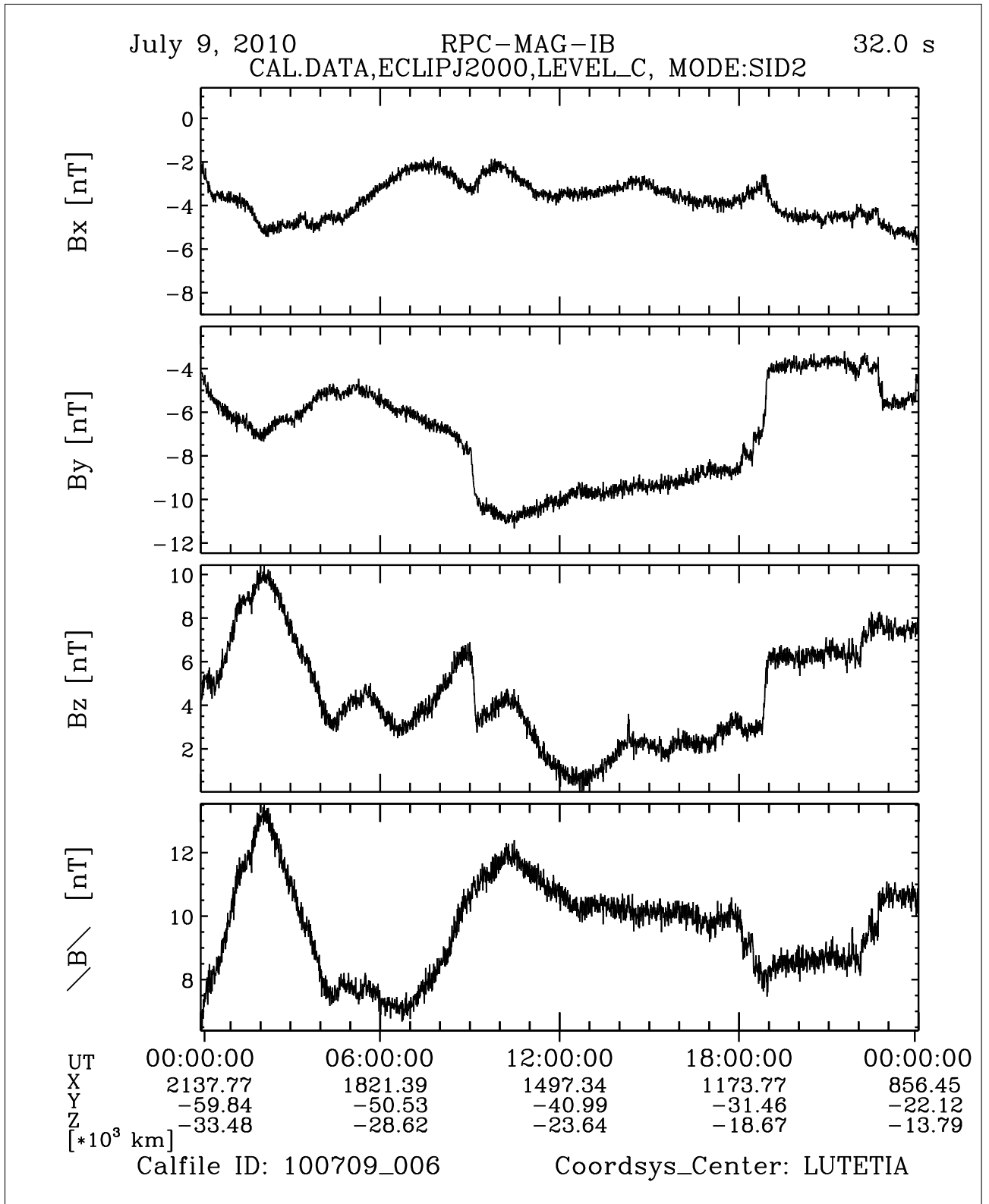


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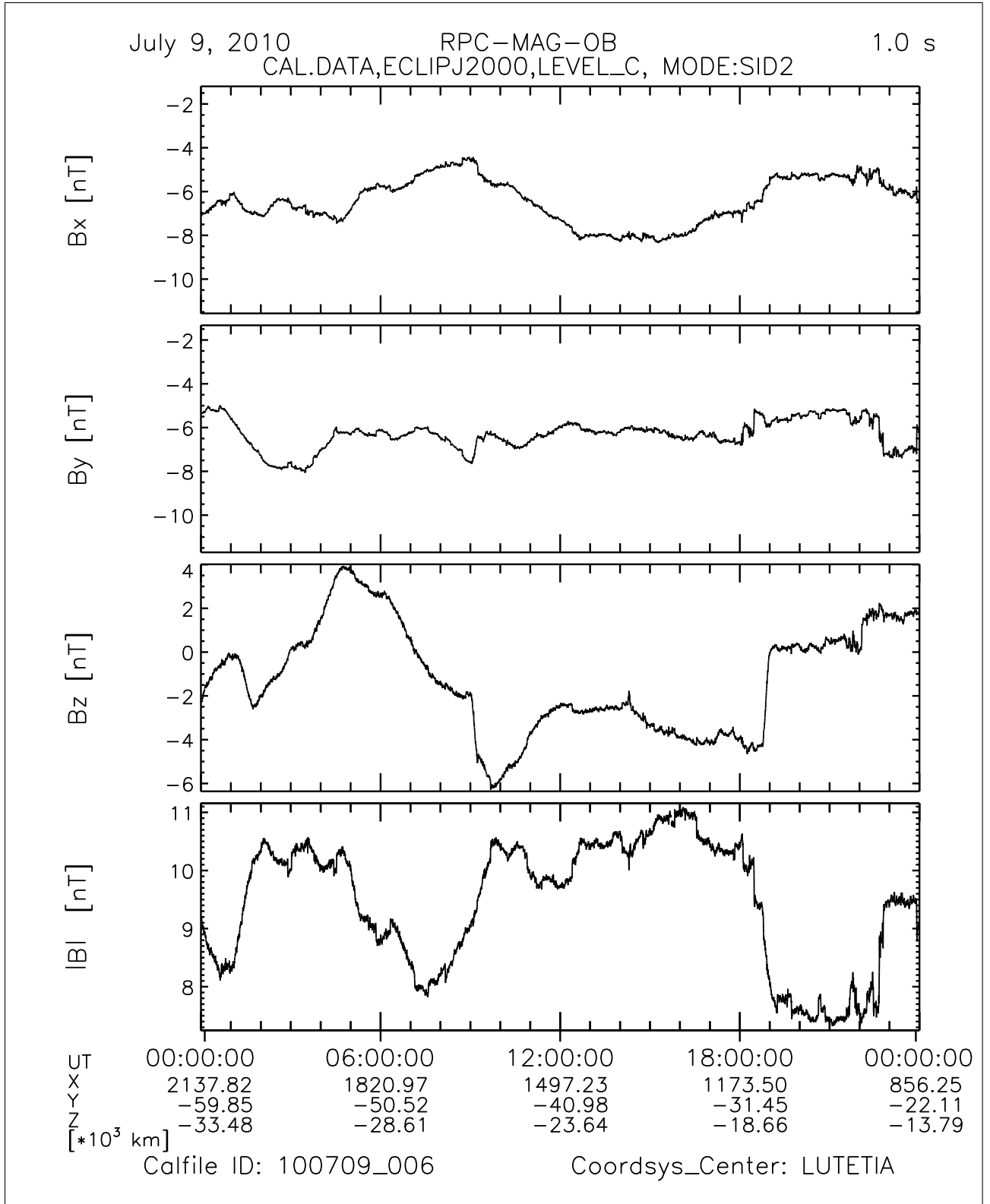


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3.4 July 10, 2010:

3.4.1 Actions

Today the real flyby at LUTETIA happened. MAG stayed in SID 2 until 12:55. Then Burst mode SID3 was activated. at 18:54 the mode was switched back to normal mode SID2. The very flyby happened at 15:44:56.6.

No problems occurred.

3.4.2 Plots of Calibrated Data

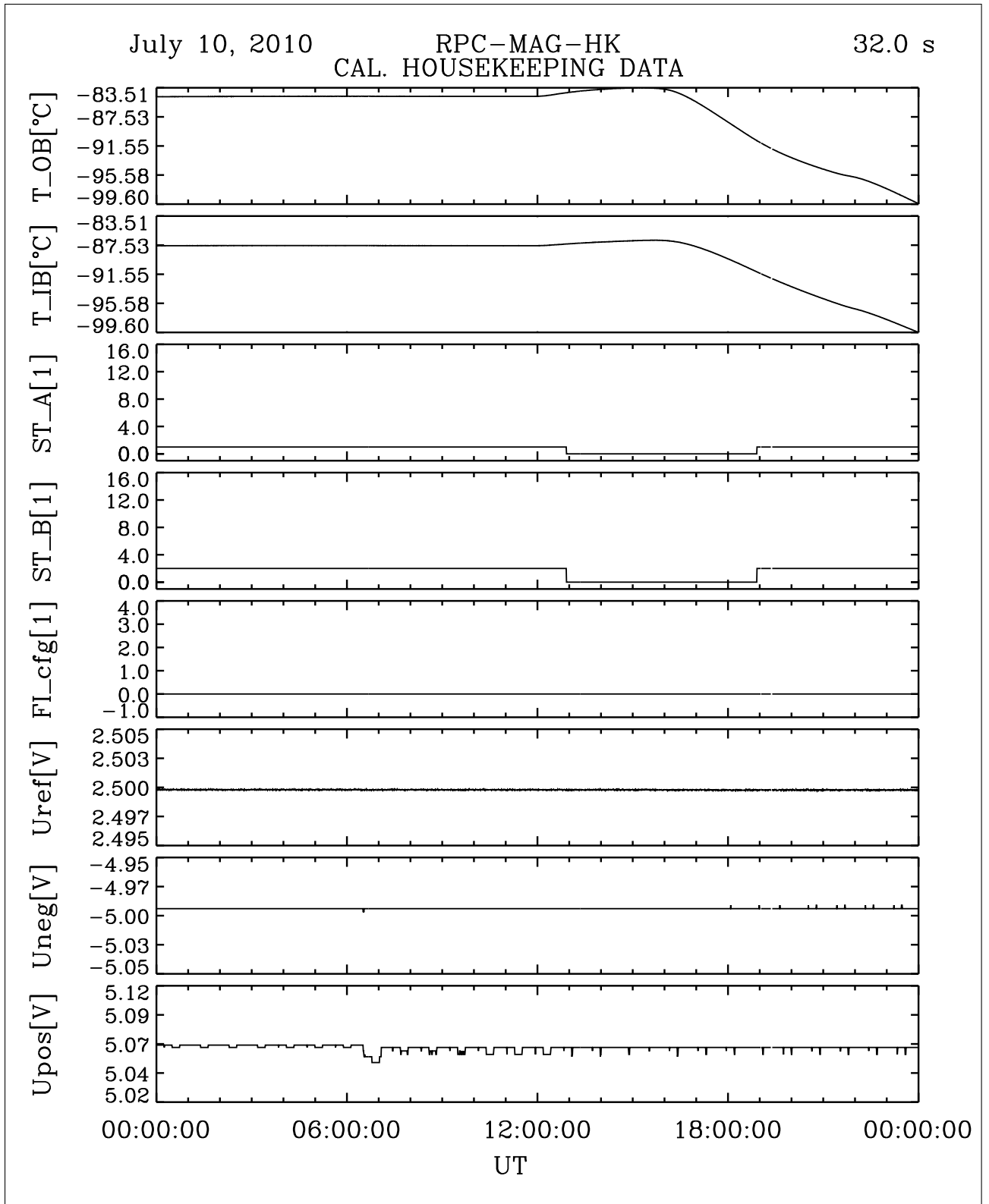


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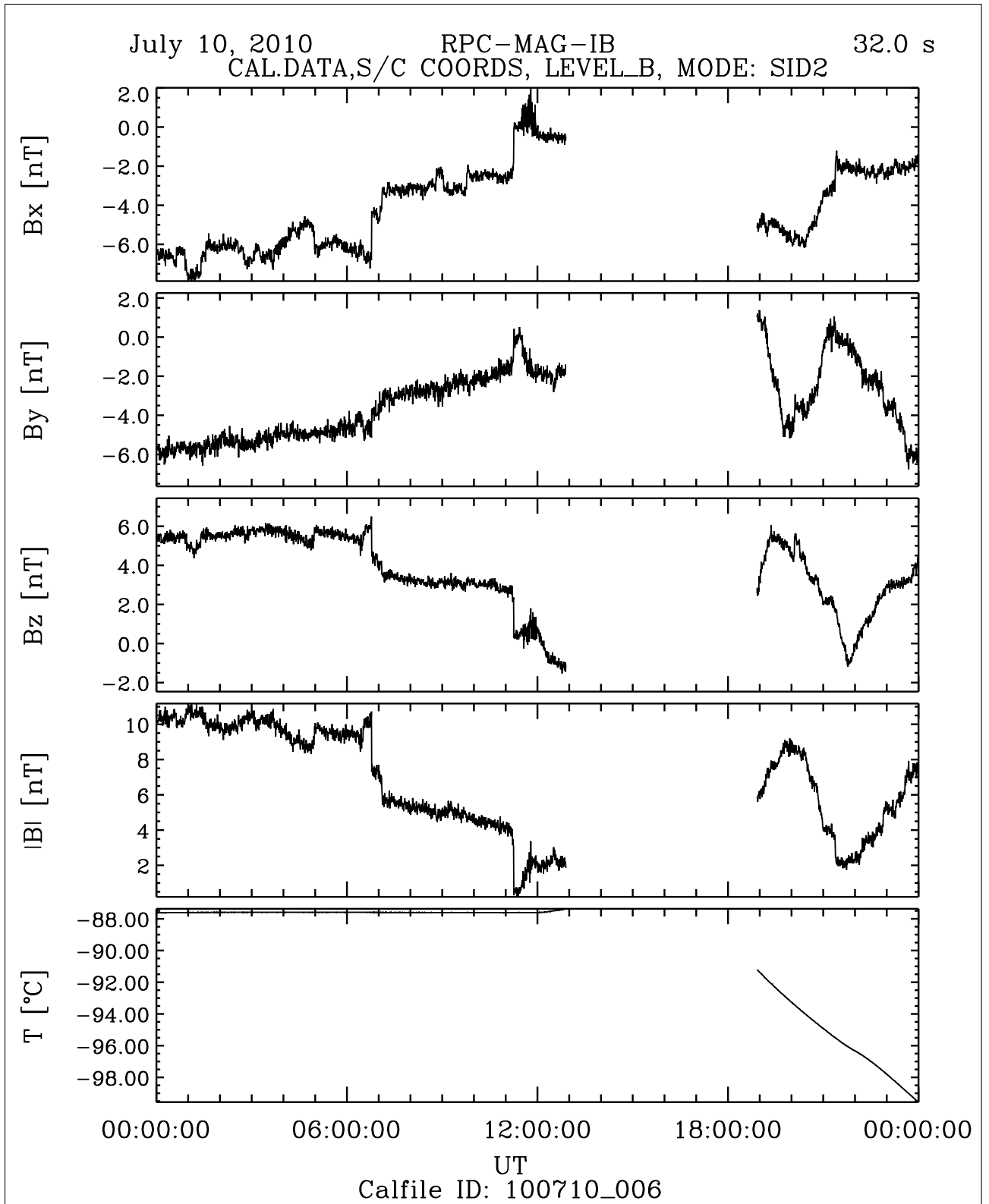


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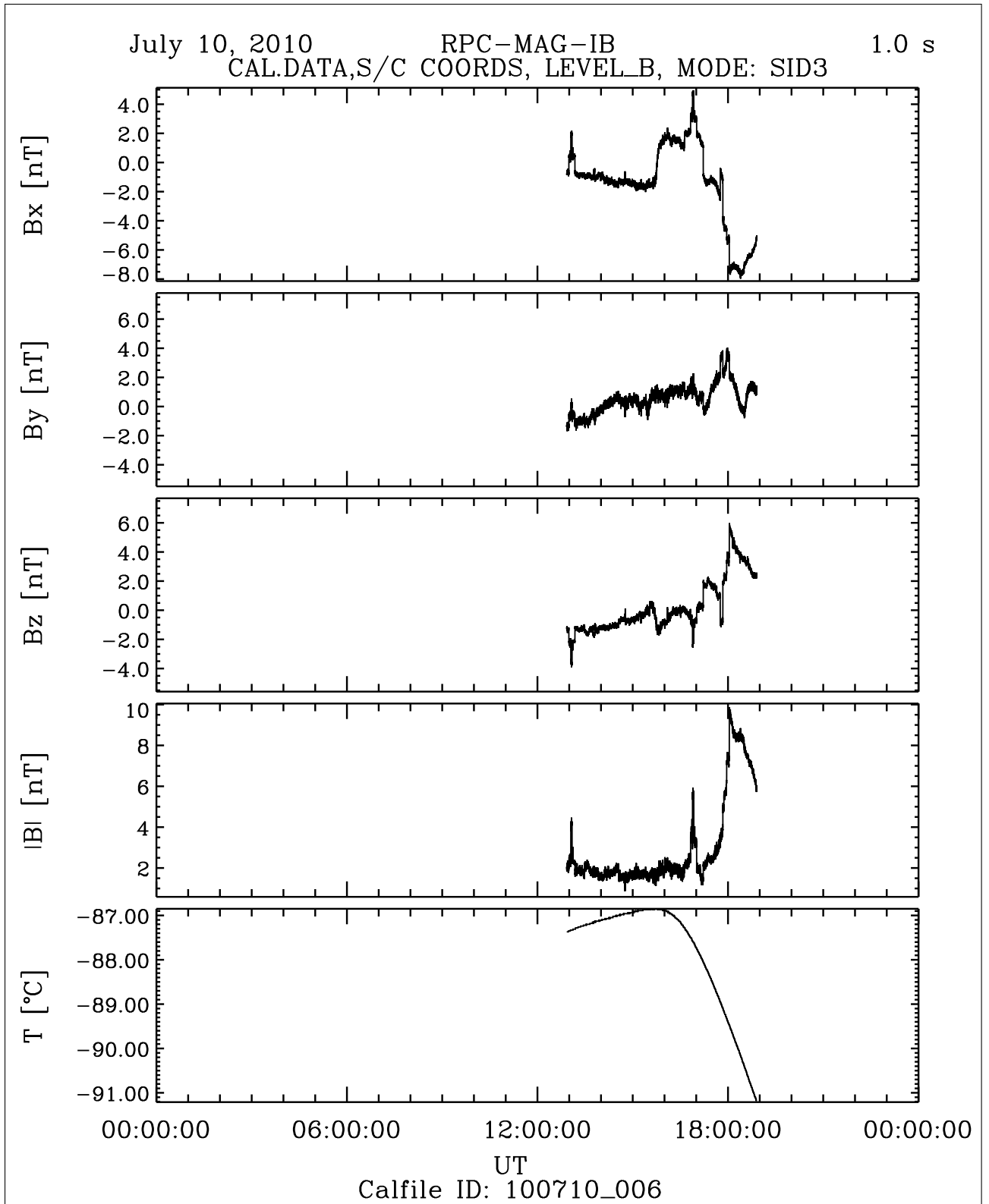


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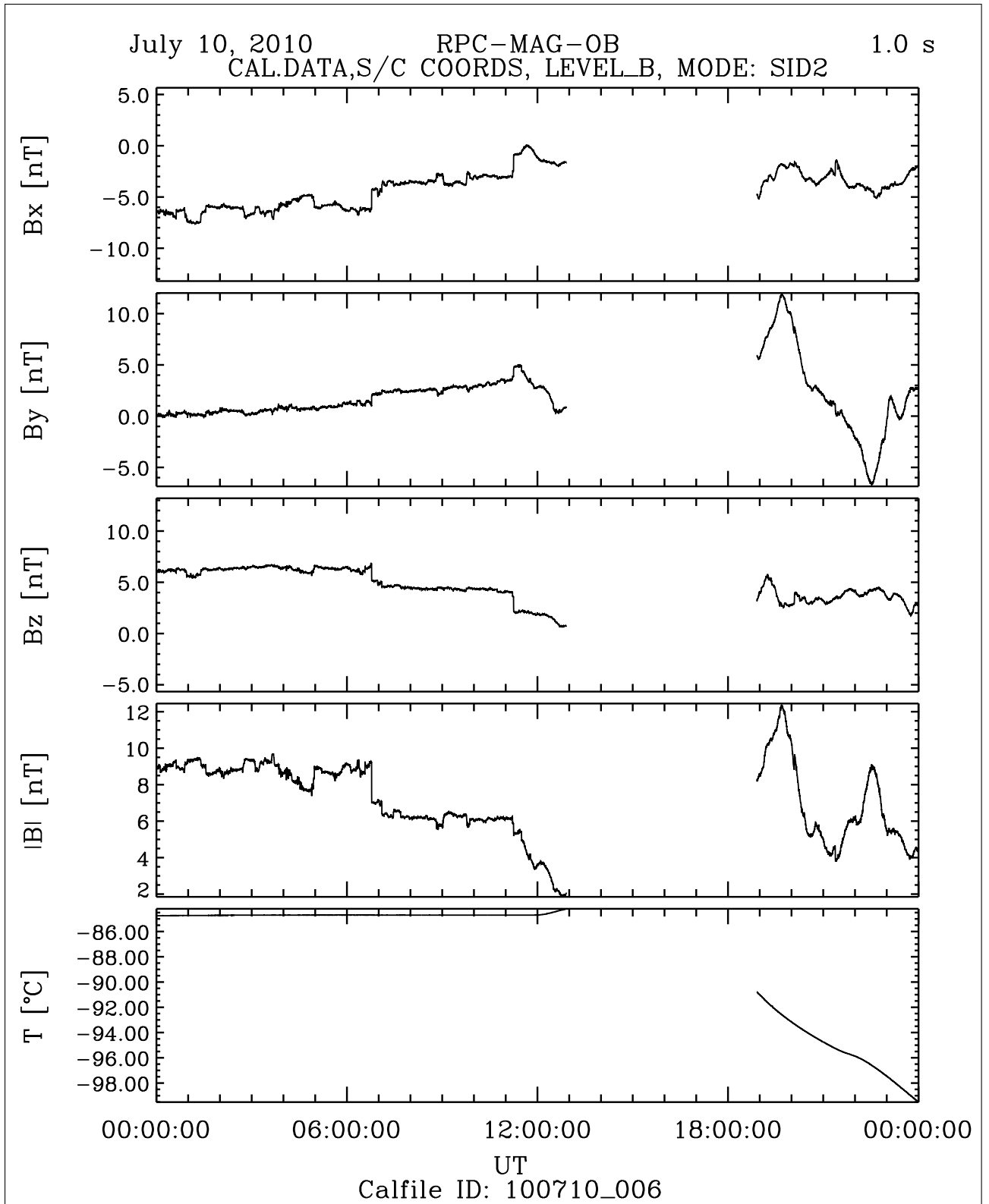


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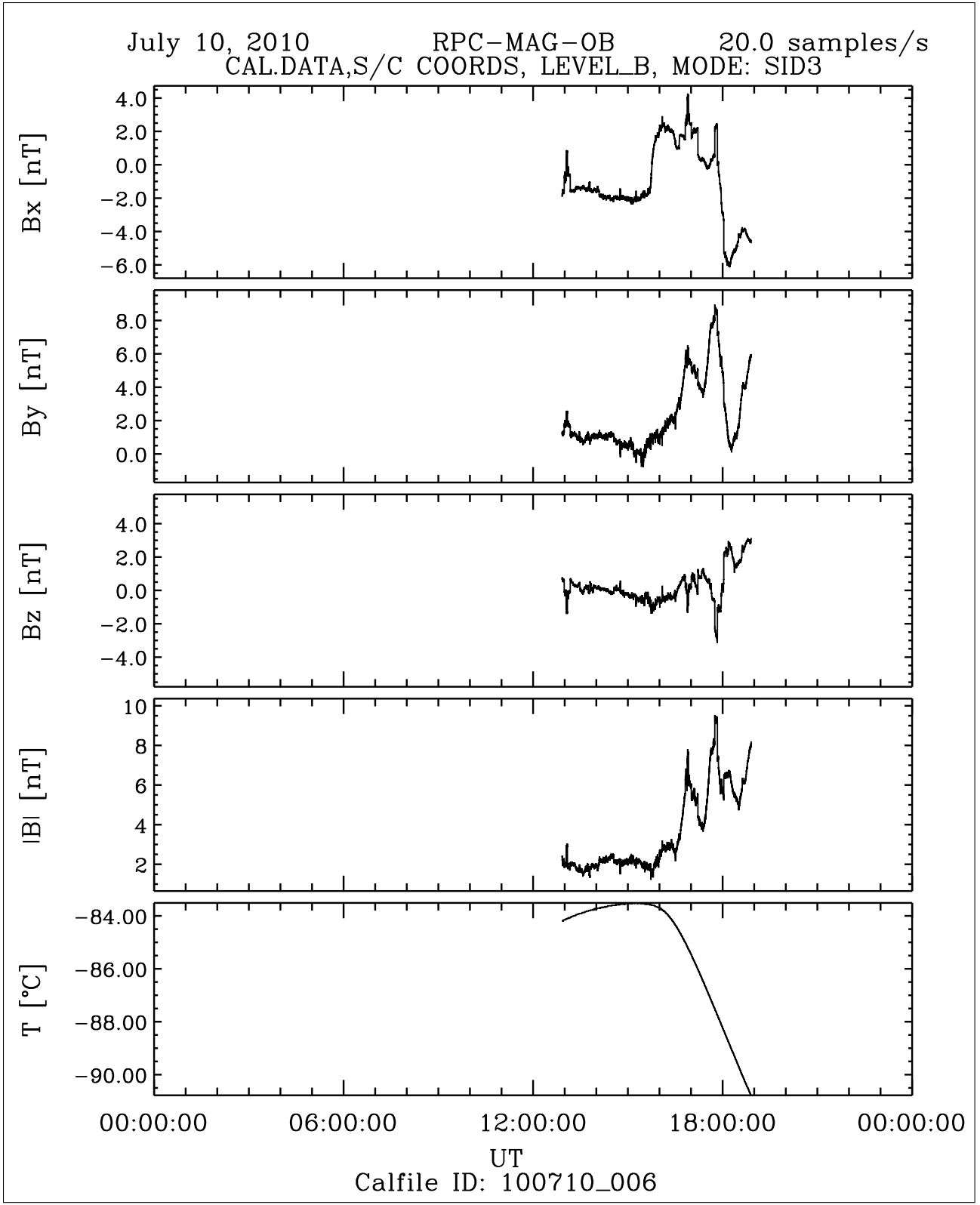


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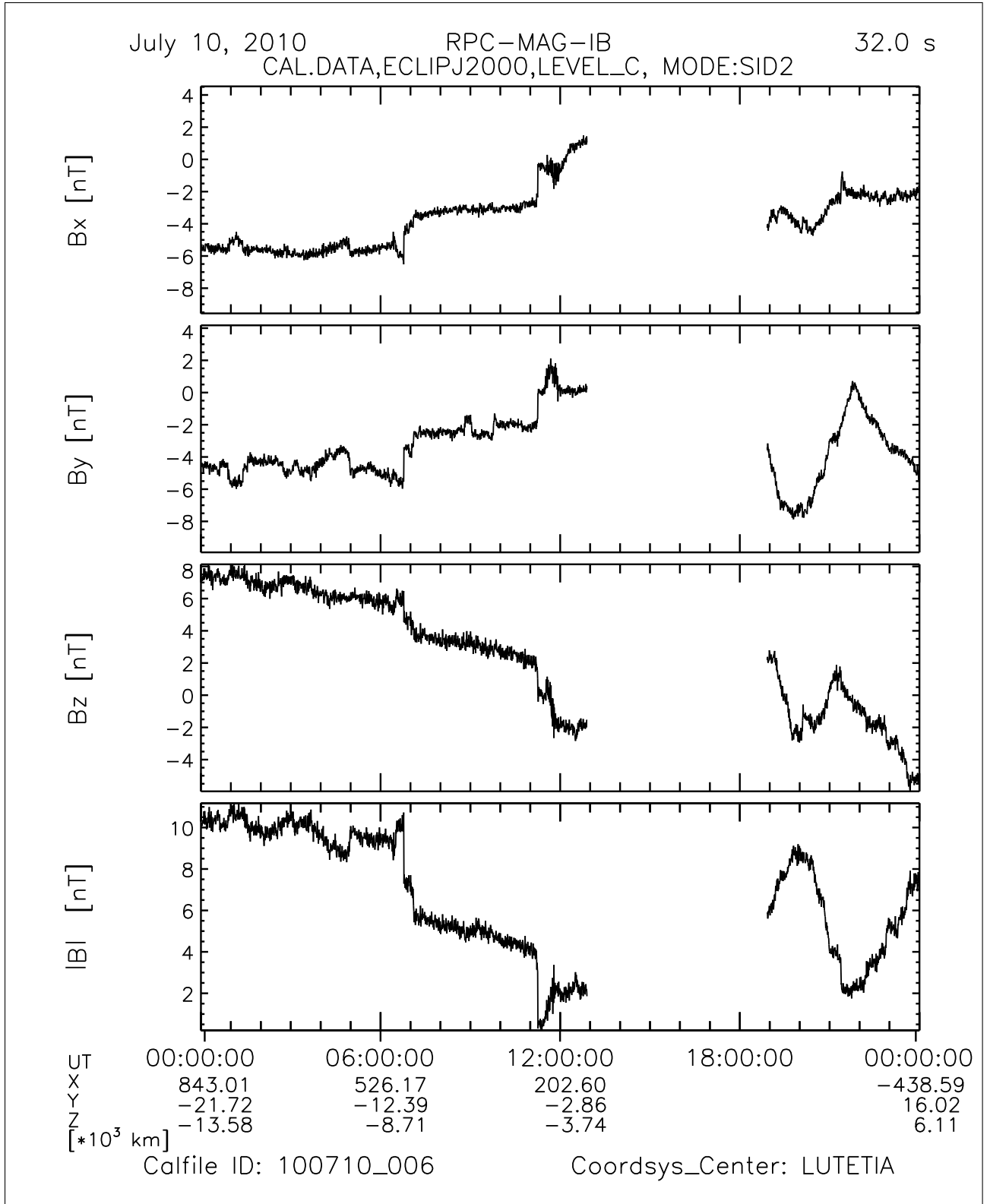


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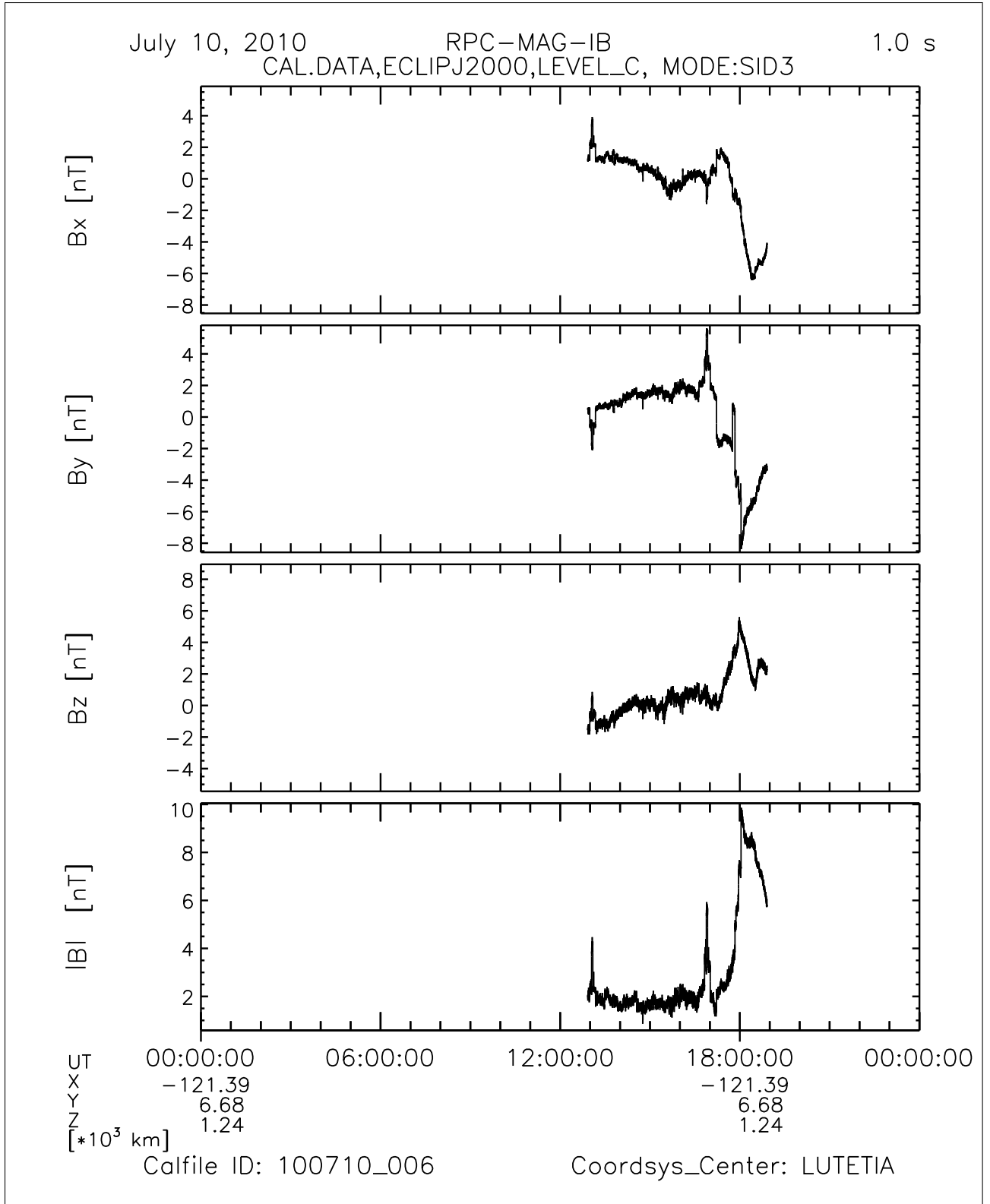


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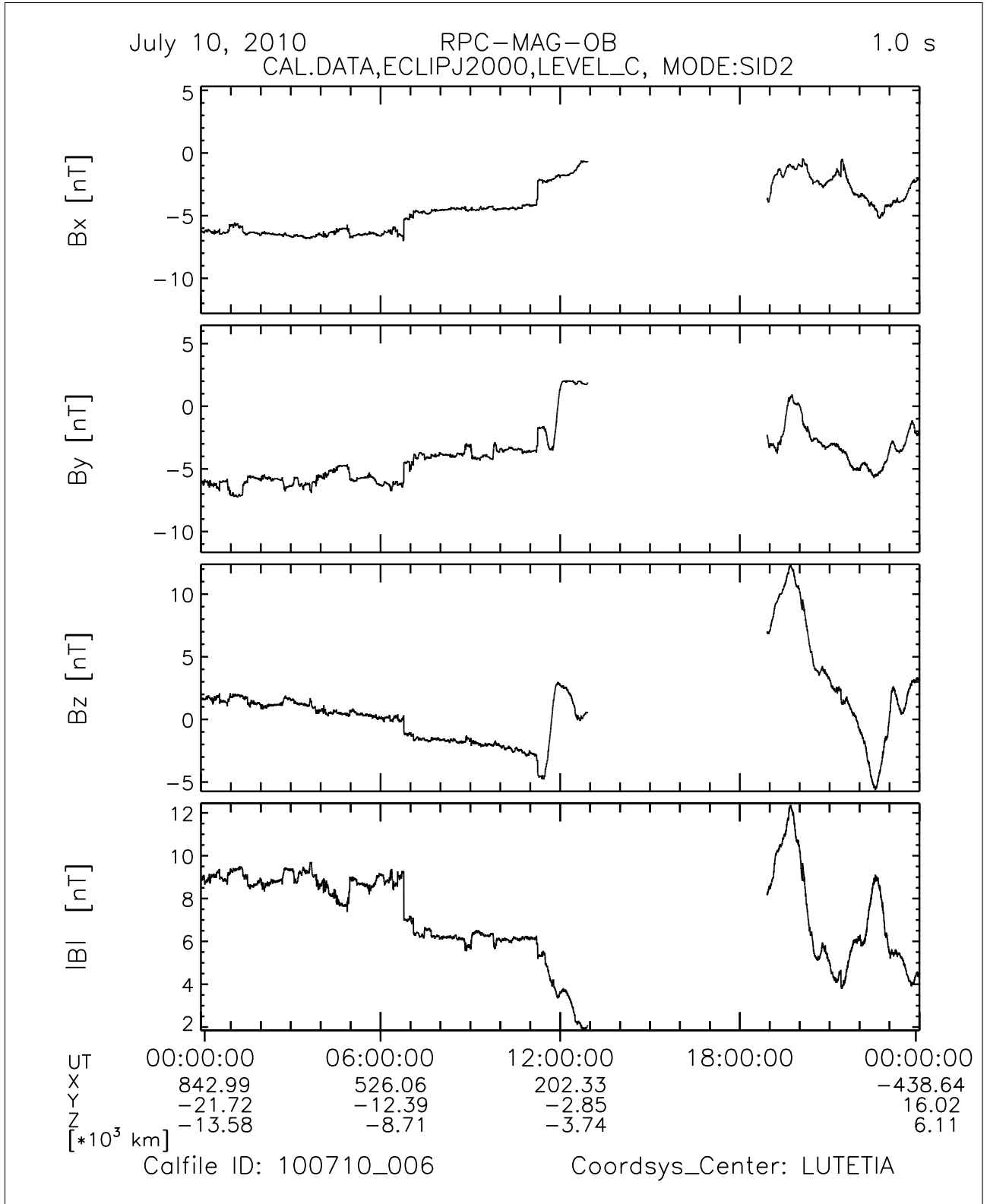


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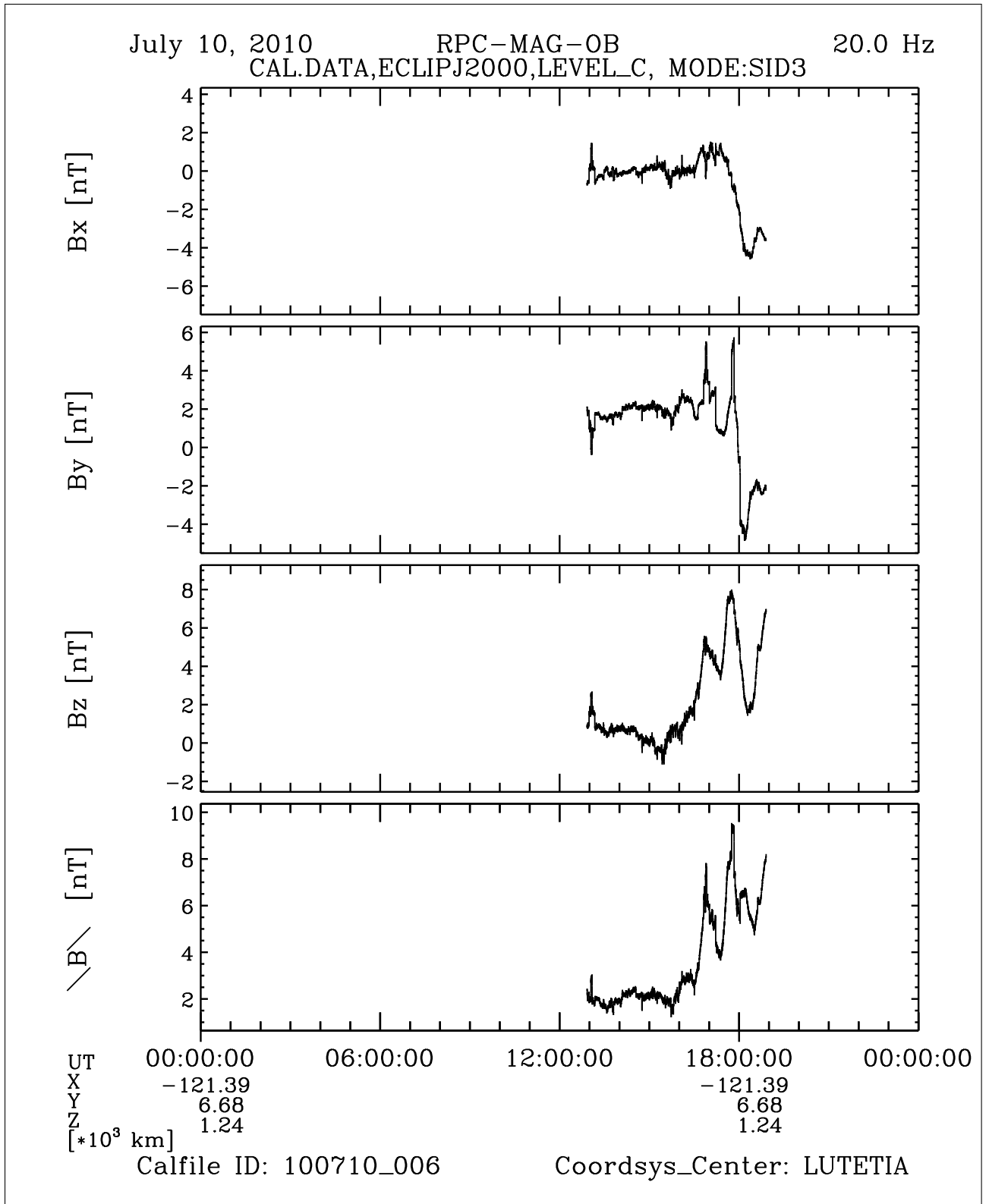


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3.5 July 11, 2010:

3.5.1 Actions

MAG stayed in SID 2. No problems occurred.

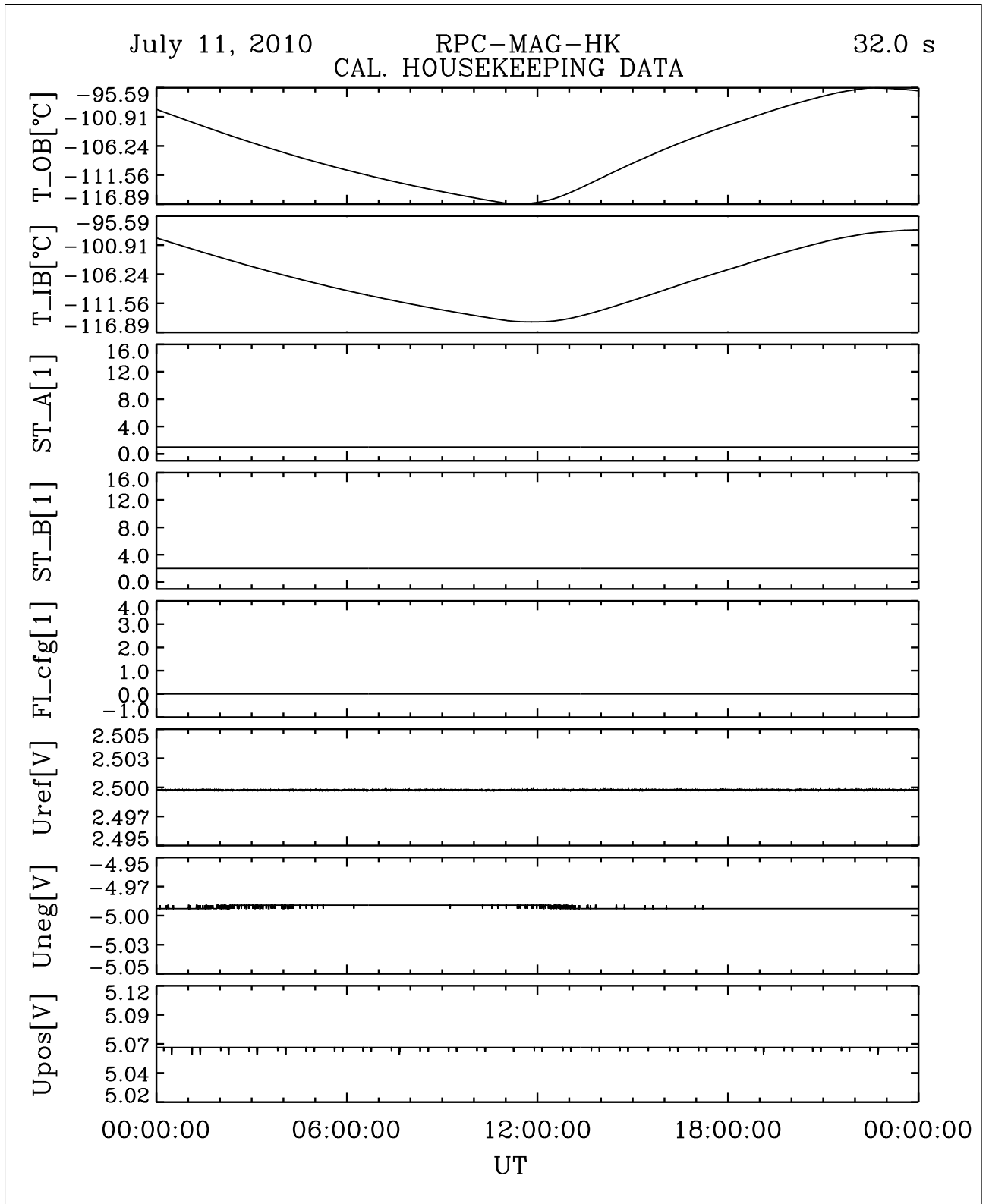


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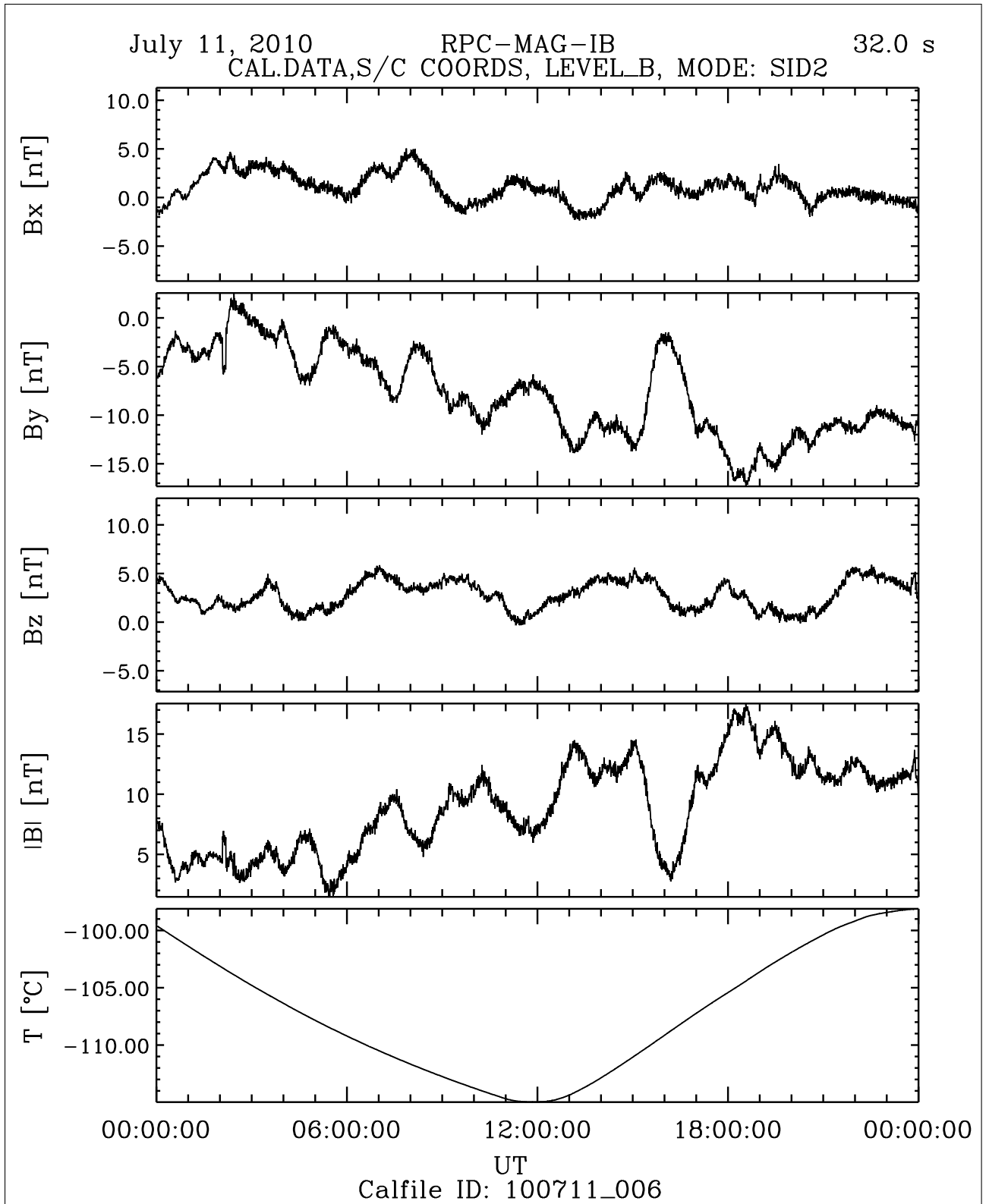


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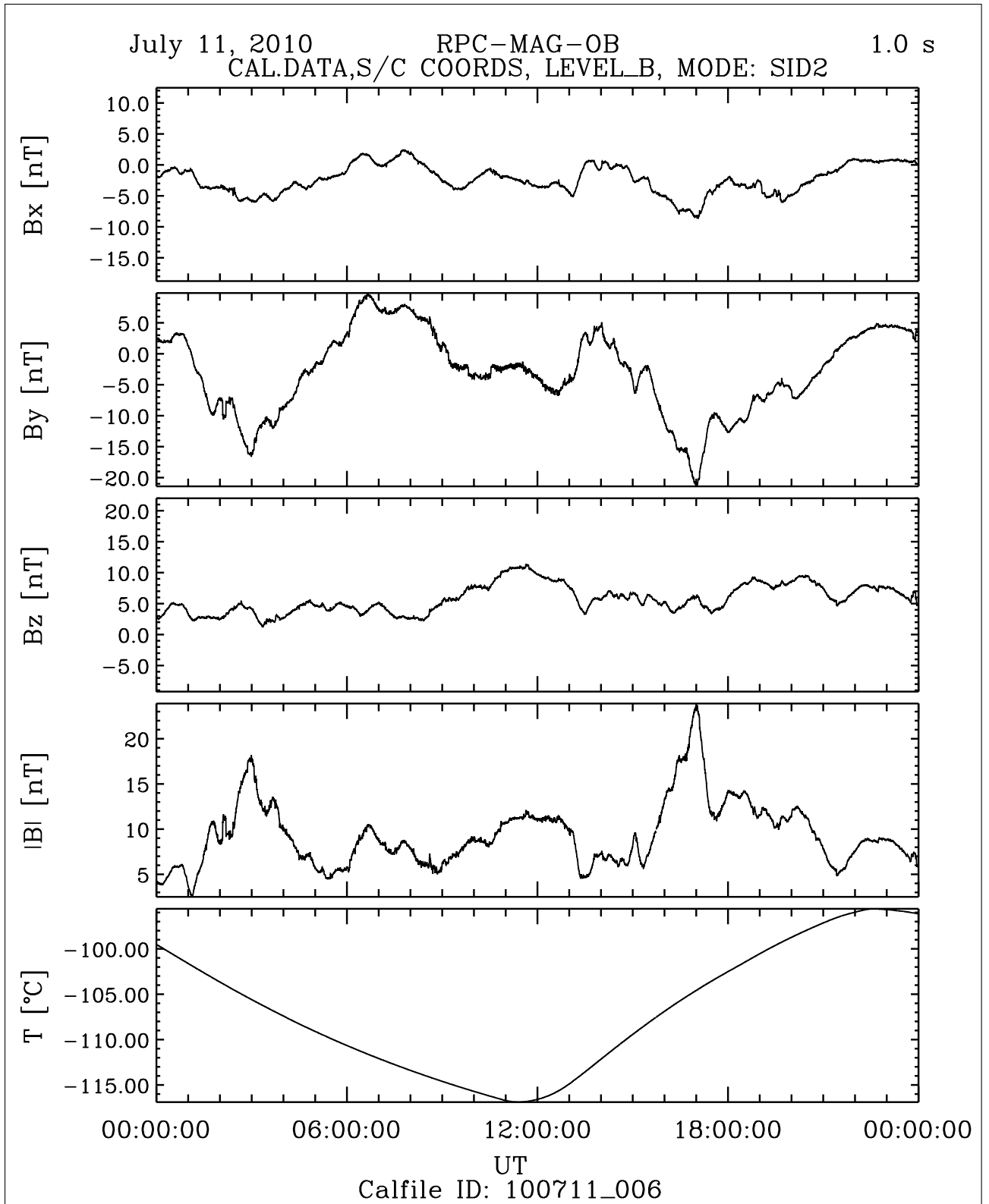


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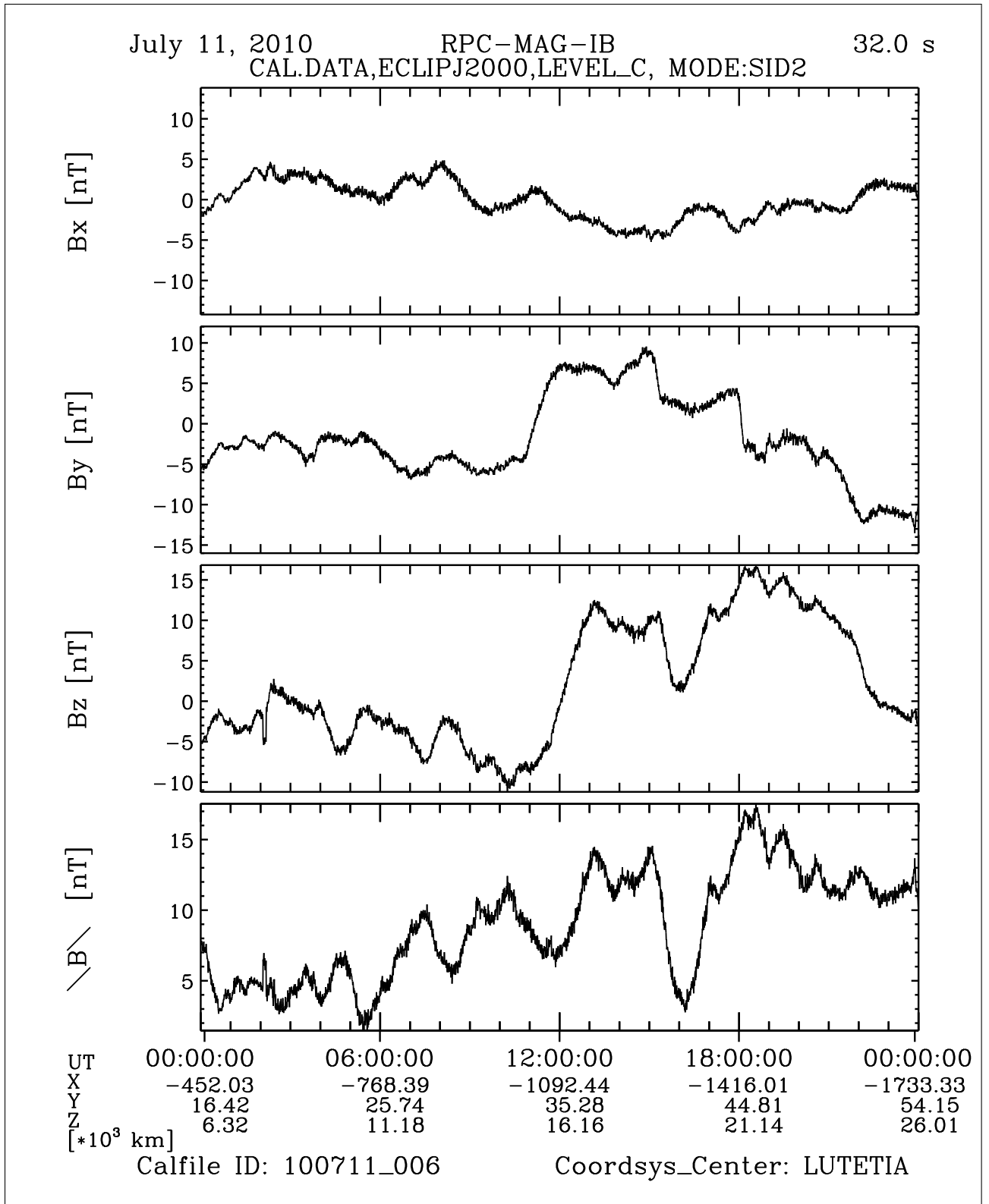


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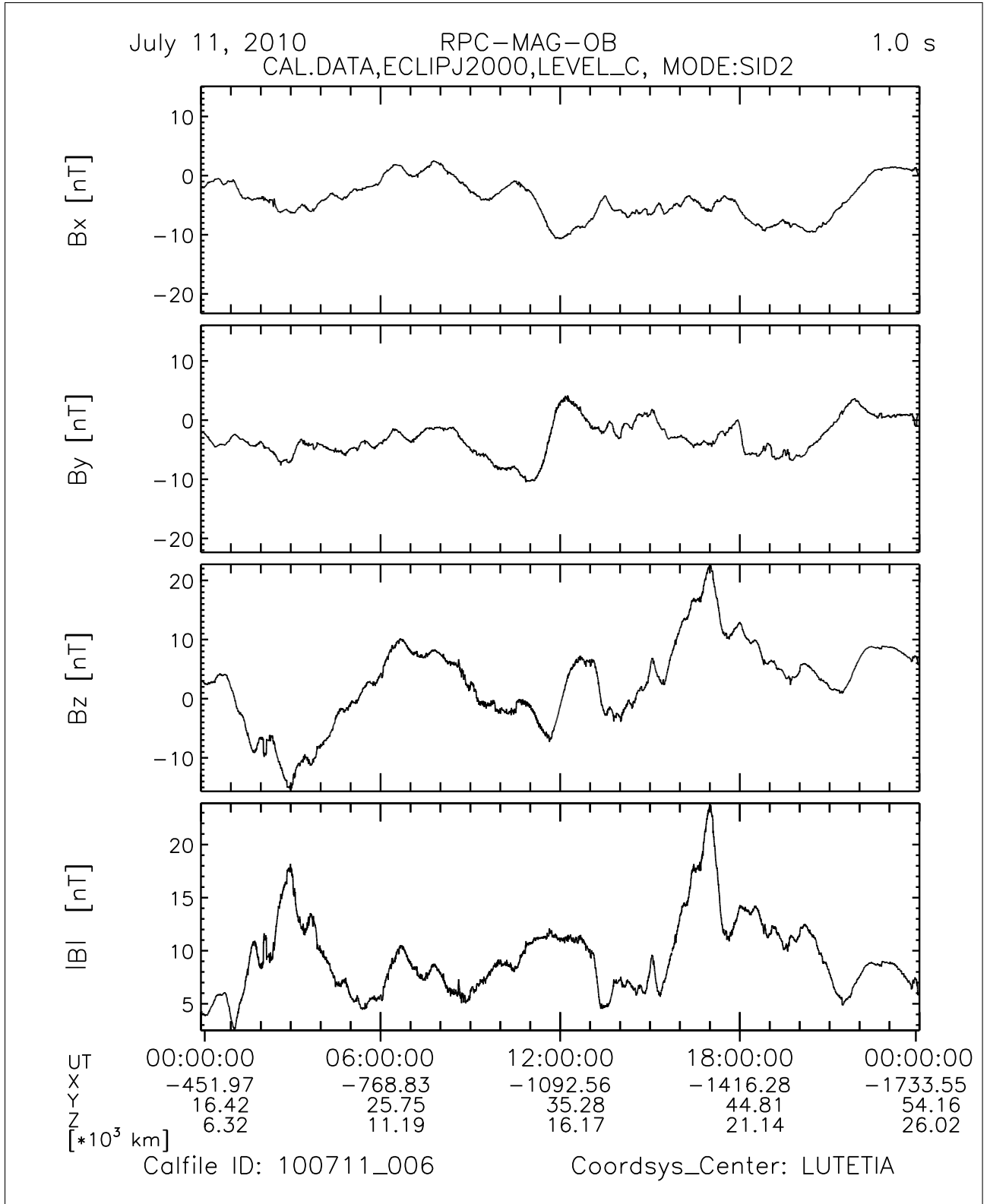


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3.6.1 Actions

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3.6.2 Plots of Calibrated Data

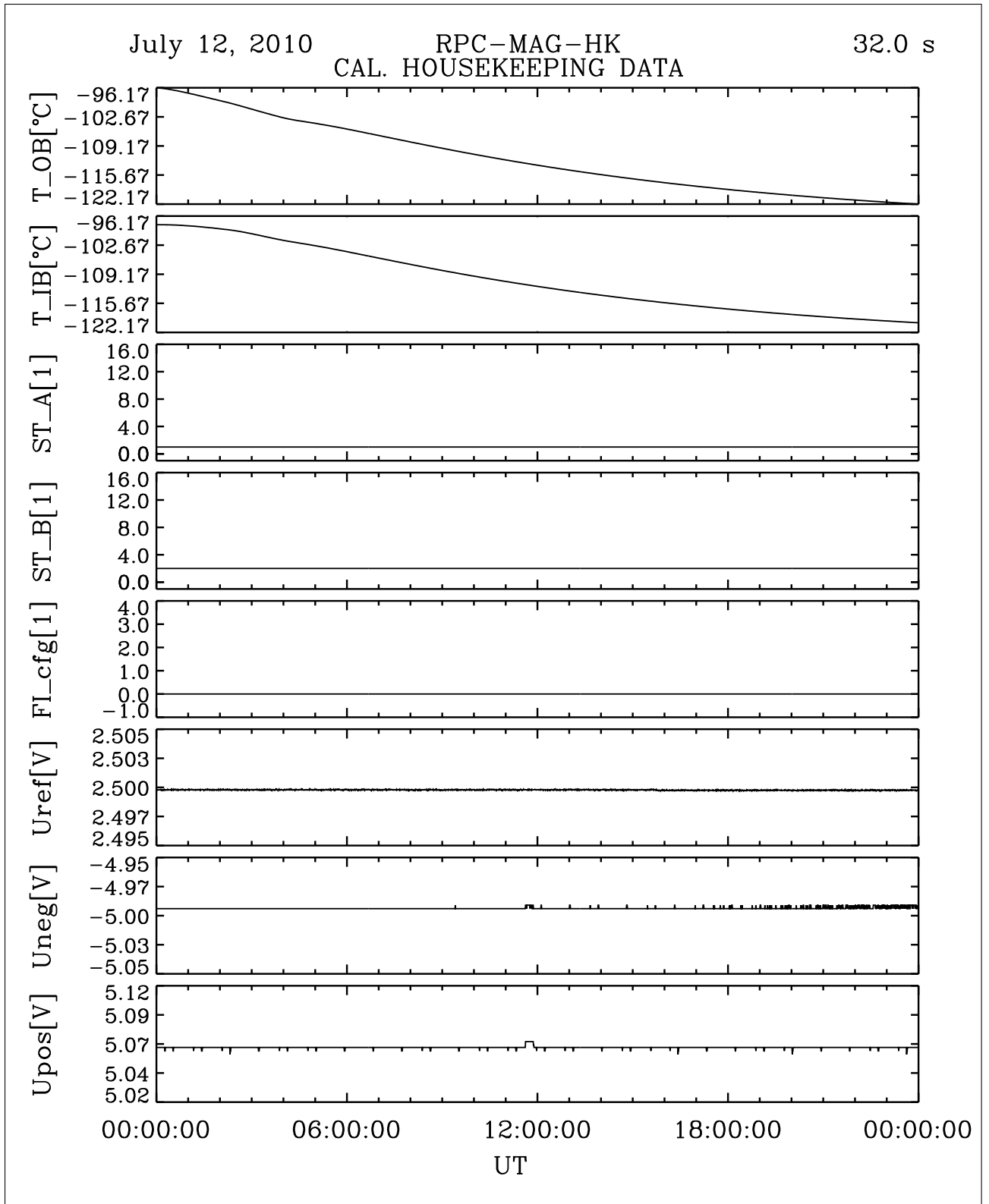


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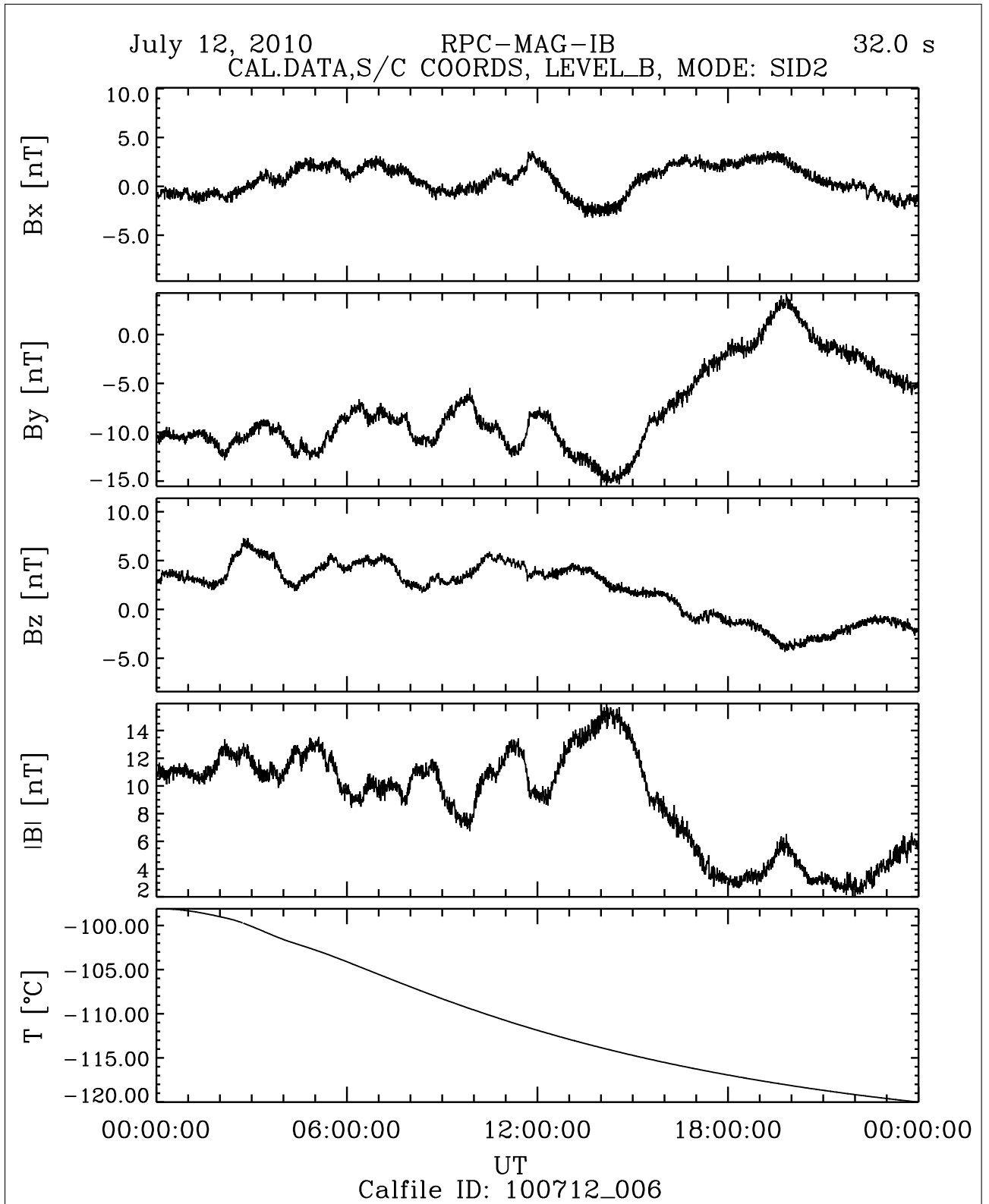


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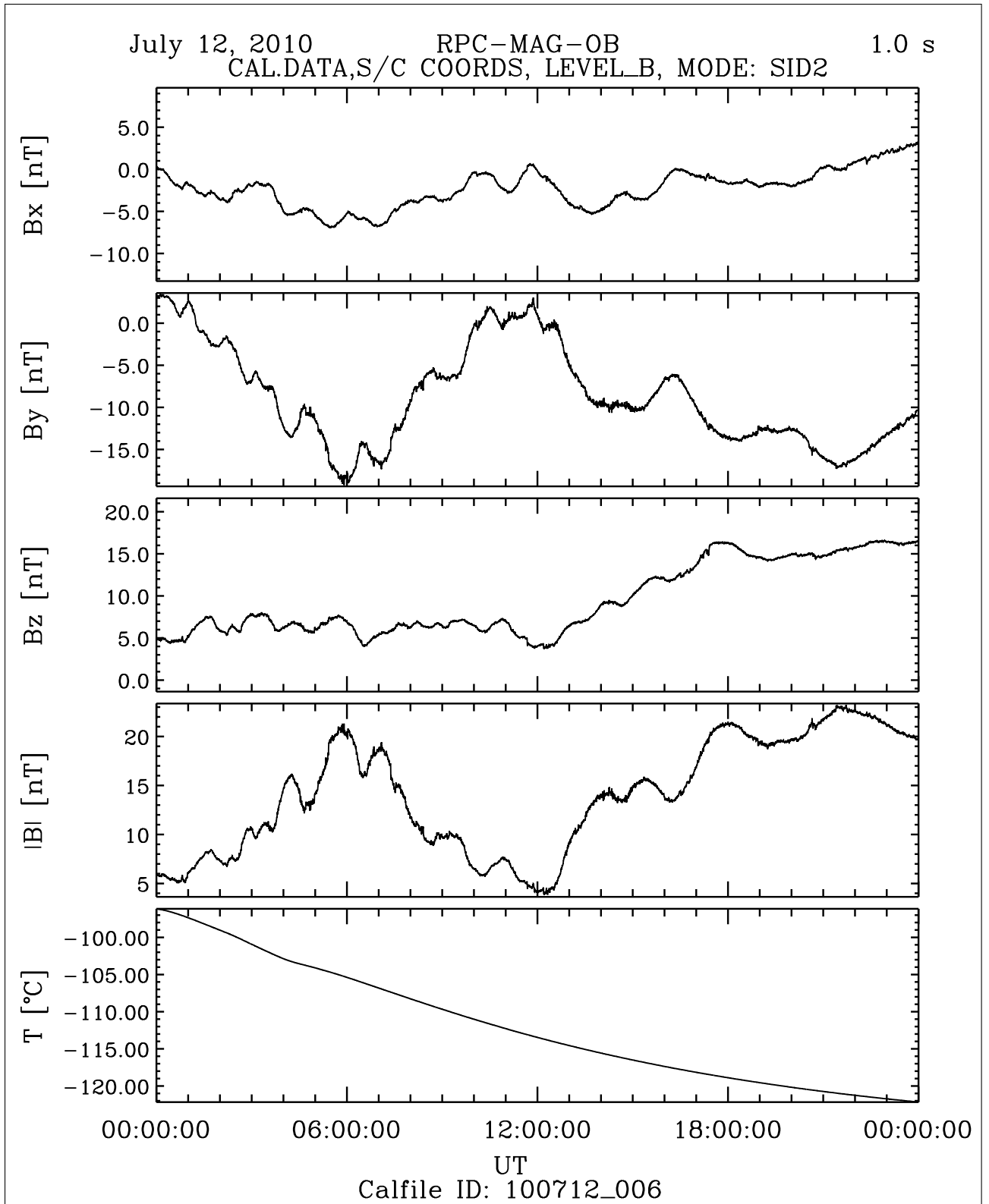


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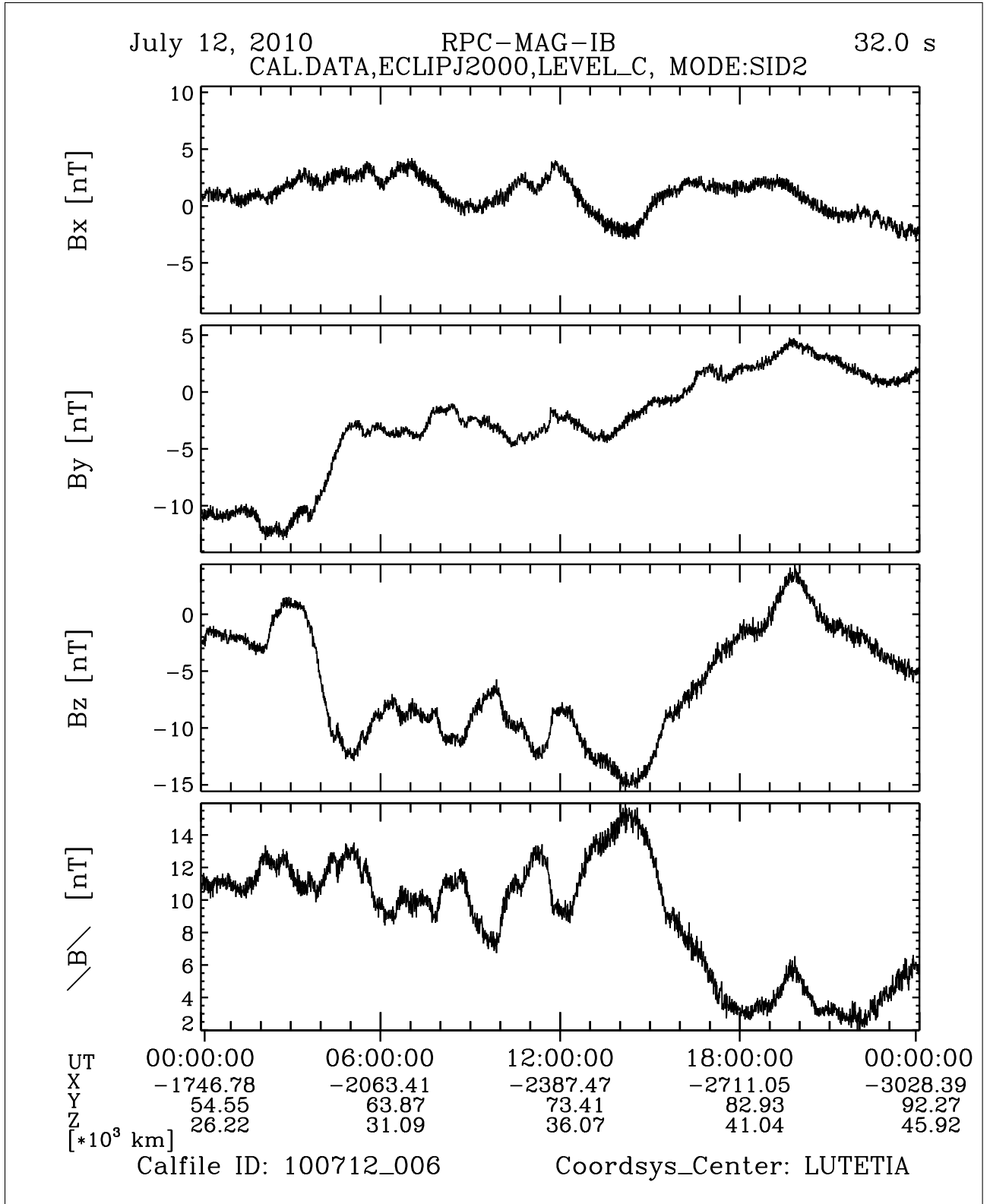


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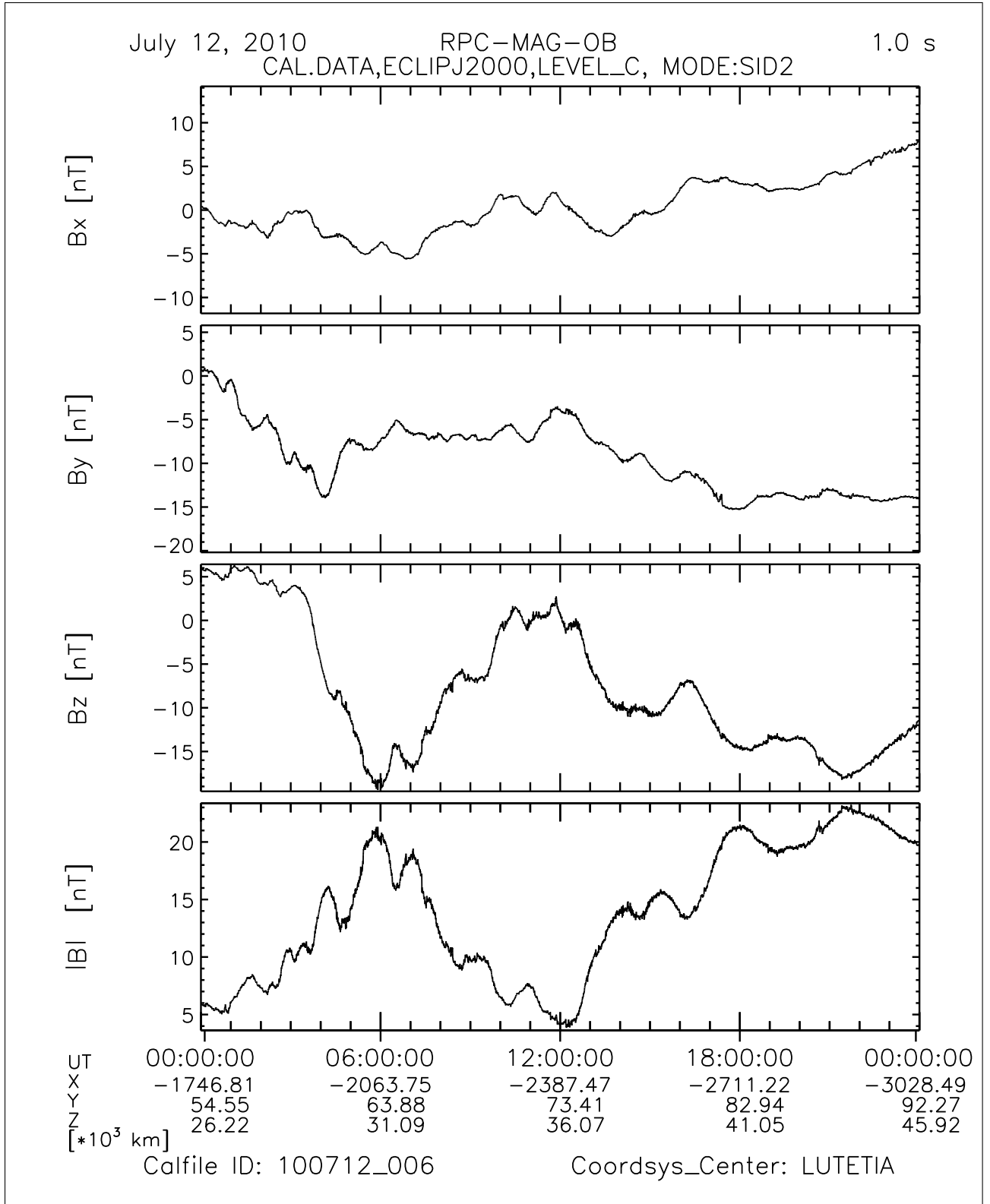


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3.7 July 13, 2010:

3.7.1 Actions

MAG stayed in SID 2 until 16:00. Then the instrument was switched off as the flyby campaign ended. No problems occurred.

Between 10:00 and 15:00 an interesting Solar wind signature is seen. It might be a CME. RPC-IES recognizes huge density fluctuations and an increasing speed in the same time interval.

3.7.2 Plots of Calibrated Data

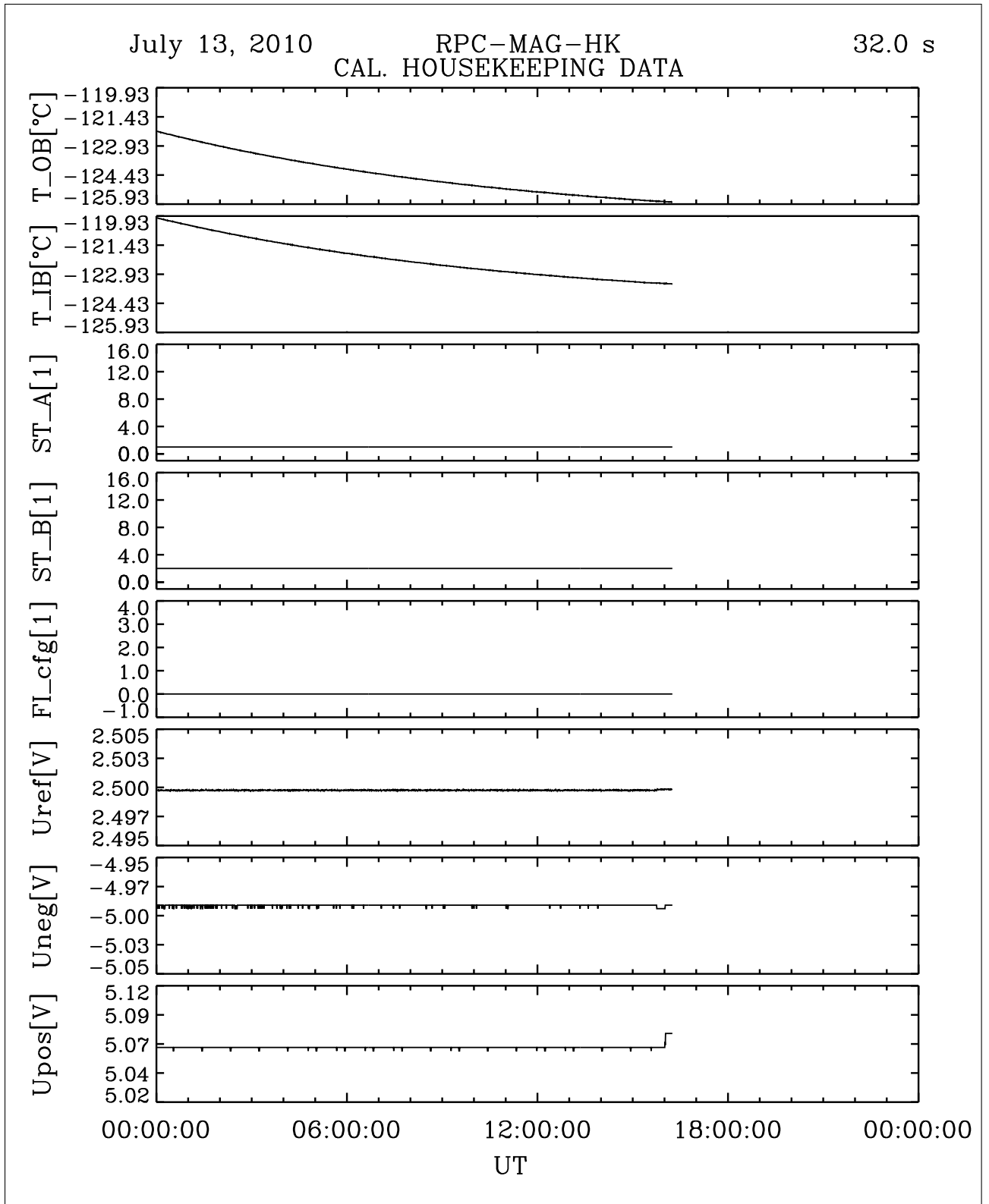


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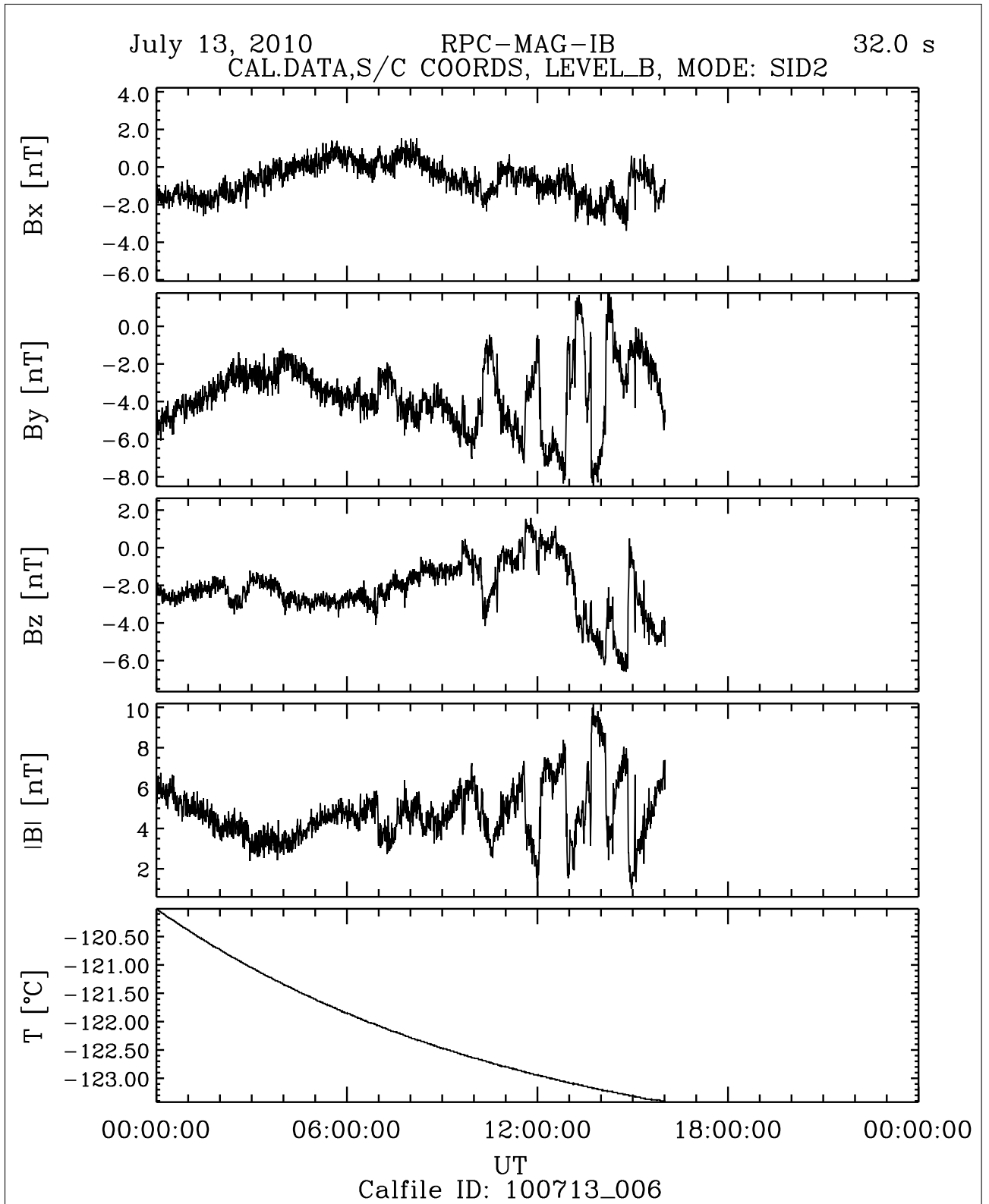


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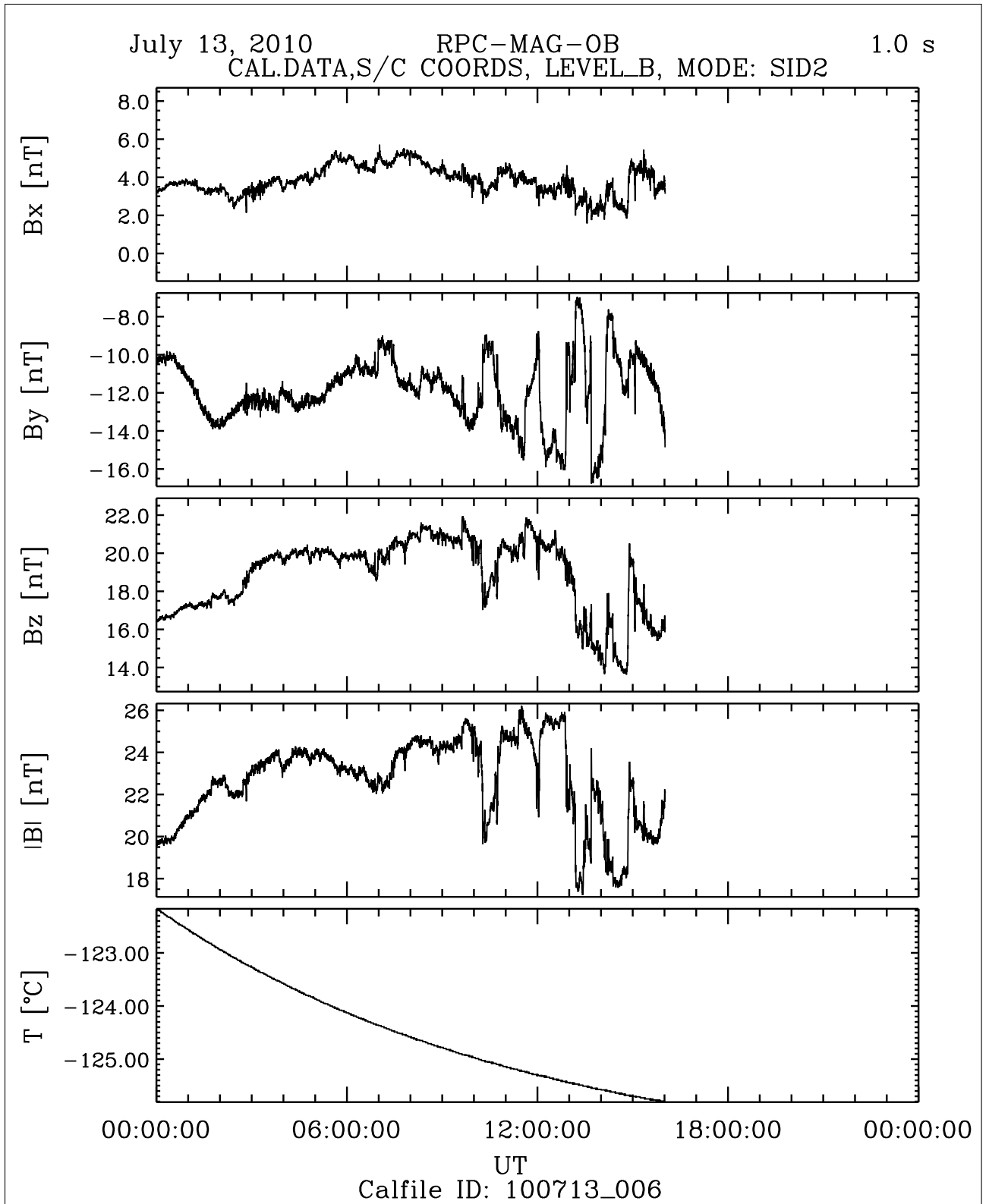


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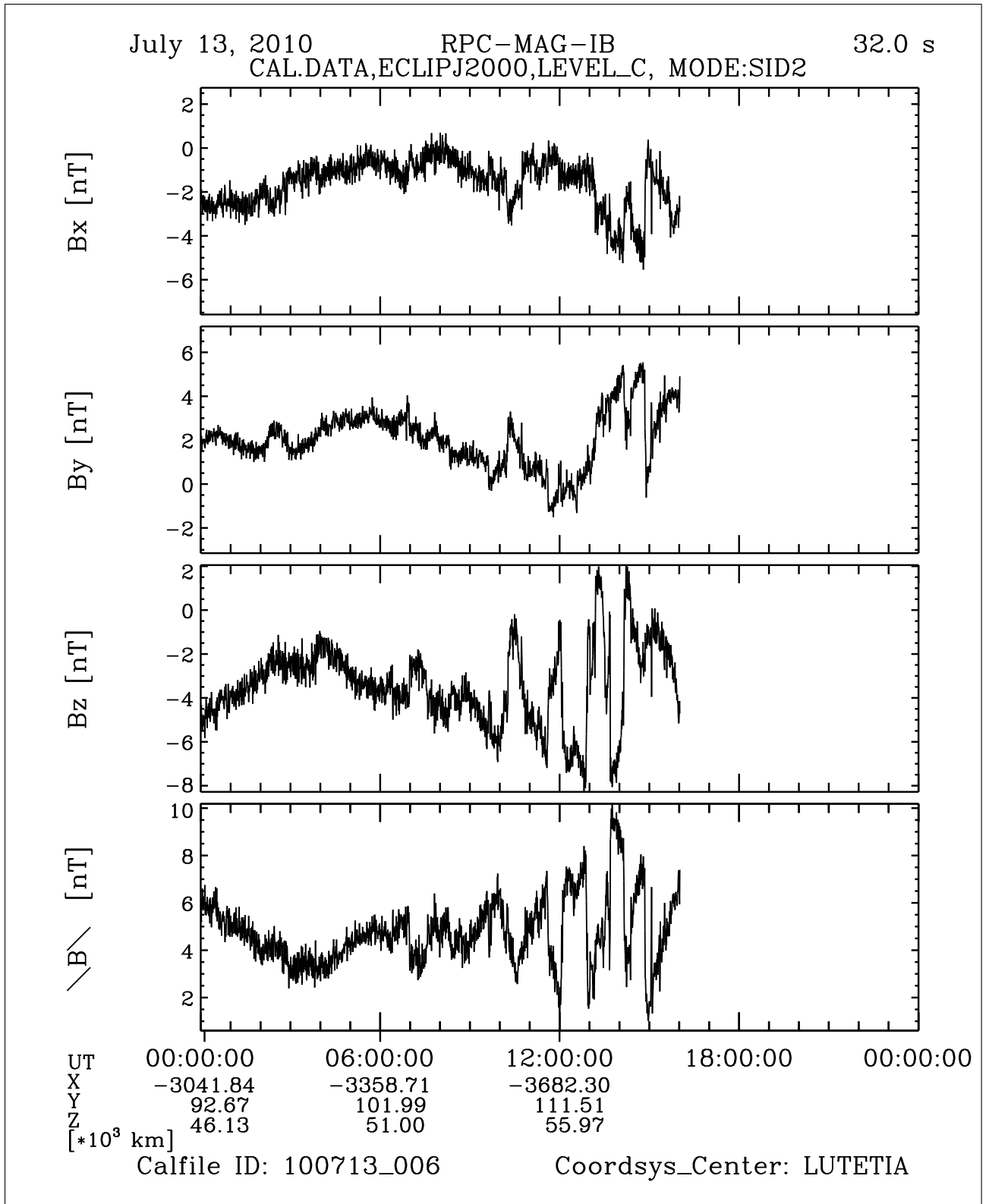


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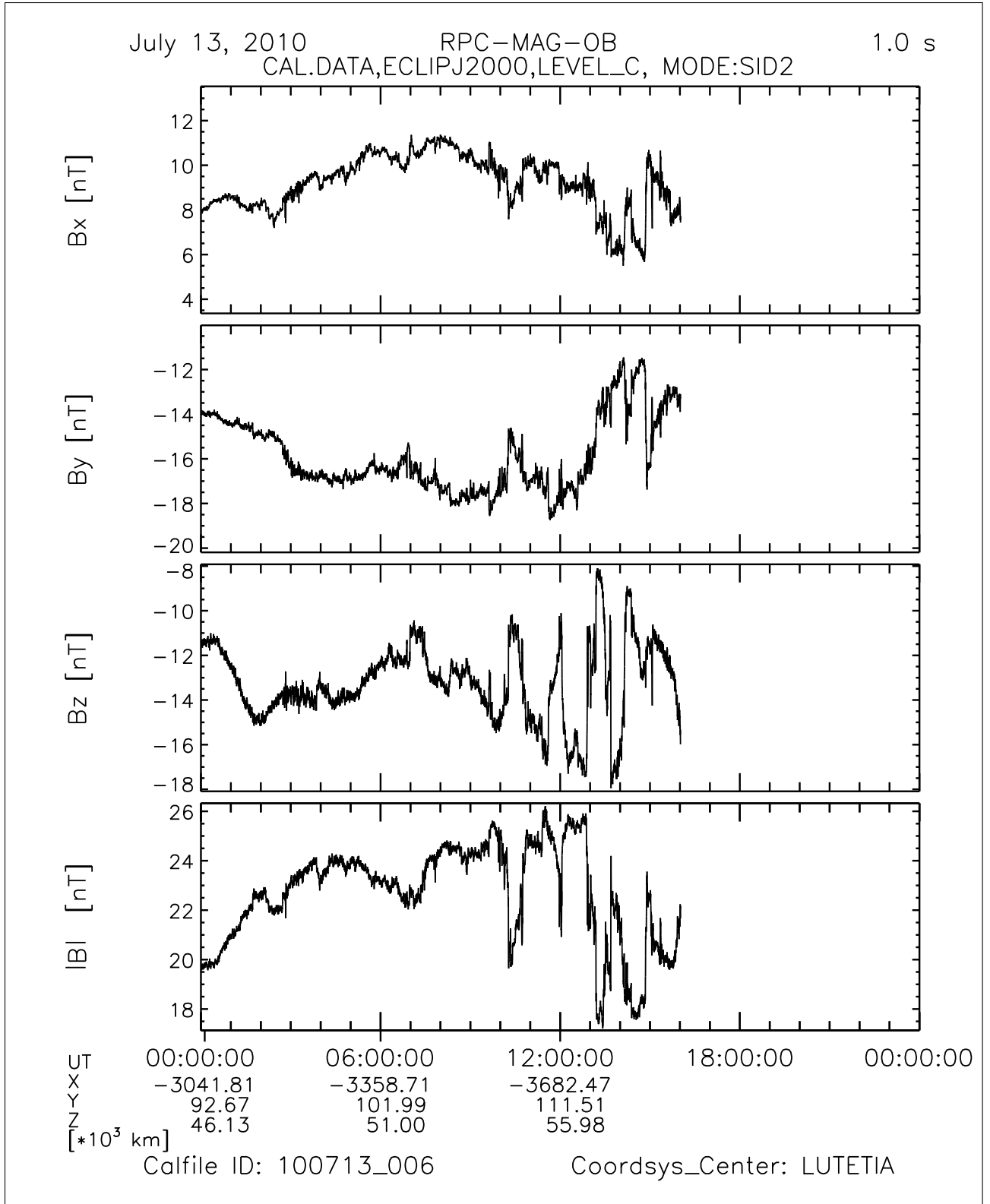


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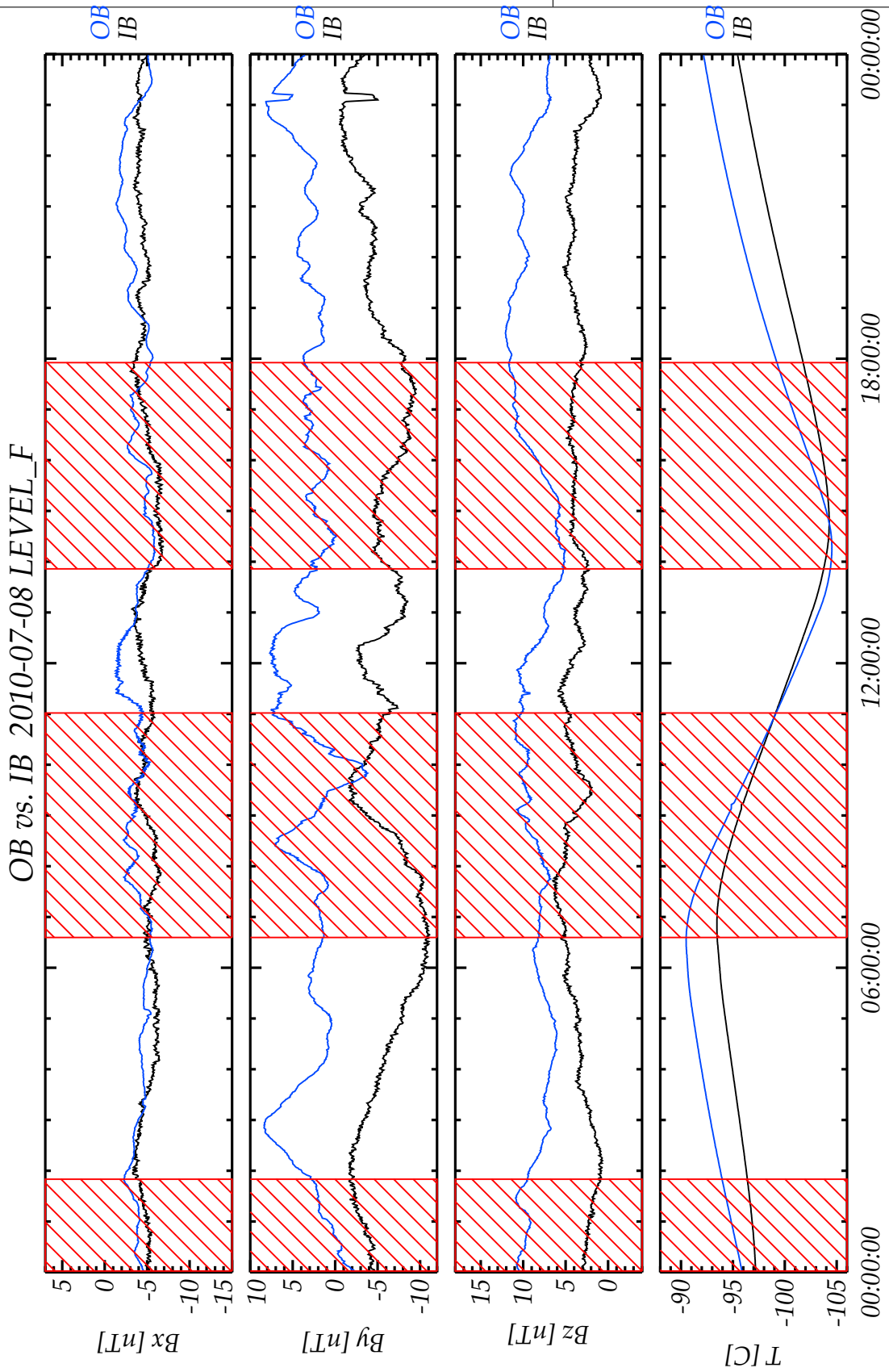
4 Comparison between OB,IB and ROMAP: The Influence of the Sensor Temperature and of other Disturbers

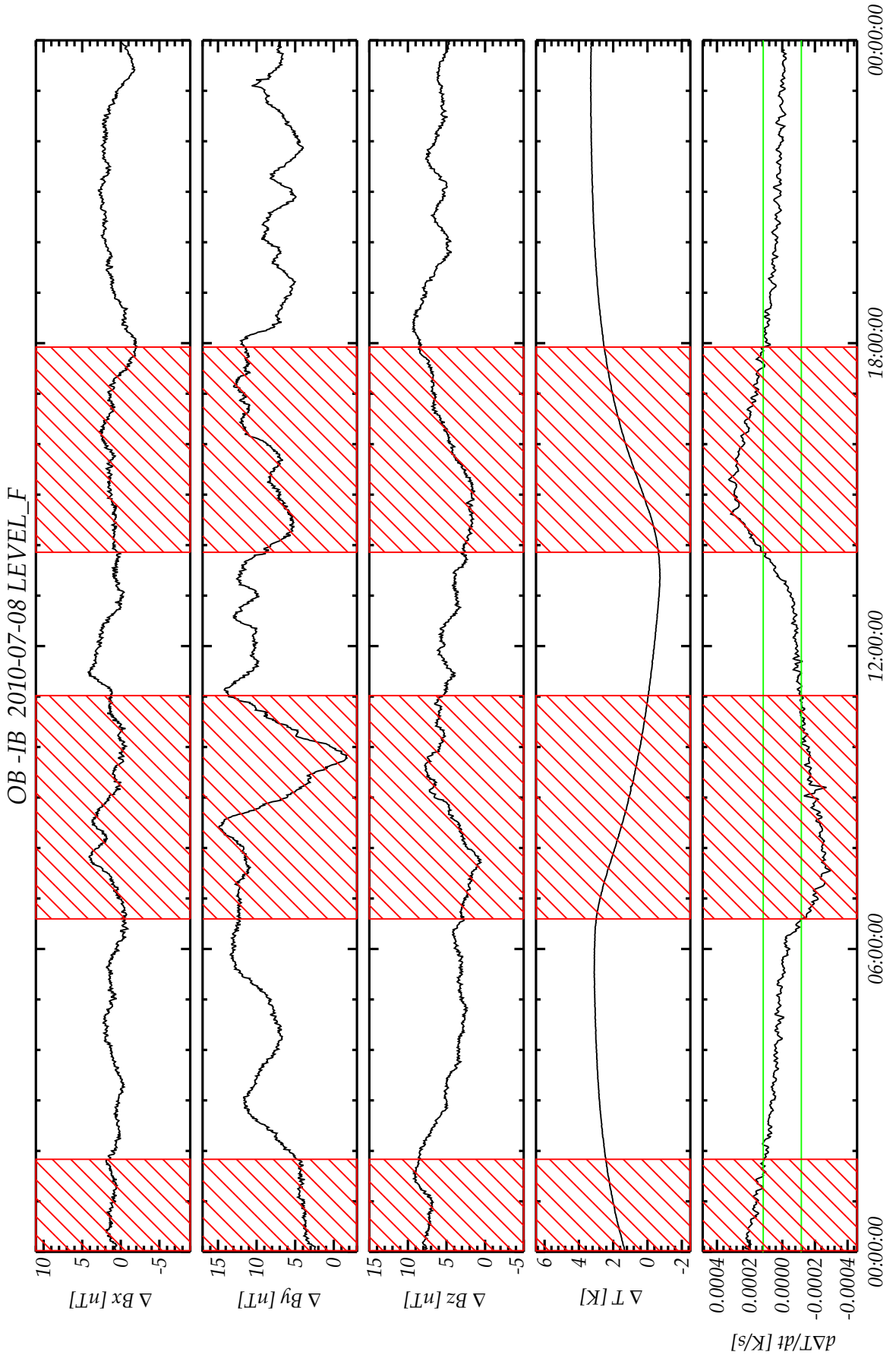
In this section we compare the measured data of the OB Sensor with the IB ones. The investigation is done with 1 s averaged LEVEL_F data (s/c coordinates) for various days.

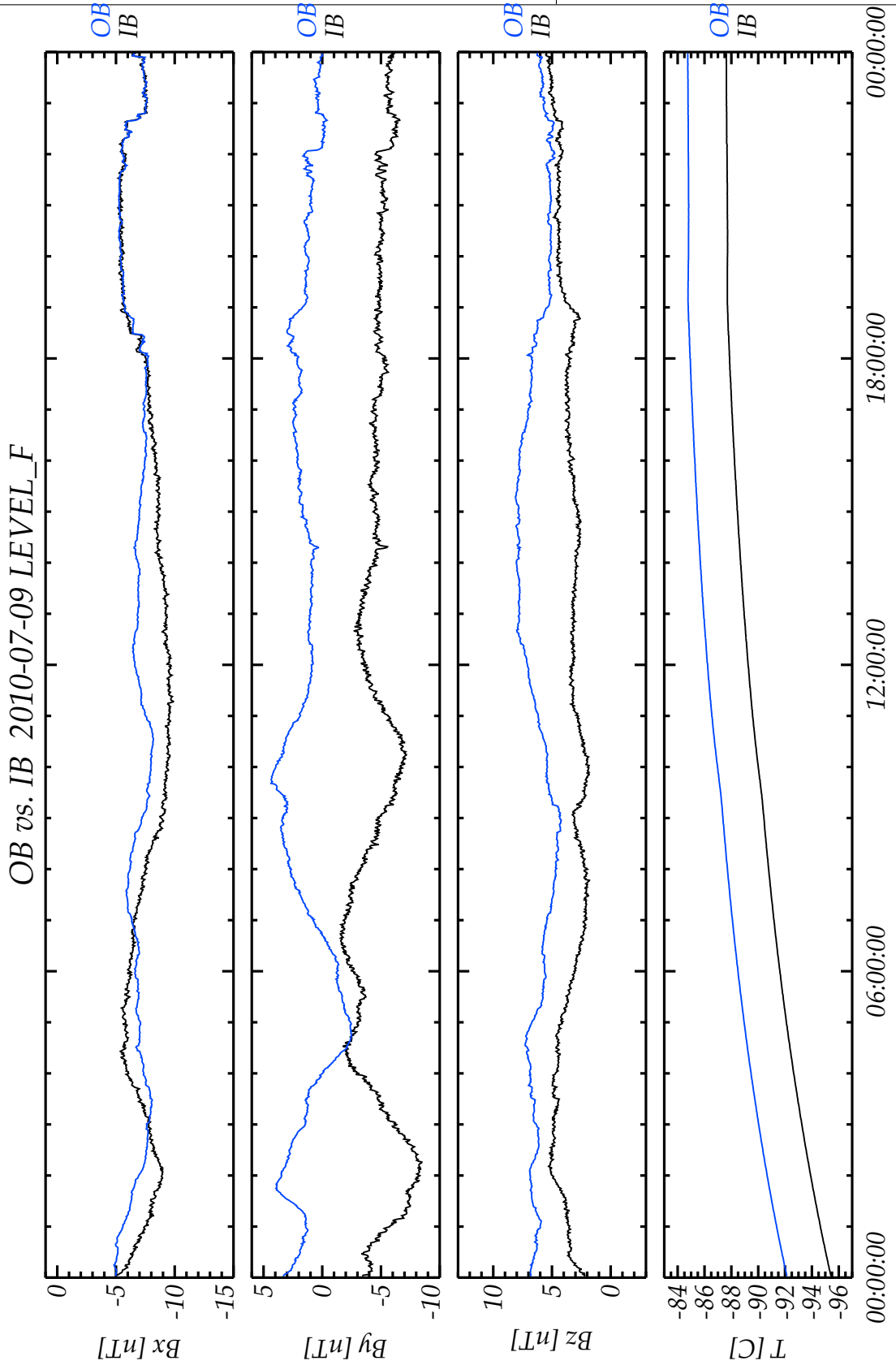
From earlier mission phases we know, that the OB and IB data match very well at times where the both sensors feel the same temperature *variation*. When the temperature changes are different, then the magnetic field data diverge as well. We do see this effect although a 3rd order temperature calibration has been applied. On short time scales, however, different heat capacities and micro physical hysteresis effects of the sensors core material may cause this behavior.

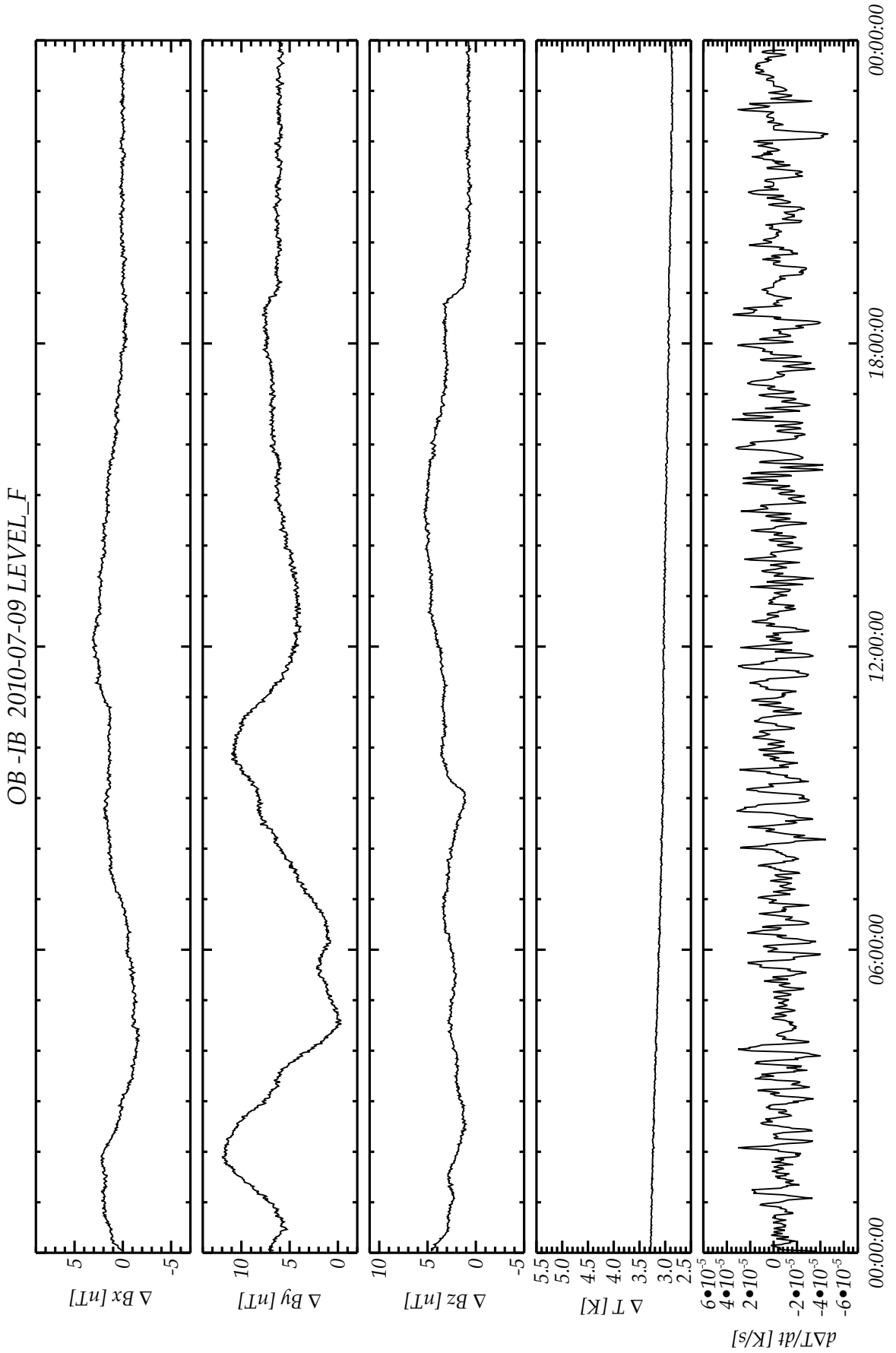
At the actual mission phase we see - as already recognized in many phases before - that the OB and IB data are sometimes different also if the temperature behavior is the same. This is clear indication there are active disturbers on the s/c.

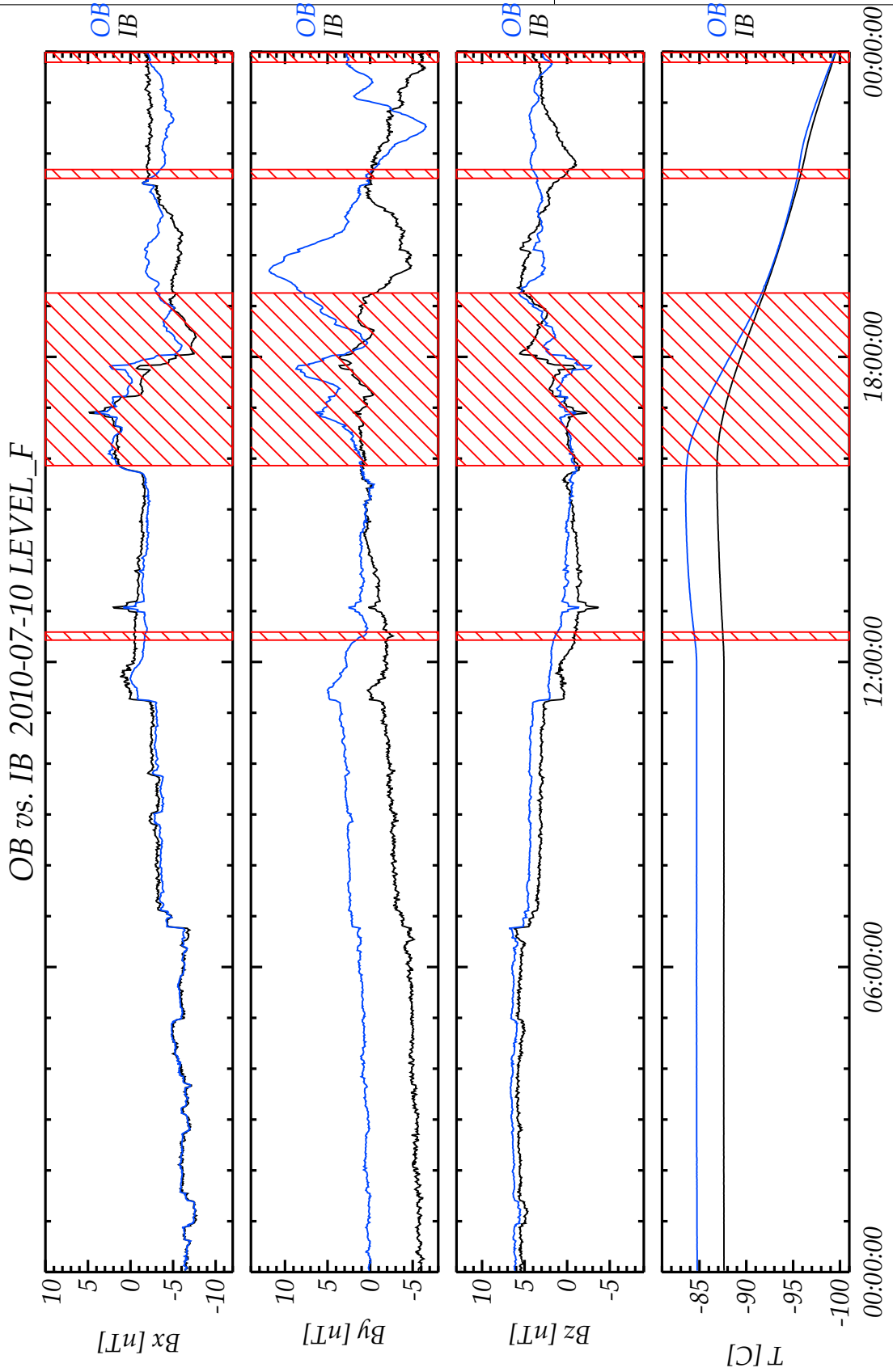
For July, 10 some disturbers could be identified. There was activity from the COSAC and the PTOLEMY instruments. The impact of these instruments is indicated in Figure 44 for the OB sensor and additionally for the LANDER magnetometer ROMAP in Figure 45. The difference of the impacts is in the order of a few hundred nT.

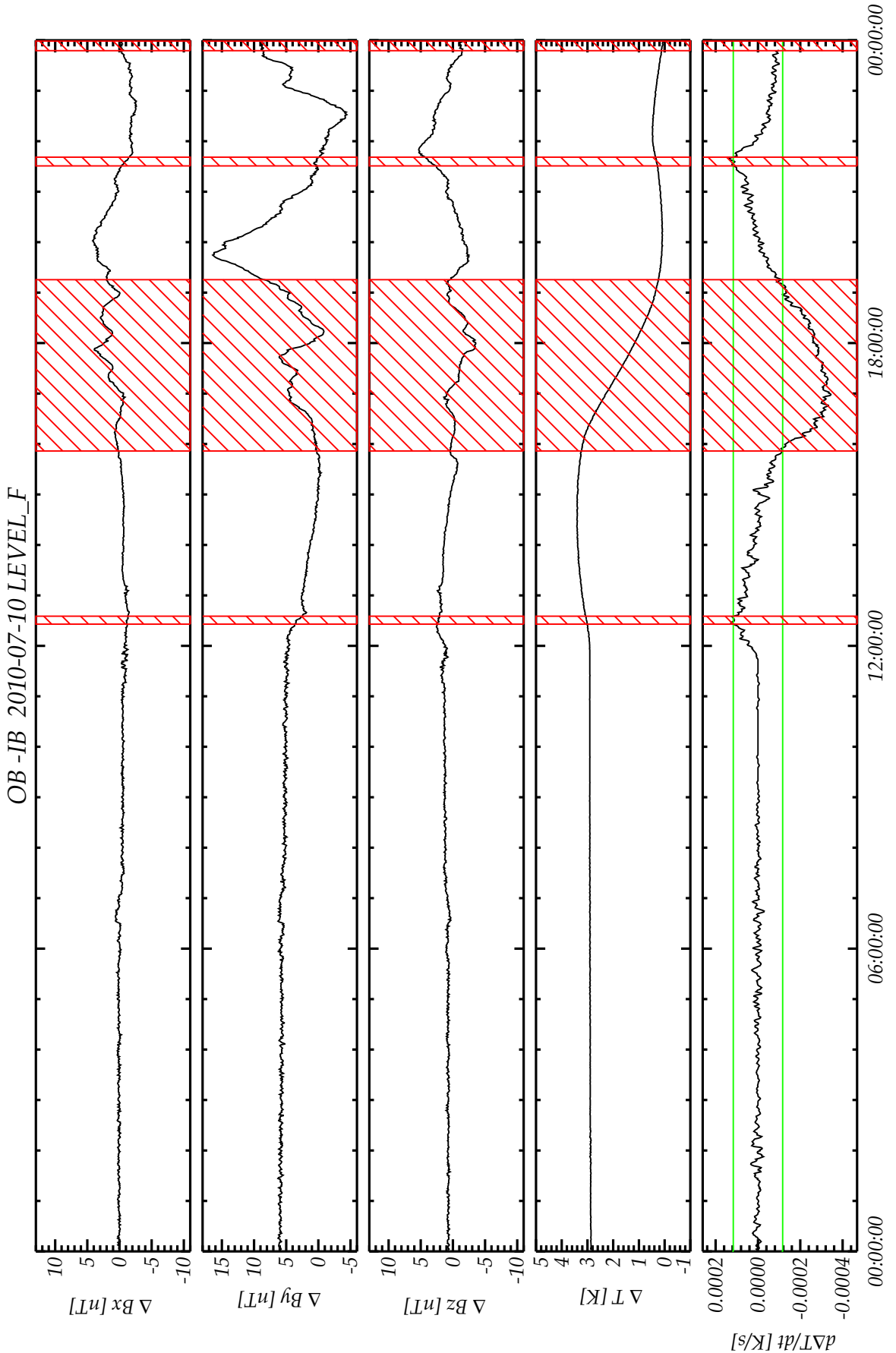


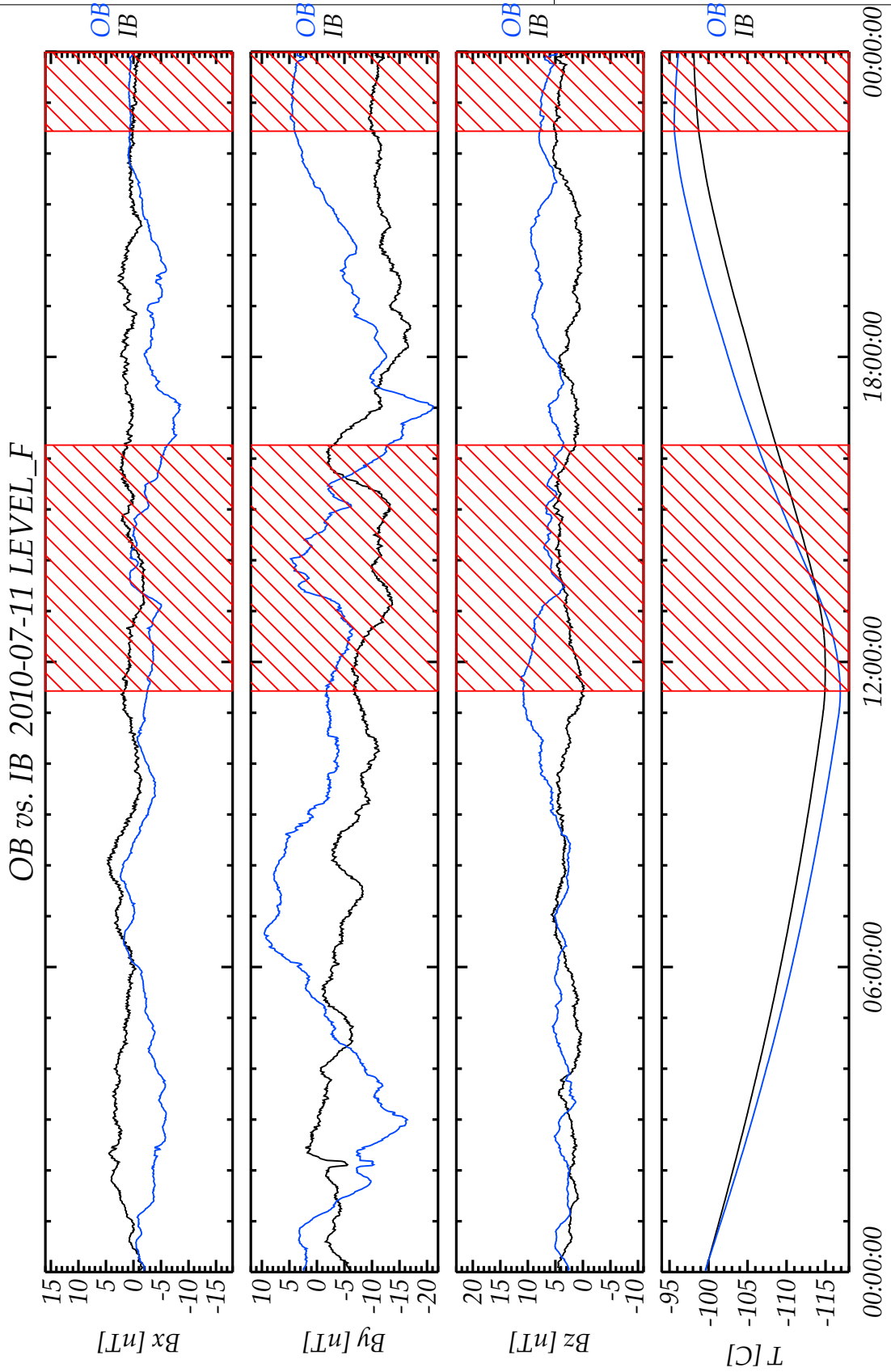


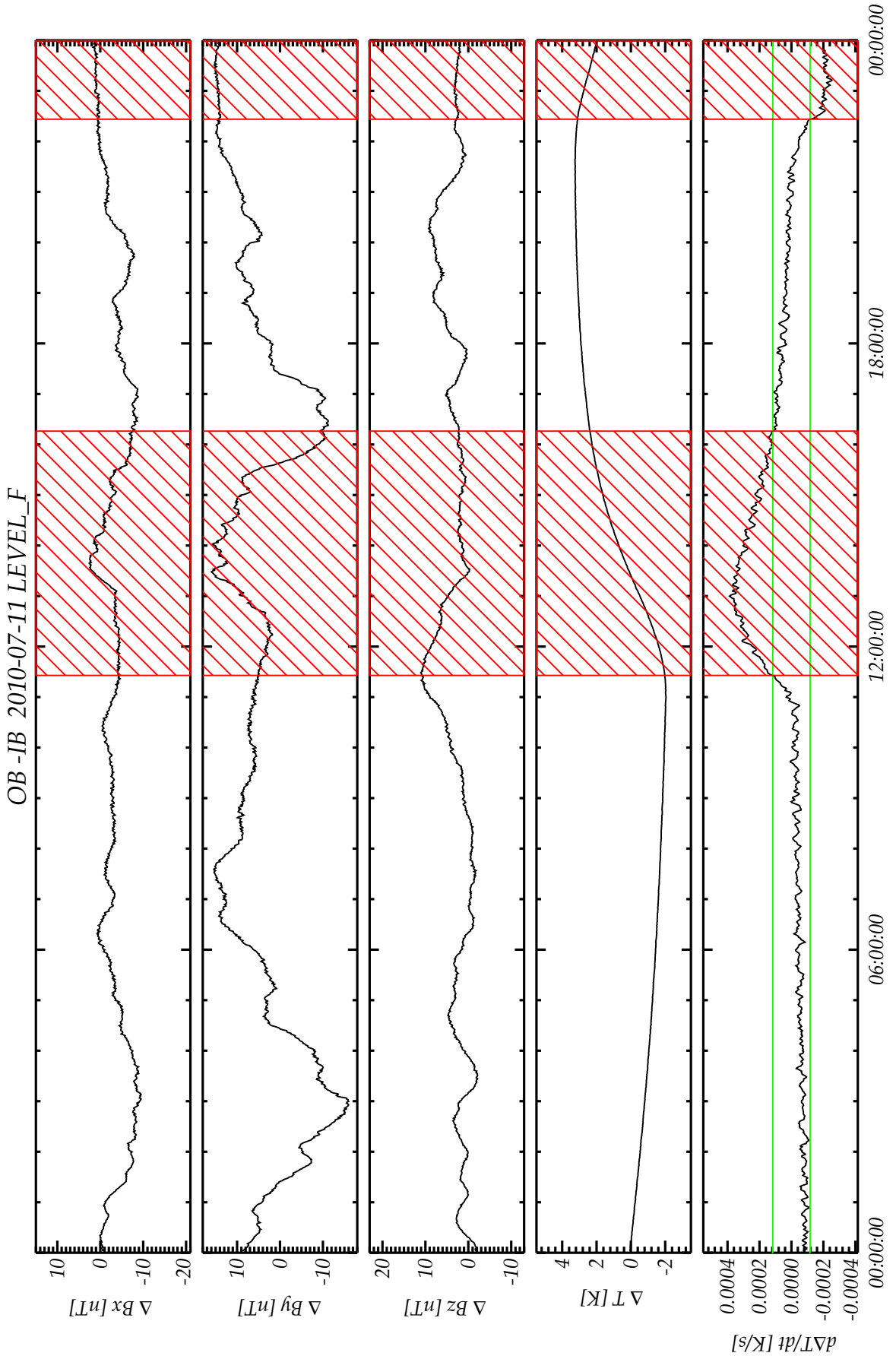


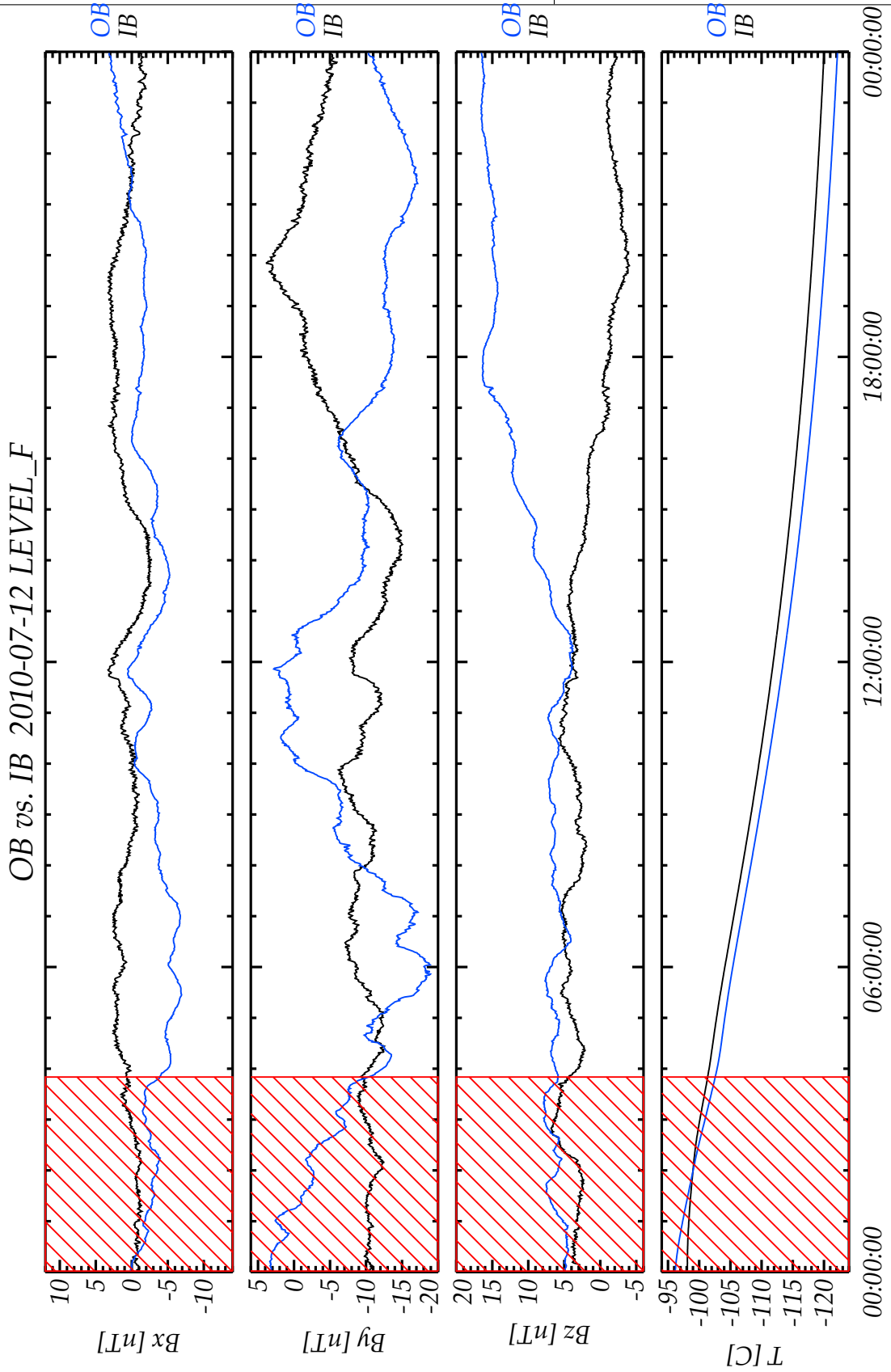


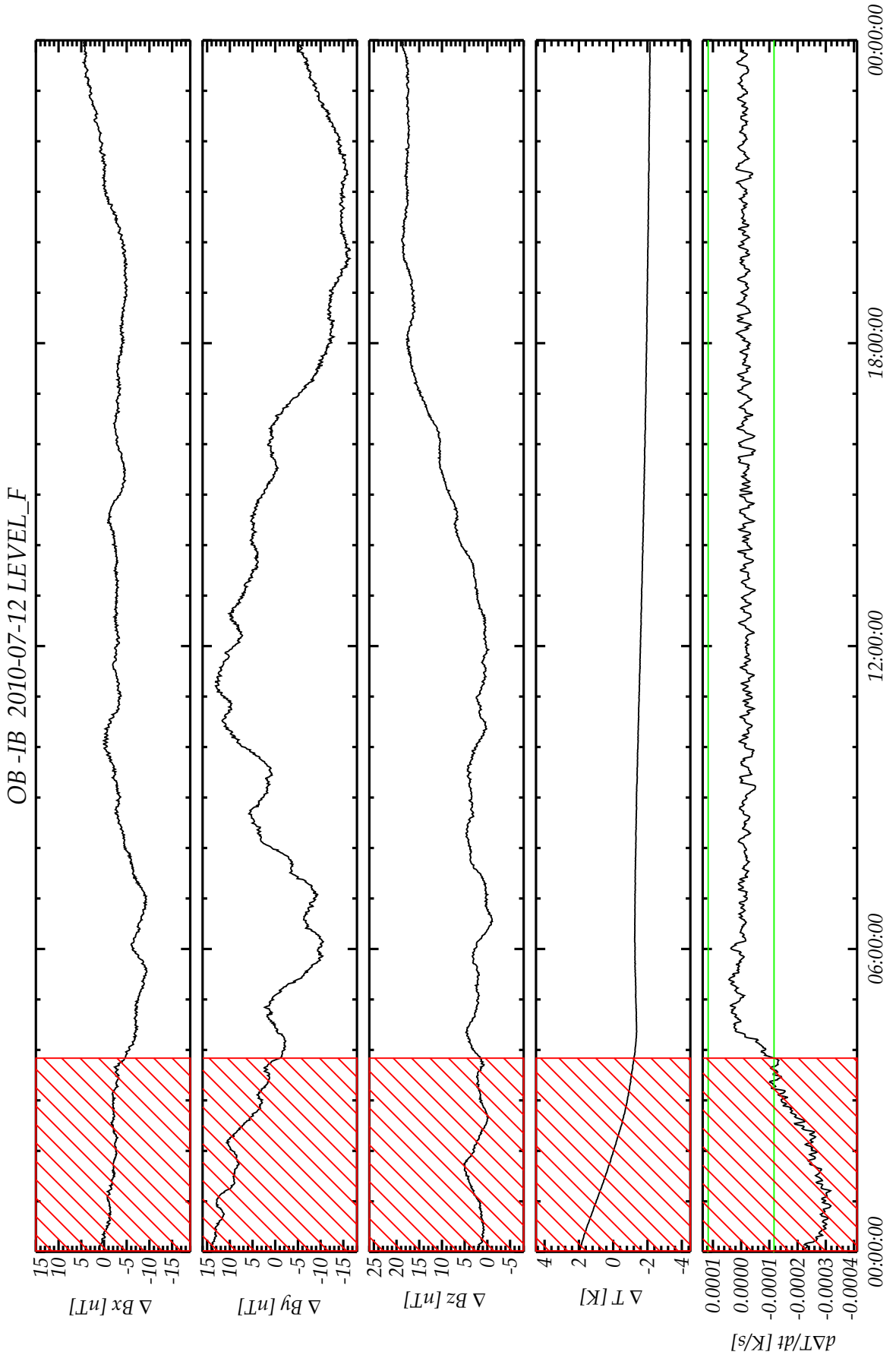


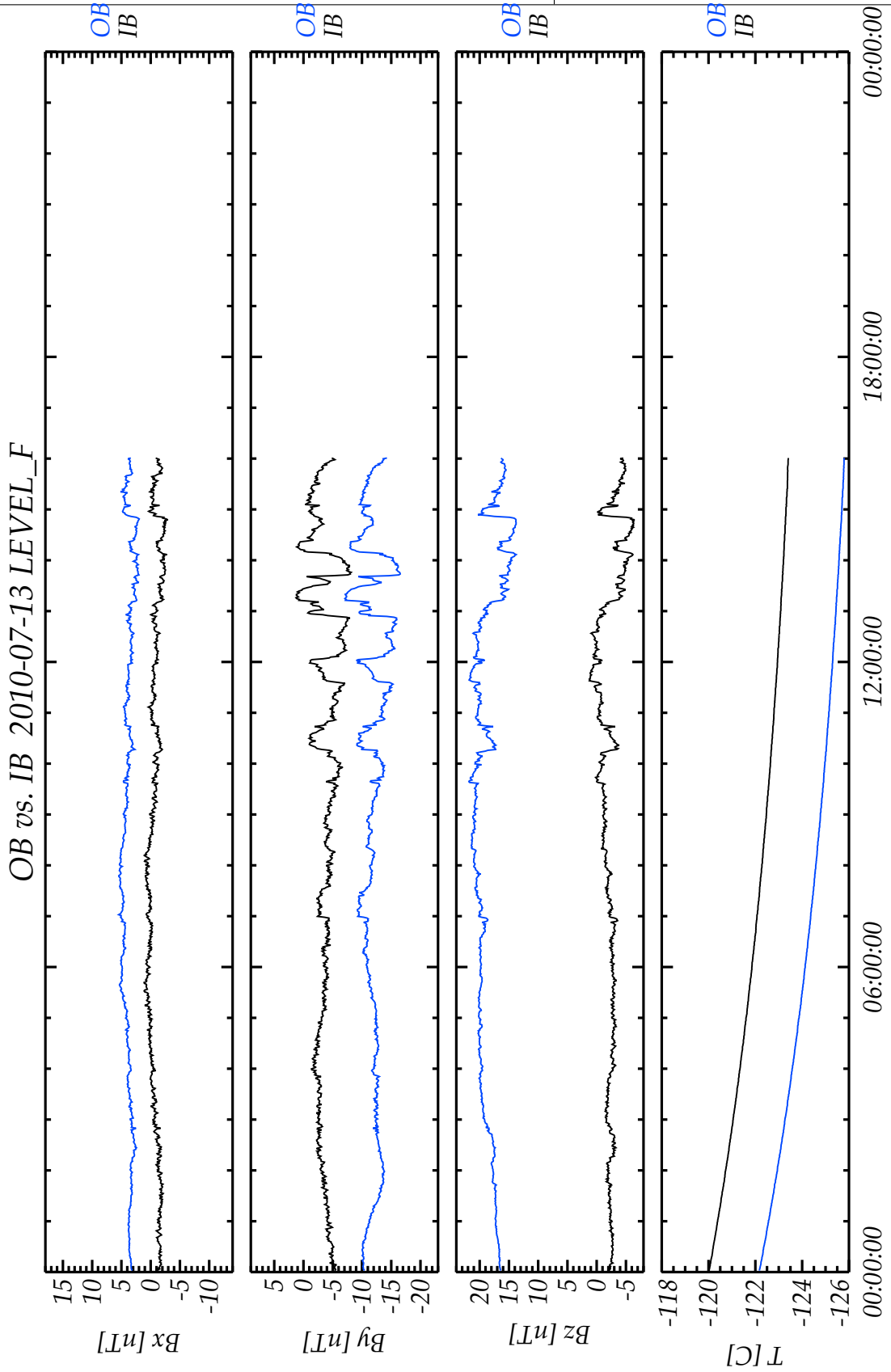








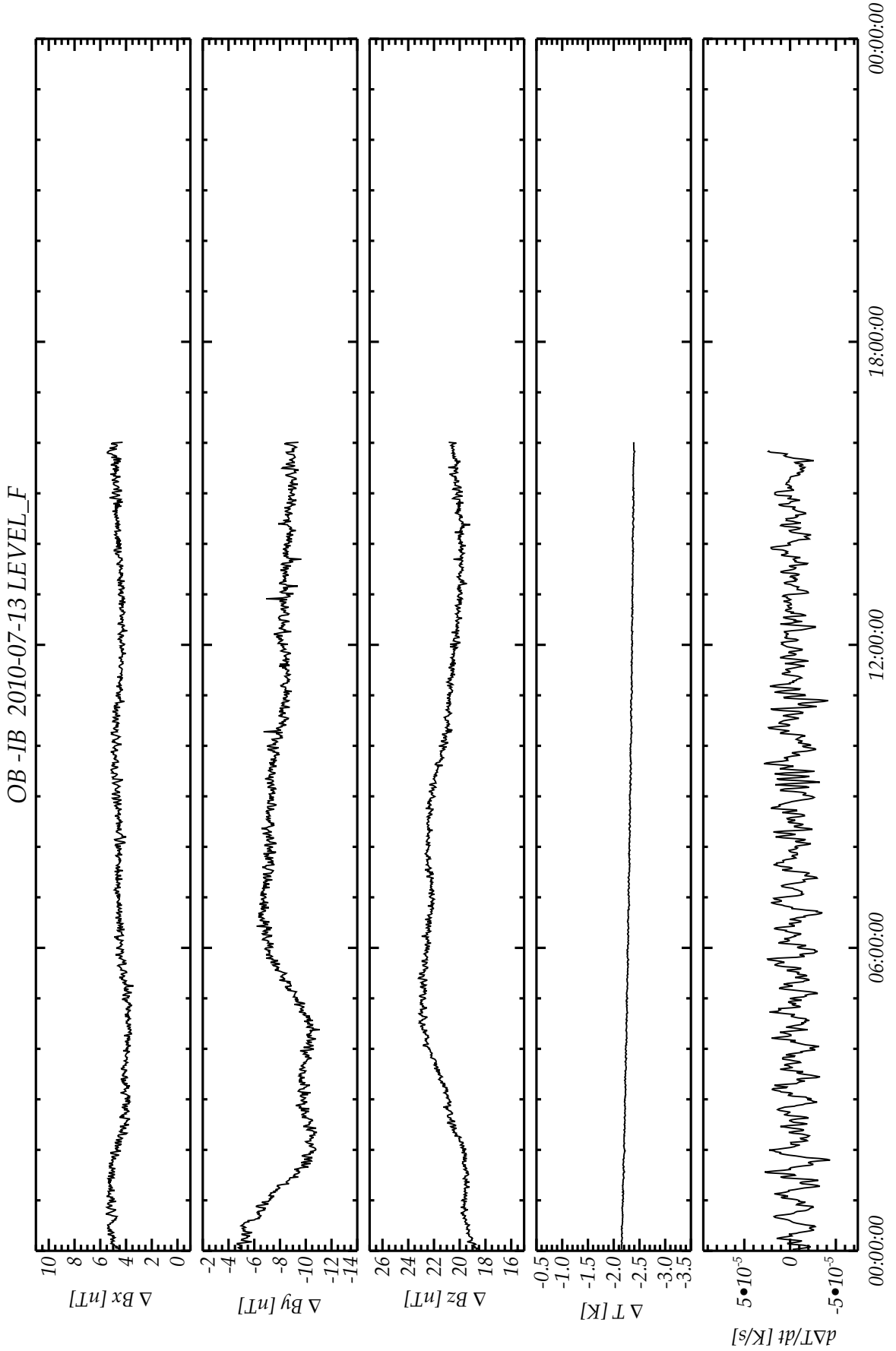


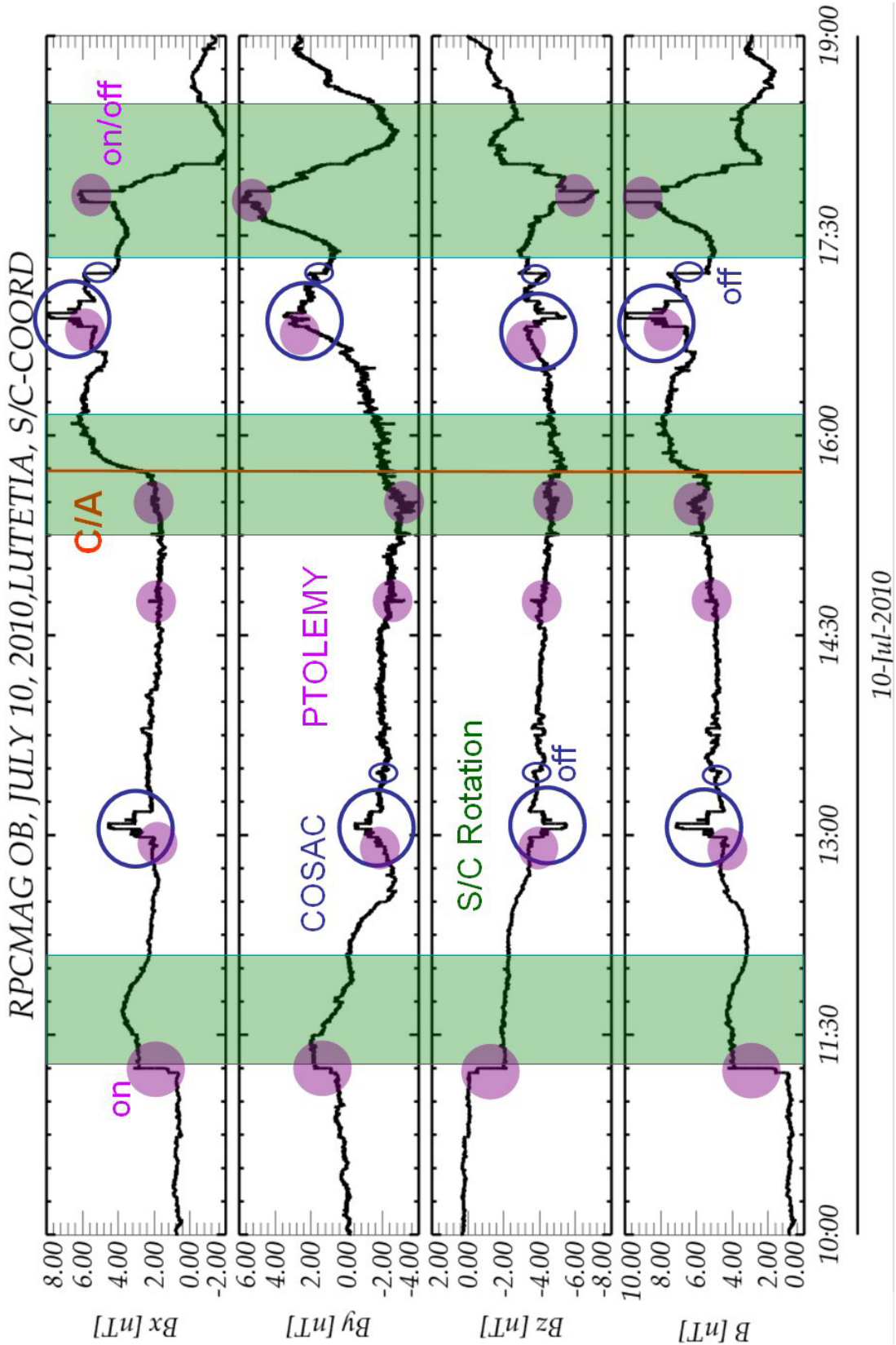


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Figure 44: The COSAC and PTOLEMY disturbances as seen by RPC-MAG-OB

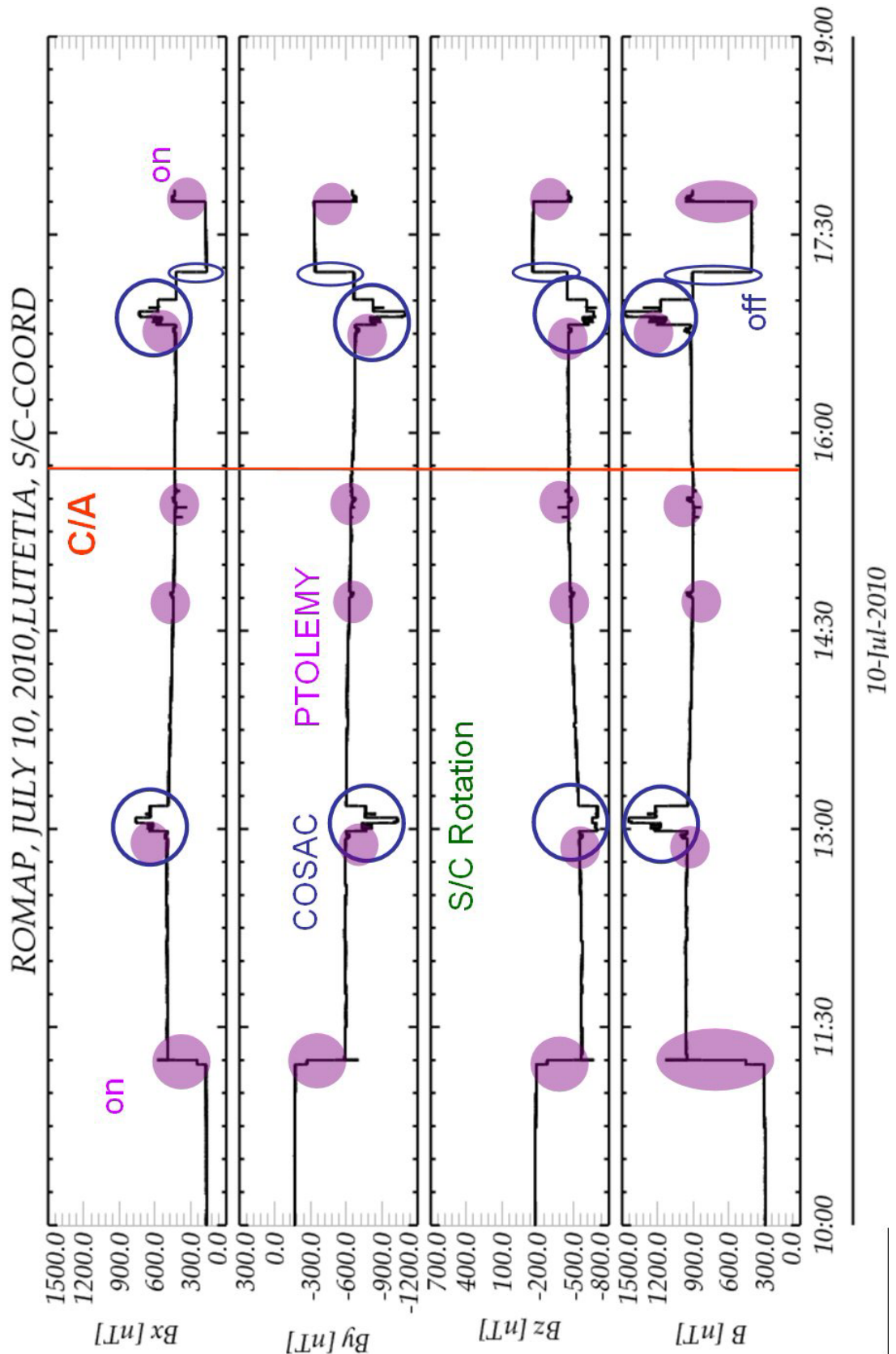


Figure 45: The COSAC and PTOLEMY disturbances as seen by ROMAP

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5 Dynamic Spectra of the Fly-By

This section shows the dynamic spectra of the OB sensor in LEVEL_C = ECLIPJ2000 coordinates. As the sensor was operated as primary sensor in NORMAL mode, SID2, for most of the time the maximum resolvable frequency is 0.5 Hz. Around the closest approach time (2010-07-10T15:44) RPCMAG was set to Burstmode (20 Hz sampling rate) starting at 2010-07-10T12:55 8 and ending at 2010-07-10T18:54

All the tilted lines in the spectra are caused by the Reaction wheels as usual. The 3.2 Hz lines are caused by the LAP instrument.

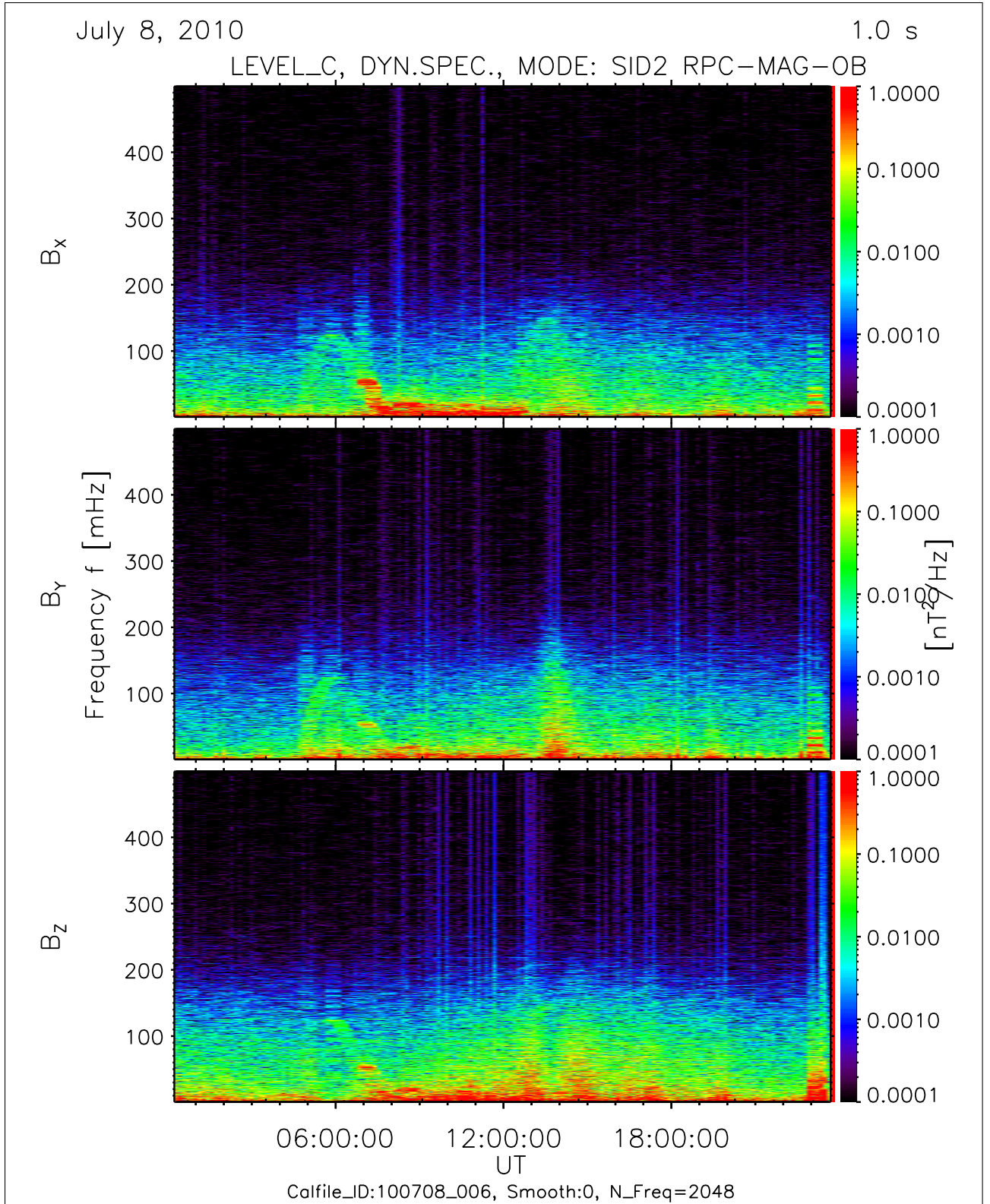


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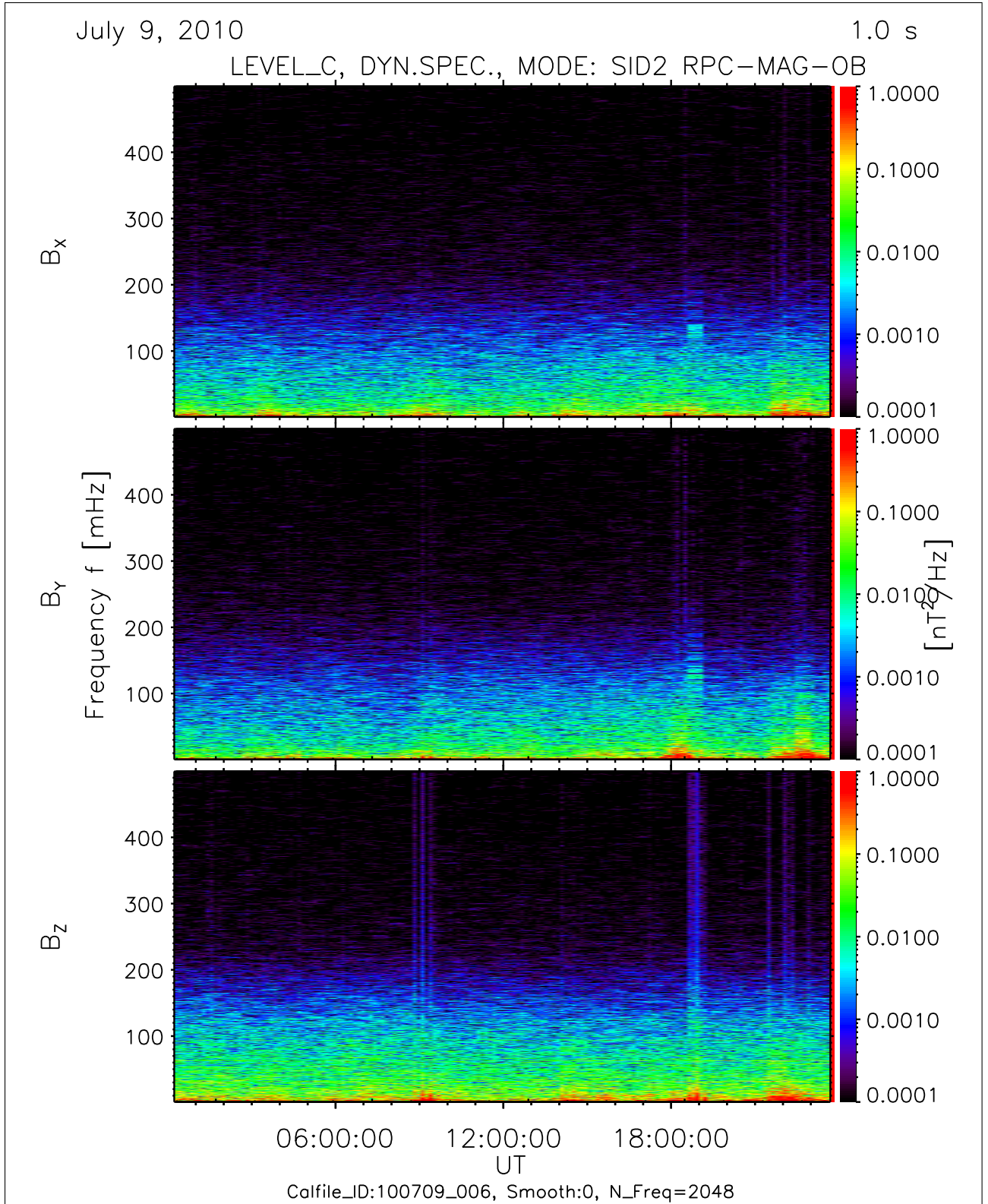


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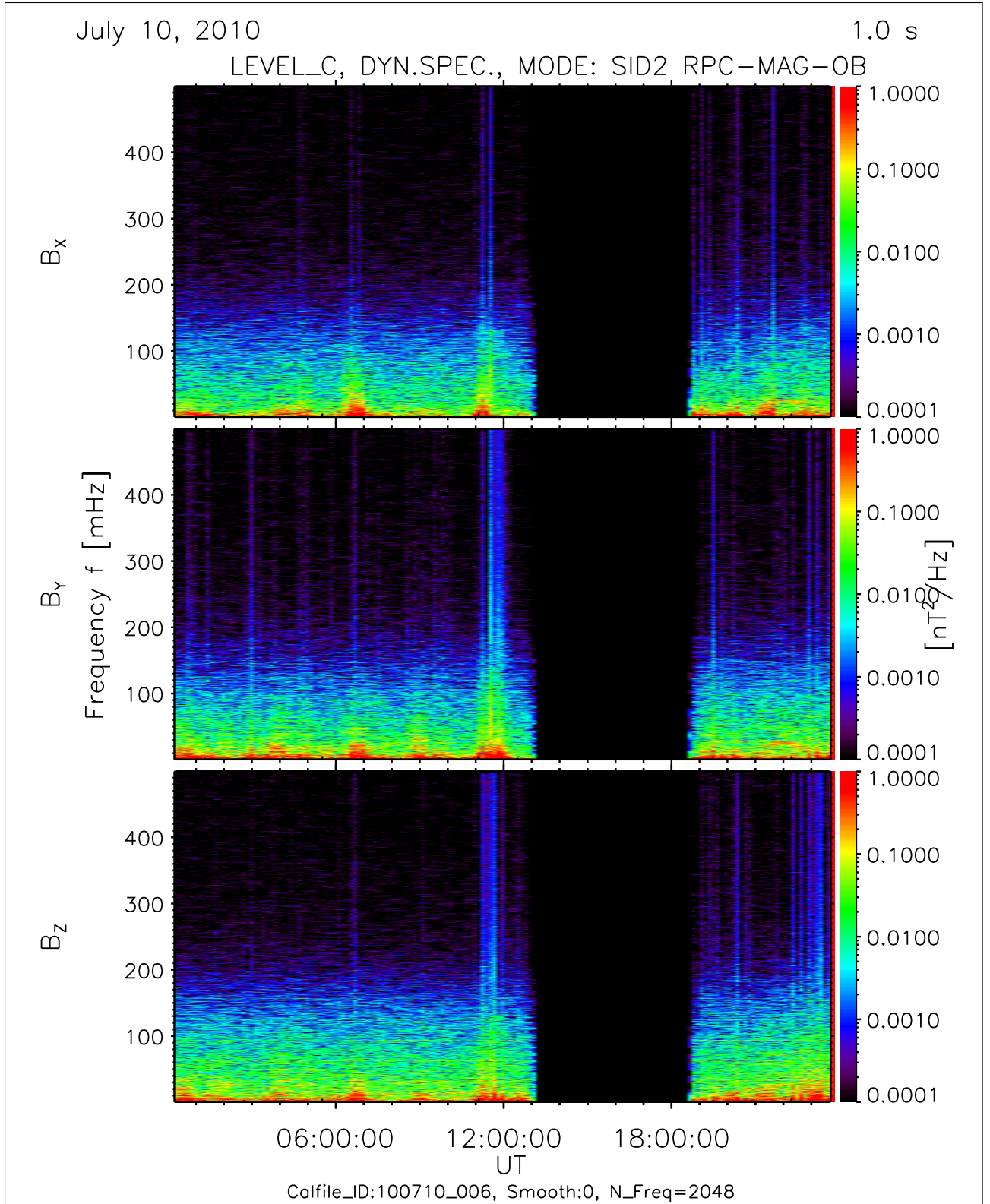


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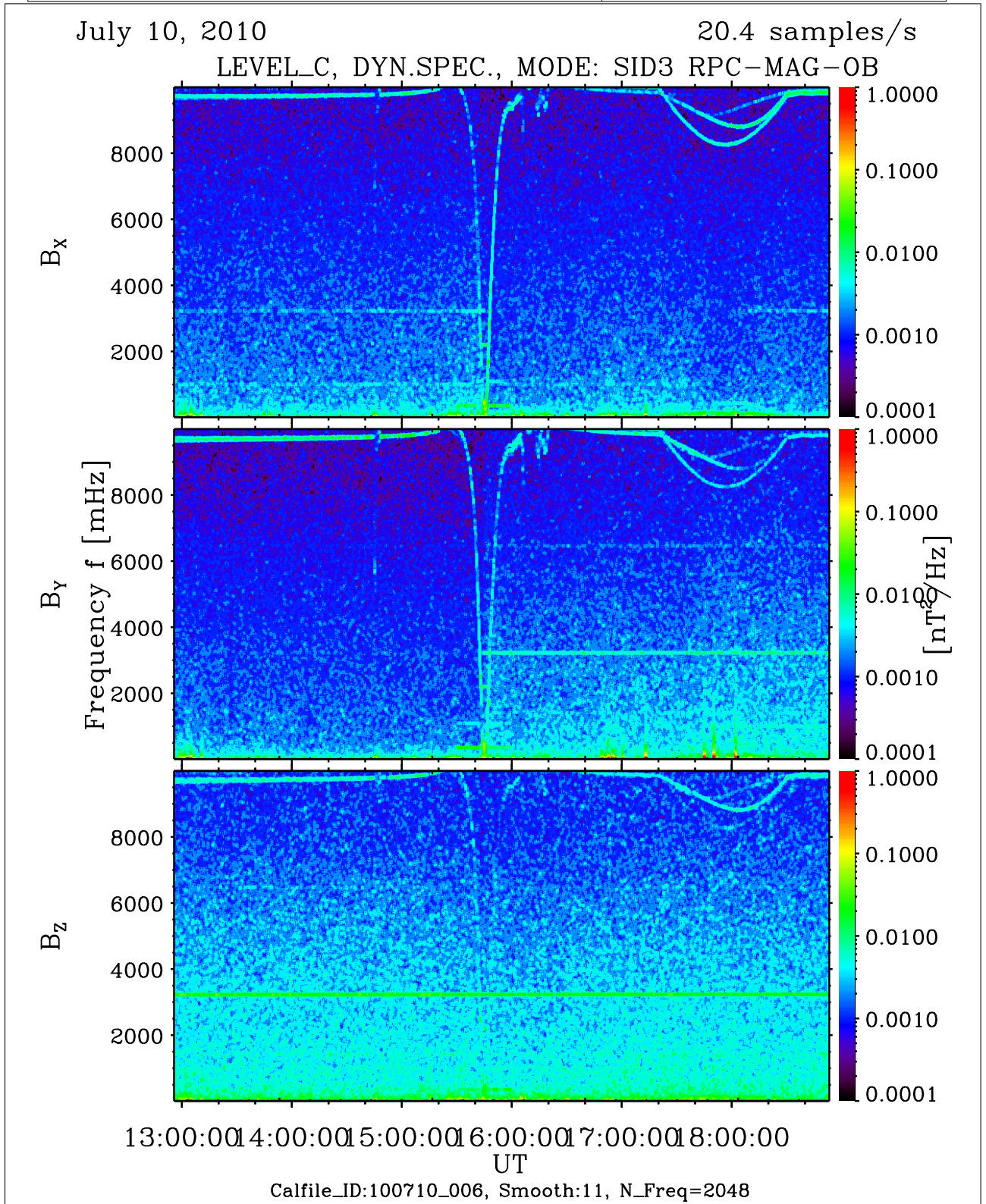


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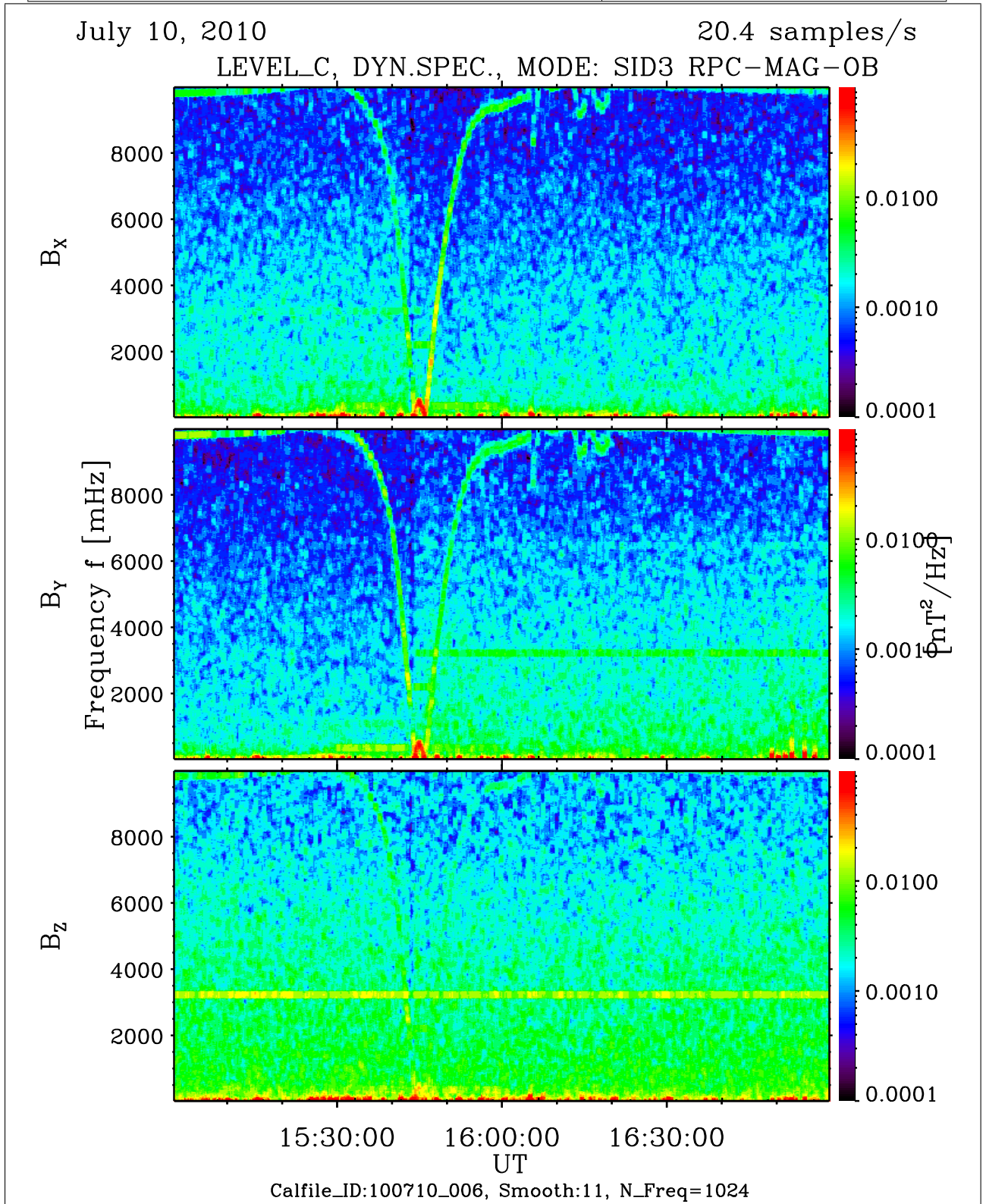


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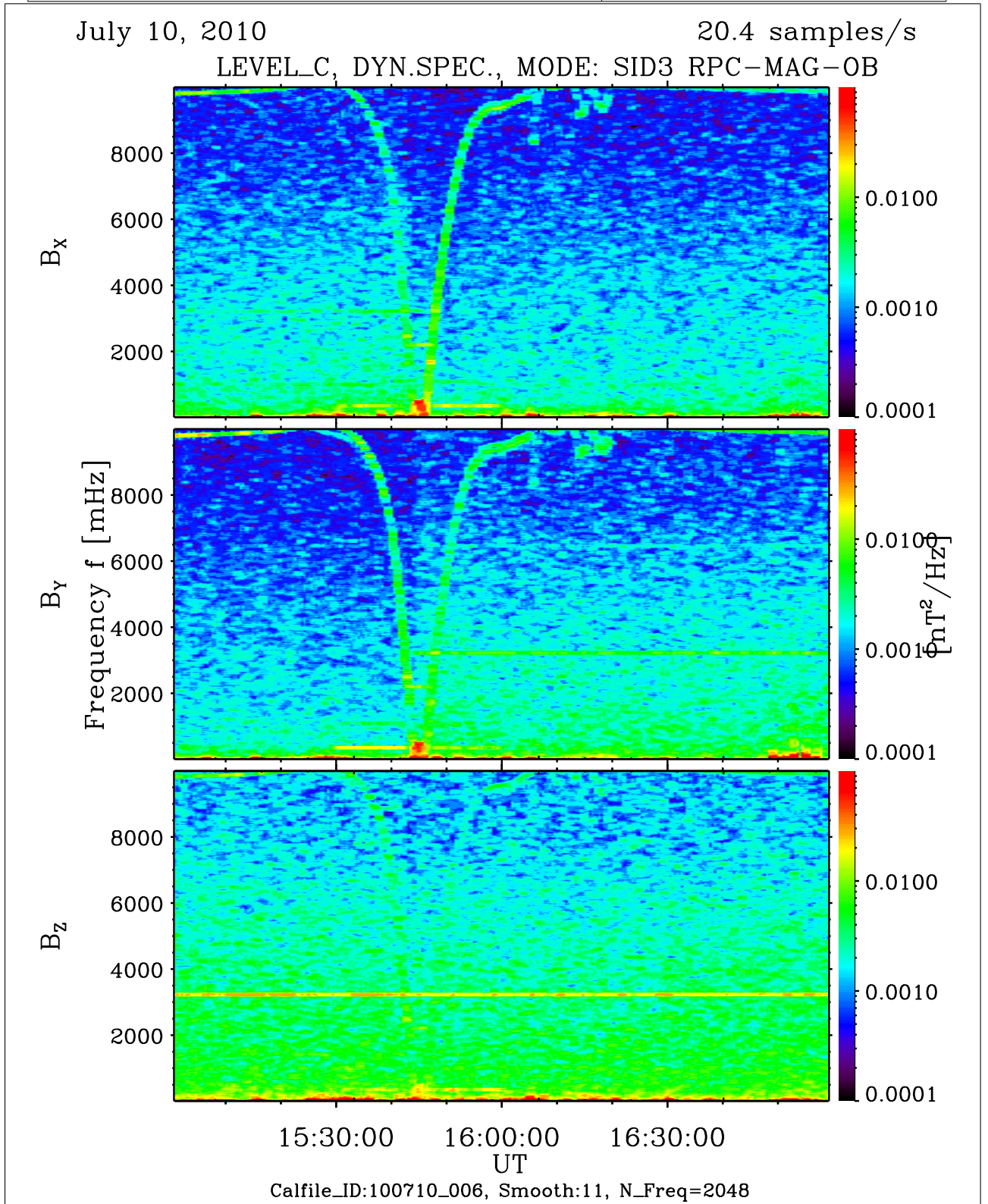


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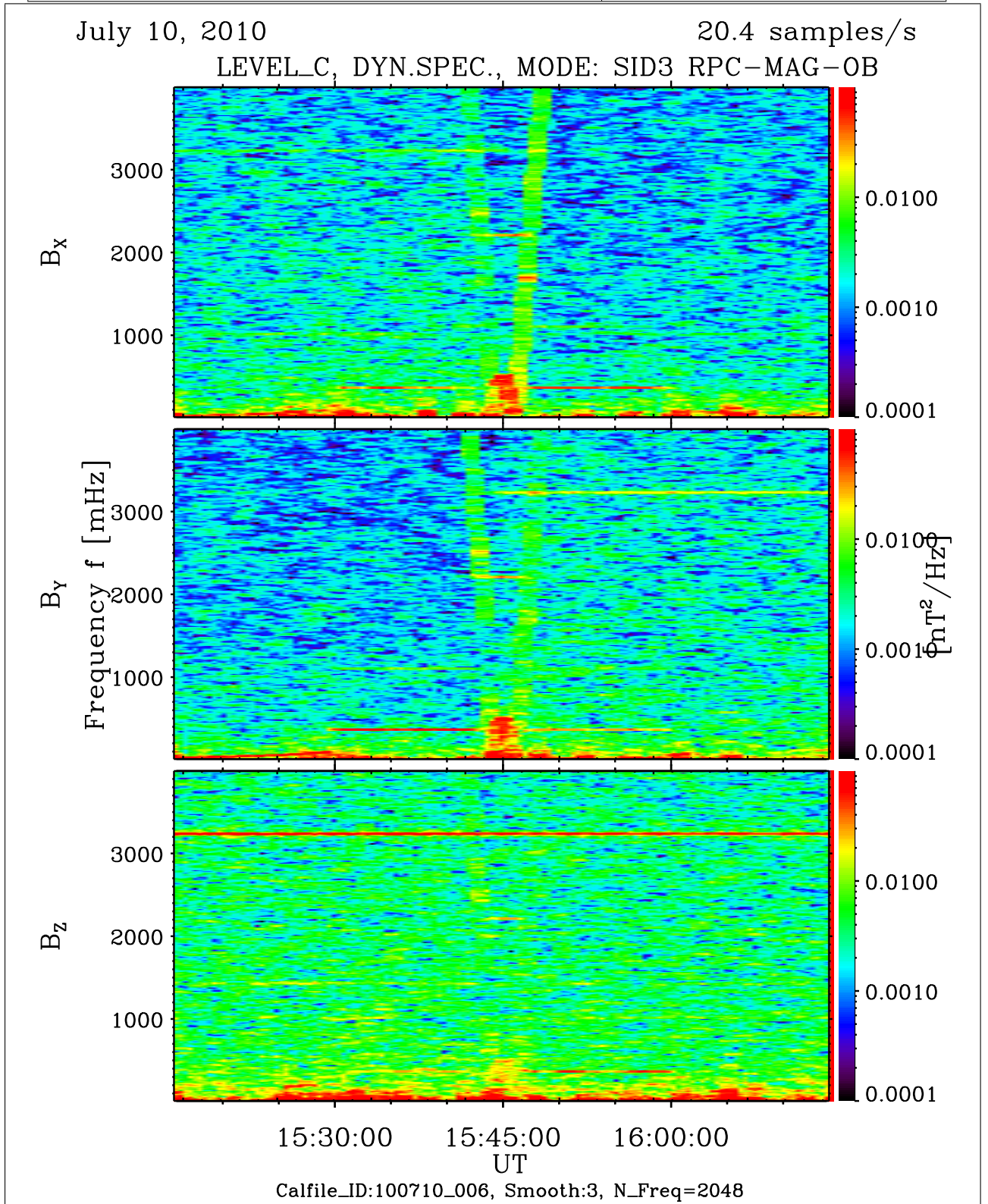


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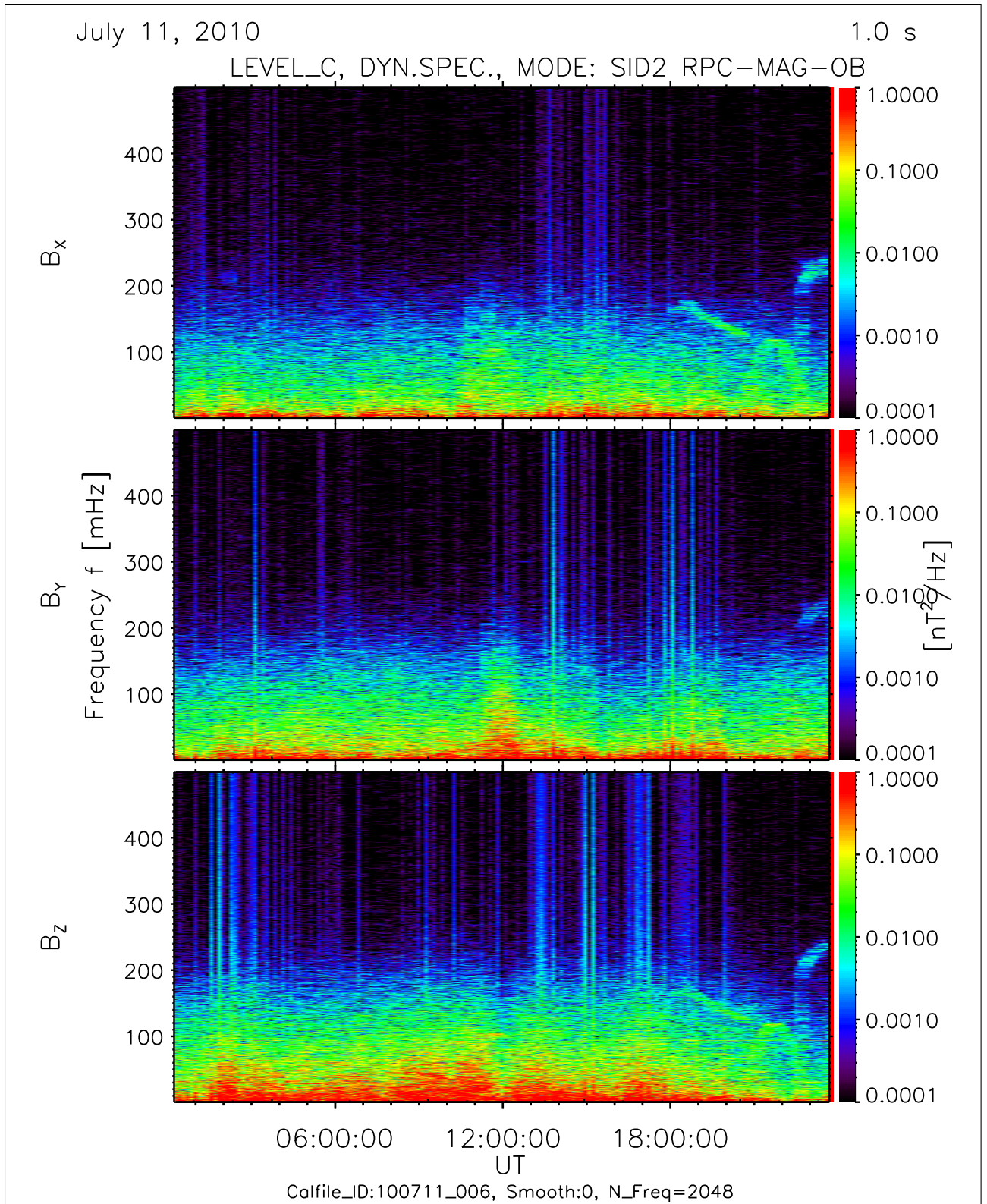


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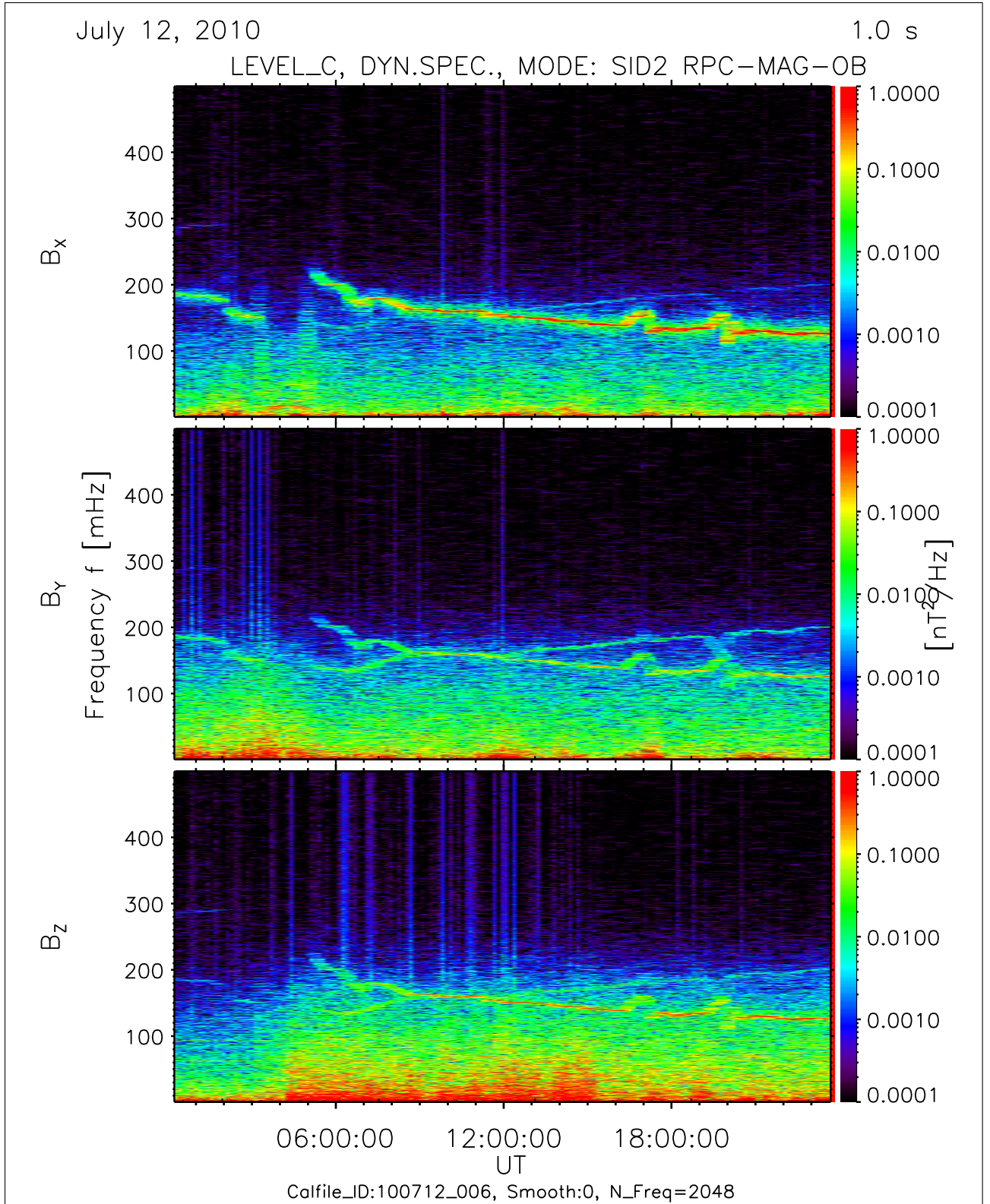


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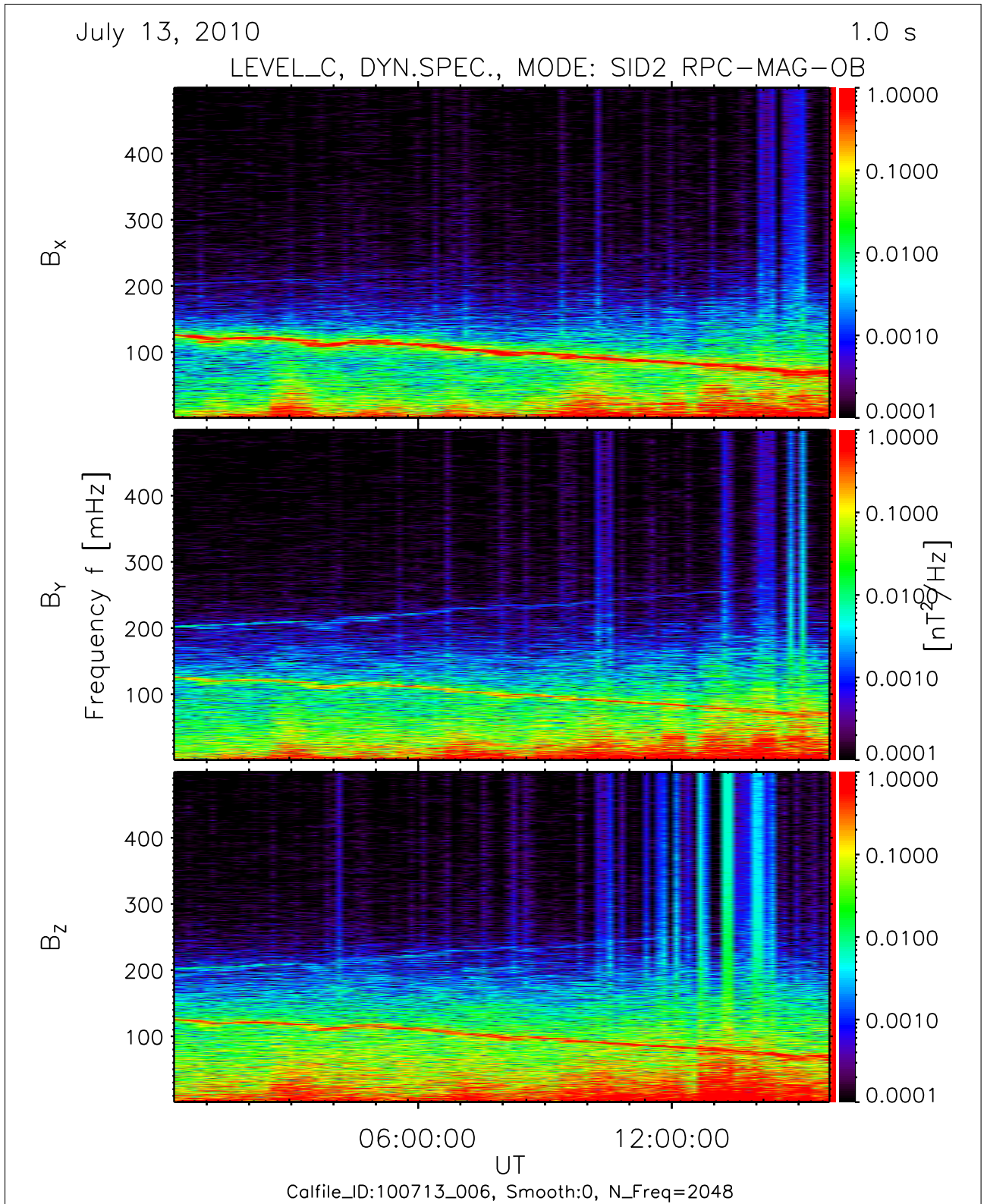


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6 Dynamic Spectra of ROSETTAs REACTION WHEELS

This section shows the spectra of ROSETTAs Reaction Wheels (RW). There are 4 different wheels rotating with different frequencies. The plots do not show the original rotation frequencies but the signatures that would be expected using an data acquisition system operating at 1 Hz sampling frequency (or 20 Hz in Burst mode) without any aliasing filter. These signatures are expected to be seen on the OB sensor operated in NORMAL mode (sometimes) and always in BURST mode.

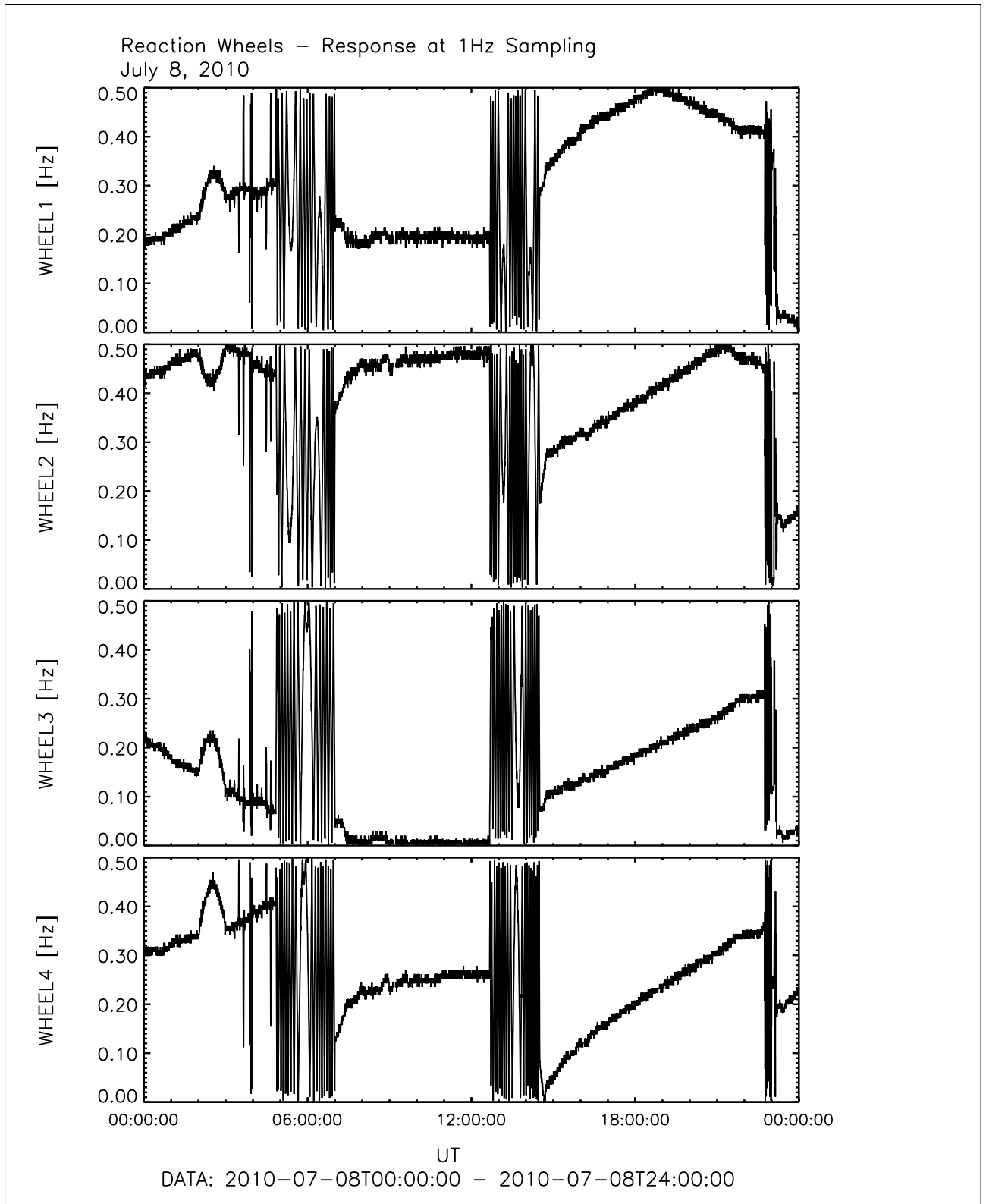


Figure 56: File: wheels_1Hz_Sampling2010-07-08T00-00

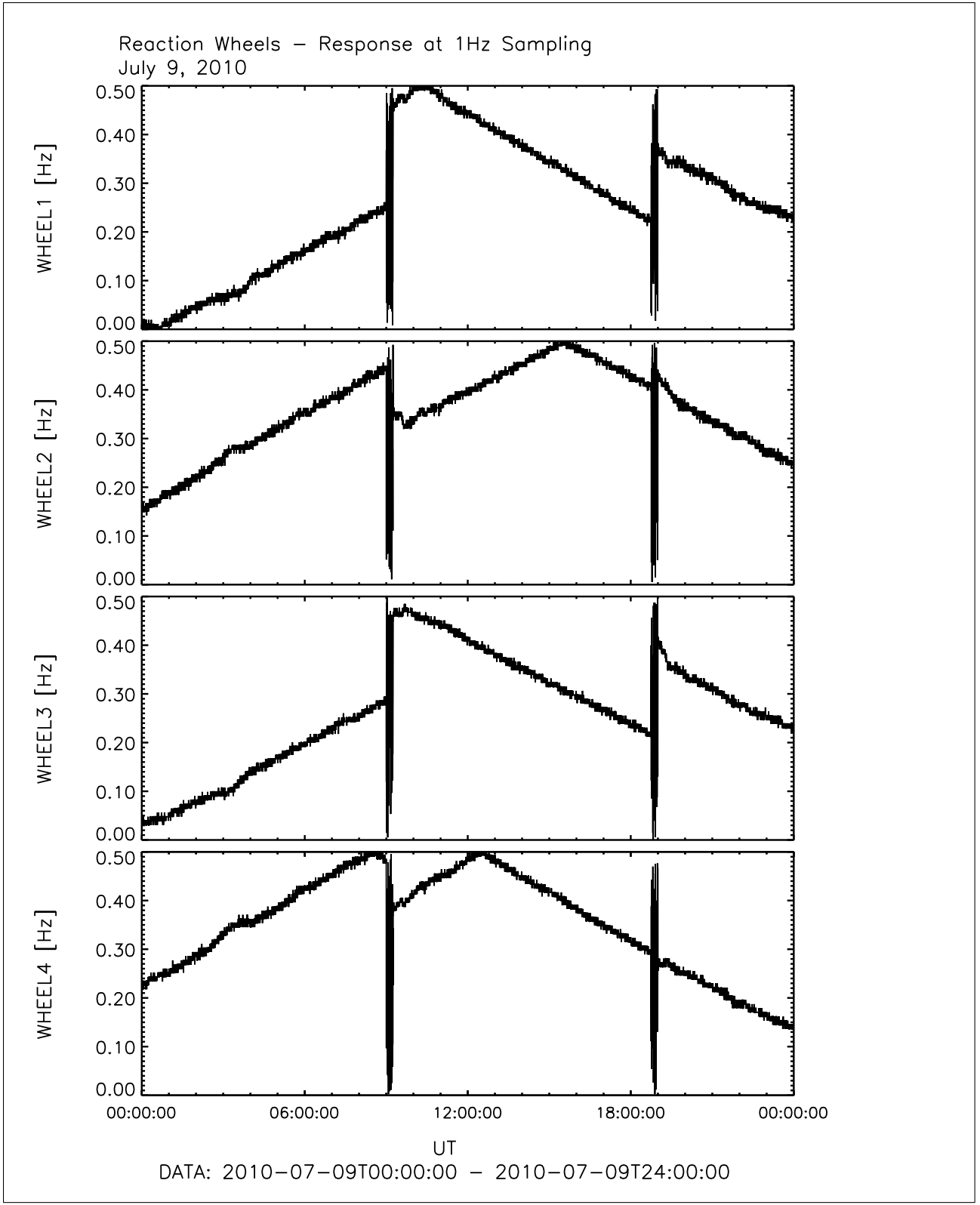


Figure 57: File: wheels_1Hz_Sampling2010-07-09T00-00

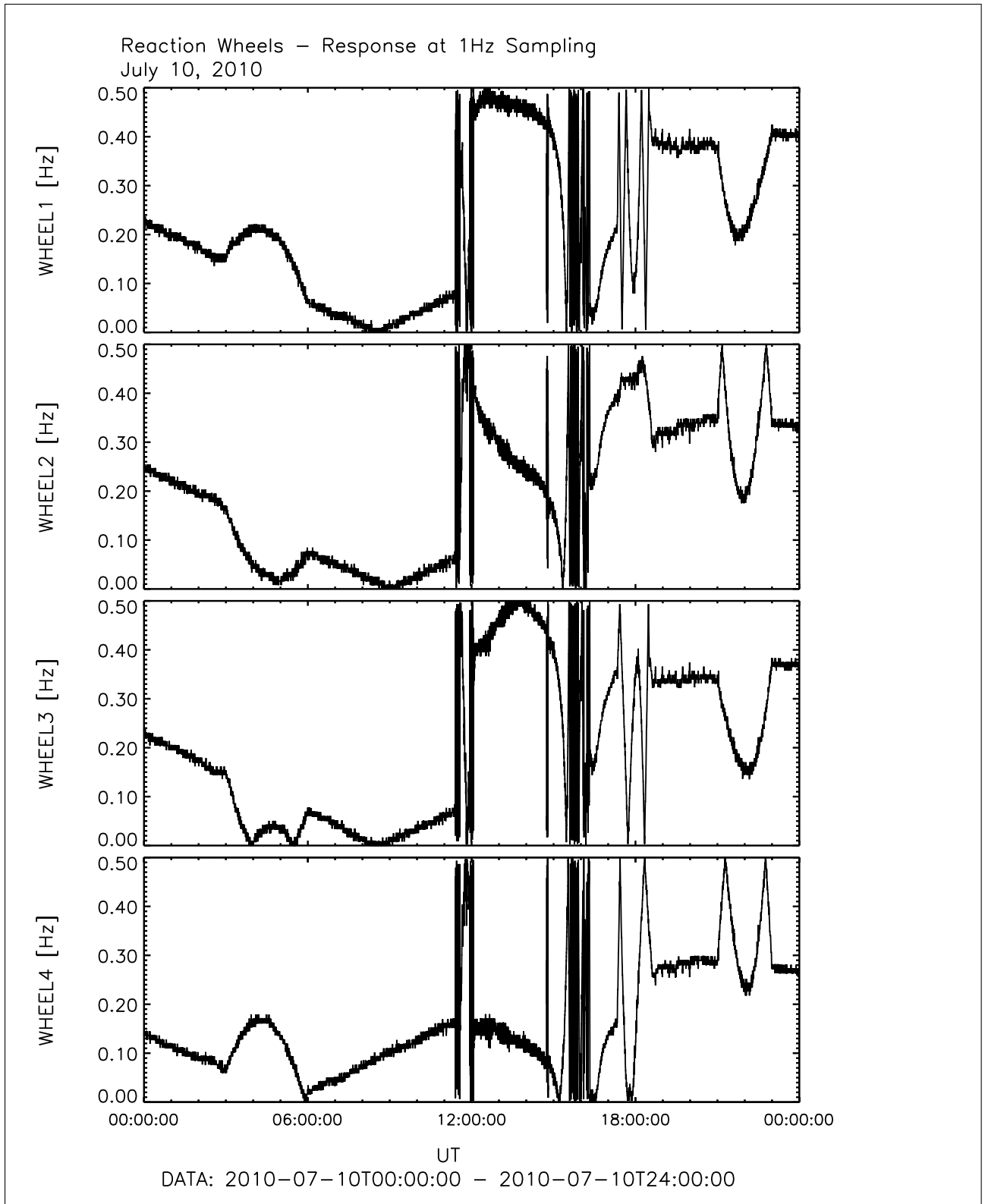


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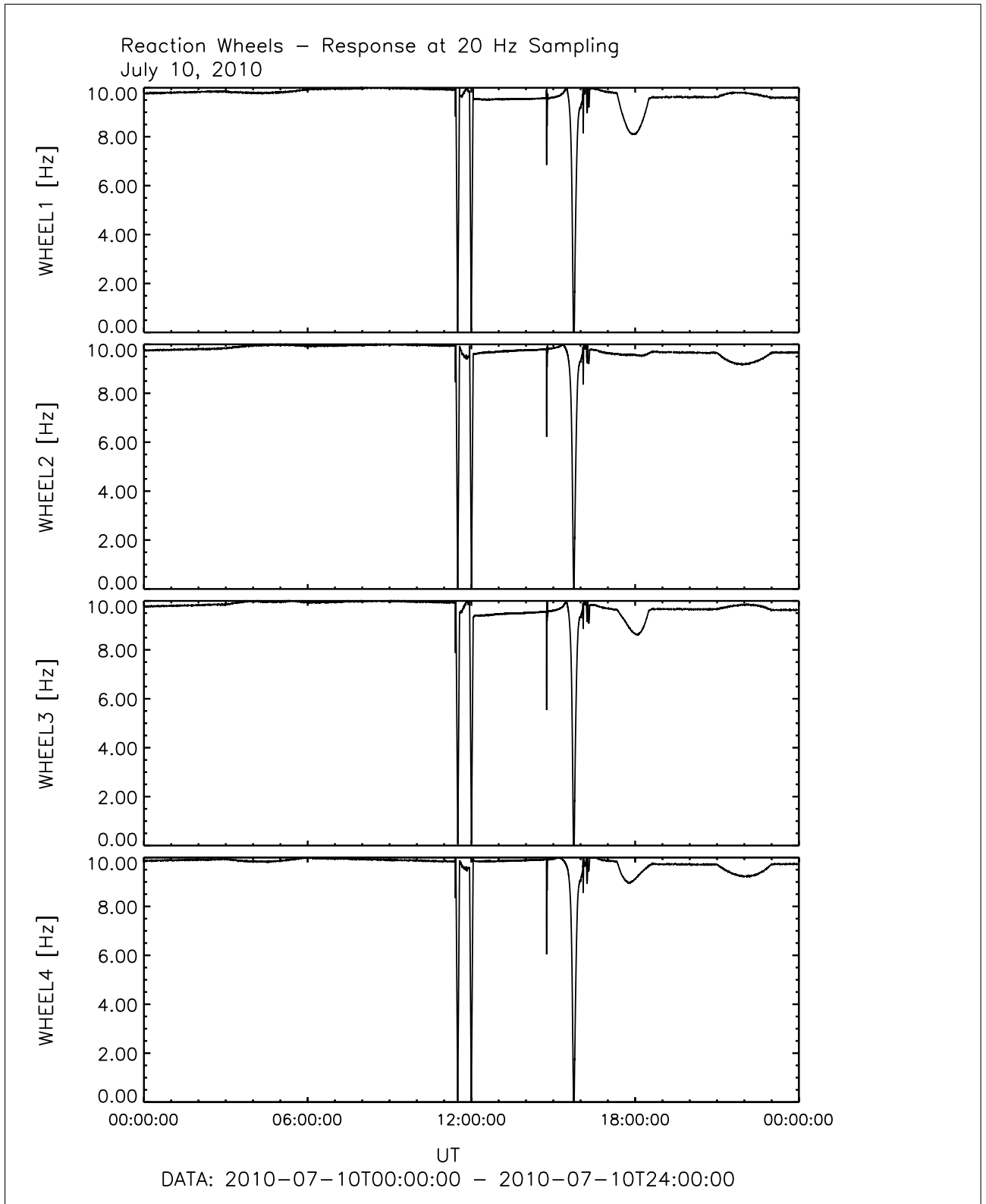


Figure 59: File: wheels_20Hz_Sampling2010-07-10T00-00

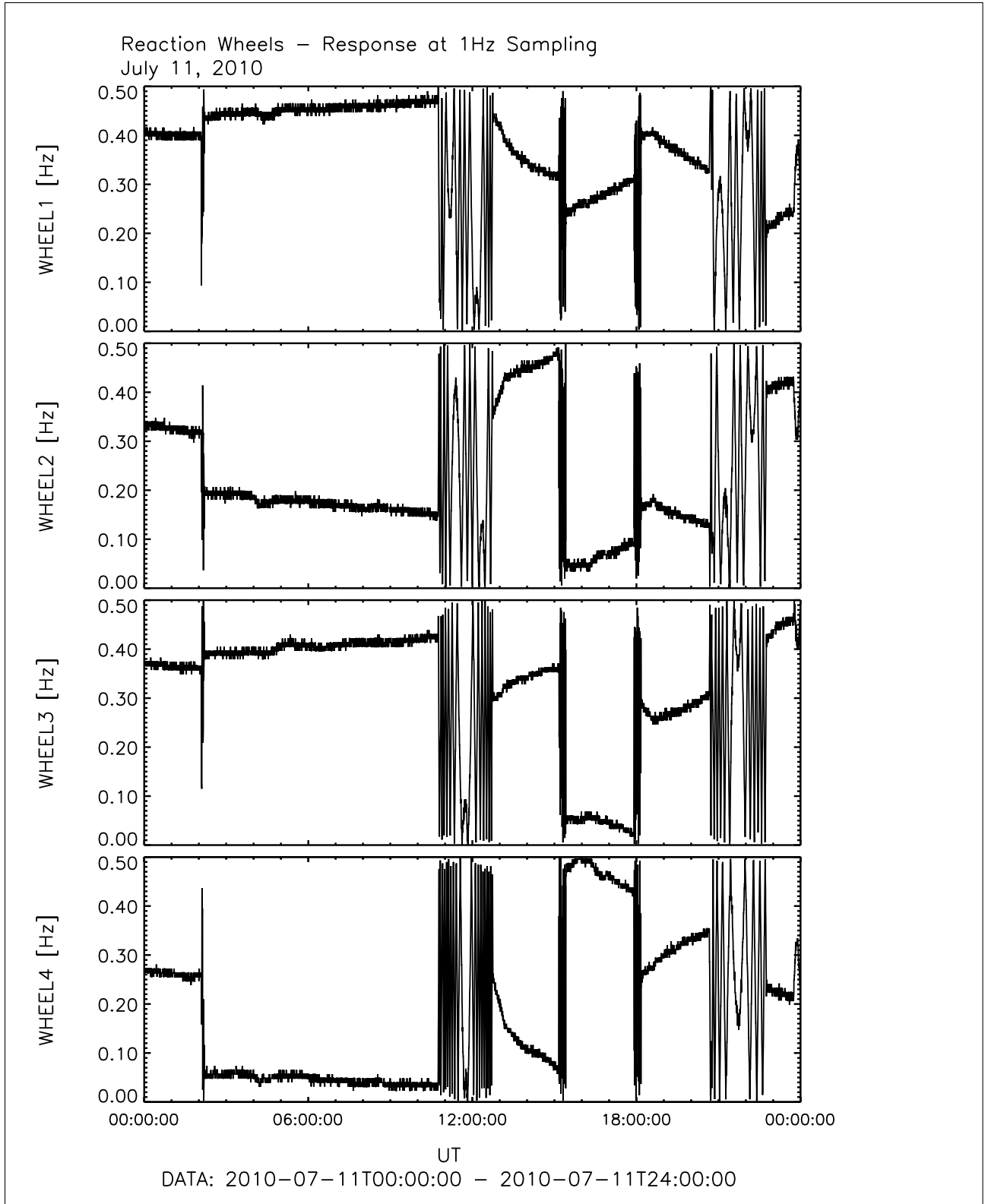


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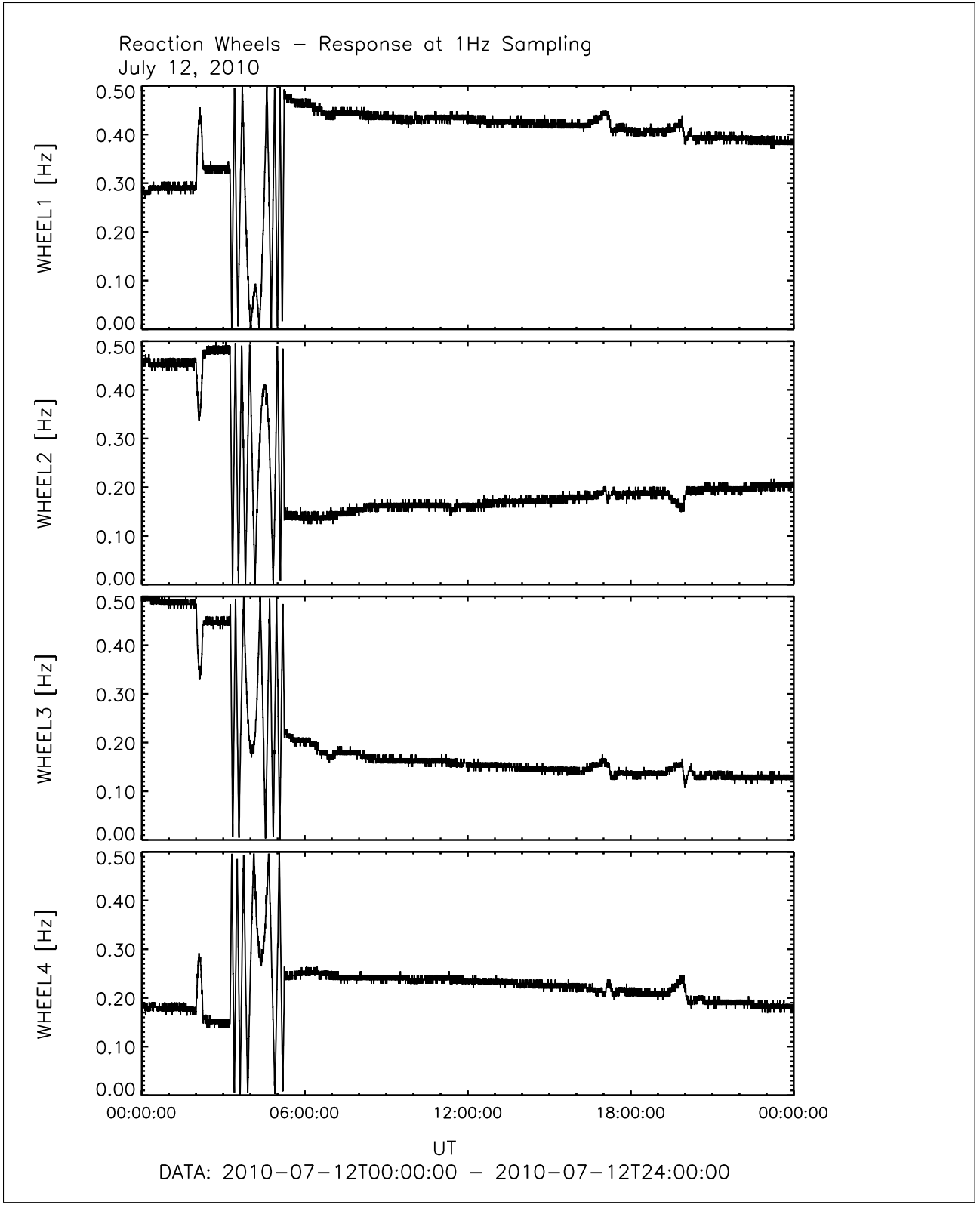


Figure 61: File: wheels_1Hz_Sampling2010-07-12T00-00

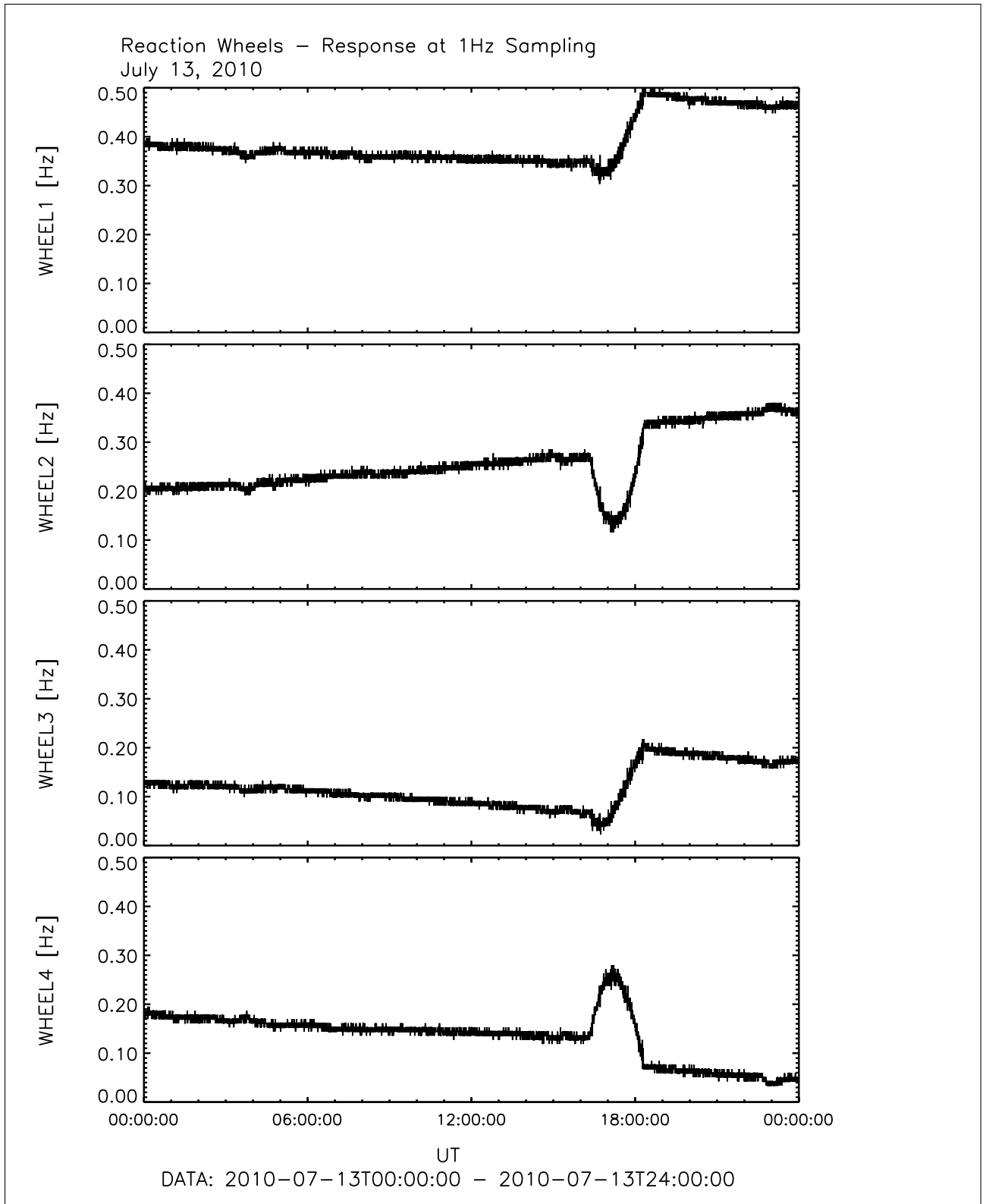


Figure 62: File: wheels_1Hz_Sampling2010-07-13T00-00

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6.1 Plots of Reaction Wheel and LAP Disturbance corrected Data

The following plots show the dynamic spectra of the LEVEL.H data. These data have been purged from ROSETTAs reaction wheel disturbance and also from the disturbance of the LAP instrument. Plots are only shown for the primary sensor.

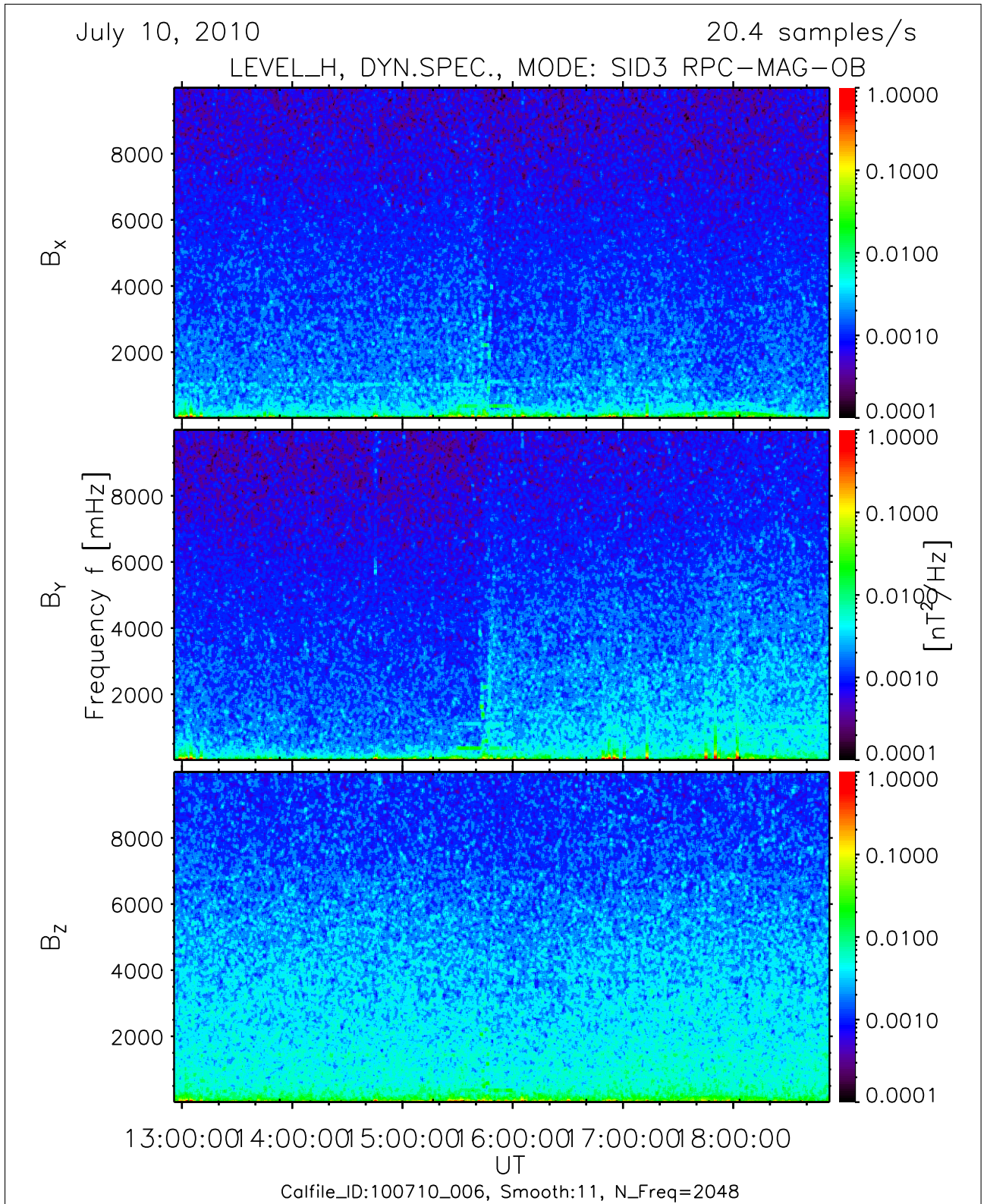


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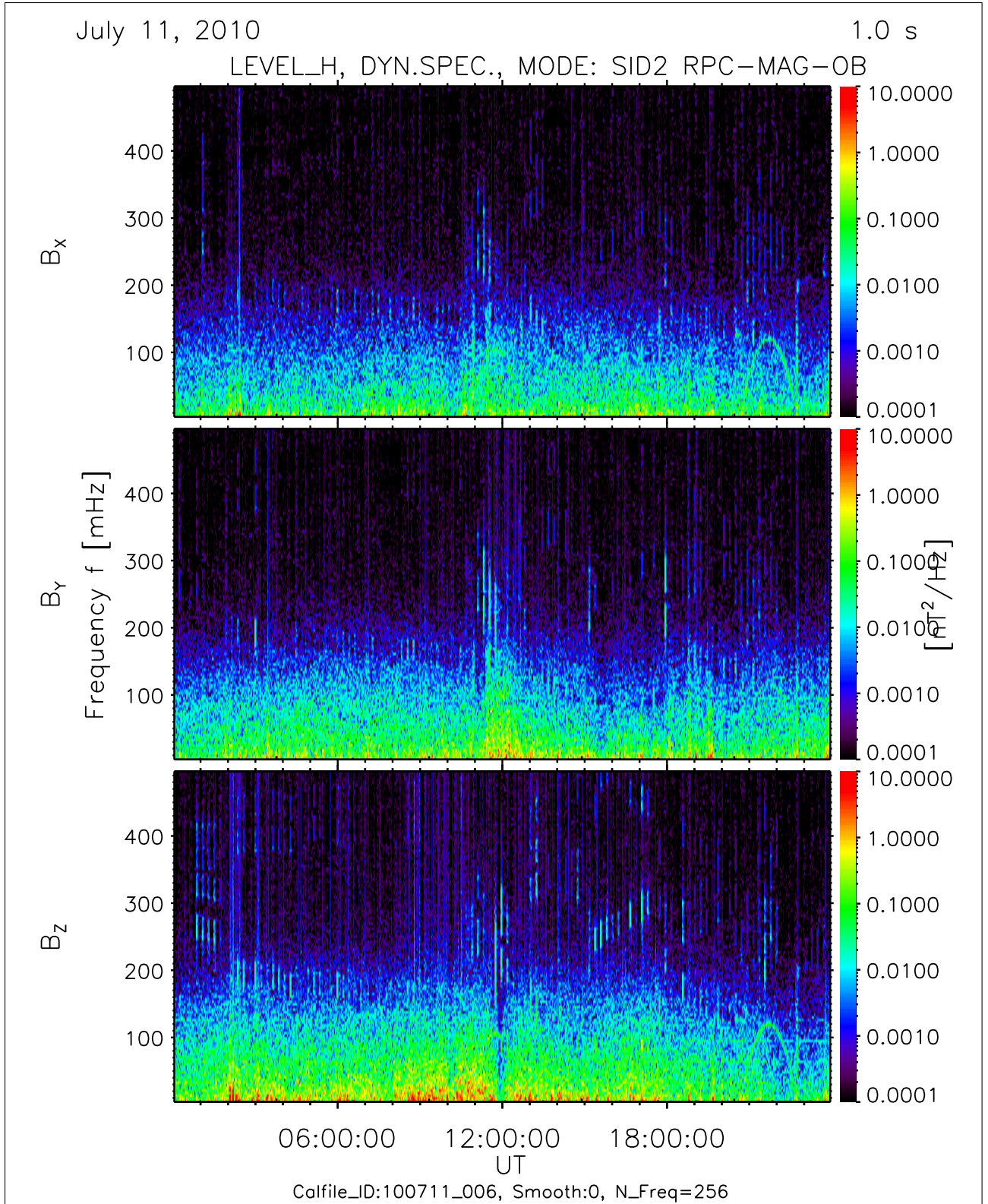


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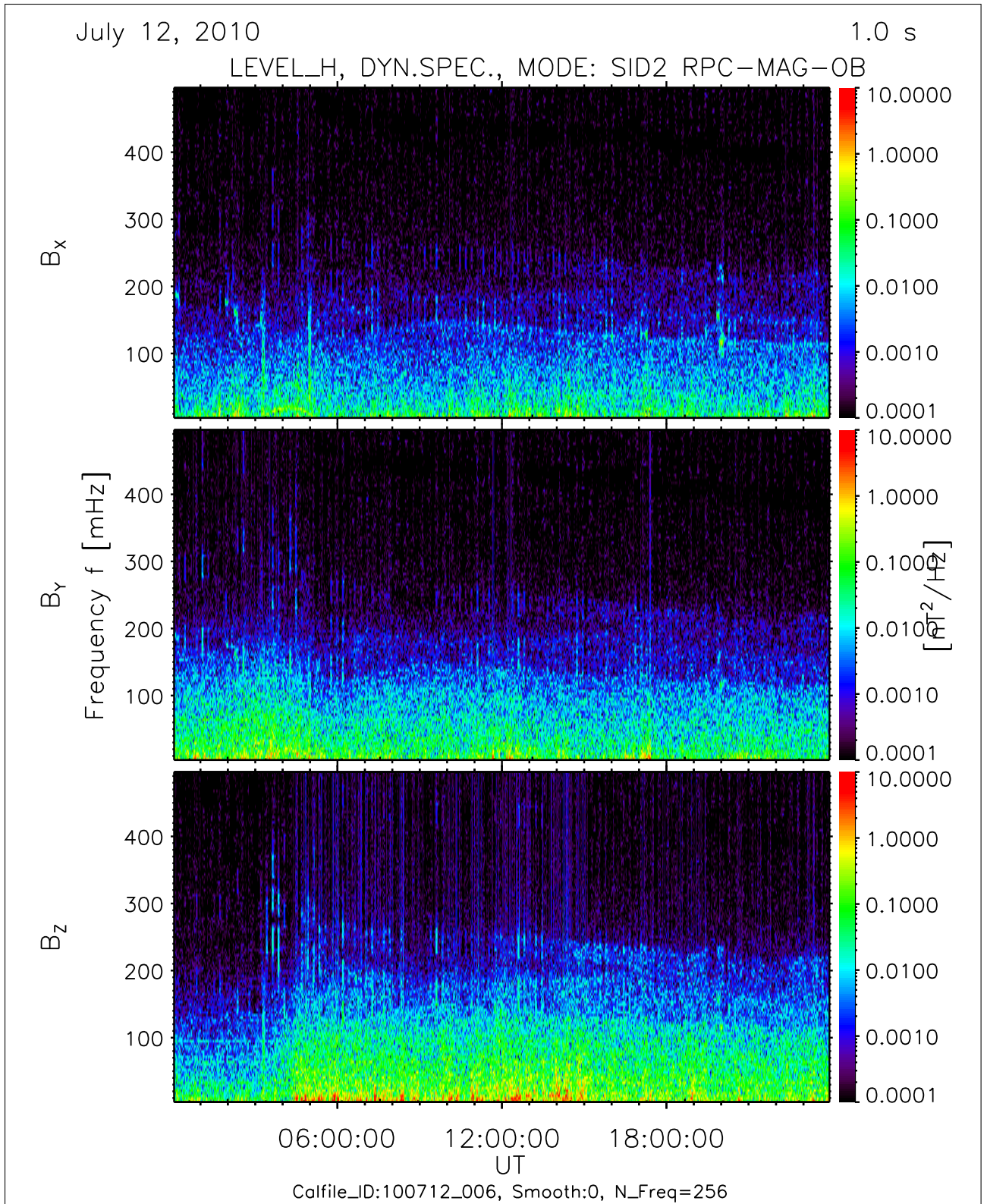


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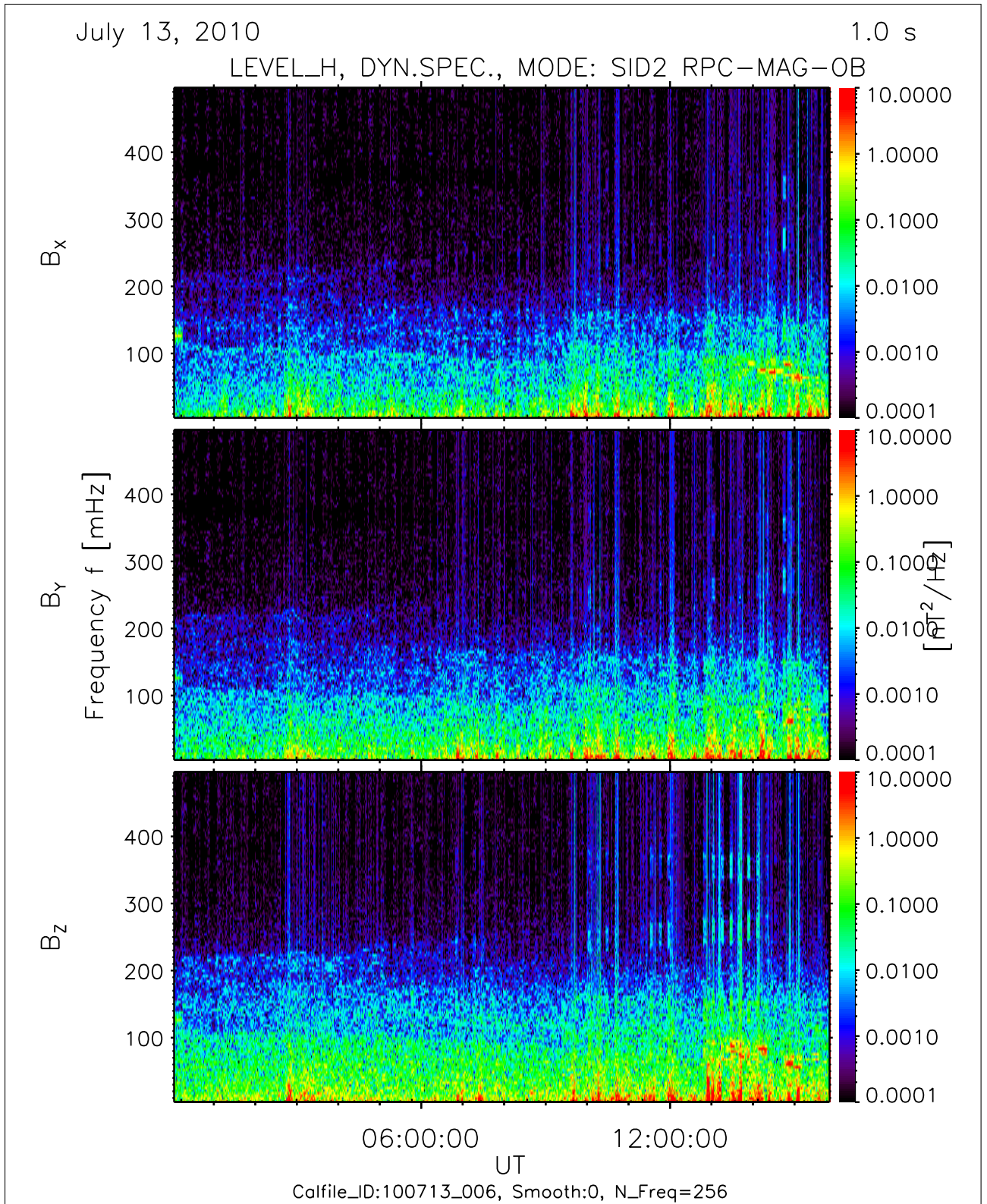


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7 Solar Array Rotation Angles and High Gain Antenna Orientation

To get an idea, whether the rotation of the Solar arrays or the movement of the High Gain Antenna (HGA) has an influence of the magnetic field data, the following plots have been generated. Each figure shows

- in the upper panel
the rotation angle of the solar arrays (angle between the solar array normal and the spacecraft $x_{s/c}$ axis
- in the two lower panels
the projected rotation angle in the spacecraft $xy_{s/c}$ -Plane and the projected rotation angle in the spacecraft $xz_{s/c}$ -Plane. Both angles are displayed wrt. the x-axis.

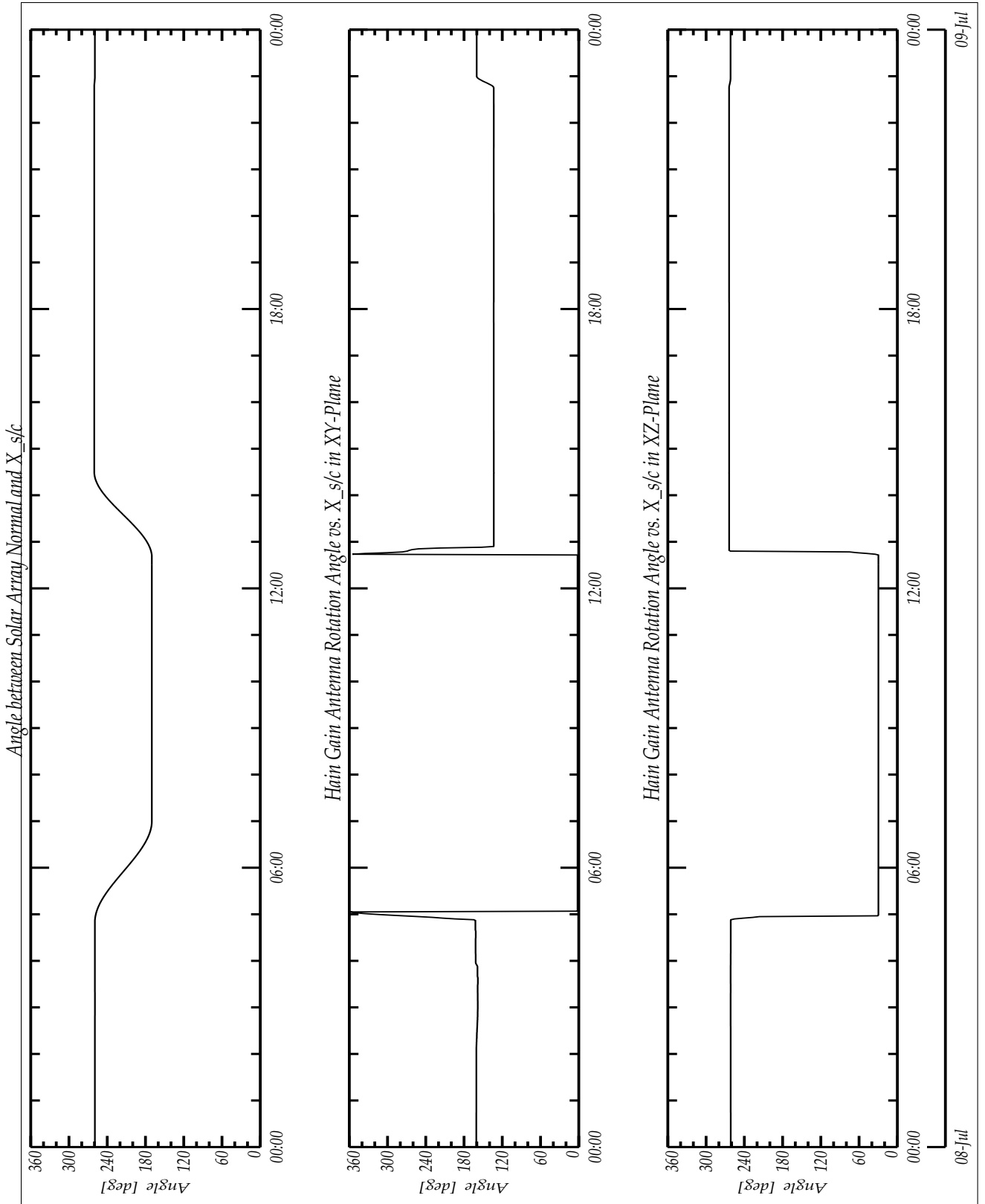


Figure 67: File: Solar Array and HGA Rotation Angles of 2010-07-08

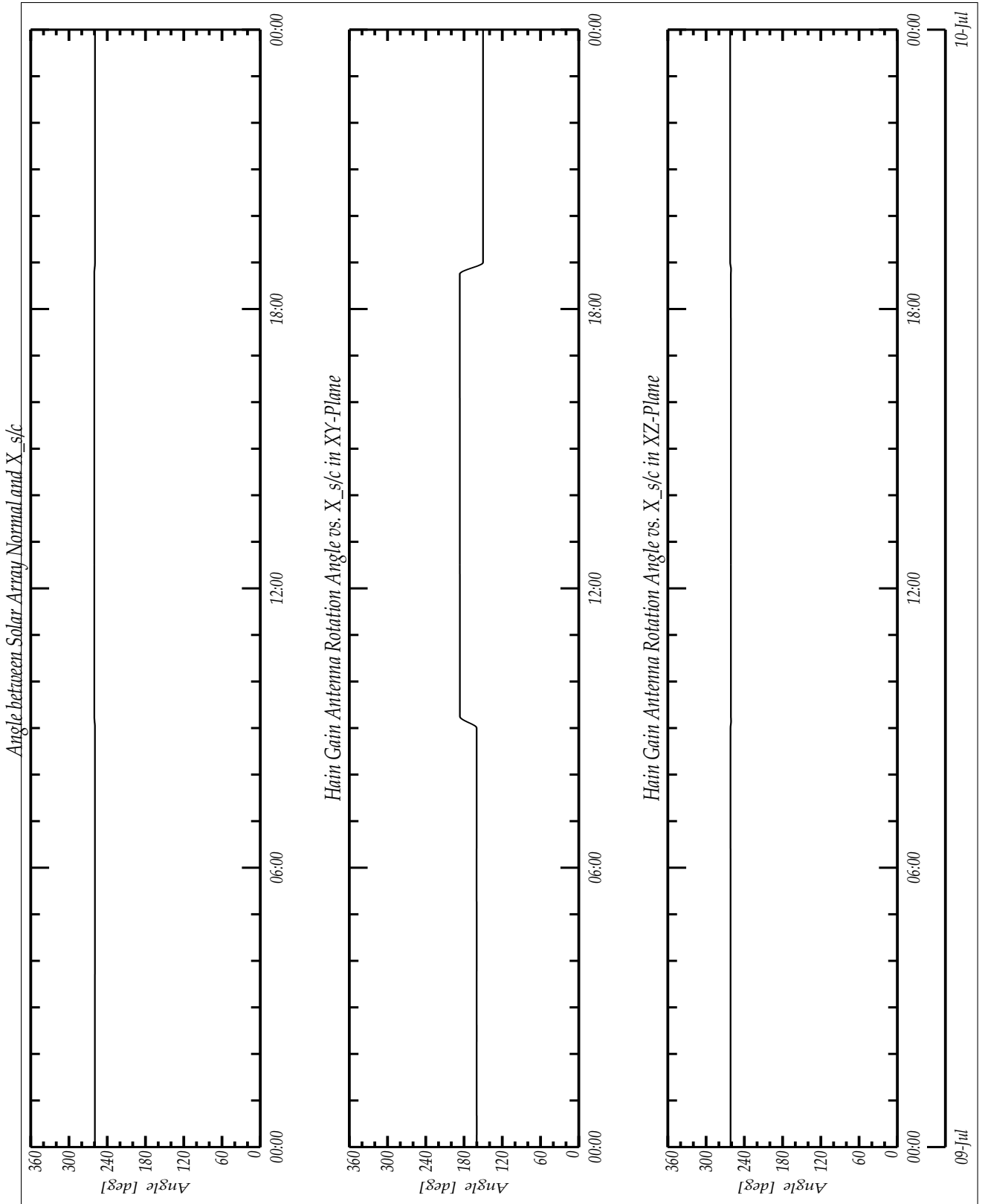


Figure 68: File: Solar Array and HGA Rotation Angles of 2010-07-09

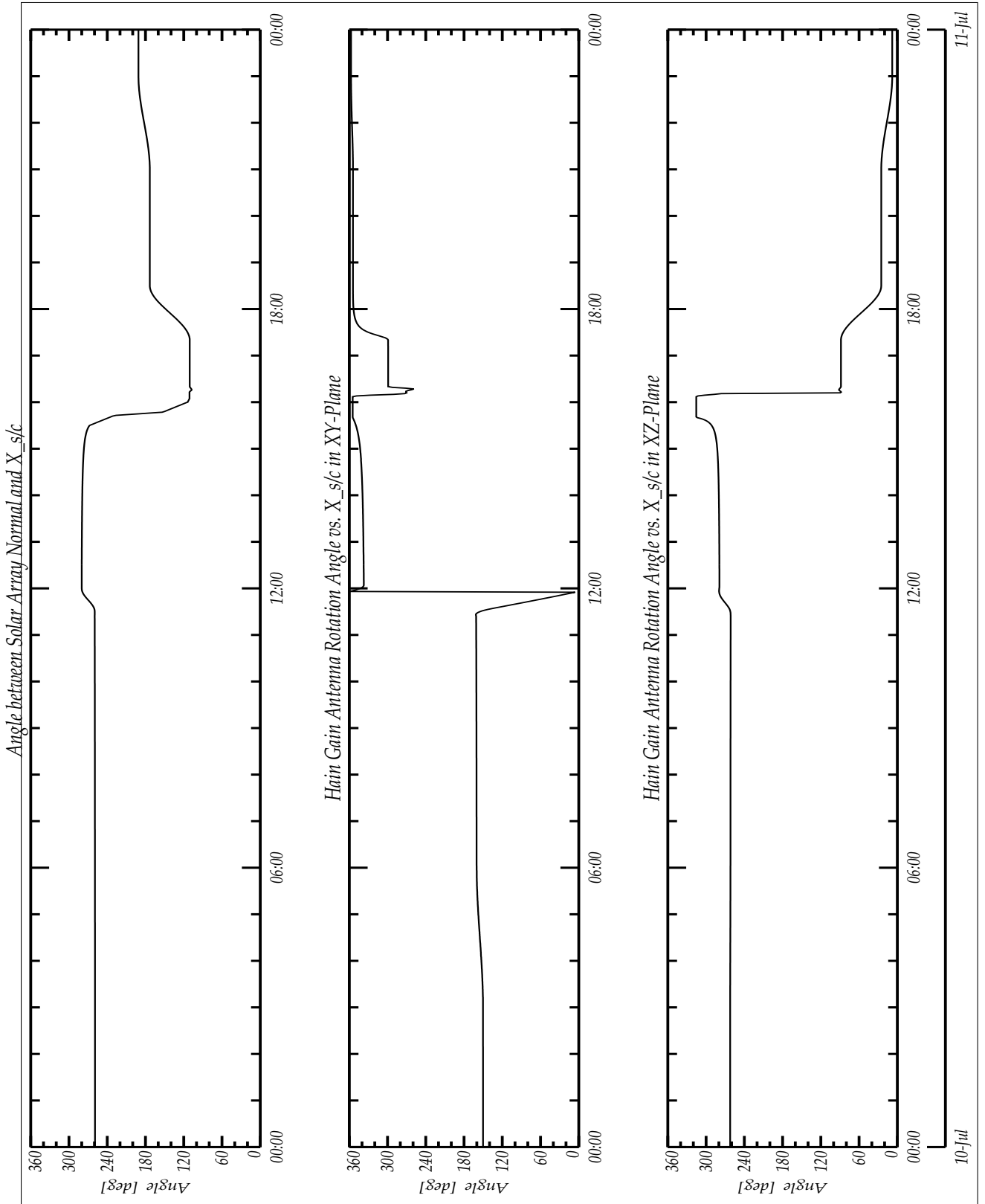


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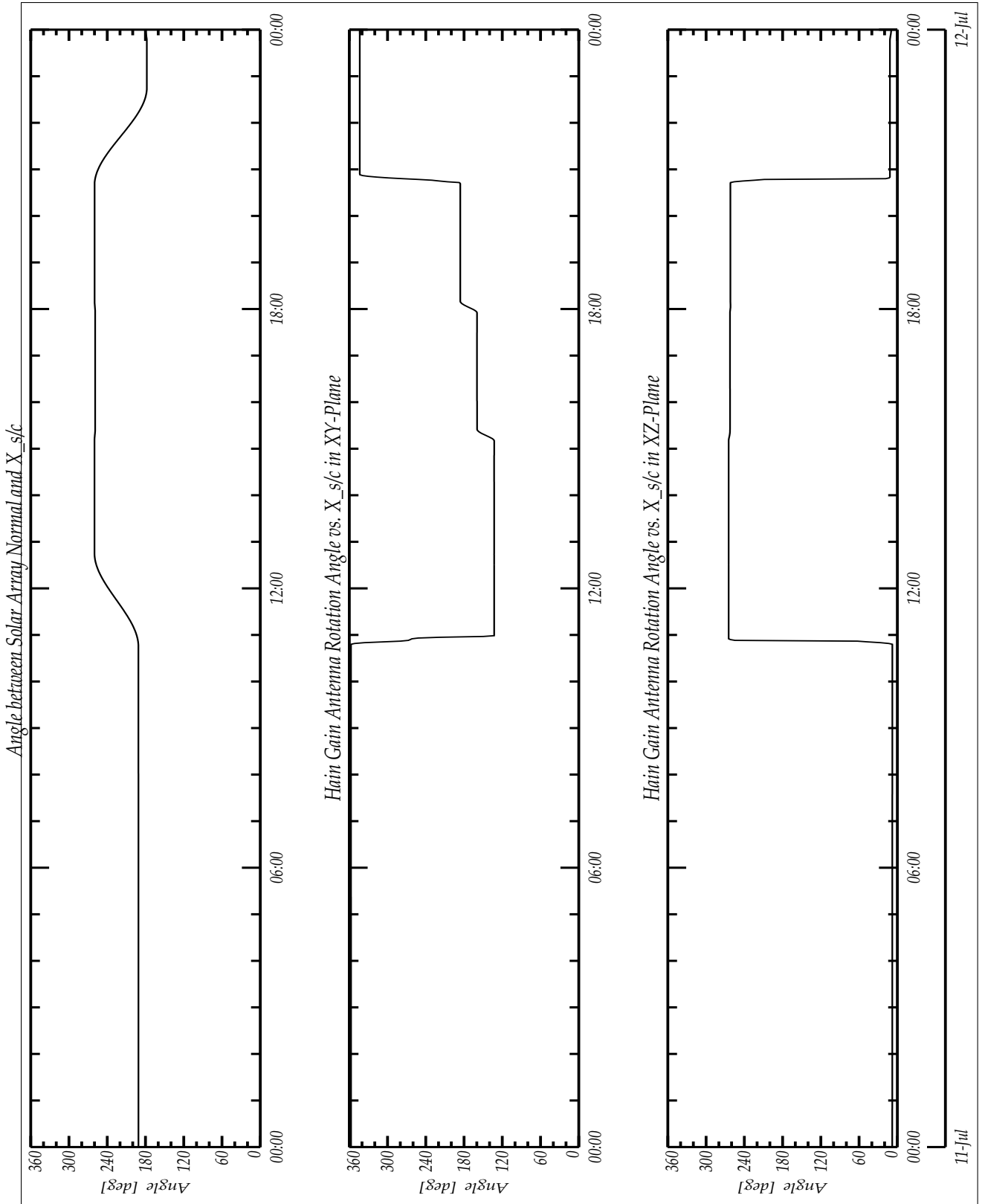


Figure 70: File: Solar Array and HGA Rotation Angles of 2010-07-11

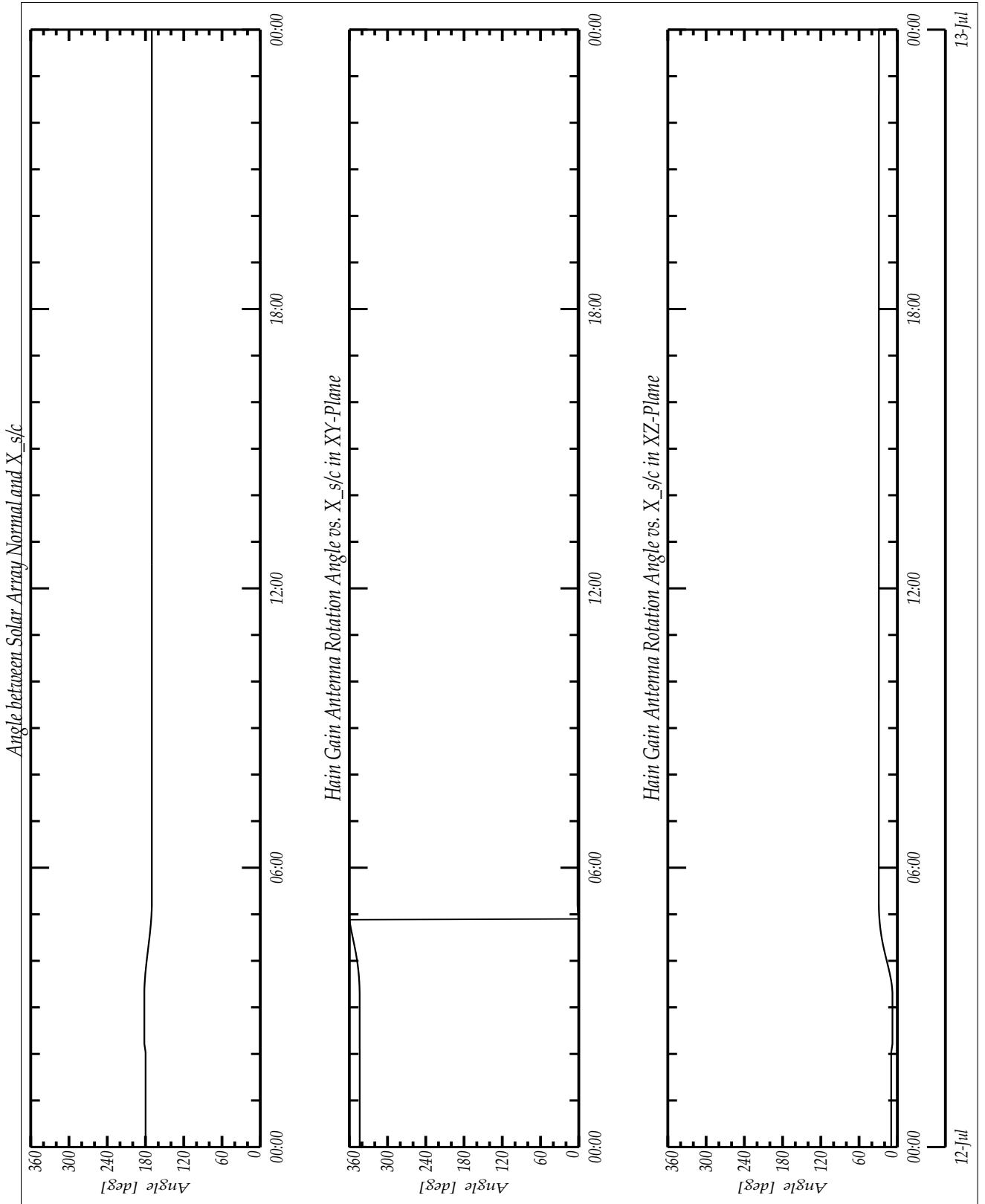


Figure 71: File: Solar Array and HGA Rotation Angles of 2010-07-12

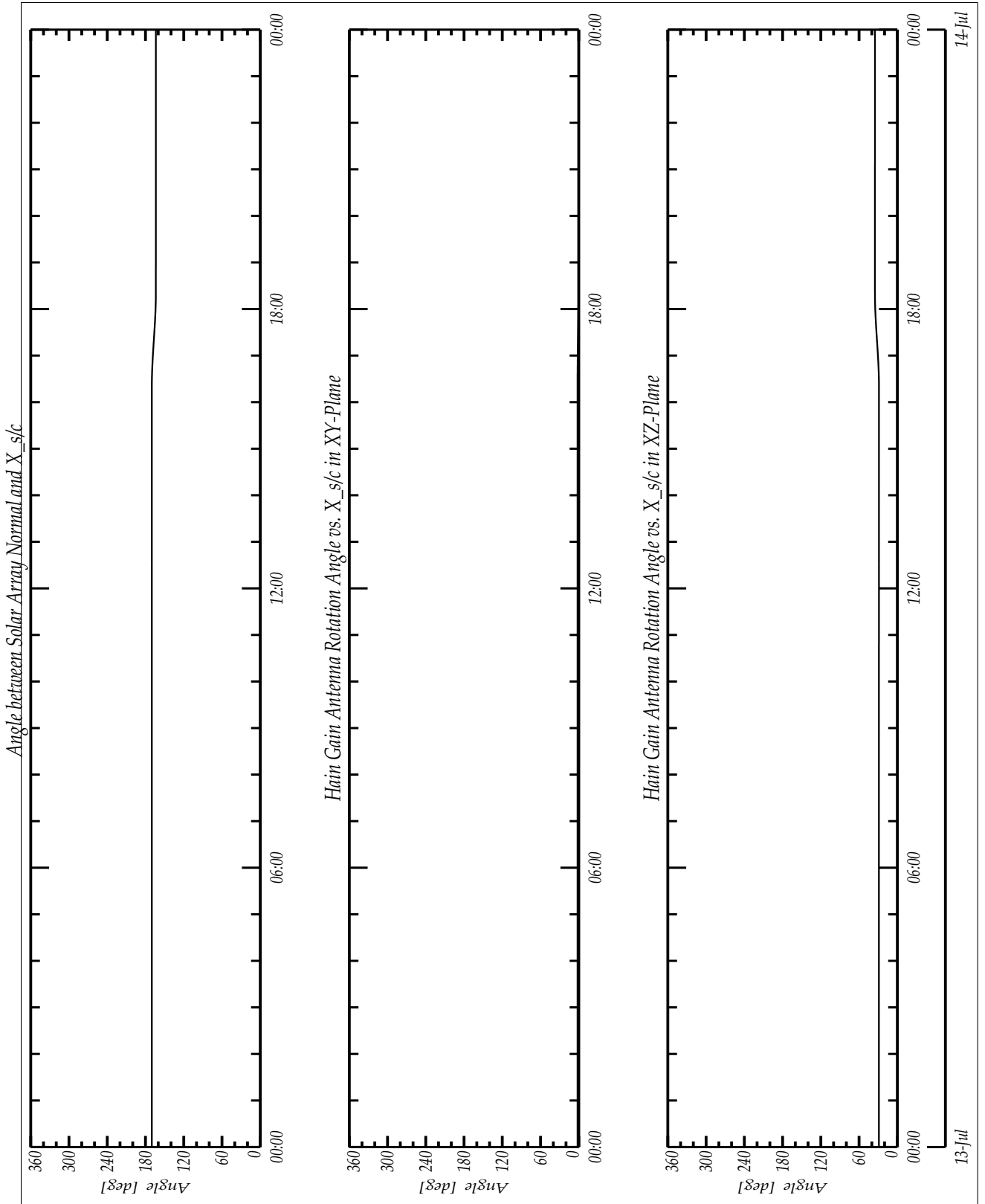


Figure 72: File: Solar Array and HGA Rotation Angles of 2010-07-13

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8 Temperature profile during the FlyBy

The following figure shows the measured temperatures of the OB and IB sensor during the flyby. The lower panels of the graph show the angles between x -, y -, and z -axis of the s/c frame and the sun direction.

The analysis of these plots shows that - as expected - most of the temperature changes are related to attitude changes.

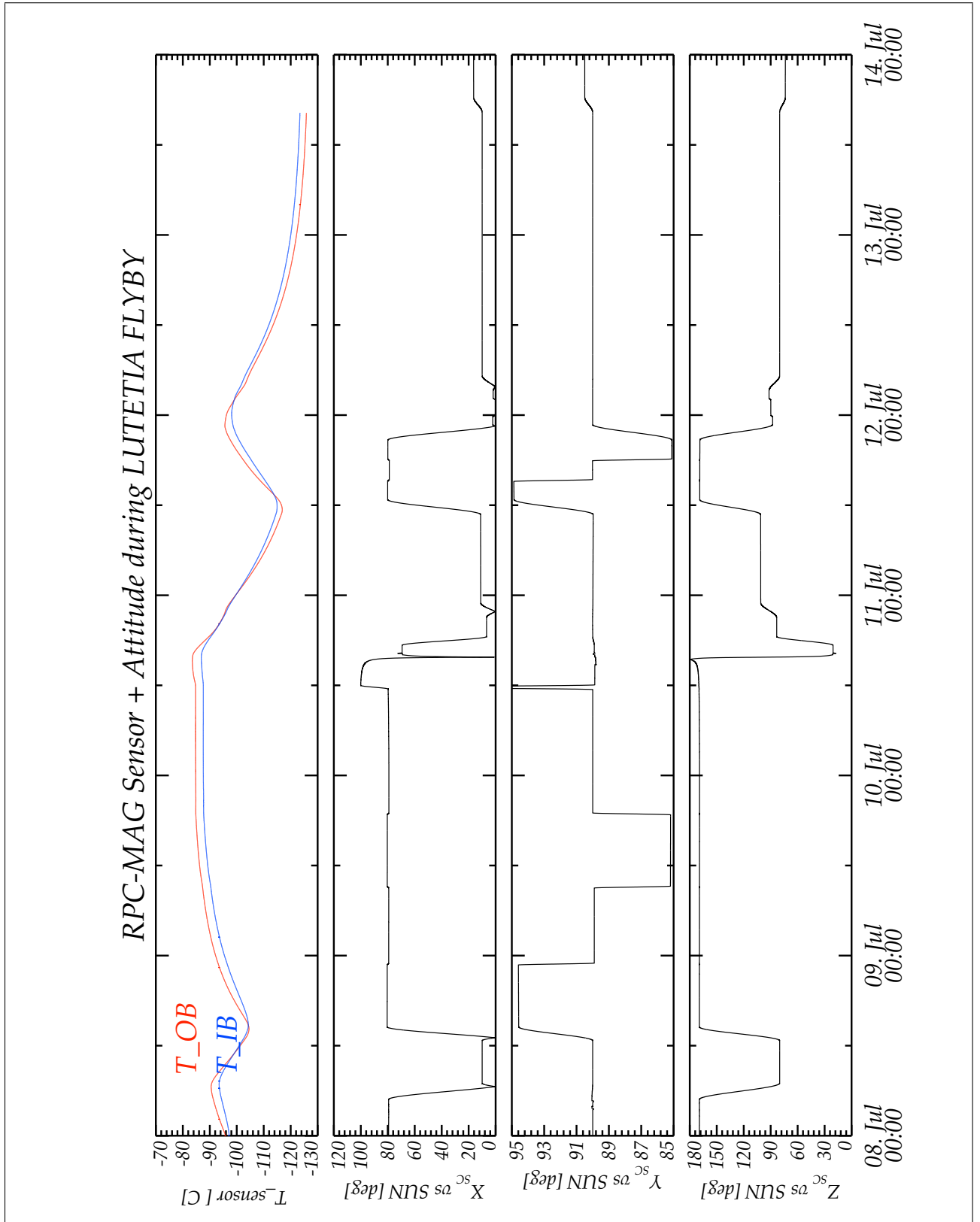


Figure 73: Measured Sensor Temperatures and attitudes during the complete FlyBy campaign

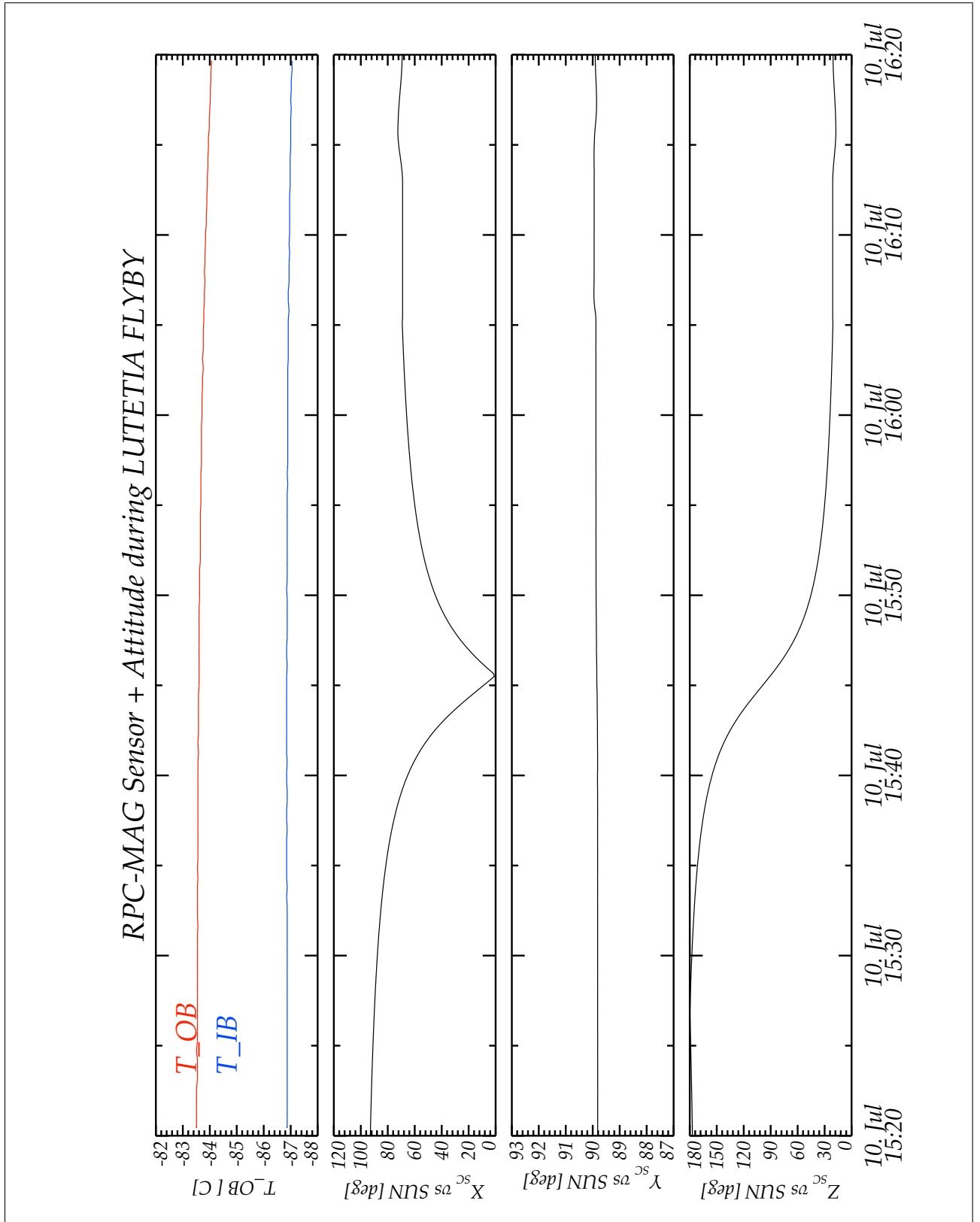


Figure 74: Measured Sensor Temperatures and attitudes during the very LUTETIA FlyBy

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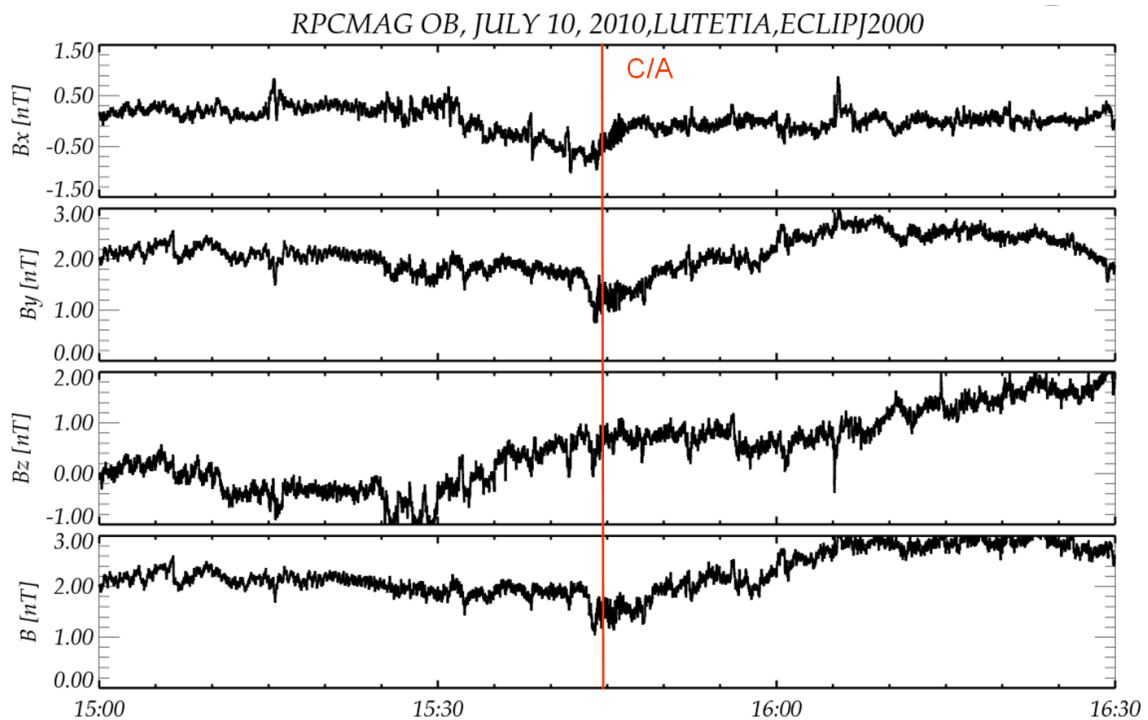


Figure 75: RPCMAG-OB data around C/A in ECLIPJ2000 coordinates.

Figure 75 shows the data of the RPCMAG-OB sensor in an interval of ± 45 minutes around closest approach. Just before C/A the magnetic field - especially in the y -component - decreases by about 1 nT. As a second feature the spectral activity just after C/A is increased.

To assess these features also the IB data have been inspected and overlaid (green data) on the OB data (black data) in Figure 76. It shows up that the overall timelines are nearly identical which is an indicator for the quality of the measurement. However, the decrease of the y -component just before C/A is smaller on the IB sensor. This means that the origin of this effect is located somewhere on the s/c and not in the solar wind.

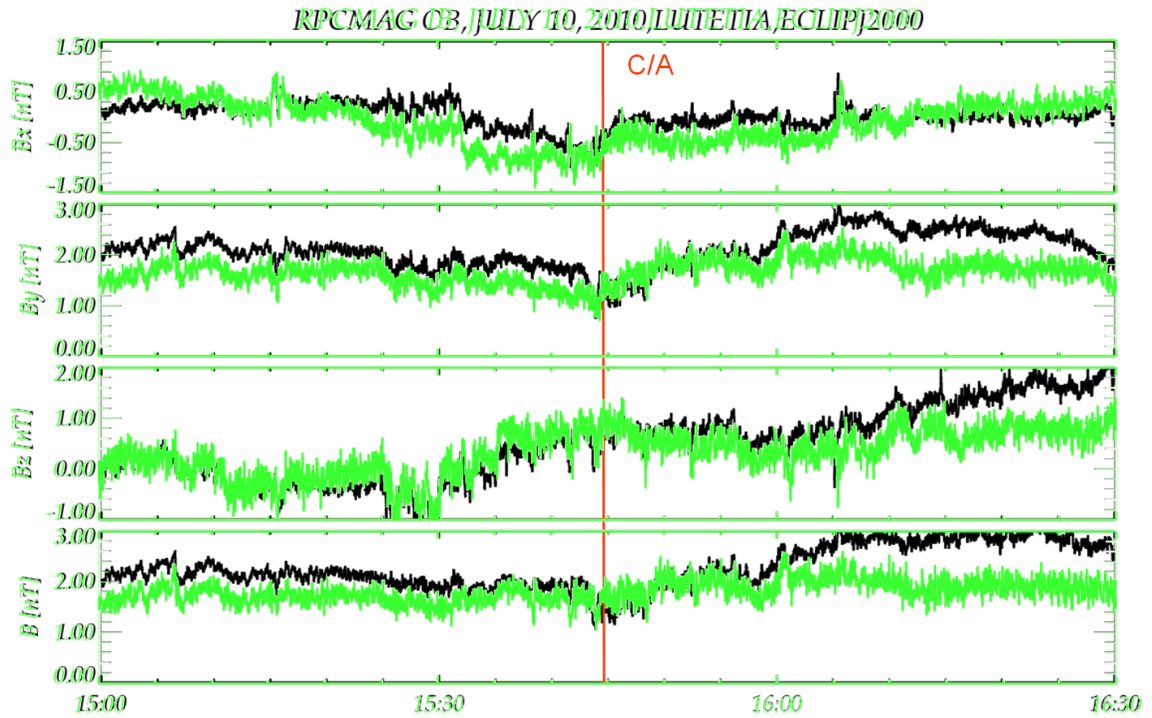


Figure 76: RPCMAG-OB and RPCMAG-IB data as overlay around C/A in ECLIPJ2000 coordinates.

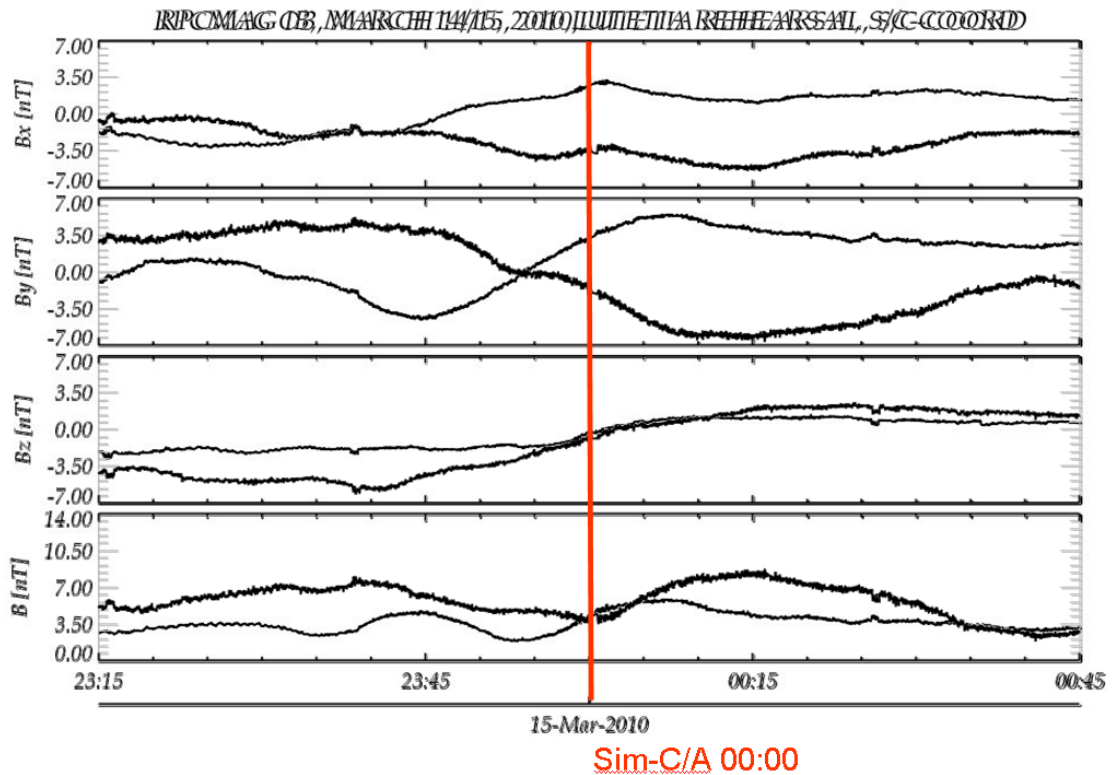


Figure 77: RPCMAG-OB and RPCMAG-IB data measured at the LUTETIA-FLYBY-REHEARSAL in March 2010. Simulated C/A is at 00:00

To get more information about real asteroidal signals and disturbances the data of the LUTETIA flyby rehearsal from March, 14 & 15 2010 are taken into account. Figure 77 show an overlay of RPCMAG-OB and RPCMAG-IB data. It can clearly be seen, that both timelines show different long term behavior, which is probably caused by huge activity of various instruments generating magnetic disturbance. Due to this, and due to the fact that the activities during the rehearsal were quite different to the ones of the real flyby, the rehearsal data do not gain any new information.

However, the turbulence seen in this data (x -component) just before and after C/A helps to understand the increased turbulence of the real flyby data just after C/A. All the noise seen in both scenarios caused by the spacecraft and has nothing to do with LUTETIA.

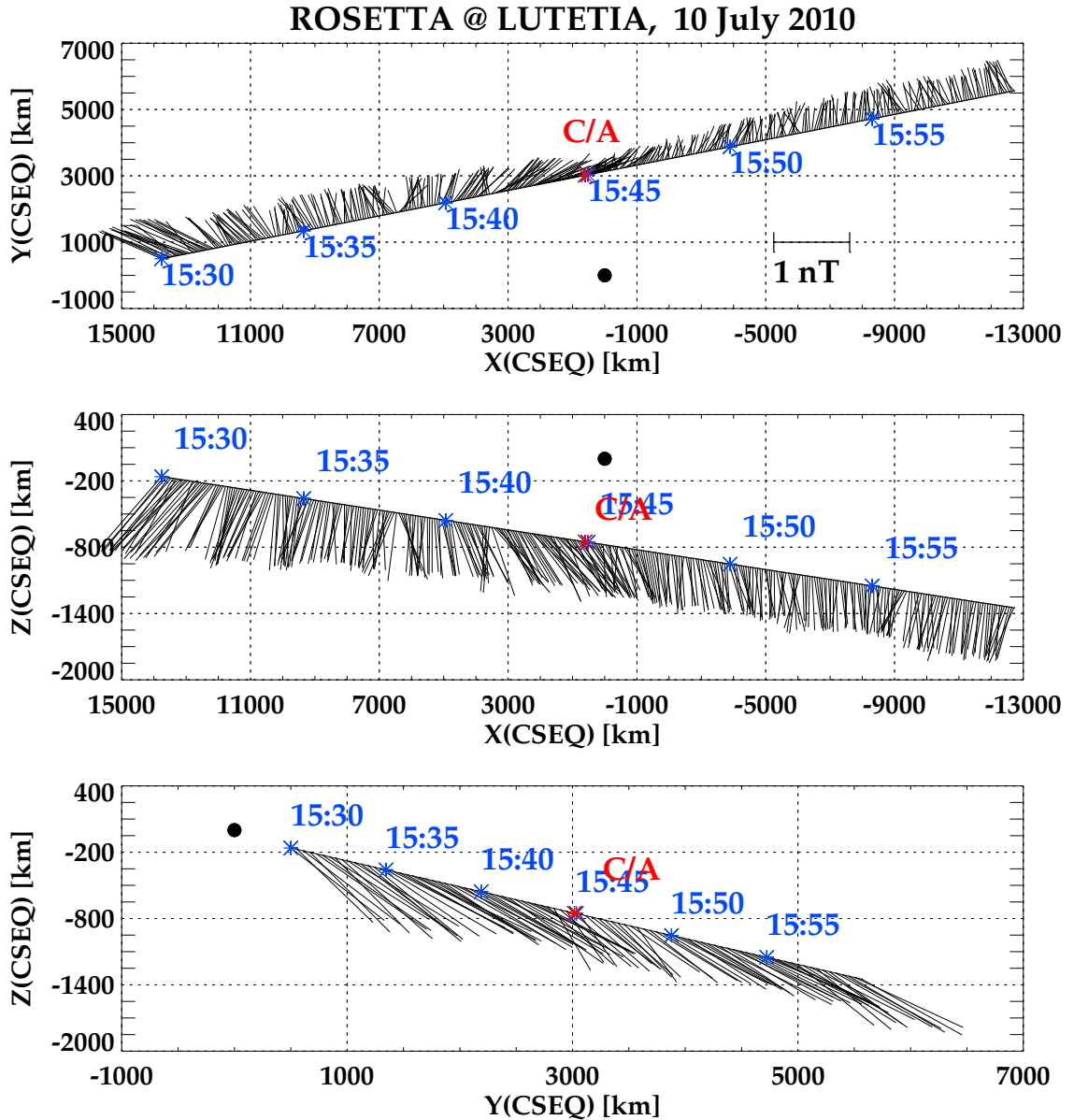


Figure 78: Magnetic Field direction along the trajectory.

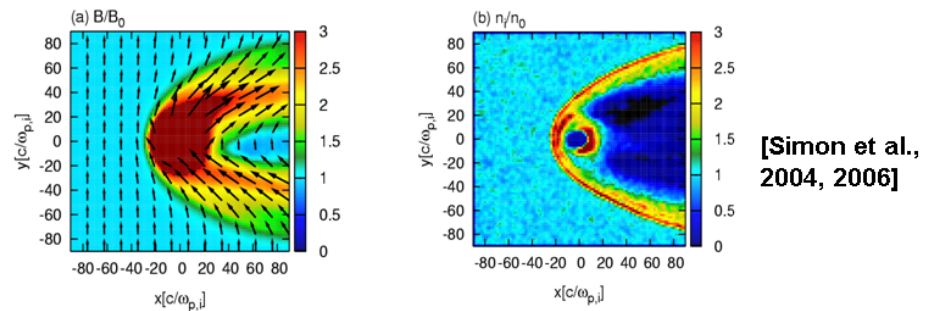
Another feature seen in the OB data of Figure 75 is the slow variation of the components which could be a draping of the magnetic field around the asteroid. To study this in detail Figure 78 has been created, showing the magnetic field directions during the flyby. In the xy -plane for example the field points mainly in $-y$ -direction before and after C/A with a small contribution of a $+x$ -component. For a real draping one would expect an increased $+x$ -component just at C/A. But the opposite is the case: the x -component get negative. As a result it can be stated that no draping happens at the comet. The change of the magnetic field direction is again caused by s/c effects.

Although no magnetic signature of LUTETIA greater than 1 nT can be seen in the data, we will try to estimate some upper limits for the magnetic properties of LUTETIA.

Let's assume that we could see the formation of a magnetosphere. For a stand off distance in the order of ≈ 1000 km - like the closest flyby distance- a magnetic dipole moment of $\approx 10^{18}$ Am² would be required. This has been calculated by simulation of Simon et al. 2004 ,2006. As we did not measure any magnetospheric structure, the dipole moment of LUTETIA must definitely be less than this value.

1) Magnetospheric Interaction

Simulation: The perturbation of IMF can be interpreted as a permanent intrinsic asteroidal magnetic field and simulated by a weak dipole. Simulation studies reveal the built-up of a mini-magnetosphere with a day-side boundary and a night-side tail.



Stand off distance $\sim 10^3$ km
(kinetic solar wind pressure =
magnetic dipol pressure)

$$M \sim 10^{18} \text{ Am}^2$$

Figure 79: Theoretical aspects for the formation of an asteroidal magnetosphere.

As a second scenario at least the occurrence of upstream waves might be possible. Following the assessment of Baumgaertel et al. 1997 a wave activity in the distance of ≈ 1000 km requires a magnetic dipole moment of at least 10^{12} Am². Again, as no wave activity could be recognized, the moment of LUTETIA must be less.

2) Upstream Waves & Wake

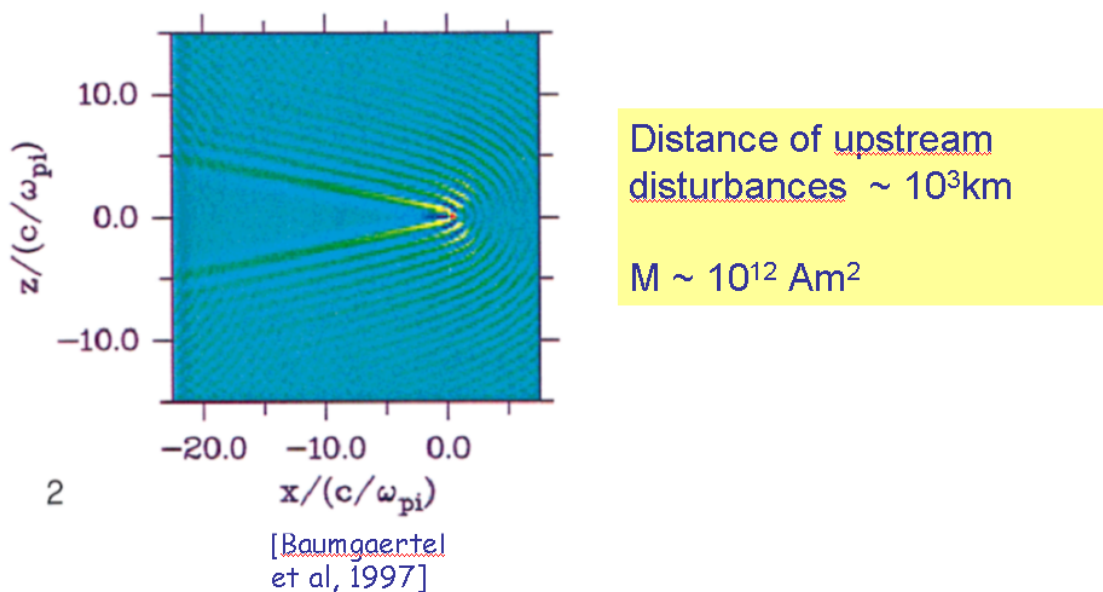


Figure 80: Theoretical aspects for the formation of upstream waves.

As a summary a maximum magnetic dipole moment of LUTETIA in the order of $1 \cdot 10^{12}$ Am² can be calculated as an upper limit from these theoretical considerations. Related to the volume this leads to an upper limit of the magnetization of 0.0022 A/m. Related to the mass, a maximum specific moment of $3.9 \cdot 10^{-7}$ Am²/kg can be calculated.

The following table show the result for the LUTETIA flyby in a wider frame by comparing its properties with various asteroids which have been visited by space missions and investigated using magnetic field measurements. As a main feature the table splits up in two parts: one group (GASPRA & BRAILLE) seems to be magnetic, characterized by a max. magnetization of about 100 A/m. The second group (LUTETIA, EROS, STEINS) seems to be unmmagnetic.






	LUTETIA	Eros	Gaspra	STEINS	Braille
					
	← 130 km →	← 30 km →	← 25 km →	← 6 km →	← 3 km →
Dimension [km]	132 x 101 x 76	33 x 13 x 13	18.2 x 10.4 x 9.4	6.7 x 5.8 x 4.5	2,2 x 1 x 1
Equivalent Radius [km]	48	9	8.0	3	0.78
Volume [km ³]	460357	2500	2145	113	2
Density [kg/m ³]	5500	2650	3900	3200	3900
Material	Carbon, Chond.,Metal	Chondrites	Metal,Olivine,Pyrox.	Enstatite	Pyroxene,Olivine
Spectral Class	C/M-Type	S-Type	S-Type	E-Type	Q-Type
Mass [kg]	2.53E+18	6.63E+15	8.36E+15	3.62E+14	7.75E+12
Shape	Lump	Banana	Potato	Diamond	Peanut
Perihelidistance [AU]	2.03	1.13	1.82	2.02	1.33
Aphelidistance [AU]	2.83	1.78	2.59	2.71	3.36
Orbital Period [year]	3.80	1.76	3.29	3.63	3.58
Rotational Period [d]	0.34	0.22	0.29	0.25	9.4
Encounter	ROSETTA 10.7.2010	NEAR: 12.2.2001	Galileo: 29.10.1991	ROSETTA: 5.9.2008	DS1: 29.07.1999
Encounter Distance R [km]	3120	Landing	1600	800	28
Magnetic Field [nT] @ R	1	5	Draping	1	2
Max. Dipole Moment [Am ²]	1.0E+12	1.3E+10	2.0E+14	1.0E+12	2.2E+11
Max. Magnetization [A/m]	0.0022	0.005	93	9	110
Spec. Moment [A m ² /kg]	3.9E-07	1.9E-06	0.024	0.003	0.028

Figure 81: Properties of various asteroids visited by space mission

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10 Conclusions

- RPCMAG itself worked as expected.
- Reaction Wheel influence and the disturbance of of the LAP instrument can be seen whilst RPCMAG is operating in Burst mode.
- The comparison between IB and OB data showed that the measurements are very sensitive to specific temperature changes at the single sensors
- The flyby data are disturbed most of the time. Disturbances occur in various time scales. The origin of all the disturbance can not clearly be identified. However, COSAC and PTOLEMY generate signatures in the order of 2 nT which can clearly be seen.
- Rotation of the solar array and movement cannot be seen in the magnetic field data.
- Last but not least: The magnetic impact of LUTETIA is less than 1 nT at the flyby distance of 3120 km. This leads to a maximum magnetic dipole moment of LUTETIA in the order of $1 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ Am}^2$. Related to the volume this leads to a maximum magnetization of 0.0022 A/m. Related to the mass, a maximum specific moment of $3.9 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ Am}^2/\text{kg}$ results.