

RECORDS OF RADIO AURORA AT SYOWA STATION,

ANTARCTICA IN 1991

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1. Introduction

This report presents a summary of data obtained during the period of 1991 with the auroral radar at Syowa Station, Antarctica.

Three kinds of data are available; a) chart records of the time variation of echo intensity, b) digital MT, c) 35 mm film records of radio auroral echo intensity (A-scope) and range-time intensity (A'-scope).

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2. Location

Syowa Station			
Geographic		Geomagnetic	
Latitude	Longitude	Latitude	Longitude
69° 00' S	39° 35' E	70.0° S	80.2° E

3. Observer

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#### 4. Equipments

The main parameters of the auroral radar at Syowa Station are shown in Table 1. The three antenna beams with the half power width of about 4 degrees are directed toward the geomagnetic south,  $32.8^\circ$  west from the geomagnetic south, and  $47.0^\circ$  east from the geomagnetic south, respectively. In 1991 two antennas directed to the geomagnetic south and  $32.8^\circ$  west from the geomagnetic south were used. These two antennas are switched alternately. The details of the data processing and radar system are described in the reference.

Table 1. Parameters of the auroral radar at Syowa Station

Site	Syowa Station ( $69^\circ 00' S$ , $39^\circ 35' E$ )
Type	Coherent pulse radar
Frequency	50, 112 MHz
Peak power	15 kW
Pulse width	$100 \mu s$
PRF	50 Hz (333 Hz for spectrum observation)
Antenna	Three 14-element coaxial collinear (three-way)
Antenna gain	25 dB
Antenna beamwidth	$4^\circ$ (half power) in horizontal plane
Receiver bandwidth	10 kHz
Receiver noise figure	less than 4 dB
Display and recorder	A - scope display, A' - scope display, pen recorder and digital MT

#### 5. Explanation of Diagrams

The backscattered power intensities observed with the 50 MHz auroral radar were sampled every 1 second and stored by the digital data logger. Figure 1 shows radio auroral intensities obtained from the records with this data logger during the period of 1991. The blank shows a lack of observations caused by the recording troubles. Figure 2 shows a summary plot of range time intensity and half power width of doppler spectrum at the range of maximum echo power with the 50 MHz auroral radar.

#### 6. Remarks

Figure 1 does not show the data of January because of some analyzing troubles. The data of January will be shown on the next data report, that is "RECORDS OF RADIO AURORA AT SYOWA STATION, ANTARCTICA IN 1992".

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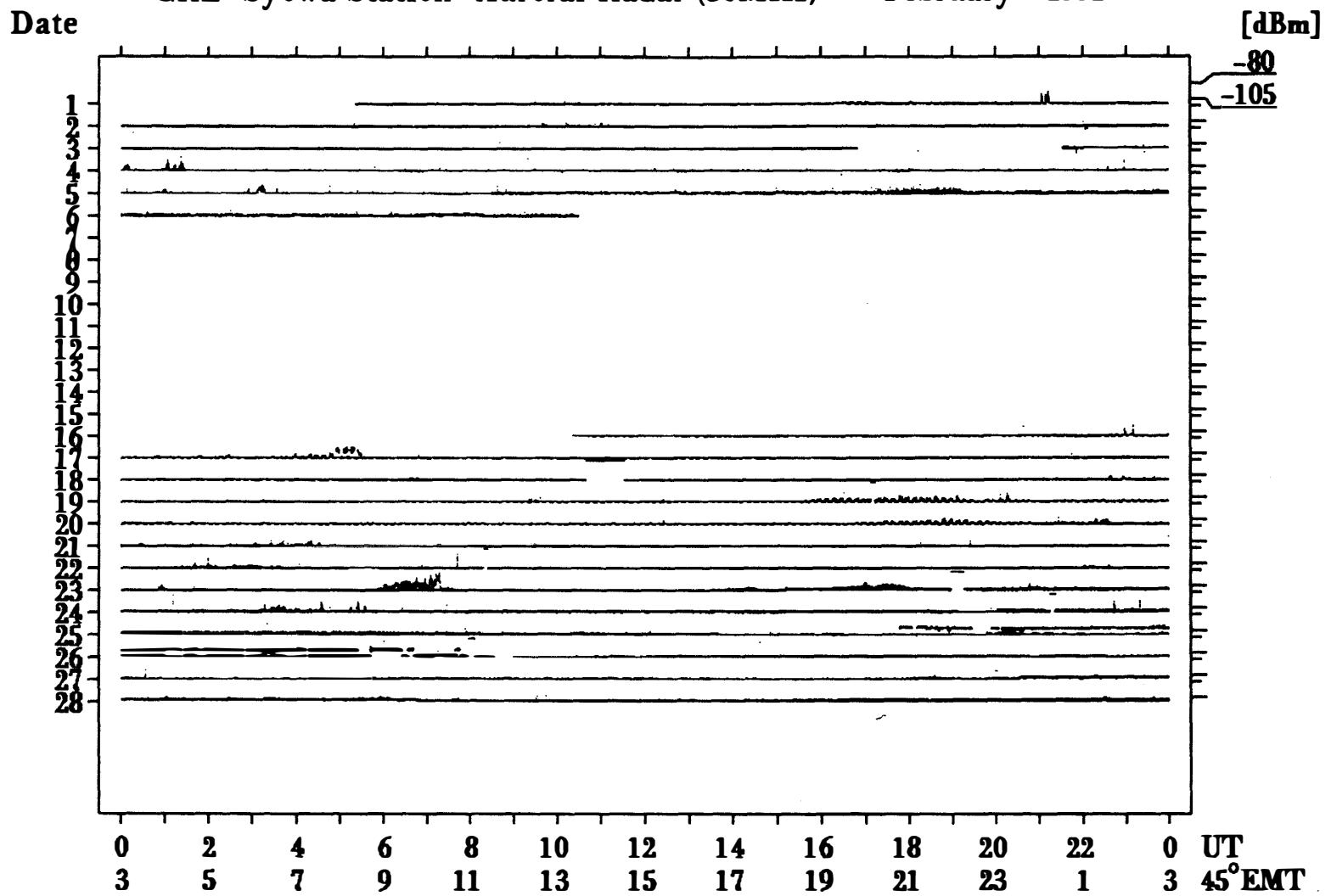
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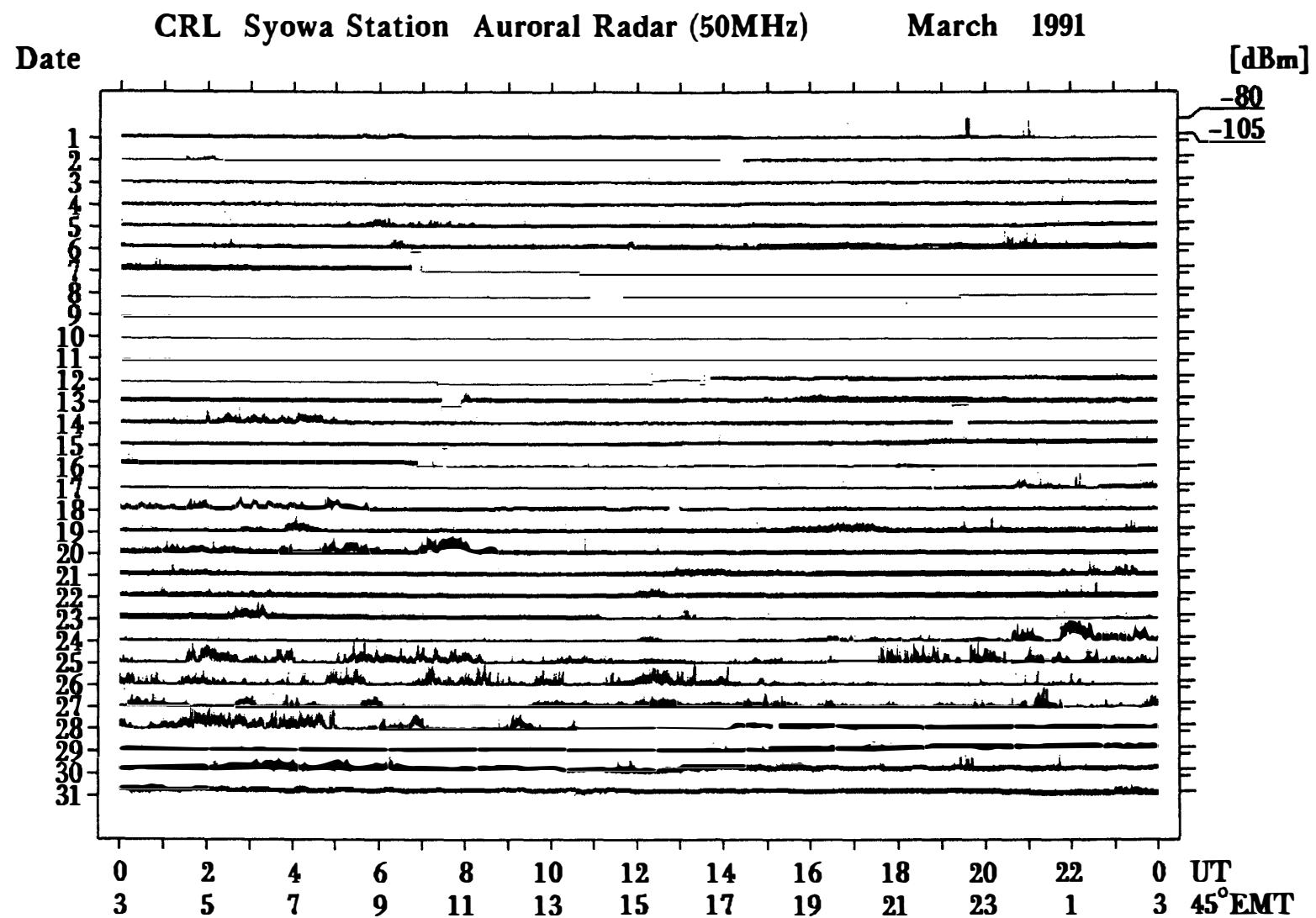
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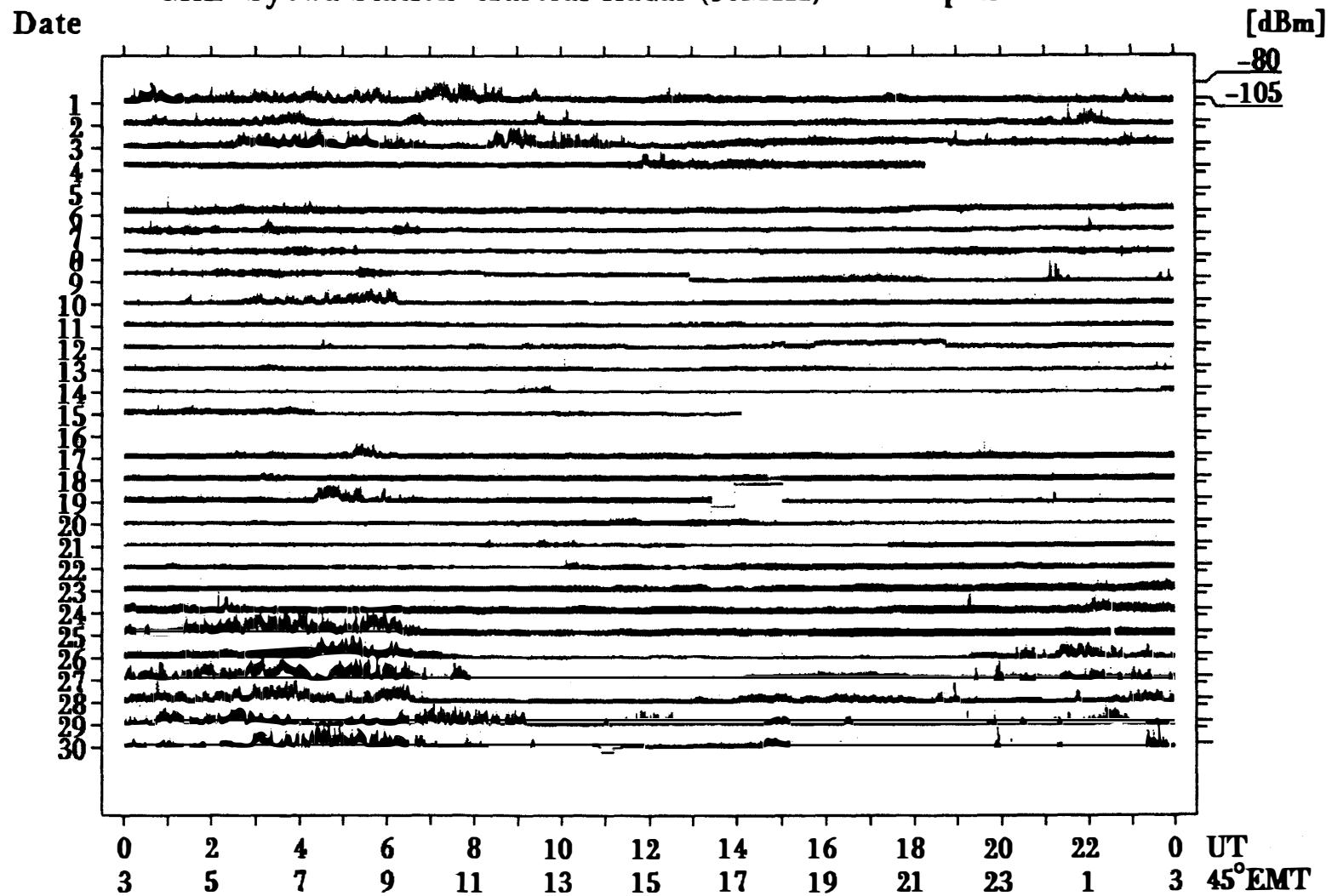
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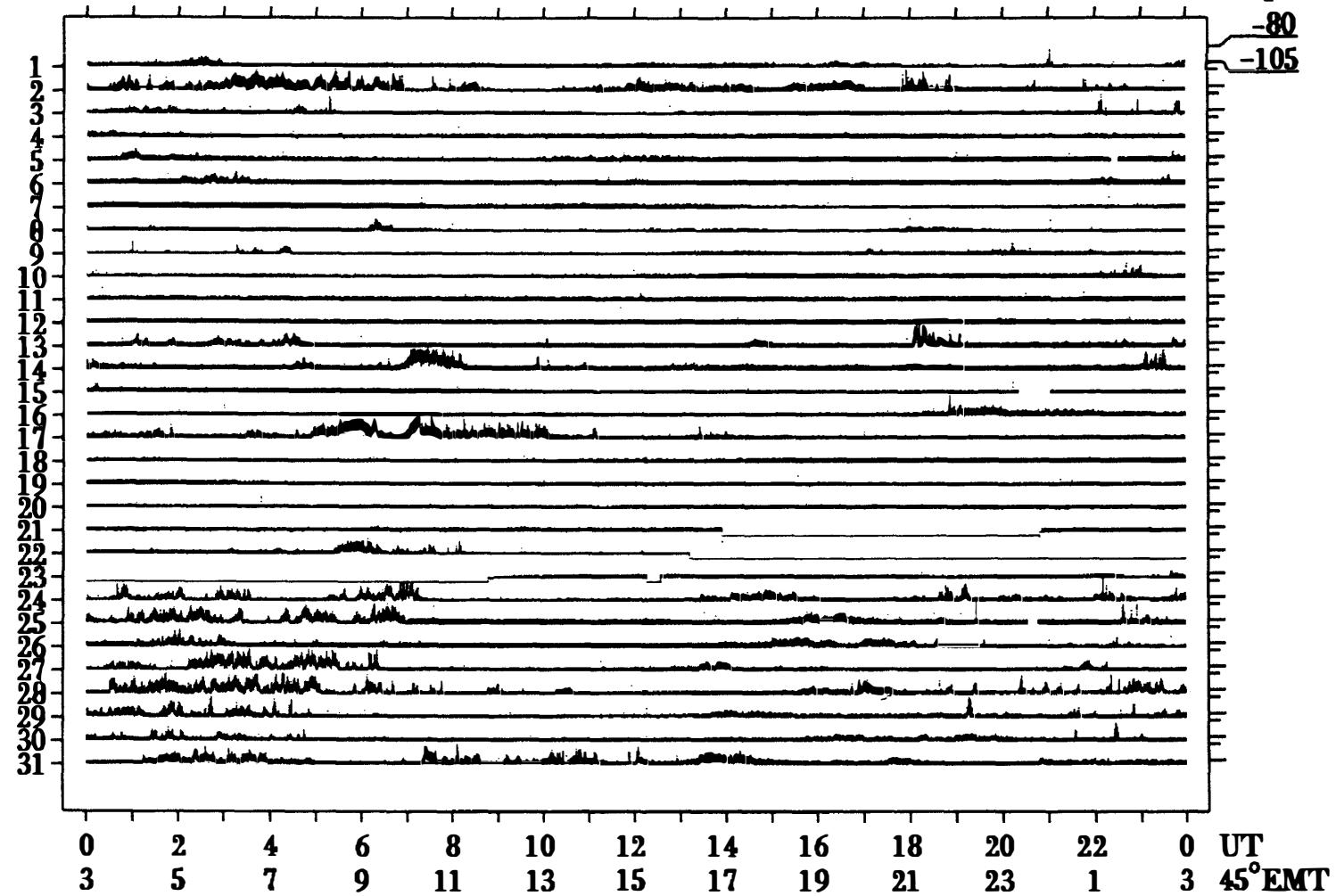
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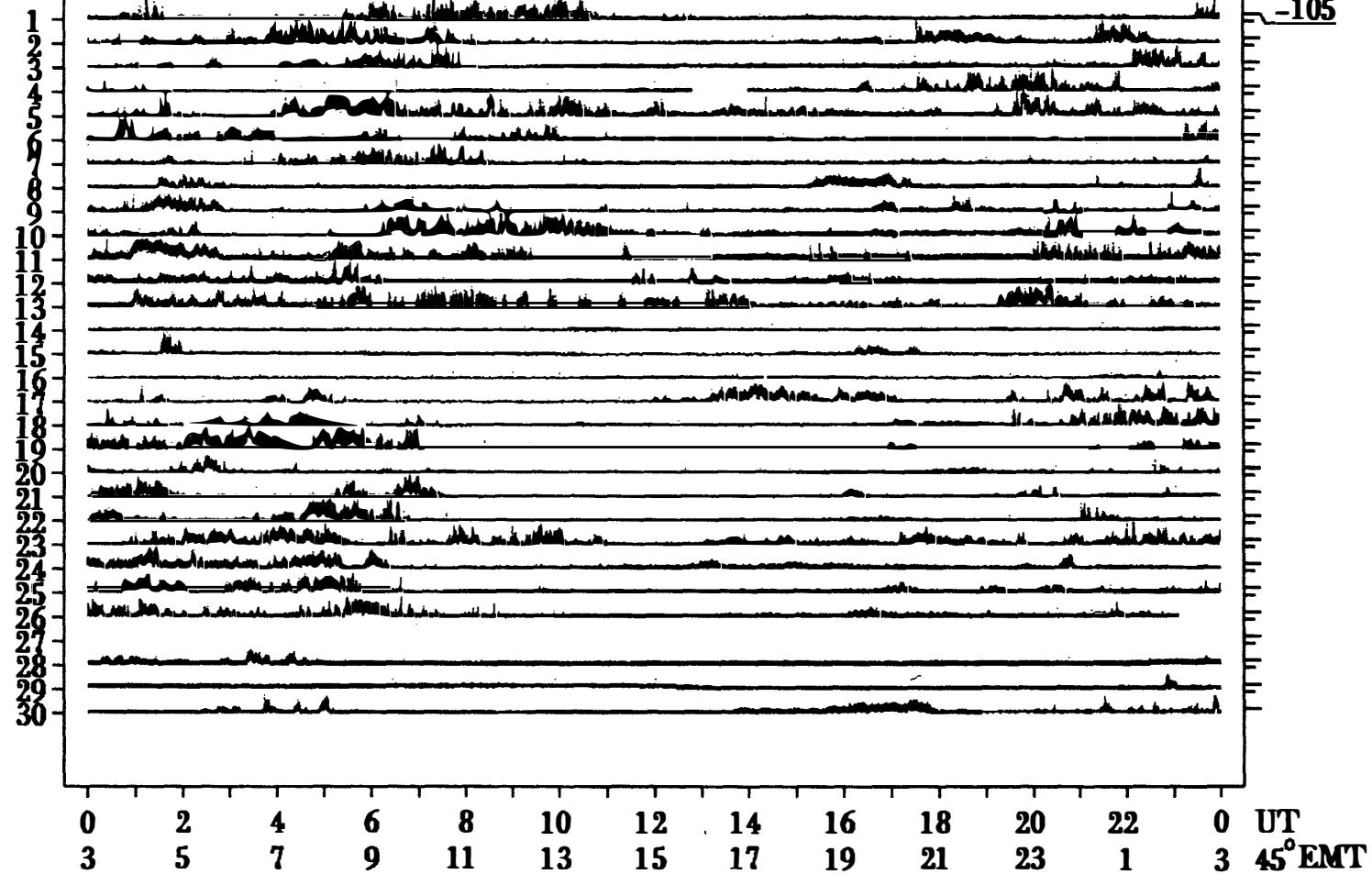
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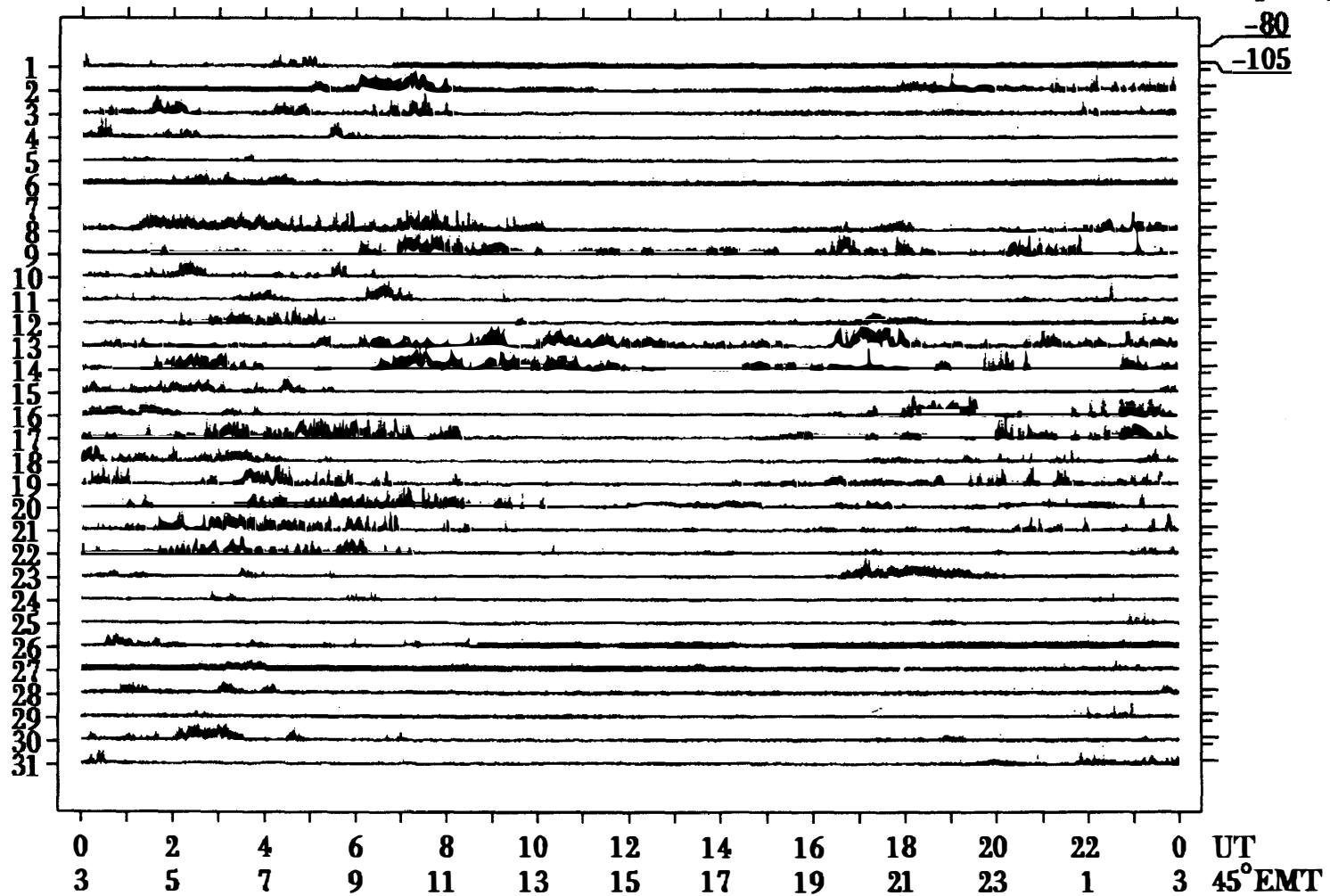
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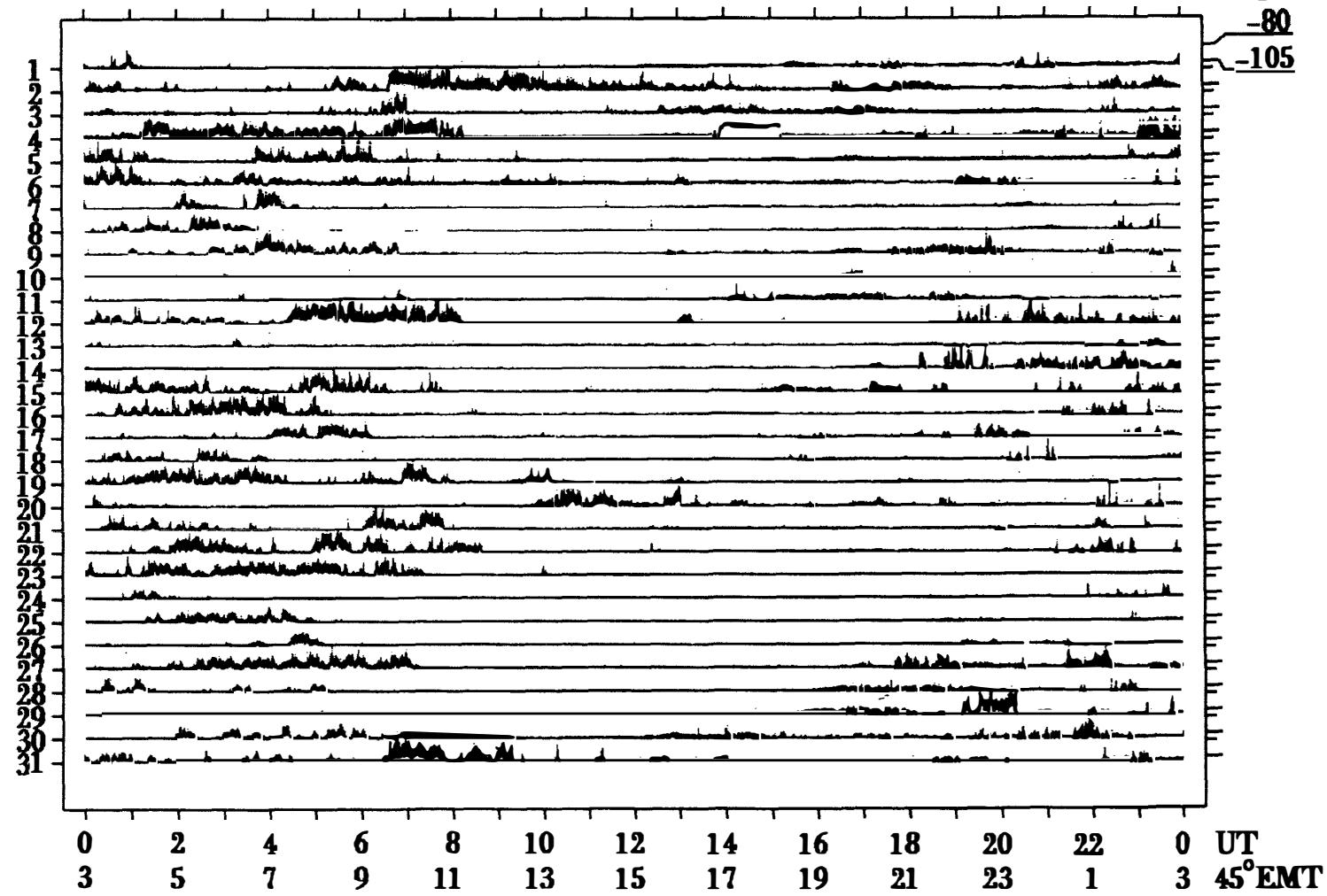


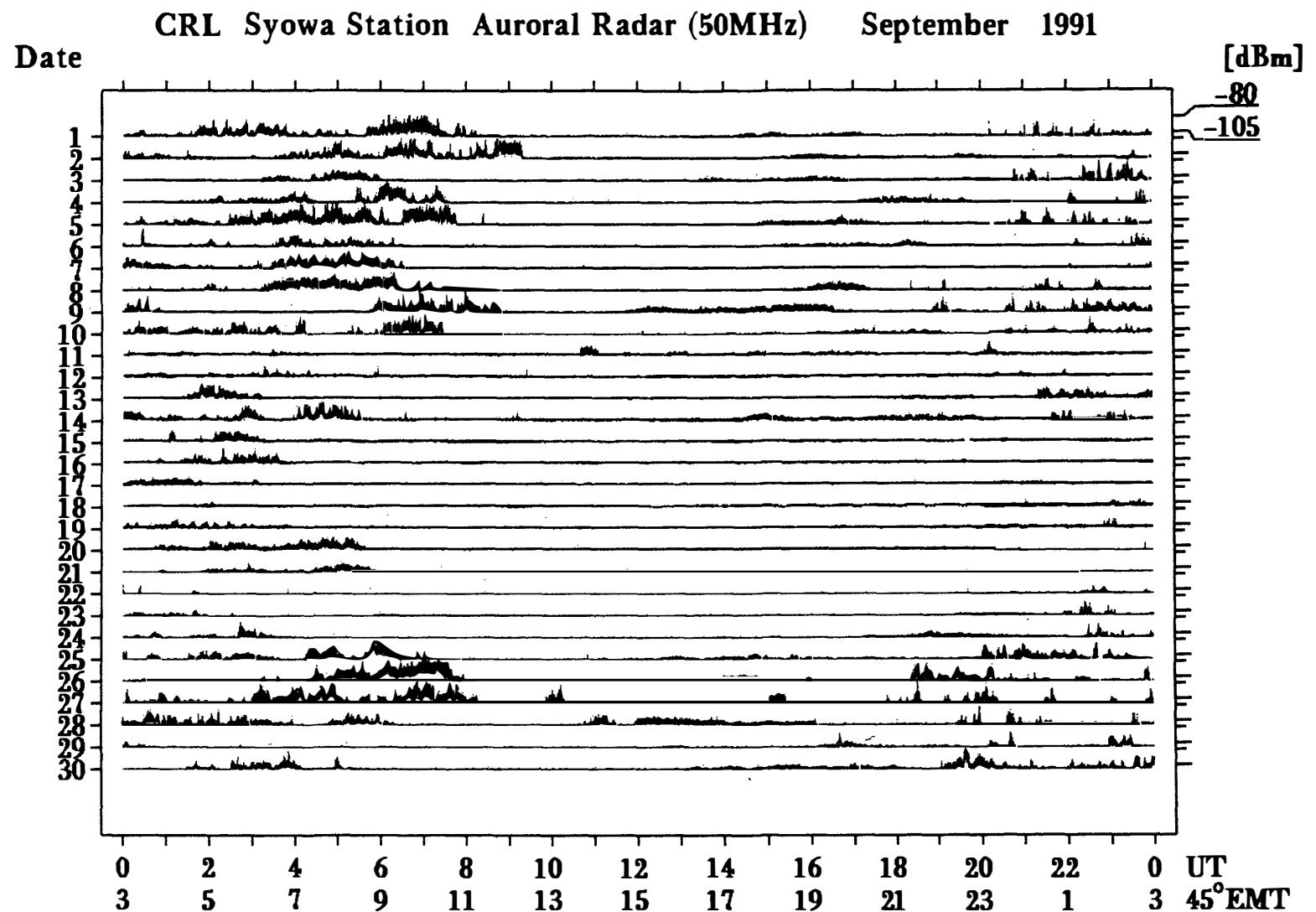
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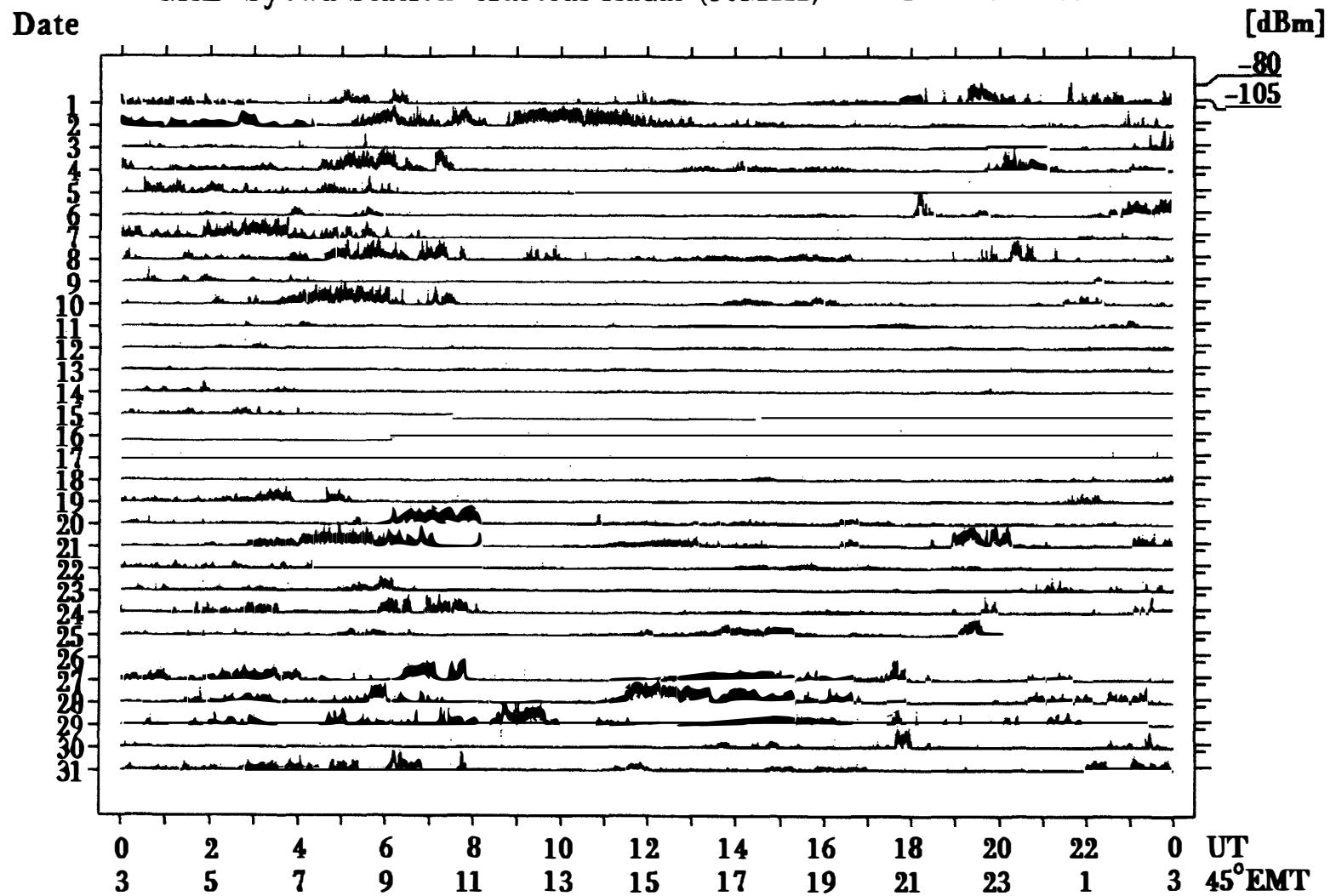
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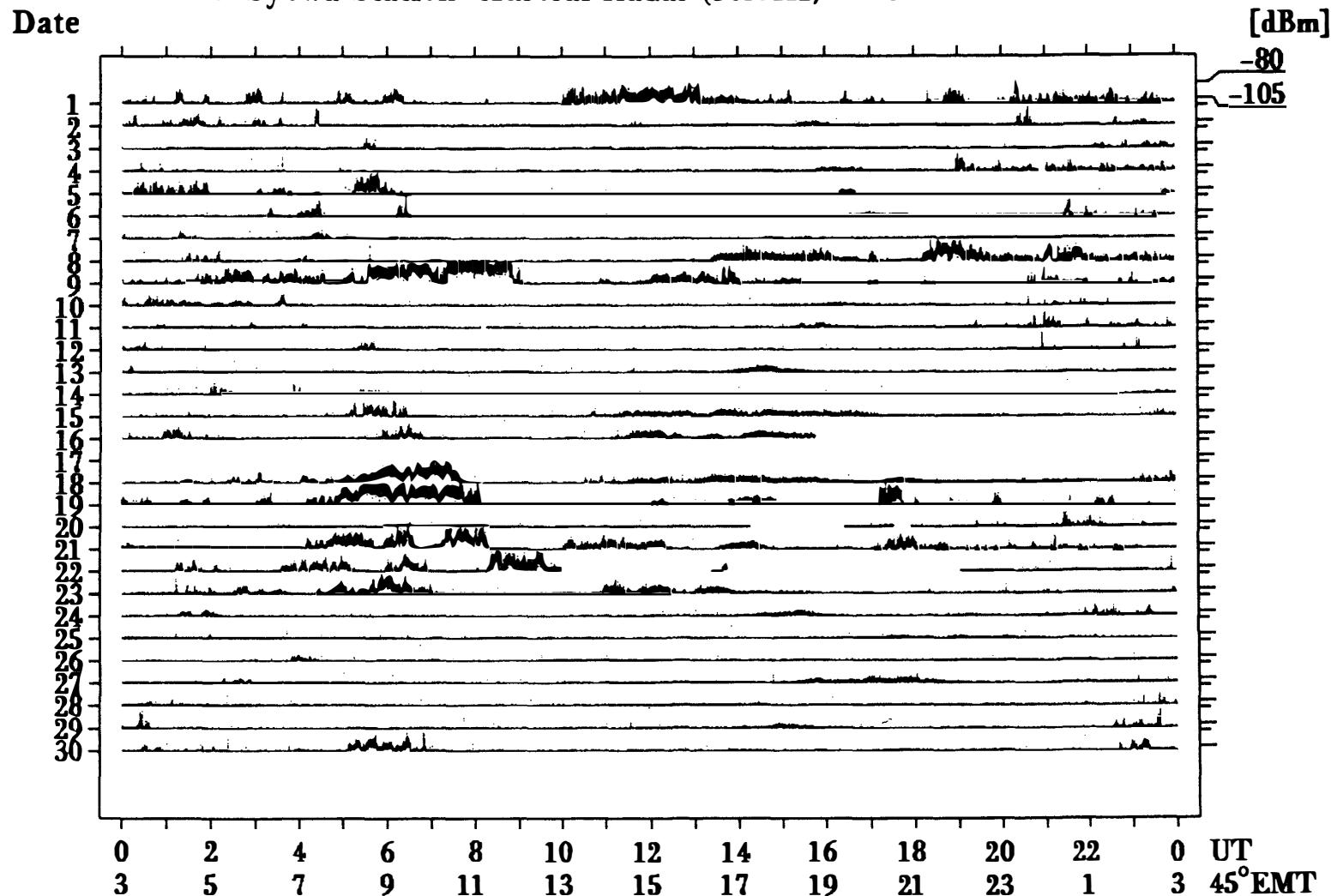


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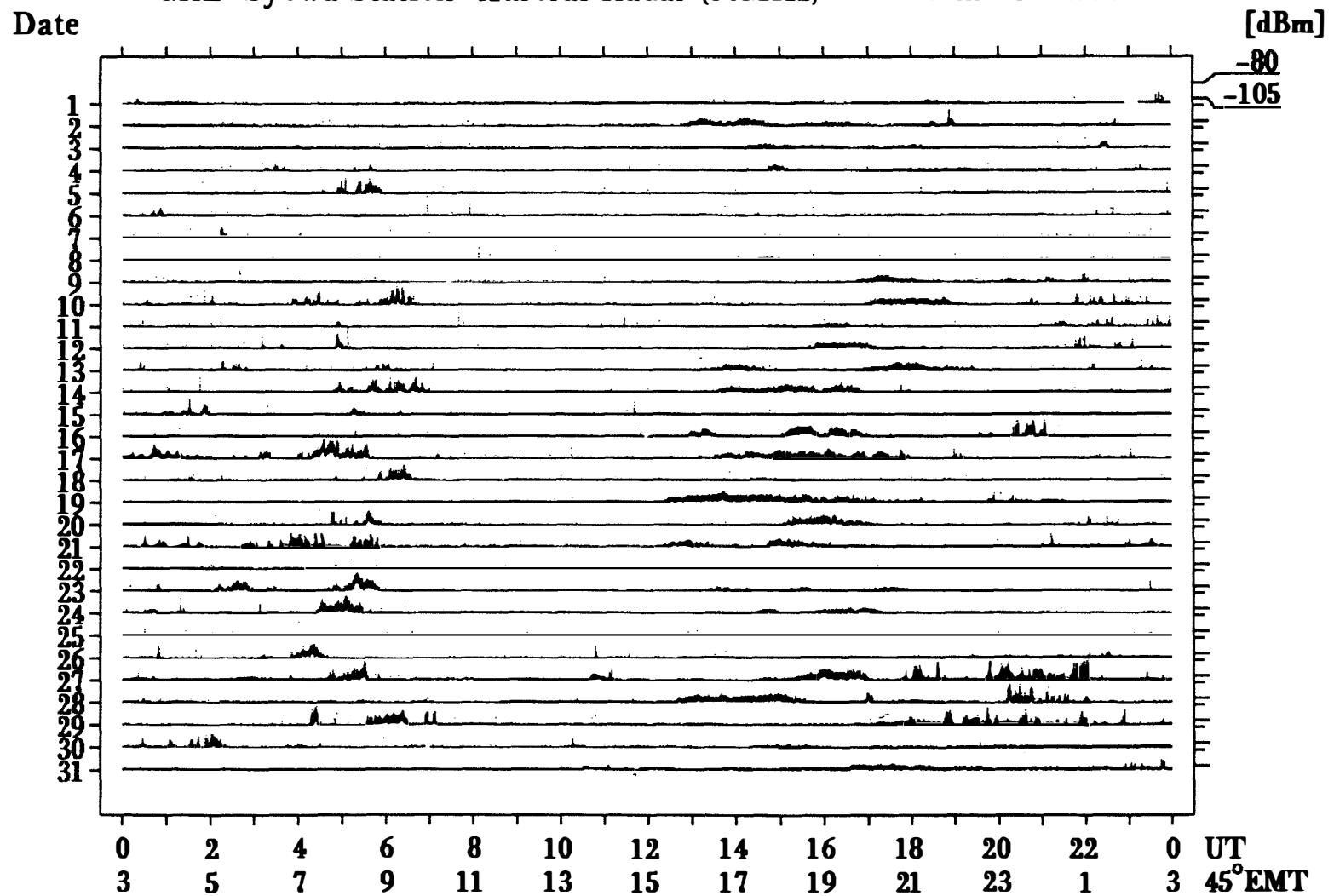
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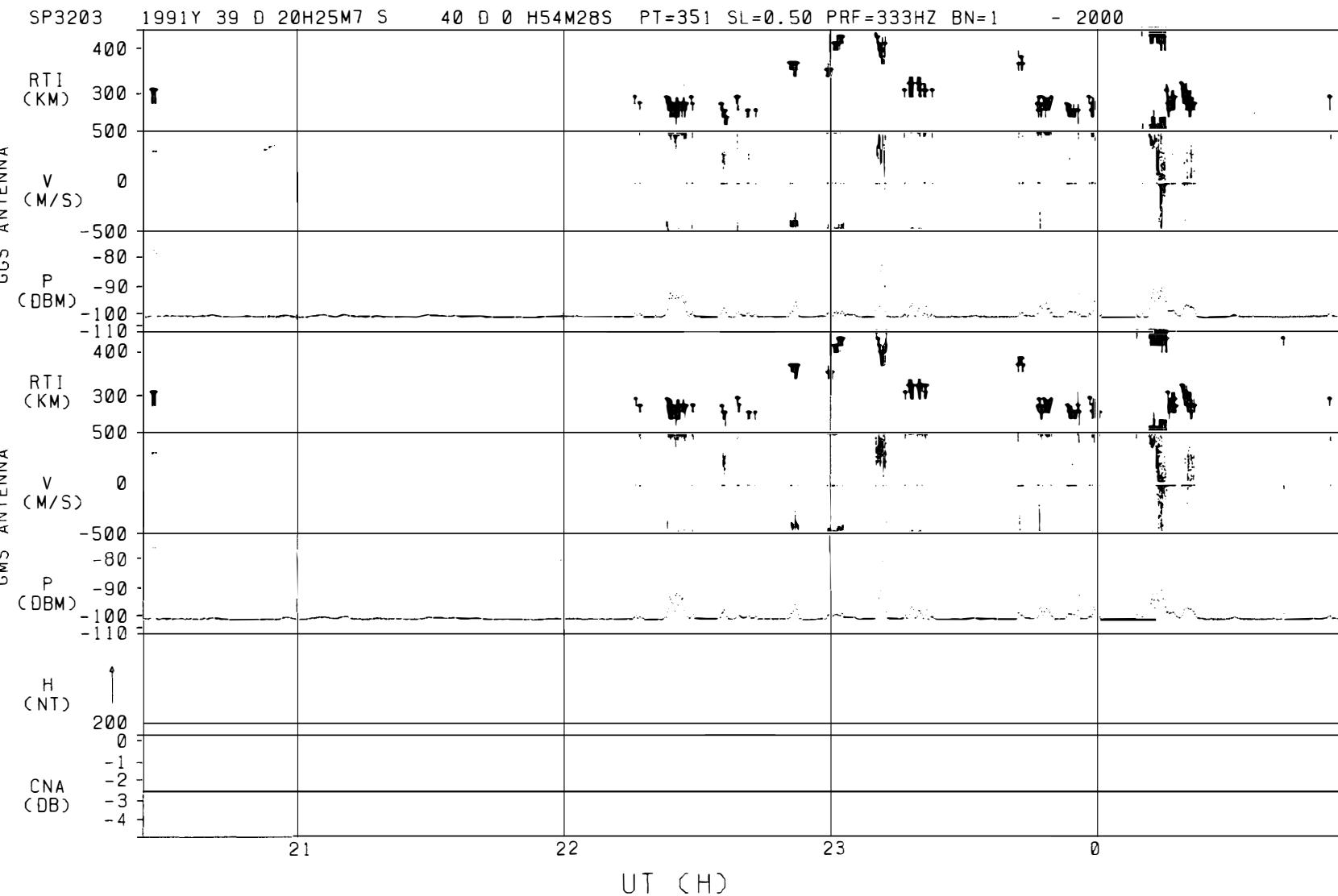
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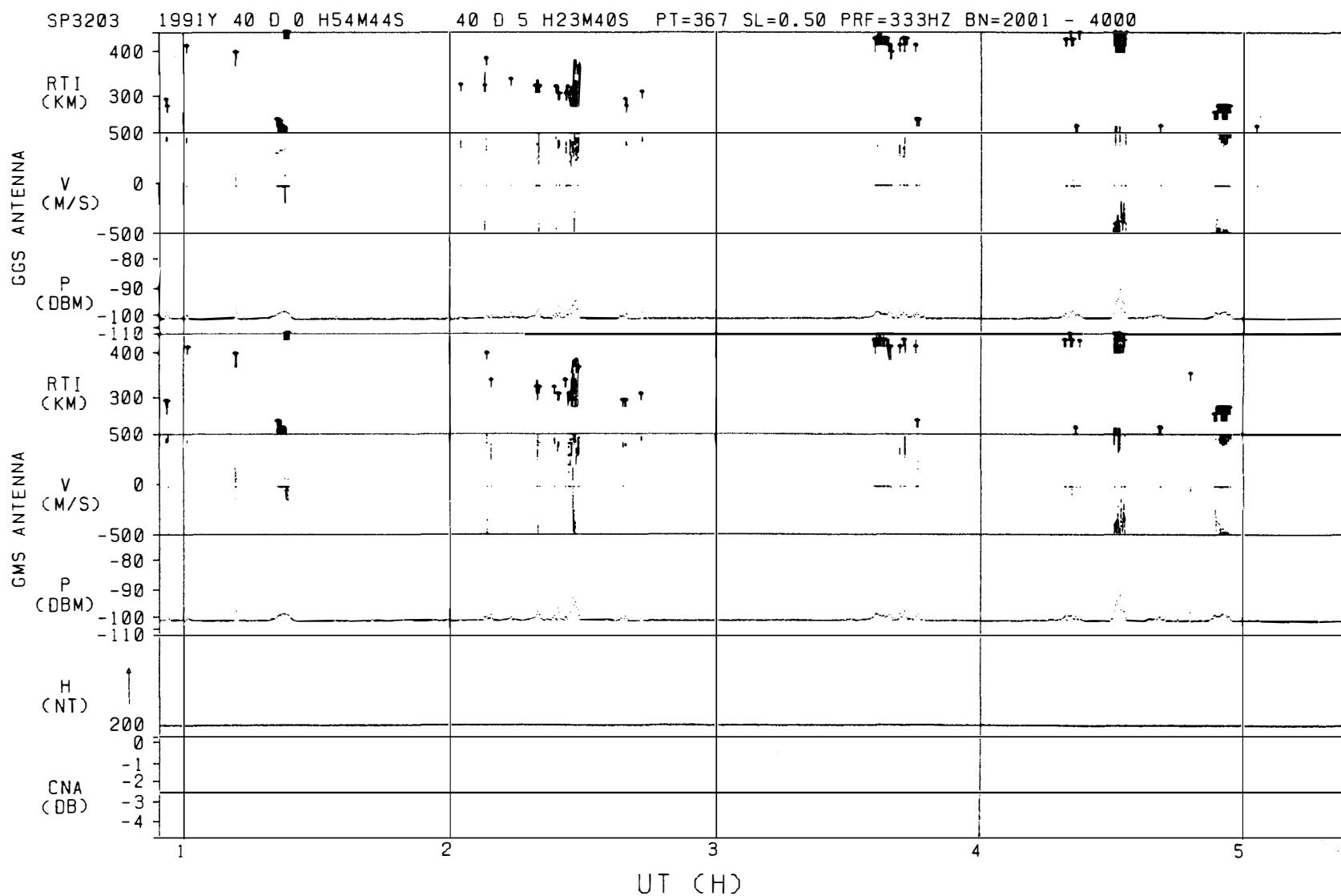
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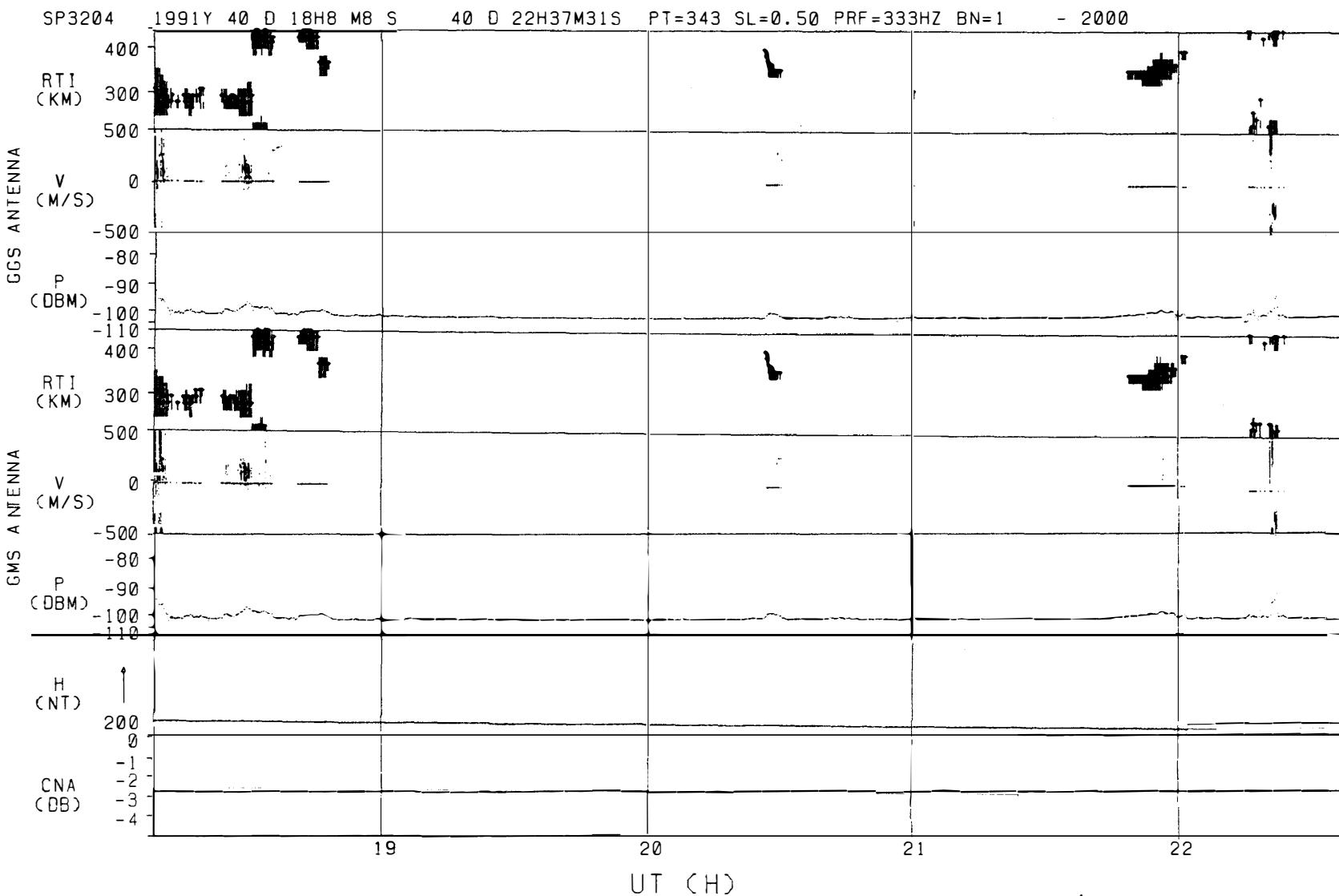


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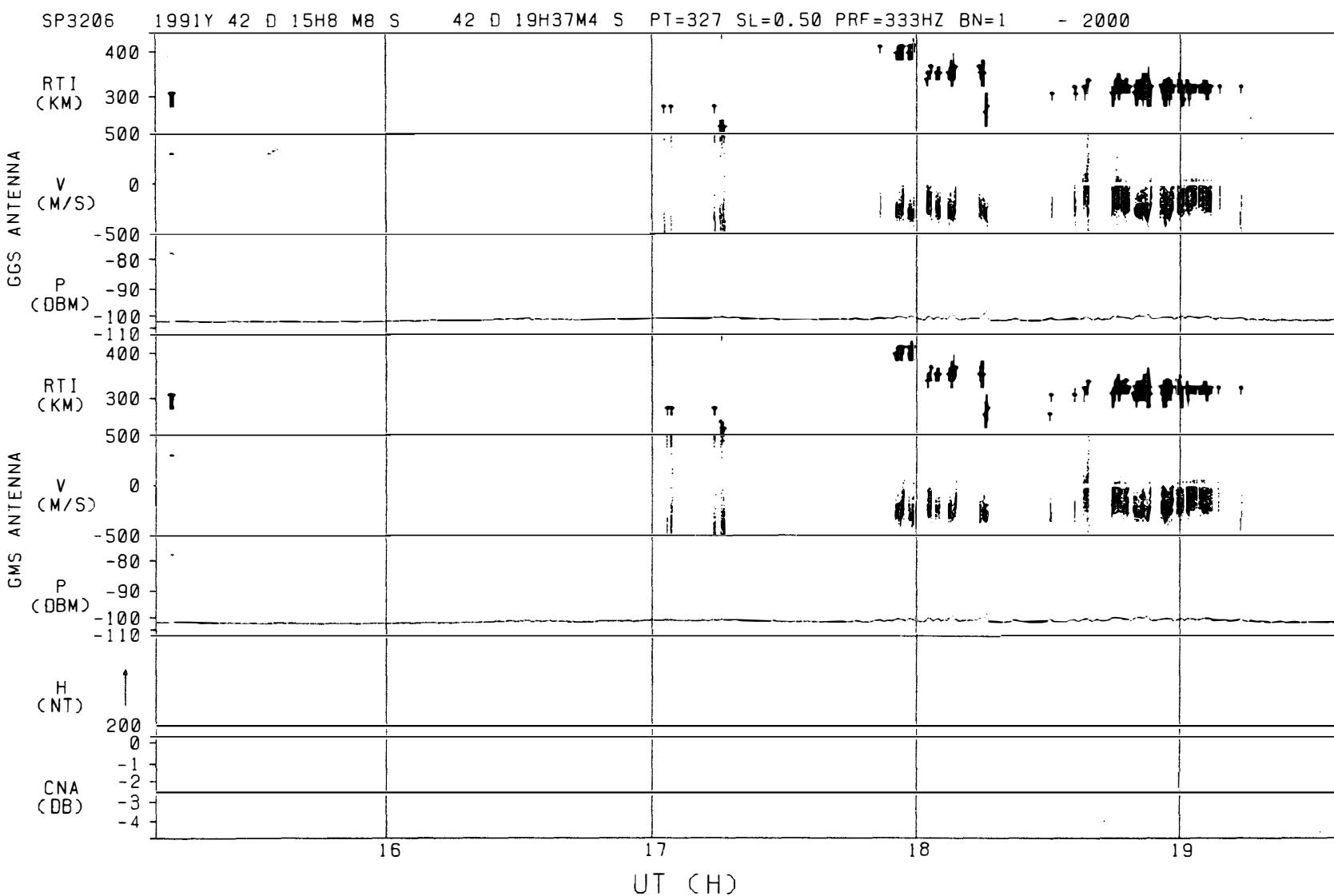


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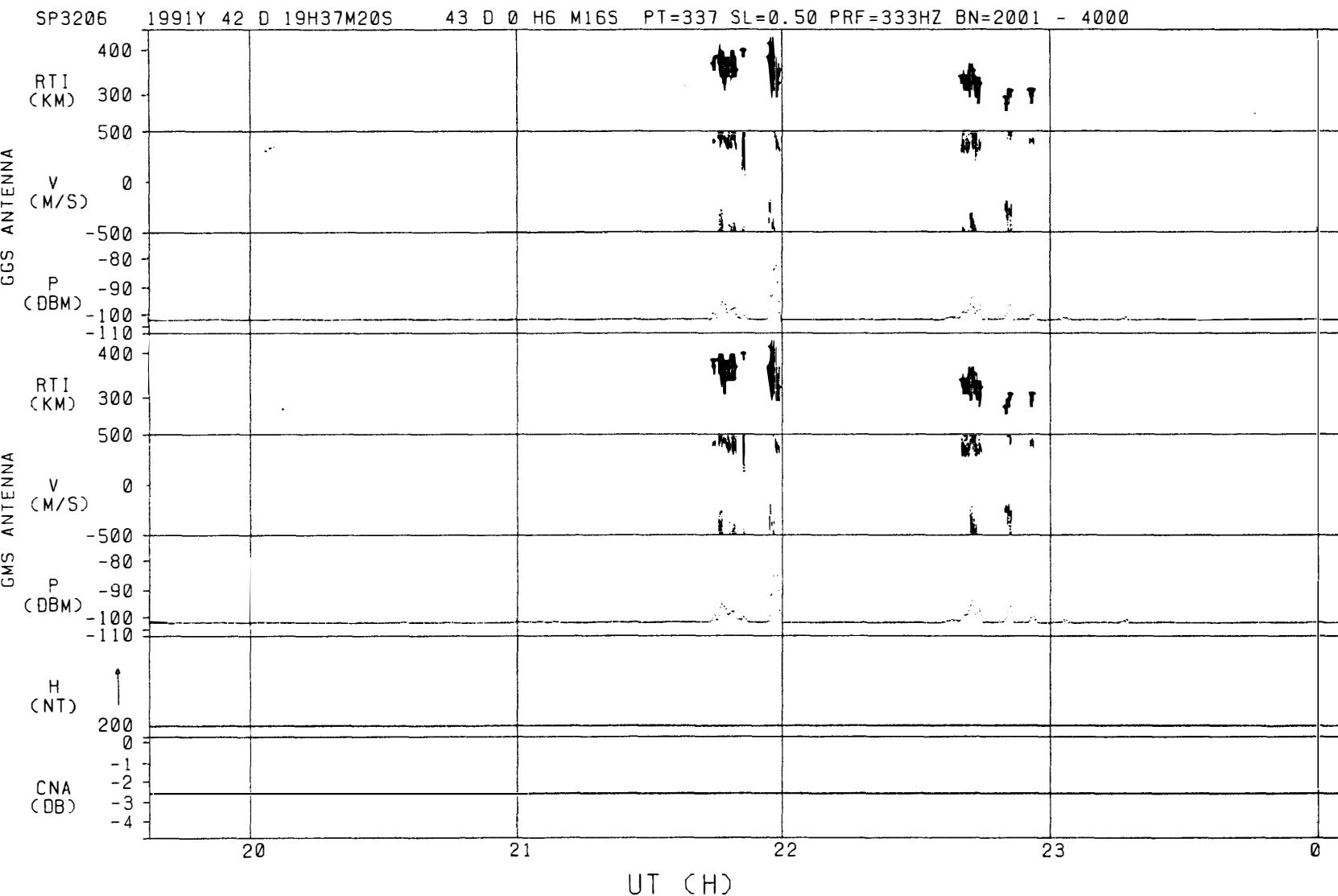
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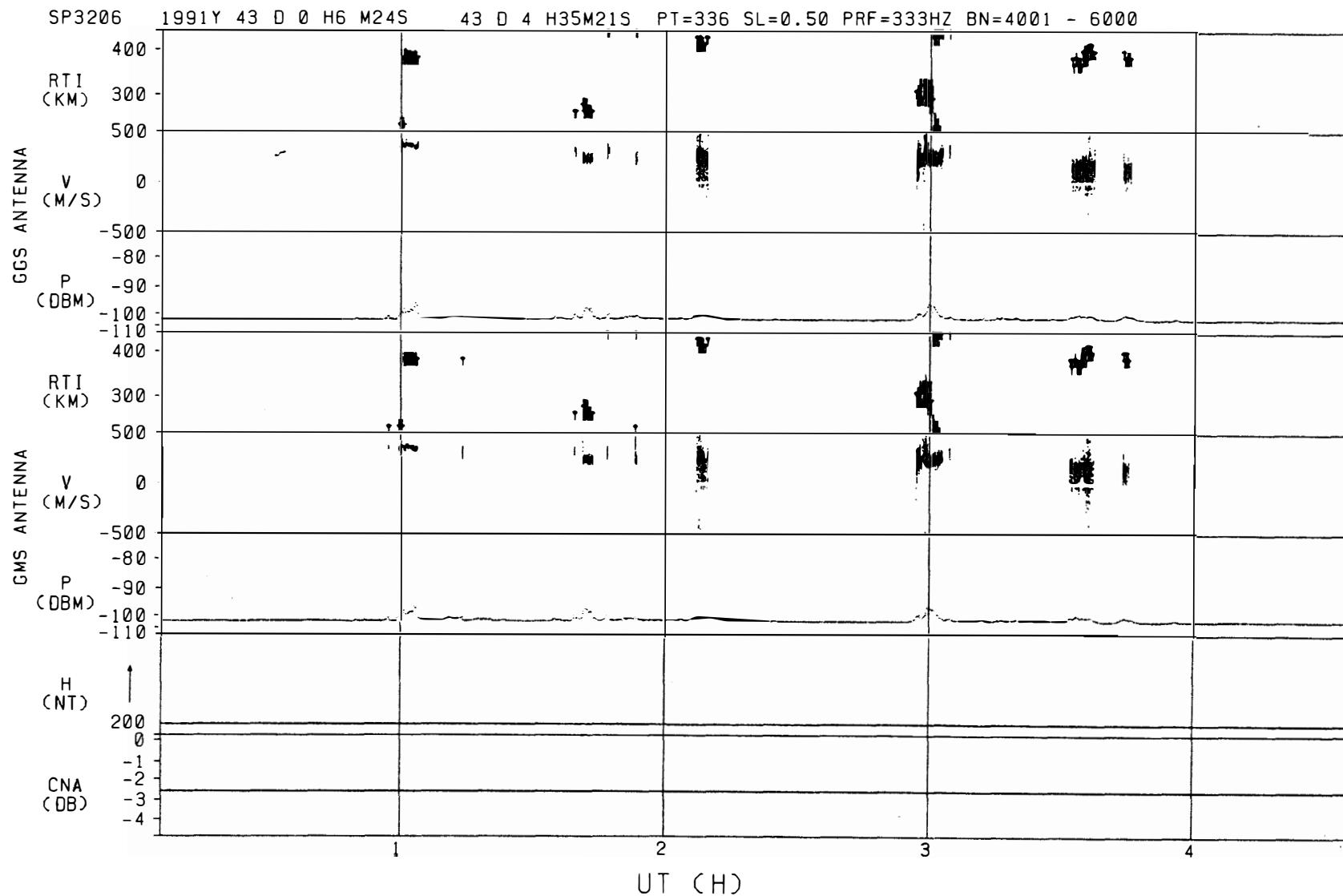
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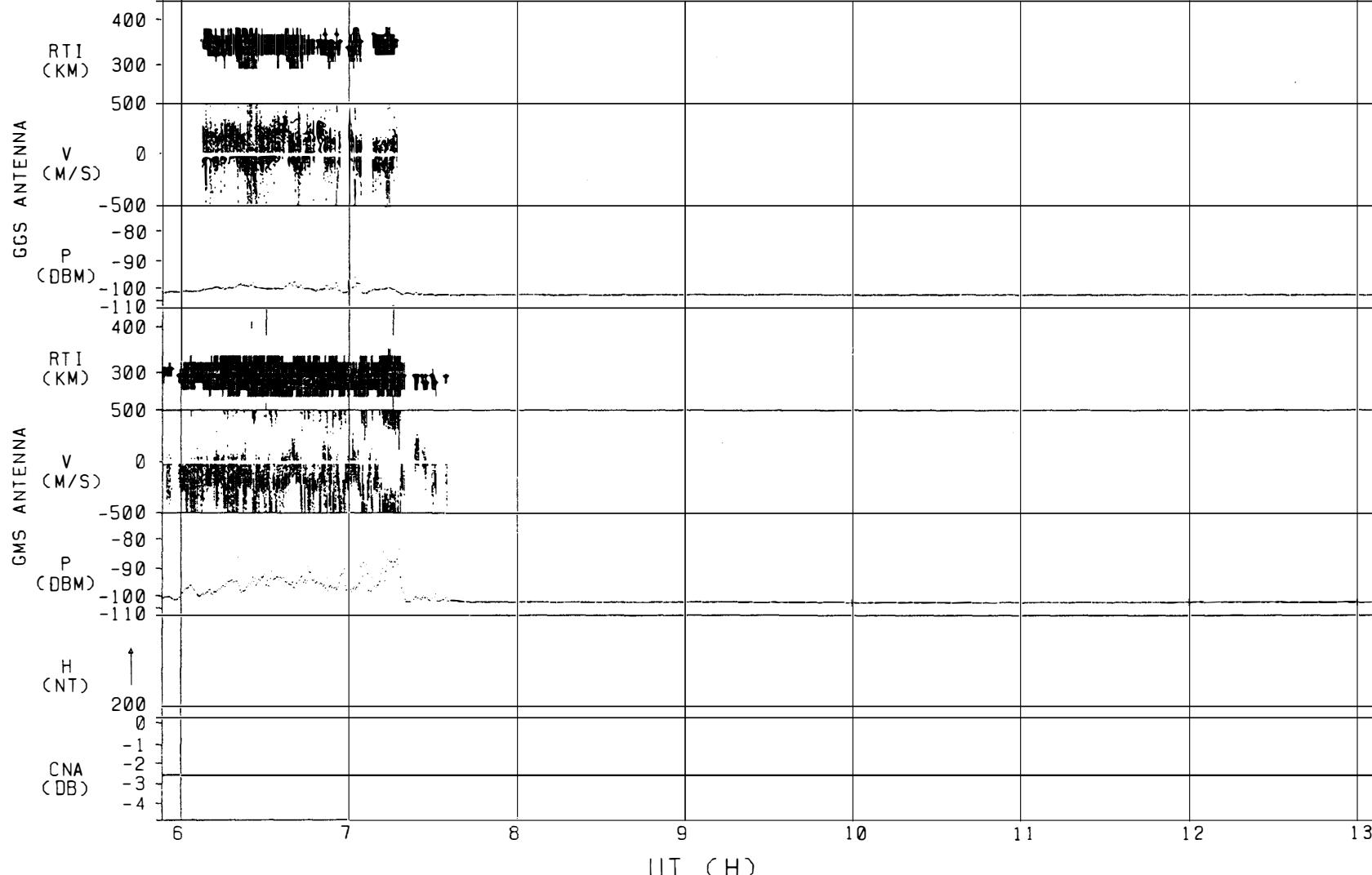
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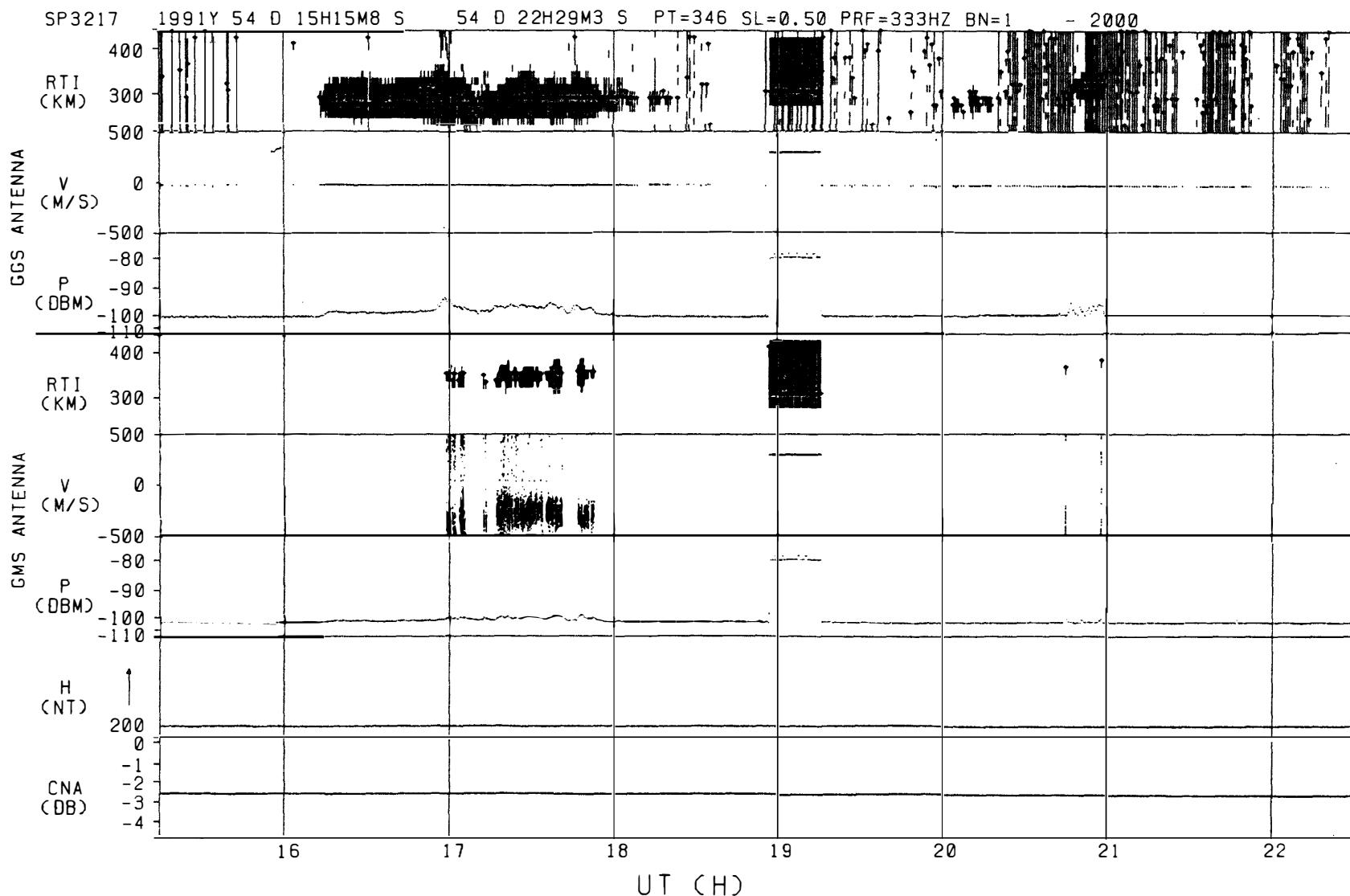
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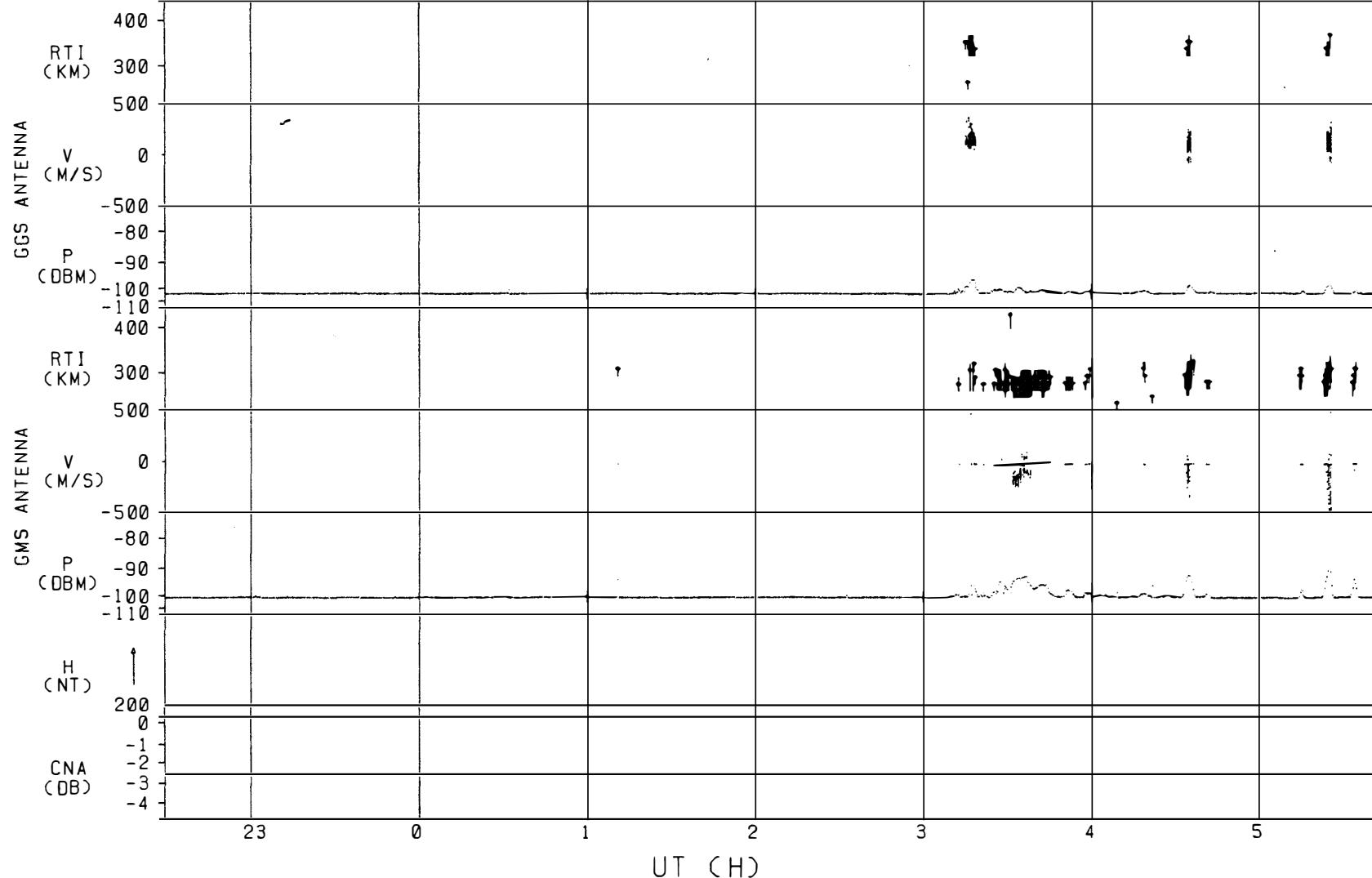


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