

Satelite orbit of detecting Ionospheric Earthquake Precursor

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In general, it is difficult to show a statistical correlation between the precursor and the large earthquake, because of infrequent occurrences of the large earthquake. In particular, to prove the causation required by the identification criteria 5 needs a number of much larger earthquakes, which are further less number according to Gutenberg- Richter relation. In addition, the events of earthquakes in the ocean and far from the ground observation site might be undetectable. Supposing that a number of precursors are detectable on the ground-based station, it might take the long term of thousand years. Theses plausible atmospheric-ionospheric precursors last for a few hours to a few days before the mainshock. Therefore, some of precursors are detectable by satellites because the orbit sampling of satellite is less than the duration of the precursors. Moreover, the satellite observation can cover the whole of a region of active seismicity, when the inclination of satellite is more than 60 degrees. In this presentation, we propose ideal orbits of dedicated satellite for this study.

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