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# ***Latvian national coordinate system – why ETRF2020 realization***

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# Nordic/Baltic cooperation NKG



Latvian geospatial information agency is active partner.

NKG power is Working groups with clear focus and best geodesists in area:

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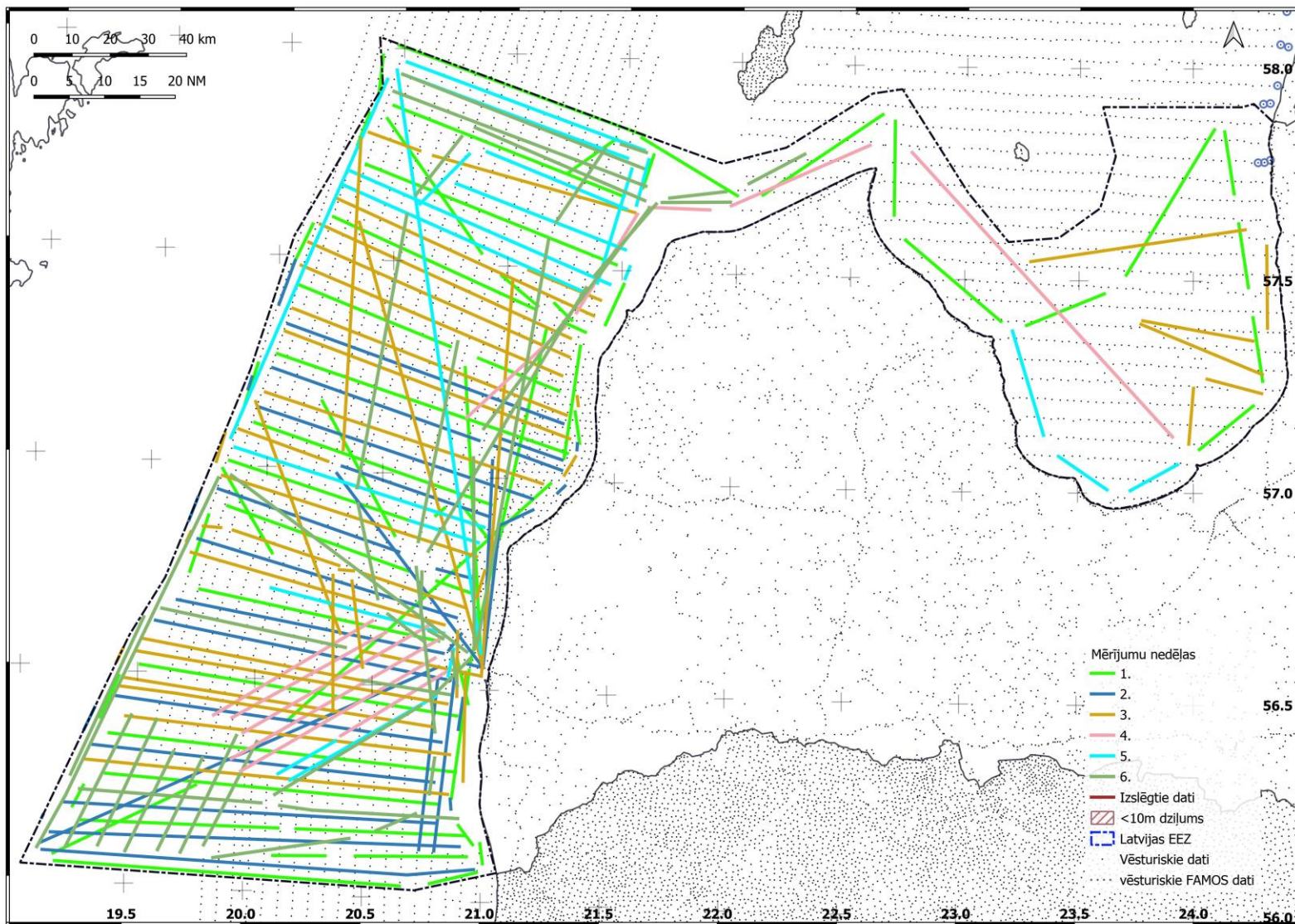


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MODERNIZED GRAVITY MAPS OF THE BALTIC SEA

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Example of  
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## Short historical notice

In year 1992 September and October came with global positioning measurements in three Baltic countries known as EUREF BAL.

That is beginning of global positioning civil era and two year after end of occupation.

Lithuania and Estonia is not directly using results of EUREF BAL. Made additional measurements and established new coordinate systems in 1994 and 1997.

Only Latvia directly used results and established LKS-92

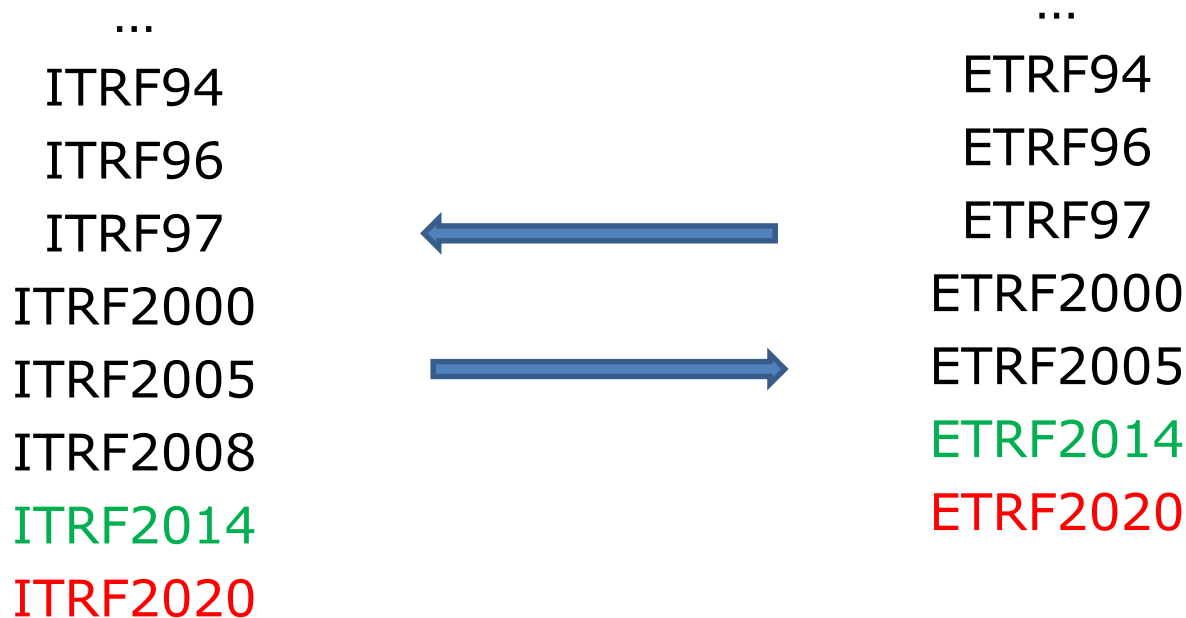


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# International and European frames

**ITRS** – International Terrestrial  
Reference System

**ETRS89** – European Terrestrial  
Reference System 1989





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# Life of LKS-92

Till real time global positioning base station development in Latvia at 2006, there were just old and new coordinate relate problems. Reason secret old coordinates of points.

After 2008 when Realtime Latvian base station positioning system start fully operate first notice of inside accuracy of LKS-92 and it place in ETRF realization map came out.

LKS-92 have bag in East component around 7 cm in plane

In 2011 alignment of LKS-92 original point Riga and LatPos coordinates in LKS-92 was done. Make gap between realizations of same 'system' in different time smaller.

Question how to procced arise?



# Idea of LATREF stations start to realize in 2016



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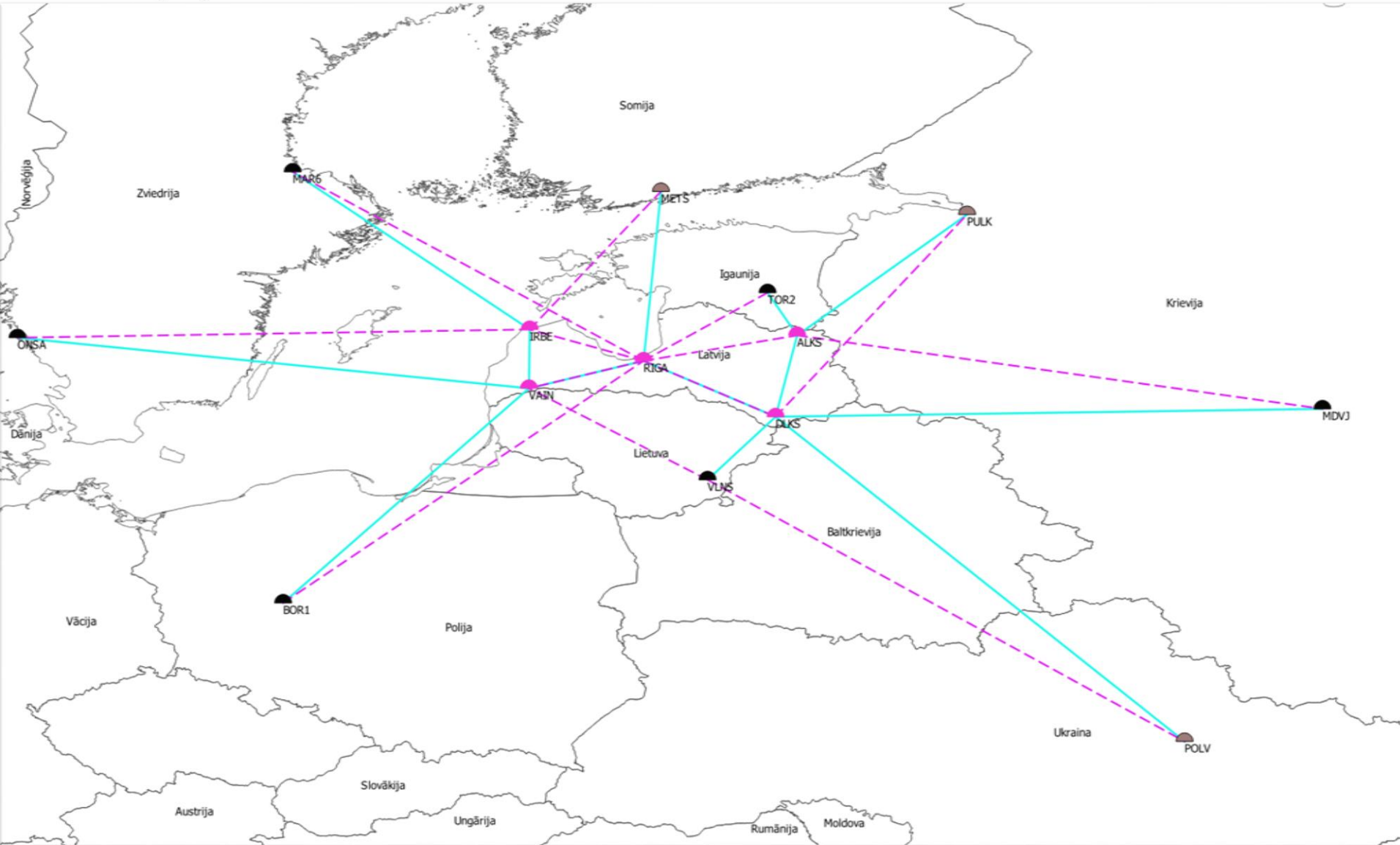
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Legend

 LATREF station

 Calibrated antenna

# LKS-2020 modernisation LATREFV8 defined baselines







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# Idea of realization of LKS-2020

Base stations LATREF and LatPos with dynamic and static coordinates.

Dynamic will have add time.

Velocity field/speed vectors will be introduce.

All other coordinates in static frame.

New coordinates with new ellipsoidal/geodetic height change also quasigeoid.

From around 150 points measured in spring 2020 make transformation surface nTV2.



# EPSG codes from 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2023 but in stand by position

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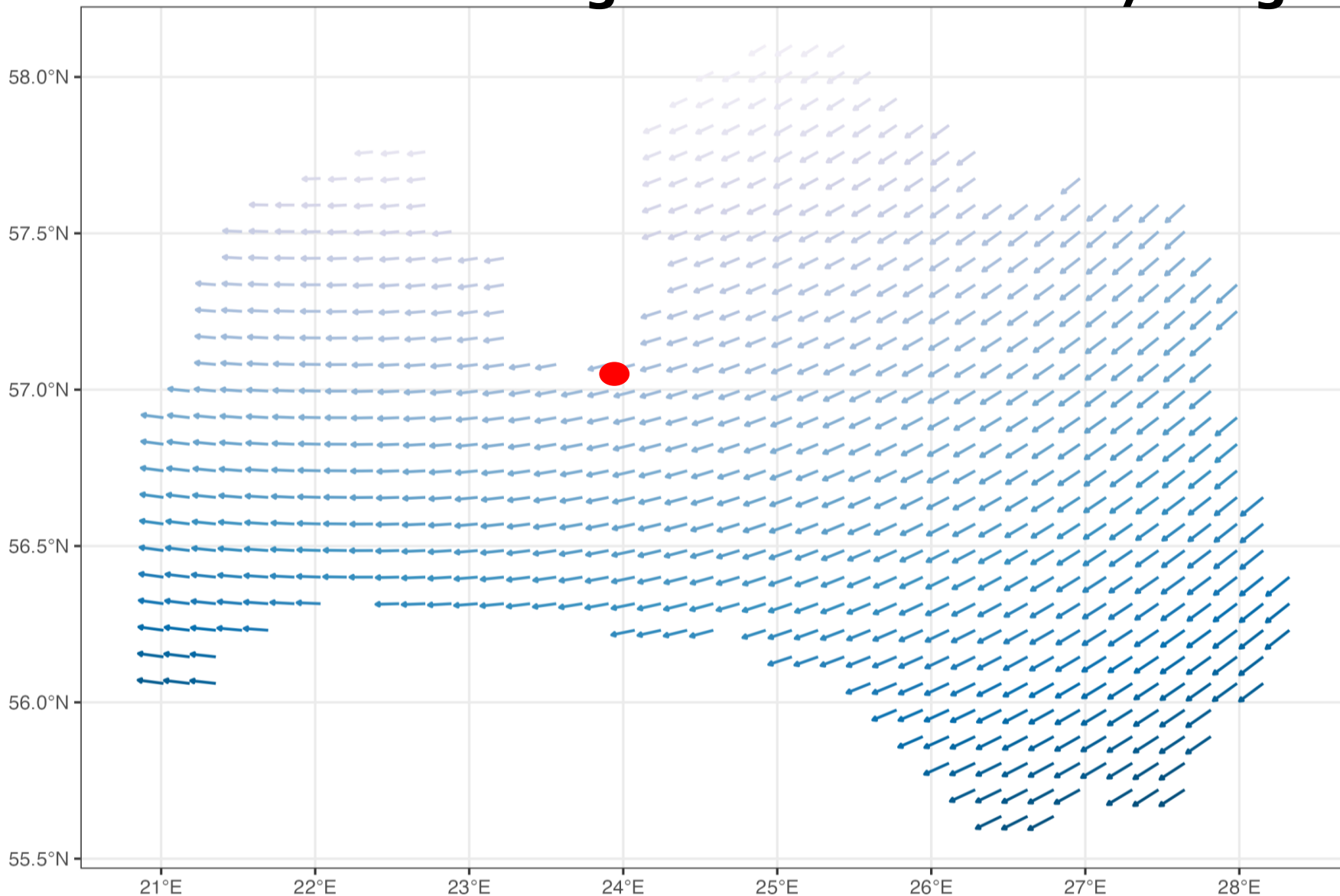
# Transformation surface nTV2

Check several option: krigging, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial.

Best fit to reality second order polynomial.

All GIS community easy access and use nTV2 transformations.

# LKS-92 change to ETRF2000 Lat/Long



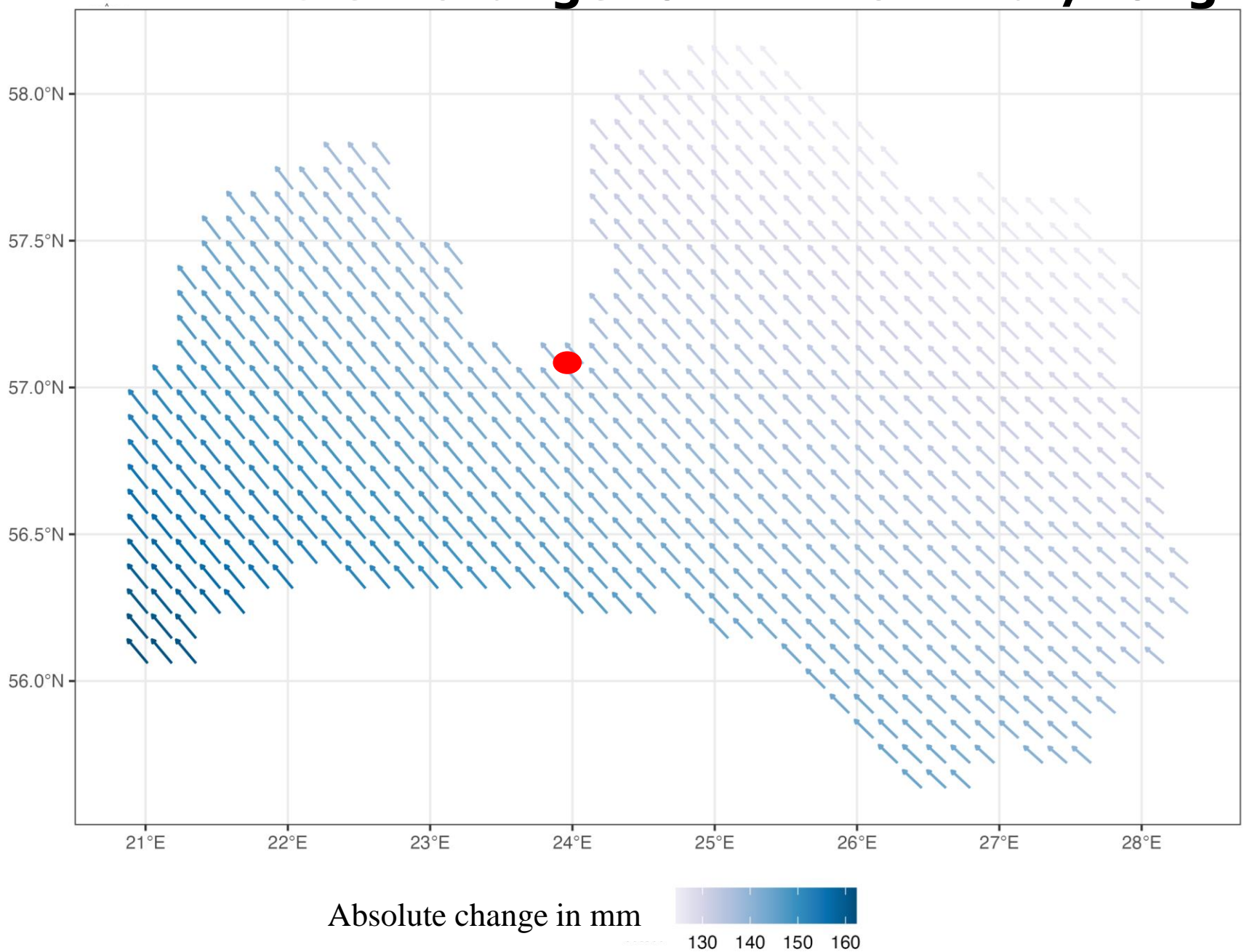
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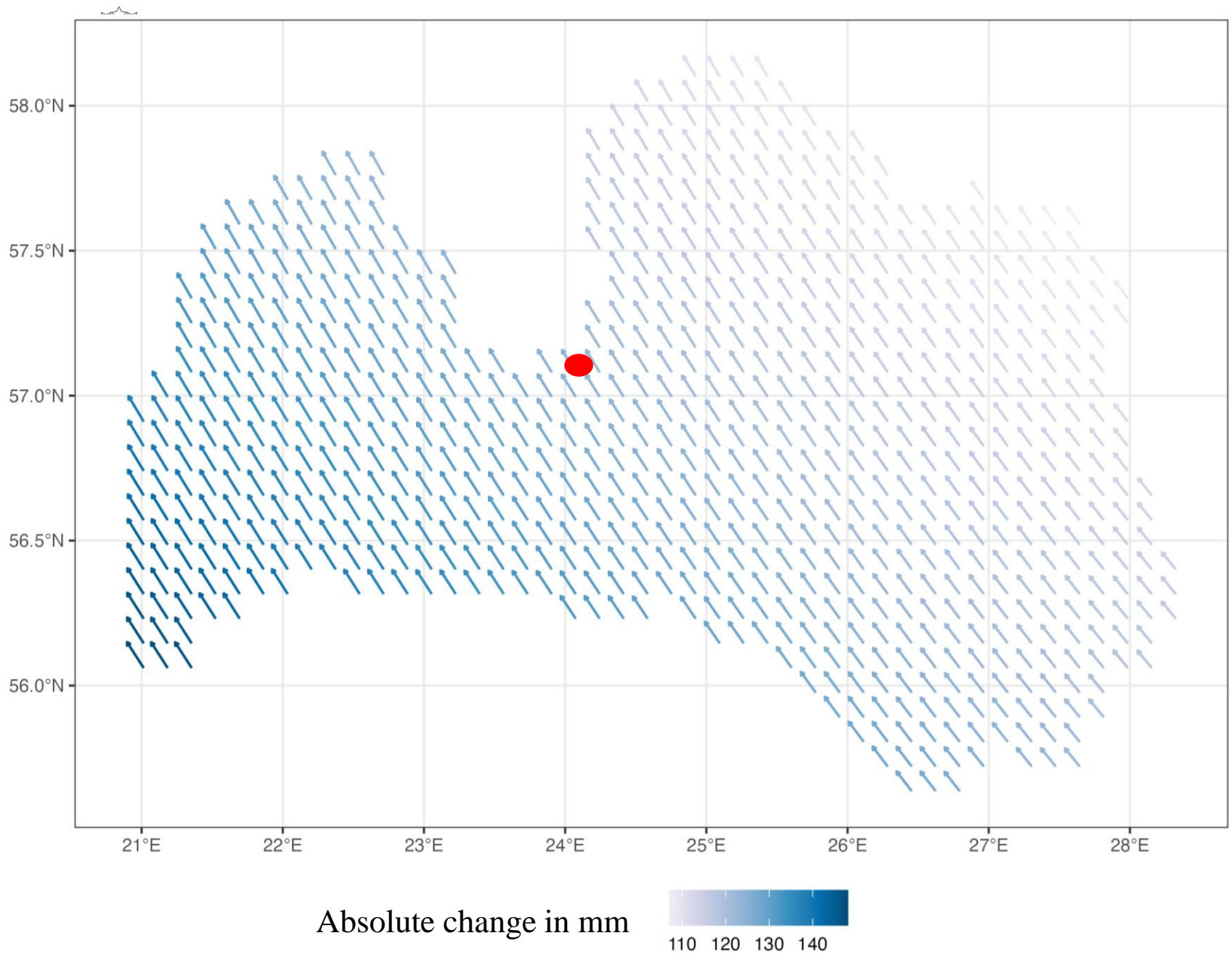
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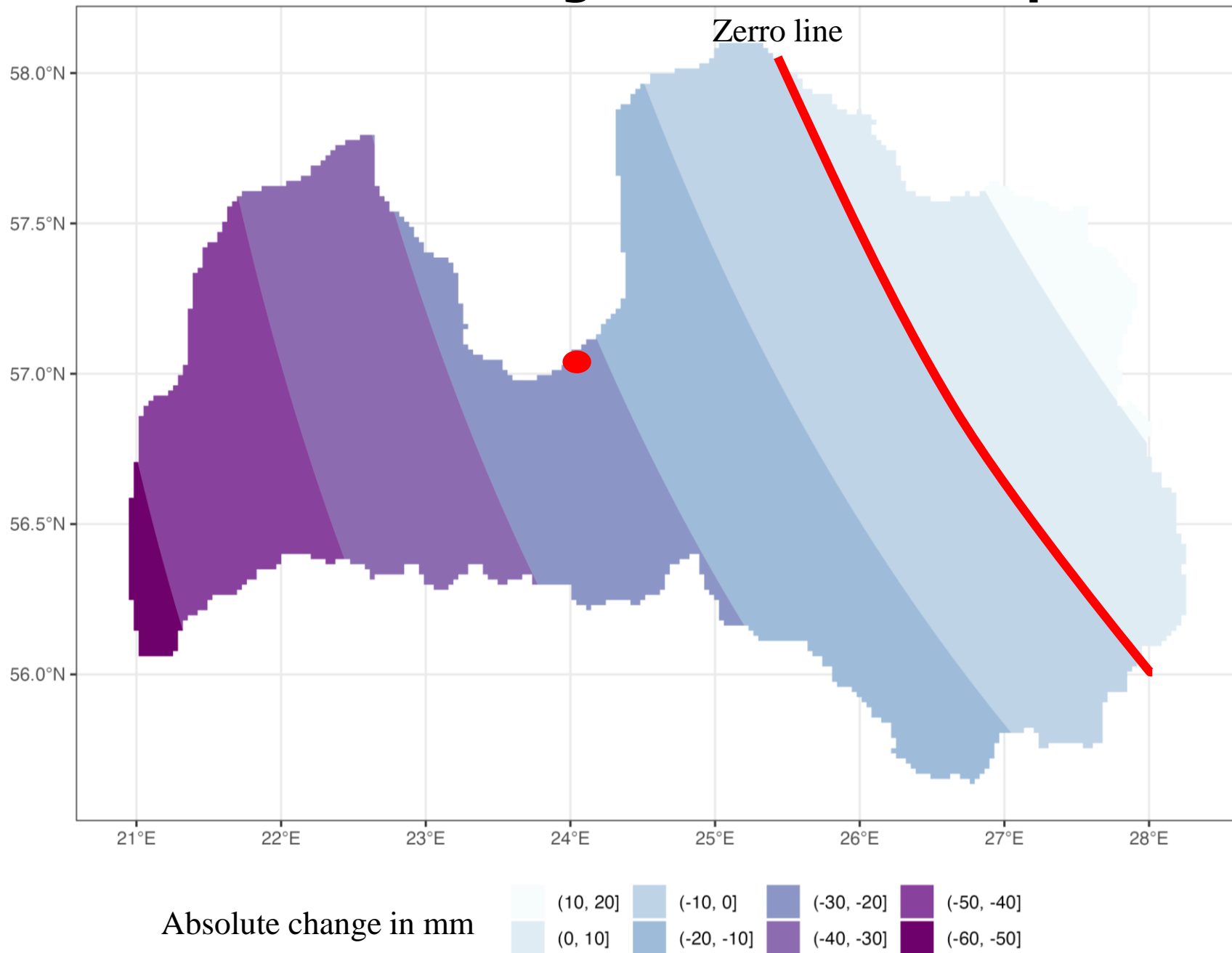
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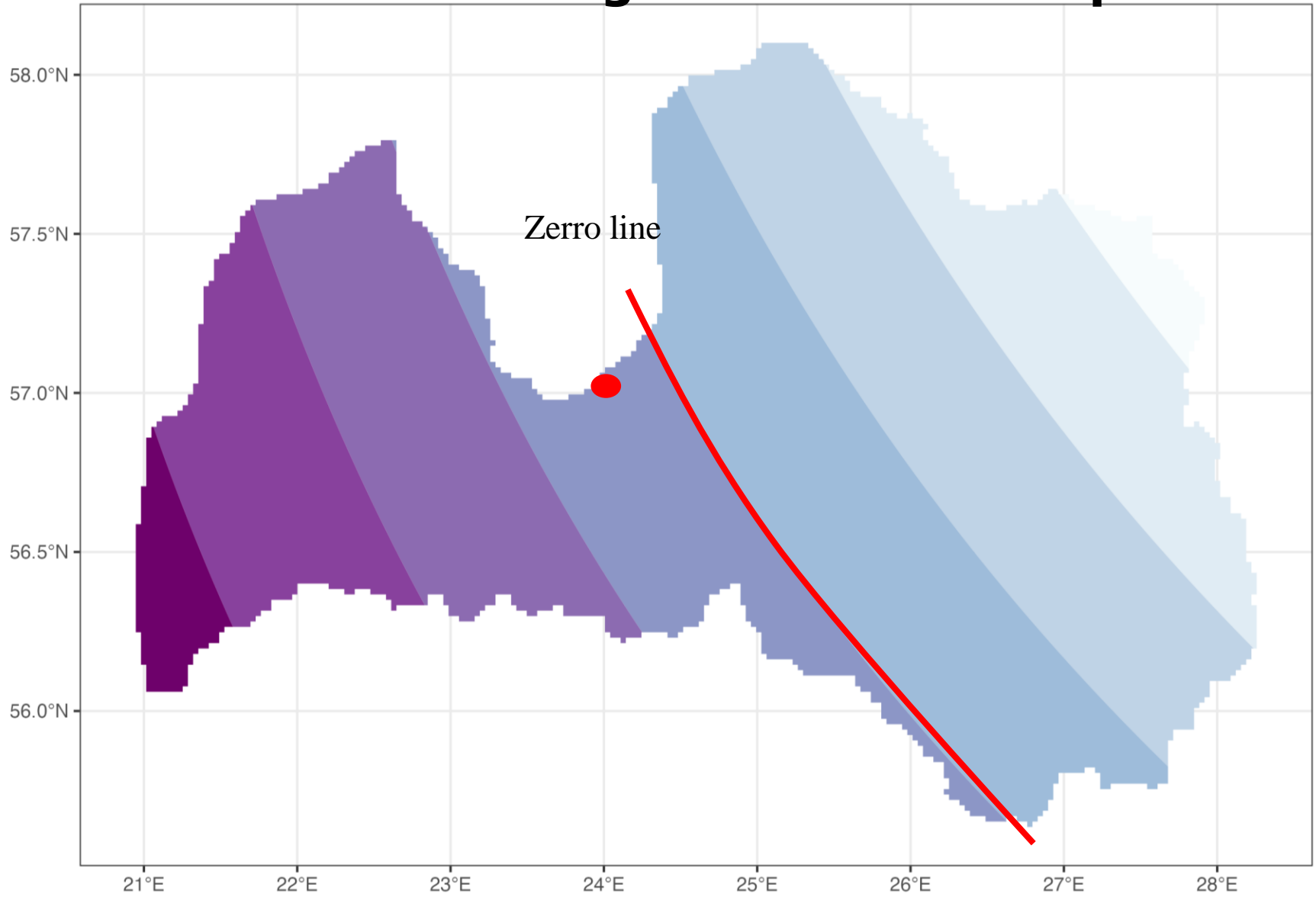
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# LKS-92 change to ETRF2000 Up



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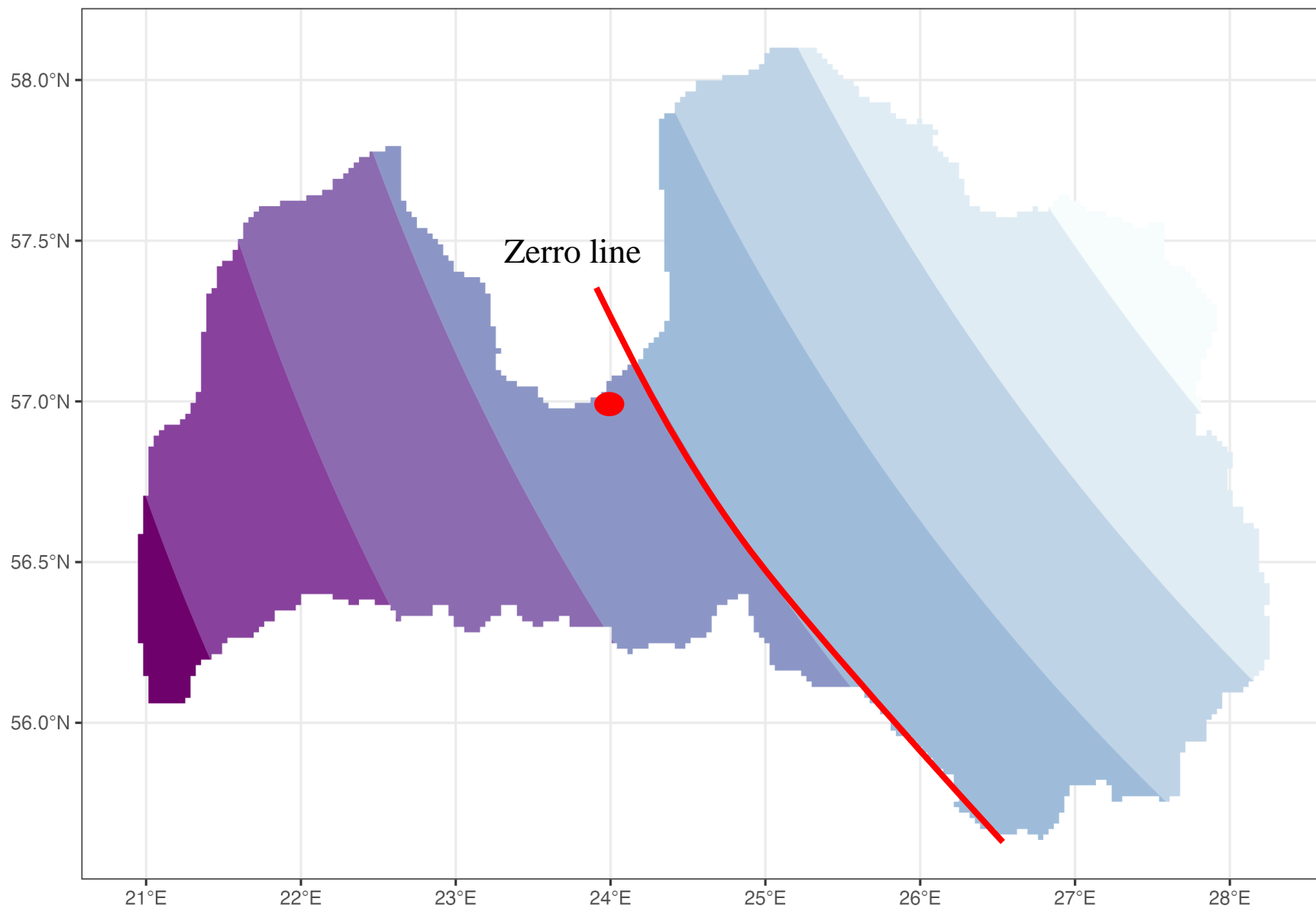


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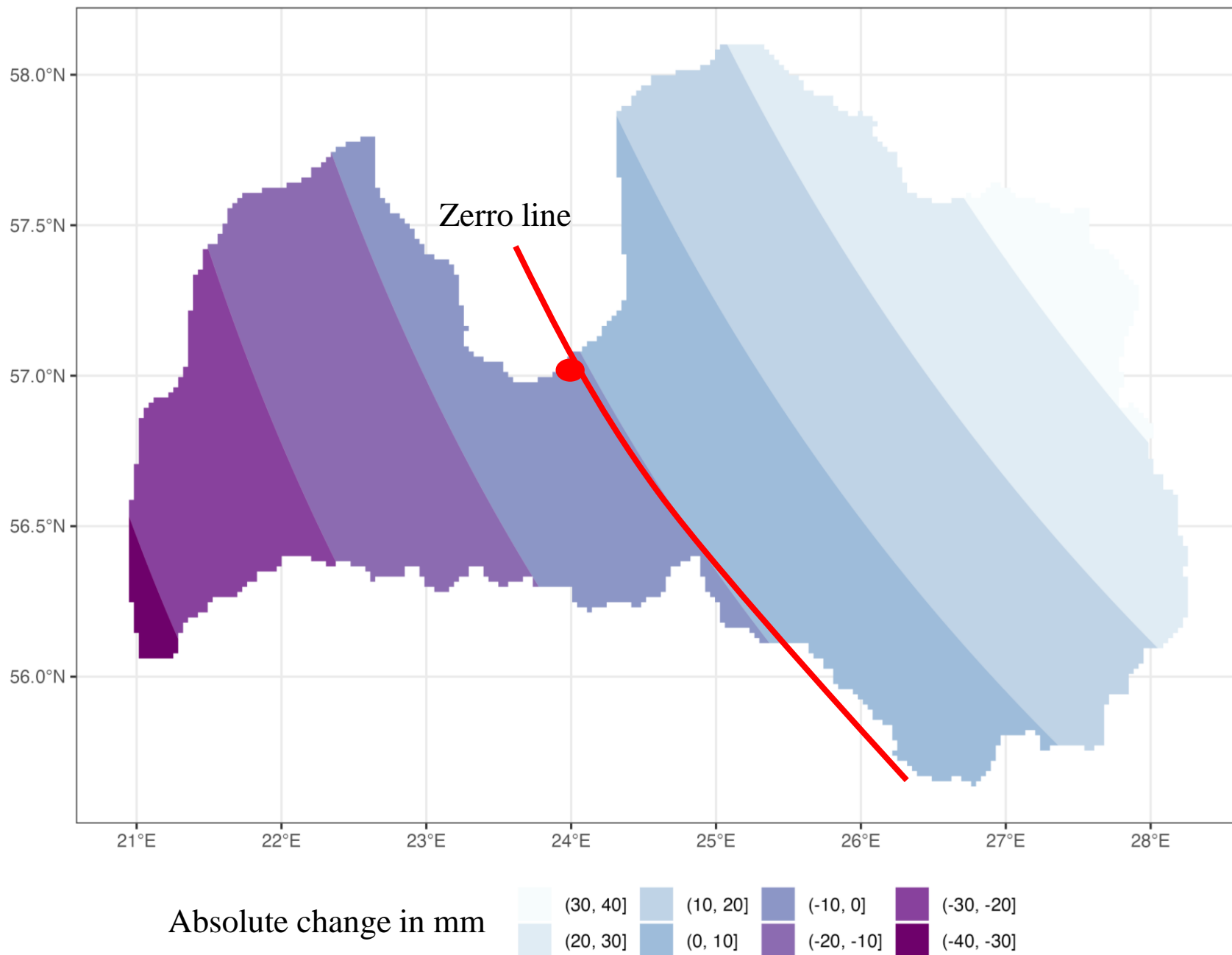




# LKS-92 change to ETRF2020 Up



# LKS-92 change to ITRF2020 Up





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# Why ETRF2020 realization

LKS-92 born with 7 cm inaccuracy. So switch to any of ETRF realizations will have change at least 5 cm in plane and 6 cm in up.

Users says, if change coordinate, do it with as big difference as it can be.

Change to ETRF2020 in plane is linear without rotation around Riga

Up change is tilt in all ETRF but in ETRF2020 it is more realistic and values is close to ITRF2020 from which IHRS/F is coming

Changes must be as up-to-date as possible with look forward not backward for 20 years.

ETRF2000 is like Euro it is good but not all countries in EU join it



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*Thank you for your attention!*

