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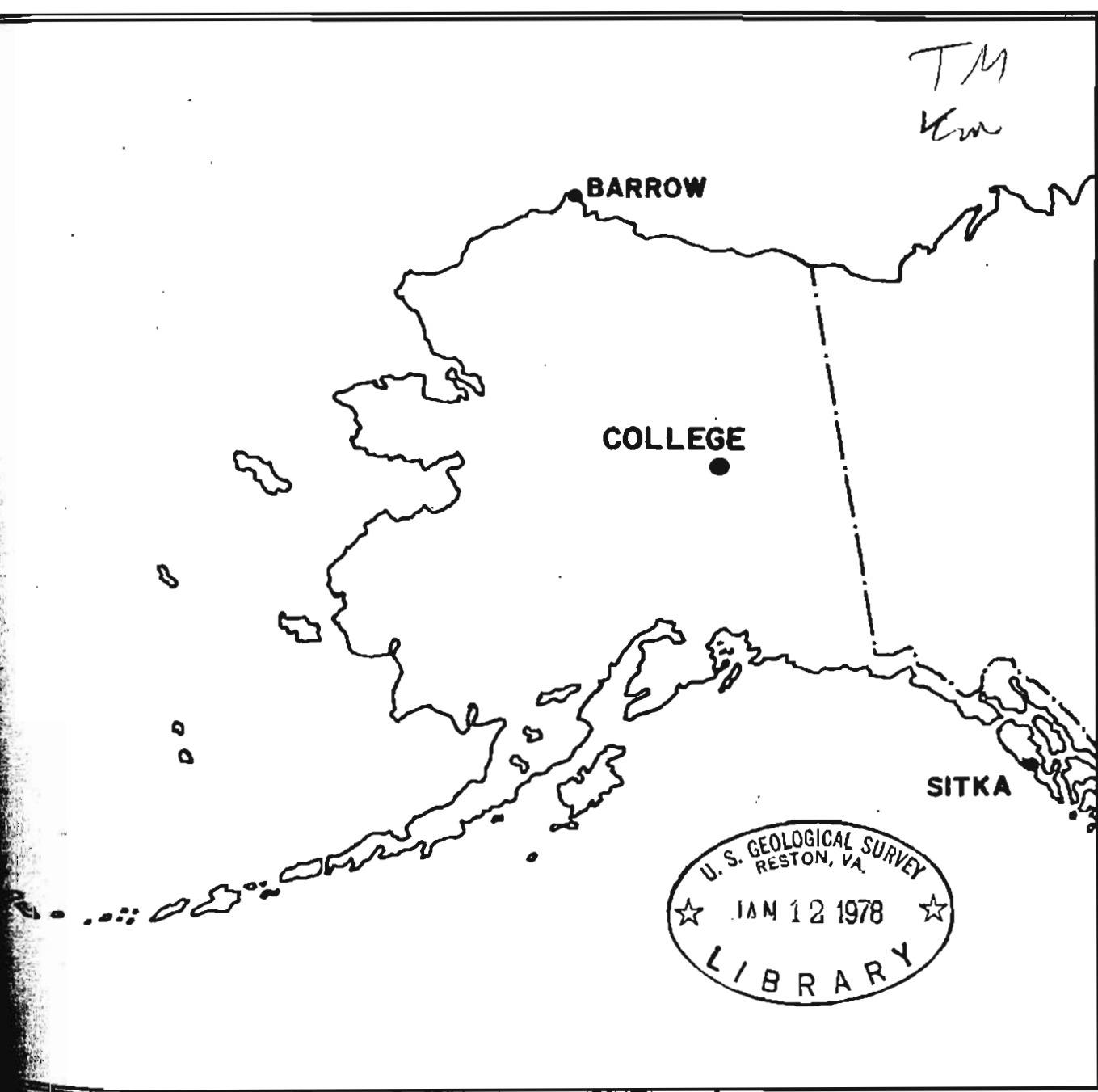
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PRELIMINARY GEOMAGNETIC DATA
COLLEGE OBSERVATORY
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

NOVEMBER 1977

OPEN FILE REPORT 77-300K



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COLLEGE OBSERVATORY PRELIMINARY GEOMAGNETIC DATA

INTRODUCTION

The preliminary geomagnetic data included here is made available to scientific personnel and organizations, as part of a cooperative effort and on a data exchange basis because of the early need by some users. To avoid delay, all of the data is copied from original forms processed at the observatory; therefore it should be regarded as preliminary. Inquiries about this report or about the College Observatory should be addressed to:

Chief, College Observatory
U.S. Geological Survey
Yukon Drive on West Ridge
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Requests for copies of the magnetograms except for the current month should be addressed to:

World Data Center A-NOAA
Environmental Data Service
Boulder, Colorado 80302

OBSERVATORY LOCATION

The College Observatory, operated by the U. S. Geological Survey, is located at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska. It is near the Auroral Zone and the northern limit of the world's greatest earthquake belt, the circum-Pacific Seismic belt. Although the observatory's basic operation is in geomagnetism and seismology, it cooperates with other scientists and organizations in areas where the facility and personnel can be of service.

The observatory is one of three operated by the USGS in Alaska. The others are located at Barrow and Sitka.

The position of the observatory site is:
Geographic latitude.....64°51.6'N
Geographic longitude.....147°50.2'W
Geomagnetic latitude.....+64.6°
Geomagnetic longitude.....+256.5°
Elevation.....200 meters

GEOMAGNETIC DATA

Normal, Storm, and Rapid Run magnetograms and appropriate calibration data are processed daily at the observatory and are available for analysis or copying. Also available are mean hourly scalings, K-Indices, selected magnetic phenomena reports, and on a real-time basis are recordings from a 3-component fluxgate magnetometer and F-component proton magnetometer.

Magnetic Activity

The K-Index. The K-Index is a logarithmic measurement of the range of the most disturbed component (D or H) of the geomagnetic field for eight intervals beginning 0000-0300, 0300-0600...2100-2400 UT. It is a measure of the difference between the highest and lowest deviation from a smooth curve to be expected for a component on a magnetically quiet day, within a three hour interval.

The Equivalent Daily Amplitude, AK. The K-Index is converted into an equivalent range, ak, which is near the center of the limiting gamma ranges for a given K. The average of the eight values is called equivalent daily amplitude AK. The unit 10γ has been chosen so as not to give the illusion of an accuracy not justified.

The schedule for converting gamma range to K, and K to ak is as follows:

Gamma Range	K - Index	ak*
0 < 25	0	0
25 < 50	1	3
50 < 100	2	7
100 < 200	3	15
200 < 350	4	27
350 < 600	5	48
600 < 1000	6	80
1000 < 1650	7	140
1650 < 2500	8	240
2500+	9	400 (10γ)

The Magnetic Daily Character Figure, C. To each Universal day a character is assigned on the basis C=0, if it is quiet; C=1 if it is moderately disturbed; C=2 if it is greatly disturbed. The method used to assign characters at the College Observatory is based on AK as follows:

AK Range	C
0-11	0
11-50	1
50+	2

Routine assignment of C was discontinued at college on January 1, 1976.

Selected Phenomena & Outstanding Magnetic Effects

Prior to January 1, 1976, the Normal & Rapid Run records were reviewed at the observatory for selected magnetic phenomena and the events identified were forwarded to the IUGG Commission on Magnetic Variations and Disturbances. This was discontinued on January 1, 1976, but a report on Outstanding Magnetic Effects is prepared monthly for this report.

Principal Magnetic Storms

Gradual and sudden commencement magnetic disturbances with at least one K-Index of 5 or greater, which are believed to be part of a world-wide disturbance, are classified as principal magnetic storms. The time of the storm beginning and ending; direction and amplitude of sudden commencements; period of maximum activity; and storm range are reported. Monthly reports of these data are forwarded to the World Data Center A in Boulder, Colorado.

Magnetogram Hourly Scalings

Magnetogram hourly scalings are averages for successive periods of one hour for the D, H, and Z elements. The value in the column headed "01" is the average for the hour beginning 0000 and ending 0100. Note that the values on the scaling sheets are in tenths of mm with the decimal point omitted. The user of these scalings should keep in mind that the tabular values are hourly means and if he is interested in the detailed morphology of the magnetic field, he should refer directly to the magnetograms.

Magnetograms

The normal magnetograms in this report are reproduced at about one-third the size of the originals. Preliminary base-line values and scale values adopted for use with the original magnetograms are included. For days when the magnetic field is too disturbed for the Normal magnetogram to be readable, Storm magnetograms are reproduced.

Absolutes, Base-lines, and Scale Values

To determine the absolute value of the magnetic field from the hourly means or from point scalings the following equations should be used:

$D = B_D + d \cdot S_D$; $H = B_H + h \cdot S_H$; $Z = B_Z + z \cdot S_Z$
where D, H, and Z are absolute values;
 B_D , B_H and B_Z are base-line values;
 S_D , S_H and S_Z are scale values;
and d, h, and z are scalings in millimeters.

COLLEGE, ALASKA

MAGNETIC ACTIVITY

(Greenwich civil time, counted from midnight to midnight)

MONTH AND YEAR

NOVEMBER 1977

DATE	K-INDICES									AK	TIME SCALE ON MAGNETOGRAMS 20 mm/hr
	00-03	03-06	06-09	09-12	12-15	15-18	18-21	21-24	SUM		
1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	04	02	SUDDEN COMMENCEMENTS d h m
2	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	06	02	
3	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	06	03	
4	0	0	0	1	3	4	2	2	12	07	
5	2	2	3	4	1	2	0	1	15	09	
6	1	1	2	4	5	3	1	0	17	13	
7	0	1	3	4	4	1	0	0	13	09	
8	0	0	3	4	2	0	0	0	09	06	
9	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	04	02	
10	0	0	2	3	5	5	1	1	17	16	
11	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	05	02	
12	2	4	3	5	4	4	2	2	26	21	
13	3	3	4	6	5	5	2	2	30	31	
14	2	4	6	7	6	6	5	4	40	61	
15	4	3	2	7	5	4	2	2	29	35	
16	3	3	5	6	6	2	2	1	28	32	POSSIBLE SOLAR-FLARE EFFECTS BASED ON INSPECTION OF GRAMS ALONE (WITHOUT REFERENCE TO DATA FROM OTHER SOURCES)
17	2	2	1	4	1	0	0	2	12	07	
18	1	1	2	2	3	3	0	1	13	07	
19	0	1	1	3	1	1	1	2	10	05	
20	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	04	02	
21	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	03	01	
22	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	01	00	
23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	00	
24	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	03	01	
25	0	0	0	2	3	1	4	4	14	10	
26	2	2	3	6	5	3	1	2	24	23	BEGIN d h m END d h m
27	2	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	16	09	
28	1	1	3	3	1	1	0	0	10	05	
29	0	0	0	3	2	2	1	1	09	05	
30	2	2	4	5	4	1	1	1	20	16	
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K SCALE USED:

LOWER LIMIT FOR K = 9.....

CURRENT SCALE VALUE.....

LOWER LIMIT FOR K = 9.....

D

683.8

3.76

2570

H

321.7

7.82

2520

Z

(mm)

(γ/mm)

(to nearest 10γ)

SCALINGS AND COMPUTATIONS HAVE BEEN CHECKED.

APPROVED JOHN B. TOWNSHEND, CHIEF, COLLEGE OBSERVATORY

OBSERVER IN CHARGE

OUTSTANDING MAGNETIC EFFECTS

OBSERVATORY

COLLEGE, ALASKA

MONTH

NOVEMBER

YEAR

1977

DATE	TIME U.T.	NATURE OF PHENOMENON ¹	REMARKS
01	18XX	pc3, pc4, pc5	
03	00XX	pc3, pc4, pc5	
03	21XX	pc3, pc4	
04	21XX	pg	
07	14XX	pc4	
10	16XX	pg	
20	10XX	pi2	
21	00XX	pc5	
21	13XX	pi2	
23	12XX	pi2	
26	1713	si	
29	14XX	pi2	With small bay.
IDENTIFIED BY: JEF			VERIFIED BY: JBT

1. NATURE OF PHENOMENON: ssc, ssc*, si, si*, b, bp, bs, bps, pc1, pc2 - - - pc5, pg, pi 1, pi 2, sfe.

NOAA FORM 86-500
(11/73)

Data from Individual Observatories:

PRINCIPAL MAGNETIC STORMS
COLLEGE OBSERVATORY, COLLEGE, ALASKA
NOVEMBER 1977

WDC-A FOR SOLAR-TERRASTRIAL PHYSICS
ENVIRONMENTAL DATA SERVICE, NOAA
BOULDER, COLORADO 80502 U.S.A.

Obs. 2 letter LADA code	Geomag. lat.	Commencement			SC - amplitudes			Max. 3 hr - index K			Ranges			UT End day hr
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NOVEMBER

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NORMAL MAGNETOGRAPH			
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION
	FROM	TO	
D	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	1.0 x/mm 3.6 x/mm 27° 47.2 E
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-8-77	7.8 x/mm
	0000 U.T., 11-9-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	" 12760 x 12751 x
H	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	7.7 x/mm
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	55136 x
	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	

STORM MAGNETOGRAPH			
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION
	FROM	TO	
D	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	7.9/mm 29.8 x/mm 24° 20.5 E
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-8-77	44.1 x/mm
	0000 U.T., 11-9-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	" 11525 x 11500 x
H	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	48.9 x/mm
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	54008 x
	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	

RAPID RUN MAGNETOGRAPH			
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION
	FROM	TO	
D	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	0.3/mm 1.0 x/mm
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	
	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	
H	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	1.0 x/mm
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	
	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	
Z	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	2.4 x/mm
	2400 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	
	0000 U.T., 11-1-77	2400 U.T., 11-30-77	

MONTHLY MEAN ABSOLUTE VALUES*

D	H	Z
28° 17.7 E	13049 x	55373 x

* COMPUTED FROM TEN QUIETEST DAYS DURING MONTH.

DAYS USED:

NOV 1, 2, 3, 9, 11, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24

FORM 540-10-1

MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS

Values are in units of 10^{-12} Wb/m, and are averages for magnetic field of sun from beginning of hour to end of hour. (Universal Time)

Station or locations have been applied. Negative values are in red, with minus signs shown.

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MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
ASTHENOSPHERIC DIVISION

Values are in tenths of mm. and are averages for successive periods of one hour by group at midnight. Hour 01 of local day (1200 GMT) is hour 11 of the DATE universal day.

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MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS
RESEARCH AND STATISTICS DIVISION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20540

Values are in tenths of amp. and are averaged for magnetic periods of one hour beginning at midnight. (UNIVERSAL TIME)

Stationary conditions have been applied. Magnetic values are in G.T. with minus signs shown.

DATE: 00 77 10/17
FILE: 1032

Hour	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
01	328	327	328	321	320	320	320	322	321	322	322	323	324	320	313	314	317	321	319	320	318	318	316	317
02	317	318	314	322	329	328	330	326	320	328	321	319	317	306	306	315	310	300	282	290	293	316	321	320
03	321	320	319	318	319	321	327	336	310	240	298	310	307	295	307	310	310	301	302	306	308	310	310	7425
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05	316	337	364	377	417	416	379	352	306	288	226	231	242	280	287	271	223	261	293	292	291	299	309	315
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13	328	328	348	423	404	441	414	395	306	34	389	250	320	307	403	331	127	115	143	187	240	277	310	323
14	337	361	386	401	361	387	372	276	206	81	286	641	447	642	310	447	83	196	166	153	200	297	330	346
15	352	341	346	336	377	376	338	334	323	260	215	98	119	191	257	228	257	271	264	257	290	302	313	330
16	346	359	356	356	334	336	282	350	319	260	115	187	354	206	231	254	282	297	315	295	287	301	309	320
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29	306	310	312	310	327	330	323	323	331	321	256	300	306	281	253	262	285	296	287	283	267	253	276	294
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() Interpolated

() Significant portion of hour interpolated.

() No record; or no value available because of faulty record.

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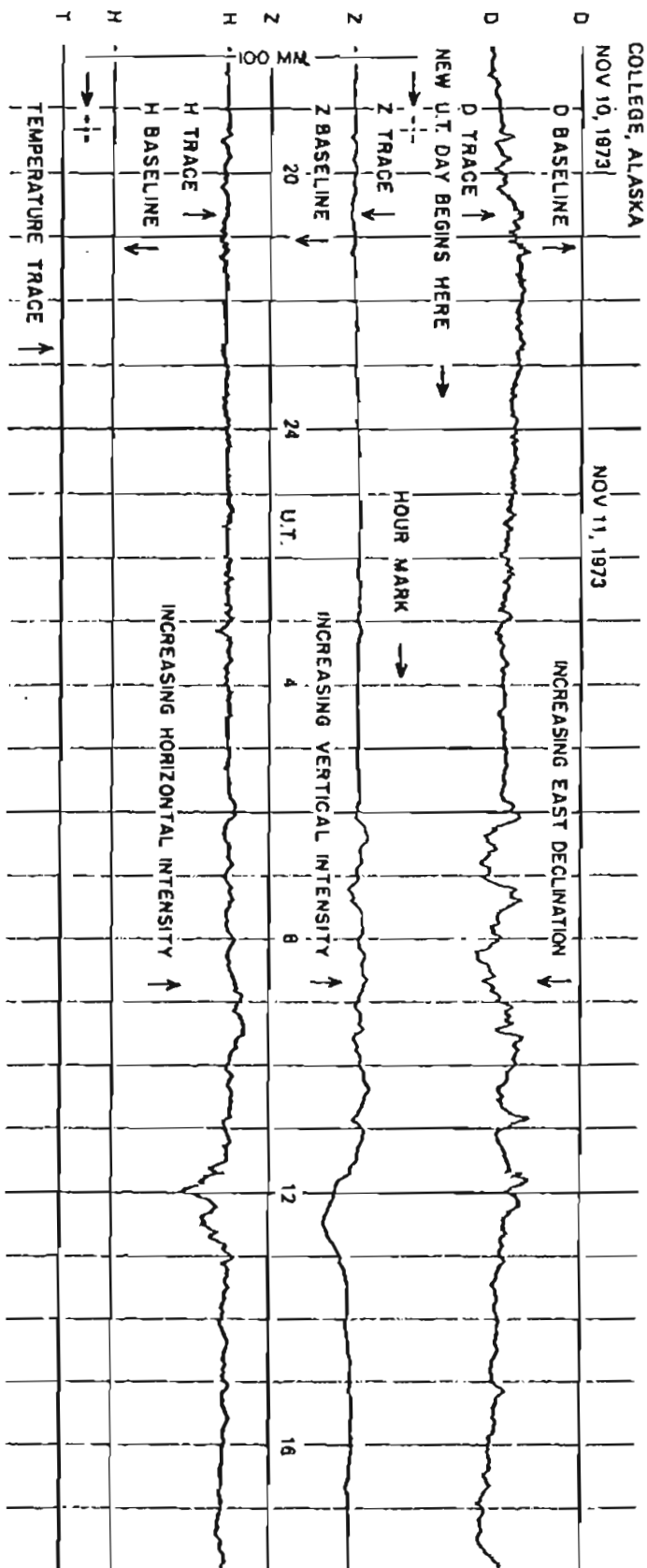
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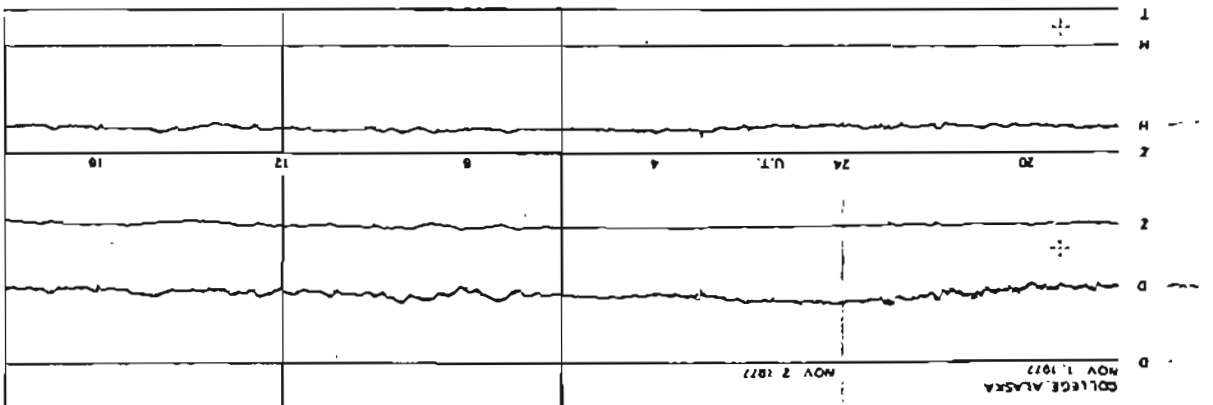
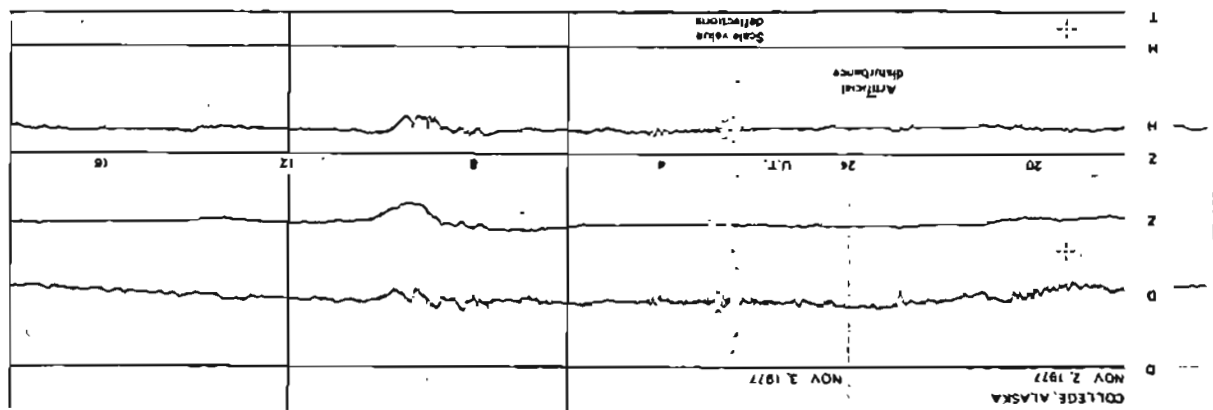
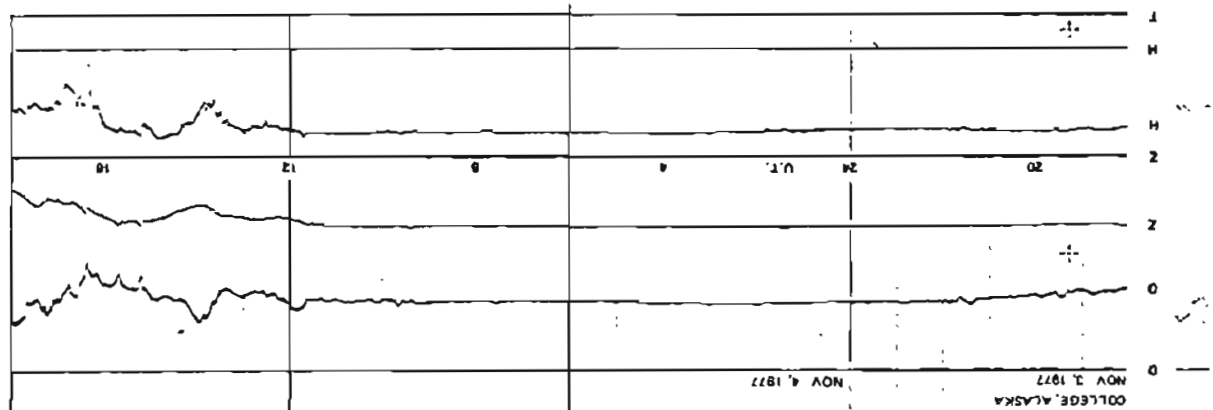
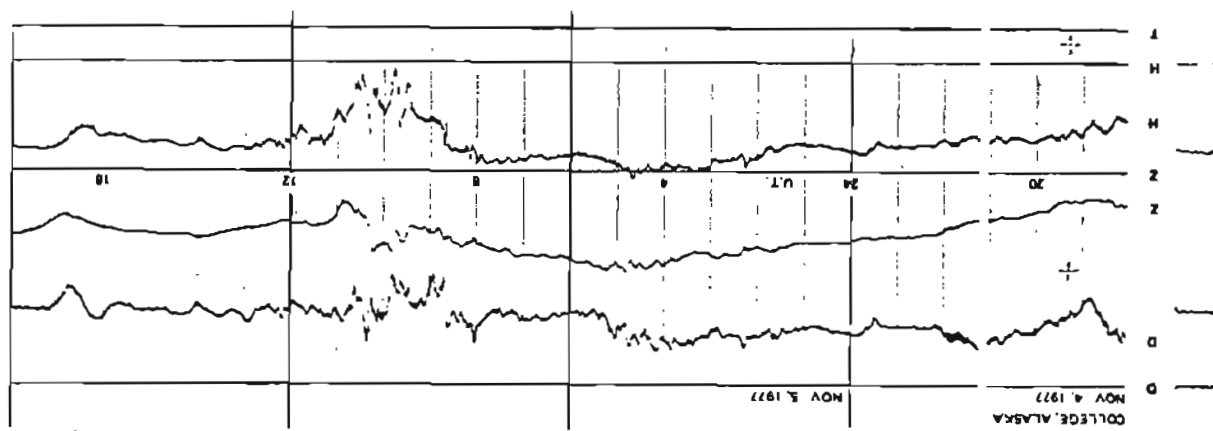
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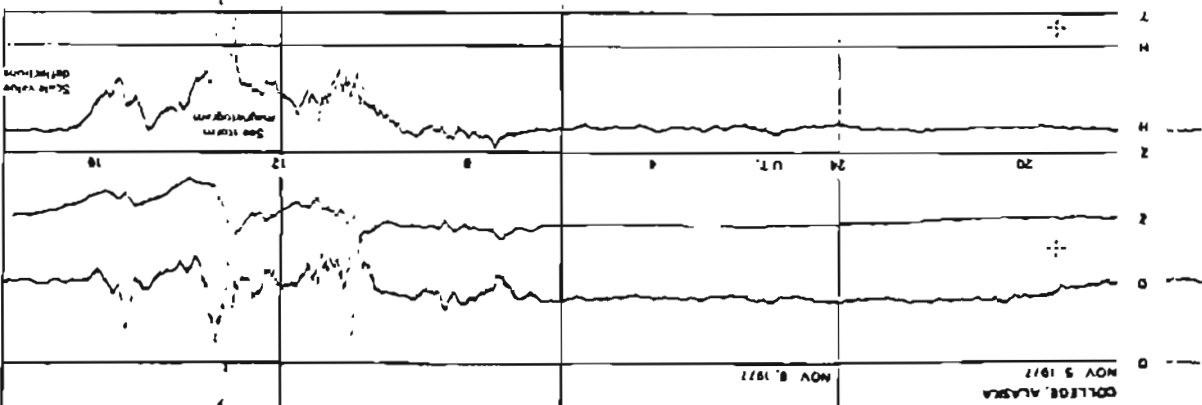
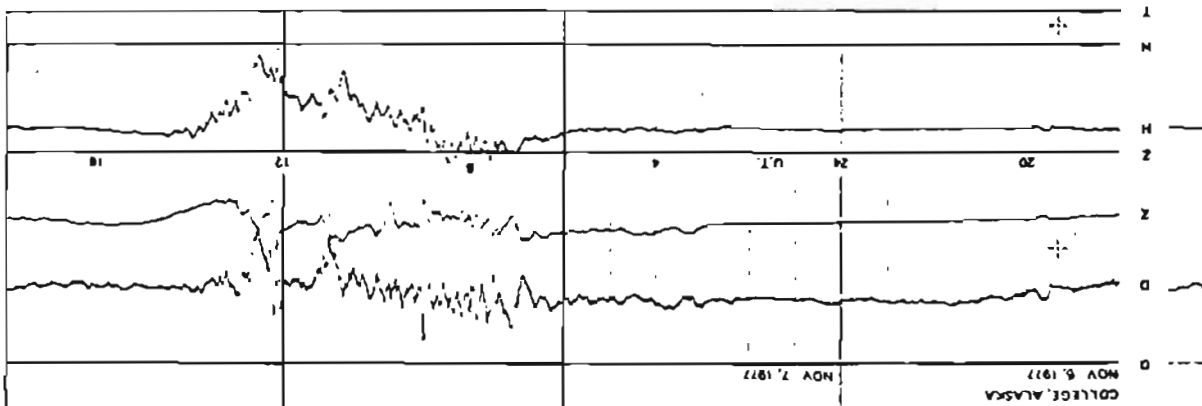
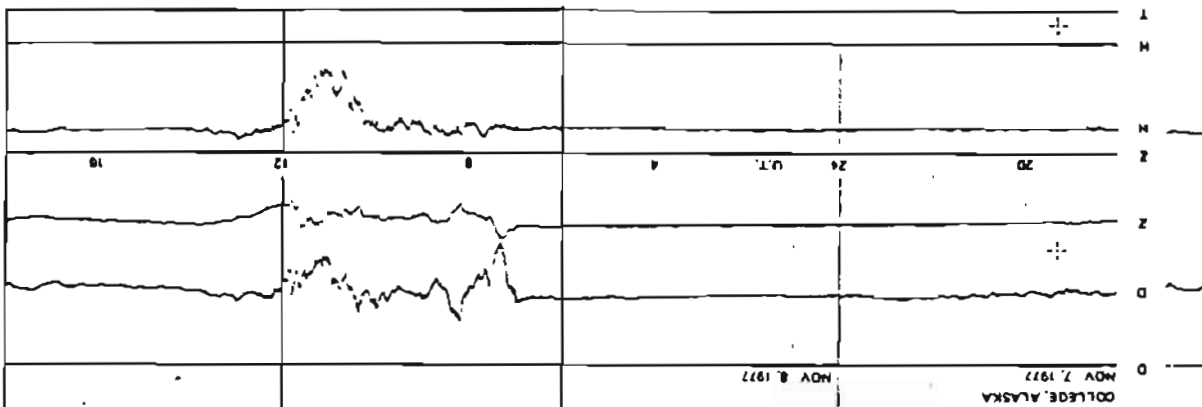
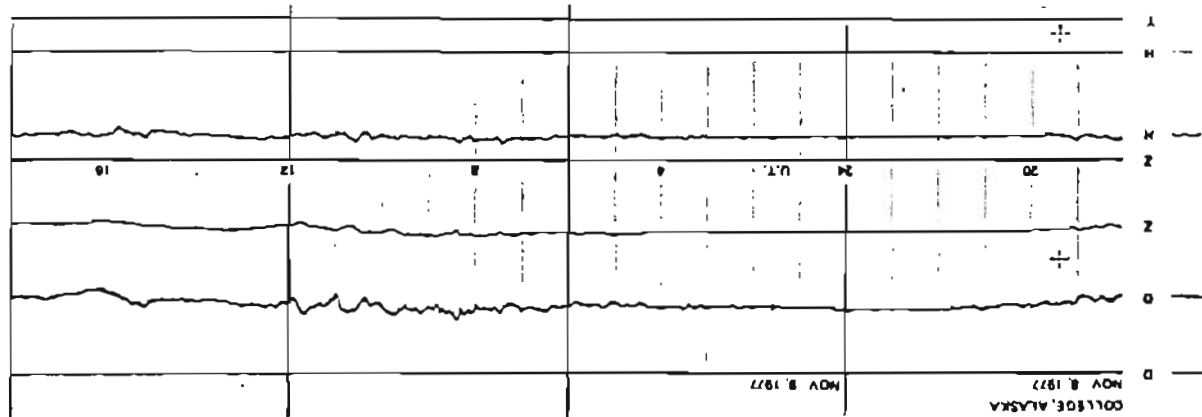


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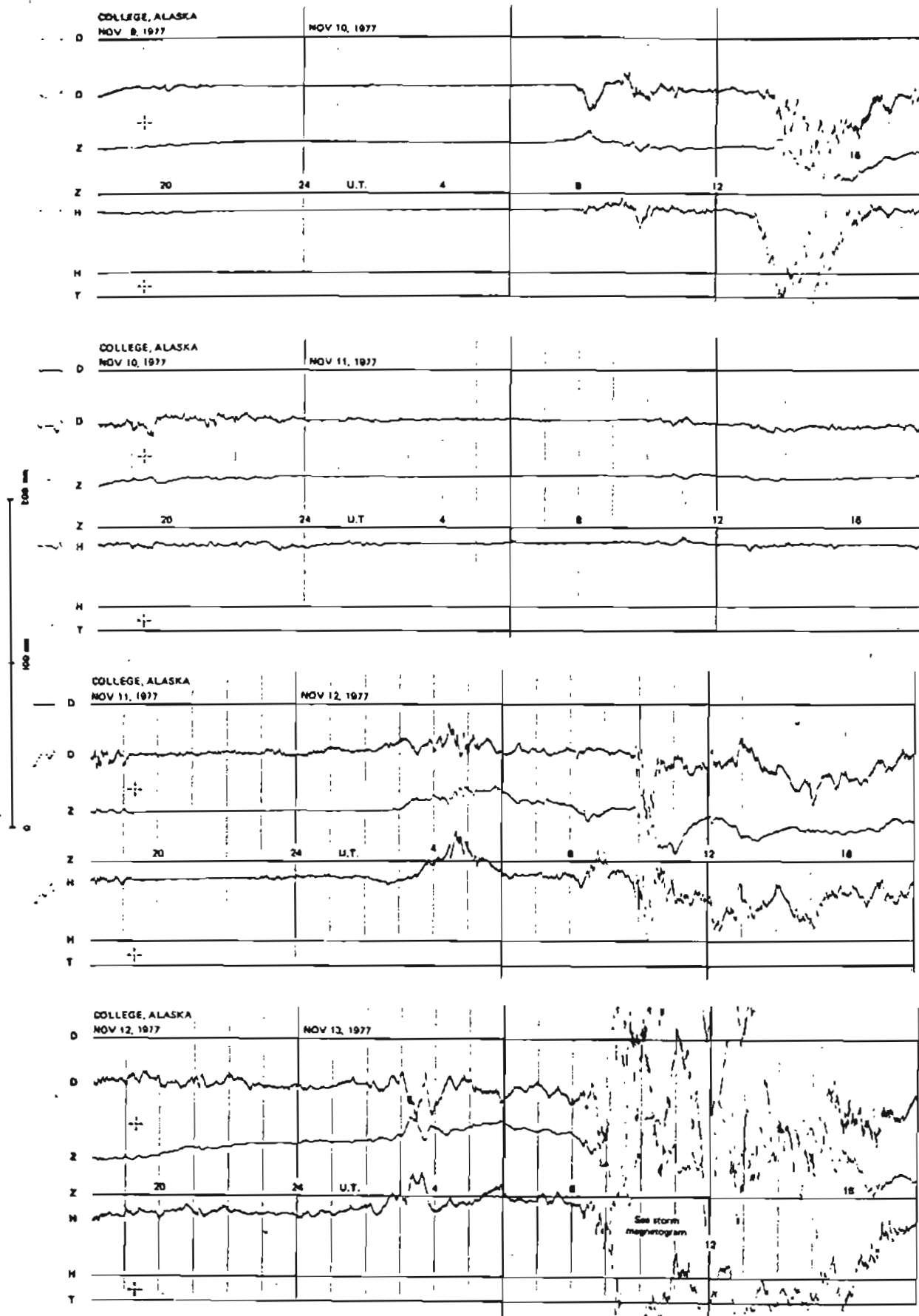
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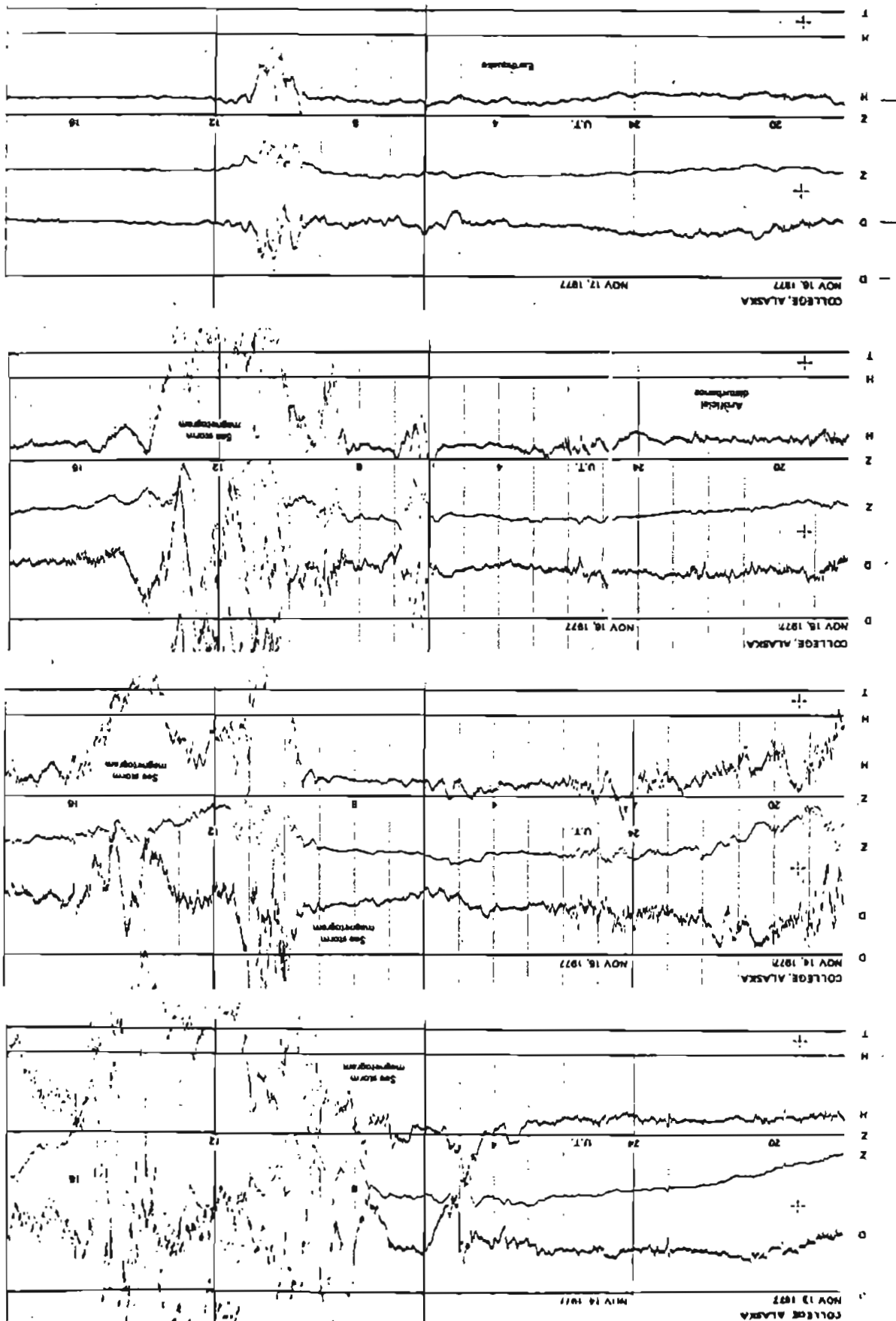
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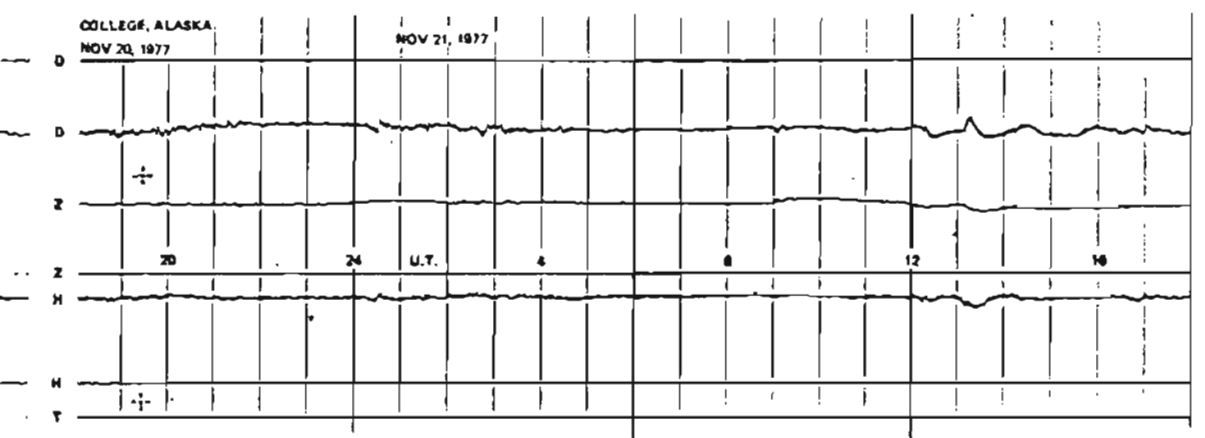
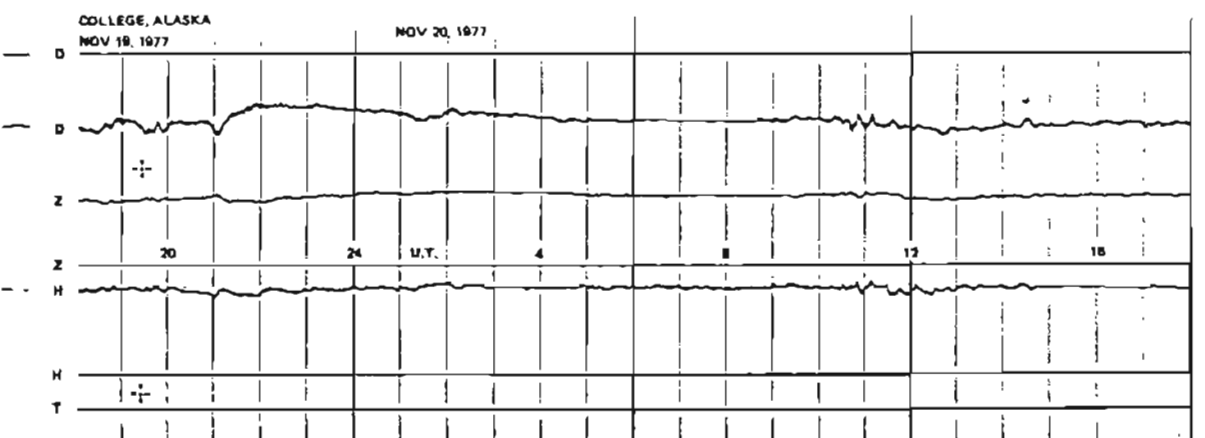
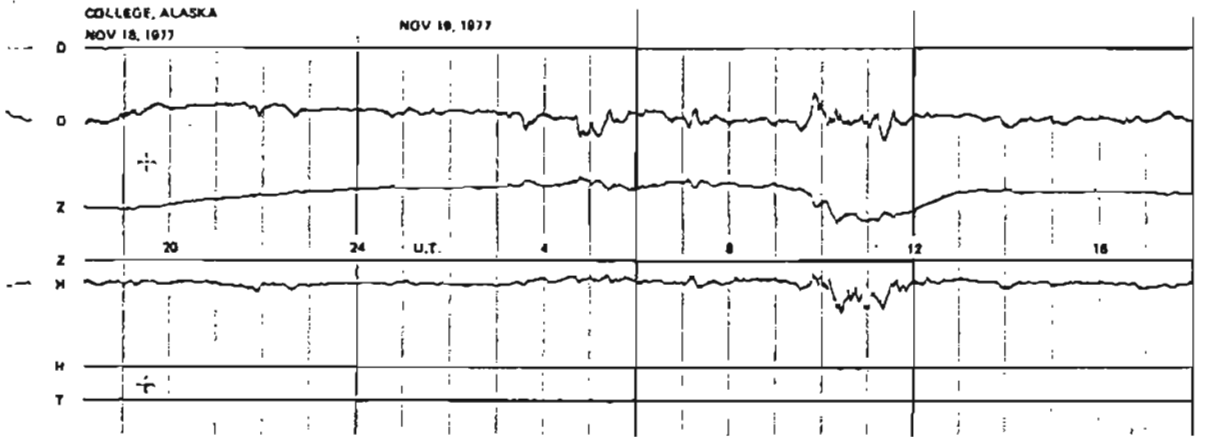
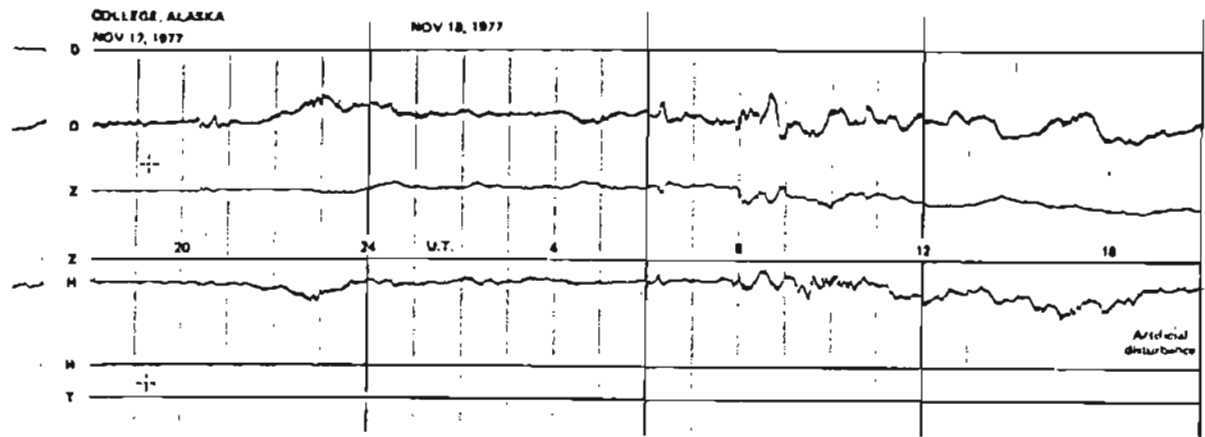
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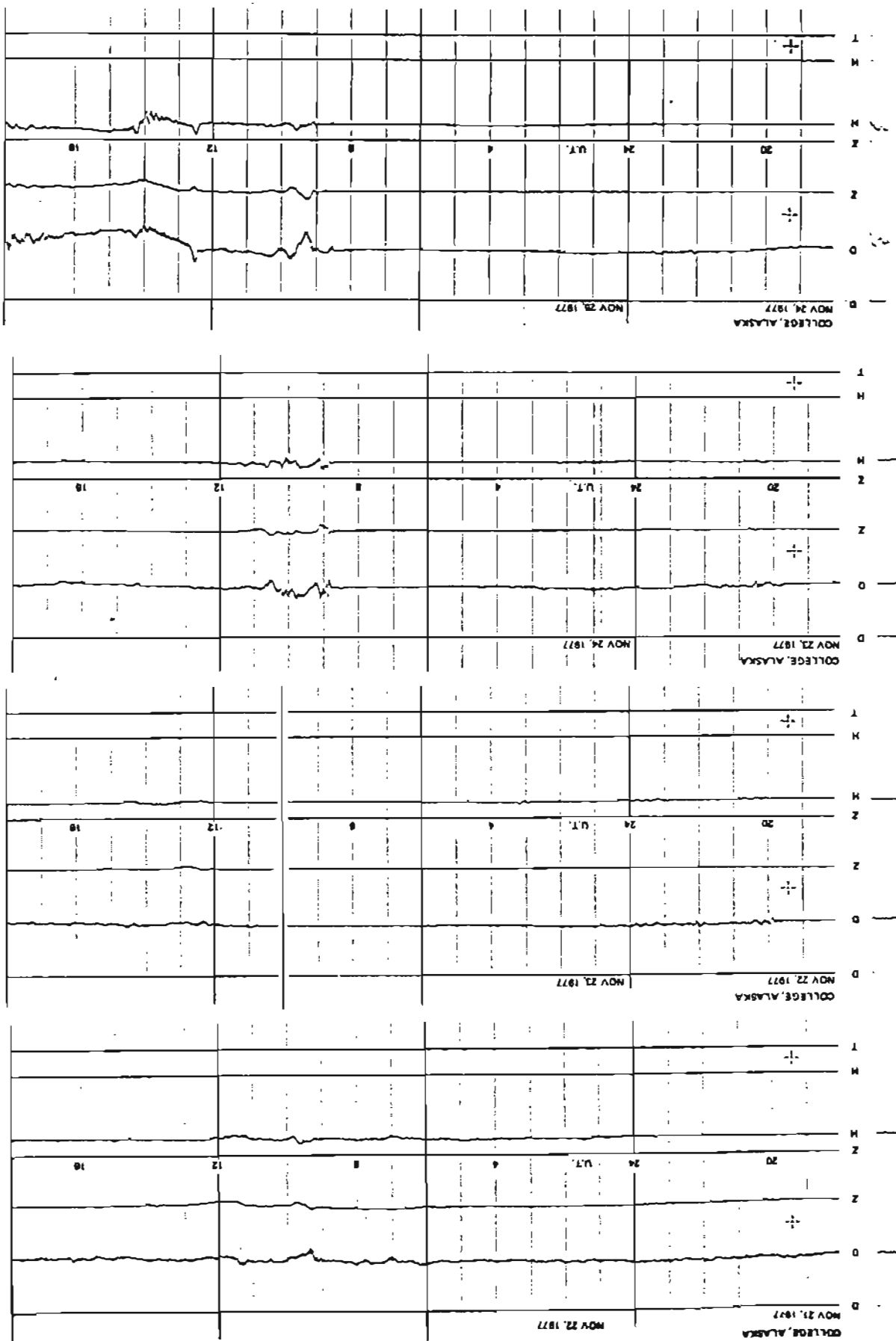
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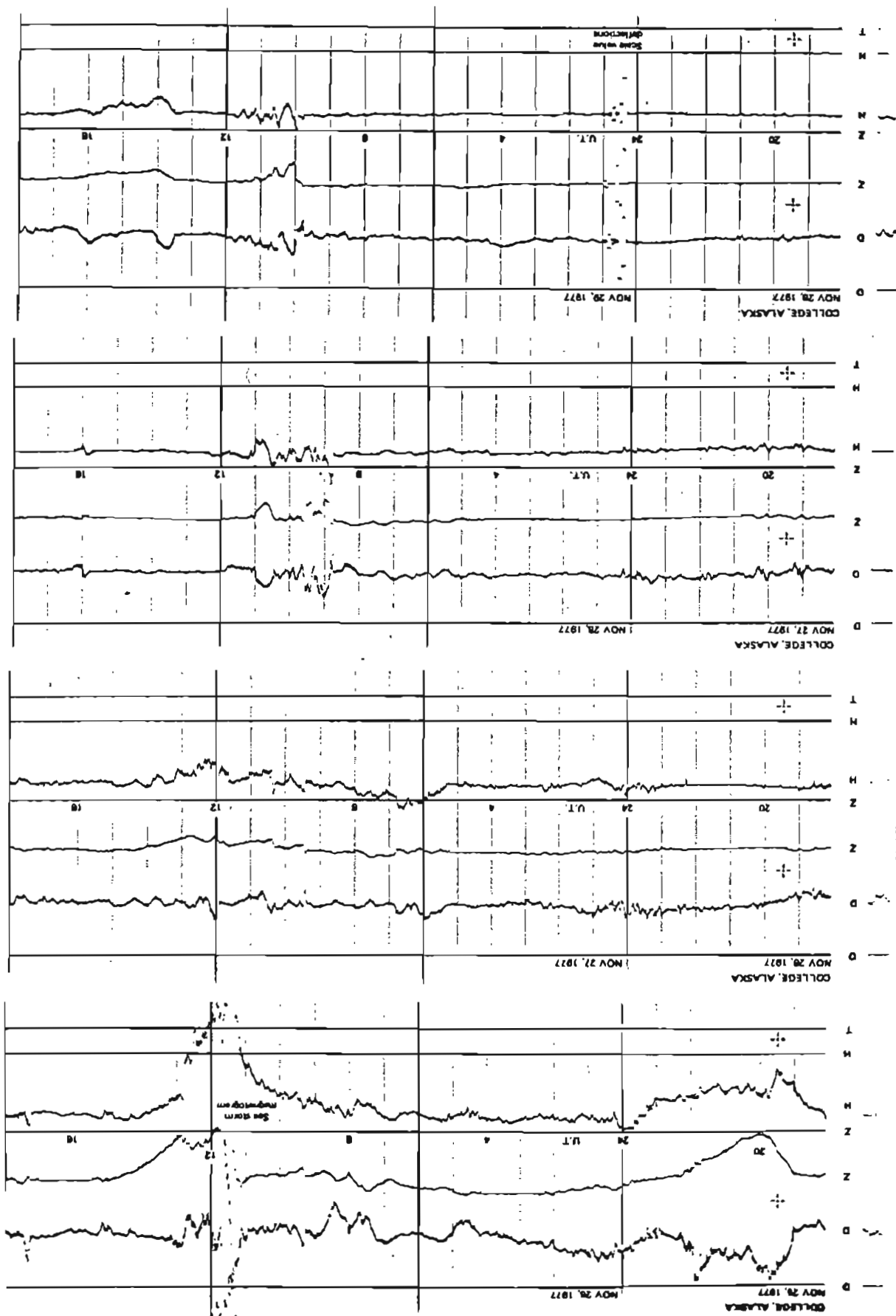


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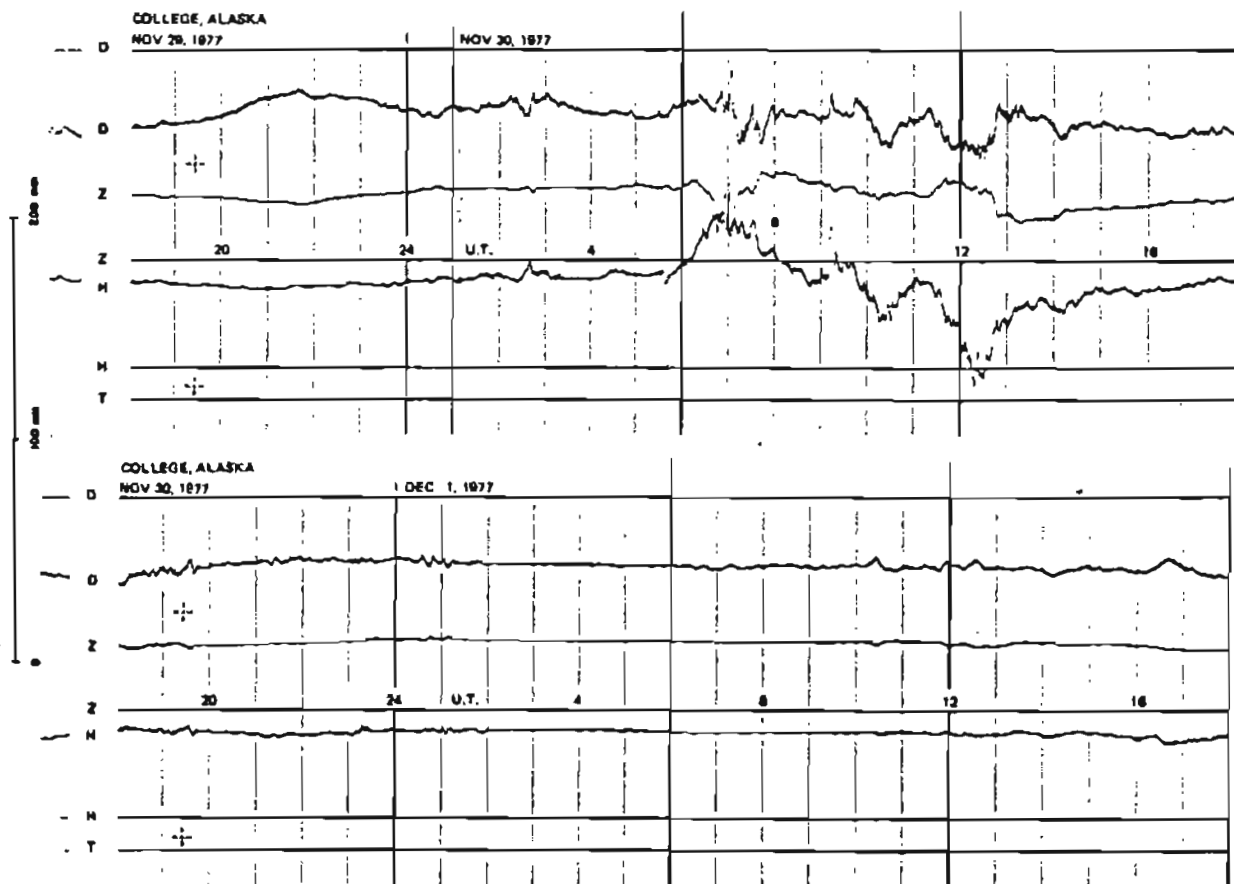


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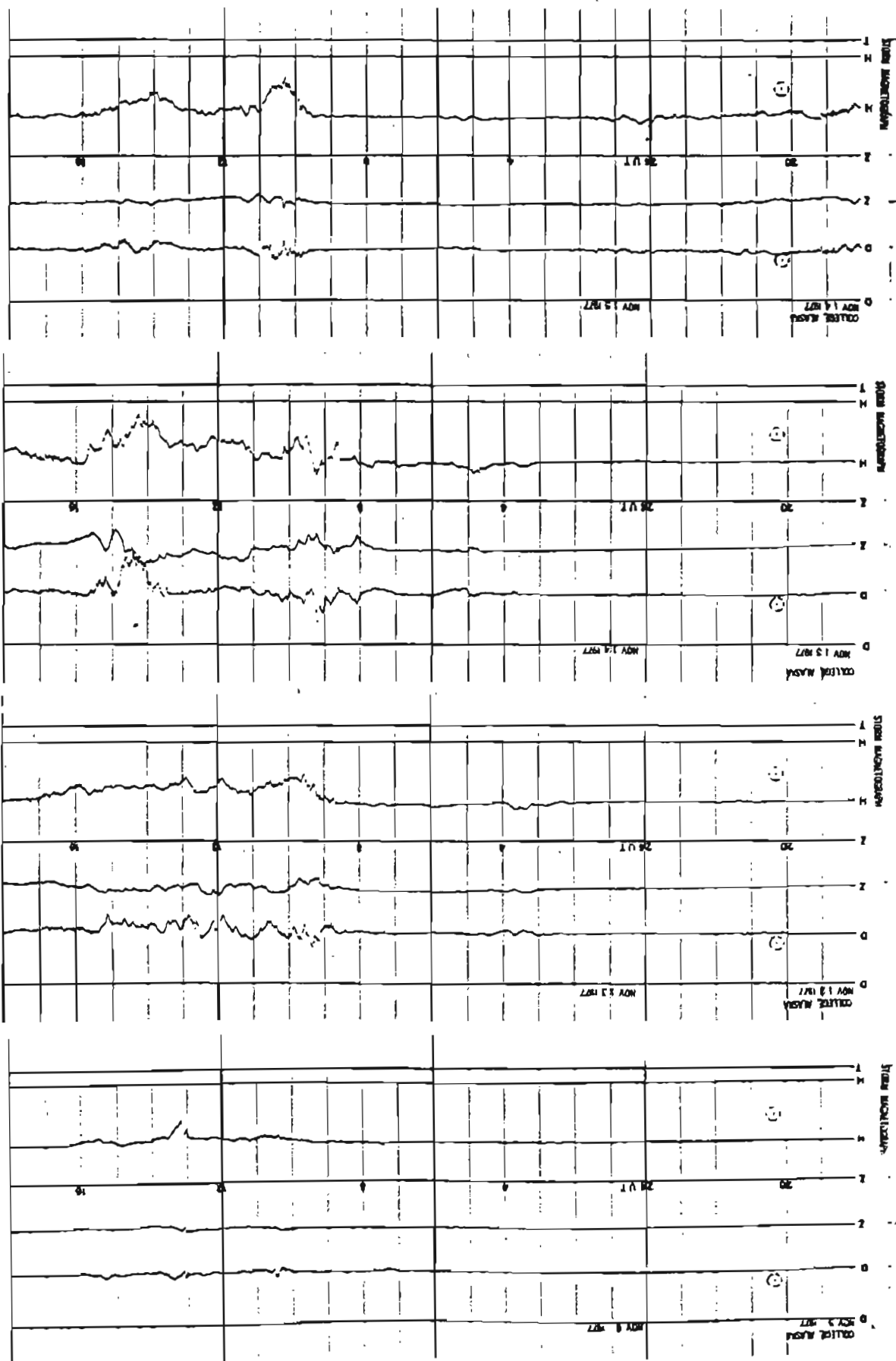




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