

GMT examples:

## Plotting tectonic/geological content (Fennoscandia)

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### General information

Files containing the coordinates and contours of tectonic units, faults and shear zones (after [Wylegalla et al., 1999](#); [Gorbatchev, 2004](#); [Korja & Heikkinen, 2005](#)) used in this example are included in the download package (`scan_tectonic` `scan_STZ` and `scan_shear_zones.dat`, digitized with Didger ® Golden Software, LLC). If you make use of the content presented in this manual please give reference to my disseration in which a slightly modified version of the presented map is included:

Grund, M. (2019), *Exploring geodynamics at different depths with shear wave splitting*, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), [doi:10.5445/IR/1000091425](https://doi.org/10.5445/IR/1000091425).

## 1 Plotting the map

All content shown in the following is based on the bash-script `Scan_plotcont.gmt` that can be downloaded from <https://github.com/michaelgrund/GMT-plotting>. If GMT 5.2.1 (or higher, [Wessel et al., 2013](#)) is installed on your (Linux) system you can directly reproduce the whole content shown in this manual by running `Scan_plotcont.gmt` via command line. In the following the individual steps to get the final figure are lined out.

### 1.1 Basic settings and map parameters

```
#!/bin/bash

gmtset MAP_GRID.PEN.PRIMARY 0.3p,dimgrey \
      PROJ.LENGTH.UNIT c \
      MAP_ANNOT.OBLIQUE 30 \
      MAP_ANNOT.OFFSET 5p \
      MAP_ANNOT.OFFSET.PRIMARY 5p \
      MAP_ANNOT.OFFSET.SECONDARY 5p \
      MAP_LABEL.OFFSET 5.5p \
      COLOR.MODEL rgb \
      FONT_ANNOT.PRIMARY 10p,Helvetica \
      FONT_LABEL 8 \
      MAP_FRAME.TYPE plain \
      MAP_FRAME.WIDTH 2p \
```

```
MAP.TICK.LENGTH.PRIMARY 5p \
MAP.FRAME.PEN 3.1p
```

```
#####
# GMT (5.2.1) script to plot geological/tectonic units and shear zones of Fennoscandia
#####

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# Content was partly digitised using Didger (R) (Golden Software, LLC) based on the
# following references:

# Geological units are modified after Fig. 1 of:
#   >> Hoegdahl et al., 2004, Geological Survey of Finland, Special Paper 37 <<
#   >> The Transscandinavian Igneous Belt (TIB) in Sweden: a review of its
#       character and evolution <<
# Tornquist zone is modified from paper:
#   >> Wylegalla et al., 1999, Tectonophysics 314, <<
#   >> Anisotropy across the Sorgenfrei–Tornquist Zone from shear wave splitting <<
# Major shear zones, faults and inferred paleo–subduction zones are modified after
#   Figs. 1 & 2 of:
#   >> Korja & Heikkinen, Precambrian Research 136 (2005) 241–268 <<
#   >> The accretionary Svecofennian orogen–insight from the BABEL profiles <<
#
#####
# If you use the content of this script or the accompanying files that include the digitised
# geological units etc. please acknowledge GMT, the references listed above as well as my
# PhD thesis (DOI: 10.5445/IR/1000091425) in which a modified version of the generated
# map is included.
#####

#####
## settings

# region
projR=3.5/36.5/54/71.5
# projection
projJ=ml:24000000
# output file
ps=Scan-plotcont.MAP.ps

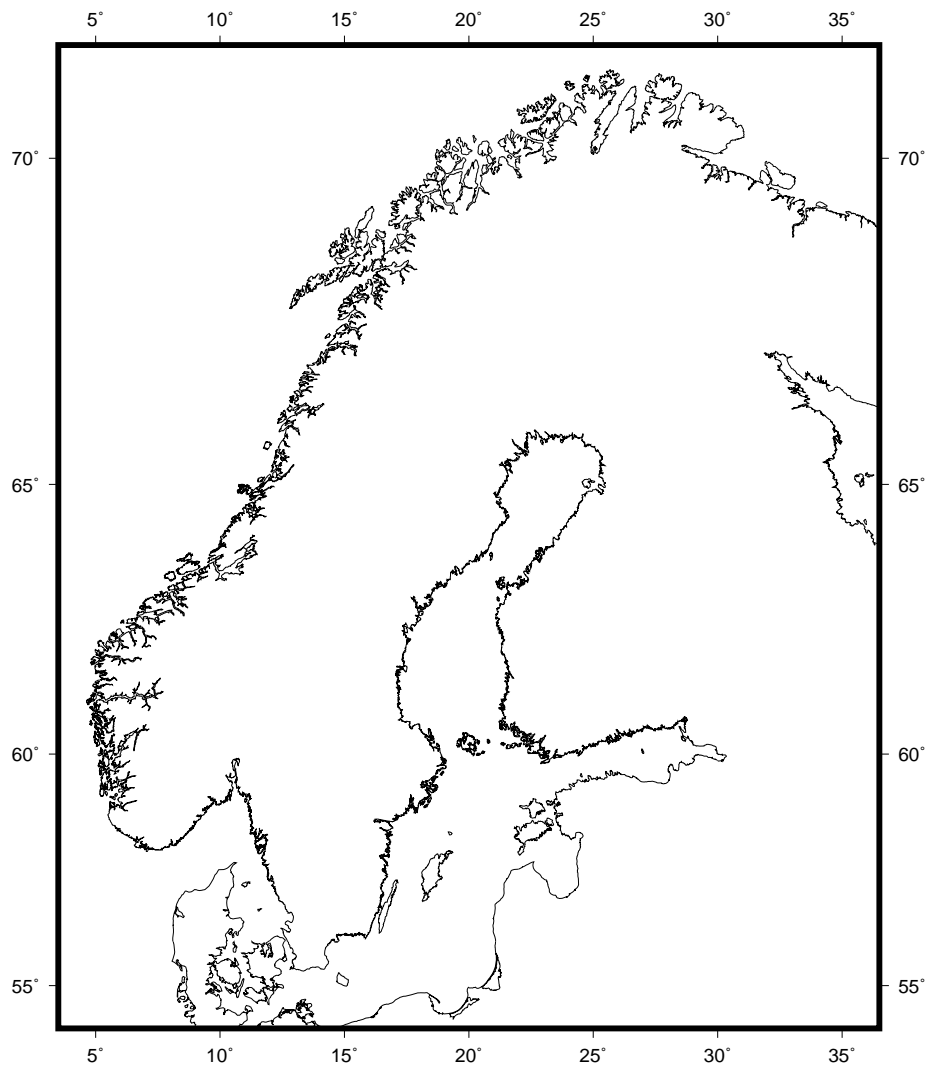
#####
```

## 1.2 Plot raw map

```
#####
# Fig. 1 # plot geographic content first
#####

pscoast -J$projJ -R$projR -Bx5 -By5 -Wthinnest -Swhite -Dh -P -K -A20/0/1 > $ps

#####
```



**Figure 1:** Plot a raw map of Fennoscandia.

### 1.3 Add digitized tectonic units

```
#####
# Fig. 2 # plot "raw" geological units
#####

# input file with digitised units
infile=scan_tectonic.dat

# unit colors
col_sveco=248/188/203
col_rapa=darkgray
col_paleo=107/107/148
col_phanero=115/195/128
col_sveconor=238/106/80
col_arch=241/99/106
col_cale=249/190/75
col_TIB=149/116/83

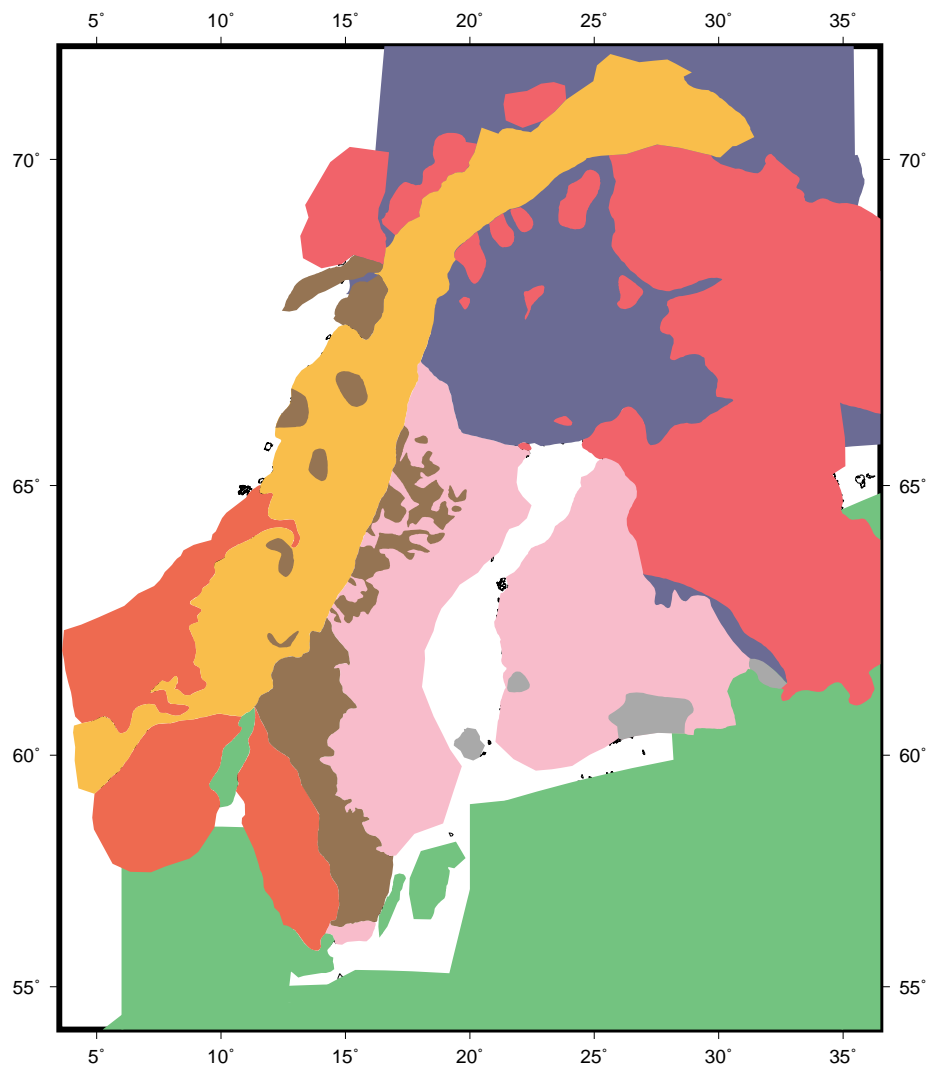
awk '{if ($3 == "Phanerozoic2" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_phanero -P >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "Svecofennian" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_sveco -P >> $ps
```

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awk '{if ($3 == "Rapaviki" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_rapa -P >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "Paleoproterozoic" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_paleo >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "Phanerozoic" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_phanero >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "Sveconorwegian" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_sveconor >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "Archean" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_arch >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "Caledonides" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_cale >> $ps
awk '{if ($3 == "TIB" || $2 == "") print $0}' $infile |psxy -J -R -O -K \
-G$col_TIB >> $ps

#####

```



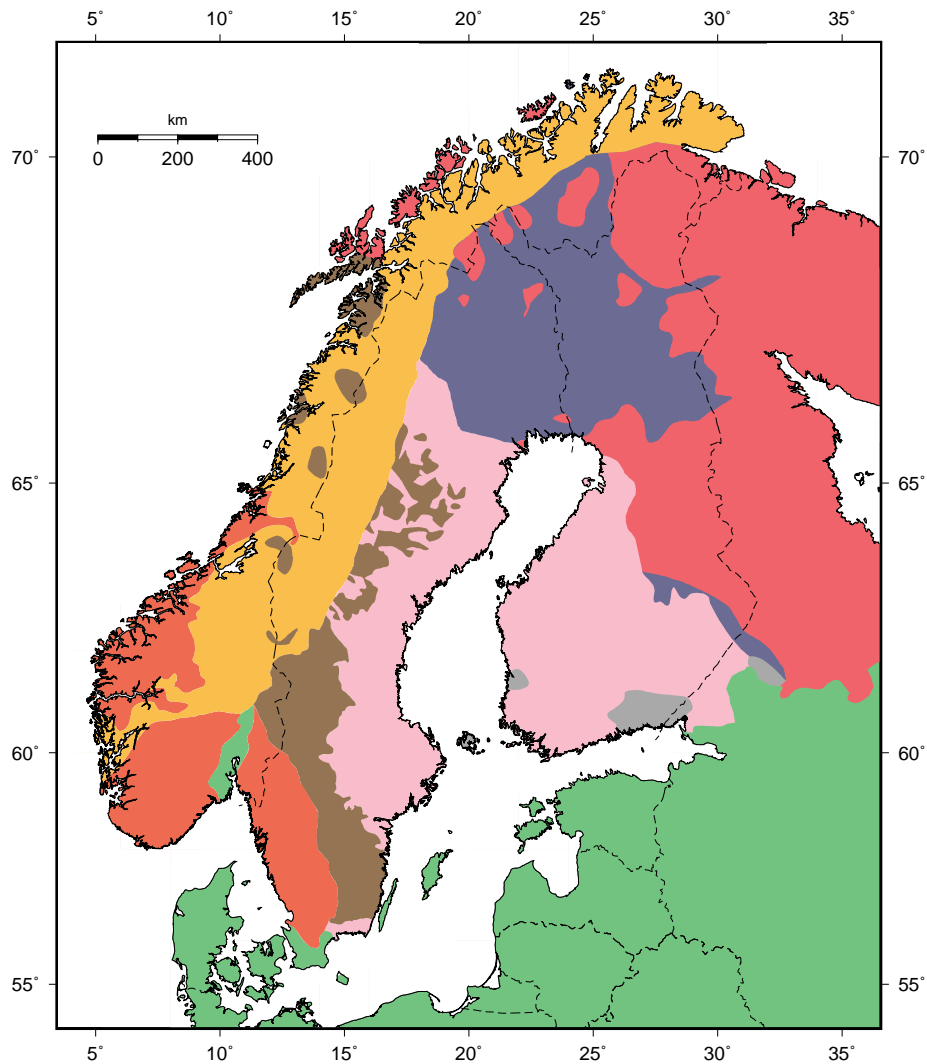
**Figure 2:** Add digitized tectonic units after [Gorbachev \(2004\)](#).

## 1.4 Plot water areas and national boundaries

```
#####
# Fig. 3 # coastlines etc on top of "geological units" with water areas filled white
#####

pscoast -J -R -Dh -Wthinest -A20/0/1 -Swhite -O -K >> $ps
## plot again to avoid visible "grid lines" in water areas and add scale bar
pscoast -J -R -Dh -Wthinest -A20/0/1 -Swhite -N1/0.55p,- -O -K -Lf8.3/70.3/56/400+lkm+jt \
>> $ps

#####
```



**Figure 3:** Plot water areas on top in white as well as add a scale and national borders.

## 1.5 Plot faults and shear zones

```
#####
# Fig. 4 # plot shear zones etc.
#####

infilefaults=scan_shear_zones.dat
awk 'NR > 4 {print $0}' $infilefaults | psxy -J -R -K -O -W1.1p,black >> $ps

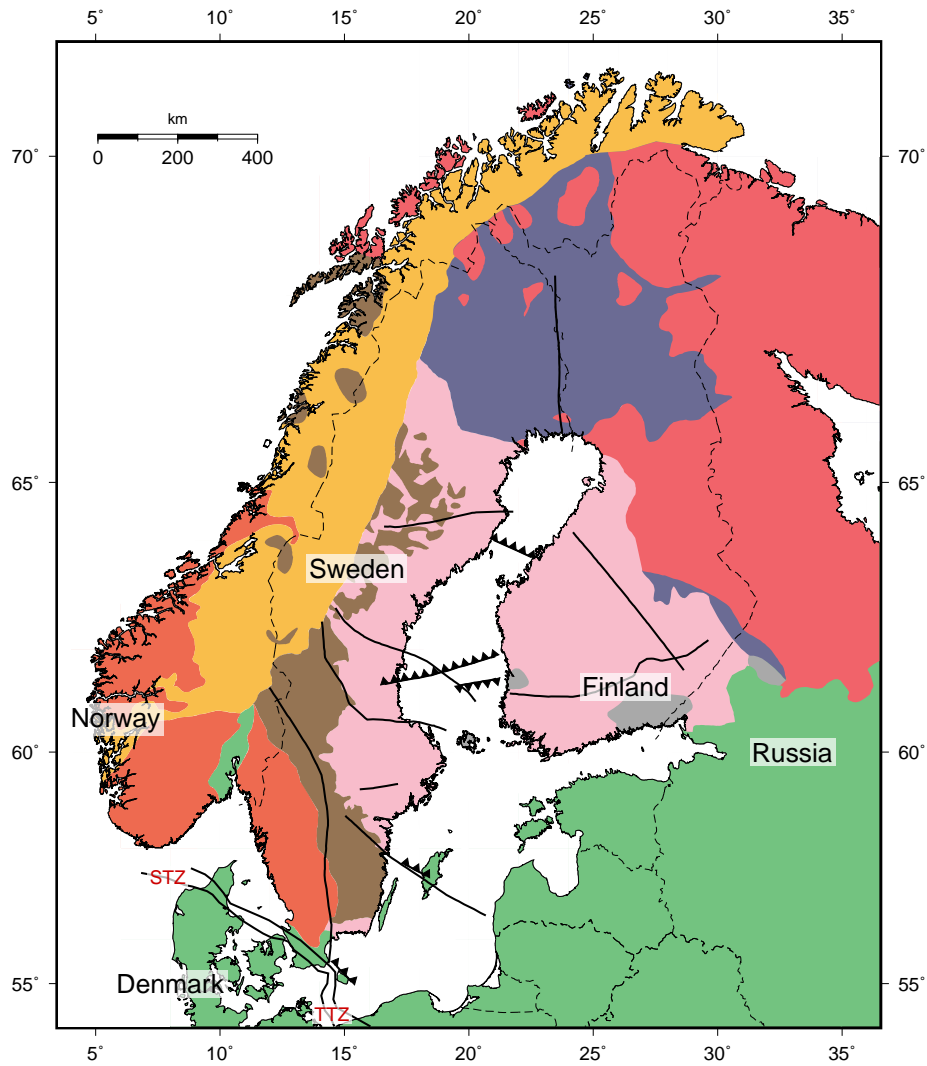
#=====
### plot Tornquist zone
awk 'NR > 4 {print $0}' scan_STZ.dat | psxy -J -R -K -O -W1.1p,black >> $ps

### annotation Tornquist Zone (background transparent, -Gwhite@30)
pstext -R -J -F+f10p,red3 -Gwhite@30 -O -K <<EOF >>$ps
7.9 57.4 STZ
14.5 54.3 TTZ
EOF

#=====
## plot paleo-subductions
awk 'NR > 4 {if ($3 == "subductionzone" && $4 == "1" ) print $0}' $infilefaults | psxy -J -R \
-K -O -Sf0.2/0.15+t+r -Wthinest -Gblack >> $ps
awk 'NR > 4 {if ($3 == "subductionzone" && $4 == "2" ) print $0}' $infilefaults | psxy -J -R \
-K -O -Sf0.2/0.15+t+l -Wthinest -Gblack>> $ps
awk 'NR > 4 {if ($3 == "subductionzone" && $4 == "3" ) print $0}' $infilefaults | psxy -J -R \
-K -O -Sf0.2/0.15+t+r -Wthinest -Gblack >> $ps
awk 'NR > 4 {if ($3 == "subductionzone" && $4 == "4" ) print $0}' $infilefaults | psxy -J -R \
-K -O -Sf0.2/0.15+t+r -Wthinest -Gblack >> $ps
awk 'NR > 4 {if ($3 == "subductionzone" && $4 == "5" ) print $0}' $infilefaults | psxy -J -R \
-K -O -Sf0.2/0.15+t+l -Wthinest -Gblack >> $ps

#=====
#annotation countries
pstext -R -J -F+f14p -O -K -Gwhite@30 <<EOF >>$ps
26.3 61.3 Finland
15.5 63.5 Sweden
5.8 60.7 Norway
8 55 Denmark
33 60 Russia
EOF
#=====

#####
```



**Figure 4:** Add annotations, digitized faults and shear zones after [Wylegalla et al. \(1999\)](#) and [Korja & Heikkinen \(2005\)](#).

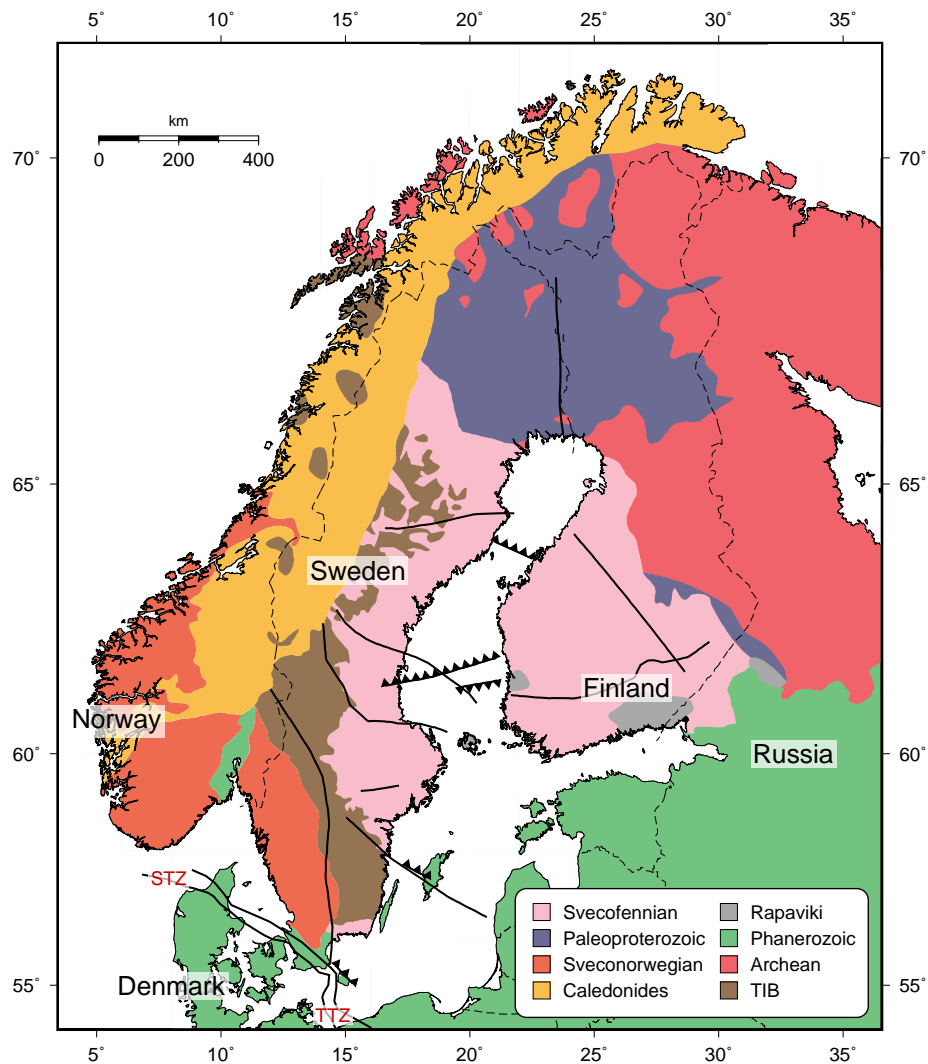
## 1.6 Plot legend

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#####
# Fig. 5 # plot legend in right lower corner
#####

pslegend -R -J -Dx8.5/0.2/6.58c/2.4c/BL -F+r+plinen+glinen+gwhite+pblack+pthin -O -K \
<< EOF >> $ps
G 0.1c
N 2
S 0.35c s 0.45c $col_sveco   thinnest      0.75c Svecofennian
S 0.55c s 0.45c $col_rapa    thinnest      0.95c Rapaviki
G 0.1c
S 0.35c s 0.45c $col_paleo   thinnest      0.75c Paleoproterozoic
S 0.55c s 0.45c $col_phanero thinnest      0.95c Phanerozoic
G 0.1c
S 0.35c s 0.45c $col_sveconor thinnest      0.75c Sveconorwegian
S 0.55c s 0.45c $col_arch    thinnest      0.95c Archean
G 0.1c
S 0.35c s 0.45c $col_cale    thinnest      0.75c Caledonides
S 0.55c s 0.45c $col_TIB     thinnest      0.95c TIB
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G 0.01 i  
EOF

```
#####
#gv $ps &
#ps2pdf $ps $ps.pdf
#pdfcrop $ps.pdf $ps.pdf
#####
```



**Figure 5:** Add a legend in lower right corner.

## References

Gorbachev, R., 2004. The Transscandinavian Igneous Belt – introduction and background, in *The Transscandinavian Igneous Belt (TIB) in Sweden: a Review of Its Character and Evolution. Geological Survey of Finland, Special Paper*, vol. 37, pp. 9–15, eds Högdahl, K., Andersson, U., & Eklund, O., Geological Survey of Finland.



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