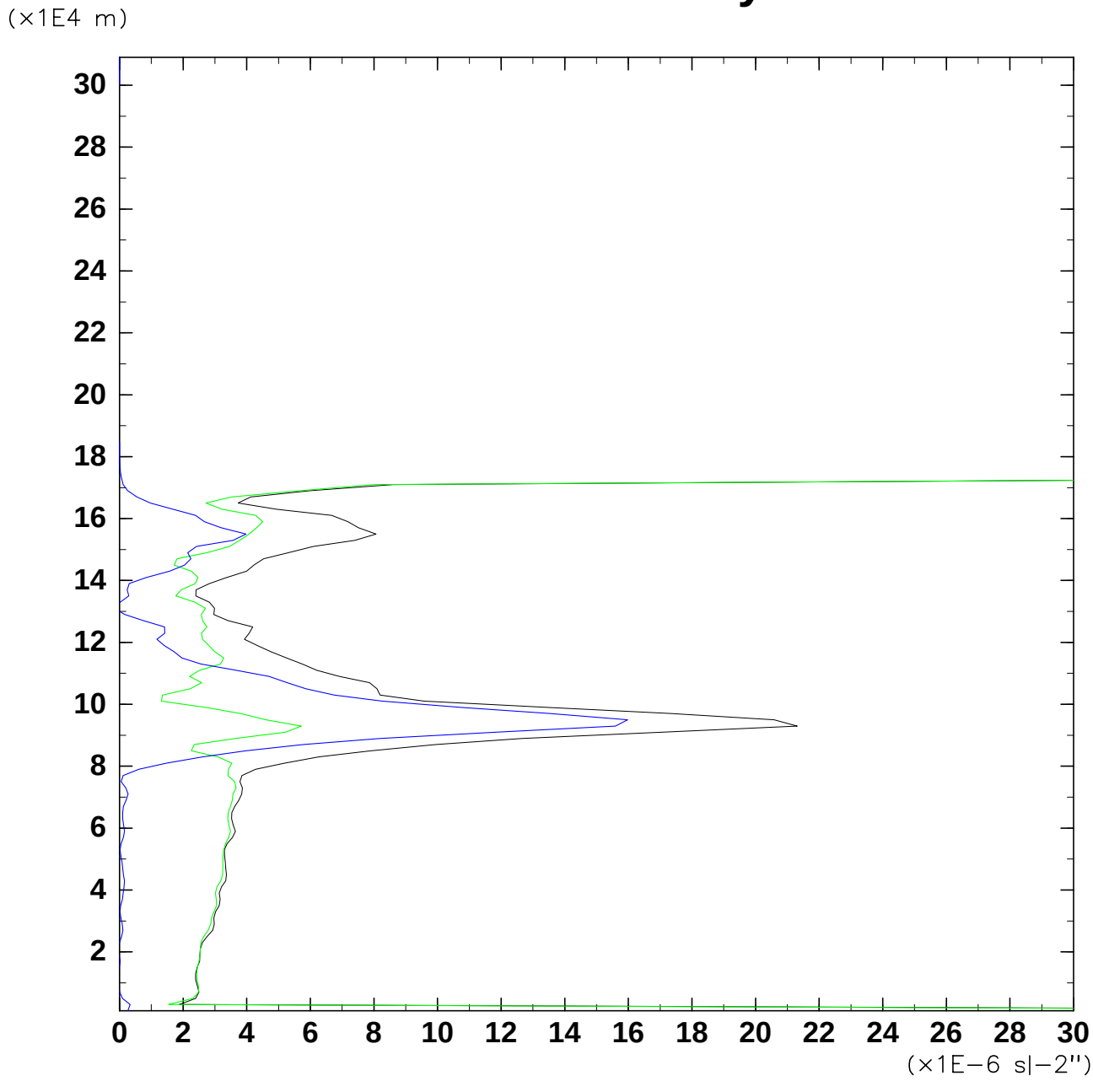Static Stability