

# AWG2023: Status of DORIS Processing at GSFC

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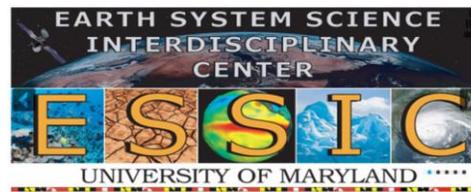
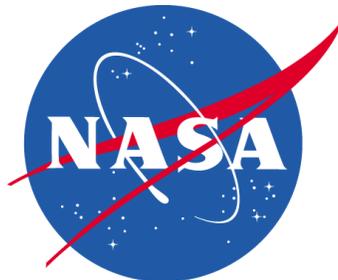
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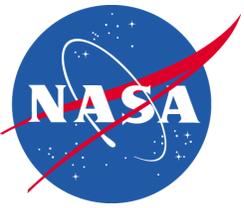
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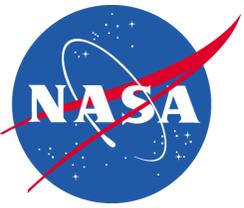




# Summary of Recent SINEX Submissions Post ITRF2020



| Series  | Description  | Comment  |
|---------|--|--|
| gscwd52 | gscwd51 + Sentinel-3B starting 180610  | Deliveries Started 2021-10-18 to NASA CDDIS.                 |
| gscwd53 | gscwd52 + downweight SAA stations on HY2A by 3X;<br>Remove Arequipa, Kourou, Cacheoira, Santiago, San Juan from HY-2A normal equation before combination.<br>(Recommended after last IDS WS 2022)            | Deliveries started 2023-04-25                                |
| gscwd54 | gscwd53 + replace GOCO05s/SLR+DORIS 4x4 solutions with <b>CNES_GRGS.RL05MF_COMBINED_GRACE_SLR_DORIS</b> gravity model, and resubmit SINEX files from 20160101 for the preparation of the ITRF2020 extension. | Deliveries started 2023-11-08<br>(Delivered to 2023-DOY260). |



# Summary of POD Results: RMS of fit for gscwd54

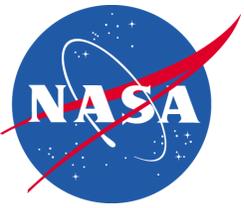
(new satellite data for ITRF2020 and post-ITRF2020)

(using *CNES\_GRGS.RL05MF\_COMBINED\_GRACE\_SLR\_DORIS* gravity field)

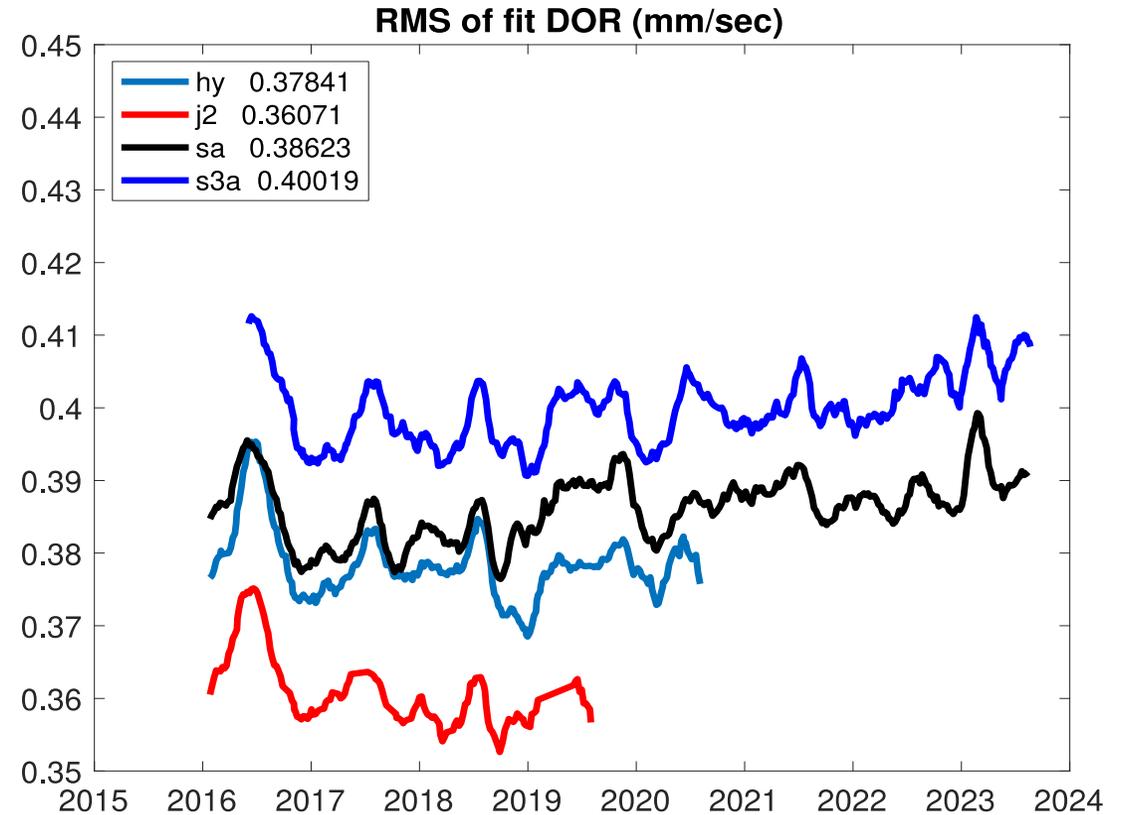
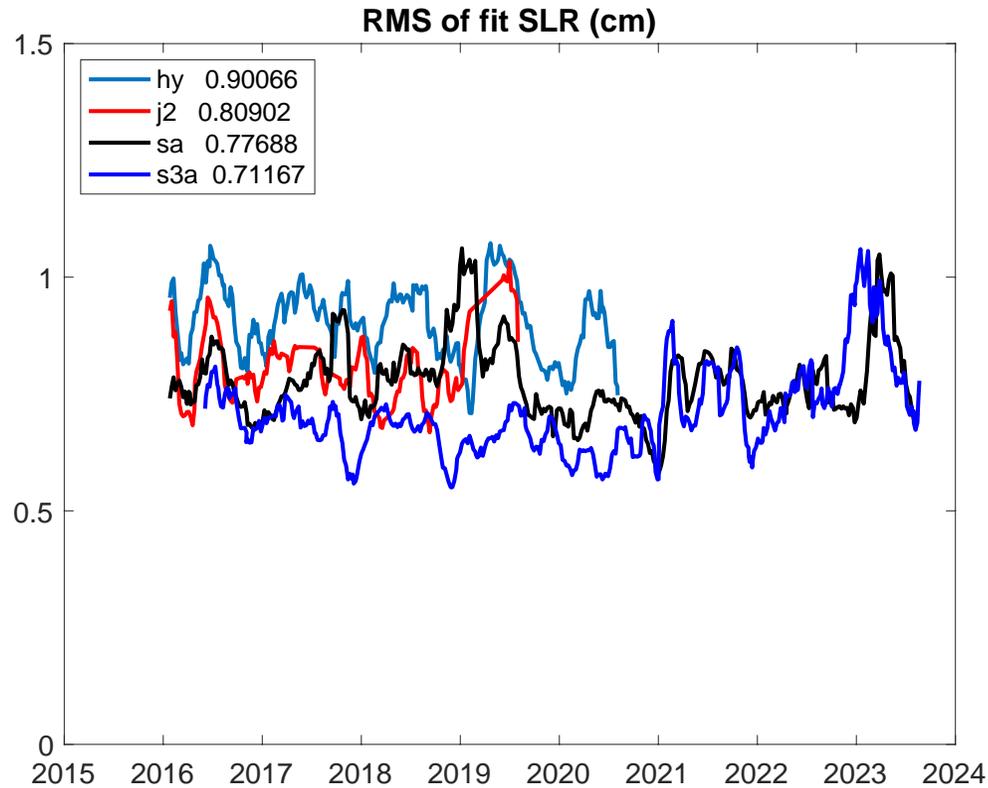
| Satellite                | First Arc | Last Arc | No of Arcs | Avg. No SLR obs | Avg. No DORIS obs | Avg. SLR fit (cm) | Avg DORIS fit (WRMS, mm/s) |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Cryosat-2                | 160103    | 230917   | 492        | 964             | 61,996            | 0.894             | 0.4043                     |
| HY-2A                    | 160103    | 200906   | 268        | 612             | 82,561            | 0.901             | 0.3784                     |
| Jason-2                  | 160103    | 190908   | 164        | 2536            | 127,160           | 0.808             | 0.3607                     |
| Jason-3                  | 160223    | 230917   | 426        | 2545            | 134,790           | 0.683             | 0.3887                     |
| Saral                    | 160103    | 230917   | 409        | 1057            | 82,188            | 0.777             | 0.3862                     |
| Sentinel-3A ( $\alpha$ ) | 160508    | 230917   | 458        | 929             | 76,334            | 0.712             | 0.4002                     |
| Sentinel-3B ( $\beta$ )  | 180606    | 230917   | 343        | 833             | 74,127            | 0.727             | 0.4121                     |

( $\alpha$ ) No SLR data for Sentinel-3A from 2016-0306 to week of 2016-0508. Sentinel-3A still included in SINEX solution gscwd51 starting on 160302.

( $\beta$ ) Sentinel-3B not included in the ITRF2020 submission, but is now part of the operational series, gscwd52.

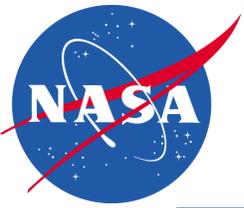


# Summary of POD Results for gscwd54: RMS of fit (2)



RMS of fit smoothed using a running ~9 week average

Elevation-dependent weighting was used for the DORIS data in SLR +DORIS POD run, so the final WRMS is rescaled by  $1/0.65$  for presentation to approximate the unscaled DORIS residuals.



# POD Results for gscwd54: Empirical Accelerations

(using *CNES\_GRGS.RL05MF\_COMBINED\_GRACE\_SLR\_DORIS* gravity field)



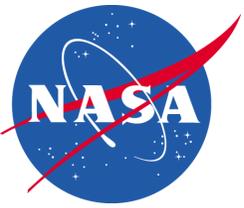
| Satellite                | First Arc | Last Arc | No of Values | Along-track Accels (nm/s <sup>2</sup> ) |       | Cross-track Accels (nm/s <sup>2</sup> ) |       |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|--------------|---|-------|---|-------|
|                          |           |          |              | Average                                 | RMS   | Average                                 | RMS   |
| Cryosat-2                | 160103    | 230917   | 2835         | 2.415                                   | 2.593 | 2.004                                   | 2.825 |
| HY-2A                    | 160103    | 200906   | 1684         | 0.526                                   | 0.576 | 2.501                                   | 3.058 |
| Jason-2 ( $\alpha$ )     | 160103    | 190908   | 2140         | 0.734                                   | 1.063 | 2.544                                   | 2.803 |
| Jason-3 ( $\alpha$ )     | 160223    | 230917   | 2736         | 0.652                                   | 1.004 | 1.863                                   | 2.988 |
| Saral                    | 160103    | 230917   | 2806         | 1.419                                   | 1.705 | 1.506                                   | 1.956 |
| Sentinel-3A              | 160508    | 230917   | 2759         | 1.358                                   | 1.488 | 1.402                                   | 1.794 |
| Sentinel-3A ( $\gamma$ ) | 180603    | 230917   | 1989         | 1.393                                   | 1.549 | 1.442                                   | 1.905 |
| Sentinel-3B ( $\beta$ )  | 180606    | 230917   | 1960         | 0.901                                   | 1.096 | 1.498                                   | 1.753 |
| Sentinel-3A ( $\delta$ ) | 180617    | 181014   | 121          | 1.444                                   | 1.409 | 1.224                                   | 1.449 |
| Sentinel-3B ( $\delta$ ) | 180617    | 181016   | 118          | 0.654                                   | 0.694 | 1.364                                   | 1.530 |

( $\alpha$ ) For Jason-2 & Jason-3 Cr's were adjusted per arc in a separate POD step and then held fixed.

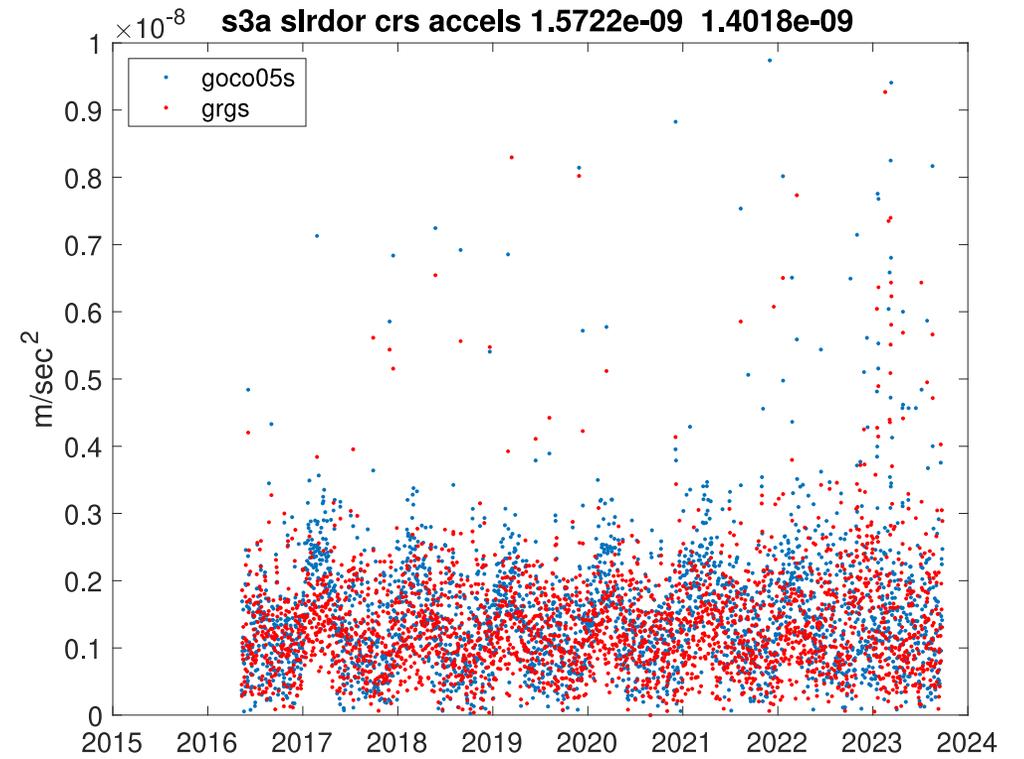
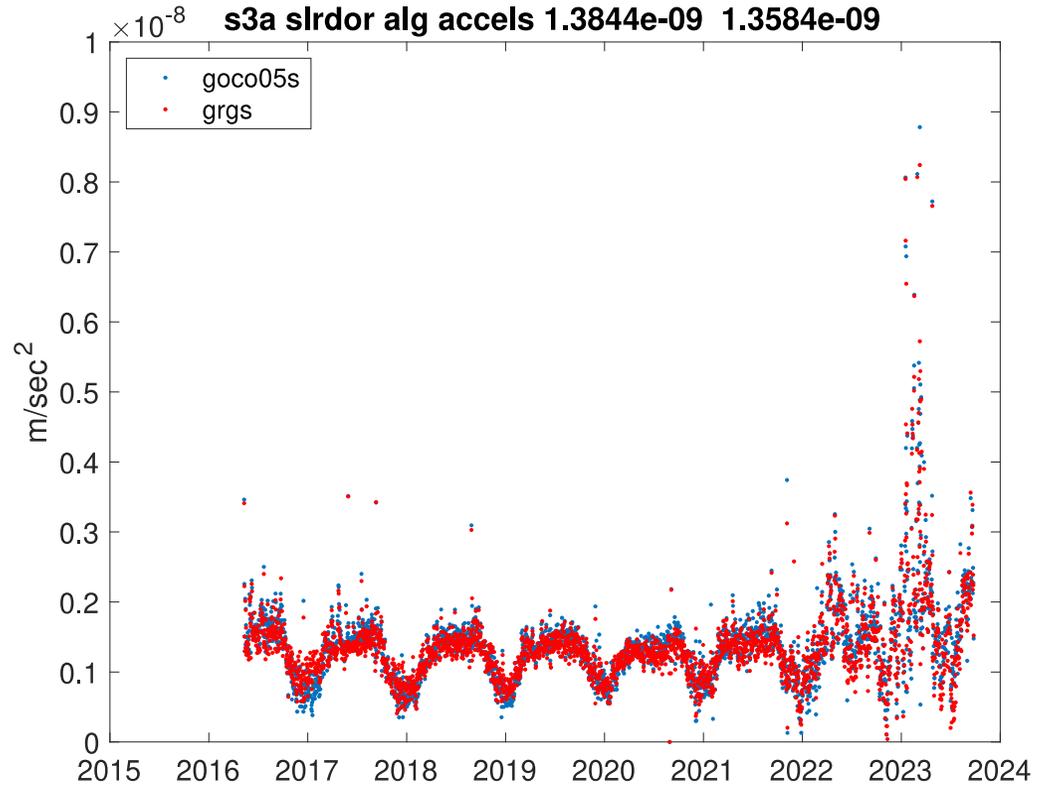
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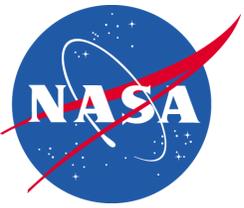
( $\gamma$ ) Selecting Sentinel-3A arcs that are coincident with Sentinel-3B for comparison (180603 to 220911).

( $\delta$ ) Sentinel-3A & Sentinel-3B comparison limited to S3A-S3B tandem mission period.

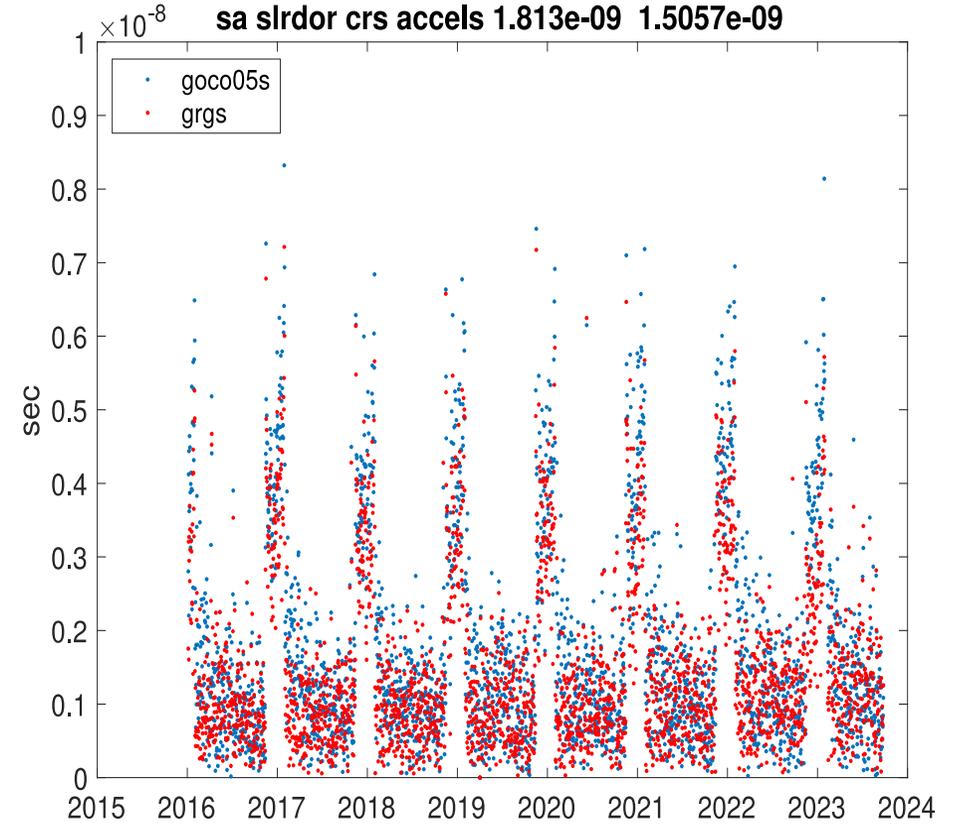
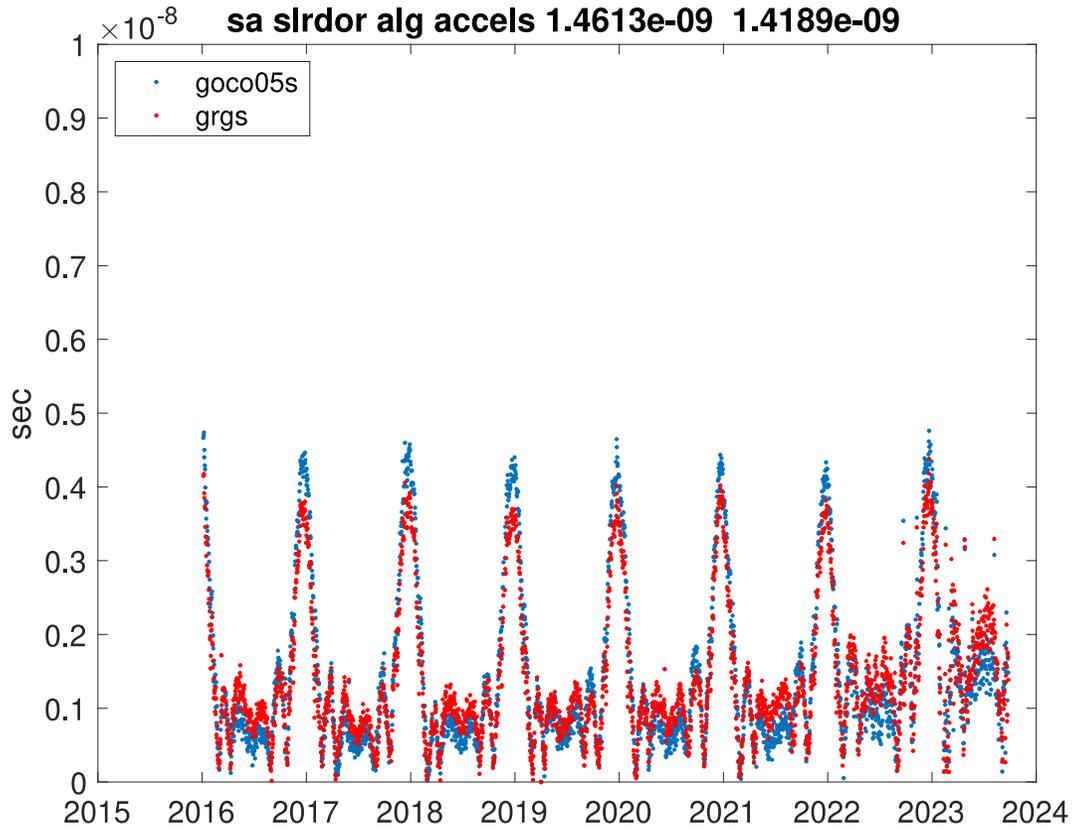


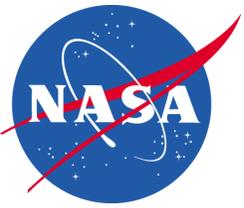
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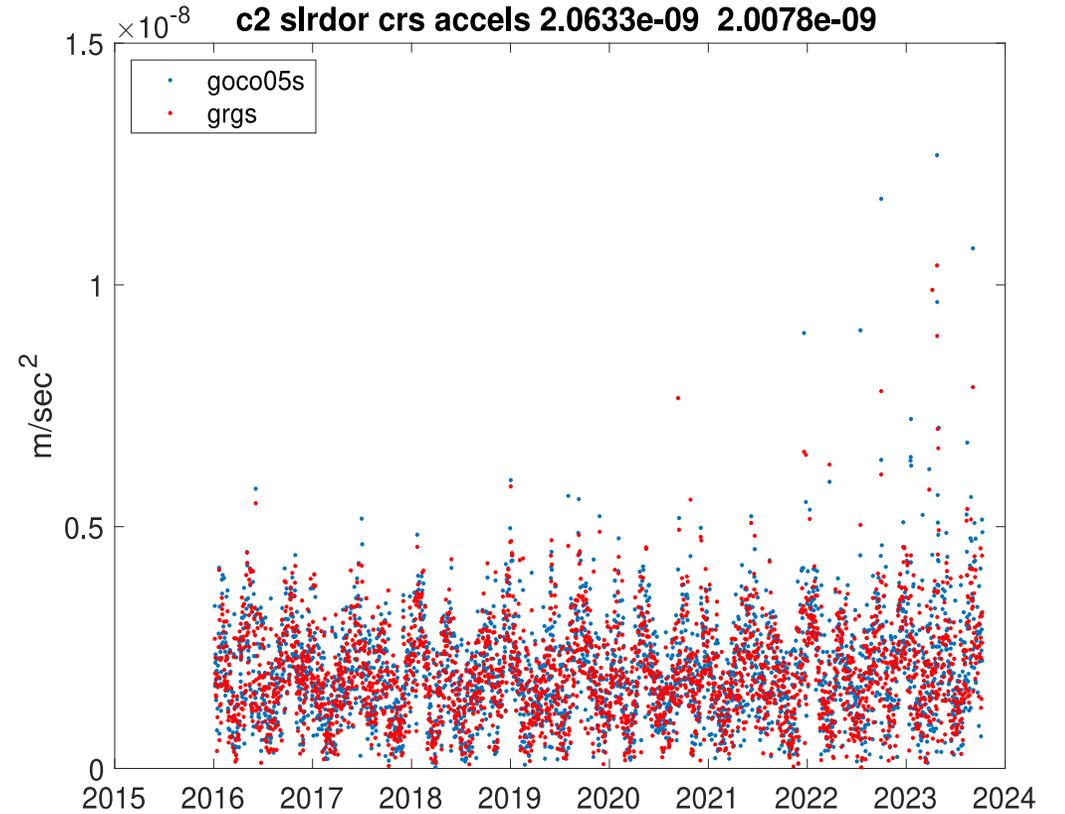
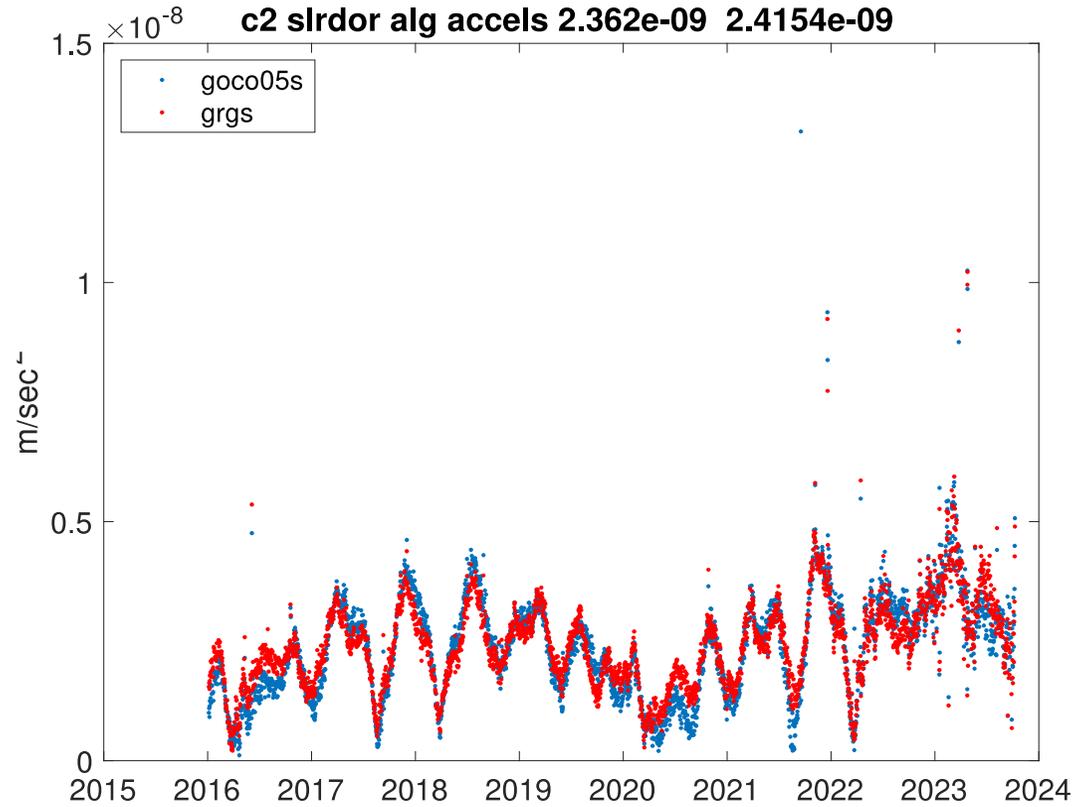


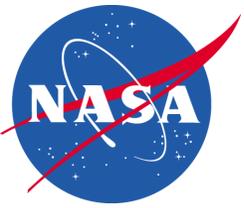
# OPR Acceleration Amplitudes for Saral (gscwd53 vs. gscwd54)



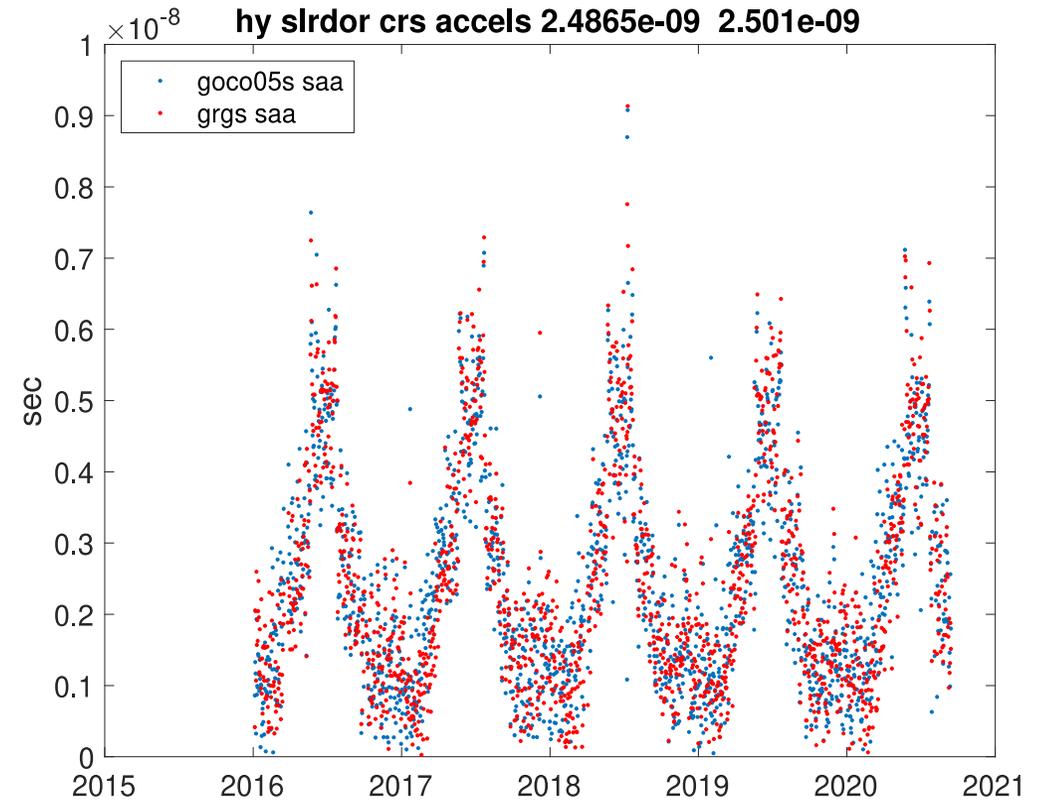
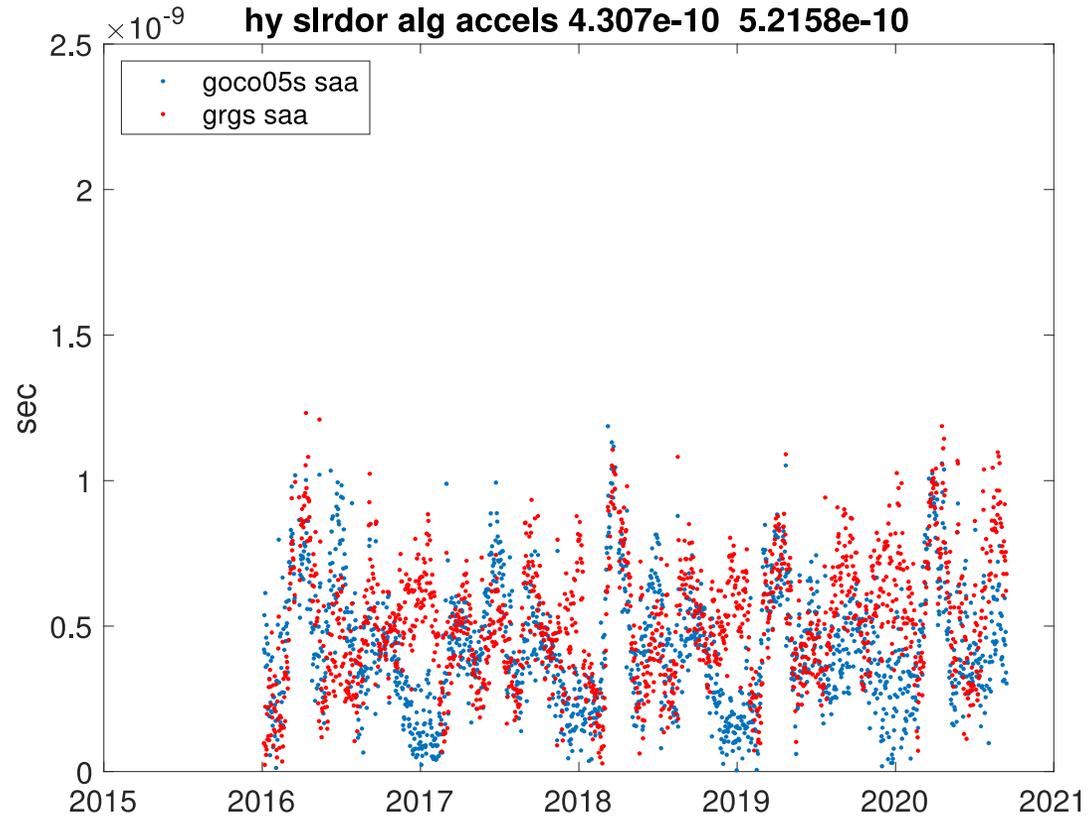


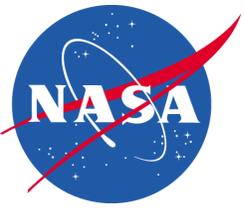
# OPR Acceleration Amplitudes for Cryosat-2 (gscwd53 vs. gscwd54)





# OPR Acceleration Amplitudes for HY-2A (gscwd53 vs. gscwd54)

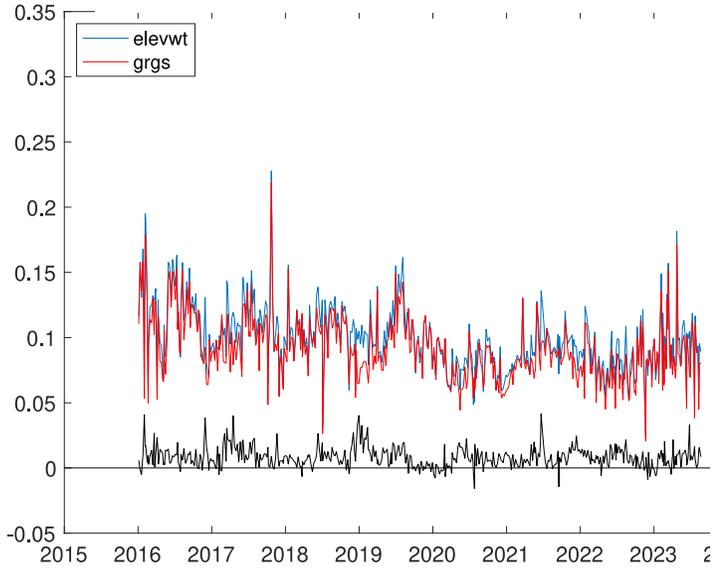




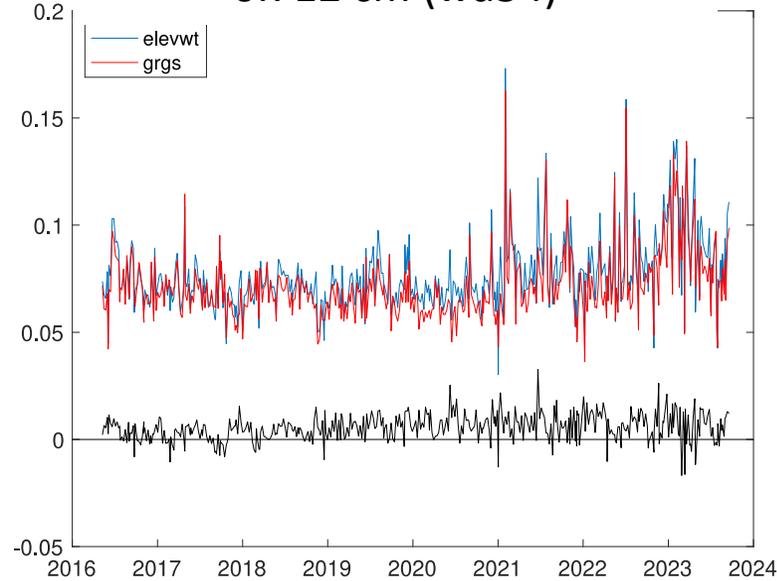
# Impact on SLR RMS of fit (gscwd53 vs. gscwd54)



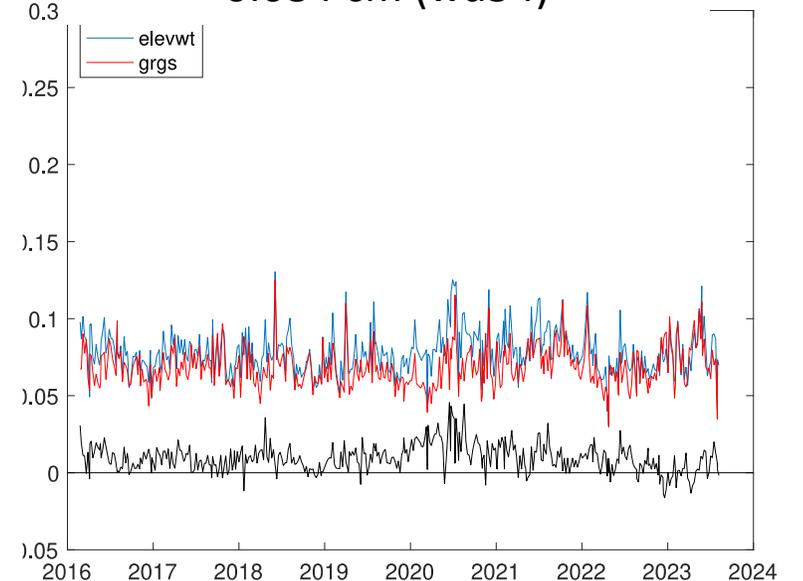
Cryosat-2: 0.979 cm (wd53);  
0.0890 cm (wd54)

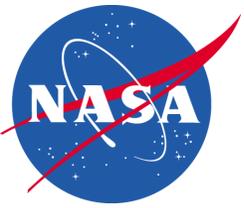


Sentinel-3A: 0.766 cm (wd53);  
0.712 cm (wd54)

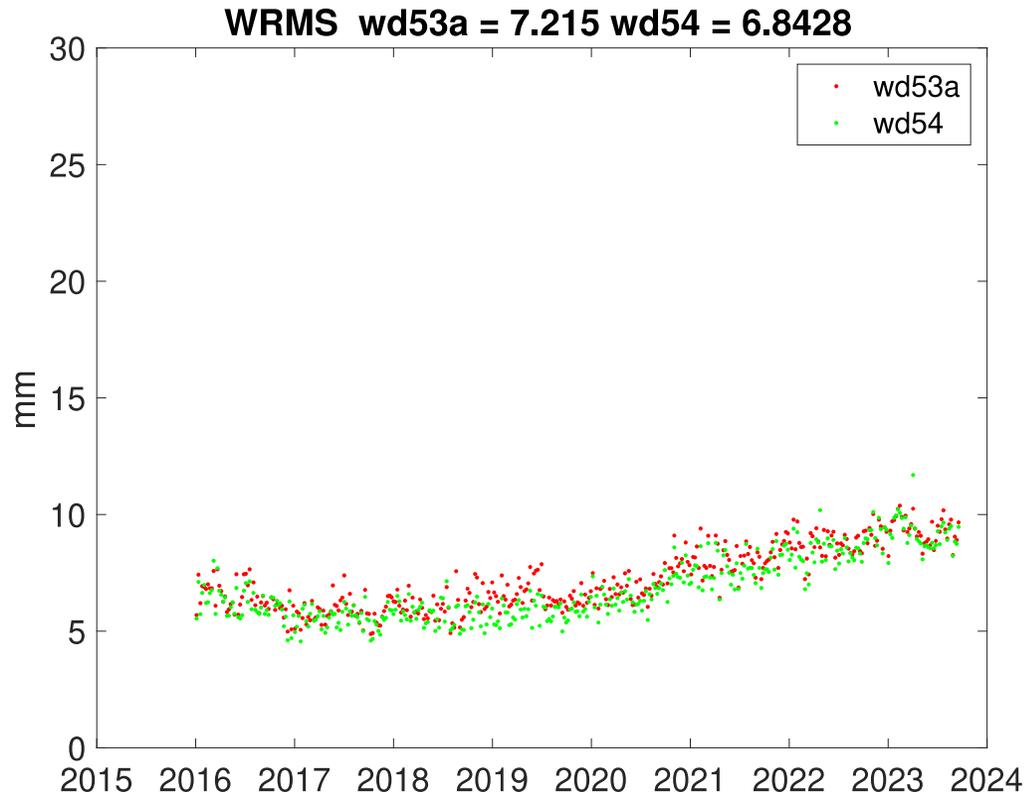


Jason-3: 0.779 cm (wd53);  
0.684 cm (wd54)

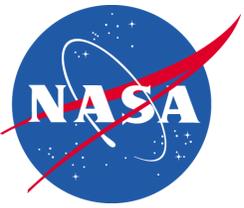




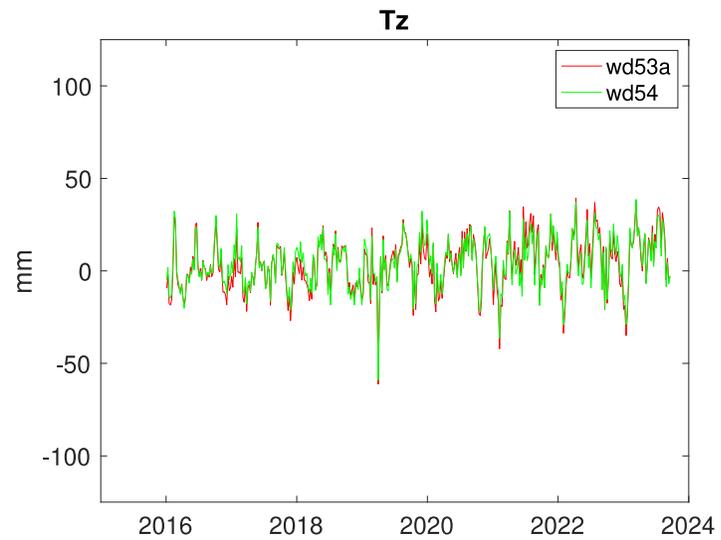
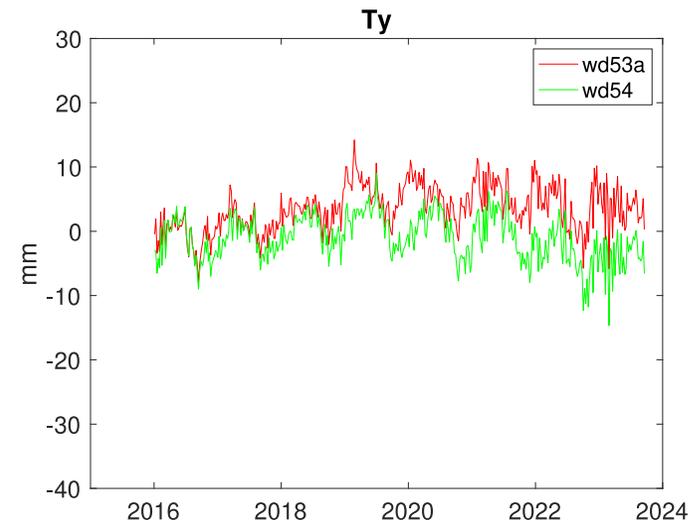
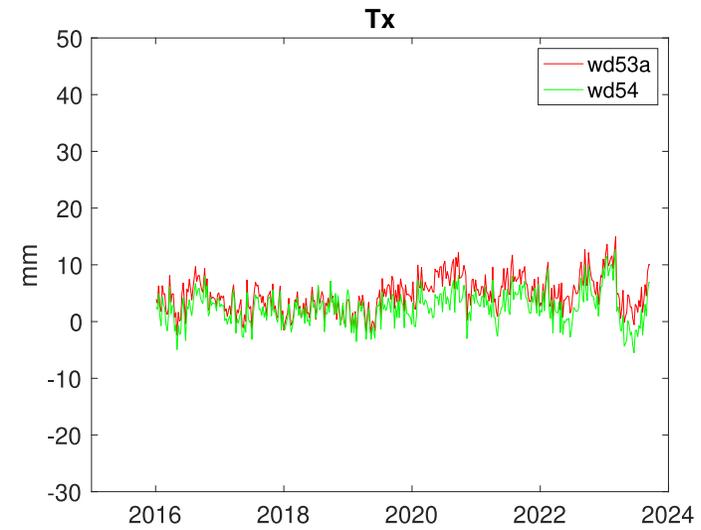
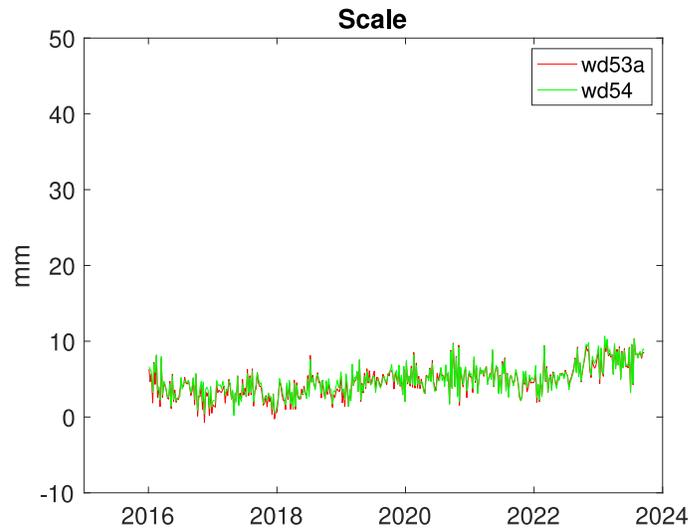
# Impact on WRMS of weekly solutions w.r.t dpod2014\_v5.5 (gscwd53 vs. gscwd54)

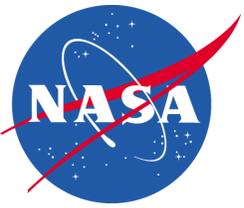


| Satellite       | Wd53 (goco5s + slr/dor 4x4) (mm) | Wd54 (grgs_rl05) (mm) |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cryosat-2       | 12.29                            | 12.06                 |
| HY-2A_saa       | 10.86                            | 9.84                  |
| Jason-2 (V2)    | 16.95                            | 16.11                 |
| Jason-2 (RINEX) | 16.15                            | 16.03                 |
| Jason-3         | 16.84                            | 16.54                 |
| Saral           | 10.81                            | 10.28                 |
| Sentinel-3A     | 14.11                            | 13.64                 |
| Sentinel-3B     | 15.74                            | 15.26                 |



# Impact on Scale & Tx,y,z parameters of weekly solutions w.r.t dpod2014\_v5.5 (gscwd53 vs. gscwd54)



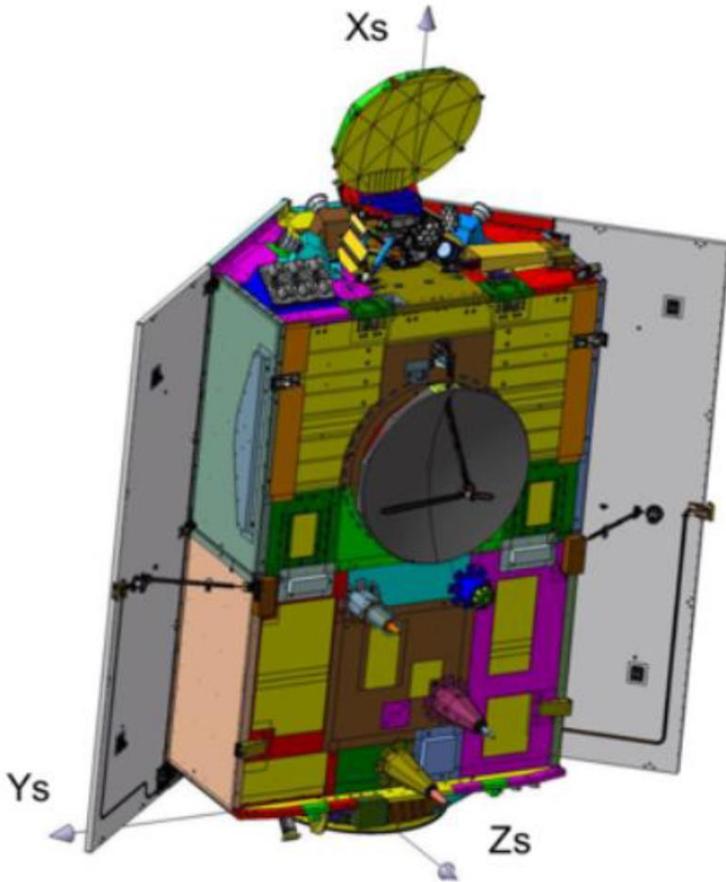


## Tests on Sentinel-6A Macromodel

# Macromodel tests on Sentinel-6A (1)

## CNES 6-panel (only optical properties used)

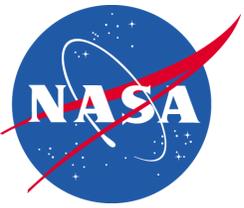
| // Surf(m <sup>2</sup> )// | Normal in sat ref frame |         |         | // Optical properties |         |        | // Infrared properties |         |        |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|--------|------------------------|---------|--------|
|                            |                         |         |         | // spec               | // diff | // abs | // spec                | // diff | // abs |
| 3.600                      | -1.                     | 0.      | 0.      | 0.4500                | 0.1200  | 0.4300 | 0.1800                 | 0.0400  | 0.7800 |
| 3.370                      | 1.                      | 0.      | 0.      | 0.4590                | 0.5410  | 0.0000 | 0.1920                 | 0.8080  | 0.0000 |
| 8.660                      | 0.                      | -0.6157 | -0.7880 | 0.0000                | 0.3370  | 0.6630 | 0.0000                 | 0.6150  | 0.3850 |
| 8.660                      | 0.                      | 0.6157  | -0.7880 | 0.0000                | 0.3370  | 0.6630 | 0.0000                 | 0.6150  | 0.3850 |
| 2.990                      | 0.                      | 0.      | -1.     | 0.4550                | 0.5110  | 0.0340 | 0.1140                 | 0.6270  | 0.2590 |
| 15.350                     | 0.                      | 0.      | 1.      | 0.3420                | 0.6300  | 0.0280 | 0.0660                 | 0.7240  | 0.2100 |



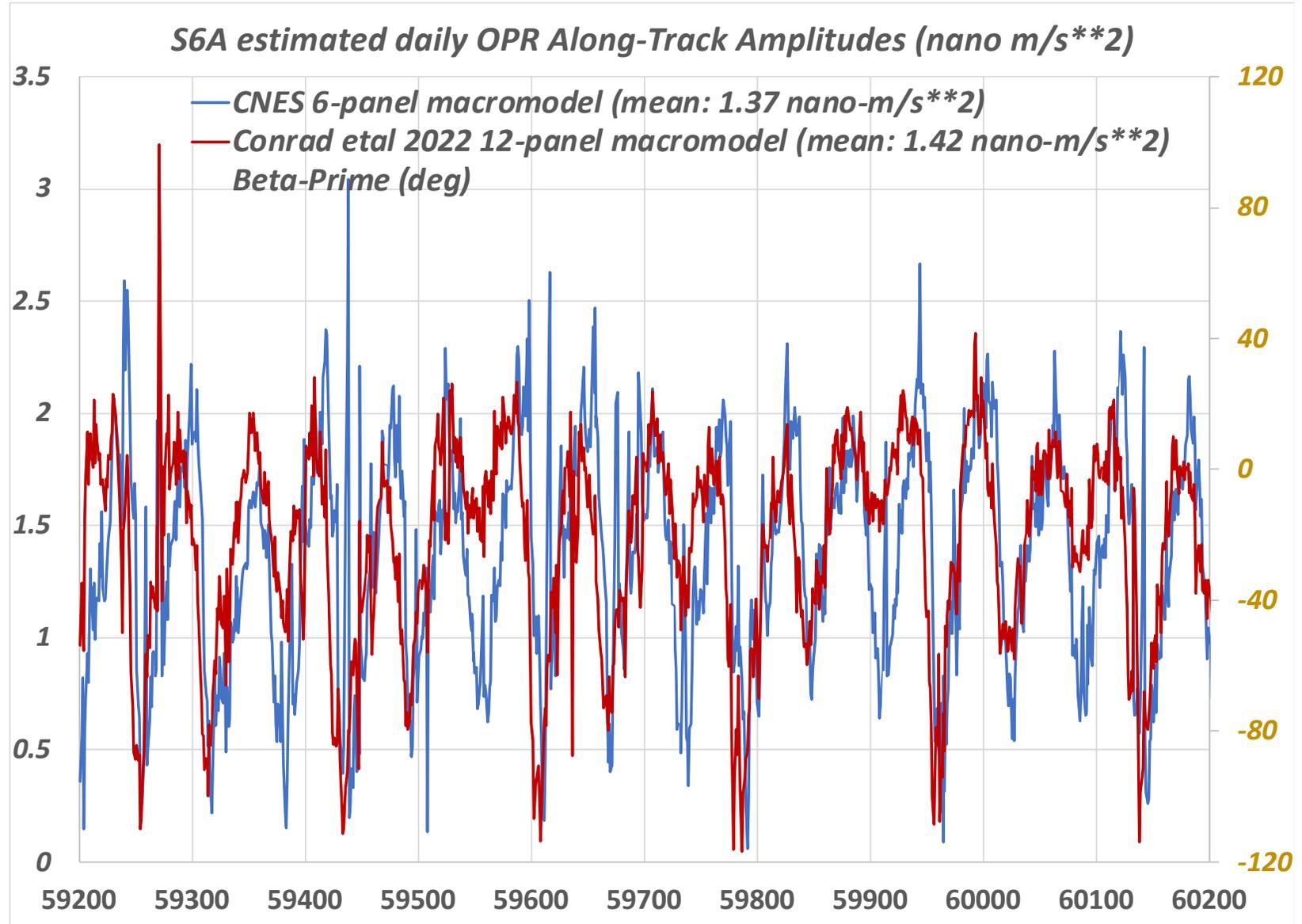
## Conrad 12-panel

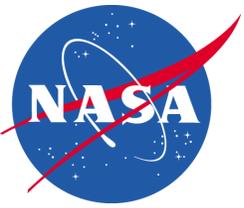
| Surface           | Surface normal [x,y,z]  | Area (m <sup>2</sup> ) | Diffusivity | Specularity |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Body +X           | [1.000, 0.000, 0.000]   | 4.149                  | 0.041       | 0.349       |
| Body -X           | [-1.000, 0.000, 0.000]  | 3.941                  | 0.042       | 0.546       |
| Body +Y           | [0.000, 1.000, 0.000]   | 1.329                  | 0.040       | 0.506       |
| Body -Y           | [0.000, -1.000, 0.000]  | 1.329                  | 0.040       | 0.506       |
| Body +Z           | [0.000, 0.000, 1.000]   | 11.830                 | 0.016       | 0.571       |
| Body -Z           | [0.000, 0.000, -1.000]  | 2.072                  | 0.030       | 0.660       |
| Left SP           | [0.000, -0.616, -0.788] | 8.65                   | 0.316       | 0.139       |
| Right SP          | [0.000, 0.616, -0.788]  | 8.65                   | 0.316       | 0.139       |
| AMR-C (top)       | [0.469, 0.000, -0.883]  | 0.92                   | 0.080       | 0.000       |
| AMR-C (bottom)    | [0.000, 0.000, 1.000]   | 0.8123                 | 0.563       | 0.188       |
| Left SP (bottom)  | [0.000, -0.616, 0.788]  | 3.760                  | 0.164       | 0.013       |
| Right SP (bottom) | [0.000, 0.616, 0.788]   | 3.760                  | 0.164       | 0.013       |

Conrad, Alex et al. (2023), J. Geodesy, Table 2,  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00190-023-01718-0>



# Macromodel tests on Sentinel-6A (2)

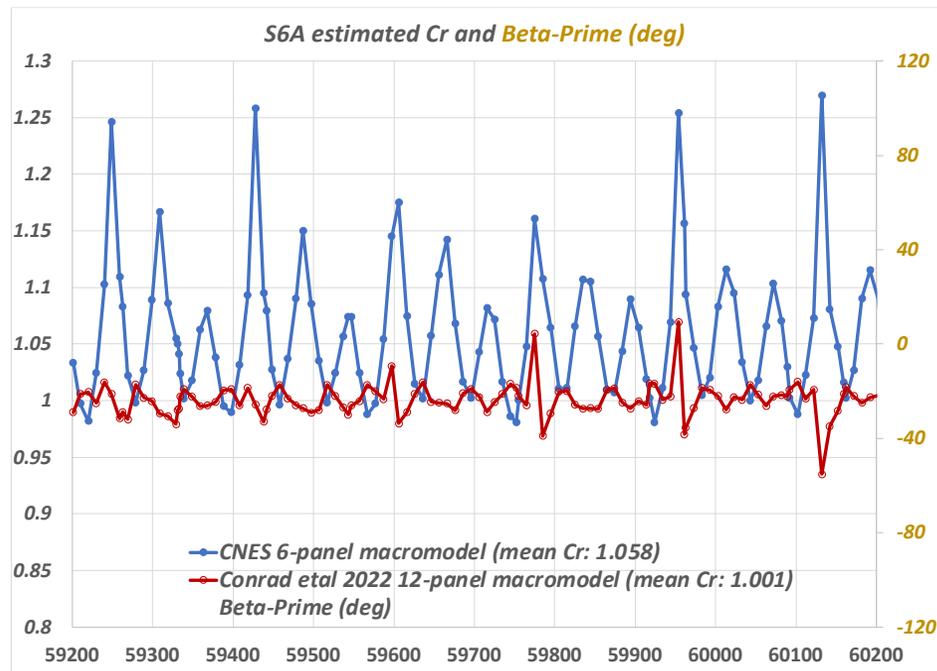




# Macromodel tests on Sentinel-6A (3)



| S6A tests<br>(201218-231004)  | POD residuals |          | Radial orbit RMS differences<br>(mm) |                  |         |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------|
|                               | DORIS (mm/s)  | SLR (mm) | poef                                 | jpl<br>to 230419 | std2300 |
| std2300                       | 0.3847        | 6.19     | 6.7                                  | 5.7              | ----    |
| std2300 Conrad 12-panel model | 0.3866        | 5.99     | 6.5                                  | 5.8              | 2.5     |



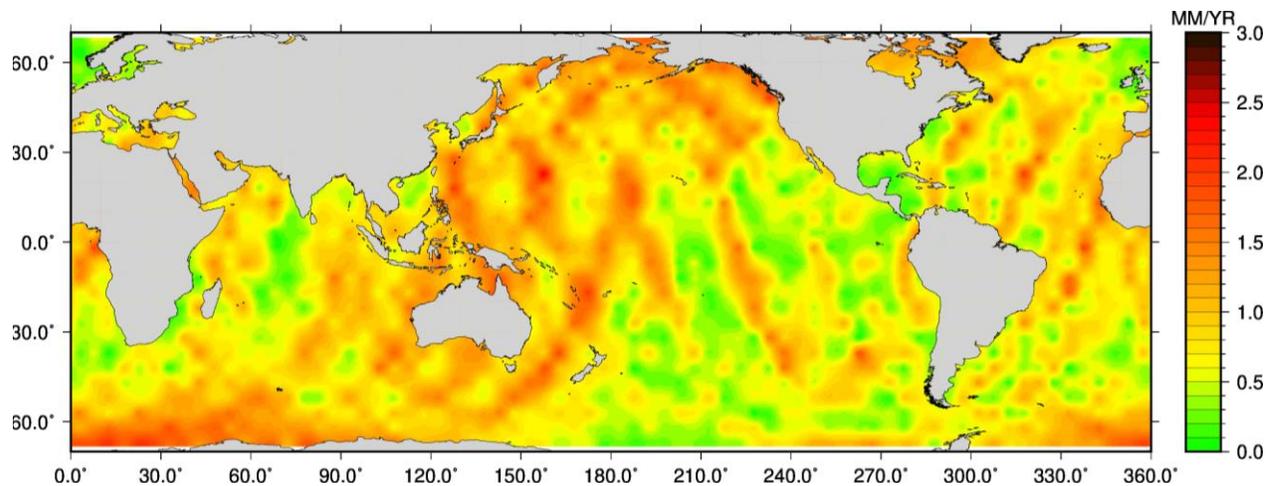


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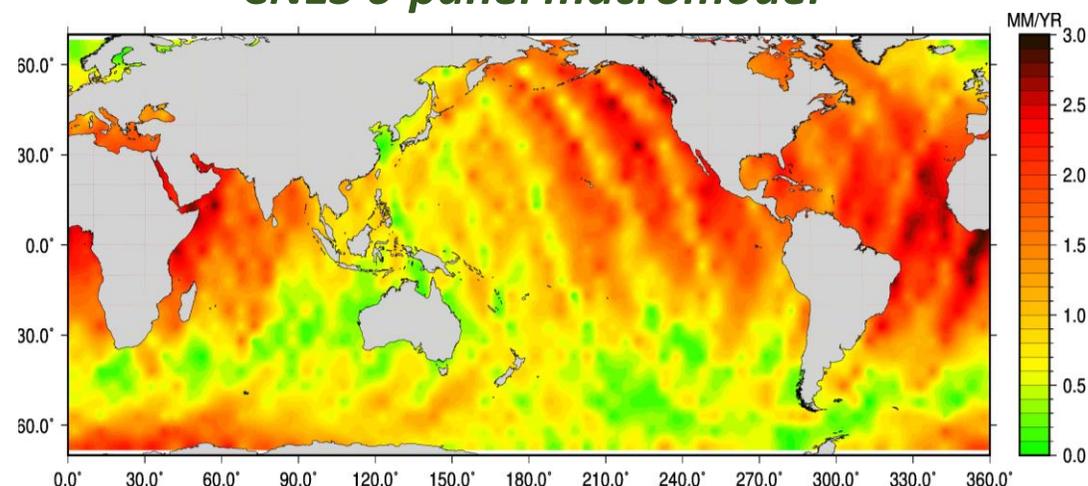
*Sentinel-6a JPL-Test geographically-binned radial orbit 59-day signal (mm)*



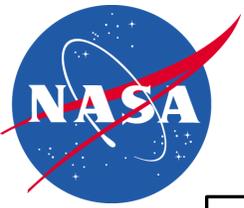
*Sentinel-6A JPL-std2300\_conrad orbit 59-day signal  
Conrad 12-panel macromodel*



*Sentinel-6A JPL-std2300 orbits 59-day signal  
CNES 6-panel macromodel*



*Reduction of the 59-day signal suggests that the Conrad 12-panel macromodel improves surface force modeling over the CNES 6-panel model.*



# Summary

- For the GSC DORIS contribution to the ITRF2020-extension, we have reconverged all DORIS satellite orbits starting on 160101 with the CNES\_GRGS.RL05MF\_COMBINED\_GRACE\_SLR\_DORIS (grgs\_rl05) gravity model.
- We see small improvements in the SLR RMS of fit on DORIS satellites.
- The single-satellite solutions show a consistent reduction in the WRMS of the weekly solutions w.r.t. dpod2014\_v5.5. There is no impact on the scale; There is a minor impact in the Helmert parameters, Tx, Ty, Tz.
- **Therefore our contribution for the IDS combination for the ITRF2020-extension will be the gscwd54 solution which has two improvements w.r.t. ITRF2020**
  - (a) **downweighting of SAA stations in POD, and removal of 5 SAA stations in the HY-2A contribution to the combination.**
  - (b) **consistent use of the grgs-rl05 gravity model (2016 – 2023).**
- We have worked to improve orbit determination for Sentinel-6A; Tests indicate the Conrad et al. (2023) 12-panel micromodel may be an improvement for Sentinel-6A POD.
- **[Not showed at the IDS-AWG in the interests of time]** We showed at the OSTST 2023 (Puerto Rico) meeting, that the COSTG/FSM model (available since 2018-01-01, provides a further improvement for Sentinel-6A to the grgs\_rl05 gravity model for Sentinel-6A. [**COST-G FSM for time-variable gravity; GOCO06s for static gravity, and GRACE project SLR solutions for C20 & C30**]. Please see the OSTST presentation for details.