



IDS evaluation of the DORIS versions of the DGFI and IGN TRF2020 solutions

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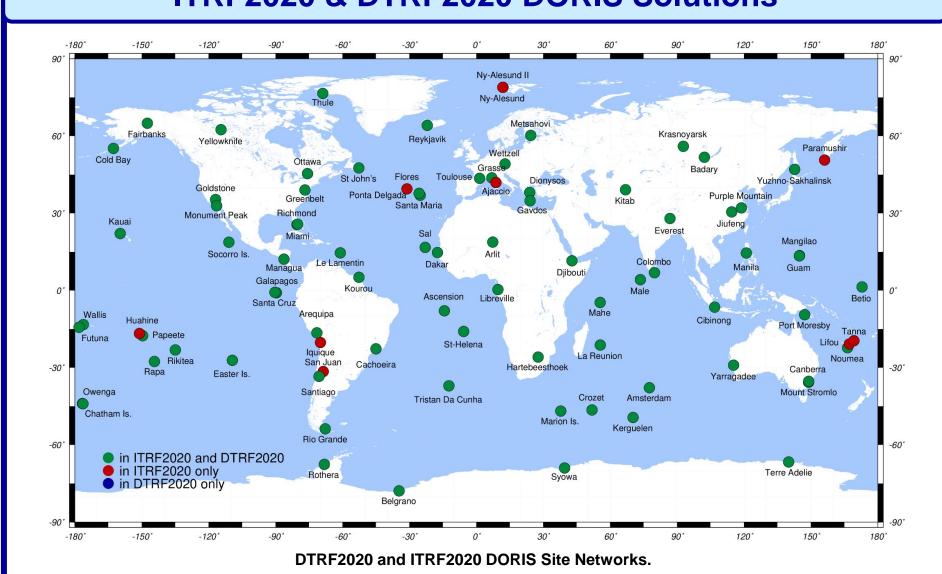
Abstract

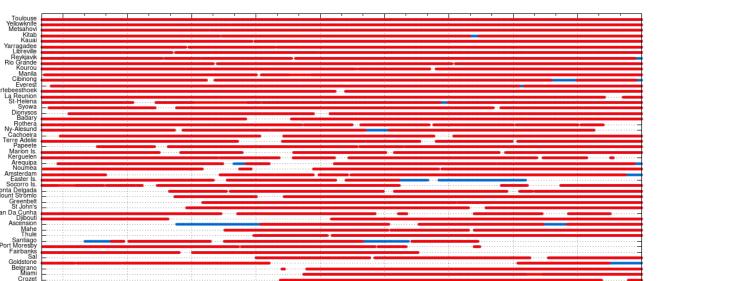
In the context of the 2020 realization of the International Terrestrial Reference Frame, the three IERS Production Centers (DGFI, IGN and JPL) delivered three independent solutions from the contributions of the four space geodetic techniques (DORIS, GNSS, SLR and VLBI). Even if these three ITRF2020 realizations are based on the same input, they differ on several points such as the space geodetic techniques weighting, the coordinate time series discontinuities and on the modelling of the station displacements.

In this study, we use the coordinate time series of the two hundred DORIS stations from 1993.0 to 2022.5 as benchmark to investigate the characteristics of the ITRF2020 and DTRF2020 realizations.

After presentation of the overall performance of these two TRF realizations in terms of geocenter, scale and mean velocities, we assess the quality of the weekly restitution of the DORIS station positions by the DTRF2020, and ITRF2020 solutions. Then, we make benefit of the one and a half year since the ending of the ITRF2020 time period to evaluate these two 2020 TRF solutions in terms of prediction of the DORIS station positions. Finally, we will estimate the impact of the DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 solutions on DORIS precise orbit determination.

ITRF2020 & DTRF2020 DORIS Solutions





Date (month/year)

DORIS site disponibility from OTRF2020 and ITRF2020 SINEX EPOCH blocks

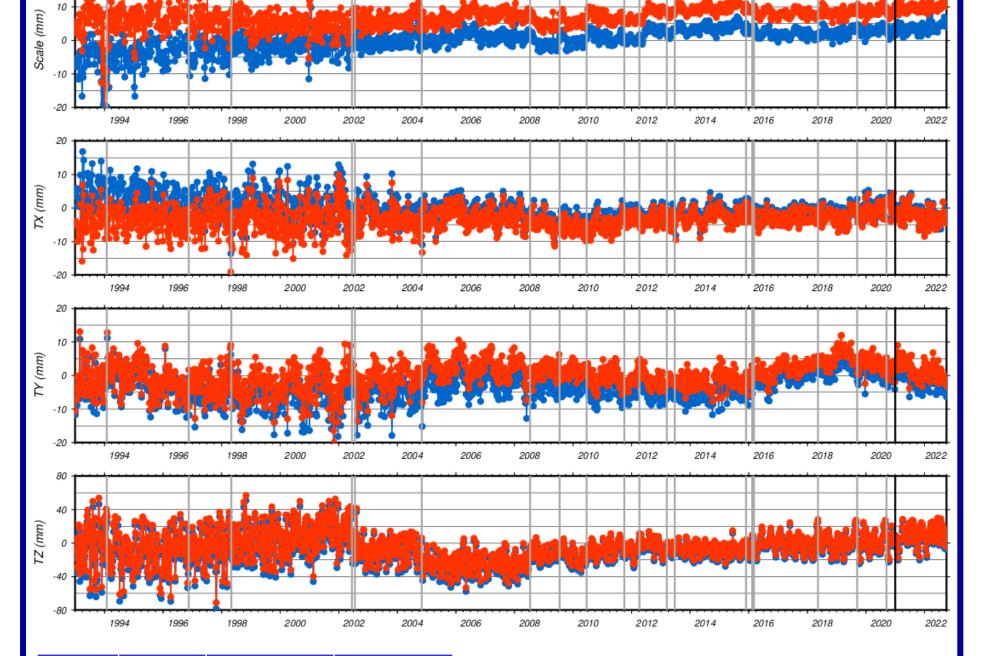
between 1993.0 and 2021.0.

	DTRF2020	ITRF2020	
Scale definition	VLBI and GNSS	VLBI (up to 2013.75) and SLR (since 1997.7)	
Origin definition	SLR	SLR	
Number of Sites	78	87	
Number of Stations	192	201	
Number of discontinuities	93 @56 stations @41 sites	86 @54 stations @38 sites	
Number of position/velocity sets	272	287	
Number of sites with post-seismic deformation correction	1	8	

- ☐ DGFI did not include sites with less than 2.5 years of observation: Ajaccio, Flores, Huahine, Iquique, Lifou, Ny-Ålesund II, Paramushir, San Juan and Tana → 9 sites/stations less compared to ITRF2020.
- In addition, DGFI did not provide mean positions and velocities for 12 time segments associated with 9 stations (Arequipa, Ascension, Colombo, Easter-Island, Everest, Goldstone, Krasnoyarsk, Ny-Ålesund, Santiago).

ITRF2020 & DTRF2020 DORIS Scale and Geocenter

IDS 20 (extension of the IDS contribution to ITRF2020) scale and geocenter with respect to DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 from 1993.0 to 2022.75.



	1993.0-2002.5	$-3.17 \pm 3.90 \ (0.51)$	$5.43 \pm 3.85 (-0.21)$
Scale	2002.5-2008.5	$0.69 \pm 1.72 (0.27)$	$6.87 \pm 1.75 \ (0.43)$
	2008.5-2022.75	$2.15 \pm 1.58 (0.25)$	$8.22 \pm 1.73 (0.26)$
	1993.0-2002.5	$2.01 \pm 4.42 \ (-0.58)$	$-3.58 \pm 4.41 \ (0.08)$
Tx	2002.5-2008.5	$-1.00 \pm 3.01 (-0.06)$	-3.16 ± 3.03 (0.09)
	2008.5-2022.75	$-1.85 \pm 2.24 (0.18)$	-3.20 ± 2.55 (0.26)
	1993.0-2002.5	$-4.47 \pm 4.71 \ (-0.67)$	$-1.86 \pm 4.72 \ (-0.28)$
Ty	2002.5-2015.9	$-4.00 \pm 3.47 (0.93)$	$1.10 \pm 3.57 \ (0.92$
	2015.9-2022.75	$-2.41 \pm 2.92 \ (0.44)$	$1.07 \pm 2.92 \ (0.27$
	1993.0-2002.5	$-5.83 \pm 21.81 \ (2.82)$	$0.17 \pm 21.80 \ (2.67$
Tz	2002.5-2008.5	-21.85 ± 12.39 (-3.75)	-17.42 ± 12.31 (-3.78
	2008.5-2022.75	$-5.87 \pm 9.19 (1.58)$	-2.45 ± 9.20 (1.48

mm/yr) of the IDS 20 Helmert parameters with respect to DTRF2020 and ITRF2020.

2002.5-2008.5

2008.5-2021.0

<u>2021.0-2022.75</u>

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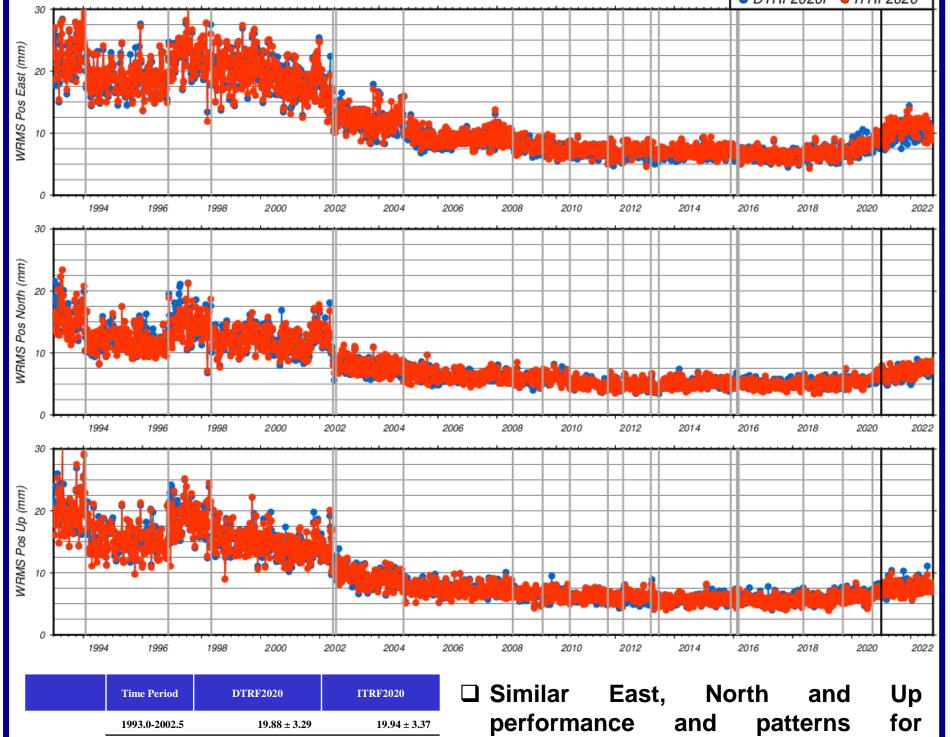
2008.5-2021.0

2021.0-2022.75

- ☐ Scale differences must be mostly explained by DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 scale definitions (VLBI+GNSS vs SLR+VLBI). ☐ Scale and Tx differences up to 2005.0
- may also be related to handling of the **DORIS** stations equipped with Alcatel

ITRF2020 & DTRF2020 DORIS Station Positioning

IDS 20 (extension of the IDS contribution to ITRF2020) station position residuals with respect to DTRF2020 and ITRF2020. ● DTRF2020P ● ITRF2020



pertor	19.94 ± 3.37	19.88 ± 3.29
DTRF2	10.46 ± 1.95	10.35 ± 2.00
	7.20 ± 0.96	6.95 ± 0.97
	10.81 ± 1.19	$\underline{10.09 \pm 1.25}$
□ Degra	12.81 ± 2.49	13.06 ± 2.68
due t	7.02 ± 1.31	6.97 ± 1.32
DORIS	5.22 ± 0.77	5.24 ± 0.75
DOM	7.09 ± 0.87	$\underline{6.68 \pm 0.90}$
	16.11 ± 3.21	16.28 ± 3.31
	8.17 ± 1.47	8.25 ± 1.46

 5.98 ± 0.82

 7.56 ± 0.92

 7.80 ± 1.02

- F2020 and ITRF2020.
- adation post-2021.0 is mostly to the time evolution of the IS station network.

DORIS POD Tests with DTRF2020 and ITRF2020

□ DORIS Processing context

P1 (1994) TOPEX DPOD14-ITRF2020

P4 (2009) Jason-2 DPOD14-ITRF2020

P5 (2014) Jason-2 DPOD14-ITRF2020

P6 (2019) Jason-3 DPOD14-ITRF2020

P1 (1994) TOPEX

Slight improvement with ITRF2020 except for few stations

DORIS data have been processed with GINS/DYNAMO software taking into account IERS conventions and IDS recommendations for the ITRF2020 realization We compared DPOD2014_05 vs ITRF2020 and vs DTRF2020 **DORIS** data used:

- TOPEX from year 1994 (P1), 1999 (P2) and 2004 (P3)
- Jason-2 from year 2009 (P4) and 2014 (P5)

Positive => Improvement for ITRF2020

Jason-3 from year 2019 (P6)

DPOD14-ITRF2020

DORIS residuals RMS differences global and by station

-0.00975

Comparison RF2020 □ DORIS residuals comparison DPOD2014 - ITF

-0.00118

MSOB

-0.00615

P2 (1999) TOPEX

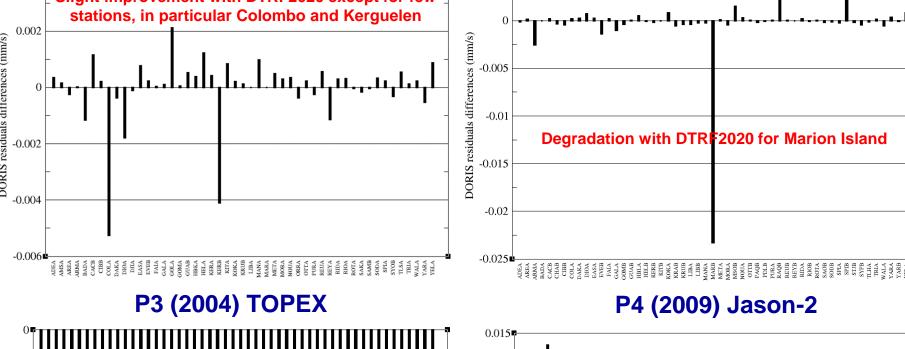
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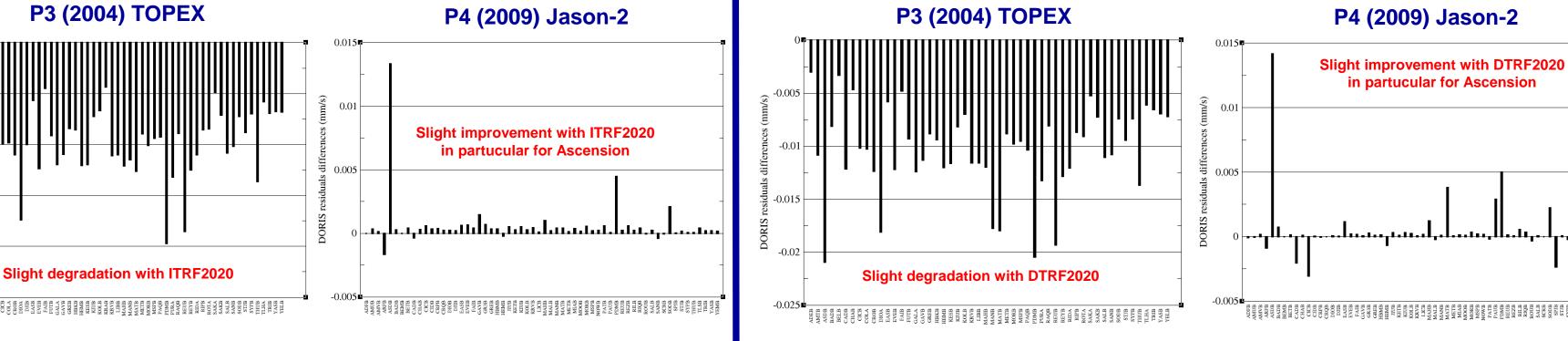
□ DORIS residuals comparison DPOD2014 - DTRF2020

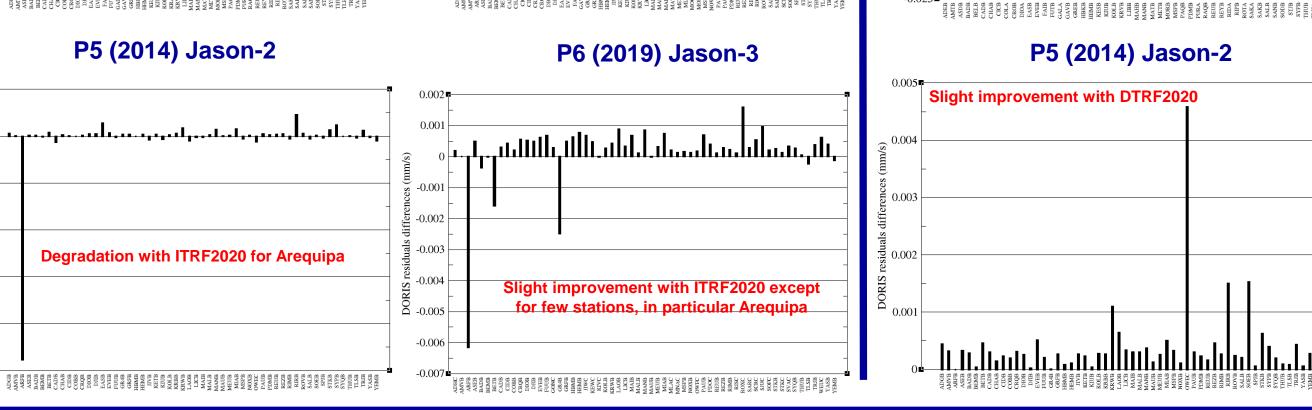
Period	Satellite	Difference	No. stations	maximum	minimum	mean
P1 (1994)	TOPEX	DPOD14-DTRF2020	49	0.00212 GOLA	-0.00525 COLA	-0.00002
P2 (1999)	TOPEX	DPOD14-DTRF2020	53	0.00455 RAQB	-0.02330 MARB	-0.00039
P3 (2004)	TOPEX	DPOD14-DTRF2020	52	-0.00301 ADEB	-0.02094 ASDB	-0.01036
P4 (2009)	Jason-2	DPOD14-DTRF2020	59	0.01416 ASDB	-0.00305 CICB	+0.00046
P5 (2014)	Jason-2	DPOD14-DTRF2020	55	0.00458 OWEC	-0.00001 ARFB	+0.00039
P6 (2019)	Jason-3	DPOD14-DTRF2020	57	0.00051 BADB	-0.01870 REUB	-0.00157

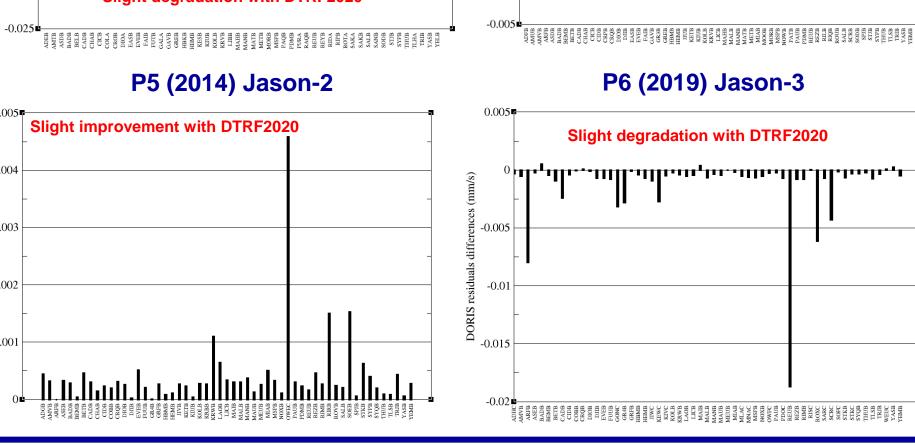


P1 (1994) TOPEX P2 (1999) TOPEX stations, in particular Colombo and Kerguelen **○├**╍┰╌╍┰╍┸╍┰┎┰┰┰╌┸┰┰┰┰┰┰┰┸









Conclusions

- ITRF2020 and DTRF2020 DORIS versions are based on the IDS contribution to the ITRF2020 (IDS 16 weekly SINEX files).
- ITRF2020 includes more stations/sites than DTRF2020 since DGFI rejected 9 sites with
- short time spans (shorter than 2.5 years). In addition, DGFI did not provide 12 time segments of 9 stations.
- IDS 19 (extension of IDS 16) scales wrt DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 show an overall bias mostly due to the DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 scale definitions
- IDS 19 scale and X-translation wrt DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 depict trend differences up to late 2004. These patterns may be due to how the beacons equipped with Alcatel antennas were processed. Note that a new Alcatel phase law was implemented for the ITRF2020.
- DTRF2020 and ITRF2020 give very similar IDS 19 station position residuals results.

 DORIS POD tests with ITRF2020 and DTRF2020 **DORIS** residuals RMS differences global and by station

DPOD2014-v5 vs ITRF2020

Very small differences but:

for Ascension in 2009

slight improvement with ITR2020 except in 2004 and note a degradation for Arequipa in 2014 and in 2019, an improvement

DPOD2014-v5 vs DTRF2020

Very small differences but: slight improvement with DTR2020 in 2014

slight degradation in 1999, 2004 and 2019 and note an improvement for Ascension in 2009