Status of Jason-1 and Jason-2 GDR orbits

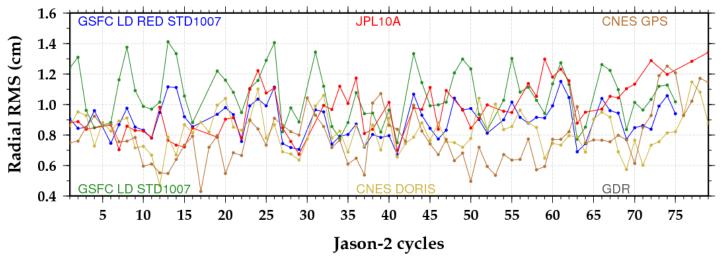
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Jason-2 orbits comparison: radial component

■ RMS of radial orbit differences relative to the GDR solution



- Radial differences of the GDR orbits w.r.t. the reduced dynamic solutions (GSFC LD RED and JPL10A) generally below 1 cm.
- 60-day variations in the RMS of radial differences between the GSFC LD and GDR dynamic orbits.
- Overall good agreement between the different orbit solutions.

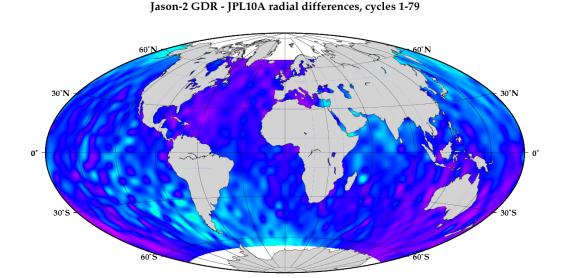


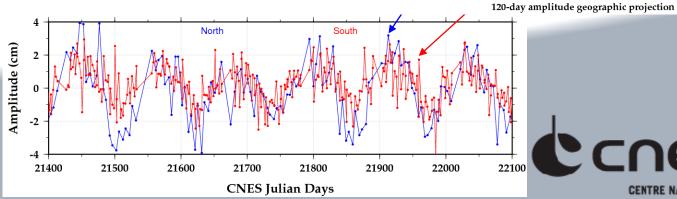
Jason-2 orbits comparison: geographically correlated radial differences

■120-day signal

Typical 120-day radial signal of SRP modeling differences between the GDR and GSFC dynamic orbits.

No conclusive 120-day radial signal between the GDR and JPL10A orbit solutions.





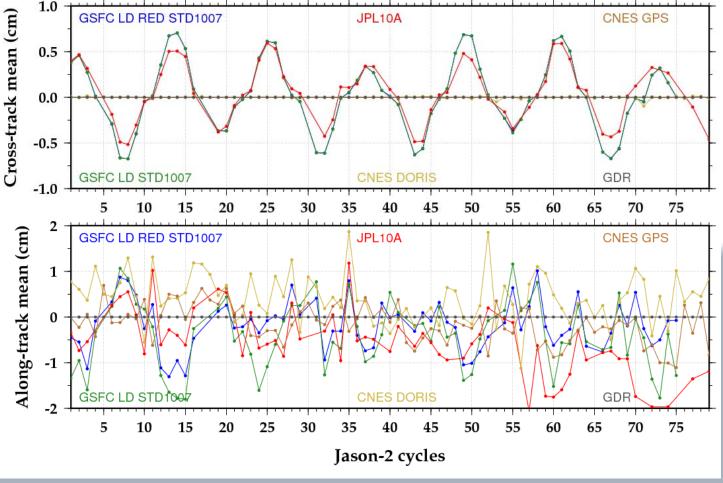


Jason-2 orbits comparison: cross/along-track components

■ Mean of cross/along-track differences relative to the GDR solution

Other typical SRP modeling differences between GSFC, JPL and CNES.

Along-track divergence between JPL10A and GDR after the 50s cycles?



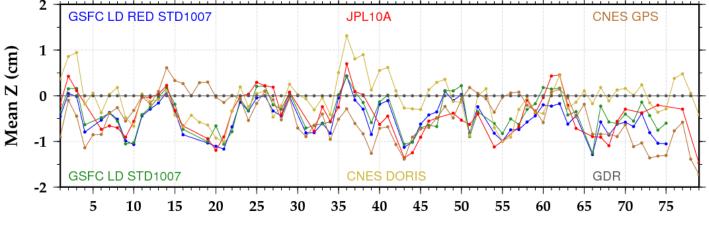
Jason-2 orbits comparison: Z-centering

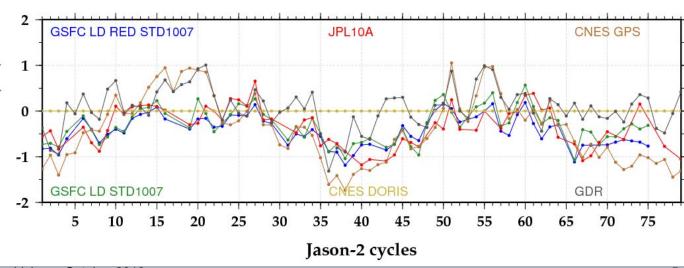
■ Mean of Z orbit differences

• GDR – others

Negative Z-shift
due to the
transformation
ITRF05 – ITRF08.

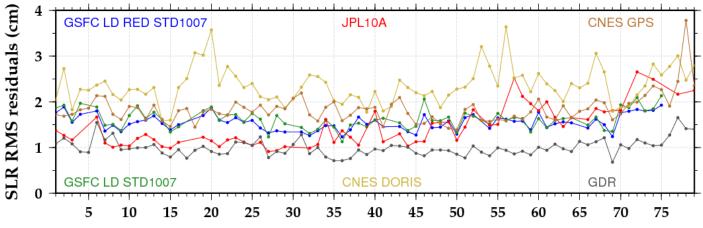
• DORIS – others
Puzzling annual
signal.
Somewhat higher
w.r.t. CNES GPS.

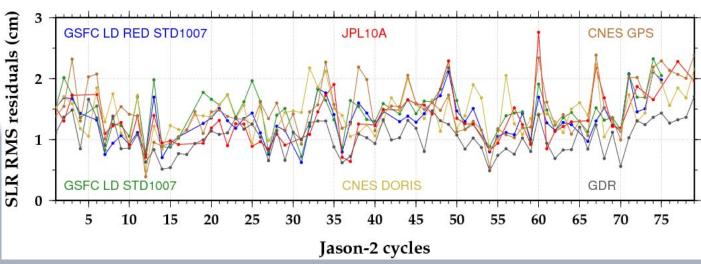




SLR validation of the different Jason-2 orbit solutions

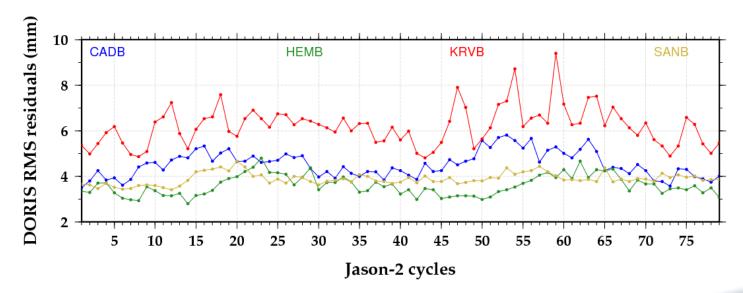
- RMS of SLR residuals on core network (7080Fort 7090Yarr 7105Wash 7110Monu 7839Graz 7840Hers 7810Zimm)
 - All elevations
 Increase in
 low-elevation
 SLR JPL10A
 residuals.
 - Above 70°
 ~1 cm radial orbits accuracy
 (SLR used in the GDR solution).





Effect of the South Atlantic Anomaly on DORIS residuals

■ RMS of DORIS post-fit residuals on Jason-2 GDR orbits



No conclusive sign of degradation on typical SAA beacons.



Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (1/6)

■ Data

Satellites and cycles spans

- Jason-1: cycles 1-20 (without cycles 5 and 8), 100-120, 200-220 and 300-310.
- Jason-2: cycles 1-23, 24-47 and 48-70.

Orbits computed

- DORIS-only orbits.
- DORIS+SLR orbits.



Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (2/6)

■ Processing methods

- SLR bias strategy
 - Biases solved-for either per-pass or per-arc.
 - Bias-solution strategy identical for ITRF2008 and LPOD2005/SLRF2005.
- Missing data and stations
 - Available Earth Orientation Parameters only consistent with ITRF2005 (C04 series).
 - Use of the transformation parameters for 12 DORIS stations ITRF2008 coordinates.
- Only the position and velocity coordinates of the DORIS and SLR stations differ between the ITRF2005 and ITRF2008 orbit solutions: the same stations and the same measurements are considered in the comparison.



Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (3/6)

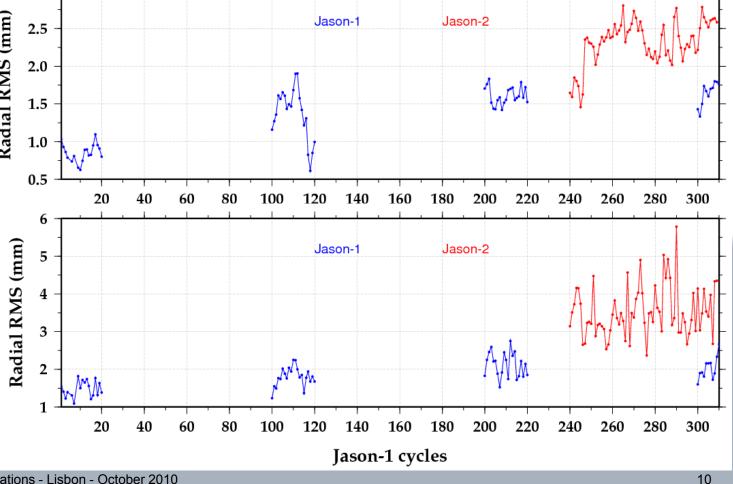
■ RMS of radial orbit differences

DORIS-only

Orbit change stronger on J2. Radial RMS (mm) SM3 leibes

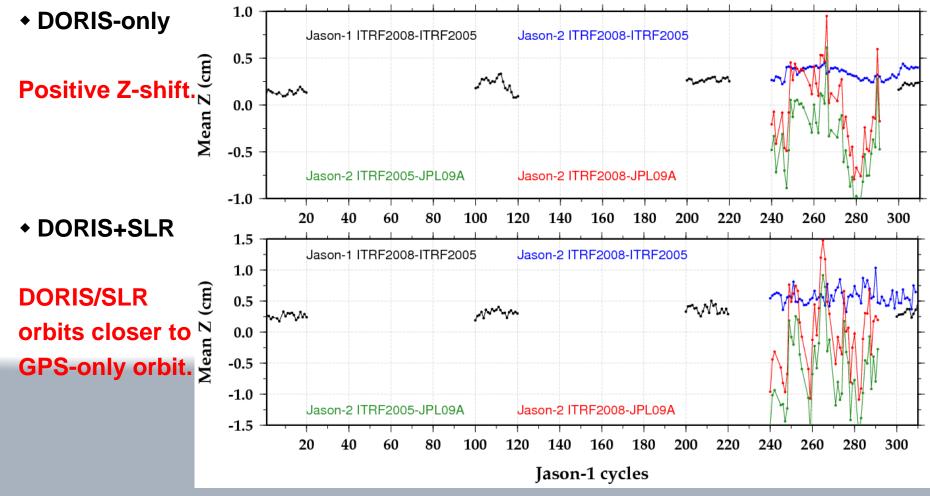
DORIS+SLR

Orbit change below 5 mm radial RMS.



Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (4/6)

■ Mean of Z orbit differences



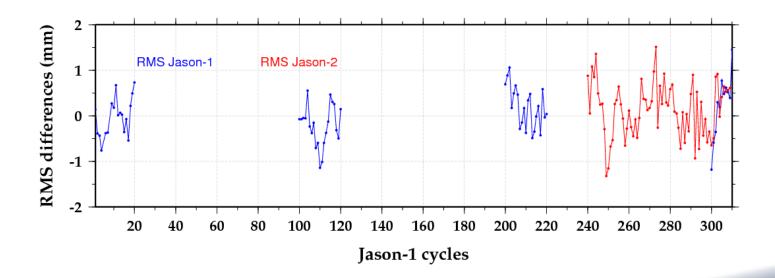
Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (5/6)

■ Difference of DORIS RMS residuals (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)

Very slight 0.0010 RMS differences (mm/s) RMS Jason-1 RMS Jason-2 Weighted RMS Jason-1 0.0005 degradation in 0.0000 **DORIS RMS** -0.0005 residuals. -0.0010 -0.0015 -0.0020 20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180 200 220 240 260 280 300 A degradation A degradation somehow driven by some SAA stations (HEMB, CADB). 0.01 0.00 -0.01 -0.02**HEMB** CADB SANB -0.03 180 200 220 260 60 100 120 140 160 240 280 300 Jason-1 cycles 12

Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (6/6)

■ Difference of SLR RMS residuals (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)



 Very small improvement in SLR RMS residuals (cf. Arequipa L7403 in the backup slides).



Summary

■ Jason-2 orbits comparison

- 120-day radial signal of SRP modeling differences between GDR and GSFC dynamic orbits.
- Along-track divergence between JPL10A and GDR after the 50s cycles?
- ◆ Overall ~1 cm radial orbits accuracy.

■ Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits

- Orbit change below 5 mm radial RMS.
- DORIS/SLR orbits closer to GPS-only orbit.
- Very small improvement in SLR RMS residuals.

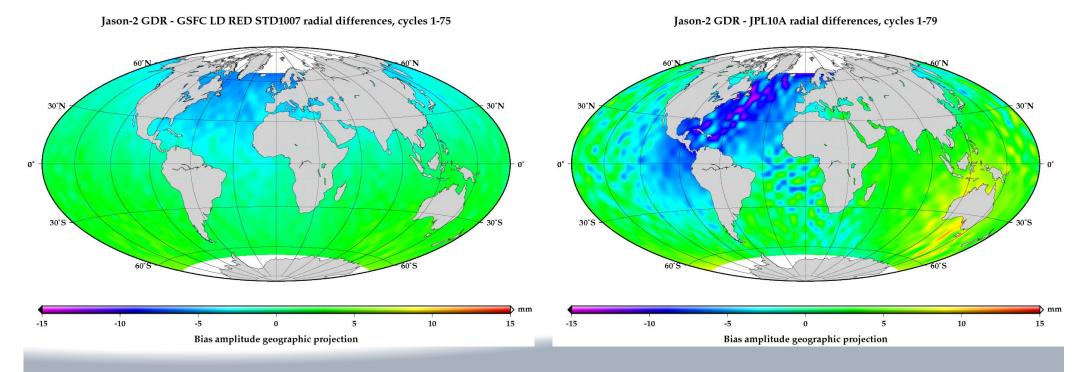


Backup slides



Jason-2 orbits comparison: geographically correlated radial differences (1/3)

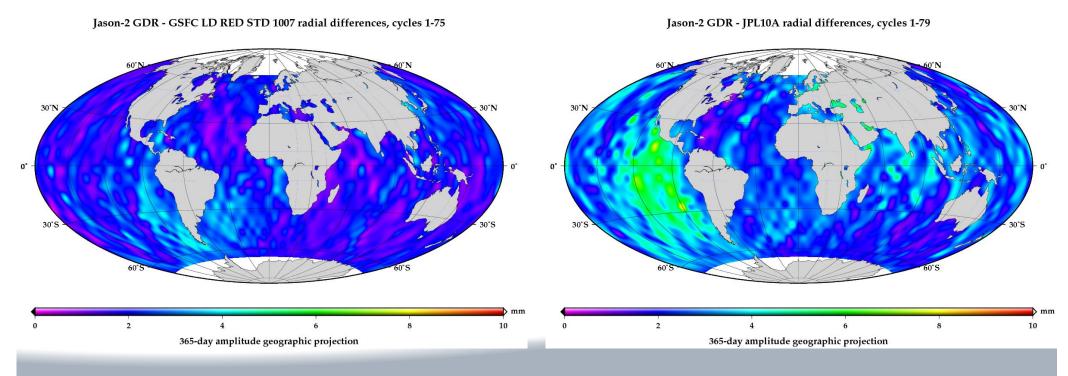
■Bias





Jason-2 orbits comparison: geographically correlated radial differences (2/3)

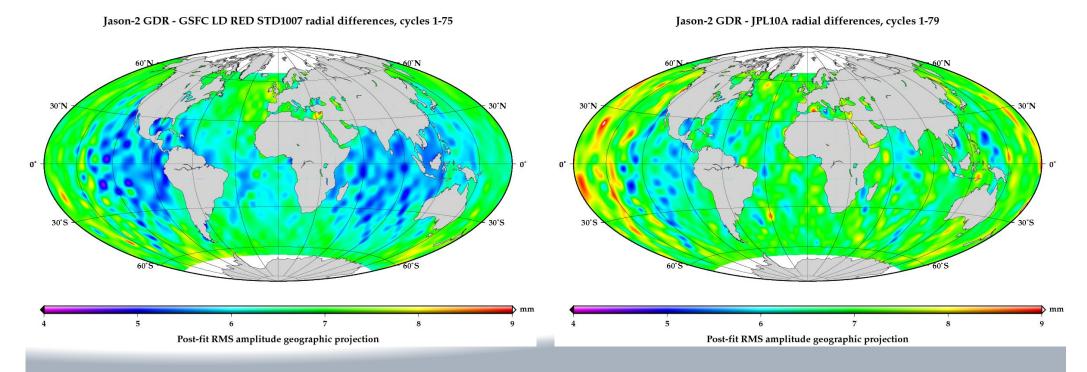
■365-day signal





Jason-2 orbits comparison: geographically correlated radial differences (3/3)

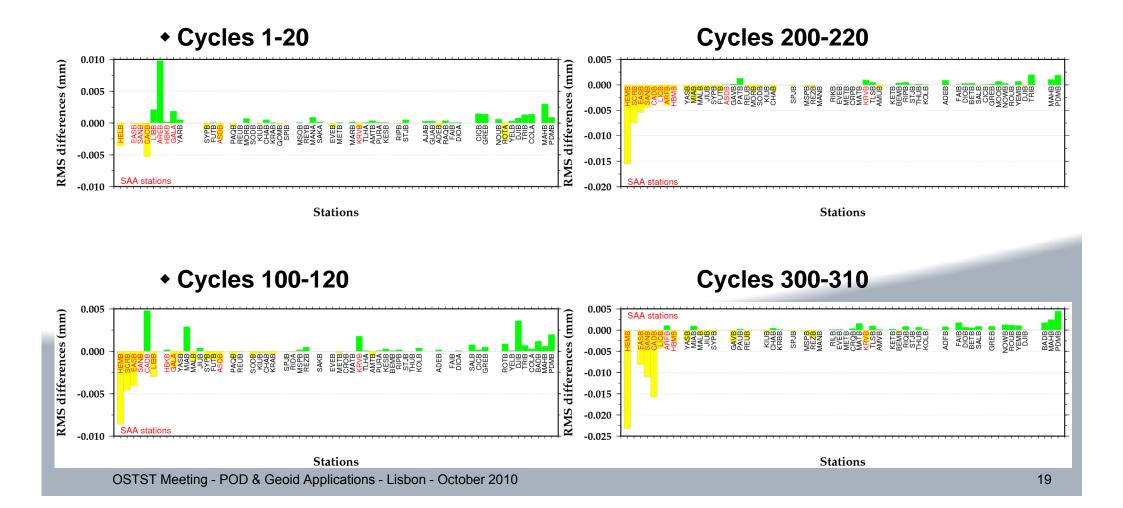
■ Post-fit RMS





Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (1/5)

■ Difference of Jason-1 DORIS RMS residuals (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)



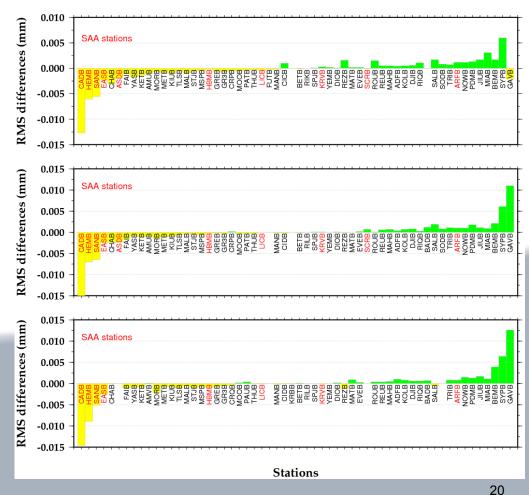
Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (2/5)

■ Difference of Jason-2 DORIS RMS residuals (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)

+ Cycles 1-23

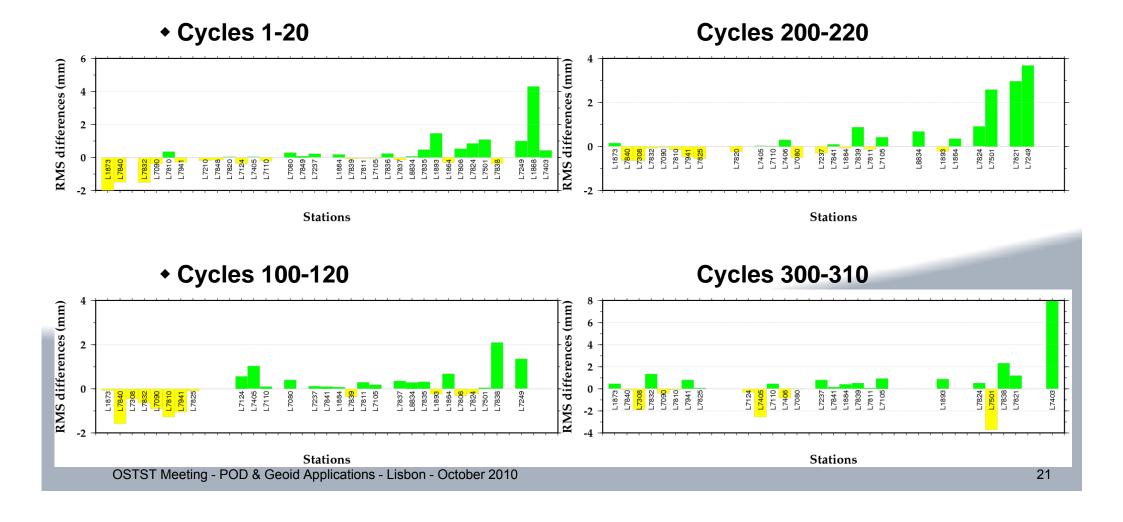
+ Cycles 24-47

• Cycles 48-70



Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (3/5)

■ Difference of Jason-1 SLR RMS residuals (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)



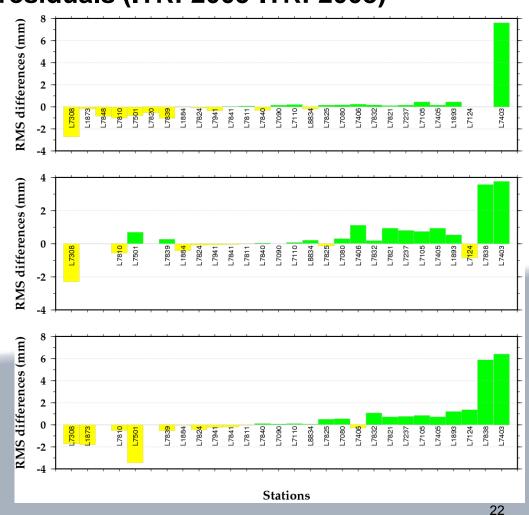
Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (4/5)

■ Difference of Jason-2 SLR RMS residuals (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)

+ Cycles 1-23

• Cycles 24-47

• Cycles 48-70



Effect of ITRF2008 on Jason orbits (5/5)

■ Difference of Jason-1 RMS weighted crossovers (ITRF2005-ITRF2008)

