



STATUS ON GRAVITY FIELD MODELLING

GLOBAL MODELS AND TEMPORAL VARIATIONS

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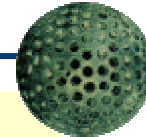


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Processing of Lageos SLR data



- 18.9 years of Lageos data : from May 9th, 1985 to April 9th, 2004 and
- 11.5 years of Lageos2 data : from October 10th, 1992 to April 9th, 2004

Per arc of 10 days

With following **adjusted parameters during orbit computation:**

- 6 orbital elements (a, e, I, O, ? +M, ? -M) per arc
- one radiation factor per year
- 2 empirical tangential biases per arc (one per 5 days)
- 2 empirical biases in the orbit plane per arc
- some laser range biases (constrained to zero for core stations)

With following additional **adjusted parameters over the full period:**

- spherical harmonic coefficients of the **gravity field** up to degree 30
with degree 2 coefficients ($C_{20}, C_{21}, S_{21}, C_{22}, S_{22}$) distinct per 10 days
- C_{20} terms of **tidal constituents**: O_1 (18.6 y), O_2 (9.3 y), Sa (1 y), Ssa (6 m)
- **stations** coordinates and velocities + **geocentre** annual motion per year

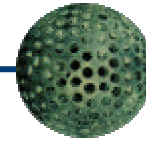


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Processing of Lageos data : 1985-2003



A priori dynamical models:

- **Gravity:** EIGEN-GRACE02S up to degree 40
- **Third body attraction:** according to IERS conventions 2000 and DE403 JPL ephemeris
- **Earth tides:** according to IERS conventions 2000
- **Ocean tides:** FES-2004 for diurnal and semi-diurnal waves + FES-2002 for long period waves + 62 admittance waves up to degree 20
- **Atmospheric tide model (S1 and S2)** deduced from ECMWF pressure data
- **Atmospheric gravity variations:** from continental ECMWF 6h pressure fields
- **Earth radiations** from ECMWF albedo and emissivity fields per day by 9 deg. means

A priori geometrical models:

- **ITRF-2000** station coordinates and velocities
- **Earth tides and pole tide** according to IERS Conventions 2000
- **3D ocean loading** effects from the FES-2002 ocean tide model
- **3D atmospheric loading** effects from ECMWF continental pressure grids (every 6h)

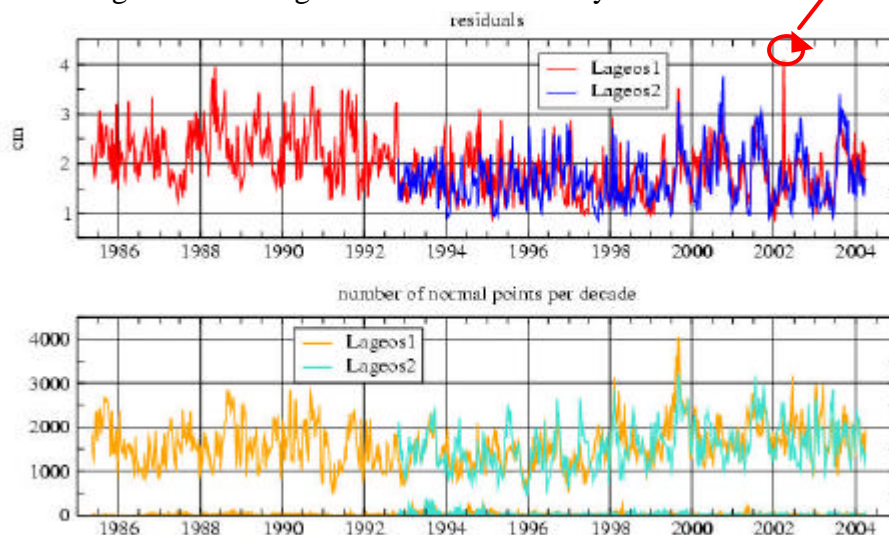


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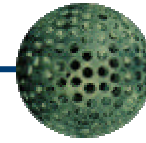
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Lageos-1 and -2 global rms for all 10 day arcs



Impact detection



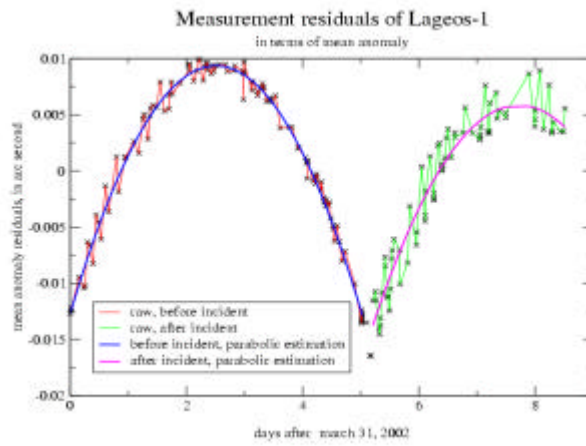
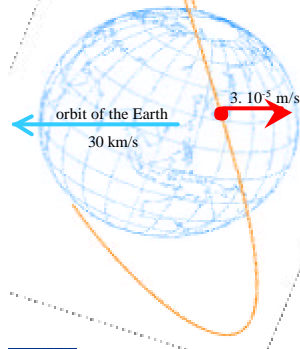
on April 5th, 2002, at 3:19:11 IAT above the Pacific ocean; lat. : 23°, long : 141°

Impulse (given by some mg space particle ???):

$0.66 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m/s}$ radial

$-0.77 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m/s}$ along track

$-2.84 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m/s}$ cross track



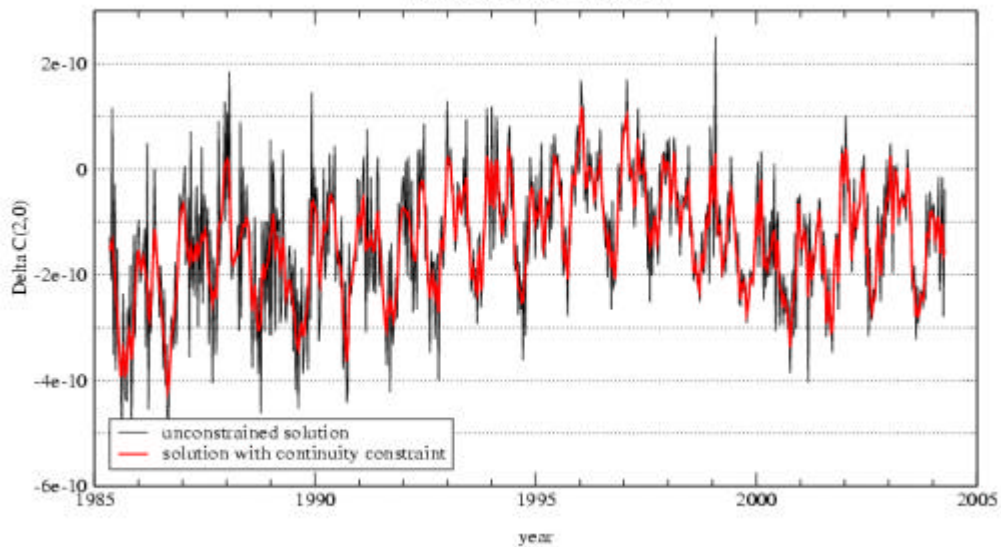
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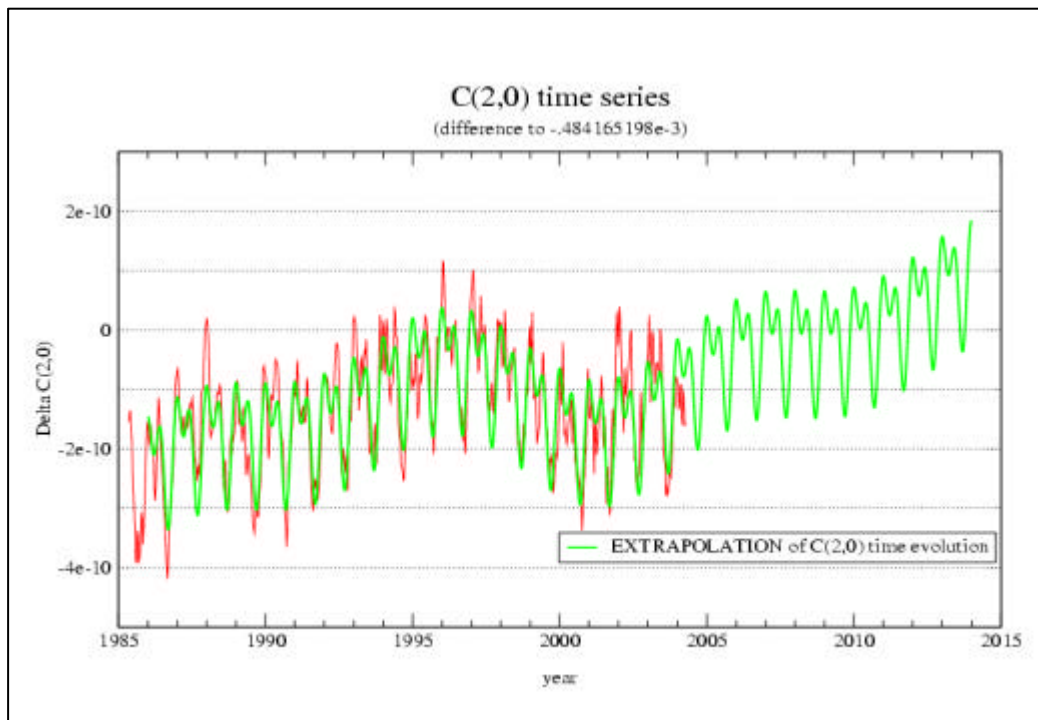
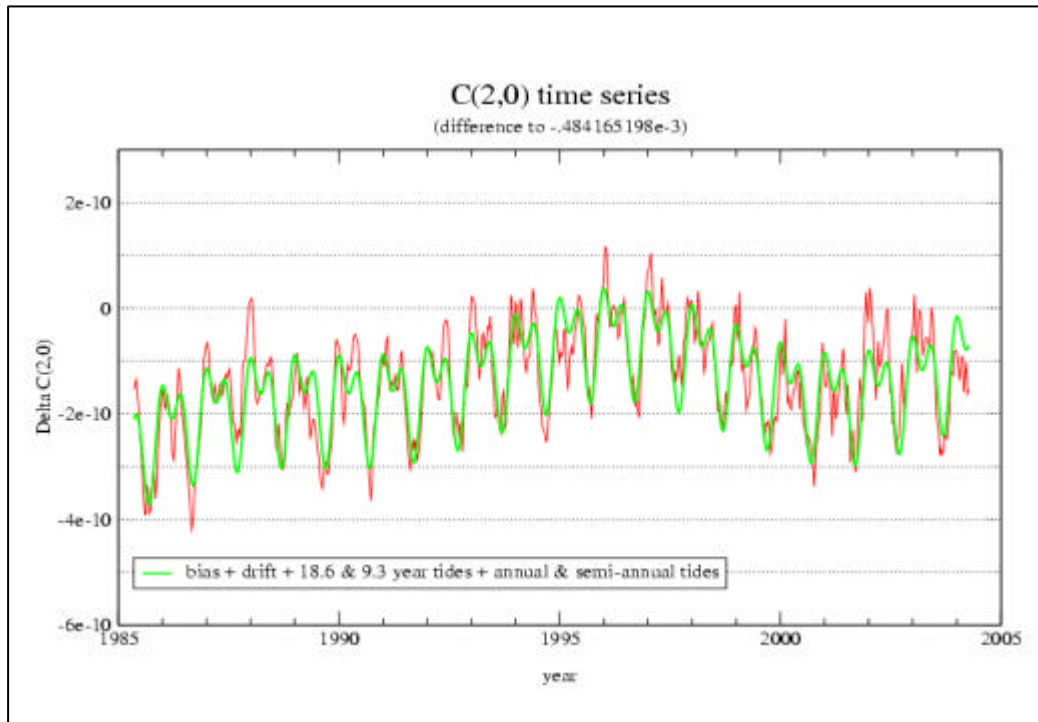
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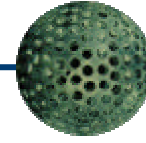
C(2,0) time series

(difference to $-484165198e-3$)





C20 coefficients from Lageos laser data



Tide normalized coefficient		Lageos		FES-2004		difference	
doodson darw.	1 m	C+(cm)	e+(deg)	C+(cm)	e+(deg)	? C+(%)	? e+(%)
55.565	O ₁	2 0	0.4387 223.72	0.5406	270.00	19.	26.
55.575	O ₂	2 0	0.3206 125.05	0.0052	270.00	6044.	80.
56.554	Sa	2 0	0.5800 26.61	0.0466	268.89	1144.	65.
57.555	Ssa	2 0	0.7390 277.17	0.2966	267.91	149.	5.

(O₂, Sa and Ssa results are not to be considered in terms of tides, but more probably in terms of mass displacement)

Gravity normalized coefficients:

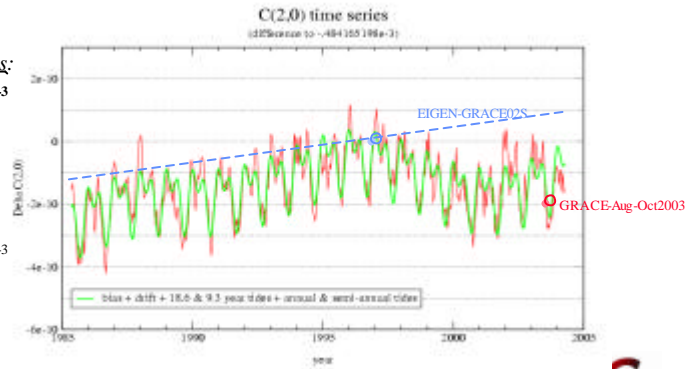
$C_{20,1997} = -.484\ 165\ 316\ 58\ 10^{-3}$

$C_{20,\dot{}} = 0.83\ 10^{-11}/y$

a priori (EIGEN-GRACE02S) in blue:

$C_{20,1997} = -.484\ 165\ 197\ 88\ 10^{-3}$

$C_{20,\dot{}} = 1.163\ 10^{-11}/y$

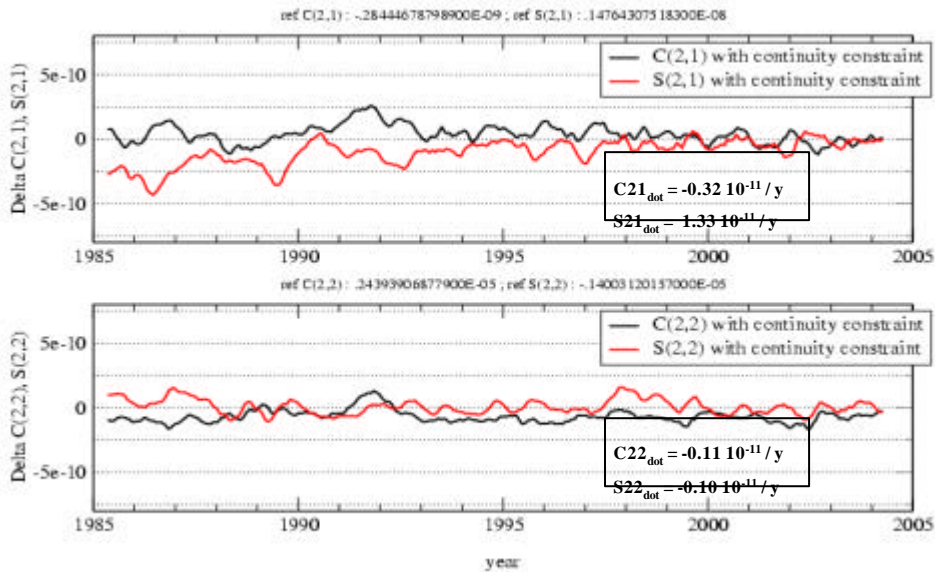


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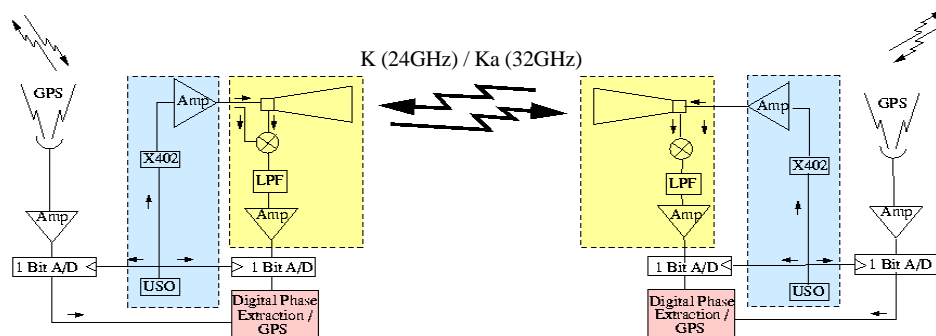


Degree 2 time series





GRACE microwave ranging system



Description of orbital perturbations in keplerian elements

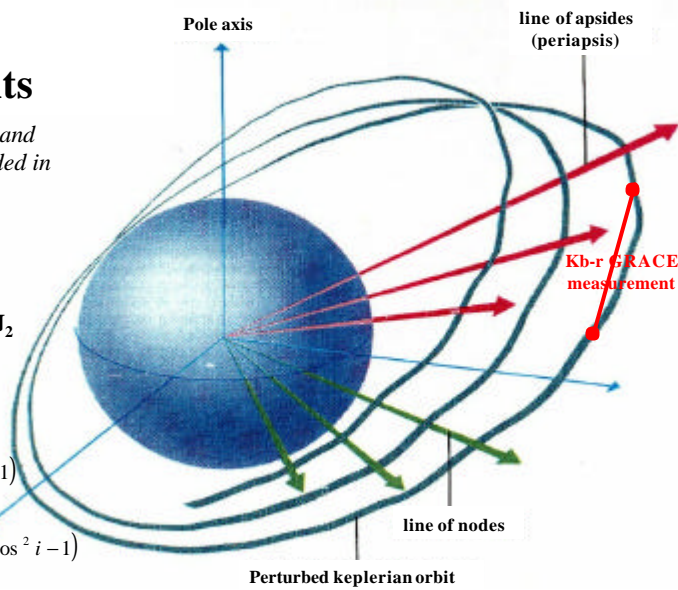
using the Lagrange's equations and the perturbed potential expanded in keplerian elements

Secular perturbations due to J_2

$$\dot{\Omega} = -\frac{3}{2} n J_2 \left(\frac{a_e}{a}\right)^2 \frac{1}{(1-e^2)^2} \cos i$$

$$\dot{w} = \frac{3}{4} n J_2 \left(\frac{a_e}{a}\right)^2 \frac{1}{(1-e^2)^2} (5 \cos^2 i - 1)$$

$$\dot{M} = n + \frac{3}{4} n J_2 \left(\frac{a_e}{a}\right)^2 \frac{1}{(1-e^2)^{3/2}} (3 \cos^2 i - 1)$$



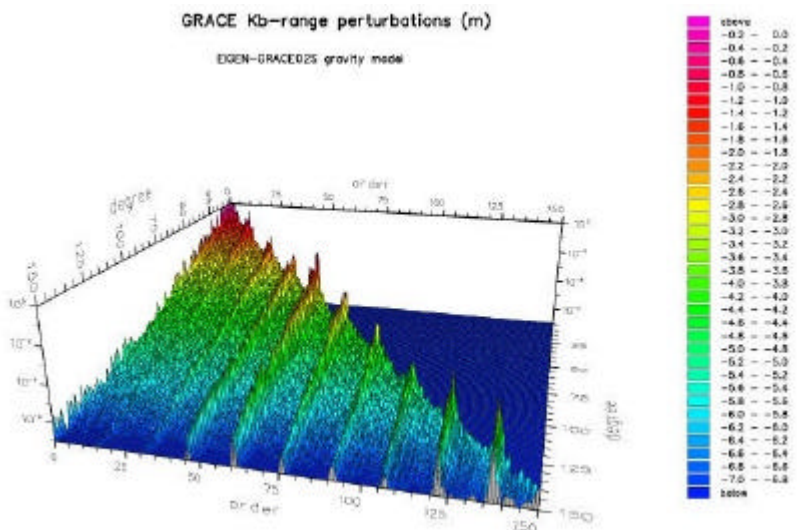
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GRACE Kb-range perturbations (m)

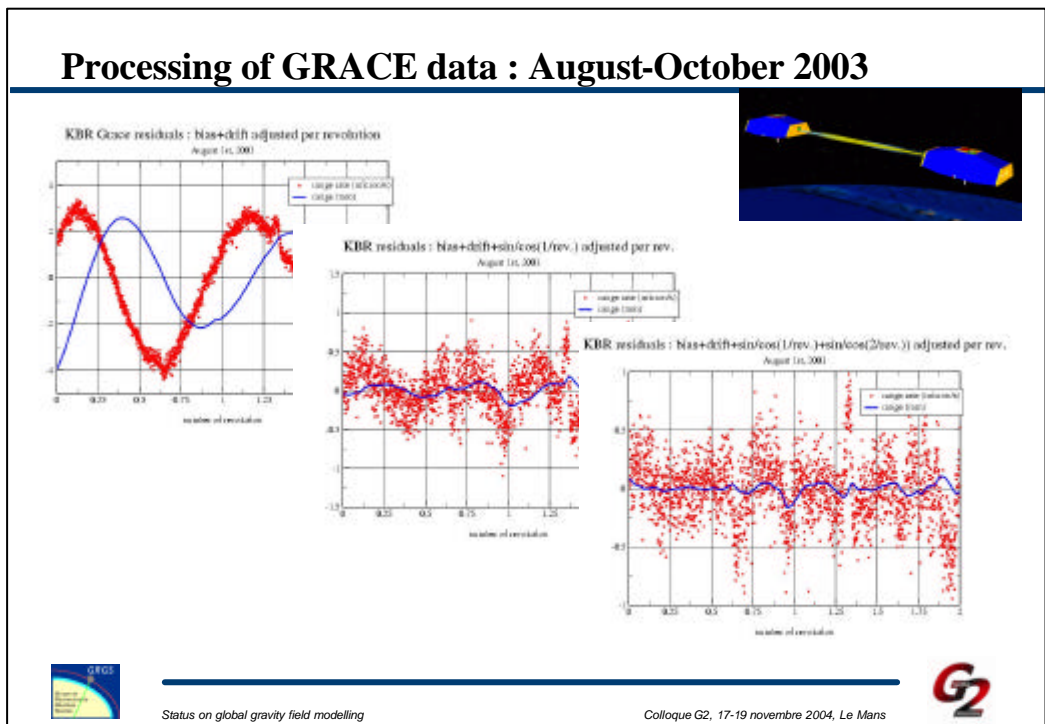
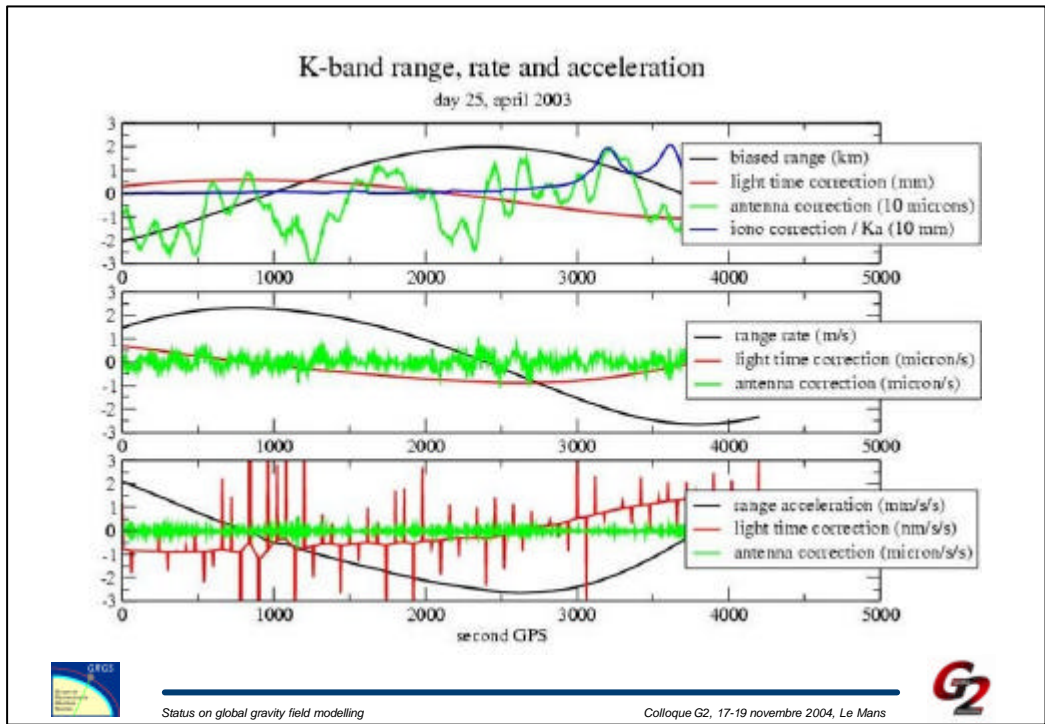
EOGN-GRACE02S gravity model



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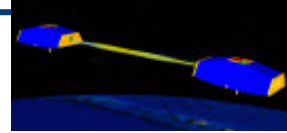




Processing of GRACE data : August-October 2003

A priori models:

- **Gravity:** EIGEN-GRACE02S up to degree 150
- **Third body attraction:** according to IERS conventions 2000 and DE403 JPL ephemeris
- **Earth tides:** according to IERS conventions 2000
- **Ocean tides:** FES-2004 for diurnal and semi-diurnal waves + FES-2002 for long period waves + 62 admittance waves up to degree 50
- **Atmospheric tide model** (S1 and S2) deduced from ECMWF pressure data
- **Atmospheric gravity variations:** from 3D-ECMWF 6h pressure models
- **Oceanic gravity variations:** MOG2D barotropic model (LEGOS)



Specific adjusted parameters:

- **GPS data:**
one clock parameter per measure date (each 60s)
around 500 ambiguities per day
- **Accelerometer data:**
3 biases per day (one in each direction: X, Y, Z in satellite reference frame)
3 scale factors per day
- **K-band range data:**
16 (bias + drift + once and twice per rev. terms) per day and after phase break
- **GPS/IGS orbits and clock/AIUB fixed**



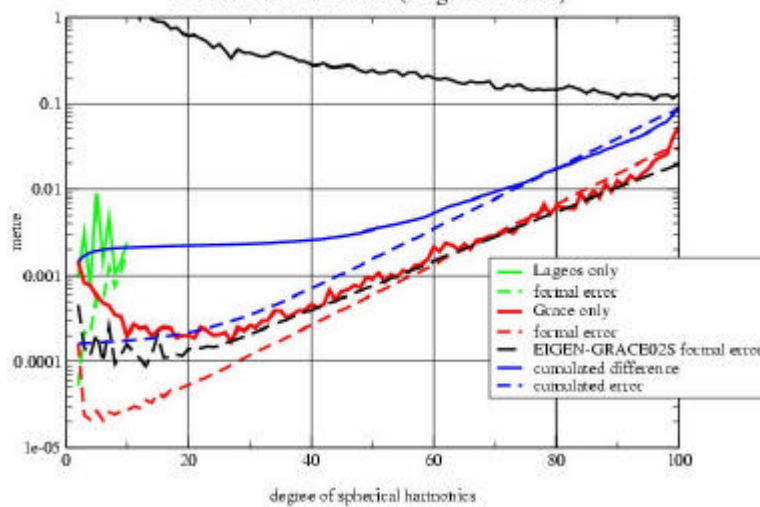
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Power spectrum

Geoid height and differences to EIGEN-GRACE02S per degree from 3 months of data (Aug.-Oct. 2003)



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Comparison of gravity field models on GRACE orbit

models	EIGEN- Aug-Oct03	EIGEN- GRACE02S MOG2D	EIGEN- GRACE02S +J2 Sep03	EIGEN- GRACE02S AODOC	GCM2 AODOC	GGM01S AODOC
data (Aug.2003)						
SLR (mm)	86.3	88.5	88.7	90.2	91.7	88.6
GPS phase (mm)	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.3	8.3	7.4
Kb range (μm)	82	89	89	96	133	123
Kb range- rate ($\mu\text{m/s}$)	.72	.77	.77	.85	1.10	1.15

MOG2D: ECMWF 3-D atmospheric pressure + LEGOS barotropic model

AODOC: ECMWF 3-D atmospheric pressure + JPL barotropic model

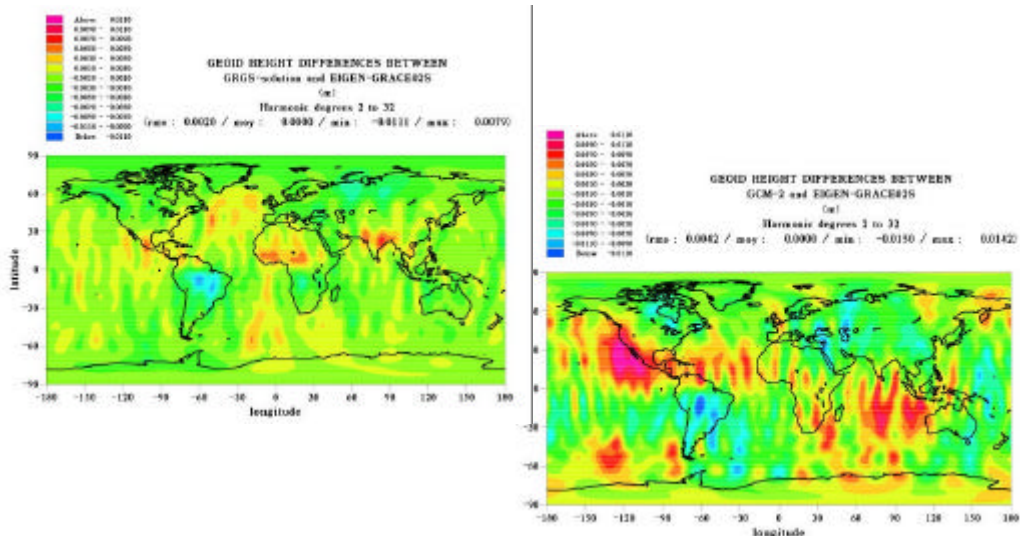


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Geoid comparison

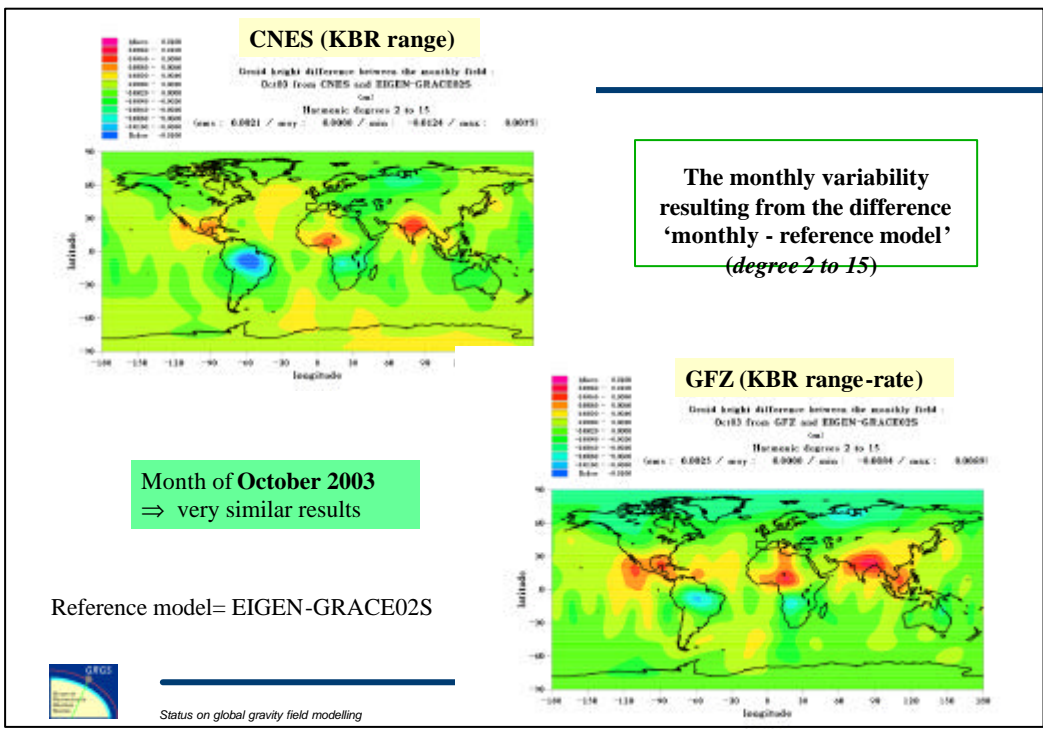
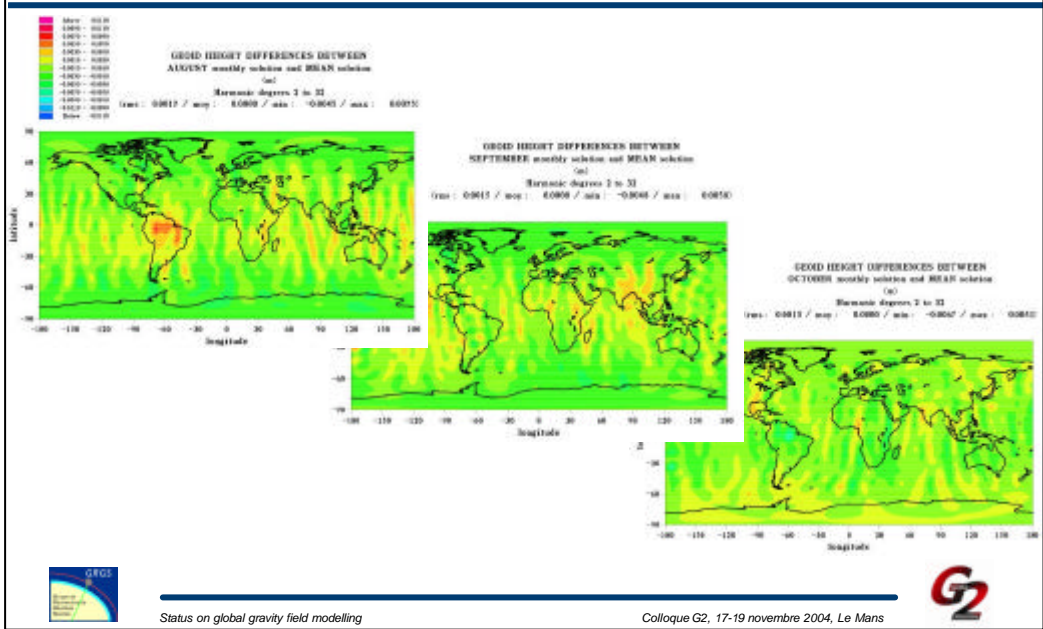


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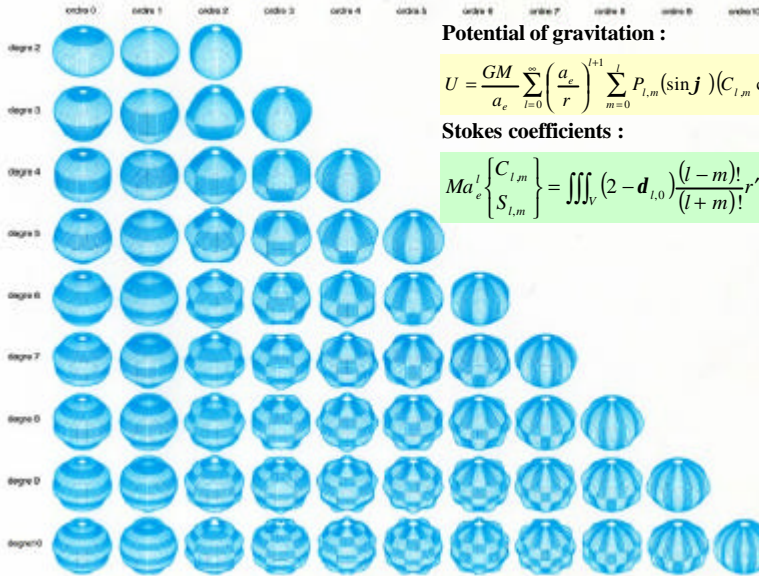
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Geoid evolution from Aug. to Oct. 2003



Laplace's spherical harmonics : $P_{lm}(\sin j) \cos ml$



Potential of gravitation :

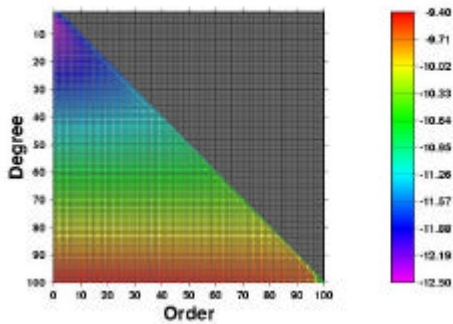
$$U = \frac{GM}{a_e} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{a_e}{r} \right)^{l+1} \sum_{m=0}^l P_{l,m}(\sin j) (C_{l,m} \cos mI + S_{l,m} \sin mI)$$

Stokes coefficients :

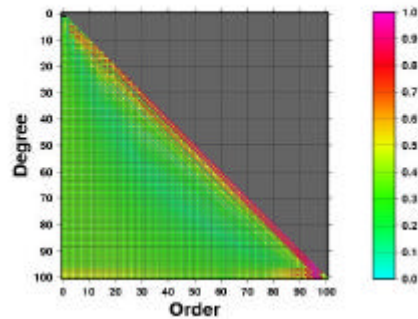
$$Ma_e^l \begin{Bmatrix} C_{l,m} \\ S_{l,m} \end{Bmatrix} = \iiint_V (2 - d_{l,0}) \frac{(l-m)!}{(l+m)!} r'^l P_{l,m}(\sin j') \begin{Bmatrix} \cos mI' \\ \sin mI' \end{Bmatrix} dm$$

Formal errors and correlations

Gravity coefficients formal error (decimal exponent)



MAXIMUM CORRELATION OF THE SPHERICAL HARMONICS
SH maximal degree : 100



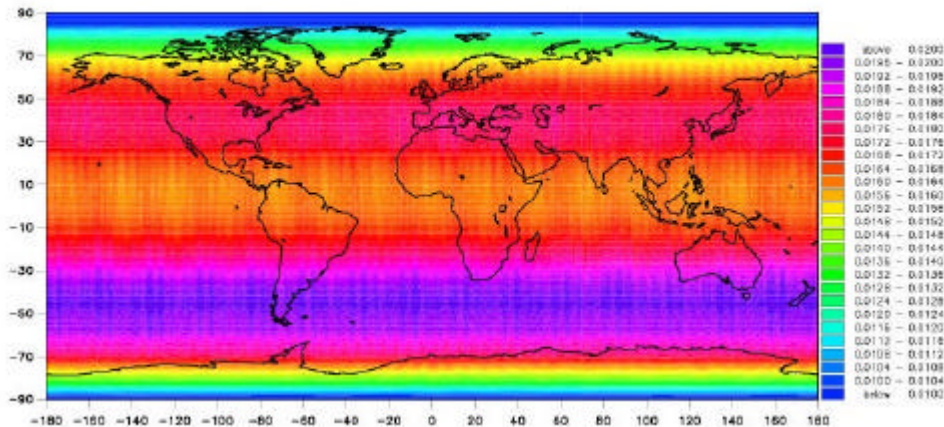
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Geoid error from covariance matrix

Geoid error from EIGEN-Aug-Oct2003 calibrated covariance matrix (meter)



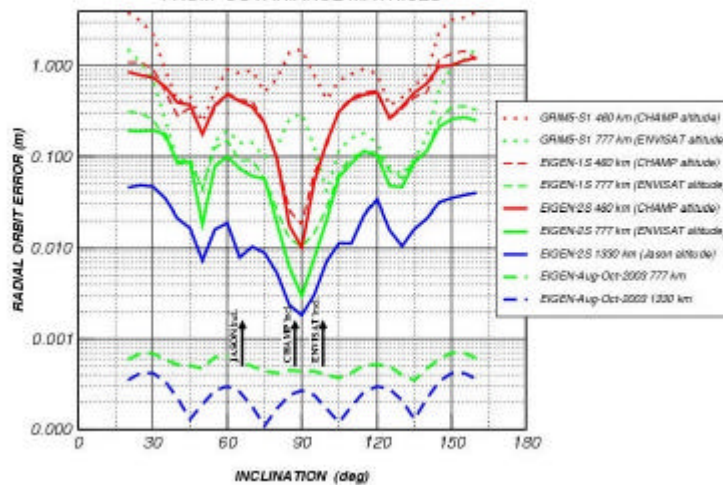
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Radial orbit error from EIGEN covariance matrices

EXPECTED RADIAL ORBIT ERROR AS A FUNCTION OF INCLINATION FROM COVARIANCE MATRICES



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