

**OSTST 2019**

*Oct. 2019 – Chicago*

## *Jason-3 Project Status*



**Jason 1**  
2001 -- 2013



**TOPEX/Poseidon**  
1992 -- 2006



**OSTM/Jason 2**

2008 --2019

**Jason 3**  
2016-present

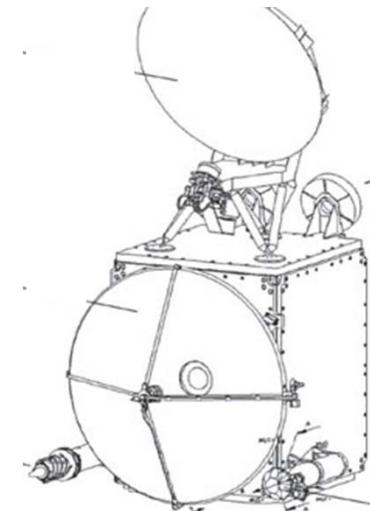


**Christophe MARECHAL, CNES**  
*on behalf Jason-3 Project Managers*

# Platform Status

- The Jason-3 satellite bus is **OK**
  - Command / control , RF on **PMB**
    - On-Board Software, Mass Memory, Telemetry & Telecommand system
  - Thermal aspects:
    - Active thermal control works successfully and is sized with significant margins to meet further worst case conditions
  - Electrical aspects :
    - Satellite power and consumption are within the power, consumption and energetic budgets
  - AOCS (attitude and orbit control system) :
- Exceptional activities :
  - Unused equipment destocking (gyro, STR)
  - STR monitoring, SADM expertise, PCE expertise
  - Gyro calibration

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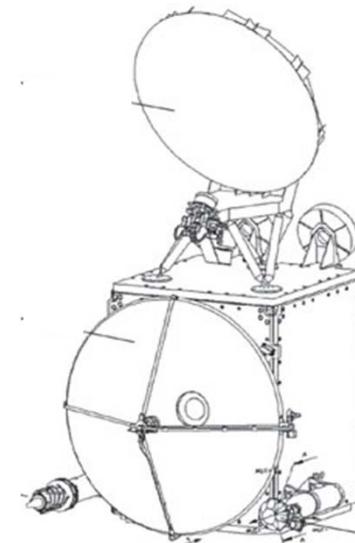


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**Jason-3 bus is fully operational with all redundant systems available**

# Payload Status

- **Core Payload**
  - POSEIDON3 (99,99%) OK
  - DORIS (100%) OK
  - AMR (99.6%) OK
  - GPSP-B (100%) OK
- **Passengers**
  - CARMEN / AMBRE OK
  - LPT OK
- **Exceptional activities :**
  - POS3B DEM upload August 31st 2017 OK



➔ Fully OPERATIONAL with redundancy available for POS-3, DORIS & AMR  
➔ Passengers fully operation

# Ground & Operations Status

- Earth terminals :
  - Usingen – USG2, + partial USG1 shadowing OK
  - Wallops, Fairbanks and Barrow (CDAS) OK
- Control Centers :
  - JCCC CNES Control center OK
  - all the elements are OK
  - SOCC NOAA Control center OK
  - all the elements are OK
- Instrument Commanding and Monitoring Centers :
  - SSALTO for CNES instruments OK
  - JPL Mission facility for NASA/JPL instruments OK
  - Passengers Mission centers OK

# Major events since last OSTST

SHM on **2019/02/24 09:57UTC**

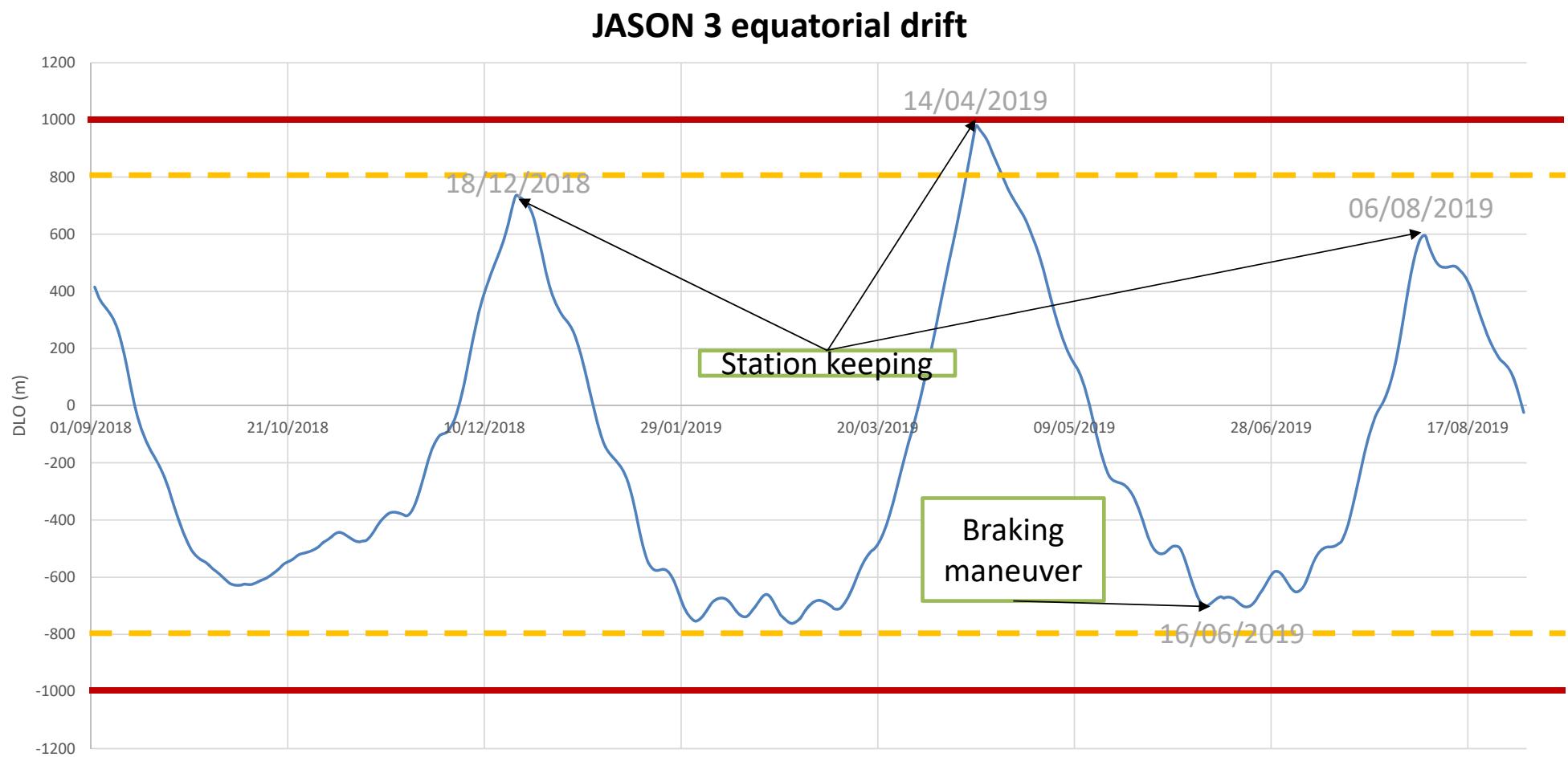
- Summary of events
  - 2019/02/23 ~22:18: unexpected change of Gyro 1 measurements profile, which became incoherent
  - 2019/02/24 ~02:08 STR1 tracking loss for 575s but permanent invalidity due to Kalman filter innovation criteria
  - AOCS mistaken with Gyro measurements only + saturated gyro drift
  - Major uncontrolled mispointing, which put the AMR antenna to the sun
  - SHM triggered by thermal FDIR on AMR antenna
- Back to nominal operations on **2019/03/06 @08:40UTC** (cycle 113, pass 62 )
- Analysis led to
  - Gyro 1 operational with no irreversible damage
  - No possible failure propagation to Gyro 2 & 3
  - Most probable Root cause : SEU on an analogic component in the Sensor Electronic Box

# Major events since last OSTST

SHM on **2019/04/06 23:17UTC**

- Summary of events
  - **2019/04/06 23:17UTC** : SHM triggered by FDIR with no telemetry available
  - Impossible to determine the exact source of that SHM
  - Once SHM recovery started, check of the RAM EDAC status, performed RAMTEST
- Back to nominal operations on **2019/04/12 @07:16UTC** (cycle 116, pass 246)
- Most probable cause : EDAC in RAM
  - **Satellite status is OK since then**
  - Investigations still ongoing wrt possible cause of SHM with no telemetry available to analyse.

# Routine navigation and guidance

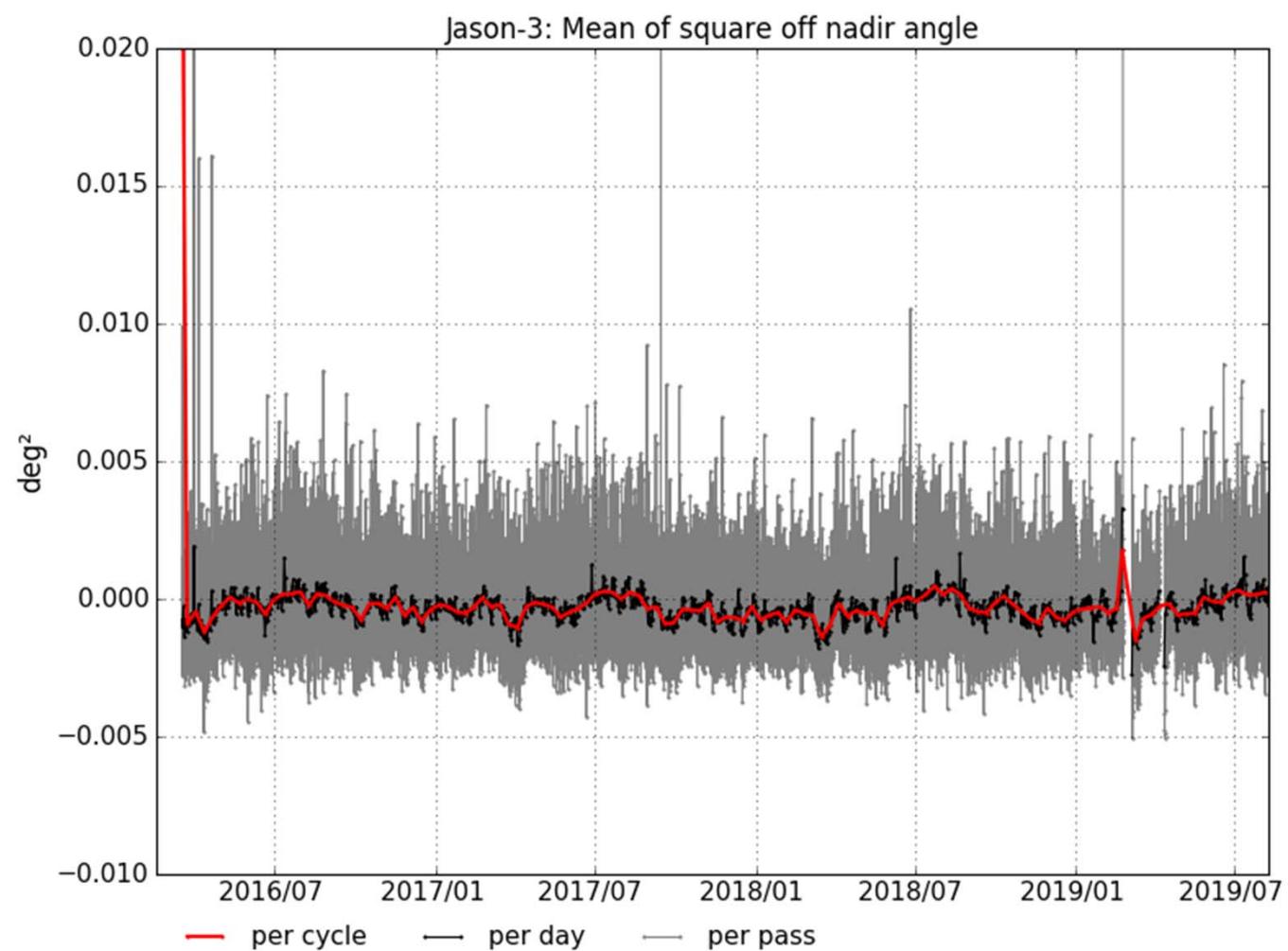
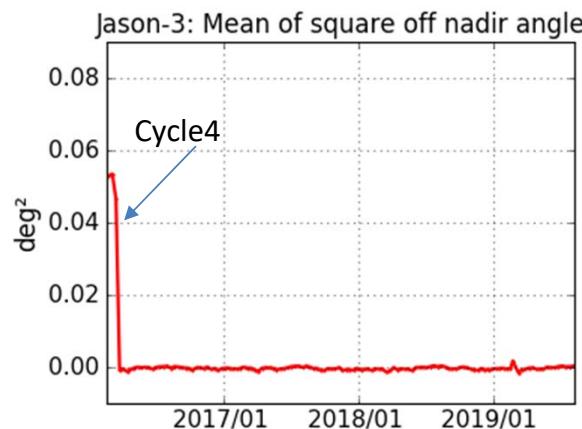


# System Requirements and Performances

Altimeter Antenna

Pointing : **typical value  
below 0.005°**  
(Requirement < 0.2°)

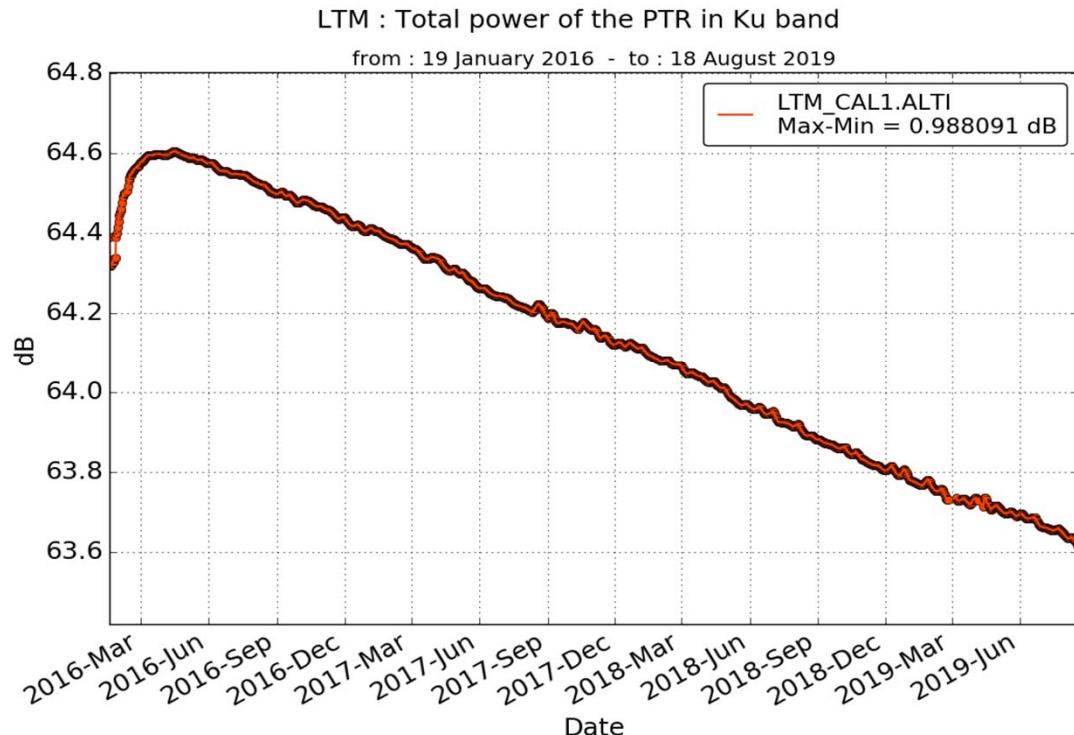
pointing performance  
stable since cycle4



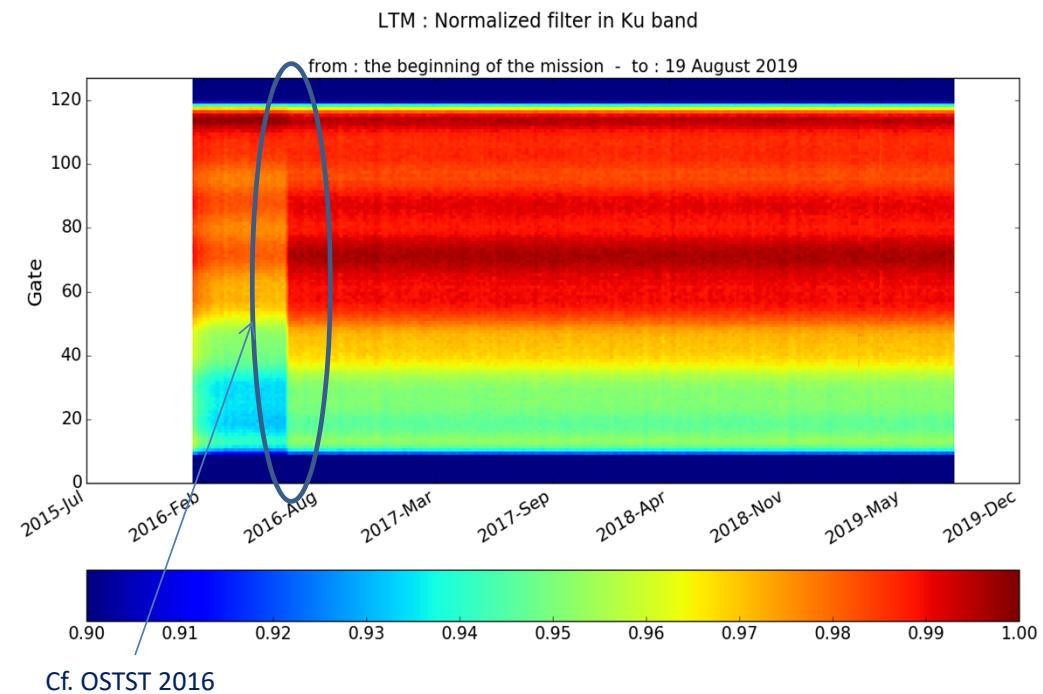
# POSEIDON-3B / JASON-3

- Routine/Exceptional calibrations are OK
- Excellent Measurement Stability (short and long term)

– CAL1 Ku-band PTR power



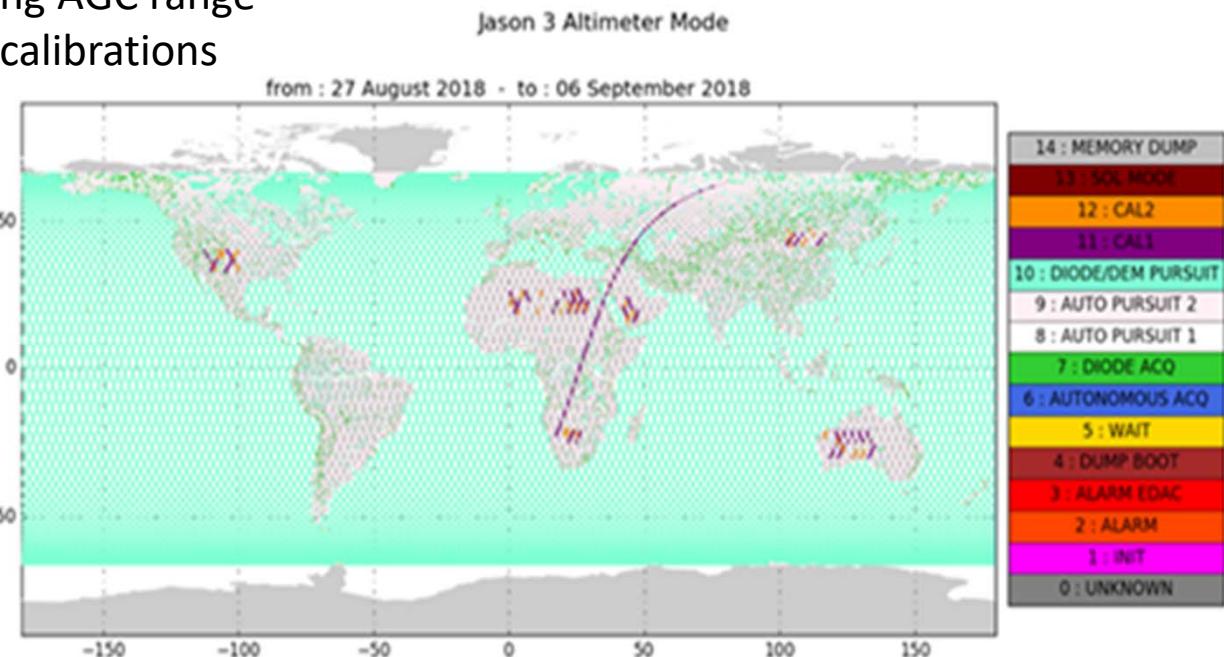
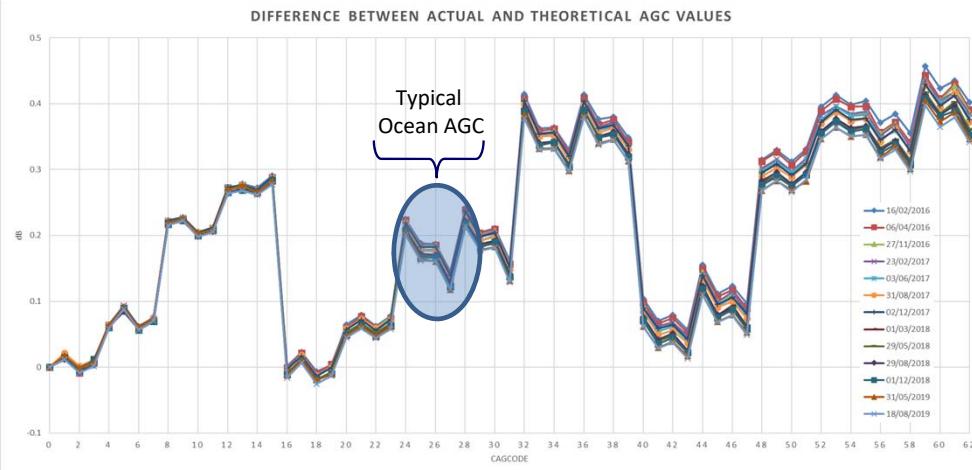
– CAL2 Ku-band LPF



# POSEIDON-3B CNG calibrations

- CNG calibration

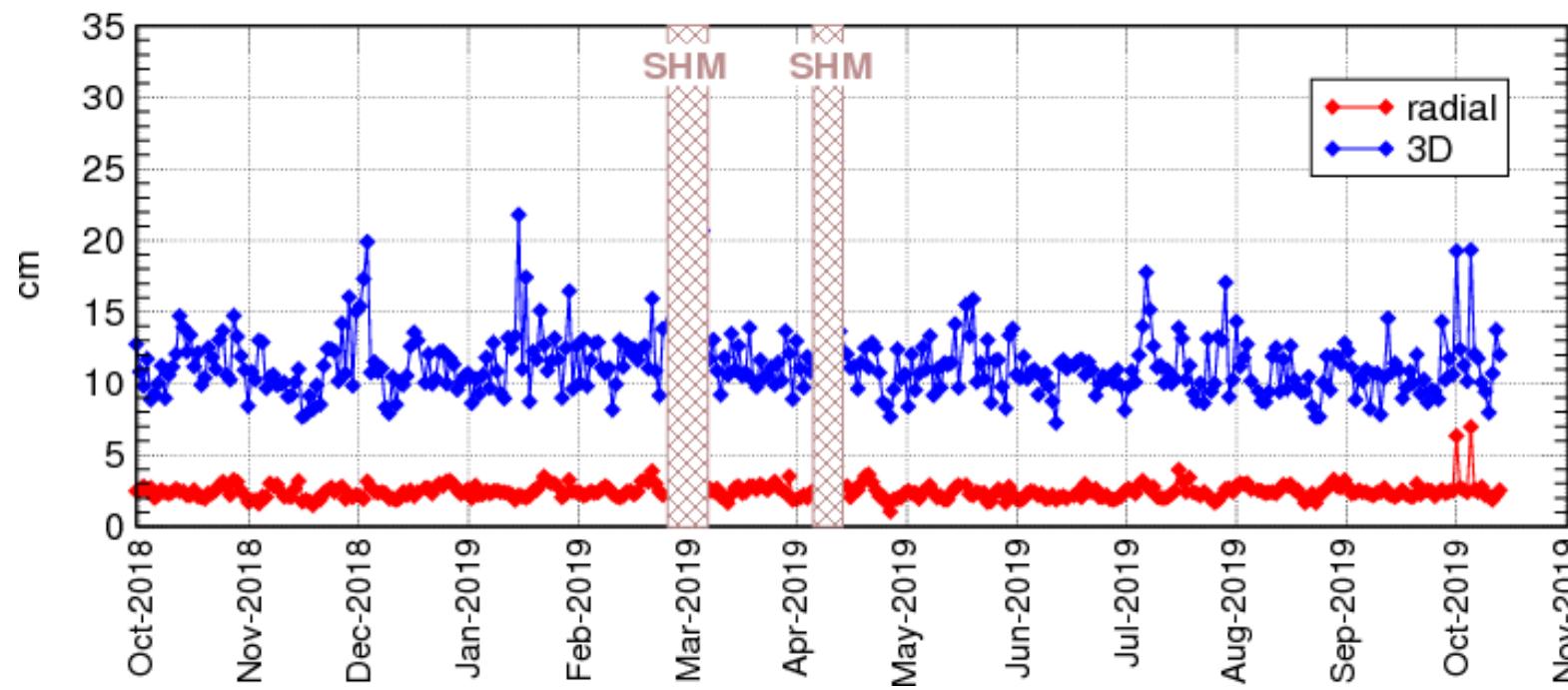
- Approximately every 3 months
- Last processed : 18/08/2019
- Analysis and processing performed by CNES instrument responsible
- Good Stability (of the order of calibration accuracy)
- Very low trend variation in the functioning AGC range
- Increase accuracy wrt Jason-2 with I&Q calibrations



Availability = **100% over the period**

**DORIS**

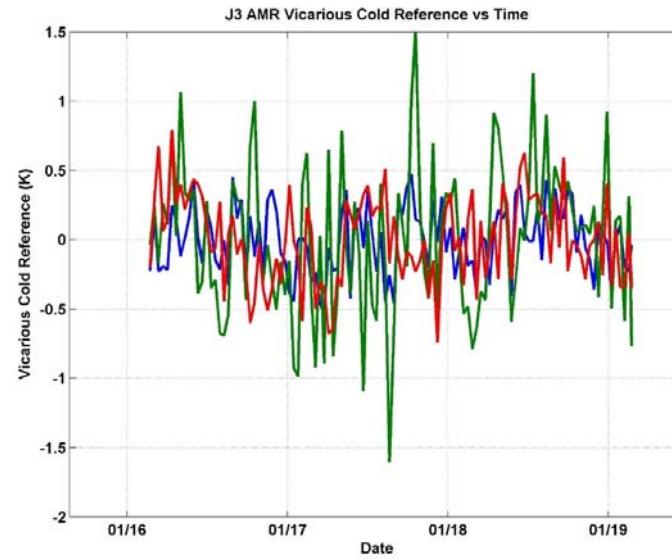
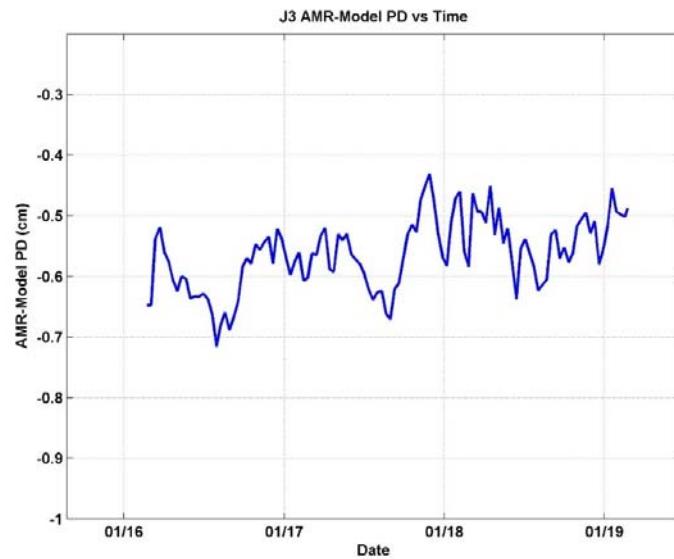
### DIODE-MOE differences for Jason-3 daily RMS, maneuvers excluded



## AMR

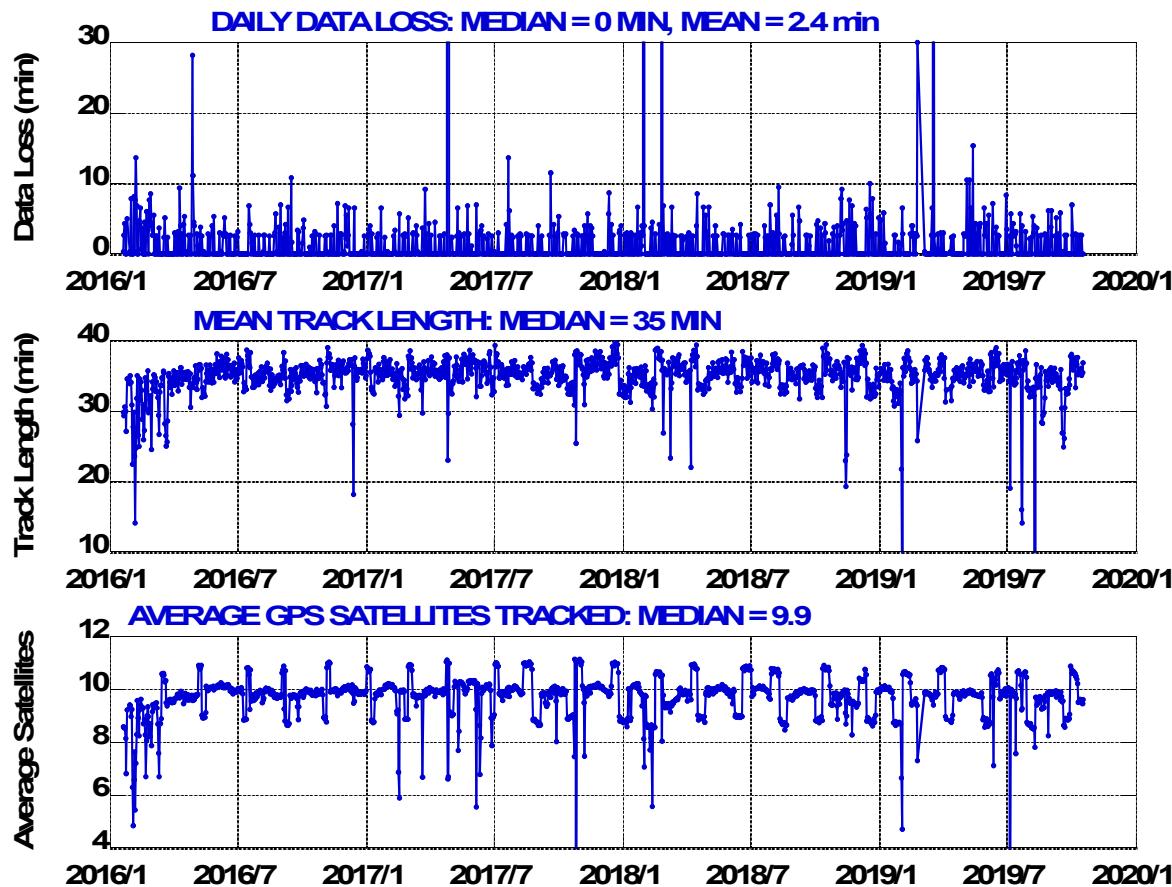
- **Jason-3 AMR performing nominally since launch**

- Jason-3 AMR maintains excellent performance
- Cold sky calibrations are critical to stabilizing Jason-3 at the mm-level
- Jason-3 AMR global average PD within  $\pm 1\text{mm}$  of the ECMWF model PD over 2 years
- No detectable calibration shifts on the AMR resulting from the 24 February 2019 (and 6 April 2019) safe hold events.



## Jason-3 GPSP: Receiver Performance

GPSP

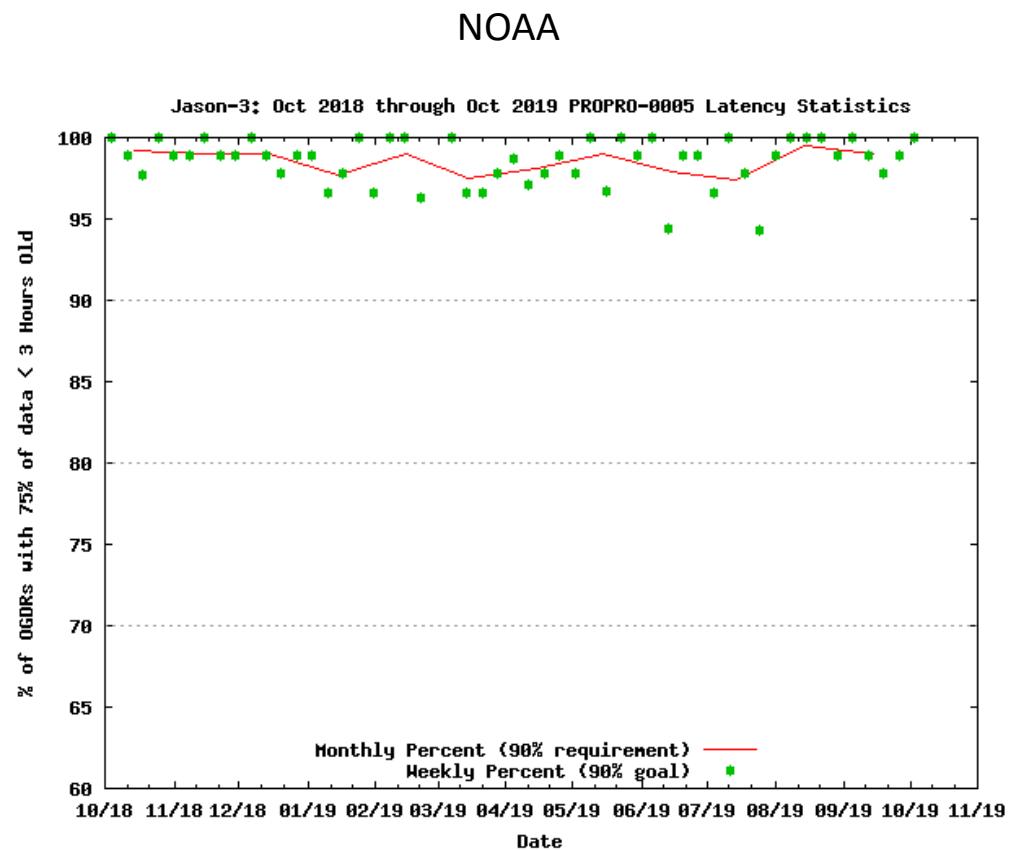


Tracking metrics are consistent since launch

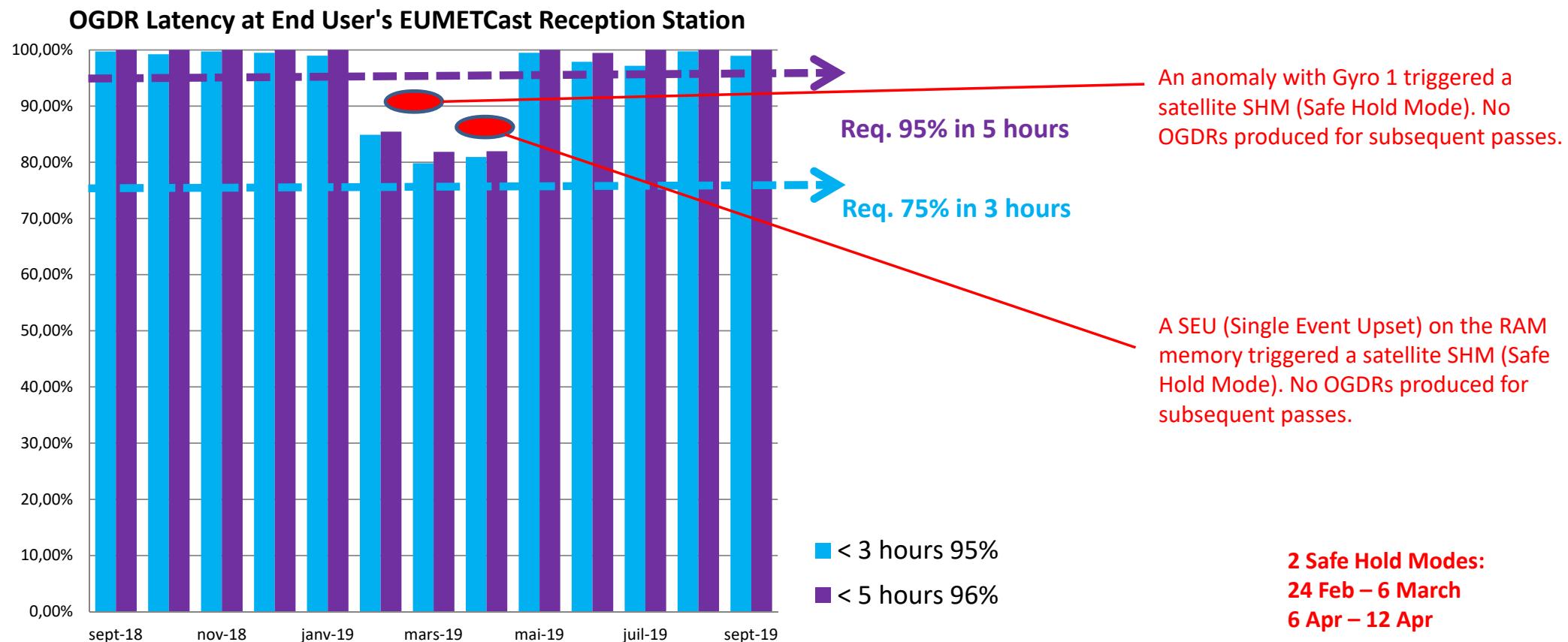
Jason-3 receiver tracks to lower elevations than Jason-2

# OGDR products Status and performances 1/2

- NRT products made by **EUMETSAT** and **NOAA/ESPC** Mission Center
- No major changes in the period
- EUMPC : ~100% OGDR successful for PLTM1 acquired at USG
- NOAA ESPC : ~100% OGDR successful for PLTM1 acquired at CDAs
- 100 % OGDR products archived, all disseminated via EUMETCast and via NOAA dissemination services

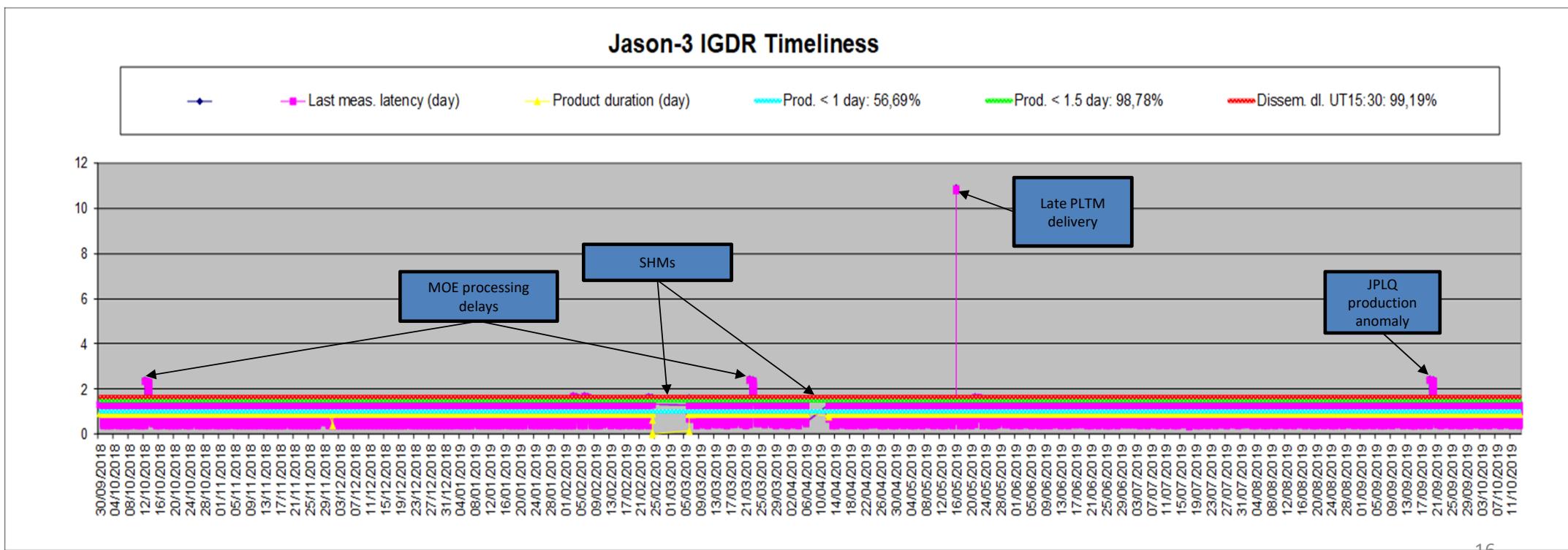


# OGDR products Status and performances 2/2



# IGDR - status and performances

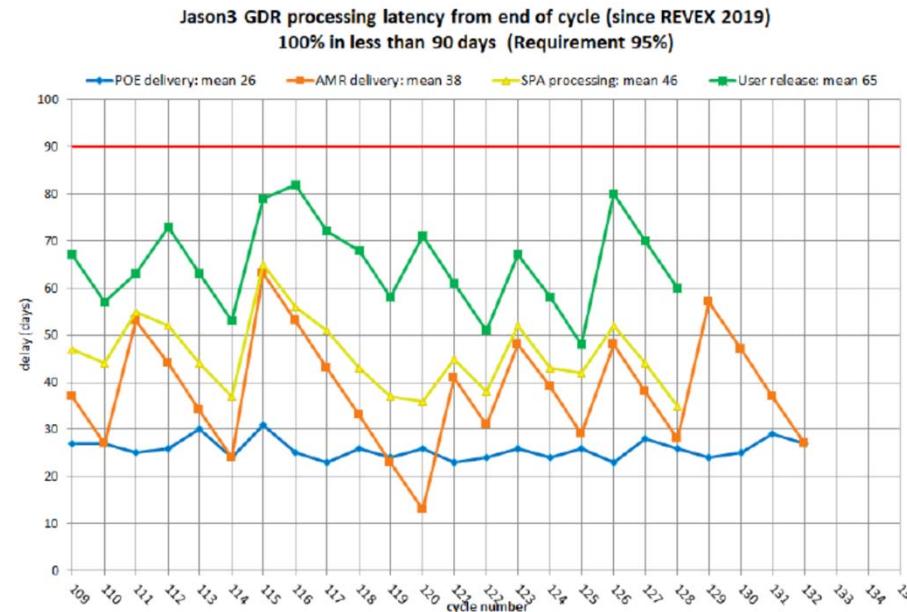
- Jason-3 IGDR processing is OK (CNES : 100% IGDR successful)
- 100% IGDR products archived
- All disseminated via CNES AVISO+ and NOAA dissemination services



# GDR - status and performances

- GDR produced by CNES/SSALTO
- Jason-3 GDR processing is OK
  - Data availability & latency OK
  - Systematic cross checked validation by CNES and JPL
  - Cycle per cycle (and yearly) validation reports available on AVISO+  
<http://www.aviso.altimetry.fr/en/data/calval/systematic-calval.html>

- 100% GDR products archived
- All disseminated via CNES AVISO+ and NOAA dissemination services



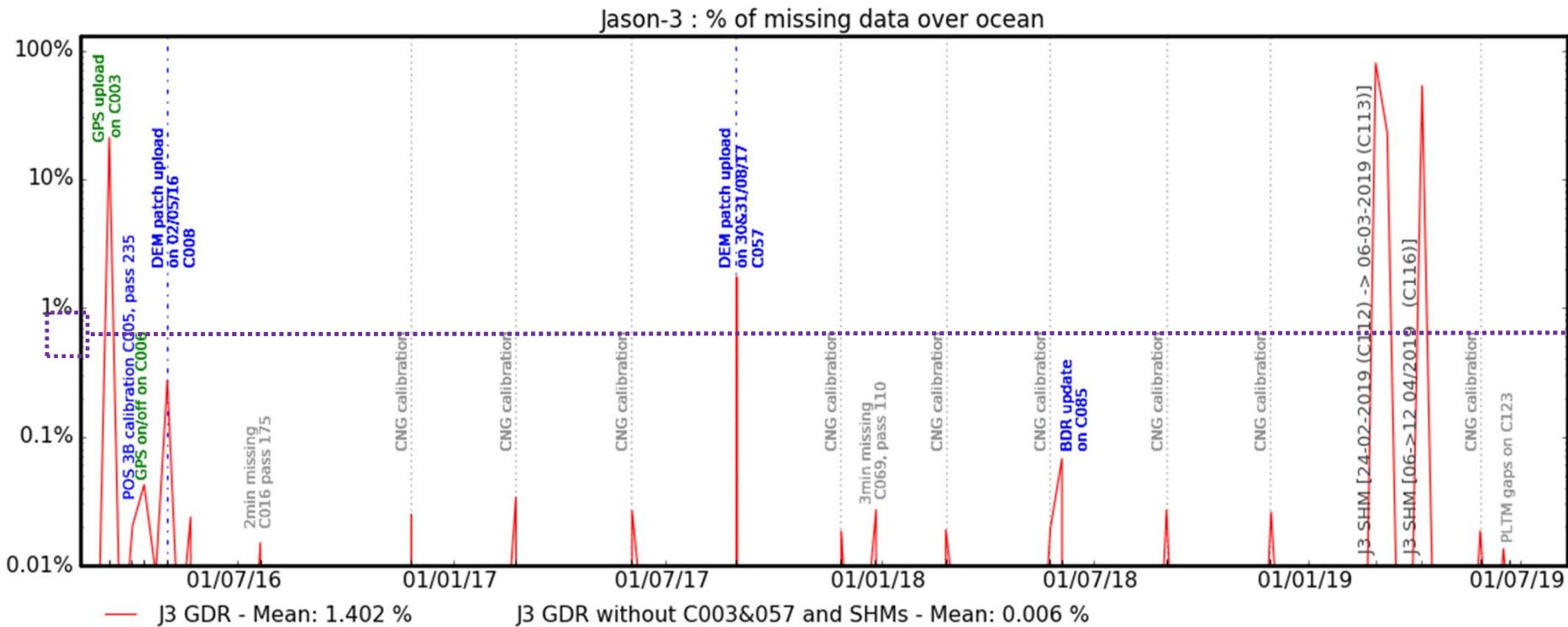
# Performances – missing measurements

Very good data availability over ocean

98.60 % calibrations and incidents included

After removing uploads and SHM:

>99.9 % data are available over ocean

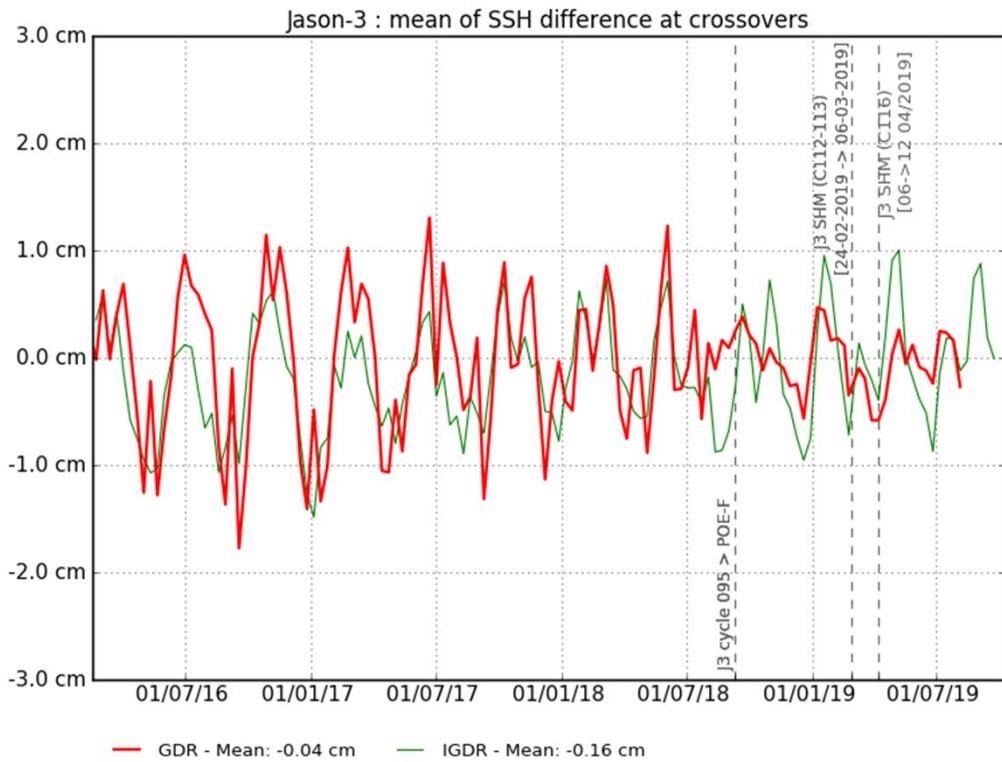


# Performances – Sea Level

Reduction  
from **L2 (GDR:11cm)**  
to **L2P(GDR:10.4cm)**

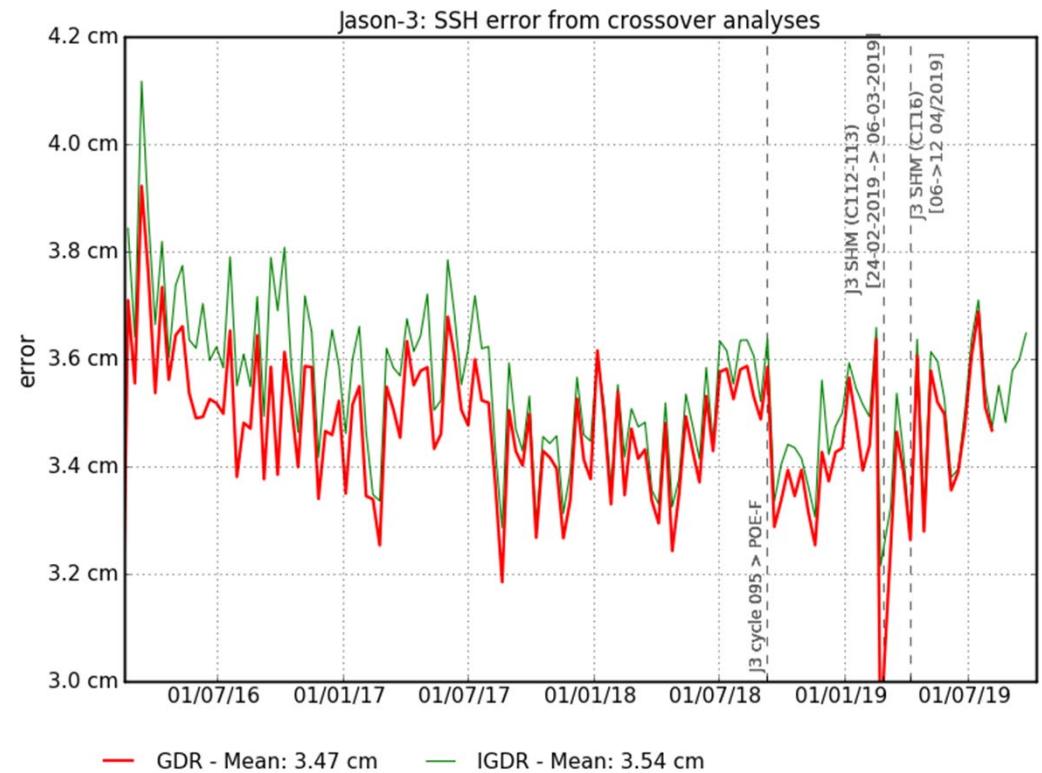


# Performances – Xover



In GDR -> better homogeneity between ascending / descending passes since use of POE-F

SSH error is deduced from crossovers analyses using radiometer data  
 ->selecting  $|latitudes| < 50^\circ$ , bathy<-1000m, oceanic variability < 20 cm



# System Requirements and Performances

- Data availability :

- Requirement : The GDR shall contain 95% of all possible over-ocean data (acquisition and archive) during any 12 month period, with no systematic gaps.

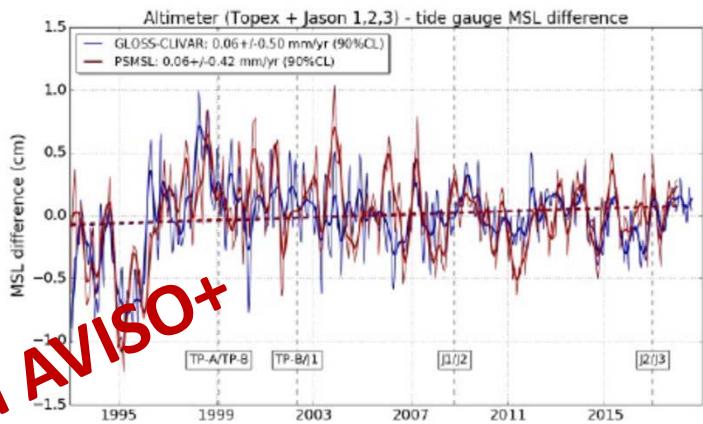
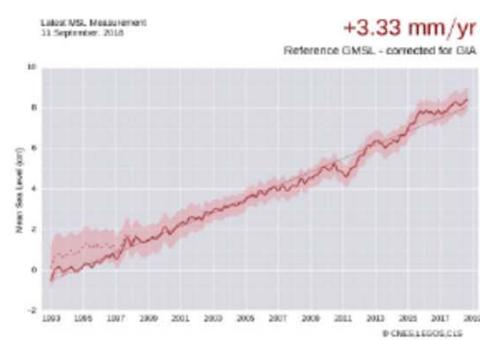
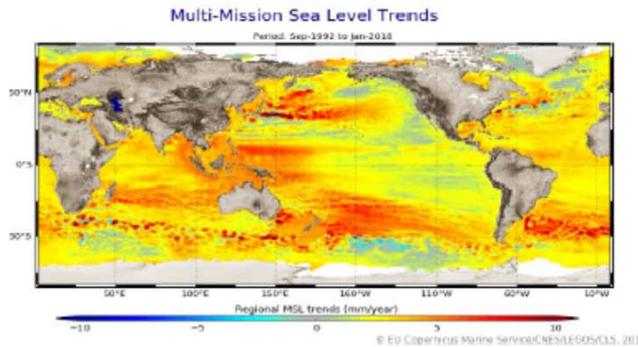
- from November 2018 until October 2019

⇒ **satellite unavailability**      **~2.7 %**      **< 4% req**

– bus : 2.7%      altimeter : 0.01%      Doris : 0%      AMR : 0.35%

⇒ **ground unavailability**      **~0.00 %**      **< 1% req**

→ **Global Jason-3 system availability : 97.3%**

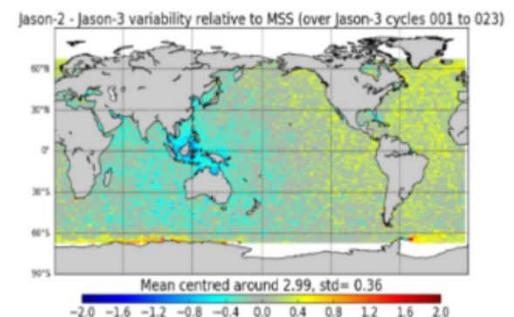
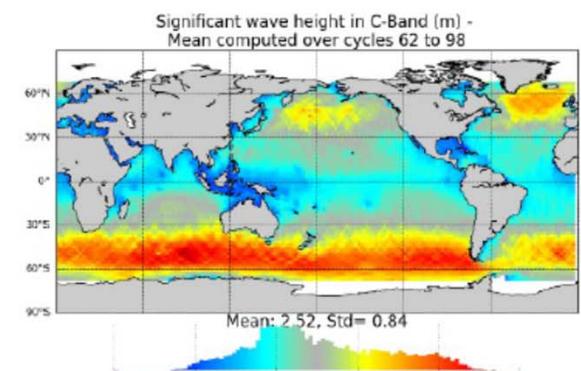
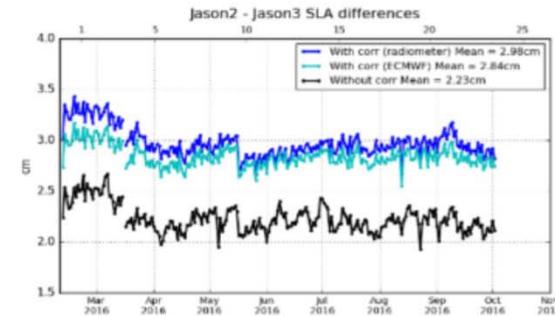
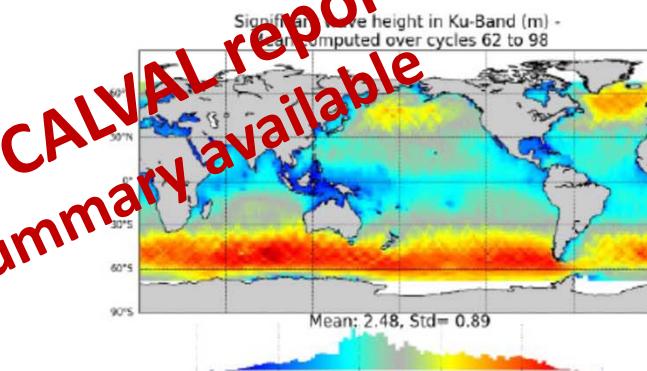


CalVal Jason-3



Jason-3 validation and cross calibration activities (Annual report 2018)

Contract No 160182-14026/00 Lot 1.6.3



# **Conclusion – Jason-3 at a glance**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jason-3 Exploitation Review (REVEX) : successful in April 2019
- Platform and instrument in perfect conditions
- GDR-F standard end of 2020
  - Objective is to deliver a 1-year dataset for next OSTST

**Thank you to all the teams from CNES, NOAA,  
EUMETSAT & NASA/JPL**

## Items to consider

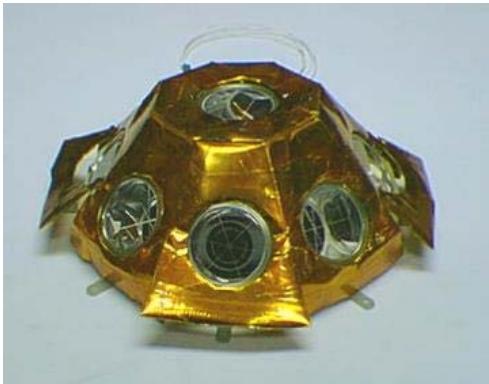
- Jason-3 is required for Jason-CS/Sentinel-6 intercalibration
- What will be its mission after that ?
  - Interleaved orbit ?
  - Geodetic ?

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- An aerial photograph of the Chicago skyline, featuring numerous skyscrapers and modern buildings. In the foreground, the Chicago River flows through the city, with several bridges visible. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds.
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  - EUMETSAT
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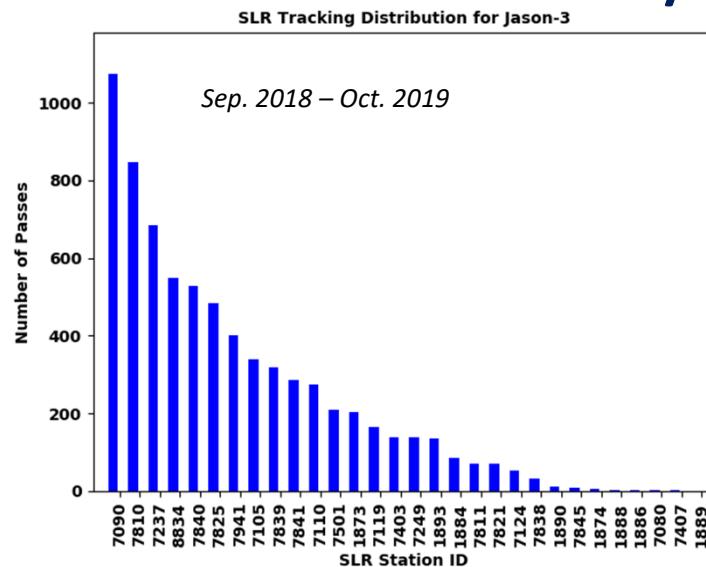
*Thank you for your attention ... and also to  
the contributors !!*

# Backup slides

## SLR/LRA



- **Laser ranging array (LRA) is passive (No electronics or software)**
- **Copy of Jason-1 & Jason-2 LRA system, supporting cm-level ranging**
- **Tracking of Jason-3 and Jason-2 high priority for International Laser Ranging Service (ILRS)**
- **Performance of Jason-3 LRA has been nominal**



### Cumulative Passes Per Station for Jason-3

- **Top 5 stations by pass volume from Sep. 2018 to Oct. 2019:**
  - *Yaragadee, Zimmerwald, Changchun, Wetzell, Herstmonceux*