

The second release of COST-G GRACE-FO combined monthly gravity fields

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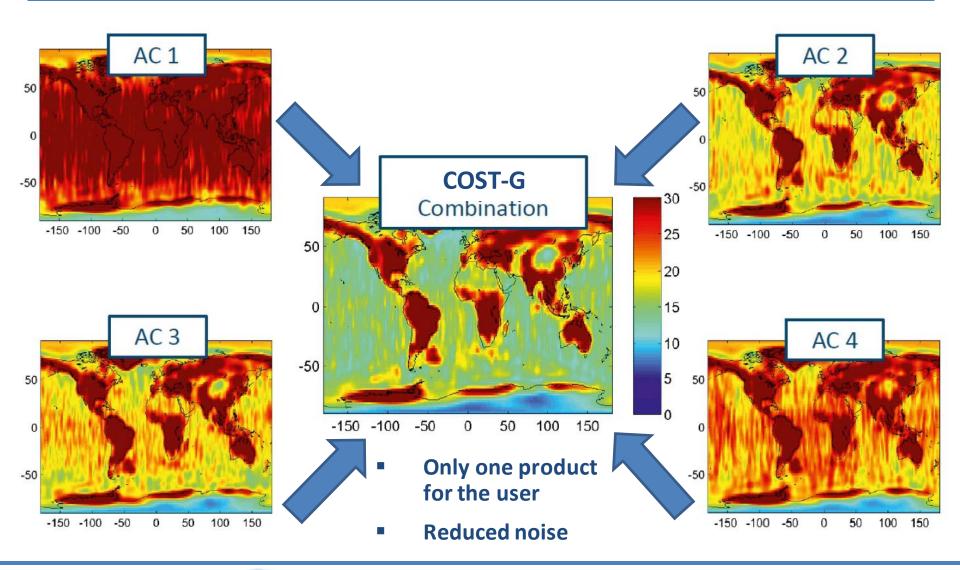
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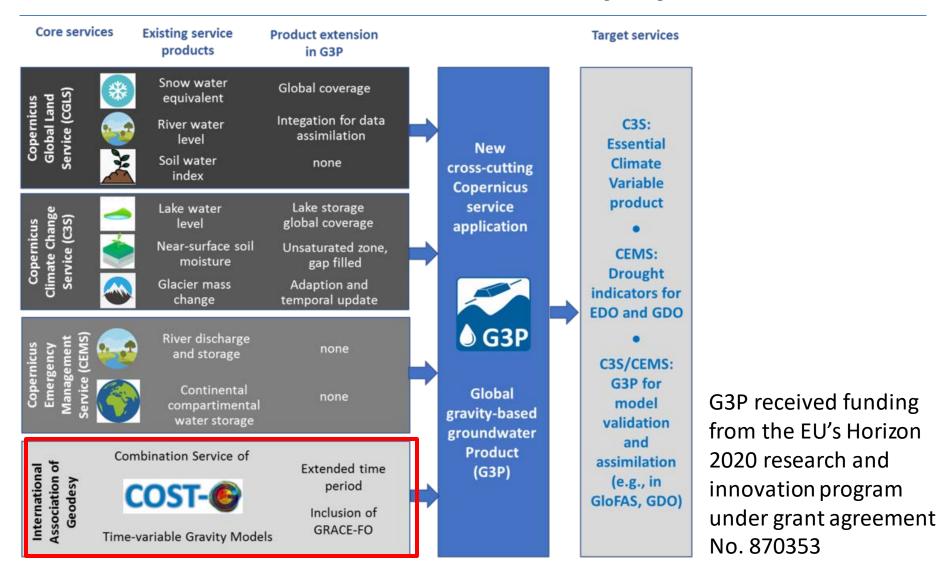
COST-G: Concept







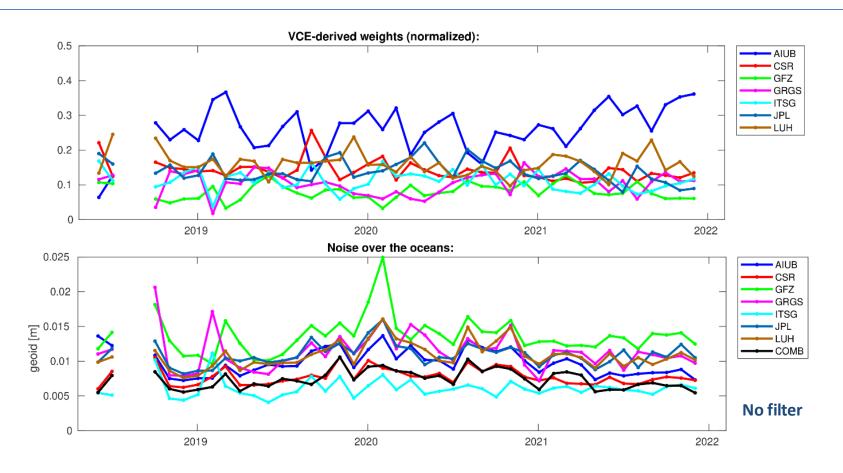
COST-G within the G3P project







GRACE-FO Operational Combination



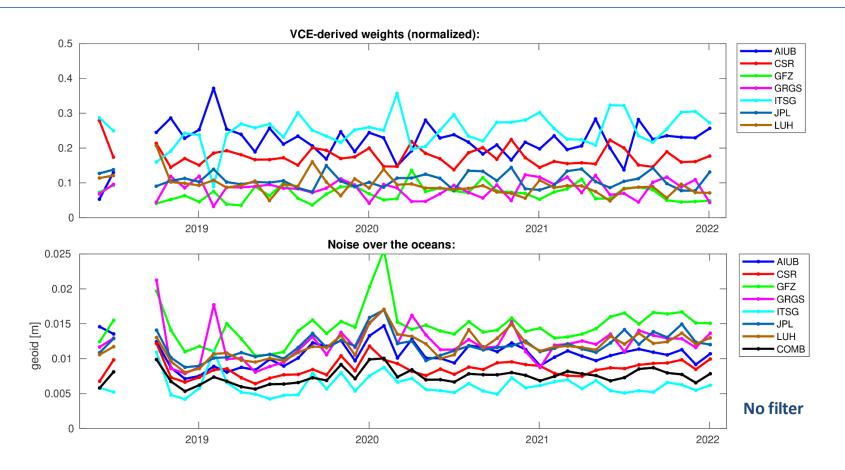
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Revision of the Weighting Scheme



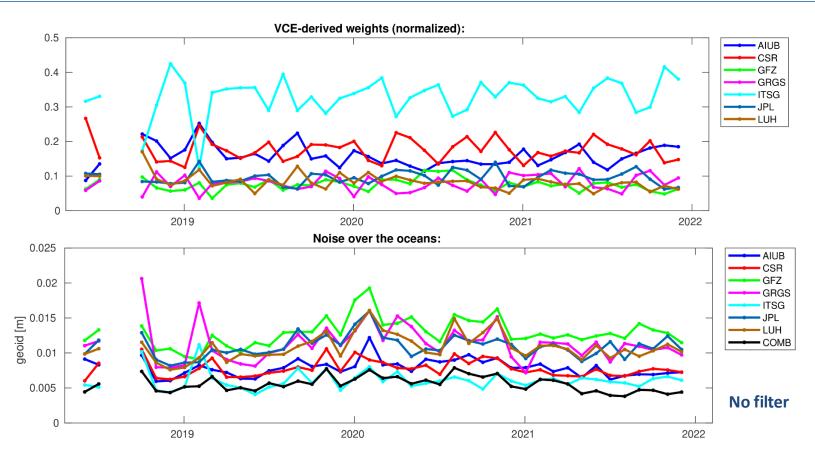
Weights better reflect the noise over the oceans of AC solutions:

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Further Improvements of the Combined Solution



Empirical Noise Modeling of AIUB AC solution (Ph.D. work of M. Lasser)

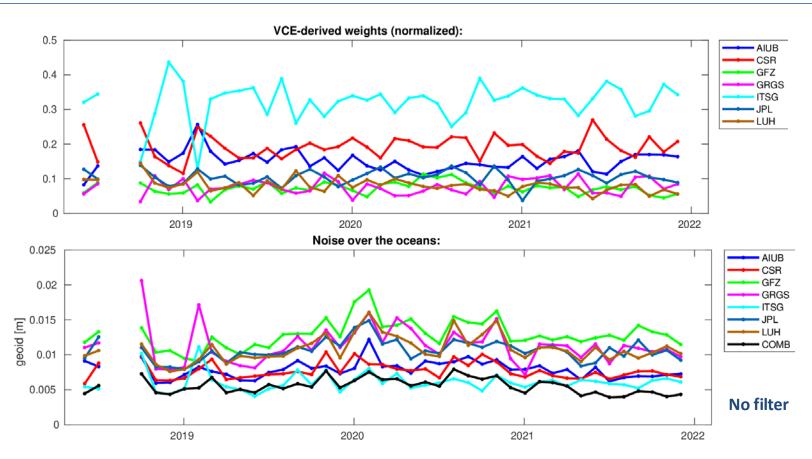
GFZ time-series based on ACT product from G3P (as AIUB, GRGS, ITSG, LUH)

=> Combination outperforms all individual solutions in 2021





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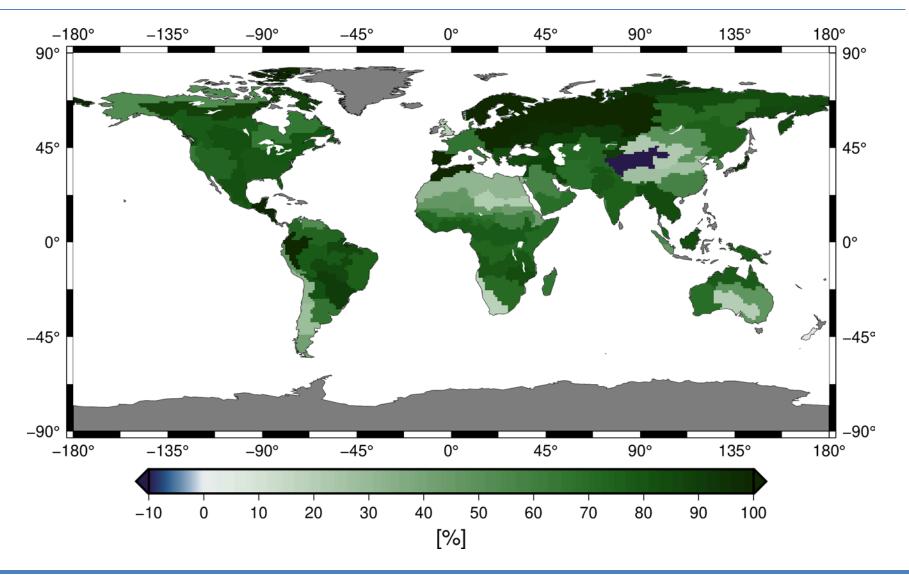


CSR and JPL RL06.1 time-series based on new JPL-ACT product; the main effect is on C30, which in case of using either the G3P-ACT or the new JPL ACT has not to be replaced by SLR-derived values.





Validation: Improvement of TWS Signal-to-Noise Ratio







Validation: GOCE orbit fit

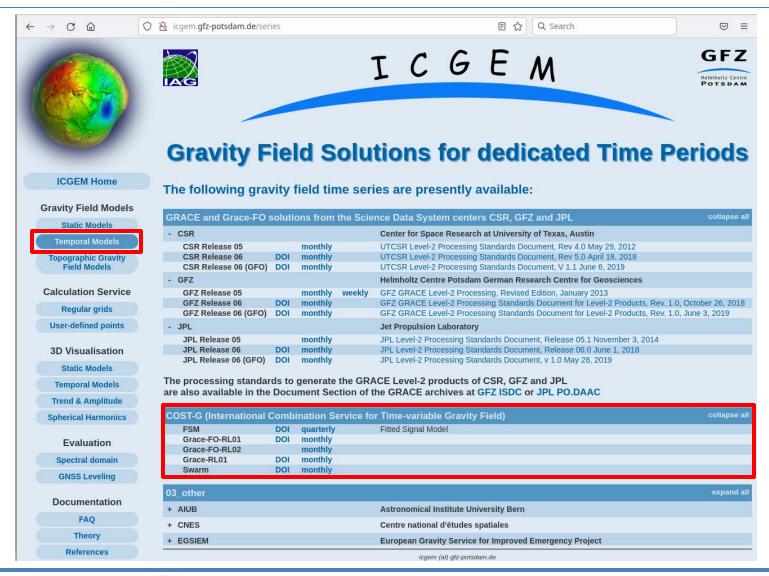
3D-RMS values [cm] of the orbit fit residuals (mean values from the involved arcs) Parametrization: 6 orbital elements, accelerometer biases 1/arc (3 directions)

| | March | | | April | | | June | | | December | | |
|----------------------------|-------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|----------|------|------|
| Model/Month | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| COST-G FSM | 5,53 | 5,77 | 6,30 | 5,37 | 5,72 | 6,39 | 5,39 | 5,86 | 6,63 | 5,48 | 6,05 | 7,78 |
| COST-G operational | 6,42 | 7,10 | 7,27 | 6,36 | 7,06 | 7,84 | 6,40 | 7,36 | 7,62 | 6,94 | 7,51 | 7,57 |
| COST-G (G3P) | 5,92 | 6,76 | 6,79 | 5,99 | 6,55 | 7,30 | 5,85 | 6,68 | 6,86 | 6,38 | 6,77 | 7,21 |
| ITSG-Grace_operational_n96 | 5,94 | 6,95 | 7,11 | 5,93 | 6,69 | 7,08 | 5,68 | 6,33 | 6,77 | 6,17 | 6,95 | 7,36 |





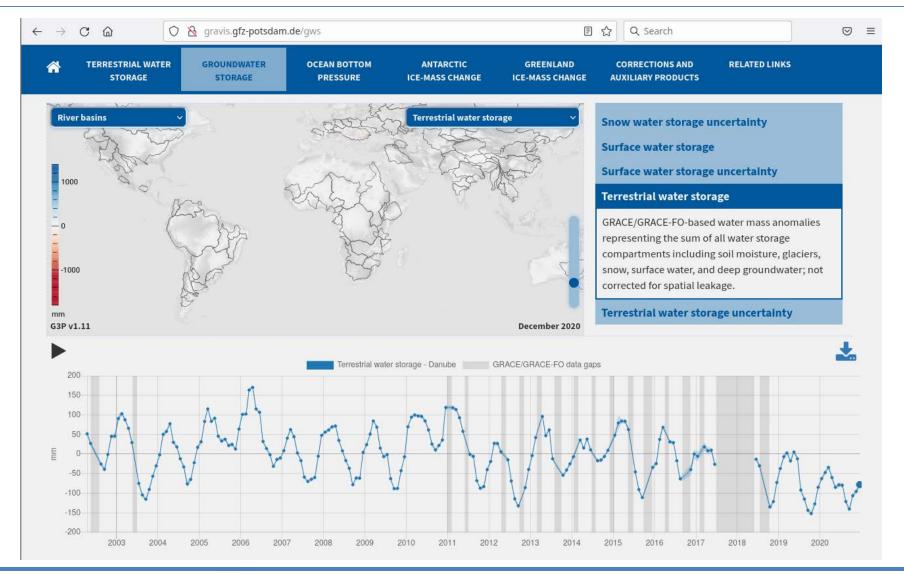
COST-G products: Level-2 (spherical harmonic)







COST-G products: Level-3 (post-processed grids/time-series)







Summary and Outlook

- COST-G GRACE-FO RL02 Level-2 products (spherical harmonic coefficients) are available from ICGEM (http://icgem.gfz-potsdam.de/series/02_COST-G/ Grace-FO_RL02).
- COST-G GRACE-FO RL02 Level-3 products for (grids/time-series) are available via GFZ's GravIS portal (http://gravis.gfz-potsdam.de/gws).
- COST-G GRACE RL02 consistent to GRACE-FO RL02 and including Chinese Analysis Centers is under preparation for presentation at IUGG 2023.



