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GOALS AND CONFIGURATION GOAL: To improve the orbit modelling of Sentinel-6A to enhance the quality of the precise orbital products.

Configuration:

- POD SW: NAPEOS
- Observations: Galileo, GPS, Galileo + GPS; 30 seconds sampling

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- GNSS products: CODE Rapid orbit, clock (30 s), and phase biases ٠
- Determination arc: 24 hours ٠
- Gravity field model: COST-G 2112
- Ambiguity fixed solutions
 - With GPS, no mixing of L1W/L2W and L1C/L2C ambiguities due to lack of temperature corrected biases in RINEX (TBD)
- Estimated orbital parameters ٠
 - > State-vector
 - \succ CD = 1.0 fixed
 - \succ CR = 1.0 fixed
 - > CPR (constant per revolution): 6 empirical parameter sets consisting of:
 - Along-track constant, sine and cosine
 - Cross-track constant, sine and cosine







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MACRO-MODEL CONFIGURATION



Original	New (S6A POD Context v2.0)
10 panels, but two of them are set to zero	12 panels, inner sides of solar panels are addedOptical properties have changed for the panelsAreas are adopted
+/- y areas are estimated with 1.03 m2, because most of the areas is shaded by solar panels	+/- y areas are still used/estimated with 1.03 m2, because most of the areas is shaded by solar panels (deviation from document)
+z area is considered as a plate covering the entire bottom of the satellite from one solar panel to the other => empty spa below the solar panels is ignored	
Area of AMR (instrument at the front of the satellite) is completely ignored (set to zero)	Xs A IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII
Re-radiation is active for all areas, including solar panels	
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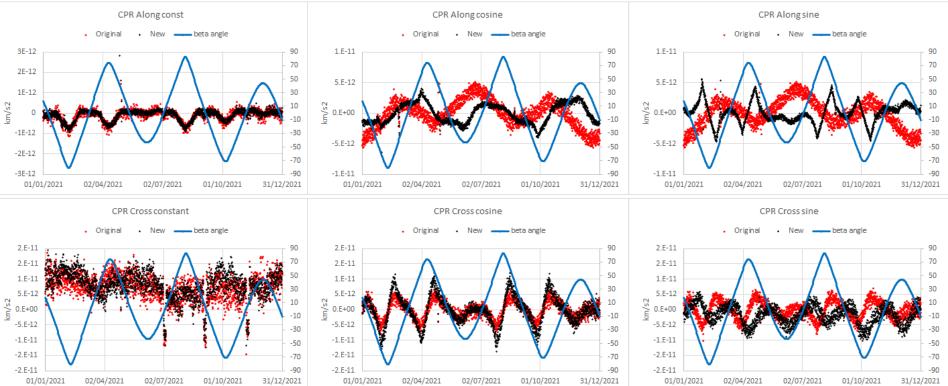
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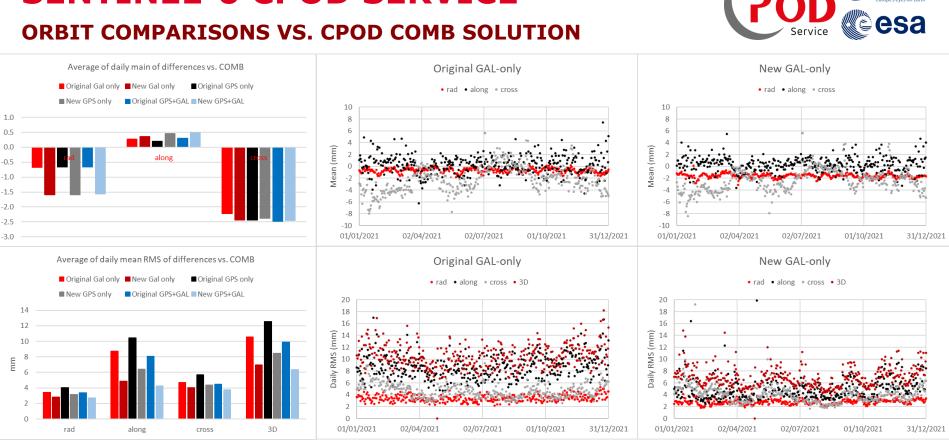


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- New macro-model shows improvements on empiricals, and comparisons vs. the combined solution
- However there is still the need to improve the modelling, as there are still clear signals in the empirical
- There is a need to correct the RINEX observations to allow a GPS ambiguity fixing, mixing signals
- Once modelling is agreed among the CPOD QWG, a reprocessing is needed to generate a new combined solution



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Thank you

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