

## Dry tropospheric correction: ERA Interim (reanalysis) vs ECMWF (Operational)

Study variable	<b>Dry tropospheric correction from ERA Interim (reanalysis)</b>
Reference variable	<b>Dry tropospheric correction from ECMWF (Operational)</b>
Missions	Topex-Posedon ( <i>tp</i> ), Jason-1 ( <i>j1</i> ), Envisat ( <i>en</i> )
Period	[15705, 22280]

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## Study overview

In this study, the Era Interim dry troposphere correction model has been compared to the ECMWF correction used in CNES/AVISO product to calculate the Topex-Posedon, Jason-1 and Envisat sea-level height (SSH).

The impact of using these both dry troposphere corrections on the SSH calculation has been analyzed for Topex-Posedon, Jason-1 and Envisat missions :

- for Topex-Poseidon : from October 1992 (cycle 4) to October 2006 (Cycle 481)
- for Jason-1 : from January 2002 (cycle 1) to December 2010 (Cycle 331)
- for Envisat : from September 2002 (cycle 9) to December 2010 (Cycle 94)

The Era Interim dry troposphere correction is computed from ERA Interim pressure fields which correspond to the latest global atmospheric reanalysis produced by the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF). For more details, see The ERA-Interim reanalysis: configuration and performance of the data assimilation system (Q. J. R. Meteorol. Soc. 137: 553-597, April 2011 A).

The reference dry troposphere corrections are based on the ECMWF operational model as done in CNES/AVISO product.

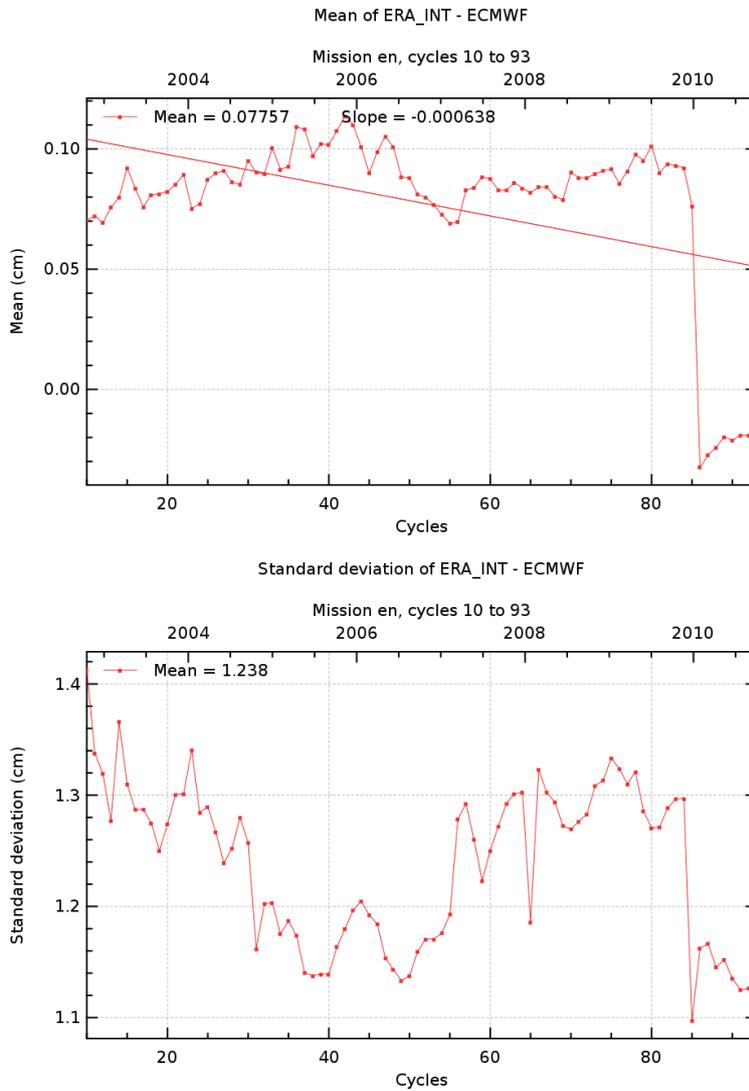
All the validation diagnostics displayed in this report has been performed in agreement with the Sea-Level CCI Product Validation Plan (PVP).

### Diagnostic A001 (mission en)

**Name :** Temporal evolution of differences between both altimetric components

**Input data :** Along-track altimetric components

**Description :** The temporal evolution of global statistics (mean, variance, slope) of differences between 2 different standards of a same altimetric component (sea surface height correction, altimeter parameter, orbit) are calculated from a cyclic way (altimeter repetivity, daily, weekly, monthly) . These statistics are calculated from 1 Hz altimetric measurements after removing spurious sea level measurements.



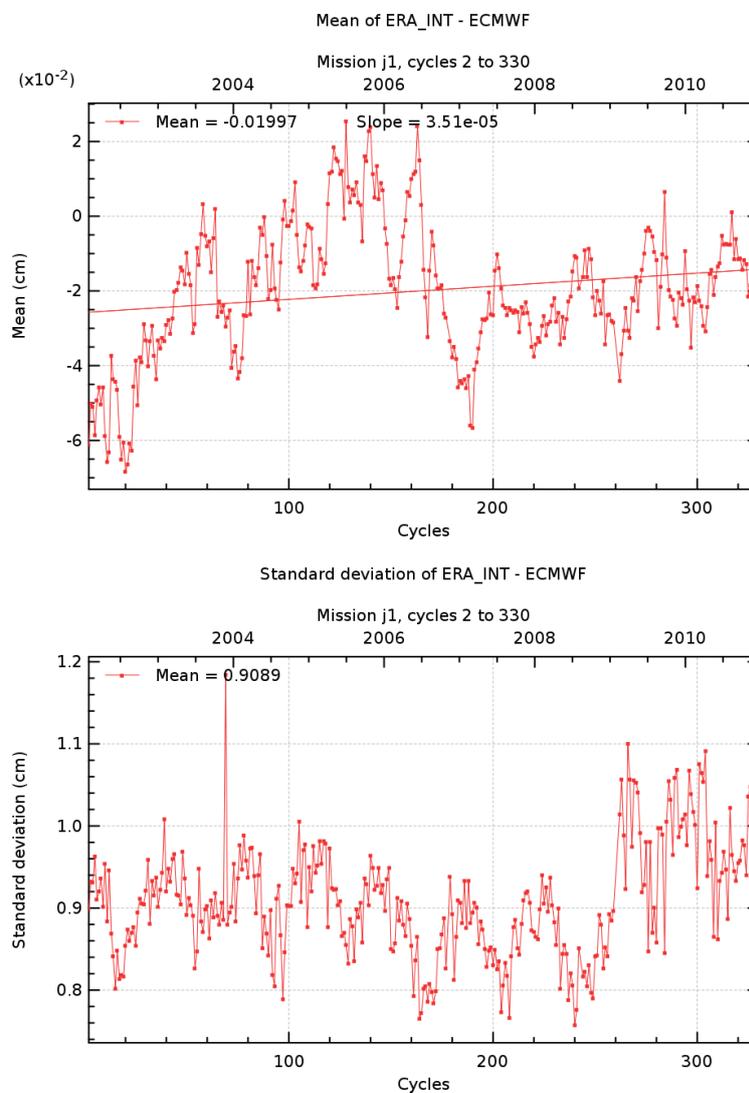
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



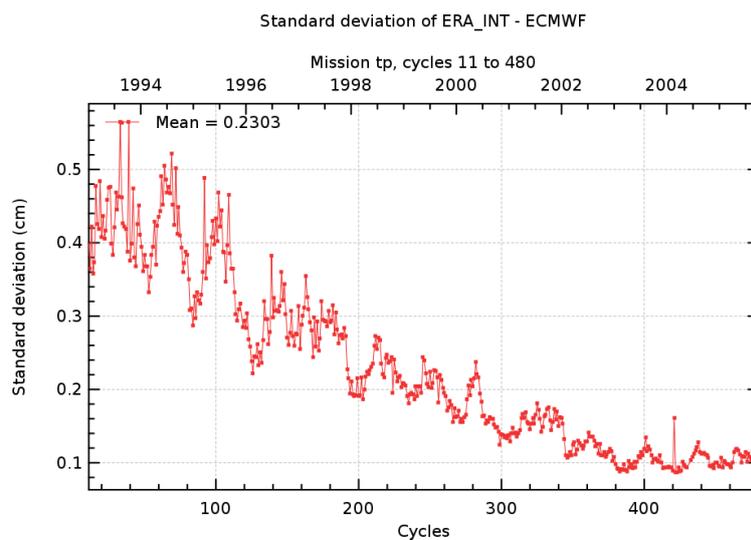
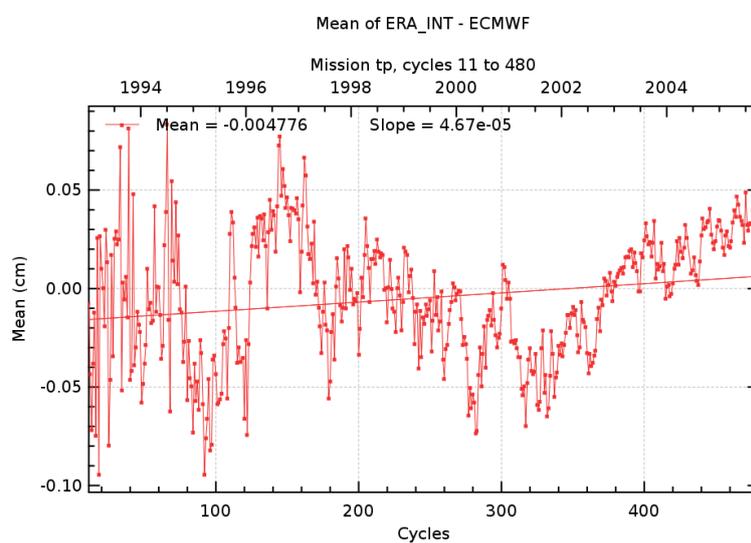
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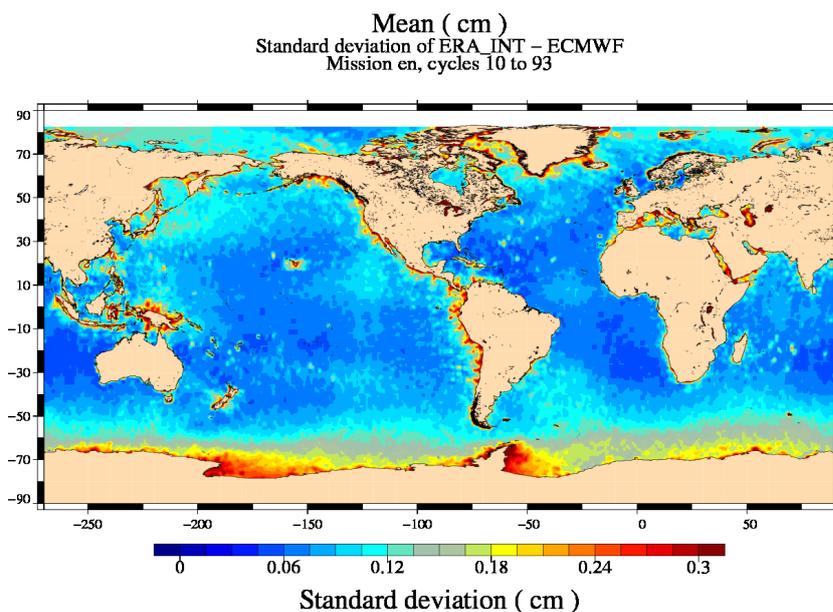
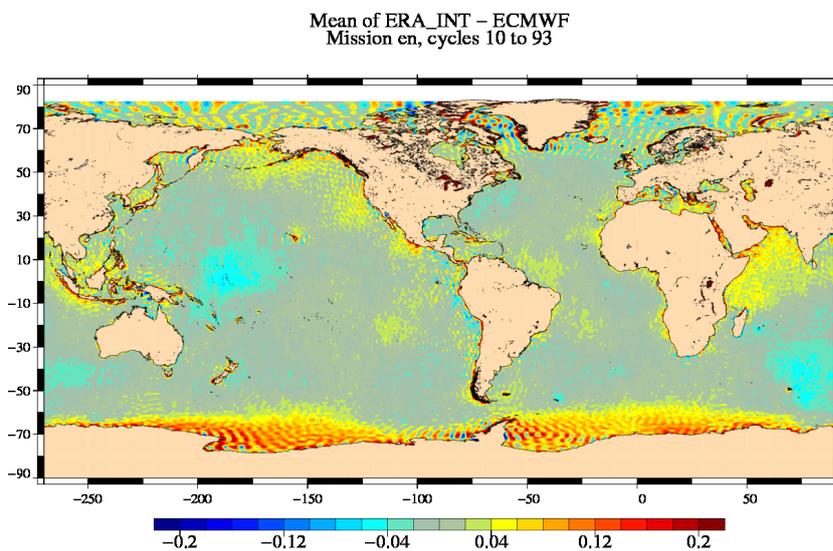
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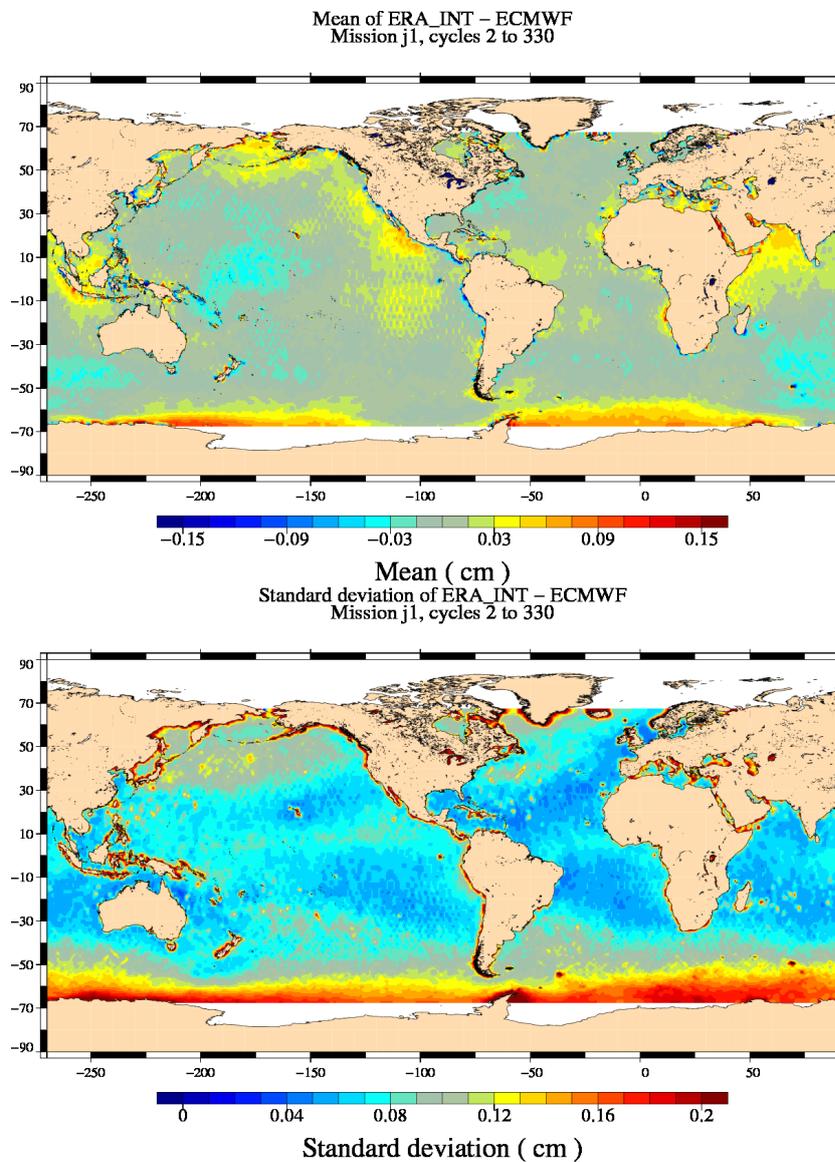
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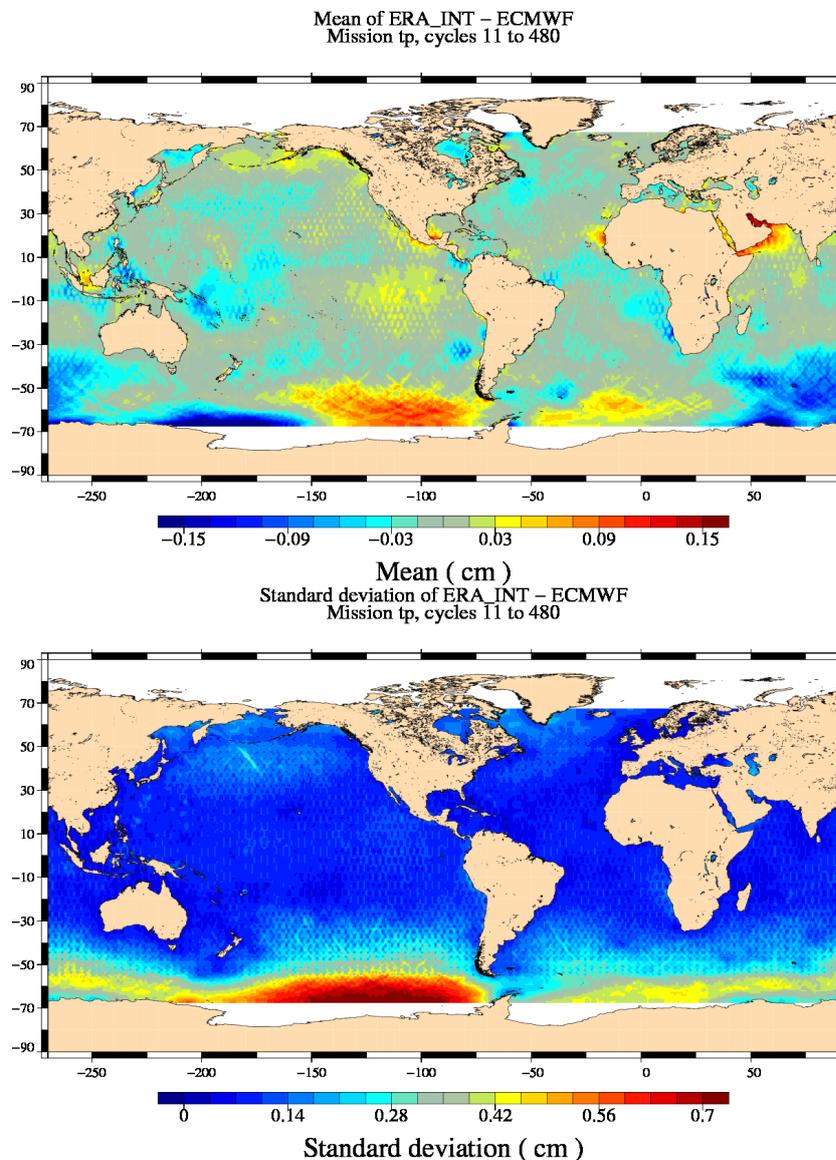
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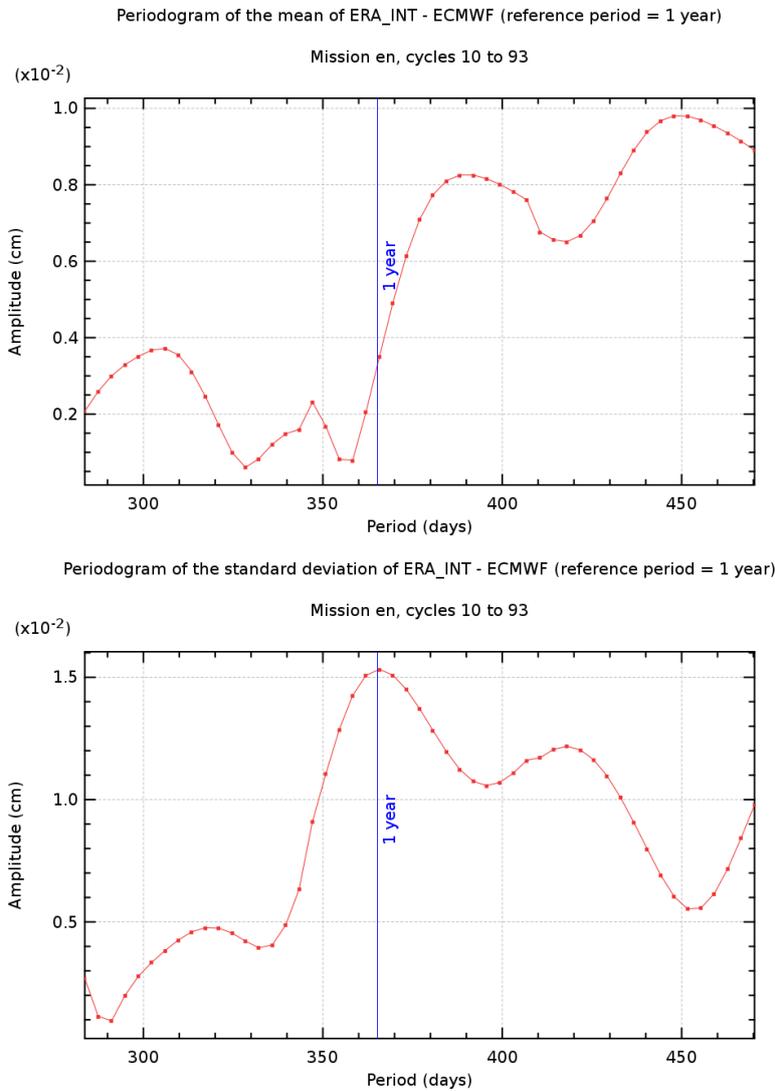
### Diagnostic A003\_a (mission en)

**Name :** Periodogram derived from temporal evolution of altimetric component differences

**Input data :** Along-track altimetric components

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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



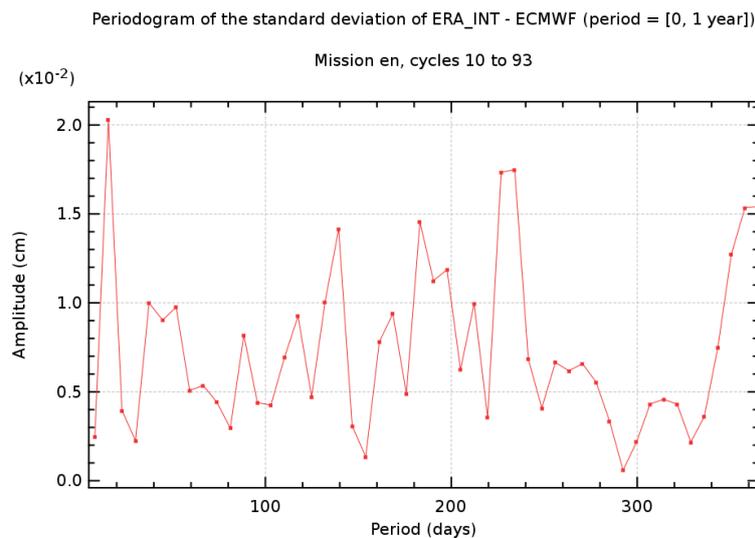
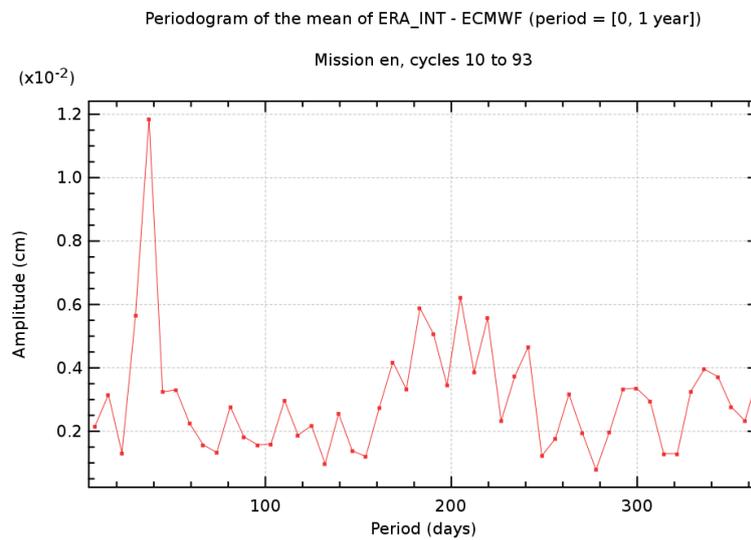
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



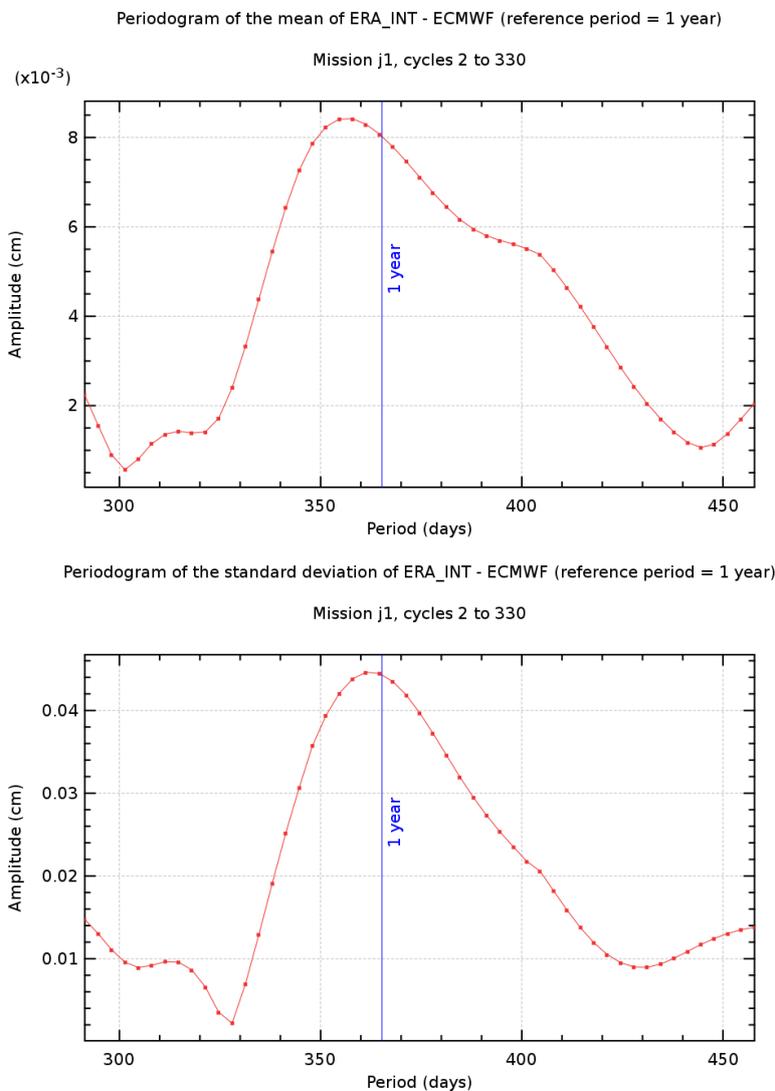
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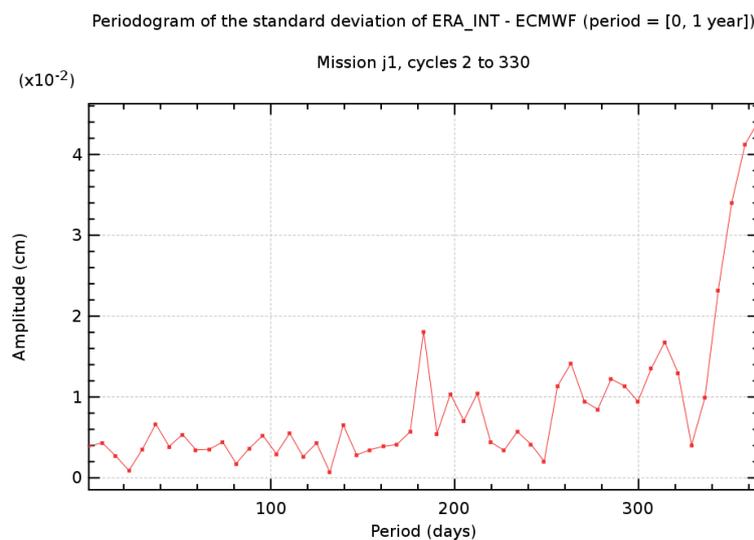
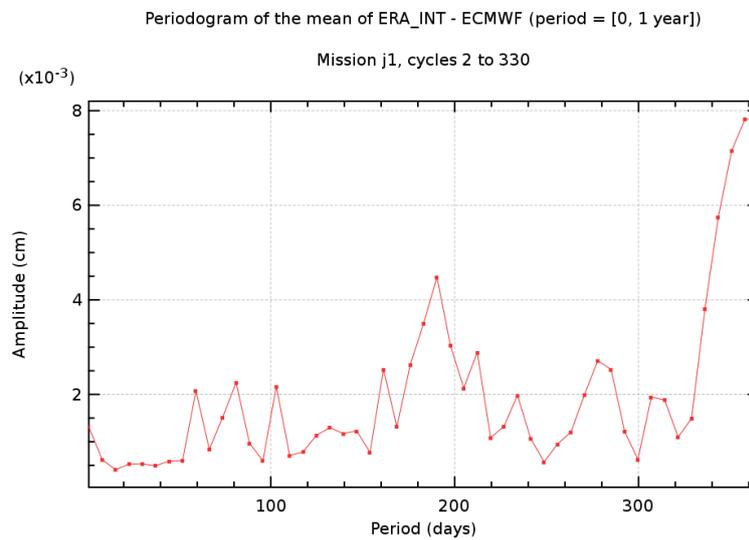
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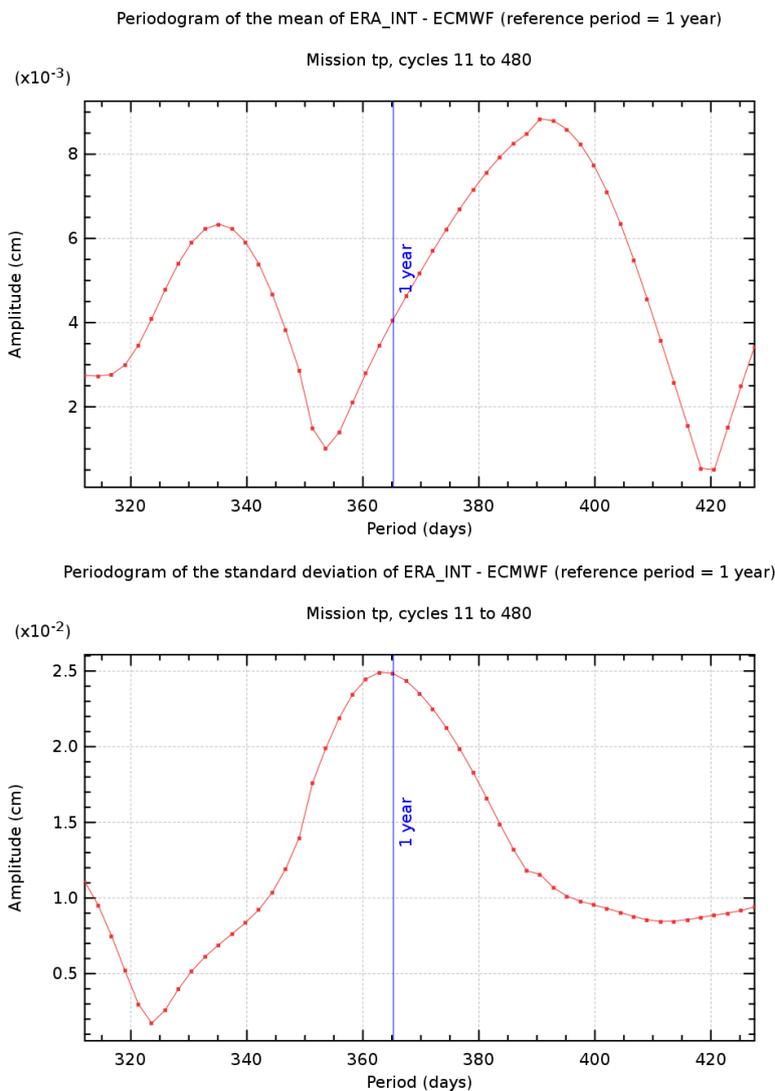
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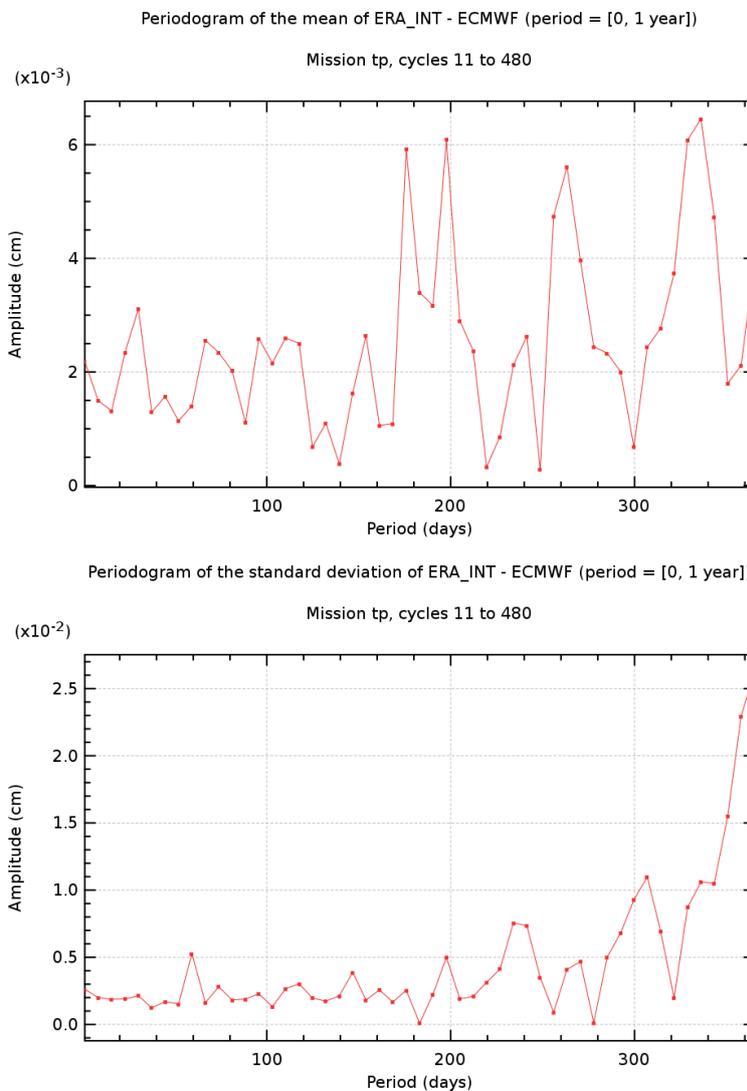
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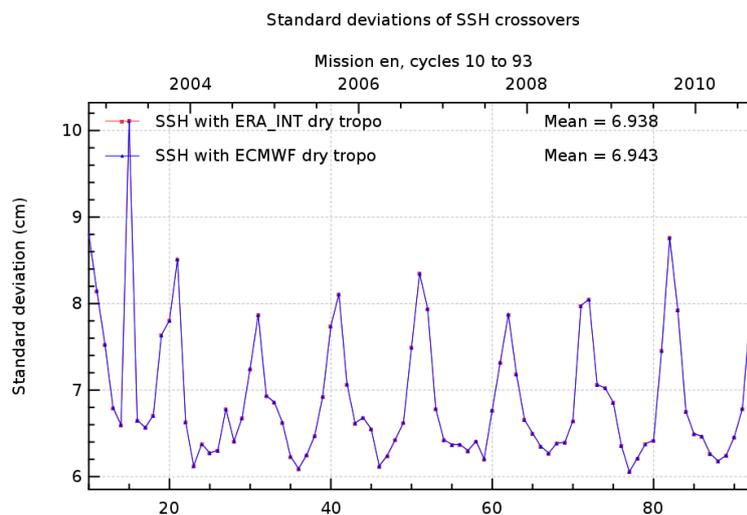
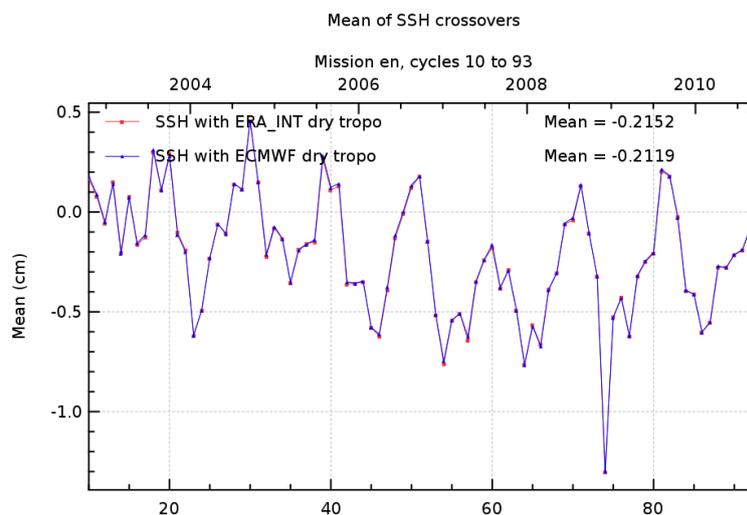
## Diagnostic A101 (mission en)

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**Input data :** Sea Surface Height (SSH) crossovers

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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



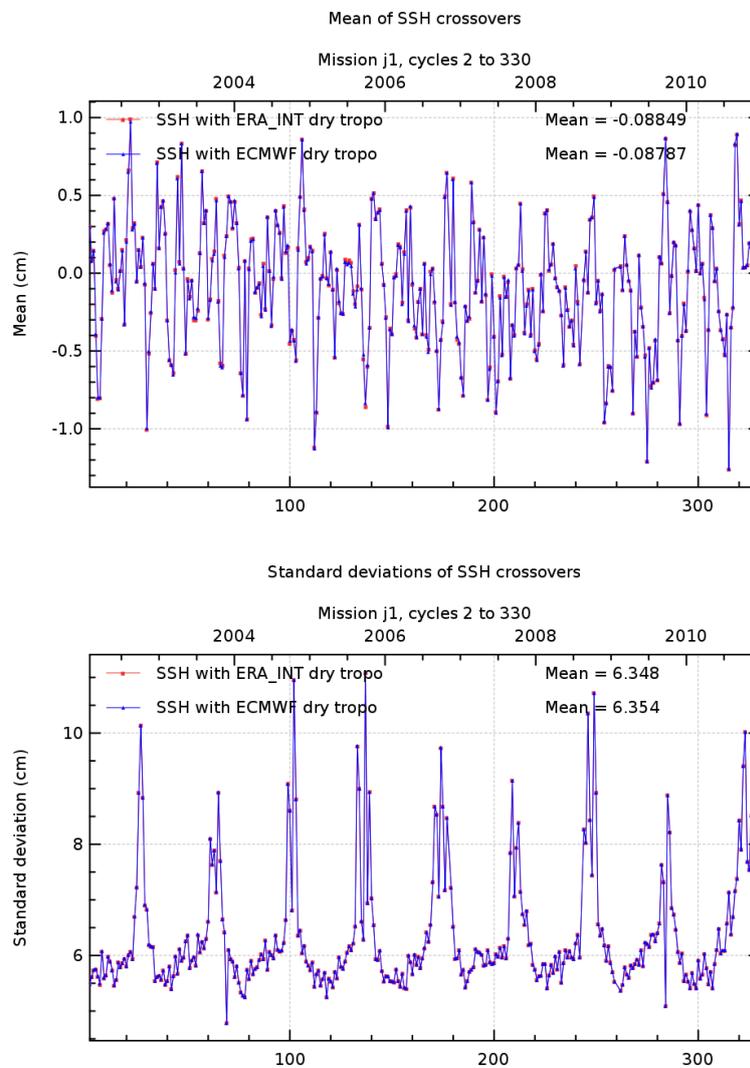
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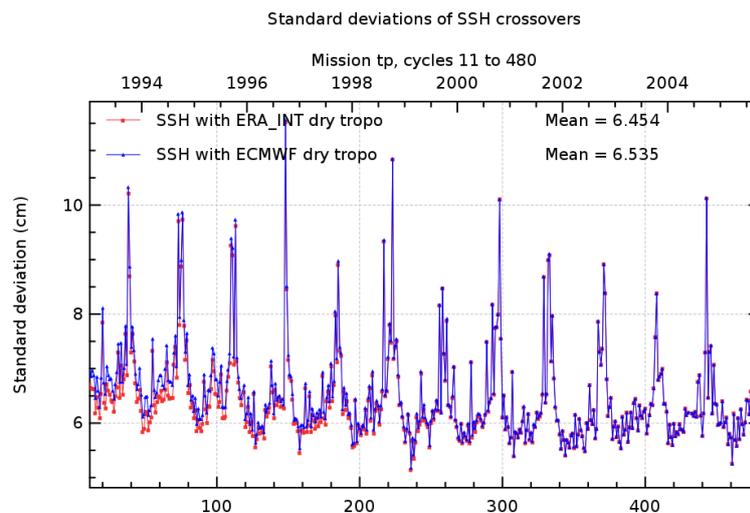
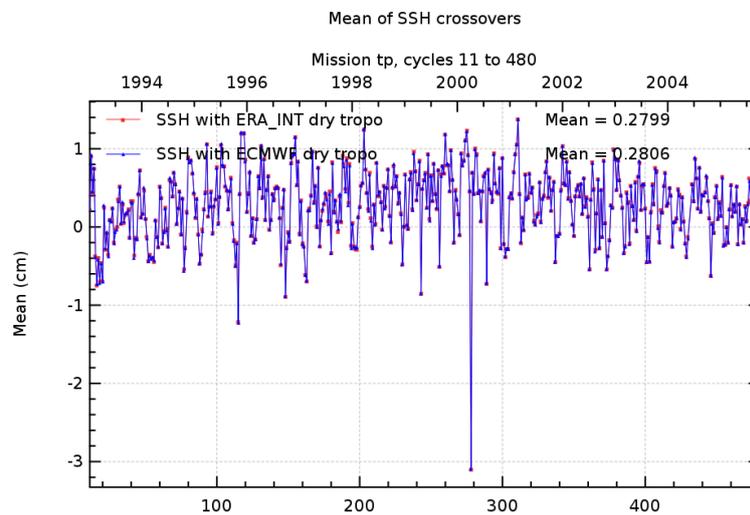
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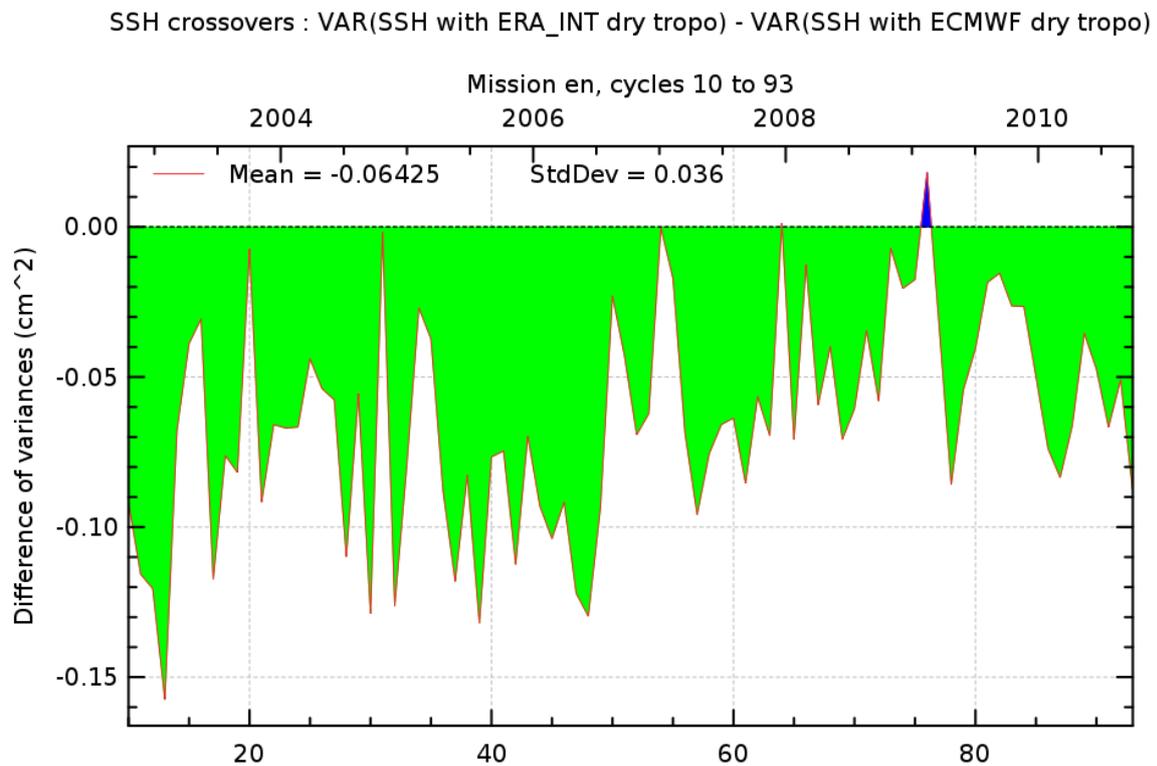
## Diagnostic A102 (mission en)

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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



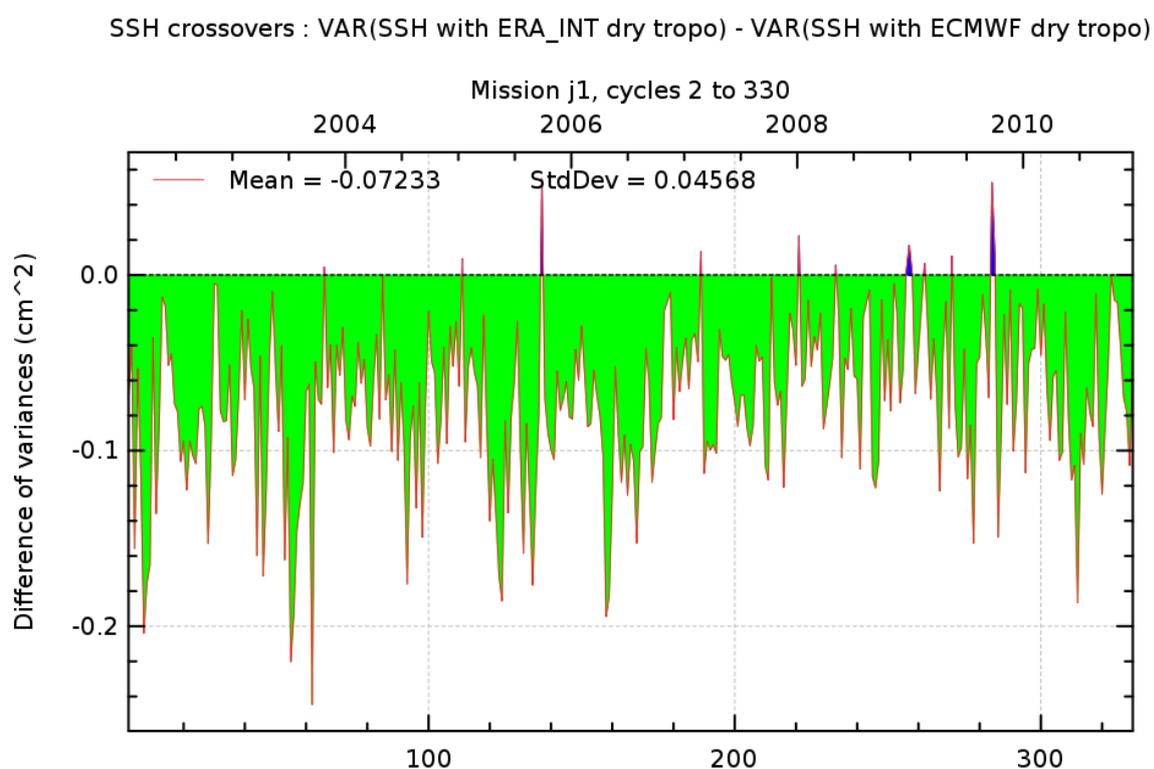
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



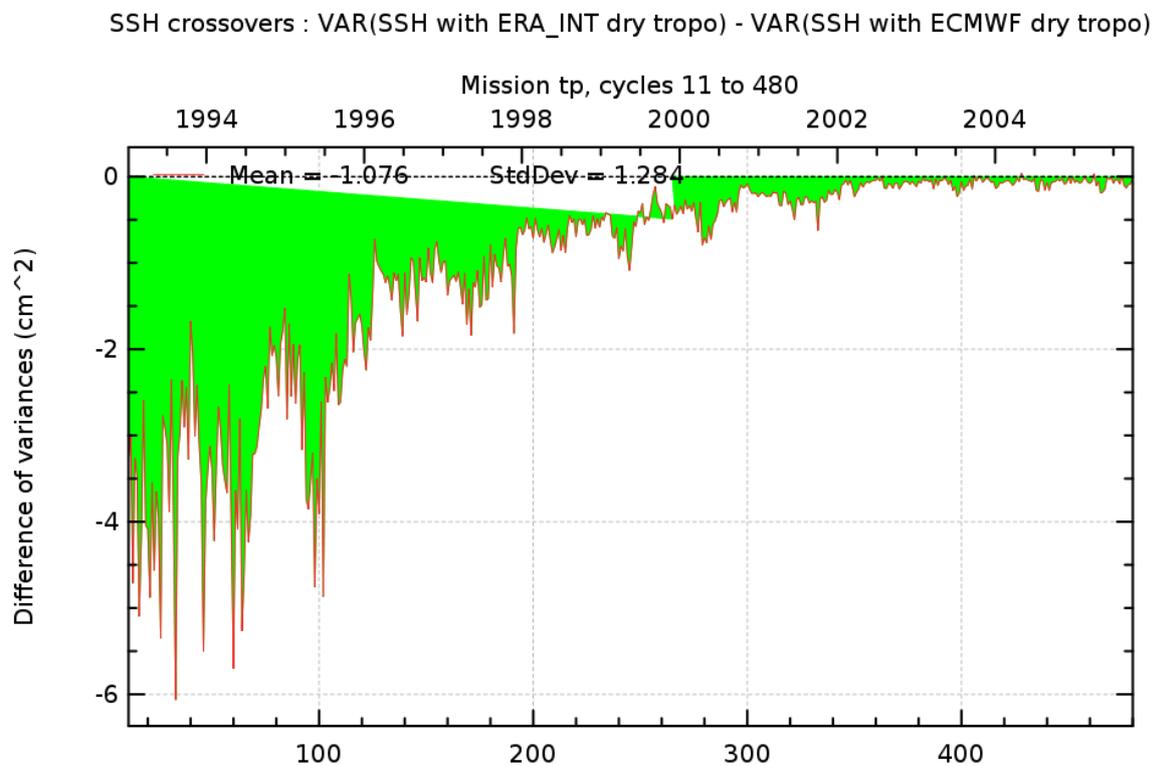
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



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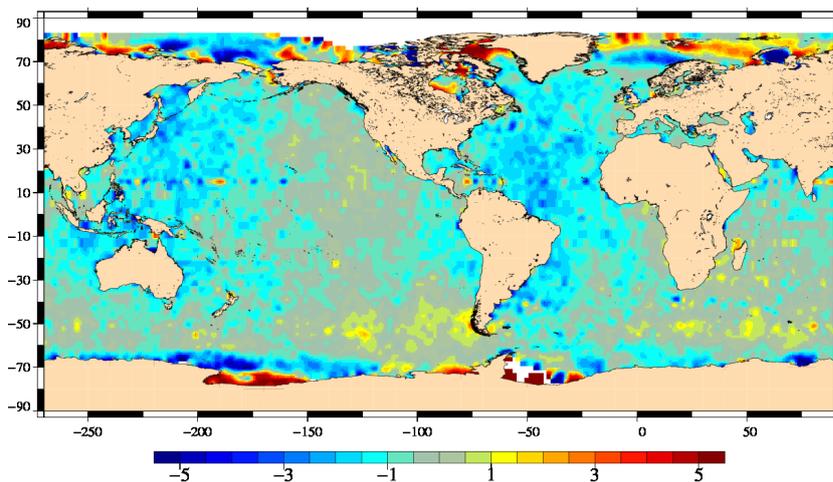
**Name :** Map of SSH crossovers

**Input data :** Sea Surface Height (SSH) crossovers

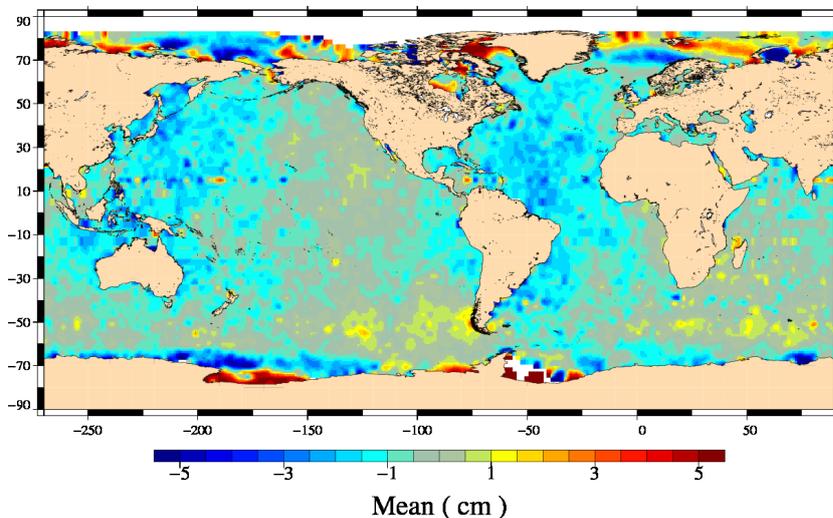
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

Mean of SSH with ERA\_INT dry tropo  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



Mean ( cm )  
Mean of SSH with ECMWF dry tropo  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



## Diagnostic A103 (mission j1)

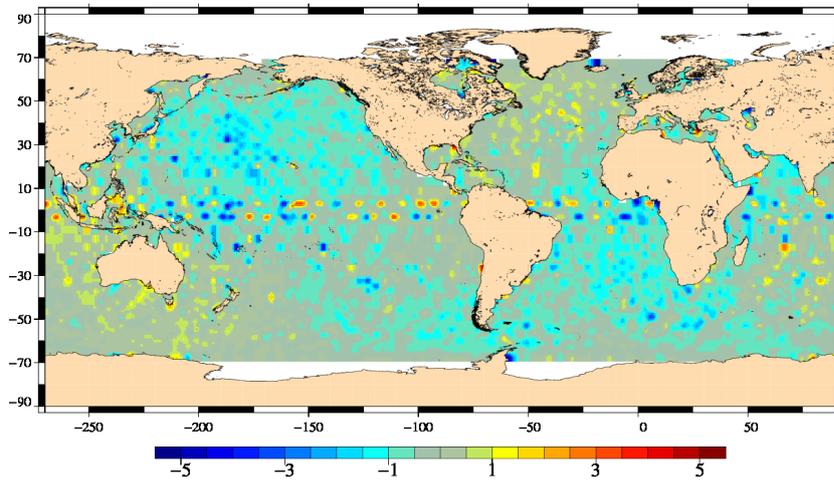
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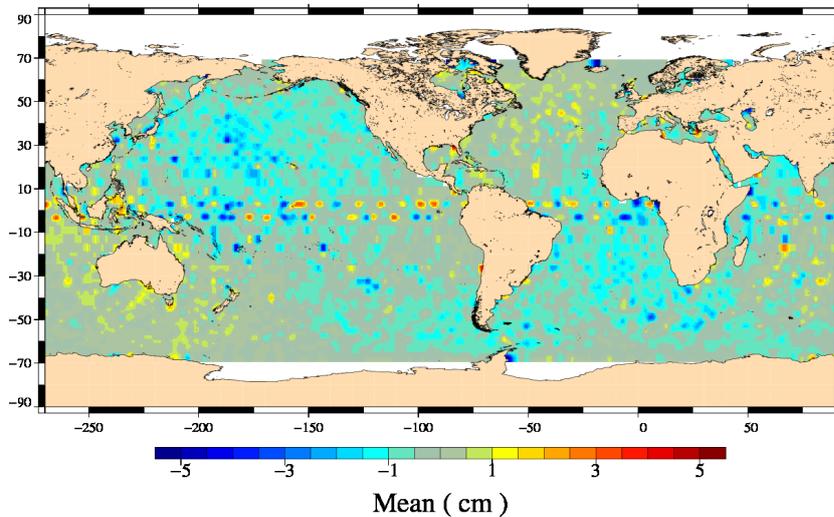
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

Mean of SSH with ERA\_INT dry tropo  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



Mean ( cm )  
Mean of SSH with ECMWF dry tropo  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A103 (mission tp)

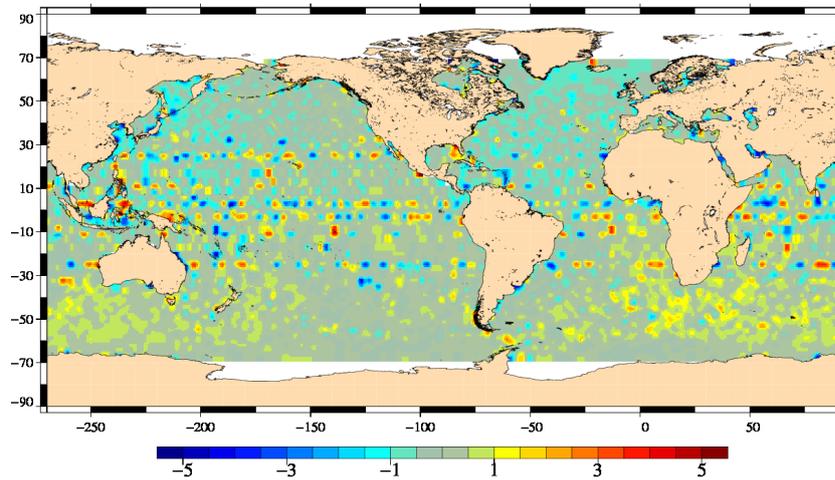
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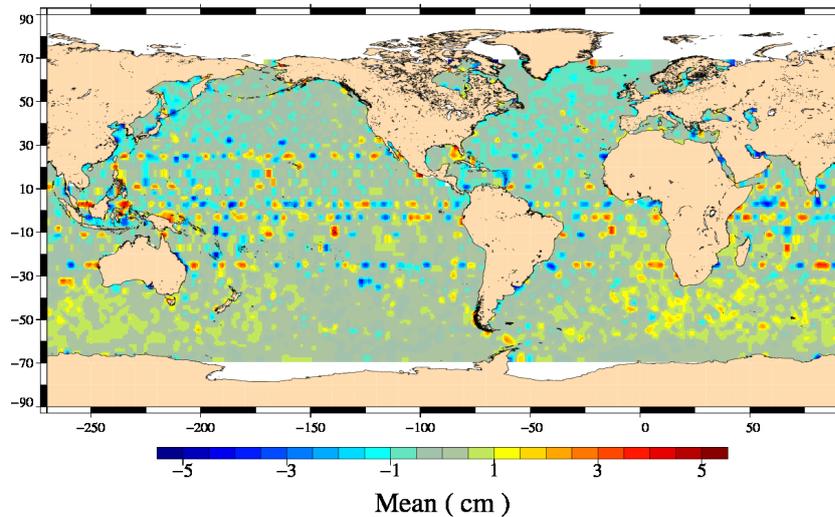
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

Mean of SSH with ERA\_INT dry tropo  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



Mean ( cm )  
Mean of SSH with ECMWF dry tropo  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



### Diagnostic A104 (mission en)

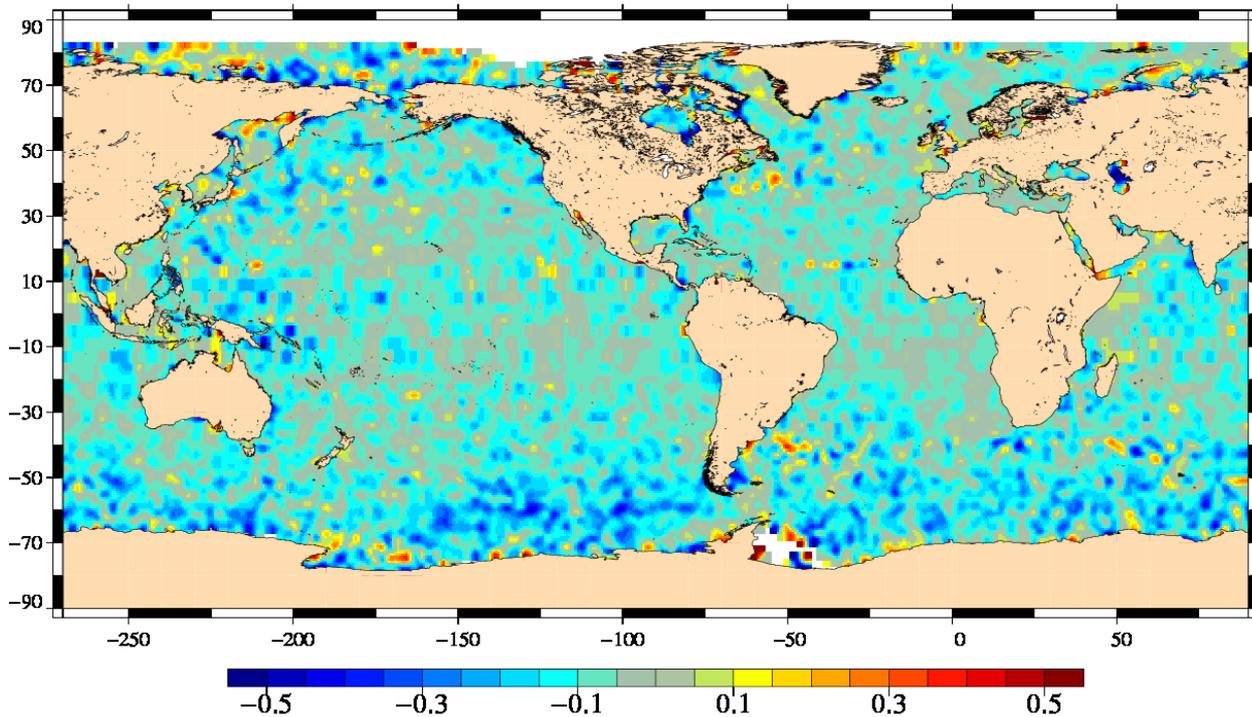
**Name :** Differences between maps of SSH crossovers

**Input data :** Sea Surface Height (SSH) crossovers

**Description :** The differences between maps of SSH crossovers (derived from diagnostic A103) are calculated from the SSH crossover differences (mean, standard deviation) using successively both altimetric components in the SSH calculation. SSH crossovers are the differences between ascending and descending passes for time differences between both passes lower than 10 days (in order to reduce the effect of the oceanic variability).

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

VAR(SSH with ERA\_INT dry tropo) – VAR(SSH with ECMWF dry tropo)  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



SSH crossovers : difference of variances ( cm<sup>2</sup> )

## Diagnostic A104 (mission j1)

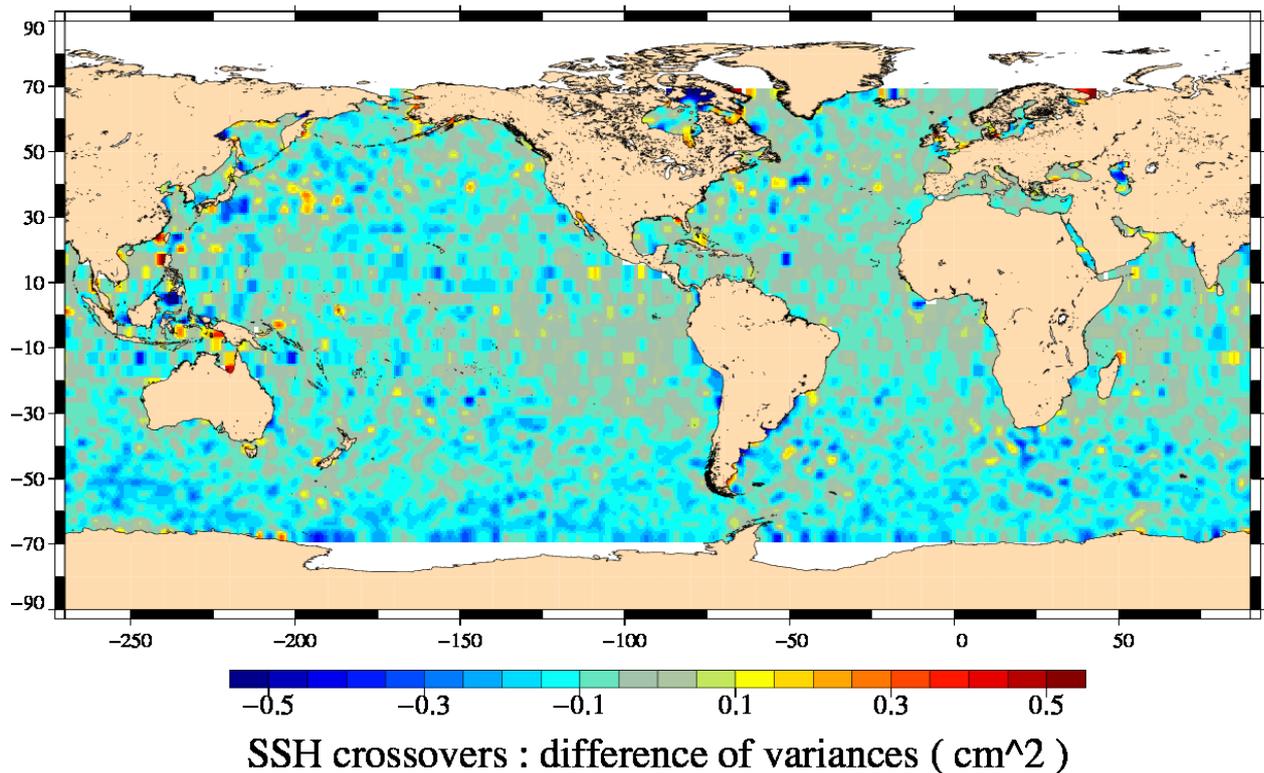
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

$\text{VAR}(\text{SSH with ERA\_INT dry tropo}) - \text{VAR}(\text{SSH with ECMWF dry tropo})$   
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A104 (mission tp)

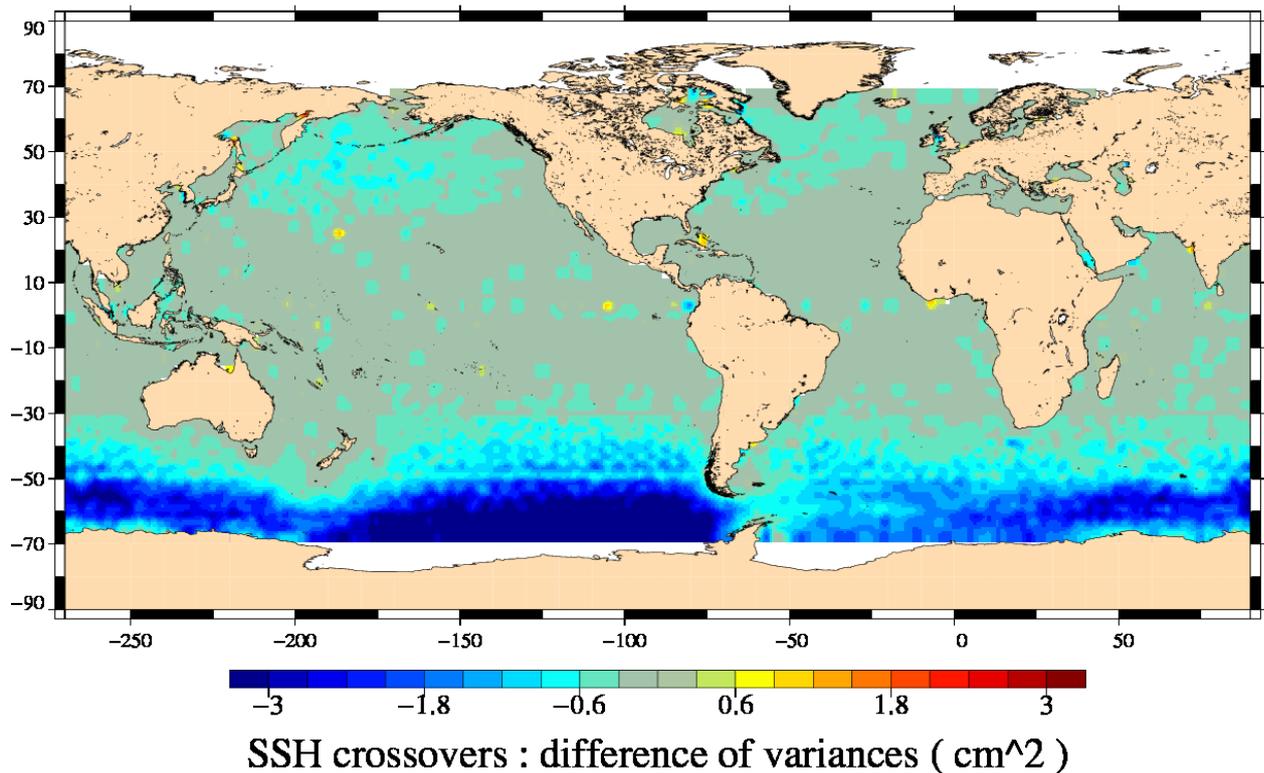
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

$\text{VAR}(\text{SSH with ERA\_INT dry tropo}) - \text{VAR}(\text{SSH with ECMWF dry tropo})$   
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



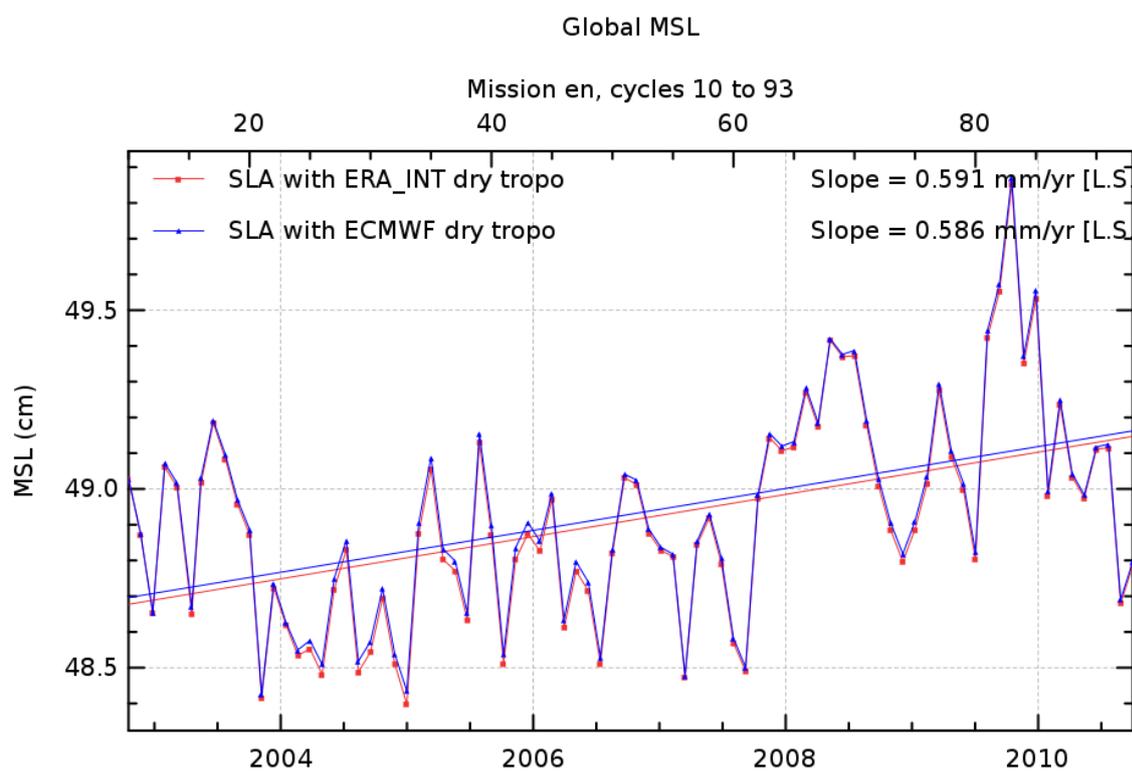
## Diagnostic A201 a (mission en)

**Name :** Temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



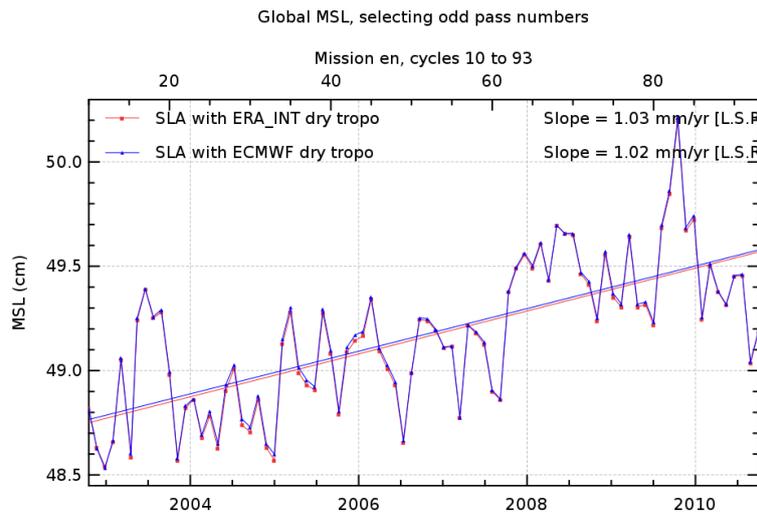
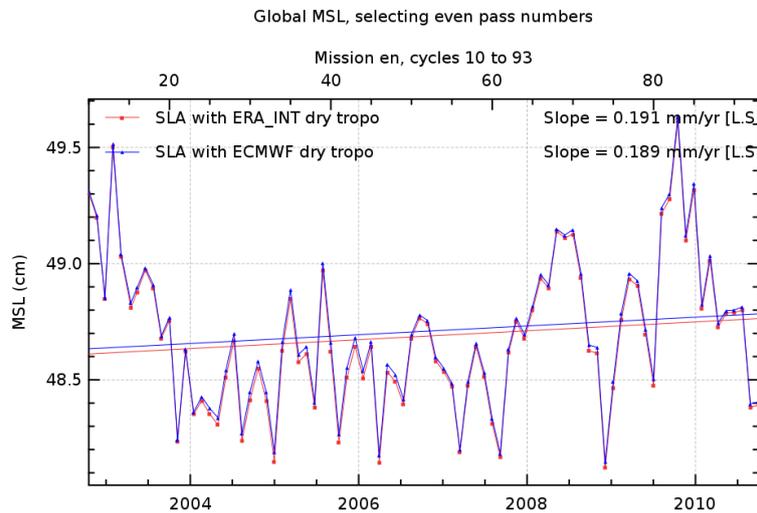
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



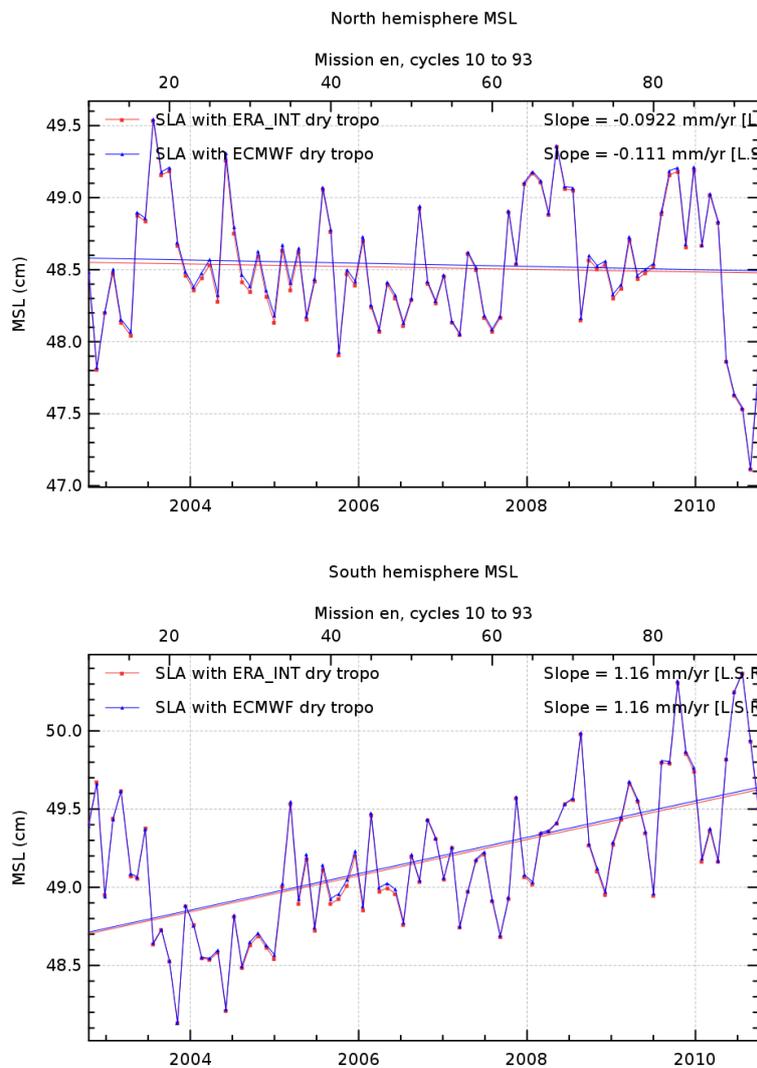
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



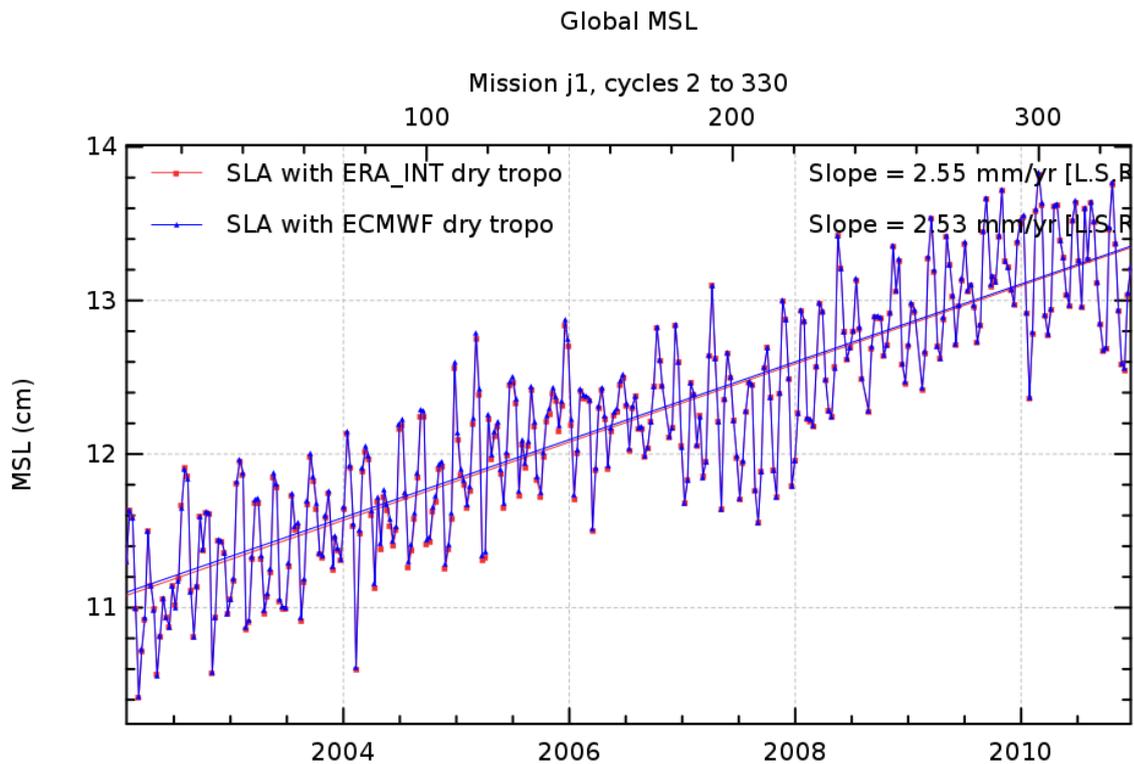
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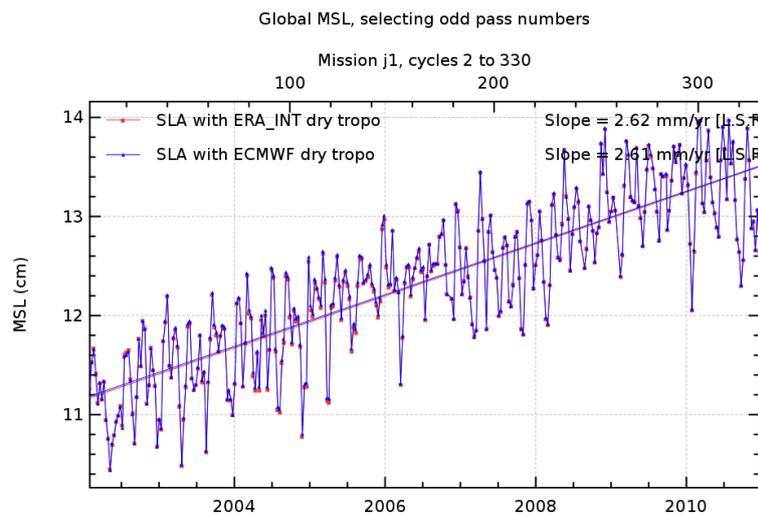
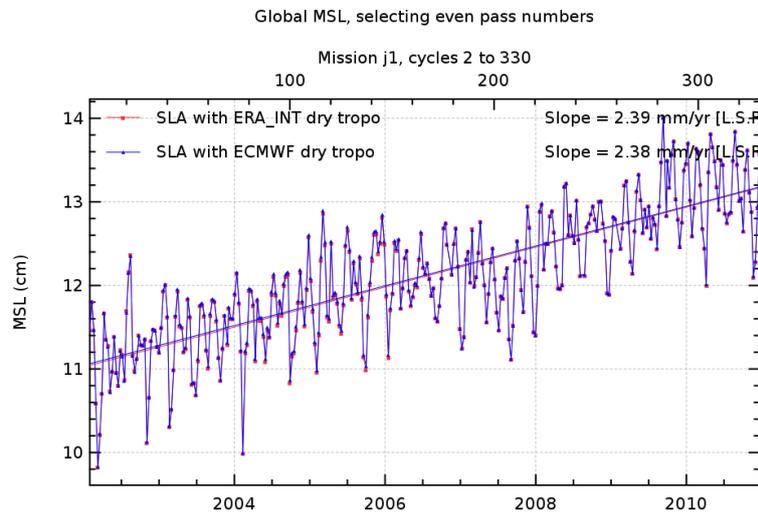
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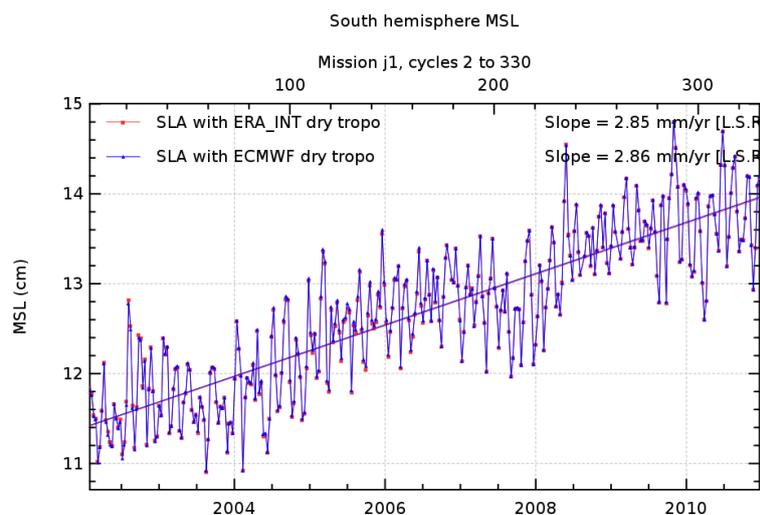
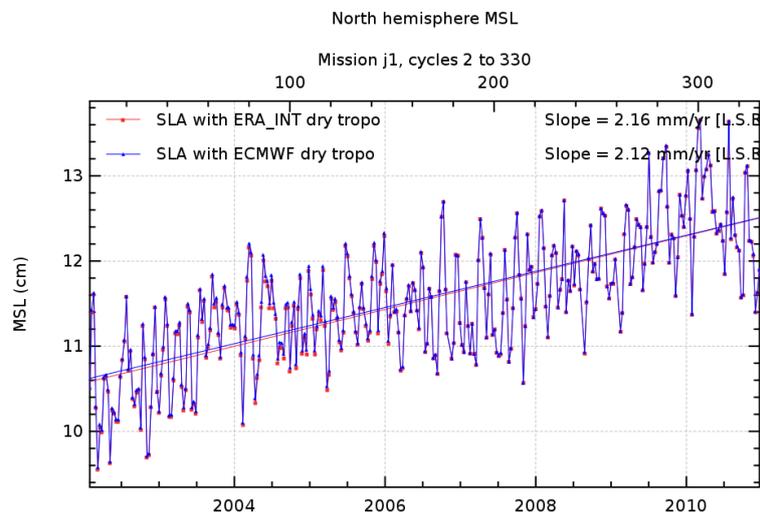
## Diagnostic A201\_c (mission j1)

**Name :** Temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The temporal evolution of SLA statistics (mean, standard deviation) are calculated from a cyclic way (altimeter repetivity, daily, weekly, monthly) using successively both altimetric components in the SLA calculation. These statistics are calculated from 1 Hz altimetric measurements after removing spurious sea level measurements. They are calculated globally, but also separating ascending and descending passes (except for SLA Grids) , or separating North and South hemispheres.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



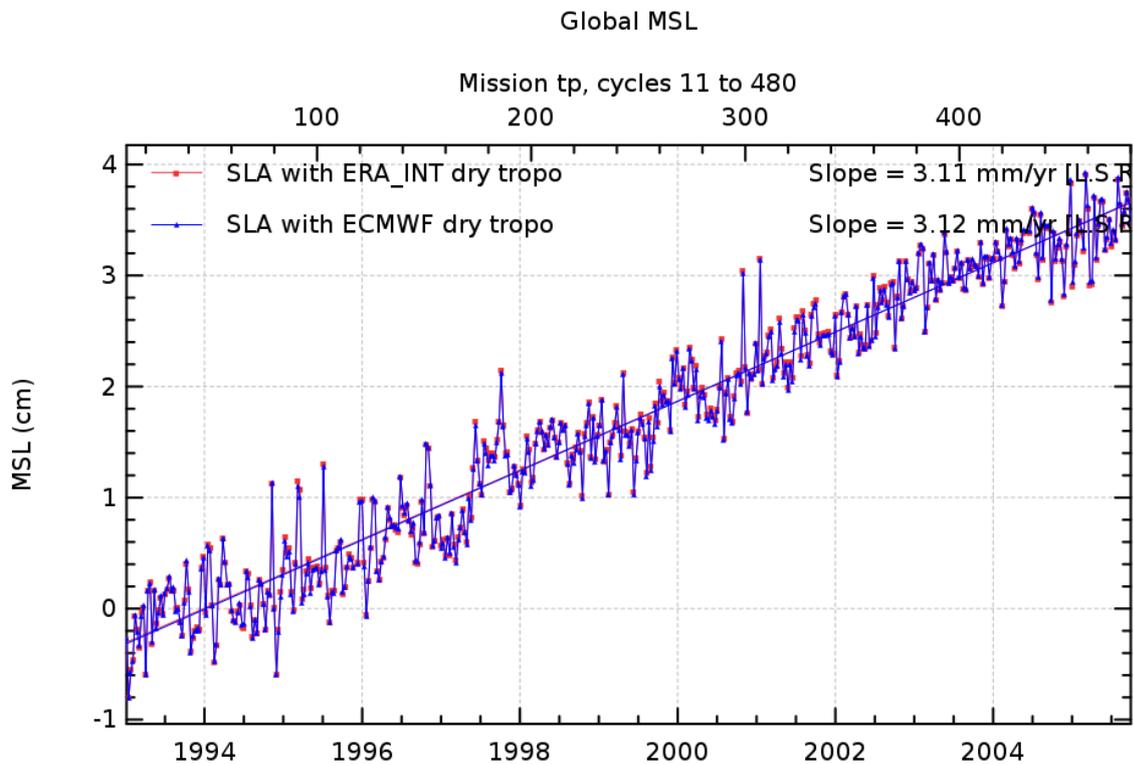
## Diagnostic A201\_a (mission tp)

**Name :** Temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The temporal evolution of SLA statistics (mean, standard deviation) are calculated from a cyclic way (altimeter repetivity, daily, weekly, monthly) using successively both altimetric components in the SLA calculation. These statistics are calculated from 1 Hz altimetric measurements after removing spurious sea level measurements. They are calculated globally, but also separating ascending and descending passes (except for SLA Grids) , or separating North and South hemispheres.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



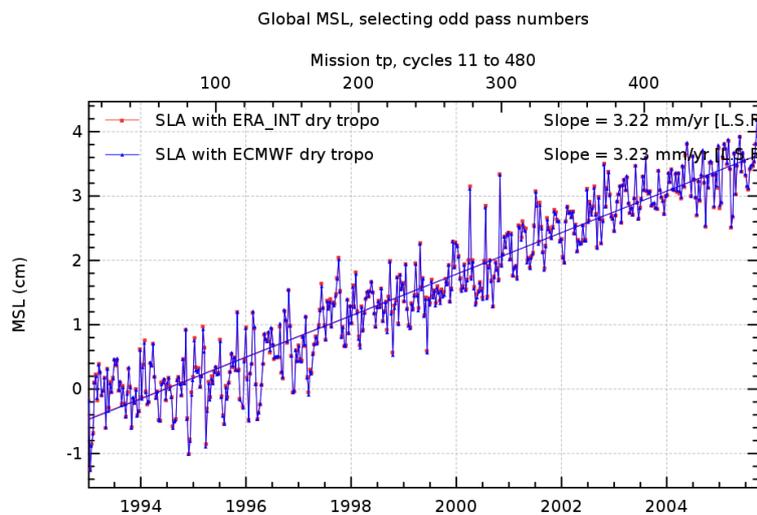
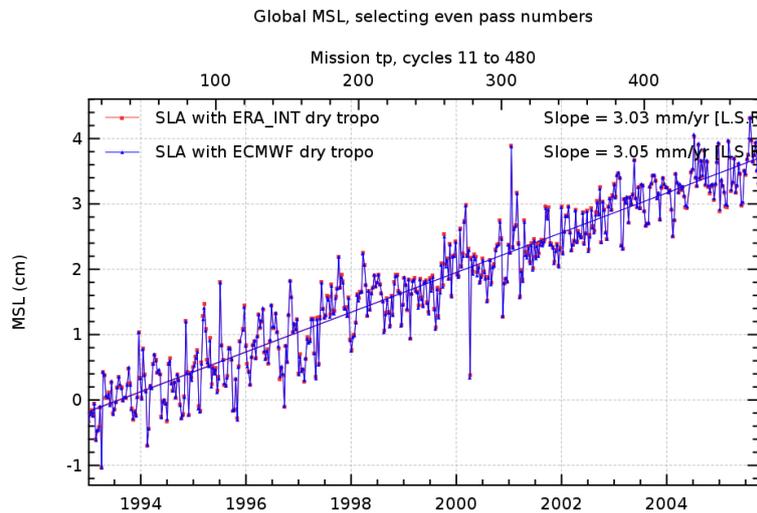
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



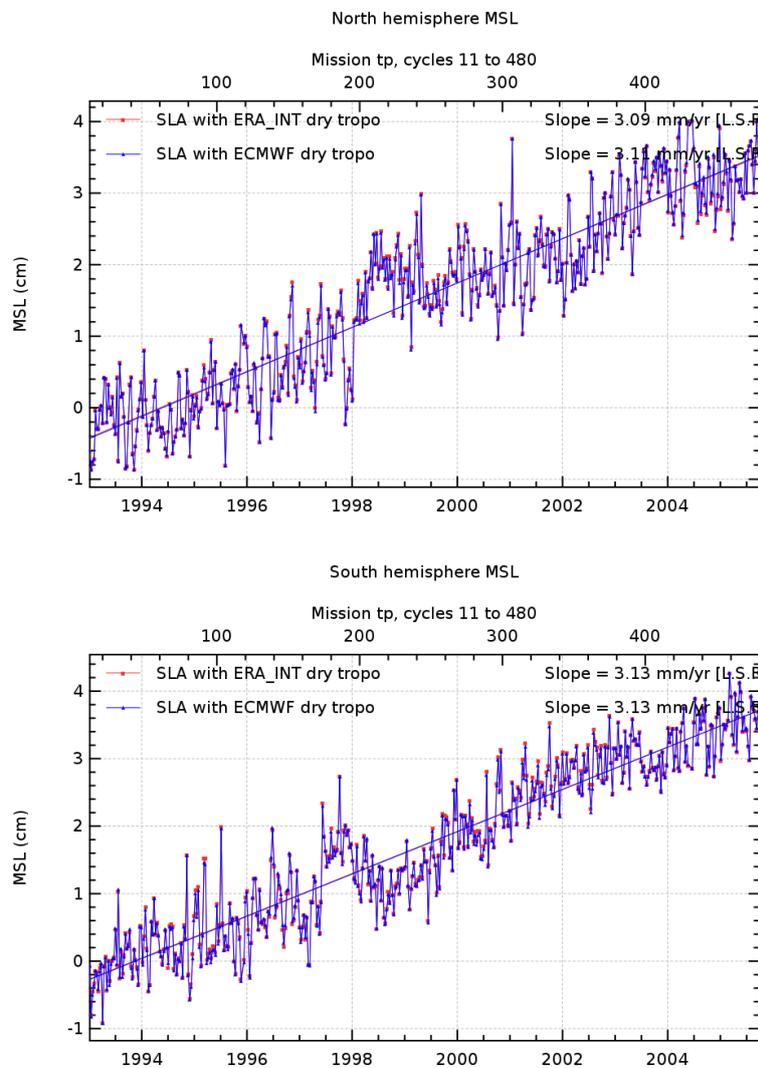
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



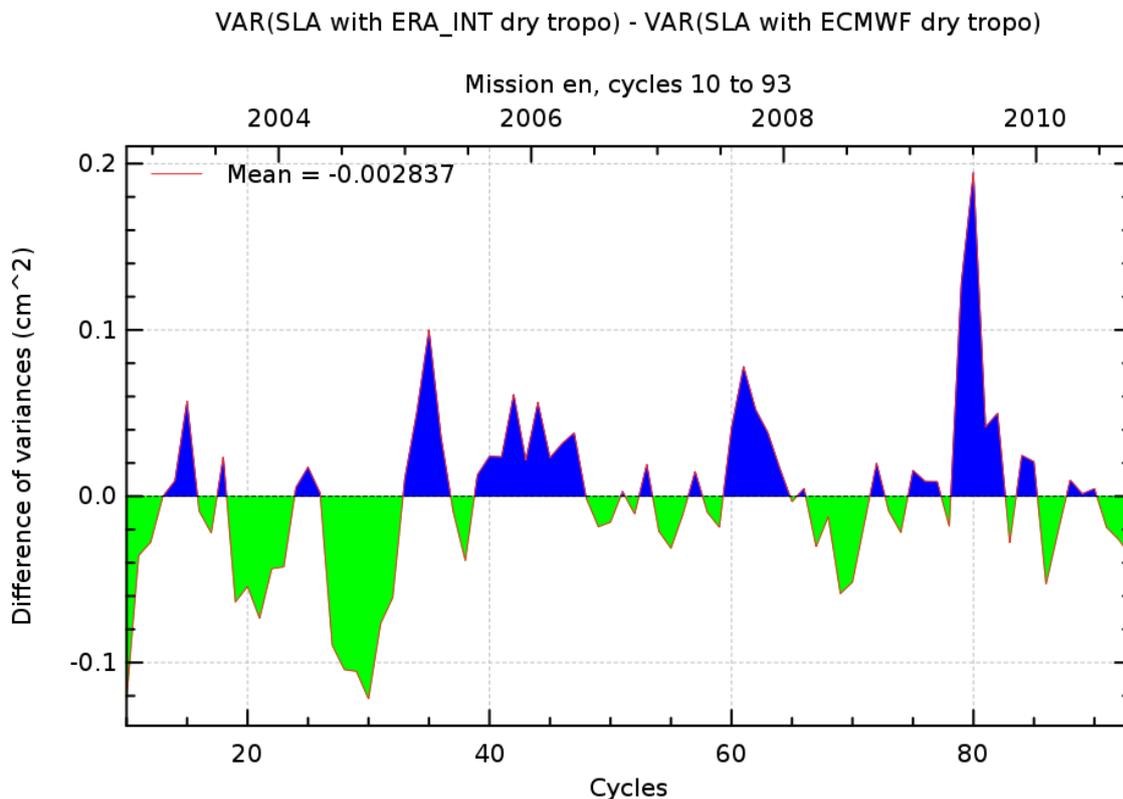
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**Name :** Differences of temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The differences between temporal evolution of SLA are calculated from statistics derived from diagnostic A201 (mean, variance) using 2 different components in the SLA calculation. They are calculated globally, but also separating ascending and descending passes (except for SLA Grids) or separating North and South hemispheres.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



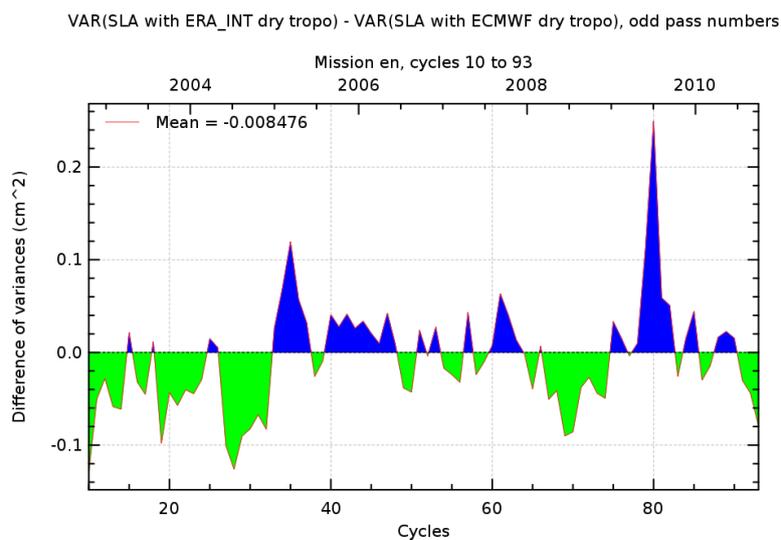
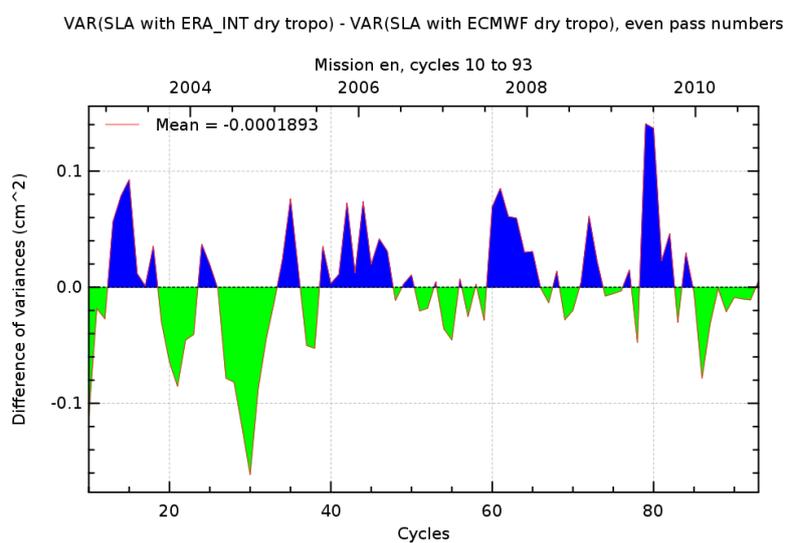
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



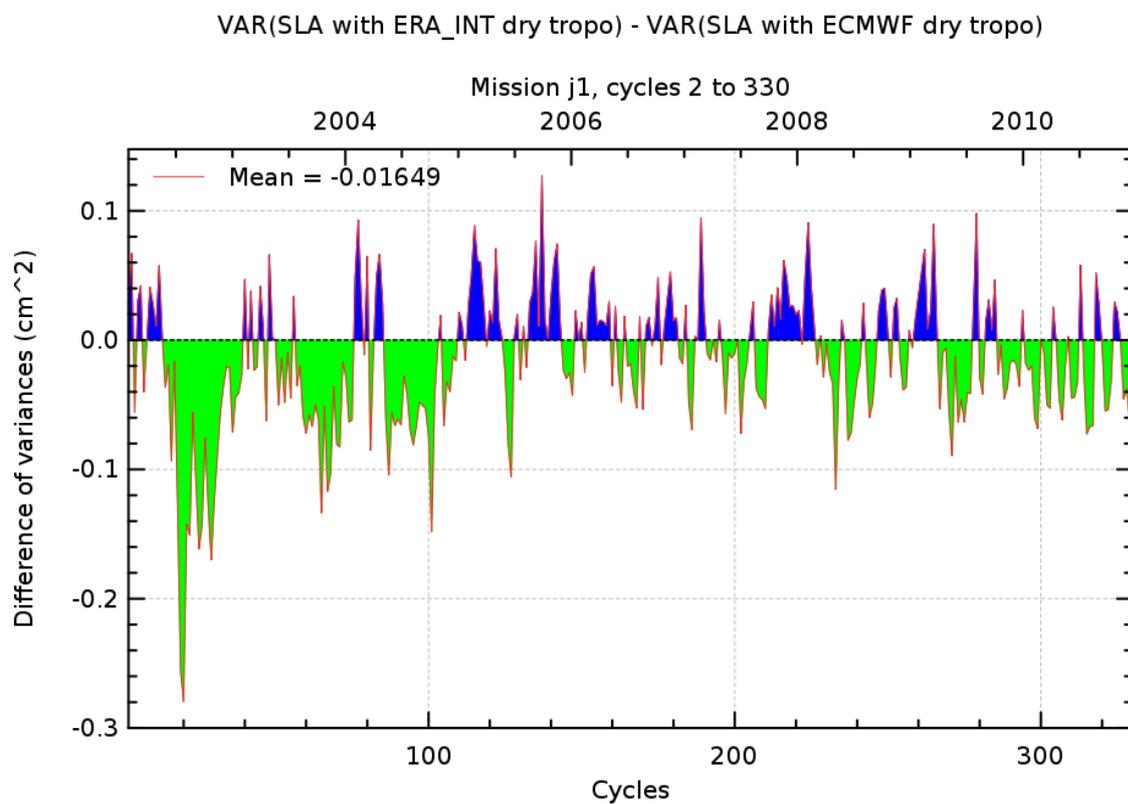
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



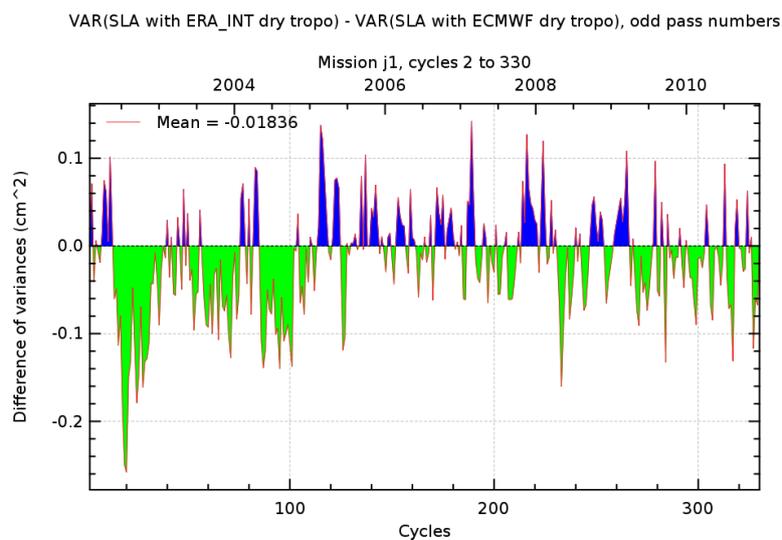
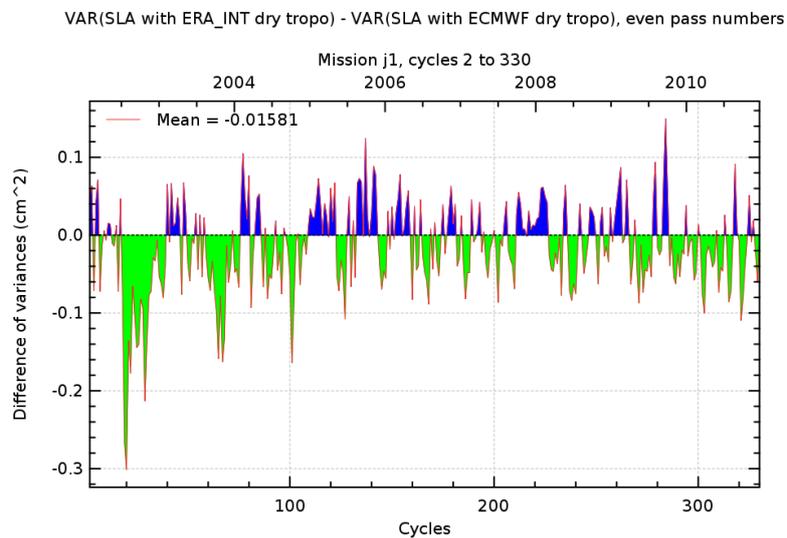
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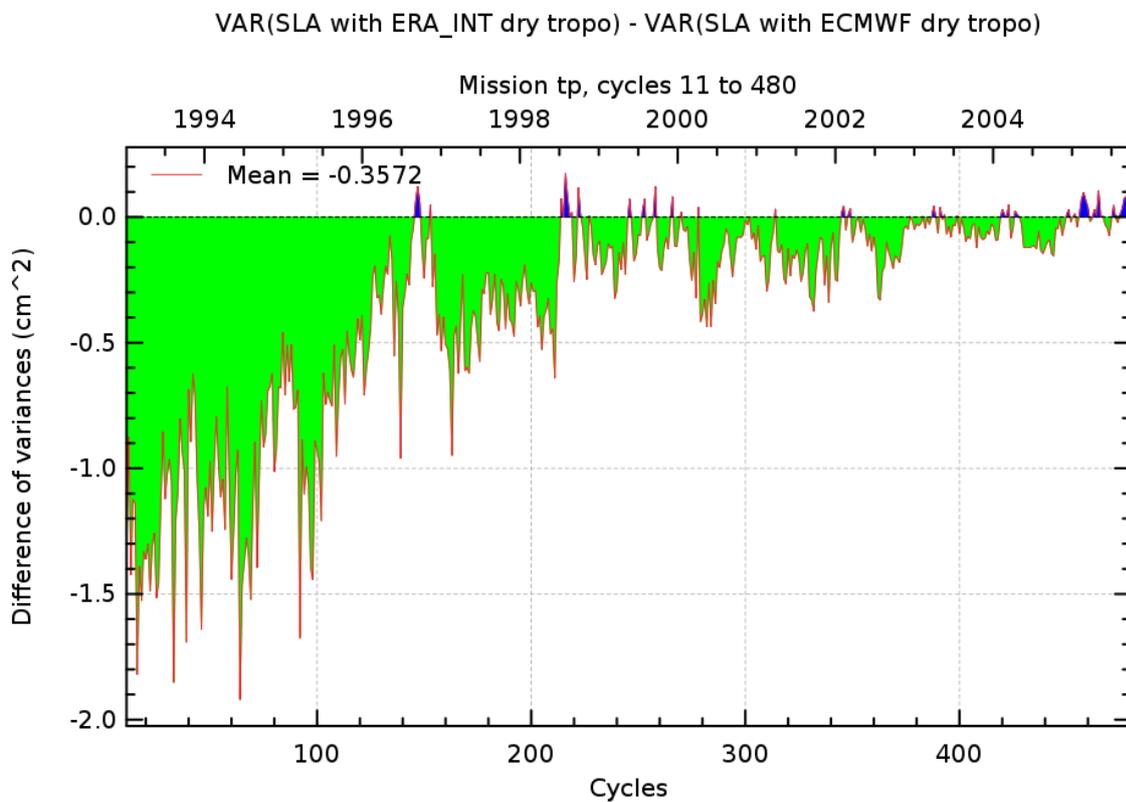
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



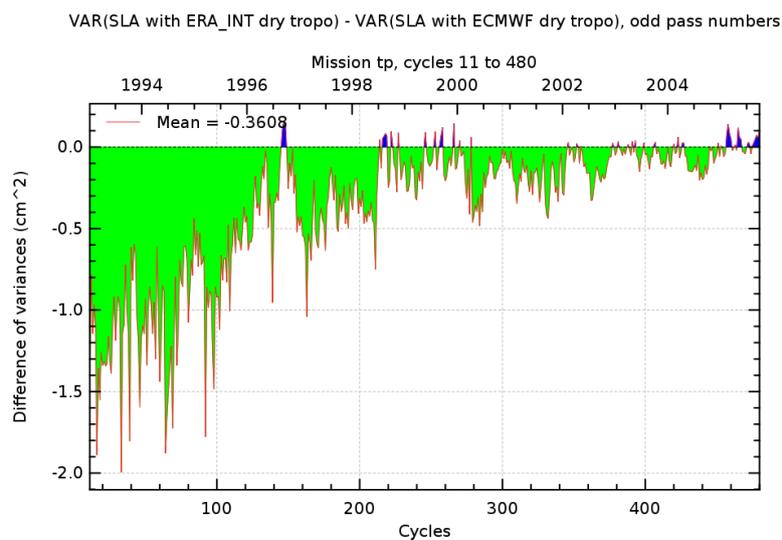
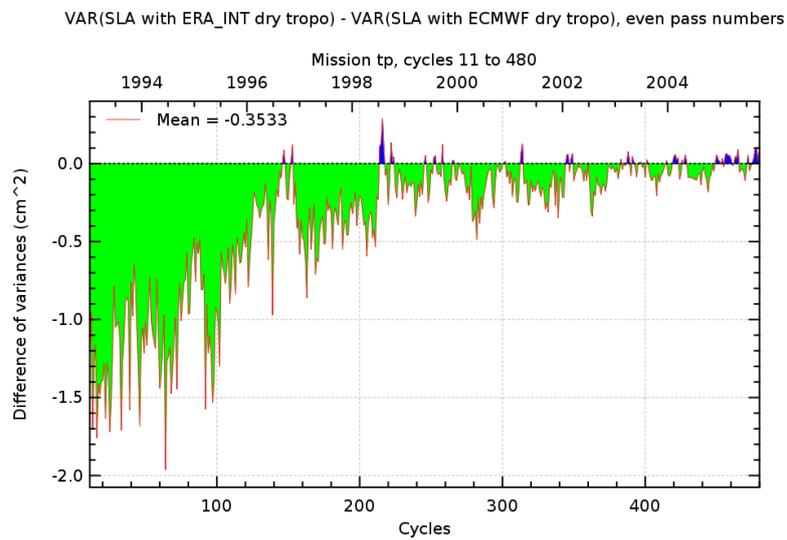
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



### Diagnostic A203\_a (mission en)

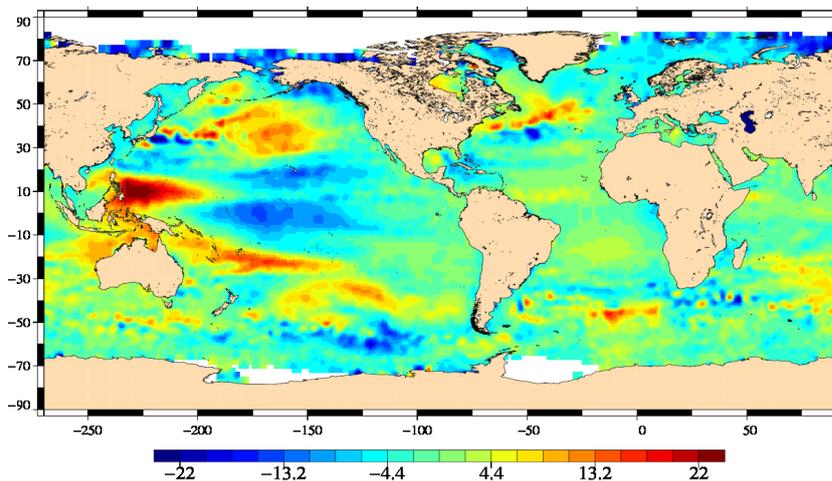
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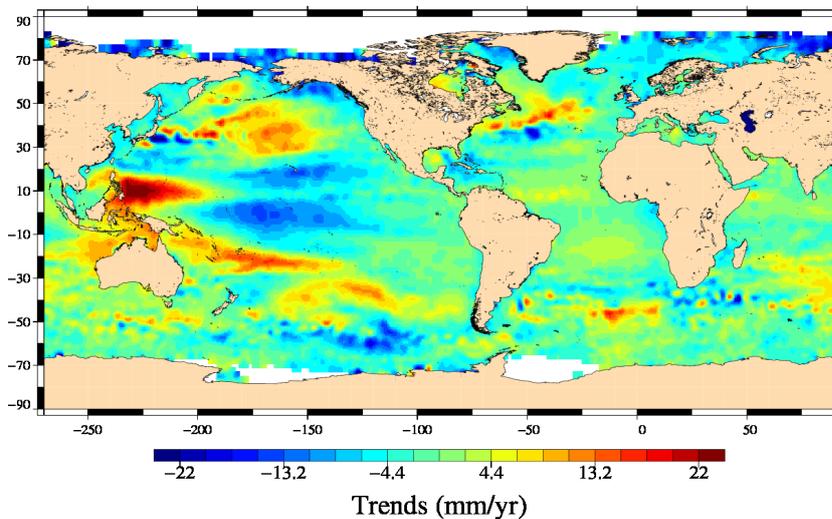
**Description :** The map of global statistics (mean, standard deviation) of SLA are calculated using successively both altimetric components in the SLA calculation over a large period. These statistics are calculated from 1 Hz altimetric measurements after removing spurious sea level measurements.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



## Diagnostic A203\_b (mission en)

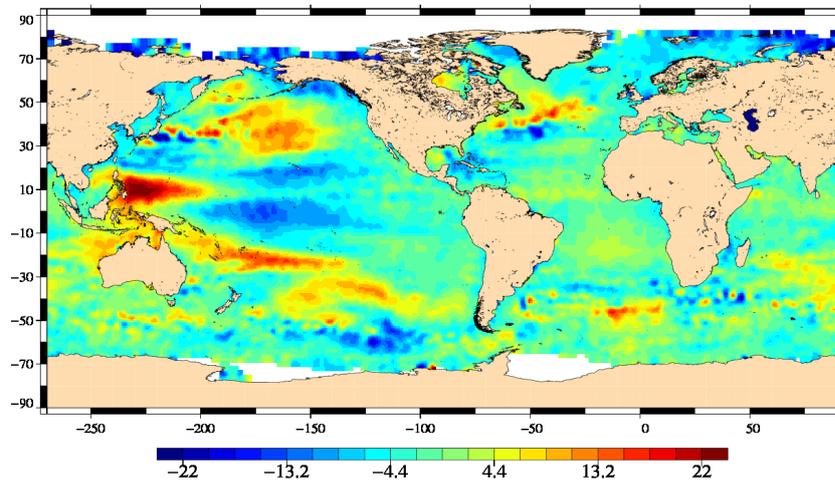
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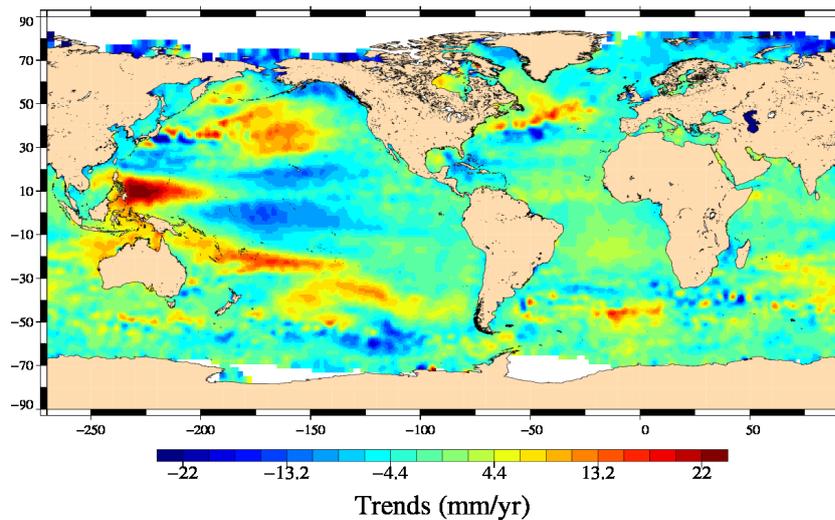
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



## Diagnostic A203\_c (mission en)

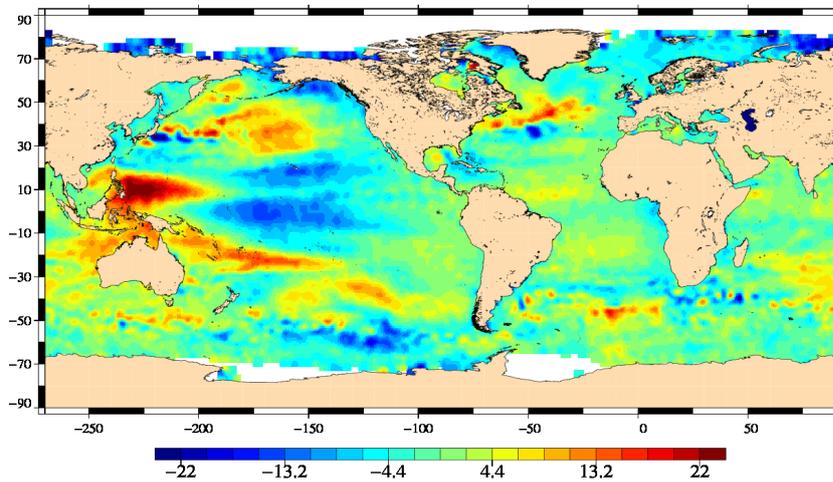
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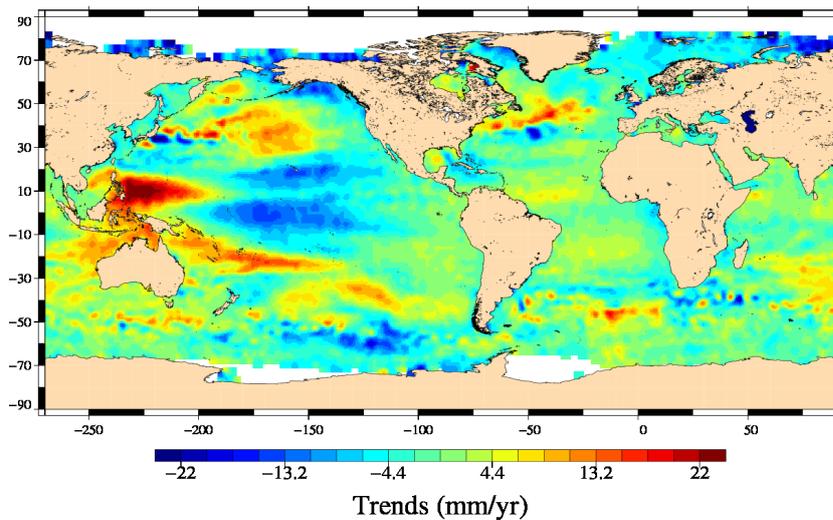
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



## Diagnostic A203\_a (mission j1)

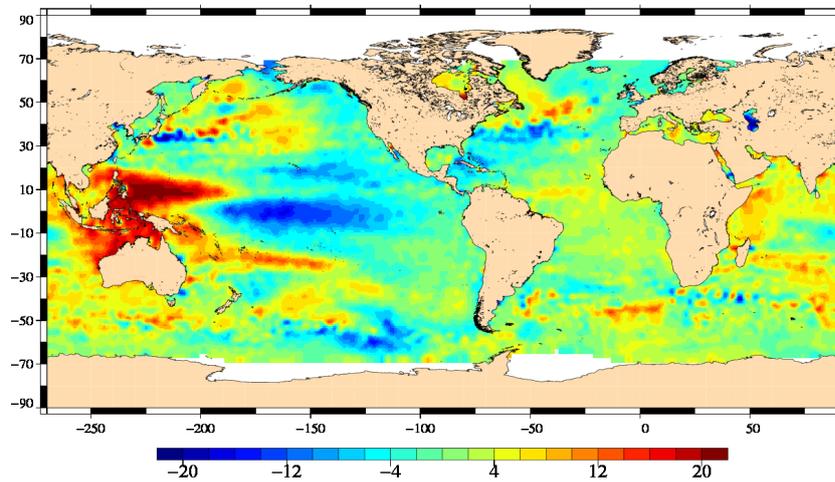
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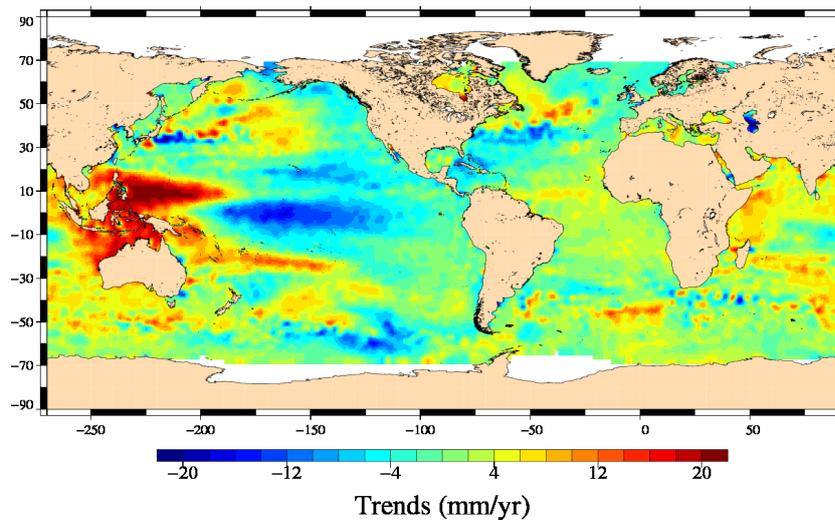
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A203\_b (mission j1)

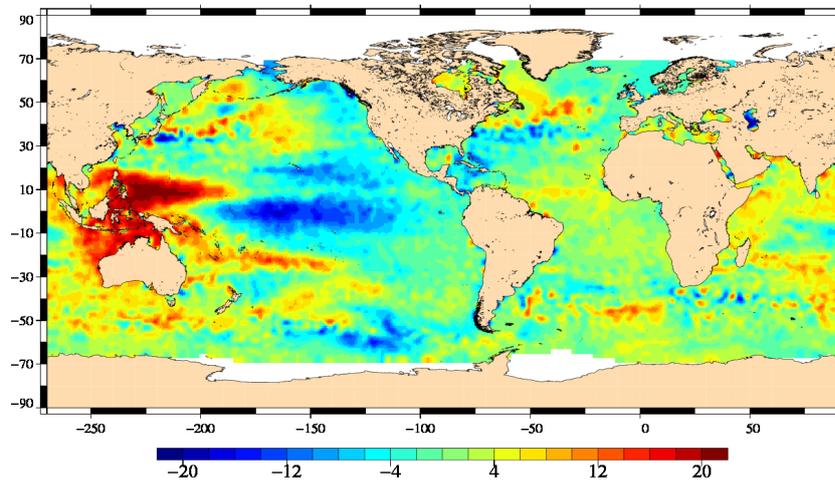
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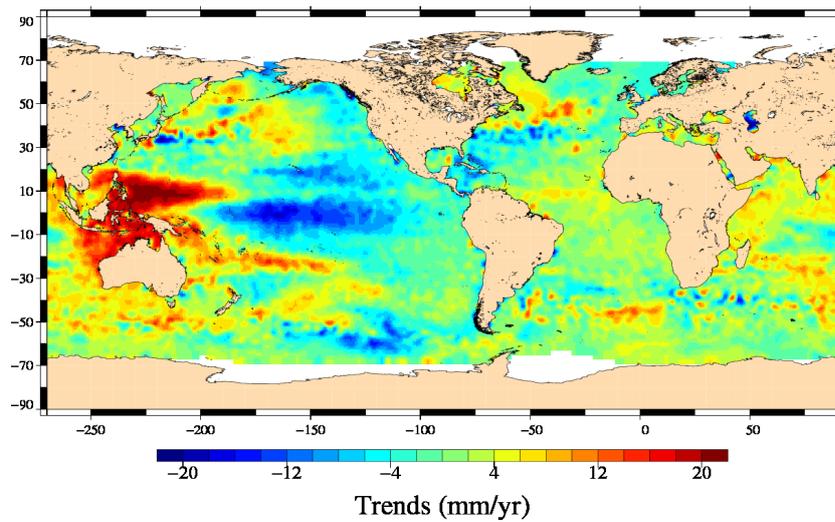
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A203\_c (mission j1)

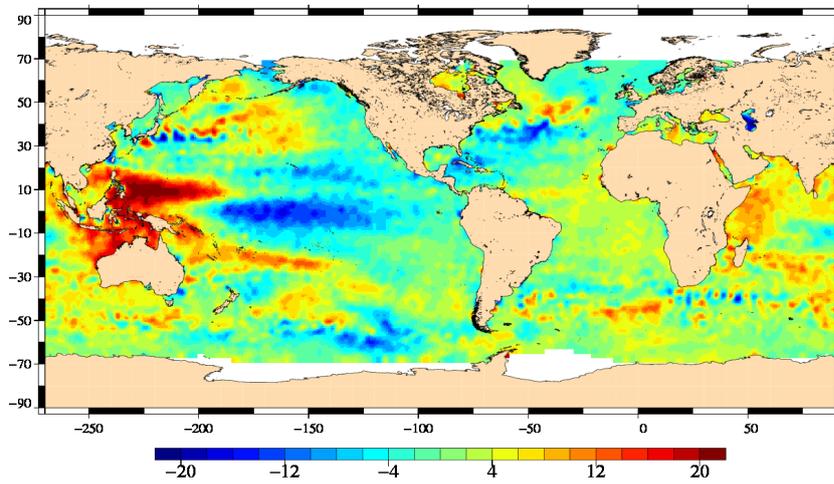
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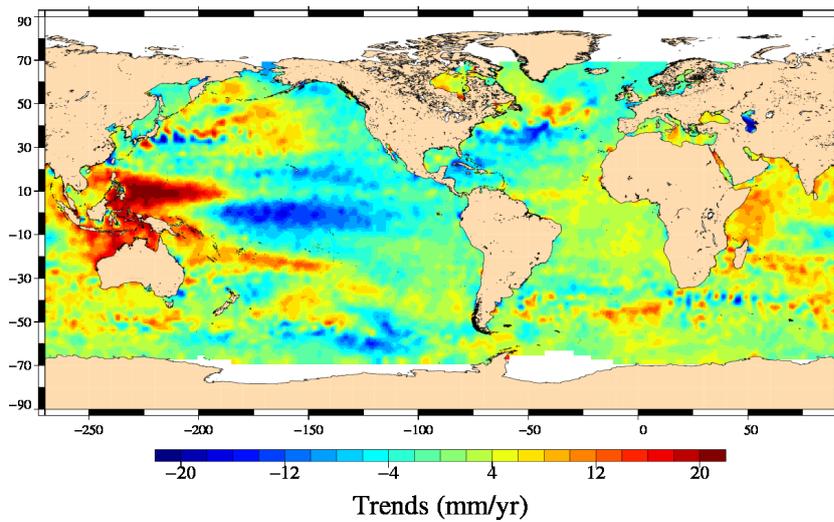
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A203\_a (mission tp)

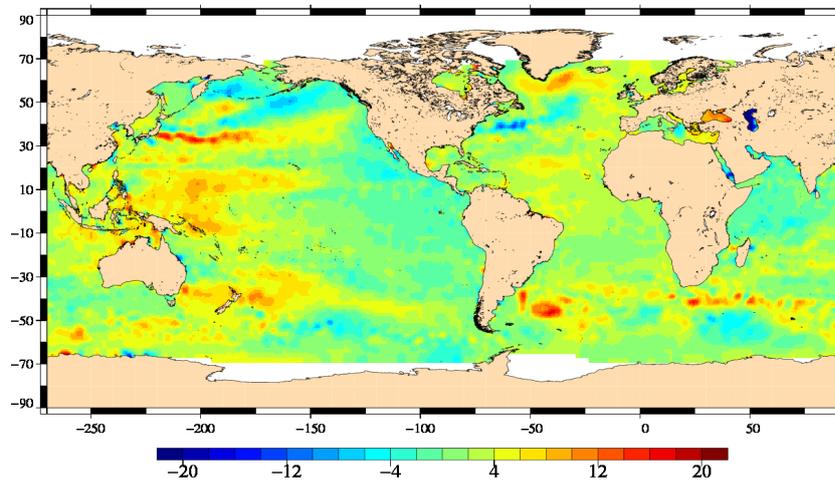
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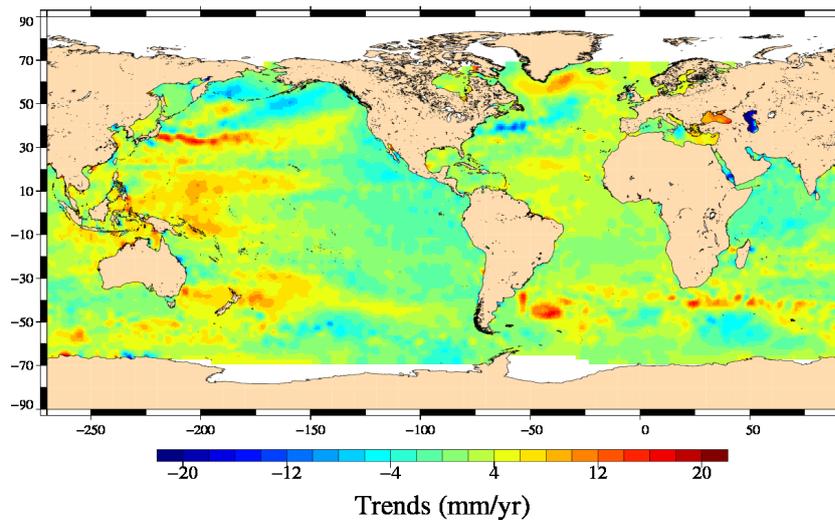
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



## Diagnostic A203\_b (mission tp)

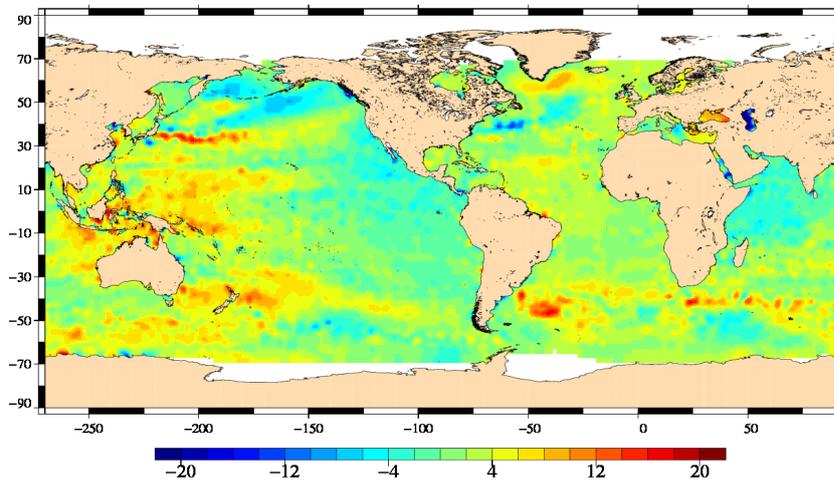
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**Input data :** Along track SLA

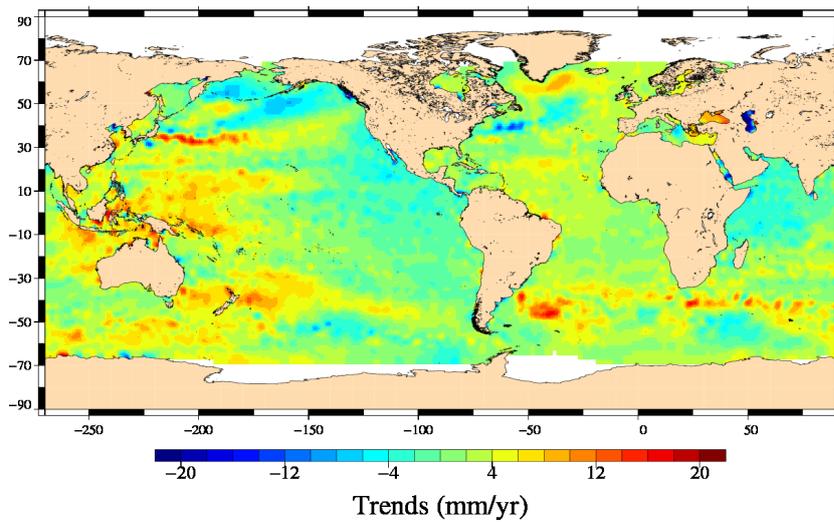
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



## Diagnostic A203\_c (mission tp)

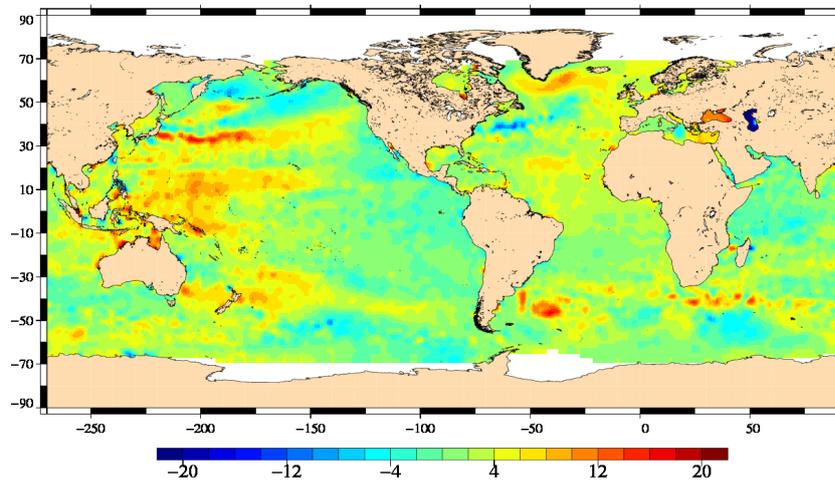
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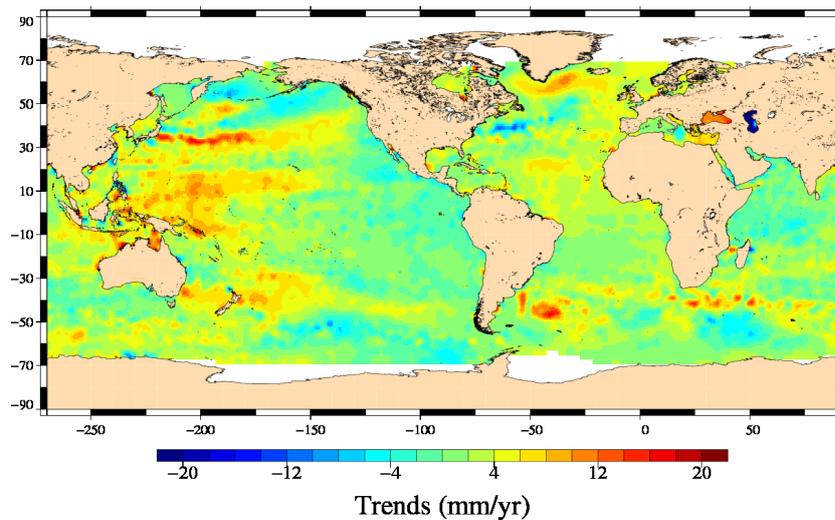
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



### Diagnostic A204 a (mission en)

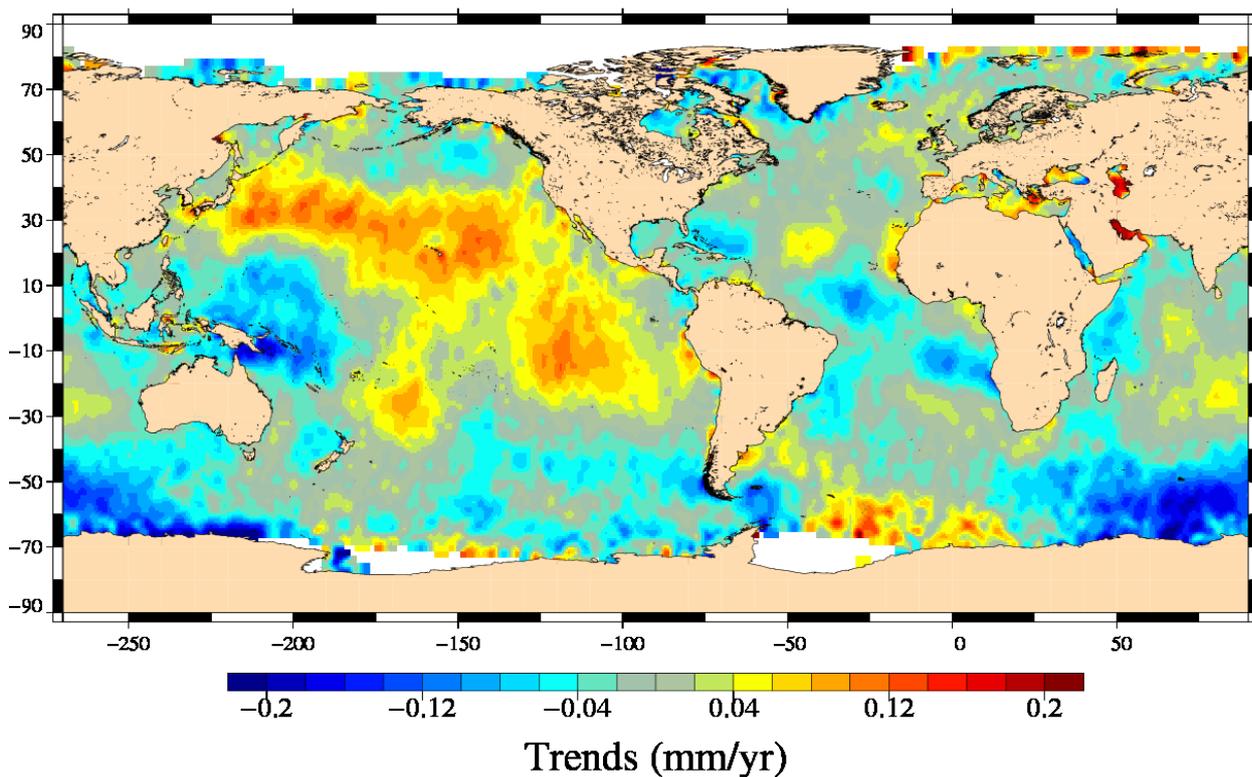
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**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The difference of SLA maps (mean, standard deviation, slope) is calculated from maps derived from diagnostic A203 using successively both altimetric components in the SLA calculation over a given period. This can be done globally, or separating in ascending and descending passes (except for SLA Grids).

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



## Diagnostic A204\_b (mission en)

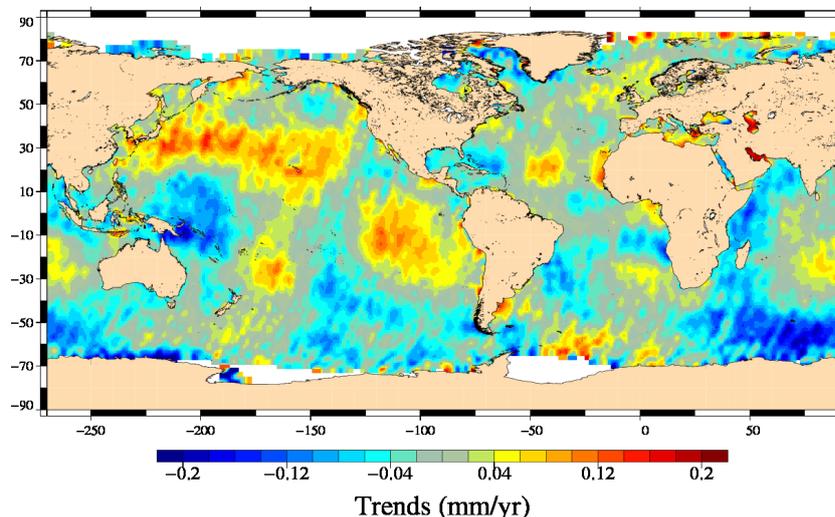
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**Input data :** Along track SLA

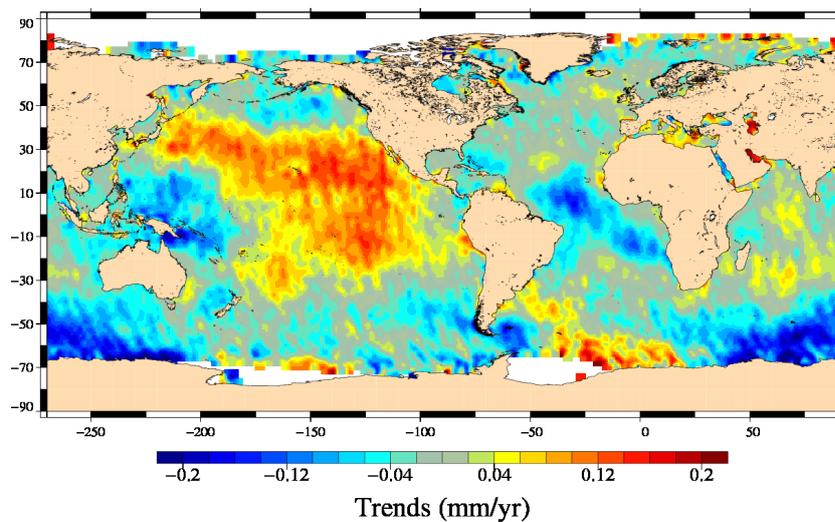
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission en, cycles 10 to 93



## Diagnostic A204\_a (mission j1)

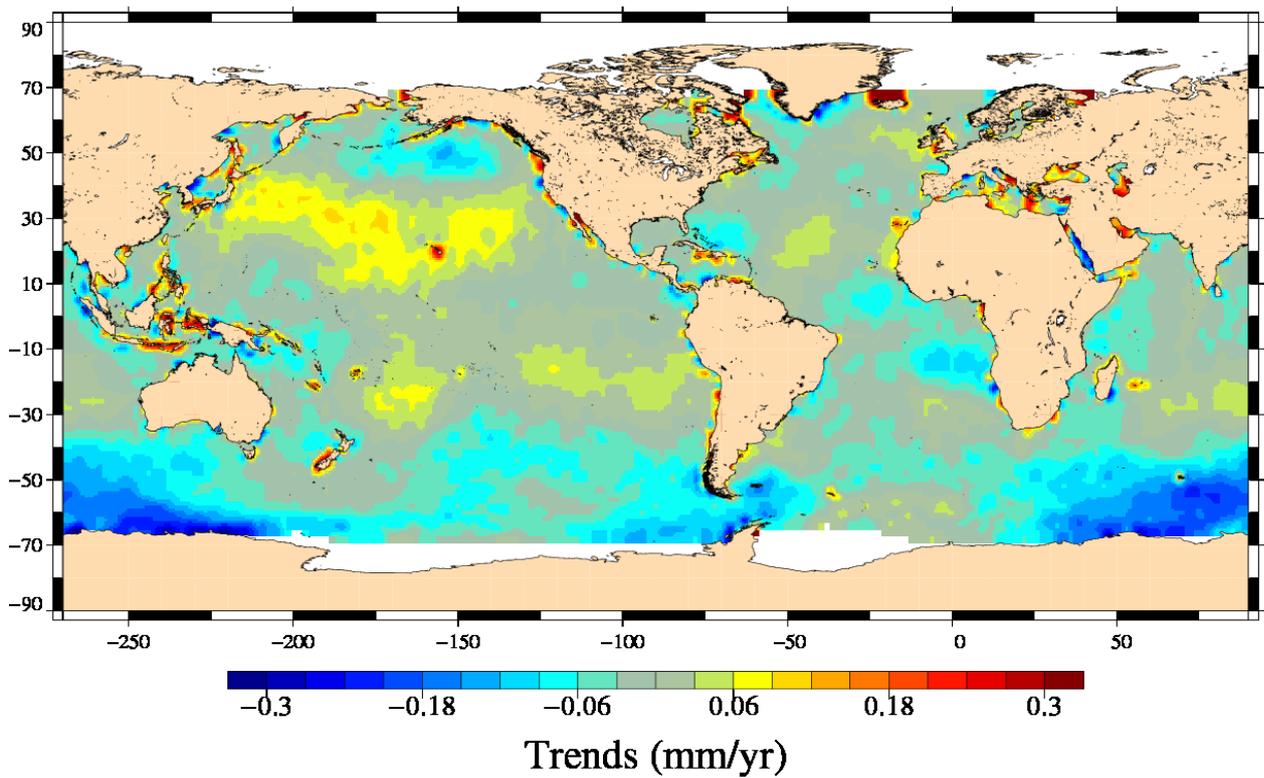
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A204\_b (mission j1)

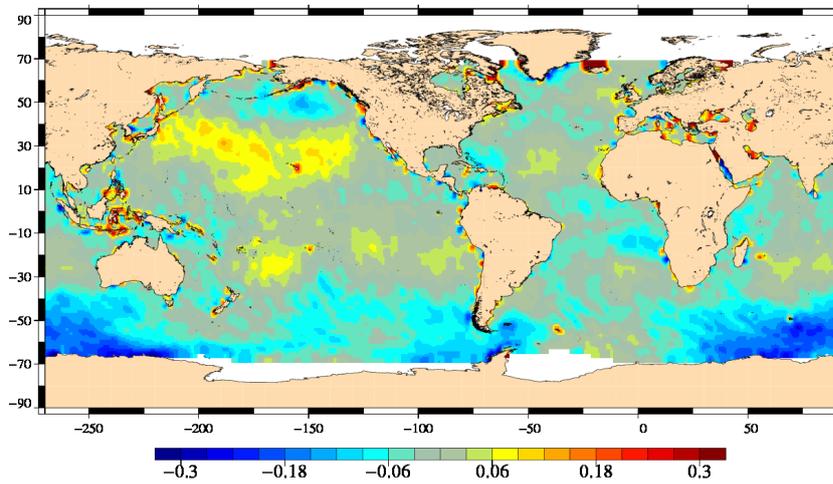
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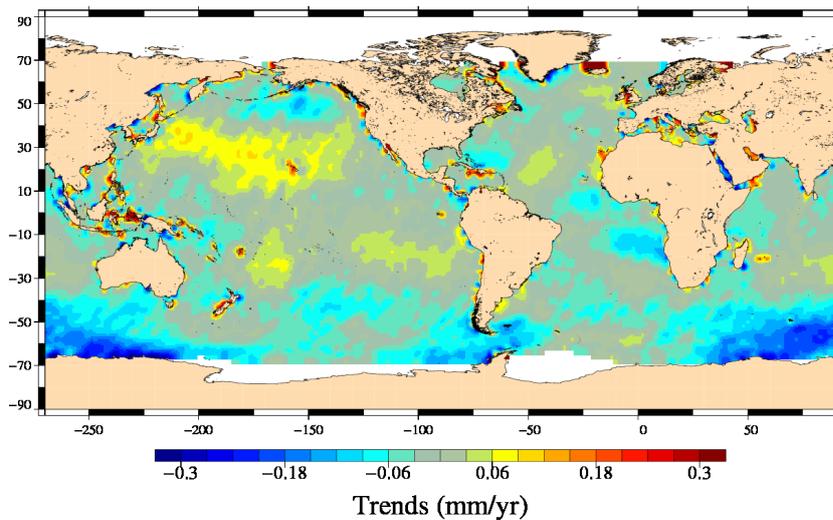
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission j1, cycles 2 to 330



## Diagnostic A204\_a (mission tp)

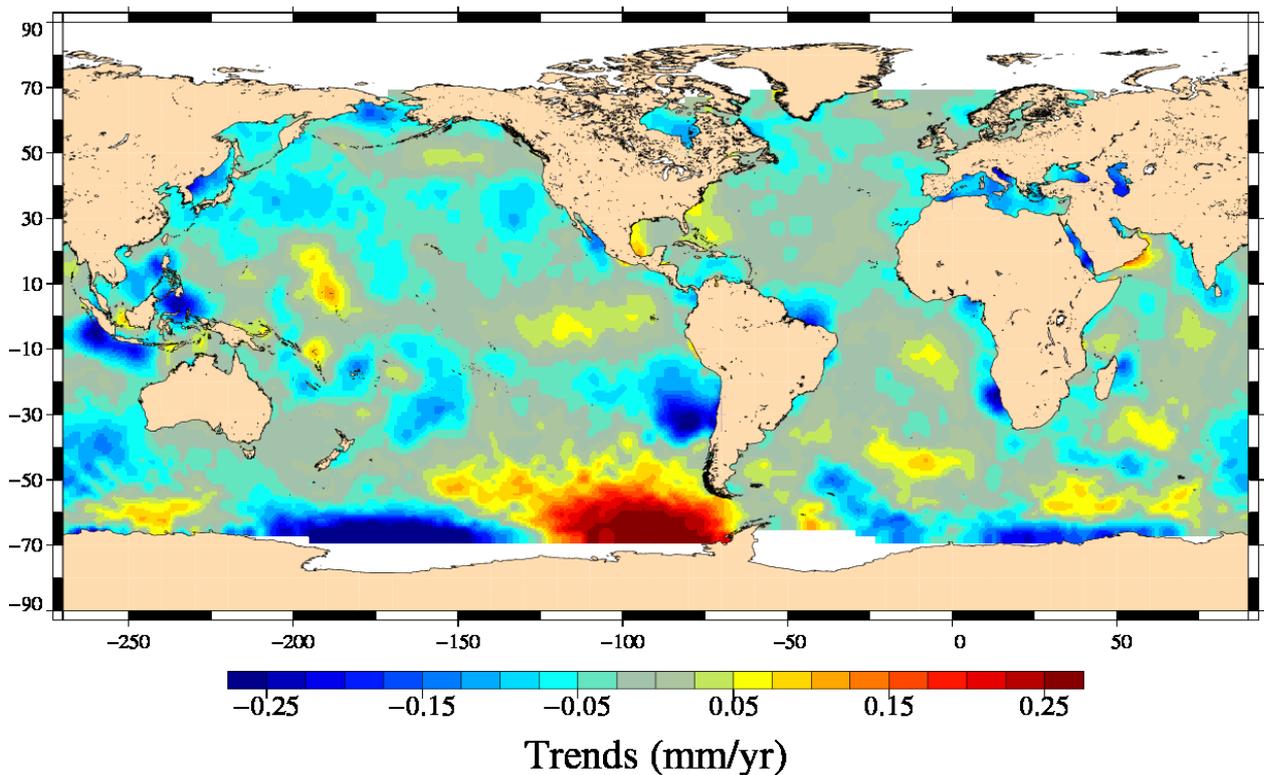
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**Input data :** Along track SLA

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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



## Diagnostic A204\_b (mission tp)

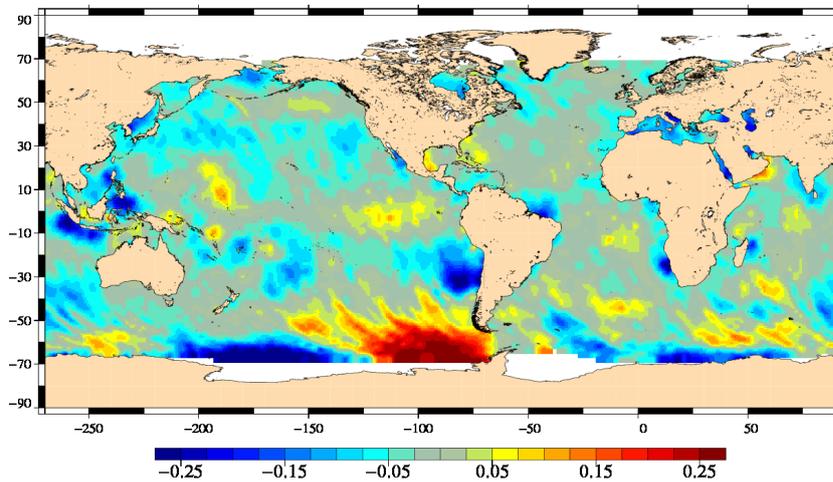
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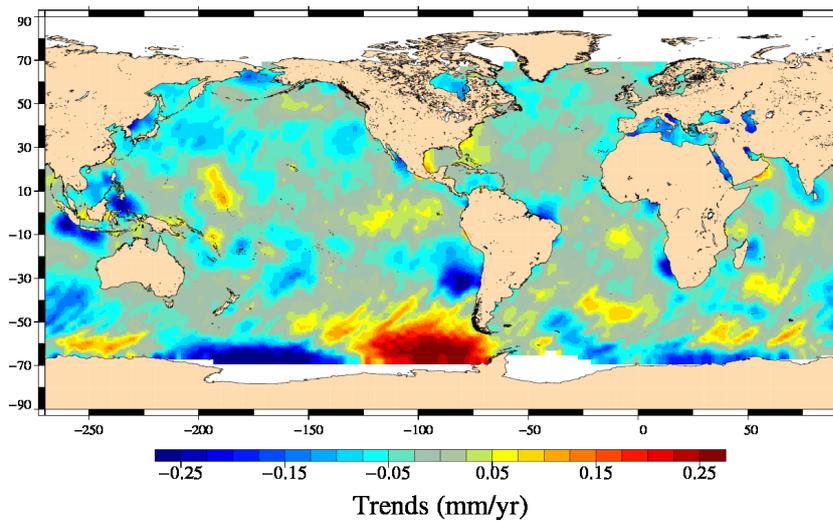
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, even pass numbers  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo – SLA with ECMWF dry tropo : trends, odd pass numbers  
Mission tp, cycles 11 to 480



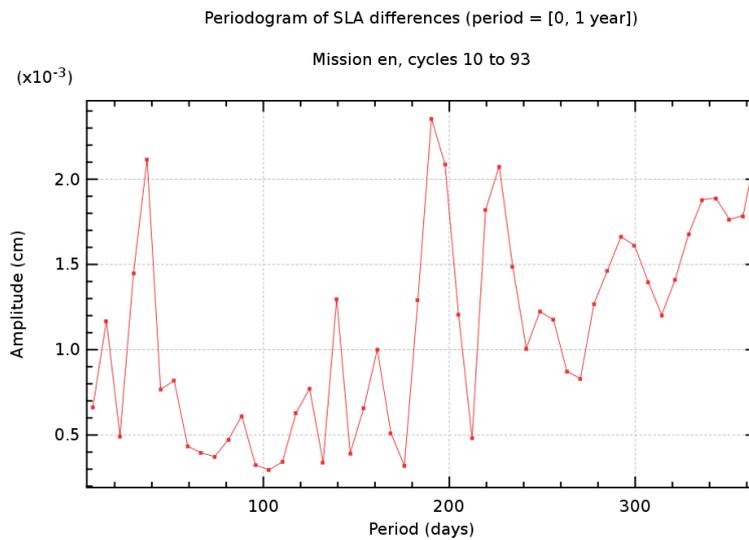
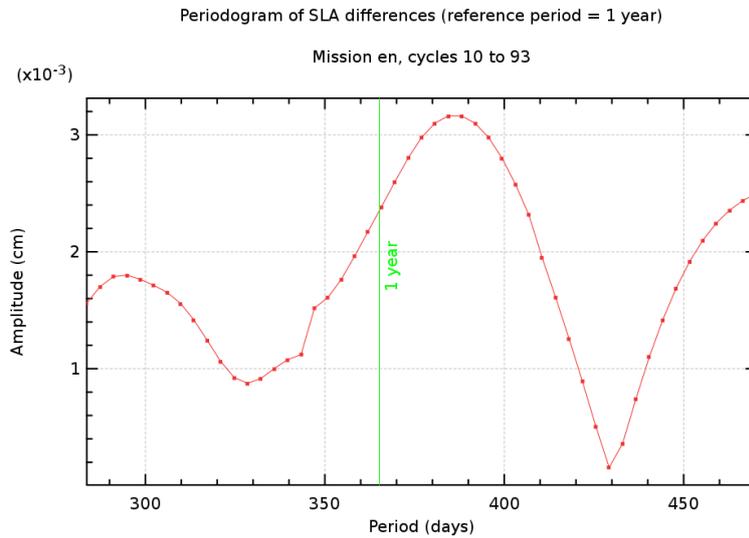
### Diagnostic A206\_a (mission en)

**Name :** Periodogram derived from temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The periodogram derived from temporal evolution of SLA (global, northern or southern hemisphere) can be done over all periods or focusing on particular periods, such as annual, semi annual or 60 day signal. Therefore mean of SLA differences are computed (every day or cycle), and time data series are plotted as a periodogram.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



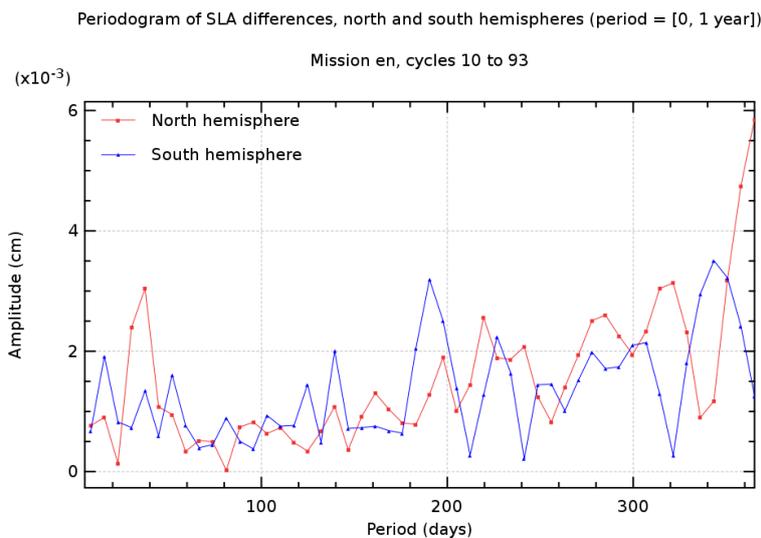
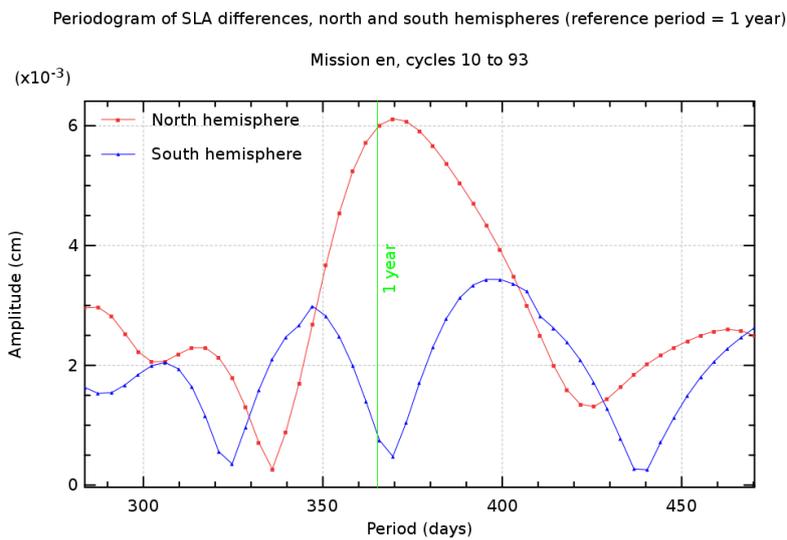
## Diagnostic A206\_b (mission en)

**Name :** Periodogram derived from temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The periodogram derived from temporal evolution of SLA (global, northern or southern hemisphere) can be done over all periods or focusing on particular periods, such as annual, semi annual or 60 day signal. Therefore mean of SLA differences are computed (every day or cycle), and time data series are plotted as a periodogram.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



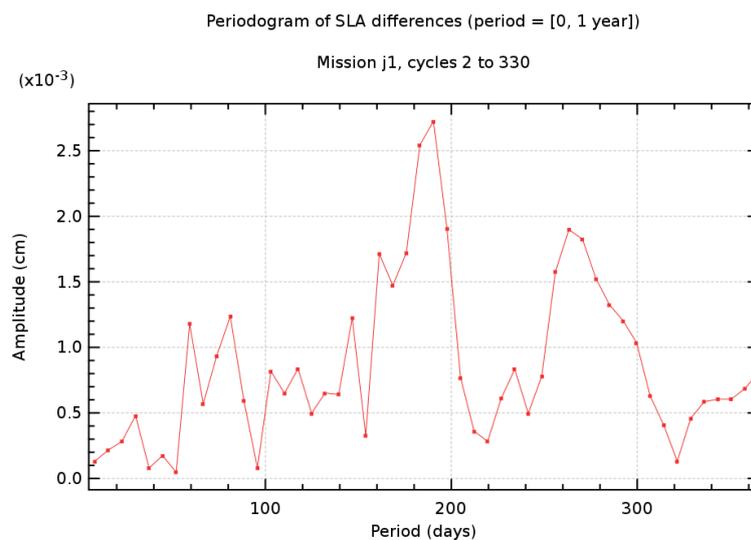
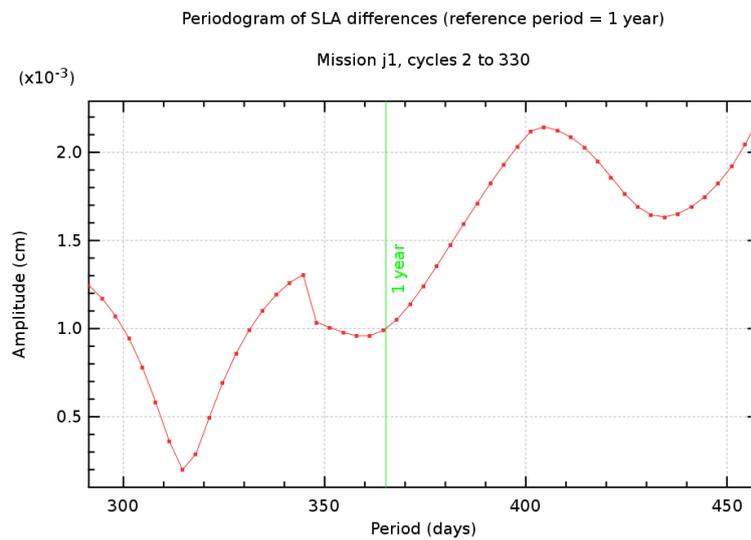
## Diagnostic A206\_a (mission j1)

**Name :** Periodogram derived from temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The periodogram derived from temporal evolution of SLA (global, northern or southern hemisphere) can be done over all periods or focusing on particular periods, such as annual, semi annual or 60 day signal. Therefore mean of SLA differences are computed (every day or cycle), and time data series are plotted as a periodogram.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



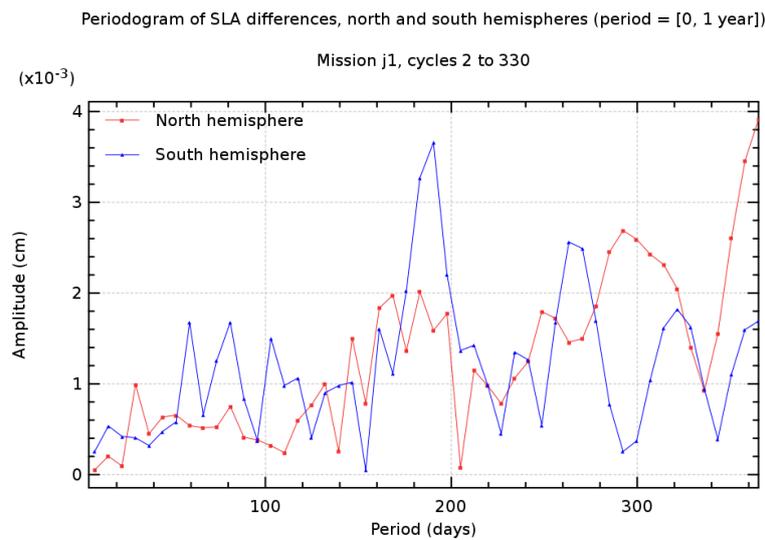
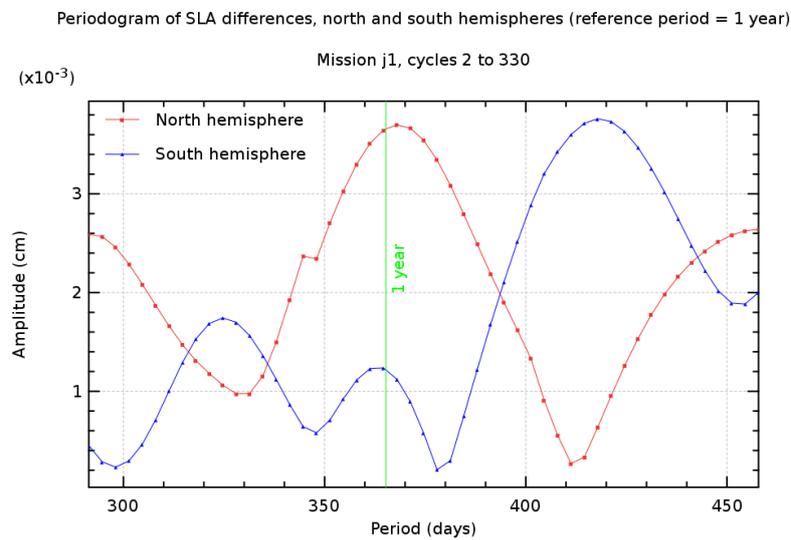
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**Name :** Periodogram derived from temporal evolution of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA)

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** The periodogram derived from temporal evolution of SLA (global, northern or southern hemisphere) can be done over all periods or focusing on particular periods, such as annual, semi annual or 60 day signal. Therefore mean of SLA differences are computed (every day or cycle), and time data series are plotted as a periodogram.

Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



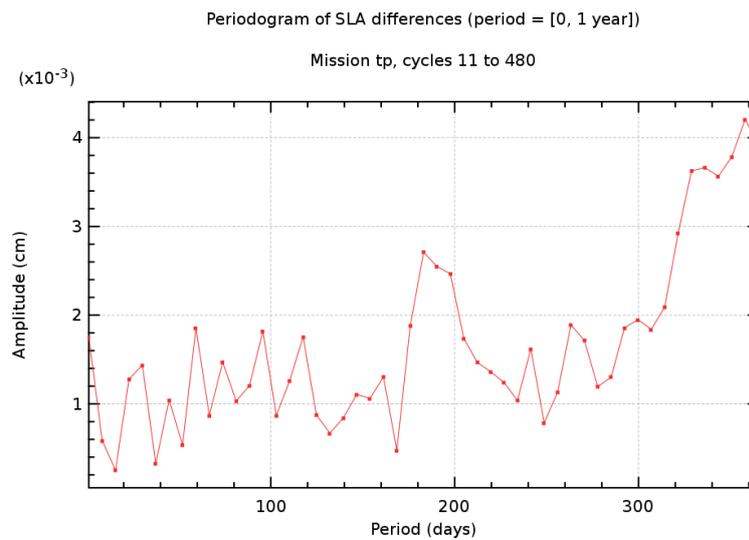
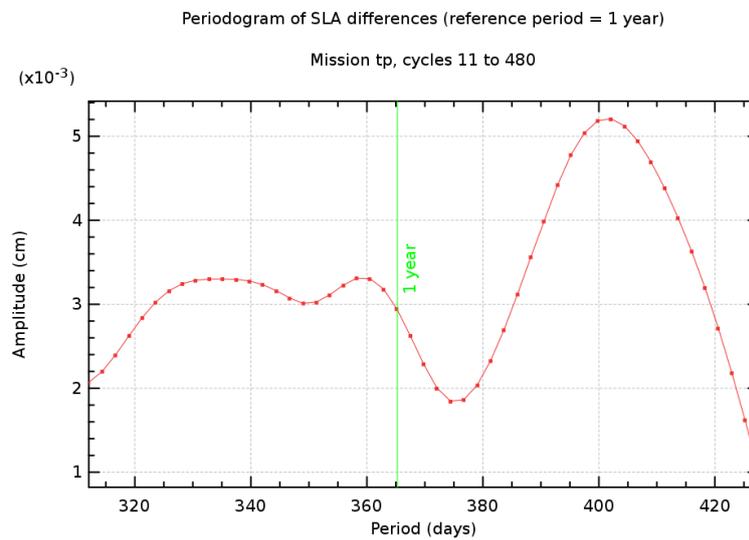
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



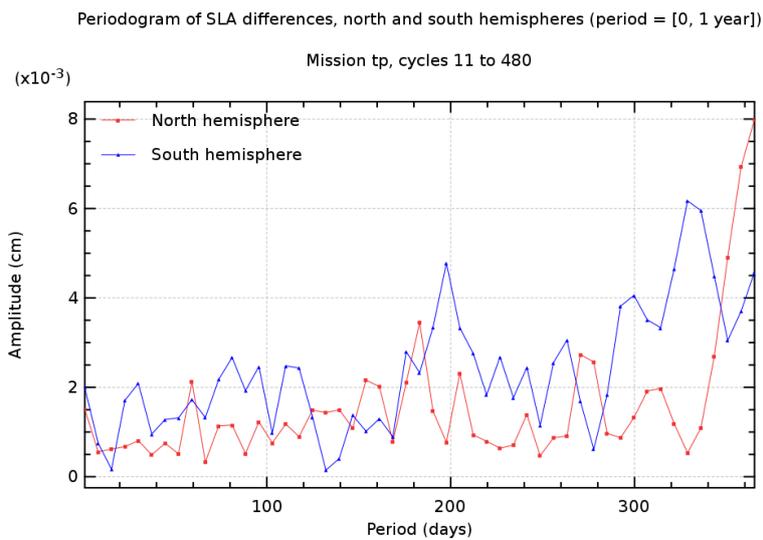
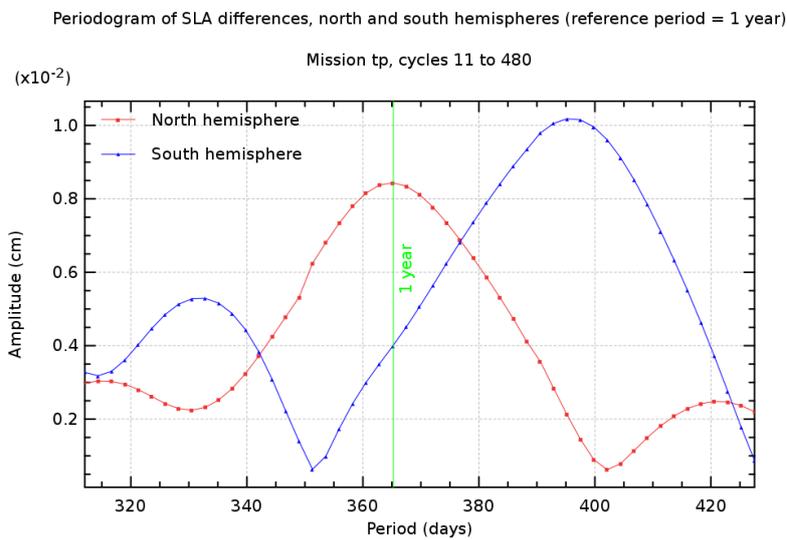
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Diagnostic type : Global internal analyses



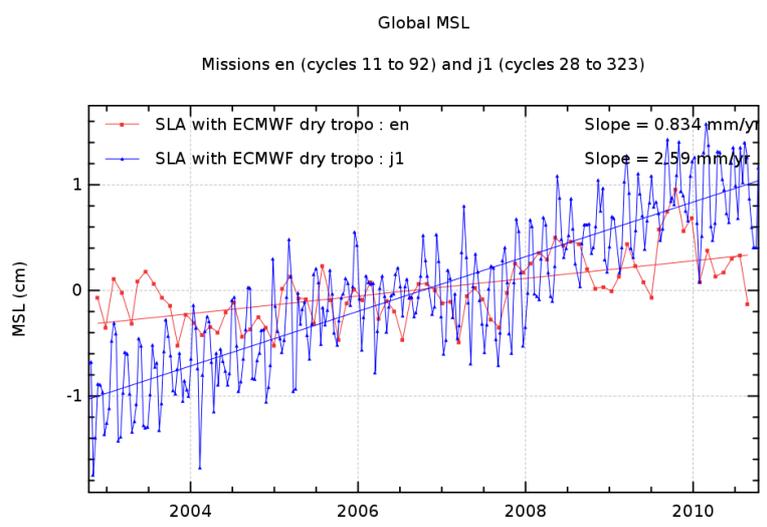
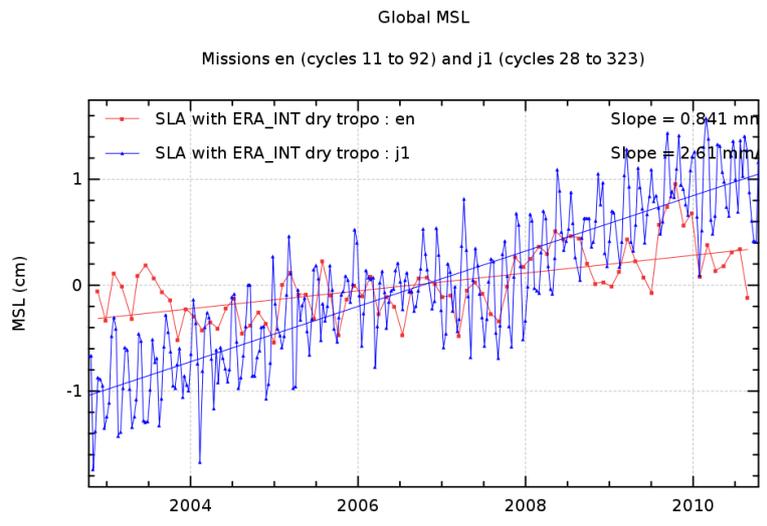
### Diagnostic B001\_a (mission )

**Name :** Temporal evolution of Sea level Anomaly (SLA) for 2 missions over the same period

**Input data :** Along track SLA

**Description :** Temporal evolution of SLA statistics (mean, standard deviation) of 2 or more missions are computed over the same period as longest as possible using successively both components in the SLA calculation. This can be done globally, or separating in ascending and descending or in northern and southern hemisphere. In order to assure comparability, statistics are computed using sea level standard calculation (mean per box of 2x2 and weighted by cosine of latitude for the global mean) limited to 66 latitude.

Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



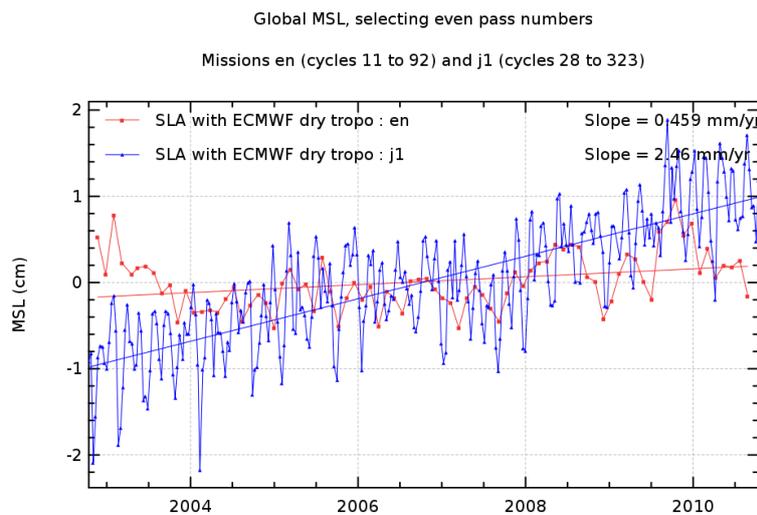
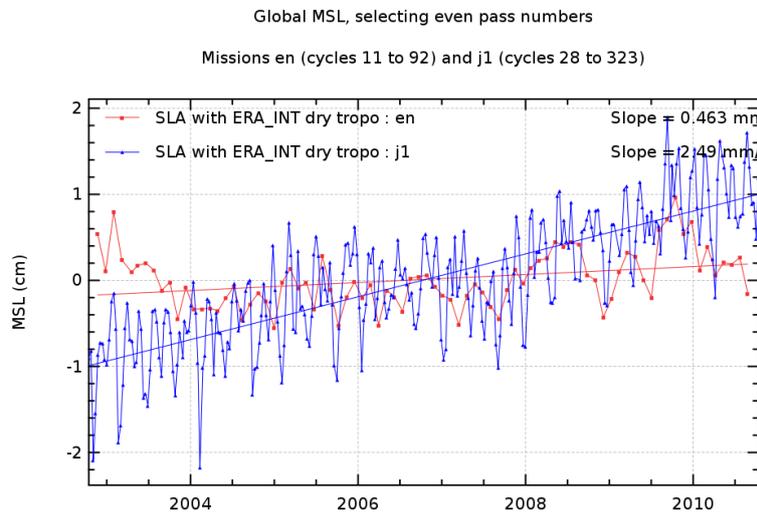
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



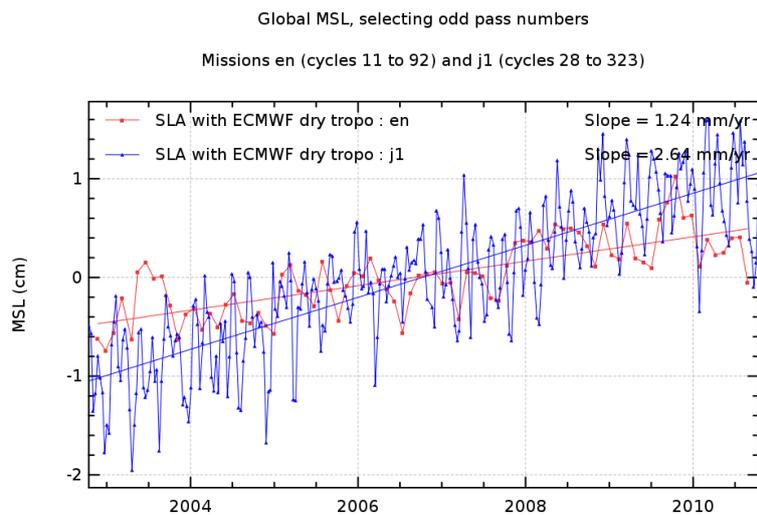
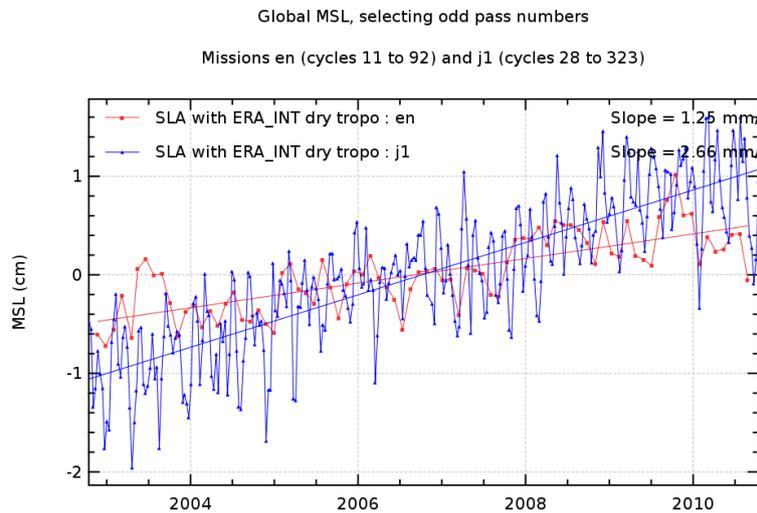
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**Input data :** Along track SLA

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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



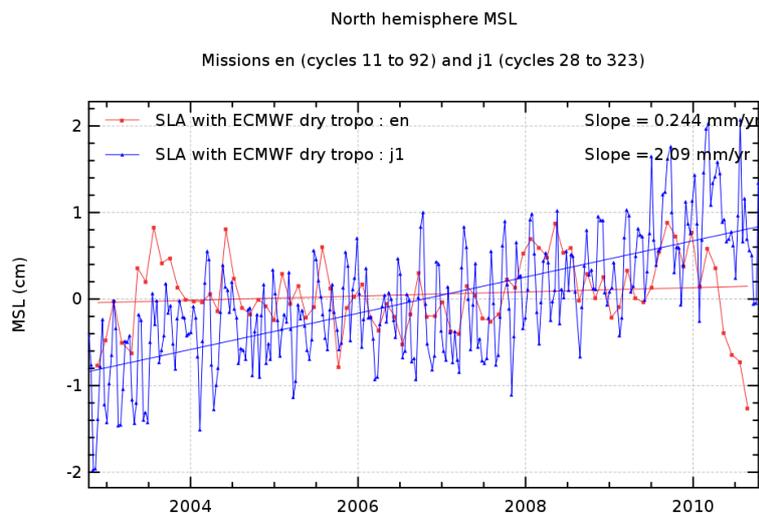
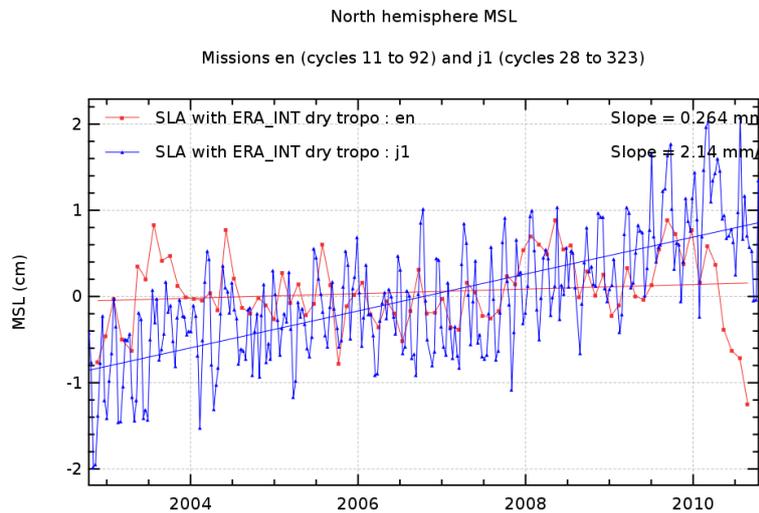
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**Input data :** Along track SLA

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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



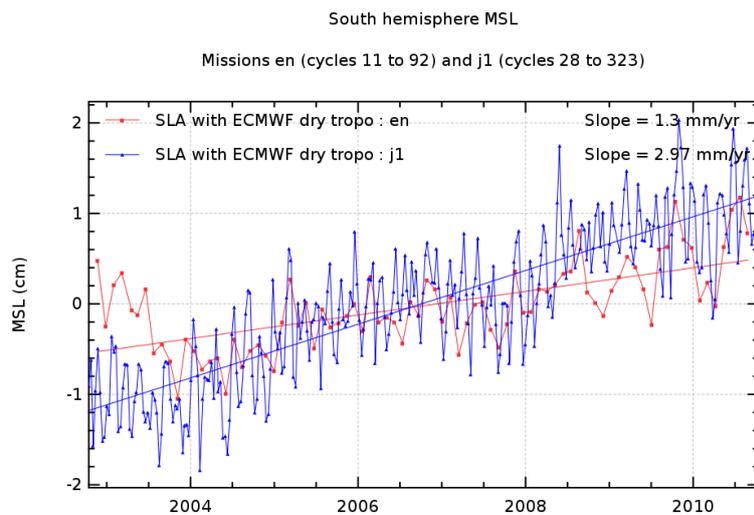
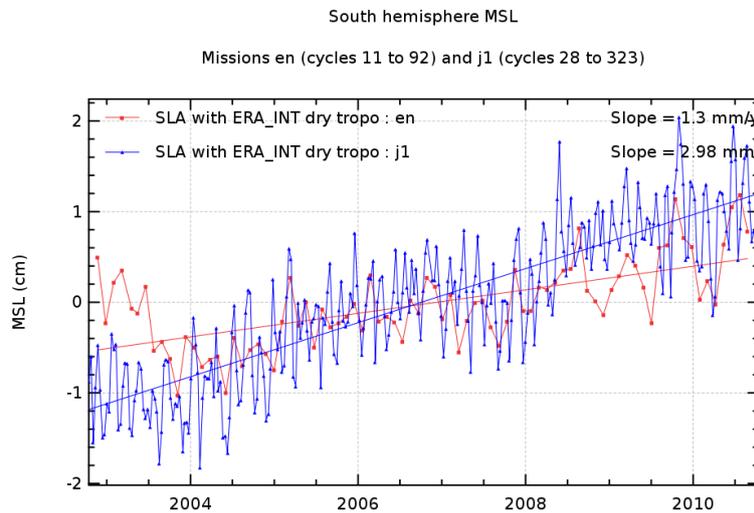
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



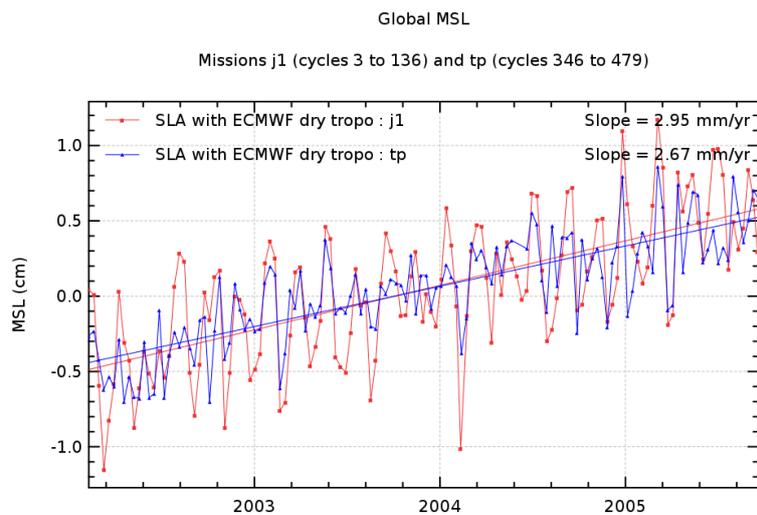
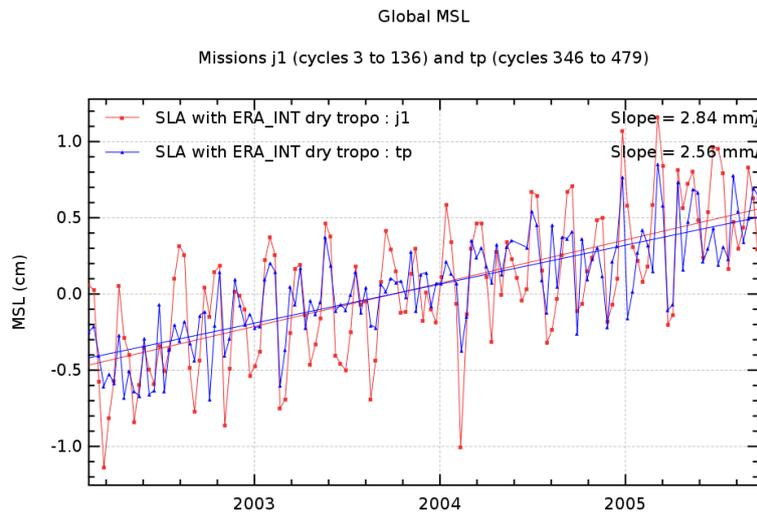
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



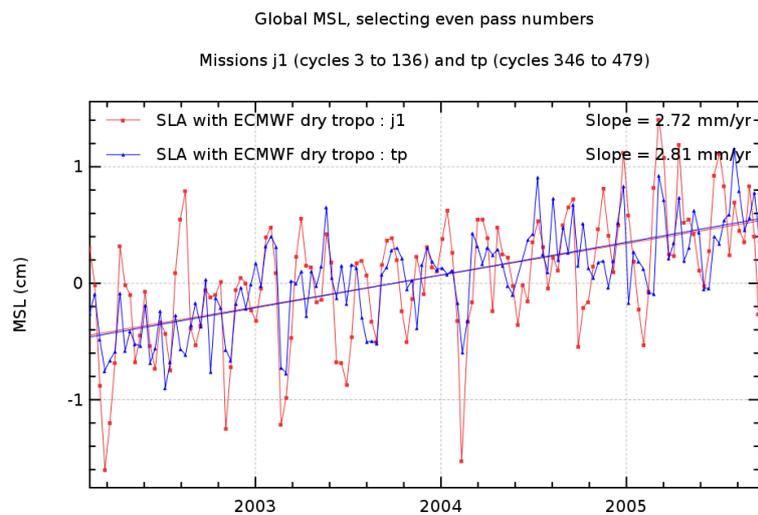
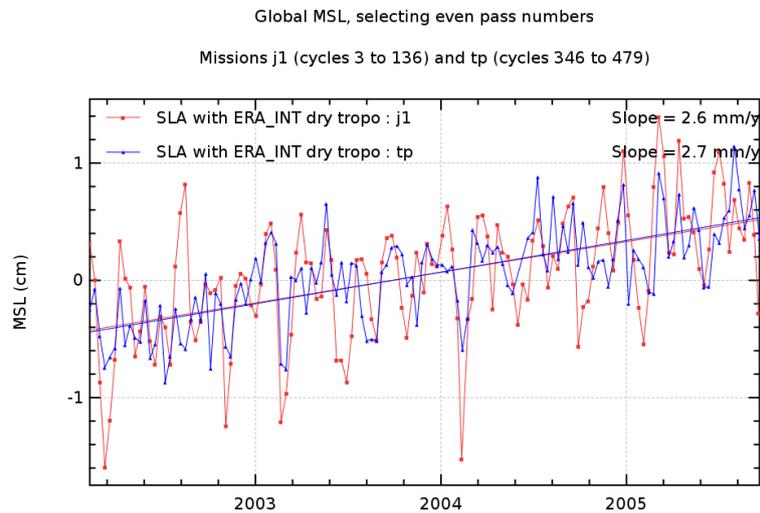
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



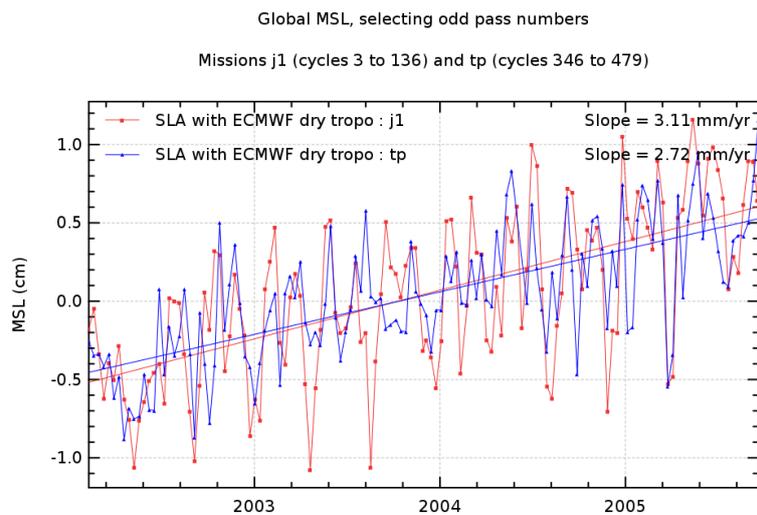
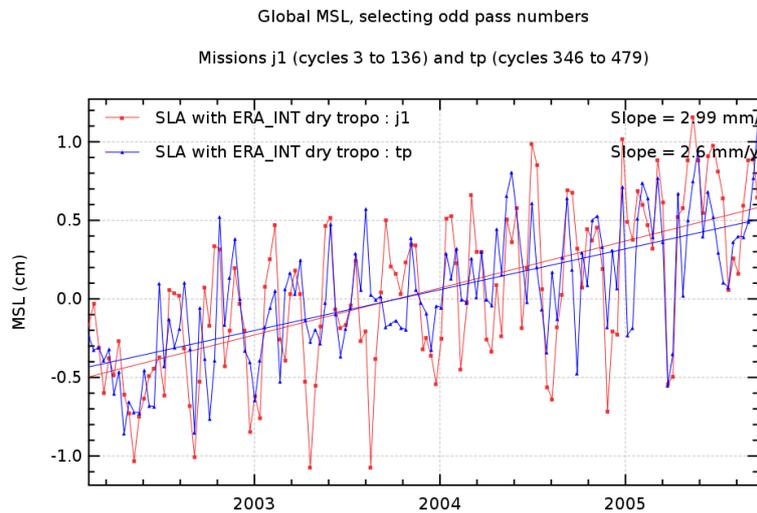
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



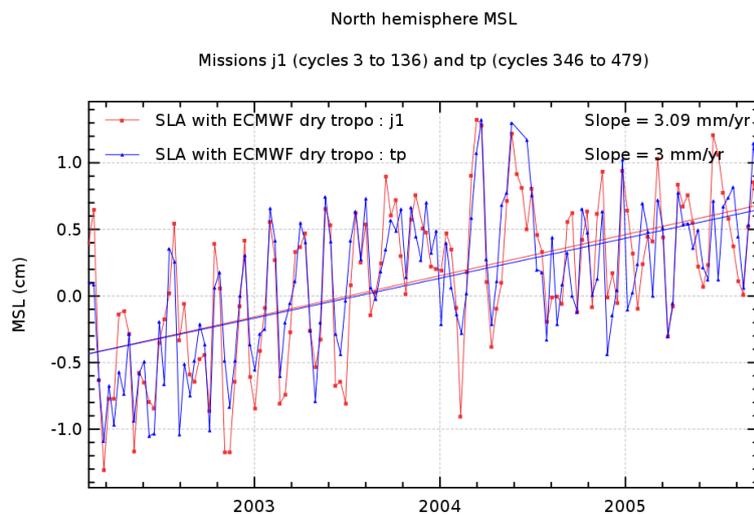
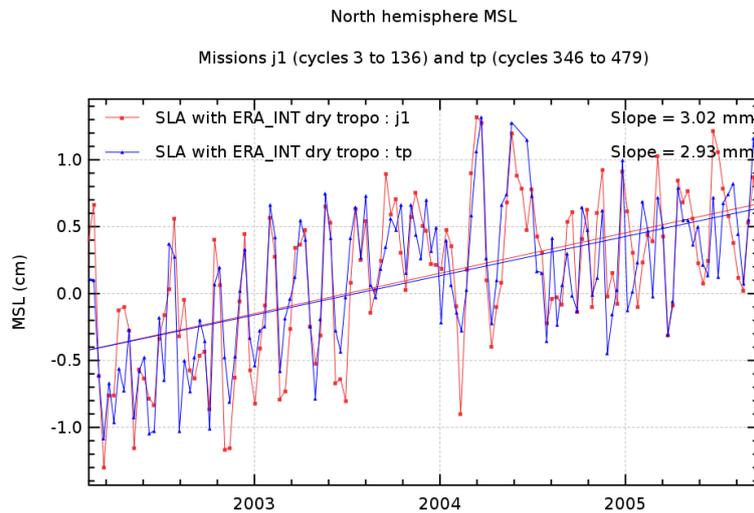
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



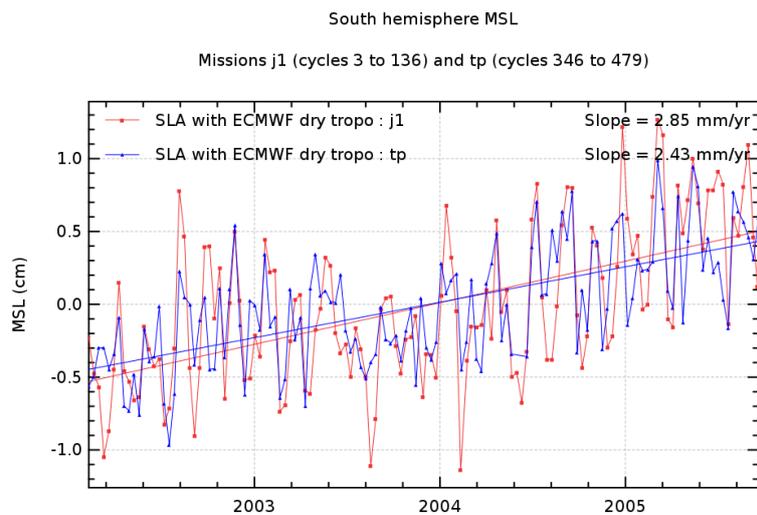
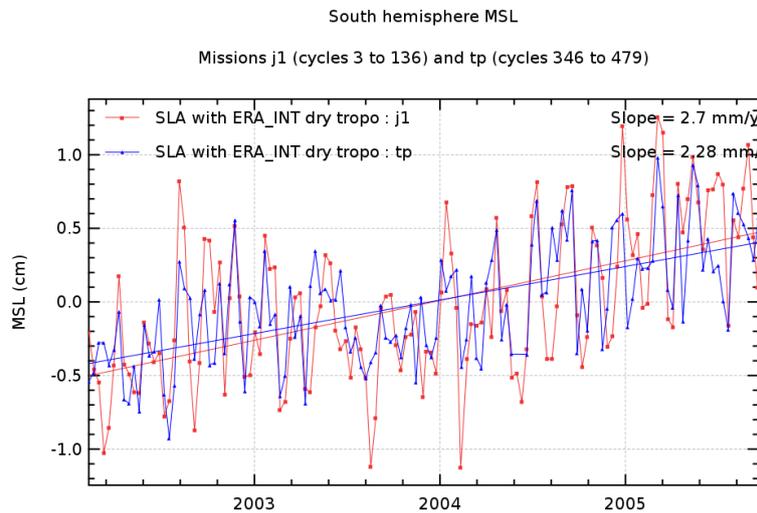
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons



### Diagnostic B002\_a (mission )

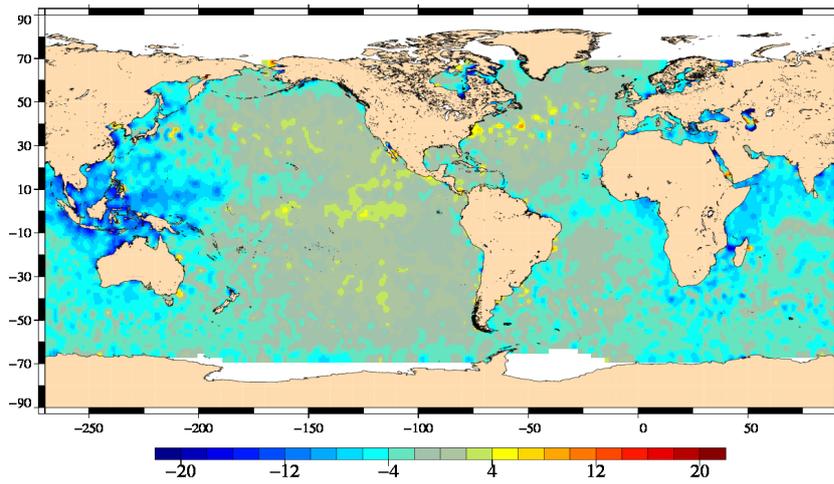
**Name :** Difference between maps of Sea Level Anomaly (SLA) for 2 missions over the same period

**Input data :** Along track SLA

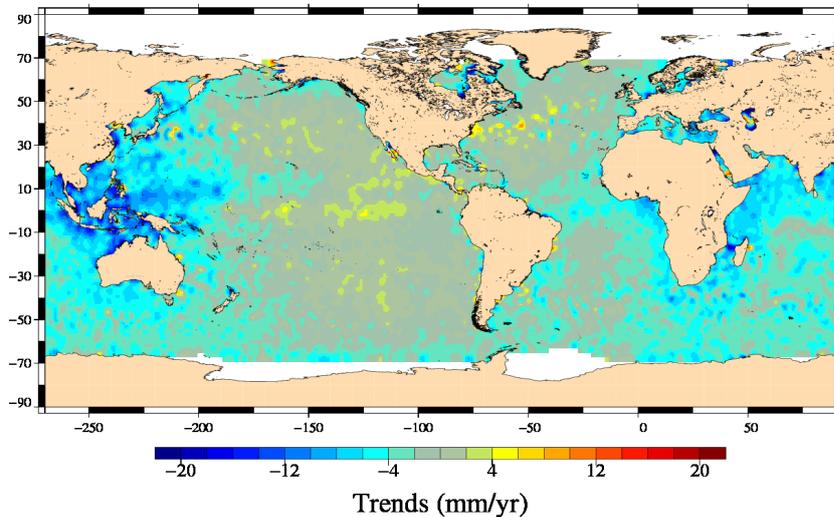
**Description :** The differences between maps of SLA (mean, variance or slope) derived from 2 altimetric missions are computed over the same period (as long as possible) using successively both altimetric components in the SLA calculation. Maps are calculated globally, they can be also calculated separating ascending and descending passes.

Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo differences : en - j1  
Missions en (cycles 11 to 92) and j1 (cycles 28 to 323)



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo differences : en - j1  
Missions en (cycles 11 to 92) and j1 (cycles 28 to 323)



## Diagnostic B002\_b (mission )

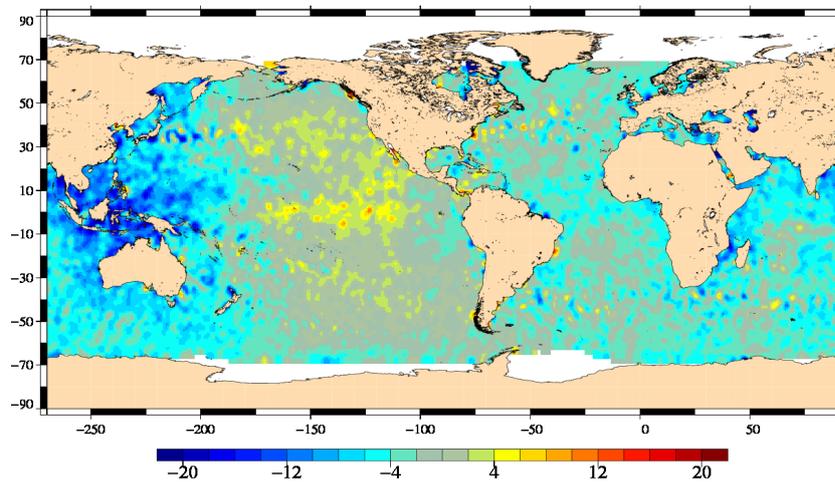
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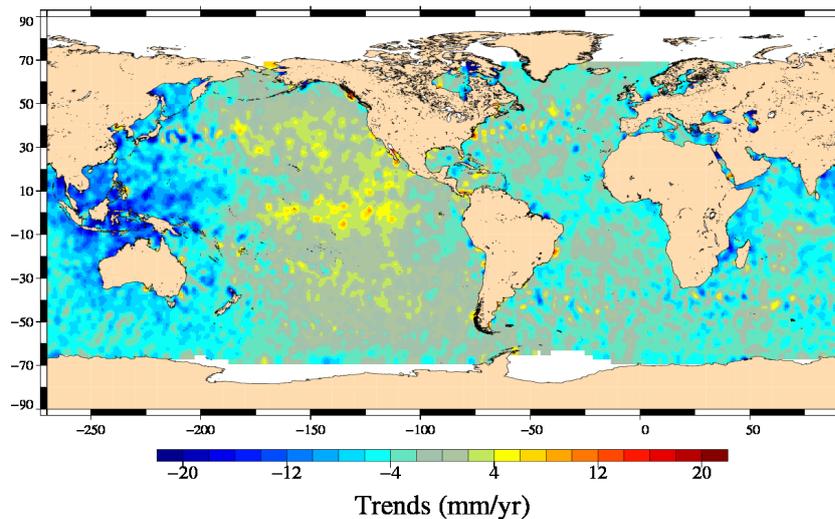
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo differences : en - j1, even pass numbers  
Missions en (cycles 11 to 92) and j1 (cycles 28 to 323)



SLA with ECMWF dry tropo differences : en - j1, even pass numbers  
Missions en (cycles 11 to 92) and j1 (cycles 28 to 323)



## Diagnostic B002\_c (mission )

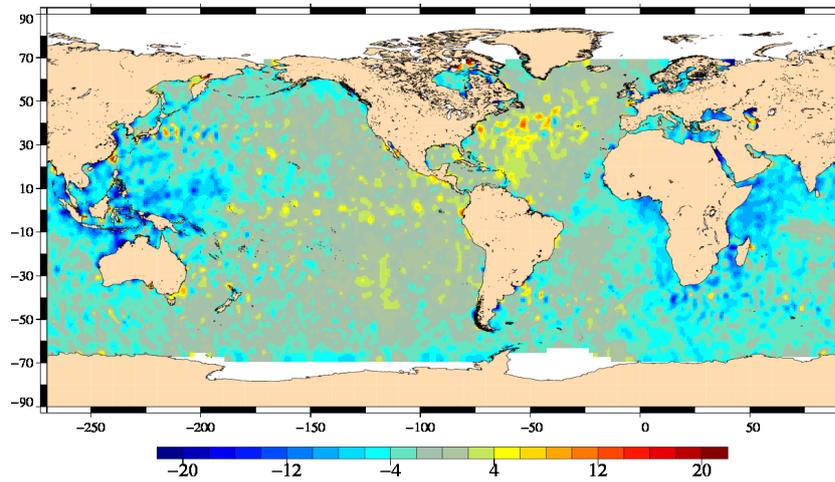
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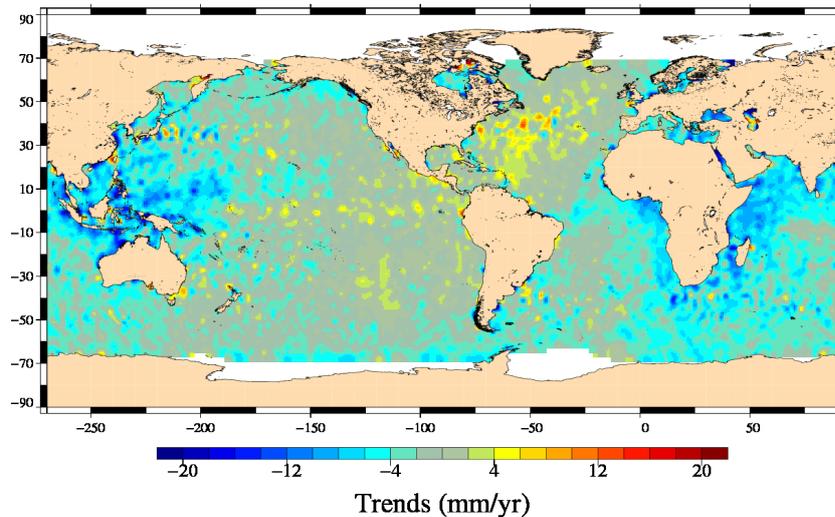
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo differences : en - j1, odd pass numbers  
Missions en (cycles 11 to 92) and j1 (cycles 28 to 323)



SLA with ECMWF dry tropo differences : en - j1, odd pass numbers  
Missions en (cycles 11 to 92) and j1 (cycles 28 to 323)



## Diagnostic B002\_a (mission )

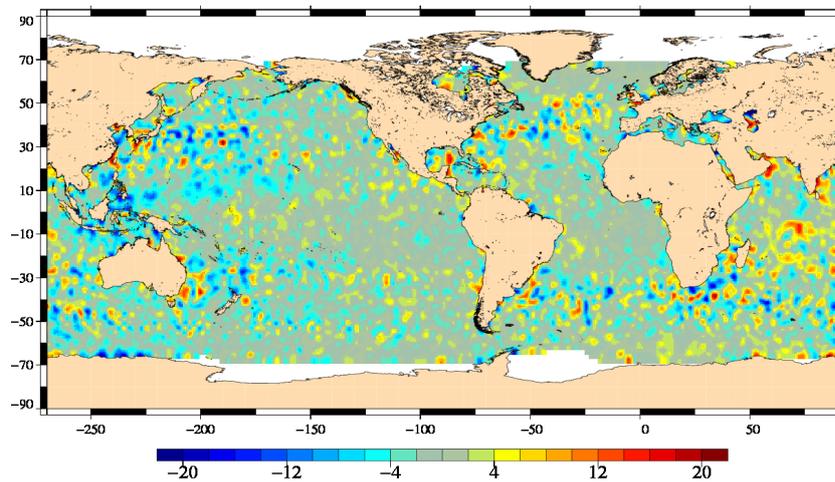
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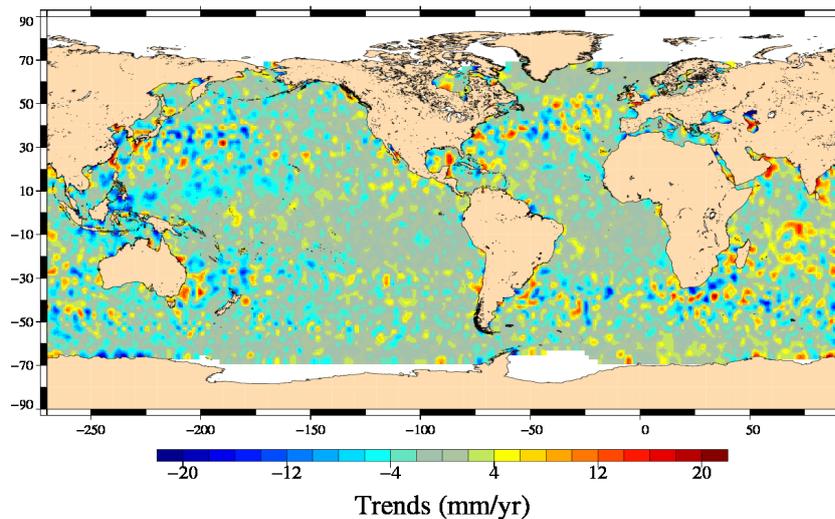
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo differences : j1 - tp  
Missions j1 (cycles 3 to 136) and tp (cycles 346 to 479)



Trends (mm/yr)  
SLA with ECMWF dry tropo differences : j1 - tp  
Missions j1 (cycles 3 to 136) and tp (cycles 346 to 479)



## Diagnostic B002\_b (mission )

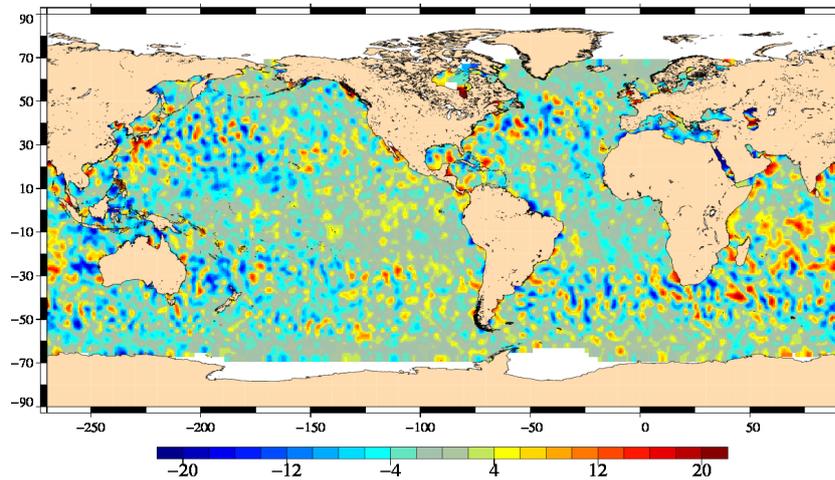
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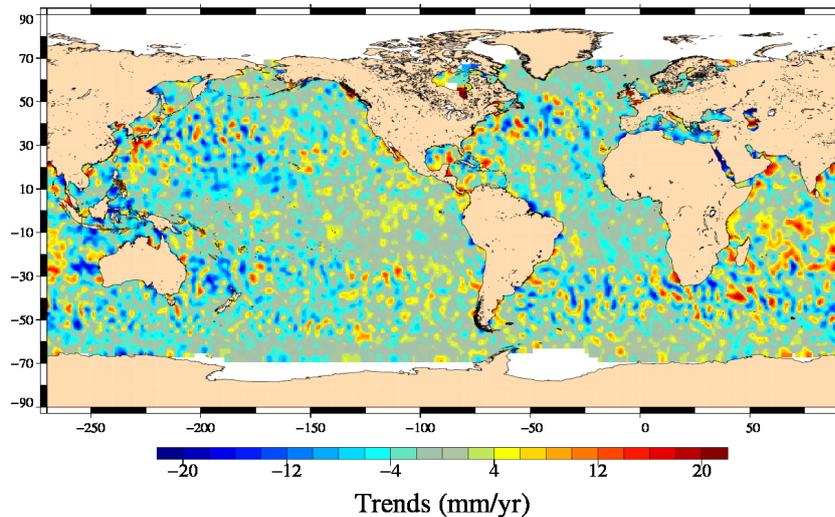
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo differences : j1 - tp, even pass numbers  
Missions j1 (cycles 3 to 136) and tp (cycles 346 to 479)



SLA with ECMWF dry tropo differences : j1 - tp, even pass numbers  
Missions j1 (cycles 3 to 136) and tp (cycles 346 to 479)



## Diagnostic B002\_c (mission )

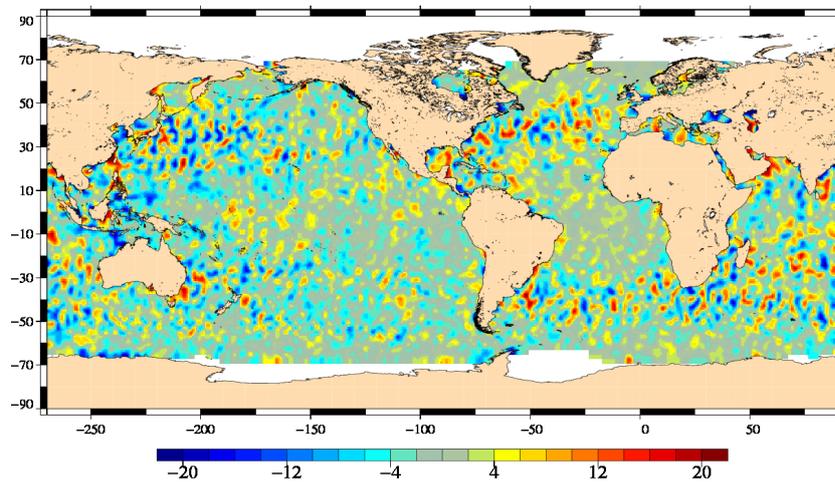
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Diagnostic type : Global multi-mission comparisons

SLA with ERA\_INT dry tropo differences : j1 - tp, odd pass numbers  
Missions j1 (cycles 3 to 136) and tp (cycles 346 to 479)



SLA with ECMWF dry tropo differences : j1 - tp, odd pass numbers  
Missions j1 (cycles 3 to 136) and tp (cycles 346 to 479)

