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1 INTRODUCTION

The MIPAS Monthly Report (MR) documents the current status and recent changes to the MIPAS instrument, its data processing chain, and its data products.

The MR is composed of analysis results obtained by the DPQC (Data Processing and Quality Control), combined with inputs received from the different groups working on MIPAS operation, calibration, product validation and data quality. The following groups participate in the MIPAS Quality Working Group (QWG):

- ESRIN-DPQC
- ESOC
- ESTEC
- ABB BOMEM
- Oxford University
- IFAC-CNR
- EADS-Astrium GmbH
- Leicester University
- LISA
- IMK
- University of Bologna
- ISAC-CNR
- IAA
- DLR
- ECMWF

In addition, the group interfaces with the Atmospheric Chemistry Validation Team (ACVT).

1.1 Scope

The main objective of the MR is to give, on a regular basis, the status of MIPAS instrument performance, data acquisition, results of anomaly investigations, calibration activities and validation campaigns.

1.2 Acronyms and Abbreviations

- ACVT Atmospheric Chemistry Validation Team
- ADF Auxiliary Data File
- ADS Annotated Data Set
- ANX Ascending Node Crossing
- AE Aircraft Emission
- AR Anomaly Report
- CBB Calibration Black-Body
- CTI Configuration Table Interface
- DPAC German Processing and Archiving Centre for ENVISAT
- DPM Detailed Processing Model



| DriveData Processing and Quarty ControlDSDeep SpaceDSDData Set DescriptionECMWFEuropean Centre for Medium-Range Weather ForecastsFCEFringe Count ErrorFOCCFlight Operation Control CentreHDHelp-DeskIDUInterferometer Drive UnitIECFInstrument Engineering and Calibration FacilitiesIFIn-FlightIGInitial GuessILSInstrument Line ShapeINTInterferometerI/O DDInput/Output Data DefinitionIOPIn Orbit PerformanceIPFInstrument Processing FacilityLOSLine of SightMAMiddle Atmosphere |
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| MIO MIPAS Optics Module |
| MIPAS Michelson Interferometer for Passive Atmospheric Sounding |
| MPH Main Product Header |
| MR Monthly Report |
| MW Micro-Window |
| NCR Non-Conformance Report |
| NESR Noise Equivalent Spectral Radiance |
| NOM Nominal |
| NRT Near-Real-Time |
| OFL Off-Line |
| PCD Product Confidence Data |
| PCF Product Control Facility |
| PDS Payload Data Segment |
| QWG Quality Working Group |
| RGC Radiometric Gain Calibration |
| SEM Special Event Measurement |
| SPH Specific Product header |
| SPR Software Problem Report |
| ST Science Team |
| UA Upper Atmosphere |
| UTLS Upper Troposphere Lower Stratosphere |
| VCM Variance Covariance Matrix |
| VMR Volume Mixing Ratio |
| WCC Wear Control Cycle |
| 1RR Single Slide Reduced Resolution |
| 2RR Double Slide Reduced Resolution |



2 THE REPORT

2.1 Summary

- During November 2005 operations, the MIPAS instrument was running very well with a significant improvement of the INT performances. This results from the switching-on of the INT heater on 15 October 2005. The increase of the INT temperature by 5 K reduces drastically the number of unintended slide anomalies. Indeed during November operations we registered only 8 INT anomalies compared to the 107 anomalies observed during July-August 2005 operations when the INT heater was off.
- After switching-on the INT heater the cooler performance shall be monitored with care. Indeed during November operations an increase of the compressor vibration up to a value of 7 mg was noted. This value is not critical for the moment, but daily monitoring of the cooler will be important after the INT heater switch-on.
- For instrument safety, the MIPAS duty cycle is kept well below the value of 40%, owing to this constraint MIPAS was operating only for three orbits per day during November 2005.
- During 26-27 November 4 MIPAS anomalies were observed due to MPS (ESOC). A sequence used to generate the MIPAS Measurement command (as part of the normal automated recovery sequence) did not contain a link to the NOC_MP table, which is why Nominal Measurement Table #42 was not being selected. Owing to these anomalies 8 MIPAS measurements corresponding to orbits 19553-19554, 19560-19561, 19567-19568, 19574-19575, are wrong and should not be used for scientific purposes.
- MIPAS operations during November 2005 were in UTLS-1 mode in support to SCOUT-O3 validation campaign.
- IOP and ST Meetings were held on November 28th respectively in ESOC and IMK, a summary of these meetings is reported in the next paragraph

2.2 Summary of last IOP and ST Meeting

During 28 November 2005 the MIPAS in Orbit Performance (IOP) and Science Team (ST) Meeting took place respectively in ESOC and in IMK.

2.2.1 IOP MEETING

During the IOP meeting it was pointed out that the IDU temperature is the main driver for the absolute error rate. Indeed the very bad performances observed during August – October 2005 operations were due to the very low INT temperature, which reaches the critical value of -52° C. The need of keeping the INT temperature always above the critical value (this value is changing during the mission) was pointed out in order to avoid critical turn-around failure. Furthermore the cooler performances were discussed during the IOP. The cooler performs very well, but a



closer monitoring should be done after the INT heater switch-on. Further recommendations from the IOP were the following:

- The current duty cycle shall not be increased.
- o 3 days-on / 4 days-off cycle appears to be more favourable for the INT performance.
- The default orbital position for the re-initialization shall be ANX+4524 sec, where the anomalies show a strong peak. By doing so, the majority of IDU errors will be recovered immediately after occurrence.
- In case of a validation campaign the re-initialization shall be planned to be performed shortly before the overpass possibility.
- Consider test on side B, this should indicate if the problem is mainly mechanically driven or electronically related.
- Consider further increase of INT temperature using the second heater, however cooler constraints should be taken into account when performing this test.
- The tests will take place only after a global assessment of the impact of slide anomalies on L1b products, therefore only when reprocessing of RR mission will take place.

2.2.2 SCIENCE TEAM MEETING

One important point reported during the Science Team Meeting was an observed difference between Level 2 products provided by ESA (via DPAC ftp server) between 4.61 and 4.62 software versions, with significant difference at low altitude for T, N2O and CH4 profiles. This anomaly should be investigated with care.

Further recommendations were provided by the scientists:

- To keep the following nominal mode measurements with three orbits per day in order to have global coverage after 3 days of measurement, which is important for assimilate MIPAS data.
- The scientist would like to have floating data gaps instead of a fixed one in order to improve global coverage.
- Two additional modes were suggested:
 - Diurnal change Mode: the instrument looking sideways while crossing the terminator
 - Dynamic mode: already been specified
 - Further operational scenario were decided:
 - AE: Aircraft Emission mode during 22-24 December 2005
 - MA-UA: Monitor Middle and Upper Atmosphere during 29-31 December
 - Support ACVT Kiruna campaign during Jan, Feb and March 2006
 - Support SAUNA campaign during Mar 27 Apr 2006
 - Support AMMA campaign during summer over Africa



2.3 Instrument and products availability

2.3.1 INSTRUMENT AVAILABILITY

During November 2005 operations, MIPAS was affected by some unplanned unavailability due to IDU system errors. Nevertheless the number of IDU anomalies suddenly decreased after the INT heater switch-on. Among the usual IDU anomalies, the instrument was affected by 4 special anomalies, highlighted in red in the Tab. 1, these problems were due to an automatic recovery of the MPS and will be discussed in detail in the next paragraph. The MIPAS instrument unavailability intervals during November 2005 operations are listed below.

| Start time | | Stop 1 | p time Duration | | | Stop Orbit | Description | | |
|------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|------|-------|---------------|--|--|--|
| date | UTC | date | UTC | sec | | | | | |
| 01-nov-05 | 6.21.41 | 01-nov-05 | 8.01.20 | 5979 | 19198 | 19199 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 07-nov-05 | 6.14.13 | 07-nov-05 | 7.54.34 | 6021 | 19284 | 19284 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 07-nov-05 | 18.53.41 | 07-nov-05 | 19.38.43 | 2702 | 19291 | 19291 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 08-nov-05 | 1.00.20 | 08-nov-05 | 2.21.09 | 4849 | 19295 | 19295 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 08-nov-05 | 23.24.10 | 09-nov-05 | 0.21.56 | 3466 | 19308 | 19309 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 11-nov-05 | 6.42.15 | 11-nov-05 | 7.28.41 | 2786 | 19341 | 19341 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 11-nov-05 | 13.54.11 | 11-nov-05 | 14.11.05 | 1014 | 19345 | 19345 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 21-nov-05 | 13.00.43 | 21-nov-05 | 14.09.42 | 4139 | 19488 | 19489 | MIPAS return to operation from Heater/Refuse mode due to IDU SYS TOL ERR | | |
| 26-nov-05 | 1.42.04 | 26-nov-05 | 3.08.36 | 5192 | 19553 | 19554 | MIPAS back to operations after Heater/Refuse Mode (trigger event E3) | | |
| 26-nov-05 | 13.26.16 | 26-nov-05 | 14.52.47 | 5191 | 19560 | 19561 | MIPAS back to operations after Heater/Refuse Mode (trigger event E3) | | |
| 27-nov-05 | 1.11.09 | 27-nov-05 | 2.36.59 | 5150 | 19567 | 19568 | MIPAS back to operations after Heater/Refuse Mode (trigger event E3) | | |

Tab. 1 List of MIPAS unavailability in the period: November 2005.



| 27-nov-05 | 12.54.39 | 27-nov-05 | 14.21.09 | 5190 | 19574 | 19575 | MIPAS back to operations after |
|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|------|-------|-------|--------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | Heater/Refuse Mode |
| | | | | | | | (trigger event E3) |

2.3.1.1 Unavailability during 26-27 Nov: ESU fault

The source of the problem during 26-27 Nov (trigger event E3) has been traced to MPS (ESOC). A sequence used to generate the MIPAS Measurement command (as part of the normal automated recovery sequence) did not contain a link to the NOC_MP table, which is why Nominal Measurement Table #42 was not being selected. This did work properly in an earlier version of the MPS, but unfortunately was not carried over to the current version during an upgrade by the MPS Software Developer. Efforts are underway to correct the current version of MPS, which is expected to be implemented very quickly.

In the interim, the operational workaround is to temporarily hold the commanding sequences on the ground, and manually correct the Measurement command as required before upload. Measurement sequences already on-board were corrected manually in a similar fashion, and have already executed successfully. As a result, no measurement periods have been missed (except for the anomalies over the 26-27 Nov).

Since these 4 anomalies were followed by an automatic recovery procedure, placed at the end of the orbit (around ANX=6032 sec), all data of the following orbits are wrong, so they are useless for scientific purposes.

NB. The orbit 19553-19554, 19560-19561, 19567-19568, 19574-19575 are wrong and should not be used for scientific purpose, this orbits are highlighted in yellow in the next table.

| D ate | | First Las orbit orbi | | Event Driven Scenario | | | | |
|-----------|-----|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----|----------------------|--|--|
| | | | | Orbit | ANX | UTC | S cen ario | |
| 25-Nov-05 | Fri | 19538 | 19552 | 19538 | 500 | 25-Nov-2005 00:14:17 | start UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19539 | 500 | 25-Nov-2005 01:54:53 | stop UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19545 | 500 | 25-Nov-2005 11:58:29 | start UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19546 | 500 | 25-Nov-2005 13:39:04 | stop UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19552 | 500 | 25-Nov-2005 23:42:40 | start UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| 26-Nov-05 | Sat | 19553 | 19566 | 19553 | | | | |
| | | | | 19554 | 500 | 26-Nov-2005 03:03:52 | stop UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19559 | 500 | 26-Nov-2005 11:26:52 | start UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19560 | | | | |
| | | | | 19561 | 500 | 26-Nov-2005 14:48:03 | stop UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19566 | 500 | 26-Nov-2005 23:11:03 | start UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| 27-Nov-05 | Sun | 19567 | 19580 | 19567 | | | | |
| | | | | 19568 | 500 | 27-Nov-2005 02:32:15 | stop UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19573 | 500 | 27-Nov-2005 10:55:15 | start UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |
| | | | | 19574 | | | | |
| | | | | 19575 | 500 | 27-Nov-2005 14:16:26 | stop UTLS1 - Upper Tropo Lower Strato 1 | |



2.3.2 PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

Only Level 0 data coverage is reported below, as currently the Near-Real Time (NRT) mission is suspended, and no systematic operational Off-Line (OFL) processing is performed while the processing algorithms are being adapted to the new observation modes.

| Start time | | Stop time | | Duration | Start Orbit | Stop Orbit |
|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|------------|
| date | UTC | date | UTC | sec | | |
| 01-nov-05 | 6.16.55 | 01-nov-05 | 6.21.41 | 286 | 19198 | 19198 |
| 01-nov-05 | 8.01.20 | 01-nov-05 | 8.01.35 | 15 | 19199 | 19199 |
| 05-nov-05 | 10.38.29 | 05-nov-05 | 10.38.43 | 14 | 19257 | 19258 |
| 07-nov-05 | 6.10.09 | 07-nov-05 | 6.14.13 | 244 | 19283 | 19284 |
| 07-nov-05 | 7.54.34 | 07-nov-05 | 7.54.48 | 14 | 19284 | 19285 |
| 07-nov-05 | 19.56.33 | 07-nov-05 | 19.59.47 | 194 | 19292 | 19292 |
| 08-nov-05 | 2.21.09 | 08-nov-05 | 2.21.23 | 14 | 19295 | 19296 |
| 11-nov-05 | 6.41.33 | 11-nov-05 | 6.42.15 | 42 | 19341 | 19341 |
| 11-nov-05 | 7.28.41 | 11-nov-05 | 7.28.56 | 15 | 19341 | 19342 |
| 12-nov-05 | 10.16.59 | 12-nov-05 | 10.17.13 | 14 | 19357 | 19357 |
| 13-nov-05 | 23.15.12 | 14-nov-05 | 2.42.24 | 12432 | 19380 | 19382 |
| 19-nov-05 | 9.57.12 | 19-nov-05 | 9.57.26 | 14 | 19457 | 19457 |

Tab. 2 List of missing intervals for MIP_NL_0P during November 2005.

During the November 2005 there were two missing intervals for LOS measurements (MIP_LS_0P), these are reported in the next table.

Tab. 3 List of missing intervals for MIP_LS_0P during November 2005.

| Start time | | Stop time | | Duration | Orbit Start | Orbit end |
|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Date | UTC | Date | UTC | sec | | |
| 05-nov-05 | 10.37.38 | 05-nov-05 | 10.37.48 | 10 | 19257 | 19257 |
| 19-nov-05 | 7.07.12 | 19-nov-05 | 7.07.14 | 2 | 19456 | 19456 |

2.3.3 LEVEL 0 STATISTICS

The MIPAS mission is currently planned with a limited duty cycle (around 25%, corresponding to 3 orbits per day), as recommended by Astrium for instrument safety. Nevertheless the availability of the L0 data for the planned time of measurement is high (around 90%). Furthermore if we consider as a reference the time when the instrument is on (discarding instrument unavailability) the percentage of available L0 products is around 97%.



| | | Time [sec] |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Total time over one month (30 days) | t _{tot} | 2592000 |
| Time of planned measurements | t _{plan} | 598391 |
| Unavailability of the instrument | t _{unav} | 51679 |
| Missing L0 products | t _{miss} | 13300 |
| | | |
| Planned duty cycle | t _{plan} / t _{tot} | 23.1% |
| Availability of L0 products wrt planned time | $1-[(t_{unav}+t_{miss})/t_{plan}]$ | 89.14 % |
| Availability of L0 products wrt instrument-on | $1-[t_{miss}/(t_{plan} - t_{unav})]$ | 97.58 % |

Tab. 4 MIPAS Level 0 products statistics during November 2005.

2.4 Instrument Planning and Performance

2.4.1 MIPAS PLANNING

The planning for the MIPAS operations for November 2005 is described in this section.

- Following the recommendations of Astrium the instrument duty cycle is kept to a value of 25% in order to relax INT system, therefore the planned MIPAS measurements are today limited to three orbits per day.
- All activities are planned in nominal mode (2RR operation) with medium resolution (41% 1.64 sec sweeps) with asymmetric transitory sweeps
- According to the implementation of the autorecovery sequence in the FOS-MPS, new MPL_CAL_MP files have been sent with RGC and WCC REPETITION fields set to zero
- Radiometric Gain calibrations (RGC) planned using the MPL_ORS_MP file
- The WCC activity cannot be explicitly requested trough the MPL_ORS_MP file, it is performed after every transition to Heater
- LOS orbits during the week-end with the following inputs:
 - 2 consecutive PRIME orbits + 2 consecutive BACKUP orbits
 - o PITCH BIAS=-0.030<deg>, no harmonics (INT_AUX_MP.27)
 - EL_OFFSET=+000.100000<deg> and NUM_STEPS=+15 (INT_AUM_MP.23)
- Rearward observations only
- MIPAS operations in UTLS-1 mode in support of the SCOUT-O3 campaign

The files transferred to the FOCC for the planning of November 2005 operations are listed in *Appendix* A.

The measurements acquired during the SCOUT-O3 campaign are listed in the following table.



| Time (2005) | Mode | Operational Scenario | Objective/Remarks |
|---|--------|--|---|
| 4 Nov. | UTLS-1 | 1 day (followed by 2 days off) | UTLS dedicated research Onset of Arctic vortex SCOUT campaign (transfer flight O'hofen - Larnaca – Dubai) |
| 7-8 Nov. | UTLS-1 | 2 days (followed by 2 days off) | UTLS dedicated research Evolution of Arctic vortex SCOUT campaign (transfer flight Dubai – Hyderabad - U Taphao) |
| Nov. 11 | UTLS-1 | 1 day on (followed by 2 days off) | UTLS dedicated research Evolution of Arctic vortex SCOUT campaign (transfer flight U Taphao-Darwin) |
| 14 Nov – 6 Dec. (SCOUT intensive campaign period) | UTLS-1 | All orbits within longitudinal sector 100- 150°E at 10°S (i.e. 4-6 orbits per day), followed by three day off | UTLS dedicated research Evolution of Arctic vortex SCOUT (intensive phase, numerous local flights from Darwin base) |

| Tab. 5 MIPAS support to | SCOUT-O3 campaign. |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
|-------------------------|--------------------|

2.4.2 THERMAL PERFORMANCE

The following two plots (Fig. 1 and Fig. 2) show the long-term trends of the IDU and MIO baseplate temperature. The yearly seasonal variations and the interferometer heater switching (see Tab. 6 for the schedule of heater switch-on/off) are clearly visible within the plots.





Fig. 1 IDU temperature as a function of time: November 2002 – November 2005.



Fig. 2 MIO baseplate temperature as a function of time: November 2002 – November 2005.



Tab. 6 Schedule of interferometer heater switch-on/off.

| Heater on | 09-Jan-2004 |
|------------|-------------|
| Heater off | 26-Mar-2004 |
| Heater on | 03-Sep-2004 |
| Heater off | 25-May-2005 |
| Heater on | 17-Oct-2005 |

At the end of August 2005, the temperature was about 4 K warmer than during the critical period at the beginning of 2003. However it seems that the critical temperature is increasing during the mission, nowadays we can consider the temperature of August 2005 (-52°C) as a critical value, that is to say a value when the occurrence of critical errors starts to increase. Furthermore an analysis made by Astrium revealed that the IDU performance improves when the INT-heater is switched-on. Indeed comparing the number of anomalies we had in 2005 operations with the INT heater switched-on wrt the INT heater-off we found:

• 36 INT errors during the time where the INT heater was ON (within 5.5 Month)

• 85 INT errors during the time where the INT heater was OFF (within 3.5 Month)

After this analysis, a decision was taken to switch-on the INT-heater again on 17th October 2005 during a planned unavailability of the instrument. The switching-on of the heater produce an increase of almost 5K of the MIO and IDU temperature, these temperatures reach values comparable to one year ago. The increase of temperature significantly improves the INT performances as will be discussed in the next paragraph.

2.4.3 INTERFEROMETER PERFORMANCE

2.4.3.1 INT performances after heater switch-on

The high increase of IDU anomalies during August and the beginning of October 2005 led to the decision to switch-on the INT heater on 17-Oct 2005 in order to improve the slide performance. The effect of the INT heater switch-on was a significant improvement of the INT performances, in particular the number of critical turn-around error and the number of -4% differential speed error were drastically reduced as can be observed in the next figures. In particular Fig 3 shows that after heater switch-on we didn't record any critical failure, on the contrary this was observed during end of August and beginning of October 2005 operations. In Fig. 4 we can see also that the -4% speed error after heater switch-on was reduced from a value of 70% to a more acceptable value of 40%.





Anomaly INT since 1.1.2005

Fig. 3 MIPAS INT Anomaly during 2005 operations.



Fig. 4 MIPAS -4% differential speed errors during 2RR mission (from Aug 2004 to Nov 2005).



During the last IOP meeting it was also pointed out that the critical temperature is now raised to a value of about -53°C. Indeed when the instrument temperature fell below this temperature (during August 2005) the number of critical turnaround errors increased considerably.

In general, the instrument will perform even better with further increased temperature, for example by switching-on the second INT heater. This strategy can be interesting for future operations and it was proposed during the last IOP as a test scenario for future MIPAS measurements. Nevertheless when further increasing temperature the cooler performances should be monitored with care.

2.4.4 MECHANICAL PERFORMANCE

2.4.4.1 Cooler Performance

During March and April 2005 an evident increase in compressor vibration level has been observed, and starting from the second part of April 2005 the warning threshold of 8 mg has been exceeded many times. After an analysis done by Astrium, it has been found that the MIPAS cooler was not well balanced. The cooler rebalancing was performed from 11 May 07:39 to 12 May 12:14, during an interval of non-planned measurements. The rebalancing did not introduce the expected reduction of compressor vibration level because of the relatively warm environment. For this reason it was decided to switch-off the interferometer cooler on 25 May 2005. After the decontamination (23 May – 1 June 2005) and the Interferometer heater switch-off, the cooler performs extremely well.

The performance of the cooler during the reporting period (November 2005) was nominal with vibration values below our observation warning level of 8 mg, as can be seen in the following figures.





Fig. 5 November 2005: Displacer vibration level.



Fig. 6 November 2005: Compressor vibration level.



The switching-on of the heater leads to increased effort from the cooler, with a slight increase of the compressor vibration level (up to a value of 7 mg) as can be observed in Fig. 6. This behaviour was also noted in the daily cooler plots that are shown in Fig. 7. In these plots a specific pattern can be appreciated with a fixed orbital oscillation and a maximum value of almost 7 mg. The period of the pattern is 100 minutes, this is due to the orbital variation of the environment. In particular there are two environmental factors influencing the cooler:

- <u>The supply voltage</u>: The cooler electronic is supplied by the unregulated ENVISAT power bus. The cooler compressors, which mainly introduce the acceleration, are supplied by use of a PWM (pulse wide modulator) from this bus. Now due to the history of the MIPAS cooler, we have two completely different cooler compressors with a fairly different performance at the cooler. Nominally the compressor A and B are mounted perpendicularly so that the accelerations are minimised during operations. At the end of the cool-down a coarse balance between compressor A and B is performed. The best driving value for compressor B is taken to generate a minimum vibration. Compressor B is always driven by a setting of the percentage (around 102.5 ... 103.5%) to compressor A. Due to the performance variations depending on supply voltage, the vibration pattern varies.
- <u>The environmental temperature</u>: The environmental temperature varies during one orbit and this influences the cooler performance as well. Nevertheless, the influence is much lower than the supply voltage variation.

This behaviour is nominal, but it should be monitored with care, in particular after the INT heater switch-on.



Fig. 7 Displacer and Compressor vibration level: 15th October 2005.



2.5 Level 1 Product Quality Monitoring

2.5.1 PROCESSING CONFIGURATION

Tab. 7 shows the list of IPF updates and the aligned DPM/ADFs and the related NCR/SPRs. Currently the Near-Real Time (NRT) mission is suspended, and no systematic operational Off-Line (OFL) processing is performed while the processing algorithms are being adapted to the new observation modes.

Fig. 7 shows the alignment between the measurement mode (high resolution, reduced resolution with 17 sweeps and double-slide reduced resolution with 27 sweeps) and the corresponding valid IPF and ADF for the processing of both Level 1 and Level 2 products.

The validation of IPF 4.65 is underway and when completed this IPF will be put into operations at the DPAC for reprocessing of RR mission.

| IPF | DI | PM | A | DF | Processor update | | |
|---------|------------|-----|-----|-----|---|--|--|
| Version | L1 | L2 | L1 | L2 | Level 1 | Level 2 | |
| 4.65 | 4 I | 4.1 | 4.1 | 5.1 | | Fixed NCR_1310 | |
| 4.64 | 4 I | 4.1 | 4.1 | 5.1 | Fixed SPR-12100-2011 | | |
| 4.63 | 41 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 5.1 | Fixed SPR-12000-2000: Fixed SPR-12000-2001 | Fixed NCR_1278 Fixed NCR_1308 Rejected NCR_1310 Rejected NCR_1317 | |
| 4.62 | 4 H | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.8 | Fixed NCR_1157 Fixed NCR_1259 | Fixed NCR_1128 Fixed NCR_1275 Fixed NCR_1276 | |

Tab. 7 Historical updates of MIPAS processor and related DPM, ADF and NCR/SPR.

The historical updates in the MIPAS Level 1 processor are detailed in *Appendix B* with all the information on the related NCRs and SPRs.





Fig. 8 IPF validity and ADFs version for processing level 1 and level 2 products. IPF 4.62 is the last operational one, while the IPF 4.65 is currently under validation and will be delivered to DPAC for OFL processing of 2RR mission.

The history of the update of the IPF at each processing site is shown in the following table. IPF 4.62 is the last IPF which was put into operation.

Tab. 8 Historical updates of MIPAS processor at near real time (NRT) processing sites (PDHS-K and PDHS-E) and off-line processing sites (LRAC and D-PAC).

| Centre | Facility Software | Date |
|--------|-------------------|------------|
| D-PAC | V4.62 | 06-09-2004 |
| LRAC | V4.62 | 02-09-2004 |
| D-PAC | V4.61 | 15-03-2004 |
| LRAC | V4.61 | 18-03-2004 |
| PDHS-K | V4.61 | 17-03-2004 |
| PDHS-E | V4.61 | 17-03-2004 |
| LRAC | V4.59 | 20-08-2003 |
| D-PAC | V4.59 | 06-08-2003 |
| PDHS-K | V4.59 | 23-07-2003 |
| PDHS-E | V4.59 | 23-07-2003 |
| PDHS-K | V4.57 | 22-07-2003 |
| LRAC | V4.57 | 22-07-2003 |
| PDHS-K | V4.59 | 21-07-2003 |
| LRAC | V4.59 | 21-07-2003 |
| LRAC | V4.57 | 19-03-2003 |



| PDHS-K | V4.57 | 18-03-2003 |
|--------|-------|------------|
| D-PAC | V4.57 | 05-03-2003 |
| PDHS-E | V4.57 | 04-03-2003 |

2.5.1.1 Auxiliary Data Files

The strategy for the level 1 ADFs update is as follows:

- The MIP_CO1_AX, MIP_CG1_AX and MIP_CS1_AX are updated every week and after a long detectors/cooler switch-off or after a long unavailability
- The MIP_CL1_AX is analysed every two weeks and updated when the pointing error differs with respect to the last disseminated by more than 8 mdeg.
- The MIP_PS1_AX is updated every time there is a setting update.
- The MIP_MW1_AX is updated when the micro-window is changed.
- The MIP_CA1_AX is updated when new characterization parameters are defined.

The ADF files generated and disseminated during November 2005 are listed in the following table.

| Auxiliary Data File | Start Validity | Stop Validity | Updated in Nov 2005 |
|---|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| V6.1 | 08-JAN-05 | 08-JAN-09 | No |
| MIP_MW1_AXVIEC20050627_094928_20040809_000000_20090809_000000 | | | |
| MIP_PS1_AXVIEC20050627_100609_20040809_000000_20090809_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CL1 AXVIEC20050308 113825 20050108 000000 20090108 000000 | 08701-05 | 08TAN-09 | No |
| MIP_CL1_AXVIEC20050420_152028_20050420_095747_20100420_095747 | 20-APR-05 | 20-APR-10 | NO |
| MIP CS1 AXVIEC20051110 102129 20051106 000000 20101106 000000 | 6-NOV-05 | 6-NOV-10 | Yes |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051110_100847_20051106_000000_20101106_000000 | 0 110 0 05 | 0 100 10 | 100 |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20051110_101206_20051106_000000_20101106_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051121_151601_20051114_000000_20101114_000000 | 14-NOV-05 | 14-NOV-10 | Yes |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051121_150557_20051114_000000_20101114_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20051121_150104_20051114_000000_20101114_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051123_151546_20051120_000000_20101120_000000 | 20-NOV-05 | 20-NOV-10 | Yes |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051124_150556_20051120_000000_20101120_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20051124_150101_20051120_000000_20101120_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051129_151549_20051127_000000_20101127_000000 | 27-NOV-05 | 27-NOV-10 | Yes |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051130_150604_20051127_000000_20101127_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20051129_150049_20051127_000000_20101127_000000 | | | |

Tab. 9 Level 1 ADFs valid in November 2005.

In order to prepare the reprocessing of the RR mission some previously disseminated ADFs were corrected and deleted from all the processing centres in order to adjust the start time just before an anomaly event (long detectors/cooler switch-off or after a long unavailability). The list of ADFs deleted and the newly disseminated ones are summarised in the next table.



| Auxiliary Data File | Start Validity | Stop Validity | Updated in Nov 2005 |
|--|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20050310_091926_20050116_000000_20090116_000000 | | | Deleted |
| MIP_C01_AXVIEC20050310_091805_20050116_000000_20090116_000000 MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050310_091646_20050116_000000_20090116_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051115_100927_20050115_061110_20090115_000000 | 15-JAN-05 | 15-JAN-09 | Yes |
| MIP_C01_AXVIEC20051115_100856_20050115_061110_20090115_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_140009_20050115_061110_20090115_000000 | | | |
| MTP_CS1_AXVIEC20050314_154/54_20050128_000000_20090128_000000 MTP_C01_AXVIEC20050314_154452_20050128_000000_20090128_000000 | | | Deleted |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050314_154134_20050128_000000_20090128_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051115_101430_20050127_101949_20090127_000000 | 27-JAN-05 | 27-JAN-09 | Yes |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20051115_101353_20050127_101949_20090127_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_140519_20050127_101949_20090127_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20050616_090921_20050603_000000_20090603_000000 | | | Deleted |
| MIP_C01_AXVIEC20050616_090308_20050603_000000_20090603_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050616_085854_20050603_000000_20090603_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051115_101936_20050601_082740_20090601_000000 | 01-JUN-05 | 01-JUN-09 | Yes |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20051115_101908_20050601_082740_20090601_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_141026_20050601_082740_20090601_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20050810_180640_20050730_000000_20100803_104839 | | | Deleted |
| MIP_CO1_AXVIEC20050811_181639_20050730_000000_20100803_113811 | | | |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050810_180640_20050730_000000_20100803_170424 | | | |
| MIP_CS1_AXVIEC20051115_102512_20050729_005430_20100729_000000 | 29-JUL-05 | 29-JUL-10 | Yes |
| MIP_C01_AXVIEC20051115_102420_20050729_005430_20100729_000000 | | | |
| MIP_CGI_AXVIEC20051115_141830_20050729_005430_20100729_000000 | | | |

The characterization level 1 ADFs (MIP_PS1_AX, MIP_CA1_AX, MIP_MW1_AX) are generated by Bomem. The following table illustrate the history Table of level 1 ADF deliveries, more details can be found in *Appendix C*.

Tab. 11 Historical deliveries of level 1 ADF by Bomem

| ADFs Version | Updated ADF | Start Validity Date | IPF version | Dissemination date |
|-----------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| | MIP_CA1_AX | | | 4-Nov-2003 |
| 3.0 | MIP_MW1_AX | April-2002 | 4.61 | |
| | MIP_PS1_AX | | | |
| 3.1 | MIP_PS1_AX | 09-Jan-2004 | 4.61 | 17-Mar-2004 |
| 3.2 | MIP_PS1_AX | 26-Mar-2004 | 4.61 | 21-Apr-2004 |
| 4.0 draft | MIP_PS1_AX | Not disseminated | 4.62 | - |
| 4.1 TDS6 | MIP_PS1_AX | 09- Aug-2004 | 4.63 | 15-Mar-2005 |
| 5.0 draft | MIP_PS1_AX | Not disseminated | 4.63 | - |
| 6.0 | MIP_PS1_AX | Not disseminated | 4.63 | - |
| 6.1 | MIP_PS1_AX | 09-Aug-2004 | 4.63 | 27-Jun-2005 |



2.5.2 SPECTRAL PERFORMANCE

The calibration file MIP_CS1_AX contains the spectral correction factor (SCF), which compensates for variations in the instrument metrology e.g., aging of the laser. Fig. 7 gives the variation trend over all the 2RR mission (from August 2004). We observe a very stable situation since the variations are of the order of 2 ppm over more than one year of reporting period.



Fig. 9 MIPAS Spectral Calibration Factor (SCF) during RR ops updated to end of Nov 2005.

2.5.3 RADIOMETRIC PERFORMANCE

During November 2005 operations, the weekly increase of gain was always below the 1% warning threshold, as illustrated in Fig. 9. This figure shows the gain calibration check done weekly before disseminating an ADF. The check is done with respect to the last disseminated gain. In the case of a long mission interruption, the gain can change significantly; in this case the check is done the week later with respect to the first gain disseminated after the long interruption. The following figure shows that the check was always satisfied during the November 2005 interval, therefore the gain ADFs have been regularly disseminated.



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Fig. 10 Relative variations of radiometric gain for three disseminated gains (considering only band A) during November 2005 operations. The first two plots in each row are the imaginary gains plotted versus the wave-number, the third plot is the ratio: (abs(w2)-abs(w1))/abs(w1), which gives the gain increase wrt the reference w1 (last dissemiated ADF). The check is satisfied when the gain is lower than the warning threshold of 0.01 (1%).

Figure 11 shows the gain rate during 2005 operations, this rate is obtained as the maximum of the curves of weekly gain variation (abs(w2)-abs(w1))/abs(w1)) observed in Fig. 10. The very high increase of gain rate during Jan-May 2005 operations due to the presence of ice in the detectors can be seen. After the decontamination (end of May 2005) the gain rate suddenly decreases to nominal value (1%) and it remains stable all over the reporting period, up to the end of November 2005.



Fig. 11 Gain rate on a weekly basis during 2005 MIPAS operations updated to the end of Nov 2005.



2.5.3.1 Interpolated gains

During the period January-May 2005, a strong gain increase was observed in the weekly gain variation, as observed in Fig 9. This increase acts on the data quality in two ways:

- If the gain functions are only determined once per week, the drift leads to a scaling error in the calibrated spectra of up to 3.5 % in band A.
- The increase of the gain function corresponds to a decrease of the instrument response. This also decreases the signal-to-noise-ratio and leads to higher NESR-values.

The presence of ice near the detector was found to be the most probable source of this gain increase. Actually the ice reduces the radiation received by the detectors and this is the cause of the gain increase: the gain compensates for the lack of radiation.

Before processing 2005 level 0 data to level 1, a solution had to be found in order to reduce the scaling error in the calibrated spectra. The solution was to calculate and disseminate further gain values in between the already disseminated ones in order to comply with the condition for the gain increase to be lower than 1% between consecutive gains. This gain reprocessing has been done with the support of Bomem and the results are reported in *Appendix D*.

Due to missing L0 products to calculate all the gain calibration ADF files, a program was developed to estimate the missing gain calibration files using the gain calibration ADF files available (already disseminated via the IECF). The program simply performs a linear interpolation between 2 known gains. The second gain is first aligned on the same fringe as the 1st gain before doing the interpolation. The interpolation factor is specified such that there is less than 1% gain difference between 2 consecutive gains.

 $Gain_i = (G2 \times factor) + (G1 \times (1 - factor))$

| Gain_I: | Interpolated Gain vector |
|---------|--|
| G1: | 1 st Gain Calibration vector |
| G2: | 2 nd Gain Calibration vector |
| Factor: | Interpolation factor ($0 < range < 1$) |

For the interpolated gain calibration files, the "SENSING_START" and "SENSING_STOP" fields are set according to the interpolation factors. For example, an interpolation factor of 0.33 applied to two existing gains (acquired 8 days apart), will fix the interpolated gain "SENSING_START" to 8 * 0.33 = 2.6 days later than the 1st gain "SENSING_START". The sensing stop is set to the end of the mission: "SENSING_STOP" = "SENSING_START" + 5 years.

The complete list of the new interpolated gains MIP_CG1_AX files provided by Bomem and disseminated via IECF is reported in *Appendix D*. These 45 MIP_CG1_AX files should be used for the reprocessing of the 2005 2RR MIPAS mission.

2.5.4 POINTING PERFORMANCE

The LOS calibration measurements are performed every week and the mispointing is analysed on a bi-weekly basis. This plan allows the pointing stability to be analysed and guarantees the availability of the data in case of missing products. Initial analysis has shown a marked annual cycle



(as shown in Fig. 10) covering the period September 2002 – June 2005. The figure shows the relative and the absolute pointing error (evaluated taking into account the commanded elevation angle for the LOS calibration). The annual trend is not due to the MIPAS instrument itself, but to a mispointing of the entire ENVISAT platform resulting from the software response to orbit control information. In fact, the update in the pointing software implemented on 12 December 2003 (orbit 9321) has reduced the deviation trend (see last points in Fig. 12).

During November 2005 operations, the LOS calibrations were performed twice and the results of the calibration are reported in the following table and figure. During the last 3 months of operations the relative bias seems to be stable around the value of 5-8 mdeg.

| Date | Orbit # | Relative bias | Absolute bias |
|-------------|---------|----------------------|---------------|
| 12-Nov-2005 | 19356 | 0,008258 | -0,021742 |
| 26-Nov-2005 | 19556 | 0,004861 | -0,025139 |

 Tab. 12 LOS calibration performed on November 2005.



Fig. 12 MIPAS pointing error as a function of the orbit number: September 2002- November 2005.

As can be seen in Fig. 10, there are points where the relative and absolute errors coincide because the angle for LOS measurements has been commanded to 0 mdeg. Tab. 10 shows the history of the commanded angle for LOS measurements.

| Tab. | 13 | LOS | commanded | angle up | odates. |
|------|----|-----|-----------|----------|---------|
|------|----|-----|-----------|----------|---------|

| Start Date | Start Orbit | Stop Date | Stop Orbit | Angle [mdeg] |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| beginning | / | 28 Sep 2002 | 3024 | 0 |
| 05 Oct 2002 | 3123 | 26 Oct 2002 | 3424 | - 22 |
| 02 Nov 2002 | 3524 | 30 Nov 2002 | 3926 | - 25 |



| 07 Dec 2002 | 4025 | 01 Nov 2003 | 8738 | - 40 |
|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|------|
| 08 Nov 2003 | 8835 | 08 Nov 2003 | 8836 | - 25 |
| 10 Nov 2003 | 8864 | 10 Nov 2003 | 8865 | 0 |
| 15 Nov 2003 | 8934 | 6 Mar 2004 | 10538 | - 25 |
| 13 Mar 2004 | 10639 | 20 Nov 2004 | 14250 | 0 |
| 21 Nov 2004 | 14265 | / | / | - 30 |

Starting from the second part of September 2003, only measurements from channel D2 are processed because of the increased noise affecting channel D1. In order to reduce that noise, from 21 November 2004 (orbit 14265), the planning strategy for LOS measurements has been changed and the number of observations per star has been doubled.

During the anomaly investigation in winter 2004, the absence of interferometer operations was used for a dedicated Line of Sight campaign. MIPAS LOS data have been inter-compared with restituted attitude information from the ENVISAT star trackers, in preparation for future operational use of restituted attitude in off-line processing. Fig. 11 presents results from July 29th, 2004. Note that a bias of 24 mdeg was subtracted from the pointing error. Apart from this bias, results from the MIPAS LOS campaign agree with star tracker information. Investigations are currently ongoing to find the cause of this bias.



Fig. 13 Comparison between MIPAS pointing and star tracker information.



2.5.5 ANOMALY STATUS

The following table summarises the anomalies affecting Level 1 products and shows the associated SPR, NCR, AR and HD code.

Tab. 14 Level 1 anomaly list.

| Anomaly | Prototype/DPM SPR | IPF NCR | OAR | HD |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------|------|-----------------|
| Number of sweeps | 128 | / | / | HD/01-2005/1010 |
| per scan | | | | |
| Truncated MIPAS | 132 | 1421 | 1828 | / |
| Gain measurements | | | | |
| MIPAS Aircraft | / | / | 1843 | / |
| Emission | | | | |
| measurements | | | | |

2.5.5.1 Number of Sweeps per Scan

The affected product is orbit 12963 generated with IPF 4.62. SPH gives:

"NUM_SWEEPS_PER_SCAN=+00018", but 17 is the correct value (although the last scan has 18 sweeps).

The problem has been investigated by Bomem and it has been found that the auxiliary data block is missing in the last sweep of the orbit, so detection of the beginning/end of scan cannot be done. The prototype is not affected by the problem because Bomem has solved this particular problem by rejecting the last sweep when its auxiliary data block is missing. This specific case is not documented in the DPM and an SPR will be raised.

2.5.5.2 Truncated MIPAS Gain Measurements

Starting from June 2005, the DS (Deep-Space) and BB (Black-Body) sequence of measurements for MIPAS gain calibration is truncated at the end of a product and continues in the next one. The anomaly prevents automatic processing of gain measurements (with MICAL chain 06 algorithm) with a related delay to the generation and dissemination of Auxiliary Data Files (CS1_AX, CO1_AX, CG1_AX).

The investigation shows that in the planning the Kiruna/Artemis dump times were not taken into account, therefore some calibrations have been split into 2 different Level 0 files.

A workaround was found with the support of Bomem. This process consists of using one MIGSP special function, in order to "reconstruct" the calibration L0 file (by merging two products) and then using it as input to the processor, then finally getting the ADF calibration files.

Since the source and the solution of this problem have been found, this anomaly can be considered closed and the L0 calibration files affected by this problem have been successfully processed in order to get ADF calibration files.



2.5.5.3 MIPAS Aircraft Emission Measurements

Looking at the AE L1B file taken on 5/6 May 2005 (processed with MIGSP), the tangent altitudes seem to be approximately 2km below the 7-38 km range specified in Mission_Plan_V4.1.pdf dated 3 May 2005.

Bomem check these L1B products and the problem does not seem to be due to processing (MIGSP 2.5). The problem was found to be due to the commanding, in particular to the software (SEM mode algorithm) used for the AE measurements. The software was designed only for localized SEM measurements, such as volcano eruptions. The use of this algorithm over a wide area around the globe (such is the case of AE measurements) can lead to very important deviations owing to the earth ellipsoid. This is the cause of the deviation between the planned and measured tangent altitude for these AE measurements. In this sense this anomaly is closed, nevertheless Anu Dudhia reported at the last QWG a further anomaly affecting these products. This consists of a difference of almost 3 km between the retrieved and engineering altitude. This anomaly is not related to the planning and will need a different anomaly report and a deeper investigation in collaboration with Bomem and OU.

2.5.6 RE-PROCESSING STATUS

Figure 14 shows the reprocessing status at the end of August 2005. The L0 expected field on the figure takes into account all instrument and product generation unavailability, so it describes what is actually expected. The discrepancy between expected and received is caused by a delay in the generation of consolidated Level 0 at LRAC.



Fig. 14 Re-processing status at the end of November 2005



2.5.7 OTHER RESULTS

As noted before, no NRT product generation is foreseen for now. For the Science team and QWG, some Level 1B products have been generated using the migsp prototype. The complete list of these products is reported on *Appendix E*.

2.6 Level 2 Product Quality Monitoring

2.6.1 PROCESSOR CONFIGURATION

2.6.1.1 Version

The historical updates in the MIPAS Level 2 IPF processor are summarized in Table 7 and Figure 7 and listed in detail in *Appendix F*.

2.6.1.2 Auxiliary Data Files

Tab. 15 shows the historical dissemination (from January 2003) of Level 2 ADFs until the mission interruption occurred in March 2004. In order to reprocess 2RR mission the latest version of level 2 ADF (version 5.1) was disseminated during November 2005.

| Auxiliary Data File | Start Validity | Description |
|---|-------------------|---|
| ADFs V3.1: MIP_MW2 AXVIEC20030722 134301 20030723 000000 20080722 000000 MIP_0M2_AXVIEC20030722 134602 20030723 000000 20080722 000000 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20030722 102142 20030723 000000 20080722 000000 MIP_P12_AXVIEC20030722 134848 20030723 000000 20080722 000000 MIP_CS2_AXVIEC20030722 13331 20030723 000000 20080722 000000 MIP_SP2_AXVIEC20030722 093046 20030723 000000 20080722 000000 | 23-JUL-03 | Cloud detection enabled and improved validity mask range in Microwindows files; improved Occupation Matrices (no gaps between altitude validity ranges). |
| MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20030214_130918_20030301_000000_20080301_000000 | 01-MAR-03 | Seasonal update of climatological initial guess: This auxiliary file turned out to be corrupt, and a corrected version has been disseminated on 10 March 2003. |
| MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20030307_142141_20030310_000000_20080301_000000 | 10-MAR-03 | Seasonal update of climatological initial guess: This dissemination substitute the corrupt file disseminated previously. |

Tab. 15 Historical update of Level 2 ADFs.



| MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20030522_104714_20030601_000000_20080601_000000 | 01-JUN-03 | Seasonal update of climatological initial guess. |
|---|-------------------------------|--|
| MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20030731_134035_20030901_000000_20080901_000000 | 01-SEP-03 | Seasonal update of climatological initial guess. |
| ADFs V3.6: NRT MIP_MW2_AXVIEC20031021_145505_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_OM2_AXVIEC20031021_145630_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20031021_145858_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PI2_AXVIEC20031021_145745_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_S22_AXVIEC20031021_145337_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_SP2_AXVIEC20031021_150016_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 Off-line MIP_MW2_AXVIEC20031027_100858_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_OM2_AXVIEC20031027_101029_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20031027_101319_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PI2_AXVIEC20031027_10146_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_CS2_AXVIEC20031027_100559_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 | 06-JUL-02 | Activation of cloud detection; removal of the gaps between the altitude validity ranges; altitudes margins fixed to +/- 4 km; short-term ILS bug fix. NRT Old convergence criteria; nominal altitude range. Off-line Improved convergence criteria; altitude range extended to 6-68 km. |
| MIP SP2 AXVIEC20031027 101441 20020706 060000 20080706 060000 MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20031118_151533_20031201_000000_20081201_000000 | 01-DEC-03 | Seasonal update of climatological initial guess. |
| MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20040227_081527_20040301_000000_20090301_000000 | 01-MAR-04 | Seasonal update of climatological initial guess. |
| ADFs V3.7: NRT MIP_MW2_AXVIEC20031021_145505_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_OM2_AXVIEC20040302_110723_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20040302_110923_20040109_000000_20090209_000000 MIP_PI2_AXVIEC20031021_145745_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_SP2_AXVIEC20031021_145337_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_SP2_AXVIEC20031021_150016_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 Off-line MIP_MW2_AXVIEC20031027_100858_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20040302_110823_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20040302_110123_20040109_00000_20090209_000000 MIP_PI2_AXVIEC20031027_101559_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 MIP_SP2_AXVIEC20031027_101441_20020706_060000_20080706_060000 | 06-JUL-02 and 09-JAN-04 | With respect to V3.6: Eliminated scans with one or two altitude levels; adjusted the threshold to the new noise level. |
| ADFs V3.8 NRT MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20040421_095623_20040326_143428_20090326_000000 Off-line MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20040421_095923_20040326_143428_20090326_000000 | 26-MAR-04 | With respect to V3.7, adjusted the threshold to the new noise level. |
| ADFs V5.1 MIP_CS2_AXVIEC20050722_082136_20040809_000000_20040917_220643 MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20050721_130007_20040809_000000_20040901_000000 MIP_IG2_AXVIEC20050721_134702_20040901_000000_20040917_220643 MIP_MW2_AXVIEC20050721_144629_20040809_000000_20040917_220643 MIP_PI2_AXVIEC20050721_142545_20040809_000000_20040917_220643 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20050721_141630_20040809_000000_20040917_220643 MIP_PS2_AXVIEC20050721_141630_20040809_000000_20040917_220643 | 8-SET-04 | For processing RR measurement with fixed altitude and old vertical sampling |

Further details on the Level 2 ADF deliveries provided by IFAC are reported in *Appendix G*.



2.6.2 ANOMALY STATUS

Table 12 summarises the anomalies affecting Level 2 products and shows the associated SPR, NCR, AR and HD code.

Tab. 16 Level 2 anomaly list.

| Anomaly | Prototype/DPM SPR | IPF NCR | AR | HD |
|---------------------------|----------------------|------------|------|---------------|
| Anomalous processing time | 33 | 1127 | 1361 | / |
| Jump anomaly | / | / | / | HD/01- |
| | | | | 2005/1013 |
| Strange Impossible values | / | / | / | HD 2005003487 |
| Excessive Chi-square | / | 1458 | 1929 | / |

2.6.2.1 Anomalous Processing Time

An anomalous processing time characterises the processing of some offline products generated with IPF 4.59. Two different anomalies have been observed:

• 9 hours of processing instead of nominal 6 hours. Example:

MIP_NL__1POLRA20031006_005226_000060272020_00289_08359_1882.N1

- MIP_NL_2PODPA20031006_005226_000060262020_00289_08359_0261.N1
- Processing failure after 24 hours of processing. Example:
- MIP_NL__1POLRA20031024_012653_000060272021_00046_08617_0043.N1

For the first case, the anomaly is still under investigation. The second problem has been temporarily solved with a new MIP_OM2_AX that filter scans composed by only one vertical level (generating a loop that causes the processing to fail). For a definitive solution, the DMP will be changed (SPR 33) and the modifications will be implemented in next IPF delivery.

2.6.2.2 Jump Anomaly

Oxford University detected a jump in the zonal means of all Level 2 NRT data produced after switch-on on 8th February until 16th February 2004, compared with Level 2 data generated from 17th March 2004 but also with the data until switch-off on 9th February 2004. The anomaly is still under investigation, but aux data activation can already be excluded as the potential cause.

2.6.2.3 Strange Impossible values

When considering 6971 L2 product files (processed by the D-PAC with IPF 4.61 and 4.62) from all the mission (464546 profiles), Fricke found strange or impossible values in 231 profiles. "Impossible values" are negative variances in the corrected altitude, pressure, and temperature profiles. "Strange values" are geophysically strange values, such as pressure higher than 1.5 bar,



pressure below 1 microbar, temperatures below 130 K or above 450 K, differences among LOS altitudes and corrected altitudes larger than 5 km. Since a detailed analysis of each of the 231 products is not feasible due to the operations deadline, a general explanation was supplied to the user.

- The presence of strange values in the retrieved product is not surprising. Actually we are retrieving some "information" (atmospheric profiles) from the MIPAS measurement (radiance spectra). In some cases, these spectra are not sensitive to the parameter to be retrieved for many reasons (e.g.: unflagged cloudy sweeps, corruption in the spectra, very low value of the parameter to be retrieved). In these cases, the uncertainty in the parameter is comparable to its value, therefore this parameter is undetermined: it can assume any value based around the uncertainty (negative, very small or very high).

- These strange values can also result from an instability in the retrieval due to the presence of cloudy or corrupted sweeps. In fact the p-T profile is retrieved all at once (from 6 to 68 km) and a corruption in one sweep can propagate to neighbouring sweeps (e.g.: an instability can occur just above a cloudy measurement).

- The presence of negative variance is not real, but it happens when the VCM matrix to be inverted is ill-conditioned (due to high correlation between parameters for example). In this case, the routine used to invert the matrix can give very strange results and in the diagonal you can find also negative values, which is due to the fact that the matrix to be inverted is close to being singular.

Note that the retrieval of p-T is performed at the same time and that the corrected altitudes are simply the engineering values corrected for the hydrostatic equilibrium using the retrieved p-T profile. Finally, a deeper analysis of the results shows that a strange value in the pressure or temperature results in errors in the corrected altitudes or that negative variances in the temperature often correspond to negative variances for pressure and for corrected altitude.

In conclusion in most of the cases these strange values are due only to instability in the (p+T+Zcorr) retrieval stage due to different reasons, some of them explained above. Nevertheless it will be important to isolate the most particular cases to see if there is any significant anomaly and it will be very important for the future to set up a strategy for masking unphysical results in the L2 products.

2.6.2.4 Excessive chi-square

NO2 MIPAS products for orbit #7000 (3 July 2003) came with high values of chi2, that were not reproduced in retrievals performed with the prototype using the same aux files set. This NCR 1458 it was classified as critical and will be analyzed by the IPF developers.



APPENDIX A FILES TRANSFERRED TO THE FOCC

The following files were transferred to the FOCC for the November 2005 planning activities.

RGT files already transferred to the FOCC

AVI UAV TLVFOS20051017 160800 00000000 00000342 20051021 001917 20051022 061438.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051017 161600 00000000 00000343 20051022 094210 20051130 120000.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051019 121623 00000000 00000001 20051022 094210 20051025 094300.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051018 194641 00000000 00000344 20051025 094341 20051028 031022.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051018 194641 00000000 00000345 20051028 182545 20051029 073201.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051018 194641 00000000 00000346 20051029 110304 20051029 142256.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051018_194641_00000000_00000347_20051101_175953_20051105_071236.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051018_194641_00000000_00000348_20051105_104256_20051106_233448.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051018 194641 00000000 00000349 20051109 002209 20051110 230855.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051018 194641 00000000 00000350 20051112 002754 20051112 065328.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051018_194641_00000000_00000351_20051112_102127_20051130_120000.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000352 20051112 102127 20051113 231440.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000353 20051114 024552 20051114 105852.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000354_20051114_143004_20051115_002339.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000355_20051115_021415_20051115_120751.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000356 20051115 135827 20051115 235202.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000357 20051116 014238 20051116 113614.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000358 20051116 132650 20051116 232025.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000359 20051117 025137 20051117 110437.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 0000000 00000360 20051117 143549 20051118 002924.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000361 20051118 022000 20051118 121336.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000362_20051118_140412_20051118_235747.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000363 20051119 014823 20051119 063121.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000364_20051119_100141_20051119_114159.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000365_20051119_133235_20051119_232610.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000366_20051120_025722_20051120_111022.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000367 20051120 144134 20051121 003509.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000368 20051121 022545 20051121 121921.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000369_20051121_140957_20051122_000332.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000370_20051122_015408_20051122_114744.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000371 20051122 133820 20051122 233155.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000372_20051123_030307_20051123_111607.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000373_20051123_144718_20051124_004054.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000374 20051124 023130 20051124 104430.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000375_20051124_141541_20051125_000917.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000376 20051125 015953 20051125 115329.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000377 20051125 134404 20051125 233740.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000378 20051126 030852 20051126 061204.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000379 20051126 094203 20051126 112152.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051027_164957_00000000_00000380_20051126_145303_20051126_230603.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000381 20051127 023715 20051127 105015.N1 AVI UAV TLVFOS20051027 164957 00000000 00000382 20051127 142126 20051130 120000.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051028_162900_00000000_00000383_20051119_100141_20051119_114159.N1 AVI_UAV_TLVFOS20051028_163000_00000000_00000384_20051126_094203_20051126_112152.N1



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MPL_CAL_MPVRGT20051018_145352_00000000_00000070_20051028_030701_20781231_235959.N1 MPL_CAL_MPVRGT20051019_133850_00000000_00000071_20051106_233127_20781231_235959.N1

MPL_ORS_MPVRGT20051018_183744_0000000_0000098_20051028_112905_20051028_165939.N1 MPL_ORS_MPVRGT20051018_184432_00000000_00000099_20051029_155916_20051111_005926.N1 MPL_ORS_MPVRGT20051019_134639_00000000_00000100_20051029_155916_20051111_040228.N1 MPL_ORS_MPVRGT20051027_153721_00000000_00000101_20051114_121702_20051120_124242.N1 MPL_ORS_MPVRGT20051027_160529_00000000_00000102_20051121_133730_20051127_122235.N1 MPL_ORS_MPVRGT20051028_122557_00000000_00000103_20051128_131723_20051204_134304.N1

IF-9 calibration starting in orbit #19139 at ANX=500 sec:

CTI_E02_MPVRGT20051018_150747_0000000_0000086_20051028_031416_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_E01_MPVRGT20051018_150747_00000000_0000086_20051028_031419_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_AST_MPVRGT20051018_150747_00000000_0000086_20051028_031422_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_N01_MPVRGT20051018_150747_00000000_00000043_20051028_031425_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_S02_MPVRGT20051018_150747_00000000_00000023_20051028_031428_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_NOC_MPVRGT20051018_150747_00000000_0000086_20051028_031431_20781231_235959.N1

MA mode starting in orbit #19143 at ANX=500 sec:

CTI_E02_MPVRGT20051018_153413_0000000_0000087_20051028_095640_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_E01_MPVRGT20051018_153413_0000000_0000087_20051028_095643_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_AST_MPVRGT20051018_153413_00000000_00000087_20051028_095646_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_N02_MPVRGT20051018_153412_00000000_00000044_20051028_095649_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_S04_MPVRGT20051018_153412_00000000_00000022_20051028_095652_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_NOC_MPVRGT20051018_153412_00000000_00000087_20051028_095655_20781231_235959.N1

IF-10 calibration in orbit #19144:

CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_161029_0000000_00000147_20051028_122821_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_161433_00000000_00000148_20051028_123001_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_161639_00000000_00000149_20051028_123321_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_161856_00000000_00000150_20051028_123321_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_162103_00000000_00000151_20051028_123501_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_162357_00000000_00000152_20051028_123641_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_162357_00000000_00000153_20051028_123821_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_162906_00000000_00000153_20051028_123821_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_163149_00000000_00000154_20051028_124001_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_163429_00000000_00000155_20051028_124141_20781231_235959.N1

IF-11 calibration in orbit #19145:



CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_164925_00000000_00000156_20051028_133537_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_BBN_MPVRGT20051018_165242_00000000_00000085_20051028_133637_20781231_235959.N1

IF-16 calibration in orbits #19146-19147:

CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_175003_00000000_00000157_20051028_145253_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_BBN_MPVRGT20051018_175255_00000000_00000086_20051028_145353_20781231_235959.N1

re-set default DS and BB tables:

CTI_DSN_MPVRGT20051018_175613_00000000_00000158_20051028_163329_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_BBN_MPVRGT20051018_180827_00000000_00000087_20051028_163429_20781231_235959.N1

UA mode starting in orbit #19190 at ANX=500 sec:

CTI_E02_MPVRGT20051018_155459_0000000_0000088_20051031_164448_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_E01_MPVRGT20051018_155459_00000000_0000088_20051031_164451_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_AST_MPVRGT20051018_155459_00000000_00000088_20051031_164454_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_N01_MPVRGT20051018_155459_00000000_00000044_20051031_164457_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_S06_MPVRGT20051018_155459_00000000_00000021_20051031_164500_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_NOC_MPVRGT20051018_155459_00000000_0000088_20051031_164503_20781231_235959.N1

UTLS-1 mode starting in orbit #19280 at ANX=500 sec:

CTI_E02_MPVRGT20051019_165720_0000000_0000089_20051106_233842_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_E01_MPVRGT20051019_165720_0000000_0000089_20051106_233845_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_AST_MPVRGT20051019_165720_00000000_00000089_20051106_233848_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_N02_MPVRGT20051019_165720_00000000_00000045_20051106_233851_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_S08_MPVRGT20051019_165720_00000000_00000023_20051106_233854_20781231_235959.N1 CTI_NOC_MPVRGT20051019_165720_00000000_00000089_20051106_233857_20781231_235959.N1



APPENDIX B LEVEL 1 IPF HISTORICAL UPDATES

The historical updates to the MIPAS Level 1 IPF processor are listed here:

- Version V4.65 no update of Level 1 for this version
- Version V4.64 (aligned with DPM 4I and ADFs V4.1) introduced modifications only for the Level 1 processor, with the following update:

- Fixed internal SPR-12100-2011: Problem with the block sequence

• Version V4.63 (aligned with DPM 4I and ADFs V4.1) introduced modifications for both Level 1 and Level 2 processors. For the Level 1 processor, the following updates were introduced:

- Processing of low resolution measurements, with reduced resolution also for offset and gain data.

- Solution of internal SPR-12000-2000: Band D oscillations in forward sweeps for MIPAS reduced-resolution products

- Solution of internal SPR-12000-2001: NESR data problem

• Version V4.62 (aligned with DPM 4H and ADFs V4.0) introduced modifications for both Level 1 and Level 2 processors. For the Level 1 processor, the following updates were introduced:

- Processing of low resolution measurements, without reduced resolution for offset and gain data that will be implemented in IPF 4.63.

- Fixed NCR_1157: Bug in the MIPAS processor ILS retrieval.
- Fixed NCR_1259: Scans with null NESR.
- Version V4.61 consists of updates for both Level 1 and Level 2:
 - Fixed NCR_1143: Sparse corruption of bands between 1 and 4 January 2004.
- Version V4.59 has introduced only upgrade on Level 2 processor.
- Version V4.57 involved only Level 1 processor update, introducing the following modifications:
 - Modification of FCE algorithm
 - Elimination of strong anomalous oscillations in the spectra
 - Modification of NESR reporting
 - ADC saturation flagging
 - Addition of aliasing spike suppression algorithm



APPENDIX C LEVEL 1 ADF HISTORICAL UPDATES

The Level 1 characterization files (MIP_CA1_AX, MIP_MW1_AX, MIP_PS1_AX) are provided by Bomem and updated when needed, the historic updates of these three ADF are listed hereafter.

Version 3.0

MIP_CA1_AX

- Modify non-linearity coefficients for reverse sweep. Coefficients for forward are kept as is
- Neutral equalization filter for band A

MIP_MW1_AX

- Removal of band D microwindow D_H20b at 1870.8049 cm-1
- Set spectral calibration microwindow altitude to 32 km

MIP_PS1_ÂX

- Number of co-additions for spectral calibration was set to 4
- Number of co-additions for ILS retrieval was set to 10

Version 3.1

MIP_PS1_AX

• Changed the threshold to take into account the modified noise level

Version 3.2

MIP_PS1_AX

• Changed the threshold to take into account the modified noise level

Version 4.0 draft

MIP_PS1_AX

- OPD set to 8.2 cm
- Channel A set to 4561 points
- Channel AB set to 2401 points
- Channel B set to 4561 points
- Channel C set to 2881 points
- Channel D set to 9441 points
- Number of co-additions for ILS retrieval was set to 5

Version 4.1 (TDS 6)

MIP_PS1_AX

- OPD set to 8.2 cm
- Channel A set to 4561 points
- Channel AB set to 2401 points
- Channel B set to 4561 points
- Channel C set to 2881 points
- Channel D set to 9441 points



- Number of co-additions for ILS retrieval was set to 5
- Set standard deviation threshold to 5 for Scene measurement quality

Version 5.0 draft

MIP_PS1_AX

- OPD set to 10 cm
- Channel A set to 5701 points
- Channel AB set to 3001 points
- Channel B set to 5701 points
- Channel C set to 3601 points
- Channel D set to 11801 points
- Set standard deviation threshold to 5 for Scene measurement quality

Version 6.0

MIP_PS1_AX

- OPD set to 20 cm
- Spike detection standard deviation threshold set to 10
- Spike detection number of points per block set to 256
- Set standard deviation threshold to 5 for Scene measurement quality

Version 6.1

MIP_PS1_AX

- OPD set to 8.2 cm
- Spike detection standard deviation threshold set to 10
- Spike detection number of points per block set to 256
- Set standard deviation threshold to 5 for Scene measurement quality

When one ADF is modified the three AUX file are disseminated with the same START/STOP time and this correspond to a new level 1 ADF delivery, this prevents confusion.



APPENDIX D INTERPOLATED GAINS

The following table lists the interpolated gain files generated by Bomem in order to solve the problem of the strong gain increase during Jan-May 2005 operations. The gain files already disseminated are highlighted in the table in green, while the newly generated gains are in orange.

| ADF file name | Туре |
|---|--------------------------|
| | (* - interpolated gains) |
| MIP CG1_AXVIEC20050309_081858_20050108_000000_20090108_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_0) |
| MIP CG1 AXVIEC20051115 085521 20050118 120000 20100118 120000 | Gain (CG 0 a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050310_091646_20050116_000000_20090116_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_1) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_085521_20050118_120000_20100118_120000 | Gain (CG_1_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050311_085855_20050121_000000_20090121_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_2) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_090016_20050124_120000_20100124_120000 | Gain (CG_2_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050314_154134_20050128_000000_20090128_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_3) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_090529_20050130_150000_20100130_150000 | Gain (CG_3_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_091036_20050202_080000_20100202_080000 | Gain (CG_3_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050315_131822_20050205_000000_20090205_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_4) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_101639_20050209_120000_20100209_120000 | Gain (CG_4_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050316_081309_20050214_000000_20090214_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_5) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_102136_20050217_000000_20100217_000000 | Gain (CG_5_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_102701_20050220_000000_20100220_000000 | Gain (CG_5_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_103156_20050223_000000_20100223_000000 | Gain (CG_5_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_103702_20050226_000000_20100226_000000 | Gain (CG_5_d) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050405_145110_20050301_000000_20090301_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_6) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_104209_20050303_150000_20100303_150000 | Gain (CG_6_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_104705_20050306_080000_20100306_080000 | Gain (CG_6_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050406_070802_20050309_000000_20090309_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_7) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_105212_20050311_000000_20100311_000000 | Gain (CG_7_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050407_072135_20050314_000000_20090313_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_8) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_105723_20050315_000000_20100315_000000 | Gain (CG_8_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_110250_20050316_115754_20100316_000000 | Gain (CG_8_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_122231_20050319_000000_20100319_000000 | Gain (CG_8_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050407_143713_20050321_000000_20090321_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_9) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_122732_20050323_070000_20100323_070000 | Gain (CG_9_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_123244_20050325_160000_20100325_160000 | Gain (CG_9_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050411_123723_20050328_000000_20090328_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_10) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_123754_20050330_070000_20100330_070000 | Gain (CG_10_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_124300_20050401_160000_20100401_160000 | Gain (CG_10_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050412_072926_20050404_000000_20090404_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_11) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_124808_20050406_000000_20100406_000000 | Gain (CG_11_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_125321_20050408_000000_20100408_000000 | Gain (CG_11_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_125829_20050410_000000_20100410_000000 | Gain (CG_11_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050415_073538_20050412_231018_20100412_231018 | Gain calibration (CG_12) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_130340_20050414_000000_20100414_000000 | Gain (CG_12_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_130903_20050416_000000_20100416_000000 | Gain (CG_12_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_131404_20050418_000000_20100418_000000 | Gain (CG_12_c) * |



| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050421_065554_20050420_133450_20100420_133450 | Gain calibration (CG_13) |
|---|--------------------------|
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_131917_20050421_120000_20100421_120000 | Gain (CG_13_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_132409_20050423_000000_20100423_000000 | Gain (CG_13_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_132925_20050424_120000_20100424_120000 | Gain (CG_13_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050427_150526_20050426_225532_20100426_225532 | Gain calibration (CG_14) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_133432_20050427_160000_20100427_160000 | Gain (CG_14_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_133942_20050429_070000_20100429_070000 | Gain (CG_14_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_134453_20050501_000000_20100501_000000 | Gain (CG_14_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_134947_20050502_160000_20100502_160000 | Gain (CG_14_d) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_135453_20050504_070000_20100504_070000 | Gain (CG_14_e) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050509_150546_20050506_153444_20100506_153444 | Gain calibration (CG_15) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_154052_20050507_030000_20100507_030000 | Gain (CG_15_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_151144_20050508_060000_20100508_060000 | Gain (CG_15_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_151255_20050509_090000_20100509_090000 | Gain (CG_15_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_151358_20050510_120000_20100510_120000 | Gain (CG_15_d) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_151458_20050511_150000_20100511_150000 | Gain (CG_15_e) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_151558_20050512_180000_20100512_180000 | Gain (CG_15_f) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_151702_20050513_210000_20100513_210000 | Gain (CG_15_g) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050523_090017_20050515_000000_20090515_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_16) |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_150616_20050516_090000_20100516_090000 | Gain (CG_16_a) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_150747_20050517_190000_20100517_190000 | Gain (CG_16_b) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_150831_20050519_040000_20100519_040000 | Gain (CG_16_c) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20051115_150940_20050520_140000_20100520_140000 | Gain (CG_16_d) * |
| MIP_CG1_AXVIEC20050524_081749_20050522_000000_20090522_000000 | Gain calibration (CG_17) |



APPENDIX E LEVEL 1B PRODUCTS GENERATED WITH PROTOTYPE

The following level 1b products were created by running the migsp prototype and were delivered to the QWG.

MA

MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050111_014126_000060332033_00404_14987_0765.N1

UTLS-1

MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050117_115639_000060122033_00496_15079_0824.N1 MIP_NL_1PMPDK20051120_111053_000014832042_00381_19473_0493.N1 MIP_NL_1PMPDK20051120_131234_000051352042_00382_19474_0494.N1

UA

MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050121_113027_000060312034_00052_15136_0855.N1

UTLS-2

MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050123_120742_000060732034_00081_15165_0874.N1

Nominal Measurements (RR, 27 sweeps per scan) with fixed altitude

MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050128_125114_000060542034_00153_15237_0908.N1 MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050128_143210_000060212034_00154_15238_0909.N1 MIP_NL_1PPLRA20050128_161233_000060212034_00155_15239_0910.N1

Nominal Measurements (RR, 27 sweeps per scan) with floating altitude MIP NL 1PNPDK20050301 113042 000060482035 00109 15694 0774.N1

MIP_NL__1PNPDK20050301_113042_000000482035_00109_13094_0774.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDK20050301_131032_000059792035_00110_15695_0766.N1

July 2003 S6 reprocessing

MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030704_121645_000060262017_00453_07020_0120.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030704_135638_000059212017_00454_07021_0127.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030704_153445_000058952017_00455_07022_0122.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030704_171226_000058622017_00456_07023_0123.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030704_184910_000061052017_00457_07024_0124.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030704_202907_000062392017_00458_07025_0125.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030705_050206_000045322017_00463_07030_0133.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDK20030705_093800_000017672017_00466_07033_0134.N1

5-6 May Aircraft Emission (AE) Measurements

Only 6 orbits have been processed, due to a processing problem we have one file for each measured scan. The following files have been delivered to the QWG team.

AE_Canada_US_a:

MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050506_031821_000000632037_00047_16634_0806.N1



MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_031922_000000332037_00047_16634_0795.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_031954_000000332037_00047_16634_0792.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032025_000000332037_00047_16634_0791.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032056_000000332037_00047_16634_0796.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032128_000000332037_00047_16634_0800.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032159_000000332037_00047_16634_0799.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032231_000000332037_00047_16634_0793.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032302_000000332037_00047_16634_0793.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032302_000000332037_00047_16634_0794.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_032334_000000332037_00047_16634_0797.N1

AE_Canada_US_d:

| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_122836_000000542037_00038_16625_1245.N1 |
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| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123002_00000632037_00038_16625_1261.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123103_000000332037_00038_16625_1253.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123134_000000332037_00038_16625_1251.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123206_000000332037_00038_16625_1256.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123237_000000332037_00038_16625_1262.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123308_000000332037_00038_16625_1264.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123340_000000332037_00038_16625_1252.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123411_000000332037_00038_16625_1258.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123443_000000332037_00038_16625_1257.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123514_000000332037_00038_16625_1263.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123545_000000332037_00038_16625_1259.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123617_000000332037_00038_16625_1246.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123648_000000332037_00038_16625_1247.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123720_000000332037_00038_16625_1248.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123751_000000332037_00038_16625_1250.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123822_000000332037_00038_16625_1260.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123854_000000332037_00038_16625_1254.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123925_000000332037_00038_16625_1249.N1 |
| MIP_NL | 1PNPDK20050505_123957_000000352037_00038_16625_1255.N1 |

AE_Europe_a:

MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050505_235709_000000632037_00045_16632_0749.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050505_235913_000000332037_00045_16632_0756.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050505_235945_000000332037_00045_16632_0765.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050506_000016_000000332037_00045_16632_0755.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050506_000047_000000332037_00045_16632_0760.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050506_000119_000000332037_00045_16632_0753.N1

AE_Ocean_a:

MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_013745_000000632037_00046_16633_0787.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_013846_000000332037_00046_16633_0786.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_013918_000000332037_00046_16633_0777.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_013949_000000332037_00046_16633_0788.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_014021_000000332037_00046_16633_0778.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_014052_000000332037_00046_16633_0783.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_014123_000000332037_00046_16633_0773.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_014123_000000332037_00046_16633_0773.N1 MIP_NL__1PNPDE20050506_014155_000000332037_00046_16633_0771.N1



MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050506_014226_000000332037_00046_16633_0781.N1 MIP_NL_1PNPDE20050506_014258_000000332037_00046_16633_0785.N1

AE_Ocean_d:

| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_090850_000000632037_00036_16623_1186.N1 |
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| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_090951_000000332037_00036_16623_1194.N1 |
| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_091331_000000332037_00036_16623_1209.N1 |
| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_091402_000000332037_00036_16623_1212.N1 |
| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_091434_000000332037_00036_16623_1219.N1 |
| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_091505_000000332037_00036_16623_1217.N1 |
| MIP_NL1PNPDK20050505_091536_000000332037_00036_16623_1214.N1 |
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APPENDIX F LEVEL 2 IPF HISTORICAL UPDATES

The historical updates to the MIPAS Level 2 IPF processor are listed hereafter:

- Version V4.65 (aligned with DPM 4.1 and ADFs V5.1, under validation) introduces modifications only for the Level 2 processor, with the following update:
 - Solution of NCR_1310: Problem with MIP_NL_2P
- Version V4.64 no update for the Level 2 processor in this version
- Version V4.63 (aligned with DPM 4.1 and ADFs V5.1) has introduced the following modifications:

- Processing of reduced resolution measurements in old configuration (17 sweeps per scan and fixed altitude – August/September 2004 measurements).

- Solution of NCR_1278: Some MIPAS profiles have zero pressure
- Solution of NCR_1308: MIPAS Level 2 failure.
- Rejection of NCR_1310: Problem with MIPNL_2P
- Rejection of NCR_1317: One second discrepancy in IPF 4.61
- Version V4.62 (aligned with DPM 4.0) has solved the following problems:
 - Fixed NCR_1128: Cloud-detection anomaly.
 - Fixed NCR_1275: Inconsistent values in MIPAS files.
 - Fixed NCR_1276: Level2 profile counting bug.
- Version V4.60 has solved the following problems:
 - Fixed NCR_992: Inconsistency in number of profiles in MIPAS Level_2.

- Fixed NCR_1068: Number of computed residual spectra not consistent with the number of observations.

- Version V4.59, operational since 23 July 2003, has introduced only Level 2 processing modifications. The main improvements introduced via both the processor V4.59 and the installation of a new set of ADFs have been:
 - Fixed NCR_892: Inconsistency in number of scans.
 - Fixed NCR_893: Different values for same scans.

- The cloud filtering (that is, every time a cloud is detected at a given altitude, the retrieval is performed only above that altitude)

- The removal of the gaps between the altitude validity ranges (allowing retrievals in the Antarctic region not feasible with the old MIP_MW2_AX)

- Altitudes margins fixed to +/- 4 km

- MIPAS-SPR-MAINT-0011 Wrong DSD name in L2 product in case of not requested VMR $% \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M} + \mathcal$

- MIPAS-SPR-MAINT-0012 Filling of SPH field 22 of MIPAS Level 2 ProductsMIPAS-SPR-MAINT-0013 Filling of the MIPAS MPH and MIPAS Level 2 SPH fields

- MIPAS-SPR-MAINT-0014 Wrong writing of PCD String to the PCD Information ADS
- MIPAS-SPR-MAINT-0015 Too strong test and skipping retrieval
- MIPAS-SPR-MAINT-0016 Not initialised nucl1 and nucl2 in R 8.5.6.3-7A
- ENVI-GSOP-EOAD-NC-03-0539 MIPAS L2 processing aborted



APPENDIX G LEVEL 2 ADF HISTORICAL UPDATES

The Level 2 ADF files historical deliveries by IFAC are reported in the following table and paragraph. Version 4 corresponds to a set of ADFs for processing of full resolution measurements, with the noise level adjusted for when the interferometer heaters are switched-on and a flag set for processing of only nominal measurements. Version 5 corresponds to ADFs for processing of reduced spectral resolution measurement (17 sweeps operations), so is able to process the measurements done in the Aug-Sept 2004 period.

| Version | Date of | List of files upgraded by | Main modifications |
|---------|------------|---------------------------|---|
| | delivery | IFAC | |
| ADF | 03.09.2004 | NRT: | Changed the flag in PS2 file spec_events_flag from "B" |
| V4.0 | | MIP_PS2_AX_NRT_V4.0 | (dec 66) to "N" (dec 78). |
| | | OFL: | Increased NESR threshold in PS2 files as in V3.7. |
| | | MIP_PS2_AX_OFL_V4.0 | |
| ADF | 03.09.2004 | NRT: | Changed the flag in PS2 file spec_events_flag from "B" |
| V4.1 | | MIP_PS2_AX_NRT_V4.1 | (dec 66) to "N" (dec 78). |
| | | OFL: | NESR threshold in PS2 files as in V3.6. |
| | | MIP_PS2_AX_OFL_V4.1 | |
| ADF | 18.03.2005 | MIP_PS2_AX_V5 | New microwindows selected for reduced spectral |
| V5.0 | | MIP_CS2_AX_V5 | resolution, and corresponding cross section LUT, |
| | | MIP_MW2_AX_V5 | occupation matrices and Initial Guess for continuum |
| | | MIP_PI2_AX_V5 | (July and October seasons). Boundaries of the |
| | | MIP_IG2_AX_V5_july | microwindows for cloud detection modified to match |
| | | MIP_IG2_AX_V5_october | the new spectral grid at reduced resolution. New |
| | | MIP_OM2_AX_V5 | Pointing Information (PI) with a smaller error in LOS, |
| | | | new settings (PS) for handling reduced resolution |
| | | | measurements and optimised convergence criteria |
| | | | thresholds for reduced resolution mws. |
| ADF | 05.07.2005 | MIP_MW2_AX_V5.1 | Spectroscopic line list relative to the new microwindow |
| V5.1 | | MIP_SP2_AX_V5.1 | database for reduced spectral resolution; PT error |
| | | MIP_OM2_AX_V5.1 | propagation matrices for nominal OMs added in file |
| | | | MIP_OM2_AX; upper limit of a microwindow for |
| | | | cloud detection changed. |

• ADFs V5.1

In this latest release of the ADFs, the spectroscopic line list relative to the new microwindow database for reduced spectral resolution was updated. Also, the PT error propagation matrices for nominal OMs (file MIP_OM2_AX) and the upper limit of a microwindow for cloud detection were changed.

• ADFs V5.0

ADFs for processing of double-slide reduced resolution measurements in the old configuration (17 sweeps per scan, fixed altitude – August/September 2004 data). Those ADFs contain new settings (convergence criteria, NESR threshold in MIP_PS2_AX) and new MWs (MIP_MW2_AX) and OMs (MIP_OM2_AX) optimised for the reduced resolution mode. They



also contain a new MIP_PI2_AX updated taking into account the results of an investigation done by Bologna University on LOS. In fact, a new definition of the pointing covariance data was performed according to the available pointing characterization measurements. In particular, the errors on tangent altitude increments obtained from the analysis of LOS-specific measurements were found to be smaller (87 m versus 120 m) than those derived using an empirical model based on the pointing specifications. Tests on Level 2 p, T retrievals confirmed that a LOS pointing error of about 80 m provides a constraint for p, T retrieval that is perfectly compliant with the observed limb radiances. Eighty metres is a reasonably conservative estimate of the error on tangent altitude increments that can be used in the PDS for operational MIPAS retrievals. Reduction of the LOS error from 120 to 80 m leads to a reduction of both p and T error turns-out to be reduced from 1.1 to 1.0 K. The delivered auxiliary data file containing LOS VCM data (MIP_PI2_AX) can be used in Level 2 to process both high and low resolution measurements acquired either in the new or in the old measurement scenario.

• ADFs V4.1

ADFs for processing of full resolution measurements, with MIP_PS2_AX file with noise level adjusted to interferometer heaters switched-off and flag set for processing of only nominal measurements.

• ADFs V4.0

ADFs for processing of full resolution measurements, with MIP_PS2_AX file with noise level adjusted to interferometer heaters switched-on and flag set for processing of only nominal measurements.