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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Purpose and Scope

This document contains the Quality report for GOCE L1b data for November 2010.

The latest version of this document is available on the GOCE Data Quality portal at:

<u>http://earth.esa.int/GOCE/</u>  $\rightarrow$  "Level 1b QC"  $\rightarrow$  "Monthly"

The GOCE Data Quality portal is the principal source for any quality-related information on GOCE products.

<u>http://earth.esa.int/GOCE/</u> → "Level 1b QC".

## 1.2 Glossary

The following acronyms and abbreviations have been used in this report.

ABBREVIATION	MEANING
EGG	Electrostatic Gravity Gradiometer
DFACS	Drag Free and Attitude control system
SST-I	Satellite-to-satellite tracking instrument
CTR	Control Voltages
STR	Star Tracker
Trace SD	Trace Spectral Density
ICM	Inverse Calibration Matrix
GAR	Gradiometer Angular Rates
FPM	Fine Pointing Mode
DFM	Drag Free Mode



2. DATA QUALITY OVERVIEW

# 2.1 Instruments Quality summary tables

# Nov 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 Table 1 November 2010 EGG QC Status Nov 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 Table 2 November 2010 SST QC Status GAP (details within Monthly Report) NOT USABLE Special Event Nominal Calibration EGG in Acquisition Mode Not yet released 2.2 EGG data – Available baselines

Baseline	EGG Processor	SST processor
Baseline D	EGG v5 (> 5.06)	V02.18 Patch B
	installed 31/03/2012	Installed 20/01/2011
Baseline A	EGG v4 (<4.8)	V02.18 Patch B
	Installed 18/05/2010	Installed 20/01/2011

Baseline may be verified by reading out the <Creator\_Version> tag in the file header, e.g:

<Creator\_Version>05.06</Creator\_Version>

(for the latest baseline)

- EGG v5 reprocessed baseline is available through the GOCE Virtual On-line Archive
  - → http://eo-virtual-archive1.esa.int/Index.html
- EGG v4 is the older baseline. Products are still accessible through the GOCE Virtual On-line Archive



## 3. EGG DATA QUALITY: SPACECRAFT AND ENVIRONMENT RELATED EVENTS

## 3.1 Summary

- BeamOut event on 19<sup>th</sup> of November.
- BeamOut event on 21<sup>st</sup> of November.
- BeamOut event on 30<sup>th</sup> of November.

#### 3.2 Beam Out events

Three Beam Out events occurred at the following UTC time during November 2010 reference frame:

EVENT NUMBER	UTC TIME
1	2010-11-19T02:54:11
2	2010-11-21T09:48:41
3	2010-11-30T17:57:24

Table 3 Beam out event

Below, the effects of the Beam Out in the common mode acceleration, component  $14_x$ , are displayed, for the three events.

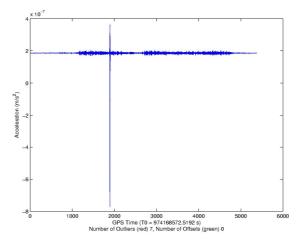


Figure 1 Beam Out event on 19<sup>th</sup> of November



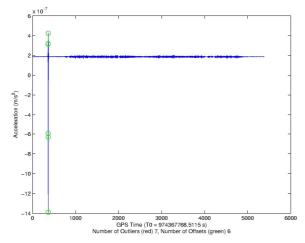


Figure 2 Beam Out event on 21<sup>st</sup> of November

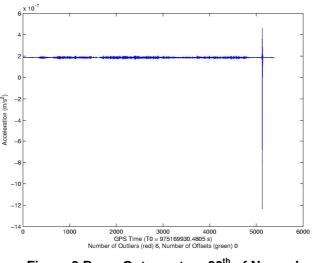


Figure 3 Beam Out event on 30<sup>th</sup> of November

This oscillation enters the gradients time series notably in the Uxx component.

This effect may be seen in the Gradients PSD graphs below:

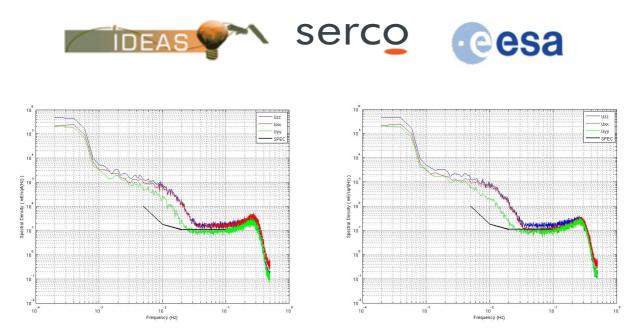


Figure 4 Gradients PSD considering the Beam Out event (left), gradients PSD not considering the Beam Out event (right)

Uxx (red in the plots) has a higher value in the PSD above, when the beam-out is included in the time interval 19/11 02:00 to 19/11 04:00 (only the trace and gradients PSD for 19<sup>th</sup> of November are reported, plots for 21<sup>st</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of November showing similar behavior).

No relevant differences in terms of trace PSD are recognized, as reported in figure 5:

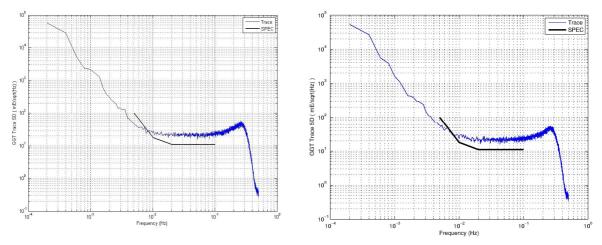


Figure 5 Trace PSD considering the Beam out event (left), trace PSD not considering the Beam out event (right)