







## DISTORTION EFFECTS ON ASM-V DATA: Preliminary analysis and correction perspectives

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#### REMINDER OF ASM-V DATA RECONSTRUCTION PRINCIPLE

Vector modulations applied onto scalar field: 50 nT<sub>peak</sub> @ [8;11;13] Hz



- Scalar demodulation at modulations frequencies:
  - Vector projections measured in the [-50;+50] nT range in the ASM vector coil frame
- **Reconstruction:** 
  - Search for ASM-V orthogonality angles + vector coil transfer functions
  - Additional corrections:
    - Linear correction of 47 ppm/°C on the vector transfer functions (PEEK characteristics)
    - Mechanical imperfections due to stator/rotor architecture (n.l. corrections in  $sin(\theta)$ ,  $cos(\theta)$ , and  $cos(4\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is the relative stator/rotor orientation)

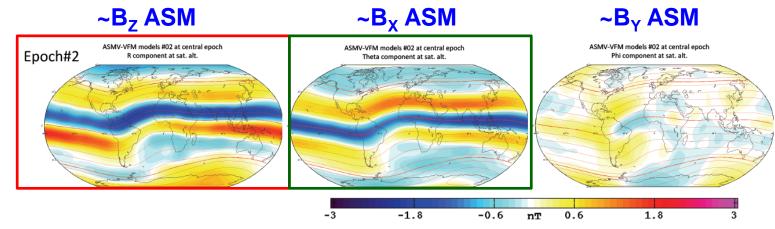


Reconstruction parameters are derived from scalar residual minimization (least squares algorithm) between  $B_{0.ASM}$  and  $\|\overrightarrow{B_{vect.ASM}}\|$ 



#### REMINDER OF THE OBSERVED VECTOR RESIDUAL

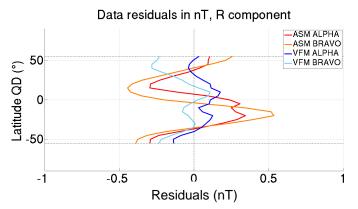
- **Cf previous presentations of P. Vigneron:** 
  - Vector residual between ASM and VFM derived geomagnetic models



Vector residual between ASM-V data and derived ASM-V geomagnetic model

**Focus** around magnetic equator

A clear signature



-ASM ALPHA -ASM BRAVO € 50 VFM ALPHA VFM BRAVO Latitude QD ( -0.50.5 Residuals (nT)

Data residuals in nT, T component

Symmetric signature around magnetic equator



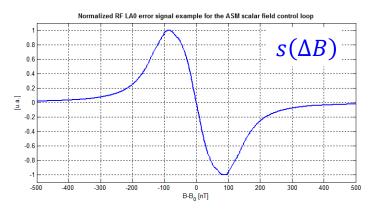
#### ASM-V DISTORTION EFFECTS CHARACTERISTICS

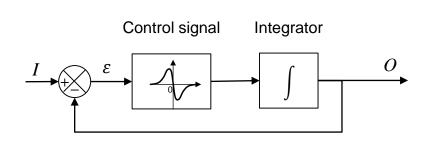
- Effects affecting the vector measurements only
  - → the distortion would affect the response of the {resonance-locked <sup>4</sup>He atoms system) to the vector modulation amplitudes and frequencies, dissipating a part of the linear response into odd harmonics
- Small effects
  - → a small scalar effect (pT range) is amplified into a not negligible vector one (nT range) due to the ASM vector reconstruction (amplification ratio  $\frac{B_{0 ASM}}{.}$  of 300-1000 for any perturbation measured on vector projections)
- Field-orientation dependent in the instrument vector coils frame
  - consistent with the observations (cf. measurements vs model comparisons)



#### POTENTIAL DISTORTION MECHANISM IN ASM VECTOR DATA

- Scalar field control loop characteristics (RF frequency tracking):
  - $B_{0 ASM} = f_{RF} \times \gamma_{4_{He}}$  with  $\gamma_{4_{He}} \sim 28.024$  kHz /  $\mu$ T
  - The control signal  $s(\Delta B)$  used to drive the RF scalar frequency is symmetric but not purely linear



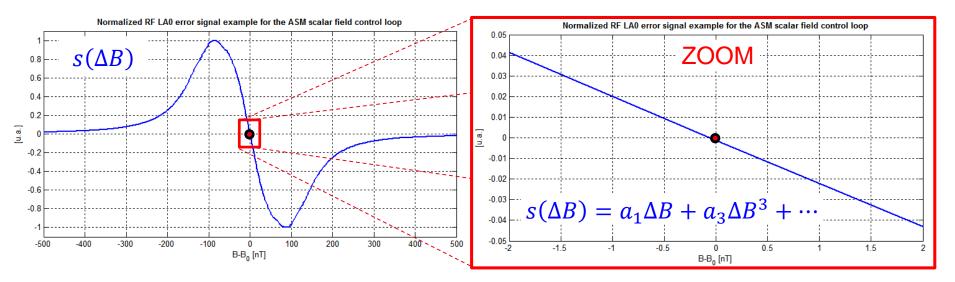


- The RF control loop response H(p) = O/I is ~1st order low-pass filter with  $f_c$  ~ 300-400 Hz (depending on the <sup>4</sup>He cell optical pumping characteristics + RF loop settings)
- The control loop <u>error</u> response  $G(p) = \frac{I-O}{I} = \varepsilon/I$  is ~1st order high-pass filter



#### POTENTIAL DISTORTION MECHANISM IN ASM VECTOR DATA

- The tracking of the vector modulation frequencies in the control loop experiences a delay that is translated into an extra-field excursion @ [8; 11; 13] Hz on the  $s(\Delta B)$  curve:
  - $\frac{\partial |\varepsilon|}{\partial f} \approx \frac{b_{mod}}{f_c} = \frac{50 \, nT}{400 \, Hz} = 0.13 \, \text{nT/Hz} \rightarrow [1 \; ; \; 1.4 \; ; \; 1.7] \, \text{nT}_{\text{peak}} @ [8 \; ; \; 11 \; ; \; 13] \, \text{Hz}$



A part of the fundamental signal @ [8, 11, 13 Hz] is translated into odd harmonics in the RF loop response due to non-linear characteristics of the control signal  $s(\Delta B)$  (e.g.  $cos^3x = \frac{3}{4}cos x + \frac{1}{4}cos 3x$ )



#### FORESEEN AMPLITUDE EFFECT

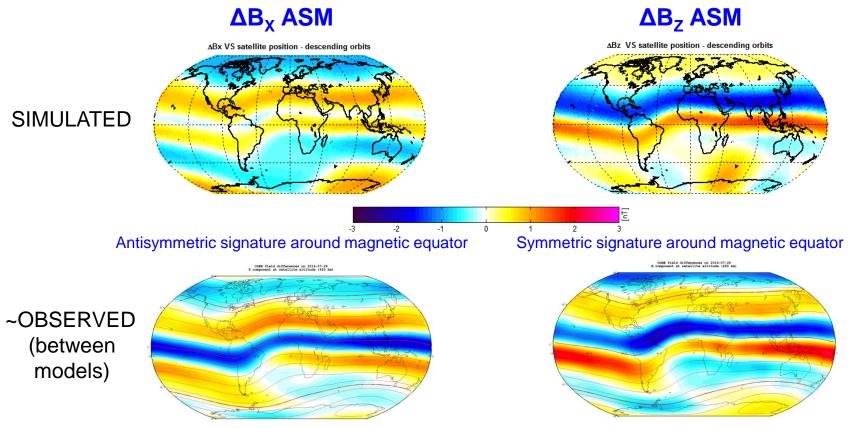
- With very simple hypothesis the principal harmonic attenuation  $\Delta h_1$ on  $h_1$  is given by:
  - $\Delta h_1 = 3h_3$  where  $h_3$  is the 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic signal generated by the distortion of the fundamental  $h_1$
  - $\frac{h_3}{h_4} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{a_3}{a_4} \left( \frac{f_{mod}}{f_c} b_{mod} \right)^2$   $\Rightarrow \Delta h_1 = \frac{3}{4} \frac{a_3}{a_4} \left( \frac{f_{mod}}{f_c} b_{mod} \right)^2 \times h_1$
- Precisely,  $\Delta h_1$  would depend not on  $b_{mod}$  but on  $b_{mod} \cos(\overline{b_{mod}}|\overline{B_0})$ 
  - $\Delta h_1 = \frac{3}{4} \frac{a_3}{a_4} \left( \frac{f_{mod}}{f_0} \right)^2 \times \left( b_{mod} \cos(\overrightarrow{b_{mod}} | \overrightarrow{B_0}) \right)^3$
- With on-ground test characteristics on control loop signal,  $\frac{a_3}{a_1} \sim 1.22$ 10<sup>-4</sup>,  $f_c$  ~300-400 Hz and  $b_{mod}$  = 50 nT:

 $\Delta h_1 \sim [4-7; 8-15; 11-20] \text{ pT } @ [8; 11; 13] \text{ Hz}$ 



#### FORESEEN IN-ORBIT AMPLITUDE EFFECT

Corresponding in-orbit vector signature (simulated)



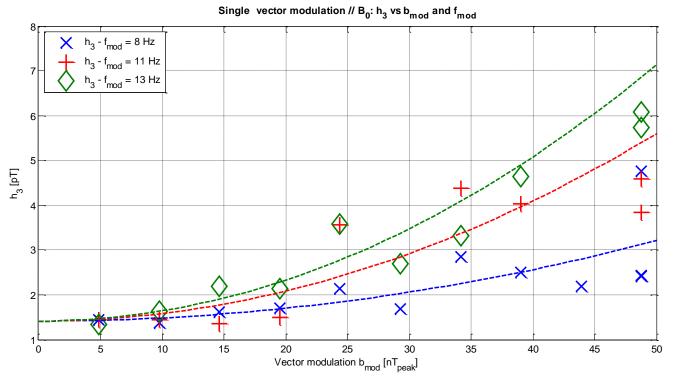


The order of magnitude and the behavior of the simulated in-orbit effect is consistent with observations



### PRELIMINARY ON-GROUND CHARACTERIZATIONS

- Monitoring of  $h_3$  signal on ASM EQM in function of  $f_{mod}$  &  $b_{mod}$ 
  - Single modulation operation
  - Worst case testing:  $\vec{B}_0 \parallel \vec{b}_{mod}$



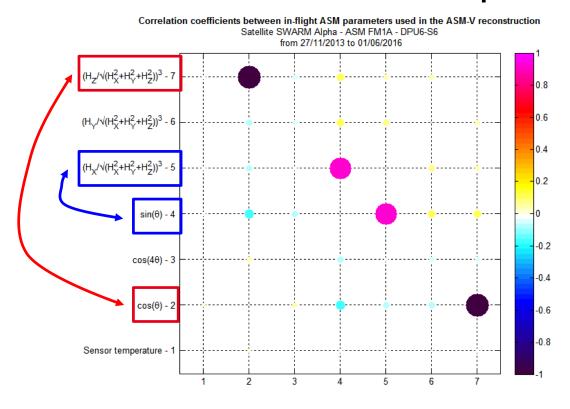


The measured (tiny)  $h_3$  amplitudes are in the range of the expected values but there is no way to directly characterize  $\Delta h_1$ 



#### IN-FLIGHT CALIBRATION ISSUES

Cross-correlation with the evolution of other parameters



- Distortions corrections compete with rotor/stator geometrical corrections
- The calibration process is currently not able to derive distortion parameters with enough accuracy



#### WAY FORWARD

- Comparison of respective operation conditions between on-ground instruments and in-flight ones
- Further testing to better understand the distortion parameters evolutions w.r.t:
  - modulations amplitudes and frequencies
  - optical pumping characteristics and RF control loop settings
- Testing of ASM-V updated reconstruction algorithm with fixed distortions parameters on short period
- Construction of updated ASM-V based geomagnetic model and comparison with old ones and VFM-based ones
  - Reminder: ASM-V distortions are not the only source of difference between ASM-V and VFM based models (mechanical boom distortions, others errors, etc...)

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