

Consistency between Sentinel-3 SYN-VGT products and PROBA-V

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- Analyze consistency between S3 SYN-VGT and PROBA-V products in view of time series continuity
- SYN VGT
 - Sentinel-3 A&B
 - SY_2_V10 (focus), SY_2_VG1, SY_2_VGP
 - Available on Sentinel-3 Open Access Hub (since October/2018), mirrored on Terrascope (since Jul/2020)
 - Latest PB S3A PB 2.56, S3B PB 1.28 from 15/Jan/2020
 Note: fix temporal compositing SY_V10 since mid/May 2020 fix temporal compositing SY_VG1 since 24/09/2020



Fixed temporal compositing SY_VG1 since 24/09/2020

S3B_SY_2_VG1 20200901

PROBAV_S1_TOC 20200901





S3B_SY_2_VG1___20200901T163347_20200902T163347_20200907T165311_EUROPE start time end time RGB: NIR-RED-BLUE





= PROBA-V coverage since July

= S3 SYN VGT

 $= 10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ} PV$

2020

'TILE'

'TILE'

Consistency analysis – data used



PROBA-V tiling grid



Consistency analysis – data used

- SY_V10 + PV_S10 products 20200701 20200921 (=9 dekads)
- SY_VG1 + PV_S1 products 20201001 20201010 (=10 days)
- Spatial subsample
 - 6 10° x10° tiles in EUR and AFR
 - every 8th pixel in both x and y
 - SM == 248 in both products





1. Differences in spectral response





Introduction of artefacts?

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Introduction of artefacts?



- 1. Differences in spectral response
- 2. Differences in absolute calibration
 - OLCI-A too bright (2.5%), same for OLCI-B but less (1%)
 - SLSTR-A&B S5 too dark (11%)



Relative difference in absolute calibration between Sentinel-3, PROBA-V, VGT





S. Sterckx, Adapted from PROBA-V QWG#11 June 2020

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- 3. Differences in atmospheric correction

AOD is overestimated in SYN, underestimated in PROBA-V/C1





C. Henocq, PROBA-V QWG#11 June 2020

E. Wolters, PROBA-V QWG#6 Nov 2017



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S3A_SY_2_VG1 **B0** AOT

20200701







PROBA-V S1-TOC B0





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- 5. Observation angles











Sentinel-3 OLCI









PROBAV_S1_TOC 20200902



RGB: NIR-RED-BLUE



S3B_SY_2_VG1 20200901

PROBAV_S1_TOC 20200902



20200901



RGB: NIR-RED-BLUE



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Averaged over 6 tiles, 9 dekads









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2020-09-11

2020-09-21



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PROBAV_S1_TOC 20200901





RGB: NIR-RED-BLUE





PROBAV_S1_TOC 20200901





RGB: NIR-RED-BLUE









OLCI Open Ocean Mask PROBA-V Land/Sea Mask

SY_VGT product boundary



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56°S

75°N

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• Over 6 tiles, per sensor, per band







Systematic difference

Mean bias





• Impact on NDVI ?





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Bug in NDVI calculation?

NDVI in VG1 and V10 is TOA not TOC !

(0.3132 - 0.0339) / (0.3132 + 0.0339) = 0.804667 != 0.640 in NDVI band





If the error is fixed, we still will still observe a systematic bias





- Statistical consistency analysis on S10 shows
 - Large systematic differences for RED and NIR (not observed at TOA \rightarrow TBC)
 - Slightly better consistency for S3B than for S3A
 - Large systematic difference for SWIR (~ calibration SLSTR) \rightarrow apply factors
 - Very large systematic differences for NDVI (~ no A/C) \rightarrow needs fix
- Sentinel-3 SYN VGT products currently do not provide continuity to the user
 - Serious inconsistencies, especially for S10 NDVI product \rightarrow gap in series
 - Inadequate compositing strategy, not combining sensors ٠
 - Issues related to AOT (striping, artefacts) \rightarrow use CAMS/MERRA-2/SYN AOD? •
 - Issues in status map (clouds, cloud shadows) •
- We need reprocessed SYN VGT data for temporal consistency analysis over an overlapping period with *nominal* PROBA-V (e.g. from Jul/2018)
- Planned user communication on Terrascope documentation platform ۲



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