



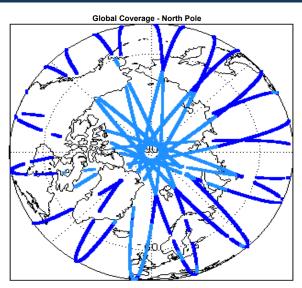
## 1. Overview

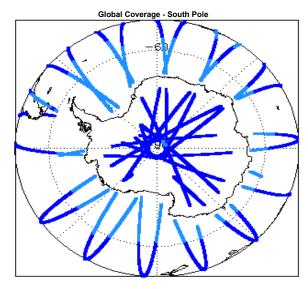
Report Production Date:	28-Aug-2015
Processor Used:	CryoSat Ocean Processor
Data Used:	Intermediate Ocean Products (IOP) L1B and L2 Science Data

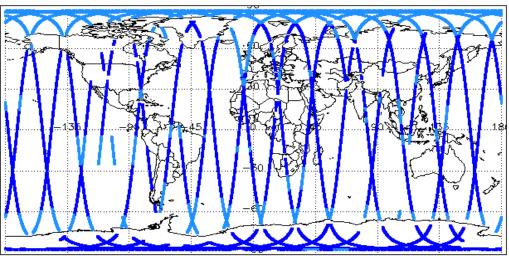
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Product Software Check	Nominal
Product Format Check	Nominal
Product Header Analysis	Nominal
Auxiliary Data File Usage Check	See Section 4.3 and 5.3
Auxiliary Correction Error Check	See Section 5.4
Measurement Confidence Data Check	See Section 4.5, 4.6, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7 and 5.8

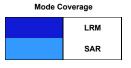
Mission / Inst	rument News
25-Aug-2015	None
26-Aug-2015	None
27-Aug-2015	Nothing planned

# 2. Global Coverage









# 3. Instrument Configuration

The SIRAL instrument configuration for the day of acquisition is provided below.

SIRAL instrument(s) in use: SIRAL - A

# 4. IOP Level 1B Data Quality Check

#### 4.1 L1B Product Format Check

Each product, retrieved and unpacked from the science server, is checked to ensure it consists of both an XML header file (.HDR) and a binary product file (.DBL).

Number of products with errors:

0

## 4.2 L1B Product Header Analysis

For all products, a series of pre-defined checks are performed on the MPH and SPH in order to identify any inconsistencies and/or errors raised by the ground-segment processing chain.

#### 4.3 L1B Auxilary Data File Usage Check

Each product is checked for missing Data Set Descriptors with repsect to a pre-determined baseline and also to check the validity of Auxiliary Data Files is correct.

Number of products with errors: 1

Product	AUX File	Comment
All IOP_1B products up to 20150826T120316 (113 products)	CS_OPER_AUX_V_WIND_20150826T060000_2 0150826T060000_0001	Auxiliary File missing at the time of processing.

#### 4.4 L1B Auxiliary Correction Error Check

CryoSat L1B data includes a correction error flag (field 60) for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Number of products with errors:

#### 4.5 L1B Measurement Confidence Data Check

CryoSat L1B data includes a measurement confidence flag (field 12) for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Number of products with errors:

3

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T030458_20150826T030945_B001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L1B waveform for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T095413_20150826T095959_B001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L1B waveform for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T233339_20150826T233815_B001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L1B waveform for one or more records

#### 4.6 L1B Waveform Group Data Check

CryoSat L1B data includes a waveform data flag (field 65) for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Loss of Echo Flag: This flag is currently set for products over land, but this is to be expected.

Number of products with errors:

6

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T014116_20150826T014205_B001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T045942_20150826T050753_B001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T172808_20150826T173232_B001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T201350_20150826T203016_B001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_1B_20150826T204200_20150826T204557_B001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS OFFL SIR IOP 1B 20150826T232237 20150826T232644 B001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records

## 5. IOP Level 2 Data Quality Check

#### 5.1 L2 Product Format Check

Each product, retrieved and unpacked from the science server, is checked to ensure it consists of both an XML header file (.HDR) and a binary product file (.DBL).

Number of products with errors:

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#### 5.2 L2 Product Header Analysis

For all products, a series of pre-defined checks are performed on the MPH and SPH in order to identify any inconsistencies and/or errors raised by the ground-segment processing chain.

Number of products with errors:

## 5.3 L2 Auxiliary Data File Usage Check

Each product is checked for missing Data Set Descriptors with respect to a pre-determined baseline and also to check the validity of Auxiliary Data Files is correct.

Wind Model File Usage: This file is currently not included in all L2 products.

Number of products with errors: 113

Product	AUX File	Comment
All IOP_2 products up to 20150826T120316 (113 products)	CS_OPER_AUX_V_WIND_20150826T060000_2 0150826T060000_0001	Auxiliary File missing at the time of processing.

#### 5.4 L2 Auxiliary Correction Error Check

For all products, the auxiliary corrections within the Geophysical Group are checked for the default error value (32767).

Currently, there are two common auxiliary correction errors raised in the Level 2 products which are expected due to surface type. All common flags are summarised in the list below, followed by a table highlighting any additional issues which may arise from this test.

Sea State Bias Error: The error value is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected.

Altimetric Wind Speed Error: The error value is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected.

Number of products with errors: 12

Product	Test Failed	Description
All IOP_2 products up to 20150826T120316 (113 products)		Due to a missing auxiliary file there is an error with the Dry Tropospheric, Wet Tropospheric and Inverse Barometric Corrections and the U-Wind and V-Wind components of the ECMWF Wind Model vectors.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T000942_20150826T001112_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T032407_20150826T032519_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T065753_20150826T071236_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES)	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) for one or more records

CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T084709_20150826T085737_B001	Mean Sea Surface (1)	There is an error with the MSS height (solution 1) for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T093426_20150826T094247_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T120704_20150826T123055_B001	Geoid Height	There is an error with the Geoid height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T151656_20150826T152027_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T164136_20150826T165052_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T165328_20150826T170048_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T170316_20150826T171608_B001	Geoid height	There is an error with the Geoid height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T182144_20150826T182300_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T194141_20150826T200112_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T204200_20150826T204557_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T214110_20150826T214240_B001	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide (FES), Non- Equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide	There is an error with the Total Geocentric Ocean Tide height (solution 2: FES) and the Non-equilibrium Long Period Ocean Tide height for one or more records

## 5.5 L2 Measurement Confidence Data Check

CryoSat L2 data includes a measurement confidence flag (field 14) for each 20-Hz measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Number of products with errors:

3

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T030458_20150826T030945_B001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L2 waveform for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T095413_20150826T095959_B001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L2 waveform for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T233339_20150826T233815_B001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L2 waveform for one or more records

## 5.6 L2 Range Measurement Check

CryoSat L2 data includes an Ocean (field 25) and Ice (field 30) Range Averaging Status flag for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Currently, there are two common status flags raised in the Level 2 products which are expected due to surface type. All common flags are summarised in the list below, followed by a table highlighting any additional issues which may arise from this test.

Ocean Range Averaging Status Flag: This flag is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected.

 $\textbf{Ice Range Averaging Status Flag:} \ \textbf{This flag is currently set for products over land, but this is to be expected.}$ 

Number of products with errors:

24

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T010206_20150826T010250_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T010449_20150826T011051_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T024357_20150826T024922_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T042400_20150826T042404_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T042405_20150826T042813_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T055805_20150826T060258_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T060258_20150826T060304_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T060318_20150826T060648_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T064643_20150826T064946_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T073642_20150826T074156_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T074203_20150826T074209_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T074215_20150826T074227_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T074232_20150826T074406_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T092107_20150826T092114_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T092114_20150826T092125_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T092131_20150826T092141_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T092145_20150826T092247_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T105638_20150826T110023_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T110045_20150826T110335_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T123420_20150826T123937_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T123944_20150826T124310_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T141420_20150826T142011_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.

CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T142015_20150826T142213_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T155350_20150826T155903_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T173536_20150826T173804_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T191516_20150826T191712_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T191904_20150826T192216_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T200908_20150826T201108_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T205346_20150826T205632_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T205647_20150826T210116_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T223144_20150826T224022_B001	Ice Range Averaging Status	The Ice Range Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.

## 5.7 L2 SWH and Backscatter Measurement Check

CryoSat L2 data includes a SWH Averaging Status flag (field 49) and an Ocean (field 55) and Ice (field 61) Backscatter Averaging Status flag for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag

Currently, there are three common status flags raised in the Level 2 products which are expected due to surface type. All common flags are summarised in the list below, followed by a table highlighting any additional issues which may arise from this test.

SWH Averaging Status Flag: This flag is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected.

Ocean Backscatter Averaging Status Flag: This flag is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected.

Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag: This flag is currently set for products over land, but this is to be expected. 22

Number of products with errors:

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T010206_20150826T010250_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T010449_20150826T011051_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T024357_20150826T024922_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T055805_20150826T060258_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T060318_20150826T060648_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T074203_20150826T074209_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T074215_20150826T074227_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T074232_20150826T074406_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T092145_20150826T092247_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T105638_20150826T110023_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T110045_20150826T110335_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T123420_20150826T123937_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T123944_20150826T124310_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T141420_20150826T142011_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T142015_20150826T142213_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T155350_20150826T155903_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T173536_20150826T173804_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T191516_20150826T191712_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T191904_20150826T192216_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T205346_20150826T205632_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_220150826T205647_20150826T210116_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_IOP_2_20150826T223144_20150826T224022_B001	Ice Backscatter Averaging Status	The Ice Backscatter Averaging Status Flag has been set for one or more records.

## 5.8 L2 Ocean Retracking Quality Check

CryoSat L2 data includes an ocean retracking quality flag (field 19) for each 20-Hz measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Ocean Retracking Quality Flag: This flag is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected. The number of products with this error flag set is given below.

Number of products with errors: