

**1. Overview**

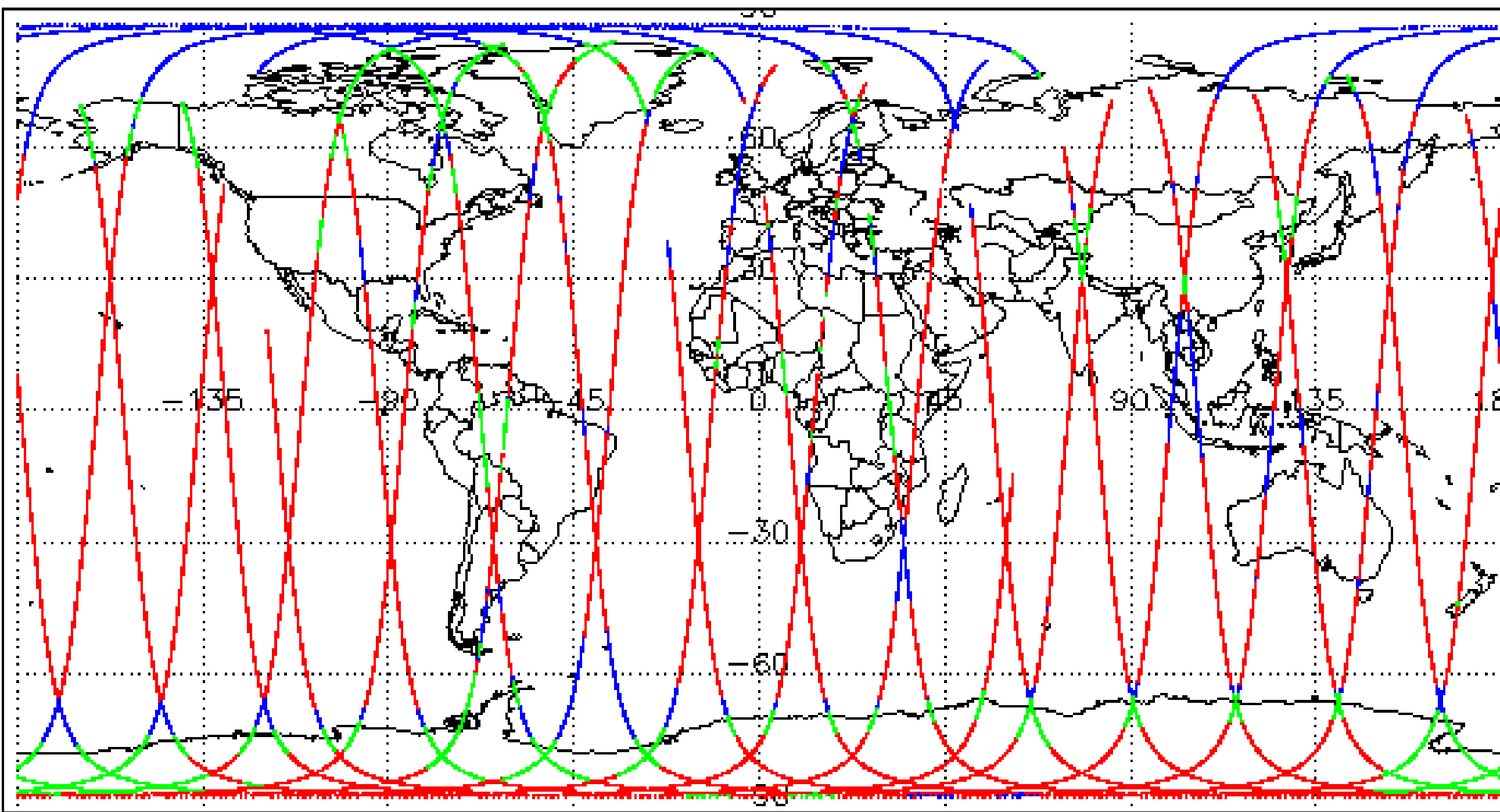
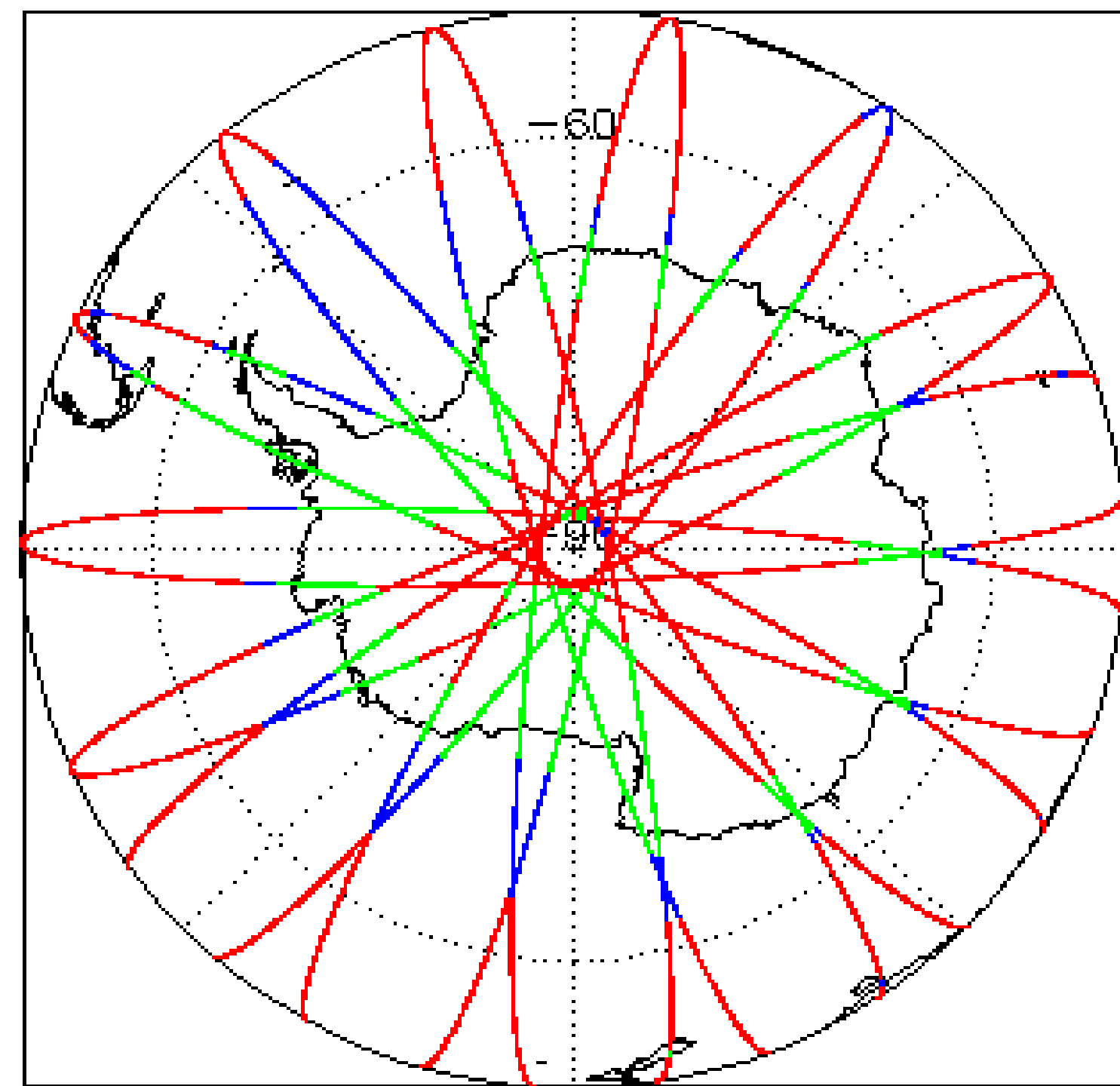
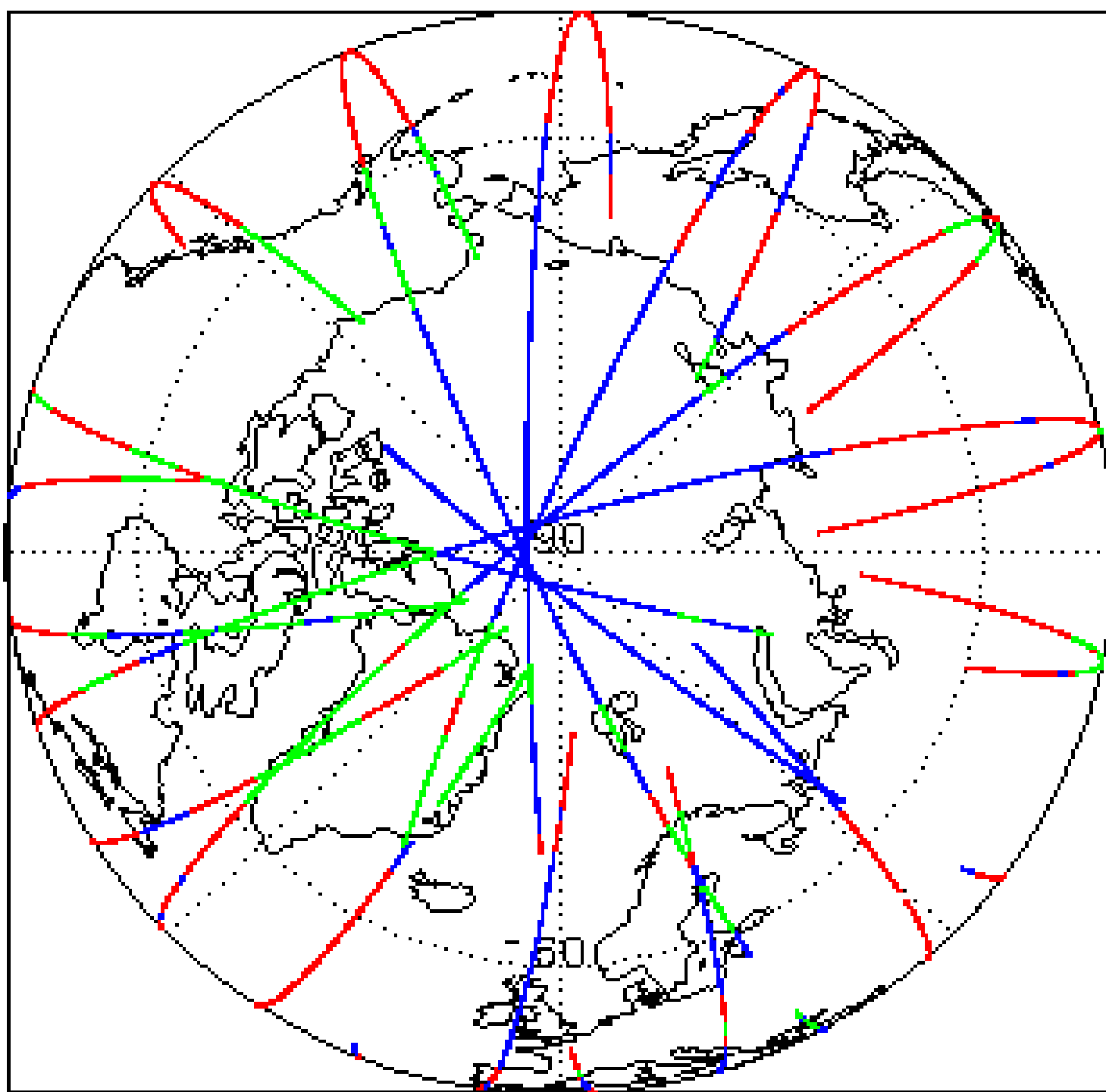
<b>Report Production:</b>	27-Apr-2020
<b>Processor Used:</b>	CryoSat Ocean Processor
<b>Data Used:</b>	Near Real Time Ocean Products (NOP) L1B & L2 Science Data

Check	L1 & L2
Server check: science-pds.cryosat.esa.int	Nominal
Server check: calval-pds.cryosat.esa.int	Nominal
Product Software Check	Nominal
Product Format Check	Nominal
Product Header Analysis	See Sections 4.2 and 5.2
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 and 5.5
Measurement Quality Flag Check	See Section 5.6
Ocean Retracking Quality Check	See Section 5.7

**Mission / Instrument News**

23-Apr-2020	SSALTO issues from 2020-04-21 22:00:00 to 2020-04-23 14:30 caused delays on AUX/AUXI files dissemination
24-Apr-2020	SSALTO issues from 2020-04-21 22:00:00 to 2020-04-23 14:30 caused delays on AUX/AUXI files dissemination
25-Apr-2020	Nothing planned

**2. Global Coverage**



**Mode Coverage**

	LRM
	SAR
	SARIn

**3. Instrument Configuration**

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

<b>SIRAL instrument(s) in use:</b>	SIRAL - A
<b>Star Tracker(s) in use:</b>	Star Tracker 1

**4. NOP 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.

**L1B Processing Quality HR:** The l1b\_proc\_flag\_hr flag is currently set all L1B IOPR and IOPN products because the l1b\_processing\_quality\_hr field is not correctly configured in the OSAR and OSARin chains. A modification is required in the next release.

Number of products with errors: 0

## 4.3 L1B 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.

**Dynamic Atmospheric Correction:** The DAC is missing in all products because the auxiliary files required are not available in time for processing. This known and expected behaviour.

Number of products with errors: 2

Product	AUX File	Comment
All CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM1B	GIM Ionospheric Correction	There is an error with the GIM Ionospheric correction for one or more records
All CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR1B	GIM Ionospheric Correction	There is an error with the GIM Ionospheric correction for one or more records

## 4.4 L1B Auxiliary Correction Error Check

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

Number of products with errors: 0

## 4.5 L1B Measurement Confidence Data Check

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

> **Attitude Correction Missing:** This flag is currently set in error for NOPR products due to a configuration issue. This is being investigated and will be updated in the next SW update.

Number of products with errors: 1

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM1B_20200424T203126_20200424T203143_C001	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 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: 14

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM1B_20200424T075852_20200424T081118_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM1B_20200424T181833_20200424T182506_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T061003_20200424T061311_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T082842_20200424T083443_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T092817_20200424T093037_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T115918_20200424T120207_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T142043_20200424T142135_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T160055_20200424T160136_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T173949_20200424T174108_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T183447_20200424T183632_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T191414_20200424T191824_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T201751_20200424T201924_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T205447_20200424T205911_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPN1B_20200424T215222_20200424T215546_C001	Loss of Echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records

# 5. NOP 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: 0

## 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: 0



### 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.

**Number of products with errors:** 380

Product	AUX File	Comment
All CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2	GIM Ionospheric Correction	There is an error with the GIM Ionospheric correction for one or more records
All CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2	GIM Ionospheric Correction	There is an error with the GIM Ionospheric correction for one or more records

### 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 some 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.

> **ECMWF Meteo Corrections:** Currently the following corrections are not computed over CONTINENTAL ICE: Dry Tropospheric Correction, Wet Tropospheric Correction, Inverse Barometric Correction and the U-Wind and V-Wind components of the ECMWF model wind vector. This is a known anomaly (CRYO-COP-3) and will be resolved in a future IPF update.

> **Mean Sea Surface:** The error value is currently set for products over land and sea ice, but this is to be expected.

> **Mean Dynamic Topography:** 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:** 380

Product	Test Failed	Description
All CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2	GIM Ionospheric Correction	There is an error with the GIM Ionospheric correction for one or more records
All CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2	GIM Ionospheric Correction	There is an error with the GIM Ionospheric correction for one or more records

### 5.5 L2 Measurement Confidence Data Check

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

**Number of products with errors:** 1

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T203126_20200424T203143_C001	Power scaling error	There is an error in the scaling of the L2 waveform for one or more records

### 5.6 L2 Measurement Quality Flag Check

#### L2 Quality Flags (20Hz)

CryoSat L2 data includes Quality Flags for each 20 Hz, 20 Hz PLRM and 1 Hz measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Currently, there are several common flags raised in the Level 2 products, which are summarised below. The table provides the full list of products flagged.

> **Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags:** These flags are currently set for some records over ocean.

> **OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags:** These flags are currently set for some records over continental ice.

**Number of products with errors:** 84

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200423T234844_20200424T001346_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T001524_20200424T002038_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T002045_20200424T002412_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T002729_20200424T010100_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T012347_20200424T012932_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T013600_20200424T014213_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T014713_20200424T015339_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T015524_20200424T020112_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T020637_20200424T024025_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T025354_20200424T025451_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPM_2_20200424T025538_20200424T025607_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.



























CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2_20200424T210019_20200424T210615_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality PLRM, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality PLRM	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2_20200424T211131_20200424T211148_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality PLRM, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2_20200424T211951_20200424T212749_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality PLRM, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2_20200424T214310_20200424T214356_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality PLRM, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality PLRM	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2_20200424T215547_20200424T215647_C001	Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality PLRM, OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality PLRM	The Ocean Altimeter Range, SSHA, SWH and Backscatter Quality Flags and the OCOG Altimeter Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.
CS_OFFL_SIR_NOPR_2_20200424T222342_20200424T222617_C001	OCOG Altimeter Range Quality PLRM, OCOG Backscatter Quality	The OCOG Range and Backscatter Quality Flags have been set for one or more records.

### L2 Quality Flags (1 Hz & 1Hz PLRM)

Currently, there are several common flags raised in the Level 2 products, which are summarised below.

> 1Hz and 1Hz Ocean SSHA Quality Flags: These flags are currently set for products over sea ice, which is to be expected.

**Number of products with errors:** 210

## 5.7 L2 Ocean Retracking Quality Check

### L2 Retracking Flags (20Hz)

CryoSat L2 data includes an ocean retracking quality flag 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 falling at ocean/ land boundaries, but this is expected.

**Number of products with errors:** 53

### L2 Retracking Flags (20Hz, PLRM)

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

**Ocean Retracking Quality Flag (PLRM):** This flag is currently set for products NOPR and NOPN products over sea ice, but this is to be expected.

**Number of products with errors:** 131