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Report Production Date:	
22-Jun-2015	

Data Used:	OFFLINE L1B and L2 Science Data	Geophysical Ocean Products (GOP) L1B and L2 Science Data
Check	Status	Status
Server check: science-pds.cryosat.esa.int	Nominal	Nominal
Server check: calval-pds.cryosat.esa.int	Nominal	Nominal
Product Software Check	Nominal	Nominal
Product Format Check	Nominal	Nominal
Product Header Analysis	Nominal	Nominal
Auxiliary Data File Usage Check	See Section 5.3	Nominal
Auxiliary Correction Data Check	Nominal	Nominal
Measurement Confidence Data Check	See Section 4.5 and 5.5	See Section 7.5, 7.6, 8.5 and 8.6

M	Mission / Instrument News		
	13-May-2015	None	
	14-May-2015	None	
	15-May-2015	Nothing planned	

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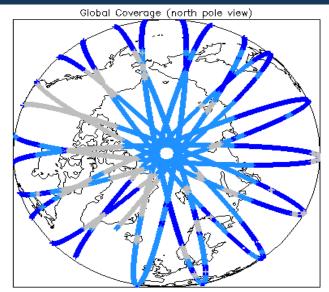
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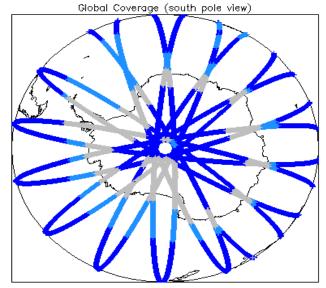
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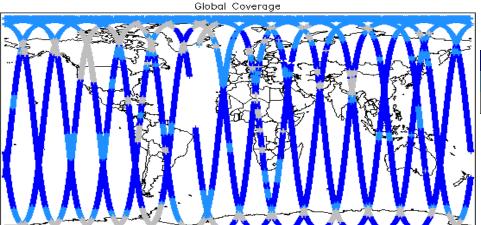
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2. Global Coverage

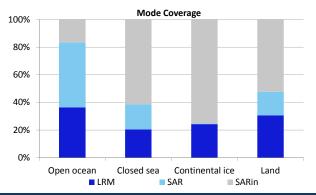


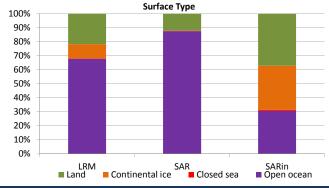




Mode Coverage (%)

LRM	66.33
SAR	21.24
SIN	12.23





3. Instrument Configuration

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

SIRAL instrument(s) in use: SIRAL - A

4. OFFLINE 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 product file (.DBL).

Number of products with errors:

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.

Number of products with errors:

4.3 L1B Auxilary 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:

4.4 L1B Auxiliary Correction Error Check

Each product is checked for auxiliary corrections flagged by the ground-station processing chain as missing or containing errors

Number of products with errors:

4.5 L1B Measurement Confidence Data Check

CryoSat L1B data includes a measurement confidence flag word (field 18) for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Number of products with errors: 2

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20150514T084824_20150514T084941_C001	Echo error	The tracking echo has returned an error
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20150514T204421_20150514T204539_C001	Echo error	The tracking echo has returned an error

5. OFFLINE 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 product file (.DBL).

Number of products with errors:

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.

Number of products with errors:

Product	AUX File	Comment
		Coverage missing for intervals [2015-05-15T00:23:25, 2015-05-15T01:07:15]

5.4 L2 Auxiliary Correction Error Check

Each product is checked for auxiliary corrections flagged by the ground-station processing chain as missing or containing errors.

Number of products with errors:

5.5 L2 Measurement Quality Flag Check

CryoSat L2 data includes a quality flag word (field 50) for each 20-Hz measurement record. The bit value of this flag is an assessment of the measurement quality by the processing chain.

There are several common Quality Flag errors raised in the L2 products which are either expected due to operational mode or surface type, or are under investigation. These known issues are summarised below, followed by a table of any additional issues arising from this test.

Freeboard error: This flag is correctly set in all L2 SAR products that are not discriminated as sea-ice, and for which freeboard cannot be calculated.

SARin x-track angle error: This flag is set when the difference between the computed surface elevation and the DEM is >50m. The DEM is only available over Greenland and Antarctica and therefore this flag is set for L2 SIN products in all other locations.

Height error and Backscatter errors: The height error and backscatter error flags are set for a number of products over land areas, but this is to be expected.

SSHA interpolation error: This flag is currently set for a number of products in all modes. This issue is under investigation.

Number of products with errors:

50

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T003749 20150514T004505 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T021246 20150514T021328 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T022016 20150514T022428 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T022641 20150514T022820 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T023036_20150514T023151_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T031936 20150514T032013 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T034252 20150514T034341 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T034345_20150514T034425_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T035623_20150514T040341_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T040911 20150514T041123 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T041608_20150514T041815_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T044454 20150514T044656 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T045803 20150514T045941 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T053437_20150514T053549_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T053654 20150514T053826 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T053850 20150514T054405 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20150514T062343_20150514T062625_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T071305 20150514T071426 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS OFFL SIR SAR 2 20150514T071609 20150514T071730 C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20150514T071753_20150514T072551_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T080243_20150514T080617_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20150514T084707_20150514T084732_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T085624_20150514T090517_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20150514T090552_20150514T090608_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T094205_20150514T094458_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20150514T103227_20150514T103408_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T103723_20150514T104505_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T113329_20150514T113931_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T121620_20150514T122202_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T122610_20150514T122833_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T131146_20150514T131704_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T135216_20150514T135320_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T135535_20150514T140220_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T143908_20150514T143951_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T153358_20150514T153919_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T155410_20150514T155449_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T161805_20150514T161946_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T171218_20150514T172203_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T184943_20150514T185719_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T185744_20150514T190224_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T194859_20150514T195154_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T202659_20150514T202707_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T202827_20150514T203653_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T203704_20150514T203834_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T204054_20150514T204421_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T220714_20150514T221657_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T221855_20150514T222909_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T225200_20150514T225833_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T230901_20150514T231051_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_220150514T234900_20150514T235432_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation

6. OFFLINE QCC Check

The QCC is a CryoSat facility that performs a primary survey of data products immediately after production by the PDS and LTA processing facilities. A list of the tests which raised errors or warnings is provided below

NB. There is currently a discrepancy between the number of QCC reports and the number of products reported. This is a known issue and investigation is on-going.

Product type	Nb. Products	Nb. QCC Reports	Nb. Valid	Nb. Warnings	Nb. Errors
SIR_GDR_2A	18	0	0	0	0
SIR_LRM_1B	153	0	0	0	0
SIR_LRM_2	151	0	0	0	0
SIR_SAR_1B	121	0	0	0	0
SIR_SAR_2A	119	0	0	0	0
SIR_SIN_1B	101	0	0	0	0
SIR SIN 2	101	0	0	0	0

6.1 QCC Errors

Number of products with QCC errors:

0

6.2 Missing QCC Reports

7. GOP Level 1B Data Quality Check

7.1 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 product file (.DBL)

Number of products with errors:

7.2 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.

Number of products with errors:

0

7.3 L1B Auxilary 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:

7.4 L1B Auxiliary Correction Error Check

Each product is checked for auxiliary corrections flagged by the ground-station processing chain as missing or containing errors.

Number of products with errors:

0

7.5 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:

2

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_GOP_1B_20150514T084824_20150514T084941_B001	Power scaling error	There has been an error in the scaling of the L1B waveform
CS_OFFL_SIR_GOP_1B_20150514T204421_20150514T204539_B001	Power scaling error	There has been an error in the scaling of the L1B waveform

7.6 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 a large number of products over land, indicating that the tracking echo is missing.

Number of products with errors:

8. GOP Level 2 Data Quality Check

8.1 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 product file (.DBL).

Number of products with errors:

8.2 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

8.3 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:

8.4 L2 Measurement Confidence Data Check

CryoSat L2 data includes a quality flag (field 14) for each 20-Hz measurement record. The bit value of this flag is an assessment of the measurement quality by the processing chains.

Number of products with errors:

8.5 L2 Range Measurement Check

Each product is checked to detect range measurements flagged by the processing chain as missing or containing errors.

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

Ice Range Averaging Status Flag: This flag is currently set for some products over land and continental ice

Number of products with errors: 23

8.6 L2 SWH and Backscatter Measurement Check

Each product is checked to detect parameters related to SWH and sigma0 that are flagged by the processing chain as missing or containing errors.

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 some products over land and continental ice.

Number of products with errors: