

1. Overview

Report Production Date:	Data Used:	OFFLINE L1B and L2 Science Data	Geophysical Ocean Products (GOP) L1B and L2 Science Data
10-Jul-2015	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	Nominal	Nominal
	Auxiliary Correction Data Check	Nominal	Nominal
	Measurement Confidence Data Check	See Section 5.5	See Section 7.6, 8.5 and 8.6

Mission / Instrument News

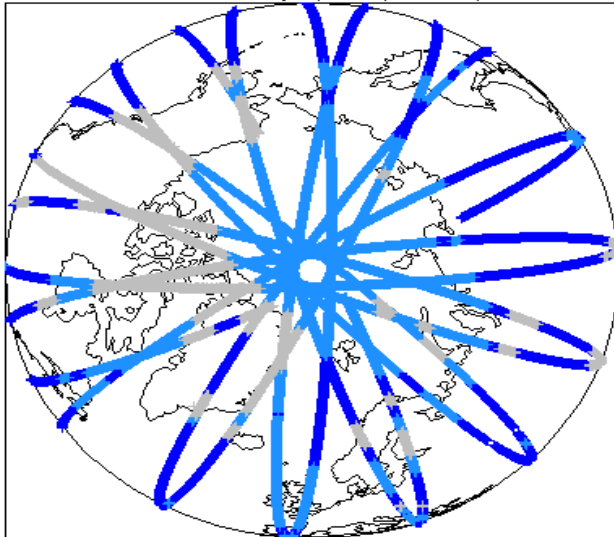
26-May-2015	L0 data missing on 26-May-2015 from 10:16:08 to 16:56:51 due to an unplanned ground segment anomaly.
27-May-2015	None
28-May-2015	L0 data missing on 28-May-2015 between the following times due to an unplanned ground segment anomaly: 05:14:59 to 06:18:30 (all modes); 06:19:07 to 08:30:27 (SAR & SARIn only).

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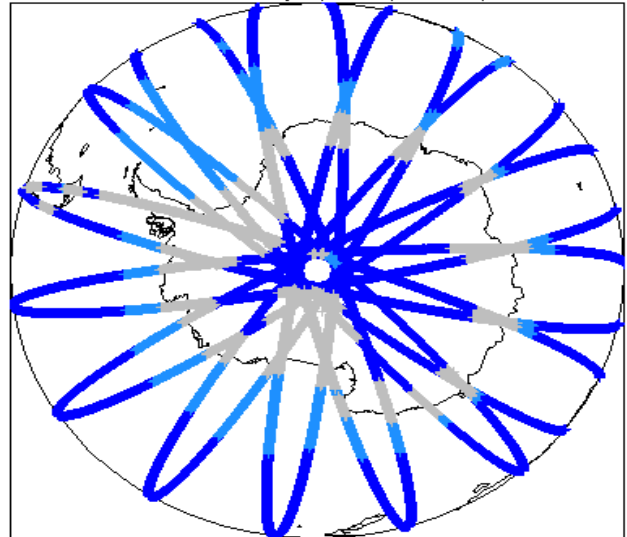
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2. Global Coverage

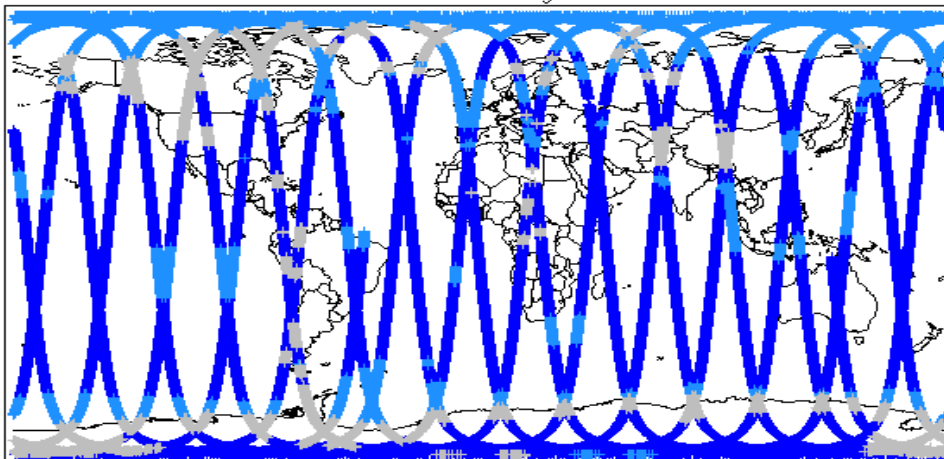
Global Coverage (north pole view)



Global Coverage (south pole view)

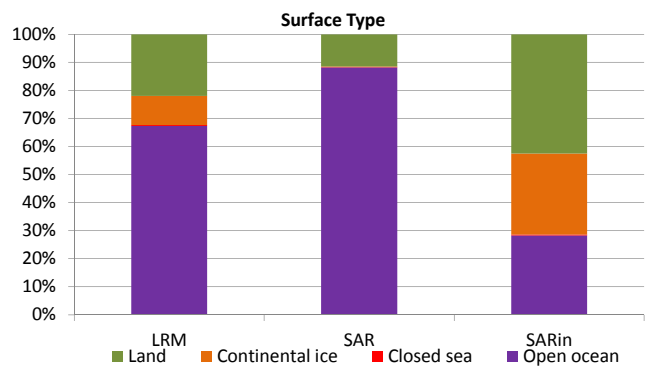
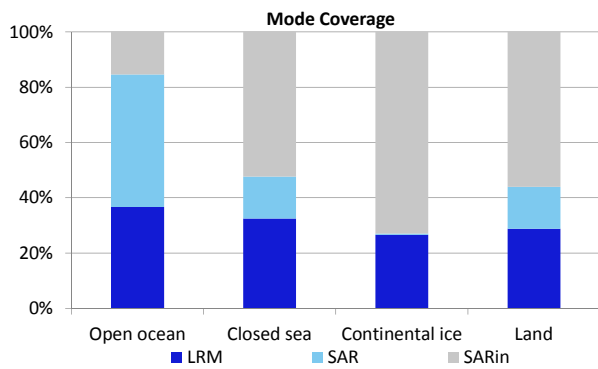


Global Coverage



Mode Coverage (%)

LRM	67.69
SAR	19.70
SIN	12.42



3. Instrument Configuration

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

SIRAL instrument(s) in use:	SIRAL - A
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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: 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.

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.

Number of products with errors: 0

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: 0

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: 0

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: 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: 0

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: 0

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: 41

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T000228_20150527T000414_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T001829_20150527T002309_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T010152_20150527T010331_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T012203_20150527T012638_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T023251_20150527T023723_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T025122_20150527T025807_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T030358_20150527T030620_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T042921_20150527T043132_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T043158_20150527T043259_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T043325_20150527T043822_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T051826_20150527T052048_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T061027_20150527T062021_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T065720_20150527T070037_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T074146_20150527T074211_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T075115_20150527T075913_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T080126_20150527T080222_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T092808_20150527T092951_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T093154_20150527T093938_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T101519_20150527T101651_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T111057_20150527T111812_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T120618_20150527T121231_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T122544_20150527T122757_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T124027_20150527T124309_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T124420_20150527T124755_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T125011_20150527T125707_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T142847_20150527T143503_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T145023_20150527T145054_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T160710_20150527T161612_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T162837_20150527T162916_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T174402_20150527T175143_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T175219_20150527T175350_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T175447_20150527T175627_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T180148_20150527T180218_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T184337_20150527T184605_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T193000_20150527T193303_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T193456_20150527T193538_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T202217_20150527T202547_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T210146_20150527T211100_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T211939_20150527T212056_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T224320_20150527T224916_C001	Peakiness error	There is an error in the peakiness derivation
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2__20150527T232549_20150527T233251_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	16	0	0	0	0
SIR_LRM_1B	152	0	0	0	0
SIR_LRM_2	152	0	0	0	0
SIR_SAR_1B	111	0	0	0	0
SIR_SAR_2A	111	0	0	0	0
SIR_SIN_1B	96	0	0	0	0
SIR_SIN_2	96	0	0	0	0

6.1 QCC Errors

Number of products with QCC errors: 0

6.2 Missing QCC Reports

Number of products with missing QCC reports: All

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: 0

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 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: 0

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: 0

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: 39

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: 0

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: 0

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: 0

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: 230

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: 204