

### 1. Overview

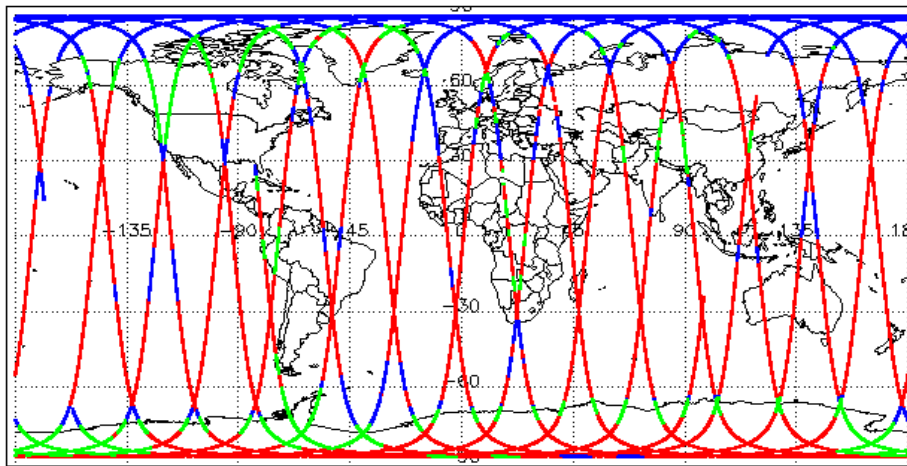
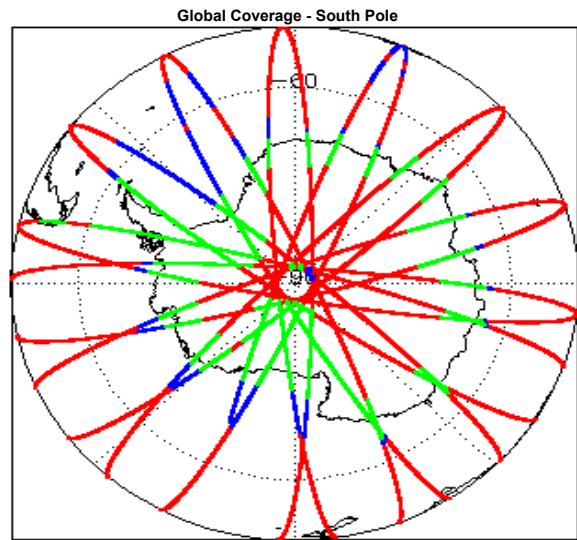
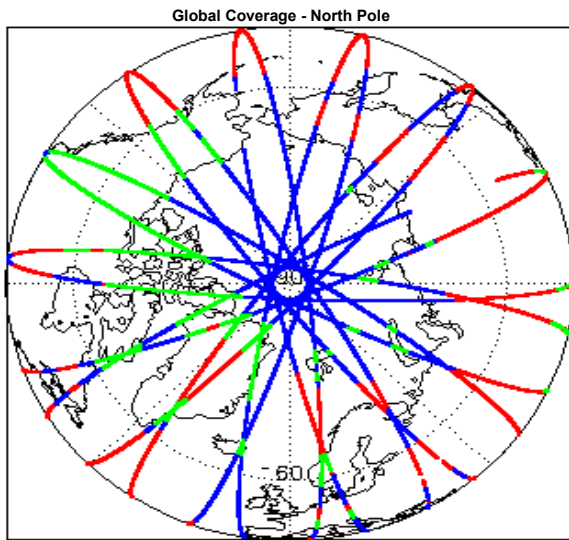
Report Production Date:	13-Apr-2016
Processor Used:	CryoSat Ice Processor
Data Used:	L1B and L2 OFFLINE Data

Check	Status
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 Section 4.2 and 5.2
Star Tracker Usage Check	Nominal
L1B Calibration Usage Check	Nominal
L1B & L2 Auxiliary Data File Usage Check	Nominal
L1B & L2 Auxiliary Correction Error Check	Nominal
L1B & L2 Measurement Confidence Data Check	See Section 4.7 and 5.5

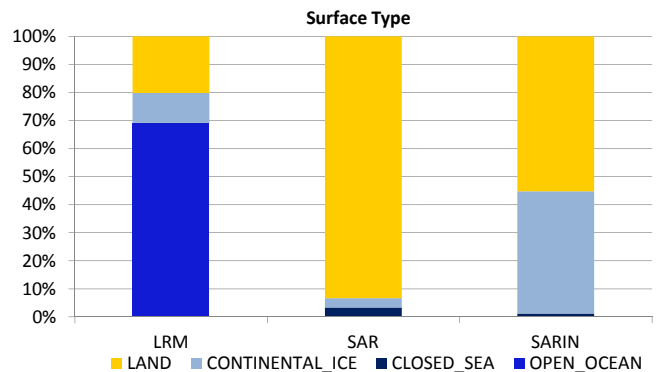
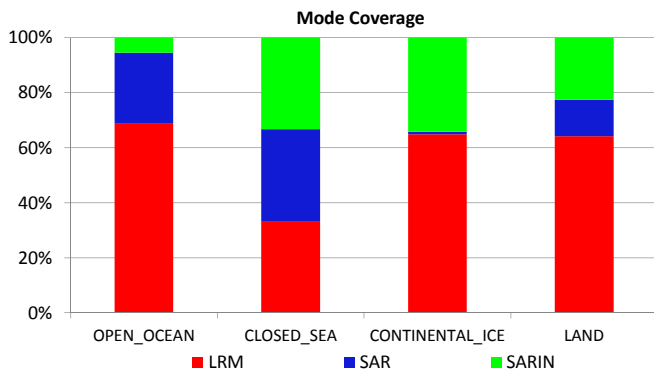
#### Mission / Instrument News

14-Mar-2016	None
15-Mar-2016	None
16-Mar-2016	Nothing planned

### 2. Global Coverage



Mode Coverage (%)		
	LRM	20.2
	SAR	12.4
	SARIn	0.0



### 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. 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 carried out 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

Product	Test Failed
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_1B_20160315T091135_20160315T091136_C001	Percentage of processing errors detected greater than minimum acceptable threshold.
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_1B_20160315T091158_20160315T091201_C001	Percentage of processing errors detected greater than minimum acceptable threshold.
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_1B_20160315T073523_20160315T073523_C001	Percentage of processing errors detected greater than minimum acceptable threshold.
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_1B_20160315T091203_20160315T091204_C001	Percentage of processing errors detected greater than minimum acceptable threshold.

### 4.3 Star Tracker Usage Check

Each product is checked in order to ensure a valid star tracker file has been used in processing.

Number of products with errors: 0

### 4.4 L1B Calibration Usage Check

Each product is checked in order to ensure that the necessary calibration files have been used in processing.

Number of products with errors: 0

### 4.5 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

### 4.6 L1B Auxiliary Correction Error Check

CryoSat L1B data includes a correction error flag (field 54) for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Number of products with errors: 0

### 4.7 L1B Measurement Confidence Data Check

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

Currently, there are several common error flags raised in the Level 1B products which are expected due to operational mode or surface type. All common flags are summarised in the list below, followed by a table of any additional issues arising from this test.

**Block Degraded Flag:** This flag is currently set for a number of individual records generally at the start or end of products (all modes), but this is to be expected.

**Phase Perturbation Flag:** This flag is currently set for all L1B SARIn products, indicating that the ADC correction application is deactivated, but this is in line with the current configuration.

Number of products with errors: 1

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20160315T012347_20160315T012905_C001	Echo error, TRK echo error	The tracking echo has returned an error and the Rx1 Echo Error flag is set, indicating a degraded echo

## 5. 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 carried out 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: 2

Product	Test Failed
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20160315T091135_20160315T091136_C001	Percentage of processing errors detected greater than minimum acceptable threshold.
CS_OFFL_SIR_SAR_2_20160315T091158_20160315T091201_C001	Percentage of processing errors detected greater than minimum acceptable threshold.

### 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

CryoSat L2 data includes a correction error flag (field 30) for each measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Number of products with errors: 0

### 5.5 L2 Measurement Quality Flag Check

CryoSat L2 data includes a quality flag (field 50) for each 20-Hz measurement record. The bit value of this flag indicates any problems when set.

Currently, there are several common error flags raised in the Level 2 products which are expected due to operational mode or surface type. All common flags are summarised in the list 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.

**Height and Backscatter errors:** These flags are currently set for products over land, but this is to be expected. Retracker 1 Height and Backscatter error flags are also set for products over sea-ice, but this is to be expected.





CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T165435_20160315T165554_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T182446_20160315T182806_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T183329_20160315T183453_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T191135_20160315T191208_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error, Surface Model Unavailable	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode and no DEM or Slope Model was used for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T191412_20160315T191706_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T200117_20160315T200313_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T201148_20160315T201323_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T205046_20160315T205151_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T205506_20160315T205606_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T214022_20160315T214201_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T214743_20160315T214748_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T214919_20160315T215127_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T222918_20160315T223124_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T223305_20160315T223520_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error, Surface Model Unavailable	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode and no DEM or Slope Model was used for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T231935_20160315T232121_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T232641_20160315T232646_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2__20160315T232805_20160315T233459_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records

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