

1. Overview

Report Production Date:	06-Oct-2016
Processor Used:	CryoSat Ice Processor
Data Used:	L1B and L2 OFFLINE Data

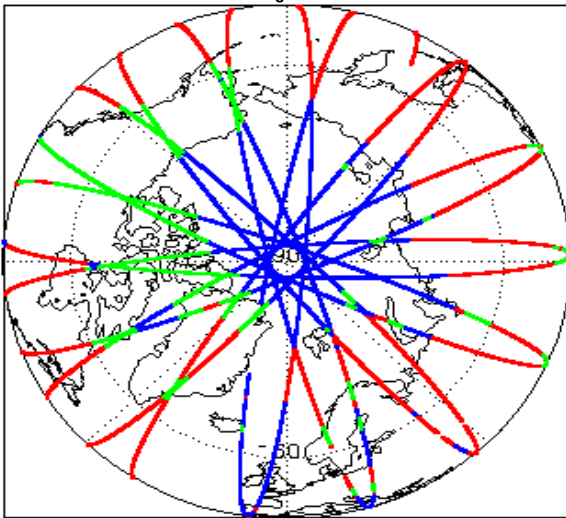
Check	Status
Server check: science-pds.cryosat.esa.int	Nominal
Server check: calval-pds.cryosat.esa.int	Nominal
Product Software Check	Nominal
Product Format Check	Nominal
Product Header Analysis	Nominal
Star Tracker Usage Check	Nominal
L1B Calibration Usage Check	Nominal
L1B & L2 Auxiliary Data File 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

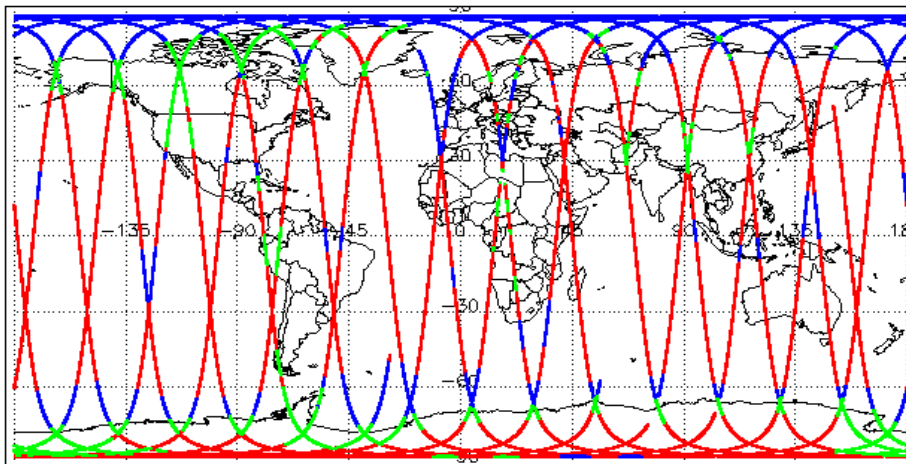
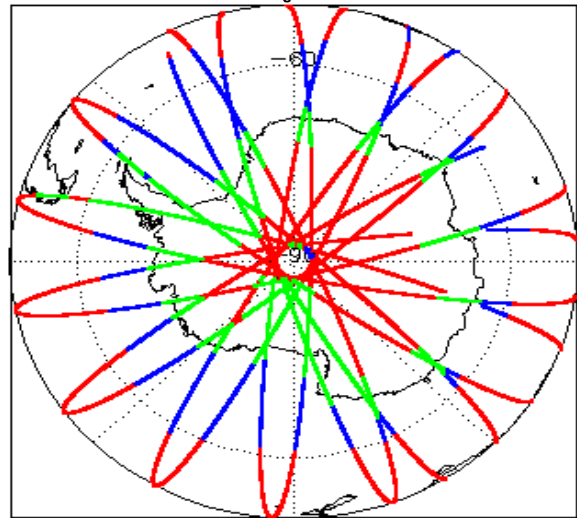
29-Aug-2016	None
30-Aug-2016	None
31-Aug-2016	SIRAL unavailability on 31-Aug-2016 from 04:06:00 to 07:27:41 due to planned instrument roll manoeuvres.

2. Global Coverage

Global Coverage - North Pole



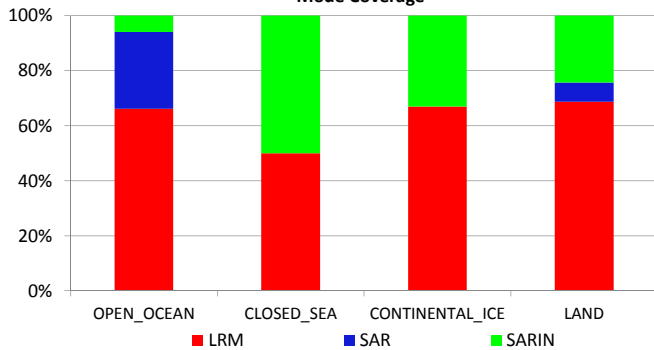
Global Coverage - South Pole



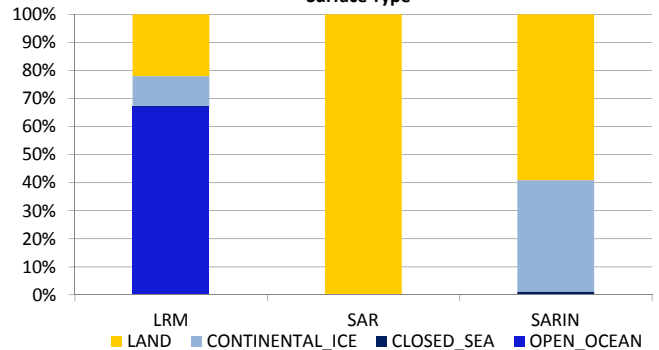
Mode Coverage (%)

	LRM	20.5
	SAR	12.9
	SARIn	0.0

Mode Coverage



Surface Type



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: 0

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: 0

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: 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

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.

Peakiness error: This flag is currently set for products over sea-ice, but this is to be expected.

SARIn X-Track Angle Error: This flag is set when the difference between the computed surface elevation and the DEM is >50 m. The DEM is only available over Greenland and Antarctica and as a result this flag is set for L2 SARIn products in all other locations as expected.

SSHA interpolation error: This flag is currently set for a number of SAR products occurring at surface type boundaries, but this is to be expected.

Number of products with errors: 107

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2_20160830T001921_20160830T003555_C001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Height Error (Retracker 3), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 and a height error for Retracker 3 for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2_20160830T004036_20160830T005456_C001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Height Error (Retracker 3), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 and a height error for Retracker 3 for one or more records

CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T131750_20160830T131928_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T132511_20160830T132515_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T132648_20160830T132853_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T140705_20160830T140837_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T141032_20160830T141248_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_20160830T150408_20160830T150414_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T150531_20160830T151224_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T151353_20160830T151625_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_20160830T164624_20160830T164828_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T181529_20160830T181706_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T182554_20160830T182718_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T191421_20160830T191456_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_20160830T195541_20160830T195706_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T200254_20160830T200303_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T200456_20160830T200609_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T213509_20160830T213635_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T214146_20160830T214448_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T231523_20160830T231825_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_SIN_2_20160830T232048_20160830T232603_C001	SARIn X-track Angle Error	An ambiguous angle was detected for SARIn mode for one or more records