

**1. Overview**

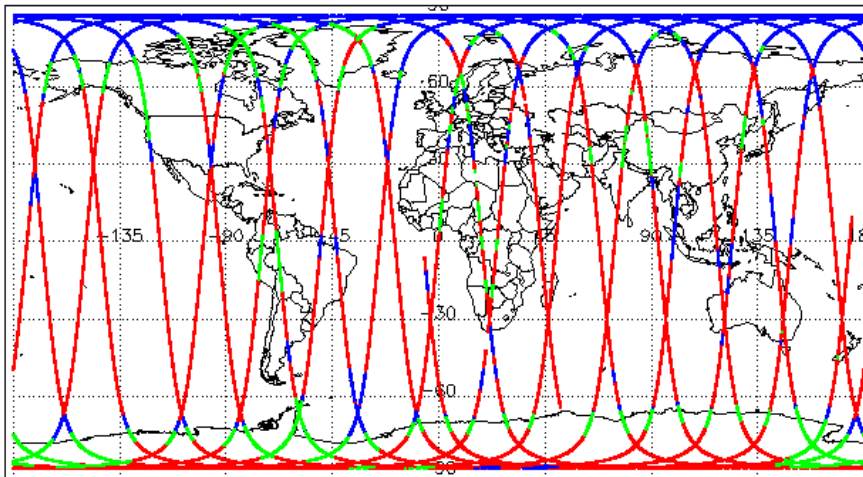
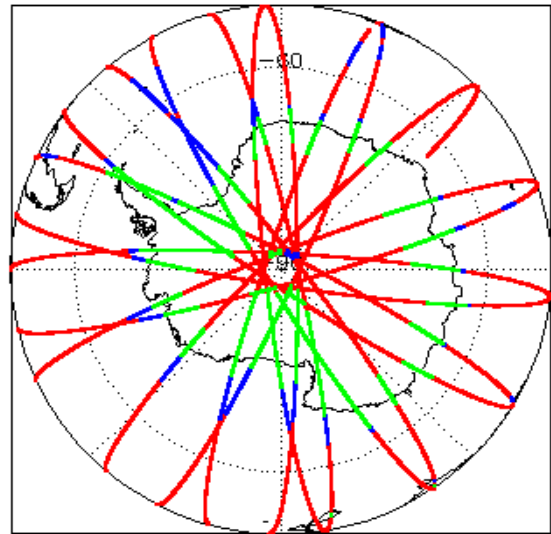
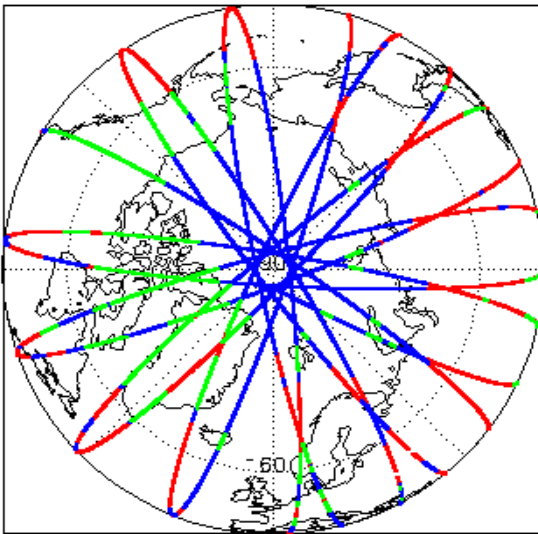
<b>Report Production Date:</b>	22-Apr-2021
<b>Processor Used:</b>	CryoSat Ice Processor
<b>Data Used:</b>	L1B and L2 OFFLINE Data

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 Tracking Flag Check	See Section 4.4
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 4.8 and 5.5
QCC Errors/ Warnings	See Section 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3

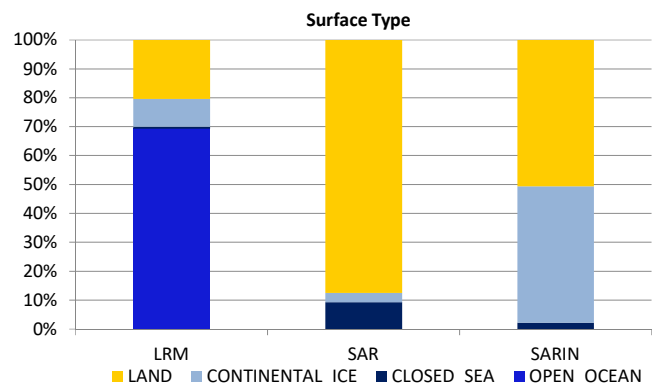
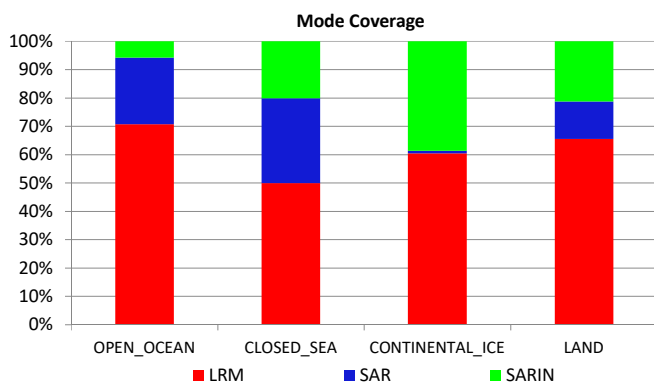
**Mission / Instrument News**

22-Mar-2021	None
23-Mar-2021	Due to Orbit Control Manoeuvre, SIRAL unavailability on 23/02/2021 from 19:27:58 UTC to 20:24:54 UTC
24-Mar-2021	Nothing planned

**2. Global Coverage**



Mode Coverage (%)		
	LRM	68.4
	SAR	18.9
	SARIn	12.7



### 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 Tracking Flags Check

CryoSat L1B data includes a tracking 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 some products over land, but this is to be expected.

Number of products with errors: 112

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210322T234558_20210323T001415_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T001426_20210323T001943_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T002715_20210323T003129_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T012228_20210323T012400_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T014124_20210323T014342_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T014351_20210323T015051_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T015054_20210323T015157_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T020627_20210323T020838_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T021717_20210323T022941_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030129_20210323T030135_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030137_20210323T030139_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030143_20210323T030145_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030149_20210323T030153_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030157_20210323T030209_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030212_20210323T030213_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030218_20210323T030218_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030222_20210323T030223_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030227_20210323T030239_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030244_20210323T030245_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030248_20210323T030402_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030406_20210323T030435_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T030439_20210323T030710_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T031023_20210323T032042_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T032550_20210323T033027_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T035926_20210323T040323_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T040327_20210323T040327_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T040329_20210323T040329_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T040331_20210323T040455_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T041109_20210323T042045_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T042053_20210323T042406_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T042529_20210323T042538_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044011_20210323T044412_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044415_20210323T044423_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044433_20210323T044440_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044444_20210323T044451_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044454_20210323T044512_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044548_20210323T044742_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T044747_20210323T045103_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T045105_20210323T045107_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T045110_20210323T045114_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T045238_20210323T045347_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records



CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T221738_20210323T221810_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T221812_20210323T222111_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T222219_20210323T222412_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T222926_20210323T223040_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T223510_20210323T223521_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T223532_20210323T223552_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210323T223827_20210323T223841_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records

#### 4.5 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

#### 4.6 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

#### 4.7 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

#### 4.8 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_20210323T145645_20210323T151139_D001	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: 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: 62

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2_20210322T234558_20210323T001415_D001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2), Surface model unavailable	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 and no DEM or Slope Model was used for the location of one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2_20210323T001426_20210323T001943_D001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 for one or more records





CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2__20210323T225607_20210323T230439_D001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2__20210323T230725_20210323T233031_D001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2__20210323T234229_20210323T235559_D001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2__20210323T235746_20210324T000350_D001	Height Error (Retracker 2), Backscatter Error (Retracker 2)	There is a height and backscatter error for Retracker 2 for one or more records

## 6. QCC Report Analysis

The Quality Control for CryoSat (QCC) facility 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.

Product type	No. Products	No. QCC Reports	No. Valid	No. Warnings	No. Errors
SIR_LRM_1B	179	179	179	0	0
SIR_SAR_1B	131	131	131	0	0
SIR_SIN_1B	100	100	100	0	0
SIR_LRM_2	179	179	172	7	0
SIR_SAR_2	100	130	130	0	0
SIR_SIN_2	130	100	100	0	0
SIR_GDR_2	14	14	0	0	14

### 6.1 QCC Errors

Number of products with QCC errors: 14

Product Type	MPHDUTNCDF	MPHXPFNCDF	MPHXVFNCDF	MPHYPFNCDF	MPHYVFNCDF	MPHZPFNCDF	MPHZVFNCDF	STRUCTURESIZ EANDREAD	-	-	-
SIR_GDR_2_	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14			

#### Test Description Key:

Abbreviation	Test name	Details
MPHDUTNCDF	MPH_Delta_UT1_NetCDF	Delta_UT1 mismatch
MPHXPFNCDF	MPH_X_Position_Float_v2_NetCDF	X_Position mismatch (DBL float (GDR), rounded to 100)
MPHXVFNCDF	MPH_X_Velocity_Float_v2_NetCDF	X_Velocity mismatch (DBL float (GDR), rounded to 1)
MPHYPFNCDF	MPH_Y_Position_Float_v2_NetCDF	Y_Position mismatch (DBL float (GDR), rounded to 100)
MPHYVFNCDF	MPH_Y_Velocity_Float_v2_NetCDF	Y_Velocity mismatch (DBL float (GDR), rounded to 1)
MPHZPFNCDF	MPH_Z_Position_Float_v2_NetCDF	Z_Position mismatch (DBL float (GDR), rounded to 100)
MPHZVFNCDF	MPH_Z_Velocity_Float_v2_NetCDF	Z_Velocity mismatch (DBL float (GDR), rounded to 1)
STRUCTURESIZ EANDREAD	STRUCTURE_SIZE_AND_READ	Under investigation.

### 6.2 QCC Warnings

Number of QCC reports with warnings: 8

Total number of occurrences of each warning

Product Type	AXSMMEOCI	-	-	-	-	-
SIR_GDR_2_	1					
SIR_LRM_2_	7					

#### Test Description Key:

Abbreviation	Test name	Details
AXSMMEOCI	AttributeXrefSlopeModelMustExistOverContinentalIce	The xref_slope_model is mandatory in LRM products over continental ice

### 6.2 Missing QCC Reports

Number of products with missing QCC reports: 0