

1. Overview

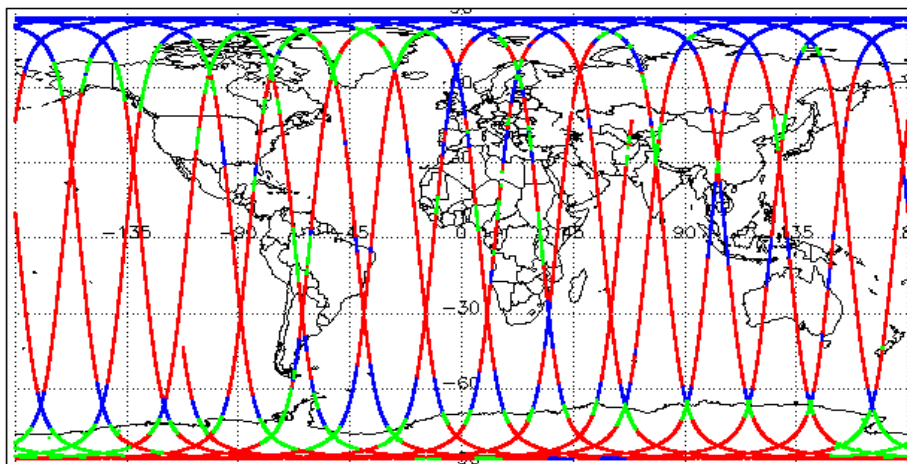
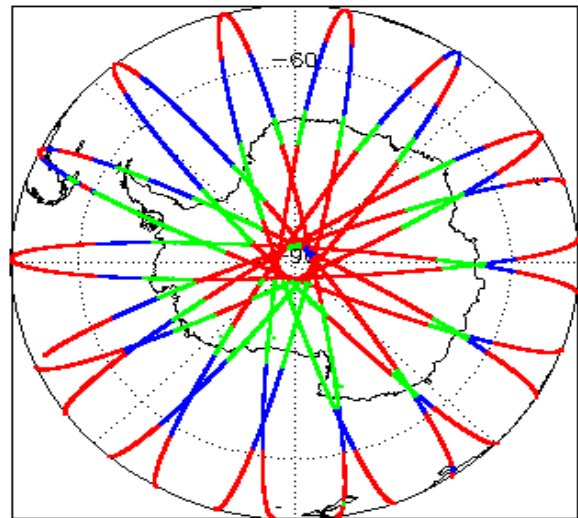
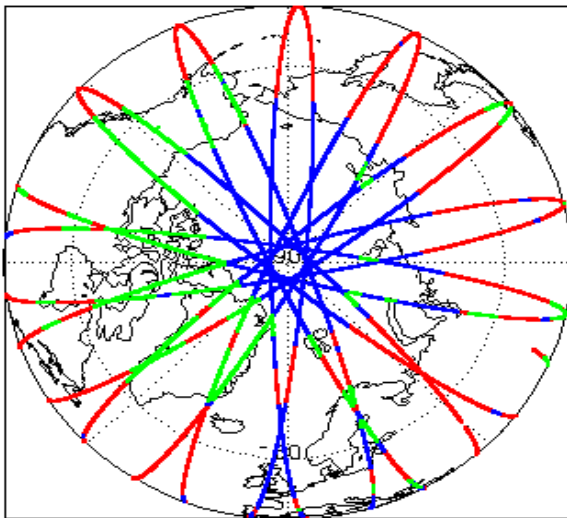
Report Production Date:	21-Sep-2021
Processor Used:	CryoSat Ice Processor
Data Used:	L1B and L2 OFFLINE Data

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 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

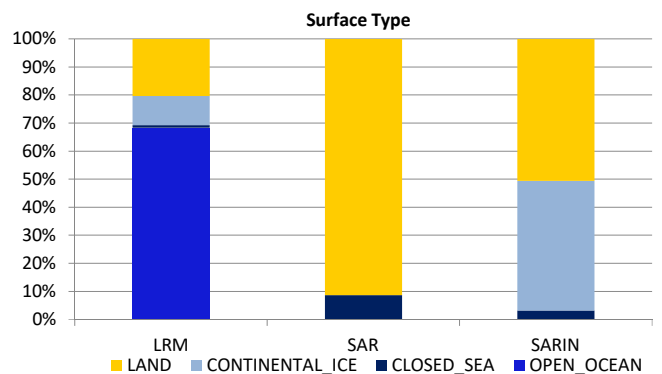
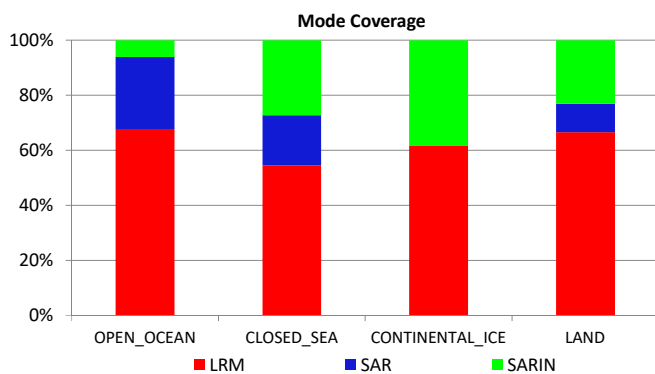
14-Aug-2021	None
15-Aug-2021	None
16-Aug-2021	Nothing planned

2. Global Coverage



Mode Coverage (%)

LRM	66.7
SAR	19.9
SARIn	13.4



### 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: 107

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210814T235546_20210815T000111_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T000150_20210815T000215_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T000412_20210815T002811_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T013002_20210815T013708_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T013741_20210815T013937_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T013940_20210815T014001_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T014005_20210815T014110_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T014112_20210815T014547_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T014549_20210815T015837_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T022517_20210815T025659_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T031549_20210815T031734_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T031817_20210815T031855_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T031859_20210815T031901_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T032834_20210815T033208_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T033229_20210815T033417_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T042718_20210815T043854_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T045809_20210815T045822_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T045824_20210815T045940_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T050054_20210815T050129_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T050131_20210815T050536_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T050622_20210815T050642_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T050715_20210815T052527_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T053259_20210815T053523_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T054300_20210815T061903_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T065038_20210815T070326_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T071235_20210815T071432_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T071613_20210815T071935_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T072200_20210815T073656_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T073859_20210815T074839_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T075204_20210815T075834_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T081058_20210815T082740_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T083113_20210815T083155_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T083220_20210815T083241_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T083244_20210815T083248_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T083250_20210815T083401_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T083403_20210815T083939_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T085104_20210815T085355_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T092415_20210815T092532_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T092630_20210815T092638_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T092642_20210815T092817_D001	Loss of echo	The tracking echo is missing for one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T092820_20210815T092826_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: 3

Product	Test Failed	Description
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T054300_20210815T061903_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
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T113743_20210815T120440_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
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_1B_20210815T185948_20210815T191044_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_20210814T235546_20210815T000111_D001	Surface Model Unavailable	No DEM or Slope Model was used for the location of one or more records
CS_OFFL_SIR_LRM_2_20210815T000412_20210815T002811_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_20210815T004417_20210815T011713_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_20210815T013002_20210815T013708_D001	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_20210815T013940_20210815T014001_D001	Surface Model Unavailable	No DEM or Slope Model was used for the location of one or more records







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	173	173	173	0	0
SIR_SAR_1B	116	116	116	0	0
SIR_SIN_1B	110	110	110	0	0
SIR_LRM_2	173	173	166	7	0
SIR_SAR_2	110	116	116	0	0
SIR_SIN_2	116	110	110	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: 7

Total number of occurrences of each warning

Product Type	AXSMMEOCI	-	-	-	-	-	-
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