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ABSTRACT

This report describes the airborne part of the fieldwork performed as part of the CryoSat Validation Experiment (CryoVEx) 2006 and the processing of the collected dataset. The airborne part of the campaign was carried out by the Danish National Space Center (DNSC) using a Twin-Otter chartered from Air Greenland. The main purpose was to collect coincident ASIRAS and laser data at validation sites placed on land ice and sea ice in the Arctic area and offer logistic support to ground teams. The data collected will be important for the understanding of CryoSat-2 radar signals. A number of overflights of corner reflectors both on sea ice and inland ice will aid this understanding and serve the calibration of ASIRAS.

The airborne part of the CryoVEx 2006 campaign has successfully been carried out by DNSC during the period April 18 to May 18 and the gathered datasets are now stored and secured at DNSC and the Alfred Wegener Institute (AWI). Since then an intensive collaboration between ESA, AWI and DNSC have ensured a solid processing of data where many minor and major problems have been identified and solved. Different investigations of the ASIRAS datation have also been performed and are discussed in the report.

A description of the airborne system, the campaign, and the processing is given together with a short description of each validation site. This should aid the user in the understanding and correct use of the dataset.

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1 Introduction

The European Space Agency (ESA) CryoSat Validation Experiment (CryoVEx) 2006 took place during April and May 2006. During the period April 18 to May 18 the airborne part of this campaign was successfully carried out by the Danish National Space Center (DNSC) using a chartered Air Greenland Twin-Otter aircraft.

The DNSC fieldwork consisted of:

- Airborne data collection with the ASIRAS and laser scanner system following
 installation and certification of ASIRAS in the Air Greenland Twin Otter (Registration:
 OY-POF). The airborne operations were coordinated with ground and helicopter
 activities over land and sea ice in polar areas in Greenland, Svalbard, Canada, and the
 Arctic Ocean.
- Logistical support for participants in the CryoVEx 2006 experiment especially concerning access to military facilities in Thule Air Base and Canadian Forces Station Alert and aircraft support to the UK teams on the Greenland Ice Sheet.
- Support for the sea ice ground truth work by Finnish and UK teams off Alert.

In general the airborne activities were successful and the objectives were met. A few survey lines were canceled due to the weather conditions as well as the time plan had to be adjusted during the campaign, but overall the expected data collection was carried out. Following the campaign all hard disks with ASIRAS data were transferred to the Alfred Wegener Institute (AWI).

The GPS and INS data were processed at DNSC and delivered to AWI for the ASIRAS processing. Laser data from the validation sites were also processed at DNSC and delivered to AWI for comparison. Throughout the processing phase DNSC, ESA and AWI had several meetings and teleconferences to address issues in the datasets.

This report outlines the field operations and processing of the data collected by DNSC during the CryoVEx 2006 campaign. In addition examples from the processed datasets will be presented, some of which were presented in a preliminary form at the CryoSat Validation and Retrieval Team (CVRT) meeting, ESA-ESTEC, June 2006.

2 Summary of the DNSC Operations

After successful installation and certification in March 2006 of the joint ASIRAS and DNSC laser scanner system in the Air Greenland Twin Otter, the system was ready for operation for the April-May campaign. The installation of the system was this time carried out in the Air Greenland hangar in Kangerlussuaq after the first two days of the charter (April 18 and April 19) had been used to deploy the UK teams on their positions on the EGIG line on the ice sheet. This transport consisted of all together four flights from Kangerlussuaq to the T05 and T12 sites with cargo and personnel. A test flight was performed on April 20 after instrument installation and ground tests with assistance from Radar Systemtechnik's (RST) engineer. The next days were spent on a Danish project surveying the sea ice west of Greenland near the Disko Island until the UK teams were ready for overflights. These local flights were used for more extensive testing of the ASIRAS system and training of the DNSC scientists in operation and backup of the system.

The first main site overflight was carried out on April 25 with a repeated survey of one site (T05) on April 26. This was done since the overflight of T05 on April 25 was not optimal. The campaign flight tracks can be seen in Figure 1. Thereafter followed a few days of waiting caused by poor weather on the Greenland east coast and Svalbard. We succeeded in reaching Svalbard on April 30 in between low-pressure systems. Because of the delay, we decided to base our Svalbard operations out of Longyearbyen instead of Ny Ålesund as planned. Before the Austfonna overflight the Starlab Oceanpal GPS system was mounted on the aircraft to be tested during that flight. A planned sea ice flight on an Envisat track was canceled due to lack of sea ice near Svalbard. On April 2 and 3 the team transited to Thule Air Base via Station Nord, Northeast Greenland. The flight out of Svalbard was over the Kongsvegen glacier coordinated with the ground team there. Unfortunately the wind conditions made it difficult to follow the planned track. Over the Fram Strait an Envisat track was followed with some ASIRAS and laser scanner data acquired despite of some clouds in the area. Also a local flight out of Station Nord was carried out to resurvey previously surveyed lines in the Arctic Ocean.

From Thule Air Base the Devon site was overflown on April 5. The southern part of the track had to be aborted due to dangerous wind conditions. This was afterward discussed with the Devon ground team and it was agreed that they would focus their work near the summit of the ice cap where the best data was obtained. After transit to Canadian Forces Station Alert, Ellesmere Island, on May 8 sea ice flights were done in cooperation with the ground and helicopter work on the ice. Two sites on first year ice and multi year ice close to the station were selected where the work was focused. On May 10 corner reflector overflights were performed repeatedly for each site at different elevations together with runway and building calibration survey. Also longer flights of coordinated Twin Otter (laser scanning and ASIRAS radar altimetry) and helicopter electromagnetic (HEM) data acquisition were done. One of these flights involved placing of UK-SAMS GPS buoys along the line transmitting positions by satellite, as a test for aligning helicopter and Twin-Otter tracks during the future CryoSat calibration campaign.

The aim of the last part of the airborne work was to remeasure previously surveyed sea ice and inland ice margin lines and to assist a Danish glaciology team at Station Nord with transport of equipment and personnel to a local ice cap, Flade Isblink. On May 12 the Twin Otter transited from Alert to Station Nord with data acquisition over the sea ice in the Arctic Ocean and on May 14 the cargo flights to Flade Isblink was carried out. In order to protect the instruments, the ASIRAS system was unmounted before these local flights. The

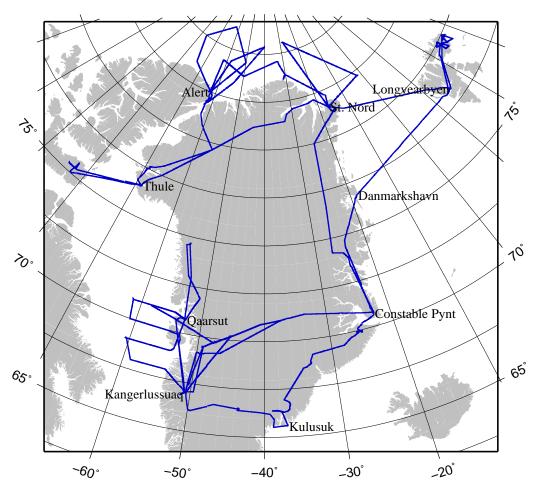


Figure 1: Tracks flown during CryoVEx 2006 by the Air Greenland Twin Otter equipped with the DNSC laser scanner system and the ASIRAS radar.

last flights back to Kangerlussuaq were over the East Greenland ice sheet margin including several outlet glaciers with landings at airfields in Constable Pynt and Kulusuk. After returning to Kangerlussuaq on May 17 the equipment was unmounted.

2.1 Overview of Day to Day activities

April 18-19: Deployment of UK teams to T05 and T12 on the ice sheet. Two flights per day. Installation of the instruments were started on April 19 after the last cargo flight.

April 20: Installation and local test flight.

April 21-24: West-coast sea ice project based in Qaarsut near Uummannaq. Extensive tests and training with RST on the ASIRAS system including the backup system.

April 25-26: EGIG line overflights including the T05 and T12 sites with corner reflectors. The April 26 flight also included a sea ice flight off the west coast coordinated with

helicopter landings on the ice and a medical evacuation of the team on T12 due to illness.

- April 27-28: No flights due to bad weather on the Greenland east coast.
- April 29-30: Transit flights from Kangerlussuaq to Svalbard via the EGIG line, Constable Pynt, and Danmarkshavn. High level ASIRAS data acquisition over the ocean between East Greenland and Svalbard.
- May 1: Over-flight of the Austfonna ice cap including 3 of the 4 corner reflectors. Small leg over sea ice east of Svalbard to test the Oceanpal GPS system.
- May 2: Transit flight to Station Nord, Greenland via Kongsvegen glacier and Envisat track in the Fram Strait. Local sea ice survey from Station Nord.
- May 3: Transit to Thule with survey of the northern part of the Greenland ice sheet.
- May 4: No flight.
- May 5: Devon ice cap survey. Southern part of the track was aborted due to dangerous wind conditions. Upon consultation with the pilot it was decided not to resurvey the southern part of Devon due to the continued dangerous conditions at the low flight elevations and a heavy aircraft.
- May 6-7: No flight.
- May 8: Transit to Alert via Politikens Bræ, Qaanaaq, Peterman Glacier, and the ice sheet margin. Change of personnel (R. Forsberg and H. Skourup replaces L. Stenseng and S. M. Hvidegaard, Susanne Hanson continues to Alert for in situ work).
- May 9-11: Alert sea ice flights coordinated with sea ice ground observations and helicopter EM flights (HEM).
- May 12: Transit flight to Station Nord with sea ice survey (with HEM). Unmount ASIRAS.
- May 13: No flight.
- May 14: Cargo flight to local ice cap for Danish glaciologists.
- May 15: No flight.
- May 16-17: Transit flight to Kangerlussuaq via Constable Pynt and Kulusuk, East Greenland. Unmount equipment.
- May 18: Cargo flight to pick-up equipment for UK team.
- May 19: Shipment of equipment.

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RST: H. Lentz.

| JD – Date | Flts | Track | Off B | TO | L | On B | Air | Operator |
|------------------------------|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|--------|----------|
| 108 – April 18 th | A | SFJ-T5 | 13:29 | | | 15:03 | 1h34 | none |
| 108 – April 18 th | В | T5-T12 | 15:15 | | | 15:49 | 0h34 | none |
| 108 – April 18 th | С | T12-SFJ | 15:51 | | | 17:53 | 2h02 | none |
| 108 – April 18 th | D | SFJ-T12 | 18:40 | | | 20:23 | 1h43 | none |
| 108 – April 18 th | Е | T12-SFJ | 20:30 | | | 22:31 | 2h01 | none |
| 109 – April 19 th | A | SFJ-T12 | 10:41 | | | 12:31 | 1h50 | none |
| 109 – April 19 th | В | T12-SFJ | 12:36 | | | 14:34 | 1h58 | none |
| 109 – April 19 th | С | SFJ-T5 | 15:19 | | | 16:54 | 1h35 | none |
| 109 – April 19 th | D | T5-SFJ | 17:00 | | | 18:40 | 1h40 | none |
| 110 – April 20 th | | test | 18:52 | 18:54 | 19:31 | 19:36 | 0h44 | LS |
| 111 – April 21 st | | V1-V4 | 11:10 | 11:15 | 15:49 | 15:54 | 4h44 | LS/SMH |
| 113 – April 23 rd | | A | 21:49 | 21:54 | 01:54 | 01:59 | 4h10 | SMH |
| 114 – April 24 th | | V5-V8 | 17:21 | 17:26 | 22:11 | 22:16 | 4h55 | SMH |
| 115 – April 25 th | | X-EGIG | 11:54 | 11:59 | 18:49 | 18:54 | 7h00 | SMH |
| 116 – April 26 th | A | SFJ-JQA | 12:53 | 12:58 | 14:57 | 15:02 | 2h09 | SMH |
| 116 – April 26 th | В | JQA-V-T12 | 16:02 | 16:07 | 19:40 | 19:45 | 3h43 | SMH |
| 116 – April 26 th | С | T12-SFJ | 19:46 | 19:51 | 21:42 | 21:47 | 2h01 | SMH |
| 119 – April 29 th | A | EGIG | 11:07 | 11:11 | 16:54 | 16:59 | 5h52 | SMH |
| 119 – April 29 th | В | В | 17:43 | 17:48 | 20:53 | 20:58 | 3h15 | SMH |
| 120 – April 30 th | | DMH-LYR | 08:22 | 08:27 | 11:57 | 12:02 | 3h40 | SMH |
| 121 – May 1 st | | AUSTFON | 10:13 | 10:18 | 15:38 | 15:43 | 5h30 | SMH |
| 122 – May 2 nd | A | KV-EN | 08:33 | 08:38 | 11:50 | 11:55 | 3h22 | SMH |
| 122 – May 2 nd | В | F | 13:09 | 13:14 | 18:18 | 18:23 | 5h14 | SMH |
| 123 – May 3 rd | | Н | 10:42 | 10:47 | 16:06 | 16:11 | 5h29 | SMH |
| 125 – May 5 th | | DEVON | 12:56 | 13:01 | 17:29 | 17:34 | 4h38 | HSK |
| 126 – May 6 th | | | We | ekend T | hule Cl | osed | | |
| 127 – May 7 th | | | | | | | | |
| 128 – May 8 th | A | TAB-NAQ | 14:25 | 14:30 | 15:05 | 15:10 | 0h45 | HSK |
| 128 – May 8 th | В | NAQ-YLT | 15:33 | 15:38 | 18:50 | 18:55 | 3h22 | HSK/RF |
| 129 – May 9 th | | YLT-YLT | 15:59 | 16:04 | 20:51 | 20:56 | 4h57 | RF |
| 130 – May 10 th | | YLT-YLT | 17:47 | 17:52 | 19:45 | 19:50 | 2h03 | RF |
| 131 – May 11 th | | YLT-YLT | 14:40 | 14:45 | 20:08 | 20:13 | 5h33 | RF |
| 132 – May 12 th | | YLT-NRD | 14:43 | 14:48 | 19:29 | 19:34 | 4h51 | RF |
| 133 – May 13 th | | | | | n Nord | | | |
| 134 – May 14 th | | Fla | de Isblin | k uplift, | 8 flts | | 6h03 | |
| 135 – May 15 th | | | | no f | lights | | | |
| 136 – May 16 th | | NRD-CNP | 09:50 | 09:55 | 15:42 | 15:47 | 5h57 | RF |
| 137 – May 17 th | | CNP-KUS | 08:40 | 08:45 | 13:39 | 13:44 | 5h04 | RF |
| 138 – May 18 th | | KUS-SFJ | 14:30 | 14:35 | 18:01 | 18:06 | 3h36 | RF |
| Total | | | | | | | 127h00 | |

Table 1: GRL06 Flights. Off B: Off Bloc, T O: Take Off, L: Landing, On B: On Bloc, Air: Airborne.

3 Hardware Installation

In the Air Greenland hangar in Kangerlussuaq the equipment was installed in the Twin Otter according to the experience from the test campaign in Nuuk in March 2006. No major difficulties were encountered. Table 2 gives the offsets between the instruments and Figure 2 sketches the approximate position of the instruments in the aircraft.

For the Twin-Otter new antenna cables had to be made to accommodate the longer distance between the ASIRAS instrument and the ASIRAS antenna. After a discussion between DNSC, RST and Air Greenland engineers it was decided that the optimal installation in the aircraft would be with cables of 240 cm each. These 240 cm cables were then supplied by RST and used throughout the CryoVEx 2006 campaign.

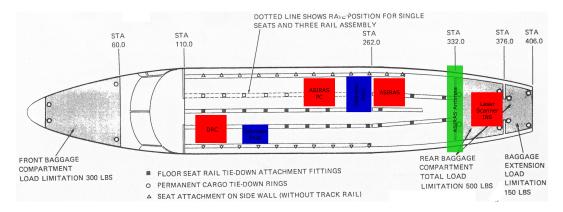


Figure 2: Sketch of approximate instrument positions.

| to laser scanner | <i>dX</i> (m) | <i>dY</i> (m) | dZ (m) |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| from AIR1/AIR3 (front) | -3.70 | +0.52 | +1.58 |
| from AIR2/AIR4 (rear) | +0.00 | -0.35 | +1.42 |
| | | | |
| to ASIRAS antenna | <i>dX</i> (m) | <i>dY</i> (m) | dZ (m) |
| to ASIRAS antenna from AIR1/AIR3 (front) | <i>dX</i> (m) -3.37 | <i>dY</i> (m) +0.47 | <i>dZ</i> (m) +2.005 |

Table 2: The lever arm from the GPS antennas to the origin of the laser scanner, and to the back center of ASIRAS antenna frame (see arrow). Offset definition: *X* positive to the front, *Y* positive to the right and *Z* positive down.



(a) ASIRAS antenna mounted on OY-POF



(b) ASIRAS instrument installed in the rack with AIR4 (Trimble 4000).

Figure 3: Photos of the ASIRAS installation.



(a) Setup inside the cabin during survey.



(b) From left: Laser scanner, altimeter, camera (behind altimeter) and INS installed in aft luggage compartment.



(c) Laser scanner (center), altimeter (botom right) and camera (bottom left) seen from outside.

Figure 4: Photos of the laser installation.

4 Overview of Acquired Data

During the CryoVEx 2006 Campaign the DNSC collected around 4.5 Tb of ASIRAS data and 30 Gb of GPS, INS, Laser and photos with the airborne system. ASIRAS data were stored on hard disks and backed up to AIT-3 tapes after each flight, using the ASIRAS PC3. The tapes are stored at DNSC and the hard disks were delivered to AWI for processing. All other data were stored on an external hard disk, written to CD-roms and copied to the operators laptops to minimize the risk of data loss due to media failure.

An overview of the collected data can be seen in Table 3 and a more detailed list of data can be found in the following sections and relevant appendices.

4.1 Auxiliary Data

During the survey flights operator logs were kept for both the DNSC laser scanner system and the ASIRAS radar system. These logs have been stored as separate files together with the data files and can also be found in the Appendix B and E.

A downward looking camera was installed next to the laser scanner and operated during most flights to acquire visual documentation of the observed surface. Images were obtained every 2 seconds with a resolution of 640 by 480 pixels, with one pixel roughly corresponding to 1 by 1 m. These were logged directly on a dedicated laptop PC after initial tests on a rack mounted PC was unsuccessful. In addition to the downward looking camera, the operators took digital photographs and digital video out of the Twin Otter windows on irregular basis during flights. These photos have been gathered and stored together with the survey data files.

As a backup for the laser scanner instrument a profiling laser altimeter (Optech) was mounted next to the scanner. The instrument was tested but data were only sporadically stored as most flights were out of range of this altimeter.

4.2 Summary

Nearly all data were recovered during the campaign except for the few cases discussed above. The full set of raw data is now stored on the DNSC server system (with tape backup) and copies are kept on CD-roms except for the ASIRAS data, which were stored on tapes and hard disks. The hard disks with ASIRAS data have been delivered to AWI and the backup tapes are at DNSC. An overview of collected data can be found in Table 3.

| Remarks | q | C | | р | в | f | 8 | Ч | į | j | ш | и | | | 0 | | | | |
|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| YLT2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | × | × | × | | | |
| YLT1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | × | × | × | | | |
| UMD1 | | | | × | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NYA2 | | | | | | | | | | × | | | | | | | | | |
| TAB1 | | | | | | | | | | | | × | × | | | | | | |
| SFJ1 | × | × | | | × | | × | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SCOR | | | | | | | × | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NRD2 | | | | | | | | | | × | | | | | | | | | |
| NRD1 | | | | | | | | | | × | ₁ X | | | | | | × | | |
| LYR1 | | | | | | | | × | × | | | | | | | | | | |
| KELY | | | | | | × | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JQA1 | | | × | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CNP0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | × |
| CAM | × | | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × |
| ALT | | | | | | | × | × | × | × | | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × |
| EGI | X | X | × | × | × | × | × | × | X | × | × | × | X | X | × | × | Χp | × | × |
| SCAN | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × |
| AIR4 | | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × |
| AIR3 | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | | × | X | X | X | × | × | X | X | × | X | × |
| AIR2 | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | X_k | × | × | × | × | × | | | |
| AIR1 | × | × | × | × | × | × | 1 | | | 1 | × | | | | | | × | × | × |
| JD – Date | 110 – April 20 th | 111 – April 21 st | 113 – April 23 rd | 114 – April 24 th | 115 – April 25 th | 116 – April 26 th | 119 – April 29 th | 120 – April 30 th | 121 – May 1 st | 122 – May 2 nd | 123 – May 3 rd | 125 – May 5 th | 128 – May 8 th | 129 – May 9 th | 130 – May 10 th | 131 – May 11 th | 132 – May 12 th | 136 – May 16 th | 137 – May 17 th |

Table 3: Data acquired from reference stations and aircraft instruments.

 $^{\it n}$ EGI file errors when read by readegi, output to screen OK $^{\it b}$ Test Flight, WEBCAM PC stopped halfway

 d1 hour side-looking radar webcam PC error

fno data in 2 scanner files 'EGI logging startet late

'4 reflectors possible 8no scanner data hASIRAS HAM

^lref. GPS too short 14:34 landing 16:06 ^mASIRAS: Acad.+H6-7 reflectors at KV. ASIRAS 2nd leg ktwo files, mem card full

 n reflector at Devon o reflectors at sea ice p FEGI disc full, last hour missing; scan file missing due to accidental closure of PC

5 Processing GPS and INS data

Kinematic GPS is the key positioning method of the aircraft. GPS dual-frequency phase data were logged at 1 Hz using one or several ground base receivers at one or more reference sites, and 4 aircraft receivers; one of these dedicated to datation for the ASIRAS system. The aircraft GPS receivers are named AIR1 (Trimble, 4000-SSI), AIR2 (Ashtech, Z-extreme), AIR3 (Javad, Legacy), and AIR4 (Trimble, 4000-SSI, connected to ASIRAS). AIR1 and AIR3 share the front GPS antenna; AIR2 and AIR4 the rear antenna. Antenna offsets are given in Table 2. Data were logged in the receivers internal memory during flights and downloaded to laptop PCs upon landing. Most data were recovered and only a few files missing, see Table 3, but the redundancy of receivers meant that GPS data are available for all flights. The AIR2 Ashtech receiver had a problem with the memory card and did not collect data on the last 3 flights.

The GPS base stations to be used as reference stations for differential post processing of the GPS data are listed in Table 4. These stations were mounted on roofs or tripods in the field near the landing sites during the flights; the reference points were generally not marked. In a few cases data from permanent GPS stations have been used.

| Name | Location | Hardware (ant. type) |
|------|---|----------------------|
| CNP0 | Constable Pynt, near runway | Javad (Marant) |
| JQA | Western part of Nuussuaq, near Qaarsut, | Javad (Marant) |
| | tripod on ground | |
| KELY | Kellyville permanent station | Ashtech Z-XII3 |
| LYR1 | Longyearbyen, tripod on ground | Javad (Regent) |
| | near NPI Hotel | |
| NRD1 | Station Nord, on building 7 roof (light pole) | Javad (Regent) |
| NRD2 | Station Nord, on snow next to apron | Javad (Regent) |
| NYA2 | Ny Ålesund, permanent station | AOA Benchmark ACT |
| SCOR | Scoresbysund, permanent station | Ashtech UZ-12 |
| SFJ1 | Kangerlussuaq, on KISS building roof | Trimble 4000 SSI |
| | (between tile 16 & 17 of the outermost row) | |
| T12 | On the ice sheet (8 m west of | Leica SR530 |
| | T12 corner reflector | |
| TAB1 | Thule Air Base, on snow pile | Javad (Regent) |
| | near Air Greenland hangar | |
| THU2 | Thule Air Base, permanent station | Javad Legacy |
| THU3 | Thule Air Base, permanent station | Ashtech UZ-12 |
| UMD1 | Uummannaq, at airfield point | Ashtech |
| YLT1 | CFS Alert, tripod on ground | Javad (Regent) |
| | near Spinnaker Building | |
| YLT2 | CFS Alert, tripod on ground | Javad (Marant) |
| | near garage | |

Table 4: CryoVEx 2006 GPS Reference Stations

A Honeywell medium-grade inertial navigation system H764-G was used throughout the surveys to record inertially integrated position, velocity and attitude information. The unit has an on board GPS receiver for datation and position updates of the built in Kalman filter. Data packets were obtained through a 1553 mil-spec serial communications bus and logged on a rack mounted PC with a 2 Gb Compact Flash memory card in binary format. Data from all flights have been secured except for the following cases:

April 10 On the test flight the INS failed to initialize properly.

April 29 INS data logging stopped premature.

May 12 The last hour of data is missing due to an operator error.

May 16 INS data corrupted in the first part of the flight.

Recordings and comments can be found in Table 3.

| JD – Date | Flight | Reference | Rover | File name | Start (dech) | End (dech) | Ratio | Ref. var. |
|------------------------------|--------|-----------|-------|-------------------------|--------------|------------|-------|-----------|
| 110 – April 20 th | | SFJ1 | 2 | 110a2s1.p | 18.6797 | 19.6058 | 1.2 | 1.279 |
| 111 – April 21 th | | SFJ1 | 2 | 111a2s1.p | 11.1047 | 15.9364 | 1.4 | 4.288 |
| 113 – April 23 th | | JQA1 | 2 | 113a2jq1.p | 21.7464 | 1.9142 | 10.7 | 0.971 |
| 114 – April 24 th | | UMD1 | 4 | 114a4umd.p | 17.3475 | 22.1919 | 1.2 | 12.898 |
| 115 – April 25 th | | SFJ1 | 3 | 115a3s1.p | 11.2297 | 18.8333 | 1.1 | 5.275 |
| 116 – April 26 th | | KELY | 1 | 116ba1ke.p | 14.5003 | 21.7183 | 1.1 | 10.777 |
| 119 – April 29 th | a | SCOB | 4 | 119aa4sc.p | 11.0233 | 16.9733 | 1.1 | 11.276 |
| 119 – April 29 th | b | SCOB | 2 | 119ba1sc.p | 17.6714 | 20.0458 | 1.4 | 6.854 |
| 120 – April 30 th | | LYR | 2 | 120a2ly.p | 8.4011 | 11.9989 | 1.4 | 4.443 |
| 121 – May 1 st | | LYR | 2 | 121a2lyb.p | 9.9719 | 15.7003 | 1.3 | 4.003 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | a | NYA2 | 3 | 122aa3ny.p | 8.3953 | 11.8858 | 15.2 | 1.103 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | b | NRD2 | 2 | 122ba2n2.p | 13.0464 | 18.3406 | 1.1 | 7.310 |
| 123 – May 3 rd | | NRD1 | 3 | 123a3n1.p | 10.4317 | 14.5636 | 1.3 | 3.668 |
| 125 – May 5 th | | TAB1 | 3 | 125a3t1.p | 12.7356 | 17.5294 | 5.4 | 0.846 |
| 128 – May 8 th | | TAB1 | 4 | 128a4t1.p | 14.2514 | 18.9172 | 1.2 | 5.291 |
| 129 – May 9 th | | YLT1 | 3 | 129a3y1.p | 15.6186 | 21.0125 | 1.1 | 1.091 |
| 130 – May 10 th | | YLT1 | 1 | 130a1y1.p | 17.8161 | 19.9450 | 2.0 | 0.952 |
| 131 – May 11 th | | YLT1 | 2 | 131a2y1.p | 14.3092 | 20.2544 | 1.2 | 0.837 |
| 132 – May 12 th | | NRD1 | 1 | 132a1n1.p | 14.2928 | 19.6656 | 1.1 | 7.117 |
| 136 – May 16 th | | SCOR | 1 | 136a1sc.p | 9.4267 | 15.7950 | 1.2 | 5.678 |
| 137 – May 17 th | | | 3 | 137a3crr.p ¹ | 8.5319 | 18.1400 | | |

Table 5: Processed GPS data selected for further use.

5.1 GPS Data Processing

GPS solutions is based on static processing of the reference stations and kinematic differential processing of the airborne data. First the position of the reference stations is determined using the SCOUT (Scripps Coordinate Update Tool) service operated by

SOPAC (Scripps Orbit and Permanent Array Center) (http://sopac.ucsd.edu). SCOUT calculates the reference station's position in ITRF2000 using data from three permanent GPS stations nearby. Even though there in the Arctic are several hundreds of kilometers to "nearby" permanent stations, the standard deviation of the resulting position is often within 2 cm.

Reference stations used during the CryoVEx 2006 campaign can be found in Table 4, note that data from permanent GPS stations in the Arctic also were used when available in 1 Hz.

The kinematic differential GPS processing were performed with GPSurvey (version 2.35) using precise IGS orbits and the Goad-Goodman tropospheric model. On each flight several solutions are made using different combinations of GPS reference stations and aircraft GPS receivers. The best solutions for each flight is shown in Table 5 and for a complete list of all GPS solutions see Appendix 23. On the last flight it was not possible to get an acceptable solution when using the GPSurvey software, instead a solution was calculated using CSRS-PPP (Canadian Spatial Reference System Precise Point Positioning) (http://http://www.geod.nrcan.gc.ca). Finally the GPS solutions were converted into binary format as specified in the ESA document by Cullen (2006) for the ASIRAS processing.

5.2 Merging GPS and INS Data

The position and attitude information is extracted from the INS data packets and averaged to 10 Hz. The averaging to 10 Hz has proven to be a good balance between file size and resolution in time. To obtain a higher resolution in the time domain and preserve precision the post processed GPS and the INS data is merged by draping the INS derived positions onto the GPS positions. This draping is done by modeling the function, found in equation (1), by a low pass filtered smooth correction curve, which is added to the INS.

$$\epsilon(t) = P_{GPS}(t) - P_{INS}(t) \tag{1}$$

This way a smooth GPS-INS solution is obtained, which can be used for geolocation of laser and camera observation. The full resolution INS data were also converted into binary format as specified in the ESA document for the ASIRAS processing by Cullen (2006).

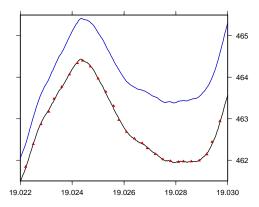


Figure 5: Draping high rate INS derived heights (blue) onto precise GPS heights (red) to get high rate, precise heights (black).

| Date - JD | Flight | Filename | Gps Solution | Start [dechr] | Stop [dechr] | Receiver |
|------------------------------|--------|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------|
| 111 – April 21 th | | 111a2.pos | 111a2s1.p | 11.200 | 15.890 | 2 |
| 113 – April 23 th | | 113a2.pos | 113a2jq1.p | 21.800 | 25.910 | 2 |
| 114 – April 24 th | | 114a4.pos | 114a4umd.p | 17.370 | 22.190 | 4 |
| 115 – April 25 th | | 115a3.pos | 115a3s1.p | 12.400 | 18.820 | 3 |
| 116 – April 26 th | a | 116aa1.pos | 116ba1ke.p | 14.510 | 9.800 | 1 |
| 116 – April 26 th | b | 116ba1.pos | 116ba1ke.p | 16.050 | 9.800 | 1 |
| 119 – April 29 th | a | 119aa4.pos | 119aa4sc.p | 11.030 | 9.800 | 4 |
| 119 – April 29 th | b | 119ba2.pos | 119ba2sc.p | 17.821 | 9.600 | 2 |
| 120 – April 30 th | | 120a2.pos | 120a2ly.p | 8.410 | 11.980 | 2 |
| 121 – May 1 st | | 121a2.pos | 121a2lyb.p | 10.200 | 15.680 | 2 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | a | 122aa3.pos | 122aa3ny.p | 8.550 | 9.800 | 3 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | b | 122ba2.pos | 122ba2n2.p | 13.100 | 9.800 | 2 |
| 123 – May 3 ^{ed} | | 123a3.pos | 123a3n1.p | 10.500 | 14.560 | 3 |
| 125 – May 5 th | | 125a3.pos | 125a3t1.p | 12.850 | 17.500 | 3 |
| 128 – May 8 th | a | 128aa4.pos | 128a4t1.p | 14.260 | 9.800 | 4 |
| 128 – May 8 th | b | 128ba4.pos | 128a4t1.p | 15.230 | 9.400 | 4 |
| 129 – May 9 th | | 129a3.pos | 129a3y1.p | 16.050 | 21.000 | 3 |
| 130 – May 10 th | | 130a1.pos | 130a1y1.p | 17.820 | 19.810 | 1 |
| 131 – May 11 th | | 131a2.pos | 131a2y1.p | 15.000 | 20.180 | 2 |
| 132 – May 12 th | | 132a1.pos | 132a1n1.p | 14.300 | 18.940 | 1 |
| 136 – May 16 th | | 136a1.pos | 136a1sc.p | 14.400 | 15.770 | 1 |
| 137 – May 17 th | | 137a3.pos | 137a3crr.p | 8.761 | 18.110 | 3 |

Table 6: INS data processing.

6 Processing Laser Scanner Data

A Riegl laser scanner (LMS-Q140i-60) was used to measure the distance between the aircraft and the surface, with a range resolution of 5 cm. The nominal data logging rate is 40 scans/second; each scan consists of 208 single laser shots in a 60° cross track swath. The laser scanner data were logged as hourly files on a PC laptop. The files are time tagged by a 1 PPS signal from the AIR1 GPS receiver with start time of the scans given by the operator as the file name. It should be noted that this procedure gives a slight risk of timing errors of 1 second (approximately 60 m on ground) however after processing it is easy to identify and correct these time errors by visual inspection. Table 7 shows the laser scanner files logged during the campaign. The typical files size is about 200 Mb for one hour in the standard binary file format. Backup of the data was made on hard disk and CD-roms after flights.

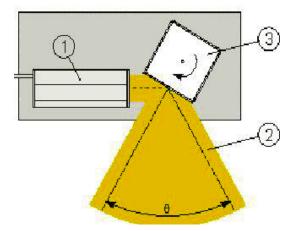


Figure 6: Sketch of the Riegl laser scanner principle. (1)Laser and photo diode assembly. (2)Swath pattern. (3)Rotating mirror.

The principle in the laser scanner can shortly be described as following:

- 1. The laser (1) emits a laser pulse and starts a timer, see Figure 6.
- 2. The pulse is reflected in a direction dictated by the mirror (3).
- 3. If the pulse hits a target with a suitable reflectance it is returned to the mirror (3) that reflects it into the photo diode (1) and hereby stops the timer.
- 4. The mirror (3) is now rotated by a small angle before the process is repeated.

After initial quality control of the laser scanner data, it was seen that scans were missing on a regular basis. The reason for this was believed to be increased vibrations of the laptop PC in the new aircraft installation. This lead to a shift in storage method in the PC from the standard hard disk to a 2 Gb Compact Flash memory card. This reduced the data loss from approximately 1 out of 4 to 1 out of 40 scans.

Laser scanner data were recovered for most flight lines except a few cases where fog or low clouds were encountered or system/operator errors occur. Also a loss of INS data will hinder the laser scanner data in being processed.

| JD – Date | Filename | 2dd | Start | Stop | Comments |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|
| 110 – April 20 th | 184530.2dd | T | 18.760840 | 19.483950 | scans missing |
| 111 – April 21 st | 111530.2dd | T | 11.258335 | 11.384583 | scans missing |
| 1 | 120600.2dd | Т | 12.100001 | 13.007563 | each 40 line |
| | 130130.2dd | T | 13.025007 | 13.551934 | approximately |
| | 133400.2dd | T | 13.566669 | 14.932408 | |
| 113 – April 23 rd | 231800.2dd | T | 22.583340 | 23.282623 | |
| | 223500.2dd | T | 23.300004 | 0.175676 | |
| | 001130.2dd | T | 0.191668 | 1.124059 | |
| 114 – April 24 th | 173030.2dd | T | 17.508333 | 18.498814 | |
| | 183030.2dd | T | 18.508333 | 19.430473 | |
| | 192630.2dd | T | 19.441673 | 20.402421 | |
| | 202500.2dd | T | 20.416670 | 21.071510 | |
| 115 – April 25 th | 121000.2dd | T | 12.166669 | 13.178247 | |
| | 131130.2dd | T | 13.191670 | 13.915370 | |
| | 135530.2dd | T | 13.925001 | 14.755536 | |
| | 144600.2dd | T | 14.766673 | 15.742513 | |
| | 154530.2dd | T | 15.758338 | 16.893572 | |
| | 165430.2dd | T | 16.908335 | 17.790917 | |
| 116b – April 26 th | 161130.2dd | T | 16.191669 | 17.063527 | |
| | 170430.2dd | T | 17.075005 | 17.075660 | no data recorded |
| | 184900.2dd | T | 18.816671 | 18.817555 | no data recorded |
| | 195130.2dd | T | 19.858335 | 20.763953 | |
| | 204630.2dd | T | 20.775000 | 21.047358 | |
| | 210900.2dd | T | 21.150003 | 21.421910 | |
| 119a – April 29 th | 121800.2dd | T | 12.300005 | 13.007190 | |
| | 130100.2dd | T | 13.016668 | 14.001007 | |
| | 140100.2dd | T | 14.016673 | 14.870217 | |
| | 145300.2dd | T | 14.883334 | 15.755477 | |
| 119b – April 29 th | 193630.2dd | T | 19.608338 | 19.645226 | |
| 120 – April 30 th | 083300.2dd | T | 8.550001 | 9.533487 | |
| | 093230.2dd | T | 9.541673 | 9.759714 | every 4-5 scan missing |
| 121 – May 1 st | 111700.2dd | T | 11.283337 | 12.244791 | |
| | 121500.2dd | T | 12.250004 | 13.175074 | |
| | 131230.2dd | T | 13.208338 | 13.932468 | |
| | 135700.2dd | T | 13.950001 | 14.762312 | |
| 122a – May 2 nd | 084030.2dd | T | 8.675005 | 9.262118 | |
| | 102815.2dd | T | 10.470840 | 10.471224 | |
| | 103930.2dd | T | 10.658340 | 11.436391 | |
| 1001) (ond | 112700.2dd | T | 11.450001 | 11.839090 | |
| 122b – May 2 nd | 131300.2dd | T | 13.216667 | 14.186186 | |
| | 141200.2dd | T | 14.200004 | 15.093821 | |
| | 150600.2dd | T | 15.100007 | 15.614641 | |
| | 161100.2dd | T | 16.183338 | 17.165768 | |
| 100 M ord | 171030.2dd | T | 17.175002 | 18.303756 | |
| 123 – May 3 rd | 104930.2dd | T | 10.825005 | 11.961294 | |
| | 115830.2dd | T | 11.975001 | 12.964702 | |
| | 125830.2dd | T | 12.975006 | 13.902230 | |
| | 135500.2dd | T T | 13.916673 | 14.936772 | |
| 105 M. 5th | 145700.2dd | | 14.950000 | 15.482581 | |
| 125 – May 5 th | 130900.2dd | T T | 13.150001 | 14.128076 | |
| | 140900.2dd | 1 | 14.150006 | 14.626117 | Continued on next page |

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| JD – Date | Filename | 2dd | Start | Stop | Comments |
|----------------------------|------------|-----|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | 143900.2dd | T | 14.650005 | 15.629081 | |
| | 153900.2dd | T | 15.650004 | 15.749702 | |
| | 162000.2dd | T | 16.333337 | 17.439360 | |
| 128 – May 8 th | 143500.2dd | T | 14.583336 | 15.050474 | |
| | 162800.2dd | T | 16.466767 | 17.022718 | |
| | 171400.2dd | T | 17.233503 | 18.375890 | |
| | 182400.2dd | T | 18.400105 | 18.847553 | |
| 129 – May 9 th | 160300.2dd | T | 16.050005 | 17.071888 | |
| | 170530.2dd | T | 17.091673 | 18.119551 | |
| | 180800.2dd | T | 18.133334 | 19.118778 | |
| | 190800.2dd | T | 19.133339 | 20.128485 | |
| | 200900.2dd | T | 20.150005 | 20.887151 | |
| 130 – May 10 th | 175500.2dd | T | 17.916670 | 19.283643 | |
| | 193200.2dd | T | 19.533335 | 19.759668 | |
| 131 – May 11 th | 154300.2dd | T | 15.716668 | 16.903191 | |
| | 165500.2dd | T | 16.916669 | 17.982145 | |
| | 180000.2dd | T | 18.000006 | 19.189834 | |
| | 191200.2dd | T | 19.200006 | 19.205010 | |
| 132 – May 12 th | 143500.2dd | T | 14.583334 | 15.857933 | |
| | 155300.2dd | T | 15.883336 | 16.951398 | |
| | 165800.2dd | T | 16.966667 | 18.206486 | |
| | 181330.2dd | T | _ | _ | |
| | 190200.2dd | T | 19.033336 | 19.501453 | |
| 136 – May 16 th | 095300.2dd | T | 9.883336 | 11.013569 | |
| | 110730.2dd | T | 11.125007 | 11.219440 | |
| | 112130.2dd | T | 11.358338 | 12.585829 | |
| | 123600.2dd | T | 12.600002 | 13.699031 | |
| | 134300.2dd | T | 13.716669 | 14.550885 | |
| 137 – May 17 th | 083900.2dd | T | 8.650003 | 8.865336 | |
| | 091400.2dd | T | 9.233336 | 9.611292 | |
| | 095700.2dd | T | 9.950005 | 11.244140 | |
| | 111600.2dd | T | 11.266668 | 12.223921 | |
| | 121400.2dd | T | 12.233336 | 13.284667 | |
| | 143100.2dd | T | 14.516668 | 15.641005 | |
| | 153900.2dd | T | 15.650003 | 16.808849 | |
| | 165000.2dd | T | 16.833335 | 17.499100 | |
| | 174900.2dd | T | 17.816671 | 18.088543 | |

Table 7: Recorded Laser Scanner Files.

6.1 Processing of Laser Scanner Data

Geolocation of each point in the laser scanner data is performed with standard trigonometry in two steps. First all points are described as vectors $(dX_{NWU}, dY_{NWU}, dZ_{NWU})$ in a local cartesian North-East-Up system using the lever arm between the laser scanner and the gps (dX, dY, dZ), the range measured by the laser (r), the angle of the laser mirror (a) and the orientation of the laser in an earth fixed system $(\omega_r, \omega_p, \omega_h)$. Next these vectors are added with the position derived from GPS

 $(\varphi_{gps}, \lambda_{gps}, h_{gps})$ to get the position of the reflector in an earth fixed system (φ, λ, h) .

$$dX_{NWU} = \cos(\omega_h)\cos(\omega_p)dX \\ + (\cos(\omega_h)\sin(\omega_p)\sin(\omega_r) - \sin(\omega_h)\cos(\omega_r))(-\sin(a)r + dY) \\ + (\cos(\omega_h)\sin(\omega_p)\cos(\omega_r) + \sin(\omega_h)\sin(\omega_r))(\cos(a)r + dZ)$$

$$dY_{NWU} = -\sin(\omega_h)\cos(\omega_p)dX \\ - (\sin(\omega_h)\sin(\omega_p)\sin(\omega_r) + \cos(\omega_h)\cos(\omega_r))(-\sin(a)r + dY) \\ + (-\sin(\omega_h)\sin(\omega_p)\cos(\omega_r) + \cos(\omega_h)\sin(\omega_r))(\cos(a)r + dZ)$$

$$dZ_{NWU} = \sin(\omega_p)dX \\ - \cos(\omega_p)\sin(\omega_r)(-\sin(a)r + dY) \\ - \cos(\omega_p)\sin(\omega_r)(\cos(a)r + dZ)$$

$$\varphi = \varphi_{gps} + \frac{dX_{NWU}}{degm}$$

$$\lambda = \lambda_{gps} - \frac{dY_{NWU}}{degm\cos(\varphi)}$$

$$\lambda = h_{gps} + dZ_{NWU}$$
(3)

6.2 Calibration of Laser Scanner Data

The geolocation process just described assumes perfect alignment between the laser scanner and the INS system, this is however not practical possible in this type of installation. To compensate for the imperfect installation several calibration maneuvers are performed during the campaign. The purpose of these maneuvers is to determine and monitor the offset angles between the laser scanner and the INS.

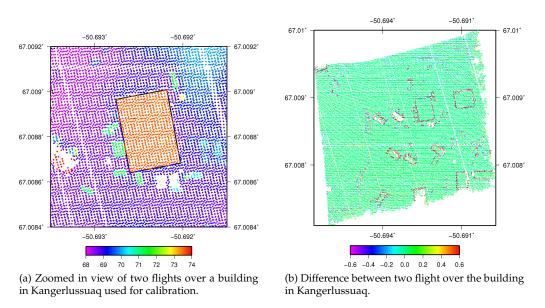


Figure 7: Laser data acquired over a building in Kangerlussuaq.

The main calibration site for the laser is a building where the corners of the roof is known from a GPS survey. Using this building and two swaths of laser scanner data, one east-west and one north-south, one can estimate the offset angles through an iterative process. In Figure 7a points from the two swaths (in height coded colors) are plotted on top of the black outline of the building. The difference between first and second swath can be seen in Figure 7b. Statics show a mean difference of 0.00 meters and a 0.43 meters standard deviation of the mean. The relatively high standard deviation is caused by the non-continuous surface, where the interpolation between the two data sets fails to describe the edges of buildings correctly, this is clearly seen in Figure 7b.

| JD – Date | Scanner file | Mean | Std. Dev. | Min. | Max. | Surface |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------|-----------|---------|--------|----------|
| 111 – April 21 th | 111530.2dd | 0.00 | 0.43 | -9.93 | 9.12 | Building |
| 113 – April 23 th | 001130.2dd | 0.00 | 0.08 | -0.44 | 0.39 | Land ice |
| 113 – April 23 th | 231800.2dd | 0.00 | 0.08 | -0.44 | 0.40 | Land ice |
| 114 – April 24 th | 183030.2dd | 0.00 | 0.26 | -2.38 | 2.58 | Sea ice |
| 115 – April 25 th | 131130.2dd | 0.01 | 1.91 | -152.68 | 185.54 | Land ice |
| 115 – April 25 th | 135530.2dd | 0.00 | 1.12 | -149.99 | 222.53 | Land ice |
| 121 – May 1 st | 111700.2dd | -0.01 | 0.09 | -0.38 | 0.40 | Land ice |
| 121 – May 1 st | 121500.2dd | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.49 | 0.49 | Land ice |
| 122 – May 2 nd | 141200.2dd | 0.01 | 0.39 | -2.62 | 3.82 | Sea ice |
| 122 – May 2 nd | 171030.2dd | 0.00 | 0.19 | -5.88 | 5.66 | Building |
| 125 – May 5 th | 143900.2dd | -0.02 | 0.19 | -0.70 | 0.66 | Land ice |
| 125 – May 5 th | 143900.2dd | 0.00 | 0.20 | -0.89 | 0.81 | Land ice |
| 125 – May 5 th | 143900.2dd | 0.00 | 0.12 | -0.67 | 0.73 | Land ice |
| 128 – May 8 th | 182400.2dd | -0.01 | 0.38 | -3.03 | 3.33 | Sea ice |
| 130 – May 10 th | 175500.2dd | 0.01 | 0.22 | -2.41 | 2.70 | Sea ice |
| 130 – May 10 th | 193200.2dd | 0.00 | 0.10 | -0.95 | 0.76 | Land ice |
| 131 – May 11 th | 154300.2dd | 0.00 | 0.20 | -4.08 | 3.92 | Sea ice |
| 132 – May 12 th | 165800.2dd | 0.00 | 0.15 | -3.83 | 2.61 | Sea ice |
| 137 – May 17 th | 121400.2dd | -0.01 | 0.23 | -4.94 | 5.21 | Land ice |
| 137 – May 17 th | 153900.2dd | 0.00 | 0.11 | -0.41 | 0.41 | Land ice |
| 137 – May 17 th | 153900.2dd | 0.02 | 1.33 | -13.00 | 183.25 | Land ice |

Table 8: Statics for crossing swaths. All units are meters.

Table 8 gives an overview of the the statics of all crossing swaths during the campaign. Each of these crossings is used to verify and, if necessary, correct the offset angles. Apart from crossing swaths where all three offset angles can be determined, it is also possible to determine the roll offset angle when flying over level sea ice and calm water. This is based on the assumption that the level sea ice and calm water is parallel with the geoid. The change in geometry will also have an influence when comparing crossing swaths over land ice areas with many crevasses and steep topography.

The table in Appendix 24 gives the offset angles and other parameters used in the processing of each laser scanner file. One should use the figures in Table 8 carefully. For example one would expect that sea ice has moved in the period from the first to the second flight and this gives a false impression of low accuracy. The change in geometry will also have an influence when comparing crossing swaths over land ice areas with many

crevasses and steep topography.

6.3 **Estimation of Ice Thickness from Freeboard Height**

The sea ice freeboard (*F*) can be determined as a function of height above the ellipsoide from GPS (h), slant corrected laser range (r) and geoide height (N), see equation 4. e is a sum of local deviations of the sea surface and errors, that by means of a lowest level filter technique can be reduced or removed. This technique determines e by a selection of the lowest values in the dataset, assuming that these corresponds to the sea surface or very thin ice. The lowest values are then interpolated to form the filter.



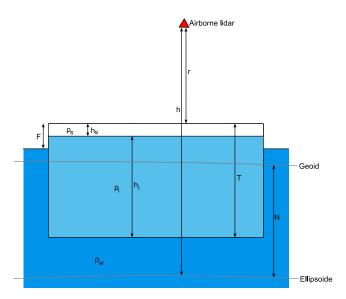


Figure 8: Sea ice thickness estimation.

From the freeboard data the total sea ice thickness (including snow cover), see T in equation 5 and Figure 8, can be estimated using the assumption of an isostatic balance between ice, including snow, and the seawater. This is commonly described by the single factor *K*. This factor is dependent of densities of ice, snow and seawater.

$$T = KF (5)$$

$$T = KF$$

$$K = 1 + \frac{\rho_i h_i + \rho_s h_s}{h_i (\rho_w - \rho_i) + h_s (\rho_w - \rho_s)}$$
(6)

It is now possible to calculate the freeboard heights from the laser scanner data and through this estimate the sea ice thickness. Figure 9 shows an example of sea ice freeboard heights north of Greenland.

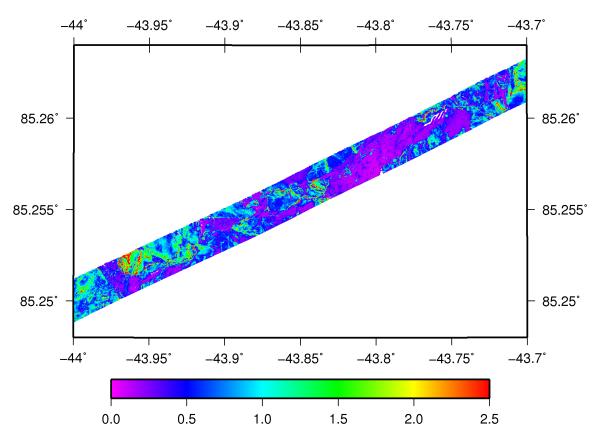


Figure 9: Example of sea ice freeboard.

7 ASIRAS Data Processing

The ASIRAS system was installed and run as tested during the test campaign in March 2006. The system was timed using a 1 PPS signal and an ASCII datation string from the AIR4 GPS receiver.

Extensive tests of the ASIRAS instrument and backup system were performed on the first flights: The tests flight near Kangerlussuaq and the lines off the Greenland west coast. The logged data were stored on the dedicated hard disks in the ASIRAS PCs during flight and transferred to the PCs for backup after flights. The data were then stored on AIT-3 magnetic tapes and on hard disks. No data compression was done as this method was tested to be more time consuming than regular data backup. All together 1 hr of ASIRAS data acquisition demanded approximately 7 hours of backup time.

ASIRAS data were obtained primarily in the LAM mode at 20 MHz. Data were acquired continuously over the main sites and limited to parts of the other survey lines. Tests of the HAM mode over open ocean were carried out on April 30 between Greenland and Svalbard. Operator log files regarding the ASIRAS data can be found in Appendix E and Appendix F lists the recorded data files.

The data quality has been checked after each survey flight with the "Quicklook viewer" software from RST. Especially for the corner reflector sites the data were checked, see Table 12 for corner reflector positions from hand held GPS receivers. Examples from the "Quicklook-Viewer" can be found in Section 9.

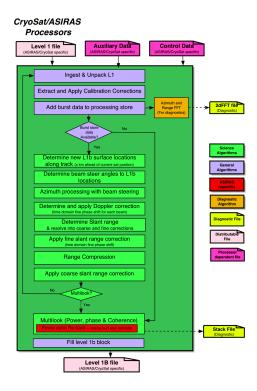


Figure 10: Outline of the ASIRAS processor (from Cullen (2006)).

7.1 Processing of ASIRAS Data

The processing of the acquired ASIRAS data were done by AWI with input of GPS position and INS attitude data from DNSC. Figure 10 briefly outlines the processing of ASIRAS L1b data. Plots, showing ground track and height estimates from the OCOG retracker, of all processed ASIRAS profiles can be found in Appendix G.

7.1.1 Low Altitude Mode Pulse to Pulse Phase Correction for 2.5 kHz PRF

It was noticed during routine level 1b processing of LAM acquisitions from Bay of Bothnia (Test campaign March 2005) that waveforms were highly degraded. Subsequent analysis of range and phase histories retrieved from passes over corner reflectors showed a linear pulse to pulse phase term and it was further shown that this phase term was different for each FMCW frequency offset (20, 40, 60 and 80 MHz) which are programmed as a function of aircraft altitude (shown in Figure 11)

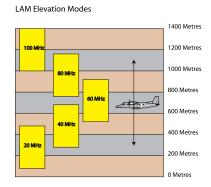


Figure 11: Frequency offset and corresponding elevations for ASIRAS LAM mode

The effect results in azimuth formed beams pointing in the wrong along-track direction. Empirical phase corrections were determined which solved the problem. An analysis of instrument operation resulted in speculation of the cause and the empirical phase corrections as a function of frequency offset were verified. March 2005 data were acquired at a pulse repetition frequency (PRF) of ~ 3 kHz. CryoVEx 2006 acquisitions were recorded at a PRF of ~ 2.5 kHz. Since it was known the phase term (error) was also a function of PRF phase corrections were computed following a test campaign in Greenland (March 2006) when no corner reflector deployment was possible. Corrections for 2006 are provided in Table 9.

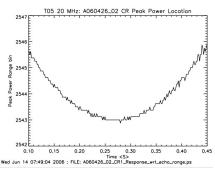
| Frequency offset, | ASIRAS to surface elevation | Phase correction, |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| F (MHz) | range (meters) | $\phi(F)$ (radians) |
| 20 | 40-440 | 3.35103216 |
| 40 | 280-680 | 0.41887902 |
| 60 | 520-920 | 3.76991118 |
| 80 | 760-1160 | 0.83775804 |

Table 9: LAM phase corrections.

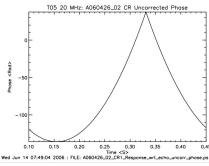
7.1.2 Echo phase correction

A complex raw time domain echo recorded by the ASIRAS can be described as $\psi_n[0, l-1]$ where, n, is the echo number (in the range 0 to N-1) and l is the number of samples (3072 sample for LAM). The phase corrected counterpart is given by

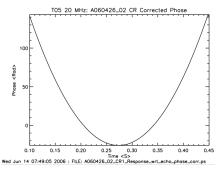
$$\forall k \in [0, l-1]$$
 $\psi_n^c[k] = \psi_n[k]e^{i\phi(F)n}$



(a) Range history computed by isolating corner reflector response from surface response and plotting the range bin at which the peak power is found. Waveforms have been interpolated by a factor 8. The jitter is due to the low interpolation factor and also SNR.



(b) Uncorrected phase history computed by computing the phase of the echo at the location determined by the plot (a)



(c) Phase history after correction. The curve appears smooth in comparison with (a) this shows the phase across the impulse response is stable. Phase noise is, however, evident if the smaller scale is examined.

Figure 12: An example of a corrected corner reflector phase history.

Note: Since the nature of the phase behavior is now understood efforts are being made to solve the pulse to pulse phase problem within the hardware. It is expected that, though not confirmed until mid April 2007, future campaign ASIRAS data will be free from this phenomena.

7.2 CryoVEx 2006 ASIRAS processing results

The ASIRAS processing of the CryoVex2006 data is analogous to the concepts already presented in Helm et al. (2006). The full data set was processed with ESA's processor version ASIRAS_03_06. In agreement with ESA, AWI processed the full rate data instead of the desampled data set. A summary of the processing is given in Appendix F and G gives plots of every single profile.

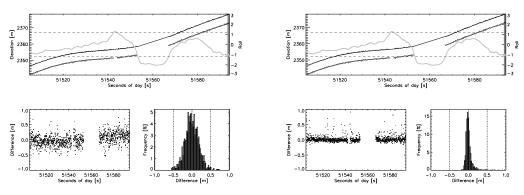
A couple of tests were applied to address datation issues and show the quality of the level_1b product (see Section 7.2.1). In general the data shows good quality, however in some specific areas the retracked elevation shows a lack of quality (Section 7.2.3). We suggest to apply a different retracker algorithm here, since the implemented OCOG retracker fails.

7.2.1 Datation tests

Two different types of tests were applied to investigate the datation issue. The first test uses ground positions of the corner reflector and compares them to the position derived from the analysis of ASIRAS echoes. Here we found no time shift, see Section 9.6. The second test is a comparison of the ASIRAS surface elevation with the laser scanner elevation model in small sections of some profiles. Details of the procedure are described in Helm et al. (2006). In table 10 a summary of the results are listed. In some of the tested profiles (retracked with a threshold spline retracker) we clearly identify that a time lag is present. The reason for the apparent time shift has not yet been identified and therefore the processing of the full data set were performed with a zero time shift.

| Profile | STDDEV without tshift correction [m] | STDDEV witht shift correction [m] | Tshift [s] | Median difference between ALS and ASIRAS [m] | Remarks |
|------------|--|---|------------|--|---------|
| A060510_12 | 0.08 | 0.04 | -0.13 | 5.34 | runway |
| A060425_00 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.30 | EGIG |
| A060425_01 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.00 | 5.34 | EGIG |
| A060425_02 | 0.11 | 0.10 | -0.01 | 5.31 | EGIG |
| A060425_03 | 0.17 | 0.13 | -0.20 | 5.30 | EGIG |
| A060425_04 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 5.29 | EGIG |
| A060425_05 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.32 | EGIG |
| A060425_06 | 0.22 | 0.08 | -0.25 | 5.30 | EGIG |
| A060425_07 | 0.18 | 0.07 | -0.24 | 5.30 | EGIG |
| A060425_08 | 0.11 | 0.11 | -0.03 | 5.34 | EGIG |
| A060425_09 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 0.06 | 5.32 | EGIG |
| A060425_10 | 0.06 | 0.05 | -0.01 | 5.34 | EGIG |
| A060425_11 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 5.32 | EGIG |
| A060425_12 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 5.33 | EGIG |

Table 10: Datation tests



- (a) Median difference is determined to 5.30 ± 0.18 m. The ASIRAS profile was shifted by 0.0 s.
- (b) Median difference is determined to 5.30 ± 0.07 m. The ASIRAS profile was shifted by -0.24 s.

Figure 13: Comparison between ASIRAS elevation of profile A060425_07 and ALS elevation model.

7.2.2 Runway overflights and comparison with ALS-DEM

Runway overflights where performed in Alert at 11^{th} may 2007. Figure 14 shows the laser scanner elevation model. ASIRAS profile A060510_12 was used to calibrate the system with the ALS-DEM. In figure 15b the comparison is shown. The black line in the upper panel shows the ALS elevation, whereas the dark gray line shows the ASIRAS elevation. The light gray line shows the roll, which is close to zero for this section. A difference of approx. 5.34 m between both elevations is determined. The lower left panel shows the variation of the difference around the median value. Statistics of this variation is shown in the histogram. The above calibration was done with a -0.14 s time shifted ASIRAS profile (figure 15b) and the original non time shifted ASIRAS profile (15a). Table 11 shows the result of the above calibration.

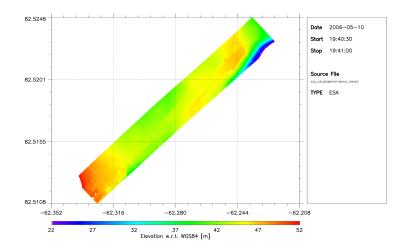
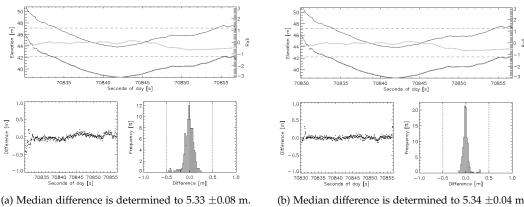


Figure 14: Laser scanner elevation model of runway in Alert



The ASIRAS profile was shifted by 0.0 s.

(b) Median difference is determined to 5.34 ± 0.04 m. The ASIRAS profile was shifted by -0.13 s.

Figure 15: Comparison between ASIRAS elevation and ALS elevation model of runway in Alert.

| Profile | STDDEV without tshift correction [m] | STDDEV witht shift correction [m] | Tshift [s] | Median difference between ALS and ASIRAS [m] | Remarks |
|------------|--|---|------------|--|---------|
| A060510_12 | 0.08 | 0.04 | -0.14 | 5.34 | runway |

Table 11: Runway calibration

7.2.3 Retracker performance

ASIRAS elevations are retracked by a simple but very fast and robust OCOG retracker. This value is a rough approximation and should be taken with care. It was shown in Helm et al. (2006) that the OCOG retracker gives very good results for the dry snow zone, however for the percolation zone the retracker fails in tracking the surface response. We found that this is also the fact for the 2006 LAM data. Figure 16 is showing two typical LAM-ASIRAS echoes in the percolation zone of Greenland. The vertical line shows the position of the re-tracked OCOG elevation. As it can be seen, the OCOG retracker jumps between the peaks and does not re-track the surface response in every case. Figure 18 shows the ASIRAS elevation for a 100 s long section in the percolation zone of Greenland. From this figure we can clearly identify the jumping of the OCOG retracker. We also determined such jumps over sea ice and in the dry snow zone (shown in figures 17 and 19). As a consequence, care must be taken when using the elevation data for further analysis.

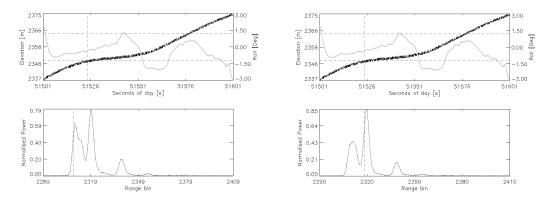


Figure 16: Two typical LAM-ASIRAS echo in the percolation zone of Greenland re-tracked with the standard OCOG retracker.

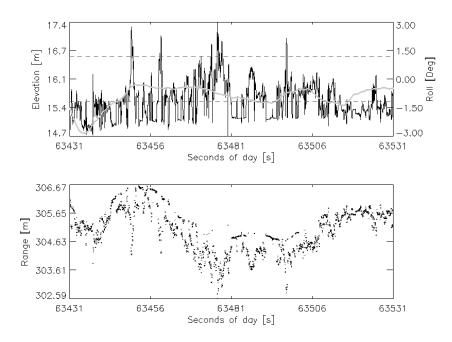


Figure 17: LAM-ASIRAS elevation for a 100 s long section over the sea ice. The elevation was determined by using the standard OCOG retracker.

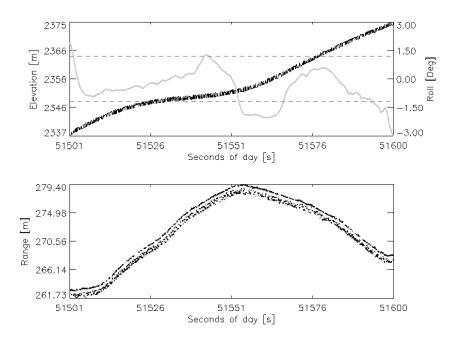


Figure 18: LAM-ASIRAS elevation for a 100 s long section in the percolation zone of Greenland. The elevation was determined by using the standard OCOG retracker.

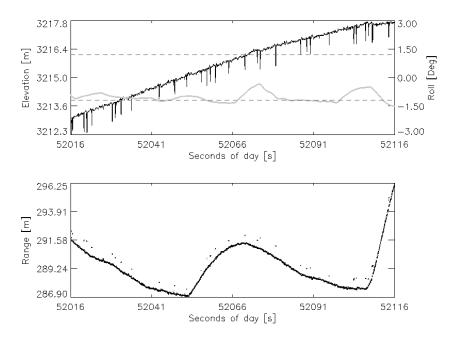


Figure 19: LAM-ASIRAS elevation for a 100 s long section in the dry snow zone of Greenland. The elevation was determined by using the standard OCOG retracker.

7.2.4 Corner reflector overflights

Throughout the campaign there have been overflights of the corner reflectors raised at the test sites. The positions of all the corner reflectors can be found in Table 12. Figure 20 and 21 shows details of one pass over the YLT3 corner reflector. Figure 21 shows the stack before the averaging that leads to the profile shown in Figure 20.

| Site | Latitude | Longitude | Latitude | Longitude |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| T05 | 69°51′ 1.71154"N | 47°15′30.50837"W | 69.8504754 | -47.2584745 |
| T12 | 70°10′31.13635"N | 45°20′51.38740''W | 70.1753157 | -45.3476076 |
| AUST1 | 79°47′56.52000"N | 24°25′ 3.66000" E | 79.7990333 | 24.4176833 |
| AUST2 | 79°49′55.26000"N | 24° 0′13.92000" E | 79.8320167 | 24.0038667 |
| AUST3 | 79°44′ 1.50000"N | 22°24′59.70000" E | 79.7337500 | 22.4165833 |
| AUST4 | 79°56′34.20000"N | 24°14′36.72000" E | 79.9428333 | 24.2435333 |
| KONG1 | 78°45′20.00000''N | 13°20′ 7.00000" E | 78.7555810 | 13.3355170 |
| KONG2 | 78°48′ 9.00000"N | 12°57′35.00000" E | 78.8025970 | 12.9599470 |
| DEVON | 75°20′17.28000"N | 82°40′38.58000"W | 75.3381333 | -82.6773833 |
| YLT1 | 82°33′48.00000"N | 62°15′40.00000''W | 82.5635300 | -62.2611600 |
| YLT2 | 82°33′45.00000"N | 62°16′ 4.00000"W | 82.5627100 | -62.2679300 |
| YLT3 | 82°38′21.00000"N | 62°17′30.00000"W | 82.6394300 | -62.2918000 |
| YLT4 | 82°38′17.00000"N | 62°17′31.00000"W | 82.6382300 | -62.2920100 |

Table 12: Corner reflector positions.

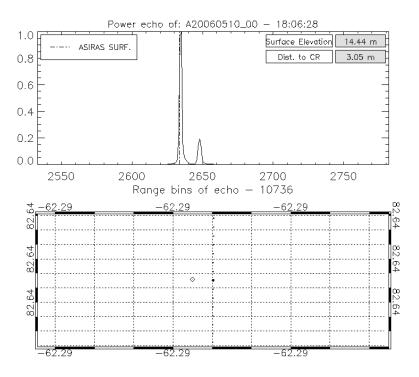


Figure 20: Echo (no. 10736) from a corner reflector overflight (profile A060510_00).

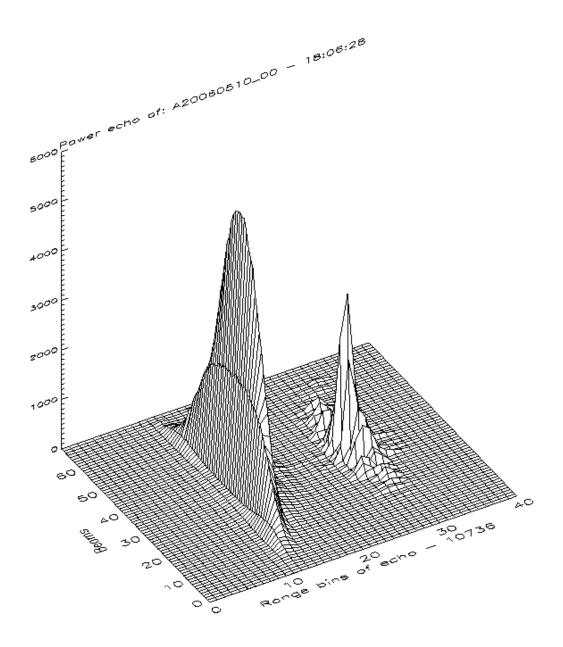


Figure 21: Stack (no. 10736) from a corner reflector overflight (profile A060510_00).

8 Geolocating Downward Looking Camera

The images, from the downward looking camera, were timestamped by an internal clock (adjusted to GPS time) in the camera and can, after data processing, roughly be geolocated using the laser scanner data. For an example see Figure 23. Table 13 shows the offset caused by drift in the cameras clock. Flights with downward looking images are listed in Table 3. Since the pictures are geolocated using the laser scanner data there are some days where existing pictures are not gelocated due to the lack of laser scanner data. Pictures from the downward looking camera is primarily used as an aid when differentiating between ice types. However the pictures are also helpful when investigating strange or unexpected features on the ice.



Figure 22: Uncorrected photo from the downward looking camera, with timestamp in the upper left corner.

| Date - JD | Time Offset [sec] |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 115 – April 25 th | 10 |
| 116 – April 26 th | 0 |
| 119 – April 29 th | -10 |
| 120 – April 30 th | 6 |
| 121 – May 1 st | 8 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | 1 |
| 123 – May 3 ^{ed} | 2 |
| 125 – May 5 th | 10 |
| 128 – May 8 th | 10 |
| 129 – May 9 th | 13 |
| 130 – May 10 th | 14 |
| 131 – May 11 th | 18 |
| 132 – May 12 th | 20 |
| 136 – May 16 th | ? (no proc. laser) |
| 137 – May 17 th | 28 |

Table 13: Time correction for the downward looking camera.

Figure 23 shows photos from the downward looking camera together with a laser scanner profile of some sea ice north of Greenland. The photos in the figure have been more precisely geolocated, stitched and color corrected manually.

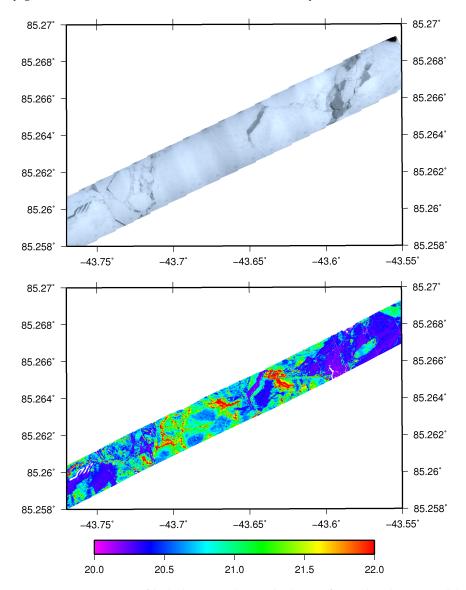


Figure 23: Laser scanner profile below; geolocated photos from the downward looking camera above.

9 Validation Sites

A main purpose of the CryoVEx 2006 campaign were to collect radar and laser data over several validation sites, see Figure 24. The sites represents the different snow and ice types one can expect to find in the Arctic. At least one radar corner reflector were installed at each sites, and in-situ measurements relevant for that particular site were performed.

In the following subsections are brief descriptions and some examples of ASIRAS and laser scanner data from each site. No corrections have been applied to the L1b ASIRAS data. These sections are meant as a quick overview of the sites and will not go into the in-situ measurements or a deeper description of the site.

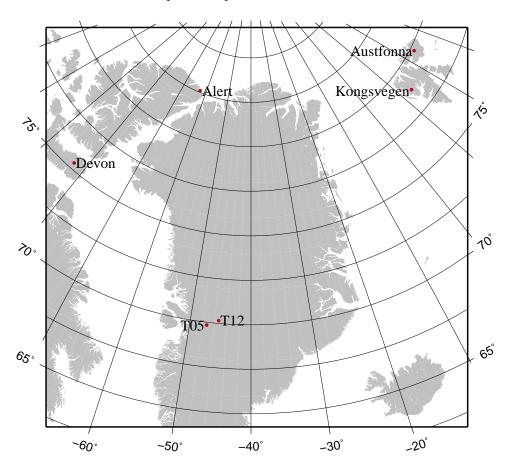


Figure 24: Validation sites overflown during CryoVEx 2006.

Since the Alert sea ice sites include several overflights of the same four corner reflectors, this site is described in greater details than the other sites. With the many overflights of each corner reflector it is possible to make an independent test of the datation issue of ASIRAS, see section 7.2.1.

In some of the figures of the L1b data the OCOG retracker have been included as an illustration of the product. It should be obvious, when seeing these figures, that the OCOG retracker is unsuitable as a description of the surface elevation.

The following marks have been used in the figures:

Gray dot Position of processed L1b echoes.

Red triangle Marks the position where the corner reflector is observed in the L1b product.

Black star Marks the position of the corner reflector obtained by the ground teams using a hand held GPS.

Red star Marks the estimated position of the corner reflector using multiple observations of the same corner reflector.

9.1 EGIG Line, T05

The T05 site is placed around 1940 meters ellipsoidal height on the EGIG line that crosses the icecap of Greenland from East to West. Figure 26a shows several radar echoes in columns next to each other, each row corresponds to a range bin that is color coded according to the normalized power of that particular echo. The Figure is overlayed with the OCOG retracker (white line). It is clear that this retracker does not track the surface, but a strong reflector at some depth. In Figure 26b the first echoes without corner reflector traces before and after the corner reflector are showed together with the echo closest to the corner reflector.

Figure 25 shows a elevation model based on laser scanner data. The model has been overlayed with positions of radar echoes (gray dots), the corner reflector (black star) and the echo closest to the reflector (red triangle).

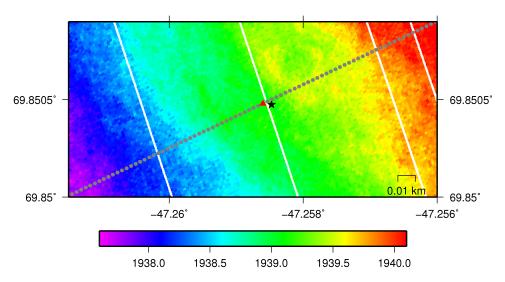
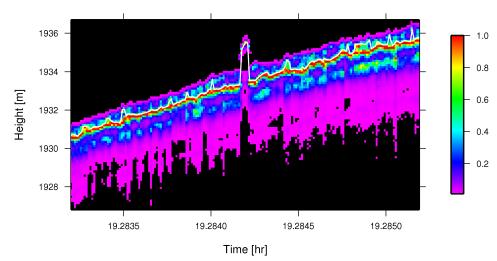
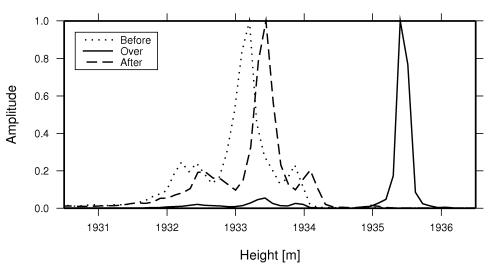


Figure 25: Laser scanner data from the 25^{th} of April plotted with positions of ASIRAS echoes (gray dot and red triangle) and position of the corner reflector (black star).



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height.

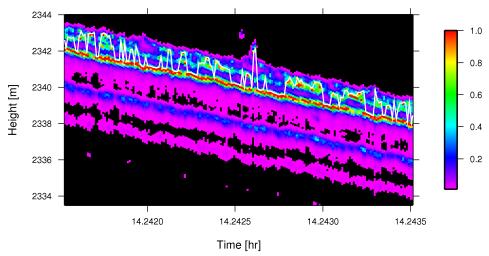


(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for waveforms before, over, and after the corner reflector pass.

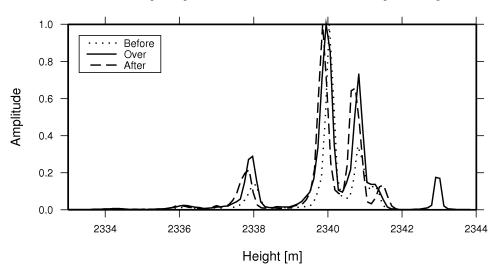
Figure 26: ASIRAS data from the T05 site on the 26^{th} of April.

9.2 EGIG Line, T12

Further up on the greenlandic icecap at approximate 2350 meters ellipsoidal height is the T12 site. When inspecting the radar echoes plotted in Figure 27a two features, near the center of the plot, show up as possible corner reflector responses. After inspection of the ASIRAS profile before focusing it is clear that the left floating area is the true corner reflector response. A correspondence with the ground team revealed that the reflecting object after the corner reflector were an aluminum Zarges box. At the T12 site it is possible to detect deepere layers compared to the T05 site and the layers are more easy to follow through the profile.



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height.



(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for waveforms before, over, and after the corner reflector pass.

Figure 27: ASIRAS data from the T12 site on the 25th of April.

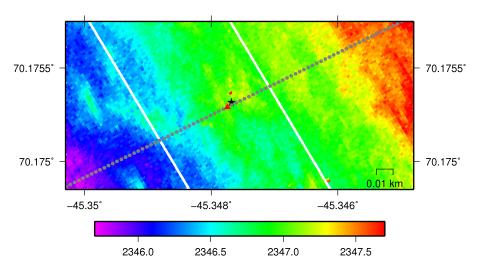


Figure 28: Laser scanner data plotted with positions of ASIRAS echoes (gray dot and red triangle) and position of the corner reflector (black star) from the 25th of April

In Figure 28 two high objects (red/orange dots, one above the black star and one to the left partly covered by the red triangle) are seen near the assumed corner reflector position (black star). Since the point partly covered by the red triangle is very close to the corner reflector position found in Figure 27, it is possible that this point is the true corner reflector position that has been captured by the laser scanner. However since the laser captures two high objects near the observed corner reflector position (red triangle) it is not possible to make a final conclusion about the true corner reflector position. Another possibility is that the high objects seen by the laser scanner are part of the T12 sites equipment or camp items.

9.3 Austfonna Icecap

During the CryoVEx 2006 campaign four corner reflectors were placed on the Austfonna icecap, see Figure 30. The flight lines cover a series of ground validation tracks along which various snow and ice properties have been measured over a longer period of time.

In the L1b dataset a clear surface return is seen, together with another clear reflector approximate three meters down (See Figure 31a). Between the two strongly reflecting layers it is possible to detect three layers with a weaker reflection.

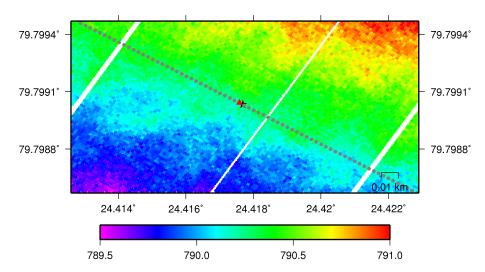


Figure 29: The AUST1 corner reflector position (black star) and ellipsoidal heights as measured with the laser scanner.

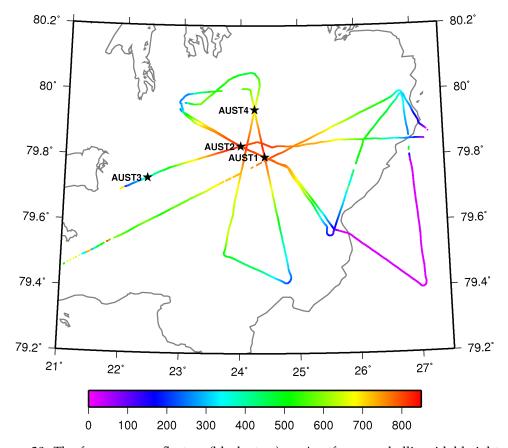
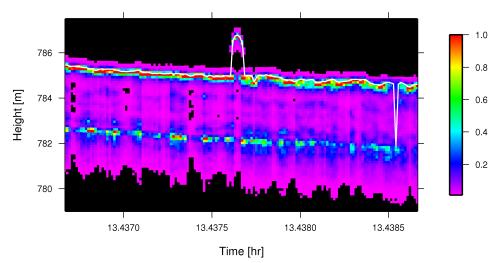
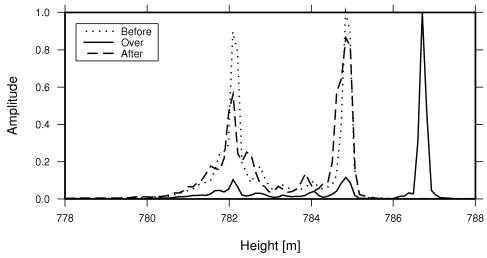


Figure 30: The four corner reflectors (black stars) on Austfonna and ellipsoidal heights as measured with the laser scanner.



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height, at the AUST1 corner reflector.

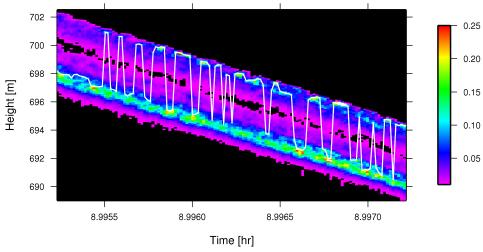


(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for waveforms before, over, and after the corner reflector pass.

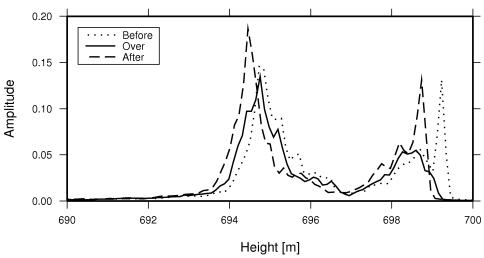
Figure 31: ASIRAS data recorded at Austfonna on the 1st of May.

9.4 Kongsvegen

Unfortunately the weather conditions were very bad at the Kongsvegen site with strong winds and low scattered clouds. These conditions made it difficult to perform a steady and near passage of the corner reflector site and clouds did block the view of the laser scanner, see the white areas in Figure 33. Despite the turbulens it is possible to detect two clear reflecting layers (see Figure 32a) in the first profile from the upper part of Kongsvegen, but the profile from the lower part is very noisy. Note also the scale on the normalized return power which indicates that other returns is stronger than the surface return.



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height, near the KONG1 corner reflector position.



(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for three waveforms around the corner reflector position.

Figure 32: ASIRAS data collected at Kongsvegen on the 2^{nd} of May.

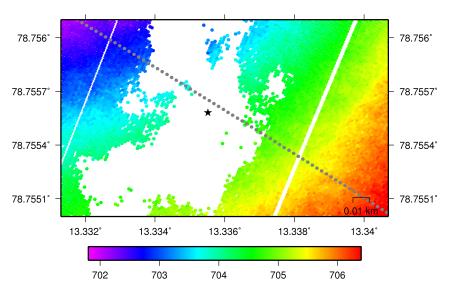


Figure 33: The corner reflector position (black star) on Kongsvegen and ellipsoidal heights as measured with the laser scanner.

9.5 Devon Icecap

The Devon Icecap corner reflector site were overflown three times, unfortunately it was not possible to detect the reflector in any of the passes. The north-south line had to be terminated after a while due to heavy downdraft on glacier and the full validation line is therefore not in the airborne dataset.

Both the ASIRAS and the laser figures shows similar features as the T05 site, with a strong reflector roughly one meter below the surface and weaker reflector above and below (see Figure 35a and 35b).

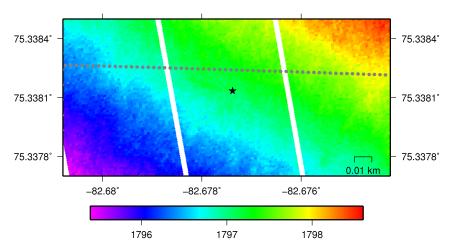
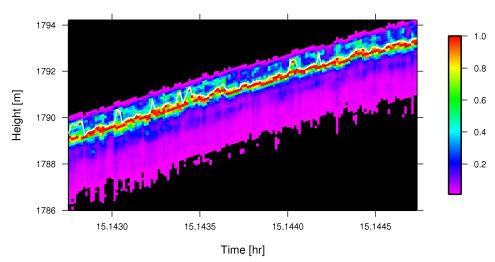
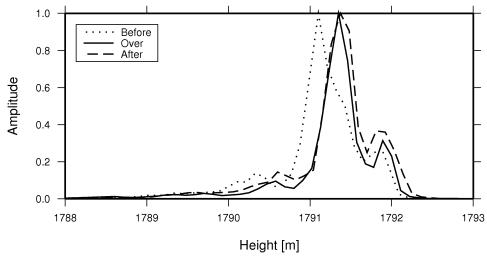


Figure 34: The corner reflector position (black star) on Devon and ellipsoidal heights as measured with the laser scanner.



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height, on the north-south flight near the DEVON corner reflector position.



(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for three waveforms around the corner reflector position.

Figure 35: ASIRAS data collected at Devon Icecap on the 5^{th} of May.

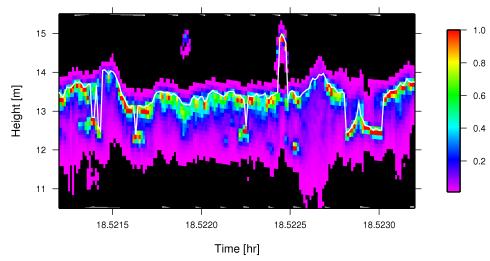
9.6 Sea Ice North of Alert

The sea ice sites north of Alert was located on the fast ice along the coast and consisted of one validation line on first year ice and one on multi year ice, with two corner reflectors each. At both sites the corner reflectors were placed approximate 120 meters apart. Several measurements of snow depth, ice thickness and density have been performed along the two validation lines.

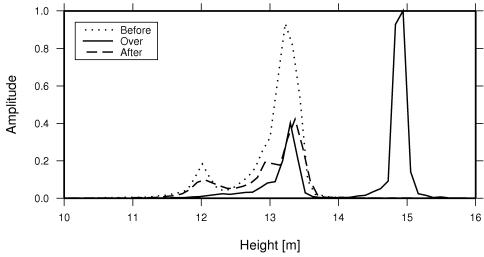
9.6.1 Multi year sea ice

The multi year ice site was placed approximately 5 km from Alert on a 200 m by 200 m patch with level ice surrounded by large ridges and heavy rubble. The snow surface at and between the two corner reflectors were relatively smooth. Figure 37 shows that the variation of the surface is below 50 cm between the two reflectors, but reaches more than 1 m outside the patch.

Figure 36a show the ASIRAS echoes from the site and it is clear that the area between two corner reflectors is much smoother than outside. The echoes in Figure 36b show a range of reflections from the complex structure of the multi year ice.



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height at the YLT1 and YLT2 positions.



(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for waveforms before, over, and after the YLT1 corner reflector pass.

Figure 36: Multi year ice north of Alert.

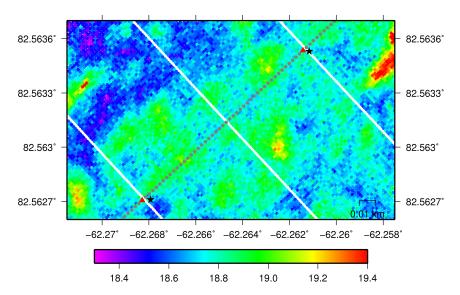


Figure 37: The YLT1 and YLT2 corner reflector positions (black stars) and ellipsoidal heights as measured with the laser scanner.

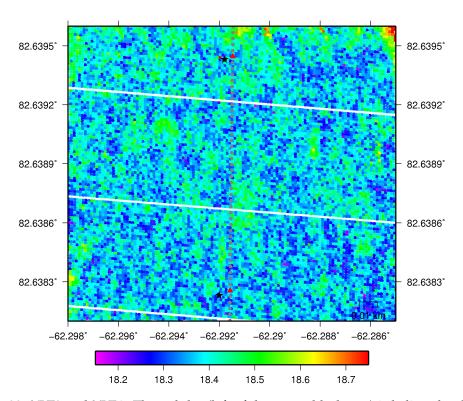
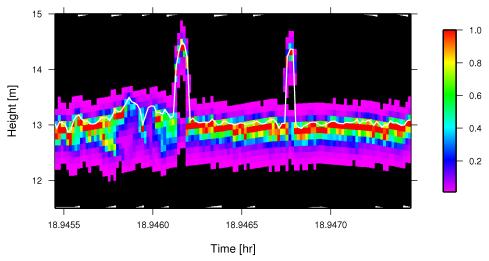


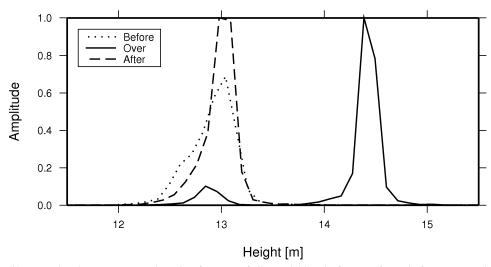
Figure 38: YLT3 and YLT4. The red dot (left of the upper black star) is believed to be the corner reflector captured by the laser scanner.

9.6.2 First year sea ice

The first year ice site was 200 m by 200 m and formed in a shear zone between multi year ice floes and therefore surrounded with large ridges and heavy rubble. The snow surface was very smooth with height variations around 20 cm, see Figure 39b. Figure 39a and 39b show simple echoes from one large and well defined reflection, corresponding to the snow/ice interface.



(a) Normalized return power plotted in color as function of time and ellipsoidal height at the YLT3 and YLT4 positions.



(b) Normalized return power plotted as function of ellipsoidal height for waveforms before, over, and after the YLT3 corner reflector pass.

Figure 39: First year ice north of Alert.

9.6.3 Comparing multiple corner reflector overflights

The repeated passes over the corner reflectors on the sea ice site makes it is possible to investigate the datation issue using only ASIRAS data. Figure 40, 41, 42, and 43 illustrates the several passes over the four corner reflectors YLT1, YLT2, YLT3, and YLT4. In the figures the flightpath is indicated by a colored line and each ASIRAS L1b echo is marked with a bullet. The echo in which the point of closed approach has been identified is marked with a triangle and the footprint of this echo is indicated with a colored rectangle.

If there exists a datation error in one of the corner reflector passes it would be impossible to find a position where all footprints overlap and thus the true position of the corner reflector. In Figure 40, 41, and 43 there exists a small and well defined area where all footprints overlap (marked with a red star). Figure 42 consists only of parallel flights and the overlap is therefor not a well defined area but instead a wide and short strip, the true position of the YLT3 corner reflector is therefor estimated from the laser scanner data which has captured the corner reflector, see Figure 38. The corner reflector position obtained from the laser scanner data lies within all footprints and is thus accepted as the true position.

All four figures also shows the positions of the corner reflectors as obtained by the ground team using hand held GPS receivers (black star). The distance between the positions reported by the ground team and the positions estimated from the airborne dataset is all within 7 m which is within the 10 m accuracy of real time GPS.

This analysis shows that there is very little or no datation error in the ASIRAS data collected at the four corner reflectors north of Alert. It can however only be concluded that the datation error is absent in these cases, and further tests must be conducted before a final conclusion can be drawn.

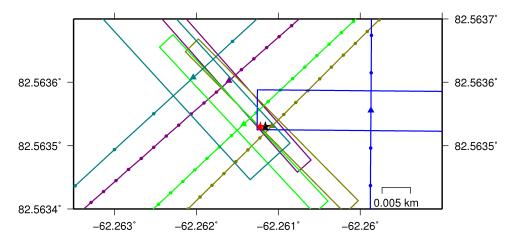


Figure 40: Five overflights of YLT1. Corner reflector position from hand held GPS (black star). Estimated true corner reflector position (red star).

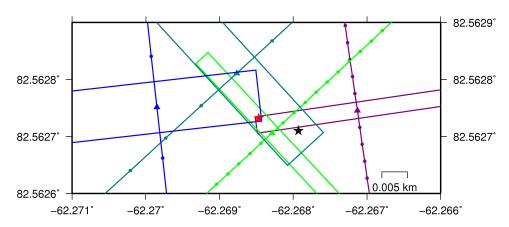


Figure 41: Four overflights of YLT2. Corner reflector position from hand held GPS (black star). Estimated true corner reflector position (red star).

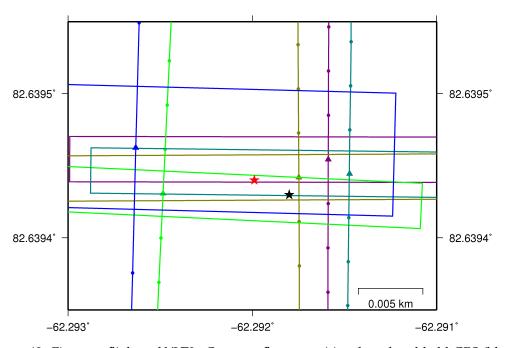


Figure 42: Five overflights of YLT3. Corner reflector position from hand held GPS (black star). Estimated true corner reflector position (red star).

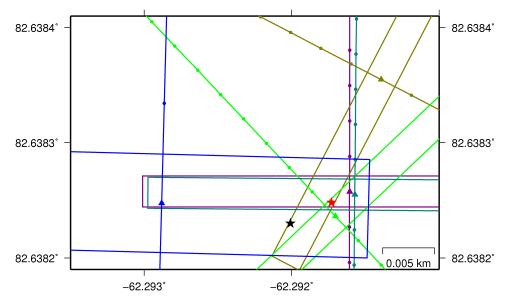


Figure 43: Five overflights of YLT4. Corner reflector position from hand held GPS (black star). Estimated true corner reflector position (red star).

10 Conclusions

The airborne part of the CryoVEx 2006 campaign has successfully been carried out by DNSC and the gathered data sets are now stored and secured at DNSC and AWI. A total of 127 hr were flown with the Air Greenland Twin-Otter where laser scanner data were acquired most of the time. ASIRAS radar data were gathered on the main campaign sites and on parts of the survey lines. About 25 hr were spend on flights over the main sites, 20 hr on positioning of the British ground teams on the ice sheet, 25 hr on different other project, and the rest on transit flights and repeated coverage of sea ice and land ice lines previously flown by DNSC.

Preliminary analysis of the data sets showed good results, which were presented to the involved parties at the June 15th-16th, 2006 CryoSat CVRT meeting at ESA-ESTEC. Since then an intensive collaboration between ESA, AWI and DNSC have ensured a solid processing of data where many minor and major problems have been identified and solved.

The data collected during CryoVEx 2006 will be important for understanding CryoSat-2 radar signals, and the processed data presents many opportunities for additional scientific investigations, such as e.g. the direct mapping of snow thickness by combination of laser and radar, detailed understanding on snow and firn penetration of CryoSat-2 signals etc. A number of overflights of corner reflectors both on sea ice and inland ice will aid this research, as well as serving the calibration of ASIRAS.

A number of independent in-situ data on ice thickness and snow depth were collected during CryoVEx 2006 on two large ice floes north of Alert; additional scientific activities included flights with the AWI EM-system, which provides an independent estimate of sea ice thickness. The comparison to the in-situ or EM data is outside the scope of this report, and will be presented in other scientific papers.

Please note: An investigation of the of the platform motion impact on ASIRAS have given new knownledge about the datation issue. Refer to the ESTEC Working Paper 2320: "ASIRAS Calibration and Validation, Simulation of Platform Motion Impact on DGPS Position and SARIn Phase Difference" by Marco Fornari.

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A File Formats

The format description for the core products is taken from the "ASIRAS, Product Description, Issue: 2.4" by Cullen (2006) and the users should refer to this document for in depth information. The definition of the types used in the binary files can be found in Table 14.

| Type | Description | Size (bytes) |
|------|----------------------------|--------------|
| uc | Unsigned character | 1 |
| sc | Signed character | 1 |
| us | Unsigned short integer | 2 |
| SS | Signed short integer | 2 |
| ul | Unsigned long integer | 4 |
| sl | Signed long integer | 4 |
| ull | Unsigned long long integer | 8 |
| sll | Signed long long integer | 8 |
| d | Double precision floating | 8 |
| f | Single precision floating | 4 |
| [n] | Array length n | |

Table 14: Definition of binary types used in the describtion of the file formats.

A.1 ASIRAS L1b

Processed L1b ASIRAS data is delivered in binary, big endian format as described by Cullen (2006) and Tables 15, 17, and 18.

The L1b product consists of two elements.

- 1. An ASCII header consisting of a main product header (MPH), a specific product header (SPH), and the data set descriptors (DSDs).
- 2. A binary, big endian measurement data set (MDS).

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format | | | |
|---------|------------------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--|--|--|
| | Product Identification Information | | | | | | |
| | PRODUCT= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | | |
| #01 | Product File Name | | 62 | uc | | | |
| | Left justified with trailer blanks | | | | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | |

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------|-------|------------------------|
| | PROC_STAGE= | keyword | 11 | 11*uc |
| | Processing stage code: | | 1 | uc |
| | N = Near-Real Time | | | |
| 402 | T = Test | | | |
| #02 | O = OFF Line (Systematic) | | | |
| | R = Reprocessing | | | |
| | L = Long Term Archive | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | REF_DOC= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| #02 | Reference DFCB Document | | 23 | 23*uc |
| #03 | describing the product | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| #04 | Spare | | 40 | 40*uc |
| #04 | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Data Processing | Information | | |
| | ACQUISITION_STATION= | keyword | 20 | 20*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| #02 #03 #04 - #05 #07 #08 #09 - | Acquisition Station ID | | 20 | Kiruna |
| | Filled by blanks | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | PROC_CENTER= | keyword | 12 | 12*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| #06 | Processing Center ID code | | 6 | PDS |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | PROC_TIME= | keyword | 10 | 10*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| #07 | Processing Time | UTC | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| "0" | (Product Generation Time) | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | SOFTWARE_VER= | keyword | 13 | 13*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | Processor name, up to 8 characters, and | | 14 | 14*uc |
| #08 | software version number followed by | | | ProcessorName/VV.rr |
| | trailer blanks if any. | | | |
| | If not used set to blanks | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| #09 | Spare (blank characters) | | 40 | 40*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | Continued on next page |

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|------------|--|--------------|-------|------------------------|
| | Information on T | Time of Data | | |
| | SENSING_START= | keyword | 14 | 14*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | UTC start time of data sensing. This is | UTC | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| | the UTC start time of the Input Level 0 | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| #10 | Product. | | | |
| | If not used set to 27 blanks | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | SENSING_STOP= | keyword | 13 | 13*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | UTC stop time of data sensing. This is | UTC | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| | the UTC stop time of the Input Level 0 | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| #11 | Product. | | | |
| | If not used set to 27 blanks | | 1 | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | 40* |
| #12 | Spare (blank characters) newline character | townsing to | 40 | 40*uc |
| | | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Orbit Infor | | | |
| | PHASE= | keyword | 6 | 6*uc |
| #40 | Phase Code: | | 1 | |
| #13 | phase letter (A, B, :.) | | | uc |
| | If not used set to X | | 1 | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | CYCLE= | keyword | 6 4 | 6*uc |
| #14 | Cycle number. | | 4 | %+04d |
| | If not used set to +000 | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | REL_ORBIT= | keyword | 10 | 10*uc |
| | Relative Orbit Number at sensing start | Reyword | 6 | %+06d |
| #15 | time. If not used set to +00000 | | | 70100 a |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | ABS_ORBIT= | keyword | 10 | 10*uc |
| | Absolute Orbit Number at sensing start | Reyword | 6 | %+06d |
| #16 | time. If not used set to +00000 | | | , |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | STATE_VECTOR_TIME= | keyword | 18 | 18*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | 110) 1101 | 1 | uc |
| | UTC state vector time | UTC | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| U1.17 | It is filled properly in case of usage of | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| #17 | FOS Predicted Orbit information | | | |
| | otherwise it shall be set to 27 blanks | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | • | • | | Continued on next page |

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|-------------|--|----------------|----------|------------------------|
| | DELTA_UT1= | keyword | 10 | 10*uc |
| | Universal Time Correction: | s | 8 | %+08.6f |
| | DUT1 = UT1 - UTC | | | |
| #18 | Not used for ASIRAS. It shall be set to | | | |
| | +.000000 | | | |
| | <s></s> | units | 3 | 3*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | X_POSITION= | keyword | 11 | 11*uc |
| | X position in Earth Fixed Reference. | m | 12 | %+012.3f |
| #19 | If not used set to +0000000.000 | | | |
| | <m></m> | units | 3 | 3*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Y_POSITION= | keyword | 11 | 11*uc |
| #2 0 | Y position in Earth Fixed Reference. | m | 12 | %+012.3f |
| #20 | If not used set to +0000000.000 | | | 24 |
| | <m></m> | units | 3 | 3*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Z_POSITION= | keyword | 11 | 11*uc |
| #01 | Z position in Earth Fixed Reference. | m | 12 | %+012.3f |
| #21 | If not used set to +0000000.000 | ., | 2 | 0* |
| | <m></m> | units | 3 | 3*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | X_VELOCITY= | keyword | 11 | 11*uc |
| #00 | X velocity in Earth Fixed Reference. | m/s | 12 | %+012.6f |
| #22 | If not used set to +0000.000000 | | | F* |
| | <m s=""></m> | units | 5 | 5*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc 11* |
| | Y_VELOCITY= | keyword | 11 | 11*uc |
| 400 | Y velocity in Earth Fixed Reference. | m/s | 12 | %+012.6f |
| #23 | If not used set to +0000.000000 <m s=""></m> | units | 5 | 5*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | |
| | Z_VELOCITY= | | | 11* |
| | | keyword m/s | 11 12 | 11*uc %+012.6f |
| #24 | Z velocity in Earth Fixed Reference. If not used set to +0000.000000 | III/S | 12 | /o+U12.01 |
| #24 | <m s=""></m> | units | 5 | 5*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | |
| | VECTOR_SOURCE= | | 14 | 14*uc |
| | | keyword | 14 | uc 14 uc |
| | quotation mark (") Source of Orbit State Vector Record | | 2 | 2*uc |
| | FP = FOS predicted | | | 2 uc |
| | DN = DORIS Level 0 navigator | | | |
| #25 | DP = DORIS precise orbit | | | |
| | FR = FOS Restituted | | | |
| | DI = DORIS Preliminary | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | 110 |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Spare (blank characters) | terminator | 40 | 40*uc |
| #26 | newline character | torminator | 1 | 40*uc |
| | HEWHITE CHATACTEL | terminator | 1 | Continued on next page |

| #27 SBT to UTC conversion Information UTC_SBT_TIME= | 13*uc uc 27*uc uc 16*uc +000000000000000000000000000000000000 |
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| #27 Quotation mark (") 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | uc 27*uc uc uc 16*uc +0000000000 uc 11*uc +00000000000 4*uc uc 32*uc |
| #27 Not used and set to 27 blanks quotation mark (") newline character SAT_BINARY_TIME= Satellite Binary Time Not used for Cryosat and it shall be set to zeros newline character #28 CLOCK_STEP = keyword Clock Step Not used for Cryosat and it shall be set to zeros **To very set to to the character #29 Not used for Cryosat and it shall be set to zeros **To very set to zeros | 27*uc uc uc 16*uc +0000000000 uc 11*uc +0000000000 4*uc uc 32*uc |
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| Leap Occome initiation | |
| LEAP_UTC= keyword 9 | 9*uc |
| quotation mark (") | uc |
| UTC Time of the occurrence of the leap UTC 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| second. | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| If a leap second occurred in the product | |
| window the field is set by a devoted | |
| function in the CFI | |
| #31 EXPLORER_ORBIT library (see | |
| [EXPL_ORB-SUM] for details), | |
| otherwise it is set to 27 blanks. It | |
| corresponds to the time after the Leap | |
| Second occurrence (i.e. midnight of the | |
| day after the leap second) | |
| quotation mark (") | uc |
| newline character terminator 1 | uc |
| LEAP_SIGN= keyword 10 | 10*uc |
| Leap second sign S 4 | %+04d |
| If a leap second occurred in the product | |
| window the field is set to the expected | |
| #32 value by a devoted function in the CFI | |
| EXPLORER_ORBIT library (see | |
| [EXPL_ORB-SUM] for details), | |
| otherwise it is set to +000. | |
| newline character terminator 1 | uc |
| LEAP_ERR= keyword 9 | 9*uc |
| Leap second error flag. 1 | uc |
| #33 This field is always set to 0 considering | |
| that CRYOSAI products have true UIC | |
| times. | |
| newline character terminator 1 | uc |

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|---------|--|---------------|-------|--------|
| #34 | Spare (blank characters) | | 40 | 40*uc |
| #34 | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Product Confidence I | Data Informat | ion | |
| | PRODUCT_ERR= | keyword | 12 | 12*uc |
| #2E | Product Error Flag set to 1 if errors have | | 1 | uc |
| #35 | been reported in the product | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Product Size In | formation | | |
| | TOT_SIZE= | keyword | 9 | 9*uc |
| #27 | Total size of the product | bytes | 21 | %+021d |
| #36 | | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | SPH_SIZE= | keyword | 9 | 9*uc |
| #37 | Length of the SPH | bytes | 11 | %+011d |
| #37 | | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | NUM_DSD= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc |
| | Number of Data Set Descriptors, | - | 11 | %+011d |
| #38 | including spares and all other types of DSDs | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | DSD_SIZE= | keyword | 9 | 9*uc |
| #39 | Length of each DSD | bytes | 11 | %+011d |
| #39 | | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | NUM_DATA_SETS= | keyword | 14 | 14*uc |
| #40 | Number of attached Data Sets (note that | _ | 11 | %+011d |
| #40 | not all the DSDs have a DS attached) | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | CRC= | keyword | 4 | 4*uc |
| | Cyclic Redundancy Code computed as | | 6 | %+06d |
| #41 | overall value of all records of the | | | |
| π-11 | Measurement Data Set. If not computed | | | |
| | it shall be set to -00001 | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| #42 | Spare (blank characters) | | 29 | 29*uc |
| 11 12 | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| TOTAL | | | | 1247 |

Table 15: ASIRAS main product header (MPH) format.

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format | | | |
|---------|--|------------|-------|--------|--|--|--|
| | Product description and identification | | | | | | |
| | SPH_DESCRIPTOR= | keyword | 15 | 15*uc | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | | |
| #1 | ASCII string describing the product | | 28 | 28*uc | | | |
| π1 | Set to | | | | | | |
| | ASI_SAR_1B SPECIFIC HEADER | | | | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | |

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|----------------------------|--|------------|-------|----------------------------|
| | Product Time info | ormation | | |
| | START_RECORD_TAI_TIME= | keyword | 22 | 22*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | TAI of the first record in the Main | TAI | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 #7 #8 #9 | MDS of this product | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | STOP_RECORD_TAI_TIME= | keyword | 21 | 21*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| що. | TAI of the last record in in the Main | TAI | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| #3 | MDS of this product | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Product Orbit Info | ormation | | <u> </u> |
| | ABS_ORBIT_START= | keyword | 16 | 16*uc |
| | Absolute Orbit Number at Product Start | | 6 | %06d |
| #4 | Time | | | |
| ŀ | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | REL_TIME_ASC_NODE_START= | Keyword | 24 | 24*uc |
| | Relative time since crossing ascending | s | 11 | %011.6f |
| | node time relative to start time of data | | | |
| #5 | sensing | | | |
| | <s></s> | units | 3 | 3*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | ABS_ORBIT_STOP= | keyword | 15 | 15*uc |
| щс | Absolute Orbit Number | | 6 | %06d |
| #6 | at Product Stop Time | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | REL_TIME_ASC_NODE_STOP= | Keyword | 23 | 23*uc |
| | Relative time since crossing ascending | S | 11 | %011.6f |
| #7 | node time relative to stop time of data | | | |
| #7 | sensing | | | |
| | <s></s> | units | 3 | 3*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | EQUATOR_CROSS_TIME_UTC= | Keyword | 23 | 23*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| #8 | Time of Equator crossing at the | UTC | 27 | dd-MMM-yyyy |
| 110 | ascending node of the sensing start time | | | hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | EQUATOR_CROSS_LONG= | Keyword | 19 | 19*uc |
| | Longitude of Equator Crossing at the | S | 11 | %+011d |
| | ascending node of the sensing start time | | | |
| #9 | (positive East, $0 = Greenwich$) referred | | | |
| | to WGS84 | | | |
| | <10-6degE> | units | 10 | 10*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc ntinued on next page |

| Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|---|--|---|--|
| ASCENDING_FLAG= | keyword | 15 | 15*uc |
| Orbit Orientation at the sensing start time | | 1 | uc |
| A= Ascending | | | |
| | | | |
| newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| Product Location In | formation | <u>'</u> | |
| | | 10 | 10*uc |
| | | 11 | %+011d |
| | . 01 | | |
| | units | 10 | 10*uc |
| newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| START LONG= | kevword | 11 | 11*uc |
| _ | | | %+011d |
| | [| | |
| | | | |
| | units | 10 | 10*uc |
| | | 1 | uc |
| STOP LAT= | | 9 | 9*uc |
| WGS84 latitude of the last record in | , | 11 | %+011d |
| | [| | |
| | units | 10 | 10*uc |
| newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | | | |
| | [10-6 deg] | 11 | %+011d |
| | [20 0 0.08] | | , |
| | | | |
| | units | 10 | 10*uc |
| | | 1 | uc |
| | | 50 | 50*uc |
| | terminator | 1 | uc |
| Level 0 Quality inf | ormation | | |
| LO PROC FLAG= | | 13 | 13*uc |
| | nej word | | uc |
| | | 1 | ac |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | | | 22*uc |
| | , | | %+06d |
| | [10 2/0] | | 75.000 |
| | | | |
| | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | | | uc |
| | | | 15*uc |
| Minimum acceptable percentage of | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06d |
| quality threshold that must be passed | [10 2/0] | | 70 1 00 u |
| | 1 | l . | |
| | | | |
| during SP processing (max allowed | | | |
| | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | Orbit Orientation at the sensing start time A= Ascending D= Descending newline character Product Location In START_LAT= WGS84 latitude of the first record in the Main MDS (positive north) <10-6degN> newline character START_LONG= WGS84 longitude of the first record in the Main MDS (positive East, 0 = Greenwich) <10-6degE> newline character STOP_LAT= WGS84 latitude of the last record in the Main MDS (positive north) <10-6degN> newline character STOP_LONG= keyword 10 10*uc WGS84 longitude of the last record in the Main MDS (positive East, 0 = Greenwich) <10-6degN> newline character STOP_LONG= keyword 10 10*uc WGS84 longitude of the last record in the Main MDS (positive East, 0 = Greenwich) <10-6degE> newline character Spare (blank characters) newline character Lo_PROC_FLAG= Processing errors significance flag (1 or 0). 1 if the percentage of SIRAL packets free of processing errors is less than the acceptable threshold newline character Lo_PROCESSING_QUALITY= Percentage of quality checks successfully passed during the SP processing (max allowed +10000) <10-2%> newline character Lo_PROC_THRESH= | Orbit Orientation at the sensing start time A= Ascending D= Descending newline character terminator Froduct Location Information START_LAT= keyword WGS84 latitude of the first record in the Main MDS (positive north) <10-6degN> units newline character terminator START_LONG= keyword WGS84 longitude of the first record in the Main MDS (positive East, 0 = Greenwich) <10-6degE> units newline character terminator STOP_LAT= keyword WGS84 latitude of the last record in the Main MDS (positive north) <10-6degB> units newline character terminator STOP_LONG= keyword 10 10*uc WGS84 longitude of the last record in the Main MDS (positive East, 0 = Greenwich) <10-6degN> units newline character terminator STOP_LONG= keyword 10 10*uc WGS84 longitude of the last record in the Main MDS (positive East, 0 = Greenwich) <10-6degE> units newline character terminator Foare (blank character) newline character terminator Lo_PROC_FLAG= keyword Processing errors significance flag (1 or 0). 1 if the percentage of SIRAL packets free of processing errors is less than the acceptable threshold newline character terminator Lo_PROCESSING_QUALITY= keyword Percentage of quality checks successfully passed during the SP processing (max allowed +10000) <10-2%6> units newline character terminator Lo_PROC_THRESH= keyword | Orbit Orientation at the sensing start time A = Ascending D = Descending newline character Product Location Information START_LAT = keyword 10 WGS84 latitude of the first record in the Main MDS (positive north) «10-6 degN |

| Field # | Description | Units | Bytes | Format |
|-------------|---|---------------|-------|--------|
| | L0_GAPS_FLAG= | keyword | 13 | 13*uc |
| | Gaps significance flag (1 or 0). | | 1 | uc |
| #19 | 1 if gaps (either caused by extraction or | | | |
| | alignment failures) were detected during | | | |
| | the SP processing | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | L0_GAPS_NUM= | keyword | 12 | 12*uc |
| | Number of gaps detected during the SP | | 8 | %+08d |
| #20 | processing (no gaps indicated as | | | |
| | +0000000) | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| # 21 | Spare (blank characters) | ascii | 50 | 50*uc |
| #21 | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | ASIRAS Instrument C | Configuration | | |
| | ASI_OP_MODE= | keyword | 12 | 12*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | ASIRAS Operative Mode: | | 10 | 10*uc |
| | HAM | | | |
| #22 | LAM | | | |
| | (strings shorter than 10 are filled in with | | | |
| | blanks) | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | ASI_CONFIGURATION= | keyword | 18 | 17*uc |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | SIRAL Configuration: | | 7 | 7*uc |
| | RX_1 | | | |
| | RX_2 | | | |
| #23 | BOTH | | | |
| | UNKNOWN | | | |
| | (strings shorter than 7 are filled in with | | | |
| | blanks) | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | Surface Statis | stics | | |
| | OPEN_OCEAN_PERCENT= | keyword | 19 | 19*uc |
| | Percentage of records detected on open | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06d |
| #24 | ocean or semi-enclosed seas | | | |
| | <10-2%> | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | CLOSE_SEA_PERCENT= | keyword | 18 | 18*uc |
| | Percentage of records detected on closed | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06d |
| #25 | seas or inland lakes | | | |
| | <10-2%> | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |
| | CONTINENT_ICE_PERCENT= | keyword | 22 | 22*uc |
| | Percentage of records detected on | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06d |
| #26 | continental ice | | | |
| | <10-2%> | units | 7 | 7*uc |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc |

| ield# | Description | Units | Bytes | Forma |
|------------|---|------------|-------|-------|
| | LAND_PERCENT Keyword 13 13*uc | | - | |
| #27 | Percentage of records detected on land | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06c |
| | <10-2%> | units | 7 | 7*u |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| #28 | Spare (blank characters) | ascii | 50 | 50*u |
| #20 | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| | Level 1 Processing in | formation | 1 | |
| | L1B_PROD_STATUS= | keyword | 16 | 16*u |
| | Complete/Incomplete Product | | 1 | u |
| "20 | Completion Flag (0 or 1). | | | |
| #29 | 1 if the Product as a duration shorter than | | | |
| | the input Level 0 | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| | L1B_PROC_FLAG= | keyword | 14 | 14*u |
| | Processing errors significance flag (1 or 0). | | 1 | u |
| #30 | 1 if the percentage of DSR free of | | | |
| #30 | processing errors is less than the | | | |
| | acceptable threshold | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| | L1B_PROCESSING_QUALITY= | keyword | 23 | 23*u |
| | Percentage of quality checks successfully | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06 |
| #31 | passed during Level 1B processing (max | | | |
| π31 | allowed +10000) | | | |
| | <10-2%> | units | 7 | 7*u |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| | L1B_PROC_THRESH= | keyword | 16 | 16*u |
| | Minimum acceptable percentage of | [10-2%] | 6 | %+06 |
| | quality threshold that must be passed | | | |
| #32 | during Level 1B processing (max | | | |
| | allowed +10000) | | | |
| | <10-2%> | units | 7 | 7*u |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| #33 | Spare (blank characters) | ascii | 50 | 50*u |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | u |
| OTAL | | | | 111 |

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Table 16: ASIRAS specific product header (SPH) format.

| Field #N | Description | Units | Bytes | Format | | |
|----------|------------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--|--|
| | DSD | | | | | |
| | DS_NAME= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | |
| #N.1 | Name describing the Data Set | | 28 | 28*uc | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | |

| Field #N | Description | Units | Bytes | Format | | | | |
|-----------------|--|------------|-------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| | DS_TYPE= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc | | | | |
| | Type of Data Set. It can be: | _ | 1 | uc | | | | |
| #N.2 | M = Measurement | | | | | | | |
| | R = Reference | | | | | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | External product reference | | | | | | | |
| | FILENAME= | keyword | 9 | 9*uc | | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | - | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | Name of the Reference File. | | 62 | 62*uc | | | | |
| #N.3 | Used if DS_TYPE is set to R. It is left justified with | | | | | | | |
| #11.5 | trailer blanks. The file name includes the extension. | | | | | | | |
| | If not used it is set to 62 blanks. | | | | | | | |
| | quotation mark (") | | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | Position and size of DS | | | | | | | |
| | DS_OFFSET= | keyword | 10 | 10*uc | | | | |
| | Length in bytes of MPH + SPH (including DSDs) + | bytes | 21 | %+021d | | | | |
| #N.4 | DS size of previous Data Set (if any). | | | | | | | |
| | | units | 7 | 7*uc | | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | DS_SIZE= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc | | | | |
| | Length in bytes of the attached Data Set | bytes | 21 | %+021d | | | | |
| #N.5 | Used if DS_TYPE is set to M | | | | | | | |
| π1 \. .5 | If not used set to 0 | | | | | | | |
| | | units | 7 | 7*uc | | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | Number and length of DSRs | | | | | | | |
| | NUM_DSR= | keyword | 8 | 8*uc | | | | |
| #N.6 | Number of Data Set Records | | 11 | %+011d | | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| | DSR_SIZE= | keyword | 9 | 9*uc | | | | |
| | Length in bytes of the Data Set Record | bytes | 11 | %+011d | | | | |
| #N.7 | If not used set to +0 | | | | | | | |
| #11.7 | If variable set to -1 | | | | | | | |
| | | units | 7 | 7*uc | | | | |
| | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| #N.8 | Spare | ascii | 32 | 32*uc | | | | |
| π1 N. O | newline character | terminator | 1 | uc | | | | |
| Total | | | | 280 | | | | |

Table 17: ASIRAS data set descriptors (DSD) format.

The MDS can be further divided into five parts as described below.

- 1. Time and Orbit Group (20 blocks per record).
- 2. Measurements Group (20 blocks per record).
- 3. Corrections Group (one block per record) (Zeroed for ASIRAS).
- 4. Average Waveforms Group (one block per record) (Zeroed for ASIRAS).
- 5. Waveform Group (20 blocks per record).

| Identifier | Description | Units | Type | Size [Bytes] | |
|--|---|------------------------|------|---------------|--|
| Time & Orbit Group Repeated 20 times Sub Total=84*20 | | | | | |
| 1 | Days | TAI | sl | 4 | |
| 2 | Seconds | | ul | 4 | |
| 3 | Microseconds | | ul | 4 | |
| 4 | Spare | | sl | 4 | |
| 5 | Spare | | us | 2 | |
| 6 | Spare | | us | 2 | |
| 7 | Instrument Config | | ul | 4 | |
| 8 | Burst Counter | | ul | 4 | |
| 9 | Geodetic latitude of ASIRAS centre of baseline | $10^{-7} {\rm Deg}$ | sl | 4 | |
| 10 | Longitude of ASIRAS centre of baseline | $10^{-7} {\rm Deg}$ | sl | 4 | |
| 11 | WGS-84 ellipsoidal altitude of ASIRAS baseline centre | 10^{-3} m | sl | 4 | |
| 12 | Altitude rate determined from DGPS | 10^{-6}m/s | sl | 4 | |
| 13 | Velocity [x,y,z], described in ITRF | 10^{-3}m/s | sl | 3*4 | |
| 14 | Real antenna beam direction vector [x,y,z] | $10^{-6} \mathrm{m}$ | sl | 3*4 | |
| 15 | Interferometer baseline [x,y,z] | 10^{-6} m | sl | 3*4 | |
| 16 | Measurement Confident data | | ul | 4 | |
| Measurem | ents Group Repeated 20 times | • | Su | b Total=94*20 | |
| 17 | Window delay | $10^{-12} \mathrm{s}$ | sll | 8 | |
| 18 | Spare | | sl | 4 | |
| 19 | ÔCOG width | Range bins*100 | sl | 4 | |
| 20 | OCOG or threshold retracker range | $10^{-3} \mathrm{m}$ | sl | 4 | |
| 21 | Surface elevation derived from field 20 | 10^{-3} m | sl | 4 | |
| 22 | AGC Channel 1 | dB/100 | sl | 4 | |
| 23 | AGC Channel 2 | dB/100 | sl | 4 | |
| 24 | Total fixed gain Ch1 | dB/100 | sl | 4 | |
| 25 | Total fixed gain Ch2 | dB/100 | sl | 4 | |
| 26 | Transmit Power | 10^{-6} Watts | sl | 4 | |
| 27 | Doppler range correction | 10^{-3} m | sl | 4 | |
| 28 | Instrument range correction Ch 1 | 10^{-3} m | sl | 4 | |
| 29 | Instrument range correction Ch 2 | 10^{-3} m | sl | 4 | |
| 30 | Spare | | sl | 4 | |
| 31 | Spare | | sl | 4 | |
| 32 | Internal phase correction | 10^{-6} rad | sl | 4 | |
| 33 | External phase correction | 10^{-6} rad | sl | 4 | |
| 34 | Noise power | dB/100 | sl | 4 | |
| 35 | Roll | 10^{-3} Deg | ss | 2 | |
| 36 | Pitch | 10^{-3} Deg | ss | 2 | |

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| Identifier | Description | Units | Type | Size [Bytes] | |
|--|---|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| 37 | Yaw | 10^{-3} Deg | ss | 2 | |
| 38 | Spare | | ss | 2 | |
| 39 | Heading | 10^{-3} Deg | sl | 4 | |
| 40 | Standard deviation of roll during stack integration | $10^{-4} {\rm Deg}$ | us | 2 | |
| 41 | Standard deviation of pitch during stack integration | $10^{-4} {\rm Deg}$ | us | 2 | |
| 42 | Standard deviation of yaw during stack integration | 10^{-4} Deg | us | 2 | |
| Correction | s Group Once per record | | | Sub Total=64 | |
| Empty for | ASIRAS | | | | |
| 43 | Spare | | uc | 64*1 | |
| Average pulse-width limited Waveform group Once per record | | | | Sub Total=8236 | |
| Empty for | ASIRAS | | | | |
| Limpty for | 1011010 | | | | |
| 44 | Spare | | uc | 8236*1 | |
| 44 | | | | 8236*1 Fotal=8304*20 | |
| 44 | Spare | Counts (0-65535) | | | |
| 44 Multilook | Spare ed Waveform Group Repeated 20 times | Counts (0-65535) | Sub | Total=8304*20 | |
| 44 Multilook | Spare ed Waveform Group Repeated 20 times Multi-looked Power Echo. Linear scale factor, A Power of 2 scale factor,B | Counts (0-65535) | Sub T | Total=8304*20 4096*2 | |
| 44 Multilooko 45 46 | Spare ed Waveform Group Repeated 20 times Multi-looked Power Echo. Linear scale factor, A | Counts (0-65535) | Sub Tus | Total=8304*20 4096*2 | |
| 44 Multilooke 45 46 47 | Spare ed Waveform Group Repeated 20 times Multi-looked Power Echo. Linear scale factor, A Power of 2 scale factor,B | Counts (0-65535) | Sub Tus sl sl | Total=8304*20 4096*2 4 | |
| 44 Multilooke 45 46 47 48 | Spare ed Waveform Group Repeated 20 times Multi-looked Power Echo. Linear scale factor, A Power of 2 scale factor,B Number of multilooked echoes | Counts (0-65535) | Sub | Total=8304*20 4096*2 4 4 2 | |

Table 18: ASIRAS measurement data set (MDS) format.

A.2 GPS

Processed DGPS data is delivered in binary, big endian format with each record formated as described by Cullen (2006) and Table 19. $\,$

| Identifier | Description | Unit | Type | Size [Bytes] |
|------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------|--------------|
| 1 | Days (MJD) | UTC | sl | 4 |
| 2 | Seconds | | ul | 4 |
| 3 | Microseconds | | ul | 4 |
| 4 | Latitude (WGS-84) | $10^{-7} {\rm deg}$ | sl | 4 |
| 5 | Longitude | $10^{-7} {\rm deg}$ | sl | 4 |
| 6 | Geodetic ellipsoidal height | m | d | 8 |
| 7 | Spare_7 | N/A | d | 8 |
| 8 | Spare_8 | N/A | d | 8 |
| 9 | Spare_9 | N/A | d | 8 |
| 10 | Spare_10 | N/A | d | 8 |
| Total | | | | 72 |

Table 19: GPS file format.

A.3 INS

Processed INS data is delivered in binary, big endian format with each record formated as described by Cullen (2006) and Table 20.

| Identifier | Description | Unit | Type | Size [Bytes] |
|------------|--------------------------------|--------|------|--------------|
| 1 | Days (MJD) | UTC | sl | 4 |
| 2 | Seconds | | sl | 4 |
| 3 | Microseconds | | sl | 4 |
| 4 | Latitude (WGS-84) | deg | d | 8 |
| 5 | Longitude | deg | d | 8 |
| 6 | Ground speed | kts | d | 8 |
| 7 | True Track | deg | d | 8 |
| 8 | True Heading | deg | d | 8 |
| 9 | Wind Speed | kts | d | 8 |
| 10 | Wind Direction | deg | d | 8 |
| 11 | Magnetic Heading | deg | d | 8 |
| 12 | Pitch | deg | d | 8 |
| 13 | Roll | deg | d | 8 |
| 14 | Pitch Rate | deg/s | d | 8 |
| 15 | Roll Rate | deg/s | d | 8 |
| 16 | Yaw Rate | deg/s | d | 8 |
| 17 | Body longitudinal Acceleration | g | d | 8 |
| 18 | Body lateral Acceleration | g | d | 8 |
| 19 | Body normal acceleration | g | d | 8 |
| 20 | Vertical Acceleration in G | g | d | 8 |
| 21 | Velocity Inertial Vertical | ft/min | d | 8 |
| 22 | Velocity North-South | kts | d | 8 |
| 23 | Velocity East-west | kts | d | 8 |
| Total | | | | 172 |

Table 20: INS file format.

A.4 Laser Scanner

Processed lidar data is delivered in binary, little endian format with each record formated as described in Table 21. Note that the time is decimal hours since the beginning of the day with respect to UTC time.

A.5 Vertical Camera

Approximate time and position of the vertical camera when a picture is taken is delivered in windows ASCII format as described in Table 22 and all individual pictures are in JPEG format. Each ASCII line gives the filename, time, and position for the named picture. If no DGPS data is available the time and position is replaced with the string "No position available".

| Identifier | Description | Unit | Type | Size [Bytes] | |
|------------|--|---------|------|-------------------------|--|
| | Header | | | | |
| 1 | Header Size | bytes | uc | 1 | |
| 2 | Number of scan lines, N_{als_scan} | lines | ul | 4 | |
| 3 | Number of data points per line, N_{als_dppl} | points | uc | 1 | |
| 4 | Bytes per line, N_{als_bbl} | bytes | us | 2 | |
| 5 | Bytes sec line | bytes | ull | 8 | |
| 6 | Year of acquisition | UTC | us | 2 | |
| 7 | Month of acquisition | UTC | uc | 1 | |
| 8 | Day of acquisition | UTC | uc | 1 | |
| 9 | Acquisition Start time (Seconds of day) | UTC | ul | 4 | |
| 10 | Acquisition Stop time (Seconds of day) | UTC | ul | 4 | |
| 11 | Device name | | uc | 8 | |
| Total | Total | | | | |
| | Time stamp array | | | | |
| 1 | Array of time stamps for each scan line (Seconds of day) | UTC | ul | 4*N _{als_scan} | |
| Total | Total | | | | |
| | DEM Record Repeated N_{als_scan} times | | | 4*N _{als_scan} | |
| 1 | Array of time stamps for each point (Seconds of day) | UTC | d | 8*N _{als_dppl} | |
| 2 | Array of latitudes for each point | degrees | d | 8*N _{als dvvl} | |
| 3 | Array of longitudes for each point | degrees | d | $8*N_{als\ dnnl}$ | |
| 2 | Array of ellipsoidal heights for each point | meter | d | 8*N _{als_dppl} | |
| Total | | | | | |

Table 21: Laser scanner file format.

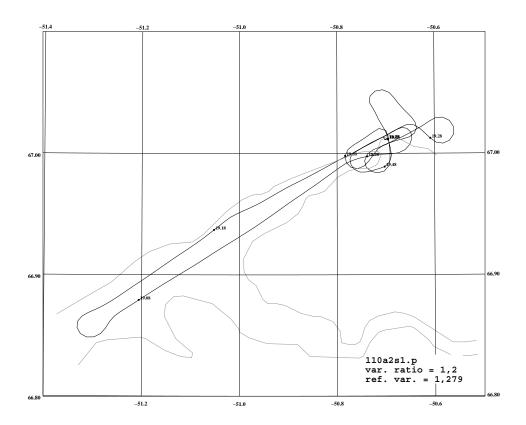
| Identifier | Description | Unit |
|------------|-------------------------------|------|
| 1 | JPEG filename | |
| 2 | Decimal hours | hour |
| 3 | Latitude (WGS-84) | deg |
| 4 | Longitude | deg |
| 5 | Geodetic ellipsoidal height | m |
| 6 | Newline characters " \r \n" | |

Table 22: Vertical camera file format.

B Airborne Log with GPS Track Plot

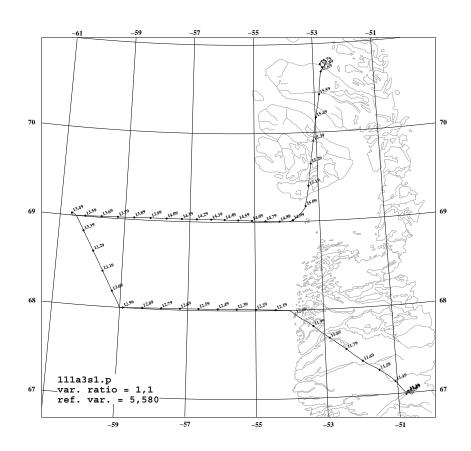
JD 110 – 2006 April 20th GPS week 1371 (day 4)

| 18:45:30 | new scanner file | 19:00 | out through the fjord |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| 18:48 | engines on | 19:15:30 | over the runway |
| 18:53 | taxi | 19:18 | webcam PC rebooted |
| 18:56 | start Trimble logging | 19:31 | landing |



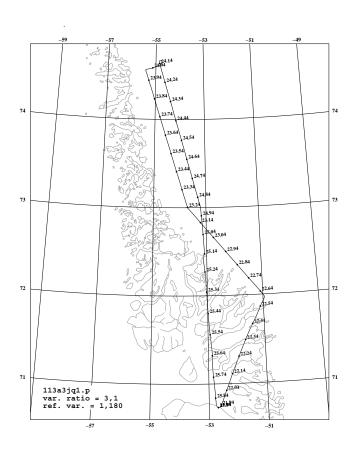
JD 111 – 2006 April 21st GPS week 1371 (day 5)

| 11:06 | engines on | 12:14 | broken floes in bands |
|----------|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| 11:15:30 | new scanner file | 13:01:30 | new scanner file |
| | cross over building | 13:34:00 | new scanner file just after V3 |
| | close scanner file, transit to V1 | | few min of video |
| 11:43 | webcam rebooted | 13:57 | few min of video |
| 12:06:00 | new scanner file | 14:23 | 91 knots and fog |
| | over water near coast | | 67N 55 57W lead |
| 12:07:20 | V1 | 14:56 | scanner file closed at V4 |
| 12:09 | thin ice and water | 15:49 | landing |



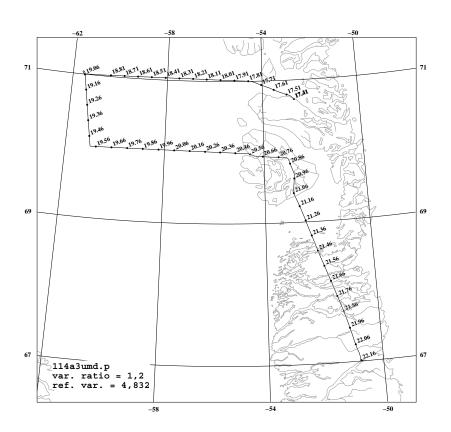
JD 113 – 2006, April 23rd GPS week 1372 (day 0)

| 21:50 | taxi | 23:34 | ASIRAS on 73° 25′N - 73° 40′N |
|---------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 21:54 | take off | 23:59 | A3 |
| 22:35:00 | new scanner file | 23:59 | tear drop turn at A4 |
| 22:31:30 | A1 | 00:08:40 | at A4, start line A4-A5 |
| 23:05 - 23:10 | ASIRAS on | 00:11:30 | new scanner file |
| | where lines cross | 00:53 | A5 |
| 23:14 | A2 | 01:10 | scanner file closed at ice edge |
| 23:18:00 | new scanner file | 01:54 | landing |



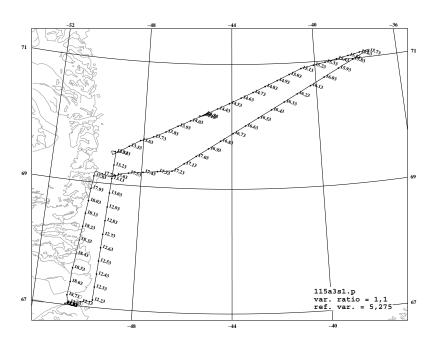
JD 114 – 2006, April 24th GPS week 1372 (day 1)

| 17:23 | taxi | 19:31 | V7 |
|----------|------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| 17:26 | take off | 20:23 | V8, climb towards Disko |
| 17:47 | V5 | 20:25:00 | new scanner file |
| 18:05 | video on, right window | 20:51 | DI1 |
| 18:30:30 | new scanner file | 21:03 | DI3 |
| 18:46 | video off | | scanner file closed |
| 18:59 | tear drop turn at V6 | 22:11 | landing |
| 19:26:30 | new scanner file | | |



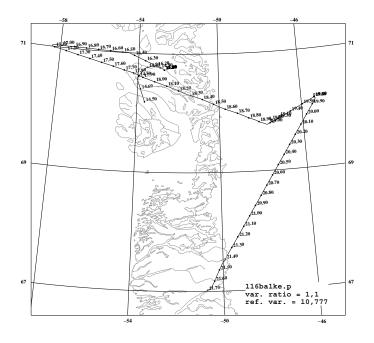
JD 115 – 2006, April 25th GPS week 1372 (day 2)

| 11:57 | taxi | 14:43 | T21 |
|----------|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| 11:59 | take off | 14:46:00 | new scanner file |
| 12:10:00 | new scanner file | 14:54 | T25 |
| 12:23 | EGI logging started | 15:08 | T31 |
| 13:11:30 | new scanner file | 15:18 | T35 |
| 13:19 | X2, tear drop turn | 15:36 | T41 |
| 13:38 | T1 | 15:43 | T43 |
| 13:42 | T3 | 15:45:30 | new scanner file |
| 13:46 | T5, over corner reflector | 16:54:30 | new scanner file (1 sec late?) |
| 13:54 | T8 | 17:13 | I5 |
| 13:55:30 | new scanner file | 17:28 | I6 |
| 14:09 | T12, over corner reflector, | 17:34 | I7 |
| | off by 20 m | 17:40 | I8 |
| | better 2 nd time | 17:47 | I9, end of line, |
| 14:18:30 | T17 | | scanner file closed |
| | | 18:49 | landing |



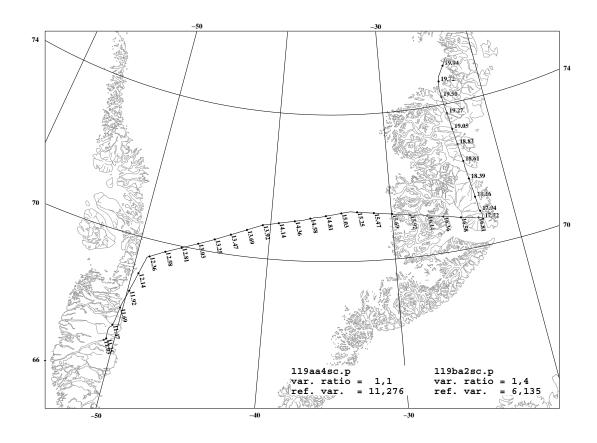
JD 116 – 2006, April 26th GPS week 1372 (day 3)

| 12:55 | taxi | 17:03 | V17, towards T3 |
|----------|---------------------------------|------------|--|
| 12:58 | take off | 17:04:30 | new scanner file - no data |
| 14:29 | Trimble logging stopped, | 18:49:00 | new scanner file - no data |
| | stopped to delete file | 19:05 - 15 | 3 times over T5, |
| 14:30 | Trimble logging started | | 1 st and 3 rd best hit |
| 14:41 | deviate line to land in JQA, | 19:15 | direct to T12 to pick up UK1, |
| | helicopter not departed | | one is ill |
| 14:57 | landing JQA, air2, | 19:40 | landing at T12 on ice sheet |
| | air3 logging stopped | 19:49 | take off T12 towards SFJ |
| 16:02 | EGI logging stopped | 19:51:30 | new scanner file |
| 16:03 | EGI, air2, air3 logging started | 20:46:30 | new scanner file, memory |
| 16:04 | taxi | | out on PC-card at 2100 |
| 16:07 | take off JQA | 21:09:00 | new scanner file |
| 16:11:30 | new scanner file | 21:26 | scanner file closed |
| 16:26 | V5 | 21:42 | landing |
| 16:57 | over helicopter (on ice floe) | 21:46 | engines off |
| | | | |



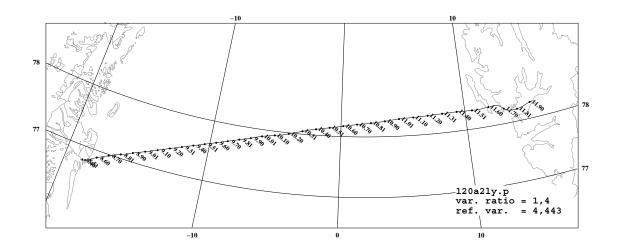
JD 119 – 2006, April 29th GPS week 1372 (day 6)

| 11:01 | engines on | 15:45 | scanner file closed, ice margin |
|----------|-------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 11:09 | taxi | 16:54 | landing CNP |
| 11:11 | take off | | logging stopped all instruments |
| 12:18:00 | new scanner file | 17:43 | on |
| 12:19 | EG1 | 17:44 | taxi |
| 13:01:00 | new scanner file, 1 sec late? | 17:48 | take off |
| 13:12 | EG3 | 17:49 | EGI logging, Trimble started |
| 13:57 | EG4 | 19:36:30 | B1, new scanner file |
| 14:01:00 | new scanner file | 19:47 | break off line, scanner cannot |
| 14:28 | EG5 | | reach surface, strong winds, |
| 14:38 | slightly off line - | | ice crystals in air? |
| | retype pos in GPS < 2 km off | | EGI stopped some time before B1? |
| 14:53:00 | new scanner file | 20:53 | landing |



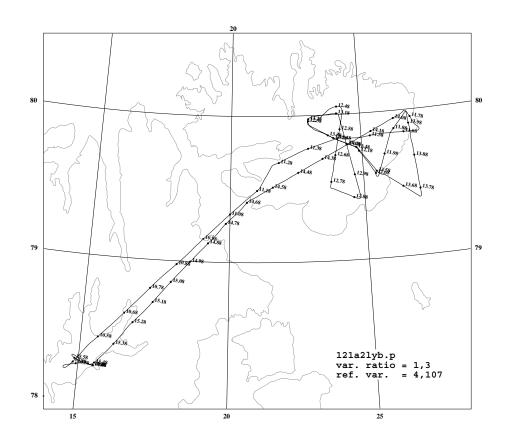
JD 120 – 2006, April 30th GPS week 1373 (day 0)

| 08:27 | take off | 10:10 | 2 · 10 min HAM radar data |
|----------|-------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|
| 08:33:00 | new scanner file | | at 2800 m |
| 08:46 | EMAP started, PC rebooted twice | | some wind at surface, waves, |
| 09:32:30 | new scanner file, follow ice edge | | see photo before climb |
| 09:44:40 | end of sea ice, scanner file closed | 11:58 | landing |
| | | | _ |



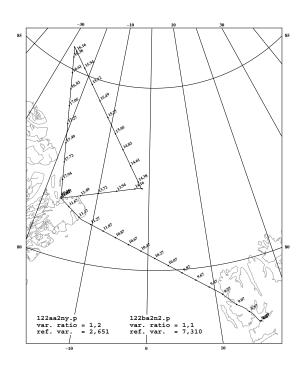
JD 121 – 2006 May 1st GPS week 1373 (day 1)

| 10:18 | take off | 13:12:30 | new scanner file (131235?) |
|----------|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| 11:17:00 | new scanner file | 13:35 | NV11 |
| | problems with EMAP on Trimble | | deviate line to fly over sea ice, |
| | changed to Javad after several tries | | SE of island |
| 12:15:00 | new scanner file (121504/05) | | back to K5 afterwards |
| 12:32 | 4-1 | 13:57:00 | new scanner file |
| 12:32:30 | R4 | 14:00 | K5 |
| 12:50 | some fog is starting to reoccur | 14:16 | clouds on top of ice cap |
| 13:04 | R1 | 14:47 | end of survey, |
| 13:08:40 | R4 | | too much wind over mountains |
| 13:09:40 | end of line | 15:38 | landing |



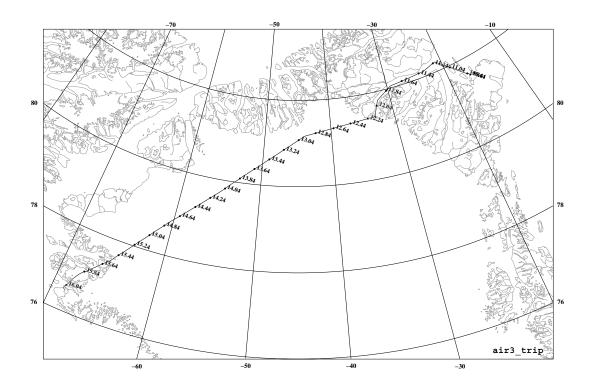
JD 122 – 2006, May 2nd GPS week 1373 (day 2)

| | engines on early, EGI restarted | 13:11 | taxi |
|----------|----------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|
| 08:35 | taxi | 13:14 | take off |
| 08:38 | take off | 13:13:00 | new scanner file |
| 08:40:30 | new scanner file | 13:29:30 | lead, shear zone |
| 09:04 | end of glacier | 14:12:00 | new scanner file |
| 10 | clouds to altitude 80 m | 14:13 | F1 |
| 10:20 | descend to observe cloud cover | 14:14 | tear drop turn |
| 10:28 | clouds too low, some | 15:06:00 | new scanner file |
| | ASIRAS data gathered | 15:33 | fog, scanner file closed, |
| 10:39:30 | new scanner file, only | | ASIRAS still on |
| | few higher clouds now | 16:11:00 | new scanner file |
| 10:43 | large ice floe | 17:10:30 | new scanner file |
| 11:25 | EN8 | 18:12 | cross over building, |
| 11:27:00 | new scanner file, (1 sec early?) | | (Ebbe Kold hal) |
| 11:50 | landing | 18:15 | second pass |
| | - | 18:18 | landing |
| | | | |



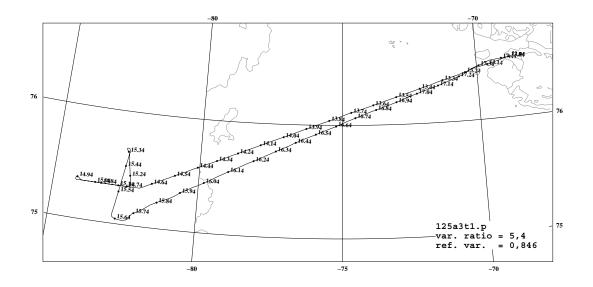
JD 123 – 2006, May 3rd GPS week 1373 (day 3)

| 10:44 | taxi | 12:55 | AIR2 second file on |
|----------|---------------------------------|----------|---------------------|
| 10:47 | take off | 12:56 | H7 |
| 10:49:30 | new scanner file | 12:58:30 | new scanner file |
| 11:12 | H1 | 13:55:00 | new scanner file |
| 11:22 | H2 | 14:06 | H8 |
| 11:34 | H3 | 14:57:00 | new scanner file |
| 11:45 | H4 | 15:27 | ice sheet margin |
| 11:58 | H5 | | scanner file closed |
| 11:58:30 | new scanner file | 16:06 | landing |
| 12:02 | glacier start (margin in fjord) | | |
| 12:09 | H6 | | |
| | AIR2 PC-card full, | | |
| | stopped and files deleted | | |



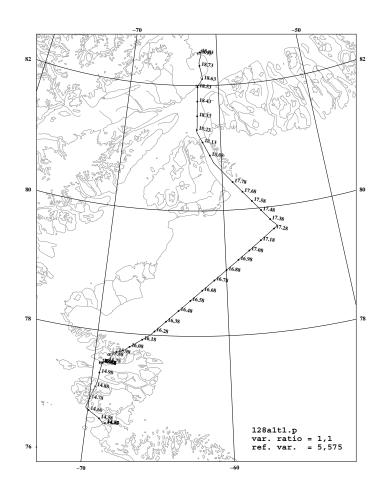
JD 125 – 2006, May 5th GPS week 1373 (day 5)

| 12:50 | EGI start | 15:22 | DE5 |
|----------|------------------|----------|----------------------|
| 12:55 | taxi | 15:31 | R1 |
| 13:01 | take off | 15:37 | DE3 |
| 13:09:00 | new scanner file | 15:39:00 | new scanner file |
| 14:09:00 | new scanner file | 15:45 | scanner file stopped |
| 14:39:00 | new scanner file | 16:20:00 | new scanner file |
| 14:45 | reflector R1 | 17:26 | scanner file stopped |
| 14:54 | DE6 | 17:26 | landing |
| 14:08 | R1 | | |



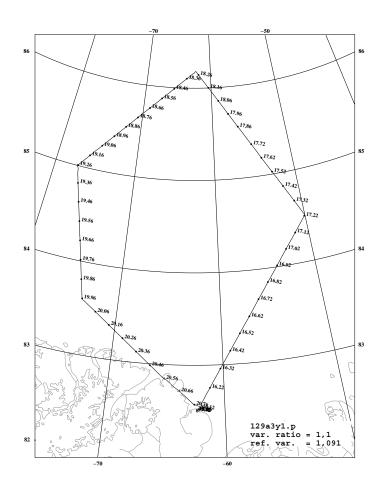
JD 128 – 2006, May 8th GPS week 1374 (day 1)

| 14:20 | system start up | 17:02 | clouds |
|----------|------------------------|----------|---------------------------|
| 14:24 | taxi | 17:14:00 | new scanner file |
| 14:30 | take off | 17:18 | C2 |
| 14:35:00 | new scanner file | 18:00 | C3 |
| 14:54 | Politikens isbræ (POL) | 18:08 | edge of Petermann, nearly |
| 15:05 | on ground NAQ | | no snow on sea ice |
| 15:34 | engine on | 18:24:00 | new scanner file |
| 15:37 | taxi | 18:32 | end of line |
| 15:38 | take off | 18:32 | on ground |
| 16:28:00 | new scanner file | | - |



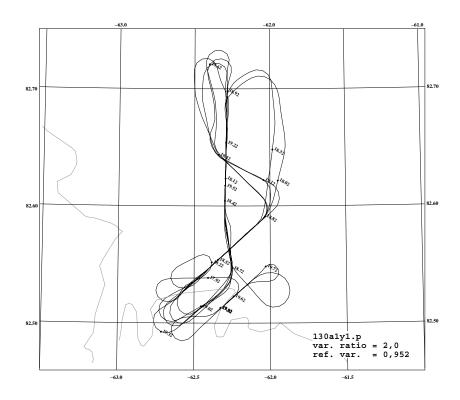
JD 129 – 2006, May 9th GPS week 1374 (day 2)

| 16:00 | INS aligned, | 18:17 | wpt D3A, turn |
|----------|-------------------------|----------|------------------|
| 10.00 | start taxi (1200 local) | 19:08:00 | new scanner file |
| 16.00.00 | ` , | | |
| 16:03:00 | new scanner file | 19:15 | wpt H3 turn |
| 16:05 | take off | 19:58 | turn wpt H2 |
| 16:33 | video tape #2 | 20:09:00 | new scanner file |
| 17:05:30 | new scanner file | 20:48 | rwy overflight |
| 17:13 | Trn, wpt D4 | 20:52 | landing |
| 18:08 | new scanner file | | |



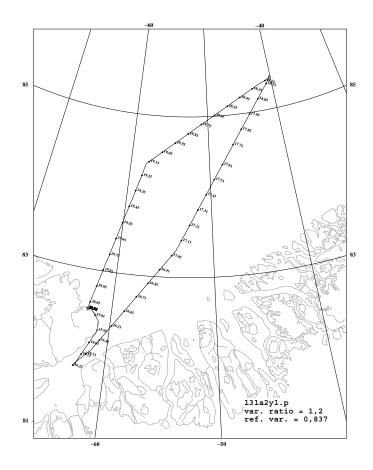
JD 130 – 2006, May 10th GPS week 1374 (day 3)

| 17:52 | take off | 19:04:40 | MY 1500 ft |
|----------|------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| 17:55:00 | new scanner file | 19:08:00 | FY cross |
| 17:58:43 | MY reflector, xte -31m | 19:13:20 | FY 1500 ft |
| 18:06:30 | FY reflector | 19:15:40 | MY cross |
| 18:08:38 | MY cross | | climb to 2500 ft, scanner |
| 18:16:09 | MY refl #2 -2 m | | stopped giving data at 500 m |
| 18:24:00 | MY refl #2 1.7 m | 19:20:50 | MY 2500 ft |
| 18:26:10 | MY cross | 19:24:40 | FY cross |
| 18:31:25 | MY #3 -2 m | 19:30:30 | FY 2500 ft |
| 18:34:20 | FY cross refl | 19:32:00 | new scanner file |
| 18:40:10 | FY #3 | 19:32:30 | MY cross |
| 18:42:25 | MY cross | | descend 1500 ft to rwy overflt |
| 18:47:50 | MY #4 | 19:37 | rwy overflight 1500 ft |
| 18:50:42 | FY cross | 19:40 | rwy overflt 1000 ft |
| 18:56:50 | FY #4 | 19:45 | landing |
| 18:59:14 | MY cross | | - |



JD 131 – 2006, May 11th GPS week 1374 (day 4)

| 15:20 | Heli take off | 16:55:00 | new scanner file |
|----------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| 15:30 | start engines | | (misnamed 165400.2dd) |
| | INS not aligned (after 45 min) | 17:54 | descend, fog 250 m |
| | set to NAV=NVRF | 18:00:00 | new scanner file |
| 15:43:00 | new scanner file | 18:11 | end of line, turn |
| 15:45 | take off | 19:10 | climb 1000 ft |
| 16:15 | G0 | 19:12:00 | new scanner file |
| 16:33 | overhead helicopter | 20:04 | over Spinaker bldg, |
| | 82 26.0 N 59 19 W | | not aligned to rwy |
| 16:51 | fog patches | 20:08 | on ground |
| | | | |

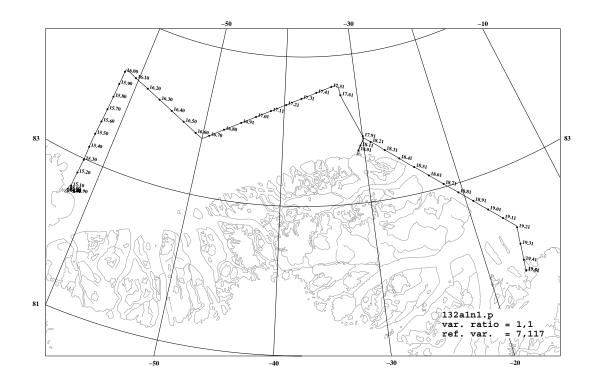


JD 132 – 2006, May 12th GPS week 1374 (day 5)

| 14:35:00 14:48 | new scanner file airborne, departure shortly after heli EM helicopter returns 40 miles out from Alert | 16:58 18:02 18:13:30 18:57 | new scanner file overhead Ultima Thule island new scanner file INS close output file? warning – disc full |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| 15:26 | descend 700 ft. | 18:58 | PC on standby by accident |
| 15:53 | new scanner file | 19:02 | new scanner file on c:scanner |
| 16:00 | abort line, to wpt. E0, thick fog | 19:29 | on ground, Station Nord |

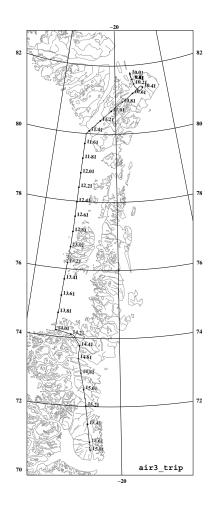
Buoy waypoints

| В3 | 82° 33.832′ N | 62° 15.511′ W | B7 | 83° 17.142′ N | 62° 16.725′ W |
|----|---------------|---------------|----|---------------|---------------|
| B4 | 82° 38.402′ N | 62° 17.509′ W | B8 | 83° 35.500′ N | 62° 10.932′ W |
| B5 | 82° 59.921′ N | 62° 12.142′ W | В9 | 83° 50.776′ N | 62° 7.745′ W |



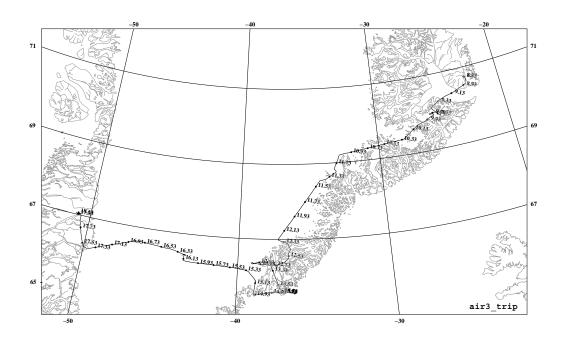
JD 136 – 2006, May 16th GPS week 1375 (day 2)

| 09:53:00 | new scanner file | 12:36:00 | new scanner file |
|----------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| 09:55 | take-off Nord | 13:05 | Nunatak zone |
| 10:10 | rwy overflight | | few laser returns |
| 10:30 | over flade isblink | 13:43:00 | new scanner file |
| | drilling camp | 14:00 | wpt. J2 |
| 11:07:30 | new scanner file | | flight down |
| | stopped short due to high topo | | Waltershausen Glacier |
| 11:21:30 | new scanner file | 14:33 | fjord sea ice |
| | inland ice edge | | stop logging, climb |
| 11:28 | wpt. J1 | 15:42 | on ground CNP |
| | | | |



JD 137 – 2006, May 17th GPS week 1375 (day 3)

| 08:39 08:44 08:52 09:14 09:27 09:36 09:57 11:10 | new scanner file take-off CNP stop scan new scanner file Geikie ice cap, clouds, ASIRAS only stop scanner, too high start logging Kangarlussuaq, wind crevasses new scanner file | 13:17 13:39 14:31 14:35 15:03 15:39 16:50 17:28 17:49 | stop scanner after Helheim on ground KUS start scanner airborne KUS fog on ice edge new scanner file new scanner file ice edge, stop scanner new scanner file runway overflight blue building |
|--|--|---|---|
| 11:16 12:14 | | 18:01 | , |
| | | | |



Processed GPS data

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|------------------------------|--------|-----------|----------|---|----------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|
| | | Reference | <u> </u> | file name | lle | start (GPSs) | end (GPSs) | start (dech) | end (dech) | var. ratio | ar. |
| | Flight | efer | Rover | e n | ssk-file | t |) p | t t | p p | H H | ref. var. |
| JD – Date | 臣 | 2 | 2 | liji | SS | st | Б | st | E E | Va | Te a |
| 110 – April 20 th | | SFJ1 | 1 | 110a1s1.p | 98 | 413775 | 416204 | 18.9336 | 19.6083 | 1.2 | 1.419 |
| | | | 2 | 110a2s1.p | 99 | 412861 | 416195 | 18.6797 | 19.6058 | 1.2 | 1.279 |
| | | | 3 | 110a3s1.p ² | 100 | 412783 | 416215 | 18.6581 | 19.6114 | 1.2 | 25.388 |
| and a starth | | OTT. | 3 | trip110a3.pos ³ | | 412783 | 416215 | 18.6581 | 19.6114 | 0.0 | 0.012 |
| 111 – April 21 th | | SFJ1 | 1 | 111a1s1.p4 | 15 | 471930 | 489364 | 11.0878 | 15.9306 | 1.2 | 5.736 |
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| | | | 4 | 111a3s1.p ⁶ 111a4s1 | 17 18 | 471937 472112 | 489251 489364 | 11.0897 11.1383 | 15.8992 15.9306 | 1.1 1.1 | 5.580 14.551 |
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| | | | 3 | 111a3s1.p1 ⁷ | 4 | 471937 | 489251 | 11.0897 | 15.8992 | 1.3 | 7.030 |
| 113 – April 23 th | | JQA1 | 1 | 113a1jq1.p | 119 | 78173 | 93409 | 21.7108 | 1.9431 | 16.2 | 1.188 |
| 110 11pm 20 | | , Q | 2 | 113a2jq1.p | 120 | 78301 | 93305 | 21.7464 | 1.9142 | 10.7 | 0.971 |
| | | | 3 | 113a3jq1.p | 121 | 78266 | 93582 | 21.7367 | 1.9911 | 3.1 | 1.180 |
| | | | 4 | 113a4jq1.p | 122 | 78392 | 93306 | 21.7717 | 1.9144 | 8.3 | 1.117 |
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| _ | | | 2 | 114a2umd.p | 20 | 148861 | 166305 | 17.3464 | 22.1919 | 1.3 | 3.704 |
| | | | 3 | 114a3umd.p | 21 | 148725 | 166320 | 17.3086 | 22.1961 | 1.2 | 4.832 |
| | | | 4 | 114a4umd.p | 22 | 148865 | 166305 | 17.3475 | 22.1919 | 1.2 | 12.898 |
| 115 – April 25 th | | SFJ1 | 1 | 115a1s1.p | 23 | 213350 | 240628 | 11.2600 | 18.8372 | 1.1 | 8.171 |
| | | | 2 | 115a2s1.p | 24 | 214831 | 238060 | 11.6714 | 18.1239 | 1.1 | 9.754 |
| | | | 3 4 | 115a3s1.p | 25 | 213241 | 240614 | 11.2297 | 18.8333 | 1.1 | 5.275 |
| 116 A :106th | | I/PI V | | 115a4s1.p | 26 | 214922 | 240444 | 11.6967 | 18.7861 | 1.2 | 8.107 |
| 116 – April 26 th | | KELY | 1 | 116ba1ke.p8 | 6 7 | 311415 | 337400 | 14.5003 | 21.7183 | 1.1 | 10.777 |
| | | | 2 3 | 116ba2ke.p ⁹ trip116ba3.pos | 7 | 316921 316862 | 337390 337384 | 16.0297 16.0133 | 21.7156 21.7139 | 1.1 0.0 | 11.855 0.014 |
| 119 – April 29 th | a | SCOB | 1 | 119aa1sc.p | 47 | 557062 | 579389 | 10.7356 | 16.9375 | 1.1 | 12.602 |
| 119 - April 29 | a | эсов | 2 | 119aa1sc.p 119aa2sc.p | 48 | 556861 | 581960 | 10.7336 | 17.6517 | 1.1 | 23.503 |
| | | | 3 | 119aa3sc.p | 49 | 557065 | 579294 | 10.7364 | 16.9111 | 1.1 | 14.124 |
| | | | 4 | 119aa4sc.p | 50 | 558098 | 579518 | 11.0233 | 16.9733 | 1.1 | 11.276 |
| 119 – April 29 th | ь | SCOB | 2 | 119ba1sc.p | 51 | 582031 | 590579 | 17.6714 | 20.0458 | 1.4 | 6.854 |
| | - | | 3 | 119ba2sc.p | 52 | 582189 | 590579 | 17.7153 | 20.0458 | 1.4 | 6.135 |
| 120 – April 30 th | | LYR | 1 | 120a1ly.p | 28 | 30397 | 43176 | 8.4397 | 11.9894 | 1.4 | 10.431 |
| 1 | | | 2 | 120a2ly.p | 29 | 30258 | 43210 | 8.4011 | 11.9989 | 1.4 | 4.443 |
| | | | 4 | 120a4ly.p | 30 | 30302 | 43191 | 8.4133 | 11.9936 | 1.4 | 13.147 |
| 121 – May 1 st | | LYR | 1 | 121a1ly.p | 31 | 122650 | 142939 | 10.0656 | 15.7014 | 1.1 | 4.212 |
| | | | 2 | 121a2lya.p | 32 | 117631 | 121900 | 8.6714 | 9.8572 | 11.1 | 0.860 |
| | | | 2 | 121a2lyb.p | 33 | 122313 | 142935 | 9.9719 | 15.7003 | 1.3 | 4.003 |
| | | | 3 | 121a3LY.p | 34 | 122640 | 142926 | 10.0628 | 15.6978 | 1.4 | 4.704 |
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| | | | 4 | 121a4ly.p | 35 | 122506 | 142926 | 10.0626 | 15.6897 | 1.1 | 4.107 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | a | NYA2 | 1 | 122aa1ny.p | 53 | 203035 | 215633 | 8.3947 | 11.8942 | 15.5 | 1.174 |
| 122 11144 2 | " | 1,1112 | 2 | 122aa111y.p | 54 | 203033 | 215625 | 8.0631 | 11.8919 | 1.2 | 2.651 |
| | | | 3 | 122aa3ny.p | 55 | 203037 | 215603 | 8.3953 | 11.8858 | 15.2 | 1.103 |
| | | | 4 | 122aa4ny.p | 56 | 203180 | 215625 | 8.4350 | 11.8919 | 12.2 | 1.064 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | b | NRD1 | 1 | 122ba1n1.p | 57 | 219912 | 238790 | 13.0828 | 18.3267 | 1.1 | 5.813 |
| | | | 2 | 122ba2n1.p | 58 | 219781 | 238790 | 13.0464 | 18.3267 | 1.2 | 7.100 |
| | | | 3 | 122ba3n1.p | 59 | 219749 | 238790 | 13.0375 | 18.3267 | 1.3 | 8.034 |
| | | | 4 | 122ba4n1.p | 60 | 219785 | 238790 | 13.0475 | 18.3267 | 1.2 | 13.058 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | b | NRD2 | 1 | 122ba1n2.p | 61 | 219912 | 238833 | 13.0828 | 18.3386 | 1.1 | 10.455 |
| | | | 2 | 122ba2n2.p | 62 | 219781 | 238840 | 13.0464 | 18.3406 | 1.1 | 7.310 |
| | | | 3 | 122ba3n2.p | 63 | 219749 next page | 238825 | 13.0375 | 18.3364 | 1.8 | 5.959 |

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²JPL orbits, 10 degree cutoff angle
³Trip2 løsning (rms, weighted and unweighted)
⁴JPL orbits, 15 degrees, offset to air3/trip in start and end
⁵IGS orbits, 10 deg
⁶JPL orbits, 10 degree cutoff angle
⁷IGS orbits, 10 deg, correct via residuals
⁸IGS orbits, 15 deg
⁹IGS orbits, 15 deg, correct via residuals

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|----------------------------|--------|-----------|-------|---------------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|----------------|
| JD – Date | Flight | Reference | Rover | file name | ssk-file | start (|)) pua | start (| end (dech) | var. ra | ref. var. |
| JD - Date | | | 4 | 122ba4n2.p | 64 | 219785 | 238842 | 13.0475 | 18.3411 | 1.2 | 11.082 |
| 123 – May 3 rd | | NRD1 | 1 | 123a1n1.p | 36 | 297612 | 311643 | 10.6661 | 14.5636 | 1.5 | 3.877 |
| 125 - Way 5 | | INKDI | 2 | 123a2n1a.p | 37 | 296491 | 304055 | 10.3547 | 12.4558 | 2.3 | 0.990 |
| | | | 2 | 123a2n1b.p | 38 | 305736 | 311643 | 12.9228 | 14.5636 | 3.7 | 4.013 |
| | | | 3 | 123a3n1.p | 39 | 296768 | 311643 | 10.4317 | 14.5636 | 1.3 | 3.668 |
| | | | 4 | 123a4n1a.p | 40 | 297487 | 305632 | 10.6314 | 12.8939 | 1.6 | 1.106 |
| | | | 4 | 123a4n1b.p | 41 | 305766 | 311643 | 12.9311 | 14.5636 | 2.4 | 22.042 |
| 125 – May 5 th | | TAB1 | 1 | 125a1TA.p | 42 | 477935 | 495133 | 12.7558 | 17.5331 | 2.6 | 1.297 |
| , | | | 2 | 125a2TAa.p | 43 | 477841 | 487036 | 12.7297 | 15.2839 | 8.4 | 0.805 |
| | | | 2 | 125a2TAb.p | 44 | 487045 | 495165 | 15.2864 | 17.5419 | 1.6 | 3.804 |
| | | | 3 | 125a3TA.p | 45 | 477862 | 495120 | 12.7356 | 17.5294 | 5.4 | 0.846 |
| | | | 4 | 125a4TA.p | 46 | 477932 | 495059 | 12.7550 | 17.5125 | 1.1 | 1.442 |
| 128 – May 8 th | | TAB1 | 1 | 128a1t1.p | 65 | 137403 | 154632 | 14.1636 | 18.9494 | 1.1 | 5.575 |
| | | | 2 | 128a2t1.p | 66 | 137461 | 154675 | 14.1797 | 18.9614 | 1.1 | 6.797 |
| | | | 3 | 128a3t1.p | 67 | 136927 | 154603 | 14.0314 | 18.9414 | 1.5 | 6.436 |
| | | | 4 | 128a4t1.p | 68 | 137719 | 154516 | 14.2514 | 18.9172 | 1.2 | 5.291 |
| 129 – May 9 th | | YLT1 | 1 | 129a1y1 | 69 | 229145 | 243681 | 15.6475 | 19.6853 | 2.4 | 1.163 |
| | | | 2 | 129a2y1 | 70 | 229452 | 248465 | 15.7328 | 21.0142 | 1.1 | 6.084 |
| | | | 3 | 129a3y1 | 71 | 229041 | 248459 | 15.6186 | 21.0125 | 1.1 | 1.091 |
| | | | 4 | 129a4y1 | 72 | 229412 | 248270 | 15.7217 | 20.9600 | 1.2 | 6.297 |
| 129 – May 9 th | | YLT2 | 1 | 129a1y2 | 73 | 229145 | 243681 | 15.6475 | 19.6853 | 1.3 | 1.592 |
| | | | 2 | 129a2y2 | 74 | 229452 | 248465 | 15.7328 | 21.0142 | 1.3 | 1.699 |
| | | | 3 | 129a3y2 | 75 | 229041 | 248459 | 15.6186 | 21.0125 | 1.3 | 1.613 |
| 100 15 10th | | 3/7/77/4 | 4 | 129a4y2 | 76 | 229412 | 248270 | 15.7217 | 20.9600 | 1.3 | 6.430 |
| 130 – May 10 th | | YLT1 | 1 2 | 130a1y1.p | 77 | 323352 | 331016 | 17.8161 | 19.9450 | 2.0 1.5 | 0.952 |
| | | | 3 | 130a2y1.p | 78 79 | 322291 322483 | 331501 330936 | 17.5214 17.5747 | 20.0797 19.9228 | 9.4 | 0.973 1.019 |
| | | | 4 | 130a3y1.p 130a4y1.p | 80 | 322353 | 330642 | 17.5347 | 19.9228 | 1.2 | 0.967 |
| | | | - + | trip130a3.pos | 00 | 322484 | 330936 | 17.5750 | 19.9228 | 1.2 | 0.907 |
| 130 – May 10 th | | YLT2 | 1 | 130a1y2.p | 81 | 323897 | 331016 | 17.9675 | 19.9450 | 2.1 | 1.441 |
| 130 - Way 10 | | ILIZ | 2 | 130a1y2.p | 82 | 322291 | 331210 | 17.5214 | 19.9989 | 2.1 | 1.244 |
| | | | 3 | 130a3y2.p | 83 | 322483 | 330936 | 17.5747 | 19.9228 | 1.8 | 1.484 |
| | | | 4 | 130a4y2.p | 84 | 322353 | 330642 | 17.5386 | 19.8411 | 1.5 | 1.227 |
| 131 – May 11 th | | YLT1 | 1 | 131a1y1a.p | 85 | 397056 | 397670 | 14.2894 | 14.4600 | 14.7 | 1.916 |
| -0 | | | 1 | 131a1y1b.p | 86 | 397708 | 418644 | 14.4706 | 20.2861 | 2.9 | 1.138 |
| | | | 2 | 131a2y1.p | 87 | 397127 | 418530 | 14.3092 | 20.2544 | 1.2 | 0.837 |
| | | | 3 | 131a3y1.p | 88 | 396889 | 418354 | 14.2431 | 20.2056 | 3.1 | 1.285 |
| | | | 4 | 131a4y1.p | 89 | 397171 | 418250 | 14.3214 | 20.1767 | 1.2 | 0.999 |
| 131 – May 11 th | | YLT2 | 1 | 131a1y2a.p | 90 | 397056 | 397670 | 14.2894 | 14.4600 | 12.4 | 1.529 |
| - | | | 1 | 131a1y2b.p | 91 | 397708 | 418644 | 14.4706 | 20.2861 | 2.5 | 1.708 |
| | | | 2 | 131a2y2.p | 92 | 397127 | 418530 | 14.3092 | 20.2544 | 1.1 | 1.602 |
| | | | 3 | 131a3y2.p | 93 | 396889 | 418354 | 14.2431 | 20.2056 | 2.8 | 1.824 |
| | | | 4 | 131a4y2.p | 94 | 397171 | 418250 | 14.3214 | 20.1767 | 1.2 | 1.789 |
| 132 – May 12 th | | NRD1 | 1 | 132a1n1.p | 95 | 483468 | 502810 | 14.2928 | 19.6656 | 1.1 | 7.117 |
| | | | 3 | 132a3n1.p | 96 | 483411 | 502709 | 14.2769 | 19.6375 | 1.3 | 10.908 |
| 10 () () (0) | | 000- | 4 | 132a4n1.p | 97 | 483983 | 502545 | 14.4358 | 19.5919 | 1.1 | 10.373 |
| 136 – May 16 th | | SCOR | 1 | 136a1sc.p | 200 | 206736 | 229662 | 9.4267 | 15.7950 | 1.2 | 5.678 |
| | | | 3 | 136a3sc.p | 201 | 206689 | 229736 | 9.4136 | 15.8156 | 1.2 | 8.215 |
| 107 16 150 | | CNID | 4 | 136a4sc.p | 202 | 206917 | 229651 | 9.4769 | 15.7919 | 1.1 | 8.045 |
| 137 – May 17 th | | CNP | 1 | 137a1cp.p | 185 | 289941 | 324516 | 8.5392 | 18.1433 | 1.8 | 2.481 |
| | | | 3 4 | 137a3cp.p | 186 187 | 289941 | 324503 | 8.5392 | 18.1397 | 1.8 1.1 | 2.068 |
| | | | 3 | 137a4cp.p CRRSa3.137 ¹⁰ | 18/ | 290012 289915 | 324339 | 8.5589 8.5319 | 18.0942 | 1.1 | 1.888 |
| | | | ا ا | CKK5a3.13/- | | 209913 | 324504 | 0.3319 | 18.1400 | | |

Table 23: GPS data processing.

¹⁰Solution by CRRS

D Processed Laser Scanner Data

| JD – Date | Filename | GPS/INS file | Time correction | GPS ant. | ω_p | ω_r | ω_h |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|
| 111 – April 21 th | 111530.2dd | 111a2.pos | 1 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 120600.2dd | 111a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 130130.2dd | 111a2.pos | 1 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 133400.2dd | 111a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 113 – April 23 th | 001130.2dd | 113a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| | 223500.2dd | 113a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| | 231800.2dd | 113a2.pos | 1 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| 114 – April 24 th | 173030.2dd | 114a4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| | 183030.2dd | 114a4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| | 192630.2dd | 114a4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| | 202500.2dd | 114a4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| 115 – April 25 th | 121000.2dd | 115a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.70 |
| | 131130.2dd | 115a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.70 |
| | 135530.2dd | 115a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.70 |
| | 144600.2dd | 115a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.70 |
| | 154530.2dd | 115a3.pos | -1 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.70 |
| | 165430.2dd | 115a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.70 |
| 116 – April 26 th | 161130.2dd | 116ba1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 1 | 195130.2dd | 116ba1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 204630.2dd | 116ba1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 210900.2dd | 116ba1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 119 – April 29 th | 121800.2dd | 119aa4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| 1 | 130100.2dd | 119aa4.pos | -1 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 140100.2dd | 119aa4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 145300.2dd | 119aa4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 193630.2dd | 119ba2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| 120 – April 30 th | 083300.2dd | 120a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.16 | 0.70 |
| | 093230.2dd | 120a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.16 | 0.70 |
| 121 – May 1 st | 111700.2dd | 121a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 121500.2dd | 121a2.pos | 4 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 131230.2dd | 121a2.pos | 5 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 135700.2dd | 121a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 122 – May 2 nd | 084030.2dd | 122aa3.pos | 4 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 103930.2dd | 122aa3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 112700.2dd | 122aa3.pos | -1 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 131300.2dd | 122ba2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 141200.2dd | 122ba2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 150600.2dd | 122ba2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 161100.2dd | 122ba2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 171030.2dd | 122ba2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| 123 – May 3 th | 104930.2dd | 123a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 115830.2dd | 123a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 125830.2dd | 123a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 135500.2dd | 123a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 145700.2dd | 123a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| 125 – May 5 th | 130900.2dd | 125a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 140900.2dd | 125a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 143900.2dd | 125a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |

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| JD – Date | Filename | GPS/INS file | Time correction | GPS ant. | ω_p | ω_r | ω_h |
|----------------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|
| | 162000.2dd | 125a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 128 – May 8 th | 143500.2dd | 128aa4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.15 | 0.70 |
| | 162800.2dd | 128ba4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 171400.2dd | 128ba4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| | 182400.2dd | 128ba4.pos | 0 | Front | 0.39 | 0.05 | 0.70 |
| 129 – May 9 th | 160300.2dd | 129a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 170530.2dd | 129a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 180800.2dd | 129a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 190800.2dd | 129a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 200900.2dd | 129a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 130 – May 10 th | 175500.2dd | 130a1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 193200.2dd | 130a1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 131 – May 11 th | 154300.2dd | 131a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 165500.2dd | 131a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 180000.2dd | 131a2.pos | 0 | Front | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 132 – May 12 th | 143500.2dd | 132a1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 155300.2dd | 132a1.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| 137 – May 17 th | 083900.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 091400.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 095700.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 111600.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 121400.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 143100.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 153900.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 165000.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |
| | 174900.2dd | 137a3.pos | 0 | Rear | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.70 |

Table 24: Processed Laser Scanner Files.

E Airborne Log of the ASIRAS Operations

JD 111 – 2006 April 21st GPS week 1371 (day 5)

| | PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on |
|-------|---|
| 12:08 | record on (0), open water |
| 12:09 | thin ice |
| 12:10 | open water |
| 12:13 | thin ice, floes |
| 12:16 | record off, descend due to snow |
| 12:17 | record on (1) |
| 12:21 | open water |
| 12:23 | record off |
| | Harald takes over ASIRAS |
| | Lars takes over DNSC system |
| 13:40 | Lars returns to ASIRAS |
| 13:43 | record on, sea ice with snow and some leads |
| 13:51 | record off |
| 14:00 | record on, some large leads |
| 14:07 | record off |
| 14:15 | record on, thick sea ice with snow |
| 14:17 | ice thickness decreases, bigger leads |
| 14:22 | record off |
| 14:34 | record on, open water scattered sea ice |
| 12:40 | record off |
| 12:40 | PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off |

01:04

01:10

record 0ff

01:54 on ground

JD 113 – 2006, April 23rd GPS week 1372 (day 0)

21:54 take off 22:00 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 22:37 record on (00) 22:43 record off 23:04 record on (01), 1. crossline 23:10 record off 23:26 record on (02), 73 25' 23:34 record off, 73 40' 23:50 record on (03), rugged ice event (snow filled cracks) 23:53 23:54 event (bare ice) 23:55 record off 00:00 record on (04), up the ice 00:04 record off 00:18 record on (05), record off, operator error 00:34 record on (06), 73 40' 00:42 record off, 73 25' 00:53 record on (07), 2. crossline

PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off

JD 114 – 2006, April 24th GPS week 1372 (day 1)

22:11 on ground

17:26 take off 17:27 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 17:56 record on (00), start of sea ice line 17:58 event (lead) 18:06 record off 18:06 record on (01) 18:16 record off 18:16 record on (02) 18:36 record off 18:36 record on (03) 18:59 record off, end of sea ice line 20:51 record on (04), Disko Island 20:55 record off 20:58 record on (05) 21:02 record off 21:10 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off

JD 115 – 2006, April 25th GPS week 1372 (day 2)

| 11:59 12:07 13:04 13:11 13:23 13:37 13:38 13:41 13:46 13:49 13:54 14:07 14:08 14:12 14:14 14:15 14:17 14:18 14:20 14:20 14:33 14:33 14:42 14:44 14:54 | take off PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on record on (00), X-line Illulisat record off record on (01), EGIG $X2 \rightarrow T01$ record off record on (02), EGIG $T01 \rightarrow T03$ record off record on (03), EGIG $T03 \rightarrow T05$ event, $T05$ camp record off record on (04), EGIG $T05 \rightarrow T08$ record off record on (05), EGIG $T08 \rightarrow T12$ event, $T12$ camp record off record on (06), EGIG $T12$ event, $T12$ camp record off record on (07), EGIG $T12$ event, $T12$ camp record off record on (08), EGIG $T12 \rightarrow T17$ record off record on (08), EGIG $T12 \rightarrow T17$ record off record on (10), EGIG $T11 \rightarrow T11$ record off switch to PC2 record on (10), EGIG $T11 \rightarrow T11$ record off | 15:35 15:42 16:10 17:14 17:43 17:43 17:43 17:46 17:55 18:49 | T41 → T43 record off IRF calibration record on (13), Illulisat record off, PC2 disk full switch to PC1 record on (14) record off PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off on ground |
|---|---|--|---|
| 14:44 | record on (10), EGIG T21 \rightarrow T25 | | |
| 14:54 14:54 | record on (11), EGIG T25 \rightarrow T31 | | |
| 15:07 | record off | | |
| 15:07 | record on (12), EGIG T31 \rightarrow T35 | | |

JD 116 – 2006, April 26th GPS week 1372 (day 3)

12:58 take off 13:01 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 14:48 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off 14:57 on ground 16:07 take off PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 16:10 16:37 record on (00) 16:56 event, nothing 16:57 event, helicopter 17:03 record off, transit to T03 record on (01), T03->T05 18:58 19:02 event, nothing 19:03 event, T05 camp 19:04 record off 19:04 record on (02) 19:08 event, T05 camp 19:10 record off 19:10 record on (03) 19:17 event, T05 camp 19:22 record off 19:23 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off 19:25 on ground at T12 to pick up UK team 19:45 take off 19:50 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on IRF calibration 20:04 20:16 record on (04), X-line Illulisat 20:29 record off

PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off

20:36

21:42

on ground

20:53

on ground

JD 119 – 2006, April 29th GPS week 1372 (day 6)

11:12 take off 11:16 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 12:19 record on (00) 12:32 record off 12:32 record on (01) 12:45 record off 12:45 record on (02) 13:04 passed UK team 13:11 record off 13:11 record on (03) 13:25 record off 13:26 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off changed to pressure disks 13:30 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 13:31 record on (04) 13:52 record off 13:52 record on (05) 14:14 record off 14:14 record on (06) 14:36 record off 14:36 record on (07) 14:53 record off 14:53 switch to PC2 14:54 record on (08) 14:59 record off, PC state bad 14:59 record on (09) record off, PC state bad 15:05 15:13 record on (10) 15:45 record off 15:47 IRF calibration 15:50 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off 16:54 on ground, Constable Pynt 17:48 take off 18:40 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 19:45 record on (11), 60MHz record off, line aborted due to bad weather 19:46 19:48 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off

JD 120 – 2006, April 30th GPS week 1373 (day 0)

| 08:27 | take off |
|-------|----------------------------------|
| 08:32 | PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on |
| 08:47 | record on (00) |
| 09:11 | record off |
| 09:11 | PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off |
| | change disks on PC1 |
| 09:14 | PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on |
| 09:15 | record on (01) |
| 09:38 | record off |
| 09:38 | record on (02) |
| 09:46 | record off |
| 10:08 | record on (03), InSAR mode |
| 10:24 | record off |
| 10:24 | record on (04), EInSAR mode |
| 10:35 | record off |
| 10:35 | IRF calibration |
| 11:17 | PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off |
| 11:58 | on ground |
| | |

JD 121 – 2006 May 1st GPS week 1373 (day 1)

10:18 take off 10:22 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 11:18 record on (00) 11:28 event, camp record off record on (01) 12:11 record off 12:11 record on (02) 12:15 event, black thing on ice 12:16 event, camp 12:21 record off 12:30 record on (03) 12:33 event, reflector position 12:48 record off 12:54 record on (04) 13:04 event, reflector position 13:08 event, reflector position 13:09 record off 13:17 record on (05) 13:24 event, camp 13:26 event, reflector position 13:35 record off 13:35 record on (06) 13:51 record off 13:51 record on (07) 13:55 record off 14:01 record on (08) 14:35 record off 14:35 record on (09) 14:44 record off 14:44 record on (10), 40 MHz 14:45 record off 14:47 IRF calibration PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off 14:51 15:38 on ground

JD 122 – 2006, May 2nd GPS week 1373 (day 2)

- 08:38 Take off (LYR) 08:48 ASIRAS turn on - OK 08:59 Record on 09:05 Record off 10:16 Record on 720 m 60 MHz Record off 10:25
- Record on 240 m 20 MHz 10:26 10:31 Record off
- 10:34 Record on 720 m 60 MHz
- 10:39 Record off
- Record on 240 m 20 MHz 10:40
- 11:01 Record off
- 11:02 Record on
- Record off 11:26
- 11:27 ASIRAS off
- 11:50 On ground (St. Nord)
- 13:14 Take off (St. Nord)
- 13:21 System on
- Record on 240 m 20 MHz 14:19
- 14:40 Record off
- 14:41 Record on
- Record off 15:03
- 15:04 Record on
- 15:24 Record off
- 15:25 Record on
- 15:40 Record off
- Record on 480 m 40 MHz 15:41
- 15:46 Record off PC1 full
- 15:48 Record on PC2 480 m 40 MHz
- 15:57 Record off
- Record on 720 m 60 MHz 15:58
- Record off 16:08
- Record on 240 m 20 MHz 16:10
- 16:14 Record off End of Line
- 17:46 ASIRAS shut down
- 18:18 On ground (St. Nord)

JD 123 – 2006, May 3rd GPS week 1373 (day 3)

| 10:47 | Take off (NRD) |
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| | Minus altimeter |
| | PC1 |
| 12:01 | Record on 240 m 20 MHz |
| 12:06 | Record off due to error on "DATA PC REC" |
| | Record on |
| 12:07 | Record off due to error on "DATA PC REC" |
| | Record on |
| 12:08 | Record off due to error on "DATA PC REC" |
| | Switch to PC2 |
| 12:09 | Record on |
| 12:30 | Record off (25%) |
| | Record on |
| 12:55 | Record off - End of Line (55%) |
| 16:06 | On ground (TAB) |
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JD 125 – 2006, May 5th GPS week 1373 (day 5)

17:28 on ground

13:00 take off 13:10 PC1+PC2 on, ASIRAS on, CPC on 13:26 record on (00) 13:44 record off 13:44 record on (01) 14:10 record off record on (02) 14:40 event, reflector position 14:45 14:54 record off 14:57 record on (03) event, reflector position 15:08 15:11 record off 15:22 record on (04) 15:30 event, reflector position 15:36 record off 15:46 IRF calibration 15:55 PC1+PC2 off, ASIRAS off, CPC off

JD 128 – 2006, May 8th GPS week 1374 (day 1)

- 14:24 Taxi
- 14:30 Take off
- 16:32 System start up
- 17:09 Record on 720m 60MHz
- 17:12 Record off
- 17:14 Record on 240m 20MHz
- 17:25 Record off
- 17:45 Record on 240m 20MHz
- 17:57 C3
- 18:12 C4
- 18:14 Record off
- 18:30 System shut down
- 18:50 On ground YLT

JD 129 – 2006, May 9th GPS week 1374 (day 2)

16:00 Taxi 16:04 Take off YLT 16:07 System on 16:12 Record on _00 (240m, 20MHz) 16:35 Record off (25%) Record on _01 16:58 Record off (52%) WP D4 17:13 17:15 Record on _02 17:34 Record off (75%) Record on _03 17:55 Record off, PC1 full WP D3 18:16 Record on _04, PC2 18:18 18:40 Record off (25%) Record on 05 19:03 Record off (52%) 19:15 WP H3 19:18 Record on _06 19:48 Record off (86%) 19:57 WP H2 Record on _07 19:58 Record off, PC2 full 20:09 20:10 IRF Calibration System shut down 20:12

Overflight runway (1,000ft)

On Ground

20:48

20:51

JD 130 – 2006, May 10th GPS week 1374 (day 3)

| 17:51 | Taxi | 19:08 | RFY (E/W) , event 1 |
|----------|------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 17:52 | Take off YLT | 19:13 | RFY (N/S) |
| 17:55 | System on | 19:15 | RMY (N/S) |
| 17:57 | Record on _00, | 19:16 | Record off |
| | 1st loop (240m, 20MHz) | | Climb to 25,000 ft |
| | RMY | 19:20 | Record on _09 (720m, 60MHz) |
| 18:06 | RFY | | RMY(W/E) |
| 18:10 | Record off | 19:24:48 | RFY (E/W) |
| | Record on _01, 2nd loop | 19:25 | Record off |
| | Record off _01, no reflector | 19:28 | Record on _10 |
| 18:15 | Record on _02, Line MY | 19:30 | RFY (N/S) , event 1 |
| 18:16 | RMY | 19:32 | Record off, decending 15,000 ft |
| 18:19 | Record off | 19:35 | Record on _11 (420m, 40MHz) |
| 18:23 | Record on _03, Line FY | 19:36 | Overflight runway |
| 18:24 | RFY | 19:37 | Record off, decending 10,000 ft |
| 18:27 | Record off | 19:39 | Record on _12 (240m, 20MHz) |
| 18:29 | Record on _04, 3rd loop | 19:40 | Overflight runway |
| 18:31 | RMY, event 1 | | Record off |
| 18:34 | RFY (E/W), event 2 | 19:44 | On ground |
| | Record off | | 8 |
| 18:55 | Record on _05 | | |
| 18:40 | RFY (N/S), event 1 | | |
| 18:42 | RMY | | |
| 18:43 | Record off | | |
| 18:45 | Record on _06, 4th loop | | |
| 10.10 | RMY (W/E) | | |
| 18:50:39 | RFY (E/W), event 1 | | |
| 18:51 | Record off | | |
| 18:54 | Record on _07 | | |
| 18:57 | RFY (N/S) | | |
| 18:59 | RMY (N/S) | | |
| 19:00 | Record off | | |
| 17.00 | Climb to 15,000 ft | | |
| 19:02 | Record on _08 (480m, 40MHz) | | |
| 17.02 | RMY | | |
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JD 131 – 2006, May 11th GPS week 1374 (day 4)

| 15:30 | Engine on |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 15:42 | Taxi |
| 15:44 | Take off YLT |
| 15:47 | System on |
| 16:13 | G0 |
| | Record on _00 (240m, 20MHz) |
| 16:32 | Record off (22%) |
| | Record on _01 |
| 16:33 | Helicopter EM-bird |
| 16:56 | Record off (50%) |
| | Record on _02 |
| 17:21 | Record off (77%) |
| | Record on _03 |
| 17:39 | Record off PC1 full (100%) |
| 17:41 | Record on PC2 _04 |
| 17:55 | Descending to 270m due to low clouds |
| 18:08 | Record off (30%) |
| | Record on _05 |
| 18:11 | G3 |
| 18:24 | Record off (50%) |
| | Record on _06 |
| 18:46 | Record off (75%) |
| | Record on _07 |
| 19:08 | Record off PC2 (100%) |
| | System shutdown |
| | climb to 320m (1,000 ft) |
| | change HDD PC1 |
| 19:18 | Record on _08 PC1 |
| 19:41 | Record off (25%) |
| | Record on _09 |
| 20:02 | Record off |
| | IRF calibration |
| 20:05 | System shut down |
| 20:08 | On ground YLT |
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JD 132 – 2006, May 12th GPS week 1374 (day 5)

| 14:29 | Engine on |
|-------|-------------------------------|
| 14:45 | Taxi on |
| 14:48 | Take off YLT on |
| 14:49 | System on on |
| 14:52 | Record on _00 on |
| | (240m, 20MHz) on |
| 14:57 | Record off (6%) on |
| 15:03 | Record on _01 on |
| | B1 on |
| 15:20 | Record off (25%) on |
| | Record on _02 on |
| 15:26 | Decend to 200m, low clouds on |
| 15:42 | Record off (51%) on |
| | Record on _03 on |
| 16:03 | Record off (75%) on |
| | Record on _04 on |
| 16:24 | Record off (PC1 100%) on |
| | Change to PC2 on |
| 16:26 | Record on _05 on |
| 16:49 | Record off (27%) on |
| | Record on _06 on |
| 17:09 | Record off (50%) on |
| 17:31 | E1a on |
| 17:34 | Record on _07 on |
| 17:54 | E2 on |
| | Record off (73%) on |
| 17:59 | Record on _08 on |
| | "Odaq" ø ?? on |
| | |

| 18:05 | Record off (80%) |
|-------|-----------------------|
| 18:09 | E2 |
| 18:20 | Record on _09 |
| 18:28 | Record off (PC2 100%) |
| 18:29 | IRF calibration |
| 18:32 | System shut down |
| | Change HDD PC1 |
| 18:47 | Record on _10 |
| 19:09 | Record off (25%) |
| | Record on _11 |
| 19:11 | E3 |
| 19:18 | Record off (36%) |
| 19:21 | IRF calibration |
| 19:27 | System shut down |
| 19:29 | On ground |
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JD 136 – 2006, May 16th GPS week 1375 (day 2)

| 09:39 | Engine on |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| 09:51 | Taxi |
| 09:55 | Take off NRD |
| 09:59 | System on |
| 10:02 | Record on _00 (240m, 20MHz) |
| | Measure line North of NRD |
| 10:07 | Overflight runway NRD |
| 10:09 | Record off (8%) |
| 10:13 | Fl. Isblink |
| | Record on _01 (480m, 40MHz) |
| 10:14 | Record off (9%) |
| 10:15 | Record on _02 (240m, 20MHz) |
| 10:30:45 | Icecamp |
| 10:34 | Record off (31%) |
| 11:23 | Record on _03 |
| 11:28 | J1 |
| 11:39 | Record off (50%) |
| | Record on _04 |
| 12:01 | Record off (75%) |
| | Record on _05 |
| 12:24 | Record off (PC1 100%) |
| 13:49 | Record on _06 |
| 13:59 | WH1 |
| 14:14 | WH2 |
| | Record off (29%) |
| | Record on _07 |
| 14:15 | Low clouds |
| 14:26 | Record off |
| 14:28 | IRF calibration |
| 14:29 | System shut down |
| 15:42 | On ground CNP |
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JD 137 – 2006, May 17th GPS week 1375 (day 3)

| 08:36 | Engine on | 13:19 | Record on _09 |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 08:40 | Taxi | 13:20 | Record off (16%) |
| 08:45 | Take off NRD | | IRF Calibration |
| | System on | 13:21 | System shut down |
| 09:28 | Record on _00 (1200m, 80MHz) | 13:38 | On ground KUS |
| | Geikie, high altitude due to clouds | 14:29 | Engine on |
| 09:33 | Record off (7%) | 14:30 | Taxi |
| 09:34 | Record on _01 | 14:34 | Take off KUS |
| 09:47 | L4 | | System on |
| | Record off (22%) | | log files 10-12, test |
| 11:01 | Record on _02 (240m, 20MHz) | 15:26 | Record on _13 |
| 11:02 | L7, Kangerdlussuaq | | (240m, 20MHz) |
| 11:13 | Record off (34%), survey stopped | 15:35 | Record off (10%) |
| | due to strong winds | | Record on _14 |
| 11:16 | Record on _03 (720m, 60MHz) | 15:45 | Record off (20%) |
| 11:18 | Record off | 15:58 | Record on _15 |
| | Record on _04 (480m, 40MHz) | 16:06 | SN4 |
| 11:25 | Record off | 16:24 | Record off (50%) |
| 12:12 | Record on _05 (240m, 20MHz) | 16:49 | Record on _16 |
| 12:14 | MG1 | 17:09 | Record off (72%) |
| 12:32 | Record off (77%) | 17:54 | Record on _17 |
| 12:46 | Record on _06 | 17:55 | Overflight runway |
| 13:00 | Record off (93%) | 17:58 | Overflight building |
| 13:02 | Record on PC2 _07 | 17:59 | IRF calibration |
| 13:15 | Record off (15%) | 18:01 | On ground SFJ |
| 13:17 | Record on _08, Fjord (720m, 60MHz) | | |
| | Record off | | |
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F Processed ASIRAS files

| Profile | Proc. ver. 03_06 | L1 | L1b | GPS | INS | Quality | Remarks |
|------------|------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|---------|----------------------------|
| A060420_00 | | | | X | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060420_01 | | | | Х | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060421_00 | X | Χ | X | X | X | | |
| A060421_01 | X | Х | Х | X | X | | |
| A060421_02 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060421_03 | X | Х | Х | X | X | | |
| A060421_04 | X | Х | Х | X | X | | |
| A060421_05 | X | Х | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060421_06 | X | X | Х | X | X | | |
| A060421_07 | X | X | Х | X | X | | |
| A060423_00 | X | Χ | X | Х | X | | |
| A060423_01 | Χ | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060423_02 | X | Х | X | X | Х | | |
| A060423_03 | X | Х | X | X | X | | |
| A060423_04 | | | | X | X | | ASIRAS processor error |
| A060423_05 | | | | X | X | | ASIRAS processor error |
| A060423_06 | | | | X | X | | ASIRAS processor error |
| A060423_07 | | | | X | X | | ASIRAS processor error |
| A060424_00 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060424_01 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060424_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060424_03 | X | Х | X | X | X | | |
| A060424_04 | X | Х | X | X | X | | |
| A060424_05 | X | Х | X | X | X | | |
| A060425_00 | X | Х | X | X | Х | | |
| A060425_01 | X | X | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060425_02 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060425_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060425_04 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060425_05 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060425_06 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060425_07 | X | X | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060425_08 | X | Χ | Χ | X | X | | |
| A060425_09 | X | Χ | Х | X | Χ | | |
| A060425_10 | X | Χ | Х | X | X | | |
| A060425_11 | X | Χ | Χ | X | X | | |
| A060425_12 | X | Χ | X | X | Х | | |
| A060425_13 | X | Х | X | X | Х | | |
| A060425_14 | X | Х | X | X | X | | |
| A060426_00 | X | Χ | Χ | X | Χ | | |
| A060426_01 | X | X | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060426_02 | X | Х | Х | X | X | | |

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| Profile | Proc. ver. 03_06 | L1 | L1b | GPS | INS | Quality | Remarks |
|--------------------------|------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|
| A060426_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060426_04 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060429_00 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060429_01 | X | Х | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060429_02 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060429_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060429_04 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060429_05 | X | Χ | X | Х | X | | |
| A060429_06 | X | X | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060429_07 | X | Χ | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060429_08 | X | Χ | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060429_09 | X | Χ | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060429_10 | X | Χ | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060429_11 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060429_12 | X | Χ | Х | X | Х | | |
| A060430_00 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060430_01 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060430 02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060430_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | HAM (inSAR) |
| A060430_04 | | | | X | X | | HAM (enhanced inSAR ¹¹) |
| A060501_00 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_00 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_01 A060501_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_05 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_06 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_07 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_08 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_09 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060501_10 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_00 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_00 A060502_01 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_01 A060502_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_02 A060502_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_03 A060502_04 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_04 A060502_05 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_06 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_00 A060502_07 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_07 A060502_08 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_09 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_09 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_10 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060502_11 A060502 12 | X | X | X | X | X | | |

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¹¹No processor available

| Profile | Proc. ver. 03_06 | L1 | L1b | GPS | INS | Quality | Remarks |
|------------|------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|---------|------------------------|
| A060502_13 | X | Χ | Χ | X | Х | | |
| A060503_00 | X | Χ | Χ | X | Х | | |
| A060503_01 | X | X | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060503_02 | X | X | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060503_03 | X | Х | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060503_04 | X | Х | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060503_05 | X | Х | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060505_00 | X | Χ | Х | X | Х | | |
| A060505_01 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060505_02 | X | Х | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060505_03 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060505_04 | X | Х | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060508_00 | X | Χ | Х | X | X | | |
| A060508_01 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060508_02 | X | X | Х | Х | Х | | GPS gap, see Chapter 4 |
| A060509_00 | X | Χ | Χ | X | X | | |
| A060509_01 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060509_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060509_03 | X | Х | X | X | Х | | GPS gap, see Chapter 4 |
| A060509_04 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | <u> </u> |
| A060509_05 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060509_06 | X | Х | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060509_07 | X | X | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060510_00 | X | Χ | Χ | X | X | | |
| A060510_01 | X | X | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060510_02 | X | Х | X | Х | X | | |
| A060510_03 | X | Х | X | X | X | | |
| A060510_04 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060510_05 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060510_06 | X | Χ | Х | X | X | | |
| A060510_07 | X | Χ | Χ | X | X | | |
| A060510_08 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060510_09 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060510_10 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060510_11 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060510_12 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060511_00 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_01 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060511_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_03 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_04 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_05 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_06 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_07 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060511_08 | X | X | X | Х | X | | Continued on neutron |

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| Profile | Proc. ver. 03_06 | L1 | L1b | GPS | INS | Quality | Remarks |
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| A060511_09 | X | X | X | X | Х | | |
| A060512_00 | X | X | Χ | X | X | | |
| A060512 01 | X | X | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060512_02 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060512_03 | X | Χ | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060512_04 | X | Χ | X | X | X | | |
| A060512_05 | | | | | Х | | GPS gap, see Chapter 4 |
| A060512_06 | X | X | Х | X | X | | <u> </u> |
| A060512_07 | | | | | Х | | GPS gap, see Chapter 4 |
| A060512_08 | X | Χ | Х | X | Х | | <u> </u> |
| A060512_09 | X | X | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060512_10 | | | | Х | | | INS incomplete, see Chapter 4 |
| A060512_11 | | | | Х | | | INS incomplete, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516 00 | | | | X | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_01 | | | | X | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_02 | | | | X | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_03 | | | | Х | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_04 | | | | Х | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_05 | | | | X | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_06 | | | | Х | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060516_07 | | | | Х | | | no INS data, see Chapter 4 |
| A060517_00 | X | Х | Х | X | X | | _ |
| A060517_01 | X | Χ | X | Х | Х | | |
| A060517_02 | X | X | X | X | X | | |
| A060517_03 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060517_04 | | Χ | X | X | Х | | invalid ASIRAS data |
| A060517_05 | X | X | Х | Х | X | | |
| A060517_06 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060517_07 | X | X | X | Х | X | | |
| A060517_08 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060517_09 | X | Х | Х | Х | Х | | |
| A060517_10 | | | | Х | Х | | no ASIRAS data |
| A060517_11 | | | | X | Х | | no ASIRAS data |
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| A060517_13 | X | Χ | Х | X | X | | |
| A060517_14 | X | Χ | Х | X | Χ | | |
| A060517_15 | X | Χ | Х | X | Х | | |
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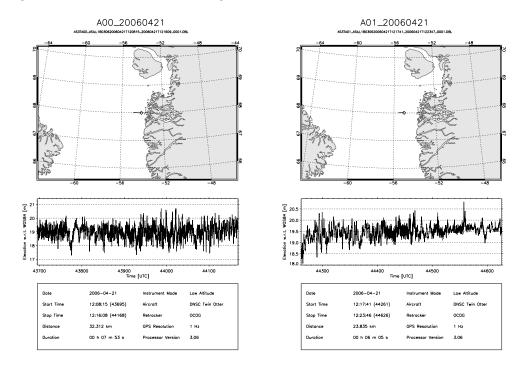
Table 25: ASIRAS processing.

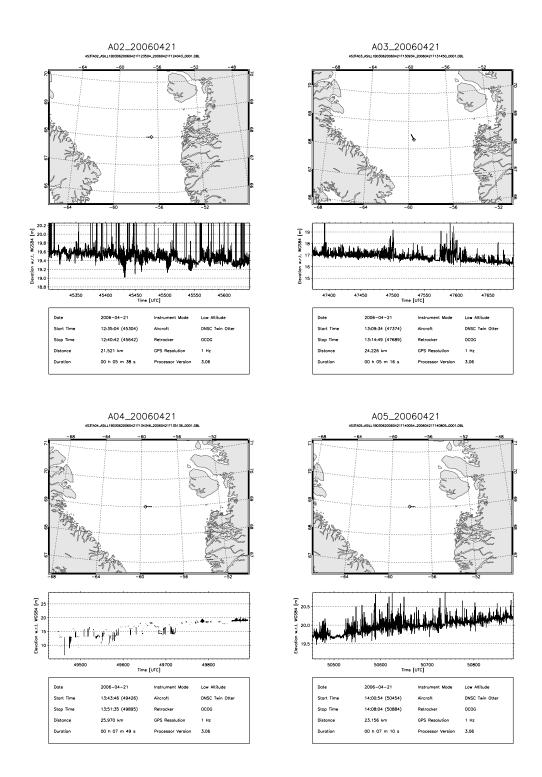
G Processed ASIRAS Profiles

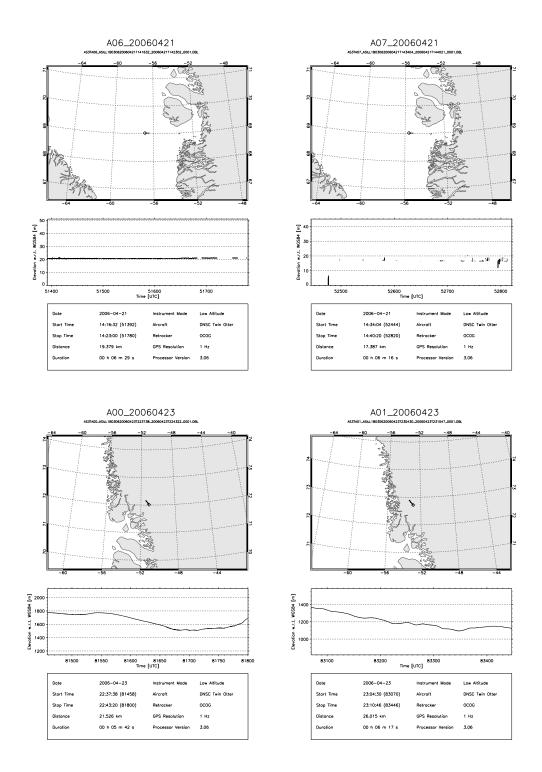
Following is plots showing all processed ASIRAS profiles. Each profile plot consists of four parts.

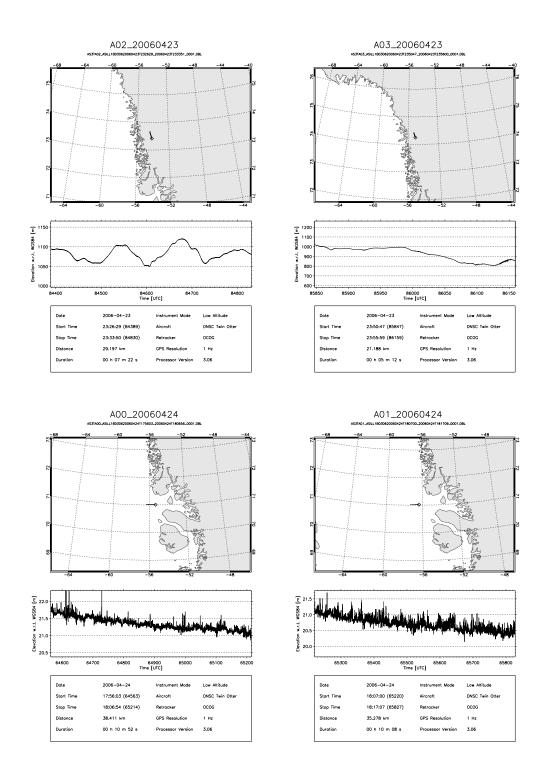
- 1. Header composed of daily profile number and the date and subheader with the filename.
- 2. Geographical plot showing the profile (diamond indicates start of profile).
- 3. Rough indication of height as determined by the OCOG retracker plotted versus time of day in seconds.
- 4. Info box with date, start and stop times in hour, minute, second and in square brackets second of day, acquisition mode, etc.

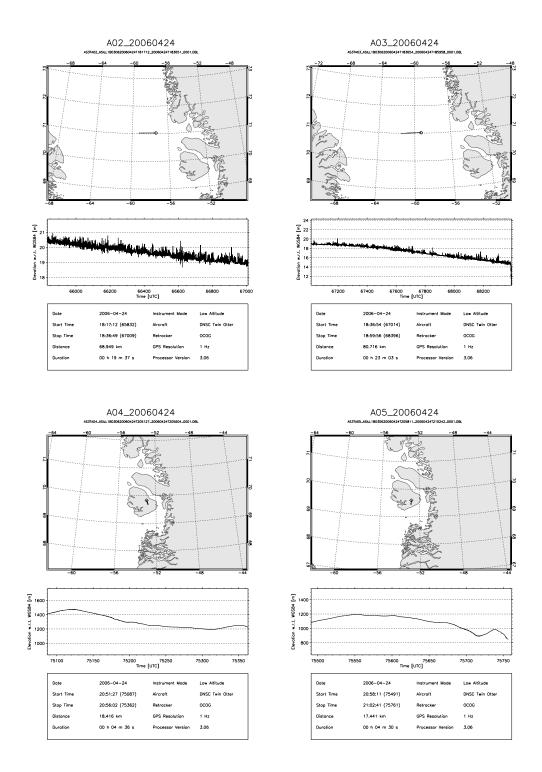
It should be emphasized that the surface height determined by the OCOG retracker is a rough estimation and not the true height.

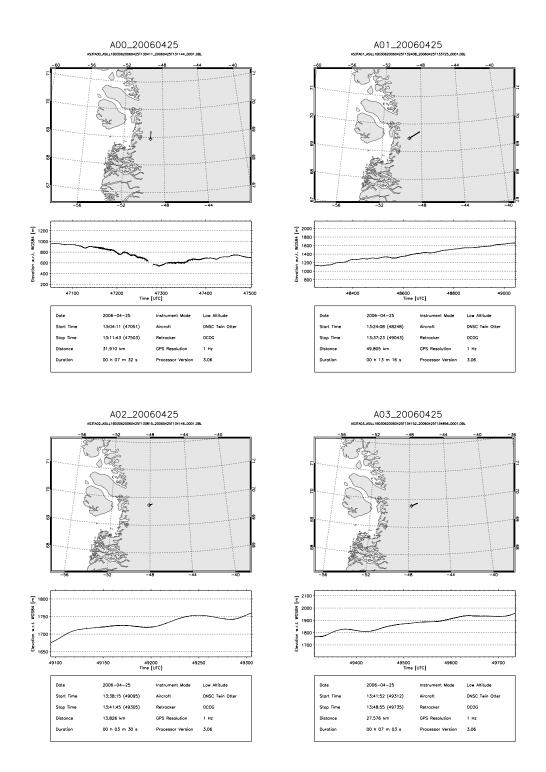


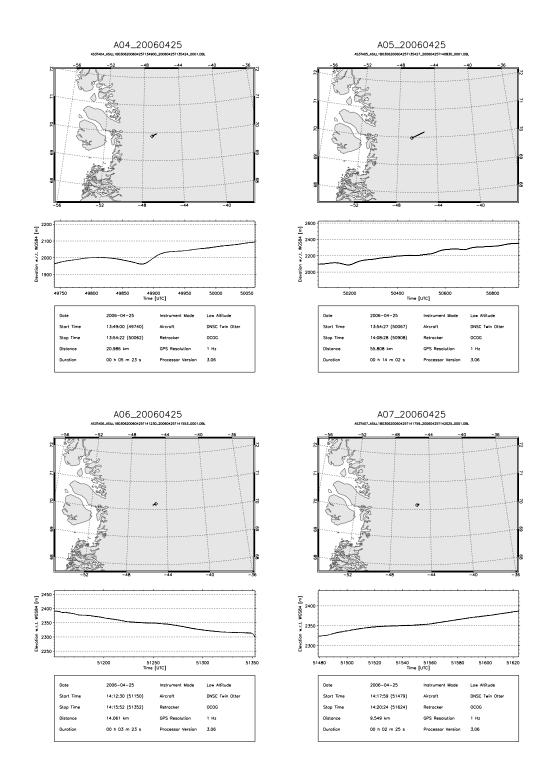


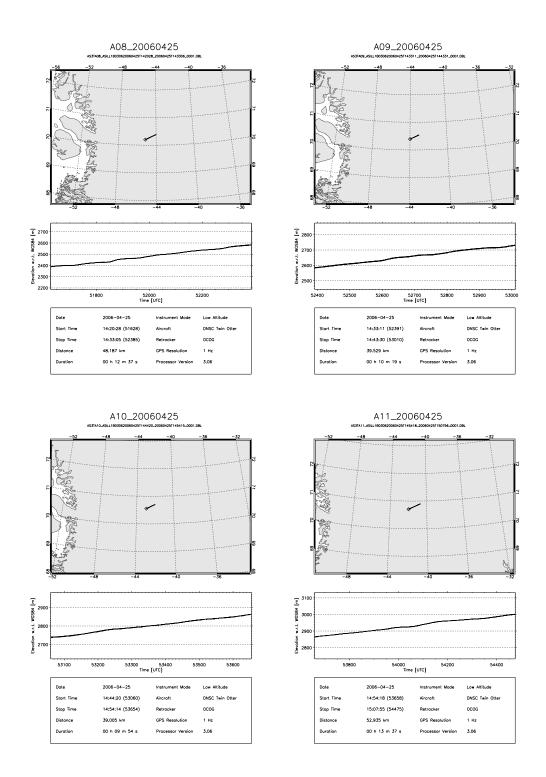


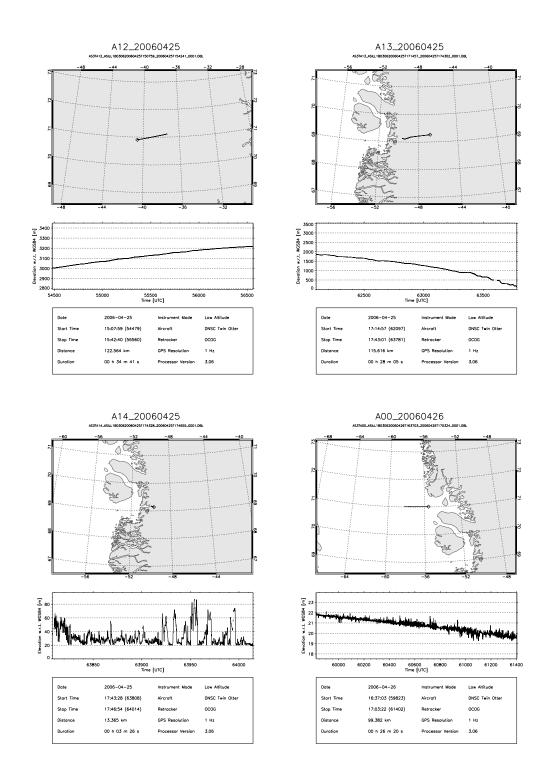


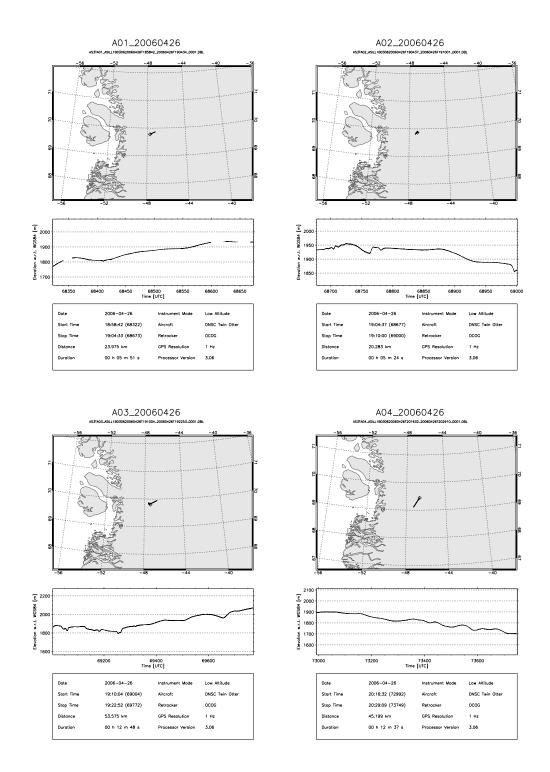


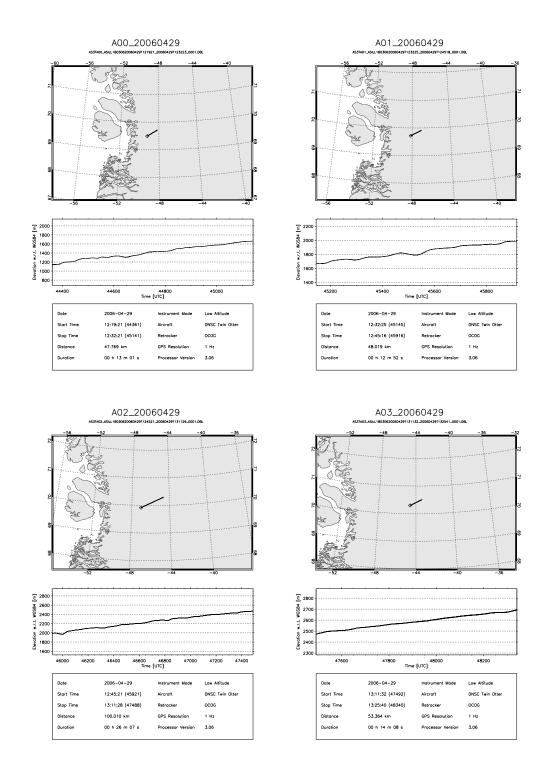


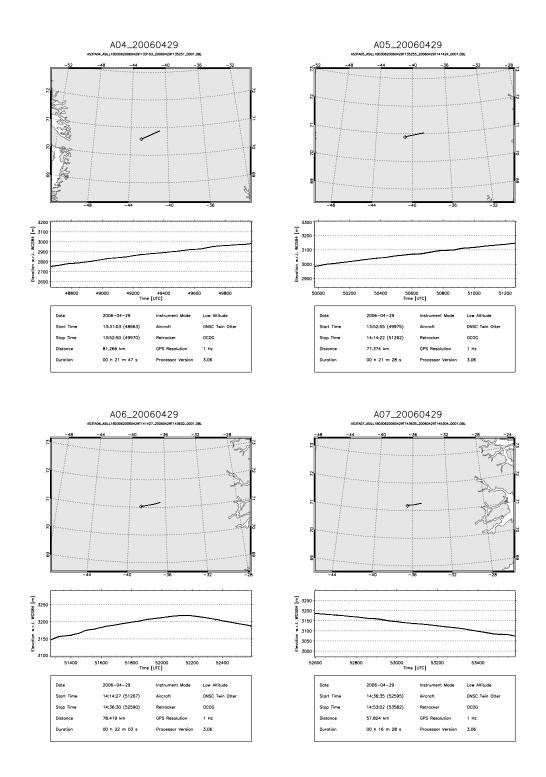


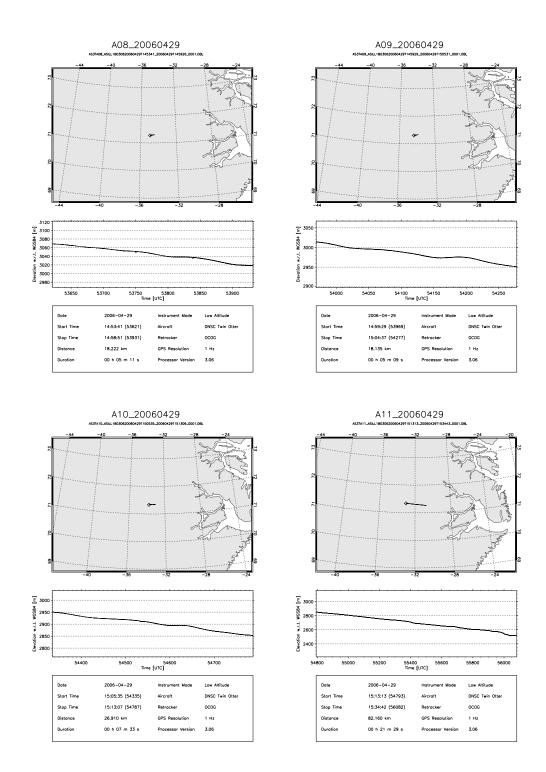


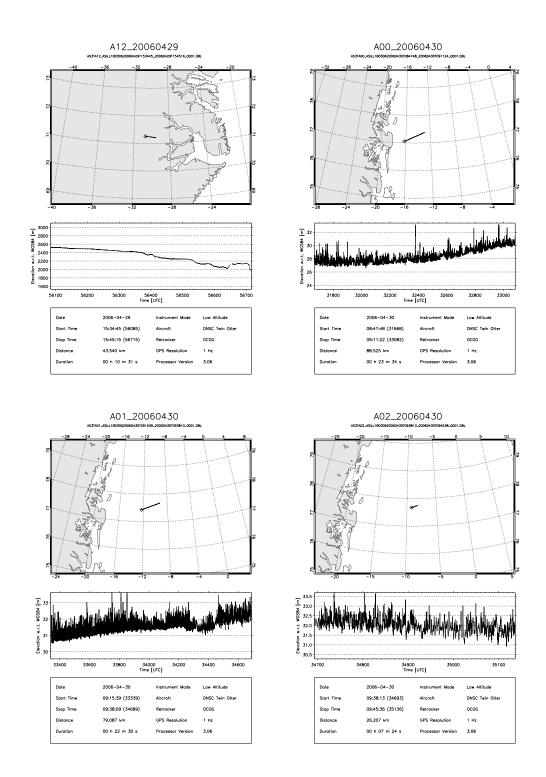


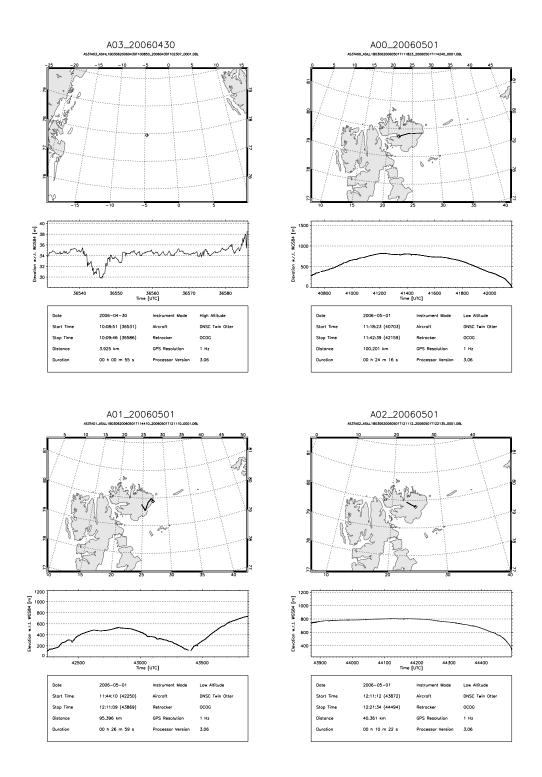


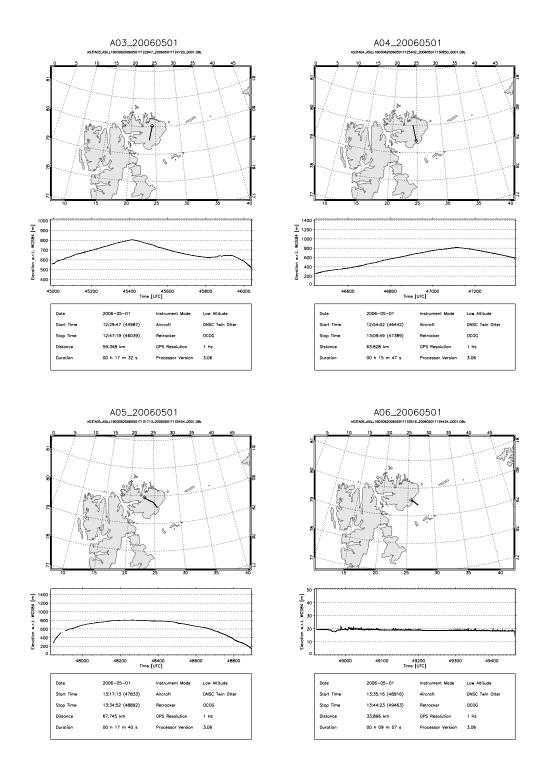


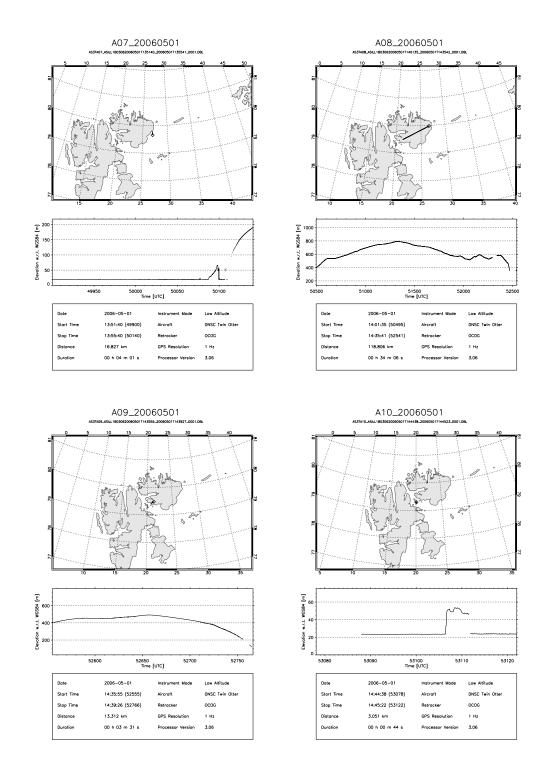


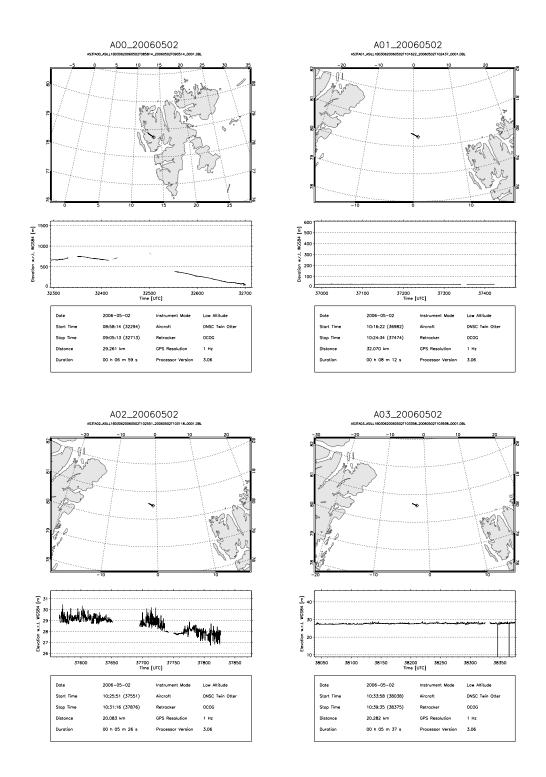


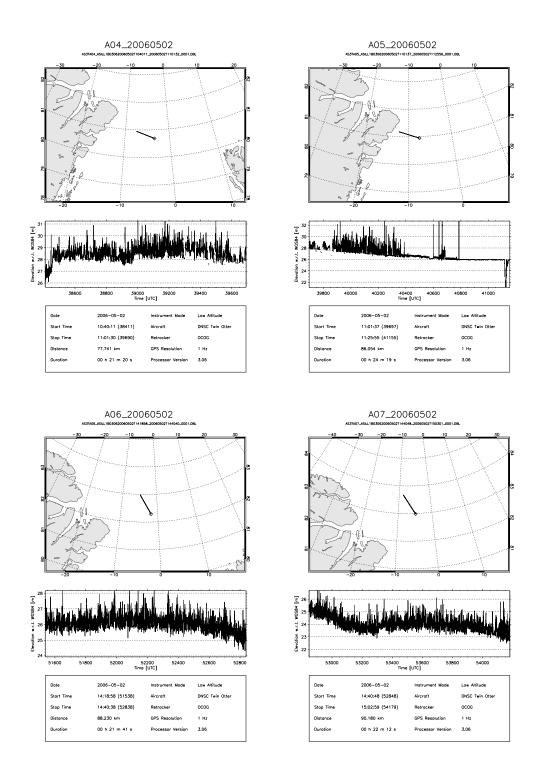


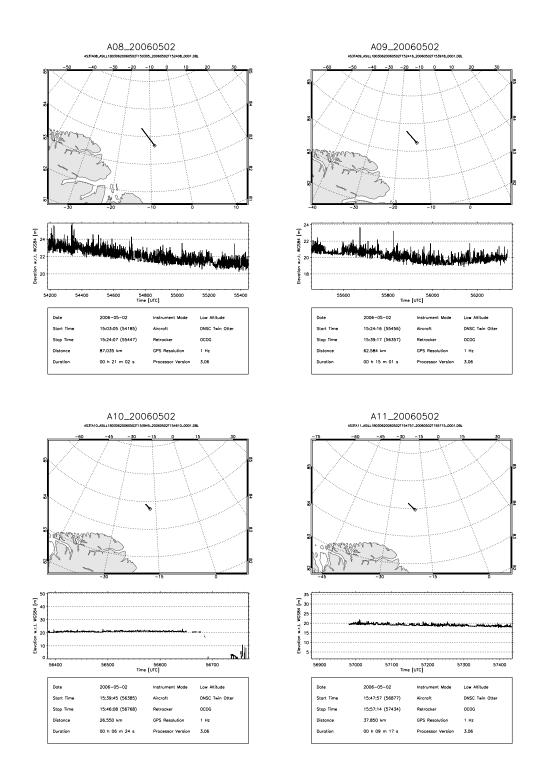


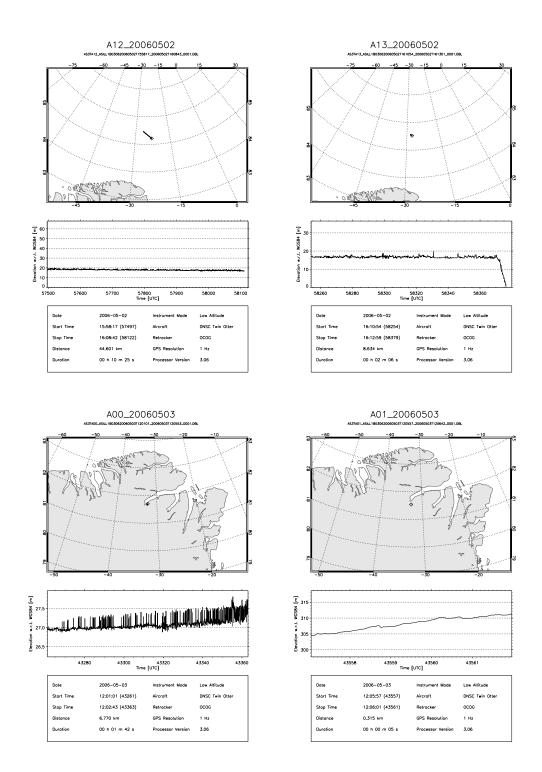


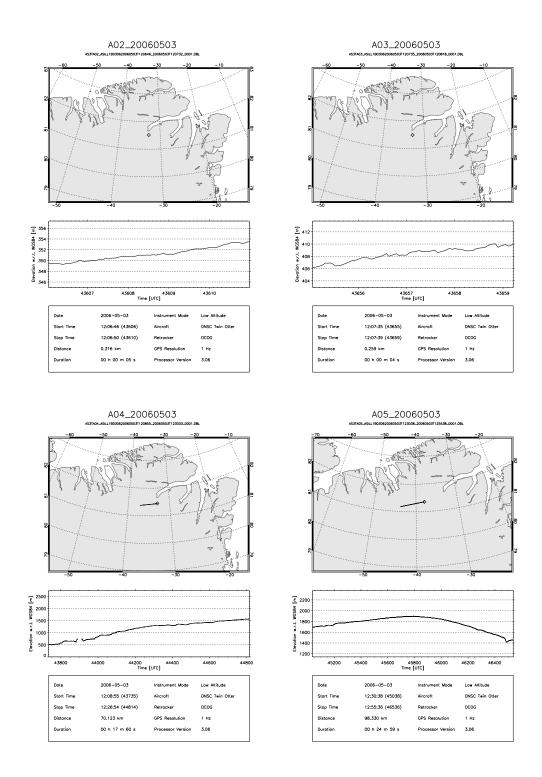


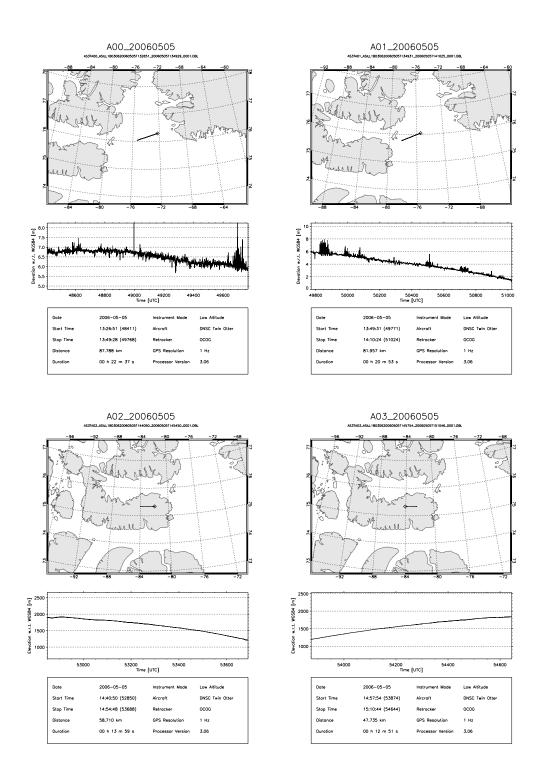


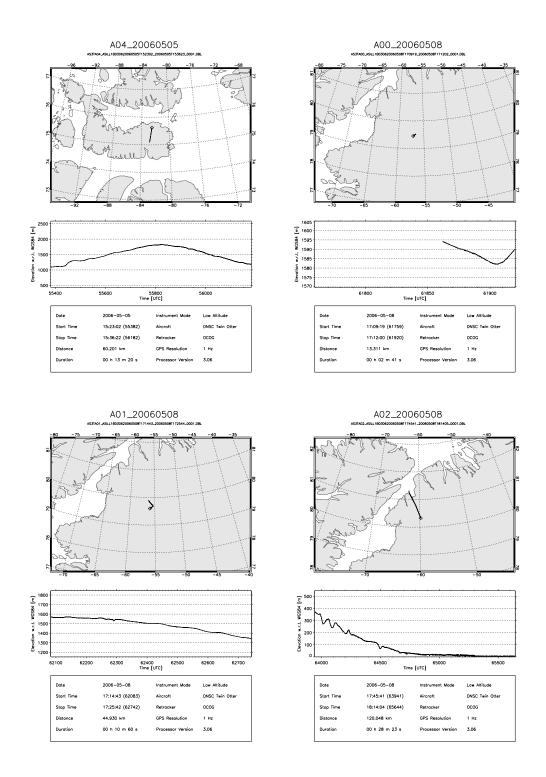


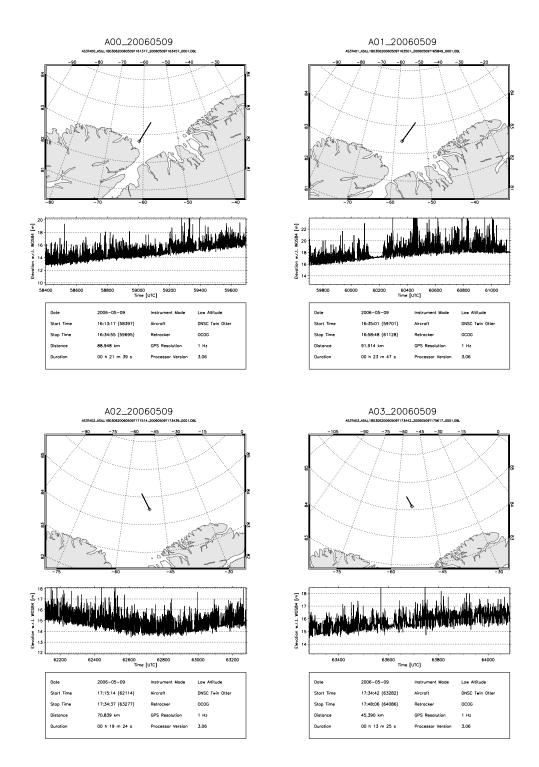


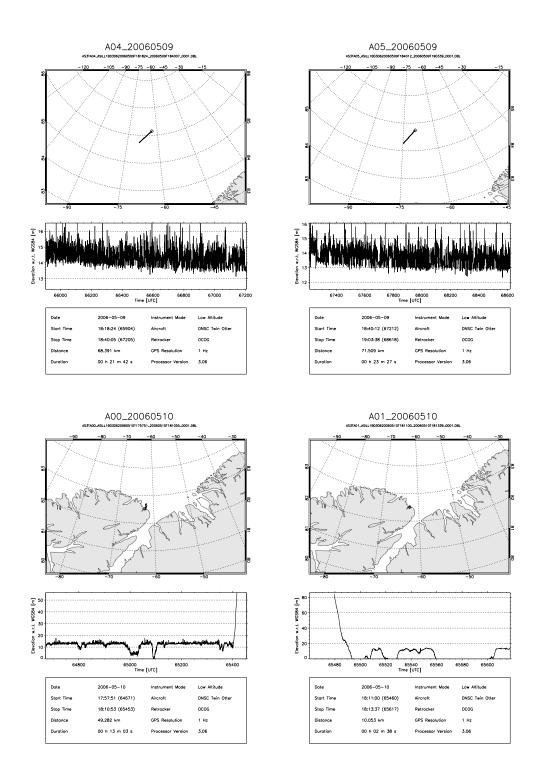


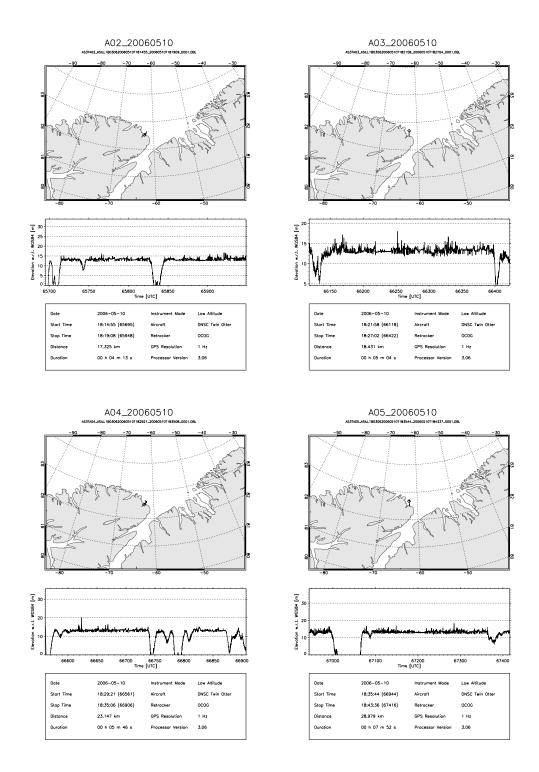


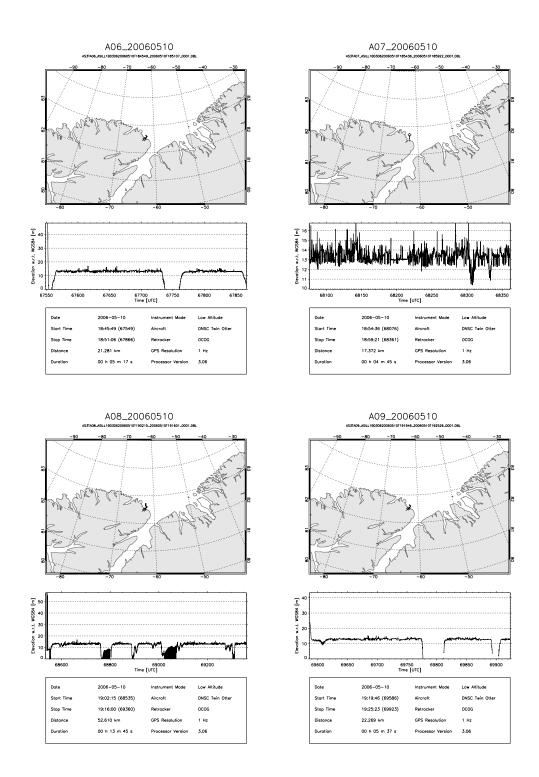


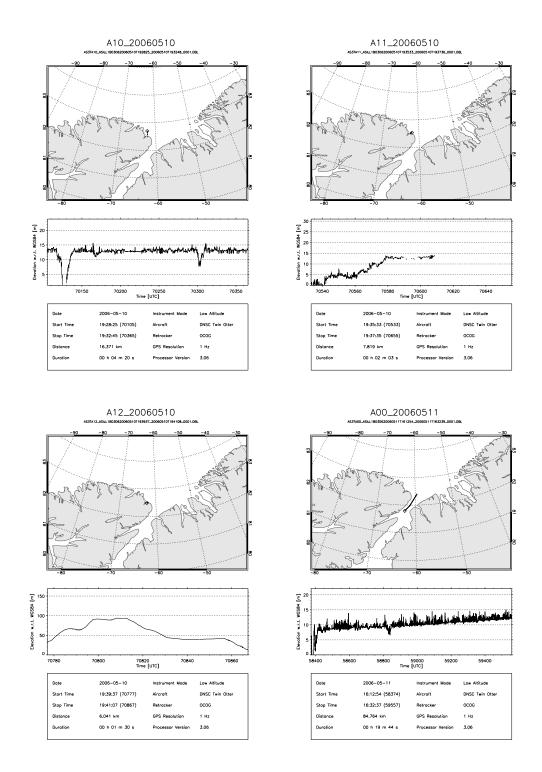


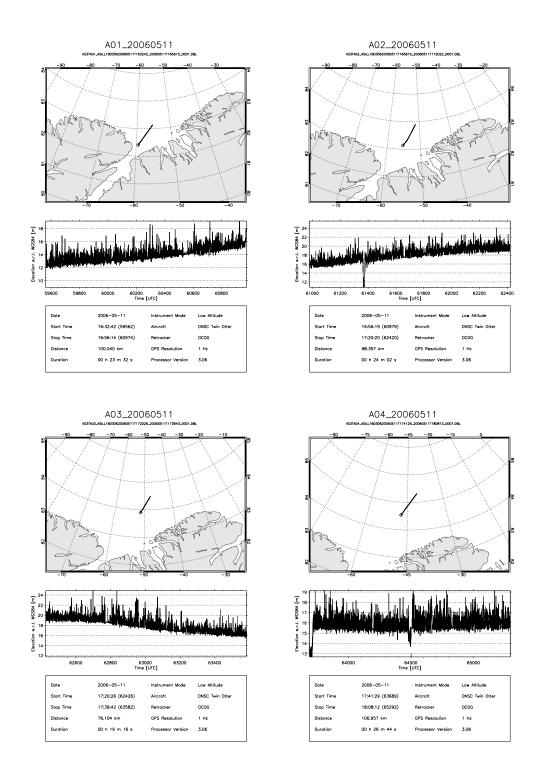


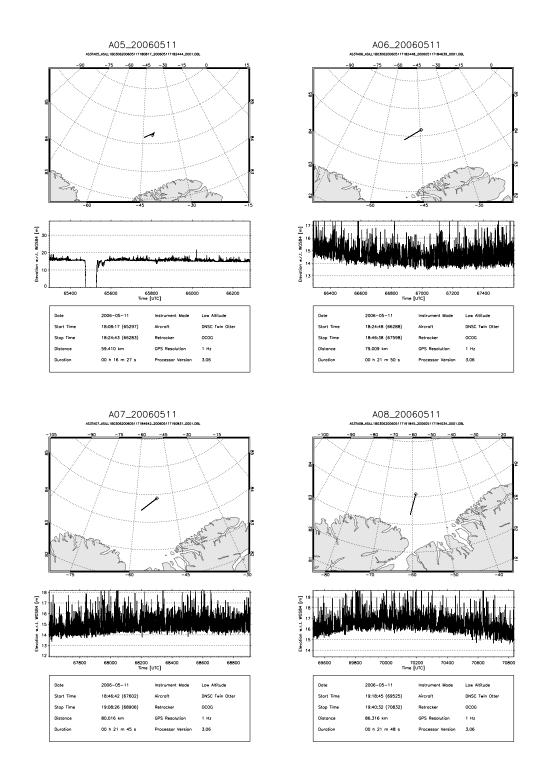


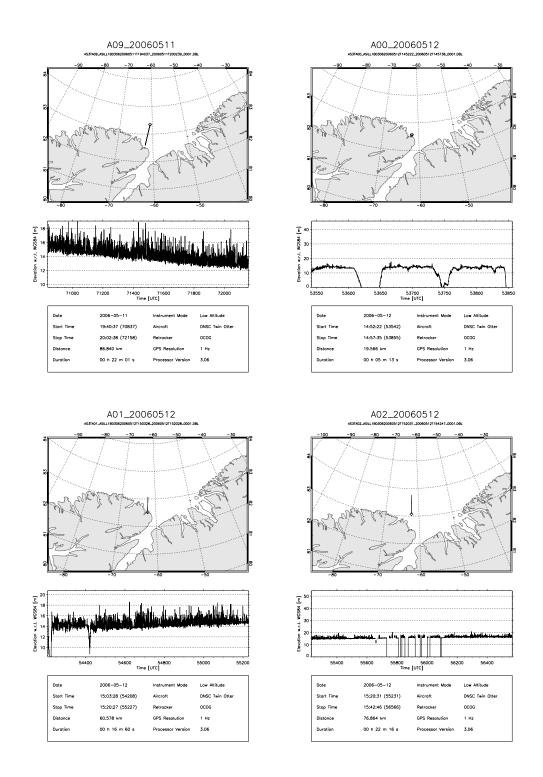


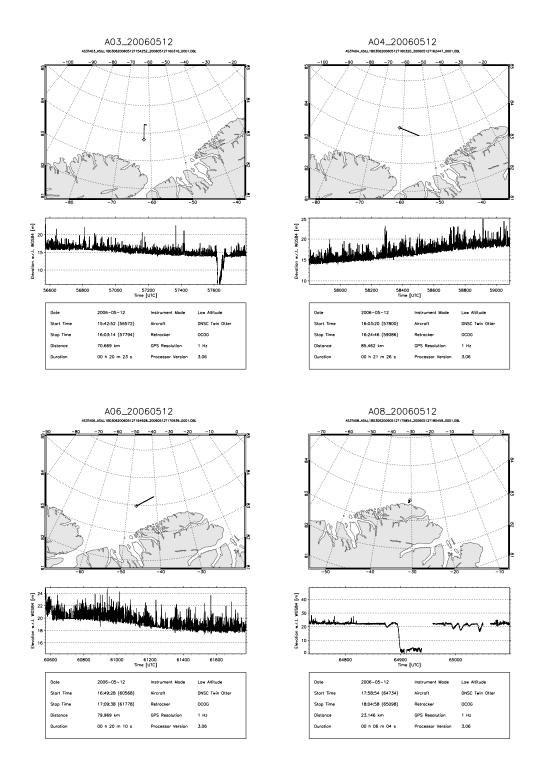


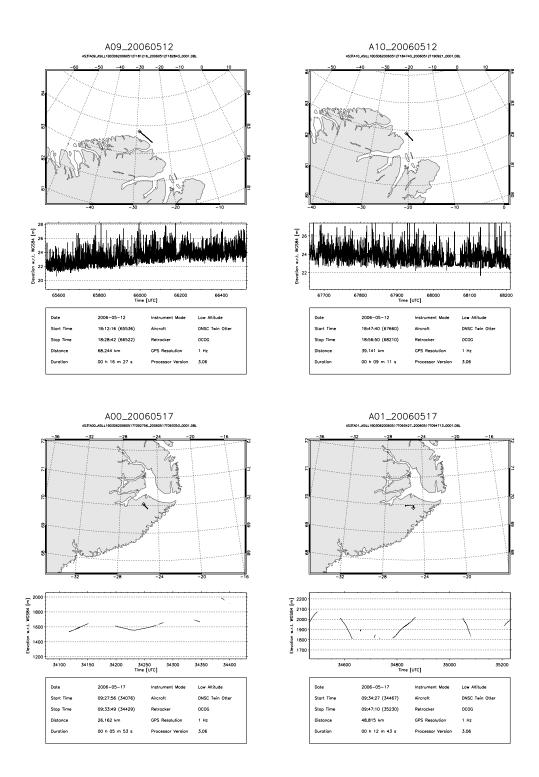


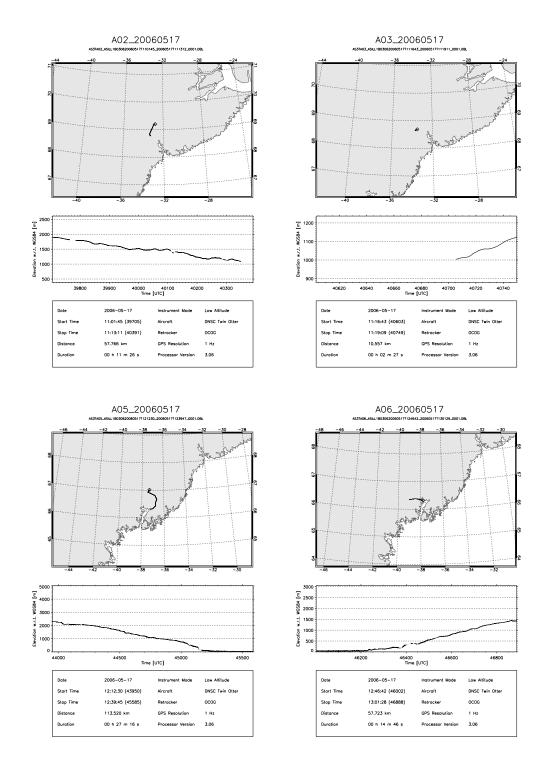


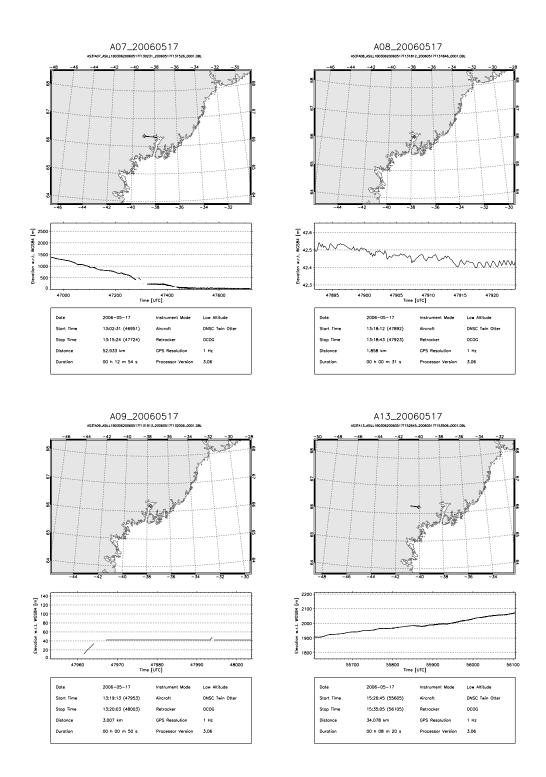


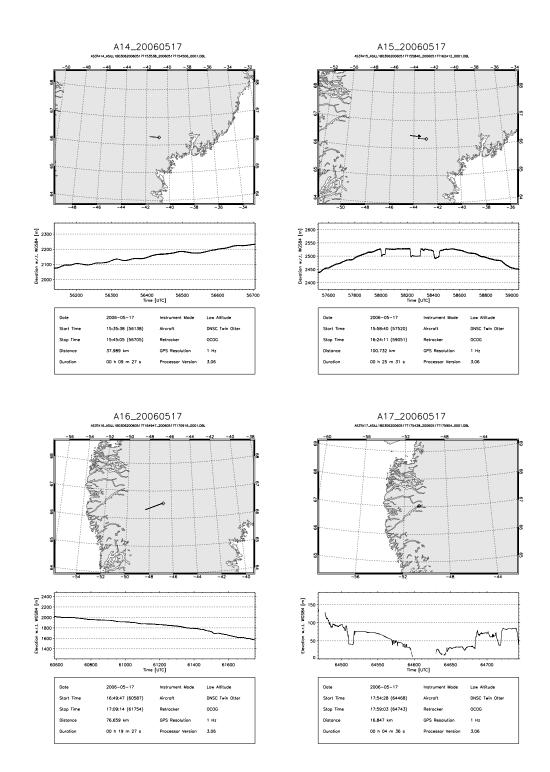












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