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APPLICABLE AND REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

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DR1	SWOT-TN-SYS-0162-CNES	SWOT MISSION ANALYSIS
DR2	SWOT-TN-SYS-1418-CNES	SWOT OPERATIONAL MISSION ANALYSIS
DR3	SWOT-TS-SYS-434-CNES	SWOT L2 level coordinate systems and conventions specification
DR4	SWOT-DJ-SYS-0423-CNES	SWOT Inputs for POD processing – Justification of the requirements and budgets
DR5	SWOT-TAS-F-AN-0284	Precise Orbit Determination Analyses reports
DR6	SWOT-TAS-F-BT-0286	SWOT Satellite performances and Budgets
DR7	SRL-SYS-NT-066-CNES	SARAL characteristics for Doris Calibration Plan and POD Processing
DR8	S3-ID-TAF-SC-01290	Sentinel-3 satellite to Precise Orbit Determination Interface Control Document
DR9	DSW-PL-DO-EA-16937-CN	Doris calibration plan
DR10	SWOT-DJ-SYS-2305-CNES	SWOT Ephemerids, center of mass, attitude : Justification of the products definition and interfaces
DR11	SWO-MS-ICD-421-CNES	SWOT mission system interfaces control document
DR12	Slides June 2021	L3b-Payload POD Requirement Verification
DR13	SWOT-TAS-F-IC-0424	Platform to GPSP Mechanical ICD
DR14	SWOT-TAS-F-AN-1197	Inputs for modeling Observatory CoG position in flight

ABREVIATIONS

Sigle	Definition	
СоМ	Center of Mass	
DORIS	Doppler Orbitography by Radiopositioning Integrated on Satellite	
GPS	Global Positioning System	
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory	
KaRIn	Ka-band Radar Interferometer	
LRA	Laser Retroreflector Array	
MOE	Medium Orbit Ephemeris	
NA	Nadir Altimeter	
POD	Precise Orbit Determination	
POE	Precise Orbit Ephemeris	
SLR	Satellite Laser Ranging	
SWOT	Surface Water Ocean Topography	

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document defines the relevant parameters for the interface between the SWOT spacecraft and the Precise Orbit Determination and on-board orbit determination process to be applied in the corresponding processing center.

It summarizes the satellite characteristics that are needed for the processing of Doris, GPSP and LRA measurements to produce the orbit ephemerids.

This issue is based on all latest AIT measurement in the POD related performances demonstration as presented during Satellite Qualification Review and in SQR datapack (see Issue 6 of DR5 and Issue 2 of DR14).

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2. SWOT TO POD INTERFACE OVERVIEW

2.1. INTERFACES

2.1.1. Overview

Figure 2-1 illustrates the different interfaces for ground processing.



Figure 2-1 Flow diagram for Attitude and POD products (DR10)

Main points are:

- POD is part of SSALTO in CNES SDS.
- POD system generates standard data products, including POE/MOE and SAT_COM (satellite center of mass, including solar arrays), and intermediate products [I_]Q_GCRF_ITRF (GCRF to ITRF quaternions) products that are used for science processing.
- The ATTD_RECONST product, issued from GYRO and STR ground data fusion, will be provided to POD
- SCC provides inflight satellite mass and COM evolution without solar array processed by FDS (in KMSF)
- SCC provides solar array angle through HKTM-PARAM interface
- SCC provides the list of events

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2.1.2. Detailed interfaces for POD processing

Details on the interfaces between SCC/FDS and SDS can be found in DR11.

- CONSTRAINTS: provides the mission center with time slot where KaRIn measurements shall not be processed because of manoeuvers, gyro calibration, ... Production frequency : asynchronous
- MAN-COM-MASS: provides the mission center with an historic file containing all maneuvers thrusts that have been performed since launch and all maneuvers that are predicted at the moment. Predicted information shall be used before the maneuver, while restituted one shall be used after the maneuver.

MAN-COM-MASS values are provided in KMSF reference frame.

Historic file is computed each time it must be sent in order to always contain the most up-to-date information for each thrust (both restituted and predicted). It contains:

- the time at the middle of the thrust
- Thrust delta V
- Center of Mass (without SA)
- Mass (without SA)
- HKTM-PARAM : provides solar panel positions and currents, produced once a day
- ECLIPSE: contains predicted slots of on-orbit events (light/shadow/penumbra transitions) that might have an impact on the science data processing (slots during which measurements could be of poor quality or should not be processed). It also contains Sun by Moon eclipses.
- HISTO_OEF: contains the predicted start and end dates of each event that might have an impact on science data processing (orbit control maneuvers, satellite temporarily not on the reference altitude, yaw flip, gyro calibrations and solar panels move). This interface will group gyro calibration, yaw flip and commanded OCM thrusts and SADM cruise (start/stop for each EVENT). It contains dates history from the start of mission. It is produced and delivered once a day, and covers up to 2 weeks after the date of production.
- Note that POD processing generates a satellite center of mass product (SAT_COM) that provides the satellite center of mass in the KMSF frame including solar arrays and their orientation. The SAT_COM file is used for science data processing.

2.2. MISSION CONTEXT

The Surface Water and Ocean Topography (SWOT) mission is a cooperative project between NASA and CNES. The SWOT mission is devoted to cover the world's oceans and freshwater bodies with repeated water surface elevation measurements. Both the surface water hydrology and ocean surface topography communities recognize the importance of wide-swath altimetry for its capability of acquiring high-resolution water surface elevation measurements. The main instrument of the payload is a Ka-band Radar Interferometer (KaRIn), an interferometric imaging radar altimeter operating in Ka-band.

The Surface Water Ocean Topography mission brings together two communities focused on a better understanding of the world's oceans and its terrestrial surface waters. Our understanding of the oceanic circulation at mesoscales and smaller, where most of the ocean's kinetic energy and its dissipation takes place, is poor. Likewise, the role of internal tides as sources of mixing as well as coastal processes such as upwelling, jets, and fronts are not well understood. Given the basic need for fresh water, the most important hydrologic observations that can be made in a basin are of the temporal and spatial variations in water volumes stored in rivers, lakes, and wetlands. Unfortunately, we have poor knowledge of the global dynamics of terrestrial surface waters as well as their interactions with coastal oceans in estuaries. Thus, the SWOT Satellite Mission and its wide-swath altimetry technology has been proposed as a means for completely covering the world's oceans and freshwater bodies with repeated elevation

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measurements.

The main science objectives for both communities are:

- **Oceanography**: To characterize the ocean mesoscale and submesoscale circulation determined from the ocean surface topography at spatial resolutions of 15 km (for 68% of the ocean). (Spatial resolution is defined to be wavelength in the oceanographic context.)

- Hydrology:

- To provide a global inventory of all terrestrial surface water bodies whose surface area exceeds (250m)² (goal: (100m)²) (lakes, reservoirs, wetlands) and rivers whose width exceeds 100m (goal: 50m).
- To measure the global storage change in terrestrial surface water bodies at sub-monthly, seasonal, and annual time scales.
- To estimate the global change in river discharge at sub-monthly, seasonal, and annual time scales.

2.3. SATELLITE OVERVIEW

The satellite design in its fully deployed configuration is represented on the following views.



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Figure 2-2 Satellite Overview in deployed configuration (source : DR5)

Axis and dimensions are detailed in the following sections. The main characteristics are:

- Velocity direction is along +/- X vector depending on the yaw flip configuration.
- Each solar array has a surface area of 16.1 m².
- Anti-sun facing radiators are implemented on the KaRIn module to ensure the thermal stability. Surface area is about 5.7 m².

2.4. MISSION PHASE AND ORBIT CHARACTERISTICS

2.4.1. Mission phases

There are 2 different orbits, one for calibration phase, and one for science phase.

The main mission phases are the following:

- LEOP: Starts after launch, 8 days.
- Acquisition of Fast-repeat orbit
 - o DORIS instrument is turned on in checkout phase during Orbit acquisition phase.
- Commissioning and calibration phases (approximately 2x3 months). The orbit during this phase is the Fast-repeat Orbit (1-day repeat cycle).
- Acquisition of science orbit.
- Science phase (3 years at least): The orbit during this phase is the Science Orbit (21-day repeat cycle).
- End of mission, controlled reentry in line with French "LOS" (end of life) requirements.

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Mission phases

2.4.2. Orbits parameters

	Fast Repeat orbit	Science orbit
Repeat orbit parameters	14 + 0 / 1	13 + 19 / 21
Mean semi-major axis (m)	7235379.8	7268718.9
Altitude (km) (mean sma minus equ. radius)	857	890
Inclination (deg)	77.6	77.6
Mean Eccentricity	0.00105	0.00105
Number of orbits per cycle	14	292
Nodal period (sec)	6131.25	6173.62
Exact repeat cycle duration (days)	0.9934900	20.8645504
Longitude gap between 2 consecutive ground tracks (deg)	25.7142857	25.890
Longitude gap between 2 adjacent ground tracks (deg)	25.7142857	1.2328767
Reference Longitude of the pass1 (deg)	22.4513937	0.1714736
Drift of RAAN local time (minutes/day)	-9.44	-9.35
Duration for 24h RAAN local time change (days)	152.6	154.0
	N,P,Q = (14,0,1)	N,P,Q = (13,19,21)
Chronology of ground tracks during the cycle	0.03 0.03 0.02 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.03	20 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 4
	No sub-cycle	Sub-cycle = ~10 days

 Table 2-1
 Mean orbit characteristics (from DR1)

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2.5. ORBIT MANEUVERS

2.5.1. Acquisition of fast-repeat orbit

All the strategy is defined in DR1 and DR2.

The acquisition of the Fast-repeat orbit will take place just after the LEOP phase, after the KaRIn antennas have been fully deployed.

The baseline drift duration is around 7 days.

The general scenario for acquiring the Fast-repeat orbit is the following:

- A first group of maneuvers (semi major axis + inclination) is designed to reach the drift orbit and to correct the main inclination errors. Eccentricity corrections may also be included if needed.
- Once the drift orbit is reached, the ground tracks slowly drift towards the Fast-repeat orbit reference ground tracks. This can take several weeks, depending on the semi-major axis gap between the drift orbit and the Fast-repeat orbit.
- At the end of the drift period, a second series of maneuvers (semi major axis + eccentricity vector) is performed to stop the drift and finely adjust the orbital elements so that the accuracy is compatible with the station keeping window.

The nominal time required to reach the Fast-repeat orbit after launch is around 16 days from start of the orbit acquisition phase.

2.5.2. Orbit change (from fast-repeat orbit to science orbit)

The main difference with the Fast-repeat orbit acquisition is the spacing between ground tracks. No long drift period is necessary when changing from the Fast-repeat to the Science orbit, provided the maneuvers are adequately adjusted (in time and amplitude).

The total sequence duration is 7 days.

2.5.3. Station keeping

Requirement:

The control window is +/-1 km on the ground tracks (measured perpendicularly). The control box can be extended to +/-2.5 km for 10% of the time if necessary in order to meet power limitation constraints. Note that the baseline station keeping design assumes we control the satellite to always comply with the +/-1 km requirement, the +/-2.5 km flexibility is not expected to be used nominally.

The strategy is described in detail in DR1.

The strategy is to perform:

- semi major axis maneuvers to control the ground tracks.
- eccentricity maneuvers to control altitude

The frequency of semi-major axis maneuvers is closely linked to the solar activity, and thus to the year considered in the solar cycle.

Semi-major axis maneuver frequency will be around 1 every 40 days in the years with the highest solar activity (which is the case between 2022 and 2025). Station keeping frequency will be a multiple of 14 days to synchronize these maneuvers with regular KaRIn tables upload, these tables need to be updated after each maneuver.

Post-flight experience: during Checkout and CalVal Phase, the Station Keeping maneuver frequency was 1 every 14 days.

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In addition, eccentricity maneuvers are performed about once a year.

For orbit control maneuvers, the thrusters located on the satellite -Z face have to be oriented along velocity or antivelocity direction. This requires also a dedicated slew around pitch by at maximum + or -90° to maintain the thermal environment of the payload radiator.

The orbit control maneuver duration and sequence is 1954 s + thrust duration, including the following:

- Pre-slew reaction wheel adjustment : 250 s
- Pre-thrust slew (including 120 s stabilization) : 623 s
- Thrust duration : 0.5 to 1.5 s
- Post-thrust slew (including 120 s stabilization) : 1081 s
- Platform stabilization period: 6550 s (duration to ensure nominal level of performance is achieved, driver is Attitude control power spectral density)

2.5.4. Calibration maneuvers

Gyro calibration consists of performing 2 cycles of rotations in the 3 axis, with an amplitude of $\pm 30^{\circ}$ for roll and yaw and an amplitude of $\pm 22.5^{\circ}$ in pitch. These calibrations will be done entirely in eclipses. Gyro calibration maneuvers will be done during check out phase (at least once) and about once per year.

POS-3C calibration attitude maneuvers will be performed in order to estimate precisely some misalignments at instrument level:

This maneuver consists in performing X-axis (Roll) and Y-axis (Pitch) rotations of +/- 0.3°, for typically 3 distinct values of beta angle (2 at least).

300 seconds of stabilized observatory pointing is needed for each maneuver (not including AOCS tranquilization)

Nominally the four successive rotations for one maneuver will be executed in succession: +0.3° in roll, (300 s stabilized), -0.3° in roll, (300 s stabilized), +0.3° in pitch, (300 s stabilized), -0.3° in pitch, (300 s stabilized)

2.5.5. Yaw flips

Yaw Flips are performed when the Sun is in the orbital plane.

The SWOT drifting orbit means that the Sun crosses the orbit plane every 2.5 months. To maintain the +Y panel in the shadow, each time the sun vector is crossing the orbital plane by entering in the beta angle range of $[-0.5^{\circ};+0.5^{\circ}]$, the satellite will perform a 180° yaw rotation (called yaw flip) at a specified date sent by a command from ground. It will occur approximately 5 times per year for current orbit definitions.

The X axis (roll) is then oriented in the velocity or anti-velocity direction, depending on Sun aspect angle.

Yaw Flip maneuver duration: 1513 s

2.5.6. Timeline for instruments switch-on

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Figure 2-4 Summarized 1st month calendar timeline (version Launch – 13 days)

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Days since Launch	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
calendar date - Launch = Dec. 15th	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	1/18	1/19	1/20	1/21
		YF#1		NADIR	TURN ON						KaRin 1	Furn ON	: 6 days			
Nadir PL Turn On				Nad	ir ON											
X-band chain check out																
X-Band Turn On																
X-band checkout (single string and dual string)																
Nadir PL Turn On																
Doris Turn On																
Nadir Altimeter Turn ON Initial Turn ON)																
Radiometer Turn On																
GPSP Turn On																



Detailed PL Turn ON

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3. SATELLITE DESCRIPTION

3.1. SATELLITE REFERENCE FRAME

The coordinate system (X,Y,Z) is described in the previous figure and below:

- Z-axis is pointed at the local geodetic nadir.
- X-axis is orthogonal to the Z-axis and in the plane defined by the observatory orbital velocity vector and the Z-axis.
- Y-axis completes the 3rd orthogonal axis and is oriented opposite to Sun to provide a cold face for the KaRIn radiator.

The Observatory Reference frame is defined by :

- its origin O_{OBS} at the center of the launcher interface ring at launch vehicle separation plane level.
- (-Z_{OBS}) axis perpendicular to the launcher interface in the direction to the launcher.
- (+Y_{OBS}) axis perpendicular to the face occupied by the radiator on the payload.
- (+X_{OBS}) axis completing the triedre and parallel to the solar array rotation axes.

The Satellite reference frame is identical to the Observatory Reference Frame.



Figure 3-1 Satellite axes

We have chosen a common reference frame to be used for POD references.

The PL reference frame is to be considered for the POD reference frame.

The PL ref frame is actually the KaRIn Metering Structure Frame. This frame is described below; it is positioned on KaRIn Metering Structure, which supports the KaRIn antennas, and is the PL reference frame for alignments, as everything on the payload will be aligned to this frame. KMSF is basically aligned with SC reference frame with a translation in Z.

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3.2. MASS PROPERTIES

3.2.1. Initial mass

Satellite mass = 2107 kg (best estimates correlated with mass properties results; Beginning of Life) The detail is provided in the Table below.

Component	mass
PF without SA (Gaz included)	790,00
Solar Array : +X wing	66,50
Solar Array: -X wing	66,50
Propellant	358,03
Payload with DAA	826,00
SAT Dry mass (without SA and without propellant)	1616,00
Satellite total mass	2107,03

Table 3-1:	Satellite	initial	mass,	details
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3.2.2. In flight initial mass

TAS propellant mass measurement before flight is very precise : 358.03 kg

Once in flight, the operational mass estimation method at FDS is based on PVT method.

The pressure sensor accuracy, especially for its first measurements, is 8.5 kg worst case.

Note: Using the Pulse counting method (processing of the precise time-history of the thruster activation profile) to estimate the mass consumption in flight would decrease the uncertainty to 3.4 kg at end of science mission (with no

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margin). However, Center of mass preflight budgets are compliant with both methods.

Static initial propellant mass bias estimation: first in flight PVT measurement gave the bias estimation, as ground measurement was very accurate:

- Initial propellant mass bias : -5.35 kg
- This gives an initial bias in Z of +2.75 mm

This bias correction was implemented in Mission Orbit computation (CNES mission center) from June 18th 2023: this component applies a bias on satellite mass of +5.35 kg and on satellite CoG in Z of -2.75 mm -> this is consequently transparent for users who get the best possible estimate.

A few key values :

Initial mass : 2107 kg - AIT final measurements

Initial mass after 1 day orbit acquisition : 2102.2 kg – SAT-COM value with delta mass correction

Initial mass after orbit change, start on 21 day orbit : 2085.8 kg - SAT-COM value with delta mass correction

3.3. SATELLITE CENTER OF MASS COORDINATES

The detailed analysis for CoG uncertainties analysis can be found in DR5 and DR14.

3.3.1. Initial in flight satellite CoG

3.3.1.1. Individual level

The initial CoG per elements and for the satellite are given in the Table below.

	Mass	X en mm	Y en mm	Z en mm
PF without SA (including gaz)	790,00	-7,00	14,00	
SA : +X wing (SADM angle = 0°)	66,50	3747,40	-3,90	-131,60
SA: -X wing (SADM angle = 0°)	66,50	-3731,20		-119,30
Propellant (358,03 is the DB value)	358,03	0,00	0,00	499,00
PL with DAA	826,00	7,00	8,00	2881,00
SAT in OBS reference frame	2107,00	6,20	8,60	1579,00
SAT without SA	1974,00	0,13	8,95	1693,43
SAT without SA without propellant	1615,97	0,16	10,93	1958,07
SAT with SA in SAT reference frame	2107,03	0,63	8,16	1578,60
SAT with SA in KMSF	2107,03	1,83	8,00	-593,40

 Table 3-2
 Sublevel and satellite mass and CoG values in Satellite reference frame

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Figure 3-3 Initial satellite mass and centering assumptions

3.3.1.2. Initial satellite CoG after launch

The Table below summarizes the initial Center of Mass coordinates in flight, before any maneuver, and after all deployments are done.

CoG coordinates	SADM a	ngle = 0°	SADM a	ngle = 12°	SADM angle = 30°		
	in SAT RF	in KMSF	in SAT RF	in KMSF	in SAT RF	in KMSF	
Х	0.6 mm	1.8 mm	0.6 mm	1.8 mm	0.6 mm	1.8 mm	
Y	8.2 mm	8 mm	-6.4 mm	-4.5 mm	-22 mm	-22.1 mm	
Z	1578.6 mm	-593.4 mm	1580 mm	-592 mm	1586.8 mm	-585.2 mm	

Table 3-3	Initial Center of Mass positions in KMSF and SAT reference frame
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3.3.1.3. Satellite CoG after orbit change

As described in mission phases section, the SWOT satellite will fly on 2 orbits : 1-day orbit after injection errors corrections during checkout and calval, and 21-day orbit at the end of calval. The science phase starts once the 21-day orbit is acquired.

The estimation of the satellite CoG at the beginning of science phase is the following. This also includes the -5.3 kg mass initial mass.



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Satellite center of mass in mm	Х	Y	Z	Х	Y	Z	
	In KMSF			In SAT RF			
SA angle 0°	1,84	8,08	-583,22	0,64	8,24	1588,78	
SA angle 12°	1,84	-4,57	-581,84	0,64	-4,41	1590,16	
SA angle 30°	1,84	-22,32	-574,95	0,64	-22,16	1597,05	

Table 3-4 Center of Mass positions in KMSF and SAT reference frame at the beginning of Science Phase

Note : These are the theoretical values, which are expected to be close to the SAT_COM ones but not exactly the same as

- After each maneuver, there is an update with some uncertainty, mostly in Z due to propellant mass estimation
- The operational calculation is slightly different operationally than what I did

3.3.1.4. Inputs for Doris ZQS file

For onboard Diode processing, Doris needs some information on the satellite mass and center of mass position. This is contained in so named ZQS file.

Inputs for ZQS_0503 (Calval 1 day orbit)

COM in SAT	X = 0,001 m	Y = 0,023 m	Z = 1,580 m
MASS	2097 kg		

Table 3-5Doris ZQS_0503 inputs

Inputs for ZQS en m ZQS_0504 & ZQS_0505 (Science 21 days orbit)

Defined before orbit change realization, based on Maneuvers strategy prediction, and actually very close to the reality (-16 kg)

COM in SAT	X = 0,001 m	Y = -0,006 m	Z = 1,592 m
Mass	2086 kg		

Table 3-6Doris ZQS_0504 and ZQS_0505 inputs

3.3.2. In flight modeled variations

There are some expected variations of the satellite center of mass on orbit.

3.3.2.1. Ergol consumption

As on other missions ergol consumptions for maneuvers will induce slight changes.

However, SWOT must be able to perform a controlled reentry at the end of its life, which means a high quantity of ergols must be embarked, with a very small percentage used during the mission.

Satellite assumptions are given in Table 3-7.

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- A first calibration phase will be done during about the first month after KaRIn deployment (on calval orbit)
- The orbit change will have an impact on this calibration and a second calibration is expected once on the science orbit
- Once on the science orbit, the cumulated consumption will be lower than 7 kg over 5 years. The impact on CoM variation will be less than 1 mm / year
- A specific product will be produced to give the cumulated evolution of satellite mass and CoM over life.

Large Velocity impulse budget (320m/s) dominated by re-entry needs

- □ Including all margin and additional 5% required on EOL maneuvers
- □ Propellant budget shows a positive extra margin of 48 kg (13%)



Table 3-7



Post-flight update :

- Orbit acquisition (injection error) : 5.3 m/s and 5.2 kg
- Orbit change : 17 m/s, 16 kg

3.3.2.2. Solar array rotations

Solar array angle adjustments will be planned typically 4 times every 78 days: when beta angle is $-25^{\circ} / -6^{\circ} / +6^{\circ} / +25^{\circ}$, with +/- 2° tolerance on beta angle value. This leads to 18 rotations per year.

This tolerance, which represents around 2 days, will enable the ground to choose when scheduling the rotation adjustment, accounting for all other constraints.

This is illustrated in the figure below:

- SA have to be moved from 30° to 12°: as soon as Beta angle is higher than -25°,
- SA have to be moved from 12° to 0° : as soon as Beta angle is higher than to -6°,
- SA have to be moved from 0° to 12° : as soon as Beta angle is higher than 6°,
- SA have to be moved from 12° to 30° : as soon as Beta angle is higher than 25°.

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Figure 3-4 SA command orientation as a function of beta angle

Solar array angle value is part of HKTM_PARAM interface content and is used by mission centers for MOE processing or any other ephemeris processing.

Theoretical evolutions of solar array CoM are given by $Y(\alpha)=Z_0 \sin \alpha$ and $Z(\alpha)=Z_0 \cos \alpha$

Where α is the angle of rotation (between 0 and 55°), and Z₀ is the SA CoM position when at 0°



Figure 3-5 Effect of SA variation on SA CoM position

Solar Array wings Center of mass is not aligned with its rotation axis. As a consequence, the angular position of the wings has a strong impact on the satellite center of mass position, which needs to be modeled in order to avoid satellite center of mass position knowledge error of 30 mm.

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Figure 3-6 Solar array CoM expected variations wrt solar array angle, in Y and Z axes

In addition to the basic geometrical rotation of a perfect wing around a perfectly oriented SADM axis, with a perfect initial "0°" position, the following effects are measured to refine the solar arrays center of mass position knowledge :

- The solar array mass and center of mass position after wing deployment to precisely represent the geometry
 of the rotating part
- The SADM position and orientation in satellite reference frame to precisely know the rotation axis
- The SADM axis orientation for the initial "0°" position (the canonical position), after deployment, to precisely know the reference point (estimated in checkout phase)

Detailed combination of the matrices is given in DR14.

The implementation of the values gives the following values for Solar Array wings center of mass position in SAT reference frame:

CoG Wings in SAT RF	X in mm	Y in mm	Z in mm					
SADM rotation = 0								
SA : +X wing	3747,40	-3,90	-131,60					
SA: -X wing	-3731,20	-3,30	-119,30					
SADM rotation = 12								
SA : +X wing	3747,40	-203,60	-109,80					
SA: -X wing	-3731,20	-200,50	-97,90					
SADM rotation = 30								
SA : +X wing	3747,40	-483,90	-0,90					
SA: -X wing	-3731,20	-477,40	9,50					

Table 3-8

e 3-8 Solar array wings center of mass position in satellite reference frame as a function of SADM angle

3.3.3. In flight knowledge

Three kinds of frequencies have been defined for all the uncertainties affecting the knowledge of the vector between POD instrument reference (center of phase) and the actual CoM of the satellite (see):

- Static or initial knowledge errors refers to errors at the beginning of on-orbit operations, so it contains all the

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uncertainties before that state (measurements uncertainties, modelling errors, 0g, deployment of KaRIn antennas); these components can be mainly adjusted through the first months of processing. Several diagnoses are used to evaluate POD accuracy: high elevation SLR residuals, SSH residuals at crossover points, intercomparison of different orbit solutions, orbit overlap. The vector from the satellite CoM to the DORIS or GPS phase center can actually be estimated as part of the POD process and these methods can allow to identify potential errors on these vectors, or mis-modeling, e.g. GPS antenna phase variations (due, for example, to multipath). This will be done during the beginning of SWOT calval phase and will thus allow to adjust for the static components of the knowledge errors. Most part of these static errors are related to mechanical or initial thermal conditions and will be the same for both calval and science orbits. However, a new calval is planned for POD at the beginning of science phase.

- Orbital variations refer to all the unknown variations along the orbit (typically thermoelastic effects);

- Long term variations refer to all the unknown variations occurring with a period higher than 10 days (Examples: maneuvers (propellant consumption), thermoelastic induced by beta angle...). Part of it is predictable, for instance propellant consumption impact on satellite CoM position is estimated

The satellite CoM knowledge allocations are:

	X/Y/Z axis						
	static	Orbital variations	Long term variations				
CoM position knowledge	±6mm	± 1.5 mm	± 4 mm				

3.4. ATTITUDE ERRORS REQUIREMENTS

Requirement (Flight System level)	Req at 1o	Req at 3o			
Pointing control (absolute): roll and yaw	roll control : < 0.066 °(1 σ)	roll control : < 0.2 °(3σ)			
Pointing control (absolute): pitch	pitch control : < 0.033 °(1 σ)	pitch control : < 0.1 °(3σ)			
Pointing knowledge: roll and yaw	roll knowledge : < 0.01 °(1σ)	roll knowledge : < 0.03 °(3σ)			
Pitch knowledge	pitch knowledge : < 0.02 °(1σ)	pitch knowledge : < 0.06 °(30)			
Pointing knowledge after ground processing					
	RMS < 6.6 asec (1σ), includes 1 variability (4.6 asec = 1.9 mdeg	asec for STR mounting interface)			

Table 3-9

Attitude errors requirements

3.5. MECHANICAL DISTURBANCES

3.5.1. Solar array rotation

Some duration of unavailability is associated with the rotation, as nominal stability and pointing performances cannot be met when these events occur.

Duration of the associated disturbance : 100s for the rotation itself, followed by 670s for stabilization (with no additional thermal stabilization for KaRIn instrument).

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3.5.2. Thermal snap

Thermal snap is the thermoelastic effect due to sudden illumination change on the satellite large solar arrays at eclipse entry / exit. Early identification led to allocate 120s unavailability for eclipse transients during the eclipse season. This results in a 3.5% of mission data a-priori unavailability.

3.6. SATELLITE SURFACES

Surface properties in the visible (ultra-violet) spectrum

Surface	+X	-X	+Y	-Y	+Z	-Z	SA (cells)	SA (rear)	
Area (m²)	7.6	7.6	11.1	10.9	6.1	4.7	16.1 (each wing)	16.1 (each wing)	
Specular Reflectivity	0.51	0.48	0.69	0.42	0.53	0.48	0.17	0	
Diffuse Reflectivity	0.15	0.18	0.01	0.18	0.20	0.14	0	0.45	
Absorptivity (α)	0.34	0.34	0.30	0.40	0.27	0.38	0.83	0.55	

Surface properties in the infrared spectrum (TBC)

Surface	+X	-X	+Y	-Y	+Z	-Z	SA (cells)	SA (rear)	
Area (m²)	7.6	7.6	11.1	10.9	6.1	4.7	16.1 (each wing)	16.1 (each wing)	
Specular Reflectivity	0.51	0.48	0.69	0.42	0.53	0.48	0.17	0	
Diffuse Reflectivity	0.15	0.18	0.01	0.18	0.20	0.14	0	0.45	
Emissivity (α)	0.34	0.34	0.30	0.40	0.27	0.38	0.83	0.55	

Table 3-10 Satellite surface and properties (same as in DR9)

Note : The presented values are the same in infrared and visible spectrum as only one set of surface properties are available in the spacecraft documentation (PDR).

These values are important for the solar pressure model, and shall be established as global values for each surface, taking into account the different properties of the different materials, and their respective contributions to the global coefficient.

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	Temp (°C) ^(*1)								
		Solar	Abs.	IR emittance		Non-Op Mode		Operat. Mode	
		BOL	EOL	BOL	EOL	Min	Max	Min	Max
	PLM KaRIn +Y	0.2	0.31	0.9	0.9	-105	60	-40	60
	PLM Nadir +Y	0.2	0.31	0.9	0.9	-90	60	-40	60
P/L radiators	PLM Nadir +X	0.14	0.25	0.85	0.85	-90	60	-40	60
	PLM Nadir -X	0.14	0.25	0.85	0.85	-90	60	-40	60
	<u>PLM Nadir -Y</u>	<u>0.14</u>	0.25	<u>0.85</u>	<u>0.85</u>	<u>-90</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>-40</u>	<u>60</u>
P/L MLI	blankets	0.38	<mark>0.5</mark>	0.68	0.64	NA	NA	NA	NA
Payload Modu	lle Structure ^(*2)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-90	60	-40	60
	KaRIn Reflector -Y	0.27	0.46	0.67	0.66	- <mark>110</mark>	95	-65	95
KaRIn Reflector	KaRIn Reflector +Y	0.27	0.46	0.67	0.66	-110	95	-65	95

(*1) Mean Surface External Side Temperature - Orbital average

(*2) Temperature of structure underneath MLI (ROM) - TAS to compute MLI temperature

Table 3-11Surface thermal properties

Post flight note : as POD performances are already proven this section is not updated versus previous options, except for SA wings surface.

3.7. SATELLITE EXTERNAL GEOMETRY

The dimensions are the following:

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Figure 3-7 Overall dimensions of the SWOT Satellite in deployed configuration (SQR)

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The satellite is more than 5 meters high, with large solar arrays and a span of 15 m.

Two Solar Panel Wings are accommodated on the +/- X-sat sides of the platform.

The surface of each solar array is 16.1 m^{2}

The payload module is about 3 m high. It is composed of KaRIn module and Nadir module.

Anti-sun facing radiators are implemented on KaRIn module to ensure the thermal stability. Surface is about 5.7 m².



Figure 3-8 Payload module components (© SIR Review Presentation)

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Figure 3-9 Nadir Payload module



Figure 3-10 Payload module in AIT

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Figure 3-11 Satellite in AIT

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3.8. **THERMAL FLUX ASSUMPTIONS**

The following tables gives the thermal environment hypothesis for the different worst cases (Hot, Cold and Energetic).

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The worst cases are different for the platform (+/-X panels, +/- Y panels, Reaction Wheels and Propulsion Zone) and for the star-tracker optical heads.

			or Sizing	Thermal WC COLD Heaters Sizing	Thermal COLD Case in EPS WC Heating Power in EPS WC	
	Case Label	T01 & T02	T03			
	Altitude [km]	8	357			
	Beta [°]	0	62			
	Pointing	+Z	Nadir			
Calibration / Validation	Speed Vector	+	I- X	N.A. in CAL/VAL Mode	N.A. in CAL/VAL Mode	
Operating Mode	Solar Array Angle [°]	0	-60	N.A. III CAL/VAL Mode	N.A. III CALIVAL Mode	
	Solar Flux [W/m ²]	1418	3 (WS)			
	Earth IR Flux [W/m ²]	Calculated b	y Etherm (WS)			
	Albedo Flux [W/m ²]	Calculated b	y Etherm (WS)			
	Thermo-Optic	BOL				
	Case Label	T12 & T13 T14		T10	E10 & E11	
	Altitude [km]	8	391	891	891	
	Beta [°]	0	62	90	0	
	Pointing	+Z	Nadir	+Z Nadir	+Z Nadir	
Science Operating	Speed Vector	+	I- X	+/- X	+/- X	
Mode	Solar Array Angle [°]	0	-60	-30	0	
	Solar Flux [W/m ²]	1418	3 (WS)	1326 (SS)	1326	
	Earth IR Flux [W/m ²]	230,	5 (WS)	215,54 (SS)	215,54	
	Albedo Flux [W/m ²]	496,	3 (WS)	464,1 (SS)	464,1	
	Thermo-Optic	E	OL	BOL	BOL	

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4. INSTRUMENTS PARAMETERS USED FOR POD PROCESSING

4.1. SATELLITE AND KMSF REFERENCE FRAMES RELATION

Measurements during final test in Observatory AIT

AIT Phase	SAT FFT
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	XKMSF	YKMSF	ZKMSF
OBS Origin (mm)	1,167	-0,162	-2171,861

Rotation	Rotation XKMSF		ZKMSF
XSAT	0,999999945123	-0,000123537572	-0,000307394991
YSAT	0,000123629867	0,999999947283	0,000300249117
ZSAT	0,000307357883	-0,000300287103	0,999999907679
Euler ZYX (°)	-0,017	-0,018	0,0071

Rotation matrix convention: Direct, orthogonal, orthonormal

SAT Axis = OBS Axis

 Table 4-1
 KMSF reference frame in satellite reference frame

4.2. POD INSTRUMENT ANTENNAS LOCATION

Doris and LRA are mounted on the payload nadir module (see Figure 3-8), whereas GPSP is mounted on the spacecraft module.

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LRA is mounted on a pedestal that is 646 mm high. Doris is mounted on a pedestal that is 518 mm high. DORIS antenna RF axis is parallel to the +Z satellite axis and is nominally nadir pointed. GPSP antenna RF axis is pointed toward the -Z axis.

4.3. DORIS PARAMETERS

4.3.1. Doris antenna phase center

Following table gives the position of the mechanical antenna reference frame in KMSF, and the position of the antenna phase center in this antenna ref frame.

The reference point for Doris (i.e. origin of the antenna reference frame) is defined by the intersection between the RF axis (revolution axis which is the z-axis) of the antenna and the mounting plate.

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Mechanical Doris antenna frame origin in KMSF						
	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)			
Mechanical Doris antenna frame origin in KMSF	0.1889	544.0537	2466.7336			
DORIS antenna phase center in antenna ref frame – 400 MHz (source DR9)	0	0	145			
DORIS antenna phase center in antenna ref frame – 2 GHz (source DR9)	0	0	311			
DORIS antenna phase center in KMSF– 400 MHz	-0.2	544.6	2631.1			
DORIS antenna phase center in KMSF – 2 GHz	-0.2	544.6	2797.1			
Mechanical Doris antenna frame origin in Sat RF						
	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)			
Mechanical Doris antenna frame origin in SAT RF	-1	544.3	4638.6			

Table 4-2Doris antenna reference frame origin

Accuracies on Doris-to-CoM vector knowledge

Next Table gives the status on the expected accuracy on this vector knowledge, based on lasts preflight measurements.

		Doris center of phase position knowledge in mm								
		static co	mponents		Dynami Orbital shorter	c con variati	nponents ons of	r Dynami	c con rm varia	nponents tions
		X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis	X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis	X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis
L3b-PL- 108	PL knowledge of Doris phase center wrt KMSF	+/- 1,41	+/- 1,80	+/- 1,80	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,50	+/- 1,00	+/- 1,30	+/- 1,80
	CBE [Final PL]	+/- 0,00	+/- 1,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 1,00	+/- 1,00
L3a-FS- 250	CoG knowledge	+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 4,00	+/- 4,00	+/- 4,00
	CBE [Final]	+/- 2,35	+/- 2,57	+/- 3,16	+/- 0,33	+/- 0,36	+/- 0,55	+/- 3,06	+/- 3,09	+/- 1,73
L3a-FS- 252	Vector DORIS-CoG requirement	+/- 10,00	+/- 10,00	+/- 12,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,30	+/- 5,80
	СВЕ	+/- 2,43	+/- 3,13	+/- 8,17	+/- 0,42	+/- 0,41	+/- 0,63	+/- 3,36	+/- 4,19	+/- 2,53
	Margin	75,70%	68,70%	31,90%	91,60%	91,80%	87,40%	32,80%	20,94%	56,38%

Table 4-3

Accuracies on Doris-to-CoM vector knowledge

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4.3.2. Doris antenna phase laws

This is provided in DR9

Azimuth and Elevation Antenna phase laws shall be described according to the phase center defined in previous section.

Variation of phase in elevation:

 ε : maximum difference compared to a law of constant phase y(θ) = K ± ε (K = constant)

Frequency (M	401,250	2036,250	
Objective ε (- 56° ±	≤ ± 4°	≤ ± 2°	
	0°	± 1,4°	± 3,6°
	22,5°	± 0,7°	± 2,3°
ϵ obtained values for following values of ϕ	45°	± 1,0°	± 3,1°
	67,5°	± 1,25°	± 2,8°
	90°	± 1,25°	± 2,2°
	112,5°	± 1,2°	± 2,0°
	135°	± 1°	± 3,0°
	157,5°	± 1,3°	± 1,9°

Variation of phase in azimuth:

 ε : maximum difference compared to a law of linear phase y(Φ) = K $\Phi \pm \varepsilon$ (K = constant)

Frequency (MHz	401,250	2036,250	
Specification ϵ (- 180° \leq 4	≤ ± 4°	≤ ± 2°	
	10°	± 1,2°	± 1,5°
	20°	± 0,7°	± 1,6°
ε obtained values for	30°	± 0,9°	± 1,6°
following values of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$	40°	± 1,6°	<mark>± 3,0°</mark>
	56°	± 1,8°	<mark>± 3,4°</mark>
	60°	± 2,1°	<mark>± 2.6°</mark>

4.4. **GPSP PARAMETERS**

4.4.1. GPSP antenna phase center

Following table gives the position of the mechanical antenna reference frame in KMSF, and the position of the antenna phase center in this antenna ref frame. An adapter plate was attached to the bottom GPSP antenna before being placed on the spacecraft. The antenna reference is at the bottom-center of the antenna between the adapter

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plate and the antenna, 87 mm below the rim cup. This adapter plate has a thickness of 18 mm. The top of this adapter plate (attached to antenna) represents the plane of the antenna reference frame. The bottom of the adapter plate (attached to the spacecraft) is +53 mm along the +Z axis of the observatory coordinate system. As such, the position of the antenna reference point is +35 mm along the +Z axis of the observatory coordinate system.

GPSP antenna phase center in GPSP antenna RF					
	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)		
GPSP antenna phase center in antenna ref frame – L1	-0.832	-0.365	100.460		
GPSP antenna phase center in antenna ref frame – L2	-0.532	-0.413	105.472		
GPSP antenna phase center in antenna ref frame – LC	-1.295	-0.291	92.713		



Document DR13 provides Nominal transfer matrices (Translation & Rotation) from sat reference frame to pod reference frame.

Relative Positions of Relevant Frames in KMSF							
X (mm) Y(mm) Z (mm)							
Observatory coordinate system	1.167	-0.162	-2171.861				
GPSP antenna reference point	1.167	-0.162	-2136.861				

Table 4-5 GPSP antenna reference in KMSF: position

The orientation of the antenna reference frame with respect to the observatory system is as follows:

	Xs	Ys	Zs
Xgps	-sin(30°)	cos(30°)	0.000
Ygps	cos(30°)	sin(30°)	0.000
Zgps	0.000	0.000	-1.000

The orientation of the antenna reference frame with respect to the KMSF is then as follows:

	X _{KMSF}	Y _{KMSF}	Z _{KMSF}
X _{GPS}	-0.499892905956	0.866087126916	0.000413720858
Y _{GPS}	0.866087171193	0.499892986966	-0.000116087313
Z _{GPS}	-0.000307357883	0.000300287103	-0.999999907679

Table 4-6GPSP antenna reference in KMSF : orientation

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Accuracies on GPSP-to-CoM vector knowledge

Next Table gives the requirements at PL and CoG level, and the required values on the vector.

		GPSP phase center position knowledge in mm								
		static cor	nponents		Dynamic components Orbital variations or shorter					
		X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis	X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis	X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis
=> L4-	On orbit position of GPSP phase center wrt S/C mounting plane		+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
	CBE [Final PL]	+/- 3,92	+/- 3,92	+/- 3,92	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
SWOT- PFPLIF103 -REQ-0388	Instrument mounting alignment uncertainty is for static part		+/- 1,00	+/- 1,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
	CBE [Final]	+/- 0,77	+/- 0,77	+/- 0,19	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
SWOT- SAT-REQ- 2350	Thermoelastic : from GPSP ref frame to SC/PL IF	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
	CBE [Final]	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,10	+/- 0,18	+/- 0,99	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
	Pointing error impact	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00	+/- 0,00
SWOT- PFPLIF103 -REQ-4611	SC/PL Interface to KaRIn Metering Structure Frame		+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125	+/- 0,125
	CBE [Final PL]	-0,004	0,084	0,043	0,011	0,011	0,005	0,024	0,061	0,150
L3a-FS- 457	Knowledge of GPSP phase center wrt KMSF	+/- 6,10	+/- 6,10	+/- 6,10	+/- 1,70	+/- 1,70	+/- 1,70	+/- 0,15	+/- 0,15	+/- 0,15
	Budget : on-orbit center of phase wrt PL ref. frame => RMS addition of independant contributors		+/- 4,00	+/- 3,92	+/- 0,51	+/- 0,53	+/- 1,11	+/- 0,02	+/- 0,06	+/- 0,15
L3a-FS- 250	CoG knowledge	+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 4,00	+/- 4,00	+/- 4,00
	CBE [Final]	+/- 2,35	+/- 2,57	+/- 3,16	+/- 0,33	+/- 0,36	+/- 0,55	+/- 3,06	+/- 3,09	+/- 1,73
L3a-FS- 253	Vector GPSP-CoG req	+/- 12,10	+/- 12,10	+/- 12,10	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00
	СВЕ	+/- 6,34	+/- 6,57	+/- 7,08	+/- 0,84	+/- 0,89	+/- 1,66	+/- 3,08	+/- 3,15	+/- 1,88
	Margin	47.6%	45.7%	41.45%	83.2%	82.17%	66.82%	38.3%	37%	62.4%
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Table 4-7

Accuracies on GPSP-to-CoM vector knowledge

4.4.2. GPSP phase law

The antenna calibrations for the antenna are provided in a compressed folder named 9_P-1259682-RSE_1_PFM_049.zip. The folder contains:

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- 1. A file named "Grasp_format.txt" that describes the format of the antenna calibration files as provided by RUAG.
- 2. A file named Readme_049.txt that provides the location that was used to measure the antenna calibration relative to the antenna reference frame. Here, we refer to the origin of the antenna reference frame as the antenna reference point (ARP). The ARP, as defined by RUAG, is the bottom-center of the antenna as delivered. The position used to measure the antenna calibrations is effectively the top of the rim cup of the antenna, which has coordinates of (0,0,87) mm with respect to the ARP.
- **3.** A folder named GraspFiles_RF contains the antenna calibrations at 36 different frequencies as a function of elevation and azimuth.

These files have been provided to CNES. The antenna phase center locations provided in section 4.4.1 have been determine using a best fit sphere to the calibration measurements provided in this file. Values in these files are with respect to the rim cup, and phase center offsets in the table provided in section 4.4.1 are with respect to the antenna reference point (i.e., values in table account for 87 mm difference between rim cup and antenna reference.)

4.5. LRA PARAMETERS

4.5.1. LRA optical center

Satellite laser ranging measurements from the SWOT mission are used to support precise orbit determination of the satellite, and/or validation of precise orbit determination performed using other tracking systems (e.g., GNSS, DORIS). The International Laser Ranging Service (<u>https://ilrs.cddis.eosdis.nasa.gov</u>), a service of the International Association of Geodesy, coordinates activities for the international network of laser ranging field stations, with the network representing a global consortium of permanent and mobile field stations. The ILRS collects and distributes laser ranging measurements from the network to the passive Laser Retroreflector Array (LRA) on SWOT.

The LRA onboard SWOT is manufactured by ITE Inc. and is a copy of those flown on the Jason-2, Jason-3, and SWOT missions. It has 9 cubes on a spherical surface, as shown in Figure 1. The cubes are manufactured from SUPRASIL-1 (quartz) and have a diameter of approximately 32 mm. They have a refractive index of 1.46071 for a wavelength of 0.532 microns, and a group refractive index of 1.4853 for a wavelength of 0.532 microns. Nominally, no obscuration of the cubes can occur, but they can be obscured by MLI at very high off-nadir angle measurements. The back-face coating material is MgFI2.



Figure 4-2 SWOT LRA

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The position of the origin of the LRA reference frame in the KaRIn Metering Structure Frame (KMSF) is provided in Table 4-8, both from the Mechanical Interface Control Document and as measured. The origin of the LRA reference frame is located at the baseplate of the LRA, with the X and Y axes lying in the plane of the baseplate. The Z-axis of the LRA reference frame effectively points outward to the top-facing cube. The positions reported in Table 1 account for the thickness of the LRA bracket and the LRA washers. The orientation of the LRA in the KMSF is provided in Table 4-9. The optical center of the LRA in the LRA reference frame is provided in Table 4-10. The location and orientation of the individual cubes in the LRA are provides in Table 4-11.

Mechanical LRA antenna frame origin in KMSF					
	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)		
Mechanical Interface Control Drawing	0	-544.921	2414.529		
Measured	-1.9025	-546.0446	2412.7247		

Table 4-8 Position of origin of LRA reference frame in the KaRIn Metering Structure Frame (KMSF). Units are mm.

	Xs	Ys	Zs				
	Mechanical Interface Control Drawing						
X _{LRA}	1.000	0.000	0.000				
Y _{LRA}	0.000	1.000	0.000				
Z _{LRA}	0.000	0.000	1.000				
	N	leasured Values					
X _{LRA}	1.000000	0.000002	0.000923				
Y _{LRA}	-0.000003	1.000000	0.000663				
Zlra	-0.000923	-0.000663	0.999999				

Table 4-9

Orientation of the LRA in the KaRIn Metering Structure Frame.

X _{LRA}	Y_{LRA}	Z _{LRA}
0.0	0.0	-23.375

Table 4-10 Position of LRA optical center in the LRA reference frame. Units are mm.

OPTICAL CORRECTION 4.6.

Note that a range correction to the measured range is required to move the point of optical reflection to the optical center of the LRA. The optical center defined in Figure 4-3 is the center of a sphere on which the front faces of the retroreflector cubes are tangent. Range corrections are also shown in the figure, representing the error window for a given line of sight or incidence angle (θ, ϕ) on the array. Adding the range correction to the measured range adjusts the apparent point of reflection to the optical center of the retroreflector array. Alternatively, and if desired, the incidence angle dependence could be removed by using instead an average range correction of 4.6 cm across the entire array.

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Figure 4-3 LRA field of view (FOV) and coordinate system. The Z-axis of the LRA reference frame points toward nadir.

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Cube SN	Х	Y	Z	θ	¢
3	0.06324	0.00000	0.05306	0.00000	0.87266
1	0.04472	0.04472	0.05306	0.78540	0.87266
5	0.00000	0.06324	0.05306	1.57080	0.87266
8	-0.04472	0.04472	0.05306	2.35619	0.87266
9	-0.06324	0.00000	0.05306	3.14159	0.87266
10	-0.04472	-0.04472	0.05306	3.92699	0.87266
4	0.00000	-0.06324	0.05306	4.71239	0.87266
2	0.04472	-0.04472	0.05306	5.49779	0.87266
11	0.00000	0.00000	0.08255	0.00000	0.00000

Table 4-11

Retroreflector Array Coordinates. Units are m and radians.

4.7. ACCURACIES ON LRA-TO-COM VECTOR KNOWLEDGE

Next Table gives the requirements at PL and CoG level, and the required values on the vector.

		LRA optio	LRA optical center position knowledge							
		static components				r Dynamic	: m variations	components		
		X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis	X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis	X-axis	Y-axis	Z-axis
L3b-PL- 110	PL knowledge of LRA optical center wrt KMSF	+/- 1,41	+/- 1,80	+/- 1,80	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,50	+/- 0,50	+/- 1,00	+/- 1,30	+/- 1,80
	CBE [Final PL]	+/- 0,20	+/- 0,76	+/- 0,20	+/- 0,10	+/- 0,10	+/- 0,10	+/- 0,20	+/- 0,40	+/- 1,40
L3a-FS- 250		+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 6,00	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 1,50	+/- 4,00	+/- 4,00	+/- 4,00
	CBE [Final]	+/- 2,35	+/- 2,57	+/- 3,16	+/- 0,33	+/- 0,36	+/- 0,55	+/- 3,06	+/- 3,09	+/- 1,73
L3a-FS- 254		+/- 10,00	+/- 10,00	+/- 12,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,00	+/- 5,30	+/- 5,80
	СВЕ	+/- 2,55	+/- 3,33	+/- 3,36	+/- 0,43	+/- 0,46	+/- 0,65	+/- 3,26	+/- 3,49	+/- 3,13
	Margin	74,53%	66,69%	72,03%	91,40%	90,80%	87,00%	34,80%	34.15%	46.03%

Table 4-12 Accuracies on LRA-to-CoM vector knowledge

4.8. POSEIDON-3C PARAMETERS

To process the nadir altimeter data, it is necessary to know precisely the position of the measurement reference at antenna level.

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Mechanical nadir altimeter antenna frame origin in KMSF					
	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)		
Mechanical NA top of the POD in KMSF (PL)	-567.4	-0.6	2072.5		
Mechanical NA reference frame in KMSF (PL level) – cube reference, for reference only	-670.666	667.644	2227.853		

Rotation	XKMSF	YKMSF	ZKMSF
XANT	0,999999987290	0,000147709343	-0,000060018928
YANT	-0,000147766095	0,999999540985	-0,000946676220
ZANT	0,000059879067	0,000946685077	0,999999550101

 Table 4-13
 Nadir altimeter antenna refererence frame position and rotation in KMSF

For POS3C antenna phase center, we use a virtual reference plan which is located between the antenna mechanical reference point and the feed.





The coordinates of the antenna reference plan with reference to the antenna *mechanical* reference frame is (only Z axis is used) :

X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)
0	0	209.302

Accounting on the supporting columns heights in addition we end up with the following Z coordinates:

Pos3C antenr	na reference p	lan in KMSF			
X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)	X (mm)	Y (mm)	Z (mm)
-567,40 mm	-0,60 mm	2256,50 mm	-568,57 mm	-0,44 mm	4428,36 mm

Table 4-14 Nadir altimeter measurement reference position in KMSF

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Initial distance in Z axis between antenna reference plan and satellite center of mass is : 2846.6 mm

Accuracy :

L3a-FS-458 – Radial Error - NA Phase Center to FS CoM: The Observatory shall know the variations of the radial position of the Nadir Altimeter phase center with respect to the Observatory Center of Mass to within 5.5 mm (3-sigma)

Contribution	Requirement	CBE
L3b-PL-263	3,8 (1 sigma)	1,55 mm (1 sigma)
POS-3C baseline center stability		
L3a-FS-250	4,3 mm	1,4 mm
F/S CoM knowledge error		
L3a-FS-458	5,5 mm	2,9 mm





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