CryoVExANT 2011 Data Acquisition Report

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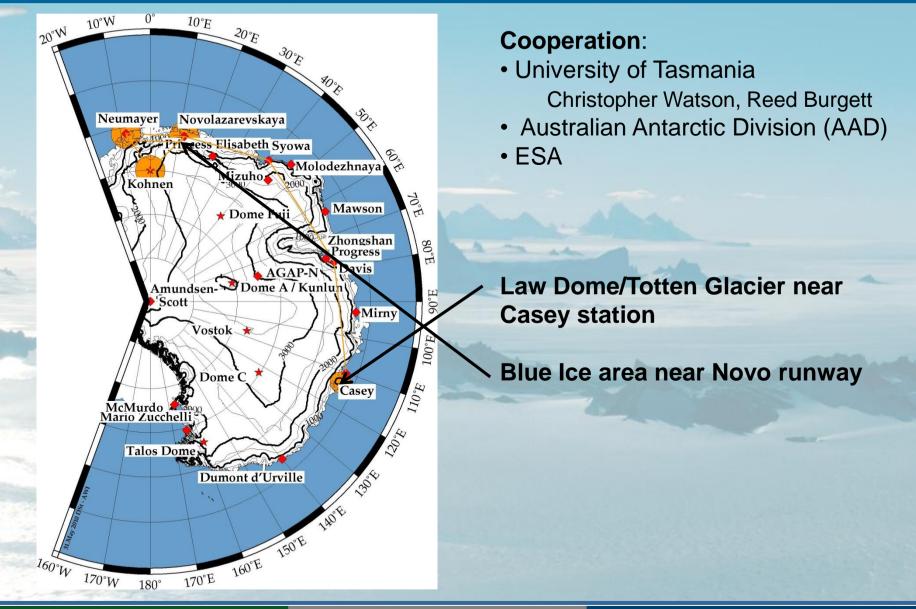
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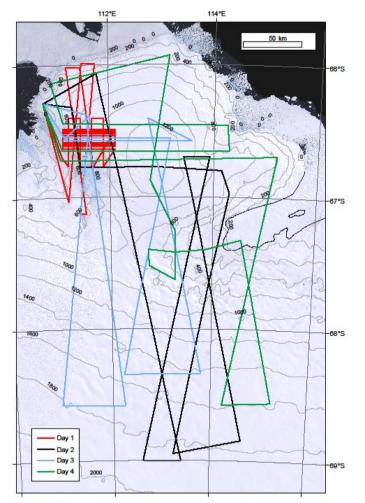
Law Dome – Totten Glacier





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Airborne survey (4 days) - AWI

- Gid 30 km x 50 km
- CryoSat-2 Tracks
- IceSat Lines
- Historical lines for Acc. studies

Field activities – Unversity of Tasmania • GPS

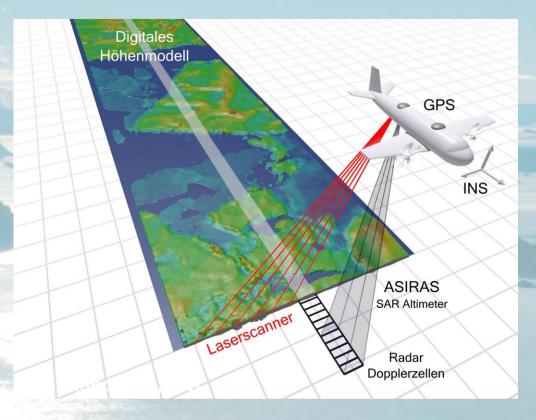
Corner Reflector

Snowpit





Aicraft: AWI POLAR 6



ASIRAS: RST/ESA – SAR-Altimeter

Laserscanner: Riegl LMSVQ-580 Laseraltimeter: Riegl LD90

GPS: two Trimble , two Novatel NADIR camera:

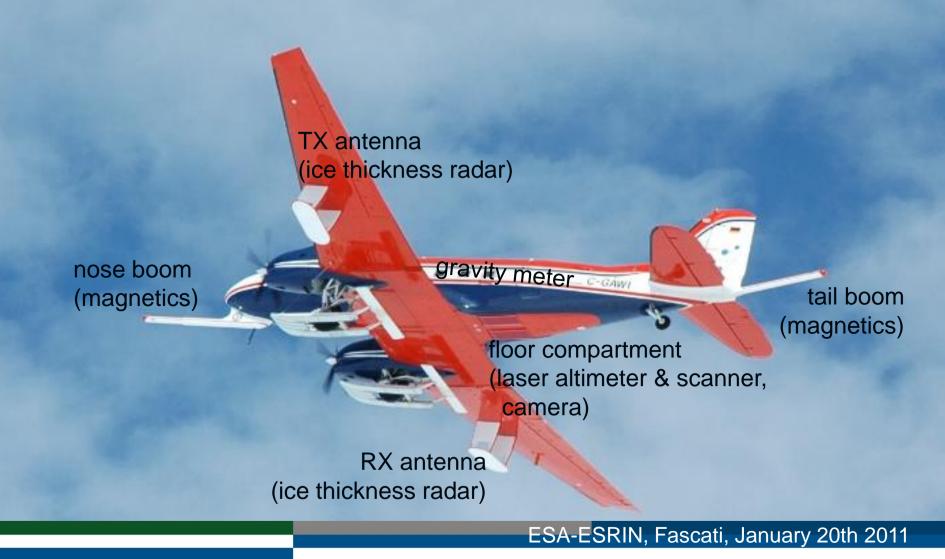
INS: Honeywell



AWI – POLAR 5/6



Geophysical mapping in Antarctica - aircraft instrumentation



Time line of Activities



ASIRAS Test flight with new Aircraft POLAR6 (Basler BT-67)

- Bremerhaven, Oct 22nd/23rd
- Ferry to Antarctica

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Start of CryoVEx ANT-2011 – Novo runway:

- System integration and test flight including CryoSat2-tracks around Novo (16.11 – 19.11)
- Ferry from Novo via Syowa and Davis to Casey (19.11 21.11)

Main activities – Law Dome, Totten Glacier:

- Airborne activities: 5 days of survey including CR passes, CryoSat-2 tracks,
 Grid, IceSat tracks (22.11 28.11)
- Field activites: CR, Snowpit, GPS by University of Tasmania (Reed Burgett, C. Watson)

Opportunistic activities

- Amery Ice shelf 30.11. (Repeat measurements of CryoVExANT-2010)
- Novo Blue Ice grid and CryoSat2-tracks 04.12 (Repeat measurements of CryoVExANT-2008 and 2010)





• Very lucky with weather!!!

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- All planned lines were surveyed
- Instruments worked very well, even the new laser scanner (Range up to 2000 m)
- Opportunistic lines were also surveyed
- Both CR were hit several times
- In field analysis of ASIRAS showed a clear E-W accumulation trend across Law Dome and good data quality
- ASIRAS instrument arrived last week in Bremerhaven
- Airborne Data processing will start in February



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Thank you!





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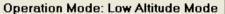
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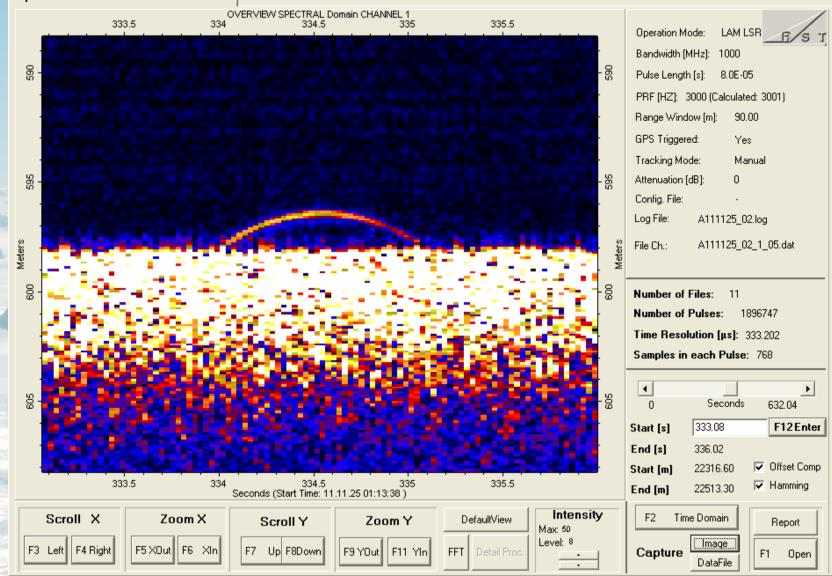
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