



Cryovex 2008 – Overview

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Cryovex08 objectives:

- Sea-ice experiment from CFS Alert:
 - Coincident flight with lidar, ASIRAS and HEM
 - Test for readiness for post-Cryosat launch campaign
 - In-situ calibration line with ice thickness, snow depth, reflectors
 - Deployment of GPS bouys for ice drift monitoring in near real time
- ASIRAS flight over "cold" ice profile in Northern Greenland (Liz Morris)
- Devon ice cap reflight with ASIRAS

Opportunity objectives:

- Flight across EGIG line, crossing ice sheet from W to E
- Overflight of KV Svalbard with ASIRAS and laser reflector in Fram Strait







Other objectives, not related to CryoVex, opportunity basis:

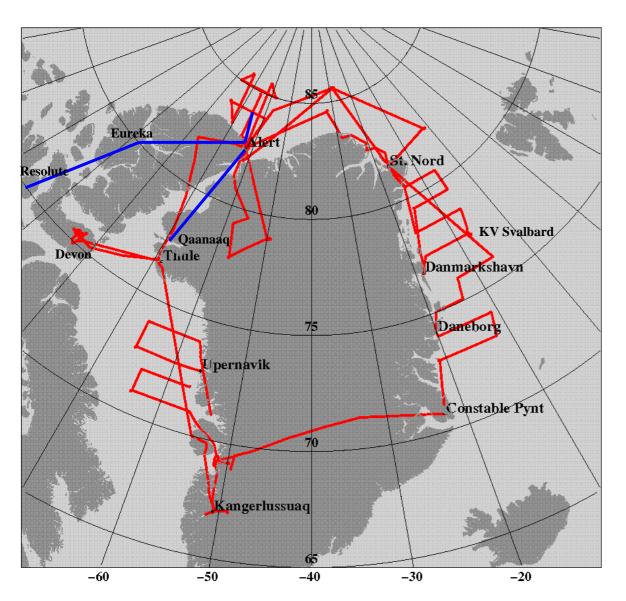
- Sea-ice flights in NW and NE Greenland, with helicopter-based in-situ measurements (Greenland Home Rule government)
- Iceberg lidar overflights, Disko Bay, W Greenland (DMI)
- Hans Island weather station deployment (KVUG, Denmark/SAMS, Scotland)
- AWI/U Edmonton sea ice EM profiles
- Damocles ice camp with AUV experiment











Time schedule OY-POF:

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April 18 Survey of icebergs

April 19 Sea ice Baffin Bay

April 20 EGIG transit

April 21 Transit to St. Nord

April 24 Overflight of KV Svalbard

April 27 Lines north of Greenland

April 28 Transit to Alert

April 29 UK1 flight (Morris)

May 1 NE lines + validation sites

May 2 Square+HEM flight

May 5 Mow-the-lawn AUV site

May 6 Devon ice cap

May 7 To Kangerlussuaq

May 8- Unmount ASIRAS

May 15 P-band sounder test

Time schedule C-GKBG

April 27 Resolute-Eureka

April 28 Eureka-Alert

April 30 Qaanaaq pick-up

May 1 Fuel cache for EM heli

May 4 Hans Island + ice strip

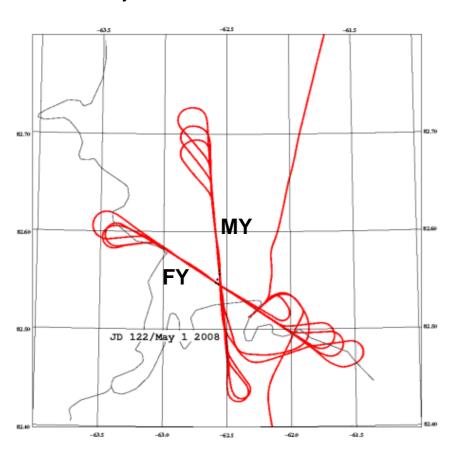
May 7 Demob Qaanaaq/Resolute



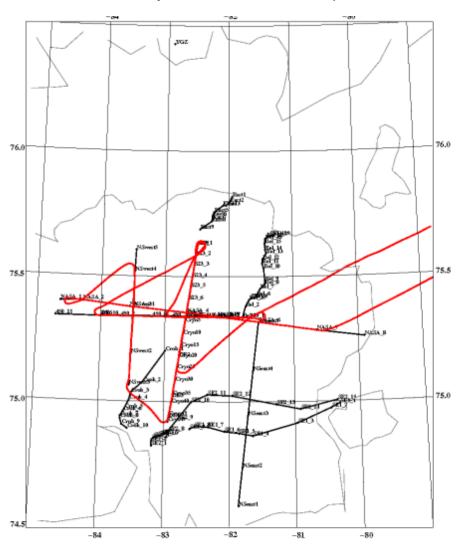


Details of flights

May 1 – ice validation lines



May 6 – Devon ice cap





Some lessons learned for 2010 CryoVex

- ASIRAS: New reduced-storage LAM mode works fine
- Desk-top PC's in field still very ackward .. and too heavy ..
- Data QC during flight campaing important .. easier with more time
- Avoid too many other projects at same time .. conflicts in scheduling
- Alert weather .. need longer time on site, especially for Heli ops .. should we go earlier in 2010?
- Alert logistics:
 - Need overall DND agreement for 2010 and 2011
 - Unknown how change of logistics to private operator will affect daily ops
 - Internet access a problem .. acquire Iridium-based internet hub?









2009 operations from Alert:

- UNCLOS bathymetry Canadian and Danish Hydrographic Services, DTU-Space – 6 weeks
- Airborne gravity survey (DC3) DTU-Space and NRCan (Geodetic Survey Division) – 6 wks
- Danish IPY science ice camp 2 weeks+, last part of April



