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Executive Summary

This is a set of sea ice, and iceberg, analysis data prepared for the ExtremeEarth project. The intention is that this dataset is useful for training and validating automated methods for processing satellite images, although it could also be applied to ice analyst training. The region chosen for the analysis was Danmarkshavn on the east coast of Greenland. This has a wide variety of sea ice and iceberg conditions, and was continuously monitored by key European Sentinel satellites during 2018. The dataset consists of 12 days, approximately monthly, throughout the year, covering winter and spring, summer melt, and autumn freeze-up. The presence of extensive (land) fast ice in the area ensures that classifications on those areas can be applied to additional dates. The sea ice classification includes primary and secondary ice types, including partial concentrations and form (floe size).

The initial version (1.0.0) contains basic ice/water classification, and the polygons remain unclassified for sea ice concentrations, ice type and form.

The updated version (2.0.0) now contains the additional information on sea ice concentrations, ice type and form.



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1. Introduction

The training dataset consists of sea ice and iceberg analysis derived from 12, approximately monthly, dates in 2018 from the area of the Greenland Sea east of Danmarkshavn (76° 46' 8" N 18° 39' 53" W, -18.664722 76.768889). The location is shown in Figure 1. The primary data source is Sentinel-1 Extended Wide (EW) mode dual-polarisation (HH+HV) synthetic aperture radar (SAR) images, supplemented by optical data from Sentinel-3 Sea and Land Surface Temperature Radiometer (SLSTR) and Sentinel-2 Multispectral Instrument (MSI), ICESat-2 laser altimetry data in the last two months (November and December), and weather observations.

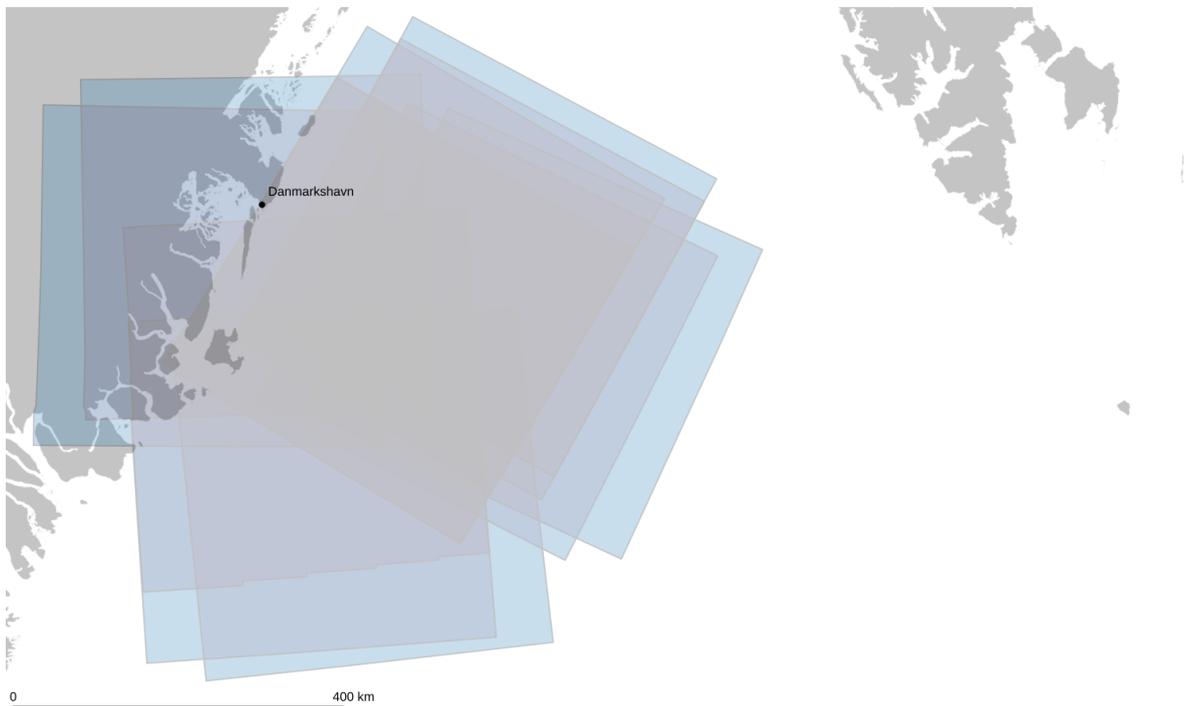


Figure 1: Location of Sentinel-1 satellite coverage in relation to Greenland and Svalbard.

The region experiences a wide variety of sea ice conditions and has a large number of icebergs. A key feature is the formation of an extensive (land) fast ice fringe along the coast in the winter, some of which can develop into multi-year ice if anchored by grounded icebergs. This is a southward extension of the Norske Øer Ice Barrier (NØIB) reviewed in Hughes and others, 2011. The fast ice allows the development of extensive areas of new ice in flaw lead systems and offshore of these is a variable drifting ice cover transiting southward on the East Greenland Current (EGC).

As the fast ice is immobile it provides a useful laboratory for remote sensing investigations, where the effects of SAR incidence angle and polarimetry, and temporal changes in the ice surface, can be evaluated. The analysis dataset provided here is an interpretation at 12 dates throughout the year. The classifications can be extended to further dates, thus multiplying the number of samples.



For the satellite remote sensing, the location is sufficiently far south to have both descending (morning) and ascending (afternoon) overpasses by Sentinel-1 satellites thus permitting a review of the effects of the look direction, in addition to incidence angles, on target radar response. The lower latitude also allows for a longer period when optical (visible) satellite sensors can be used to provide additional data, in particular the very high resolution coverage of Sentinel-2.

The analysis follows international ice charting standards defined by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) Joint Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology (JCOMM) Expert Team on Sea Ice (ETSI) and uses a subset of the SIGRID-3 vector archive format for sea ice georeferenced information and data (JCOMM, 2014), that is itself based on the ESRI Shapefile format. The data is therefore readable through software tools including QGIS (QGIS Development Team, 2020) and the Geospatial Data Abstraction Library (GDAL) (GDAL/OGR contributors, 2020).

2. Sentinel-1 Processing

Sentinel-1 data was processed using the European Space Agency (ESA) Sentinel Application Platform (SNAP) to provide a calibrated, despeckled and terrain-corrected geolocated image. The processing graph for this is shown in Figure 2 and XML-file provided in Annex A.

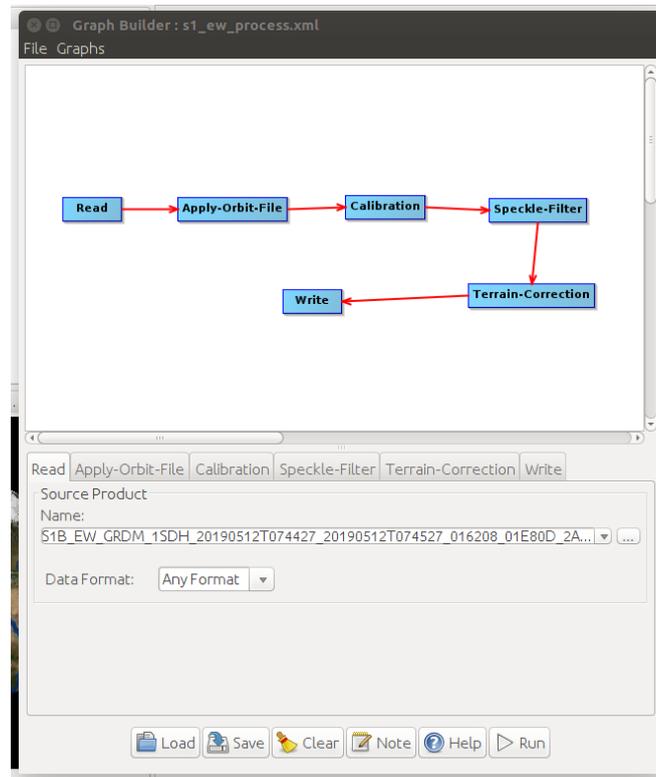


Figure 2: SNAP processing chart for Sentinel-1 EW processing.

The terrain correction step is essential for proper geolocation of ascending overpass Sentinel-1 images on the east coast of Greenland.

The GeoTIFF image from SNAP was subsequently processed to a reduced file size, with lossy JPEG compression, using GDAL utilities. This generated a false colour RGB composite using HV/HH (cross/co-polarisation ratio), HV and HH. The (Bash) shell script for this is provided in Annex B.

All Sentinel-1 images are dual-polarisation (HH+HV) Ground Range Detected, Medium resolution (GRDM). These have a sensor spatial resolution of 93x87 m, provided with a pixel resolution of 40x40 m with 6x2 looks and an equivalent number of looks (ENL) of 10.7. The Sentinel-1 User Guide provides more details on this and the other operating modes available at

<https://sentinel.esa.int/web/sentinel/user-guides/sentinel-1-sar/resolutions/level-1-ground-range-detected>

3. Data Format

3.1. Map Projection

The analysis Shapefiles use a Polar Stereographic map projection with WGS84 ellipsoid and datum, centred at 90° N and rotated to 0° E. The Well-Known Text (WKT) for this is:

```
PROJCS["Stereographic_North_Pole",  
  GEOGCS["GCS_WGS_1984",  
    DATUM["unknown",  
      SPHEROID["WGS84",6378137,298.257223563]],  
    PRIMEM["Greenwich",0],  
    UNIT["Degree",0.017453292519943295],  
    AUTHORITY["EPSG","4326"]],  
  PROJECTION["Polar_Stereographic"],  
  PARAMETER["latitude_of_origin",90],  
  PARAMETER["central_meridian",0],  
  PARAMETER["false_easting",0],  
  PARAMETER["false_northing",0],  
  UNIT["Meter",1]]
```

The PROJ library (PROJ contributors, 2020) representation of this is:

```
+proj=stere +lat_0=90 +lat_ts=90 +lon_0=0 +ellps=WGS84 +datum=WGS84
```

3.2. Land Mask Dataset

A coastline has been applied to the sea ice polygons. This has been derived from Open Street Map land polygon data available at

<https://osmdata.openstreetmap.de/data/land-polygons.html>

3.3. Sea Ice

The analysis contains a subset of the information fields available in the full SIGRID-3 format, as listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Sea ice Shapefile data fields.

<i>Field name</i>	<i>Data type</i>	<i>Description</i>
id	Integer	Unique serial number for polygon in the Shapefile.
poly_type	String	Single character string providing basic classification into: L = Land W = Open water (ice-free) I = Sea ice or iceberg N = No data S = Ice shelf / ice of land origin (iceberg)
area	Float (16)	Area of polygon in square metres.
perimeter	Float (16)	Perimeter of polygon in metres.
CT	Integer	Total ice concentration, CA+CB, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 2.
CA	Integer	Concentration of primary (thickest) ice type A, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 2.
SA	Integer	Thickness of ice or stage of development for primary (thickest) ice type A, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 3.
FA	Integer	Form of ice or floe size for primary (thickest) ice type A, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 4.
CB	Integer	Concentration of secondary (thinnest) ice type B, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 2.
SB	Integer	Thickness of ice or stage of development for secondary (thinnest) ice type B, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 3.
FB	Integer	Form of ice or floe size for secondary (thinnest) ice type B, encoded as per SIGRID-3. See Table 4.

In SIGRID-3 only the poly_type, area and perimeter fields are mandatory. For this study the focus on detail reduced the need for additional ice classes beyond the primary and secondary ones.

The values for sea ice concentration (CT, CA and CB), ice type (stage of development) (SA and SB), and form of ice (floe size) (FA and FB) are provided in Tables 2, 3 and 4 on the following pages.



Table 2: Ice concentration, as per SIGRID-3 Appendix E - Code Tables for SIGRID-3 Variables
 “Table 1: Concentration codes for variable identifiers CT, CA, CB, CC, AV, AK, AM and AT” (page 31)

<i>Definition</i>	<i>Code Figure</i>
Ice Free	98
Less than 1/10 (open water)	01
Bergy Water	02
1/10	10
2/10	20
3/10	30
4/10	40
5/10	50
6/10	60
7/10	70
8/10	80
9/10	90
10/10	92
Concentration intervals (lowest concentration in interval followed by highest concentration in interval)	
9/10 – 10/10 or 9+/10	91
8/10 – 9/10	89
8/10 – 10/10	81
7/10 – 9/10	79
7/10 – 8 /10	78
6/10 – 8/10	68
6/10 – 7/10	67
5/10 – 7/10	57
5/10 – 6/10	56
4/10 – 6/10	46
4/10 – 5/10	45
3/10 – 5/10	35
3/10 – 4/10	34
2/10 – 4/10	24
2/10 – 3/10	23
1/10 – 3/10	13
1/10 – 2/10	12
Undetermined / Unknown	99



Table 3: Ice type, as per SIGRID-3 Appendix E - Code Tables for SIGRID-3 Variables
 “Table 2: Thickness of ice or stage of development codes for variable identifiers SA, SB, SC, CN, and CD.” (page 33)

<i>Stage of Development</i>	<i>Thickness</i>	<i>Code Figure</i>
Ice Free		01
Ice Thickness in cm	1-2 cm	02
	3 cm	03
	4 cm	04

	50 cm	50
Ice Thickness interval, 5 cm	55 cm	51
	60 cm	52
	65 cm	53

	95 cm	59
Ice Thickness interval, 10 cm	100 cm	60
	110 cm	61
	120 cm	62

	190 cm	69
Ice Thickness interval, 50 cm	200 cm	70
	250 cm	71
	300 cm	72
	350 cm	73
Ice Thickness interval, 100 cm	00 cm	74
	500 cm	75
	600 cm	76
	700 cm	77
	800 cm	78
Brash Ice	Given by AV, AT, AM, AT	79



Table 3 continued: Ice type, as per SIGRID-3 Appendix E - Code Tables for SIGRID-3 Variables
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<i>Stage of Development</i>	<i>Thickness</i>	<i>Code Figure</i>
No Stage of Development		80
New Ice	< 10 cm	81
Nilas, Ice Rind	< 10 cm	82
Young Ice	10 - <30 cm	83
Grey Ice	10 - <15 cm	84
Grey - White Ice	15 - <30 cm	85
First Year Ice	≥30 cm	86
Thin First Year Ice	30 - <70 cm	87
Thin First Year Stage 1	30 - <50 cm	88
Thin First Year Stage 2	50 - <70 cm	89
For Later Use		90
Medium First Year Ice	70 - <120 cm	91
For Later Use		92
Thick First Year Ice	≥120 cm	93
Residual Ice		94
Old Ice		95
Second Year Ice		96
Multi-Year Ice		97
Glacier Ice		98
Undetermined/Unknown		99

Notes:

- a) This table has been extended to conform with the original SIGRID (1981) specification with two exceptions:
 - Code 01 has been used to represent Ice Free instead of an ice thickness of 1 cm. To conform with S-57 standards, code 00 is not used. There is little significant difference between an ice thickness of 1 cm and 2 cm.
 - Code 79 has been used for brash ice instead of a thickness of 900 cm as in the original SIGRID. The maximum ice thickness that can be reported by this code is therefore 800 cm instead of 900 cm.
- b) To differentiate dark and light nilas gradations, use stage of development codes ‘03’ and ‘07’ respectively.



Table 4: Form of ice or floe size, as per SIGRID-3 Appendix E - Code Tables for SIGRID-3 Variables
"Table 13: Form of ice codes for variable identifiers FA, FB, FC, FP and FS." (page 35)

<i>Form</i>	<i>Size/Concentration</i>	<i>Code Figure</i>
Pancake Ice	30 cm - 3 m	22
Shuga/Small Ice Cake, Brash Ice	< 2 m across	01
Ice Cake	< 20 m across	02
Small Floe	20 m - <100 m across	03
Medium Floe	100 m - <500 m across	04
Big Floe	500 m - <2 km across	05
Vast Floe	2 km - <10 km across	06
Giant Floe	≥10 km across	07
Fast Ice		08
Growlers, Floebergs or Floebits		09
Icebergs		10
Strips and Patches	concentrations 1/10	11
Strips and Patches	concentrations 2/10	12
Strips and Patches	concentrations 3/10	13
Strips and Patches	concentrations 4/10	14
Strips and Patches	concentrations 5/10	15
Strips and Patches	concentrations 6/10	16
Strips and Patches	concentrations 7/10	17
Strips and Patches	concentrations 8/10	18
Strips and Patches	concentrations 9/10	19
Strips and Patches	concentrations 9+/10	91
Strips and Patches	concentrations 10/10	20
Level Ice		21
Undetermined/Unknown		99

4. Description of Data

12 dates, separated by about one month, were chosen for analysis to provide a representation of sea ice and iceberg conditions throughout the seasonal cycle. In the Danmarkshavn dataset used for ExtremeEarth, the coverage is a full calendar year (2018).

The dates and Sentinel-1 images chosen are listed in Table 5.

Table 5: Dates, times and Sentinel-1 images.

<i>Month</i>	<i>Date / Time</i>	<i>Sentinel-1 Filename</i>
January	2018-01-16 07:54:30	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180116T075430_20180116T075530_020177_0226B9_9FE3
February	2018-02-13 17:54:44	S1B_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180213T175444_20180213T175544_009608_011511_8266
March	2018-03-13 18:12:25	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180313T181225_20180313T181325_021000_0240E1_8163
April	2018-04-17 07:46:06	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180417T074606_20180417T074706_021504_0250C3_D211
May	2018-05-15 17:46:33	S1B_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180515T174633_20180515T174733_010935_01403A_A84D
June	2018-06-12 18:04:23	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180612T180423_20180612T180523_022327_026AB3_AC33
July	2018-07-17 07:38:09	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180717T073809_20180717T073909_022831_0279B9_EBF1
August	2018-08-14 07:53:44	S1B_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180814T075344_20180814T075444_012256_016952_B1DC
September	2018-09-11 17:55:48	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180911T175548_20180911T175652_023654_0293F5_7CA2
October	2018-10-16 07:29:58	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20181016T072958_20181016T073058_024158_02A460_DA8F
November	2018-11-13 07:45:29	S1B_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20181113T074529_20181113T074629_013583_019254_D382
December	2018-12-18 07:54:37	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20181218T075437_20181218T075537_025077_02C472_1DB2

4.1. January

Filename:	Sea_Ice/seaice_s1_20180116t075430.dbf Sea_Ice/seaice_s1_20180116t075430.prj Sea_Ice/seaice_s1_20180116t075430.shp Sea_Ice/seaice_s1_20180116t075430.shx			
Satellite Data:				
Primary	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180116T075430_20180116T075530_020177_0226B9_9FE3			
History	S1B_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180115T174643_20180115T174743_009185_010726_6FB4			
Optical	Cloudy			
Past Weather(48h)	Temperatures: -8 °C to -22 °C. Alternating winds, moderate breeze to gale from west, north and north-east. Light Snow.			
Number of Polygons:	Land	Water	Ice	Total
	3	1	200	204

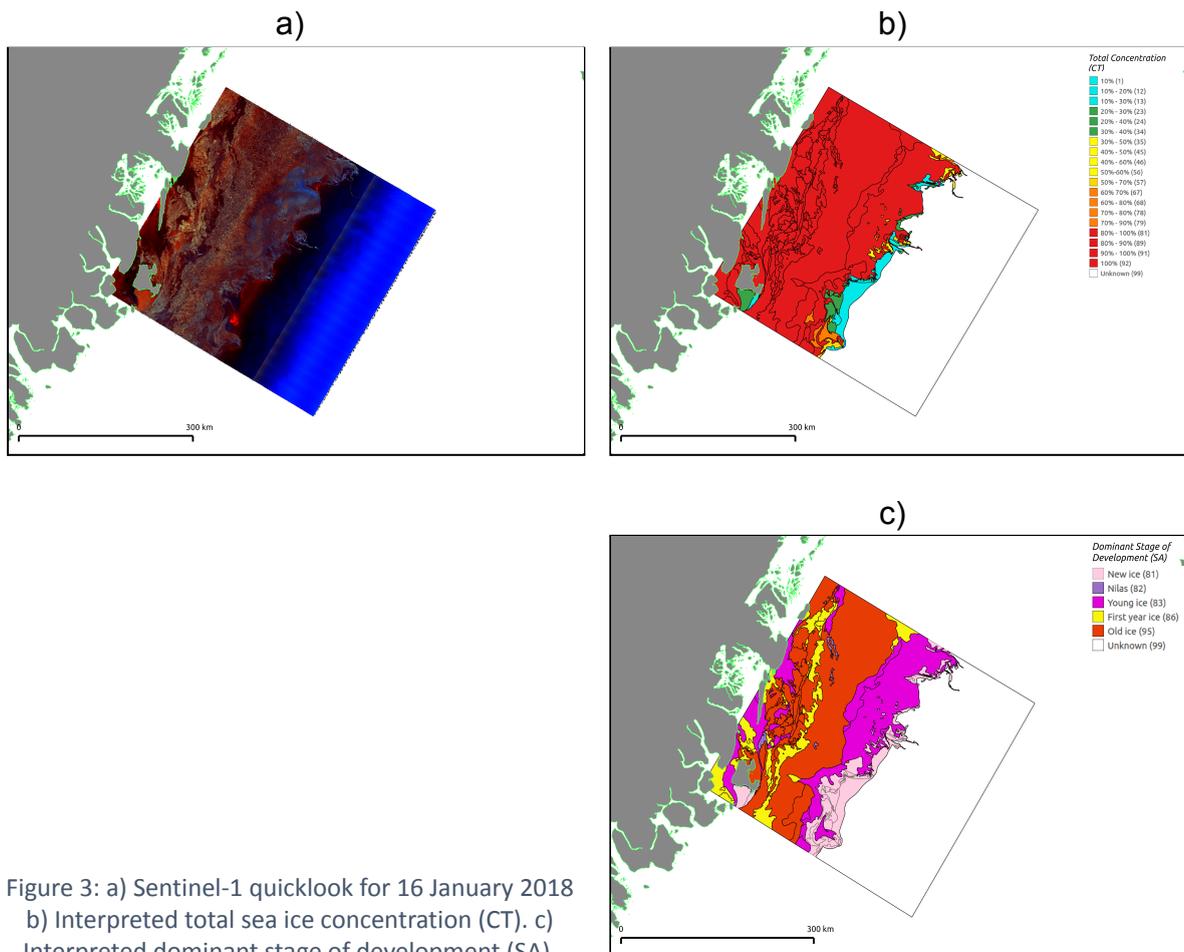


Figure 3: a) Sentinel-1 quicklook for 16 January 2018
b) Interpreted total sea ice concentration (CT). c) Interpreted dominant stage of development (SA).

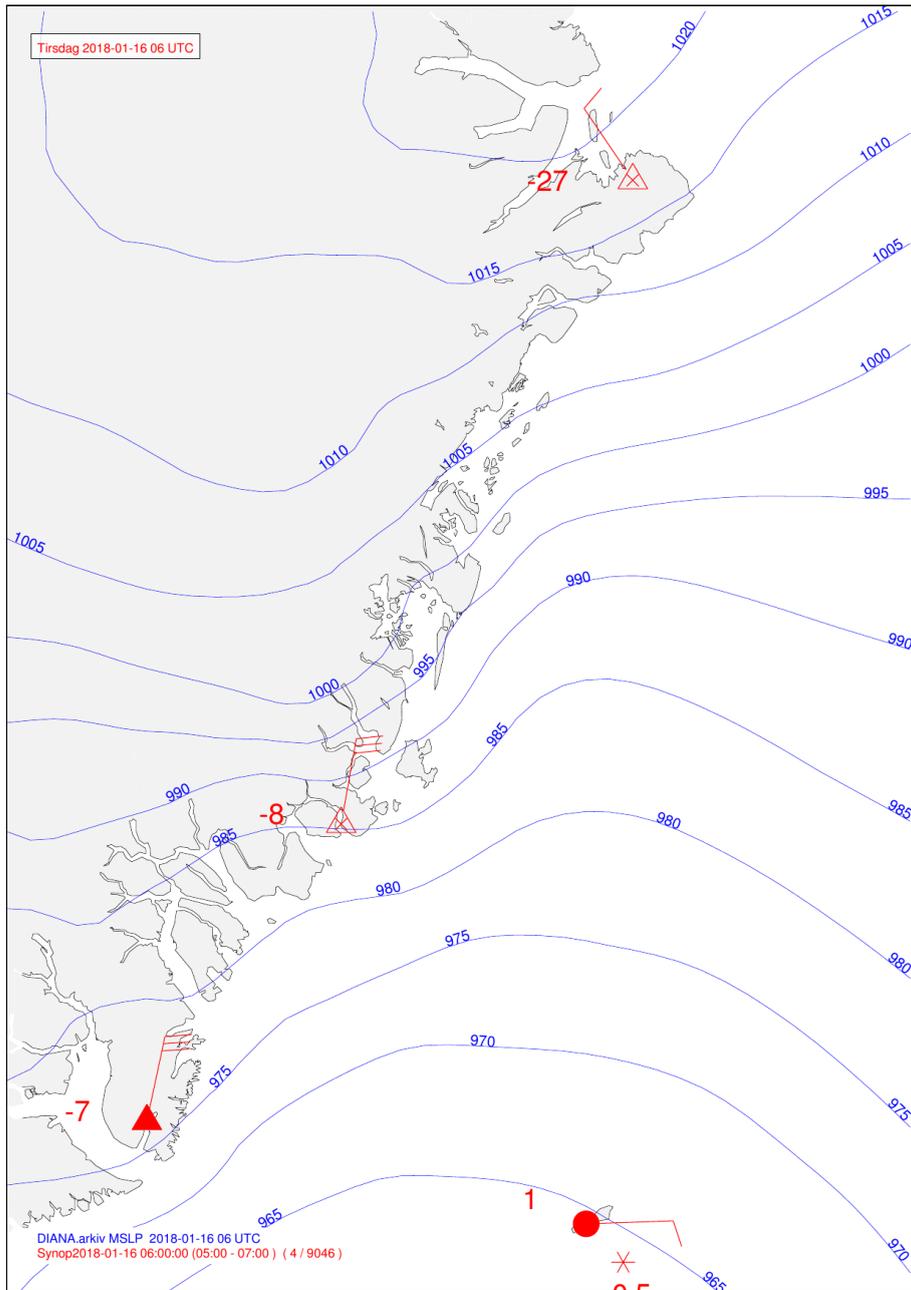


Figure 4: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 16 January 2018.

4.2. February

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Satellite Data:				
Primary	S1B_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180213T175444_20180213T175544_009608_011511_8266			
History	S1A_EW_GRDM_1SDH_20180212T180416_20180212T180516_020577_02336E_5855			
Optical	Cloudy			
Past Weather(48h)	Temperatures: -8 °C to -27 °C. Fresh breeze to near gale from north-east. Light Snow.			
Number of Polygons:	Land	Water	Ice	Total
	12	1	144	157

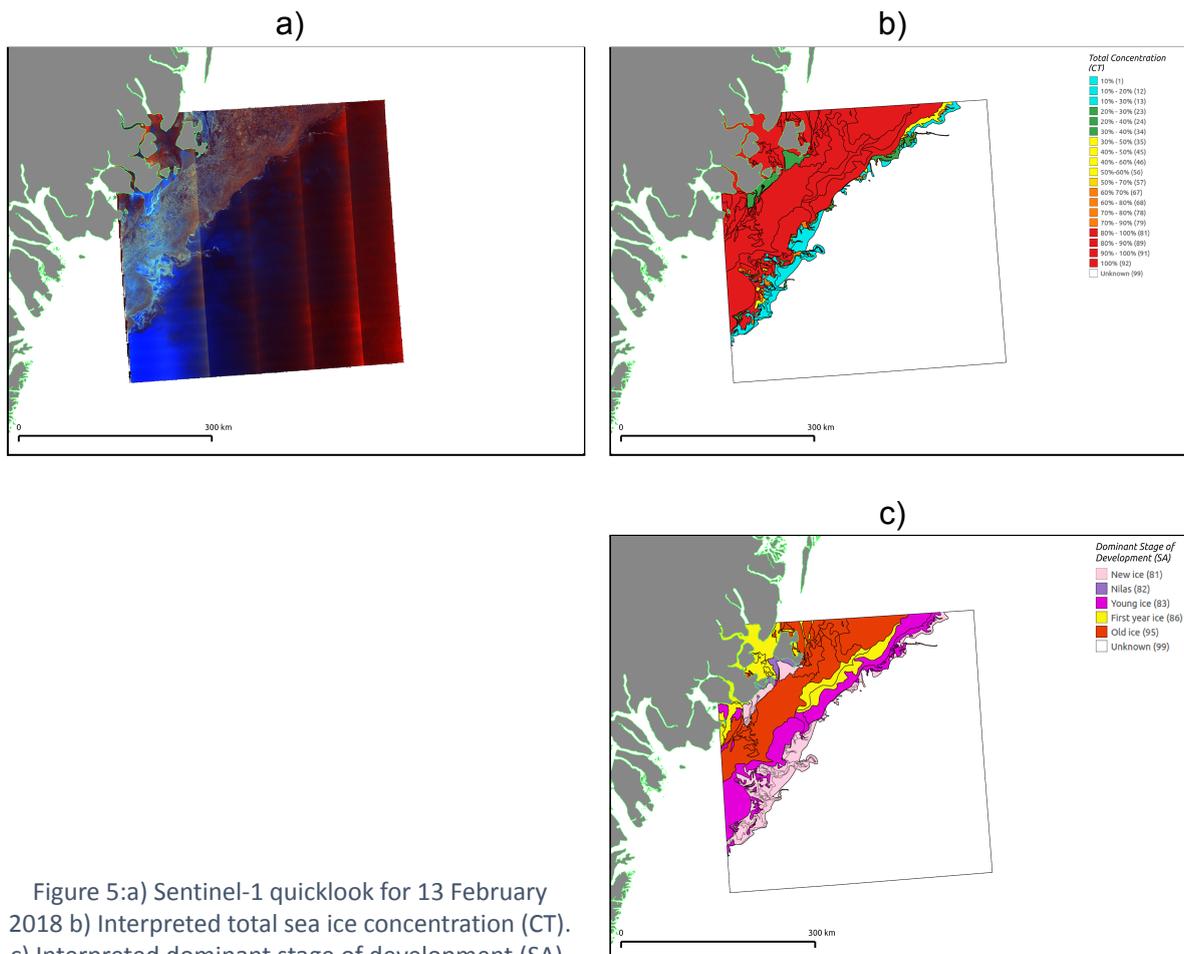


Figure 5: a) Sentinel-1 quicklook for 13 February 2018 b) Interpreted total sea ice concentration (CT). c) Interpreted dominant stage of development (SA).

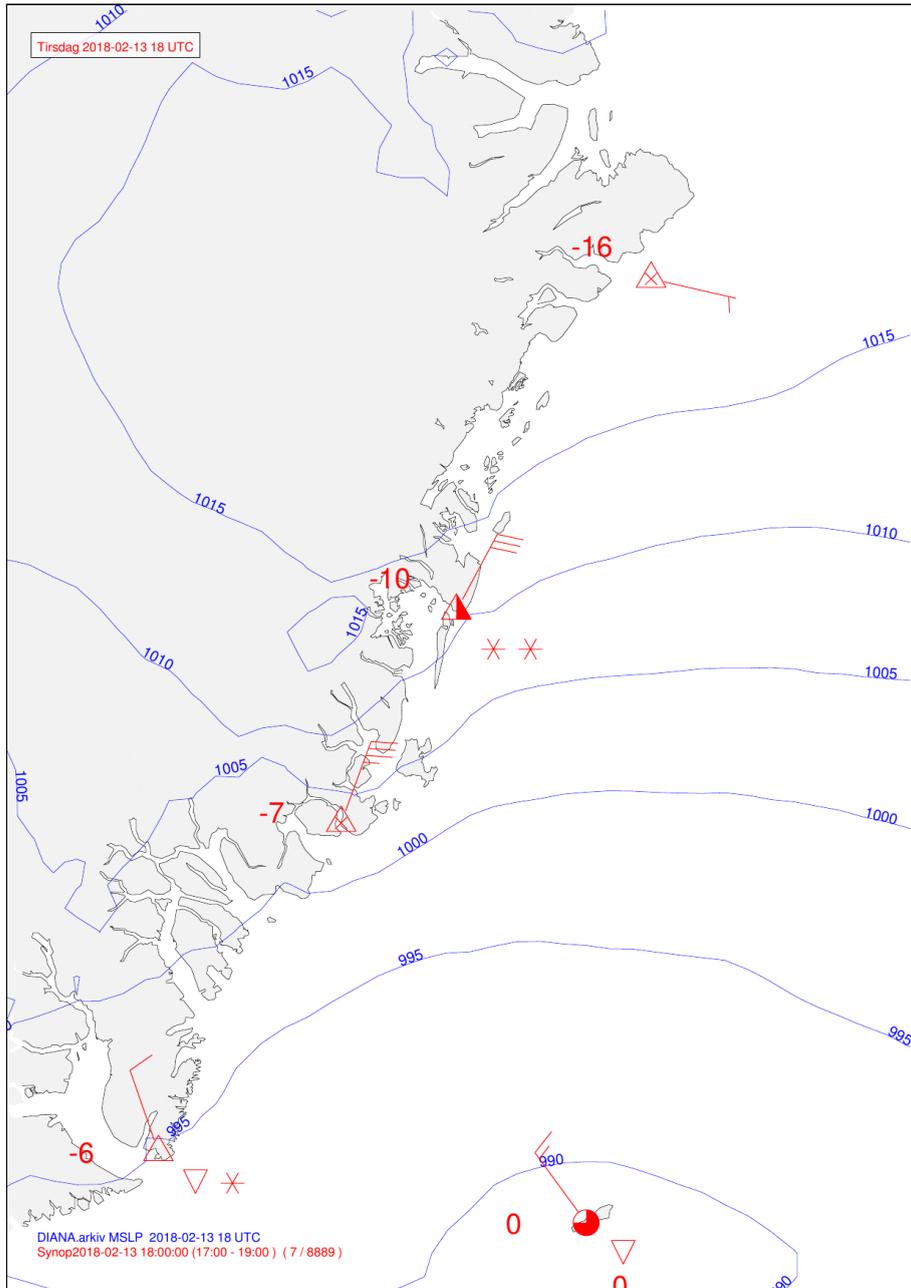


Figure 6: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 13 February 2018.

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Past weather (48h)	Temperatures: -13 °C to -37 °C. Alternating winds, moderate breeze to gale from west, north and north-east. Clear weather			
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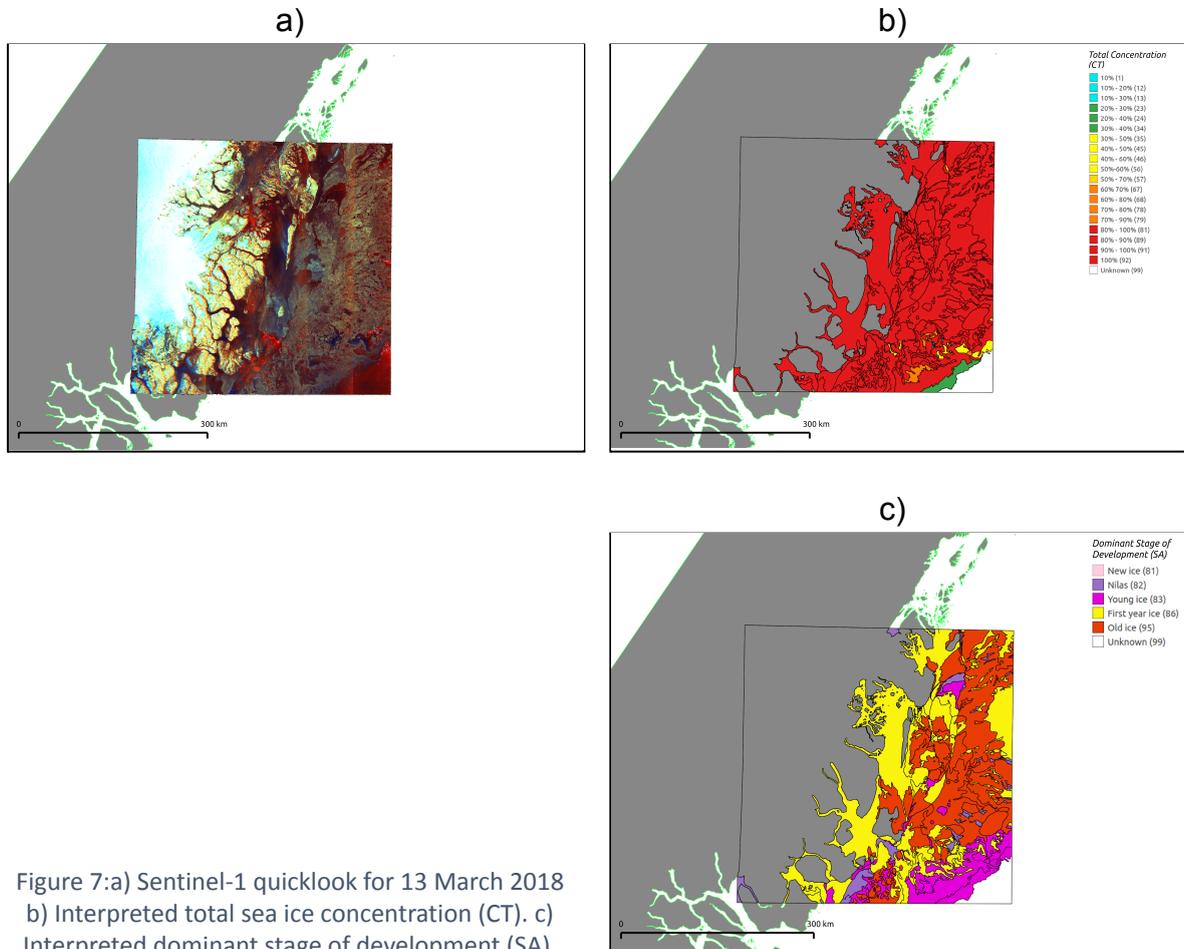


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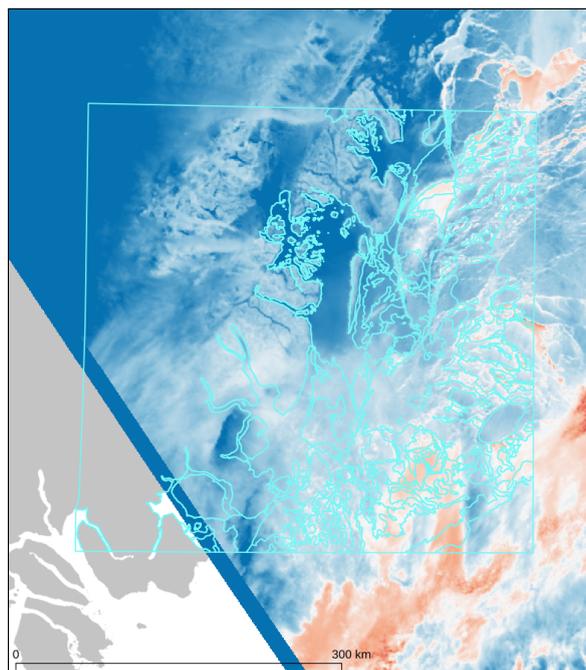


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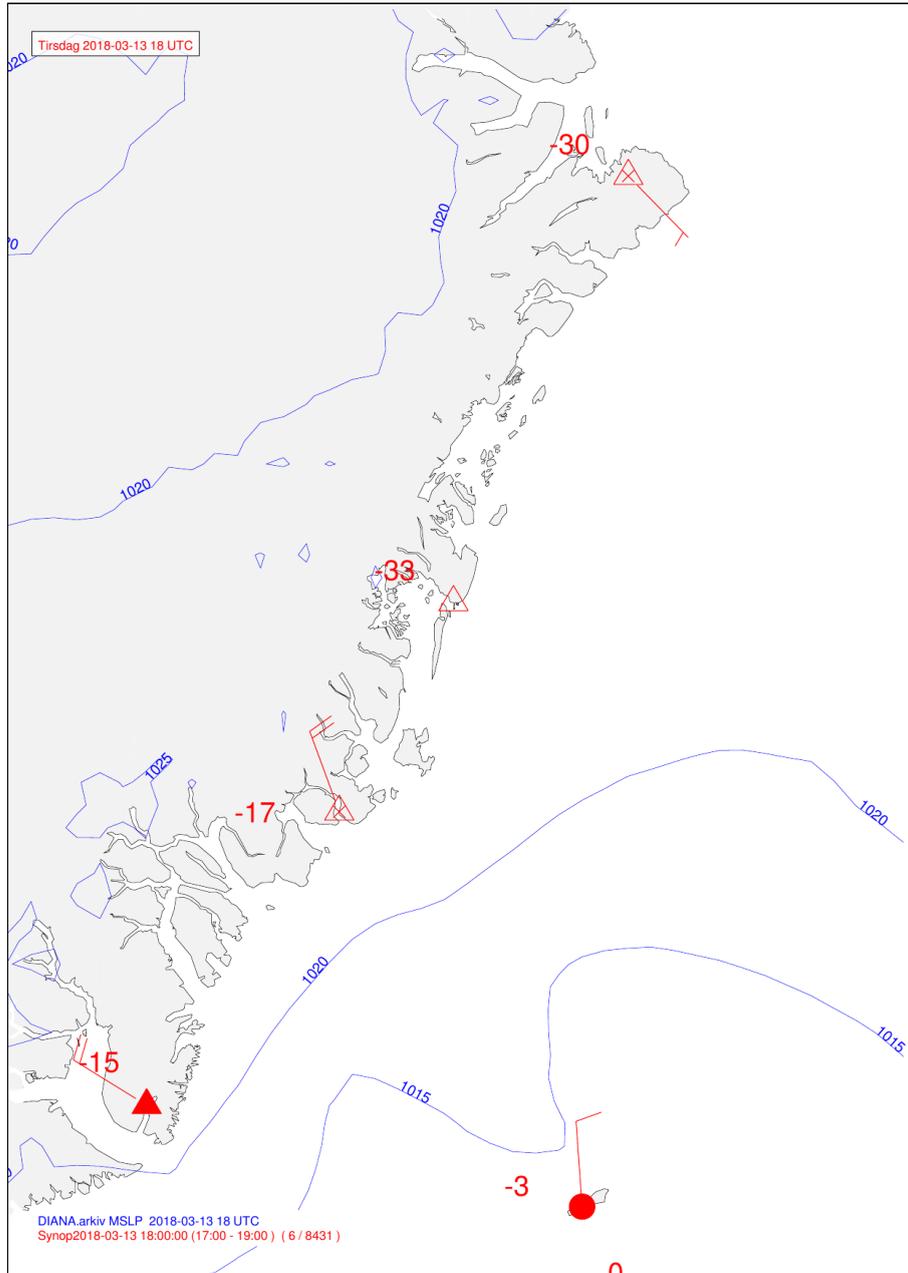


Figure 9: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 13 March 2018.

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Number of Polygons:	Total
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Sentinel-2 data at 10 metres resolution was used to identify icebergs present in the region from 4 scenes from 13 March 2018.

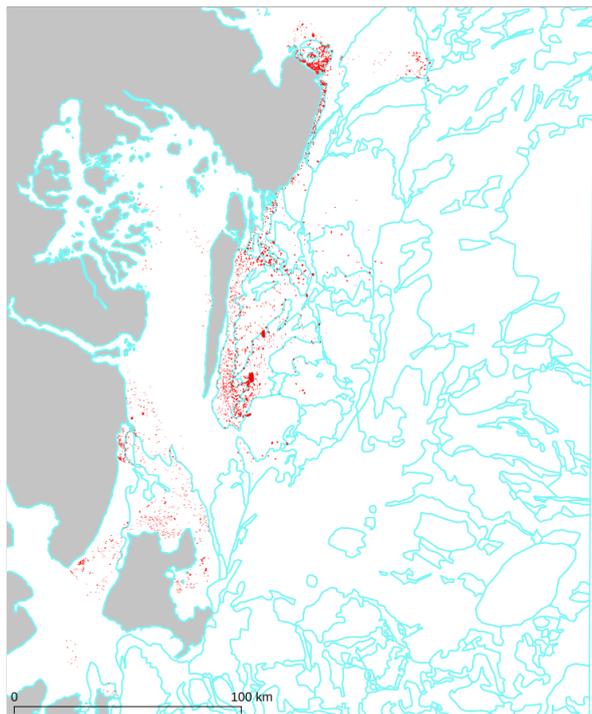


Figure 10: Icebergs overview.

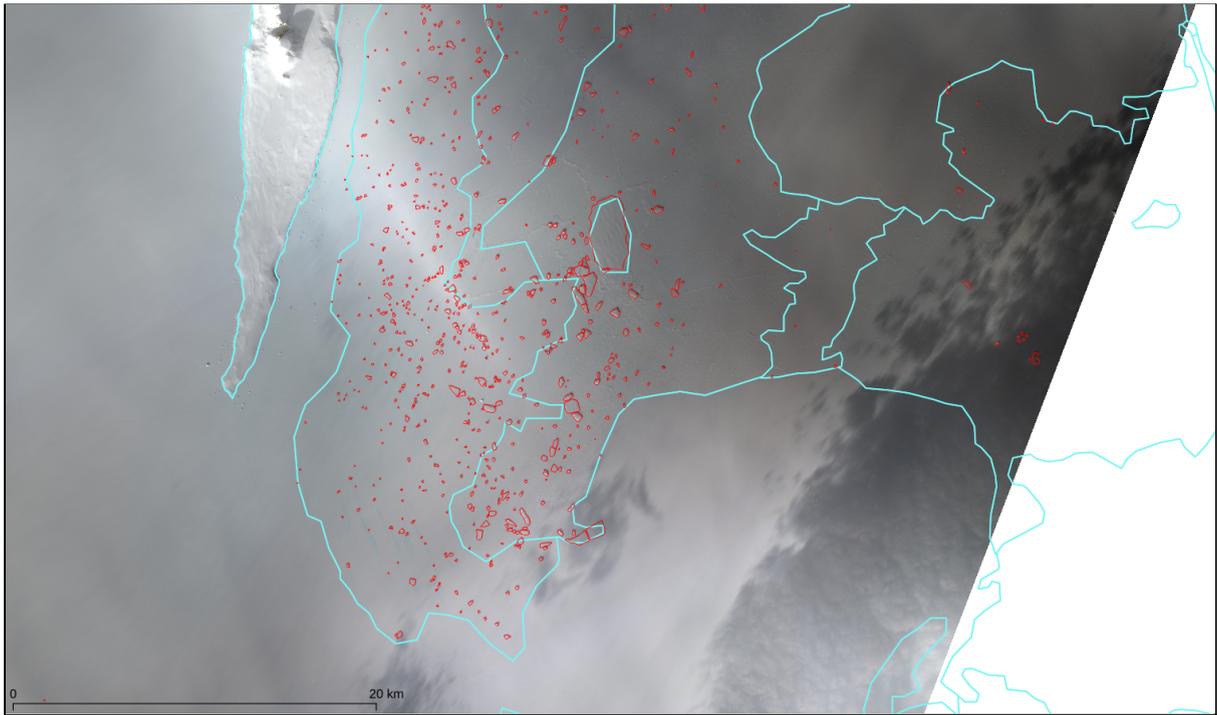


Figure 11: Sentinel-2 icebergs detail at the southern end of Store Koldewey island.



Figure 12: Sentinel-2 icebergs detail at the southern end of Belgica Bank.

4.4. April

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Past Weather (48h)	Temperatures: -7 °C to -19 °C. Alternating winds, light breeze from west, north-west and north. Clear weather and light snow.			
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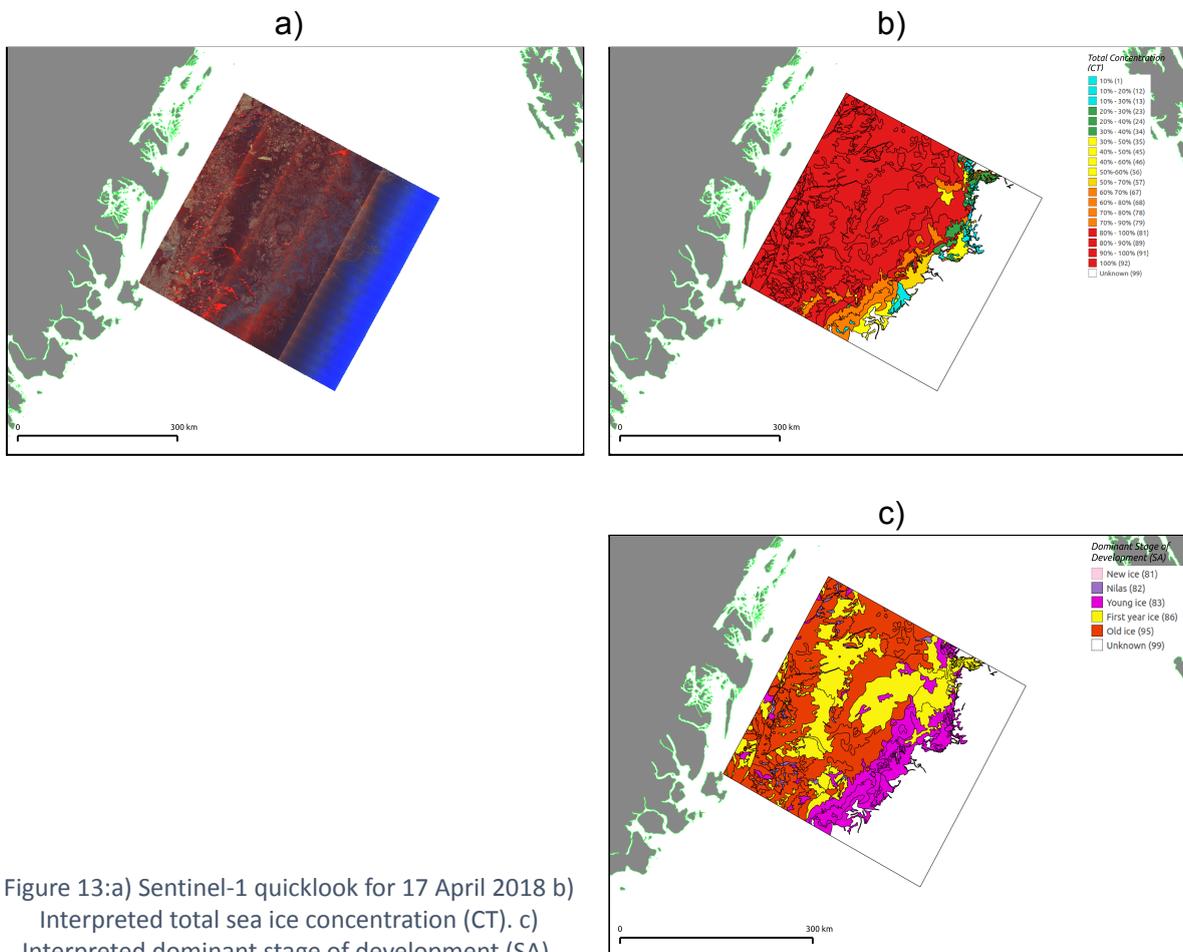


Figure 13: a) Sentinel-1 quicklook for 17 April 2018 b) Interpreted total sea ice concentration (CT). c) Interpreted dominant stage of development (SA).

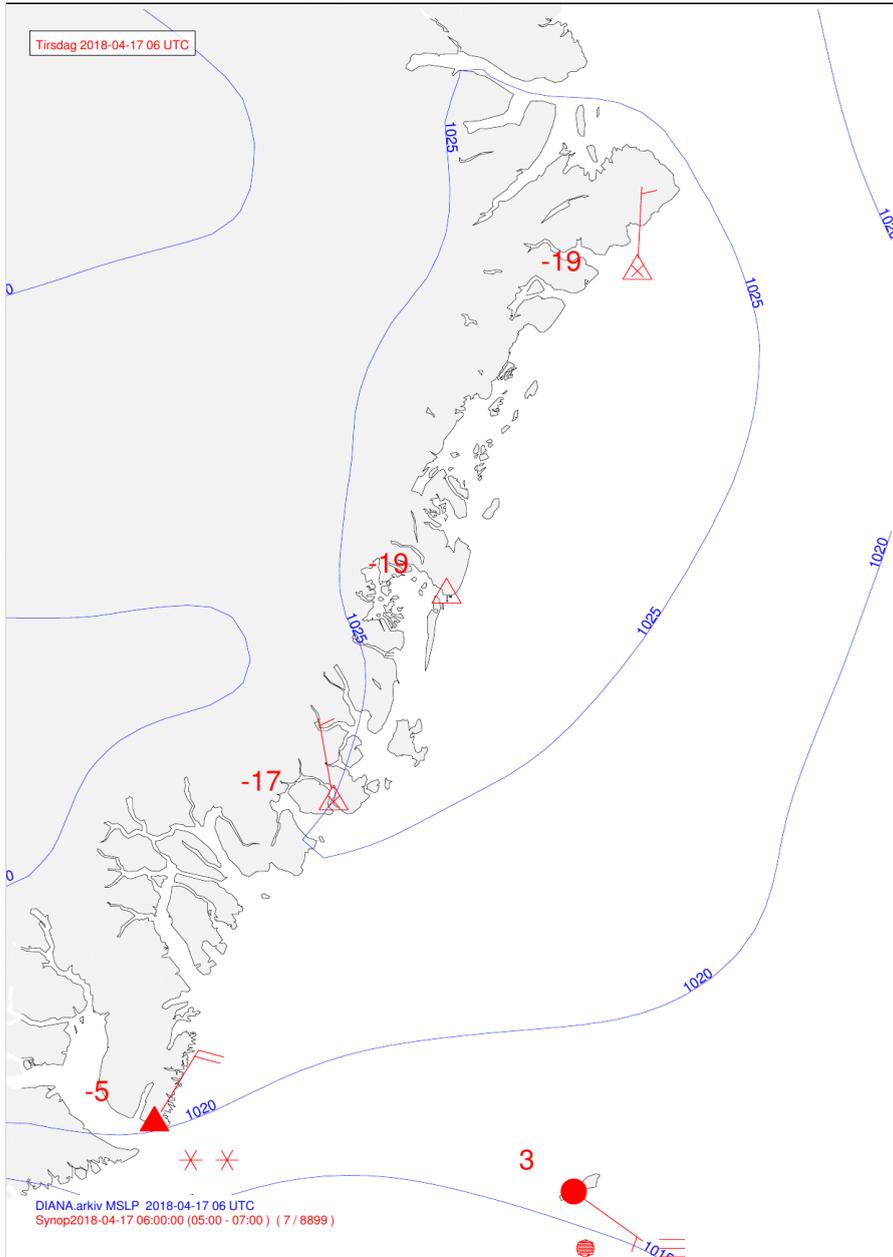


Figure 14: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 17 April 2018.

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Past Weather (48h)	Temperatures: -5 °C to 0 °C. Alternating winds, light breeze to strong breeze from the east, west and north. light snow, snow showers, fog.			
Number of Polygons:	Land	Water	Ice	Total
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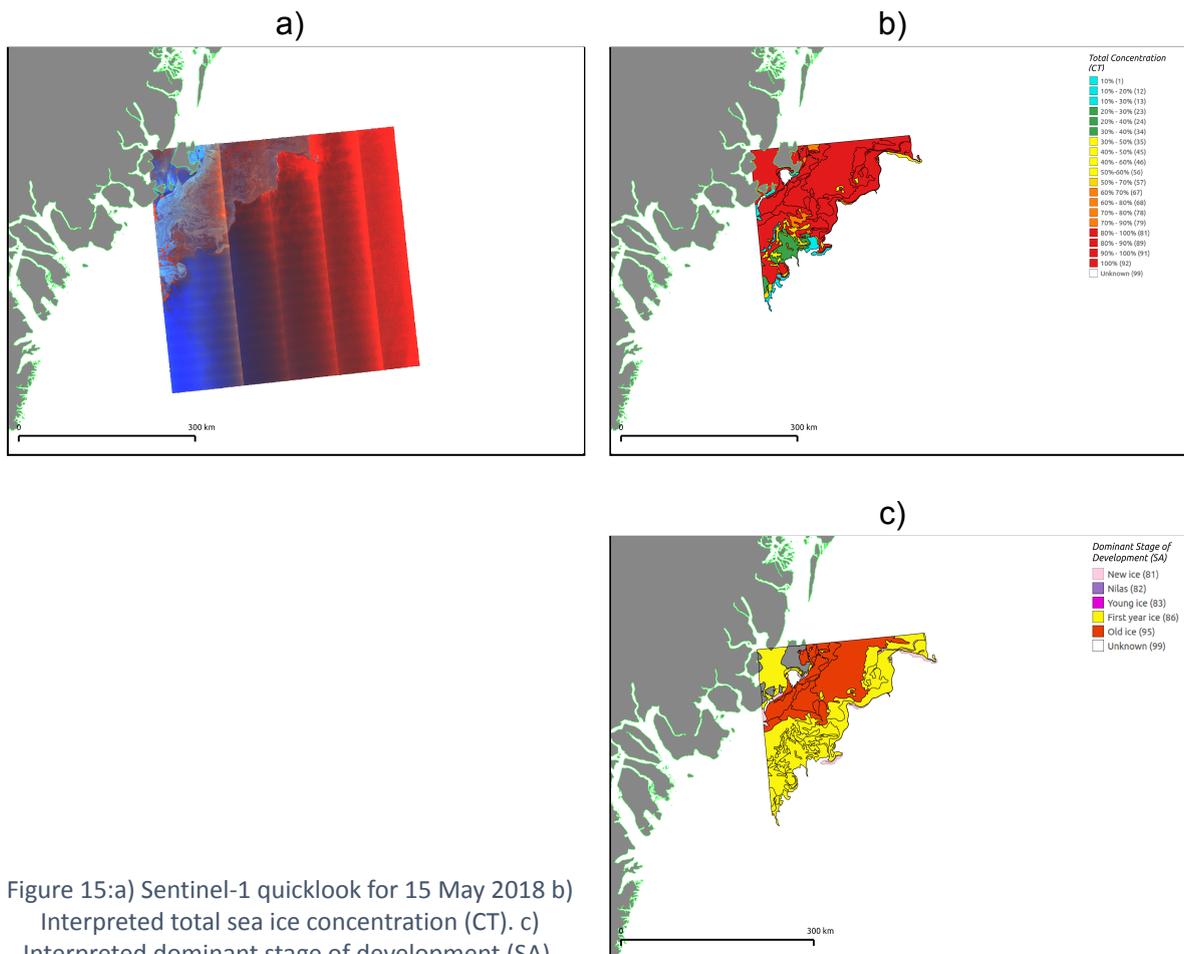


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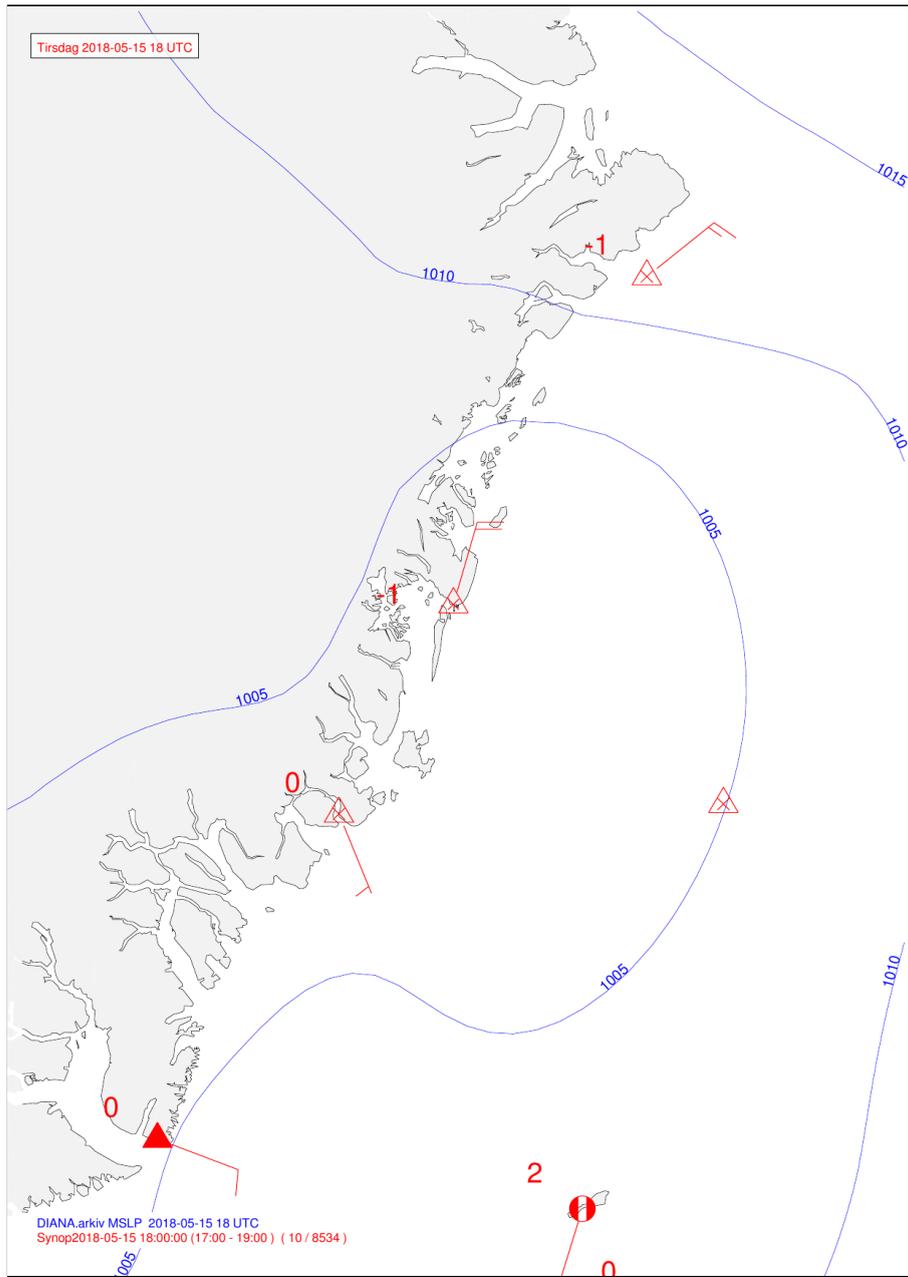


Figure 16: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 15 May 2018.



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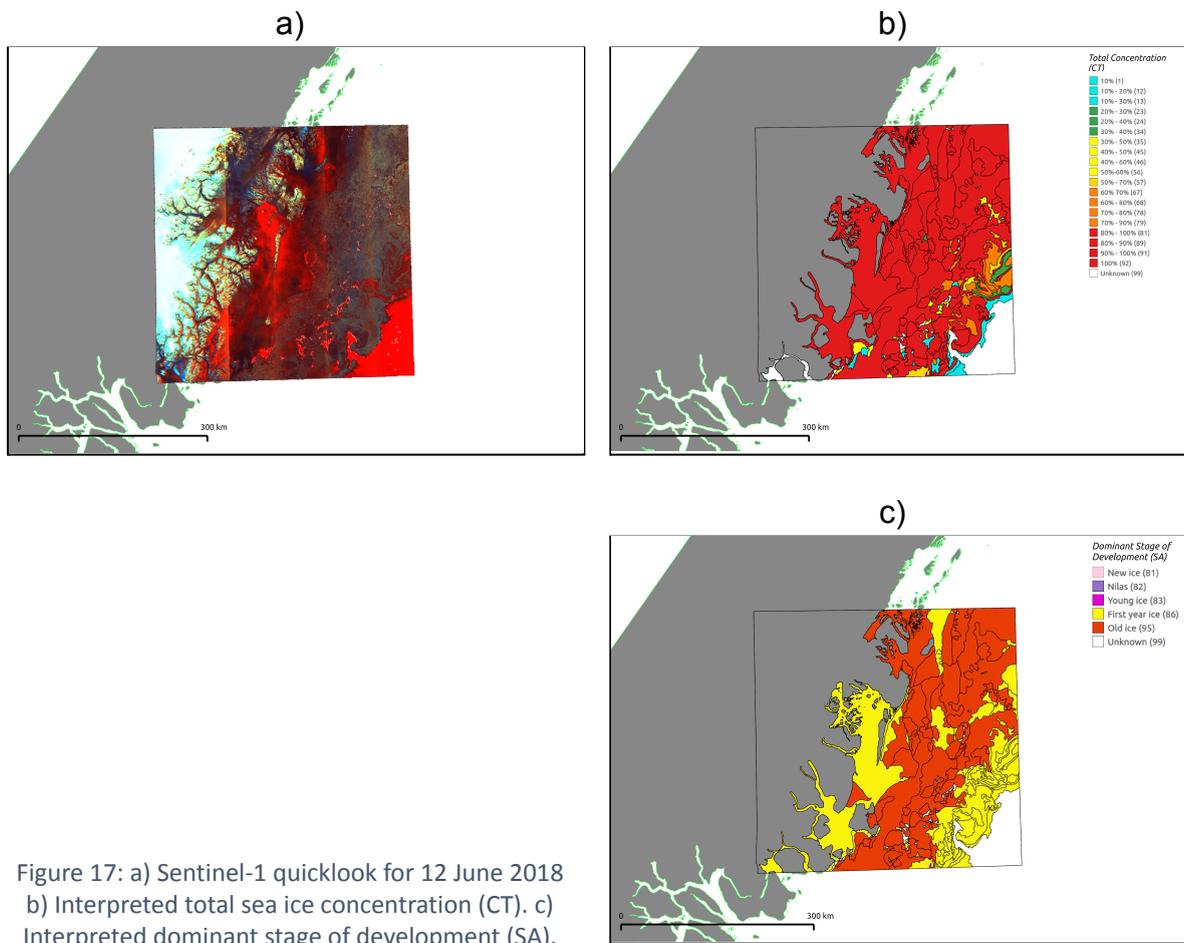


Figure 17: a) Sentinel-1 quicklook for 12 June 2018
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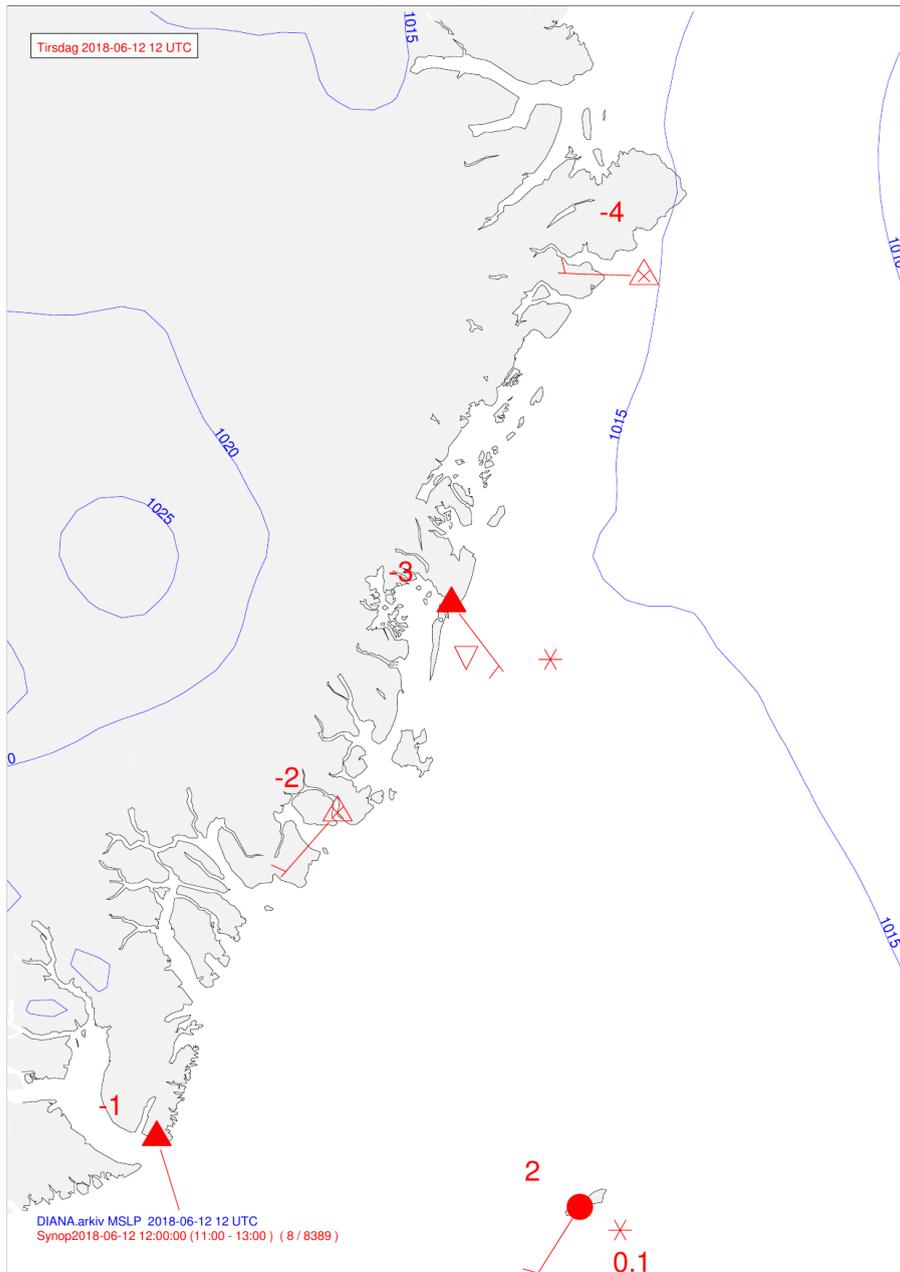


Figure 18: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 12 June 2018.

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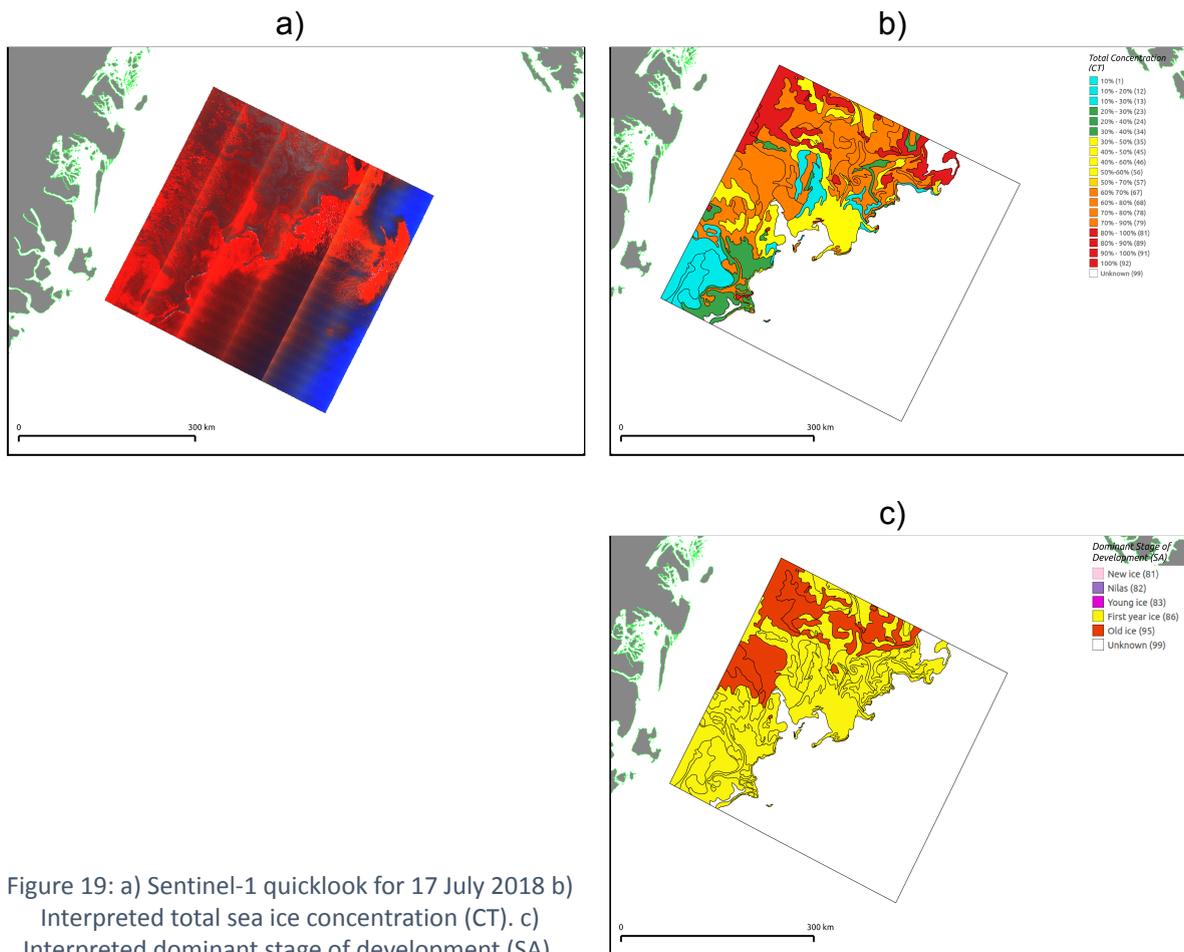


Figure 19: a) Sentinel-1 quicklook for 17 July 2018 b) Interpreted total sea ice concentration (CT). c) Interpreted dominant stage of development (SA).

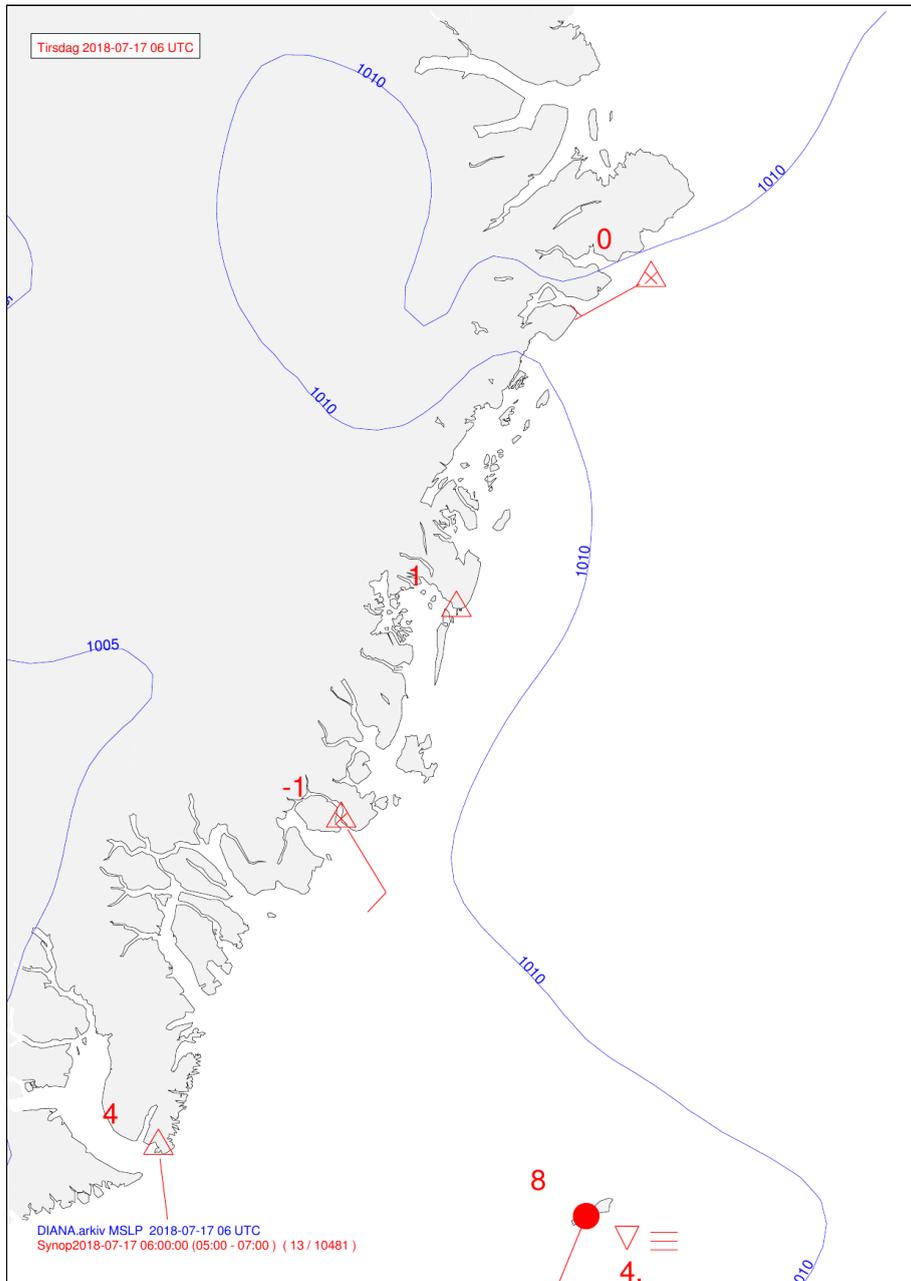


Figure 20: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 17 July 2018.

4.8. August

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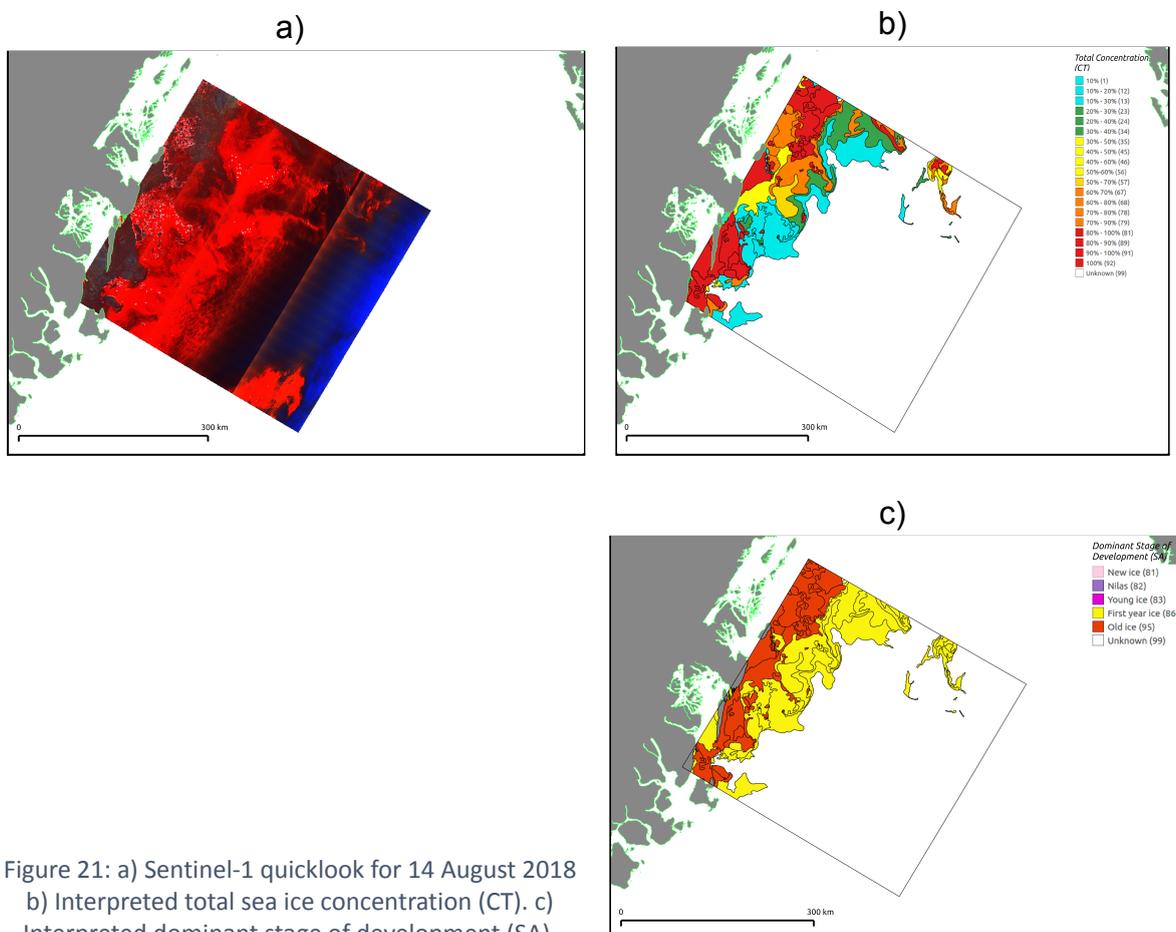


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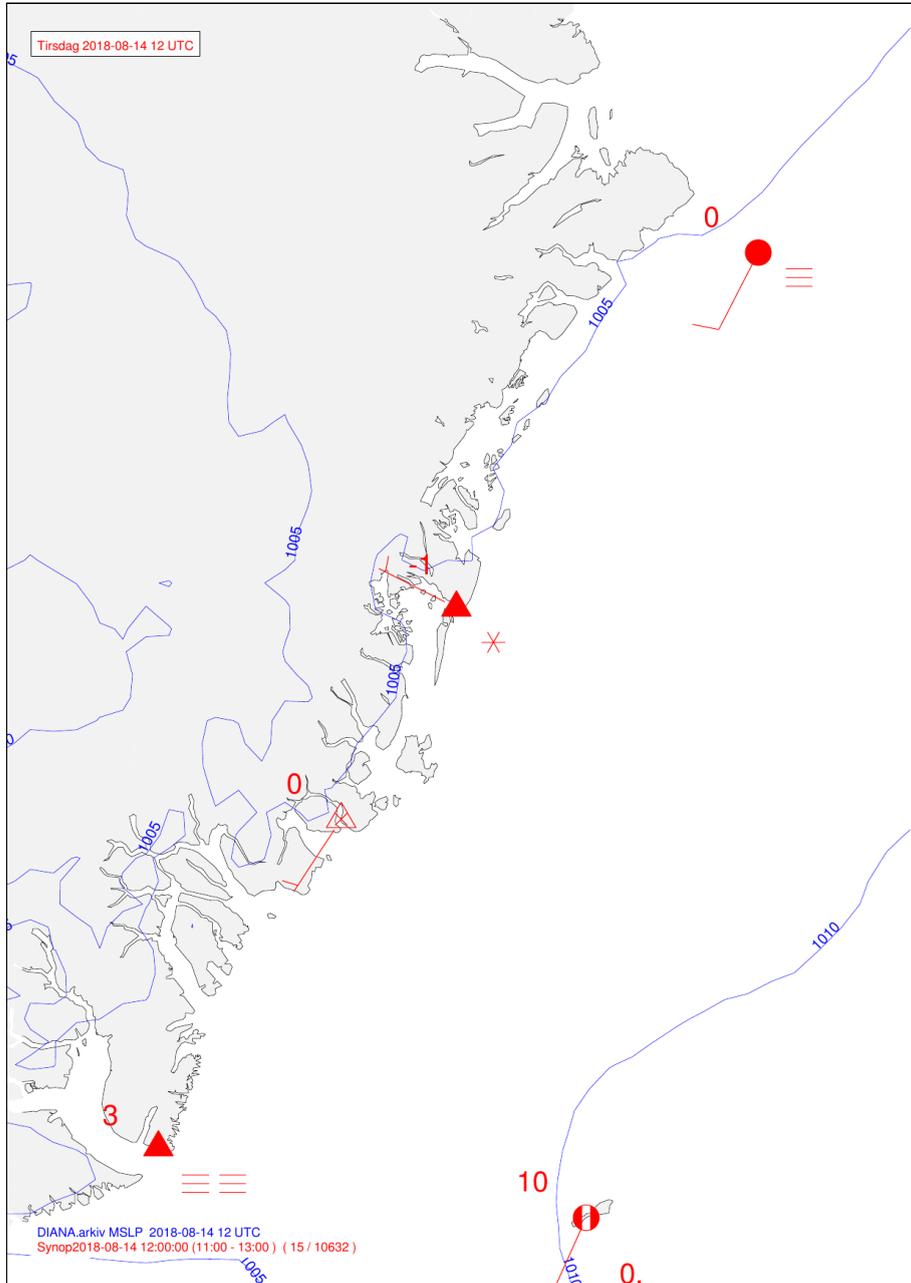


Figure 22: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 14 August 2018.

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Optical	Cloudy			
Past weather (48h)	Temperatures: -5 °C to 5 °C. Alternating weak winds, calm to light breeze. Snow showers, light snow, fog.			
Number of Polygons:	Land	Water	Ice	Total
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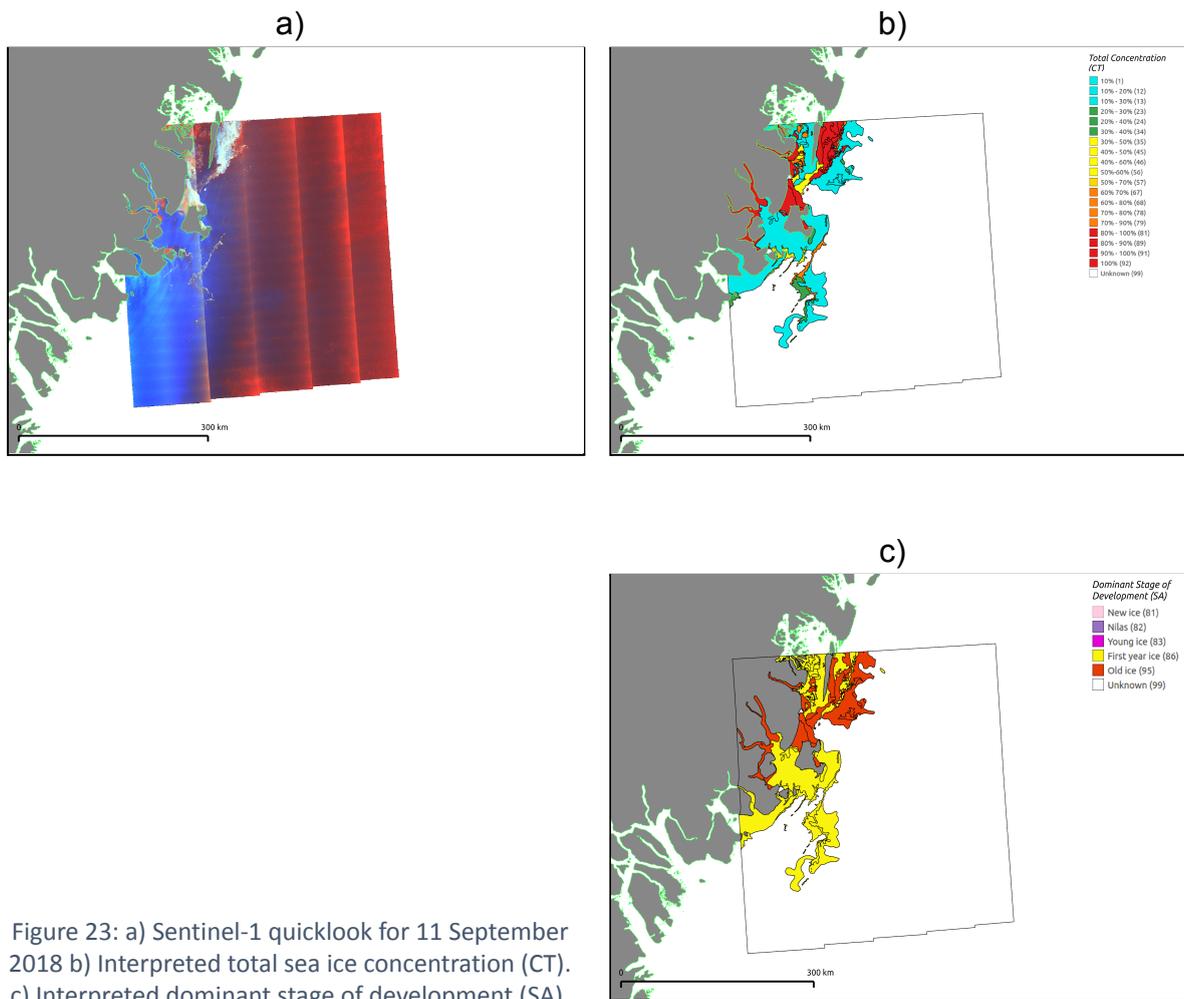


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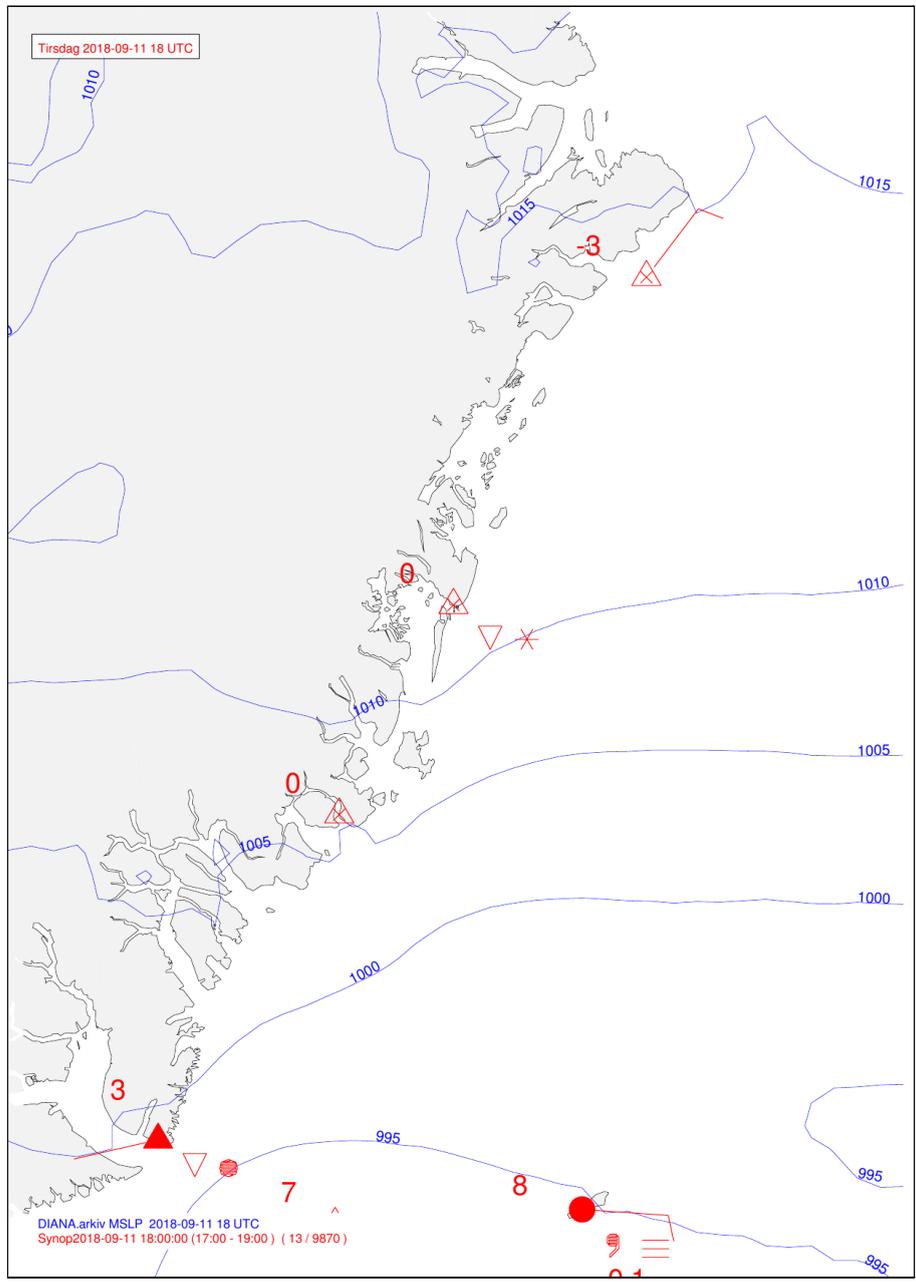


Figure 24: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 11 September 2018.

4.10. October

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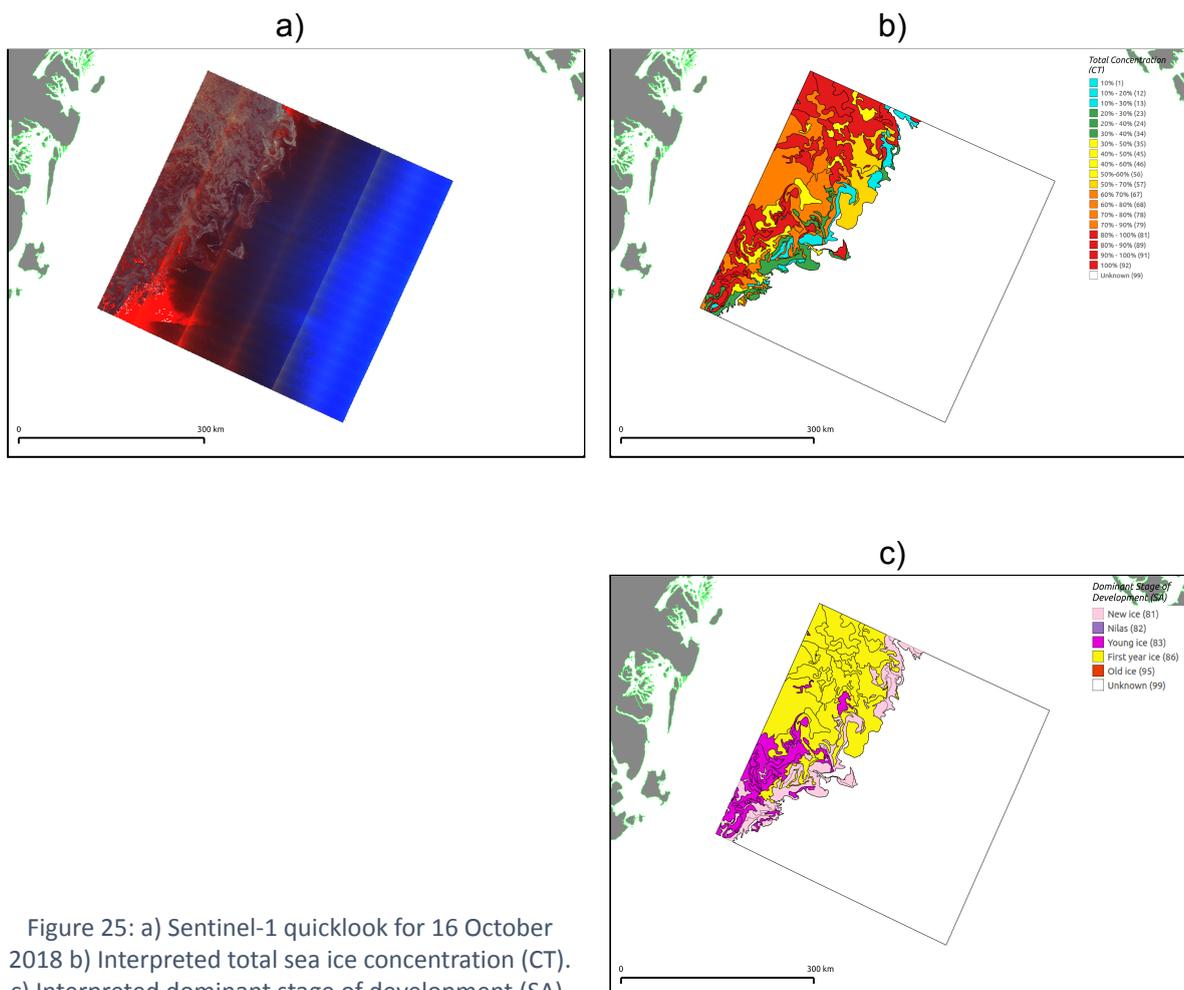


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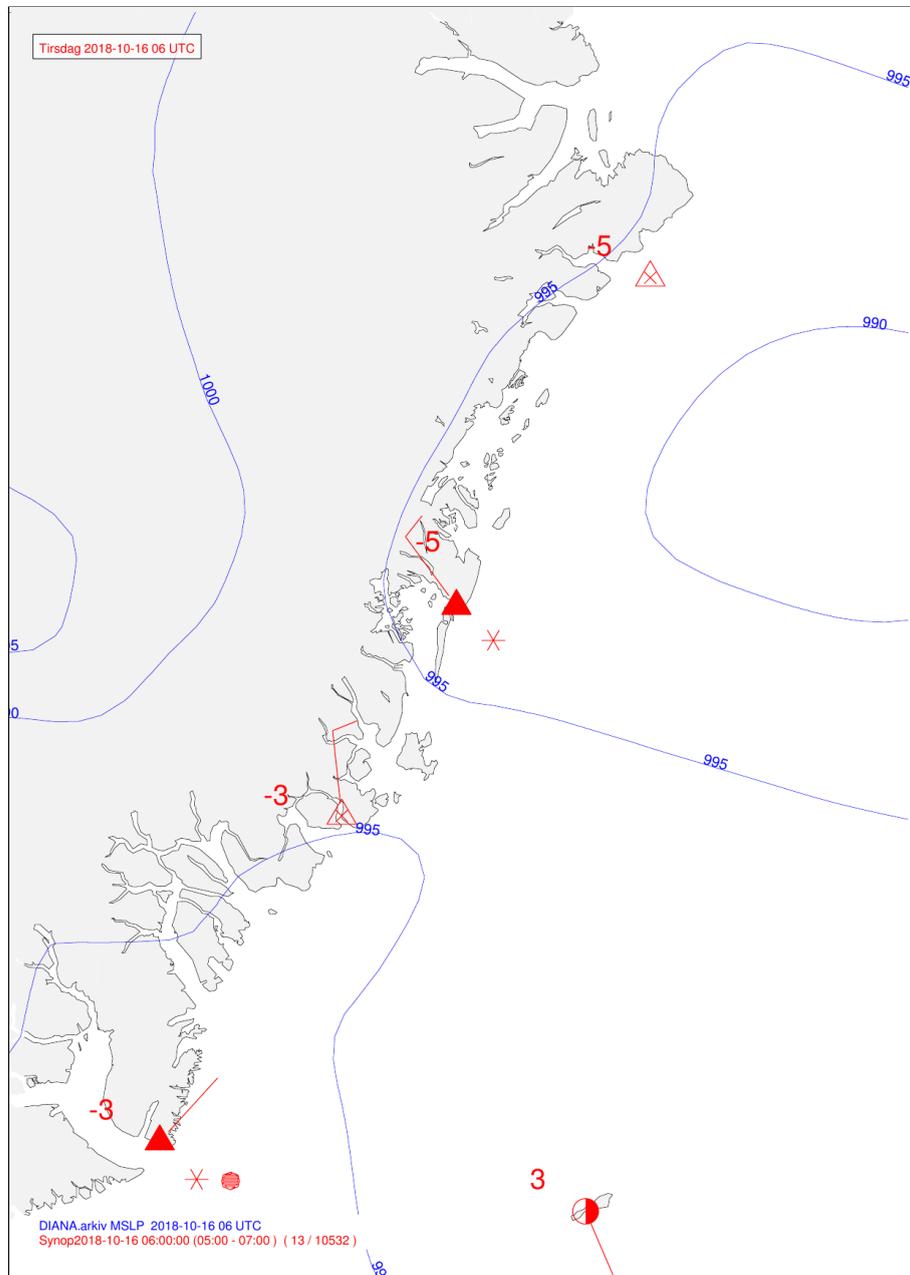


Figure 26: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 16 October 2018.

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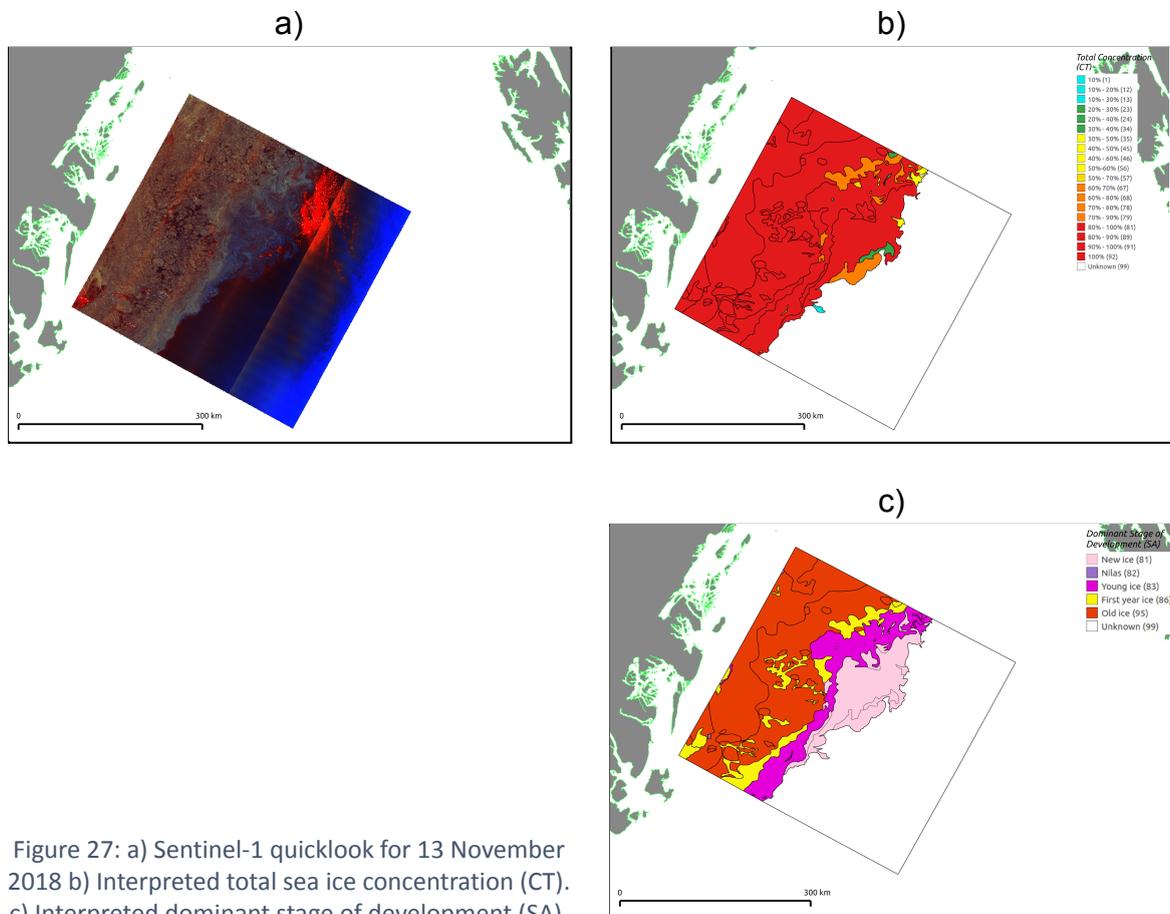


Figure 27: a) Sentinel-1 quicklook for 13 November 2018 b) Interpreted total sea ice concentration (CT). c) Interpreted dominant stage of development (SA).

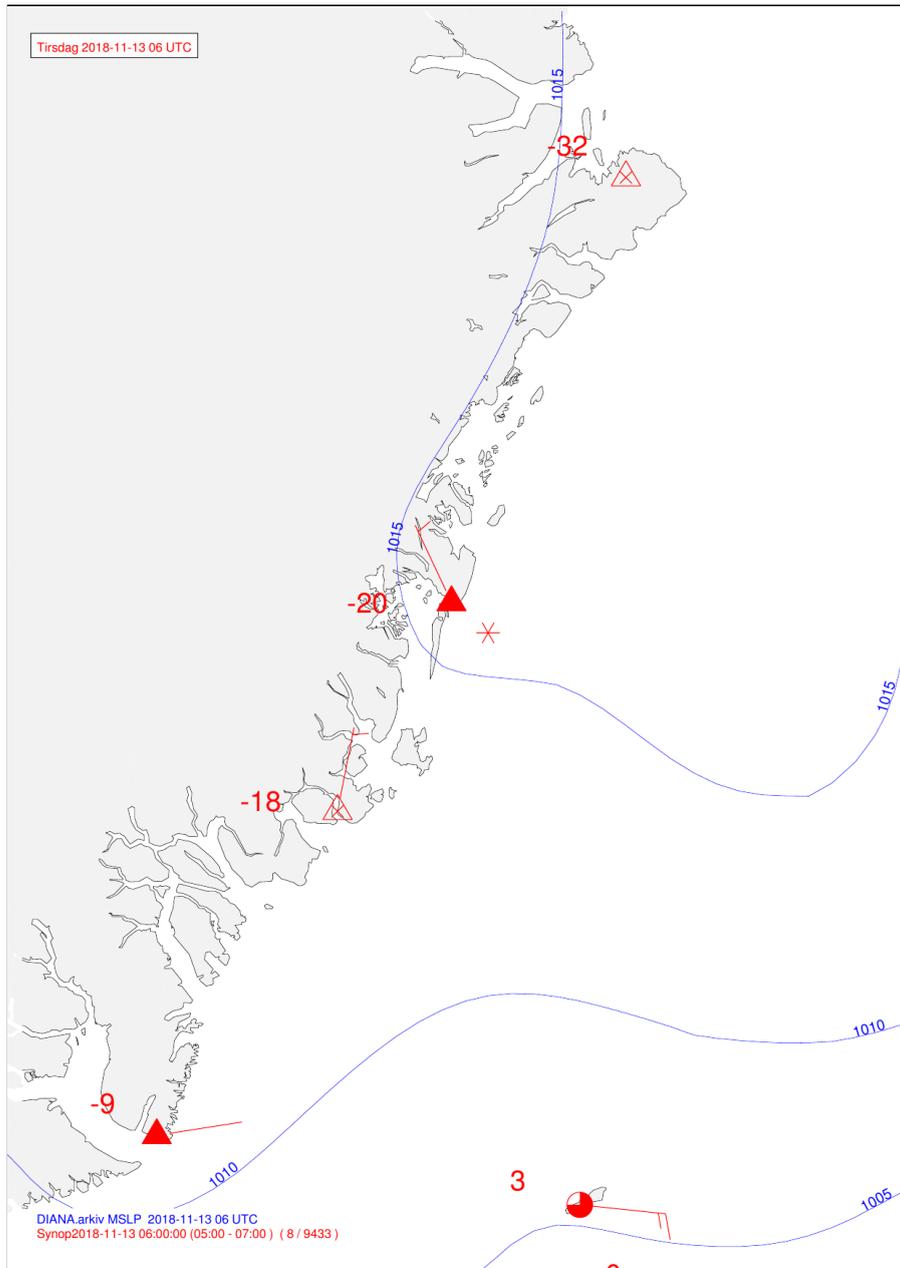


Figure 28: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 13 November 2018.

4.12. December

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Past weather (48h)	Temperatures: -29 °C to -14 °C. Alternating weak winds, Light breeze from the north-west, north and east. Snow showers.			
Number of Polygons:	Land	Water	Ice	Total
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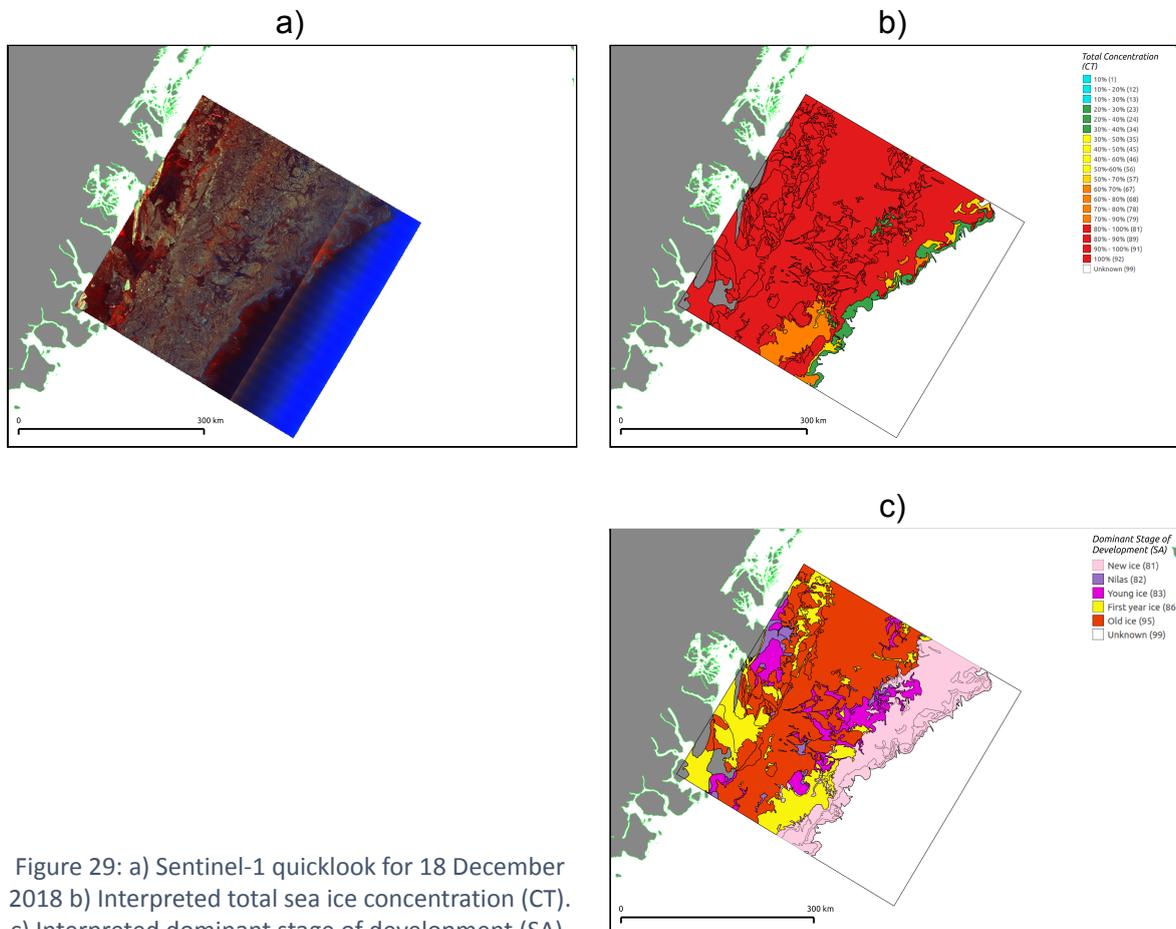


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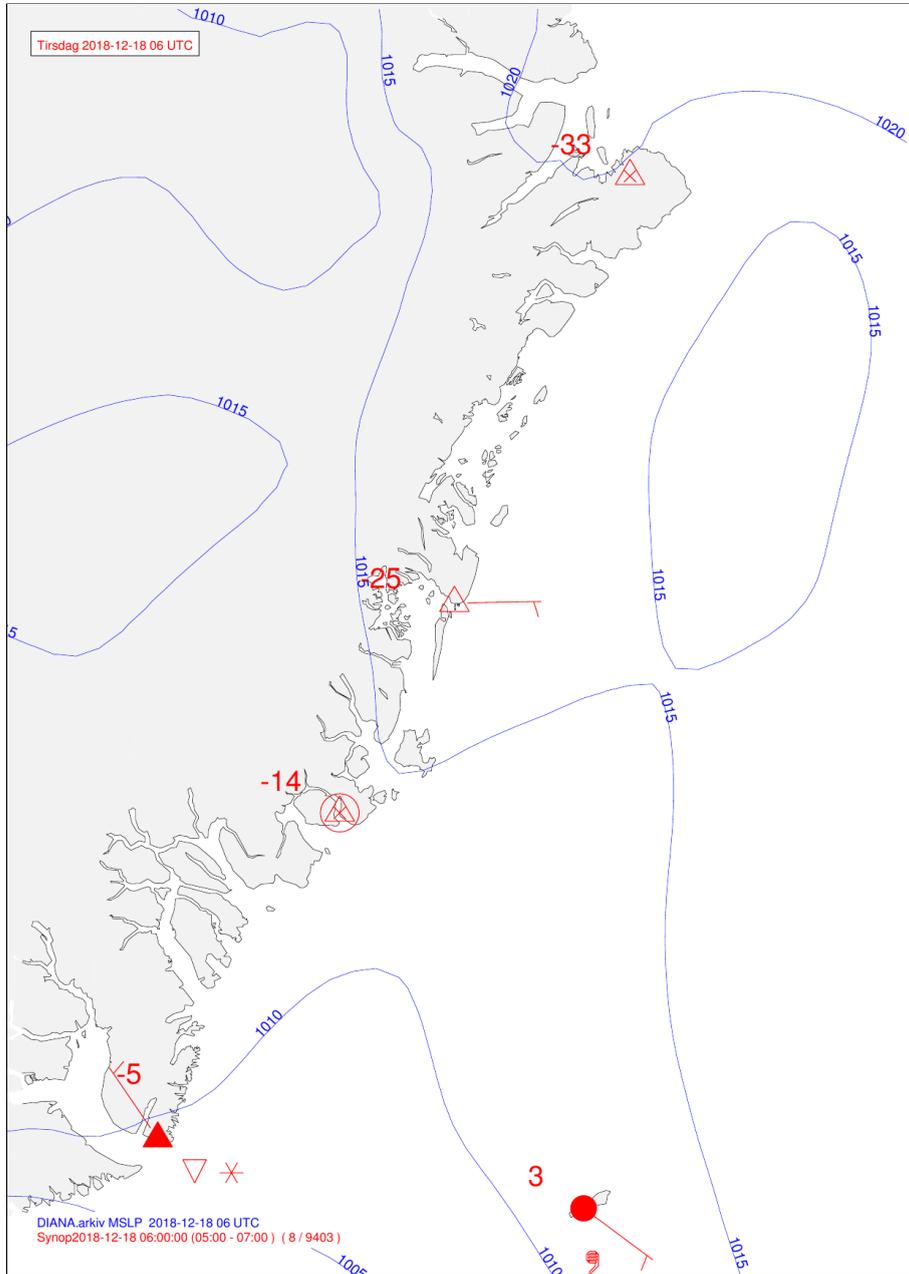


Figure 30: Synoptic weather situation, showing sea level pressure isobars (mbar), air temperatures (°C), and wind velocities for 18 December 2018.

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ANNEX A: ESA SNAP processing chart for Sentinel-1 EW mode.

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```

ANNEX B: Bash shell script for generating reduced file size RGB colour composite GeoTIFF

s1_to_rgb.sh:

```
#!/bin/bash

TIFFN=$1
echo `basename "${TIFFN}"`
ROOTFN=`basename "${TIFFN}"`
TMPDIR='/wdmcm/01/20191018_ExtremeEarth/tmp'

# Extract HH image
HHFN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_hh.tif"
echo $HHFN
gdal_translate -of GTIFF -ot Float32 -co "BIGTIFF=YES" \
  -b 1 -a_nodata 0.0 "${TIFFN}" "${HHFN}"
HH8FN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_hh_8bit.tif"
echo $HH8FN
gdal_translate -of GTIFF -ot Byte -co "BIGTIFF=YES" \
  -b 1 -scale 0.0 0.30 1 255 -a_nodata 0 "${TIFFN}" "${HH8FN}"

# Extract HV image
HVFN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_hv.tif"
echo $HVFN
gdal_translate -of GTIFF -ot Float32 -co "BIGTIFF=YES" \
  -b 2 -a_nodata 0.0 "${TIFFN}" "${HVFN}"
HV8FN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_hv_8bit.tif"
echo $HV8FN
gdal_translate -of GTIFF -ot Byte -co "BIGTIFF=YES" \
  -b 2 -scale 0.0 0.03 1 255 -a_nodata 0 "${TIFFN}" "${HV8FN}"

# Calculate the HV/HH ratio
RATIOFN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_ratio.tif"
echo "${RATIOFN}"
gdal_calc.py -A "${HVFN}" -B "${HHFN}" --outfile "${RATIOFN}" \
  --creation-option="BIGTIFF=YES" --overwrite --calc="A/B" \
  RATIO8FN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_ratio_8bit.tif"
echo $RATIO8FN
gdal_translate -of GTIFF -ot Byte -co "BIGTIFF=YES" \
  -scale 0.0 0.30 1 255 -a_nodata 0 "${RATIOFN}" "${RATIO8FN}"

# Stack the 3 bands to create an RGB composite
echo "Merge"
OUTFN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_rgb.tif"
gdal_merge.py -o "${OUTFN}" -of "GTiff" -co "BIGTIFF=YES" \
  -separate "${RATIOFN}" "${HVFN}" "${HHFN}" \
  OUT8FN="${TMPDIR}/${ROOTFN}/.tif/_rgb_8bit.tif"
```



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```
gdal_merge.py -o "${OUT8FN}" -of "GTiff" -ot Byte \  
  -co "BIGTIFF=YES" -co "COMPRESS=JPEG" -separate -a_nodata 0 \  
  "${RATIO8FN}" "${HV8FN}" "${HH8FN}"  
  
# Add overviews  
echo "Overviews"  
gdaladdo --config COMPRESS_OVERVIEW JPEG \  
  --config PHOTOMETRIC_OVERVIEW YCBCR --config INTERLEAVE_OVERVIEW PIXEL \  
  -r average "${OUT8FN}" 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256  
  
# Clean up  
rm "${HHFN}" "${HH8FN}" "${HVFN}" "${HV8FN}" \  
  "${RATIOFN}" "${RATIO8FN}" "${TMPDIR}"/*.xml  
  
exit
```