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APOLLO 12, 14, 15, 16

PASSIVE SEISMIC CONTINUOUS

69-099C-03E
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(Tapes)

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1. INTRODUCTION:

The documentation for this data set was originally on paper, kept in NSSDC's Data Set Catalogs (DSCs). The paper documentation in the Data Set Catalogs have been made into digital images, and then collected into a single PDF file for each Data Set Catalog. The inventory information in these DSCs is current as of July 1, 2004. This inventory information is now no longer maintained in the DSCs, but is now managed in the inventory part of the NSSDC information system. The information existing in the DSCs is now not needed for locating the data files, but we did not remove that inventory information.

The offline tape datasets have now been migrated from the original magnetic tape to Archival Information Packages (AIP's).

A prior restoration may have been done on data sets, if a requestor of this data set has questions; they should send an inquiry to the request office to see if additional information exists.

2. ERRATA/CHANGE LOG:

NOTE: Changes are made in a text box, and will show up that way when displayed on screen with a PDF reader.

When printing, special settings may be required to make the text box appear on the printed output.

Version	Date	Person	Page	Description of Change
01				
02				

3 LINKS TO RELEVANT INFORMATION IN THE ONLINE NSSDC INFORMATION SYSTEM:

<http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/nmc/>

[NOTE: This link will take you to the main page of the NSSDC Master Catalog. There you will be able to perform searches to find additional information]

4. CATALOG MATERIALS:

- a. Associated Documents To find associated documents you will need to know the document ID number and then click here.
<http://nssdcftp.gsfc.nasa.gov/miscellaneous/documents/>

- b. Core Catalog Materials

APOLLO 12 LM/ALSEP

CONTINUOUS DATA TAPES

69-099C-03E

This data set has been restored. There were originally 30 7-track, 800 BPI tapes written in Binary. There are two restored tapes. The DR tapes are 3480 cartridges and the DS tapes are 9-track, 6250 BPI. The original tapes were created on a 1130 computer and the restored tapes were created on an IBM 9021 computer. The DR and DS numbers along with the corresponding D number are as follows:

DR#	DS#	D#	FILES	TIME SPAN
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
DR004572	DS004572	D013157	1	07/14/73 - 07/15/73
		D013156	2	07/15/73 - 07/16/73
		D013159	3	07/16/73 - 07/17/73
		D013160	4	07/17/73 - 07/18/73
		D013158	5	07/18/73 - 07/19/73
		D013379	6	07/19/73 - 07/20/73
		D014018	7	07/20/73 - 07/21/73
		D012766	8	07/21/73 - 07/22/73
		D012767	9	07/22/73 - 07/23/73
		D013380	10	07/23/73 - 07/24/73 (a)
		D013277	11	07/24/73 - 07/25/73
		D013278	12	07/25/73 - 07/26/73
		D013279	13	07/26/73 - 07/27/73 (b)
		D013913	14	07/27/73 - 07/28/73
		D013914	15	07/28/73 - 07/29/73
DR004573	DS004573	D013378	1	07/29/73 - 07/30/73
		D013282	2	07/30/73 - 07/31/73
		D013281	3	07/31/73 - 08/01/73
		D013283	4	08/01/73 - 08/02/73 (c)
		D013377	5	08/02/73 - 08/03/73
		D013918	6	08/03/73 - 08/04/73
		D013280	7	08/04/73 - 08/05/73
		D013915	8	08/05/73 - 08/06/73
		D013522	9	08/06/73 - 08/07/73
		D013523	10	08/07/73 - 08/08/73
		D013919	11	08/08/73 - 08/09/73
		D013920	12	08/09/73 - 08/10/73
		D013912	13	08/10/73 - 08/11/73 (d)
		D013916	14	08/11/73 - 08/12/73
		D013917	15	08/12/73 - 08/13/73

- (a) D013380 : Read errors occurred in records 1127 & 1128 of file 1.
- (b) D013279 : Read error occurred in record 1576 of file 1.
- (c) D013283 : Read error occurred in record 282 of file 1.
- (d) D013912 : Read error occurred in record 887 of file 1.

REQ. AGENT
ROP

RASH NO.
RB5023

ACQ. AGENT
WSC

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This data set contains 30 Apollo 12, 31 Apollo 14, 31 Apollo 15, and 30 Apollo 15, 800 BPI, Binary, 7-track tapes created on an IBM 1130 computer. * Each tape contains one file of continuous data. The data records contain 18 word logical records with 90 logical records per physical record.

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<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-13157	C-10188	07/14/73 - 07/15/73
D-13156	C-10187	07/15/73 - 07/16/73
D-13159	C-10190	07/16/73 - 07/17/73
D-13160	C-10191	07/17/73 - 07/18/73
D-13158	C-10189	07/18/73 - 07/19/73
D-13379	C-11036	07/19/73 - 07/20/73
D-14018	C-11037	07/20/73 - 07/21/73
D-12766	C-10185	07/21/73 - 07/22/73
D-12767	C-10186	07/22/73 - 07/23/73
D-13380	C-10196	07/23/73 - 07/24/73
D-13277	C-10192	07/24/73 - 07/25/73
D-13278	C-10193	07/25/73 - 07/26/73
D-13279	C-11038	07/26/73 - 07/27/73
D-13913	C-11039	07/27/73 - 07/28/73
D-13914	C-11040	07/28/73 - 07/29/73
D-13378	C-11041	07/29/73 - 07/30/73

* The tapes were made on a IBM 7090 using a program that writes the tapes in IBM 1130 format, they were then duped on a CDC 3200.

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-13282	C-11042	07/30/73 - 07/31/73
D-13281	C-10194	07/31/73 - 08/01/73
D-13283	C-11043	08/01/73 - 08/02/73
D-13377	C-10195	08/02/73 - 08/03/73
D-13918	C-11264	08/03/73 - 08/04/73
D-13280	C-11044	08/04/73 - 08/05/73
D-13915	C-11094	08/05/73 - 08/06/73
D-13522	C-11045	08/06/73 - 08/07/73
D-13395	C-10241	08/07/73 - 08/08/73
D-13919	C-11047	08/08/73 - 08/09/73
D-13920	C-11048	08/09/73 - 08/10/73
D-13912	C-11049	08/10/-3 - 08/11/73
D-13916	C-11050	08/11/73 - 08/12/73
D-13917	C-11051	08/12/73 - 08/13/73

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<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-13164	C-10202	07/13/73 - 07/14/73
D-13383	C-11052	07/14/73 - 07/15/73
D-13165	C-10203	07/15/73 - 07/16/73
D-13162	C-10201	07/16/73 - 07/17/73
D-12771	C-10199	07/17/73 - 07/18/73
D-13166	C-10204	07/18/73 - 07/19/73
D-12770	C-10198	07/19/73 - 07/20/73
D-13161	C-10200	07/20/73 - 07/21/73
D-12768	C-10197	07/21/73 - 07/22/73
D-13286	C-10206	07/22/73 - 07/23/73
D-13288	C-11053	07/23/73 - 07/24/73
D-13287	C-10207	07/24/73 - 07/25/73
D-13526	C-10210	07/25/73 - 07/26/73
D-13385	C-11054	07/26/73 - 07/27/73
D-13926	C-11055	07/27/73 - 07/28/73
D-13929	C-11056	07/28/73 - 07/29/73
D-13285	C-11057	07/29/73 - 07/30/73
D-14019	C-11058	07/30/73 - 07/31/73
D-13284	C-10205	07/31/73 - 08/01/73
D-12769	C-11059	08/01/73 - 08/02/73
D-13381	C-10208	08/02/73 - 08/03/73
D-13921	C-11060	08/03/73 - 08/04/73
D-13289	C-11061	08/04/73 - 08/05/73
D-13924	C-11265	08/05/73 - 08/06/73
D-13927	C-11062	08/06/73 - 08/07/73
D-13384	C-10209	08/07/73 - 08/08/73
D-13928	C-11063	08/08/73 - 08/09/73
D-13923	C-11064	08/09/73 - 08/10/73

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-14020	C-11065	8/10/73 - 8/11/73
D-13922	C-11066	8/11/73 - 8/12/73
D-13925	C-11067	8/12/73 - 8/13/73

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<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-13168	C-10215	7/13/73 - 7/14/73
D-13292	C-11068	7/14/73 - 7/15/73
D-13172	C-10219	7/15/73 - 7/16/73
D-13167	C-10214	7/16/73 - 7/17/73
D-13171	C-10218	7/17/73 - 7/18/73
D-13173	C-10220	7/18/73 - 7/19/73
D-13169	C-10216	7/19/73 - 7/20/73
D-13170	C-10217	7/20/73 - 7/21/73
D-12774	C-10213	7/21/73 - 7/22/73
D-13296	C-10224	7/22/73 - 7/23/73
D-12773	C-10212	7/23/73 - 7/24/73
D-12772	C-10211	7/24/73 - 7/25/73
D-13930	C-11069	7/25/73 - 7/26/73
D-14014	C-11070	7/26/73 - 7/27/73
D-13293	C-10222	7/27/73 - 7/28/73
D-13291	C-10221	7/28/73 - 7/29/73
D-13174	C-11071	7/29/73 - 7/30/73
D-13290	C-11072	7/30/73 - 7/31/73
D-13294	C-10223	7/31/73 - 8/01/73
D-13388	C-10226	8/01/73 - 8/02/73
D-13391	C-10228	8/02/73 - 8/03/73
D-13936	C-11073	8/03/73 - 8/04/73
D-13389	C-10227	8/04/73 - 8/05/73
D-13931	C-11074	8/05/73 - 8/06/73
D-13938	C-11095	8/06/73 - 8/07/73
D-13386	C-10225	8/07/73 - 8/08/73
D-13934	C-11075	8/08/73 - 8/09/73

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-13933	C-11076	8/09/73 - 8/10/73
D-13932	C-11077	8/10/73 - 8/11/73
D-13935	C-11078	8/11/73 - 8/12/73
D-13937	C-11079	8/12/73 - 8/13/73

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<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-12778	C-11080	7/14/73 - 7/15/73
D-13178	C-10235	7/15/73 - 7/16/73
D-13298	C-11081	7/16/73 - 7/17/73
D-12777	C-11082	7/17/73 - 7/18/73
D-13177	C-10234	7/18/73 - 7/19/73
D-13176	C-10233	7/19/73 - 7/20/73
D-13175	C-10232	7/20/73 - 7/21/73
D-12779	C-10231	7/21/73 - 7/22/73
D-12775	C-10229	7/22/73 - 7/23/73
D-13180	C-11083	7/23/73 - 7/24/73
D-12776	C-10230	7/24/73 - 7/25/73
D-13943	C-11084	7/25/73 - 7/26/73
D-13394	C-10240	7/26/73 - 7/27/73
D-13300	C-10237	7/27/73 - 7/28/73
D-13299	C-10236	7/28/73 - 7/29/73
D-14023	C-11085	7/29/73 - 7/30/73
D-13301	C-10238	7/30/73 - 7/31/73
D-13393	C-11086	7/31/73 - 8/01/73
D-13179	C-11087	8/01/73 - 8/02/73
D-13392	C-10239	8/02/73 - 8/03/73
D-13945	C-11088	8/03/73 - 8/04/73
D-13527	C-10242	8/04/73 - 8/05/73
D-14022	C-11089	8/05/73 - 8/06/73
D-13944	C-11096	8/06/73 - 8/07/73
D-13395	C-10241	8/07/73 - 8/08/73
D-14021	C-11090	8/08/73 - 8/09/73

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-13941	C-11091	8/09/73 - 8/10/73
D-13942	C-11092	8/10/73 - 8/11/73
D-13940	C-11097	8/11/73 - 8/12/73
D-13939	C-11093	8/12/73 - 8/13/73

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<u>WORD</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
1	Experiment Identification (PS Exp)	BCD
2	ALSEP Number (ALSEPX)	BCD
3	Mission Identification (A/SXXX)	BCD
4	Space	BCD

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 DATA RECORD FORMAT

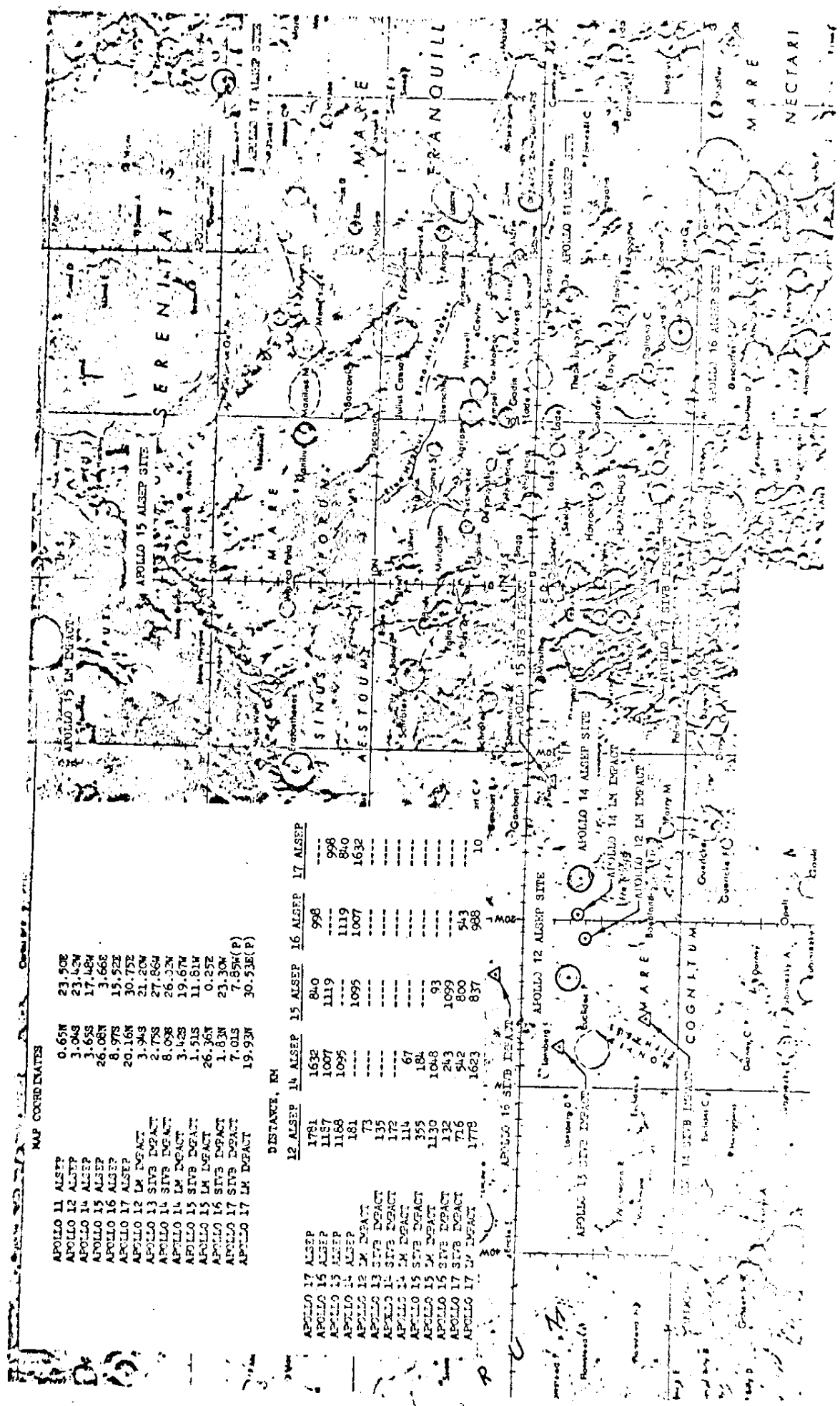
WORD 1				WORD 2				WORD 3										
ELAPSED TIME, MSEC				MAGNETO-METER DATA				CONTROL WORD										
1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	
SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SPARE	0	CONTROL WORD	0	CONTROL WORD	0	CONTROL WORD	0	CONTROL WORD	0	CONTROL WORD	0	CONTROL WORD
WORD 4				WORD 5				WORD 6				WORD 9						
1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (X)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Y)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)
WORD 7				WORD 8				WORD 11				WORD 12						
1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (X)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Y)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)
WORD 10				WORD 14				WORD 15				WORD 18						
1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	HOUSE-KEEPING DATA	0	LONG PERIOD TOTAL	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SENSOR UNIT TEMPERATURE	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)
WORD 13				WORD 17				WORD 19				WORD 22						
1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Y)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	COMMAND VERIFICATION	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)
WORD 16				WORD 20				WORD 23				WORD 26						
1-10	11-12	13-22	23-24	25-34	35-36	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (X)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (X)	0	LONG PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)	0	SHORT PERIOD SEISMIC (Z)

PASSIVE SEISMIC EXPERIMENT

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APOLLO 16 72-031C-01

→ Apollo 15 71-063C-01



MAP COORDINATES

APOLLO 11 ALSEP	0.65W	23.50E
APOLLO 12 ALSEP	3.04W	17.42W
APOLLO 14 ALSEP	1.65S	17.48W
APOLLO 15 ALSEP	26.08N	3.66E
APOLLO 16 ALSEP	8.97S	15.52E
APOLLO 17 ALSEP	20.16N	30.75E
APOLLO 12 LM IMPACT	3.94S	21.20W
APOLLO 13 SVS IMPACT	2.75S	27.86W
APOLLO 14 SVS IMPACT	8.08N	26.32W
APOLLO 14 LM IMPACT	3.42E	19.67W
APOLLO 15 SVS IMPACT	1.51S	11.81W
APOLLO 15 LM IMPACT	26.36N	0.25E
APOLLO 16 SVS IMPACT	1.83W	23.30W
APOLLO 17 SVS IMPACT	7.01S	7.85W(P)
APOLLO 17 LM IMPACT	19.93W	30.53E(P)

DISTANCE, KM

	12 ALSEP	14 ALSEP	15 ALSEP	16 ALSEP	17 ALSEP
APOLLO 17 ALSEP	1781	1632	840	998	---
APOLLO 15 ALSEP	1157	1007	1119	1119	998
APOLLO 14 ALSEP	1168	1095	1095	1007	840
APOLLO 12 LM IMPACT	181	---	---	---	1632
APOLLO 12 SVS IMPACT	73	---	---	---	---
APOLLO 13 SVS IMPACT	135	---	---	---	---
APOLLO 14 SVS IMPACT	172	---	---	---	---
APOLLO 14 LM IMPACT	114	67	---	---	---
APOLLO 15 SVS IMPACT	355	184	---	---	---
APOLLO 15 LM IMPACT	1130	1048	93	---	---
APOLLO 16 SVS IMPACT	132	243	1099	---	---
APOLLO 17 SVS IMPACT	716	542	800	543	10
APOLLO 17 LM IMPACT	1778	1623	837	988	---

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Apollo Passive Seismic Experiment

Data File

Preface:

This report contains information necessary to use the lunar seismic data file available at Goddard Space Flight Center. No attempt is made to describe the data itself, but only the instruments, historical background, and the formats in which data are stored.

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Section 1 - Operational History

Seismic stations were installed on the lunar surface by the astronauts of Apollo missions 11, 12, 14, 15, and 16. The locations and installation dates of the seismic stations are listed in Table 1. Station 11 operated only 16 days before loss of the command uplink terminated operation. The four remaining stations constitute the Apollo Seismic Network. This network spans the near side of the Moon in an approximate equilateral triangle with 1100 km spacing between stations (stations 12 and 14 are 181 km apart at one corner of the triangle as shown in Figure 1).

Four seismometers are included at each station: Three long-period components forming a triaxial set (one sensitive to vertical motion and two sensitive to horizontal motion), with sensitivity to ground motion sharply peaked at 0.45 Hz (peaked-response mode); and a fourth seismometer sensitive to vertical motion with peak sensitivity at 8 Hz (short period component). These instruments can detect vibrations of the lunar surface as small as one-half angstrom at maximum sensitivity. Of the sixteen separate seismometers, all but two are presently operating properly. The short period component at station 12 has failed to operate since initial activation, and one of the long period seismometers at station 14 (vertical component) became unstable after one year.

Unless otherwise indicated in the Operation History listing, Table 2, the instruments have been operated at maximum sensitivity with the long-period seismometers in the peaked-response mode. This configuration is designated as the "standard mode" in Table 2. The various operating modes are described in Section 2. Although not noted in Table 2, all seismometers at a given station were operated at reduced gain while the astronauts remained on the surface.

In addition to signals from natural sources (moonquakes and meteoroid impacts), signals were recorded from nine man-made impacts. These were provided by two types of space vehicles: the LM (Lunar Module) ascent stage and the third, or S-IVB, stage of the Saturn booster. The LM's were guided to impact following the return of the surface crew to the CSM (Command Service Module) in lunar orbit. The S-IVB stages were directed by remote control from Earth to planned impact points following separation from the Apollo spacecraft. Seismic signals from these impacts were recorded at ranges of from 67 to 1750 km. Data pertinent to the impacts are given in Section 3.

Table I:

LUNAR PASSIVE SEISMIC STATION STATISTICS

STATION	Date of Deployment Yr. Day	Location ^a		Distance from LM (m)	Azimuth of Components		Distance and Azimuths from other stations			
		Lat.	Long.		+X	+Y	12	14	15	16
11	'69 208	1.75°N	23.45°W	16.8	0°	90°	---	---	---	---
12	'69 323	3.04°S	23.42°E	130	180°	270°	---	---	---	---
14	'71 036	3.65°S	17.48°W	178	0°	90°	181 km 96°	---	---	1095 km 218°
15	'71 212	26.08°N	3.66°E	110	0°	90°	1188 km 40°	1095° 33°	---	---
16	'72 109	8.97°S	15.51°E	95	334.5°	64.5°	1187 km 100°	1007 km 101°	1119 km 160°	---

a. Listed coordinates are derived from the Manned Space Flight Network Apollo tracking data. Locations based on these data are referenced to a mean spherical surface and may differ by several kilometers from coordinates referenced to surface features.

b. Upward ground motion produces positive-going output signal for the vertical components. The listed azimuths for the horizontal-component seismometers are the directions of ground motion that give positive-going output signal (0° = North, 90° = East, 180° = South, 270° = West).

Table 2 Operational History

DATE		Station	EVENT
Yr.	Day		
69	208	11	Deployment: Flat response mode
69	215	11	Station turned off for lunar night
69	230	11	Station turned on for 2nd lunar day
69	237	11	Long period components drift off scale, station overheating and not accepting commands
69	239	11	Loss of all data
69	323	12	Deployment: Flat response mode Short period component not operating LPZ operating with abnormal long period response
	326	12	Changed long period response to standard mode to bring LPZ back into operation.
70	105	12	Reduce LP gain to -10 db during S4B13 impact (01 hrs 24 min)
70	105	12	Increase LP gain to 0 db (02 hrs 30 min)
71	036	14	Deployment: standard mode
71	210	14	Reduce LP gain to -10 db during S4B 15 impact (21 hrs 00 min)
71	210	14	Increase LP gain to 0 db (21 hrs 47 min)
71	212	15	Deployment: standard mode
71	330 to		
72	030	14	LPZ axis anomalously noisy affecting LPX and LPY. After mid-January LPZ is usually dead but occasionally has periods of normal operation.
72	109	16	Deployment: standard mode
72	343	16	LPY anomalous noise and reduced gain
72	345	14	Reduce LP gain to -10 db during S4B17 impact (20 hrs 35 min)
	345	14	Increase LP gain to 0 db (20 hrs 55 min)
72	348	16	LPY back to normal

Section 2 INSTRUMENT CHARACTERISTICS

A seismometer consists of a mass free to move in one direction that is suspended by means of springs and/or hinges from a framework. The suspended mass is supplied with damping to suppress vibrations at the natural period of the system. The framework rests on and moves with the surface. The suspended mass tends to remain fixed in space and the resulting relative motion between the mass and the framework can be recorded and used to calculate the original ground motion.

The Apollo seismic stations consist of two main subsystems: the sensor unit and the electronics module. The sensor unit, shown schematically in figures 2 and 3 contain three matched long period (LP) seismometers aligned orthogonally to measure vertical and horizontal ground motions. The unit also contains a vertical short period (SP) seismometer. The instrument is constructed principally of beryllium and weighs 11.5 kg, including the electronics module and thermal insulation. Without insulation, the sensor unit is 23 cm in diameter and 29 cm high. The total power drain varies between 4.3 and 7.4 W.

Instrument temperature control is provided by a 6-W heater, a proportional controller and except for station 11, an aluminized Mylar insulation. The insulating shroud is spread over the local surface to reduce temperature variations in the surface material.

The seismic response curves are shown in (fold out) figure 4. The LP seismometers have a useful frequency range from 0.004 to 2 Hz. The SP seismometers cover a band from 0.05 to 20 Hz. Two modes of operation, flat and peaked response, are possible for the LP seismometers. In the flat response mode, the LP seismometers have natural periods of 15 sec. In the peaked response mode, the seismometers act like underdamped pendulums with natural periods of 2.2 sec. Maximum

sensitivity is increased by a factor of 5.6 in the peaked response mode, but sensitivity to low frequency signals is reduced. Calibration of each sensor is accomplished by applying a step of current to each coil by command from Earth. At tidal frequencies, gravitational acceleration is measured by monitoring the feedback current used to center the seismometer mass. The tidal sensitivity of the instruments is 8×10^{-3} milligals per digital unit.

The LP horizontal seismometers (LPX and LPY) are very sensitive to tilts and must be leveled to high accuracy. This is accomplished by means of a two-axis, motor-driven gimbal. A third motor adjusts the LPZ seismometer in the vertical direction. Motor operation is controlled by command.

A caging system is provided to secure all critical elements of the instrument against damage during transport and deployment phases. A pneumatic system is used in which pressurized bellows expand and clamp fragile parts in place. Uncaging is accomplished by piercing the connecting lines.

The seismometer systems are controlled from earth by a set of 15 commands that govern functions such as leveling, instrument gain (adjustable in 10 db steps), and calibration.

Seismic disturbances are observed on the long-period seismometers of each station throughout the daytime period of each lunar day. These disturbances are most intense near times of sunrise and sunset, and are believed to be due to thermal contraction and expansion of the Mylar shroud that covers the seismometers, or the cable connecting the seismometers to the central station, or both.

Time codes recorded on PSE tapes are normally those generated from time codes on range tapes, and are believed to be accurate within a few tens of milliseconds of GMT when signal is received at a range station.

However, when it is difficult to extract time information from range tapes, time codes generated from an "internal clock", a clock internal to a computer at Johnson Spacecraft Center, is substituted. Since this internal clock is not synchronized with tape speed during range tape playback, the time codes thus generated are only as accurate as the accuracy of the speed of the tape transport. The time codes thus generated may drift as much as several tens of seconds from true GMT if allowed to continue for several hours. Users of the PSE tapes should be aware of possible time code errors in situations where relative time between stations is important. The reader is directed to the section on PSE tape irregularities for further discussion of errors occurring on PSE tapes.

The reader is directed to the bibliography for more detailed discussions of instrumentation, especially Latham, et al., 1969, Breseke and Lewko, 1971, and Sutton and Latham, 1964.

Section 3: Data Set Descriptions

1. Compressed Scale Playouts

The compressed scale playouts yield a complete time history of the lunar seismic data. Data from each station are read from tape (Passive Seismic Experiment (PSE) tapes supplied by NASA, Johnson Spacecraft Center) and plotted synchronously in compressed form. To enhance the signal-to-noise ratio for higher frequency events, a difference method is employed in reduction of the data. The absolute value of the difference between consecutive data points is summed over 40 points for long-period data (320 points for short period data) and this value is plotted yielding one value for each six seconds of data. Consecutive points are plotted with opposite polarity to yield a line with the appearance of a seismogram. A horizontal scale of 20 minutes per inch and vertical scales of 400 digital units per inch (long period) and 3200 digital units per inch (short period) are used. Components at each station are arranged LPX, LPY, LPZ, SPZ with long period X at the top and short period Z at the bottom. Time ticks are displayed every ten minutes and each hour (GMT) is labeled. The year and day are displayed every six hours.

2. Event Tapes

Seismic events (see data set #6) detected on the long period components by routine manual search of the compressed scale playouts (data set #1) are copied from the original PSE tapes to event tapes containing only time periods when seismic events are observed. Each event tape contains data from one station only; the same time periods are copied in chronological order onto separate tapes for each station. Thus, intervals which may contain no detectable signal at one station are on event tapes because an event was detected at another station.

FIGURE 2

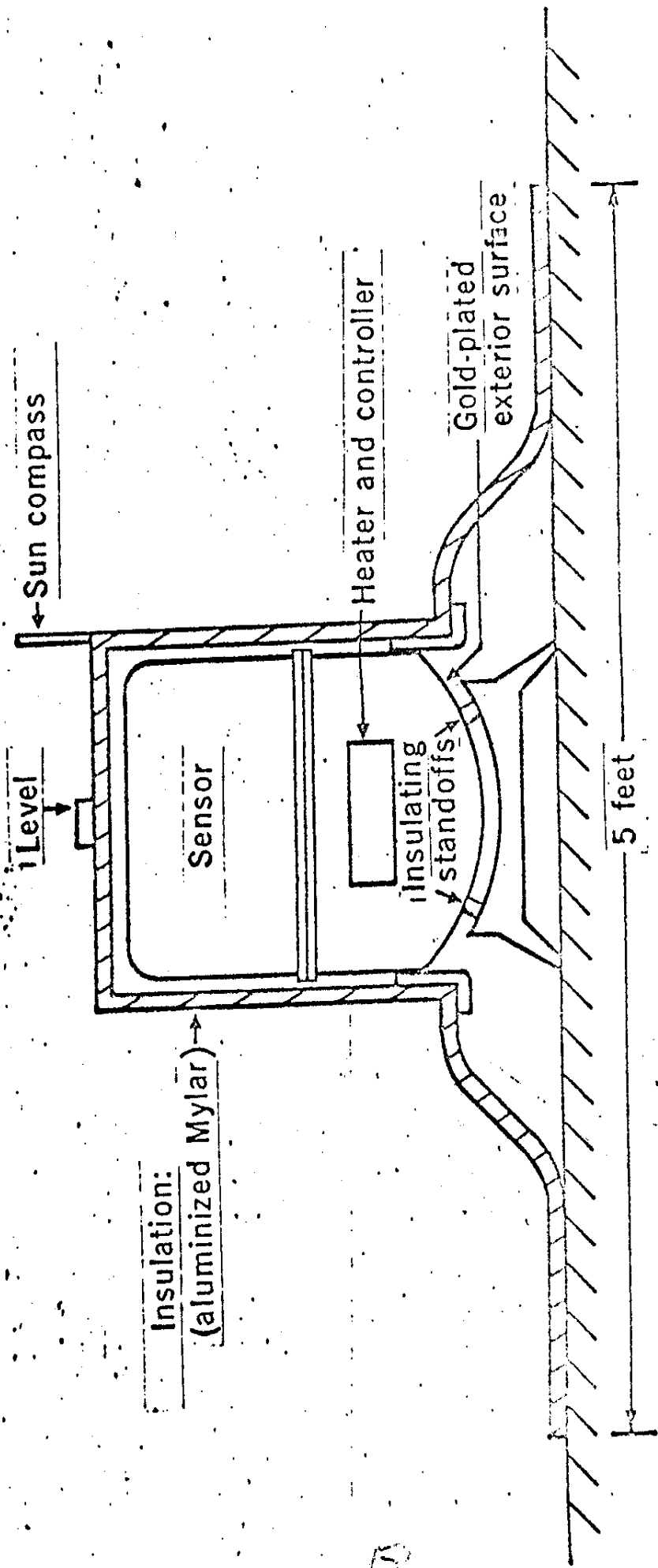
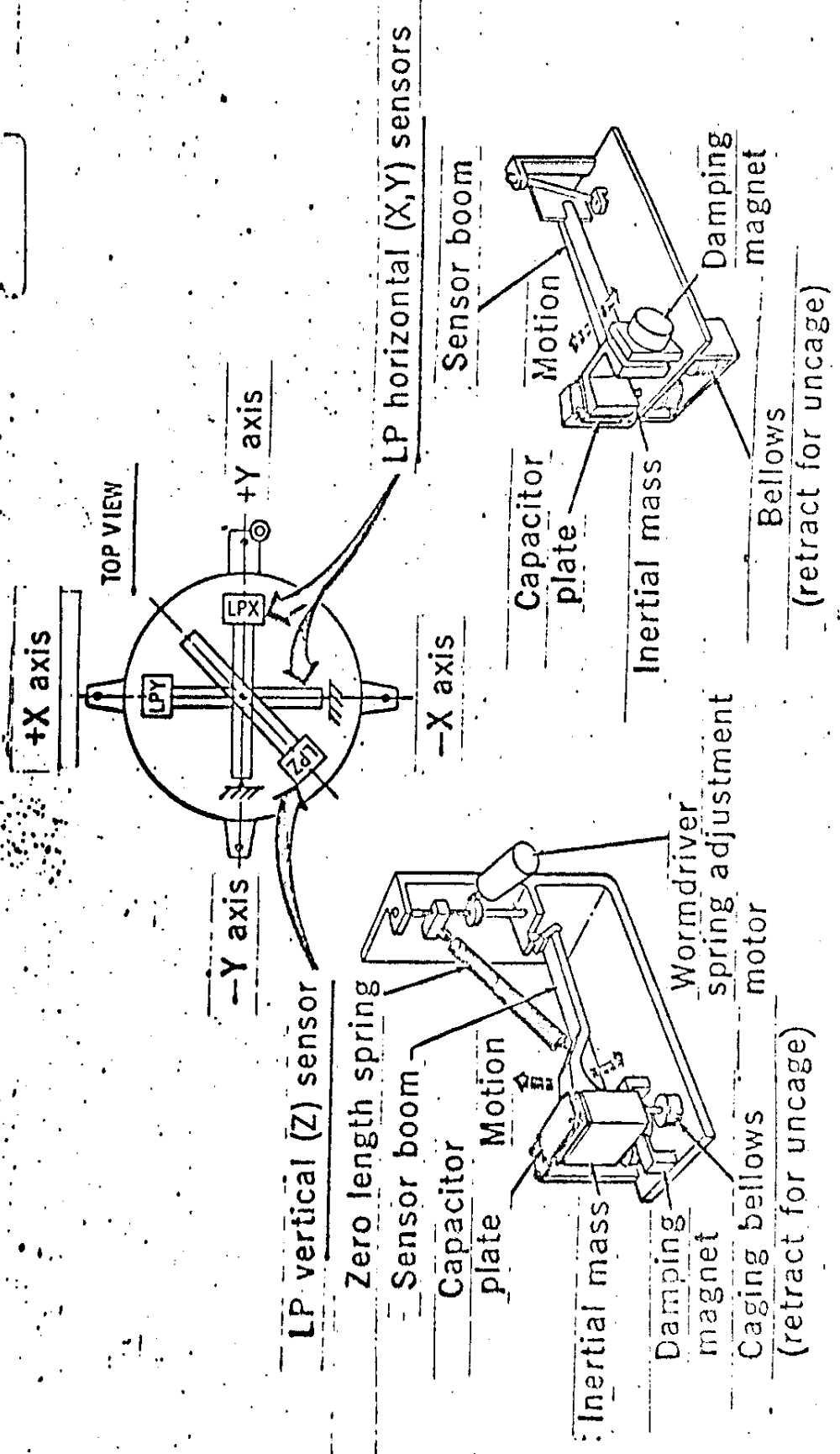


FIGURE 3



Event tapes are numbered serially and are in chronological order. All tapes are labeled with the event tape number, station number, tape number, and total time interval covered by the tape. Listings of the time intervals covered on each tape are supplied with the tapes and can also be found using the next data set (#3). The format with which event tapes are read is described in the section on tape formats.

3. Event Compressed Scale Playouts

Each event tape (data sets #2 and #4) has been plotted in compressed scale to provide a visual display of the contents of each event tape. These playouts have the same format as data set #1 with the exceptions that time is not continuous and an amplitude scale twice that of data set #1 is used.

4. Artificial Impact Event Tapes

Each impact of man-made origin (artificial impacts) has been recorded on a special set of event tapes. These tapes are identical in format to the event tapes (data set #2). Table 3 shows data pertinent to each of the impacts. The reader is directed to the brief station history for information concerning the status of each station at times of impacts. Compressed scale playouts of these events are supplied as part of data set #3.

5. Expanded Playouts

A. Method of Selection: Expanded time scale playouts (usually ten minutes in length) have been generated for the following long-period seismic events.

1. All events observed at station 12 (data set #6) during the period November 20, 1969 to February 5, 1971 with peak-to-peak signal amplitudes of two or more digital units.

Table 3: ARTIFICIAL IMPACT DATA

EVENT	Year, day	hr min sec	Lat.	Long.	Distances (km) and Azimuth from stations			Impact Angle from Horizontal	Impact Heading	Impact Energy, ergs
					12	14	15				16
Apollo 12 LM	1969, 324	22 17 17.7	3.94°S	21.21°W	73°	-	-	3.7°	306°	3.36 X 10 ¹⁶
Apollo 13 SIVB	1970, 105	01 09 41.0	2.75°S	27.86°W	112°	-	-	76°	78°	4.63 X 10 ¹⁷
Apollo 14 SIVB	1971, 035	07 40 55.4	8.09°S	26.02°W	135	-	-	69°	103°	5.54 X 10 ¹⁷
Apollo 14 LM	1971, 038	00 45 25.7	3.42°S	19.67°W	207°	-	-	3.6°	282°	3.25 X 10 ¹⁶
Apollo 15 SIVB	1971, 210	20 58 42.9	1.51°S	11.81°W	114	67	-	62°	97°	4.61 X 10 ¹⁷
Apollo 15 LM	1971, 215	03 03 37.0	26.36°N	0.25°N	96	276°	-	3.2°	284°	3.43 X 10 ¹⁶
Apollo 16 SIVB	1972, 110	21 02 .04±4*	2.24±.33°N	24.49±.33°W*	355	184	-	79° (?)	78°	4.59 X 10 ¹⁷
Apollo 17 SIVB	1972, 345	20 32 42.3	4.21°S	12.31°W	83	69°	-	55°	97°	4.71 X 10 ¹⁷
Apollo 17 LM	1972, 350	06 50 20.8	19.96°N	30.50°E	1130	1048	93	4.9°	283°	3.14 X 10 ¹⁶
					36°	29°	276°			
					338°	157°	1032°			
					96°	96°	209°			
					1750	1598	770			
					64°	61°	98°			

* tracking signal lost before impact. The origin time was obtained by interpretation of seismic data, and the location was extrapolated from the early trajectory.

2. Most of the events observed at two or three stations during the period February 5, 1971 to April 21, 1972.

B. Annotation Formats

1. Events occurring during the years of 1969 and 1970 were detected by station 12 only. The long-period components (X,Y,Z) have been played out for each event. The annotation is as follows:

YEAR

SKIP X MAG (C)

DAY HR MN SECOND

YEAR = year in which the playout begins

SKIP = tape identification numbers which can be ignored

MAG = multiplicative factor which adjusts the signal amplitude of an event for plotting; this number can be ignored.

C = long-period component, e.g. X = long period X component (LPX)

Y = long period Y component (LPY)

Z = long period Z component (LPZ)

DAY = Julian day of the year on which the playout begins

HR, MN, SECOND = universal time at which the playout begins

Time marks are placed at one minute intervals. The first tick mark indicates the time DAY:HR:MIN+1.

2. Playouts of events occurring during the years of 1971 and 1972 are annotated as follows:

YEAR DAY HR MIN

YEAR = year in which the playout begins

DAY = Julian day of the year on which playout begins

HR MIN = time at which the first minute mark is placed; minute marks are indicated by the vertical tick marks superposed upon the seismic traces.

ST = seismic station at which the signal was detected, e.g.,
12, 14, 15, 16.

N = 1, 2, 3, or 4, where,

- 1 = long-period X component (LPX)
- 2 = long-period Y component (LPY)
- 3 = long-period Z component (LPZ)
- 4 = short-period Z component (SPZ)

General Remarks:

1. In almost all cases the data represented by the expanded time scale playouts are taken directly from the PSE tapes and are not processed in any way (e.g., no filtering, smoothing, signal averaging, etc.).
2. Notations on the seismograms such as phase picks (e.g., P, S,) event classification (e.g., A, B, C, M), etc. are not primary data but interpretations of the data and should be recognized and used as such.
3. Time marks are not corrected for possible clock errors.

6. Event Catalog

The event catalog has been compiled from the log of long period events observed on the compressed scale playouts (data set #1). Only events of apparent or probable seismic origin are included. Noise events, such as tilts and thermal noise are not included, nor are events observed exclusively on the short period components. The card deck (or tape in card-image format) contains the same set of events as included on the event tapes (data sets #2 and #4). The cards are arranged in chronological order.

Card format:

columns	format	data
3, 4	I2	year
6,7,8	I3	Julian day
10-13	2I2	start hour-minute

columns	format	data
15-18	2I2	stop hour-minute (9999 for overlaps)
37-40	4I1	playout log, = 1, if expanded scale playout is available at station 12 (col. 37) station 14 (col. 38) station 15 (col. 39) station 16 (col. 40)
42-45	4I1	Quality factor ¹ = blank: normal quality = 1 no data = 2 type 6 time error (see section on tape irregu- larities) = 3 noisy = 4 masked for station: 12 (col. 42) 14 (col. 43) 15 (col. 44) 16 (col. 45)
77	A1	event type* A: classified moonquake M: suspected moonquake C: suspected impact Z: mostly short period X: special type L: IM impact S: SIVB impact
79, 80	I2	Moonquake class ² (only used in conjunction with type 'A' events)

¹ Priority given to smallest number

² Note that these data are interpretive rather than primary data.

7. PSE TAPES

PSE tapes covering continuous operation of the lunar passive seismic system for a period of one month (April, 1973) are supplies. These tapes are labeled in sequential order from the day of deployment of the instrument as well as with the Julian day and universal start and stop times. The station number and date of tape generation also appear on the tapes. Format for reading of PSE tapes is found in the section on tape formats.

Section 4: Tape Formats and Irregularities

FORMATS

Data sets #2 (event tapes), #4 (artificial impact tapes) and #7 (PSE-tapes, one ^{year} of data) formats are described below. All tapes are ⁹ track, 1/2 inch binary, ⁶²⁵⁰ 800 bpi, odd parity, with standard IBM EOF on 2400 foot reels.

Data is transmitted from the Moon in 64 word frames, one frame every 0.60375 seconds. The ALSEP words are assigned to meet the needs of the scientific instruments in the Apollo Lunar Surface Experiment Package. Those assigned to the Passive Seismic Experiment are given in Table 4. Each ALSEP word is ten bits, or a range from 0 to 1023 digital units. Sensor equilibrium data values are near 500 digital units. Missing ALSEP words in the short period data (2,46, etc.) should be replaced to obtain equal spacing of data points.

Each frame of data is recorded on tape in a logical record consisting of eighteen 36 bit words for format A and nine 36 bit words for format B. The first three of these words contain timing, synchronization, and error information as described below. The remaining words containing the data are described in Table 5 A and B.

Word 1 contains time at the start of the frame in milliseconds from the beginning of the year starting in bit 1 and ending in bit 35 right justified in binary. The time on January 01 at 00 hours 00 minutes 00 seconds is reset to 8.64×10^7 msec so that the year starts on day 1 rather than day 0.

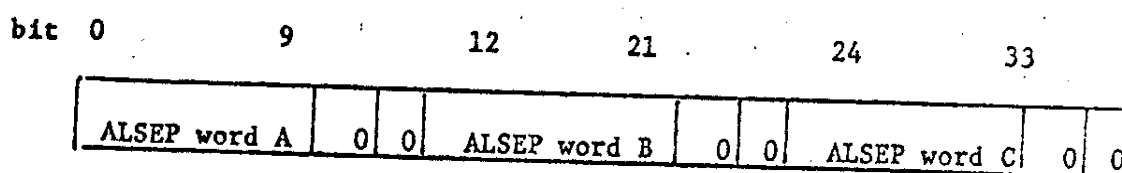
Word 2 contains a range station I. D. code in bits 0-3, a bit error rate in bits 4-9, and, starting on day 183, 1973, a time source indicator in bit 35 (last bit); if this bit is set, then computer clock time rather than G. M. T. was used for updating the time code. Several tens of seconds of error in time codes have been noted when the computer clock is used.

Word 3 contains synchronization codes and a frame counter. This word should contain the following in bits 0-9, 12-21 and 24-25.

bit:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	24	25
value:	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1

If this is not the case, then sync has been lost with the data and errors may be present. Bits 26-32 contain a frame counter which steps once per frame resetting to zero after 89 frames. A break in the sequence may indicate timing errors.

ALSEP words arranged as shown in Table 5 are packed in the 36 bit words as shown below:



Note that in FORMAT B (Table 5-B) the data is compressed by a factor of 2 as all SP ALSEP words are missing. This was done as a cost-saving procedure since the station 12 short period component is not operating.

Each tape begins with two identical label records written in BCD. These records contain four words each as described below:

Word	Parameter
1	experiment I.D. (PS EXP or PSEXPB)
2	ALSEP I. D.
	Sta. 12 = A
	Sta. 14 = B
	Sta. 15 = C
	Sta. 16 = D

Word

Parameter

3

Mission I.D.:

Sta. 12 = A/S507

Sta. 14 = A/S509

Sta. 15 = A/S510

Sta. 16 = A/S511

4

None or Year (bcd blanks or year)

Event tapes, data sets #2 and #4, differ from normal PSE tapes in that time is not continuous since gaps occur between events. All events are recorded in chronological order. Further information regarding tape encoding and formats is available in NASA documents MSC-00119 and MSC-004434.

TABLE 4

P.S.E. ALSEP Words

ALSEP Word(s)	Description
even words (except 2, 24*, 46, 56)	short period (SP) vertical data
9, 25, 41, 57	long period X component (LPX)
11, 27, 43, 59	long period Y component (LPY)
13, 29, 45, 61	long period Z component (LPZ)
35 (even frames)	X axis tidal
35 (odd frames)	Z axis tidal
37 (even frames)	Y axis tidal
37 (odd frames)	instrument temperature

*Apollo 15 only

TABLE 5-A

ALSEP WORD LOCATIONS

FORMAT A¹

36 bit word	ALSEP word	USE
4	4, 6, 8	SP, SP, SP
5	9, 10, 11	LPX, SP, LPY
6	12, 13, 14	SP, LPZ, SP
7	16, 18, 20	SP, SP, SP
8	22, 24, 25	SP, SP*, LPX
9	26, 27, 28	SP, LPY, SP
10	29, 30, 32	LPZ, SP, SP
11	33, 34, 35	-, SP, TDLX/Z
12	36, 37, 38	SP, TEMP/TDLY, SP
13	40, 41, 42	SP, LPX, SP
14	43, 44, 45	LPY, SP, LPZ
15	46, 48, 50	-, SP, SP
16	52, 54, 57	SP, SP, LPX
17	58, 59, 60	SP, LPY, SP
18	61, 62, 64	LPZ, SP, SP

* not for Apollo 15

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used for all tapes (except station 12 tapes after day 288, 1971)

TABLE 5-B

ALSEP WORD LOCATIONS

FORMAT B*

36 bit word	ALSEP WORD	USE
4	9, 11, 13	LPX, LPY, LPZ
5	25, 27, 29	LPX, LPY, LPZ
6	33, 35, 37	-, TDLX/Z, TEMP/TDLY
7	41, 43, 45	LPX, LPY, LPZ
8	46, 57, 59	-, LPX, LPY
9	61, -, -	LPZ

*used only for station 12 starting on day 289, 1971

PSE Tape Irregularities

The following is a list of types of irregularities, other than tape reading errors and data glitches, found in PSE tapes. The user of PSE tapes is urged to be aware of their existence.

1. Data gap

A normal data gap is represented by a time increment from one logical record to the next by an amount that is an exact multiple of the normal frame rate (603.75 ± 0.05 ms) and an increment of the frame count corresponding to the time increment. Small data gaps, a few seconds in duration, are quite common, occurring at a rate of several to a few tens of times per day.

2. Data overlap

A normal data overlap is represented by a time decrement from one logical record to the next by an amount that is an exact multiple of the normal frame rate and a decrement of the frame count corresponding to the time decrement. Data overlaps are rare, but they do occur in earlier tapes.

3. Clock offset due to range station switch

When the range station receiving data from the Moon is switched from one to another, a slight offset in time is observed, which is normally less than 20 milliseconds.

4. Sync error

When data from the Moon are not correctly translated onto PSE tapes because of errors in synchronization, it is reflected on the Barker code which is included in each logical record. A data gap of a few frames normally follows a sync error.

5. Zero record

Some logical records are filled with all zeroes. A data gap may or may not occur at the same time.

6. Clock rate error

This occurs when time information based on a computer internal clock is substituted. It can be identified by an abnormal time increment from one frame to the next. The normal time increment per frame is 603 or 604 milliseconds, with 90-frame average in the range of 603.70 to 603.80 milliseconds. The abnormal clock rate is usually less than 0.5% off normal, but larger anomalies are found. The duration of this error is from a few minutes to as much as 6 to 8 hours. An anomalous period usually starts with a small offset in frame count and ends with a large offset in frame count, representing a large clock adjustment. Multiple clock adjustments are found in some cases. The amount of clock adjustment ranges from a fraction of a second to several tens of seconds. The time information on tapes are nearly continuous, thus generating a data gap or a data overlap without clear indication of their existence when the clock is adjusted.

7. Time/frame count error

Simultaneous discontinuities in time and frame count which do not agree with each other occur rather frequently without abnormal clock rate. They occur in pairs or multiples so that the net offset in time and/or frame count is always zero. The offset in time at a discontinuity is often either an exact multiple of the normal frame rate or even seconds. When it is an exact multiple of the normal frame rate, whether the error is in time or in frame count cannot be determined. When it

is not an exact multiple of the normal frame rate, including offsets of even seconds, a time error is indicated.

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APPENDIX A

Elapsed Time and the Three-Word Time Code

NOTE: This explanation of the three-word time code was written for internal use at Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, and the example used is inaccessible to users of the storage tapes. However, the technique for deriving total elapsed time is still applicable to data obtained from the ALSEP1 long-period storage tapes. Total elapsed time is begun at 0000 hours GMT, 01 Jan and is restarted each year.

Elapsed Time and the Three-Word Time Code:

Total elapsed time in milliseconds is stored in Houston as a single 36-bit 7090 word. The three-word (1130) time code is derived from the 36-bit (7090) word. The procedure is as follows:

1) Take the 7090 word, e.g.,

0011 1100 0000 1111 0011 0111 0000 1111 0011...(1-7090 word)*

and store as three 16-bit words on tape by placing two zeros before each 6 bits, left to right, e.g.,

0	F	0	0		
<u>0000</u>	1111	<u>0000</u>	0000	=	3840
3	C	3	7		
<u>0011</u>	1100	<u>0011</u>	0111	=	15415
3	3	3	3		three 16-bit (1130) words
<u>0000</u>	0011	<u>0011</u>	0011	=	0819

(Underlined zeros are artificially introduced and are not part of the original 36-bit 7090 word.) These three 16-bit words are written on ALSEP storage tapes and can be read with the 1130 by either EDIT1 or MAGTA**

2.) The first word of the three-word time code is obtained from the first six non-underlined bits of the first (top) 1130 word. The second word of the three-word time code is obtained from the next 15 non-underlined bits, counting left to right, top to bottom. The third word is obtained from the last 15 non-underlined bits. Thus, the three-word time code in the 1130 would be

0	0	0	F	
<u>0000</u>	<u>0000</u>	<u>0000</u>	1111	= 15

0	1	E	6	
<u>0000</u>	0001	1110	0110	= 486
7	0	F	3	
<u>0111</u>	0000	1111	0011	= 28915

(Underlined bits are artificially introduced and should all be zeros.)

3.) The three-word time code is converted back to total elapsed time in milliseconds by multiplying the first word by $(2^{15})^2$, the second word by (2^{15}) , and adding these to the third word, e.g.,

$15 * 32768^2$	=	16106127360	
$486 * 32768$	=	15925248	
$28915 * 1$	=	<u>28915</u>	
		16122081523	= elapsed time in milliseconds

4.) The time in days, hours, minutes, and seconds is found by finding the largest day which will fit into the elapsed time, then the largest hour, and finally the largest minute. The remainder is in milliseconds, e.g.,

	16122081523	
$186 * 24 * 60 * 60 * 1000$	= <u>16070400000</u>	= day 186
	51681523	
$14 * 60 * 60 * 1000$	= <u>50400000</u>	= hour 14
	1281523	
$21 * 60 * 1000$	= <u>1260000</u>	= min. 21
	21523	= sec. 21.523

i.e., $186^D 14^H 21^M 21.523^S$

A Fortran routine called EDIT3 has been written to convert the three 16-bit 1130 words (read backwards from ALSEP tape with MAGTA, data convert off) into the three-word time code.

*The example is taken from the start of the third physical record on ALSEP tape 51571 (first physical record after the two header records).

**The output from EDIT1 is the three-word time code. The output from MAGTA is the three 16-bit 1130 words described in step 1.) Note that the data array from a MAGTA read is backward when compared to an EDIT1 read. Also note that data convert is set off for a MAGTA read.

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SUBJECT: Long-Period Data Storage Tapes from APOLLO XII

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This report is a description of the data processing plan for Apollo XII long-period seismic data storage tapes, and the accompanying listing compiled at Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory for distribution to the National Space Science Data Center. The first section is a description of the data format for the LP storage tapes. Following this is a discussion of the mechanics of writing these tapes. The last section is a brief description of the Apollo XII long-period seismometers, their response curve, and the method by which these data are transmitted from the moon to the earth. Any modifications and/or additions to this data processing plan will be published as addenda when required.

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Data

Introduction

The data contained on the long-period event storage tapes are compiled from the ALSEP 1 PSE* data tapes which are distributed by the Manned Spacecraft Center, MSC, in Houston to the Principal Investigators for the Passive Seismic Experiment. All long-period data of seismologic interest contained on the MSC tapes are condensed and transferred to the long-period event storage tapes. These storage tapes are then made available to other interested investigators.

*ALSEP 1 PSE = Apollo Lunar Surface Experiments Package #1, Passive Seismic Experiment. This package was deployed during the Apollo XII flight.

1. Data Format of Storage Tapes

Each storage tape contains all long-period event data for a time interval specified on the label attached to the face of the tape reel. The data on a storage tape is divided into a series of events which are written in chronological order. Each event is numbered, starting with event number 1, and subdivided into data records which are also numbered, starting with data record number 0, for each event. Each data record is made up of data frames with 16 data words per frame. The data for each event begin approximately 5 minutes before the start of the event and continue 10 minutes after the event has disappeared into the background.

To simplify numbering of the events and data records, each data record is preceded by a 9-word list record. This list record contains all information pertinent to the following data record. The 9 words of the list record contain the following information:

LIST(1) = Event number

LIST(2) = Tape number

LIST(3) = Data record number for the event

LIST(4) - LIST(7) = Start time in days, hours, mins, and secs for the event (not the record).

LIST(8) = relative maximum amplitude of the event (15 is a very small event, 100 is a large, natural event). This is useful only as a guide, and has no quantitative significance. Some list records for events in 1970 do not contain a meaningful number in LIST(8).

LIST(9) = number of words in the data record which follows

The data record which follows is of variable length, but the last list record word gives the number of words to be read in the data record.

Data records are a maximum of 2048 words and a minimum of 16 words in length. They are divided into frames with 16 words per frame. The frame contains the three-word time code, the bit error rate, and four words each of long-period X, Y, and Z data in the following order:

DATA(1) - DATA(3) = three-word time code corresponding to total elapsed time from the first of the year to the beginning of the first data words in the frame (see Appendix A for an explanation of the three-word time code).

DATA(4) = bit error rate. (This is usually zero, but for a frame with erroneous data it may be non-zero).

DATA(5) - DATA(8) = long-period X data

DATA(9) - DATA(12) = long-period Y data

DATA(13) - DATA(16) = long-period Z data

DATA(17) - DATA(32) = second frame

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DATA(16 * N - 15) - DATA(16 * N) = Nth frame where N = 1, 2, ... NN; and NN is LIST(9)/16.

Each frame is supposed to be 0.603773 secs in duration so that a full data record of 128 frames contains 77.283 seconds of long-period data. However, there are occasional data records for which erroneous time has been read from the MSC original tapes and the total elapsed time may be either too long or too short, e.g., tape 1, event 8, batches 4 and 5. See Appendix B for a brief discussion of problems arising from erroneous data contained on the long-period event storage tapes. It is important to point out that erroneous data are usually caused by transmission difficulties between the moon and receiving facilities on earth. These

erroneous data have not been corrected on either the MSC original tapes or the storage tapes and consequently must be eliminated by the individual user.

The dynamic range of the long-period data is 0 to + 1023 with an average D.C. value for each channel of approximately 512 digital units. The expected values of the three-word time code are 0 to 27 for the first word and 0 to 32,767 for words 2 and 3. Erroneous data may cause the first word of the time code to exceed 27, but these data may be ignored.

Accompanying each data storage tape sent to the Space Science Data Center at Goddard is a computer generated listing which gives start, end, and elapsed times for each data record on that tape. The start and end times are calculated from the three-word time codes at the beginning and end frames of each data record and correspond to the start time of these frames. The elapsed time is the difference between the start and end times. Note that the actual elapsed time for the data record is the calculated elapsed time plus 0.604 seconds for the duration of the last frame. A normal calculated elapsed time is 76.678 secs for a full record or actual elapsed time of 77.282 secs, i.e., 128 frames x 0.603773 secs per frame. Variations of + 2 or 3 milliseconds are acceptable, but frames which contain larger deviations from the elapsed time than this will usually be found to contain a data drop-out or some other form of erroneous data.

2. Mechanics of Writing Storage Tapes

Data records are written on magnetic tape via an unformatted sub-routine* with data convert on and data translate off, (see IBM form A22-6866-4, Component Description of Magnetic Tape Units, 2400-Series, for a discussion of conversion and translation features). A ^{nine} ~~seven~~-track head with odd parity and ⁶⁸⁵⁰ ~~800~~ b.p.i. density are employed. The storage tapes are generated on an IBM 2415 Model 1 tape drive connected to an IBM 1130 computer. All words in a data record are 16-bit one word integers written in standard BCDIC.

A data record is written as follows:

- 1.) the data array is entered, starting at the high order bit of the last word in the array, 2.) data convert takes the first three 8-bit bytes and converts them into four 6-bit tape characters,
- 3.) these four tape characters are then written on the magnetic tape,
- 4.) the next 24 bits are converted as in step 2 and written as in step 3, etc.

Note that since the 1130 has a 16-bit word, the first data word is written on the first $2\frac{2}{3}$ tape characters, the second data word is written on the next $2\frac{2}{3}$ tape characters, and the third data word is written on the next $2\frac{2}{3}$ tape characters, i.e., three data words for every eight tape characters or six bytes.

The flow of data is illustrated in Figure 1. Figure 1A shows the nine list record words constituting the first record on ALSEP 1 long-period event storage #1 as they appear in core in the 1130. Figure 1B shows how the bits for the last three data words of this array are written on tape as eight tape characters or six bytes. The next three data words are written in the next eight tape characters. After all nine list record words have been written on tape, there is an inter-record gap before the next data record. Note that since $LIST(9) = 2048$, the next data record will contain 2048 words. The data record is written in the same manner

the same manner as the list record.

*This subroutine (MAGTA) writes a data record in reverse order, i.e.,
the last data word is written first and the first data word is written last.

Core Location*	Binary Contents (16 bits/wd)	Hex	Decimal	Word No. (LIST coefficients)
01FE	[0000 1000 0000 0000] wd. 1	0800	2048	9
01FF	[0000 0000 0000 0000] wd. 2	0000	0	8
0200	[0000 0000 0001 1110] wd. 3	001E	30	7
0201	0000 0000 0000 1100	000C	12	6
0202	0000 0000 0001 0110	0016	22	5
0203	0000 0001 0100 0100	0144	324	4
0204	0000 0000 0000 0000	0000	0	3
0205	0000 0000 0000 0001	0001	1	2
0206	0000 0000 0000 0001	0001	1	1

Figure 1A. 1130 Data Array as It Appears In Core for the First List Record on Tape #ALSEPILP01.

[0000 1000 0000 0000][0000 0000 0000 0000][0000 0000 0001 1110] 3X16 = 48 bits
 1130 wd. 1 1130 wd. 2 1130 wd. 3

[0000 1000][0000 0000][0000 0000][0000 0000][0000 0000][0001 1110] 6X8 = 48 bits
 byte 1 byte 2 byte 3 byte 4 byte 5 byte 6

[000010][000000][000000][000000][000000][000000][000000][011110] 8X6 = 48 bits
 t.c.1 t.c.2 t.c.3 t.c.4 t.c.5 t.c.6 t.c.7 t.c.8

Figure 1B. Conversion of First Three 1130 Words from Core, (i.e., LIST(9)-LIST(7)), into 6 Bytes and 8 Tape Characters

*Core start is arbitrarily chosen

3. Data Transmission from the ALSEP 1 PSE

This brief description of the ALSEP 1 seismometers and the method of data transmission from the APOLLO 12 site to MSC in Houston is given so that users of these data may understand the relationship between actual ground motion on the moon and the digital numbers which appear on the data tapes.

A response curve which is applicable to all three long-period seismometers is given in Figure 2. This curve gives ground displacement in digital units for periods from 0.1 seconds to 1000 seconds on a log-log scale. The peaked curve labelled APOLLO 12 is the mode in which these long-period data are recorded. The ALSEP 1 is unstable in the nominal mode and consequently this mode has not been used since the early days of the experiment. The ALSEP 1 amplifiers may be commanded to reduce the gains by -10, -20, and -30 db from the magnification shown. However, normal operation is at 0 db and any reductions in gain will be noted in the tape event listings supplied with ALSEP 1 event storage tapes.

The ALSEP data transmitter generates an S-Band carrier frequency which is received at any of several NASA recording stations on earth. The r.f. bit stream and time-of-day (GMT) are recorded on range tapes. The time is generated at the range station and represents the time which the signal was received on earth. The range tapes are converted to computer compatible tapes at the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston. This computer compatible tape is used to produce the PSE tapes which are distributed to Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory. The tapes supplied to L-DGO have been corrected for some data drop outs; however, there still remain some erroneous data on these tapes.

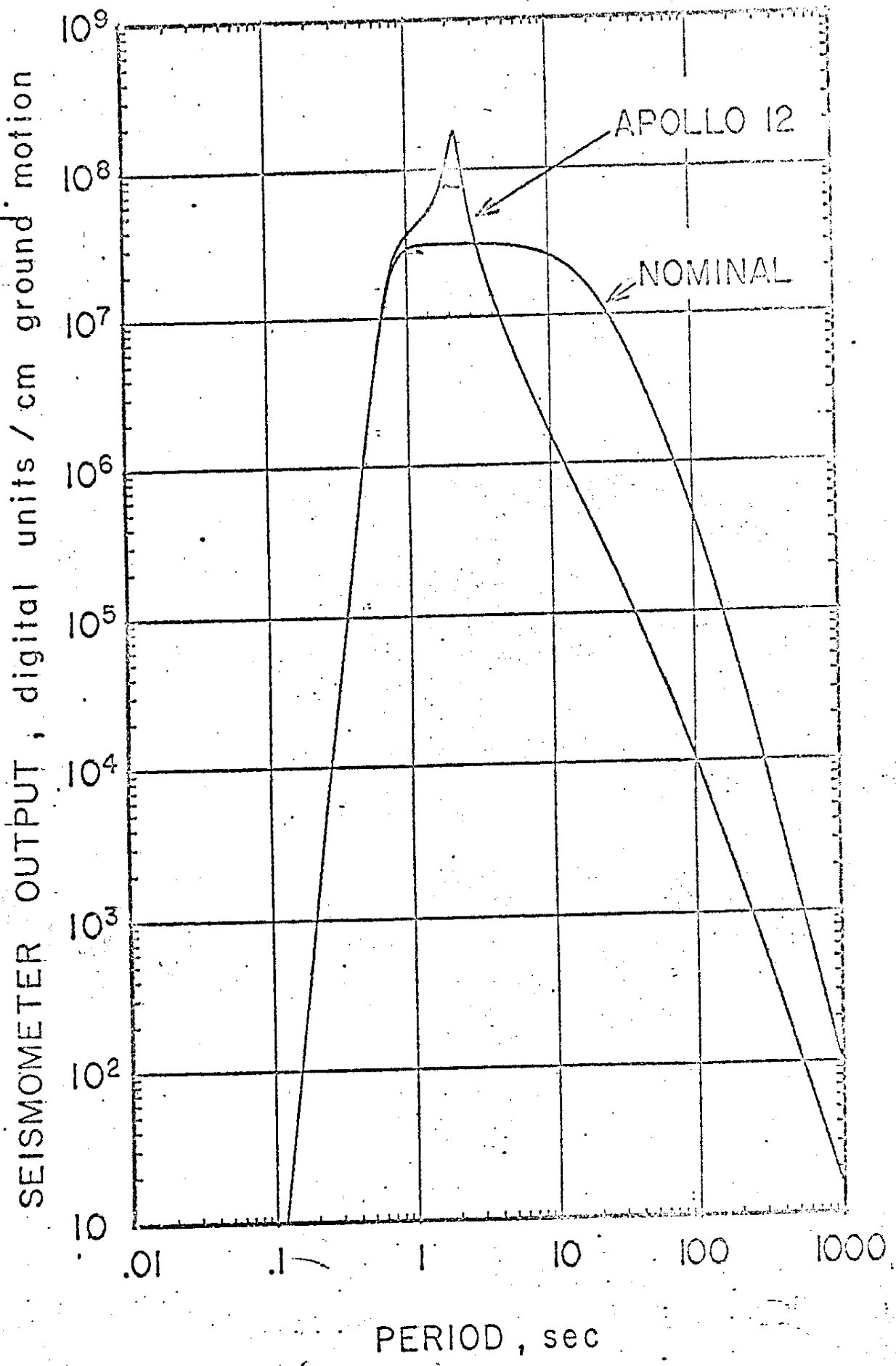


figure 2

The event storage tapes supplied to the National Space Science Data Center contain selected intervals of data copied at Lamont from the PSE tapes. Accompanying the event storage tapes sent to the data center at Goddard is a computer generated listing which gives the start, end, and elapsed times of each data record and event on the tapes.

Data Set Catalog # 254

RECORD 1 OF FILE 1
LENGTH = 24 BYTES

1(1) 476225674722 214362254721 216162050007 606001110703

RECORD 1470 OF FILE 1
LENGTH = 4860 BYTES

(96)

1(	176434277154)	240276140000	704503542660	405040604034	405040604034	177426344250	405040604034	405040604034	000040504060
9(	403400000000)	176434300310	240236140000	704503542650	704503542650	405040604034	405040604034	002035505274	000040504060
17(	000405044060	176434301444	403400000000	240236140000	240236140000	405040604034	405040604034	002035505274	000040504060
25(	145) 605440544030	000405044060	403400000000	176434302660	176434302660	405040604034	405040604034	405040604030	123426344250
33(	193) 00035505274	000405044060	000040504060	403400000000	403400000000	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034	405440604034
41(	241) 405440604034	052426344250	405040604034	000040504060	000040504060	405040604034	405040604034	704503542710	405440604034
49(	289) 405440604034	405040604034	405040604034	000040504060	000040504060	405040604034	405040604034	240236140000	704503542710
57(	337) 704503542720	603000000000	00035505274	405040604034	405040604034	000040504060	000040504060	176434306223	240236140000
65(	385) 240236140000	704503542730	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	000040504060	000040504060	176434306223	240236140000
73(	433) 176434310512	240236000000	704503542740	405440604034	405440604034	000040504060	000040504060	176434306223	240236140000
81(	481) 403400000000	176434311646	240236140000	704503542750	704503542750	000040504060	000040504060	405040604034	000040504060
89(	529) 000040544060	603000000000	176434313003	240236140000	240236140000	405040604034	405040604034	067035505274	405440604030
97(	577) 405440604034	000040544060	403400000000	176434314137	176434314137	704503542760	704503542760	405440604034	073026344250
105(	625) 115035505274	405040604034	000040544060	403400000000	403400000000	240236040000	240236040000	405440604034	405440604034
113(	673) 405040604034	107426344250	405040604034	000040504060	000040504060	176434315272	176434315272	704503543000	405040604034
121(	721) 405040604030	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	000040544060	000040544060	240236040000	405040604034
129(	769) 704503543020	405440604030	405440604030	012026344250	012026344250	405440604034	405440604034	704503543000	405040604034
137(	817) 240236000000	704503543030	405440604030	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
145(	865) 176434322051	240276140000	704503543040	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034
153(	913) 403000000000	176434323205	240236140000	704503543050	704503543050	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034	405040604034
161(	961) 000040544060	403000000000	176434324341	240236140000	240236140000	704503543060	704503543060	405440604034	405440604034
169(	1009) 405440604034	000040544060	403400000000	176434325475	176434325475	240236000000	240236000000	405440604034	405440604034
177(	1057) 071035505274	405440604034	00040544060	403400000000	403400000000	704503543070	704503543070	405440604034	405440604034
185(	1105) 405040604030	146426344250	405040604030	000040504060	000040504060	240236040000	240236040000	405440604034	405440604034
193(	1153) 405440604030	405440604030	000035505274	405440604034	405440604034	176434327664	176434327664	405440604034	405440604034
201(	1201) 704503543120	405440604034	405440604034	000026344250	000026344250	403400000000	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034
209(	1249) 240236140000	704503543130	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	00040544060	00040544060	405440604034	405440604034
217(	1297) 176434333410	240236000000	704503543140	405040604034	405040604034	403400000000	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034
225(	1345) 403400000000	176434334543	240236140000	704503543150	704503543150	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
233(	1393) 000040544060	403400000000	176434335677	240236140000	240236140000	704503543160	704503543160	405440604034	405440604034
241(	1441) 405440604034	000040544060	403400000000	104426344250	104426344250	262336040000	262336040000	405440604034	405440604034
249(	1489) 073435505274	405440604034	000040544060	403400000000	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
257(	1537) 405440604034	036426344250	405440604034	000040544060	000040544060	403400000000	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034
265(	1585) 405440604030	405440604030	00035505274	405440604034	405440604034	000040544060	000040544060	405440604034	405440604034
273(	1633) 704503543220	405440604034	405040604034	405440604034	405440604034	403400000000	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034
281(1681) 240236000000	704503543230	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	000040544060	000040544060	405440604034	405440604034
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297(1777) 403000000000	176434346101	403400000000	240236140000	240236140000	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
305(	1825) 000040544060	403400000000	176434347235	240236140000	240236140000	704503543260	704503543260	405440604034	405440604034
313(	1873) 405040604034	000040504060	403400000000	176434350371	176434350371	240236000000	240236000000	405440604034	405440604034
321(	1921) 126435505274	405440604034	000040544060	403400000000	403400000000	176434351525	176434351525	405440604034	405440604034
329(	1969) 405440604030	164426344250	405440604034	000040544060	000040544060	403400000000	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034
337(	2017) 405440604034	405040604034	00035505274	405040604034	405040604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
345(	2065) 704503542000	603000000000	405040604034	000026344250	000026344250	136435505274	136435505274	405440604034	405440604034
353(	2113) 240236140000	176434356304	704503542014	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
361(	2161) 176434356304	403000000000	240236000000	405440604034	405440604034	0064426344250	0064426344250	405440604034	405440604034
369(	2209) 403000000000	000040504060	176434357437	240236000000	240236000000	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034	405440604034
377(2257) 000040504060	405440604034	403400000000	405440604034	405440604034	405040604034	405040604034	405440604034	405440604034
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409(2449) 405040604034	405040604034	060045505274	405440604034	405440604034	000040544060	000040544060	405440604034	405440604034

RECORD 1 OF FILE 2
LENGTH = 24 BYTES

1(1) 476225674722 214362254721 216162050007 606001110703

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CONTINUOUS DATA TAPES

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This data set has been restored. There were originally 31 7-track, 800 BPI tapes written in Binary. There are four restored tapes. The DR tapes are 3480 cartridges and the DS tapes are 9-track, 6250 BPI. The original tapes were created on a 1130 computer and the restored tapes were created on an IBM 9021 computer. The DR and DS numbers along with the corresponding D numbers are as follows:

DR#	DS#	D#	FILES	TIME SPAN
DR005267	DS005267	D013164	1	07/13/73 - 07/14/73
		D013383	2	07/14/73 - 07/15/73
		D013165	3	07/15/73 - 07/16/73
		D013162	4	07/16/73 - 07/17/73
		D012771	5	07/17/73 - 07/18/73
		D013166	6	07/18/73 - 07/19/73 (a)
		D012770	7	07/19/73 - 07/20/73
		D013161	8	07/20/73 - 07/21/73 (b)
DR005268	DS005268	D012768	1	07/21/73 - 07/22/73
		D013286	2	07/22/73 - 07/23/73
		D013288	3	07/23/73 - 07/24/73
		D013287	4	07/24/73 - 07/25/73
		D013526	5	07/25/73 - 07/26/73
		D013385	6	07/26/73 - 07/27/73
		D013926	7	07/27/73 - 07/28/73
		D013929	8	07/28/73 - 07/29/73 (c)
DR005269	DS005269	D013285	1	07/29/73 - 07/30/73
		D014019	2	07/30/73 - 07/31/73 (d)
		D013284	3	07/31/73 - 08/01/73
		D012769	4	08/01/73 - 08/02/73
		D013381	5	08/02/73 - 08/03/73
		D013921	6	08/03/73 - 08/04/73
		D013289	7	08/04/73 - 08/05/73 (e)
		D013924	8	08/05/73 - 08/06/73 (f)
DR005270	DS005270	D013927	1	08/06/73 - 08/07/73
		D013384	2	08/07/73 - 08/08/73 (g)
		D013928	3	08/08/73 - 08/09/73
		D013923	4	08/09/73 - 08/10/73
		D014020	5	08/10/73 - 08/11/73
		D013922	6	08/11/73 - 08/12/73 (h)
		D013925	7	08/12/73 - 08/13/73

- (a) D013166 : Read error occurred in record 2 of file 1.
- (b) D013161 : Read errors occurred in records 21, 251 of file 1.
- (c) D013929 : Read error occurred in record 373 of file 1.
- (d) D014019 : Read error occurred in record 1587 of file 1.
- (e) D013289 : Read errors occurred in records 58, 59, 421, 422, 424 of file 1.
- (f) D013924 : Read errors occurred in records 15, 270, 835 of file 1.
- (g) D013384 : Read errors occurred in records 5, 7 of file 1.

(h) D013922 : Read errors occurred in records 380, 381 of file 1.



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LM/ALSEP CONTINUOUS DATA TAPES

71-063C-01A

THIS DATA SET HAS BEEN RESTORED. THERE WERE ORIGINALLY 31 9-TRACK, 1600 BPI TAPES, WRITTEN IN BINARY. THERE ARE FOUR RESTORED TAPES. THE DR TAPES ARE 3480 CARTRIDGES AND THE DS TAPES ARE 9-TRACK, 6250 BPI. THE ORIGINAL TAPES WERE NOT STACKED IN TIME SEQUENTIAL ORDER. THE ORIGINAL TAPES WERE CREATED ON AN IBM 360 COMPUTER AND WERE RESTORED ON A IBM 9021 COMPUTER. THE DR AND DS NUMBERS ALONG WITH THE CORRESPONDING D NUMBERS AND TIME SPANS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DR#	DS#	DD#	FILES	TIME SPAN
DR005256	DS005256	D012772	1	07/24/73 - 07/25/73
		D012773	2	07/23/73 - 07/24/73 (a)
		D012774	3	07/21/73 - 07/22/73 (b)
		D013167	4	07/16/73 - 07/17/73 (c)
		D013168	5	07/13/73 - 07/14/73 (d)
		D013169	6	07/19/73 - 07/20/73
		D013170	7	07/20/73 - 07/21/73
		D013171	8	07/17/73 - 07/18/73 (e)
DR005257	DS005257	D013172	1	07/15/73 - 07/16/73 (f)
		D013173	2	07/18/73 - 07/19/73
		D013291	3	07/28/73 - 07/29/73
		D013293	4	07/27/73 - 07/28/73
		D013294	5	08/01/73 - 08/01/73
		D013296	6	07/22/73 - 07/23/73
		D013386	7	08/07/73 - 08/08/73
		D013388	8	08/01/73 - 08/02/73
DR005258	DS005258	D013389	1	08/04/73 - 08/05/73
		D013391	2	08/02/73 - 08/03/73
		D013292	3	07/14/73 - 07/15/73
		D013930	4	07/25/73 - 07/26/73
		D014014	5	07/26/73 - 07/27/73 (g)
		D013174	6	07/29/73 - 07/30/73
		D013290	7	07/30/73 - 07/31/73
		D013936	8	08/03/73 - 08/04/73

DR#	DS#	DD#	FILES	TIME SPAN
DR005259	DS005259	D013931	1	08/05/73 - 08/06/73
		D013934	2	08/08/73 - 08/09/73 (h)
		D013933	3	08/09/73 - 08/10/73
		D013932	4	08/10/73 - 08/11/73
		D013935	5	08/11/73 - 08/12/73
		D013937	6	08/12/73 - 08/13/73
		D013938	7	08/06/73 - 08/07/73

- (a) I/O ERRORS ON FILE 1, RECORDS, 1286, 1370
- (b) I/O ERRORS ON FILE 1, RECORDS, 5, 169, 170, 212, 259, 320, 383,
962, 1061, 1396, 1414
- (c) I/O ERROR ON FILE 1, RECORD, 7
- (d) I/O ERRORS ON FILE 1, RECORDS, 651, 1015, 1267, 1372, 1492, 1523
- (e) I/O ERROR ON FILE 1, RECORD, 748
- (f) I/O ERROR ON FILE 1, RECORD, 9720
- (g) I/O ERROR ON FILE 1, RECORD, 116
- (h) I/O ERROR ON FILE 1, RECORD, 169

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LM/ALSEP CONTINUOUS DATA TAPES

72-031C-01A

THIS DATA SET HAS BEEN RESTORED. ORIGINALLY IT CONTAINED 30 7-TRACK, 800 BPI TAPES WRITTEN IN BINARY. THERE ARE FOUR RESTORED TAPES. THE DR TAPES ARE 3480 CARTRIDGES AND THE DS TAPES ARE 9-TRACK, 6250 BPI. THE ORIGINAL TAPES WERE CREATED ON AN IBM 1130 COMPUTER AND WERE RESTORED ON AN IBM 9021 COMPUTER. THE DR AND DS NUMBERS ALONG WITH THE CORRESPONDING D NUMBERS AND TIME SPANS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DR#	DS#	D#	FILES	TIME SPAN
DR005414	DS005414	D012778	1	07/14/73 - 07/15/73
		D013178	2	07/15/73 - 07/16/73
		D013298	3	07/16/73 - 07/17/73
		D012777	4	07/17/73 - 07/18/73
		D013177	5	07/18/73 - 07/19/73
		D013176	6	07/19/73 - 07/20/73
		D013175	7	07/20/73 - 07/21/73
		D012779	8	07/21/73 - 07/22/73 (a)
DR005415	DS005415	D012775	1	07/22/73 - 07/23/73
		D013180	2	07/23/73 - 07/24/73
		D012776	3	07/24/73 - 07/25/73
		D013943	4	07/25/73 - 07/26/73
		D013394	5	07/26/73 - 07/27/73
		D013300	6	07/27/73 - 07/28/73
		D013299	7	07/28/73 - 07/29/73
		D014023	8	07/29/73 - 07/31/73
DR005416	DS005416	D013301	1	07/30/73 - 07/31/73
		D013393	2	07/31/73 - 08/01/73 (b)
		D013179	3	08/01/73 - 08/02/73
		D013392	4	08/02/73 - 08/03/73
		D013945	5	08/03/73 - 08/04/73
		D013527	6	08/04/73 - 08/05/73
		D014022	7	08/05/73 - 08/06/73
		D013944	8	08/06/73 - 08/07/73
DR005417	DS005417	D013395	1	08/07/73 - 08/08/73
		D014021	2	08/08/73 - 08/09/73
		D013941	3	08/09/73 - 08/10/73
		D013942	4	08/10/73 - 08/11/73
		D013940	5	08/11/73 - 08/12/73
		D013939	6	08/12/73 - 08/13/73

(a) D012779 - REC. 592, FILE 1

(b) D013393 - REC. 805 & 1460, FILE 1

D-13798

C-11081

7/16/73-7/17/73

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