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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 This inventory information is now no longer maintained in the DSCs, but is now managed in the inventory part of the NSSDC information system.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

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ULYSSES TRAJ SEDR

90-090B-00A **XXNO-00536**

This dataset has been ingest to CD-ROM Write Once. The cd-rom wil replace 9 track tapes. The data was downloaded from /raid/ftp/spacecraft_data/Ulysses/Traj/sedr data is written in ASCII format. number and time span follows:

KD#	TIME SPAN
KD023121	10/25/90 - 04/03/06

Directory MKC500: []

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DR9805.FIX;1	SEDR9805.FLT;1	SEDR9806.FIX;1	SEDR9806.FLT;1
SEDR9807.FIX;1	SEDR9807.FLT;1	SEDR9808.FIX;1	SEDR9808.FLT;1
SEDR9809.FIX;1	SEDR9809.FLT;1	SEDR9810.FIX;1	SEDR9810.FLT;1
SEDR9811.FIX;1	SEDR9811.FLT;1	SEDR9812.FIX;1	SEDR9812.FLT;1

Total of 120 files.

I. Ulysses Predicted Heliocentric Coordinates - Daily Values for 1990-1999

Data File: ULYTRJA.DAT

Data Parameters:

YY DDD RAD.AU SECLAT SECLON HELLAT HELLON HILLON

Parameter Description:

YY = YEAR
DDD= INTEGER DAY OF YEAR (1= JAN. 1)
RAD.AU= HELIOSPHERIC RADIAL DISTANCE IN AU
SECLAT= SOLAR ECLIPTIC LATITUDE IN DEGREES
SECLON= SOLAR ECLIPTIC LONGITUDE IN DEGREES
HELLAT= SOLAR HELIOGRAPHIC LATITUDE IN DEGREES
HELLON= SOLAR HELIOGRAPHIC LONGITUDE IN DEGREES
HILLON= SOLAR HELIOGRAPHIC INERTIAL LONGITUDE IN DEGREES WITH RESPECT TO
ASCENDING NODE OF SOLAR EQUATOR ON THE ECLIPTIC

Data Source:

These data were obtained from running the program HELICOOR in the public directory NSSDCA::ANON_DIR:[ACTIVE.HELIO]. See [COHO]HELIO.DOC for information on codes and data in the [ACTIVE.HELIO] directory. These data are based on predicted trajectories calculated with the GTDS code by the NSSDC Satellite Situation Center and converted to solar ecliptic and heliographic coordinates by the HELICOOR program. The HELICOOR code was written by R. Parthasarathy. The program GENTRJCON added the HILLON longitude.

Note that the solar ecliptic coordinates are given with respect to true equinox and ecliptic of date. The solar ascending node was located at ecliptic longitude +74.367 degrees as of 1 Jan. 1900 at 1200 UT; this longitude increases by 1.4 degrees/century.

Note: A few glitches were noted before 7/22/94 in the coordinates for days 94/200 and 94/224. The HELICOOR and GENTRJCON codes have been rerun and these glitches have disappeared. Please advise nssdca::jcooper if any other problems become apparent through use of these data.

* II. Ulysses Supplementary Experimeter Data Records (SEDR): Launch - Present

See directory [coho.ulytrj.sedr] for all SEDR data files and associated documentation submitted by the Ulysses project to NSSDC. The file suffix FIX is for integer format data and FLT is for floating point. One binary file of each type, FIX and FLT, is provided for each month of the mission (e.g., file SEDR0994.FLT contains floating point binary data for September 1994). The File SEDRSIS.EPF holds the SEDR documentation in postscript format.

SEDR files for data after Nov. 1990 and before Dec. 1993 have not yet been submitted to NSSDC.

C PROGRAM READSEDR

C 05/02/97: user notes

C This FORTRAN code was originally named SEDREXT and was supplied
C by Ruedi von Steiger of the SWICS team at the University of Bern.
C See the SEDR file documentation for definitions of word contents.
C The code has been validated at NSSDC for VAX operation under VMS.

C
C Input file: SEDRyymm.FIX {enter only the prefix when prompted} for
C year yy and month mm. These files consist of binary data
C records with data fields in binary format.

C Start record: enter "1" to start at the first input record.

C Record frequency: enter "1" to get all records.

C SEDR word number list: enter up to 32 word numbers from the SEDR
C document Table 4. Numbers 163-168 give the six
C elements of the state vector (3 position + 3
C velocity components) for the Ulysses spacecraft
C in Jupiter-centered System III coordinates.

C Output file: SEDRyymm.INF (year and fractional day of year + ASCII list
C format for selected SEDR words. The FORTRAN output format
C should be changed to suit the needs of the user.

C
C Original documentation:
C program to extract parameters as a
C function of sc event time from ulysses sedr tapes.
C written by r.v.steiger, adapted from fsedr5.for
C july 22, 1992

C-----DECLARATION PART-----

IMPLICIT NONE

C each supplementary experiment data record consists of 1152 bytes
C grouped into 288 integer*4 variables

INTEGER*4 LSEDR
PARAMETER(LSEDR=1152)
INTEGER*2 I2SEDR(LSEDR/2)
INTEGER*4 I4SEDR(LSEDR/4)
EQUIVALENCE (I2SEDR,I4SEDR)
CHARACTER*1152 CSEDR
EQUIVALENCE (I2SEDR,CSEDR)

C buffer for reading from sedr file
CHARACTER*512 BUFFER, TEMP

C flag set while sedr is assembled from file
LOGICAL*1 SEDRFULL /.FALSE./

C position where sedr ends in buffer, index
INTEGER*2 SEDREND, SEDRI

INTEGER*4 WORD(0:32)

C first sedr possibly contains factors instead of data if facflg set
INTEGER*4 FACTOR(26:288)
LOGICAL*1 FACFLG

C sedr parameters in real format, conversion routine to reals
REAL RSEDR(26:288), IBMREAL

C conversion factor from km to au

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REAL KMPAU
PARAMETER( KMPAU=1.495979E8 )

C integer and fractional part of spacecraft event time
INTEGER*4 ISCET, FSCET
C floating point form of scet
REAL*8 RSCET

C function to convert time to floating point format
REAL*8 RTIME
EXTERNAL RTIME
C time conversion routine and variables
EXTERNAL SCET2DT
INTEGER YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS, DOY

C directory and name of file
CHARACTER*40 FILNAM

C counters for valid and missing sedrs, output freq., dummy counter
INTEGER*4 SEDRNR, MISSNR, FIRSTREC, NTHREC, I

C routine to reverse byte order in integer*4 variables
EXTERNAL REVBYT

C----- STATEMENT PART -----

C print version info
WRITE(*,*) ' SEDR decoding program, Version 1.6'
WRITE(*,*) ' by r.v.steiger'
WRITE(*,*) ' July 22, 1992'

C initialize counters and flags
SEDRNR = 0
MISSNR = 0
FACFLG = .FALSE.

WRITE(*,2) ' ENTER NAME OF SEDR FILE: '
02 FORMAT( A, $ )
ACCEPT 03, FILNAM
03 FORMAT( A )
WRITE(*,2) ' ENTER NUMBER OF SEDR WORDS TO EXTRACT (UP TO 32): '
ACCEPT 04, WORD(0)
WRITE(*,2) ' ENTER THEIR NUMBERS: '
READ(*,*) ( WORD(I), I=1, WORD(0) )
WRITE(*, '(A,$)') ' ENTER NUMBER OF FIRST RECORD TO OUTPUT: '
ACCEPT 04, FIRSTREC
WRITE(*, '(A,$)') ' ENTER OUTPUT FREQUENCY OF RECORDS: '
ACCEPT 04, NTHREC
04 FORMAT( I )
WRITE(*,05) FILNAM, FILNAM
05 FORMAT( ' READING SUPPLEMENTARY DATA RECORDS FROM ',A,' SEDR',/,
2 ' WRITING SELECTED SEDR DATA TO ', A, '.INF' )
WRITE(*,*)

C open files
OPEN ( 10, FILE=' '//FILNAM//'.FIX', STATUS='OLD', READONLY )
OPEN ( 20, FILE=' '//FILNAM//'.INF', STATUS='NEW',
1 RECL=MAX(80,16+12*WORD(0)) )
C write header to output file

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WRITE(20,07) FILNAM, NTHREC
07 FORMAT( 'SUPPLEMENTARY DATA RECORDS FROM ', A, '.SEDR',
1 /, 'ONE RECORD PRINTED OUT OF', I4, / )
WRITE(20,08) 'YEAR', 'DOY', (WORD(I), I=1, WORD(0) )
08 FORMAT( A4, X, A7, 32I12 )

C loop over all sedr on the tape
DO WHILE (.TRUE.)

C read sedr from tape (1152 bytes), exit if no more records available
SEDRI = SEDREND
IF ( SEDREND.NE.0 ) THEN
    CSEDR(1:SEDREND) = TEMP(1:SEDREND)
END IF
DO WHILE ( .NOT.SEDRFULL )
    READ(10,10,END=9999) BUFFER
10 FORMAT( A512 )
    DO I = 1, 512
        SEDRI = SEDRI + 1
        IF ( SEDRI.LE.LSEDR ) THEN
            CSEDR(SEDRI:SEDRI) = BUFFER(I:I)
        ELSE
            IF ( .NOT.SEDRFULL ) SEDREND = 0
            SEDRFULL = .TRUE.
            SEDREND = SEDREND + 1
            TEMP(SEDREND:SEDREND) = BUFFER(I:I)
        END IF
    END DO
END DO
SEDRFULL = .FALSE.

C reorder bytes because tape was written on a ibm
CALL REVBYT( I4SEDR, LSEDR/4 )
C extract spacecraft event time from header
CALL MVBITS( I4SEDR(3), 0, 16, ISCET, 16 )
CALL MVBITS( I4SEDR(4), 16, 16, ISCET, 0 )
CALL MVBITS( I4SEDR(4), 0, 16, FSCET, 0 )
RSCET = RTIME( ISCET, FSCET )
CALL SCET2DT( RSCET, YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS )

C calculate parameters from float format and store them in file
IF ( I4SEDR(24).EQ.0 ) THEN
    SEDRNR = SEDRNR + 1
    WRITE(*,11) ' READING SEDR # ', SEDRNR, ' AT SCET', RSCET
11 FORMAT( A, I5, A, F15.3 )

    DO I = 26, 288
        RSEDR(I) = IBMREAL( I4SEDR(I) )
    END DO

    IF ( SEDRNR.GE.FIRSTREC .AND.
        MOD( SEDRNR-FIRSTREC, NTHREC ).EQ.0 ) THEN
C write parameters to general output file
WRITE(20,15) YY, DOY( YY, MO, DD ) +
            HH/24E0+MI/1.440E3+SS/8.64E5+MS/8.64E8,
            (RSEDR(WORD(I)), I=1, WORD(0))
15 FORMAT( I4, 1X, F7.3, 1P, 32 E12.4 )
    END IF

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C      store scale factors or multiply by them, according to sedr-id
      ELSE IF ( I4SEDR(24).EQ.1) THEN
          DO I = 26, 288
              FACTOR(I) = I4SEDR(I)
          END DO
          FACFLG = .TRUE.

C      scale integers to proper value and write parameters to file
      ELSE IF ( I4SEDR(24).EQ.2 .AND. FACFLG ) THEN
          SEDRNR = SEDRNR + 1
          IF ( MOD( SEDRNR-1, NTHREC ) .EQ. 0 ) THEN
20          WRITE(*,20) ' READING SEDR # ', SEDRNR, ' AT SCET', RSCET
              FORMAT( '+', A, I5, A, F15.3 )
          END IF

          DO I = 26, 288
              RSEDR(I) = I4SEDR(I) * 10E0**FACTOR(I)
          END DO

          IF ( SEDRNR.GE.FIRSTREC .AND.
              MOD( SEDRNR-FIRSTREC, NTHREC ).EQ.0 ) THEN
C      write parameters to general output file
              WRITE(20,15) YY, DOY( YY, MO, DD ) +
                  HH/24E0+MI/1.440E3+SS/8.64E5+MS/8.64E8,
                  (RSEDR(WORD(I)), I=1, WORD(0))
          END IF
      ELSE
          MISSNR = MISSNR + 1
      END IF
  END DO

9999 CONTINUE

C      close files
      CLOSE( 10 )
      CLOSE( 20 )
      WRITE(*,40) SEDRNR, MISSNR
40  FORMAT( ', I5, ' SUPPLEMENTARY DATA RECORDS READ FROM TAPE', /,
1    ' ', I5, ' BLOCKS MISSING OR INVALID' )

      STOP
      END

C
C
C      INTEGER*4 FUNCTION DOY( YY, MO, DD )

C      function to calculate the day number of a year given the date.
C      written by r.v.steiger
C      march 28, 1991

C      IMPLICIT NONE

C      input: year, month, day
C      INTEGER*4 YY, MO, DD
;
C      factor to distinguish normal and leap years
C      INTEGER*4 ONETWO
C

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C
IF ( MOD(YY,4).EQ.0 .AND. MOD(YY,400).NE.0 ) THEN
    ONETWO = 1
ELSE
    ONETWO = 2
END IF

C
DOY = INT( 275*MO/9 ) - ONETWO * INT( (MO+9)/12 ) + DD - 30

C
RETURN
END

C
C
C
DOUBLE PRECISION FUNCTION RTIME( ITIME, FTIME )

C
function to convert the 6-byte time format to floating point
C
written by r.v.steiger
C
november 9, 1989; simplified october 28, 1991

C----- DECLARATION PART -----
C
integer and fractional part of time, dummy counter
INTEGER*4 ITIME
INTEGER*2 FTIME

C----- STATEMENT PART -----

RTIME = 1D0 * ITIME + FTIME / 65536D0

RETURN
END

C
C
C
SUBROUTINE SCET2DT( RSCET, YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS )

C
subroutine to calculate the date and time from Ulysses SCET, i.e.
C
seconds since January 1, 1950
C
written by r.v.steiger
C
march 26, 1991

C
IMPLICIT NONE

C
input: RSCET, Ulysses time in seconds since January 1, 1950
REAL*8 RSCET

C
time in julian centuries since Jan. 0.5, 1900
REAL*8 T

C
output: year, month, day, hour, minute, second, milliseconds
INTEGER*4 YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS

C
T = RSCET / ( 36525D0 * 86400D0 ) + 5D-1
;
CALL JUL2DT( T, YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS )

C
RETURN

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END

REAL FUNCTION IBMREAL(IN)

function to decode ibm-coded reals
written by r.v.steiger, oct. 28, 1991

IMPLICIT NONE
INTEGER*4 IN, MANTISSA, EXPONENT, SIGN
REAL*4 R, MAXREAL /1.7014117E38/

MANTISSA = IBITS(IN, 0, 24)
EXPONENT = IBITS(IN, 24, 7)
SIGN = IBITS(IN, 31, 1)

IF (MANTISSA.LE.0) THEN
R = 0E0
ELSE IF ((LOG(REAL(MANTISSA)) + (EXPONENT-70E0)*LOG(16E0))
.LT. LOG(MAXREAL)) THEN
R = (1-2*SIGN) * MANTISSA * 16E0**(EXPONENT-70)
ELSE
R = (1-2*SIGN) * MAXREAL
TYPE *, ' OVERFLOW ERROR IN IBMREAL - RESULT SET TO MAXREAL'
END IF

IBMREAL = R

RETURN
END

SUBROUTINE REVBYT(IBUF, NUM)

subroutine to reverse the order of bytes in an integer*4 array
ibuf of length num.
written by r.v.steiger
february 23, 1990

IMPLICIT NONE
input array, number of elements
INTEGER*4 NUM, IBUF(NUM)
dummy variable, counters
INTEGER*4 IDUM, I, J

DO I = 1, NUM
DO J = 0, 24, 8
CALL MVBITS(IBUF(I), J, 8, IDUM, 24-J)
END DO
IBUF(I) = IDUM
END DO

RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE JUL2DT( T, YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS )
C
C subroutine to calculate the date and time from julian centuries
C since January 0.5, 1900.
C For Ulysses, remember that T = SCET / (36525*86400) + 0.5
C written by r.v.steiger (using "astronomical formulae" by j.meeus)
C march 5, 1990
C corrected march 26, 1991: specify all real constants in D format,
C rather than E format. (rvst)
C corrected again july 23, 1991: specify really all real constants
C in D format (rvst)
C corrected november 1994: round instead of truncate the time to
C integer values of milliseconds (R. Bodmer)
C
IMPLICIT NONE
C
C input: time in julian centuries since january 0.5, 1900;
C julian day number
C REAL*8 T, JD
C fractional and integer part of jd+0.5
C INTEGER*4 Z
C REAL*8 F
C
C output: year, month, day, hour, minute, second, milliseconds
C INTEGER*4 YY, MO, DD, HH, MI, SS, MS
C
C auxiliary variables
C INTEGER*4 ALPHA, A, B, C, D, E
C
C calculate julian day number
C JD = T * 36525D0 + 2415020D0
C JD = JD + 0.5D0 / 86400000D0 ! add half a millisecond for
C ! correct rounding (R. Bodmer, Nov. 94)
C
C Z = INT( JD + 5D-1 )
C F = JD + 5D-1 - Z
C
C correct for gregorian calendar after oct. 4, 1582
C IF ( Z .GE. 2299161 ) THEN
C     ALPHA = INT( ( Z - 1867216.25D0 ) / 36524.25D0 )
C     A = Z + 1 + ALPHA - INT( ALPHA / 4D0 )
C ELSE
C     A = Z
C END IF
C
C calculate auxiliary results
C B = A + 1524
C C = INT( ( B - 122.1D0 ) / 365.25D0 )
C D = INT( 365.25D0 * C )
C E = INT( ( B - D ) / 30.6001D0 )
C
C find day, month, and year
C DD = B - D - INT( 30.6001D0 * E )
C IF ( E .LT. 13.5 ) THEN
C     MO = E - 1
C ELSE
C     MO = E - 13
C END IF
C IF ( MO .GT. 2.5 ) THEN
C     YY = C - 4716

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ELSE

YY = C - 4715

END IF

find hour, minute, second, and millisecond

HH = INT(24 * F)

MI = INT(1440 * F) - 60 * HH

SS = INT(86400 * F) - 60 * MI - 3600 * HH

MS = INT(86400000 * F) - 1000 * SS - 60000 * MI - 3600000 * HH

RETURN

END

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ULYSSES

SOFTWARE INTERFACE SPECIFICATION

SUPPLEMENTARY EXPERIMENT DATA RECORDS to ULYSSES PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS

SIS 2sc

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ABSTRACT: This SIS describes the format and contents of the ULS SEDR and the medium and access methods for the SEDR. The SEDR contains information on the ULS Spacecraft orientation and trajectory and solar system geometries.

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DOCUMENT CHANGE LOG

Change	Date	Affected Portions
	7/13/84	Original Version
A	1/20/92	Modifications to data formats
B	9/22/94	Change Dss numbers in Table 4-1

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SECTION 1

1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

1.1 Overview

This Software Interface Specification (SIS) describes the contents and format of the Supplementary Experiment Data Record (SEDR) and the formats of the tapes for transferring SEDR data to the ULS Principal Investigators (PIs).

1.2 Scope

Record and tape formats and data types will be covered in this document. There is only one SEDR format for the entire ULS mission. A separate tape format is created for each PI host computer.

1.3 Applicable Documents

ULS-MOS-3-700	ULS Mission Operations System Functional Requirements Document - Data Records System Functional Requirements
ULS-SDD-ANNEX1	ULS Flight Dynamics System Design and Specification Document
ICD ULS 3sbb	DPTRAJ SEDR Parameters (SIS)
ICD ULS 2sf	SCLK/SCET Coefficient File (SIS)
ULS-SRD-DRS-3	ULS SEDRGEN Software Requirements Document
ICD ULS 2tg	Generation and Delivery of SEDR Tapes

1.4 System Site

1.4.1 Subsystem Medium and Location

SEDR and SEDR tapes are generated on the UNISYS computer at the Information Processing Center (IPC) of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL).

1.4.2 Data Sources, Destinations, and Transfer Method

Data for the SEDR are derived from two sources: navigational parameters from the Navigational System DPTRAJ program and spacecraft spin axis orientation information from the ESOC Attitude History file. SEDR will be provided to PIs with an ongoing experiment aboard the ULS spacecraft. The transfer method for the SEDR will be by magnetic tapes.

ULS PIs may request a printout of all SEDR parameters for their own use at JPL during critical mission periods.

1.4.3 Generation Method and Frequency

The ULS Data Management Team (DMT) is responsible for the generation of SEDR. DMT will generate an SEDR file once a month containing data for the previous one-month period.

DMT will generate a set of Predict SEDR (PSEDR) that covers the entire ULS mission from launch to end-of-mission. DMT may generate additional predict SEDR on request from PIs. These may cover shorter periods than the nominal PSEDR, or may be generated using a more accurate trajectory, or both.

1.4.4 Labeling and Identification (Internal/External)

No internal magnetic tape labels exist on SEDR tapes. The SEDR records will have three SFDU headers which contain such information as project identifier, file identifier, and date and time of file generation.

An external tape number will be placed on the SEDR tape reel and strap. This tape number is comprised of the three letter designation of the experiment and the six digit SEDR identification code. The following coding scheme will be used:

1. **XXX** - three letter experiment designator.
2. **00** - two digit experiment number.
3. **0** - one digit mission phase code.
4. **0** - one digit SEDR type code.

5. 00 - two digit individual tape sequence number. This number increments from 01 to 99 for each experiment in each mission phase and for each SEDR type except remakes.

The following tables provide a detailed description of the breakdown of the SEDR tape number:

Table 1-1: Experiment Designator versus Number

<u>Exp</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Comment</u>
BAM	00	copy to JPL
GLG	01	copy to College Park
GRU	02	copy to Heidelberg
HED	03	copies to London and JPL
HUS	04	copies to Munich and Berkely
KEP	05	copies to Katlenburg-Lindow and El Segundo
LAN	06	copy to APL
SIM	07	copy to Chicago
STO	08	copies to Toulouse and GSFC
SCE	09	copy to Bonn
GWE	10	copy to Pavia
GLG	11	copy to Bern
SIM	17	copy to Kiel
DRS	20	(Data Records tape for file transfer - for JPL use only)

Table 1-2: Mission Phase Code

<u>Code</u>	<u>Mission Phase</u>
0	Pre-launch test data.
1	Injection to second TCM cruise.
2	Second TCM to third TCM cruise.
3	Third TCM to Jupiter cruise.
4	Jupiter encounter.
5	Post Jupiter phase.
6	High solar latitude phase. (High Southern solar lat.)
7	Post high latitude phase. (High Northern solar lat., Post mime mission phase)

Table 1-3: SEDR Type Code

<u>Code</u>	<u>SEDR Type</u>
0	Predict SEDR
1	Final SEDR (original)
2	Final SEDR remake #1
3	Final SEDR remake #2
4	Final SEDR remake #3
5	Final SEDR remake #4
6	Final SEDR remake #5
7	Final SEDR remake #6
8	Final SEDR remake #7
9	Final SEDR specially requested by a PI

The following is an example of a SEDR tape number:

Example: SIM 072103

Breakdown of the tape number "SIM 072103" is given as follows: This SEDR tape is designated for the Simpson experimenters (SIM) in Chicago (07). The SEDR data on the tape covers a portion

of the cruise period between the second and third trajectory correction maneuvers or TCMs (2). The SEDR is the original "final" not a remake (1). Finally, this is the third in the series of SEDR tapes for the indicated mission phase (03).

1.5 Assumptions and constraints

1.5.1 Usage Constraints

The SEDR will be distributed in accordance with SIS 2tg on the generation and delivery of SEDR tapes.

1.5.2 Data Accuracy and Conventions

Data accuracy is defined in the ULS Mission Operations System Functional Requirements Document, Data Records System Functional Requirements (ULS-MOS-3-700).

Double precision (72 bits on the UNISYS) computation is used, but output to the SEDR is single precision (32 bits).

Fill data will be indicated by the value "1000". Note that the only possible fill data are the spin axis orientation data and the sun aspect angle during periods when the spacecraft is performing a maneuver.

DMT will inform PIs of any changes to the astronomical constants or conventions used on the SEDR. Viz., this SIS will continue to be maintained.

1.5.3 Time Tags

Each SEDR record is tagged with the time of the epoch for which the SEDR data are in effect. Both UTC and spacecraft clock count will be used in the time tagging. Time in UTC is equivalent to the spacecraft event time of the EDR. Spacecraft clock count will be computed from the spacecraft event time and will be consistent with the EDR.

The accuracy of the computed spacecraft clock count will be kept within ± 100 milliseconds of actual correlated relationships between spacecraft clock count and spacecraft event time. The smallest unit of computed spacecraft clock count is one one-thousandth of a count (2 milliseconds).

This requirement to maintain the required accuracy of the computed relationship between spacecraft event time and spacecraft clock count will account for the drift in spacecraft clock rate and any resets or rollovers of the spacecraft clock counter.

The SEDR does not provide any indication of spacecraft clock resets or rollovers. Such events will be noted in the logs and summaries which will accompany each shipment of SEDR.

SECTION 2

2 INTERFACE CHARACTERISTICS

2.1 Hardware Characteristics and Limitations

2.1.1 Special Equipment and Device Interfaces

None identified. SEDR tapes for the PIs will be in IBM compatible format.

2.1.2 Special Setup Requirements

None identified.

2.2 Volume and Size

The size of the SEDR file on tape will be less than 3000 tracks. A track contains 1792 32-bit words for the UNISYS computer. This is only an operational restriction set by DMT to ensure that an SEDR file will not require more than one reel of tape to write. Under the current plan of generating one SEDR file per month, the SEDR file should be less than 100 tracks per tape. DMT can adjust the size of the SEDR file by changing the processing time interval of the processing run.

2.3 Interface Medium Characteristics

SEDR records are comprised of 32-bit words. These words contain integer or floating point SEDR quantities depending upon the format requested. The SEDR file is written to a nine-track unlabelled tape at a density of 1600 bpi.

Logs and printed summaries on the start and stop times of the SEDR file and the number of records per tape are included in each SEDR shipment.

2.4 Failure Protection, Detection, and Recovery Procedures

2.4.1 File Backup Requirements

DMT will retain backup copies of the SEDR master files until end of mission plus three years, or until transfer of said data to a permanent archive center, whichever occurs earlier.

2.4.2 Security/Integrity Measures

DMT will restrict the release of SEDR to the ULS PIs. No other security measures are planned.

For data traceability, each SEDRGEN run will output an audit trail which identifies the source and version of the input data.

SECTION 3

3 ACCESS

3.1 Programs Using the Interface Data

PI software is not identified in this document. It will be the sole responsibility of the PI to produce software which accepts properly made SEDRs as its input.

3.2 Synchronization Considerations

3.2.1 Timing and Sequencing Characteristics

The records in the SEDR files will be in increasing Spacecraft Event Time (SCET) order (UTC).

3.2.2 Effective Duration

If the SEDR data are considered "final", the data will be within project science accuracy requirements for the time (UTC) indicated in each record.

SECTION 4

4 DETAILED INTERFACE SPECIFICATION

4.1 Overview of Structure and Organization

There will be only one file of SEDRs on each tape written for dissemination to the ULS PIs. (As a matter of consistency and predictability in operations, the DMT will limit the size of the SEDR file to that which will fit on a single reel of magnetic tape.) The SEDR file on tape shall terminate with two end-of-file tape markers. The layout of the SEDR file on tape is presented in Figure 4-1. There will be no internal tape labels on the SEDR tapes.

There will be two SEDR formats, integer or floating-point. Tertiary-SFDU-header word 24 of the first SEDR in the file shall identify which of the two formats shall be used for the remainder of the file. Details of this scheme are found in Sections 4.2.3 and 4.2.4 of this document.

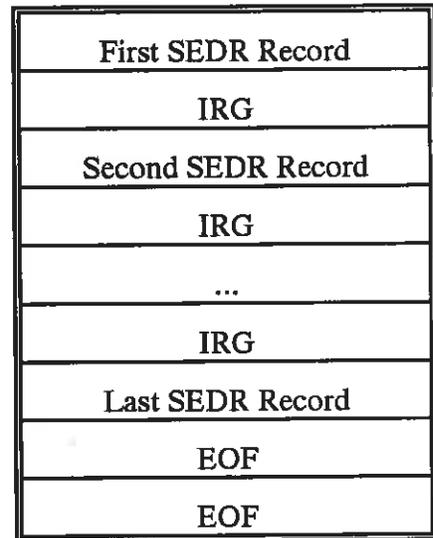


Figure 4-1: SEDR Tape Layout

4.2 Substructure Definition and Format

The SEDR shall consist of three SFDU headers followed by a block of the supplementary experiment data (Figure 4-2). Each word in an SEDR shall be 32-bits in length. The first word in the SEDR shall be the first 32 bits of the primary SFDU header. All words in each SEDR shall be counted consecutively from this first word. Thus, since the three SFDU headers take up the first through the 25th word in the SEDR, the actual supplementary experiment data will appear in the 26th through the 288th words in the SEDR.

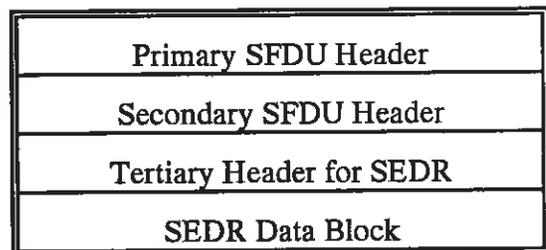


Figure 4-2: Data Block

In the case of an integer format SEDR, an additional record, the scale factor block (Figure 4-3) will appear as the first record on the SEDR.

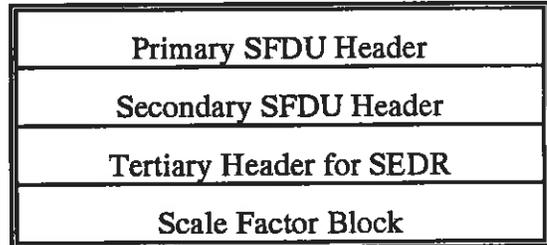


Figure 4-3: Scale Factor Block

4.2.1 SFDU Headers

The format of the primary and secondary SFDU headers for the SEDR is presented in Figure 4-4 and is specified in detail in Table 4-1. The format of the tertiary SFDU header for the SEDR is presented in Figure 4-5 and is specified in Table 4-2.

4.2.2 SEDR Contents

The contents of the SEDR (i.e. what word represents which parameter) are presented in Table 4-3.

4.2.3 Details of the Integer-Format SEDR

If word 24 of the tertiary-SFDU-header of the *first* SEDR in the file is set to "1", all the *remaining* SEDRs in that file (and on that tape) will be in the *integer format*. In this case, the data words found in the first SEDR will contain the scale factors (powers of ten) by which the integer values found in the remaining SEDRs in the file will be multiplied to obtain their actual values. Word 24 of the tertiary-SFDU-header of the second, and all remaining integer-format SEDRs in the file will be set to "2" to indicate that the values found in each word of those SEDRs are integer values.

Although the scale factors mentioned above are found in the first record of every integer-format SEDR file, for the sake of completeness, they are listed below:

Parameter TypeScale Factors

Ranges, positions, counts	10^0	= 1
Degrees (LAT, LONG)	10^{-4}	= 1/10000
Velocities (except body-fixed ΔV)	10^{-6}	= 1/1000000
Body-fixed ΔV and Solar-rotation numbers	10^{-4}	= 1/10000

A negative value in integer-format SEDR shall be represented by its twos complement.

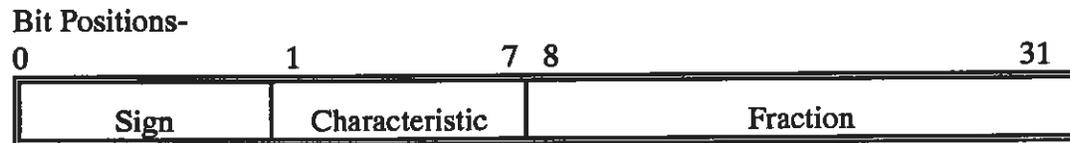
The integer-format shall be used for SEDRs produced for the following ULS Experiment Teams:

BAM, GLG (Bern), HED, and SIM (Germany)

4.2.4 Details of the Floating-Point-Format SEDR

If word 24 of the tertiary-SFDU-header of the *first* SEDR in the file is set to "0", *all* the SEDRs in that file (and on that tape), including the first SEDR, will be in the floating-point format. Furthermore, in this case, word 24 of the tertiary-SFDU-header of all the remaining SEDRs in the file will be set to "0".

The floating-point-words will appear as follows:



where,

- Sign** will indicate the sign of the quantity represented by the floating-point word. If SIGN = 0, the quantity will be evaluated as positive; if SIGN = 1, the quantity will be evaluated as negative.
- Characteristic** allows the calculation of the value of the characteristic (or exponent) (base 16) of the floating-point word. The characteristic will be evaluated as $(CHAR_{16} - 40_{16})$
- Fraction** consists of the most significant digits of the mantissa of the floating-point quantity, which will be a hexadecimal fraction, the value of which will always lie between 0 and $(0.FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF_{16})$.

Either of the following equations may be used to evaluate quantities in the floating-point format:

$$Value_{16} = (1 - 2 * Sign_{16}) * (Fraction_{16}) * (10_{16})^{(CHAR_{16} - 40_{16})}$$

$$Value_{10} = (1 - 2 * Sign_{10}) * (Fraction_{10}) * (16_{10})^{(CHAR_{10} - 64_{10})}$$

The following algorithm may be used to evaluate floating-point SEDR quantities:

1. Break-out the separate "raw" values of SIGN, CHAR, and FRACTION from the word.
2. Assume that the hexadecimal point of the number represented by FRACTION lies between bits 7 and 8 as FRACTION appears in the SEDR word.
3. Evaluate $N = \text{CHAR}_{16} - 40_{16}$
 - a. If $N = 0$, the value of FRACTION as assumed in Step 2, above, is correct.
 - b. If $N < 0$, shift the hexadecimal point in the assumed value of FRACTION to the left by N places, inserting N zeroes.
 - c. If $N > 0$, shift the hexadecimal point in the assumed value of FRACTION to the right by N places, inserting N zeroes.
4. Finally, if $\text{SIGN} = 0$, the quantity is positive. If $\text{SIGN} = 1$, the quantity is negative.

The floating-point-format will be used for SEDRs produced for the following ULS Experiment Teams: GLG (U of Md), GRU, HUS, KEP, LAN, STO, SIM (Chicago), SCE, and GWE.

The SEDR made for archive by the DMT will be in floating point format.

WORD	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	Data Unit Specification								Start of Msg Pointer							
	Control Authority				System Class				2ndary Hdr ID							
2	Message Data Unit Total Length															
	Originator ID								Last Modifier ID							
3	Major/Minor Data Class															
	Spacecraft Event Time															
4	N/A															
	N/A															
5	N/A								N/A				Msg Status			
	Mission ID								Spacecraft ID							
6	N/A															
	Tertiary Header ID								Number of Data Groups							
7	N/A															
	Spacecraft Clock Time															
8	N/A															
	N/A															
9	N/A															
	N/A															
10	N/A															
	N/A															

Figure 4-4: ULS SEDR Primary and Secondary SFDU Headers

Table 4-1: ULS SEDR Primary and Secondary SFDU Header Definition

WORD	BITS	Description
1	0-3	Label Version Number - indicates the version of standard formatted data unit (SFDU) 0001 - Base Version Code (constant for ULS)
1	4-5	Character Set - indicates the character representation used within this record. 00 = binary type (constant for ULS)
1	6-7	Unit Structure Type - globally defines the gross structural characteristics of the data unit. 00 - (constant for ULS)
1	8-15	Start of Message Pointer - Number of bytes to beginning of message.
1	16-21	Control Authority - Institution controlling the contents of the remainder of the data unit. 000101 = NASA JPL (constant for ULS)
1	22-26	System Classification - Local system responsible for creating the secondary header. 00011 = Data Records System (DRS)
1	27-31	Secondary Header Identifier - Identifies the secondary header type. 00010 = ULS (constant for ULS)
2	0-15	Message Unit Classification - Total length of this record in bytes
2	16-23	Originator ID Data Records System = 42 ₁₆
2	24-31	Last Modifier ID Data Records System = 43 ₁₆

Table 4-1 (cont'd)

WORD	BITS	Description
3	0-15	Major/Minor Data Class <u>Major</u> <u>Minor</u> 5 - Experiment Data Record (EDR) 0 Spare 1 Gloeckler-Geiss Experiment (GLG) 2 Gruen Experiment (GRU) 3 Hedgecock Experiment (HED) 4 Hurley-Sommer Experiment (HUS) 5 Keppler Experiment (KEP) 6 Lanzerotti Experiment (LAN) 7 Simpson Experiment (SIM) 8 Stone Experiment (STO) 9 Engineering Data (enge) A Bame Ion Experiment B Bame Electron Experiment C Engineering Data (engs) D 0 Monitor 5-9 Records
3 4	16-31 0-15	Spacecraft Event Time (SCET) - Time of the first minor frame from which this record's prime data was extracted, elapsed seconds since Jan 1, 1950 (UTC).
4	16-31	Fraction of a second of SCET, binary point assumed to the left of bit 16.
5	0-31	Earth Received Time (ERT) - Time of Earth receipt of the first minor frame from which this record's prime data was extracted, elapsed seconds since Jan 1, 1950 (UTC).
6	0-15	Fraction of a second of ERT, binary point assumed to the left of bit 0.

Table 4-1 (cont'd)

WORD	BITS	Description
6	16-23	User Dependent Type (UDT) code: 0B = DTM 1, Channel 1 07 = DTM 1, Channel 2 73 = DTM 2, Channel 1 08 = DTM 2, Channel 2 0C = DTM 3, Channel 1 09 = DTM 3, Channel 2 0D = DTM 4, Channel 1 0A = DTM 4, Channel 2 01 = DTM 5, Channel 1 02 = DTM 5, Channel 2 26 = DTM 6, Channel 1 27 = DTM 6, Channel 2
		<u>Mission Mode Flags</u> - Indicators for how data was generated for this record.
6	24	Spacecraft Realtime/Playback Data Flag - Indicates whether data was downlinked by the spacecraft in realtime or as a result of a tape recorder playback. 0 = Realtime data or not applicable 1 = Playback data
6	25	Real/Simulated Data Flag - Indicates whether data is real or stimulated. 0 = Real data 1 = Simulated data
6	26	System Test/MOS Flag - Indicates whether data is test or flight generated. 0 = Test complex generated 1 = Flight (MOS) generated
6	27	Replay Flag - Indicates if record contains replay data. 0 = Initial acquisition or not applicable 1 = Replay data
		<u>Message Contents Quality Status</u> - Indicates gross quality of the data in the secondary and tertiary headers and/or in the data block.

Table 4-1 (cont'd)

WORD	BITS	Description
6	28	Data Quality Flag - Indicates if the data portion of this record is valid or not. 0 = data valid 1 = data suspect, incomplete or invalid
6	29	Spacecraft Clock Flag - Indicates if the spacecraft clock is valid or not. 0 = SCLK is valid 1 = SCLK is missing, incomplete or invalid
6	30	Spacecraft Event Time Flag - Indicates if the SCET value is valid or not. 0 = SCET is valid 1 = SCET is missing, incomplete or invalid
6	31	Earth Received Time Flag - Indicates if the ERT value is valid or not. 0 = ERT is valid 1 = ERT is bad or missing
7	0-7	Mission ID 03 ₁₆ = Ulysses
7	8-15	ULS Spacecraft ID = 37 ₁₆ (55 ₁₀) (Flight Spacecraft) 41 ₁₆ (65 ₁₀) (Simulation/Test)

Table 4-1 (cont'd)

WORD	BITS	Description																																																												
7	16-23	<p>DSN Source Station - Indicates the DSN source station. (Controlled by document 820-13, module OPS-6-21).</p> <p>Permitted Value Interpretation</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Hex</th> <th>Dec</th> <th></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>55</td><td>85</td><td>DSS 05 (34-m STD, CTA-21)</td></tr> <tr><td>5B</td><td>91</td><td>DSS 06 (70-m, CTA-21)</td></tr> <tr><td>5F</td><td>95</td><td>DSS 07 (34-m HEF, CTA-21)</td></tr> <tr><td>BD</td><td>189</td><td>DSS 09 (34-m BWG, JPL Test Facility)</td></tr> <tr><td>81</td><td>129</td><td>DSS 12 (34-m STD, Goldstone)</td></tr> <tr><td>82</td><td>130</td><td>DSS 14 (70-m, Goldstone)</td></tr> <tr><td>83</td><td>131</td><td>DSS 15 (34-m HEF, Goldstone)</td></tr> <tr><td>C9</td><td>201</td><td>DSS 24 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 1)</td></tr> <tr><td>CA</td><td>202</td><td>DSS 25 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 2)</td></tr> <tr><td>CB</td><td>203</td><td>DSS 26 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 3)</td></tr> <tr><td>E6</td><td>230</td><td>DSS 27 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 1)</td></tr> <tr><td>E7</td><td>231</td><td>DSS 28 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 2)</td></tr> <tr><td>9A</td><td>154</td><td>DSS 34 (34-m BWG, Tidbinbilla)</td></tr> <tr><td>92</td><td>146</td><td>DSS 42 (34-m STD, Tidbinbilla)</td></tr> <tr><td>93</td><td>147</td><td>DSS 43 (70-m, Tidbinbilla)</td></tr> <tr><td>94</td><td>148</td><td>DSS 45 (34-m HEF, Tidbinbilla)</td></tr> <tr><td>F3</td><td>243</td><td>DSS 61 (34-m STC, Robledo)</td></tr> <tr><td>F4</td><td>244</td><td>DSS 63 (70-m, Robledo)</td></tr> <tr><td>FD</td><td>253</td><td>DSS 65 (34-m HEF, Robledo)</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Hex	Dec		55	85	DSS 05 (34-m STD, CTA-21)	5B	91	DSS 06 (70-m, CTA-21)	5F	95	DSS 07 (34-m HEF, CTA-21)	BD	189	DSS 09 (34-m BWG, JPL Test Facility)	81	129	DSS 12 (34-m STD, Goldstone)	82	130	DSS 14 (70-m, Goldstone)	83	131	DSS 15 (34-m HEF, Goldstone)	C9	201	DSS 24 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 1)	CA	202	DSS 25 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 2)	CB	203	DSS 26 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 3)	E6	230	DSS 27 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 1)	E7	231	DSS 28 (34-m BWG, Goldstone, Subnet 2)	9A	154	DSS 34 (34-m BWG, Tidbinbilla)	92	146	DSS 42 (34-m STD, Tidbinbilla)	93	147	DSS 43 (70-m, Tidbinbilla)	94	148	DSS 45 (34-m HEF, Tidbinbilla)	F3	243	DSS 61 (34-m STC, Robledo)	F4	244	DSS 63 (70-m, Robledo)	FD	253	DSS 65 (34-m HEF, Robledo)
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Table 4-1 (cont'd)

WORD	BITS	Description
10	0-15	Spacecraft Clock Count (fractional part of count with an implied binary point at the left).

WORD	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30
10	Part of Secondary Hdr								Spare Bits for Padding							
11	SEDR Identification															
12																
13	SEDR Record Generation Date															
14	SEDR Record Generation Time															
15	Spare Bits for Padding (zeroes)															
16																
17	Attitude History File Generation Date															
18	Attitude History File Generation Time															
19	Start Time of Validity for Attitude History Record															
20																
21	Stop Time of Validity for Attitude History Record															
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23	Attitude History Record Status Indicators															
24	SEDR Record Identifier															
25	Spare Word (zeroes)															

Figure 4-5: ULS SEDR Tertiary SFDU Header

Table 4-2: ULS SEDR Tertiary SFDU Header Definition

Word	Bits	Description
10	16-31	Spare bits for padding (zeroes)
11	0-31	Spare word (zeroes)
12	0-31	Last four digits of the SEDR Identification Number, integer format: MSTT where- M is the mission phase code S is the SEDR type code T identifies the tape sequence number (see section 1.4.4)
13	0-31	SEDR Record Generation Date, integer format: YYDDD (year, DOY) (e.g. 91300 ₁₀)
14	0-31	SEDR Record Generation Time, integer format: HHMMSS (e.g. 210756 ₁₀)
15 16	0-31	Spare words (zeroes)
17	0-31	Attitude History File Generation Date, integer format: YYDDD
18	0-31	Attitude History File Generation Time, integer format: HHMMSS
19	0-31	Start Date of Validity of Attitude Record, integer format: YYDDD
20	0-31	Start Time of Validity of Attitude Record, integer format: HHMMSS
21	0-31	Stop Date of Validity of Attitude Record, integer format: YYDDD
22	0-31	Stop Time of Validity of Attitude Record, integer format: HHMMSS

Table 4-2 (cont'd)

Word	Bits	Description
23	0-31	Attitude Record Status Indicators from Attitude History File, 3 digit decimal integer format XYZ, where X = 0 Actual Attitude History Data X = 1 Predict Attitude History Data Y = 0 delta-v accurate Y = 1 delta-v inaccurate Z = 0 delta-v provided Z = 1 delta-v not provided
24	0-31	SEDR Record Identifier, integer where 0 - floating point record 1 - scale factor record 2 - integer record (see sections 4.2.3 and 4.2.4)
25	0-31	Spare Word (zeroes)

Table 4-3: ULS SEDR Data Format

SEDR Word	Description	Units
26-27	Right Ascension and Declination of S/C Spin Axis, S/C Centered, Earth Mean Equator and Equinox of 1950.0	deg
28-29	Celestial Latitude and Longitude of S/C Spin Axis, S/C Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	deg
30	Spare Word (zeroes)	
31-36	Cartesian State of S/C, Earth Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
37-42	Cartesian State of S/C, Sun Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
43-48	Cartesian State of S/C, Jupiter Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
49-54	Cartesian State of S/C, Io Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
55-60	Cartesian State of S/C, Europa Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
61-66	Cartesian State of S/C, Ganymede Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
67-72	Cartesian State of S/C, Callisto Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
73-78	Cartesian State of Earth, Sun Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
79-84	Cartesian State of Jupiter, Sun Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
85-90	Cartesian State of Earth, Jupiter Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
91-96	Cartesian State of Io, Jupiter Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
97-102	Cartesian State of Europa, Jupiter Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
103-108	Cartesian State of Ganymede, Jupiter Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec
109-114	Cartesian State of Callisto, Jupiter Centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0	km km/sec

Table 4-3 (cont'd)

SEDR Word	Description	Units
115-120	Cartesian State of S/C, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Orbit and Prime Meridian in Sun Direction	km km/sec
121-126	Cartesian State of Io, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Orbit and Prime Meridian in Sun Direction	km km/sec
127-132	Cartesian State of Europa, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Orbit and Prime Meridian in Sun Direction	km km/sec
133-138	Cartesian State of Ganymede, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Orbit and Prime Meridian in Sun Direction	km km/sec
139-144	Cartesian State of Callisto, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Orbit and Prime Meridian in Sun Direction	km km/sec
145-150	Cartesian State of S/C, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System I True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km km/sec
151-153	Cartesian Position of Io, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System I True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
154-156	Cartesian Position of Europa, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
157-159	Cartesian Position of Ganymede, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System I True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
160-162	Cartesian Position of Callisto, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System I True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
163-168	Cartesian State of S/C, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System III (1965.0) True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km km/sec
169-171	Cartesian Position of Io, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System III (1965.0) True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
172-174	Cartesian Position of Europa, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System III True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
175-177	Cartesian Position of Ganymede, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System III (1965.0) True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
178-180	Cartesian Position of Callisto, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter System III (1965.0) True Prime Meridian and Equator of Date	km
181-183	Jupiter Planetocentric Latitude, System I Longitude and System III (1965.0) Longitude of S/C	deg
184-186	Jupiter Planetocentric Latitude, System I Longitude and System III (1965.0) Longitude of Io	deg

Table 4-3 (cont'd)

SEDR Word	Description	Units
187-189	Jupiter Planetocentric Latitude, System I Longitude and System III (1965.0) Longitude of Europa	deg
190-192	Jupiter Planetocentric Latitude, System I Longitude and System III (1965.0) Longitude of Ganymede	deg
193-195	Jupiter Planetocentric Latitude, System I Longitude and System III (1965.0) Longitude of Callisto	deg
196	Range Earth - S/C	km
197	Range Sun - S/C	km
198	Range Sun - Earth	km
199	Range Sun - Jupiter	km
200	Range Jupiter - S/C	km
201	Range Jupiter - Io	km
202	Range Jupiter - Europa	km
203	Range Jupiter - Ganymede	km
204	Range Jupiter - Callisto	km
205	Angle Earth - Sun - S/C	deg
206	Angle Sun - S/C - Earth (Celestial Cone Angle of Earth)	deg
207	Angle Sun - Earth - S/C	deg
208	Angle Jupiter - Sun - S/C	deg
209	Angle Sun - S/C - Jupiter (Celestial Cone Angle of Jupiter)	deg
210	Angle Sun - Jupiter - S/C	deg
211	Angle Earth - S/C - Jupiter	deg
212	Angle Sun Aspect (Angle Between Spacecraft Spin Axis and Direction to Sun)	deg
213-214	Right Ascension and Declination of S/C, Earth Centered, Earth Mean Equator and Equinox of 1950.0	deg
215-216	Right Ascension and Declination of Sun, Earth Centered, Earth Mean Equator and Equinox of 1950.0	deg
217-218	Right Ascension and Declination of Jupiter, Earth Centered, Earth Mean Equator and Equinox of 1950.0	deg

Table 4-3 (cont'd)

SEDR Word	Description	Units
219-220	Right Ascension and Declination of S/C, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
221-222	Right Ascension and Declination of Sun, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
223-224	Right Ascension and Declination of Io, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
225-226	Right Ascension and Declination of Europa, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
227-228	Right Ascension and Declination of Ganymede, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
229-230	Right Ascension and Declination of Callisto, Jupiter Centered, Jupiter True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
231-232	Celestial Latitude and Longitude of S/C, Sun Centered, Earth True Equinox and Ecliptic of Date	deg
233-234	Celestial Latitude and Longitude of Earth, Sun Centered, Earth True Equinox and Ecliptic of Date	deg
235-236	Celestial Latitude and Longitude of Jupiter, Sun Centered, Earth True Equinox and Ecliptic of Date	deg
237-238	Right Ascension and Declination of S/C, Sun Centered, Sun True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
239-240	Right Ascension and Declination of Earth, Sun Centered, Sun True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
241-242	Right Ascension and Declination of Jupiter, Sun Centered, Sun True Equinox and Equator of Date	deg
243-244	Heliographic Latitude and Longitude of S/C	deg
245-246	Heliographic Latitude and Longitude of Earth	deg
247-248	Heliographic Latitude and Longitude of Jupiter	deg
249-254	Cartesian State of S/C, Jupiter Magnetic Dipole Centered, Jupiter Magnetic Meridian and Equator of Date	km km/sec
255-260	Cartesian State of Io, Jupiter Magnetic Dipole Centered, Jupiter Magnetic Meridian and Equator of Date	km km/sec
261	Range Jupiter Magnetic Dipole - S/C	km

Table 4-3 (cont'd)

SEDR Word	Description	Units
262-263	Latitude and Longitude of S/C, Jupiter Magnetic Dipole Centered, Jupiter Magnetic Meridian and Equator of Date	deg
264-265	Latitude and Longitude of Io, Jupiter Magnetic Dipole Centered, Jupiter Magnetic Meridian and Equator of Date	deg
266	Solar Rotation Number Relative to Earth	rotations
267	Solar Rotation Number Relative to Spacecraft	rotations
268-273	Cartesian State of Saturn, Sun centered, Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950	km km/sec
274-288	Spare Words (zeroes)	

APPENDIX A Glossary

Cartesian State	Cartesian position and velocity components in the following order: x-position, y-position, z-position, x-velocity, y-velocity, and z-velocity.
Equinox	Vernal equinox. For the planets, the vernal equinox is defined as the axis from the center of the planet to the ascending node of the planet's orbit through the planet's equatorial plane.
Jupiter System I	This prime meridian system is identified with the Prime Meridian rotation of the visible features in the Jovian equatorial zone. The exact definition of this system can be found in the Explanatory Supplement to the Astronomical Ephemeris and The American Ephemeris and Nautical Almanac (Explanatory Supplement to the Ephemeris). JPL Technical Report (TR) 32-12508, dated January 15, 1971.
Jupiter System III	This prime meridian system is identified with the Prime Meridian rotation of radio emissions from Jupiter. This rotation probably corresponds to the rotation of the Jovian inner core which is associated with the planet's magnetic field. The SEDR uses Jupiter System III (1965.0).
Longitude	The longitude convention will conform to the IAU standards which specify positive west longitudes for Jupiter.

APPENDIX B List of Acronyms and Abbreviations

BPI	Bits per inch
CDFGEN	Common Data File Generation (program)
deg	Degrees
DEC	Declination
DMT	Data Management Team
DOY	Day of Year
DPTRAJ	Double Precision Trajectory program
DRS	Data Records System
DUT	Difference between ET and UTC times (55.2 for 1 July 1985)
E	Floating Point Quantity
ECL50	Earth Mean Ecliptic and Equinox of 1950.0
EME50	Earth Mean Equator and Equinox of 1950.0
ERT	Earth Received Time
ESOC	European Space Operations Centre
ET	Ephemeris Time
HHMMSS	Hours-Minutes-Seconds
HEX	Hexadecimal Number
I	Integer Quantity
IAU	International Astronomical Union

ID	Identification
IPC	Information Processing Center
IRG	Inter-record Gap
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
km	Kilometers
km/sec	Kilometers Per Second
N/A	Not Applicable or Not Available
NAV	Navigation System or Team
P-FILE	Probe Ephemeris File
PI	Principal Investigator
RA	Right Ascension
S/C	Spacecraft
SCET	Spacecraft Event Time
SCLK	Spacecraft Clock (count)
SEDR	Supplementary Experiment Data Records
SEDRGEN	Supplementary Experiment Data Records Generation (program)
SFDU	Standard Formatted Data Unit (headers)
SIS	Software Interface Specification
SRD	Software Requirements Document
TBD	To Be Determined
TBS	To Be Supplied

TCM	Trajectory Correction Maneuver
UTC	coordinated Universal Time
YYDDD	Year (last two digits) - day of year

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 ULYSSES HOURLY AVERAGED INTERPLANETARY CRUISE MAGNETIC FIELD DATA

Data Set Coverage (yyy-mm-dd): 1990-10-25 to 1992-02-02
 1992-02-16 to 2005-05-31
 {excluding Jupiter encounter, Feb. 3 - 15, 1992}

Satellite: Ulysses

Experiment: Ulysses Magnetic Field

Principal Investigator: Dr. A. Balogh, Imperial College, London, UK

Data Set Contact: C. Tranquille, Ulysses Data System, SSD-ESA, ESTEC

Data Set Submission Date: 1998-07-06 (most recent update)

Data Set Description:

This data set contains hourly averages of the interplanetary magnetic field measured by the Ulysses Magnetic Field experiment. Field vector components are given in units of nanoteslas and in RTN coordinates, where R is the sun-s/c axis, T is the cross product of the solar rotation axis and R, and N is the cross product of R and T. The field magnitudes in nT are averages of scalar magnitudes at higher time resolution. Times are computed at the mid-point of each hour interval and expressed in Spacecraft Event Time - UT (SCET-UT). For statistical checks the number of full resolution vectors contributing to the average in each interval is provided. Data gaps have not been flagged in any way - if there were no available data in a particular hour then there is no data record for that hour. No data from the Feb. 1992 encounter with Jupiter are included. Further details on the magnetic field measurements can be found in the following reference: Balogh, A., et al., Astron. Astrophys. Suppl. Ser., 92(2), 221, 1992. This data set is available on-line here in the NSSDC Anonymous FTP directory and in the COHOWeb browse/display system on the world wide web.

Data Set Files:

ULYMAGHR_FMT.txt - this file
 ULYMAGHR_yyyy.asc - yearly hour average data file for year "yy"
 (ASCII)

Parameter Format for ULYMAGHR_yyyy.asc:

This file has ASCII table format with eight columns:

- 1) Year (two digit integer)
- 2) Decimal day no. (January 1 = Day 1, fractional part completely specifies the timing of the data point)
- 3) Decimal hour (actually redundant but aids readability of the file)
- 4) Magnetic field hour average of R component (nT)
- 5) Magnetic field hour average of T component (nT)
- 6) Magnetic field hour average of N component (nT)
- 7) Magnetic field hour average magnitude (nT) (note that this is the average of the magnitudes of the individual full resolution vectors as opposed to the magnitude of the vector formed by the hourly averaged components)
- 8) Number of full resolution vectors that have contributed to the

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average (as a crude statistical validity check)

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1. OVERVIEW OF THE SWOOPS EXPERIMENT

The SWOOPS (Solar Wind Observations Over the Poles of the Sun) experiment has two electrostatic analyzers, one for positive ions and one for electrons. The instrument is fully described in: The Ulysses Solar Wind Plasma Experiment, S. J. Bame, D. J. McComas, B. L. Barraclough, J. L. Phillips, K. J. Sofaly, J. C. Chavez, B. E. Goldstein, and R. K. Sakurai, Astronomy and Astrophysics Supplement Series, Ulysses Instruments Special Issue, Vol. 92, No. 2, p. 237-265, 1992. The electron and ion analyzers are separate experiments that operate asynchronously. For this reason, the data from the experiments are submitted separately to the NSSDC. This document describes the positive ion analyzer and the data submitted to the NSSDC for that analyzer; the electron experiment is described in a comparable document that accompanies the electron data. The experiment was designed as a solar wind investigation, and the results from the positive ion part of the experiment at Jupiter were generally not useful because of field of view problems; Jovian magneosheath and magnetosphere data (1992 033 17:00 to 1992 048 02:00) are therefore not submitted to the NSSDC.

2. INTRODUCTION TO THE SWOOPS ION EXPERIMENT

The SWOOPS ion analyzer measures 3-d velocity space distributions of positively-charged ions. In its normal solar wind mode, the instrumental energy range is 0.25 to 12 keV/Q; active energy tracking allows for fine energy spacing within a smaller range which is ample for characterization of the thermal proton and helium distributions in most cases. The analyzer does not make an explicit ion species determination; separation of protons from doubly-charged helium is enabled by the fact that the two species have similar convection speeds. During periods of spacecraft nutation only the bulk speed and density are reliable, individual velocity components and temperatures are invalid. The beginning of scientifically useful SWOOPS data is at Day 322, 00:59 of 1990; at that time the spacecraft was already nutating; nutation ceased as of Day 351, 22:00, 1990. As Ulysses approaches the Sun, nutation may resume during periods when active attitude control is not available (active attitude control requires a continuous uplink).

3A. INSTRUMENT OPERATION-SUMMARY

Each spectrum takes 2 minutes to accumulate, but telemetry takes longer. A spectrum is telemetered to the ground in 4 minutes at highest bit rate, at lower spacecraft bit rates the time is greater. Depending on the mission phase, the data may all be high time resolution, may be partially high time resolution

(some 4 minute sampled data, and some 8 minutes sampled data), or may be sampled at rates even slower during certain occasions. Depending on the bit rate, every 5th (highest bit rate) or 9th spectrum (all slower bit rates) is obtained with half the energy resolution of the other spectra.

3B. INSTRUMENT OPERATION-DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The positive ion analyzer is provided with a 200-level high voltage supply to cover a range of ion energies from 255 eV/q to 34.4 keV/q. Level spacings are 2.5%, and are used in a variety of ways.

The normal SWOOPS mode of operation consists of three types of modes, two that deal with protons and alpha particles, and one (not described here) that deals with heavy ions. The two types of measurement modes used for measuring protons and alpha particles are the Search (S) mode and T (track) mode. The instrument first does a coarse energy scan (S mode) consisting of 40 steps (every 4th step in the lowest 160 of the instrument's 200 available levels). Having located the solar wind flux peak, the instrument then does several T scans in the region around the peak using every other energy step. To obtain increased energy resolution during periods when the solar wind is not changing speed, the instrument was designed so that T scans alternate using the even- and odd-numbered steps of the voltage supply. The data provided to the NSSDC are based upon individual scans; the alternating even (E) and odd (O) scans have not been combined. During the highest bit rate operation one S scan is followed by eight T scans, at all other data rates one S scan is followed by four T scans. Differences between estimates of solar wind parameters based on lower energy resolution data (S mode) and neighboring T mode data are at times noticeable in plots as S mode outliers in the velocity and temperature values. Generally speaking, the alternating types (O and E) of T mode do not lead to apparent effects in the reduced parameters. However, during exceptionally cold periods, such as within a Coronal Mass Ejection at distances significantly beyond the orbit of the Earth, upon rare occasions an O/E mode alternation in the density and direction of flow is apparent in the reduced data.

SWOOPS heavy ion data are not submitted to the NSSDC because the instrument does not have a mass separation capability or coincidence detection for noise suppression. Data from the SWICS experiment are better suited for heavy ion investigations.

4. DATA REDUCTION ALGORITHMS

Plasma parameters are calculated by numerical integration of velocity-weighted ion distributions over an E/q range chosen to include the thermal proton and alpha-particle populations. Under extremely hot conditions, there can sometimes be some overlap between these populations. Additionally, during periods when the solar wind temperature is exceptionally low the experiment can not properly measure the temperature. Care has been taken to estimate the instrument background from channels that do not contain data, and the effects of background have been removed from the integration. The velocity space resolution of the experiment is better in the energy dimension than in the angular dimensions.

The proton temperature has been estimated in two different ways, one of which will sometimes lead to an overestimate of the temperature and one of which will sometimes lead to an underestimate. T-large is the integral of the distribution in three-dimensional velocity space over all energy channels and angle bins that are statistically above noise. The criterion for noise determination is based upon the estimation of the total contribution from a shell that is

spherically symmetric in velocity space. T-large has the drawback that at times when the solar wind is cold the angular responses of the instrument channels are as wide or wider than the beam, and the temperature is overestimated. T-small is estimated by summing over angle the observations at a fixed energy. The moments of the resulting one dimensional plasma spectrum are then summed and the resulting RR (radial) component of the temperature tensor is used as the estimate of proton temperature. Additionally, to avoid contamination from alpha particles, no channels further in velocity space from the proton peak than the minimum in flux between the proton and alpha particles peaks are used in the T-small estimate. T-large and T-small will generally bracket the true temperature. However, for very cold plasma, T-small may not be a true minimum.

In the analyses already described, when performing the numerical integration over velocity space it is assumed that the instrument response within a given channel is uniform and that the viewing area of the channel is uniformly filled with plasma. A least squares fitting procedure to a bi-Maxwellian distribution that includes the instrument response is currently (November, 1996) under development, it will be able to improve estimates under difficult conditions (very cold plasma). However, this procedure can not be used for routine data reduction because of computer time requirements. Persons desiring specialized analyses of particular time periods should request the needed data directly from the SWOOPS team (see section 6 below).

In addition to the issues of temperature determination already discussed, there are also small systematic uncertainties in the velocity components. These are due to such effects as uncertainty in the accuracy of alignment on the spacecraft, variation in gains between channeltrons, etc. The velocity component data should not be used for studies of large scale, long term, solar wind deflection. The data are generally suitable for all other studies. The data have been corrected for spacecraft velocity.

The Odd and Even mode scans start at odd or even energy steps of the instrument, and during a scan the energy channel is increased by two steps for each observation. To improve the temperature resolution of the experiment we have also produced combined parameters from adjacent Odd and Even scans. If the peak shifts to that the peak of adjacent Odd and Even spectra are not contiguous in the scan, then a combined spectra is not produced. Since there are sometimes considerably less data in the combined than in the O/E mode, the high resolution data provided to the NSSDC are the O/E mode. The hourly averages are based upon the combined spectra. Users are CAUTIONED that the hourly averages are based on combined mode (higher energy resolution spectra) will typically provide temperature estimates a bit lower (depends on distance from the Sun) than hourly averages of the O/E mode high resolution spectra.

Spacecraft velocities are removed from all Ulysses data; i.e., velocities are defined with respect to the Sun.

5. DESCRIPTION AND FORMAT OF DATA SUBMITTED TO THE NSSDC

The data provided to the NSSDC are the fluid (mass averaged proton and alpha particles) velocity components, proton number density, alpha particle number density, and an upper and lower limit on proton temperature. Two types of data are provided: high resolution data and hourly averages.

Definition of Solar Heliospheric RTN coordinates:

R is a unit vector pointing from the Sun to the spacecraft. T is $\Omega \times R$, where Ω is a unit vector along the Sun's rotation axis. $N = R \times T$.

5.A FORMAT OF HIGH RESOLUTION DATA

The time specified in the file is 3.5 spins after the beginning of the acquisition of a spectrum. For T mode data, the peak of the proton flux is typically found at energies sampled during spins 3 and 4. For S mode data the time at which the peak is observed is variable and depends on the solar wind speed, hence the time in the file does not precisely reflect the time the observation is made.

```
      open (3, file='SwoopsIon', status='old', readonly,
+ carriagecontrol='list')

c      iyr          - year
c      idoy        - day of year (Jan 1 = 001)
c      ihr         - hour
c      imin        - minute
c      isec        - second
c      rau         - sun-spacecraft distance, AU
c      hlat        - heliospheric latitude
c      hlong       - heliospheric longitude
c                  (Carrington longitude of spacecraft)
c      densp       - proton number density per cubic centimeter
c      densa       - alpha number density per cubic centimeter
c      tlarge      - proton temperature, Kelvin
c      tsmall      - proton temperature, Kelvin
c      vr, vt, vn  - plasma velocity (km/sec) in heliospheric
c                  RTN coordinates in the solar system frame
c      qual        - condition flags

      read (3, 1) iyr, idoy, ihr, imin, isec,
+ rau, hlat, hlong, densp, densa, tlarge, tsmall, vr, vt, vn, qual

1     format (1X,I2,1X,I3,3(1X,I2),F7.4,2F7.2,
+ 2(1X,F10.5),1X,2F10.0,3(1X,F7.1),1X,I4)
```

The variable qual is set to 0 for "good" data. "Good" means that there was nothing detectable wrong with the data except that in some cases the temperature is so high that the proton observations overlap the alpha particle observations. If qual=1, there is something questionable about the data. Bit errors that have automatically been corrected by the program, anomalies in the data that are sometimes detected by the program when the data are too cold for proper reduction, spectra for which some missing data have been zero filled, etc., all have qual=1. Spectra for which the alpha particle portion of the analysis failed are not included in the data submitted to the NSSDC. In general, users should restrict the use of data to qual=0. However, data that are bad can often be ascertained by inspection when plotted in a time series, so that for studies of individual events the qual=1 data can also be useful.

5.B FORMAT OF HOURLY AVERAGE DATA

The hourly average data are computed from the high resolution data excluding points for which qual=1. The format of the hourly data is identical to that of the high resolution data except that the qual word is not written to the file.

```
      read (3, 9) iyr, idoy, ihr, imin, isec,
+ rau, hlat, hlong, densp, densa, tlarge, tsmall, vr, vt, vn
```

9 format (1X,I2,1X,I3,3(1X,I2),F7.4,2F7.2,
+ 2(1X,F10.5),1X,2F10.0,3(1X,F7.1))

The time intervals for an hourly average are from the beginning to the end of an hour, e.g., from 01:00 to 02:00, with the time in the data record being at the center of the interval, e.g., 93 125 01 30 00.

6. PERIODS OF BAD ATTITUDE OR SUN SENSOR PROBLEMS

During certain periods the spacecraft was undergoing reorientation, or the sun sensors on the spacecraft were being switched and the spacecraft orientation was unknown. For such data, only the speed and temperatures are reliable; the velocity components are unreliable. A list (not claimed to be complete) of times during which such problems are present is:

90 348 1800	90 349 0300	SUNSP	SUN SENSOR PROBLEM
90 353 1500	90 353 1800	SUNSP	(FOLLOWED BY DATA GAP UNTIL 354 0230)
91 030 0000	91 30 0900	SUNSP	SUN SENSOR PROBLEM
93 319 1100	93 319 1957	BADAT	SPACECRAFT ATTITUDE MANUEVER
94 052 1155	94 052 1700	BADAT	SPACECRAFT ATTITUDE MANUEVER

7. FURTHER INFORMATION

For information on acquiring other types of data not provided to the the NSSDC, contact the Principal Investigator, Dr. David J. McComas, at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, dmccomas@lanl.gov, 505-667-0138. For information on the reduction and analysis of data from the positive ion and electron experiments, contact Dr. Bruce E. Goldstein at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, bgoldstein@jplsp2.jpl.nasa.gov, 818-354-7366.

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02/28/2002: Selected hourly and high resolution files have recently been reprocessed to flag ion data in which counter spills occur. The yearly files of hourly data for 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, and 2000 have been replaced. See also the attached message below from Bruce Goldstein for a list of the affected hourly and high resolution files.

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Date: Tue, 5 Feb 2002 23:20:27 -0800
From: "Bruce Goldstein, (818) 354-7366" <bgoldstein@jplsp3.jpl.nasa.gov>
To: john.f.cooper@gssc.nasa.gov
Subject: corrections and additions to SWOOPS archive data

Dear John and Cecil,

The Ulysses SWOOPS team has recently reprocessed its data to flag ion data in which counter spills occur. This means that you should retrieve the following files and replace the data in your archives. No change in the documentation is required.

Publicly accessible data for NSSDC and ESA/UDS

High Resolution files (solar wind ions)

u91060bam.dat (march 91)
u91121bam.dat (may 91)
u91152bam.dat (june 91)
u91335bam.dat (dec 91)
u92092bam.dat (apr 92)
u92153bam.dat (jun 92)
u92214bam.dat (aug 92)
u92306bam.dat (nov 92)
u93091bam.dat (apr 93)
u93182bam.dat (jul 93)
u95032bam.dat (feb 95)
u97121bam.dat (may 97)
u99121bam.dat (may 99)
u00061bam.dat (mar 00)
u00092bam.dat (apr 00)
u00214bam.dat (aug 00)

Low Resolution files (solar wind ions)

hourav91.dat
hourav92.dat
hourav93.dat
hourav95.dat
hourav97.dat
hourav99.dat
hourav00.dat

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U91274BAMELE.DAT;2	U92001BAMELE.DAT;1	U92092BAMELE.DAT;1	U92183BAMELE.DAT;1
U92274BAMELE.DAT;3	U93001BAMELE.DAT;1	U93092BAMELE.DAT;1	U93183BAMELE.DAT;1
U93274BAMELE.DAT;1	U94001BAMELE.DAT;1	U94092BAMELE.DAT;1	U94183BAMELE.DAT;1
U94274BAMELE.DAT;1	U95001BAMELE.DAT;8	U95032BAMELE.DAT;1	U95060BAMELE.DAT;1
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U96092BAMELE.DAT;1	U96122BAMELE.DAT;1	U96153BAMELE.DAT;1	U96183BAMELE.DAT;1
U96214BAMELE.DAT;1	U96245BAMELE.DAT;2	U96275BAMELE.DAT;1	U96306BAMELE.DAT;1
U96336BAMELE.DAT;1	U97001BAMELE.DAT;1	U97032BAMELE.DAT;1	U97060BAMELE.DAT;1
U97091BAMELE.DAT;1	U97121BAMELE.DAT;1	U97152BAMELE.DAT;1	U97182BAMELE.DAT;1
U97213BAMELE.DAT;1	U97244BAMELE.DAT;1		

Total of 50 files.

NSSDC USER'S GUIDE FOR DATA FROM THE ULYSSES SWOOPS PLASMA EXPERIMENT:
THE ELECTRON EXPERIMENT

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1. OVERVIEW OF THE SWOOPS EXPERIMENT

The SWOOPS (Solar Wind Observations Over the Poles of the Sun) experiment has two electrostatic analyzers, one for positive ions and one for electrons. The instrument is fully described in: The Ulysses Solar Wind Plasma Experiment, S. J. Bame, D. J. McComas, B. L. Barraclough, J. L. Phillips, K. J. Sofaly, J. C. Chavez, B. E. Goldstein, and R. K. Sakurai, Astronomy and Astrophysics Supplement Series, Ulysses Instruments Special Issue, Vol. 92, No. 2, p. 237-265, 1992. The electron and ion analyzers are separate instruments that operate asynchronously. For this reason, the data from the two sensors are submitted separately to the NSSDC. This document describes the electron analyzer and the data submitted to the NSSDC for that analyzer; the ion experiment is described in a comparable document that accompanies the ion data.

2. INTRODUCTION TO THE SWOOPS ELECTRON EXPERIMENT

The SWOOPS electron spectrometer is a 120-degree spherical section electrostatic analyzer which measures the 3-d velocity space distributions of solar wind electrons. In its normal solar wind mode, the instrumental energy range is 1.6 to 862 eV in the spacecraft frame. Since the spacecraft generally charges to +2 to +15 volts, 2 to 15 eV is subtracted from the measured energies (electrons measured at energies below the spacecraft potential are electrostatically trapped photoelectrons). The beginning of scientifically useful SWOOPS data is at the beginning of Day 322 of 1990.

The electron instrument is subject to a "sleep mode" triggered by changes in the spacecraft configuration. The first time this mode occurred it caused a long gap in the electron (but not the ion) data: from 0621 UT on day 346 of 1990 until 2052 UT on day 362. Subsequently, procedures were developed to recognize, correct, and prevent this sleep mode, thus minimizing its impact. However, there are occasional gaps in the electron data when the SWOOPS ion sensor, and other Ulysses experiments, were returning data.

3A. INSTRUMENT OPERATION-SUMMARY

Each spectrum takes 2 minutes to accumulate, but telemetry takes longer. When the spacecraft is being actively tracked and is returning data at its highest bit rate, spectra are returned every 2.3 minutes (low angular resolution mode) or every 5.7 minutes (high resolution mode). During playback of stored data, the spectral repetition rate is every 4.7 minutes (low angular resolution) or every 11.3 minutes (high resolution). These modes will be described in the next paragraph. For most of the mission, the instrument has been in high angular resolution mode, resulting in spectra every 5.7 minutes when the spacecraft is

being tracked, or every 11.3 minutes for playback. The amount of spacecraft tracking depends on the mission phase.

3B. INSTRUMENT OPERATION-DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The electron analyzer is provided with a 22-level high voltage supply to cover a range of ion energies from 0.8 to 862 eV. At any given time, either the top 20 or bottom 20 of these voltage levels are used. Except from a period from instrument turn-on in November 1990 through December 3, 1990, the instrument has been in high-energy mode throughout the mission, resulting in an energy range of 1.6 to 862 eV. Prior to that time, the instrument alternated between low-energy (0.8 to 454 eV) and high-energy (1.6 to 862 eV) spectra.

The analyzer uses 7 channel electron multipliers (CEMs) to count electrons discretely over 95% of the unit sphere in look direction. For telemetry conservation, 2 out of every 3 spectra are "two-dimensionalized" onboard the spacecraft, that is the count rates are averaged over all 7 CEMs. These 2-d spectra thus return electron counts as a function of energy and spacecraft spin angle. The full 3-d spectra return counts as a function of energy, spacecraft spin angle, and polar angle (measured from the spacecraft spin axis, which points at Earth).

There are two angular resolution schemes which are ground commanded. In the high resolution scheme, which has been used for most of the mission, the 3-d spectra incorporate 32 spin-angle steps, for a total spectral content of 20 energies x 32 azimuths x 7 polar angles. The 2-d spectra incorporate 64 spin angle steps, for a total of 20 energies x 64 azimuths x 1 CEM-averaged polar angle (90 degrees from the spin axis). In the low resolution scheme, both 2-d and 3-d spectra incorporate only 16 spin angle steps, but provide a higher spectral repetition rate, as described in the previous section.

4. DATA REDUCTION ALGORITHMS

The first step in data reduction is determination of the spacecraft potential. This is done by identifying inflections in the angle-averaged energy spectra. Potential averages +6V, with higher values for low-density plasma and lower (but still positive) values for high-density plasma. A second inflection is also identified in the spectra, corresponding to the break between thermal ("core") and suprathermal ("halo") populations. The count rate arrays are then corrected for spacecraft potential and converted to phase-space density arrays using the "plane-parallel correction" (e.g., Scime et al., JGR, p. 14769, 1994), a correction which affects not only the energies but also the direction of motion of the measured electrons.

Plasma moments are then calculated by numerical integration of the velocity-weighted ion distributions. A total integration is performed from the spacecraft potential (corresponding to zero energy solar wind electrons) to the instrumental energy limit. Analogous core and halo integrations are performed for the parts of the distribution above and below the core-halo energy break point. Since the first few eV above the spacecraft potential are contaminated with photoelectrons on non-radial trajectories, it is necessary to use a biMaxwellian fit to the core distribution to fill in this part of the distribution; the total and core integration results are corrected based on this fit.

The integrations produce density, temperature components, velocity, and

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04/24/95: The SWOOPS electron data will shortly be staged by NSSDC to the NDADS near-line archive. All information in Version 01 of the users guide remains current except that the file names will be changed. Consult the NDADS SWOOPS data holdings file for information on the new file names.

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SOLAR WIND PLASMA SWOOPS ION/HIRES

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This dataset has been ingest to CD-ROM Write Once. The data was downloaded from
/raid/ftp/spacecraft_data/Ulysses/plasma/swoops/ion/hires data is written in
ASCII format. KD number along with the time spans are as follows:
4MM & 8MM TAPES WAS REPLACE WITH CD.

KD#	TIME SPAN
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KD022284	11/18/90- 03/30/06

NSSDC Master Catalog Display: Data Set

Ulysses SWOOPS Experiment Solar Wind Ion Data, High Resolution (4 - 8 min)

NSSDC ID:SPHE-00566

Other ID(s)

90-090B-05D

Availability: At NSSDC, Ready for Electronic Access**Time Span:** 1990-11-18 to 2004-07-31 (as determined by NSSDC)

Description

This data set from the solar wind plasma ion instrument on the Ulysses SWOOPS experiment includes high resolution (4-8 min.) data including bulk velocity flow components in RTN coordinates, proton and alpha number densities, and upper and lower limits on proton temperature. Spacecraft time (SCET-UT) and position (heliographic coordinates) are given for each measurement interval. The data files each cover three months through 1994 and one month thereafter. The data set is provided in ASCII format and accompanied by text files including a user's guide and errata to this guide. The solar wind ion instrument is described in Bame, S. J., et al., "The Ulysses solar wind plasma experiment," *Astron. Astrophys. Suppl. Ser.*, 92, No. 2, 237-265, Jan. 1992.

This data set is accessible on-line from NSSDC's anonymous FTP site at [nssdcftp.gsfc.nasa.gov](ftp://nssdcftp.gsfc.nasa.gov) in directory `spacecraft_data/ulysses/plasma/swoops` or via the World Wide Web at the following URL address:

ftp://nssdcftp.gsfc.nasa.gov/spacecraft_data/ulysses/plasma/swoops/ion/hires

Mission Name(s): Experiment(s)

Ulysses: Solar Wind Plasma (BAM/SWOOPS)

Discipline(s)

Space Physics: Heliospheric Studies

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File: ULYMAG_1SEC_FMT.txt

ulymag_1sec_fmt

Version: NSSDC 2003-07-18 JFC

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ULYSSES HIGH RESOLUTION INTERPLANETARY CRUISE MAGNETIC FIELD DATA

Data Set Coverage (yyy-mm-dd): 1990-10-25 to 1991-12-31

Satellite: Ulysses

Experiment: Ulysses Magnetic Field

Principal Investigator: Dr. A. Balogh, Imperial College, London, UK

Data Set Contact: Joyce Wolf, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Data Set Description:

This data set contains high resolution samples at about one-second intervals of the interplanetary magnetic field measured by the Ulysses Magnetic Field experiment. Field vector components are given in units of nanoteslas and in RTN coordinates, where R is the sun-s/c axis, T is the cross product of the solar rotation axis and R, and T is the cross product of R and T. The field magnitudes in nT are averages of scalar magnitudes at higher time resolution. Times are computed at the mid-point of each minute interval and expressed in Spacecraft Event Time - UT (SCET-UT). Data gaps have not been flagged in any way - if there were no available data in a particular hour then there is no data record for that hour. No data from the Feb. 1992 encounter with Jupiter are included. Each file includes one day of data. Further details on the magnetic field measurements can be found in the following reference: Balogh, A., et al., Astron. Astrophys. Suppl. Ser., 92(2), 221, 1992.

Data Set Files:

ULYMAG_1SEC_FMT.txt - this file

UyydddSH.asc - high resolution data file (ASCII) for day yyddd

Parameter Format for File UyydddSH.asc:

IY	SCET-UT year (yy)
IDOY	SCET-UT day of year (ddd), IDOY = 1 for Jan. 1
IHR	SCET-UT hour of day
IMIN	SCET-UT minute of hour
SEC	SCET-UT second of minute
BR	Radial component (RTN system) of vector magnetic field in nT
BT	Transverse component (RTN system) of vector magnetic field in nT
BN	Normal component (RTN system) of vector magnetic field in nT
B	Scalar magnitude of magnetic field in nT

The data records are read in ASCII FORTRAN format as follows:

```
110 READ(10,110) IY, IDOY, IHR, IMIN, SEC, BR, BT, BN, B
    FORMAT (1X,I2,I4.3,2I3.2,F6.2,4F8.3)
```

NSSDC Data Set ID: 90-090B-08??

Acknowledgement:

Please acknowledge the National Space Science Data Center and the Principal Investigator, A. Balogh of Imperial College, London, UK.

The following warning has been provided by Ed Smith of the Ulysses VHM/FGM Magnetometer team at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory for potential users of high resolution one-second interplanetary data:

So-called Interstellar Ion waves are of particular interest from the high resolution data and we have published a couple of articles about them. However, in the course of analyzing these waves, we became aware that there were numerous intervals where "waves" were present that were actually spacecraft-generated interference. The identification of the interference (whose origin is unknown) is difficult because they are of the same amplitudes as the real waves and consist typically of a series of ascending and descending tones some of which are above our pass-band but are strong enough to be "aliased" and to then appear at low frequencies within our pass-band.

No complete catalog of intervals affected by the interfering tones is available, but our team has developed software used to identify real versus false signals. However, the techniques used are rather complex and involve cross-spectra, frequency-time and polarization plots. Experience with the data is also needed to make a correct assessment. Anyone who makes use of the data and sees "waves" or other signals that might be interference should contact us so we can help make an accurate identification.

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