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VOYAGER 1 AND 2

24-HR LECP COSMIC RAY CRUISE DATA

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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 This inventory information is now no longer maintained in the DSCs, but is now managed in the inventory part of the NSSDC information system.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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THIS DATA SET CONSISTS OF ONE MAGNETIC TAPE. THE TAPE IS 9-TRACK, 6250, WRITTEN IN ASCII, WITH A STANDARD LABEL NAME OF "LECP1" THE README.DOC FILE WAS RENAMED TO READ "VY1.README.DOC AND VY2.README.DOC. THE DATA SET DOCUMENTATION IS CONTAINED IN THE FILE WITH THE DAILY AVERAGE COUNT RATE DATA. THE D AND C NUMBER ALONG WITH THE TIMESPAN IS LISTED BELOW.

DD#	DC#	FILES	TIMESPAN
D-107797	C-031603	4	09/07/77-12/30/93

Voyager 1 LECP data: 1 day averages

Voyager 1:

launch date:	1977, day 248 (Sep. 5)
closest approach to Jupiter:	1979, day 65 (Mar. 5)
closest approach to Saturn:	1980, day 316 (Nov. 12)

1. INSTRUMENTAL BACKGROUND:

This data file contains 1 day averages of count rates for 11 energetic ion channels from the Low Energy Charged Particle (LECP) instrument on Voyager 1. Details of the instrument and responses of the channels of interest can be found in the references

I. Krimigis, S. M., T. P. Armstrong, W. I. Axford, C. O. Bostrom, C. Y. Fan, G. Gloeckler, and L. J. Lanzerotti, The low energy charged particle (LECP) experiment on the Voyager spacecraft, Space Sci. Rev., vol. 21, p. 329, 1977.

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The cosmic ray channel designated below as EB05 corresponds to measurements by a heavily-shielded surface barrier detector, also on the LEMPA subsystem. This channel measures cosmic ray protons with energies above 70 MeV.

The LEPT employs a set of solid state detectors ranging in thickness from 2 to ~2500 microns, and an arrangement of eight rectangular solid state detectors in an anticoincidence cup. The two differential in energy proton channels designated below as Ch1 and Ch16 correspond to measurments from the LEPT subsystem.

The LECP steps through eight 45 degree sectors, with the stepping rate depending upon the spacecraft mode. Generally, in the interplanetary medium, each sector is sampled for 192 sec or 6 min. Thus, the 24 hour averages sum over many 360 degree scans and correspond to measurements of the omnidirectional fluxes of the energetic ions.

2. PASSBANDS AND FLUX CONVERSION FACTOR

The data listed are averaged over 24 hours, with the start time of the

averging interval begining at the start of the day listed. For example, 77/300 is an average over hours 0-23 on day 300 of 1977. Times are given in SCET-UT.

The count rates R are in counts per second. The statistical uncertainty for each channel is the inverse square root of the total number of counts during each 24 hour period times the average count rate R.

Included in the table below are the passbands in KeV for protons, the logarithmic mean energy Em for the differential energy channels, the geometric factor "g" (cm**2-steradian), and the flux conversion factor "f". To get from count rate R to differential in energy flux "dj(E)/dE", multiply R by f, i.e.,

dj(E)/dE=f*R.

Note that f is simply the inverse of the energy passband multiplied by the geometric factor. Generally one uses a more elaborate algorithm to calculate fluxes by determining the local slope of the energy spectrum within each energy passband, usually by an iterative algorithm, and then evaluating the flux corresponding to each channel using this slope. However, if the slope of the energy spectrum is not to steep, the approximation dj(E)/dE=f*R is very good if the flux is evaluated at the mean energy Em=Sqrt(EL*EH), where EL and EH are the low and high energy ends of the passband. Since the slopes of low energy ion spectra in the interplanetary medium are in the range of -1 to -3, the approximation is very good.

chan.	passband(keV) (protons)	Em(KeV)	g(cm**2-sr)	f[1/(cm**2 sec sr keV)]
PL01	30-53*	40	0.040	1.09
	40-53#	46	0.016	4.81
PL02	53-85	67	0.04	0.781
PL03	85-139	109	0.04	0.463
PL04	139-220	175	0.04	0.309
PL05	220-550	348	0.04	0.0758
PL06	550-1050	760	0.04	0.0500
PL07	1050-2000	1449	0.04	0.0263
PL08	2000-4000	2828	0.04	0.0125
Ch1	570-1780	1007	0.44	1.88e-03
Ch16	3400-17600	7736	1.5	4.70e-05
EB05	>70 MeV		~0.3	

* PL01 passband from launch to 1979, day 67, 0530 UT.
\# PL01 passband from 1979, day 67, 0530 UT, to the present.

3. DATA FILE FORMAT

The contents of each 1-day averaged record are as follows:

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yr/day  PL01 rate(rate unc.)  PL02 rate(rate unc.)  PL03 rate(rate unc.)
        PL04 rate(rate unc.)  PL05 rate(rate unc.)  PL06 rate(rate unc.)
        PL07 rate(rate unc.)  PL08 rate(rate unc.)   Ch1 rate(rate unc.)
        Ch16 rate(rate unc.)  EB05 rate(rate unc.)
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Each record is ASCII written with the FORTRAN format statement:

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      format(' ', i2, '/', i3, 3(1pe11.3, '(', 1pe9.2, ')')/
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        1.962E-01( 1.97E-03)  3.023E-01( 2.54E-03)  1.274E-01( 1.65E-03)
        7.757E-02( 1.29E-03)  3.234E-02( 8.01E-04)  5.057E-01( 3.16E-03)
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Voyager 2 LECP data: 1 day averages

Voyager 2:

launch date:	1977, day 232 (Aug. 20)
closest approach to Jupiter:	1979, day 190 (Jul. 9)
closest approach to Saturn:	1981, day 316 (Aug. 25)
closest approach to Uranus:	1986, day 24 (Jan. 24)
closest approach to Neptune:	1989, day 316 (Aug. 25)

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PL03	80-137	105	0.113	0.155
PL04	137-215	172	0.113	0.114
PL05	215-540	341	0.113	0.0272
PL06	540-990	731	0.113	0.0197
PL07	990-2140	1456	0.113	7.70e-03
PL08	2140-3500	2737	0.113	6.51e-03
Ch1	520-1450	868	0.44	2.44e-03
Ch16	3040-17300	7252	1.5	4.68e-05
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         9.460E-01( 6.85E-03)  1.353E+00( 8.19E-03)  4.261E-01( 4.60E-03)
         2.545E-01( 3.55E-03)  6.562E-02( 1.80E-03)  1.466E+00( 8.56E-03)
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FATAR TAPE SUMMARY FOR TAPE VOLUME -KM2019- AT DENSITY 6250 BPI 9/27/94

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2	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									1	32K	0	32000	32000	32000	0
3	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									4	320	0	80	80	80	0
4	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									4	320	0	80	80	80	0
5	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									53	1696K	0	32000	32000	32000	24
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7	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									4	320	0	80	80	80	0
8	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									1	32K	0	32000	32000	32000	0
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10	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									4	320	0	80	80	80	0
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13	ZMVMDSCN.R0002804									0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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