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APPENDIX-A SIR-C CEOS Exabyte Tape Layout / *readme.dateformat*

Each SIR-C CEOS Exabyte tape contains five type of files: The Volume Directory File (VDF), SAR Leader File (ldr), SAR Data File (img), SAR Trailer File (tlr) and Null Volume Directory File (NVDF). Each Exabyte tape contains one Volume Directory File at the beginning of the tape, then three SAR files : ldr, img and tlr for each product. Finally is the Null Volume Directory File at the end of the tape.

The Volume Directory File contains one Volume Descriptor Record and three File Pointer Records (LDR, IMG, TLR) for each product. Finally is the text record of each product. Figure B below shows the table of tape layout and Volume Directory File layout.

Tape Layout

Volume Directory File (VDF)
Leader File #1 (ldr)
Data File #1 (img)
Trailer File #1 (tlr)
Leader File #2 (ldr)
Data File #2 (img)
Trailer File #2 (tlr)
...
Leader File #n (ldr)
Data File #n (img)
Trailer File #n (tlr)
Null Volume Directory File (NVDF)

Volume Directory File (VDF) layout

Volume Descriptor Record
File Pointer Record of ldr #1
File Pointer Record of img #1
File Pointer Record of tlr #1
File Pointer Record of ldr #2
File Pointer Record of img #2
File Pointer Record of tlr #2
...
File Pointer Record of ldr #n
File Pointer Record of img #n
File Pointer Record of tlr #n
Text Record #1
Text Record #2
...
Text Record #n

Figure B : SIR-C CEOS Tape Layout and Volume Directory File (VDF) layout



APPENDIX-B Description of SIR-C CEOS Files and Output Files

The description of SIR-C CEOS files:

1. **Volume Directory File:** This is the first file of data volume and consists of a volume descriptor record, file pointer records and text records. This file is to identify and specify the structure related to the data volume.
2. **SAR Leader File:** This file contains auxiliary information corresponding to the SAR data contained in the data file.
3. **SAR Data File:** This file contains the SAR data. It consists of one file descriptor record and either Image data records or Reformatted Signal data records.
4. **SAR Trailer File:** For SIR-C, this file contains simply the file descriptor record because all the information are stored in SAR Leader file.
5. **Null Volume Directory File:** This file contains only the null volume descriptor record to indicate the end of the data volume.

Below is the description of SIR-C CEOS output files in ASCII format and plot data files:

1. **SAR Leader File_ascii:** This file contains the text format of File Descriptor Record, Data Set Summary Record, Map Projection Data Record, Platform Position Record, Attitude Data Record, Radiometric Data Record, Radiometric Compensation Record, Data Quality Summary Record, Data Histograms Record, Range Spectra Record, Radar Parameter Update Data Record, Detailed Processing Parameter Record, and Calibration Data Record of SAR Leader File.
2. **SAR Imagery Options Record_ascii:** This file contains the text format of file descriptor record of SAR Data File.
3. **SAR Data File_image:** This file contains compressed Image data OR
SAR Data File_HH/_HV/_VV/_VH: These four files contains raw data of Reformatted Signal Data Records
4. **SAR Trailer File_ascii:** This file contains the text format of file descriptor record of SAR Trailer File.
56. **Radiometric Compensation plot data files (prXXXXX_radioplot_ZWW) :** These files contain data of Radiometric Compensation record in (x,y) format. The (x,y) pairs are tab-delimited
6. **Data Histogram plot data files (prXXXXX_histoplot_YYY_ZWW) :** These files contain data of Data Histogram record in (x,y) format. The (x,y) pairs are tab-delimited
7. **Range Spectra plot data files (prXXXXX_spectraplot_ZWW) :** These files contain data of Range Spectra record in (x,y) format. The (x,y) pairs are tab-delimited

(Where XXXXX : Processing run number
 YYY : Image or Raw (IMA or RAW)
 Z : L or C band
 WW : HH, HV, VH, or/and VV polarization)

List of CEOS Files used by SIR-C:

- Volume Directory File
 - Volume Descriptor Record
 - File Pointer Record - SAR Leader File
 - File Pointer Record - Imagery Options File
 - File Pointer Record - SAR Trailer File
 - Text Record
- SAR Leader File
 - File Descriptor Record
 - Data Set Summary Record
 - Map Projection Data Record
 - Platform Position Record
 - Attitude Data Record
 - Radiometric Data Record
 - Radiometric Compensation Record
 - Data Quality Summary Record
 - Data Histograms Record
 - Range Spectra Record
 - Radar Parameter Update Data Record
 - Detailed Processing Parameter Data Record
 - Calibration Data Record
- Imagery Options File
 - File Descriptor Record
 - Imagery Options File (Image Data Records or Reformatted Signal Data Records)
- SAR Trailer File
 - File Descriptor Record
- Null Volume Directory File
 - Null Volume Descriptor Record

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BFPQ
BIL

Block Floating Point Quantizer
Band Interleaved by Line tape organizational method:
Volume Directory File
SAR Leader File
Imagery Options File
Data Set 1
Data Set 2
Data Set n

SAR Trailer File

Null Volume Directory File

Band Interleaved by Pixel tape organizational method:
same as BIL

BIP

Band Sequential tape organizational method:

Volume Directory File

SAR Leader File 1

Imagery Options File 1

SAR Trailer File 1

SAR Leader File 2

Imagery Options File 2

SAR Trailer File 2

Null Volume Directory File

BSQ is the organization SIR-C will use.

Fixed length record

Imagery Options: Class of file in SAR logical volume

Mixed Binary And Ascii

Multi-Look Complex Image

Reformatted Signal Data

SAR Leader file: Class of file in SAR logical volume

SAR Trailer file: Class of file in SAR logical volume

Single-Look Complex Image

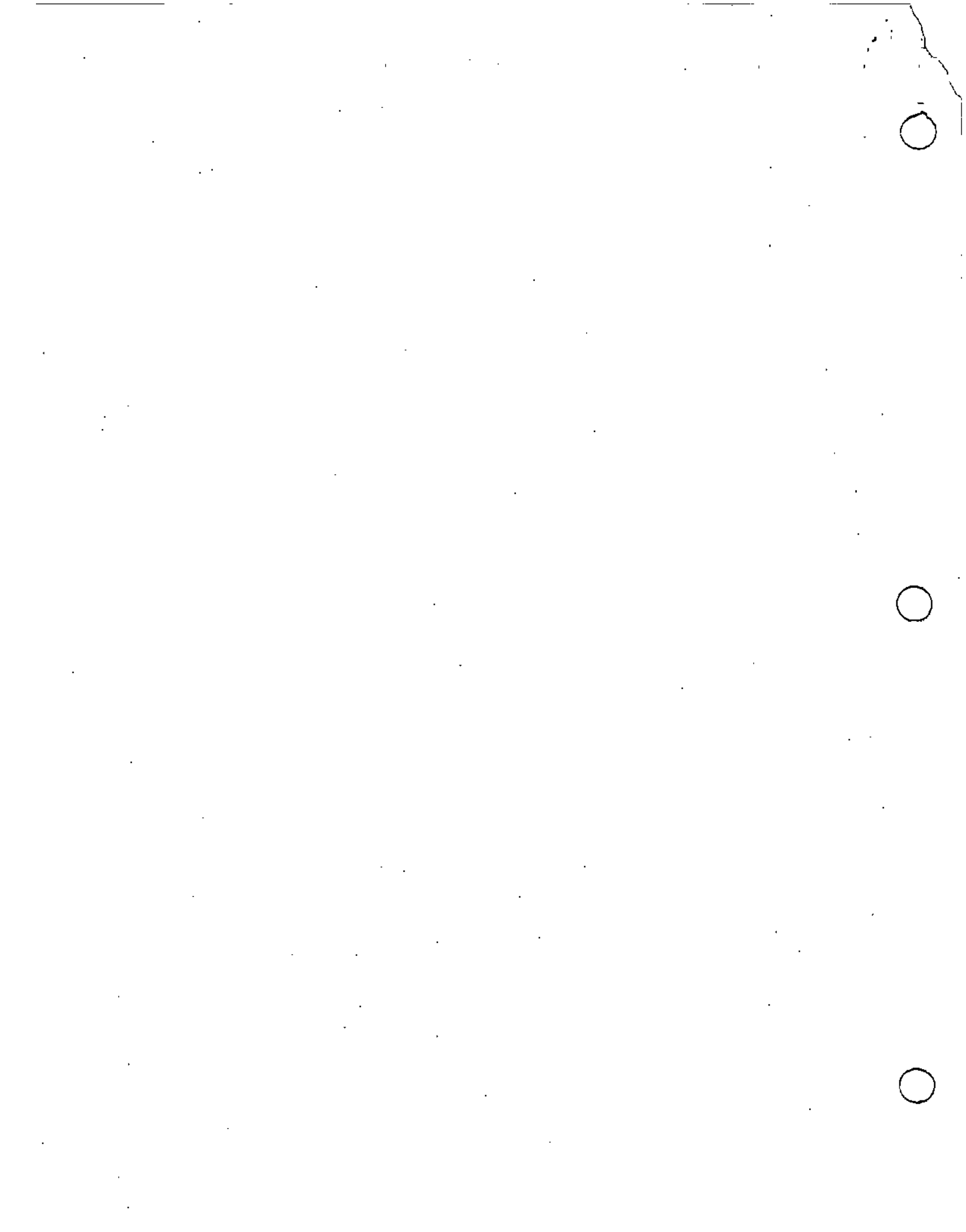
Variable record length

space character

FIXD
IMOP
MBAA
MLC
MLD
RSD
SARL
SART
SLC
VARE
\$

Data File Preamble:

Every data record begins with a 12-byte preamble which contains general information describing the data file including record type, subtype, and record length. The preamble is included in the definition of each record below.



Volume Descriptor File

Volume Directory File: Volume Descriptor Record

For SIR-C, each logical volume is one physical volume. Logical volumes do not span multiple physical volumes.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	RDC	---	Record sequence number (1)
2	5	B1	RDC	---	1st record subtype code (192)
3	6	B1	RDC	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	RDC	---	2nd record subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	RDC	---	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	RDC	---	Record length (360)
7	13-14	A2	RDC	---	ASCII flag ("AS")
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blanks
9	17-28	A12	RDC	---	Format control document ("CCB-CCT-0002")
10	29-30	A2	RDC	---	Format control document version (for original: "AS", next: "BS", etc.)
11	31-32	A2	RDC	---	Record format revision level (for original: "AS", next: "BS", etc.)
12	33-44	A12	RDC	---	CEOS Software release and revision level
13	45-60	A16	RDC	---	Physical tape id
14	61-76	A16	RDC	---	Logical volume id
15	77-92	A16	RDC	---	Volume set id ("SITE\$ID\$\$\$\$\$\$")
16	93-94	I2	RDC	---	Total number of physical volumes in logical volume(1)
17	95-96	I2	RDC	---	1st physical volume sequence number (1)
18	97-98	I2	RDC	---	Last physical volume sequence number (1)
19	99-100	I2	RDC	---	This physical volume sequence number (1)
20	101-104	I4	RDC	---	1st reference file in volume (1)
21	105-108	I4	RDC	---	Logical volume in set (1)
22	109-112	I4	RDC	---	Logical volume number in physical volume (1)
23	113-120	A8	RDC	---	Tape creation date (YYYYMMDD)
24	121-128	A8	RDC	---	Tape creation time (hhmmssdd)
25	129-140	A12	RDC	---	Creating country ("US\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$")
26	141-148	A8	RDC	---	Creating agency ("NASA\$\$\$\$")
27	149-160	A12	RDC	---	Creating facility ("JPL\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$")
28	161-164	I4	RDC	---	Number of pointer records
29	165-168	I4	RDC	---	Number of records
30	169-260	A92	---	---	Spare
31	261-360	A100	---	---	Spare

Volume Directory File:
File Pointer Record - SAR Leader File

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	RDC	---	Record sequence number (2)
2	5	B1	RDC	---	1st record subtype code (219)
3	6	B1	RDC	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	RDC	---	2nd record subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	RDC	---	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	RDC	---	Record length (360)
7	13-14	A2	RDC	---	ASCII flag ("AS")
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blank
9	17-20	I4	RDC	---	File number (1)
10	21-36	A16	RDC	---	File name
11	37-64	A28	RDC	---	File class ("SARLEADER\$FILES\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$")
12	65-68	A4	RDC	---	File class code ("SARL")
13	69-96	A28	RDC	---	Data type ("MIXED\$BINARY\$AND\$ASCII\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$")
14	97-100	A4	RDC	---	Data type code ("MBA")
15	101-108	I8	RDC	---	Number of records
16	109-116	I8	RDC	---	1st record length
17	117-124	I8	RDC	---	Max record length
18	125-136	A12	RDC	---	Record type ("VARIABLE\$EN")
19	137-140	A4	RDC	---	Record type code ("VARE")
20	141-142	I2	RDC	---	Start file volume number
21	143-144	I2	RDC	---	End file volume number
22	145-152	I8	RDC	---	First record number on tape
23	153-160	I8	RDC	---	Last record number on tape
24	161-260	A100	---	---	Blank
25	261-360	A100	---	---	Blank

Volume Directory File:
File Pointer record - Imagery Options

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	RDC	---	Record sequence number (3)
2	5	B1	RDC	---	1st record subtype code (219)
3	6	B1	RDC	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	RDC	---	2nd record subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	RDC	---	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B1	RDC	---	Record length (360)
7	13-14	A2	RDC	---	ASCII flag ("A\$")
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blank
9	17-20	I4	RDC	---	File number (2)
10	21-36	A16	RDC	---	File name
11	37-64	A28	RDC	---	File class ("IMAGERYOPTION\$FILE\$\$\$\$\$")
12	65-68	A4	RDC	---	File class code ("IMOP")
13	69-96	A28	RDC	---	Data type ("MIXED\$BINARY\$AND\$ASCII\$\$\$\$\$")
14	97-100	A4	RDC	---	Data type code ("MBAA")
15	101-108	I8	RDC	---	Number of records
16	109-116	I8	RDC	---	1st record length
17	117-124	I8	RDC	---	Max record length
18	125-136	A12	RDC	---	Record type ("FIXED\$LENGTH")
19	137-140	A4	RDC	---	Record type code ("FIXD")
20	141-142	I2	RDC	---	Start file volume number
21	143-144	I2	RDC	---	End file volume number
22	145-152	I8	RDC	---	First record number on tape
23	153-160	I8	RDC	---	Last record number on tape
24	161-260	A100	---	---	Blank
25	261-360	A100	---	---	Blank

Volume Directory File:
File Pointer Record - SAR Trailer File

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	RDC	---	Record sequence number (4)
2	5	B1	RDC	---	1st record subtype code (219)
3	6	B1	RDC	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	RDC	---	2nd record subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	RDC	---	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	RDC	---	Record length (360)
7	13-14	A2	RDC	---	ASCII flag ("AS")
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blank
9	17-20	I4	RDC	---	File number (3)
10	21-36	A16	RDC	---	File name
11	37-64	A28	RDC	---	File class ("SARTRAILER\$FILE\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$")
12	65-68	A4	RDC	---	File class code ("SART")
13	69-96	A28	RDC	---	Data type ("MIXED\$BINARY\$AND\$ASCII\$\$\$\$\$\$")
14	97-100	A4	RDC	---	Data type code ("MRAA")
15	101-108	I8	RDC	---	Number of records
16	109-116	I8	RDC	---	1st record length
17	117-124	I8	RDC	---	Max record length
18	125-136	A12	RDC	---	Record type ("VARIABLE\$LEN")
19	137-140	A4	RDC	---	Record type code ("VARE")
20	141-142	I2	RDC	---	Start file volume number
21	143-144	I2	RDC	---	End file volume number
22	145-152	I8	RDC	---	First record number on tape
23	153-160	I8	RDC	---	Last record number on tape
24	161-260	A100	---	---	Blanks
25	261-360	A100	---	---	Blanks

Volume D.
 Text Record.

The purpose of this record is to allow the reader of the CEOS tape to simply print out a short description of the data

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	RDC	...	Record sequence number
2	5	B1	RDC	...	1st record subtype code (18)
3	6	B1	RDC	...	Record type code (63)
4	7	B1	RDC	...	2nd record subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	RDC	...	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	RDC	...	Record length (360)
7	13-14	A2	RDC	...	ASCII flag ("AS")
8	15-16	A2	...	...	Continuation flag ("\$\$") for "not continued"
9	17-56	A40	PF/RDC	pdata_product	Product type specifier ("MULTI-LOOK DETECTED", etc.)
10	57-116	A60	RDC	...	Location, date/time of CEOS product creation ("PRODUCED AT IPL/NASA/USA ON 1994/01/16 11:45:00")
11	117-156	A40	RDC	...	Physical volumes identification ("TAPESID:\$XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, \$TAPESID\$OF\$1") where xxx...x is the tape ID
12	157-196	A40	PF/RDC	platailake_id	Site identification ("DTxxx.yy\$YYMM/DD hh:mm:ss.fff") where xxx.yy is the datailake ID and YY:!! - frame: center, acquisition date and time
13	197-236	A40	PF/RDC	pcenter_lat pcenter_long	Site location ("FRAMESCENTER: nundeugn.n'P nundeugn.n'Q") where P = N or S latitude, Q = E or W longitude
14	237-256	A20	...	...	Spares
15	257-360	A104	...	...	Spares

SAR Leader File

SAR Leader File:
File Descriptor Record

The File Descriptor Record is defined below.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
FIXED LENGTH RECORD SEGMENT					
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Record sequence number (1)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st rec.subtype code (63)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd rec.subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd rec.subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Record length (720)
7	13-14	A2	OPS	---	ASCII flag ("A\$")
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blank
9	17-28	A12	OPS	---	Format control document ("CEOS-SAR-CCT")
10	29-30	A2	OPS	---	Format control document version ("A\$")
11	31-32	A2	OPS	---	Record format rev.level ("A\$")
12	33-44	A12	OPS	---	Software id
13	45-48	I4	RDC	---	File number (1)
14	49-64	A16	OPS	---	File name (same as field 10 of file pointer record)
15	65-68	A4	OPS	---	Record sequence and location type flag ("FSEQ")
16	69-76	I8	OPS	---	Sequence number location (1)
17	77-80	I4	OPS	---	Sequence number field length (4)
18	81-84	A4	OPS	---	Record code and location type flag ("FTYP")
19	85-92	I8	OPS	---	Record code field length (4)
20	93-96	I4	OPS	---	Record code location (5)
21	97-100	A4	OPS	---	Record length and location type flag ("FLGT")
22	101-108	I8	OPS	---	Record length location (9)
23	109-112	I4	OPS	---	Record length field length (4)
24	113	A1	---	---	Blank
25	114	A1	---	---	Blank
26	115	A1	---	---	Blank
27	116	A1	---	---	Blank
28	117-180	A64	---	---	Blanks

VARIABLE SEGMENT CONTENTS

29	181-186	16	OPS	Number of data set summary records (1)
30	187-192	16	OPS	Record length (2016)
31	193-198	16	OPS	Number of map projection data records (1)
32	199-204	16	OPS	Record length (1604)
33	205-210	16	OPS	Number of platform position data records (1)
34	211-216	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
35	217-222	16	OPS	Number of altitude data records (1)
36	223-228	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
37	229-234	16	OPS	Number of radiometric data records (one per polarization channel)
38	235-240	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
39	241-246	16	OPS	Number of radiometric compensation records (one per polarization channel)
40	247-252	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
41	253-258	16	OPS	Number of data quality summary records (one per polarization channel)
42	259-264	16	OPS	Record length (464)
43	265-270	16	OPS	Number of data histogram records (one per polarization channel)
44	271-276	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
45	277-282	16	OPS	Number of range spectra records (one per polarization channel)
46	283-288	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
47	289-294	16	OPS	Number of digital elevation model descriptor records (0)
48	295-300	16	OPS	Record length (0)
49	301-306	16	OPS	Number of radar parameter update records (variable: one for DWP and one per polarization for receiver gain)
50	307-312	16	OPS	Record length (variable)
51	313-318	16	OPS	Number of annotation data records (0)
52	319-324	16	OPS	Record length (0)
53	325-330	16	OPS	Number of detailed processing records (1)
54	331-336	16	OPS	Record length (1312)
55	337-342	16	OPS	Number of calibration data records (1)
56	343-348	16	OPS	Record length (772)
57	349-354	16	OPS	Number of ground control points descriptor records (0)
58	355-360	16	OPS	Record length (0)
59	361-366	16	---	Blanks
60	367-372	16	---	Blanks
61	373-378	16	---	Blanks
62	379-384	16	---	Blanks
63	385-390	16	---	Blanks
64	391-396	16	---	Blanks
65	397-402	16	---	Blanks
66	403-408	16	---	Blanks
67	409-414	16	---	Blanks
68	415-420	16	---	Blanks
69	421-426	16	OPS	Number of facility data records (0)
70	427-432	16	OPS	Record length (0)
71	433-720	A288	COMM	Comments from Q/A operator

SAR Leader File:
Data Set Summary Record

The Data Set Summary Record is defined as follows:

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Record Sequence Number (2)
2	5	BI	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	BI	OPS	---	Record type code (10)
4	7	BI	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	BI	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record = 2016 (2014 + 2 for word boundary padding)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Data set Summary Record sequence number (1)
8	17-20	I4	PF/OPS	ppolarization pfrequency	
9	21-36	A16	PF	psite_id	Site identifier (3-letter ID)
10	37-68	A32	PF	psite_name	Site name (English name)
11	69-100	A32	PF/OPS	ptime_image_start ptime_image_end ptime_duration	Scene GMT center time (YYYY/MM/DD hh:mm:ss.iii) where: YYYY = year MM = month DD = day hh = hours (00 to 23) mm = minutes (00 to 59) ss = seconds (00 to 59) iii = milliseconds (000 to 999)
12	101-116	A16	PF/OPS	ptime_image_start	Scene MET center time (DD hh:mm:ss.iii)
13	117-132	F16.7	PF	ptime_duration	Processed scene center geodetic latitude defined as positive to the north of the equator and negative to the south (degrees)
14	133-148	F16.7	PF	ptime_lat	Processed scene center geodetic longitude defined as positive to the east of the prime meridian and negative to the west (degrees)
15	149-164	F16.7	PF	ptime_long	Processed Scene Center true heading as calculated relative to true North (degrees)
16	165-180	A16	CONST	ptime_angle	Track angle at scene center
17	181-196	F16.7	CONST	ptime_model	Ellipsoid designator
18	197-212	F16.7	CONST	ptime_earth_radius	Ellipsoid semimajor axis (km)
19	213-228	F16.7	CONST	ptime_earth_radius	Ellipsoid semiminor axis (km)
20	229-244	A16	---	---	Gravitational parameter
21	245-260	F16.7	---	---	Spare
22	261-276	F16.7	---	---	Ellipsoid J2 parameter
23	277-292	F16.7	---	---	Ellipsoid J3 parameter
24	293-308	F16.7	PF	ptime_height	Ellipsoid J4 parameter
25	309-324	F16.7	PF/OPS	ptime_lines ptime_pixels ptime_samp	Average terrain height above Ellipsoid at scene center (meters)
26	325-340	F16.7	PF/OPS	---	Scene center line number (the line number at the scene center including zero fill)
				---	Scene center pixel number (the pixel number at the scene center including zero fill)

SCENE PARAMETERS

SAR channel indicator(XVV: 00, LHH: 11, LHV: 12, LVV: 13, LVH: 14, Lquad: 15, LHH&LHV: 16, LVV&LVH: 17, LHH&LVV: 18, CHH: 21, CHV: 22, CVV: 23, CVH: 24, Cquad: 25, CHH&CHV: 26, CVV&CVH: 27, CHH&CVV: 28)

27 341-356 PF F16.7
 28 357-372 PF F16.7
 29 373-380 A8
 30 381-388 A8
 31 389-392 I4
 32 393-396 A4
 33 397-412 PF/OPS A16
 34 413-444 PF/OPS A32

Processed scene length (km) including zero fill
 Processed scene width (km) including zero fill
 Spare
 Spare
 Number of SAR polarization channels
 Sensor platform mission identifier (this field identifies the platform for the sensor that transmitted the SAR data: "STS-059\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$" for SIR-C)

psar_system, pfrequency, pulse_bandwidth, pradar_mode, ppolarization
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 psar_system, pfrequency, pulse_bandwidth, pradar_mode, ppolarization

35 445-452 PF A8
 36 453-460 PF F8.3
 37 461-468 PF F8.3
 38 469-476 PF F8.3
 39 477-484 PF/OPS F8.3
 40 485-492 PF F8.3

pdantake_id
 pnadir_lat_scene_cr
 pnadir_long_scene_cr
 pnadir_trk_ang_scene_cr
 pleft_right_looking
 pincidence_angle
 pcarrier_freq
 pwavelength

 pchirp_type

41 493-500 PF/OPS F8.3
 42 501-516 PF F16.7
 43 517-518 A2
 44 519-534 PF/OPS A16
 45 535-550 PF/OPS F16.7

46 551-566 --- F16.7
 47 567-582 --- F16.7
 48 583-598 --- F16.7
 49 599-614 --- F16.7
 50 615-630 --- F16.7
 51 631-646 PF F16.7
 52 647-662 PF F16.7
 53 663-678 --- F16.7
 54 679-694 --- F16.7
 55 695-702 I8
 56 703-710 A8
 57 711-726 PF F16.7
 58 727-742 PF F16.7

59 743-758 --- F16.7
 60 759-762 OPS A4
 61 763-766 PF/OPS A4

- Sensor ID: and mode of operation for this channel: (this field specifies the sensor and its mode of operation in the form of: <AAAAAA-RR-CCDD-EEFF\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$>, where:
 - AAAAAA = six character sensor ID (SIR-C, X-SAR)
 - BB = SAR band (X\$, L\$, CS)
 - CC = code for resolution mode (High = 20 MHz, Low = 10 MHz)
 - DD = SIR-C data acquisition mode ID *variable* (eg: mode-0 to 23)
 - EE = transmit polarization (HS, VS, or HV)
 - FF = receive polarization (HS, VS, or HV)
- Data take ID
- Sensor Platform geocentric Latitude at nadir corresponding to Scene Center (degrees)
- Sensor Platform geocentric Longitude at nadir corresponding to Scene Center (degrees)
- Sensor Platform Heading at nadir corresponding to Scene Center (degrees)
- Left/Right looking flag (Left Looking: -90, Right Looking: +90)
- Incidence angle at scene center as derived from sensor platform orientation, electronic bore-sight and Earth geometry (degrees)
- Radar Frequency (GHz)
- Radar wavelength (meters)
- Motion compensation indicator (0 = no compensation)
- Range pulse code specifier ("DIGITALCHIRP")
- Range pulse amplitude coefficient #1 (Chirp = range chirp constant term (offset from DC))
- Range pulse amplitude coefficient #2 (Chirp = range chirp linear term)
- Range pulse amplitude coefficient #3 (quadratic term)
- Range pulse amplitude coefficient #4 (cubic term)
- Range pulse amplitude coefficient #5 (quartic term)
- Range pulse phase coefficient #1 (offset in radians)
- Range chirp start frequency (MHz)
- Range chirp rate (MHz/ussec)
- Range pulse phase coefficient #4 (cubic term)
- Range pulse phase coefficient #5 (quadratic term)
- Down linked data chirp extraction index (in samples)
- Spare
- Range complex sampling rate (MHz)
- Range gate at near edge at the start of the image (one-way echo delay time)(ussec)
- Range pulse length (ussec)
- Base band conversion flag (YES\$)
- Range compressed flag (YES\$/NO\$\$) (NO for reformatted signal data, YES = for all others)

62	767-782	F16.7	PF/OPS	plvl_receiver_gain, pvlv_receiver_gain, polarization	Receiver gain for like polarized at early edge at the start of the image (dB)
63	783-798	F16.7	PF/OPS	plvh_receiver_gain, pvh_receiver_gain, polarization	Receiver gain for cross polarized at early edge at the start of the image (dB)
64	799-806	18	PF	pbits_per_sample	Quantization in bits per channel (4-bit: 4, 8-bit: 8, BFPQ: 8)
65	807-818	A12	PF/OPS	pquantization	Quantizer descriptor (BFPQ: "(8,4)BFPQ\$\$\$"; if 4-bit or 8-bit "UNIFORM\$\$\$\$\$")
66	819-834	F16.7	---	---	DC Bias for I-component
67	835-850	F16.7	---	---	DC Bias for Q-component
68	851-866	F16.7	---	---	Gain imbalance for I & Q
69	867-882	F16.7	---	---	Spare
70	883-898	F16.7	---	---	Spare
71	899-914	F16.7	PF	plook_angle	Antenna electronic boresight relative to platform vertical axis at the scene center (degrees) (positive to the right, negative to the left)
72	915-930	F16.7	PF	prnch_ant_boresight	Antenna mechanical boresight relative to platform vertical axis at the start of the image, positive to the right, negative to the left (degrees)
73	931-934	A4	PF/OPS	prnull_line	Echo tracker-on/off designator ("ON\$\$" or "OFF\$")
74	935-950	F16.7	PF	pprnc	Nominal PRF (Hz)
75	951-966	F16.7	PF	prange_beamwidth	Effective two-way antenna elevation 6 dB beam width at boresight (degrees)
76	967-982	F16.7	PF	paz_beamwidth	Effective two-way antenna azimuth 6 dB beam width at electronic boresight (degrees)

SENSOR SPECIFIC PARAMETERS

77	983-998	I16	---	---	(Satellite encoded binary time code)
78	999-1030	A32	---	---	(Satellite clock time, (YYYYMMDDhhmmssuu\$\$\$\$...))
79	1031-1038	18	---	---	Satellite clock increment (nano-secs)
80	1039-1046	A8	---	---	Spare

GENERAL PROCESSING PARAMETERS

81	1047-1062	A16	OPS	---	Processing facility identifier ("JPL\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$")
82	1063-1070	A8	PF	phw_version	Processing system identifier (hardware configuration)
83	1071-1078	A8	PF	psw_version	Processing version identifier (software version)
84	1079-1094	A16	---	---	Processing facility process code
85	1095-1110	A16	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Product level code (Reformatted Signal Data: "0.0\$\$\$...", SLC: "1.0\$\$\$...", MLD, MLC: "1.5\$\$\$...", Geocoded data products: "1.7\$\$\$...",)
86	1111-1142	A32	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Product type specifier ("MULTI-LOOK\$DETECTED\$\$\$...", "MULTI-LOOK\$COMPLEX\$\$\$...", "SINGLE-LOOK\$COMPLEX\$\$\$...", or "REFORMATTED\$SIGNAL\$DATA\$\$\$...")
87	1143-1174	A32	PF/OPS	pobta_product	Processing algorithm identifier (MLD, MLC, SLC: "FREQUENCY\$DOMAIN\$CONVOLUTION", RSD: "NONE")
88	1175-1190	F16.7	PF	prnum_looks	Total number of looks
89	1191-1206	F16.7	---	---	Nominal effective number of Range looks
90	1207-1222	F16.7	---	---	Bandwidth per look in Azimuth (Hz)
91	1223-1238	F16.7	---	---	Bandwidth per look in Range (Hz)
92	1239-1254	F16.7	PF	ppbw	Total processor bandwidth in Azimuth (Hz)
93	1255-1270	F16.7	PF	ppulse_bandwidth	Total processor bandwidth in Range (MHz)
94	1271-1302	A32	PF/OPS	paz_data_weighting	Weighting function designator in Azimuth (if weighting flag is on: "COS\$SQUARE\$PLUS\$nm\$\$SPEDESTALSHT", else: "NONE\$\$\$...")
95	1303-1334	A32	PF/OPS	prg_data_weighting	Weighting function designator in Range (if weighting flag is on: "COS\$SQUARE\$PLUS\$nm\$\$SPEDESTALSHT", else: "NONE\$\$\$...")
96	1335-1350	A16	PF	phddc_id	HDDC identifier
97	1351-1366	F16.7	PF	ML : ppos_rg_res	

98	1367-1382	F16.7	PF	SLC: ppre_rg_res RDC: none ML: ppost_az_res SLC: ppre_az_res RDC: none pnoise_gain	Nominal resolution equal to 3dB points in ground range (m)
99	1383-1398	F16.7	PF		Nominal resolution equal to 3dB in Azimuth (m)
100	1399-1414	F16.7	OPS		Processor gain for noise data
101	1415-1430	F16.7			Linear radiometric conversion factor (1)
102	1431-1446	F16.7			Along track Doppler frequency constant term at early edge of image (Hz)
103	1447-1462	F16.7			Along track Doppler frequency linear term relative to early edge of the image (Hz/pixel)
104	1463-1478	A16			Along track Doppler frequency quadratic term relative to early edge of the image (Hz/pixel/pixel)
105	1479-1494	F16.7			Spare
106	1495-1510	F16.7			Cross track Doppler frequency constant term at near edge of the image (Hz)
107	1511-1526	F16.7			Cross track Doppler frequency linear term relative to near edge of the image (Hz/pixel)
108	1527-1534	A8	OPS		Cross track Doppler frequency quadratic term relative to near edge of the image (Hz/pixel/pixel)
109	1535-1542	A8	OPS		Time direction indicator along pixel direction ("INCREASE"-ing)
110	1543-1558	F16.7			Time direction indicator along line direction ("INCREASE"-ing)
111	1559-1574	F16.7			Along track Doppler frequency rate constant term at early edge of the image (Hz/sec)
112	1575-1590	F16.7			Along track Doppler frequency rate linear term relative to early edge of the image (Hz/sec/pixel)
113	1591-1606	A16			Along track Doppler frequency rate quadratic term relative to early edge of the image (Hz/sec/pixel/pixel)
114	1607-1622	F16.7			Spare
115	1623-1638	F16.7			Cross track Doppler frequency rate constant term at near edge of the image (Hz/sec)
116	1639-1654	F16.7			Cross track Doppler frequency rate linear term relative to near edge of the image (Hz/sec/pixel)
117	1655-1670	F16.7	PF	phh_delay	Cross track Doppler frequency rate quadratic term relative to near edge of the image (Hz/sec/pixel/pixel)
118	1671-1678	A8	OPS		HH channel electronic delay time (RSD product only) (micro seconds)
119	1679-1682	A4	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Line content indicator ("RANGESS\$")
120	1683-1686	A4	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Clutter lock applied flag (MLD, MLC, SLC: "YES\$", RSD: "NONE")
121	1687-1702	F16.7	PF	paz_spacing	Autofocussing applied flag (MLD, MLC, SLC: "YES\$", RSD: "NONE")
122	1703-1718	F16.7	PF	prg_spacing	Line spacing (m)
123	1719-1734	A16	PF/OPS	pchirp_type	Pixel spacing (m)
124	1735-1750	A16	PF/OPS	porack_angle	Processor range compression designator ("DIGITAL\$CHIRP", "ANALYTIC\$CHIRP", or "MEASURED\$CHIRP")
125	1751-1766	A16			Orbit direction at image center ("ASCENDING\$\$\$\$\$\$" OR "DESCENDING\$\$\$\$\$\$")
126	1767-1886	A120			Spare
127	1887-2006	A120			SENSOR SPECIFIC LOCAL USE SEGMENT Spare
128	2007-2014	I8	OPS		PROCESSOR SPECIFIC LOCAL USE SEGMENT Spare
129	2015-2016	A2			IMAGE ANNOTATION FIELDS Number of Annotation Points (0) Spare

SAR Leader File:
Map Projection Data Record

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS		Sequence number (3)
2	5	H1	OPS		1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS		Record type code (20)
4	7	B1	OPS		2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS		3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS		Length of this record (1604)
7	13-28	A16	---		Spare
8	29-60	A32	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Map projection descriptor (MLD, MLC: "GROUND\$RANGESS\$...", SLIC, RSD: "SLANT\$RANGESS\$...")
9	61-76	I16	PF	pdigital_pixels	Number of pixels per line of image
10	77-92	I16	PF	pprinc_samp	Number of lines
11	93-108	F16.7	PF	pdigital_lines	Nominal inter-pixel distance in output scene (meters)
12	109-124	F16.7	PF	pxoval_fg_lines	Nominal inter-line distance in output scene (meters)
13	125-140	F16.7	---	prg_spacing	Orientation at output scene center, for geocoded products this is simply the convergence of the meridians, i.e. the angle between geographic north and map grid north (degrees) (Angle of projection axis from true North)
14	141-156	F16.7	---	paaz_spacing	Actual platform orbital inclination (degrees)
15	157-172	F16.7	---	pdistance_scene_ctr	Actual ascending node (longitude at equator) (degrees)
16	173-188	F16.7	PF	platitude_geodetic	Distance of platform at input scene center from the geocenter (km)
17	189-204	F16.7	PF	pnadir_spd_scene_ctr	Geodesic altitude of the platform relative to the ellipsoid (km)
18	205-220	F16.7	PF	pnadir_trk_ang_scene_ctr	Actual ground speed at nadir at input scene center time (km/sec)
19	221-236	F16.7	PF		Platform heading (degrees); effective subplatform track direction angle relative to true north, including the effects of orbital inclination and skew due to earth rotation.
PROJECTION ELLIPSOID PARAMETERS					
20	237-268	A32	CONST	pearth_model	Name of reference ellipsoid (GEM 10B)
21	269-284	F16.7	CONST	pmajor_earth_radius	Semimajor axis of ref. ellipsoid (km)
22	285-300	F16.7	CONST	pmminor_earth_radius	Semiminor axis of ref. ellipsoid (km)
23	301-316	F16.7	---		Datum shift parameter referenced to Greenwich, dx (meters)
24	317-332	F16.7	---		Datum shift parameter perpendicular to Greenwich, dy (meters)
25	333-348	F16.7	---		Datum shift parameter direction of the rotation axis, dz (meters)
26	349-364	F16.7	---		Additional datum shift parameter 1st rotation angle
27	365-380	F16.7	---		Additional datum shift parameter 2nd rotation angle
28	381-396	F16.7	---		Additional datum shift parameter 3rd rotation angle
29	397-412	F16.7	---		Scale factor of reference ellipsoid
MAP PROJECTION DESIGNATOR					
30	413-444	A32	---		Alphanumeric description of map projection
UTM-PROJECTION (IST DEFAULT)					
31	445-476	A32	---		UTM descriptor
32	477-480	A4	---		Signature of the UTM zone
33	481-496	F16.7	---		Map origin (false easting)
34	497-512	F16.7	---		Map origin (false northing)
35	513-528	F16.7	---		Center of projection longitude (degrees)

Center of projection latitude (degrees)
 1st standard parallel (degrees)
 2nd standard parallel (degrees)
 Scale factor

UPS: PROJECTION (2ND DEFAULT)

UPS descriptor
 Center of projection longitude (degrees)
 Center of projection latitude (degrees)
 Scale factor

NATIONAL SYSTEMS PROJECTION (any others)

Projection descriptor
 Map origin (false easting)
 Map origin (false northing)
 Center of projection longitude (degrees)
 Center of projection latitude (degrees)
 Standard parallels (deg, default: -9999.99)
 Standard parallels (deg, default: -9999.99)
 Standard parallels (deg, default: -9999.99)
 Standard parallels (deg, default: -9999.99)
 Central meridian (deg, default: -9999.99)
 Central meridian (deg, default: -9999.99)
 Central meridian (deg, default: -9999.99)
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COORDINATES OF FOUR CORNER POINTS

Top left corner northing (meters)
 Top left corner easting (meters)
 Top right corner northing (meters)
 Top right corner easting (meters)
 Bottom right corner northing (meters)
 Bottom right corner easting (meters)
 Bottom left corner northing (meters)
 Bottom left corner easting (meters)
 Near range early time latitude (degrees)
 Near range early time longitude (degrees)
 Far range early time latitude (degrees)
 Far range early time longitude (degrees)
 Far range late time latitude (degrees)
 Far range late time longitude (degrees)
 Near range late time latitude (degrees)
 Near range late time longitude (degrees)
 Top left corner terrain height relative to ellipsoid (meters)
 Top right corner terrain height (meters)
 Bottom right corner height (meters)
 Bottom left corner height (meters)

36	29-544	F16.7	---	---
37	545-560	F16.7	---	---
38	561-576	F16.7	---	---
39	577-592	F16.7	---	---
40	593-624	A32	---	---
41	625-640	F16.7	---	---
42	641-656	F16.7	---	---
43	657-672	F16.7	---	---
44	673-704	A32	---	---
45	705-720	F16.7	---	---
46	721-736	F16.7	---	---
47	737-752	F16.7	---	---
48	753-768	F16.7	---	---
49	769-784	F16.7	---	---
50	785-800	F16.7	---	---
51	801-816	F16.7	---	---
52	817-832	F16.7	---	---
53	833-848	F16.7	---	---
54	849-864	F16.7	---	---
55	865-880	F16.7	---	---
56	881-896	A16	---	---
57	897-912	A16	---	---
58	913-928	A16	---	---
59	929-944	A16	---	---

60	945-960	F16.7	---	---
61	961-976	F16.7	---	---
62	977-992	F16.7	---	---
63	993-1008	F16.7	---	---
64	1009-1024	F16.7	---	---
65	1025-1040	F16.7	---	---
66	1041-1056	F16.7	---	---
67	1057-1072	F16.7	---	---
68	1073-1088	F16.7	---	---
69	1089-1104	F16.7	---	---
70	1105-1120	F16.7	---	---
71	1121-1136	F16.7	---	---
72	1137-1152	F16.7	---	---
73	1153-1168	F16.7	---	---
74	1169-1184	F16.7	---	---
75	1185-1200	F16.7	---	---
76	1201-1216	F16.7	---	---
77	1217-1232	F16.7	---	---
78	1233-1248	F16.7	---	---
79	1249-1264	F16.7	---	---

COEFFS. FOR IMAGE TO MAP TO IMAGE CONVERSION

Eight coefficients (A11, A12, ..., A24) to convert a line (L) and pixel (P) position to
 the map projection frame of reference, say (t;N) where:
 $E = A11 + A12 + A13 + A14TL$
 $N = A21 + A22 + A23 + A24mP$
 Eight coefficients (B11, B12, ..., B24) to convert from the map projection (E,N) to
 line (l) and pixel (P) position in the image, say (L,P) where:
 $L = B11 + B12 + B13 + B144ETN$
 $P = B21 + B22TE + B23TN$
 Spares

80-87	1265-1424	8E20.10	---	---
88-95	1425-1584	8E20.10	---	---
96	1585-1620	A36	---	---

SAR Leader
Platform Position Record

The format of the record is defined below. (One record with a variable number of data sets.)

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (4)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (30)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-44	A32	---	---	Orbital elements designator
8	45-60	F16.7	---	---	1st orbital element
9	61-76	F16.7	---	---	2nd orbital element
10	77-92	F16.7	---	---	3rd orbital element
11	93-108	F16.7	---	---	4th orbital element
12	109-124	F16.7	---	---	5th orbital element
13	125-140	F16.7	---	---	6th orbital element
14	141-144	I4	---	---	Number of data sets
15	145-148	I4	EPH/OPS	---	Year of data point (YYYY) for first point
16	149-152	I4	EPH/OPS	---	Month of data point (MM) for first point
17	153-156	I4	EPH/OPS	---	Day of data point (DD) for first point
18	157-160	I4	EPH/OPS	---	Days of the year (GMT) for first point
19	161-182	D22.15	EPH/OPS	---	Seconds of day (GMT) for first point
20	183-204	D22.15	EPH/OPS	---	Time interval between data sets (data points) (sec)
21	205-268	A64	PF/OPS	pcordinate_state	Reference coordinate system for state vector and attitude vector ("GREENWHICH\$TRUE\$OF\$DATE")
22	269-290	D22.15	CONST	paries_hour_angle	Angle between +x-axis of coordinate system and the Prime Meridian (degrees)
23	291-306	F16.7	---	---	Along track position error (meters)
24	307-322	F16.7	---	---	Across track position error (meters)
25	323-338	F16.7	---	---	Radial position error (meters/sec)
26	339-354	F16.7	---	---	Along track velocity error (meters/sec)
27	355-370	F16.7	---	---	Across track velocity error (meters/sec)
28	371-386	F16.7	---	---	Radial velocity error (meters/sec)
29	387-388	A2	---	---	Spare
PLATFORM POSITION DATA SET					
30	389-454	3D22.15	EPH	---	1st data point (X, Y, Z) position vector (km)
31	455-520	3D22.15	EPH	---	1st data point (X, Y, Z) velocity vector (km/sec)

Repeat fields 29-30 for each record in the ephemeris file.

SAR Leader File:
Attitude Data Record

The Attitude Data Record is defined as follows. (One record with a variable number of data sets.)

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (5)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (40)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Number of attitude data points
ATTITUDE DATA SET					
8	17-20	I4	EPH	---	Days of the year (GMT)
9	21-28	I8	EPH	---	Millisecond of day (GMT)
10	29-32	I4	---	---	Pitch data quality flag
11	33-36	I4	---	---	Roll data quality flag
12	37-40	I4	---	---	Yaw data quality flag
13	41-56	F16.7	EPH	---	Pitch from PATH tape(degrees)
14	57-72	F16.7	EPH	---	Roll angle from PATH tape (degrees)
15	73-88	F16.7	EPH	---	Yaw from PATH tape (degrees)
16	89-92	I4	---	---	Pitch rate data quality flag
17	93-96	I4	---	---	Roll rate data quality flag
18	97-100	I4	---	---	Yaw rate data quality flag
19	101-116	F16.7	---	---	Pitch rate (degrees/sec)
20	117-132	F16.7	---	---	Roll rate (degrees/sec)
21	133-148	F16.7	---	---	Yaw rate (degrees/sec)

Repeat fields 8-21 for each record in the roll angle file.

**SAR Leader File:
Radiometric Compensation Record**

The radiometric compensation record is defined as follows: (One record per polarization channel)

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (7)
2	5	BI	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	BI	OPS	---	Record type code (51)
4	7	BI	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	BI	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Radiometric compensation record sequence number (1)
8	17-20	A4	PF/OPS	pfrequency, ppolarization	
9	21-28	I8	OPS	---	SAR channel indicator ("XVVS", "LHHS", "LHVS", "LVVS", "LVHS", "LVHS", "CHHS", "CHVS", "CVVS", "CVHS")
10	29-36	I8	OPS	---	Number of radiometric compensation data sets in the record (1) Compensation data set size (in bytes)
RADIOMETRIC COMPENSATION DATA SET					
11	37-44	A8	OPS	---	Compensation data type designator ("RANGE")
12	45-76	A32	OPS	---	Compensation data descriptor (processed image: "rg radiometric correction vector", raw data: "elevation anisotropy pattern")
13	77-80	I4	OPS	---	Number of compensation records required to compensate table (1)
14	81-84	I4	OPS	---	Sequence number in the full compensation table of the table contained in this record (1)
15	85-92	I8	---	---	Total number of compensation pairs in the full compensation table
16	93-100	I8	OPS	---	Slant range sample index corresponding to first correction value in compensation table (1)
17	101-108	I8	PF	---	Slant range sample index corresponding to last correction value in compensation table
18	109-116	I8	OPS	---	pradio_comp_length → Compensation pixel group size (n pixels). This is the number of pixels for which each of the compensation samples is applicable (1) / 0
19	117-132	F16.7	OPS	---	Min. sample index (1)
20	133-148	F16.7	RCF/OPS	---	Min. radiometric compensation value (dB)
21	149-164	F16.7	PF	---	Max. sample index
22	165-180	F16.7	RCF/OPS	---	Max. radiometric compensation value (dB)
23	181-196	A16	---	---	Spare
24	197-204	I8	PF	---	pradio_comp_length → Number of compensation table entries (n)
RADIOMETRIC COMPENSATION TABLE					
25	205-220	F16.7	OPS	---	1st compensation sample index (increment by 1)
26	221-236	F16.7	RCF	---	1st compensation sample value (linear scale) → all !!

Repeat fields 25-26 for each sample value in the Radiometric Compensation File.
Repeat fields 11-26+ for each data set. (SIR-C has only one data set per record.)

Handwritten notes:
 144, 10 - 9 = range
 1000
 6 pplic.
 10
 all !!
 (144) * 10 - 9 = range
 1000
 6 pplic.
 10

SAR Leader File:
Data Quality Summary Record

The data quality summary record is defined as follows: (One record per polarization channel)

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (8)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (60)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record = 464 (462 + 2 for word boundary padding)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Data summary quality record sequence number
8	17-20	A4	PFFOPS	pfrequency, ppolarization	SAR channel indicator("XVV\$"; "LIII\$"; "LHVS"; "LVV\$"; "LVH\$"; "LHHS"; "CHVS"; "CVV\$"; "CVHS\$")
9	21-26	A6	CAL_QA	qcal_date	Date of the nearest calibration update as YYMMDD, where: YY = last two digits of year MM = month of the year DD = day of the month
10	27-30	I4	OPS	---	Number of channels (1)

ABSOLUTE RADIOMETRIC DATA QUALITY

11	31-46	F16.7	CAL_QA/OPS	qaz_islr, qmg_islr	2-D Nominal Integrated Side Lobe Ratio (ISLR) (dB)
12	47-62	F16.7	CAL_QA/OPS	qaz_pslr, qmg_pslr	2-D Nominal Peak Side Lobe to main lobe Ratio (PSLR) (dB)
13	63-78	F16.7	CAL_QA	qmg_amb	Nominal azimuth ambiguity (dB)
14	79-94	F16.7	CAL_QA	qaz_amb	Nominal range ambiguity (dB)
15	95-110	F16.7	QA_PARM	qsr_mean	Estimate of SNR (from range spectra) (dB)
16	111-126	F16.7	QA_PARM	qber_pffc	Bit Error Rate estimate (BER)
17	127-142	F16.7	CAL_QA	qmg_3dbres	Nominal slant range resolution (meters)
18	143-158	F16.7	CAL_QA	qaz_3dbres	Nominal azimuth resolution (meters)
19	159-174	F16.7	CAL_QA	qradio_res	Nominal radiometric resolution (dB)
20	175-190	F16.7	CAL_QA	qinst_dynrng	Instantaneous dynamic range (dB)
21	191-206	F16.7	CAL_QA	qabs_radio_unc	Nominal absolute radiometric calibration uncertainty of SAR frequency band indicated in field 8 (dB)
22	207-222	F16.7	---	---	Nominal absolute phase calibration uncertainty of SAR frequency band indicated in field 8 (deg)

RELATIVE RADIOMETRIC DATA QUALITY

23	223-238	F16.7	CAL_QA	qshort_rel_radio_unc	Nominal short-term relative radiometric calibration uncertainty of SAR polarization channel (field 8) versus HH channel on a multi-channel volume (dB)
24	239-254	F16.7	CAL_QA	qrel_phase_unc	Nominal relative phase calibration uncertainty of SAR polarization channel (field 8) versus HH channel on a multi-channel volume (deg)
25	255-270	F16.7	CAL_QA	qlong_rel_radio_unc	Nominal long-term relative radiometric calibration uncertainty of SAR polarization channel (field 8) versus HH channel on multi-channel volume (dB)
26	271-286	F16.7	CAL_QA	qshort_freq_radio_unc	Nominal short-term frequency-to-frequency radiometric calibration uncertainty (CHH/LHH) (dB)
27	287-302	F16.7	CAL_QA	qlong_freq_radio_unc	Nominal long-term frequency-to-frequency radiometric calibration uncertainty (CHH/LHH) (dB)

ABSOLUTE GEOMETRIC DATA QUALITY

28	303-318	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_abs_loc_err	Nominal absolute location error along track (meters)
29	319-334	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_abs_loc_err	Nominal absolute location error cross track (meters)
30	335-350	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_scale_err	Nominal geometric scale error in along track direction
31	351-366	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_scale_err	Nominal geometric scale error in cross track direction
32	367-382	F16.7	CAL_QA	qskew_err	Nominal geometric skew error
33	383-398	F16.7	CAL_QA	qorient_err	Scene orientation error (degrees)

RELATIVE GEOMETRIC DATA QUALITY

34	399-414	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_polreg_err	Along track relative registration error of SAR polarization channel (field 8) versus the HH channel (meters)
35	415-430	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_polreg_err	Cross track relative registration error of polarization channel (field 8) versus the HH channels (meters)
36	431-446	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_freqreg_err	Along track relative registration error between LHH and CHH (meters)
37	447-462	F16.7	CAL_QA	qtrack_freqreg_err	Cross track relative registration error between LHH and CHH (meters)
38	463-464	A2	---	---	Spare

SAR Leader
Data Histogram Record

Histograms shall be generated for image and signal data files. One histogram record is generated per polarization. Two data sets are included in each record: one for raw data and one for image data. When working with a Reformatted Signal Data data product, no image histogram is provided.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (9)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (70)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable, depends on whether image histogram data set is provided)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Data histograms record sequence number
8	17-20	A4	PF/OPS	pfrequency, polarization	SAR channel indicator("XVVS"; "LHHS"; "LHVS"; "LVVS"; "LVHS"; "CHHS"; "CHV\$"; "CVVS"; "CVHS")
9	21-28	I8	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Number of histogram table data sets in this record (2: one raw data histogram and one image data histogram, except RSD product)
10	29-36	I8	OPS	---	Histogram table data set size in bytes

HISTOGRAM DATA SET

11	37-68	A32	OPS	---	Histogram descriptor ("RAW\$DATA\$\$\$\$" or "IMAGE\$DATA\$\$\$\$")
12	69-72	I4	OPS	---	Number of histogram records needed to reconstitute the full histogram table (1)
13	73-76	I4	OPS	---	Sequence number in the full histogram table of the table contained in this record (1)
14	77-84	I8	QA_PARM/OPS	qraw_hist_size, qimg_hist_size	Histogram table size, in bytes
15	85-92	I8	PF	qraw_samp, pdcigital_pixels	Total number of samples/pixels per line
16	93-100	I8	PF	pdigital_lines, pdigital_lines	Total number of image lines
17	101-108	I8	QA_PARM	qraw_samp_per_group, qimg_samp_per_group	Data samples/pixels per group in cross track
18	109-116	I8	QA_PARM	qraw_lines_per_group, qimg_lines_per_group	Data lines per group in along track
19	117-124	I8	QA_PARM	qraw_xtrack_num_groups, qimg_xtrack_num_groups	Number of groups cross track
20	125-132	I8	QA_PARM	qraw_atrack_num_groups, qimg_atrack_num_groups	Number of groups along track

DATA STATISTICS

21	132-148	F16.7	QA_PARM/OPS	qimg_hist_minval	Minimum sample value corresponding to first histogram table bin
22	149-164	F16.7	QA_PARM/OPS	pbhis_per_sample, qimg_hist_maxval	Maximum sample value corresponding to last histogram table bin
23	165-180	F16.7	QA_PARM	qraw_hist_mean_global, qimg_hist_mean_global	Mean sample value
24	181-196	F16.7	QA_PARM	qraw_hist_sd_global, qimg_hist_sd_global	Standard deviation of sample value

25	197-212	F16.7	OPS	...	Sample value increment
DATA HISTOGRAM STATISTICS					
26	213-228	F16.7	OPS	...	Minimum histogram table value
27	229-244	F16.7	OPS	...	Maximum histogram table value
28	245-260	F16.7	...	...	Mean histogram table value
29	261-276	F16.7	...	...	Standard deviation of histogram table
30	277-284	18	QA_PARM	qraw_hist_size,	
				qimg_hist_size	
31	285-292	F16.7	QA_PLOT	qraw_hist_data	Number of bins
				qimg_hist_data	1st histogram table value
32	293-300	F16.7	QA_PLOT	qraw_hist_data	2nd histogram table value
				qimg_hist_data	3rd to nth histogram table value
33-n	2329-m	F16.7	QA_PLOT	qraw_hist_data	
				qimg_hist_data	

Repeat fields 1-n for the second data set (unless working with a Reformatted Signal Data data product.)

SAR Leader
Range Spectra Record

The range spectra record is defined as follows: (One record per polarization channel)

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (10)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (80)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Range spectra record sequence number (1, 2, ...)
8	17-20	A4	PF/OPS	pfrequency, ppolarization	SAR channel indicator ("XVVS", "LHHS", "LHVS", "LVVS", "LVHS", "CHHS", "CHVS", "CVVS", "CVHS")
9	21-28	I8	OPS	---	Number of spectra table data sets in this record (1)
10	29-36	I8	OPS	---	Spectra table data set size in bytes

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11	37-40	I4	OPS	---	Number of range spectra data records required to reconstitute the full spectra table (1)
12	41-44	I4	OPS	---	Sequence number in the full spectra table of the table contained in this record (1)
13	45-52	I8	PF	pprfc_sample	Total number of samples in range direction
14	53-60	I8	QA_PARM	qmgspec_offset	Number of samples offset from first sample in range line
15	61-68	I8	QA_PARM	qmgspec_num_lines	Number of range lines integrated for spectra
16	69-84	F16.7	QA_PLOT/OPS	pcmplx_samp_rate, qmgspec_num_bins	Center frequency of first spectra bin (MHz)
17	85-100	F16.7	QA_PLOT/OPS	pcmplx_samp_rate, qmgspec_num_bins	Center frequency of last spectra bin (MHz)
18	101-116	F16.7	QA_PLOT/OPS	qmgspec_num_data	Minimum spectral power (dB)
19	117-132	F16.7	QA_PLOT/OPS	qmgspec_data	Maximum spectral power (dB)
20	133-148	A16	---	---	Spare
21	149-164	A16	---	---	Spare

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22	165-172	I8	QA_PARM	qmgspec_num_bins	Number of frequency bins in table
23	173-188	F16.7	QA_PLOT	qmgspec_data	1st spectral data value (dB)
24	189-204	F16.7	QA_PLOT	qmgspec_data	2nd spectral data value (dB)
...	...	...	QA_PLOT	qmgspec_data	nth spectral data value (dB)

SAR Leader File:
 Radar Parameter Update Data Record

(One DWP change record shared by all polarizations. One receiver gain change record per polarization channel.)

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (11)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (100)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Radar parameter record sequence number (1)
8	17-20	A4	---	---	Number of radar parameter update data sets in the record (max record for DWP and one record for Receiver Gain per polarization)
9	21-28	I8	OPS	---	Number of data sets
10	29-36	I8	OPS	---	Radar parameter update data set size (variable)

RADAR PARAMETER UPDATE DATA SET

11	37-56	A20	PF/DWP/ROF	pprfc, pgmi_0met, pmet_request, pfrequency, ppolarization	GMT of Change ("YYYYMMDD hh:mm:ss.ut")
12	57-60	A4	PF/OPS	---	SAR channel indicator ("LHH\$", "LHV\$", "LVV\$", "LVH\$", "CHHS", "CHVS", "CVVS", "CVHS")
13	61-68	I8	DWP/RGF	---	Radar data line number where this update takes effect
14	69-76	I8	OPS	---	Radar data sample number where this update takes effect (1)
15	77-108	A32	OPS	---	Parameter descriptor field, one of: "RECEIVER\$GAIN\$\$" "DATA\$WINDOW\$POSITION\$\$" Parameter value, gain (dB), DWP (usec)
16	109-124	F16.7	PF/DWP/RGF	pdwp_step	

Repeat fields 11-16 for each record in the respective file.

SAR Leader
Detailed Processing Parameters Data Record

The detailed processing parameters record length, format, and data content are completely facility defined with the exception of the 12 byte preamble.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (12)
2	5	BI	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	BI	OPS	---	Record type code (120)
4	7	BI	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	BI	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (eg. CEOS=20, CCRS=36, ESA=50, NASA=60, NASA-JPL=61, NASDA=70, DFVLR=80, RAE=90, TELESPAZIO=100, UNSPECIFIED = 18, etc.)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record = 1312 (includes word boundary padding)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Detailed processing parameters record sequence number (1)
8	17-20	A4	---	---	Blanks
9	21-28	I8	QA_PARM	qnum_flywheels	Number of flywheels
10	29-108	I018	QA_PARM	qmissing_line_chan1	Locations of missing line segments in Channel 1 (5 location pairs: start frame count, end frame count)
11	109	I1	QA_PARM	qexcess_line_chan1	Flag indicating more than 5 missing line segments in Channel 1
12	110-189	I018	QA_PARM	qmissing_line_chan2	Locations of missing line segments in Channel 2 (5 location pairs: start frame count, end frame count)
13	190	I1	QA_PARM	qexcess_line_chan2	Flag indicating more than 5 missing line segments in Channel 2
14	191-270	I018	QA_PARM	qmissing_line_chan3	Locations of missing line segments in Channel 3 (5 location pairs: start frame count, end frame count)
15	271	I1	QA_PARM	qexcess_line_chan3	Flag indicating more than 5 missing line segments in Channel 3
16	272-351	I018	QA_PARM	qmissing_line_chan4	Locations of missing line segments in Channel 4 (5 location pairs: start frame count, end frame count)
17	352	I1	QA_PARM	qexcess_line_chan4	Flag indicating more than 5 missing line segments in Channel 4
18	353-368	F16.7	QA_PARM	qref_cal_gain	Reference caltone gain setting (dBmW)
19	369-384	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HH
20	385-400	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HV
21	401-416	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VV
22	417-432	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VH
23	433-448	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	Mean of caltone gain estimates (dBmW)
24	449-464	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HH
25	465-480	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HV
26	481-496	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VV
27	497-512	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VH
28	513-528	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	Standard deviation of caltone gain estimates (dBmW)
29	529-544	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HH
30	545-560	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HV
31	561-576	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VV
32	577-592	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VH
33	593-608	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	Average percent of over saturation in raw data histogram
34	609-624	F16.7	QA_PARM	qraw_hist_oversat_mean	HH
35	625-640	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	HV
36	641-656	F16.7	QA_PARM	---	VV
37	657-672	F16.7	QA_PARM	qraw_hist_undersat_mean	VH
					Average percent of under saturation in raw data histogram

38	673-680	PF	pproc_run_num	Processing run number
39	681-688	PF	pmission_id	Mission ID (flight number)
40	689	PF	pbeam_spoiling_mode	Antenna beam spoiling mode (0-7)
41	690-713	PF/OPS	pgmi_0met	GMT of image start (YYYY/MM/DD hh:mm:ss.itt)
42	714-729	PF	pmet_image_start	GMT of image start in seconds (.ccc)
43	730-745	PF	pmet_0met	Image duration (s)
44	746-761	PF	pmet_image_start	Near slant range (km)
45	762-777	PF	pmet_duration	Radius of the earth at image center (km)
46	778-793	PF	pnear_rg_slant_rg	Radius of the earth at nadir (km)
47	794-801	PF	pearth_rad_ctr	GMT of 0 MET: year
48	802-809	PF	pearth_rad_nadir	GMT of 0 MET: days
49	810-817	PF	pgmi_0met	GMT of 0 MET: hours
50	818-825	PF	pgmi_0met	GMT of 0 MET: minutes
51	826-833	PF	pgmi_0met	GMT of 0 MET: seconds (Units: ss.ccc)
52	834-849	PF	pgmi_0met	MET drift time (Units: 10**6)
53	850-865	PF	pime_drift	Fd0 constant term (Hz)
54	866-881	PF	pf00_linear	Fd0 linear term (10**3 Hz)
55	882-897	PF	pf00_quadratic	Fd0 quadratic term (10**7 Hz)
56	898-913	PF	pf01_constant	Fd1 constant term (10**3 Hz)
57	914-929	PF	pf01_linear	Fd1 linear term (10**6 Hz)
58	930-945	PF	pf01_quadratic	Fd1 quadratic term (10**10 Hz)
59	946-961	PF	pf02_constant	Fd2 constant term (10**6 Hz)
60	962-977	PF	pf02_linear	Fd2 linear term (10**9 Hz)
61	978-993	PF	pf02_quadratic	Fd2 quadratic term (10**14 Hz)
62	994-1009	PF	pf00_constant	Fr0 constant term (Hz/sec)
63	1010-1025	PF	pf00_linear	Fr0 linear term (10**3 Hz/sec)
64	1026-1041	PF	pf00_quadratic	Fr0 quadratic term (10**7 Hz/sec)
65	1042-1057	PF	pf01_constant	Fr1 constant term (10**3 Hz/sec)
66	1058-1073	PF	pf01_linear	Fr1 linear term (10**6 Hz/sec)
67	1074-1089	PF	pf01_quadratic	Fr1 quadratic term (10**10 Hz/sec)
68	1090-1105	PF	pf02_constant	Fr2 constant term (10**7 Hz/sec)
69	1106-1121	PF	pf02_linear	Fr2 linear term (10**10 Hz/sec)
70	1122-1137	PF	pprocessing_date	Processing date (MM-DD-YYYY)
71	1138-1148	PF	pavg_roll	Average roll angle estimates from null-line processing (deg)
72	1149-1164	PF	pnear_incidence_angle	Near range incidence angle (deg)
73	1165-1180	PF	pfar_incidence_angle	Far range incidence angle (deg)
74	1181-1196	PF	paz_ref_length	Azimuth reference function length at mid-swath (samples)
75	1197-1212	PF	psignal_gain	Signal processing gain
76	1213-1220	PF	pvh_calctone_phase	HH Calctone Phase Estimate (deg)
77	1221-1236	PF	pvh_calctone_phase	HV Calctone Phase Estimate (deg)
78	1237-1252	PF	pvv_calctone_phase	VV Calctone Phase Estimate (deg)
79	1253-1268	PF	pvh_calctone_phase	VH Calctone Phase Estimate (deg)
80	1269-1284	PF	ppolarization	Internal SIR-C Polarization Index (0:HH, 1:HV, 2:VH, 3:VH, 4:QUADPOL, 5:HHHV, 6:VVVH, 7:HHVH, 8:HHVH, 9:VVHV, 10:HVHV)
81	1285-1286	PF	psample_offset	Offset to first processing range sample
82	1287-1294	PF	prange_str_angle	Range electronic steering angle
83	1295-1310	PF		
84	1311-1312	PF		

SAR Leader
Calibration Data Record

This record stores the 4x4 polarimetric calibration matrix and the absolute calibration coefficient... The functions include channel balancing, phase calibration, and cross-talk removal. Whenever the polarimetric calibration function has not been performed, as in the case of single pol data, the calibration matrix is the identity matrix.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Sequence number (13)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (10)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (130)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (772)
7	13-16	I4	OPS	---	Calibration record sequence number (1)
8	17-20	A4	---	---	Blanks
9	21-36	F16.7	PF	pabs_cal_coeff	Absolute calibration coefficient
10	37-52	F16.7	PF	pchannel_imbalance	Channel imbalance between HH and VV channels (dB)
11	53-68	F16.7	PF	pphase_error	Phase error between HH and VV channels (deg)
12	69-772	32D22.15	POLCAL	pocalibration_process	4x4 polarimetric calibration (complex) matrix

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Imagery Options File

Imagery Options File: File Descriptor Record -Fixed Segment Contents

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	--	Record sequence number (1)
2	5	B1	OPS	--	1st record subtype code (63)
3	6	B1	OPS	--	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	OPS	--	2nd record subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	OPS	--	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	--	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-14	A2	OPS	--	ASCII flag ("A\$")
8	15-16	A2	--	--	Blanks
9	17-28	A12	OPS	--	Control Document Number for this file ("CF0SS\$AR\$CCT")
10	29-30	A2	OPS	--	Control Document revision number ("A\$", then "B\$", ... and so on)
11	31-32	A2	OPS	--	File design descriptor revision number ("A\$", then "B\$", ... and so on)
12	33-44	A12	PF	psw_version	Software ID (same as field 12 of the volume descriptor record)
13	45-48	I4	RDC	--	File number (2)
14	49-64	A16	OPS	--	File name
15	65-68	A4	OPS	--	Record sequence and location type flag (FSEQ)
16	69-76	I8	OPS	--	Sequence number location (\$\$\$\$\$\$1)
17	77-80	I4	OPS	--	Sequence number field length (\$\$\$4)
18	81-84	A4	OPS	--	Record code and location type flag (FTYP)
19	85-92	I8	OPS	--	Record code location (\$\$\$\$\$\$5)
20	93-96	I4	OPS	--	Record code field length (\$\$\$4)
21	97-100	A4	OPS	--	Record length and location type flag (FLGT)
22	101-108	I8	OPS	--	Record length location (\$\$\$\$\$\$9)
23	109-112	I4	OPS	--	Record length field length (\$\$\$4)
24-27	113-120	I8	PF	pheader_size	Number of bytes of header data at the beginning of each signal data file (RSD data product only)
28	121-180	A60	--	--	Reserved

Image Options Record:
File Descriptor Record - Variable Segment Contents

The SAR Data File will contain either signal data or processed image data.

29	181-186	I6	PF/OPS	pdigital_lines	SAR DATA records count (number of lines in image/data file)
30	187-192	I6	PF	ppol_rg_lines pdigital_pixels pptrc_samp	SAR DATA record length in bytes (number of pixels/samples per line * number of bytes per pixel/sample)
31	193-216	A24	PF/OPS	ppolarization	Polarization strings (e.g. "HH HV VV VH")

SAMPLE GROUP DATA

32	217-220	I4	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Number of bits per sample/pixel RSD: 8 MLD: 16 MLC, SLC: blanks
33	221-224	I4	PF/OPS	pdata_product	Number pixels per data group MLD: 1 MLC: dual pol: 2, quad pol: 3 SLC: single pol: 1, dual pol: 2, quad pol: 4 RSD: 1
34	225-228	I4	PF/OPS	pbytes_per_pixel	Number of bytes per data group MLD: 2 MLC: dual pol: 5, quad pol: 10 SLC: single pol: 4, dual pol: 6, quad pol: 10 RSD: 1
35	229-232	A4	---	---	Justification and order of samples/pixels within data group (blank)

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36	233-236	I4	PF/OPS	ppolarization	Number of SAR polarization channels
37	237-244	I8	PF	pdigital_lines ppol_rg_lines	Number of image/data lines per polarization channel Number of left border pixels per line (0)
38	245-248	I4	OPS	pdigital_pixels	Total number of samples/pixels/data groups allocated per line per SAR channel
39	249-256	I8	PF	pptrc_samp	Right border pixels per line (0)
40	257-260	I4	OPS	---	Number of top border scan lines (0)
41	261-264	I4	OPS	---	Number of bottom border scan lines (0)
42	265-268	I4	OPS	---	Interleaving indicator "BSQ"
43	269-272	A4	OPS	---	?

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RECORD DATA

44	273-274	I2	OPS	---	Number of physical records per line (1)
45	275-276	I2	OPS	---	Number of physical records per multichannel line in this file (1)
46	277-280	I4	OPS	---	Length of prefix data per line (0)
47	281-288	I8	PF	---	Number of bytes of sample/image data per line (including fill) (same as 30 above)
48	289-292	I4	OPS	---	Length of suffix data per line (0)
49	293-296	A4	---	---	Prefix/suffix repeat flag

PREFIX/SUFFIX DATA LOCATORS

50	297-304	A8	---	---	Sample data line number locator
51	305-312	A8	---	---	SAR channel number locator
52	313-320	A8	---	---	Time of SAR data locator
53	321-328	A8	---	---	Left-filled count locator
54	329-336	A8	---	---	Right-filled count locator
55	337-340	A4	---	---	Pad pixels present indicator: "YES\$" or "NO\$\$" (always "\$\$\$\$" for SAR data)
56	341-368	A28	---	---	Blanks
57	369-376	A8	---	---	SAR data line quality code locator
58	377-384	A8	---	---	Calibration information field locator
59	385-392	A8	---	---	Gain values field locator A8
60	393-400	A8	---	---	Bias values field locator A8

PIXEL DATA DESCRIPTION

61	401-428	A28	PF/OPS	pddata_product	SAR data format type identifier: MID: "POWER DETECTED\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$" MLC: "COMPRESSED CROSS-PRODUCTS\$\$" SLC: "COMPRESSED SCATTERING MATRIX" RSD: "REAL BYTES\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$"
62	429-432	A4	---	---	SAR data format type code
63	433-436	I4	OPS	---	Number of left fill bits within pixel (0)
64	437-440	I4	OPS	---	Number of right fill bits within pixel (0)
65	441-448	I8	---	---	Maximum data range of pixel
64	449-π	A<N>	---	---	Blanks (Pad record with blanks such that this record is the same length as the Image Data Record (or Reformatted Signal Data Record))

**Imagery Options File:
Reformatted Signal Data Records (RSD)**

One record per polarization channel.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Record sequence number (2, 3, 4...)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (50)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (10)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-n	B2	One line of raw data		Real byte format

**Imagery Options File:
Image Data Records**

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Record sequence number (2, 3, 4...)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st record subtype code (50)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (11)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd record subtype code (50)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd record subtype code (20)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Length of this record (variable)
7	13-n		One line of image		MLD: 2 bytes/pixel MLC: dual pol: 5, quad pol: 10 SLC: single pol: 4, dual pol: 6, quad pol: 10

Start with 500000

SAR Trailer File

The SAR Leader and SAR Trailer files serve the same purpose. Since the SIR-C implementation of CEOS puts all data in the Leader file; the Trailer file simply contains the File Descriptor Record.

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
FIXED LENGTH RECORD SEGMENT					
1	1-4	B4	OPS	---	Record sequence number (1)
2	5	B1	OPS	---	1st rec.subtype code (63)
3	6	B1	OPS	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	OPS	---	2nd rec.subtype code (18)
5	8	B1	OPS	---	3rd rec.subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	OPS	---	Record length (720)
7	13-14	A2	OPS	---	ASCII flag("A\$")
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blank
9	17-28	A12	OPS	---	Format control document ("CEOS-SAR-CCT")
10	29-30	A2	OPS	---	Format control document version ("AS")
11	31-32	A2	OPS	---	Record format rev.level ("A\$")
12	33-44	A12	OPS	---	Software id
13	45-48	I4	RDC	---	File number (3)
14	49-64	A16	OPS	---	File name (same as field 10 of file pointer record)
15	65-68	A4	OPS	---	Record sequence and location type flag ("FSEQ")
16	69-76	I8	OPS	---	Sequence number location (1)
17	77-80	I4	OPS	---	Sequence number field length (4)
18	81-84	A4	OPS	---	Record code and location type flag ("FTYF")
19	85-92	I8	OPS	---	Record code location (5)
20	93-96	I4	OPS	---	Record code field length (4)
21	97-100	A4	OPS	---	Record length and location type flag ("FLGT")
22	101-108	I8	OPS	---	Record length location (9)
23	109-112	I4	OPS	---	Record length field length (4)
24	113	A1	---	---	Blank
25	114	A1	---	---	Blank
26	115	A1	---	---	Blank
28	117-180	A64	---	---	Blanks

VARIABLE SEGMENT CONTENTS

29	181-186	16	OPS	---	Number of data set summary records (0)
30	187-192	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
31	193-198	16	OPS	---	Number of map projection data records (0)
32	199-204	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
33	205-210	16	OPS	---	Number of platform position data records (0)
34	211-216	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
35	217-222	16	OPS	---	Number of altitude data records (0)
36	223-228	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
37	229-234	16	OPS	---	Number of radiometric data records (0)
38	235-240	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
39	241-246	16	OPS	---	Number of radiometric compensation records (0)
40	247-252	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
41	253-258	16	OPS	---	Number of data quality summary records (0)
42	259-264	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
43	265-270	16	OPS	---	Number of data histogram records (0)
44	271-276	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
45	277-282	16	OPS	---	Number of range spectra records (0)
46	283-288	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
47	289-294	16	OPS	---	Number of digital elevation model descriptor records (0)
48	295-300	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
49	301-306	16	OPS	---	Number of radar parameter update records (0)
50	307-312	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
51	313-318	16	OPS	---	Number of annotation data records (0)
52	319-324	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
53	324-330	16	OPS	---	Number of detailed processing records (0)
54	331-336	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
55	337-342	16	OPS	---	Number of calibration data records (0)
56	343-348	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
57	349-354	16	OPS	---	Number of ground control points descriptor records (0)
58	355-360	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
59	361-366	16	---	---	Blanks
60	367-372	16	---	---	Blanks
61	373-378	16	---	---	Blanks
62	379-384	16	---	---	Blanks
63	385-390	16	---	---	Blanks
64	391-396	16	---	---	Blanks
65	397-402	16	---	---	Blanks
66	403-408	16	---	---	Blanks
67	409-414	16	---	---	Blanks
68	415-420	16	---	---	Blanks
69	421-426	16	OPS	---	Number of facility data records (0)
70	427-432	16	OPS	---	Record length (0)
71	433-720	A288	---	---	Blanks

Null Volume Directory File

Null Volume Descriptor Record

Field	Bytes	Format	Source	Parameter	Description
1	1-4	B4	RDC	---	Record sequence number (1)
2	5	B1	RDC	---	1st record subtype code (192)
3	6	B1	RDC	---	Record type code (192)
4	7	B1	RDC	---	2nd record subtype code (63)
5	8	B1	RDC	---	3rd record subtype code (18)
6	9-12	B4	RDC	---	Record length (360)
7	13-14	A2	RDC	---	ASCII flag (A\$)
8	15-16	A2	---	---	Blanks (\$\$)
9	17-28	A12	RDC	---	Format control doc (CEOS-SAR-CCT)
10	29-30	A2	RDC	---	Format control version (A\$)
11	31-32	A2	RDC	---	Format control document version (A\$)
12	33-44	A12	RDC	---	Software id
13	45-60	A16	RDC	---	Physical tape id
14	61-76	A16	RDC	---	Logical set id
15	77-92	A16	RDC	---	Volume set id
16	93-94	12	RDC	---	Total number of physical volumes
17	95-96	12	RDC	---	1st physical volume sequence number (1\$)
18	97-98	12	RDC	---	Last physical volume sequence number (1\$)
19	99-100	12	RDC	---	This physical volume sequence number (1\$)
20	101-104	14	RDC	---	1st reference file in volume (\$\$\$\$)
21	105-108	14	RDC	---	Logical volume in set (2\$\$\$)
22	109-112	14	RDC	---	Logical volume number in physical volume (2\$\$\$)
23	113-120	A8	---	---	Blanks
24	121-128	A8	---	---	Blanks
25	129-140	A12	---	---	Blanks
26	141-148	A8	---	---	Blanks
27	149-160	A12	---	---	Blanks
28	161-164	14	---	---	Blanks
29	165-168	14	---	---	Blanks
30	169-260	A92	---	---	Spare
31	261-360	A100	---	---	Spare

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7. Miscellaneous Software

There are a few programs included here for relatively rare specialized applications:

Comertum (transpose) any format data.

Convert compressed format data to floating point files, and floating point files to compressed files.

Convert dual pol SLC data to quad pol SLC data by either assuming that $HV=VH$ and $HH=VV$, or that the $HV=VH=HH-6dB$ (depending on mode).

Convert quad pol SLC data to dual pol SLC data by eliminating two polarizations.

All of these programs are included here for testing purposes only. In the future, a software package will be released that includes these and other functions.

8. Data Compression Formats

For SIR-C there are three possible data formats:

- 1) compressed cross-products data (MLC) (Multilook data)
 - quad-pol, 10 bytes per pixel
 - dual-pol, 5 bytes per pixel
- 2) compressed detected data (MLD) (Multilook data)
 - single-pol, 2 bytes per pixel
- 3) compressed scattering matrix data (SLC) (Singlelook data)
 - quad-pol, 10 bytes per pixel
 - dual-pol, 6 bytes per pixel
 - single-pol, 4 bytes per pixel

In the following descriptions:

sign() will return the sign of the argument (± 1)

nint() will indicate that the nearest integer value is calculated of its argument.

int() will indicate that the truncation of the floating point value to integer is calculated of its argument, and that, if the floating point value is less than zero, subtraction by 1.0 is additionally required. Note that this is not the same as FORTRAN int().

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8.1 Single Look Complex data

There are three data products for complex scattering matrix data, depending of polarization mode.

SIR-C "SLC" quad-pol data - 10 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of the file consists of TBD range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are a TBD number of lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. There are no header lines after the file has been stripped for the header by the CEOS reader. The standard output product by the GDPS will not have 12 bytes of file information at the beginning of each line. There will be separate header files. This data will be single look complex scattering matrix data. This is the only format that is supported by the SIR-C calibration processor during phase 1. There is no symmetrization of the data. There is no general scale factor.

◦ 10 bytes per pixel - quad-pol data, with:

◦ Byte(1) : $\text{int}\{\log_2 (S_{HH}S_{HH}^* + S_{HV}S_{HV}^* + S_{VH}S_{VH}^* + S_{VV}S_{VV}^*)\}$

◦ Byte(2) : $\text{nint}\{254[\text{Mantissa} - 1.5]\}$

$$\text{Mantissa} = (S_{HH}S_{HH}^* + S_{HV}S_{HV}^* + S_{VH}S_{VH}^* + S_{VV}S_{VV}^*) / 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$
$$\text{qsea} = \text{sqrt}\{ [(\text{Byte}(2) / 254) + 1.5] 2^{\text{Byte}(1)} \}$$

- Byte(3) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{HH})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(4) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{HH})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(5) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{HV})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(6) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{HV})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(7) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{VH})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(8) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{VH})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(9) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{VV})/\text{qsea}\}$
- Byte(10) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{VV})/\text{qsea}\}$

The total power (when decompressing) is :

$$TP = 0.25 (\text{byte}(2) / 254 + 1.5) 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

and the remaining terms are given by :

$$y_{\text{sc}} = \text{sqrt} [(\text{Byte}(2) / 254) + 1.5] 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

$$\text{Re}(S_{HH}) = \text{byte}(3) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Im}(S_{HH}) = \text{byte}(4) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Re}(S_{HV}) = \text{byte}(5) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Im}(S_{HV}) = \text{byte}(6) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Re}(S_{VH}) = \text{byte}(7) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Im}(S_{VH}) = \text{byte}(8) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Re}(S_{VV}) = \text{byte}(9) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

$$\text{Im}(S_{VV}) = \text{byte}(10) y_{\text{sc}} / 127$$

SIR-C "SLC" dual-pol data - 6 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of the file consists of TBD range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are a TBD number of lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. There are no header lines after the file has been stripped for the header by the CEOS reader. The standard output product by the GDPS will not have 12 bytes of file information at the beginning of each line. There will be separate header files. This data will be single look complex scattering matrix data. The compression format is the same as for the quad-pol data format, except that not all 10 bytes are present. The bytes present depend on the polarization mode.

HH and VV polarizations : bytes 1,2,3,4,9,10

HH and HV polarizations : bytes 1,2,3,4,5,6

VH and VV polarizations : bytes 1,2,7,8,9,10

SIR-C "SLC" single-pol data - 4 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of the file consists of TBD range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are a TBD number of lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. There are no header lines after the file has been stripped for the header by the CEOS reader. The standard output product by the GDPS will have 12 bytes of file information at the beginning of each line. There will be separate header files. This data will be single look complex scattering matrix data. The compression format is the same as for the quad-pol data format, except that not all 10 bytes are present. The bytes present depend on the polarization mode.

HH polarization : bytes 1,2,3,4

VV polarization : bytes 1,2,9,10

8.2 Multi Look Complex data

There are two possible data formats for Cross-products data, depending on polarization mode.

SIR-C "MLC" quad-pol data - 10 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of the file consists of TBD range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are a TBD number of lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. There are no header lines after the file has been stripped for the header by the CEOS reader. The standard output product by the GDPS will not have 12 bytes of file information at the beginning of each line. There will be separate header files. This data will be multi look complex cross-product data. The bytes present depend on the polarization mode. The data has been symmetrized such that $S_{HV} = 0.5 (S_{HV} + S_{VH})$.

◦ 10 bytes per pixel - quad-pol data, with:

$$\circ \text{Byte}(1) : \text{int}\{\log_2(S_{HH}S_{HH}^* + 2S_{HV}S_{HV}^* + S_{VV}S_{VV}^*)\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(2) : \text{nint}\{254[\text{Mantissa} - 1.5]\}$$

$$\text{Mantissa} = (S_{HH}S_{HH}^* + 2S_{HV}S_{HV}^* + S_{VV}S_{VV}^*) / 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

$$\text{qsc} = \lfloor (\text{Byte}(2) / 254) + 1.5 \rfloor 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(3) : \text{nint}\{255 \sqrt{S_{HV}S_{HV}^* / \text{qsc}}\} - 127$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(4) : \text{nint}\{255 \sqrt{S_{VV}S_{VV}^* / \text{qsc}}\} - 127$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(5) : \text{nint}\{\text{sign}[\text{Re}(S_{HH}S_{HV}^*)]$$

$$127\sqrt{2|\text{Re}(S_{HH}S_{HV}^*)| / \text{qsc}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(6) : \text{nint}\{\text{sign}[\text{Im}(S_{HH}S_{HV}^*)]$$

$$127\sqrt{2|\text{Im}(S_{HH}S_{HV}^*)| / \text{qsc}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(7) : \text{nint}\{127 (2\text{Re}(S_{HH}S_{VV}^*) / \text{qsc})\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(8) : \text{nint}\{127 (2\text{Im}(S_{HH}S_{VV}^*) / \text{qsc})\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(9) : \text{nint}\{\text{sign}[\text{Re}(S_{HV}S_{VV}^*)]$$

$$127\sqrt{2|\text{Re}(S_{HV}S_{VV}^*)| / \text{qsc}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(10) : \text{nint}\{\text{sign}[\text{Im}(S_{HV}S_{VV}^*)]$$

$$127\sqrt{2|\text{Im}(S_{HV}S_{VV}^*)| / \text{qsc}}\}$$

The total power is :

$$\text{TP} = 0.25 (\text{byte}(2) / 254 + 1.5) 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

The remaining terms are given by :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 \text{ SHVSHV}^* = \text{qscal} [(\text{byte}(3) + 127)/255]^2 \\
 & 3 \text{ SVVSVV}^* = \text{qscal} [(\text{byte}(4) + 127)/255]^2 \\
 & (\text{SHHSHH}^* = \text{qscal} - \text{SVVSVV}^* - 2 \text{SHVSHV}^* \\
 & 4 \left\{ \begin{aligned} \text{Re}(\text{SHHSHV}^*) &= 0.5 \text{qscal} \{ \text{sign}(\text{byte}(5)) [\text{byte}(5)/127]^2 \} \\ \text{Im}(\text{SHHSHV}^*) &= 0.5 \text{qscal} \{ \text{sign}(\text{byte}(6)) [\text{byte}(6)/127]^2 \} \end{aligned} \right. \\
 & 5 \left\{ \begin{aligned} \text{Re}(\text{SHHSHV}^*) &= \text{qscal} [\text{byte}(7)/254] \\ \text{Im}(\text{SHHSHV}^*) &= \text{qscal} [\text{byte}(8)/254] \end{aligned} \right. \\
 & 6 \left\{ \begin{aligned} \text{Re}(\text{SHVSVV}^*) &= 0.5 \text{qscal} \{ \text{sign}(\text{byte}(9)) [\text{byte}(9)/127]^2 \} \\ \text{Im}(\text{SHVSVV}^*) &= 0.5 \text{qscal} \{ \text{sign}(\text{byte}(10)) [\text{byte}(10)/127]^2 \} \end{aligned} \right. \\
 & 7 \text{ HH, VV}^* \quad , \quad 8 \text{ VH, VV}^*
 \end{aligned}$$

SIR-C "MLC" dual-pol data - 5 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of the file consists of TBD range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are a TBD number of lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. There are no header lines after the file has been stripped for the header by the CEOS reader. The standard output product by the GDPS will have 12 bytes of file information at the beginning of each line. There will be separate header files. This data will be multi look complex cross-product data. The compression format is the same as for the quad-pol data format, except that not all 10 bytes are present. The bytes present depend on the polarization mode.

- HH and VV polarizations : bytes 1,2,4,7,8
- HH and HV polarizations : bytes 1,2,3,5,6
- VH and VV polarizations : bytes 1,2,3,9,10

8.3 Multi Look Detected data

There is one Multilook detected data product :

SIR-C "MLD" single pol data - 2 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of the file consists of TBD range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are a TBD number of lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. There are no header lines after the file has been stripped for the header by the CEOS reader. The standard output product by the GDPS will not have 12 bytes of file information at the beginning of each line. There will be separate header files. This data will be multi look detected power values. The polarization will be either HH, HV, VH, or VV, depending on mode.

° 2 bytes per pixel - single-pol data, with:

° Byte(1) : $\text{int}\{\log_2(S_{XY}S_{XY}^*)\}$

° Byte(2) : $\text{mint}\{254[S_{XY}S_{XY}^*/2^{\text{Byte}(1)} - 1.5]\}$

To decompress the power,

$$TP = (\text{byte}(2) / 254 + 1.5) 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

Appendix A: AIRSAR format data

For AIRSAR data, there are four possible formats :

- 1) compressed stokes matrix data
(multilook,quad-pol, low-res, 10 bytes/pixel)
- 2) compressed scattering matrix (730 processor) data
(single look,quad-pol,10 bytes/pixel)
- 3) compressed scattering matrix (3.5 processor) data
(single look,quad-pol, low-res, 10 bytes/pixel)
- 4) uncompressed synoptic amplitude data
(vax real*4, single pol, low-res, 4 bytes/pixel)

In the following descriptions:

sign() will return the sign of the argument (± 1)

nint() will indicate that the nearest integer value is calculated of its argument.

int() will indicate that the truncation of the floating point value to integer is calculated of its argument, and that, if the floating point value is less than zero, subtraction by 1.0 is additionally required. Note that this is not the same as FORTRAN int().

gen_fac is the AIRSAR general scale factor whose value is recorded in the header of the oldheader, field 133.

A.1 Complex scattering matrix data

AIRSAR 730 processor "hi-res" quad-pol data - 10 bytes per pixel. Consists of four files for each scene, per frequency. Each line of each file consists of 1024 azimuth samples. There are 750 lines, each corresponding to progressively greater range from the radar. The azimuth pixel spacing is 3.33 meters. The range pixel spacing is 6.66 meters (assumes 20 MHz data). The four files are exactly adjacent to each other in azimuth. Generally, the first two lines of the file are header lines. There is no symmetrization of the data.

◦ 10 bytes per pixel - quad-pol data, with:

$$\circ \text{Byte}(1) : \text{int}\{\log_2(0.25 (S_{HH}S_{HH}^* + S_{HV}S_{HV}^* + S_{VH}S_{VH}^* + S_{VV}S_{VV}^*))\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(2) : \text{nint}\{254[\text{Mantissa} - 1.5]\}$$

$$\text{Mantissa} = 0.25 (S_{HH}S_{HH}^* + S_{HV}S_{HV}^* + S_{VH}S_{VH}^* + S_{VV}S_{VV}^*) / 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

$$q_{\text{scat}} = 2 \sqrt{\text{gen_fac} [(\text{Byte}(2) / 254) + 1.5] 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(3) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{HH})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(4) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{HH})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(5) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{HV})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(6) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{HV})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(7) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{VH})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(8) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{VH})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(9) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Re}(S_{VV})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

$$\circ \text{Byte}(10) : \text{nint}\{127 \text{Im}(S_{VV})/q_{\text{scat}}\}$$

The total power (when decompressing) is :

$$\text{TP} = \text{gen_fac} (\text{byte}(2) / 254 + 1.5) 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

and the remaining terms are given by :

$$y_{\text{scat}} = 2 \sqrt{\text{gen_fac} [(\text{Byte}(2) / 254) + 1.5] 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}}$$

$$\text{Re}(S_{HH}) = \text{byte}(3) y_{\text{scat}}/127$$

$$\text{Im}(S_{HH}) = \text{byte}(4) y_{\text{scat}}/127$$

$\text{Re}(S_{HV}) = \text{byte}(5) \text{ ysc}/127$

$\text{Im}(S_{HV}) = \text{byte}(6) \text{ ysc}/127$

$\text{Re}(S_{VH}) = \text{byte}(7) \text{ ysc}/127$

$\text{Im}(S_{VH}) = \text{byte}(8) \text{ ysc}/127$

$\text{Re}(S_{VV}) = \text{byte}(9) \text{ ysc}/127$

$\text{Im}(S_{VV}) = \text{byte}(10) \text{ ysc}/127$

AIRSAR 3.5 processor "complex" quad-pol data - 10 bytes per pixel.

Consists of four files for each scene, per frequency. Each line of each file consists of 1024 azimuth samples. There are 1282 lines, each corresponding to progressively greater range from the radar. For 20 MHz bandwidth data, the azimuth pixel spacing is 12.2 meters (1993 and after, the prf was increased, such that the azimuth pixel spacing was decreased to 8 meters). The range pixel spacing is 6.66 meters (again assuming 20 MHz data). The first 2 lines of each file are header lines. The four files correspond to the center four looks of 16 processed looks. There is no symmetrization of the data. The compression is identical to the AIRSAR 730 processor "hi-res" quad-pol data.

The differences between AIRSAR and SIR-C data, is that the first two bytes are defined differently, and that the scale factor is defined differently. The value stored in the first two bytes by AIRSAR is the total power, while the value stored in the first two bytes by SIR-C is **four times** the total power. The scale factor for AIRSAR is **two times** larger than the scale factor used by SIR-C. In addition, there is no general scale factor for SIR-C.

Because of round off errors for some of the cross-product terms that are small, AIRSAR data converted to the SIR-C format, and then compared with the original AIRSAR compressed scattering matrix data, or with the AIRSAR Stokes data derived from the scattering matrix data, might not be in exact agreement.

A.2 Stokes matrix data

AIRSAR compressed Stokes matrix "CM" quad-pol data - 10 bytes per pixel. Consists of one file for each scene, per frequency. Each line of each file consists of 1024 azimuth samples. There are 750 or 1282 lines depending on the processor, each corresponding to progressively greater range from the radar. The azimuth pixel spacing is 12.1 meters for the pre-1993 prf, and 8 meters for the 1993 and later prf. The range pixel spacing is 6.66 meters (assumes 20 MHz data). The first two or three lines in the file are header lines. The data has been symmetrized such that $SHV = 0.5 (SHV + SVH)$, and is usually calibrated. For the "730 processor", the data has been multilooked by 4, while for the "3.5 processor", the data has been multilooked by 16.

◦ 10 bytes per pixel - quad-pol data, with:

◦ Byte(1) : $\text{int}(\log_2(M_{11}))$

◦ Byte(2) : $\text{nint}\{254[\text{Mantissa} - 1.5]\}$

Mantissa = $(M_{11}) / 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$

qsca = $\text{gen_fac} [(\text{Byte}(2) / 254) + 1.5] 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$

◦ Byte(3) : $\text{nint}\{127 M_{12}/\text{qsca}\}$

◦ Byte(4) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{sign}(M_{13}/\text{qsca}) \sqrt{M_{13}/\text{qsca}}\}$

◦ Byte(5) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{sign}(M_{14}/\text{qsca}) \sqrt{M_{14}/\text{qsca}}\}$

◦ Byte(6) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{sign}(M_{23}/\text{qsca}) \sqrt{M_{23}/\text{qsca}}\}$

◦ Byte(7) : $\text{nint}\{127 \text{sign}(M_{24}/\text{qsca}) \sqrt{M_{24}/\text{qsca}}\}$

◦ Byte(8) : $\text{nint}\{127 M_{33}/\text{qsca}\}$

◦ Byte(9) : $\text{nint}\{127 M_{34}/\text{qsca}\}$

◦ Byte(10) : $\text{nint}\{127 M_{44}/\text{qsca}\}$

The total power is :

$$TP = M_{11} = \text{gen_fac} (\text{byte}(2) / 254 + 1.5) 2^{\text{Byte}(1)}$$

The remaining terms are given by :

$$M_{12} = M_{11} \text{byte}(3) / 127$$

$$M_{13} = \text{sign}(\text{byte}(4)) M_{11} (\text{byte}(4) / 127)^{**2}$$

$$M_{14} = \text{sign}(\text{byte}(5)) M_{11} (\text{byte}(5) / 127)^{**2}$$

$$M_{23} = \text{sign}(\text{byte}(6)) M_{11} (\text{byte}(6) / 127)^{**2}$$

$$M_{24} = \text{sign}(\text{byte}(7)) M_{11} (\text{byte}(7) / 127)^{**2}$$

$$M_{33} = M_{11} \text{byte}(8) / 127$$

$$M_{34} = M_{11} \text{byte}(9) / 127$$

$$M_{44} = M_{11} \text{ byte}(10) / 127$$

$$M_{22} = M_{11} - M_{33} - M_{44}$$

The difference between the AIRSAR 'CM' data and SIR-C MLC data is chiefly that, for AIRSAR, the elements of the Stokes Matrix are stored directly to each compressed byte; while for SIR-C, the cross-products (that when combined appropriately comprise the Stokes matrix) are stored. In addition, the AIRSAR data employs a general scale factor, while SIR-C does not. And finally, the value stored in the first two bytes by AIRSAR is the total power divided by the general scale factor, while the value stored in the first two bytes by SIR-C is **four times** the total power.

A.3 Detected data products

AIRSAR synoptic amplitude data - 4 bytes per pixel. This data is not compressed. Consists of one file for each scene, per channel processed (usually three). Each line of the file consists of 1279 range samples, in which range increases with sample number. There are 5090 lines per file, in which each line corresponds to different azimuth or along track locations. The azimuth pixel spacing is 12.1 meters for the pre-1993 prf, and 8 meters for the 1993 and later prf. The range pixel spacing is 6.66 meters (assumes 20 MHz data). The first two lines in the file are header lines. The data has been multilooked by 16, and the pixels are amplitude rather than power values. The format is that each pixel is a four byte DEC VAX floating point number. There is no general scale factor that is used.

Appendix B: Parameter description

The following defined parameters may be determined and written to a file by running the program CREATE_IN. CREATE_IN determines these parameters by reading the ASCII CEOS headers that are created by the CEOS_READER software. This appendix describes how they are defined. Input parameters may be determined from the CEOS headers. In the SAR Leader File, Data Set Summary Record, field 86 is the data type (MLC,SLC, or MLD), while field 8 of the same record is the frequency and polarization (i.e. CHH and CVV, or Lquad). From these you may determine the numerical representation of datatype and datamode by the following:

datatype	field 86	Field 8
1	MLD	single pol
2	MLC	quad pol
3	MLC	dual pol
4	SLC	quad pol
5	SLC	dual pol
6	SLC	single pol

(datatype 7 is AIRSAR CM data, while datatype 8 is AIRSAR scattering matrix data)

datamode	field 8
0	Lquad,Cquad
1	LHH and LVV, or CHH and CVV
2	LHH and LHV, or CHH and CHV
3	LVH and LVV, or CVH and CVV
4	LHH or CHH
5	LVV or CVV
6	other single pol data (i.e. MLD HV)

The number of bytes per sample may be found in the Imagery Options File, file descriptor record, field 34. The number of samples nsamp is in the Imagery Options File, file descriptor record, field 39, while the number of lines is in the Imagery Options File, file descriptor record, field 29.

The record length in the Imagery Options File, file descriptor record, field 30. **If this software is running on a DEC computer, the record length from the above field might have to be divided by 4. Check your FORTRAN reference guide.**

For AIRSAR data, the ASCII common block header file is more simply determined. The program CREATE_IN_AIRSAR reads the newheader to produce the ASCII common block header file. Alternatively, the file may be created manually. Both the CM format data and the scattering matrix format data are only available as quad pol, the record length is always 10240 bytes, the number of samples is always 1024, the number of bytes per sample is always 10, and the number of lines is usually either 750 or 1280.

The data type for AIRSAR CM data is '7', while the data type for AIRSAR scattering matrix data is '8'.

For AIRSAR CM data, the ASCII file will be :

7,0,10240(non-DEC computer) or 2560(DEC), 1024,750 or 1280, 10

For AIRSAR scattering matrix data, the ASCII file will be:

8,0,10240(non-DEC computer) or 2560(DEC), 1024,750 or 1280, 10

Appendix C: The Stokes matrix and Cross-Products

The symmetrized Stokes matrix may be formed from the cross-products of the scattering matrix that are stored by SIR-C in the MLC format as follows:

$$m(1,1) = (\text{ShhShh}^* + \text{SvvSvv}^* + 2\text{ShvShv}^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(1,2) = (\text{ShhShh}^* - \text{SvvSvv}^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(1,3) = (\text{Re}(\text{ShhShv}^*) + \text{Re}(\text{ShvSvv}^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(1,4) = (-\text{Im}(\text{ShhShv}^*) - \text{Im}(\text{ShvSvv}^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(2,1) = m(1,2)$$

$$m(2,2) = (\text{ShhShh}^* + \text{SvvSvv}^* - 2\text{ShvShv}^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(2,3) = (\text{Re}(\text{ShhShv}^*) - \text{Re}(\text{ShvSvv}^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(2,4) = (-\text{Im}(\text{ShhShv}^*) + \text{Im}(\text{ShvSvv}^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(3,1) = m(1,3)$$

$$m(3,2) = m(2,3)$$

$$m(3,3) = (\text{ShvShv}^* + \text{Re}(\text{ShhSvv}^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(3,4) = -\text{Im}(\text{ShhSvv}^*) / 2.0$$

$$m(4,1) = m(1,4)$$

$$m(4,2) = m(2,4)$$

$$m(4,3) = m(3,4)$$

$$m(4,4) = (\text{ShvShv}^* - \text{Re}(\text{ShhSvv}^*)) / 2.0$$

The cross-products in terms of the symmetrized Stokes matrix elements are :

$$\text{ShhShh}^* = 2m(1,2) + 2m(1,1) - m(3,3) - m(4,4)$$

$$\text{ShvShv}^* = m(3,3) + m(4,4)$$

$$\text{SvvSvv}^* = 2m(1,1) - 2m(1,2) - m(3,3) - m(4,4)$$

$$\text{ShhShv}^* = \text{complex}(m(1,3) + m(2,3), -m(1,4) - m(2,4))$$

$$\text{ShhSvv}^* = \text{complex}(m(3,3) - m(4,4), -2m(3,4))$$

$$\text{ShvSvv}^* = \text{complex}(m(1,3) - m(2,3), -m(1,4) + m(2,4))$$

For SLC data, the Stokes matrix will not be symmetrized. The unsymmetrized Stokes Matrix is given by:

$$m(1,1) = (ShhShh^* + ShvShv^* + Svhsvh^* + SvvSvv^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(1,2) = (ShhShh^* - ShvShv^* + Svhsvh^* - SvvSvv^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(1,3) = (Re(ShhShv^*) + Re(SvhSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(1,4) = (-Im(ShhShv^*) - Im(SvhSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(2,1) = (ShhShh^* + ShvShv^* - Svhsvh^* - SvvSvv^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(2,2) = (ShhShh^* + SvvSvv^* - ShvShv^* - Svhsvh^*) / 4.0$$

$$m(2,3) = (Re(ShhShv^*) - Re(SvhSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(2,4) = (-Im(ShhShv^*) + Im(SvhSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(3,1) = (Re(ShhSvh^*) + Re(ShvSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(3,2) = (Re(ShhSvh^*) - Re(ShvSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(3,3) = (ShvShv^* + Re(ShhSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(3,4) = (-Im(ShhSvv^*) + Im(ShvSvh^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(4,1) = (-Im(ShhSvh^*) - Im(ShvSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(4,2) = (-Im(ShhSvh^*) + Im(ShvSvv^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(4,3) = (-Im(ShhSvv^*) - Im(ShvSvh^*)) / 2.0$$

$$m(4,4) = (Re(ShvSvh^*) - Re(ShhSvv^*)) / 2.0$$