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NIMBUS V

SCR RADIANCE DATA

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1. INTRODUCTION:

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 This inventory information is now no longer maintained in the DSCs, but is now managed in the inventory part of the NSSDC information system.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

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

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

2. ERRATA/CHANGE LOG:

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

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

Version	Date	Person	Page	Description of Change
01				
02				

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

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

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

4. CATALOG MATERIALS:

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

- b. Core Catalog Materials

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This data set has been restored. There were originally 63 Binary 9-track 800 BPI tapes. There are 13 restored tapes. The DR tapes are 3480 cartarages and the DS tapes are 9-track, 6250 BPI. The tapes were created on an IBM 360 computer. The DR ad DS numbers along with the corresponding D numbers and the time spans are as follows:

DS	DR	DD	Files	Time Spans
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
DS000256	DR000256	DD029171	1-131	12/13/1972 - 12/22/1972
		DD029172	132-262	12/23/1972 - 12/31/1972
		DD029173	263-403	01/01/1973 - 01/11/1973
		DD029174	404-546	01/12/1973 - 01/21/1973
		DD029175	547-688	01/22/1973 - 01/31/1973
DS000232	DR000232	DD029176	1-144	02/01/1973 - 02/10/1973 *
		DD029177	145-288	02/11/1973 - 02/21/1973
		DD029181	289-429	03/27/1973 - 04/05/1973
		DD029182	430-574	04/06/1973 - 04/15/1973
		DD029183	575-716	04/16/1973 - 04/26/1973
DS000233	DR000233	DD029184	1-143	04/27/1973 - 05/06/1973 **
		DD029185	144-299	05/07/1973 - 05/17/1973
		DD029187	300-437	05/29/1973 - 06/08/1973
		DD029188	438-584	06/09/1973 - 06/19/1973
		DD029189	585-739	06/20/1973 - 06/30/1973
DS000281	DR000281	DD029190	1-161	07/01/1973 - 07/12/1973 (a)
		DD029121	162-305	07/11/1973 - 07/23/1973
		DD029122	306-447	07/24/1973 - 08/02/1973
		DD029123	448-602	08/03/1973 - 08/13/1973
		DD029124	603-742	08/14/1973 - 08/23/1973
DS000249	DR000249	DD029125	1-145	08/24/1973 - 09/02/1973
		DD029126	146-297	09/03/1973 - 09/13/1973
		DD029127	298-438	09/14/1973 - 09/23/1973
		DD029128	439-590	09/24/1973 - 10/04/1973
		DD029129	591-744	10/05/1973 - 10/15/1973

DS	DR	DD	Files	Time Spans	
DS000234	DR000234	DD029130	1-154	10/16/1973 - 10/26/1973	***
		DD029161	155-307	10/27/1973 - 11/06/1973	
		DD029162	308-458	11/07/1973 - 11/17/1973	
		DD029163	459-610	11/18/1973 - 11/28/1973	
		DD029164	611-754	11/29/1973 - 12/08/1973	
DS000264	DR000264	DD029165	1-144	12/09/1973 - 12/18/1973	
		DD029166	145-285	12/09/1973 - 12/29/1973	
		DD029167	286-438	12/30/1974 - 01/09/1974	
		DD029168	439-579	01/10/1974 - 01/19/1974	
		DD029169	580-723	01/20/1974 - 01/29/1974	
DS000282	DR000282	DD029170	1-143	01/30/1974 - 02/08/1974	
		DD029131	144-296	02/09/1974 - 02/19/1974	
		DD029132	295-438	02/20/1974 - 03/01/1974	
		DD029133	449-584	03/02/1974 - 03/12/1974	
		DD029134	585-726	03/13/1974 - 03/22/1974	
DS000235	DR000235	DD029135	1-153	03/23/1974 - 04/02/1974	
		DD029136	154-296	04/03/1974 - 04/12/1974	
		DD029137	297-439	04/13/1974 - 04/22/1974	
		DD029138	440-588	04/23/1974 - 05/03/1974	
		DD029139	589-734	05/04/1974 - 05/14/1974	
DS000283	DR000283	DD029140	1-151	05/15/1974 - 05/25/1974	
		DD029151	152-294	05/26/1974 - 06/05/1974	
		DD029152	295-437	06/06/1974 - 06/15/1974	
		DD029153	438-591	06/27/1974 - 06/27/1974	
		DD029154	592-736	06/28/1974 - 07/08/1974	
DS000257	DR000257	DD029155	1-129	07/09/1974 - 07/18/1974	
		DD029157	130-276	07/30/1974 - 08/08/1974	
		DD029158	277-428	08/09/1974 - 08/19/1974	
		DD029160	429-573	08/30/1974 - 09/08/1974	
		DD029150	574-726	09/09/1974 - 09/19/1974	
DS000284	DR000284	DD029149	1-146	09/20/1974 - 09/29/1974	
		DD029148	147-289	09/30/1974 - 10/09/1974	
		DD029146	290-440	10/21/1974 - 10/31/1974	
		DD029145	441-584	11/01/1974 - 11/11/1974	
		DD029144	585-734	11/12/1974 - 11/23/1974	
DS000278	DR000278	DD029143	1-131	11/24/1974 - 12/03/1974	
		DD029142	132-282	12/04/1974 - 12/15/1974	
		DD029141	283-427	12/17/1974 - 12/26/1974	

* No data in files 169, 260, 719-720

** No data in file 740

*** No data in files 1, 755

(a) No data in files 163, 172, 173, 186, 200, 213, 214, 227, 238, 250
260, 261, 275, 289, 303, 758-760

B R I E F D E S C R I P T I O N

SCR Radiance Tapes

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This data set contains calibrated, earth-located radiances that were prepared by the experimenter's office on binary magnetic tapes. The radiances, measured by 16 channels at 2.3-15 micrometers with a ground resolution of 25 km, are "declouded" (interpolated and smoothed across regions of cloud). They are grouped into major frames along with orbit, altitude, latitude, longitude, and some ancillary data.

M A T E R I A L S F O R D I S T R I B U T I O N

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SCR Radiance Tapes

(1) B29183-000A "The Nimbus 5 Selective Chopper Radiometer," Atmospheric Physics Memorandum No. 76.1, Clarendon Laboratory Atmospheric Physics, U of Oxford.

(2) B29181-000A "The Selective Chopper Radiometer on Nimbus V Archived Data," Atmospheric Physics Memorandum No. 77.1, Clarendon Laboratory Atmospheric Physics, U of Oxford.

REQ. AGENT
WKD

RAND NO.
RC7520

ACQ. AGENT
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NIMBUS V

SCR RADIANCE DATA

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This data set consists of 63 Nimbus V SCR Radiance data tapes created on an IBM 360 computer. The tapes are 800 BPI, BIN, 7-track, are multi-filed. There are 2 C tapes for each D tape with more than 145 files. The first C tape has files 1-145 and the second C tape has the remaining files. Each D tape contains data for approximately 10 days.

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>D FILES</u>	<u>C FILES</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-29121	C-19176	159	159	07/11/73 - 07/23/73
D-29122	C-19177	142	142	07/24/73 - 08/02/73
D-29123	C-19178	155	145	08/03/73 - 08/13/73
	C-19179		10	08/13/73 - 08/13/73
D-29124	C-19180	143	143	08/14/73 - 08/23/73
D-29125	C-19181	145	145	08/24/73 - 09/02/73
D-29126	C-19182	152	145	09/03/73 - 09/13/73
	C-19183		7	09/13/73 - 09/13/73
D-29127	C-19184	141	141	09/14/73 - 09/23/73
D-29128	C-19185	152	145	09/24/73 - 10/04/73
	C-19186		7	10/04/73 - 10/04/73
D-29129	C-19187	154	145	10/05/73 - 10/15/73
	C-19188		9	10/15/73 - 10/15/73
D-21930	C-19189	155	145	10/16/73 - 10/26/73
	C-19190		10	10/26/73 - 10/26/73
D-29131	C-19191	153	145	02/09/74 - 02/19/74
	C-19192		8	02/19/74 - 02/19/74

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>D FILES</u>	<u>C FILES</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-29132	C-19193	144	144	2/20/74 - 3/01/74
D-29133	C-19194	146	146	3/02/74 - 3/12/74
D-29134	C-19195	142	142	3/13/74 - 3/22/74
D-29135	C-19196	153	145	3/23/74 - 4/02/74
	C-19197		8	4/02/74 - 4/02/74
D-29136	C-19198	143	143	4/03/74 - 4/12/74
D-29137	C-19199	143	143	4/13/74 - 4/22/74
D-29138	C-19200	149	149	4/23/74 - 5/03/74
D-29139	C-19201	146	146	5/04/74 - 5/14/74
D-29140	C-19202	151	145	5/15/74 - 5/25/74
	C-19203		6	5/25/74 - 5/25/74
D-29141	C-19204	145	145	12/17/74 - 12/26/74
D-29142	C-19205	151	145	12/04/74 - 12/15/74
	C-19206		6	12/15/74 - 12/15/74
D-29143	C-19207	131	131	11/24/74 - 12/03/74
D-29144	C-19208	155	145	11/12/74 - 11/23/74
	C-19209		10	11/23/74 - 11/23/74
D-29145	C-29210	144	144	11/01/74 - 11/11/74
D-29146	C-19211	151	145	10/21/74 - 10/31/74
	C-19212		6	10/31/74 - 10/31/74
D-29148	C-19213	143	143	9/30/74 - 10/09/74
D-29149	C-19214	146	146	9/20/74 - 9/29/74
D-29150	C-19215	153	145	9/09/74 - 9/19/74
	C-19216		8	9/19/74 - 9/19/74
D-29151	C-19299	143	143	5/26/74 - 6/05/74
D-29152	C-19300	143	143	6/06/74 - 6/15/74
D-29153	C-19301	154	145	6/17/74 - 6/27/74
	C-19302		9	6/27/74 - 6/27/74
D-29154	C-19303	155	145	6/28/74 - 7/08/74
	C-19304		10	7/08/74 - 7/08/74

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>D FILES</u>	<u>C FILES</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-29155	C-19305	129	129	7/09/74 - 7/18/74
D-29157	C-19306	147	147	7/30/74 - 8/08/74
D-29158	C-19307	152	145	8/09/74 - 8/19/74
	C-19308		7	8/19/74 - 8/19/74
D-29160	C-19309	145	145	8/30/74 - 9/08/74
D-29161	C-19310	153	145	10/27/73 - 11/06/73
	C-19311		8	11/06/73 - 11/06/73
D-29162	C-19312	151	145	11/07/73 - 11/17/73
	C-19313		6	11/17/73 - 11/17/73
D-29163	C-19314	152	145	11/18/73 - 11/28/73
	C-19315		7	11/28/73 - 11/28/73
D-29164	C-19316	145	145	11/29/73 - 12/08/73
D-29165	C-19317	144	144	12/09/73 - 12/18/73
D-29166	C-19318	141	141	12/19/73 - 12/29/73
D-29167	C-19319	153	145	12/30/73 - 1/09/74
	C-19320		8	1/09/74 - 1/09/74
D-29168	C-19321	141	141	1/10/74 - 1/19/74
D-29169	C-19322	144	144	1/20/74 - 1/29/74
D-29170	C-19323	143	143	1/30/74 - 2/08/74
D-29171	C-19402	131	131	12/13/72 - 12/22/72
D-29172	C-19403	131	131	12/23/72 - 12/31/72
D-29173	C-19404	141	141	1/01/73 - 1/11/73
D-29174	C-19405	143	143	1/12/73 - 1/21/73
D-29175	C-19406	142	142	1/22/73 - 1/31/73
D-29176	C-19407	144	144	2/01/73 - 2/10/73
D-29177	C-19408	145	145	2/11/73 - 2/21/73
D-29181	C-19409	142	142	3/27/73 - 4/05/73
D-29182	C-19410	144	144	4/06/73 - 4/15/73
D-29183	C-19411	152	145	4/16/73 - 4/26/73
	C-19412		7	4/26/73 - 4/26/73

<u>D#</u>	<u>C#</u>	<u>D FILES</u>	<u>C FILES</u>	<u>TIME SPAN</u>
D-29184	C-19413	143	143	4/27/73 - 5/06/73
D-29185	C-19414	157	145	5/07/73 - 5/17/73
	C-19415		12	5/17/73 - 5/17/73
D-29187	C-19416	138	138	5/29/73 - 6/08/73
D-29188	C-19417	147	147	6/09/73 - 6/19/73
D-29189	C-19418	156	145	6/20/73 - 6/30/73
	C-19419		11	6/30/73 - 6/30/73
D-29190	C-19420	161	145	7/01/73 - 7/12/73
	C-19421		16	7/12/73 - 7/12/73

CLARENDON LABORATORY

Atmospheric Physics

The Selective Chopper Radiometer on Nimbus V

Archived Data

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Atmospheric Physics Memorandum No. 77.1

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

The Selective Chopper Radiometer on Nimbus V

Archive Data

The Nimbus V satellite launched on 11 December 1972 carries a 16 channel infra-red radiometer designed to make remote measurements of the atmosphere. Eight channels are located in the CO_2 $15\mu\text{m}$ band measuring temperature structure up to about 50 km altitude. The higher levels are achieved by means of a selective chopping technique. The remaining channels make measurements of water-vapour, atmospheric window regions and reflective sunlight. For details see the general references listed.

This paper describes the format of the archive tapes, containing frame by frame radiances and other relevant data, which have been prepared for the National Space Science Data Centre. This document is intended to be read in conjunction with reference 1 which contains details of calibration algorithms together with explanations of all the terms which will be encountered in the following pages.

In general the Nimbus V Selective Chopper Radiometer (SCR) has performed in a very consistent manner, and is still producing excellent data at the time of writing (January 1977). However, there have been a number of problems and anomalies which have occurred from time to time which have a bearing on the use and interpretation of these data. These events have been studied and written up in reference 1, together with a list of relevant dates.

Should any problem arise, would users please contact the Department of Atmospheric Physics, Clarendon Laboratory, University of Oxford.

Tape FormatIntroduction

The Nimbus 5 archive tape is a 7 track magnetic tape written at 800 b.p.i. with odd parity and 0.75" interblock gaps. Each tape contains data for approximately 10 'days' where a 'day' refers to the daily transmission of data from NTCC to Oxford. This normally includes data acquired by the ground station between 0000Z and 2400Z the previous day.

Each tape begins with a file summarizing its contents. Subsequent files provide detailed day by day and orbit by orbit information. An orbit is usually a readout orbit from the space-craft tape recorder but can also represent one or more sections of real time data. The tape ends with a repeat of the summary file.

The structure of an archive tape is summarized in Table I.

TABLE I

Summary header record	}		Summary file Volume table of contents
Summary day records 1 to N where N = number of days on the tape			
End of summary record			
End of file (tape mark)			
Day header file	}		repeated for each day
EOF			
Orbit header record			
Data records 1 to M where M=No.of major frames/10+1			
End of orbit record	}	repeated for each orbit	
EOF			
End of day file			
EOF			
Copy of summary file			
EOF mark			
EOF			

Detailed description

In general, for all tables, numbers in the column headed CONTENTS are octal and other numbers decimal. Exceptions are indicated by the subscripts 8 or 10 for octal or decimal.

Each file consists of a series of records and is terminated by a tape mark. Each record is a series of 12-bit integers, each represented by 2 6-bit tape characters with ODD parity, the most significant half of the word appearing first on the tape. The format of a record is as follows:

<u>Word</u>	<u>Contents</u>
0,1	7106, 7106
2	Length L
3	Record Number
4	Identifier
5 to L-3	Data words
L-2	EOR mark
L-1	Checksum

'Length' is the number of 12-bit words in the record from the first 7106₈ up to and including the checksum.

The record number starts at 1 at the beginning of the file and is increased by 1 for each successive record Modulo 4096.

The identifier is a unique code associated with the data content of the record.

The end of record (EOR) mark has one of the following values:

5252	last record of file
5225	file containing one record
6453	last record on the tape
4421	all other records.

The checksum is the 12-bit 1's complement sum of words 0 to L-2 of the record.

Summary Head RecordNo. of words NoteWord Contents

0,1	7106, 7106	2
2	10	1
3	1	1
4	5200	1
5	No. of days on tape	1
6	EOR (4421)	1
7	Checksum	1

Summary Day Record

0,1	7106, 7106	2	
2	Length	1	
3	Record no.	1	
4	5201	1	
5	'day'	1	
6	'year'	1	
7,8	no. of major frames in day	2	
9	no. of cse's on day's transmission	1	1
10	" " " read from daily tape	1	1
11	no. of cal sequences in day	1	
12	no. of orbits in day	1	
13,14	orbit no.	2	
15	HDRSS	1	2
16	no. of major frames in orbit	1	
17	day of first major frame	1	3
18,19	time of ditto	2	3
20	day of last major frame	1	3
21,22	time of ditto	2	3
23	no. of cse's on orbit's transmission	1	1
24	" " " read from daily tape	1	1
25	no. of cal sequences in orbit	1	

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EOR (4421)

checksum

items 13-25 repeated for each orbit in the day.

Day Header File

<u>Word</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>No. of words</u>	<u>Note</u>
0,1	7106, 7106	2	
2	11	1	
3	1	1	
4	5202	1	
5-12	same as words 5-12 of the corresponding "Summary Day Record"	8	
13-92	calibration data used for the processing of this day's observations	80	5
93	EOR (5225)	1	
94	checksum	1	

Orbit Header Record

0,1	7106, 7106	2	
2	16	1	
3	Record no.	1	
4	5204	1	
5-17	as orbit summary in this day's summary record (wds 13-25)	13	
18	number of housekeeping functions (N = 44 ₁₀)	1	6
19	N maximum values for this orbit	N	
	N minimum values	N	
	N mean values	N	
	EOR (4421)		
	checksum		

Data Record

<u>Word</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>No. of words</u>	<u>Note</u>
0,1	7106, 7106	2	
2	length	1	4
3	record no.	1	
4	5205	1	
5	no. of major frames in this block (10 ₁₀ unless end of orbit)	1	4
6	length of entry for each m.f. (186 ₁₀)	1	4
7	spare and zero	1	
8	checksum word for major frame	1	10
9,10	orbit no.	2	
11	block no.	1	9
12	frame no./HDRSS	1	9
13	day	1	3
14	time	2	3
16	latitude x 8	1	7
17	longitude x 8	1	7
18	altitude	1	7
19	ESMR MAXIMUM	1	8
20	ESMR MINIMUM	1	8
21-25	major frame flags	5	11
26-74	calibrated radiances	49	12
75-79	16 sec ramps	5	13
80-123	4 sec ramps	44	13
124-128	digital A housekeeping	5	6
129-167	analogue housekeeping	39	6
168	FOVC ramp	1	17
169-176	raw ESMR	8	8
177	pitch	1	15
178	roll	1	15
179	yaw	1	15

Continued

Data Record (continued)

<u>Word</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>No. of words</u>	<u>Note</u>
180-182	A2, A3, A4 declouded	3	14
183-185	B1-B2, B2-B3, B3-B4 smoothed	3	14
186	sea surface temperature/GEOG	1	16
187-193	B1, B2, B3, B4, B1-B2, B2-B3, B3-B4 corrected radiances	7	14

EOR (4421)

checksum

items 8-193 are repeated for each major frame in the block.

End of Summary Record

0,1	7106, 7106	2
2	7	1
3	Record No.	1
4	5202	1
5	EOR (5252)	1
6	Checksum	1

End of Orbit Record

0,1	7106, 7106	2
2	7	1
3	Record No.	1
4	5206	1
5	EOR (5252)	1
6	Checksum	1

End of Day File

0,1	7106, 7106	2
2	7	1
3	1	1
4	5207	1
5	EOR (5225)	1
6	Checksum	1

End of Tape File

Copy of Summary File.

Notes

1. A checksum error (CSE) on transmission implies a block was corrupt when we received it over the link from Nimbus. A CSE on the daily tape implies a block was found to be corrupt on the magnetic tape when it was subsequently processed. A transmission error does not generate a daily tape error.
2. HDRSS refers to the onboard tape recorder used for this orbit.

0	=	A						data received from tape recorder A	
1	=	B	"	"	"	"	"	B	
2	=	R	"	"					as real time pass.
3. 'Day Number' starts at 1 on January 1st and increments through a year. Time is given in seconds since midnight GMT (double length word).
4. Normally each data block will contain 10_{10} major frames of data. Thus the normal block length is

$$186 \times 10 + 10 = 1870_{10} \text{ words.}$$

Short blocks occur at the end of orbits, when the length is not a multiple of 10 major frames. If the number of major frames is a multiple of 10 then there should be no short blocks but it is advisable to cater for the possibility that the last block may be of length 10 words with zero major frames in it.
5. The calibration algorithm is explained in reference 1. The calibration parameters used for each day's data consist of a total of 80 numbers, arranged in 20 groups of 4 numbers each. The 20 groups correspond to the 20 channels of the instrument (D channels on low and high gain have separate calibration parameters). The ordering of these 20 groups is as follows:

B1	to	B4	
A1	to	A4	
C1	to	C4	
D1	to	D4	low gain setting
D1	to	D4	high " "

The significance of the 4 numbers within each group is:

EZ = electrical zero (counts).

S-EZO = space - electrical zero offset (counts).

r = stray radiation ~ always set to zero in practice.

$$G = g \times \frac{160 \times 2^{\bar{S}}}{\bar{S}}$$

where g = gain (volts/unit radiance)

\bar{S} = scaling factor used to represent radiances
(see table 1).

6. Housekeeping Functions. There are a total of 44 housekeeping functions recorded for each major frame. The first 5 functions are of the 'digital A' type and the remainder are of type 'analogue'. The orbit header record contains a summary of the maximum, minimum and mean values recorded during the orbit for these functions. The ordering is as follows:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Power Supply</u>	<u>Function</u>
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DIGITAL A

1	-	-6V thermistor supply
2	-	Digitizer zero offset
3	1	Black body thermistor 1
4	1	" " " 2
5	1	" " " 3

ANALOG

6	9	Sensor foot F thermocouple
7	-	Mod PCU stabilized output
8	-	Full time thermistor supply 1
9	-	Switched " "
10	-	Chopper motor current 1
11	-	" " " 2
12-17	8	Sensor housing thermistors 1 to 6
18	29	Black body thermistor 4
19	9	Calib.mirror thermistor
20	8	Chopper motor "
21-23	9	Sensor foot thermistors A, B & C
24	8	Module connector plate thermistor
25	8	Calib. mirror driver "
26	8	Chopper resistor "
27	8	Mod PCU stabilized "
28	9	Mod PCU switched "
29	-	-6V black body thermistor supply

<u>Number</u>	<u>Power Supply</u>	<u>Function</u>
30	-	Signal channel A clamp level
31	9	Sensor foot D thermistor
32	9	Filter wheel A shroud thermistor
33	9	" " A motor "
34	-	Signal channel B clamp level
35	-	Filter wheel B heater power
36	9	" " B shroud thermistor
37	9	" " B motor "
38	-	Signal channel C clamp level
39	9	Filter wheel C shroud thermistor
40	9	" " C motor "
41	-	Clamp level D
42	9	Sensor foot E thermistor
43	9	Filter wheel D shroud thermistor
44	9	" " D motor "

Note the power supplies 8 and 9 are each sampled through a potential divider. Thus to obtain the true power supply multiply functions 8 and 9 by 1.47.

The digital A functions are subject to a digitizer zero offset (function 2) which should be subtracted from each of the other 4 functions to obtain a true value. Function 29 is an analog backup to the digital A, -6 volt supply, i.e. (function 29) = (function 1) - (function 2).

7. Latitude and longitude are in eighths of degrees north and east respectively, e.g. 10°S, 300°E is 4016, 2400. Latitude is a signed integer. Longitude is unsigned. Altitude is taken directly from the header block as received from Nimbus. See reference 2.

8. The eight nadir samples from the electrically scanning microwave radiometer (ESMR) contained within the major frame header block as transmitted can be found in words 169-176. The maximum and minimum of these eight values are also in words 19 and 20 respectively. This data may be used as a land/sea flag.

9. Block number is taken from word 4 of the Header Block as received from Nimbus. Frame #/HDRSS is taken from word 9 of the Header Block as received from Nimbus. See reference 2.

10. Checksum word for major frame. If bit $2^x = 1$ then the following checksum error was detected:

x = 0 checksum error on magnetic tape raw data block.
 = 1 " " " " " formatted data block.
 = 2 " " " transmission to Oxford.

11. Major Frame Flags

5 words.

Bit 2^x is set to 1 when the following conditions are satisfied at any time during the orbit.

Word 1

X = 0 SCR power on
 1 Chopper power on
 2 Calibration imminent
 3 D channels on high gain (else low gain)
 4 Calibration enabled
 5 FOVC enabled
 6 Earth view
 7 Black body view
 8 Housing view
 9 Space view
 10 Filter wheel select position 1
 11 " " " " 2

Word 2

X = 0 " " " " 3
 1 " " " " 4
 2 SCR2 format is being used (analog not digital A)
 3 Satellite day = 1, night = 0
 4 THIR on
 5 ESMR on and scanning
 6 S-band A on
 7 " B on
 8 " SCMR on
 9 Beacon on
 10 Latitude, longitude corrected for pitch bias
 11 End of orbit detected

Word 3

X = 0 checksum error in header block

- 1 " " " "
- 2 minor frame SYNC error
- 3 bad filter position detected
- 4 " chopper sync
- 5 FOVC motion bad
- 6 bad end of block marker
- 11 discontinuity in time code from previous major frame.

Word 4 is spare

Word 5

X = 0 1 = calibrated data slots in format do contain radiances.

0 = " " " contain raw ramps (this occurs where instrument is not viewing earth, i.e. calibration sequences).

12. Calibrated radiances

In order to fit conveniently into one 12 bit word, the radiances for each channel are scaled by some suitable factor (see ref. 1). The contents of the appropriate locations should be divided by the following scale factors in order to obtain a result in radiance units ($\text{mW/m}^2/\text{ster/cm}^{-1}$).

Table 1

<u>Channel</u>	<u>Scale factor</u>	
A & B	16	
C1	400	
C2	40	
C3 & C4	20	
D1	$2 \cdot 10^4$	D channels on low gain
D2	$5 \cdot 10^3$	
D3	750	
D4	1000	
D1 & D2	$5 \cdot 10^5$	D channels on high gain
D3	$6 \cdot 10^6$	
D4	10^4	

The state of the D channels gain is determined from the information given in the flag words.

In the case of the top channels which are not influenced by cloud, the 4 samples for each major frame are averaged to give a single value corresponding to the 16 seconds of the major frame. The calibrated radiances consist of a total of 49 words corresponding to 5 16-second averages for the top channels, plus 4 x 11 samples corresponding to the remaining lower channels.

The ordering is as follows:

16 second radiances

channels B1 to B4, A1

4 second radiances (4 samples/channel)

channels A2 to A4

C1 to C4

D1 to D4

Any slot set to zero implies that the corresponding signal has been rejected for one or other quality criterion. The flag word 5, bit 2⁰ should be checked that it contains a one, or else all calibrated radiance slots will contain raw ramps and not radiances. This situation occurs during calibration sequences.

13. The ramps represent the raw signal information. Each observation consists of 5 samples (called S1 to S5) taken on an integration ramp, the samples are 200 mSec apart. The ramp signal is taken as corresponding to an 800 mSec integration period, i.e.

$$\text{Ramp} = S5 - S1.$$

Where the magnitude of the signal is such that the upper sample exceeds the dynamic range of the telemetry, i.e. $S5 > 1023$, we may make use of the other samples suitably scaled, i.e.

$$\text{Ramp} = \frac{4}{3}(S4-S1) = 2(S3-S1) = 4(S2-S1).$$

The possibility of the lower sample S1 being corrupt is also allowed, i.e.

$$\text{Ramp} = \frac{4}{3}(S5-S2) \text{ and so on.}$$

The ordering of the ramps is identical to that of the 49 calibrated radiances (see note 12). Again the top channels B1 to B4 and A1 represent major frame averages, and the remainder 4 second observations.

14. The construction of the B difference channel radiances, together with the smoothing algorithm is described in detail in reference 1. The 'de-clouding' of the A channels involves constructing an envelope radiance indicating the signal one would expect from the A channels in the absence of cloud. This is described in reference 1.

15. Pitch, roll and yaw rate are taken from the Header Block as received at Oxford. See reference 2.

16. Sea surface temperature/geography.

Over land areas, this word represents the mean surface height tabulated for a 1° latitude/longitude grid. Over ocean areas, this word contains the mean climatological sea-surface temperature tabulated for a $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ latitude/longitude grid for monthly intervals (see reference 3). The two cases are distinguished as follows:

If this word is positive then we have land - mean height is given in units of 100 feet.

If this word is negative then we have ocean - mean sea-surface temperature is the absolute magnitude in units of tenths of a $^{\circ}\text{C}$.

17. The field of view compensator (FOVC) ramp gives a quick indication of FOVC working correctly. FOVC drive is sampled once per second, its motion repeats every 4 seconds.

FOVC ramp = Sample 4 - Sample 1

averaged for the 4 ramps each major frame.

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		# OF RECORDS RETRIED	0	TOTAL # OF RETRIES	0				

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