Software Interface Specification

Voyager Jupiter Radio Science Raw Data Archive (REDR)

(restoration from Voyager Radio Science Team archives)

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

ASCII American Standard Code for Information Interchange

CCT computer-compatible tape

CD-ROM compact disc, read-only memory

DSN NASA Deep Space Network

DSS Deep Space Station (antenna and associated facilities)

GB gigabyte GHz gigaHertz

HGA high-gain antenna

JPL Jet Propulsion Laboratory

LID logical identifier

LIDVID versioned logical identifier

MB megabyte

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NAIF Navigation Ancillary Information Facility

OCC occultation

ODA Occultation Data Assembly
ODR Original Data Record¹

PDF (Adobe Systems) Portable Data Format

PDS Planetary Data System
PDS3 PDS Standards, version 3
PDS4 PDS Standards, version 4

POCA Programmable Oscillator Control Assembly

RCP right-circular polarization

RDA Raw Data Archive

REDR Reconstructed Data Record

RMS Ring Moon Systems (PDS discipline node)

RS radio science

RSS Radio Science Subsystem
RSST Radio Science Support Team

RST Radio Science Team

S S-band (a frequency near 2.3 GHz)

s/c spacecraft

SCAT scatter (as in ring scattering observations)
SETI Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence

SIS Software Interface Specification

SPICE information system produced by the NAIF Team

USO ultra-stable oscillator

¹ The Original Data Record (ODR) is the output from DSN receivers used to acquire open-loop radio science data during Voyager encounters with Jupiter. It should not be confused with a 'processing level', also called ODR, and sometimes used by PDS.

VG, VGR Voyager VG1 Voyager 1

VG1J Voyager 1 Jupiter

VG2 Voyager 2

VG2J Voyager 2 Jupiter VID version identifier

X X-band (a frequency near 8.4 GHz)

XML eXtensible Markup Language

1 Introduction

1.1 Document Overview

This Software Interface Specification (SIS) describes the format and content of two bundles within the Voyager (VGR) Jupiter Radio Science (RS) Raw Data Archive (RDA) after restoration from original holdings of the Voyager Radio Science Team. The data are from radio science observations with the Voyager 1 spacecraft and NASA Deep Space Network (DSN) facilities near Madrid, Spain, (DSS-63) during the Jupiter encounter in March 1979 (VG1J) and with Voyager 2 and DSN facilities near Barstow, California, (DSS-14) during the Jupiter encounter in July 1979 (VG2J). The bundles conform to Planetary Data System standards version 4 (PDS4) [1]. The restorations to PDS4 were carried out in 2021-3 with support from the PDS Ring Moon Systems (RMS) node.

1.2 Data Overview

The two bundles are distinguished by spacecraft (Voyager 1 or 2). Bundle contents are summarized in Table 1.2-1. Within each bundle are several collections, summarized in Table 1.2-2. This document applies to both bundles. Investigations were occultations (OCC) targeting the neutral atmosphere and ionosphere [6, 7]. Searches for a ring signature and for an 'evolute flash' were conducted; neither was detected [8, 9]. The observing geometry is illustrated in Figure 1.2-1.

Table 1.2-1: Bundles within the Voyager Jupiter Radio Science Raw Data Archive												
bundle_id	Investigations	Dates										
voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw	осс	1979-064										
Voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw	осс	1979-191										

1.3 Experiment Overview

In each experiment the spacecraft transmitted an unmodulated carrier referenced to the output frequency of an on-board ultra-stable oscillator (USO). As the signal passed through Jupiter's atmosphere, it was refracted, absorbed, and/or scattered (Figure 1.2-1). Refraction may be interpreted in terms of the temperature and pressure in a neutral atmosphere or the electron density in an ionosphere. Changes in signal intensity may be attributed to refraction, diffraction, and/or presence of absorbing materials in the atmosphere. In the deep atmosphere, the spacecraft antenna pointing was offset to compensate for predicted refraction.

The raw data were outputs from receivers connected to the DSN antenna, which were digitally sampled and recorded (Figure 1.2-1). Two receivers were operated in parallel — at S-band (13 cm wavelength) and X-band (3.6 cm wavelength), both capturing the signal in right-circular

polarization (RCP). The sample streams were combined with housekeeping data so that a single computer-compatible tape (CCT) held 200 seconds of Voyager 1 data or 400 seconds of Voyager 2 data.

Table 1.2-2: Collections within Voyager Jupiter RS RDA Bundles											
collection_id	Product Contents	Number of Products									
		VG1J	VG2J								
data	8-bit samples of radio receiver output (binary and ASCII)	54	41								
browse	Quick-look plots illustrating content of each ODR (in PDF/A format); tables of received signal strength and frequency	56	43								
calib_freq	Estimates of USO frequency	1	1								
context	References to context products, which are maintained elsewhere	O ²	0 ²								
geometry	Geometry files in non-SPICE formats, including spacecraft trajectory and antenna pointing reconstructions	4	4								
document	Documents relevant to use of data files	3 ²	2 ²								

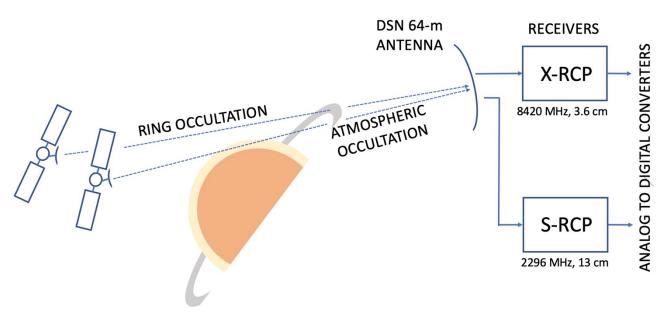


Figure 1.2-1. Observational geometry for data collection at Jupiter. As the spacecraft passed behind the planet, its S- and X-band signals were refracted by the atmosphere, causing an apparent Doppler shift at the receiving station. During occultation by Jupiter's rings, signal intensity might have been reduced and frequency might have been spread when scattered by ring particles; but neither was observed.

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² Number includes only primary member products of the collection; additional, secondary, members are included by reference to products already archived elsewhere in PDS.

1.4 Example Data

Figure 1.4-1 is an example of partially processed S-RCP data from the Voyager 1 ingress occultation. For each raw data file in the *data* collection, there are two such four-panel plots in the *browse* collection (one plot for S-RCP and a second plot for X-RCP).

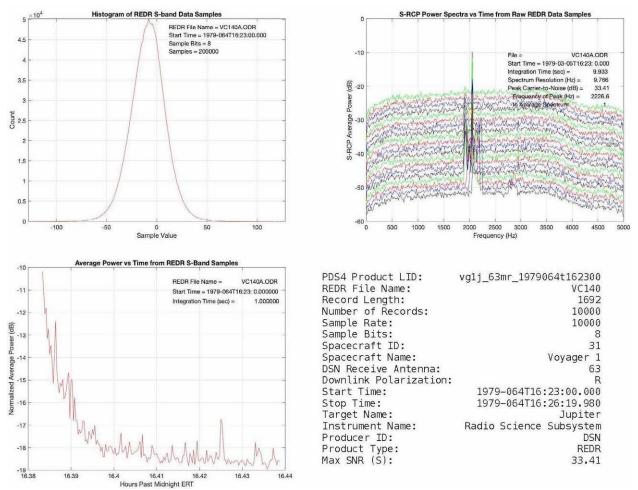


Figure 1.4-1: Example data from the beginning of the Voyager 1 S-RCP Jupiter ingress occultation. Upper left: histogram of raw data sample values. Lower left: Power versus time in sample values —one second averages of squared sample values after removal of the mean. Upper right: Power spectra (0-5 kHz); each trace is an average over 10 seconds. Time increases from bottom to top.

Raw data files have real 8-bit samples; sampling rate was 10000 samples per second at S-band and 30000 samples per second at X-band. The samples were interleaved and combined with housekeeping information in a single digital file of 10000 1692-byte records for Voyager 1 and 20000 1692-byte records for Voyager 2. Table 1.2-2 shows the total number of ODR products for each encounter.

1.5 Applicable Documents

This document references the following:

- [1] PDS4 Information Model Specification, version 1.16.0.0, April 23, 2021 (https://pds.nasa.gov/datastandards/documents/im/current/index 1G00.html). See also Planetary Data System Standards Reference, JPL D-7669, Part 2, version 1.16.0, April 21, 2021 (https://pds.nasa.gov/datastandards/documents/sr/current/StdRef 1.16.0.pdf)
- [2] REDR Formats for Voyager Radio Occultation Data from Jupiter (https://pds-geosciences.wustl.edu/radiosciencedocs/urn-nasa-pds-radiosci documentation/dsn redr/dsn redr.2021-07-31.xml)
- [3] Interpretation and Use of Binary REDR Data (https://pds-geosciences.wustl.edu/radiosciencedocs/urn-nasa-pds-radiosci documentation/dsn redr/redr unpack.xml)
- [4] Berman, A. L., and G. L. Tyler, Reconstruction of Downlink Frequency from Open-Loop Data, JPL IOM ALB-78-133, 22 November 1978. (https://pds-geosciences.wustl.edu/radiosciencedocs/urn-nasa-pds-radiosci_documentation/document/berman.1978.xml)
- [5] Eshleman, V. R., G. L. Tyler, J. D. Anderson, G. Fjeldbo, G. S. Levy, G. E. Wood, and T. A. Croft, Radio Science Investigations with Voyager, *Space Science Reviews*, volume 21, Issue 2, pp. 207-232 (1977). doi: 10.1007/BF00200851.
- [6] Eshleman, V. R., G. L. Tyler, G. E. Wood, G. F. Lindal, J. D. Anderson, G. S. Levy, and T. A. Croft, Radio Science with Voyager 1 at Jupiter: Preliminary Profiles of the Atmosphere and Ionosphere, *Science*, 204, pp. 976-978, 1979.
- [7] Eshleman, V. R., G. L. Tyler, G. E. Wood, G. F. Lindal, J. D. Anderson, G. S. Levy, and T. A. Croft, Radio Science with Voyager at Jupiter: Initial Voyager 2 Results and a Voyager 1 Measure of the Io Torus, *Science*, 206, pp. 959-962, 1979.
- [8] Tyler, G. L., E. A. Marouf, and G. E. Wood, Radio occultation of Jupiter's ring: bounds on optical depth and particle size and a comparison with infrared and optical results, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 86, 8699-8703 (1981). doi 10.1029/JA086iA10p08699.
- [9] Martin, J. M., G. L. Tyler, V. R. Eshleman, G. E. Wood, and G. F. Lindal, A Search for the Radio Occultation Flash at Jupiter, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 86, pp. 8729-8732, 1981.

1.6 System Siting

1.6.1 Interface Location and Medium

The storage medium, including at least two backups, is determined by the PDS RMS Node. The user interface is through the PDS RMS web site (https://pds-rings.seti.org).

1.6.2 Data Sources, Destinations, and Transfer Methods

Bundles in the Voyager Jupiter RS RDA are aggregations of products generated by various elements of the DSN, the Voyager Project, the Voyager Radio Science Team (RST), the Voyager Radio Science Support Team (RSST), and others. The original data were delivered on CCTs to the Voyager RST at Stanford University, where they were maintained by Richard Simpson, an Associate Member of the RST. In 2020 he relocated to the SETI Institute, where he assembled the files into the PDS4 Voyager Jupiter RS RDA. All transfers during the final steps were electronic.

1.6.3 Generation Method and Frequency

The Voyager Jupiter RS RDA bundles have one primary observational data type — the Original Data Record (ODR), stored in the *data* collection (Table 1.2-2). In some documentation, the data acquisition system is called the Occultation Data Assembly (ODA) and the data are described as ODA records. Elsewhere, the Voyager Jupiter format is described as the REDR (Reconstructed Data Record) format.

The ODR format evolved over time; ODRs during the Voyager Jupiter era were quite different from ODRs during the Voyager Neptune era, when CCTs were being supplanted by electronic transfers. However, all ODRs were binary files. In the late 1970s and early 1980s they were often recorded on high-speed magnetic tape during data acquisition, then replayed at slower speed and copied to CCTs for delivery to science investigators.

Quick-look plots showing contents of the ODRs were originally generated by the Voyager Radio Science Team at Stanford. Those existed only as paper plots in the Jupiter era; new plots (such as Figure 1.4-1) have been generated as PDF/A-1b files for the PDS4 archive and are stored in the *browse* collection.

Estimates of the USO frequency at specific times during the mission for both Voyager 1 and Voyager 2 are included in the *calib_freq* collection as a memo in ASCII format. Receiver tuning at the DSN station was controlled by the Programmable Oscillator Control Assembly (POCA); the relationships among POCA values (included in the ODR records), the sky frequency, and the frequency observed in the sample output are described by a second memo [4].

Non-SPICE geometry files are in the *geometry* collection, which includes (1) one ASCII file with position and velocity data for selected targets with respect to the spacecraft and (2) a pair of files (one binary, one ASCII) with reconstructed high-gain antenna (HGA) pointing vectors, which are

required to interpret radio occultation data in the deep atmosphere. SPICE geometry files may be found at https://naif.jpl.nasa.gov/naif/data outer.html

The *document* collection includes files which describe the Voyager mission, the radio science operations plan, and the archive (this document). DSN document collections which describe radio science data formats that are mission independent — for example, [2]-[4] — are included as secondary members of the Voyager RS RDA collections.

1.7 Assumptions and Constraints

1.7.1 Usage Constraints

Access to Voyager RS RDA bundles is determined by PDS.

1.7.2 Documentation Conventions

1.7.2.1 Data Format Descriptions

Since formats vary widely among data/file types, users should consult product labels for details. Files containing receiver samples and housekeeping data are described by [2]; example conversions of binary to ASCII formats are given in [3].

1.7.2.3 Limits of This Document

This document applies only to PDS4 bundles containing Voyager radio science raw data collected during the Jupiter encounters.

2 Interface Characteristics

2.1 Hardware Characteristics and Limitations

2.1.1 Special Equipment and Device Interfaces

The PDS4 version of the Voyager Jupiter RS RDA is posted on the PDS/RMS web site. Users of the data must have access to systems which can connect with the web site.

2.1.2 Special Set-Up Requirements

None.

2.2 Volume and Size

Typical ODR data files are 16.92 MB for Voyager 1 and 33.84 MB for Voyager 2. ASCII files with S-band samples are slightly smaller than the parent ODR files (15.7 MB and 31.4 MB for Voyager 1 and Voyager 2, respectively). ASCII files with X-band samples are slightly smaller than three times the ODR sizes (47.1 MB and 94.2 MB, respectively). Other files are small by comparison. There are 54 ODRs in the Voyager 1 bundle, making the bundle volume approximately 4.4 GB. There are 41 ODRs in the Voyager 2 bundle, making that bundle approximately 6.8 GB.

2.3 Labeling and Identification

2.3.1 External Labels

There is no external labeling of the Voyager Jupiter RS RDA bundles; these archives are stored electronically on systems managed by the PDS RMS Node.

2.3.2 Internal Labels

Voyager Jupiter RS RDA bundles, collections, and products are identified by logical and version identifiers (LIDs and VIDs, respectively) constructed in accordance with PDS4 standards [1]. These identifiers are described further in Section 3 of this document.

2.4 Interface Medium Characteristics

The Voyager Jupiter RS RDA bundles are posted on the PDS RMS Node web site; the storage media and methods are determined by PDS/RMS.

2.5 Backup and Duplicates

The entire content of each Voyager Jupiter RS RDA bundle is backed up following procedures developed by PDS/RMS in accordance with PDS policies.

3 Structure and Organization Overview

3.1 Logical Organization

The Voyager Jupiter RS RDA is organized into two bundles as specified in Table 1.2-1. Each bundle has six collections (Table 1.2-2). The members of collections are data products, each including its own label written in the eXtensible Markup Language (XML). The members of each collection are listed in a collection Inventory, which is accompanied by an XML label. The bundle has a label which lists the member collections, but there is no separate inventory file. Figure 3.1-1 illustrates the logical structure for the Voyager 1 Jupiter bundle. The logical structures for the Voyager 2 Jupiter bundle is identical except that the value for <bundle_id> in the upper left is voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw.

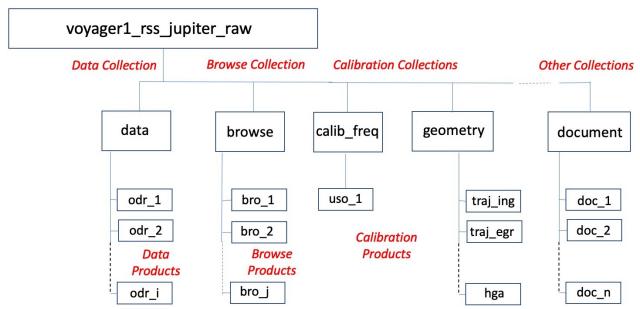


Figure 3-1.1. Logical structure of the Voyager 1 Jupiter bundle, which has one data collection, one browse collection, two calibration collections (frequency and geometry), one document collection, and one context collection (with only secondary members), which is not shown explicitly.

3.1.1 Bundles and Collections

The Logical Identifier (LID) for a bundle is constructed by appending the appropriate <bundle_id> from Table 1.2-1 to the PDS-specific root (urn:nasa:pds). Fields within the LID are delimited by ASCII colon characters. So long as the <bundle_id> value is unique within PDS, each bundle will be uniquely identified by its LID to all users of PDS and its archiving partners.

urn:nasa:pds:<bundle id>

For example, the LID for the Voyager 1 bundle in Figure 3.1-1 is

urn:nasa:pds:voyager1 rss jupiter raw

Collection LIDs are constructed by appending <collection_id> (Table 1.2-2) to the bundle LID. Because the bundle LID is unique, it follows that the collection LIDs are also unique.

```
urn:nasa:pds:<bundle id>:<collection id>
```

For example, the collection LIDs for the data (ODR) and document collections in Figure 3.1-1 are:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:data
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1 rss jupiter raw:document
```

3.1.2 Products

A product is one or more PDS4 data objects (e.g., digital files) and an associated, detached PDS4 label, which is written in XML and describes the data object(s). Product LIDs are constructed by appending product_id> to the collection LID. Because the collection LID is unique, it follows that the product LIDs are also unique.

```
urn:nasa:pds:<bundle_id>:<collection_id>:<product_id>
```

3.1.2.1 ODR and Browse Products

In the *data* collection, each product includes six files: the original binary ODR file, a file containing ASCII translations of each record header and trailer, a text file with terse titles for fields in the header/trailer file³, a file containing ASCII translations of each record's S-band data samples, a file containing ASCII translations of each record's X-band data samples, and an XML label.

In the *browse* collection, each product includes a summary plot of the S-band data from the associated ODR product (in PDF/A-1b format), a summary plot of the X-band data (PDF/A-1b), and a PDS4 label.

Identifiers for data (ODR) and browse products have the form

```
where

n = spacecraft number ("1" for Voyager 1, "2" for Voyager 2)

x = target ("j" for Jupiter)

aa = antenna number ("14" for DSS-14, "63" for DSS-63)

b = band ("s" for S-band, "x" for X-band, "m" for both)

p = polarization ("r" for RCP)

yyyy = year

ddd = day of year

hh = hour
```

³ The text file includes one record with field names and a second record with field formats.

```
mm = minute
ss = second
```

Examples of Voyager 1 Jupiter ODR and browse product LIDs derived from the same ODR are, respectively:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:data:vg1j_63mr_1979064t161300
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:browse:vg1j_63mr_1979064t161300
```

Although the collection_id> values are distinct. The value for b (band) in both cases is "m" because each product contains both S-band and X-band data objects.

In addition to the plot products, each *browse* collection also includes a pair of tables containing estimates of received signal strength and frequency. There is one table for ingress and a second table for egress. The Voyager 1 LIDs for the tables are, respectively:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:browse:vg1_radio_ing
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1 rss jupiter raw:browse:vg1 radio egr
```

3.1.2.2 Frequency Calibration Products

There is one product in the *calib_freq* collection; its Voyager 1 LID is:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1 rss jupiter raw:calib freq:vgr uso
```

The Voyager 2 product has the same LID except for the bundle id:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2 rss jupiter raw:calib freq:vgr uso
```

3.1.2.3 Geometry Products

Logical identifiers for products in the Voyager 1 geometry collection are as follows:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vg1_traj_ing
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vg1_traj_egr
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vh008a
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vh008b
```

The first two products are non-SPICE trajectory reconstructions for ingress and egress, respectively. The second two are high-gain antenna pointing reconstructions in ASCII and binary formats, respectively.

For Voyager 2 the corresponding LIDs are

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vg2_traj_ing
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vg2_traj_egr
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vu001a
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw:geometry:vu001b
```

3.1.2.4 Document Products

Logical identifiers for primary members of the Voyager 1 document collection are as follows:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:document:mission (mission overview)
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:document:vg1j_hga (HGA pointing)
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:document:sis_vgr_rs (this document)
```

The Voyager 2 *document* collection includes the mission overview and the archive volume SIS; but there is no document describing the high-gain antenna pointing reconstruction. The LIDs are:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw:document:mission (mission overview) urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw:document:sis_vgr_rs (this document)
```

The *document* collection also includes several products which are physically not included in the Voyager Jupiter RS RDA. They are listed in the collection_document.csv file as secondary members and can be found at

https://pds-geosciences.wustl.edu/radiosciencedocs/urn-nasa-pds-radiosci documentation/

3.1.3 Versioning

A version identifier (VID) may be appended to a logical identifier to specify one of several versions of the same bundle, collection, or product [1]. The combination is called a versioned identifier (LIDVID). LIDVIDs are used to locate specific products within PDS; every version of every product within PDS has a unique LIDVID. VIDs are separated from LIDs by a double colon ("::") and have the form M.n where M and n are integers. All versions are 1.0 in the initial release of Voyager Jupiter RS RDA bundles. Example LIDVIDs are shown below:

```
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:calib_freq:vgr_uso::1.0
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:document:sis_vgr_rs::1.0
urn:nasa:pds:voyager1_rss_jupiter_raw:data::1.0 (collection LIDVID)
urn:nasa:pds:voyager2_rss_jupiter_raw::1.0 (bundle LIDVID)
```

3.1.4 Labels

Each digital data object is accompanied by a PDS4 label, which describes the data object and is written in XML. In many cases in the Voyager Jupiter RS RDA a single label will describe multiple data objects. In a few cases (*e.g.*, the Bundle product), the label may exist by itself since the data object is either 'physical' or 'conceptual'. A typical label includes sections which identify the

associated data file(s) (by file name, version identifier, modification history, time and/or spatial coverage, etc.), provide references to other relevant information (journal articles, observing system, target description, etc.), and describe the format of the file(s) at the bit level, if necessary. PDS4 labels are digital files in their own right; their file names are the product_id> as described above with the extension ".xml" appended.

3.2 Physical Organization

3.2.1 File Naming and Conversions

Both within this document and within the archive itself bundle, collection, and product file names (including both digital data objects and their labels) are lower case.

File names are of the form "filename.ext" where the base "filename" contains up to 27 characters and "ext" contains 3-4 characters. The allowable characters for PDS file names are "az", "0-9", and the underscore "_". Extensions are "dat" for binary files, "tab" for tables with fixed-length records, "txt" for text files, and "pdf" for PDF/A document and browse files. Other extensions (e.q., "docx") are available for document files.

In addition to the various data files and their labels identified in the sections below, each collection has a collection Inventory file (collection*.csv) and label (collection*.xml).

3.2.1.1. ODR and Browse Product File Names

Base file names are constructed according to the procedure outlined in Section 3.1.2.1; the base file name is followed by an ASCII period "." and a file name extension. The value for b (band) in the base file name is "s" if the file contains only S-band data, "x" if the file contains only X-band data, or "m" if the file contains data for both bands. File name extensions in these two collections are listed below. Header files (including the file with field names) and label files use "m" for band.

dat original binary ODR file

hdr file containing ASCII translations of ODR header and trailer records

pdf PDF/A-1b file with 4-panel browse plots

file containing ASCII translations of receiver sample values from an ODR, or an ASCII table of receiver signal strength and frequency values in a browse collection

txt text file with terse field names to accompany the hdr file

xml PDS4 label file

For example, the following six files constitute one PDS4 product:

vc134a.odr original ODR file (binary)
vg1j_63mr_1979064t123001.hdr header/trailer data (ASCII)
vg1j_63sr_1979064t123001.tab S-band receiver samples (ASCII)

```
      vg1j_63xr_1979064t123001.tab
      X-band receiver samples (ASCII)

      vg1j_63mr_1979064t123001.xml
      PDS4 XML label (ASCII)

      vg1j_63mr_1979064t123001.txt
      field headers for hdr file (ASCII)
```

3.2.1.2 Frequency Calibration Product File Names

Each product in the *calib_freq* collection is a digital data object paired with a PDS4 label. The file name pair for the product in the *calib freq* collection is:

```
vgr_uso.txt vgr_uso.xml
```

3.2.1.3 Geometry Product File Names

Each product in the *geometry* collection is a digital data object paired with a PDS4 label. File name pairs for the trajectory and HGA products in the Voyager 1 *geometry* collection are:

```
vgl_traj_ing.tab vgl_traj_ing.xml
vgl_traj_egr.tab vgl_traj_egr.xml
vh008a.tab vh008a.xml
vh008b.tab. vh008b.xml
```

3.2.1.4 Document Product File Names

Each product in the *document* directory is a PDS4 label plus one or more digital data objects. For example, the mission description document includes a label plus the document in two formats. The three file names are:

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mission.pdf mission.txt mission.xml
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3.2.2 File Conversions

Binary files can be difficult to read; this is particularly true when the binary format is no longer supported on contemporary platforms. Voyager Jupiter ODRs used 'packed' formats to minimize storage requirements; reconstructions of Voyager high-gain antenna pointing were delivered using Univac 36-bit binary integers.

3.2.2.1 ODR Conversions

A typical ODR file has 10000 (VG1J) or 20000 (VG2J) binary records. Each record includes a 12-byte header, followed by 200 8-bit samples of receiver output from each of four analog-to-digital converters (800 total samples), followed by an 80-byte trailer. The receiver samples are stored in groups of four — the first from the S-band receiver, the next three from the X-band receiver. As part of the PDS4 archiving task, the headers and trailers from each ODR were extracted and written to an ASCII file. The binary data samples were converted to ASCII and were written to a

pair of separate files (one for S-band, one for X-band), each with 20 samples per line. The original binary format of the ODR is described in [2]. Conversion to ASCII is described in [3]; the conversion document is accompanied by an example.

Browse products were derived from the S-band and X-band ASCII files of receiver samples. There is one four-panel summary plot (*e.g.*, Figure 1.4-1) from the S-band samples and a separate plot from the X-band samples. A single PDS4 label file describes the pair of plots.

3.2.2.1 HGA Pointing Reconstruction Conversions

High-gain antenna (HGA) pointing reconstructions were delivered to the Voyager Radio Science Team in Univac binary format (18 36-bit integers per record); the final reconstruction was converted to ASCII for this archive.

3.2.3 Directories

PDS4 products are stored in directory structures determined by the PDS/RMS node. The PDS4 Registry can locate bundles, collections, and products as needed by users. No further information can be provided here.

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5 Frrata and User Notes

The following errors/anomalies apply to the PDS4 archive. Notes of possible use, prompted by the peer review of the PDS4 bundles, have been added in section 5.4.

5.1 Bad or Missing Data

5.1.1 Unreadable Records

While Voyager Jupiter data were held at Stanford, the binary data were transferred from magnetic tape to CD-ROM for better long-term storage. When a record could not be read from tape, the CD-ROM file was terminated, and a new file was started with the first readable record after the error. For example, records 69 and 70 could not be read from tape VC139; the file VC139A was created with 68 records, and the file VC139B became the continuation and had 9930 records. During creation of the PDS4 archive, two replacement records were fabricated, then inserted between VC139A and VC139B. The restored VC139X appears in this archive with 10000 records, two of which are dummy records. Values in header and trailer fields of the replacement records were adjusted for continuous transitions; the value in field 6 of the binary file (field 3 of the ASCII header/trailer file) was set to '2' in replacement records. Sample values from the receivers were set to zero. Table 5.1.1-1 lists Voyager 1 products with replacement records. There were no replacement records in the Voyager 2 files.

Tak	ole 5.1.1-1: Listing of Files with Re	eplacement Records (in time order)
Tape ID	Fabricated Record(s)	PDS4 LID
VC139	69 , 70	vg1j 63mr 1979064t161940
VC146	276, 470	vg1j 63mr 1979064t164300
VC169	9875 , 9876	vg1j_63mr_1979064t175940
VC170	5672 , 5673	vg1j_63mr_1979064t180300

5.1.2 Tape/File Naming Variations

Tapes delivered to the Voyager Radio Science Team were labeled VCnnn (Voyager 1) and VPnnn (Voyager 2), as described above and as used in Appendices A and B. Suffixes were added to identify variations on the original files. These modified names may appear within the archive (especially in panels of browse plots). Users may use the root (VCnnn or VPnnn) to determine origins. Within the PDS4 archive, products and files are identified as described in Section 3 of this document.

5.1.3 Duplicate and Missing Files

The CD-ROM files in Table 5.1.3-1 contain identical data; the reason(s) for duplication are not known. Only one copy of these data (from VC149) has been included in the PDS4 archive.

	Table 5.1.3-1: Listing of Tape	s/Files with Duplicate Records
Tape ID	Duplicate Record(s)	PDS4 LID
VC149	All	vglj_63mr_1979064t165300
VC150	All	vg1j 63mr 1979064t165300
VC151	All	vg1j 63mr 1979064t165300
VC152	All	vg1j_63mr_1979064t165300
VC153	All	vg1j_63mr_1979064t165300

The following time period is not covered by any Voyager 1 tape or CD-ROM file. The reason for the gap is not known. There are no known gaps in the Voyager 2 data.

	Table 5.1.3-2: Data Gaps
Data Gap	Notes
179-064T16:53:29	There may have been a tape copying error in the time between 1979-
to	064T16:53:00 and 1979-064T17:09:40. Five tapes covered the first 29
1979-064T17:09:40	seconds (Table 5.1.2-1) and none covered the remaining 971 seconds.
	This gap is more than 20 minutes after the ground station lost the Voyager
	1 signal in the deep atmosphere.

5.2 Buffer delays

Because of buffering in the recording process, samples may be delayed by 1-2 sample positions (a few microseconds) compared with the record time tag in ODR files.

Similarly, POCA readings are delayed 1-2 seconds compared to time tags.

No corrections for buffer delays have been applied during the archiving process.

5.3 Truncations for Creating Browse Products

In four cases, the file was temporarily truncated to an even number of seconds to allow generation of the browse product (VC145, VC149, VP095, and VP096). The original file (with all records) is retained in the *data* collection.

5.4 User Notes

The following notes have been added following peer review of the PDS4 bundles. They are suggestions, based on limited knowledge of the people involved in the restoration. They should not be considered definitive since the correct answers have been lost in the passage of time.

5.4.1 Receiver Operation

Open loop receiver operation is described in [4]. For example, the DSS 63 VG1J data start at 12:30:01 UTC. If the S-band transmitted frequency was

$$f_{tx} = (3/11) * 8414995272.53 = 2.29499871069e9$$

(from calib_freq:vgr_uso.txt in this archive), then the expected baseband frequency in the samples should be [4]

$$f_b = f_{tx} - 48*f_{po} - 3e8 = 730.37 Hz$$

where

$$f_{po} = 4.15624579232e+07 Hz$$

is 'commanded_frequency' in the first row of <code>data/vg1j_63mr_1979064r123001.tab</code> in this archive. The value of f_{tx} used here is the best estimate for Voyager 1 at Titan. Refining the estimate to correct for drift since the Jupiter encounter and then incorporating Doppler effects, timing/frequency errors, and other calibrations is well beyond the scope of this restoration effort. Nonetheless, $f_b = 730.37$ Hz is only ~1300 Hz different from the signal position in <code>browse/vg1j 63sr 1979064r123001.jpg</code>.

Note that 'commanded frequency' is related to 'synthesizer count' at t+n seconds (O_{t+n}) and 'sweep rate' (SR) by [2]

$$f_{po} = 4e+07 + [(O_{t+n} - O_t - 0.5*SR*n^2)/n]$$

Appendix A Tape/File Index – Voyager 1 at Jupiter

The table below lists Voyager 1 Jupiter radio science raw data files in chronological order. Except as noted, each file contained 10000 records, covering 200 seconds.

The columns give (left to right):

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YYYY Earth receive time at start time of the file (UTC year)
DDD Earth receive time at start time of the file (UTC day of year)
HH
       Earth receive time at start time of the file (UTC hour)
MM
       Earth receive time at start time of the file (UTC minute)
SS
       Earth receive time at start time of the file (UTC second)
SECS Earth receive time at start time of the file (UTC cumulative seconds since 0<sup>h</sup> UTC)
TAPE Identifier of the computer-compatible tape delivered to the Voyager Radio Science Team.
       DSN ground station recording the radio science data
DD
       Frequency band of the data in the file ("S" for 13 cm, "X" for 3.5 cm, "M" for both)
В
P
       Polarization of the data in the file ("R" for right circular, RCP; "L" for left circular, LCP)
S/C
       Spacecraft ("VG1" for Voyager 1, "VG2" for Voyager 2)
Т
       Target ("J" for Jupiter)
LID
       Logical identifier for the PDS4 archive, constructed in the form
         vgnx aabp yyyydddthhmmss
              where
                             = spacecraft number ("1" for Voyager 1, "2" for Voyager 2)
                      n
                             = target ("j" for Jupiter)
                      X
                              = antenna number ("14" for DSS-14, "63" for DSS-63)
                      ลล
                             = band ("s" for S-band, "x" for X-band, "m" for both)
                      b
                             = polarization ("r" for RCP. "l" for LCP)
                              = year ("1979")
                      уууу
                             = day of year
                      ddd
                      hh
                             = hour
                             = minute
                      mm
                             = second
                      SS
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	 DDD	 HH	 MM	 SS	SECS	 TAPE	 DD	 B	 P	 s/c	 T	L:	ID	NOT:	 ES
													 979064t123001		 r test
												vg1j_63mr_19	 979064t123321	Pre-encounte	 r test
1979	 064 	 12 	+ 36 	++ 41 	45401	++ VC195 	+ 63 	+-+ M 	-+ R 	VG1	+-+ J 	vg1j_63mr_1	 979064t123641 	 Pre-encounte 9930 records	
11979	064	16	03	001	57780	VC134	63	M	RI	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	 979064t160300		
1979	064	16	06	20	57980	VC135	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t160620		 !
1979	064	16	09	40	58180	VC136	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t160940		 !
11979	064	16	13	001	58380	VC137	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t161300		
11979	064	16	16	20	58580	VC138	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t161620		
1979	064	16	19	40	58780	VC139 	63 	M 	R 	VG1	J 		979064t161940	69 , 70	 records at
1979	064	16	23	001	58980	VC140	63	M	R	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t162300		
11979	064	16	26	20	59180	VC141	63	M	RI	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t162620	 	
11979	064	16	29	40	59380	VC142	63	M	RΙ	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t162940	 	
11979	064	16	33	00	59580	VC143	63	M	R	VG1	J		979064t163300		 !
11979	064	16	36	20	59780	VC144	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t163620		 !
11979	064	16	39	40	59980	VC145	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t163940		
1979 	064 	16 	43	00 	60180	VC146 	63 	M 	R 	VG1	J 		979064t164300	Replacement	records at
1979	064	16	46	20	60380		63	M	RI	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t164620		
1979	064	16	49	40	60580	VC148	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t164940		
11979	064	16	53	001	60780	VC149	63	M	RI	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t165300	1448 records	
i	'	'							·	GAP	IN	COVERAGE			
1979	064	17	09	40	61780	VC154	63	M	RI	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t170940		
1979	064	17	13	001	61980	VC155	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t171300		
1979	064	17	16	20	62180	VC156	63	M	R	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t171620		
1979	064	17	19	40	62380		63	M	RI	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t171940		,
1979	064	17	23	00	62580	VC158	63	M	R	VG1	J		979064t172300		i
1979	064	17	26	20	62780	VC159	63	M	RI	VG1	J		979064t172620		i
11979	064	17	29	40	62980	VC160	63	M	R	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	 979064t172940		i
11979	064	17	33	001	63180	VC161	63	M	R	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	979064t173300		į
1979	064	17	36	20	63380	VC162	63	M	R	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	 979064t173620		i
11979	064	17	39	40	63580	VC163	63	M	R	VG1	J		979064t173940		i i
1979	064	17	43	001	63780	VC164	63	M	R	VG1	J	vg1j_63mr_19	 979064t174300 		i

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						VC165 +						_	_	979064t1746	20 +	
1979	064	17	49	40	64180		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr	_1	979064t1749	40 	
1979	064	17	53	00	64380	VC167	63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr		979064t1753	00	
1979	064	17	56	20	64580		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr		979064t1756	20	
			59 	40	64780	++ VC169	63	M 1	R VG:	1 J 	vg1j 	_63mr	_1		40 Replacement 9875, 9876	records at
			03 03	00	64980	VC170	63	 M : 	r VG: 	1 J 	vg1j 		_1		00 Replacement 5672, 5673	records at
1979	064	18	06	20	65180		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_	_1	979064t1806	'	
1979	064	18	09	40	65380	VC172	63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr		979064t1809	40	
1979	064	18	13	001	65580		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr	_	979064t1813	+ 00	
1979	064	18	16	20	65780		63	M	R VG:	1 J				979064t1816	+ 20	
1979	064	18	19	40	65980		63	M	R VG	1 J				979064t1819	+ 40	
1979	064	18	23	00	66180		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr	_1	979064t1823	+ 00	
1979	064	18	26	20	66380		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1	_63mr	_1	979064t1826	+ 20	
1979	064	18	29	40	66580		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1j	_63mr	_1	979064t1829	+ 40	
1979	064	18	33	00	66780		63	M	R VG	1 J	vg1	_63mr		979064t1833	+ 00	
						+ VC180							 :_1	979064t1836	+ 20	
						++ VC181								979064t1839	+ 40	
			'			+ VC182							 : 1	979064t1843	+ 00	
			'			+ VC183						 63mr		979064t1846	+ 20	
			'			+ VC184							 	979064t1849	+ 40	
	+					+		+-+	-+	-+-	+		-=-		+	
	+			H+		+		+-+	-+	-+-	+				+	
	+			H		+		+-+	-+	-+-	+				+	
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Appendix B Tape/File Index – Voyager 2 at Jupiter

The table below lists Voyager 2 Jupiter radio science raw data files in chronological order. Except as noted, each file contained 20000 records, covering 400 seconds. See Appendix A for column definitions.

					SECS								NOTES	 3
1979	191	13	17	27	47847	VP095	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t131727	Pre-encounter	tests
1979 	191	13 	24	07	48247	VP096 	14	M 	R 	VG2	J 	vg2j_14mr_1979191t132407	Pre-encounter 4970 records	tests;
1979	191	19	50	57	71457	VP097	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t195057	 	
1979	191	19	57	37	71857	VP098	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t195737		
1979	191	20	04	17	72257	VP099	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t200417		
1979	191	20	10	57	72657	VP100	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t201057	 	
1979	191	20	17	37	73057	VP101	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t201737	 	
1979	191	20	24	17	73457	VP102	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t202417	 	
1979	191	20	30	57	73857	VP103	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t203057	, 	
1979	191	20	37	37	74257	VP104	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t203737		
1979	191	20	44	17	74657	VP105	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t204417	 	
1979	191	20	50	57	75057	VP106	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t205057	 	
1979	191	20	57	37	75457	VP107	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t205737	 	
1979	191	21	04	17	75857	VP108	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t210417	 	
1979	191	21	10	57	76257	VP109	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t211057	 	
1979	191	21	17	37	76657	VP158	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t211737		
1979	191	21	24	17	77057	VP159	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t212417	 	
1979	191	21	30	57	77457	VP093	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t213057	 	
1979	191	21	37	37	77857	VP111	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t213737	' 	
1979	191	21	44	17	78257	VP112	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t214417	' 	
1979	191	21	50	57	78657	VP160	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t215057	 	
1979	191	21	57	37	79057	VP114	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t215737		
1979	191	22	04	17	79457	VP115	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t220417	, - +	
1979	191	22	10	57	79857	VP116	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t221057		
1979	191	22	17	37	80257	VP117	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t221737		_
1979	191	22	24	17	80657	VP118	14	M	R	VG2	IJ	vg2j_14mr_1979191t222417	I	_
1979	191	22	30	57	81057	VP119	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t223057		
1979	191	22	37	37	81457	VP120	14	M	R	VG2	J	vg2j_14mr_1979191t223737	 	

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 1979 191 22 44 17 81857 VP121 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t224417 + ++
1979 191 22 50 57 82257 VP122 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t225057
 1979 191 23 04 17 83057 VP124 14 M R VG2 J Vg2j_14mr_1979191t230417
 1979 191 23 17 37 83857 VP126 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t231737
 1979 191 23 24 17 84257 VP127 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t232417
 1979 191 23 30 57 84657 VP128 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t233057
 1979 191 23 37 37 85057 VP129 14 M R VG2 J Vg2j_14mr_1979191t233737
 1979 191 23 44 17 85457 VP130 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t234417
 1979 191 23 50 57 85857 VP131 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t235057
1979 191 23 57 37 86257 VP132 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979191t235737
1979 192 00 04 17 00257 VP133 14 M R VG2 J vg2j_14mr_1979192t000417