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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of Description

This document provides a specification of the NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) L-SAR Level-2 (L2) Geocoded Unwrapped interferogram product to be generated by the NASA Science Data System (SDS) and provided to the Alaska Satellite Facility (ASF) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC). This data product is referenced by the short name GUNW.

1.2 Document Organization

Section 2 provides an overview of the product, including its purpose, and latency.

Section 3 provides the structure of the product, including granule definition, file organization, spatial resolution, temporal and spatial organization of the content.

Section 4 provides qualitative descriptions of the information provided in the product.

Section 5 provides a detailed identification of the individual fields within the GUNW product, including for example their units, size, and coordinates.

Section 6 provides a description of the metadata cube representation.

Appendix A provides a listing of the acronyms used in this document.

Appendix B provides a description of geolocation grids and projection systems used for the product.

1.3 Applicable and Reference Documents

Applicable documents levy requirements on areas addressed in this document. Reference documents are cited to provide additional information to readers. In case of conflict between the applicable documents and this document, the Project shall review the conflict to find the most effective resolution.

Applicable Documents

- [AD1] NISAR NASA SDS Level 4 Requirements, JPL D-95655, Rev A, February 06, 2024
- [AD2] NISAR NASA SDS Algorithm Development Plan, JPL D-95678, Initial, September 12, 2019
- [AD3] NISAR Science Data Management and Archive Plan, JPL D-80828, June 1, 2016
- [AD4] NISAR Science Management Plan, JPL D-76340, Rev A, August 14, 2018
- [AD5] NISAR SDS ADT Calibration and Validation Plan, JPL D-102256, Rev A, November 20, 2023
- [AD6] NISAR NASA SDS L4 Software Management Plan (SMP), JPL D-95656, Rev A, September 19, 2022
- [AD7] ISO-19115-2, https://www.iso.org/obp/ui/#iso:std:iso:19115:-2:ed-2:v1:en

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- [RD1] NISAR NASA SDS Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document, JPL D-95677, Rev A, November 12, 2023
- [RD2] EOSDIS Handbook, July 2016, retrieved from
- https://cdn.earthdata.nasa.gov/conduit/upload/5980/EOSDISHandbookWebFinaL2.pdf
- [RD3] NISAR SDS L-SAR File Naming Conventions, JPL D-102255, Rev B, April 28, 2023
- [RD4] NISAR L1_RSLC Product Specification Document, JPL D-102268, Rev C, February 07, 2024
- [RD5] HDF5 documentation at https://portal.hdfgroup.org/display/HDF5/HDF5
- [RD6] Eineder, M. (2003), Efficient simulation of SAR interferograms of large areas and of rugged terrain, IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing, 41(6), 1415-1427

2 PRODUCT OVERVIEW

2.1 Product Background

Each NASA SDS L0-L2 L-band product (Figure 2-1 and Table 2-1 Product dependency) is distributed as a single Hierarchical Data Format version 5 (HDF5, [RD5]) granule. All the metadata and imagery data are packaged in clearly defined sub-groups within the granule in compliance with the HDF5 specification [RD5]. The NISAR product level definitions are given in Table 2-2.

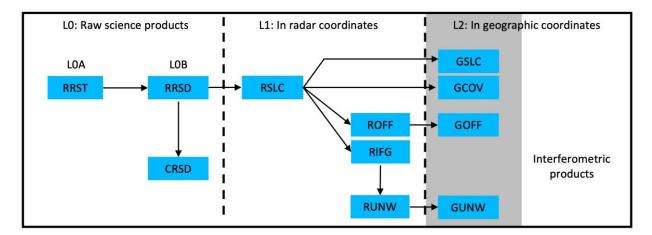


Figure 2-1 Product dependency.

| Product L0 | Scope | Description | Granule Size |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--|--|
| Radar Raw Science Telemetry (RRST) | Global | This L0A product contains the raw downlinked data delivered to SDS | By downlinked files |
| Radar Raw Signal Data (RRSD) | Global | pulse data derived from the RRST products and | By radar observation, i.e., continuous data collected in a single radar mode |
| Calibration Raw Signal Data (CRSD) | Global | calibration data | By radar datatake, i.e., a sequence of observations for one radar-on period |

Table 2-1. Key to product dependency diagram.

| Product L1 | Scope | Description | Granule Size |
|--|--|--|--|
| Range-Doppler Single Look Complex (RSLC) | Global | The L1 RSLC product contains focused SAR images in range-Doppler coordinates. The RSLC is input to other L1 and L2 products | On pre-defined track/frame. High-resolution modes will have a high-res RSLC product and a background resolution RSLC product |
| Range-Doppler Nearest- Time Interferogram (RIFG) | Antarctica, Greenland, and selected mountain glaciers. Nearest pair in time and co- pol channels only | Multi-looked interferogram in range-Doppler coordinates, ellipsoid and topographic phase flattened and formed with precise coregistration using geometrical offsets and high-resolution pixel offsets obtained from incoherent cross- correlation | On pre-defined track/frame |
| Range-Doppler Nearest- Time Pixel Offsets (ROFF) | Antarctica, Greenland, and selected mountain glaciers. Nearest pair in time and co- pol channels only | Unfiltered and unculled layers of pixel offsets in range-Doppler coordinates with different resolutions obtained from incoherent cross-correlation | On pre-defined track/frame |
| Range-Doppler Nearest- Time Unwrapped Interferogram (RUNW) | Antarctica, Greenland, and selected mountain glaciers. Nearest pair in time and co- pol channels only | Multi-looked unwrapped interferogram in range- Doppler coordinates, ellipsoid- and topography- flattened | On pre-defined track/frame |

| Product L2 | Scope | Description | Granule Size |
|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| Geocoded SLC (GSLC) | Global and all channels | Single Look Complex SAR image on geocoded map coordinate system | On pre-defined track/frame |
| Geocoded Nearest-Time Pixel Offsets (GOFF) | Antarctica, Greenland, selected mountain glaciers. Nearest pair in time and co-pol channels only | Unfiltered and unculled layers of pixel offsets with different resolutions obtained from incoherent cross-correlation and geocoded on map coordinate system | On pre-defined track/frame |
| Geocoded Nearest-Time Unwrapped Interferogram (GUNW) | Global. Nearest pair in time and co-pol channels only | Geocoded, multi-looked, ellipsoid and topography flattened unwrapped interferogram | On pre-defined track/frame |

| Product L2 | Scope | Description | Granule Size |
|---|-------|---|----------------------------|
| Geocoded Polarimetric Covariance Matrix (GCC | | Geocoded, multi-looked polarimetric covariance matrix | On pre-defined track/frame |

Table 2-2 NISAR product level descriptions defined by Science.

| Product Level | Description |
|---------------|---|
| Level 0A | Unprocessed instrument data with all communications artifacts removed, but without reconstruction of missing data and sorting of samples from the instrument. May still contain bit errors and missing data that needs reconstruction |
| Level 0B | Reconstructed, time ordered, unprocessed instrument data at original resolution |
| Level 1 | Processed instrument data, focused to full resolution complex images or derived radar parameters including interferometric phase and pixel offsets, in native radar coordinate system |
| Level 2 | Focused radar imagery or derived radar parameters projected to a map coordinate system |
| Level 3 | Derived geophysical parameters on a geocoded grids with the same or coarser posting as the Level 1 or Level 2 products |

2.2 GUNW Product Overview

The GUNW product is a L2 product derived from the RIFG and RUNW products by geocoding the unwrapped phase and its associated data layers (i.e., coherence magnitude, ionospheric phase screen) on a geographical grid at 80 m posting. Geocoding is performed by using the orbit of the reference RSLC product and a Digital Elevation Model (DEM) to project the data onto a predefined Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) or Polar stereographic projection system map grid (Appendix B: Geocoded Product Grids). The geocoding algorithm uses a bilinear interpolation for interpolating data layers with floating-point data types, Sinc for the complex wrapped interferogram, and nearest-neighbor interpolation for unsigned integer datasets (e.g., connected components mask).

The GUNW products also includes the wrapped complex interferogram (multilooked at 30 m in range-Doppler coordinates and geocoded at 20 m posting), the unwrapped interferometric phase in radians (80 m posting), the normalized interferometric coherence magnitude (20 m and 80 m posting), connected components mask, and sub-pixel offset layers obtained from incoherent cross-correlation. If an offset product in range-Doppler coordinates (e.g., ROFF) is available for the processed frame, the sub-pixel offset layers included in GUNW are obtained by optimally blending the multiresolution offset layers included in ROFF. The application of the offset layers

blending is indicated by setting the Boolean flag in

"/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/is OffsetsBlendingApplied" to "True". Conversely, if this Boolean flag is set to "False", the offset blending algorithm is not applied, and the sub-pixel offset layers included in GUNW are obtained by running incoherent cross-correlation on a coarse radar grid [RD1]. Regardless of the use of the offset blending algorithm, the pixel offsets layers are consistently geocoded at 80 m posting on the same geographical grid of the other data layers included in the GUNW product.

The GUNW product also includes an ionospheric phase screen layer and a layer quantifying its uncertainty. The ionospheric phase screen comes from the RUNW product and is estimated from the two spectral bands "frequencyA" and "frequencyB" whenever possible. In the case of mode transitions where continuity of spectral bands is impacted, a split spectrum ionospheric phase estimate is derived from the main imaging band ("frequencyA"). The estimated ionospheric phase screen is included as a layer in the product but not applied to the data layers within GUNW by default. The GUNW product also includes geocoded lookup tables for external phase corrections (e.g., solid Earth tides, hydrostatic and wet tropospheric phases). These phase corrections, when available, are not removed from the interferometric data.

The GUNW product with its group and basic properties is described in Section 4. The details of the data elements are given in Section 5. Metadata cubes are discussed in Section 6.

3 PRODUCT ORGANIZATION

3.1 File Format

All NISAR standard products are in the HDF5 [RD5]. HDF5 is a general-purpose file format and programming library for storing scientific data. The National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) at the University of Illinois developed HDF to help scientists share data more easily. Use of the HDF library enables users to read HDF files regardless of the underlying computing environments. HDF files are equally accessible in Fortran, C/C++, and other highlevel computation packages such as IDL, MATLAB or Python.

The HDF Group, a spin-off organization of the NCSA, is responsible for development and maintenance of HDF. Users should reference The HDF Group website at https://portal.hdfgroup.org/display/HDF5/HDF5 [RD5] to download HDF software and documentation.

HDF5 represents a significant departure from the conventions of previous versions of HDF. The changes that appear in HDF5 provide flexibility to overcome many of the limitations of previous releases. The basic building blocks have been largely redefined and are more powerful but less numerous. The key concepts of the HDF5 Abstract Data Model are Files, Groups, Datasets, Datatypes, Attributes, and Property Lists. The following sections provide a brief description of each of these key HDF5 concepts.

3.1.1 HDF5 File

A File is the abstract representation of a physical data file. Files are containers for HDF5 Objects. These Objects include Groups, Datasets, and named Datatypes.

3.1.2 HDF5 Group

Groups provide a means to organize the HDF5 Objects in HDF5 Files. Groups are containers for other Objects, including other Groups. In that sense, Groups are analogous to directories that are used to categorize and classify files in standard operating systems.

Groups and their nested objects can be accessed using a path-like notation, akin to the notation employed for accessing Unix directories. The root Group is "/". A Group contained in root might be called "/myGroup".

3.1.3 HDF5 Dataset

The Dataset is the HDF5 component that stores user data. Each Dataset associates with a Dataspace that describes the data dimensions, as well as a Datatype that describes the basic unit of storage element. A Dataset can also have Attributes.

3.1.4 HDF5 Datatype

A Datatype describes a unit of data storage for Datasets and Attributes. Datatypes are subdivided into Atomic and Composite Types.

Atomic Datatypes are analogous to simple basic types in most programming languages. HDF5 Atomic Datatypes include Time, Bitfield, String, Reference, Opaque, Integer, and Float. Each atomic type has a specific set of properties. Examples of the properties associated with Atomic Datatypes are:

- Integers are assigned size, precision, offset, pad byte order, and are designated as signed or unsigned.
- Strings can be fixed or variable length, and may or may not be null-terminated.
- References are constructs within HDF5 Files that point to other HDF5 Objects in the same file.

HDF5 provides a large set of predefined Atomic Datatypes. Table 3-1 lists the Atomic Datatypes that are used in NISAR data products.

| HDF5 Atomic Datatypes | Description |
|-----------------------|---|
| H5T_STD_U8LE | unsigned, 8-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_U16LE | unsigned, 16-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_U32LE | unsigned, 32-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_U64LE | unsigned, 64-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_I8LE | signed, 8-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_I16LE | signed, 16-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_I32LE | signed, 32-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_STD_I64LE | signed, 64-bit, little-endian integer |
| H5T_IEEE_F32LE | 32-bit, little-endian, IEEE floating point |
| H5T_IEEE_F64LE | 64-bit, little-endian, IEEE floating point |
| H5T_C_S1 | character string made up of one or more bytes |

Derived Datatypes are user-defined variants of predefined Atomic Datatypes where the data organization has been modified at the bit-level. Derived data types are particularly useful for representing custom N-bit integers and floating-point numbers.

Composite Datatypes incorporate sets of Atomic Datatypes. Composite Datatypes include Array, Enumeration, Variable Length and Compound.

The Array Datatype defines a multi-dimensional array that can be accessed atomically.

- Variable Length presents a 1-D array element of variable length. Variable Length Datatypes are useful as building blocks of ragged arrays.
- Compound Datatypes are composed of named fields, each of which may be dissimilar Datatypes. Compound Datatypes are conceptually equivalent to structures in the C programming language.

Named Datatypes are explicitly stored as Objects within an HDF5 File. Named Datatypes provide a means to share Datatypes among Objects. Datatypes that are not explicitly stored as Named Datatypes are stored implicitly. They are stored separately for each Dataset or Attribute they describe.

The Derived and Compound Datatypes used in NISAR products are reported in Table 3-2.

| Description | Comments |
|--|--|
| 16-bit little-endian floating point | "binary16" half precision type in IEEE 754-2008 standard. Matches numpy.float16 type in Python. We will refer to this type as H5T_IEEE_F16LE or Float16 in our documents. |
| H5T_COMPOUND { 16-bit little-endian floating-point "r"; 16-bit little-endian floating-point "i"; } | Complex numbers made up of two half precision floating point numbers. |
| H5T_COMPOUND { | Complex numbers made of two single precision floating point numbers. |
| H5T_COMPOUND { 64-bit little-endian floating-point "r"; 64-bit little-endian floating-point "i"; } | Complex numbers made of two double precision floating point numbers. |

Table 3-2 NISAR HDF5 Derived and Compound Datatypes.

3.1.5 HDF5 Attribute

An Attribute is a small aggregate of data that describes Groups or Datasets. Like Datasets, Attributes are also associated with a particular Dataspace and Datatype. Attributes cannot be subsetted or extended. Attributes themselves cannot have Attributes.

3.2 NISAR File Organization

3.2.1 Groups

All NISAR HDF5 files are organized within a hierarchy of Groups, with no actual data at the root("/") level. Table 3-3 shows the general layout of the HDF5 files that are generated by the NISAR SDS.

| Group Name | Description |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| /science/LSAR/ | All science data from the L-SAR instrument is organized under this group |
| /science/SSAR/ | All science data from the S-SAR instrument is organized under this group |
| /science/[L/S]SAR/identification/ | File level metadata for cataloging, archiving the granule |

Table 3-3 Group organization at the top level of a NISAR HDF5 File.

In the nominal baseline, L-SAR and S-SAR data will not appear in the same granule, even if they cover the same geographic area. Data structure described below the primary groups ("/science/LSAR/" for L-SAR and "/science/SSAR/" for S-SAR) will be the same for L-SAR and S-SAR products. The rest of the document from this point on describes the layout of the product containing L-SAR data. The specification for equivalent S-SAR data products will be the same except for the substitution of "LSAR" by "SSAR" in the dataset paths in the HDF5 granule.

3.2.2 File Level Metadata

Global metadata at the file level are currently given as Global Attributes shown in Table 3-4.

Metadata regarding the data in the particular granule are given in "/science/LSAR/identification/". These data are described further in Section 4.2 and Section 5.2.

| Attribute | Format | Description | Value |
|--------------------|--------|--|--|
| Conventions | string | NetCDF-4 conventions adopted in this product | CF-1.7 |
| Title | string | Product title | NISAR L2_GUNW Product |
| Institution | string | Name of producing agency | NASA JPL |
| mission_name | string | Mission name | NISAR |
| reference_document | string | Name and version of Product Description Document to use as reference for product | D-102272 NISAR NASA SDS Product Specification L2 Geocoded Unwrapped Interferogram |
| Contact | string | Contact information for producer of product | nisar-sds-ops@jpl.nasa.gov |

3.2.3 Variable Metadata (HDF5 Attributes)

NISAR standards incorporate additional metadata that describe each HDF5 Dataset within the HDF5 file. Each of these metadata elements appear in an HDF5 Attribute that is directly associated with the HDF5 Dataset. Wherever possible, these HDF5 Attributes employ names that conform to the Climate and Forecast (CF) conventions.

Table 3-5 lists the CF names for the HDF5 Attributes that NISAR products typically employ.

| Attribute | Description |
|--------------|--|
| _FillValue | The value used to represent missing or undefined data |
| description | Miscellaneous information about the data or the methods to generate it |
| long_name | A descriptive variable name that indicates its content |
| quality_flag | Names of variable quality flag(s) that are associated with this variable to indicate its quality |
| units | Unit of data |
| valid_max | Maximum theoretical value of the variable |
| valid_min | Minimum theoretical value of the variable |

| Table 3-5 | Common | variable | Attributes | in | HDF5 file | e |
|------------|--------|----------|------------|-----|------------|------------|
| 1 abic 5-5 | Common | variable | Autoucs | 111 | IIDI J III | <i>U</i> . |

Some HDF5 datasets are populated with statistical Attributes. **Error! Reference source not found.**, Table 3-7 and Table 3-8 describe statistical Attributes added to real- and complex-valued, and mask HDF5 datasets, respectively. The list of real- and complex-valued and mask HDF5 datasets for the standard GUNW product is given in Table 3-9.

Table 3-6 Statistical Attributes for real-valued HDF5 Datasets.

| Attribute | Description |
|---------------|---|
| min_value | Minimum value of a real-valued HDF5 Dataset |
| mean_value | Mean value of a real-valued HDF5 Dataset |
| max_value | Maximum value of a real-valued HDF5 Dataset |
| sample_stddev | Sample standard deviation of a real-valued HDF5 Dataset |

| Attribute | Description |
|--------------------|--|
| min_real_value | Minimum value of the real part of a complex-valued HDF5 |
| | Dataset |
| mean_real_value | Mean value of the real part of a complex-valued HDF5 Dataset |
| max_real_value | Maximum value of the real part of a complex-valued HDF5 |
| | Dataset |
| sample_stddev_real | Sample standard deviation of the real part of a complex-valued |
| | HDF5 Dataset |
| min_imag_value | Minimum value of the imaginary part of a complex-valued |
| | HDF5 Dataset |
| mean_imag_value | Mean value of the imaginary part of a complex-valued HDF5 |
| | Dataset |

| max_imag_value | Maximum value of the imaginary part of a complex-valued HDF5 Dataset |
|--------------------|--|
| sample_stddev_imag | Sample standard deviation of the imaginary part of a complex- valued HDF5 Dataset |

Table 3-8 Statistical Attributes for mask HDF5 Datasets.

| Attribute | Description |
|---------------------------|--|
| layover_percentage | Percentage of pixels in layover |
| shadow_percentage | Percentage of pixels in shadow |
| layover_shadow_percentage | Percentage of pixels in layover and shadow |
| land_percentage | Percentage of pixels on land |
| water_percentage | Percentage of pixels on water bodies (e.g., ocean) |

Table 3-9 GUNW HDF5 Datasets populated with statistical Attributes.

| HDF5 Group | HDF5 Datasets | Dataset type |
|---|---|--------------|
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwra ppedInterferogram/ | mask | Four-valued |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwra ppedInterferogram/[HH/VV]/ | unwrappedPhase, coherenceMagnitude, ionospherePhaseScreen | Real-valued |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequency/wrappe dInterferogram/[HH/VV]/ | coherenceMagnitude | Real-valued |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixelO ffsets/[HH/VV]/ | alongTrackOffset, slantRangeOffset | Real-valued |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/ | parallelBaseline, perpendicularBaseline | Real-Valued |

3.2.4 Georeferencing

NISAR L2 products contain georeferenced Datasets where the georeferencing information is provided in accordance with Climate and Forecast 1.7 (CF 1.7) conventions.

CF conventions require a "grid mapping" dataset which describes the coordinate system associated with the georeferenced Dataset. For NISAR L2 products, this grid mapping is represented by the Dataset "projection", which is included under the same Group as each georeferenced Dataset. Accordingly, each georeferenced Dataset contains an Attribute "grid_mapping", whose value is always hard coded to the string "projection" (see Table 3-10).

The value of the "projection" Dataset is set to the European Petroleum Survey Group (EPSG) code of the associated georeferenced Dataset. The "projection" Dataset has Attributes with additional grid mapping information (see Table 3-10). More information about the projections used to represent NISAR L2 products is provided in Section 8.

In addition to a grid mapping dataset, CF conventions use HDF5 Dimension Scales [RD5] to associate coordinates to each georeferenced Dataset. The Dimension Scales employed in NISAR L2 products are the "xCoordinates", "yCoordinates", and "heightAboveEllipsoid" Datasets,

which represent the horizontal X- and Y-coordinates, and elevation Z-coordinates, respectively, and are located within the same Group as the associated georeferenced Dataset. These are one dimensional (1-D) vectors with lengths matching the associated Dataset's dimensions; each vector element corresponds to the grid-mapping location at the center of the georeferenced array pixels. "heightAboveEllipsoid" is only included for three-dimensional (3-D) georeferenced Datasets.

The complete listing of all georeferenced HDF5 Datasets within the GUNW product is given in Table 3-11. Note that the 3-D georeferenced Datasets are contained in the "radarGrid" Group; they are *metadata cubes* which represent the radar geometry in a compact form. Section 4.4.3 contains information about the "radarGrid" Group; Section 6 describes metadata cubes and their usage.

| Attribute | Description |
|--------------------------------|---|
| ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates |
| | for a map projection |
| false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates |
| | for a map projection |
| grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
| latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map projection |
| longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian |
| | associated with the geodetic datum |
| semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| utm_zone_number | UTM zone number |

Table 3-10 Attributes of the HDF5 Dataset "projection" containing the grid mapping.

Table 3-11 List of GUNW georeferenced Datasets.

| HDF5 Group | HDF5 Datasets | Array Dimension |
|---|--|--------------------|
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/ frequencyA/wrappedInterferogram/[HH/VV]/ | wrappedInterferogram coherenceMagnitude | 2-D |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/ frequencyA/unwrappedInterferogram/[HH/VV]/ | unwrappedPhase coherenceMagnitude connectedComponents ionospherePhaseScreen ionospherePhaseScreenUncertainty | 2-D |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/ frequencyA/pixelOffsets/[HH/VV]/ | alongTrackOffset slantRangeOffset correlationSurfacePeak | 2-D |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid | slantRange zeroDopplerAzimuthTime incidenceAngle, losUnitVectorX losUnitVectorY | 3-D |

| alongTrackUnitVectorX alongTrackUnitVectorY elevationAngle groundTrackVelocity | |
|---|--|
|---|--|

3.3 Cloud Optimization

NISAR science data products utilize several special features of the HDF5 format to optimize file sizes and enable high-performance read access in a cloud environment. A key challenge of cloud data access is the latency associated with calls to the cloud storage Application Programming Interface (API), so the following strategies are used to minimize the number of cloud API calls needed per byte of data read:

- Chunks: Large datasets within the products use <u>chunked storage</u>. Every read operation thus fetches at least one entire chunk of data. The chunk size is nominally 512x512 pixels, though the precise chunk dimensions should be obtained using the <u>H5Pget_chunk</u> method of the HDF5 C API (or its equivalent in other language bindings).
- Compression: Data are written using a compression filter, minimizing the amount of data stored and hence transferred over the network. The HDF5 API handles decompression automatically.
- Paging: Files are created with the "paged" file space strategy (<u>H5F_FSPACE_STRATEGY_PAGE</u> in the HDF5 C API). These pages serve as the basic unit of allocation within the file. The page size is chosen larger than the chunk size so that both a chunk of data and its HDF5-internal metadata can be read in a single cloud API call. This parameter may be queried using the <u>H5Pget_file_space_page_size</u> method of the HDF5 C API.

Software that reads NISAR products stored on the cloud should take heed of the following recommendations:

- Set the page buffer size to a multiple of the file space page size using <u>H5Pset_page_buffer_size</u> in the HDF5 C API. This enables caching logic that reduces the number of cloud API calls in the file driver.
- Implement chunk-aligned data access patterns. Reads in multiples of the chunk size (and aligned with chunk boundaries) are most efficient.
- If other access patterns are desired, try setting the read cache large enough to hold all the chunks that may be re-read. For example, line-by-line access can still be efficient if the read cache is large enough to hold N lines, where N is the chunk dimension. That way lines can be read from the cache instead of fetching the same set of chunks N times over the network. The cache size may be set globally using the <u>H5Pset_cache</u> or locally with the <u>H5Pset_chunk_cache</u> methods of the HDF5 C API.

Note that, in general, these optimizations require knowledge of the file contents. Therefore, the most robust approach is to open the file, inspect the contents (e.g., chunk size, page size, and dataset dimensions) and then re-open the file with optimal parameters.

3.4 Granule Definition

NISAR GUNW granules will conform to the Tiling Scheme being developed for the mission and are expected to have a ground footprint of 240 km x 240 km.

3.5 File Naming Convention

NISAR GUNW Granule names will conform to the Standard Product File Naming Scheme [RD3].

3.6 Temporal Organization

Temporal organization is not specifically applicable to the GUNW product, although it is generally arranged in order of increasing azimuth time.

3.7 Spatial Organization

The L2 data are arranged on a uniformly spaced, North-up and East-right grid, i.e., decreasing North or Y coordinate in the row direction and increasing East or X coordinate in the column direction following the row-major order convention of representing 2D raster arrays. Pixel-is-area convention is used to tag the raster layers with coordinate information.

3.8 Spatial Sampling and Resolution

Some salient features of the output grid for the GUNW product are:

- 1. The top-left corner of the top-left pixel will correspond to the same geographic coordinate for all imagery layers in an L-SAR GUNW product.
- 2. The main imaging band ("frequencyA") is spatially averaged to the same posting, irrespective of the imaging. This allows for spatial mosaicking operations across instrument mode changes.

3.8.1 Mosaicking

The spatial sampling of the output grid has also been designed to facilitate along-track mosaicking of contiguous GUNW product granules if the user desires. See Section 8 for details on the common output grid used for all L2 products.

3.8.2 Partially compressed SLC data

Partially compressed data in RSLC files will not be used to produce GUNW products.

4 LEVEL 2 GEOCODED UNWRAPPED INTERFEROGRAM PRODUCT

In this section, we briefly describe the layout of GUNW data and associated metadata within the NISAR HDF5 file. Detailed description of Group and Dataset names can be found in Section 5. In this section, we focus on the organization of L-SAR instrument data within the file under the Group name "/science/LSAR/".

4.1 Dimensions and Shapes of Data

Information on the dimensions and shapes of the data items in various data tables is described as part of the metadata (Section 5.1). This information is useful both as part of the product identification and for setting up further processing, i.e., dimensioning arrays.

4.2 Product Identification

Information needed to identify this product is given under the Group

"/science/LSAR/identification/" (Section 5.2). This includes information such as orbit, cycle, track, and frame numbers, acquisition times, a polygon representing the bounding box of the included imagery in geographic coordinates, product version, and product specification version (i.e., the version number of this document).

4.2.1 Composite Release Identifier

The Composite Release Identifier (CRID) is a global version identifier documenting the algorithms and the overall status of the science data system used to generate the product. The CRID follows the format *EPMMmp* where:

- **E** (**Environment**): a single character representing the environment or the venue where the product was generated. It can assume the values:
 - A: if the product was generated in the Algorithm Development environment
 - D: if the product was generated in the Development environment
 - *P*: if the product was generated in the Production environment
 - T: if the product was generated in the Integration and Test (I&T) environment
- **P** (**Mission Phase**): a single numerical digit indicating the mission phase in which the product was generated. It can assume the following values:
 - \circ 0: for pre-launch (Phase D)
 - 1: for primary science phase operations (Phase E)
 - 2: extended mission (Phase E)
 - *3*: post-operations (Phase F), decommissioning, end of mission processing

- **MM** (**Major Release**): two numeric digits monotonically increasing between 0 and 99. The Major Release resets to zero upon a change in the Mission Phase identifier. A change in the Major Release indicates a major change in the products i.e., a change to one or more algorithms or to the processing rules having a significant impact on the science content of the product. The Major Release stands as a composite of the versions of all the algorithms used in the science data production systems. Individual algorithm versions are allocated in the product metadata.
- **m** (**Minor Release**): a single numeric digit increasing monotonically between 0 and 1 indicating a minor update to the product and/or the data system. A change in the Minor Release identifier indicates minor algorithm changes (e.g., bug fixes, small functional updates) that do not have a significant impact on the product. The Minor Release identifier resets to zero upon every update to the Major Release identifier
- **P** (**Patch Release**): a single numerical digit monotonically increasing between 0 and 1. A change in the Patch Release identifier indicates an update to the science data system software that has undergone the System Deployment Review to fix a critical bug. The Patch Release resets to zero upon updates to the Major Release or Minor Release identifiers.

4.3 Radar Imagery

The GUNW product's imagery layers and associated datasets are initially organized based on the center frequency within the Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/". Only the main NISAR imaging band ("frequencyA") will be processed for GUNW products. Imagery data is further categorized by their type. The Unwrapped Interferogram layer and associated Datasets are located under the Group

"/science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwrappedInterferogram/". The Wrapped Interferogram and its associated datasets are situated under the Group

"/science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrappedInterferogram/". Subsequently, the crosscorrelation sub-pixel offsets are located under the Group

"/science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixelOffsets/". Each of these Groups is further organized by polarization (TxRx), and by a final grouping. For example, the Unwrapped Phase Group could contain the Group

"/science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwrappedInterferogram/HH/". The imagery datasets reside within these polarization Groups. As an example, the Dataset

"/science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwrappedInterferogram/HH/unwrappedPhase" corresponds to the unwrapped phase Dataset derived from the "frequencyA" and "HH" polarization imagery layers within the reference and secondary input RSLCs.

The details of the data elements for the granule are given in Section 5.3.

4.4 Radar Metadata

The Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/" includes a list of miscellaneous metadata needed to interpret the imagery (e.g., wrapped complex interferogram, unwrapped interferometric phase) included in the GUNW product.

4.4.1 Processing Information

The Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/" includes the processing parameters used to generate the GUNW product. This group also include a list of the used algorithms, and the inputs granules and files used to produce GUNW. For a complete description of this group, refer to Section 5.4.

4.4.1.1 Parameters

The Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/parameters/" is further organized in seven Groups:

- 1. *common*: organized by frequency, and including the parameters derived by combining the information from the reference and secondary RSLC e.g., Doppler centroid and the Doppler bandwidth.
- 2. *reference*: including the reference terrain height of the reference RSLC and Boolean flags to indicate if the RSLC is the results of mixed mode processing and if RFI correction has been applied. This Group is further organized by frequency and includes some relevant parameters of the reference RSLC such as the slant range and zero Doppler time spacings, the slant range and the azimuth bandwidths, and the Doppler centroid.
- 3. *secondary*: this Group follows the same organization of *reference* but includes the corresponding metadata for the secondary RSLC.
- 4. *interferogram*: including the parameters used to generate the complex wrapped interferogram and the normalized interferometric correlation e.g., the common slant range and azimuth bandwidths and the number of looks in along-track and slant range directions used to generate the complex wrapped interferogram in radar coordinates.
- 5. *ionosphere*: including the parameters used to generate the ionosphere phase screen e.g., the bandwidth of the low and high sub-images used in the ionosphere phase estimation with the range split spectrum technique.
- 6. *pixelOffsets*: including the parameters (e.g., window size, search window, offset spacings) to generate the along-track and slant range layers of pixelOffsets in radar coordinates. This Group is further organized by frequency.
- 7. *geocoding*: including a set of Boolean flags indicating the corrections that have been applied while geocoding the pixel offsets layers from radar to geographical coordinates i.e., wet and dry troposphere correction, slant range and azimuth ionosphere corrections.

The Group *parameters* also contains the Dataset *runConfigurationContents* which includes a copy of the run configuration used for processing populated with all the processing options, parameter values, and input files.

4.4.1.2 Algorithms

The Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/algorithms/" includes the name and the version of the software used to generate the product. The Group is further organized in distinct Groups identifying the processing steps used to generate the GUNW product:

- 1. *coregistration*: including the algorithms used to perform the coarse and fine coregistration of the reference and secondary RSLCs (e.g., geometry coregistration, cross-correlation algorithm).
- 2. *interferogramFormation*: including the algorithms used to form the complex wrapped interferogram and the normalized interferometric correlation (e.g., flattening method)
- 3. *unwrapping*: including the algorithms used to perform phase unwrapping (e.g., unwrapping algorithm, unwrapping initializer, type of performed preprocessing of the wrapped interferometric phase).
- 4. *ionosphereEstimation*: including the algorithm used to perform the estimation of the ionosphere phase screen (e.g., outlier estimation and filling, unwrapping error correction).
- 5. *geocoding*: including the algorithms to geocode the different data layers contained in the GUNW product e.g., floating, integer, and complex geocoding interpolation and flags to identify which correction (i.e., slant range ionospheric delay) has been used during geocoding.

4.4.1.3 Input Files

The Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/inputs/" includes the filenames of the input RSLC granules, configuration files, orbit files, and a description of the DEM used for processing used to generate the product.

4.4.2 Other Radar Metadata

4.4.2.1 Orbit

The reference RSLC orbit ephemeris used for generating the GUNW product is provided under "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/" and further detailed in Section 5.5. This Group includes time-tagged antenna phase center position and velocity vectors in Earth Centered Earth Fixed (ECEF) Cartesian coordinates and information on the used orbit fidelity (e.g., Medium Orbit Ephemeris).

4.4.2.2 Attitude

The attitude state vectors of the reference RSLC used for generating the GUNW product can be found under the Group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude/". This Group includes time-tagged quaternions and Euler angles representing the slant range plane from the antenna phase center in an ECEF Cartesian system.

4.4.3 Radar Grid

The group "/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/" contains information on the radar geometry of the reference RSLCs. The Datasets within this Group are given in the form of metadata cubes, referred to as *radar grid cubes*, that are organized over a three-dimensional geographic grid. The representation as data cubes, rather than two-dimensional rasters, is used to

reduce the amount of space required to store radar geometry values within NISAR L2 products. This is possible because each radar grid cube contains slowly varying values in space that can be described by a low-resolution three-dimensional grid with sufficient accuracy.

These values, however, are usually required at the terrain height, often characterized by a fastvarying surface representing the local topography. A higher-resolution DEM can then be used to interpolate radar grid cubes and generate high-resolution maps of the corresponding radar geometry variable. Further information on metadata cubes along with examples on how to interpolate them using a reference DEM is provided in Section 6.

Radar grid cubes (for geocoded products) are provided in the same coordinate system as the product imagery with similar extents (bounding box) but coarser pixel spacing. The threedimensional geographic grid is defined by the HDF5 Datasets "xCoordinates" (defining the east component), "yCoordinates" (north component), and "heightAboveEllipsoid" (height above the WGS84 ellipsoid), common to all radar grid cubes, and following the CF-1.7 convention.

The "radarGrid" Group also included the Datasets:

- "referenceSlantRange" ("secondarySlantRange") and "referenceZeroDopplerAzimuthTime" ("secondaryZeroDopplerAzimuthTime") defining the zero-Doppler radar grid of the reference (secondary) RSLC. These Datasets contain respectively the range position in meters and the zero-Doppler azimuth time in seconds for each point of the geographical grid
- "losUnitVectorX" and "losUnitVectorY" identifying the East and North components of the Line-Of-Sight (LOS) unit vector (i.e., the vector from the target to the sensor) in the East-North-Up (ENU) coordinate system for each point of the geographic grid. The Up component of the LOS unit vector can be simply derived from the East and North components as:

 $losUnitVectorZ = \sqrt{1 - losUnitVectorX^2 - losUnitVectorY^2}$

- 3. "alongTrackUnitVectorX" and "alongTrackUnitVectorY" containing the East and North components of the along-track unit vector (i.e., the projection of the along-track vector at the ground height) in UTM coordinates
- 4. "incidenceAngle containing the incidence angle, i.e., the angle between the LOS vector and the normal to the ellipsoid at the target height
- 5. "elevationAngle" containing the elevation angle i.e., the angle between the LOS vector and the normal to the ellipsoid at the sensor
- 6. "groundTrackVelocity" containing the ground track velocity i.e., the absolute value of the platform velocity scaled at the target height
- 7. "slantRangeSolidEarthTidesPhase" and "alongTrackSolidEarthTidesPhase" representing the slant range and along-track phase components due to Solid Earth tides
- 8. "wetTroposphericPhaseScreen", "hydrostaticTroposphericPhaseScreen" representing the interferometric phase due to the wet and hydrostatic components of the tropospheric delay

9. "perpendicularBaseline" and "parallelBaseline" containing the perpendicular and parallel component of the baseline between the reference and secondary RSLCs. The baseline components are only computed for the bottom and top heights of the radar grid cubes

5 PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

5.1 Dimensions and Shapes

To simplify the description of the layout of data within the HDF5 file, we will use a table of dimensions and shapes to represent the relationship between similarly sized Datasets. The entries in this table do not present actual Datasets in the HDF5. This table is meant to be a guide to interpreting the shapes of the datasets in subsequent subsections.

| Name | Shape | Description |
|---------------------------------|--|---|
| scalar | scalar | Scalar values |
| numberOfDatatakes | scalar | Number of datatakes in product |
| numberOfObservations | scalar | Number of observations in product |
| numberOfFrequencies | scalar | Number of L-SAR frequencies in product |
| numberOfFrequencyAPolarizations | scalar | Number of polarization layers associated with L-SAR frequencyA |
| frequencyAWidth | scalar | Number of pixels in all L-SAR frequencyA imagery datasets |
| frequencyALength | scalar | Number of lines in all L-SAR frequencyA imagery datasets |
| complexDataFrequencyAShape | (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) | Shape associated with L-SAR frequencyA imagery datasets |
| realDataFrequencyAShape | (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) | Shape associated with L-SAR frequencyA imagery interferometric dataset |
| offsetDataShape | (offsetLength, offsetWidth) | Shape associated with Pixel Offset layers |
| offsetWidth | scalar | Number of pixels in Pixel Offset layers |
| offsetLength | scalar | Number of lines in all L-SAR frequencyA imagery datasets |
| radarGridShape | (radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) | Shape associated with 2D rasters on same grid as metadata cubes |
| radarCubeShape | (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) | Shape associated with metadata cubes |
| twoLayersCubeShape | (radarCubeWidth, radarCubeLength, twoLayersCubeHeight) | Shape associated with baseline metadata cubes |
| radarCubeHeight | scalar | Height dimension of the metadata cube |
| radarCubeLength | scalar | Length dimension of the metadata cube |
| radarCubeWidth | scalar | Width dimension of the metadata cube |
| twoLayersCubeHeight | scalar | Height dimension of the baseline metadata cube |
| dopplerCentroidLength | scalar | Length dimension of Doppler centroid grid |
| dopplerCentroidWidth | scalar | Length dimension of Doppler centroid grid |
| dopplerCentroidShape | (dopplerCentroidLength, dopplerCentroidWidth) | Shape of the Doppler centroid grid |
| orbitListLength | scalar | Number of orbit state vectors |
| orbitShape | (orbitListLength, 3) | Shape of orbit state vector triplets dataset |
| attitudeListLength | scalar | Number of attitude state vectors |
| attitudeQuaternionShape | (attitudeListLength, 4) | Shape of attitude quaternion dataset |

Table 5-1 Table of dimensions and shapes in GUNW product.

| attitudeShape | (attitudeListLength, 3) | Shape of attitude Euler angle triplets dataset |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| numberOfInputL1Files | scalar | Number of input L1 granules |
| numberOfInputOrbitFiles | scalar | Number of input orbit files |
| numberOfInputConfigFiles | scalar | Number of input configuration files |

5.2 Product Identification

Table 5-2 NISAR HDF5 variables used for product identification.

| Product identification variables | | |
|---|---|--|
| /science/LSAR/identification/absoluteOrbitM | lumber | |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Absolute orbit number | | |
| units | 1 | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/trackNumber | | |
| Type: UByte | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Track number | | |
| units | 1 | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/frameNumber | | |
| Type: UInt16 | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Frame number | | |
| units | 1 | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/missionId | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Mission identifier | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/processingCer | iter | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Data processing center | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/productType | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Product type | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/granuleld | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Unique granule identification nam | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/productVersion | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| | s the structure of the product and the science content governed by the algorithm, | |
| input data, and processing parameters | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/productSpecifi | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Product specification version whi | ch represents the schema of this product | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/lookDirection | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Look direction, either "Left" or "Ri | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/orbitPassDirec | | |
| | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Orbit direction, either "Ascending | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/referenceZerol | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Azimuth start time of reference R | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/secondaryZero | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Azimuth start time of secondary RSLC product | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/referenceZerol | DopplerEndTime | |

| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
|--|--|--|
| Description: Azimuth stop time of reference R | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/secondaryZeroDopplerEndTime | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Azimuth stop time of secondary F | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/plannedDatata | keld | |
| Type: string | Shape: (numberOfDatatakes) | |
| Description: List of planned datatakes include | d in the product | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/plannedObserv | vationId | |
| Type: string | Shape: (numberOfObservations) | |
| Description: List of planned observations inclu | uded in the product | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/isUrgentObservation | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Flag indicating if observation is n | ominal ("False") or urgent ("True") | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/listOfFrequence | | |
| Type: string | Shape: (numberOfFrequencies) | |
| Description: List of frequency layers available | | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/diagnosticMod | | |
| Type: UByte | Shape: scalar | |
| | ode is a diagnostic mode (1-2) or DBFed science (0): 0, 1, or 2 | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/productLevel | | |
| | Change angles | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| | instrument data; L0B: Reformatted, unprocessed instrument data; L1: Processed | |
| | nd L2: Processed instrument data in geocoded coordinates system | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/isGeocoded | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| | a is in the radar geometry ("False") or in the map geometry ("True") | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/boundingPolyg | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: OGR compatible WKT representing the bounding polygon of the image. Horizontal coordinates are WGS84 longitude | | |
| followed by latitude (both in degrees), and the vertical coordinate is the height above the WGS84 ellipsoid in meters. The first point | | |
| corresponds to the start-time, near-range radar coordinate, and the perimeter is traversed in counterclockwise order on the map. | | |
| This means the traversal order in radar coordinates differs for left-looking and right-looking sensors. The polygon includes the four | | |
| | f points distributed evenly in radar coordinates along each edge | |
| ogr_geometry | polygon | |
| epsg | 4326 | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/processingDat | eTime | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Processing UTC date and time in | the format YYYY-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS | |
| /science/LSAR/identification/radarBand | | |
| , second a s | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Type: string | | |
| | "L" or "S" | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam | "L" or "S" ne | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNan Type: string | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to c | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to or /science/LSAR/identification/processingTyp | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product pe | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to co /science/LSAR/identification/processingTyp Type: string | TL" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product pe Shape: scalar | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to or /science/LSAR/identification/processingTyp Type: string Description: Nominal (or) Urgent (or) Custom | TL" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product pe Shape: scalar | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNan Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to or /science/LSAR/identification/processingTyp Type: string Description: Nominal (or) Urgent (or) Custom /science/LSAR/identification/isDithered | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product pe Shape: scalar (or) Undefined | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to or /science/LSAR/identification/processingTyp Type: string Description: Nominal (or) Urgent (or) Custom /science/LSAR/identification/isDithered Type: string | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product be Shape: scalar (or) Undefined Shape: scalar | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to complete the instrument u | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product be Shape: scalar (or) Undefined | |
| Type: string Description: Acquired frequency band, either /science/LSAR/identification/instrumentNam Type: string Description: Name of the instrument used to or /science/LSAR/identification/processingTyp Type: string Description: Nominal (or) Urgent (or) Custom /science/LSAR/identification/isDithered Type: string | "L" or "S" ne Shape: scalar collect the remote sensing data provided in this product be Shape: scalar (or) Undefined Shape: scalar | |

Description: "True" if this product is generated from reference and secondary RSLCs with different range bandwidths, "False" otherwise

| | /science/LSAR/identification/compositeReleaseId | |
|--|---|---------------|
| | Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Unique version identifier of the science data production system | | |

5.3 Radar Imagery

Table 5-3 NISAR HDF5 variables related to SAR imagery.

| Product imagery variables | |
|---|---|
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/listOf | fPolarizations |
| Type: string | Shape: (numberOfFrequencyAPolarizations) |
| Description: List of processed polarization layer | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/center | erFrequency |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Center frequency of the processed | image in hertz |
| units | hertz |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwr | |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| | code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
| latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with the geodetic datum. |
| semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| utm_zone_number | UTM zone number |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwr | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Nominal spacing in meters between | n consecutive lines |
| long_name | Y coordinates spacing |
| units | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwr | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Nominal spacing in meters between | |
| long_name | X coordinates spacing |
| units | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrap | |
| Type: Ulnt32 | Shape: scalar |
| | code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |

| | inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
|------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| | latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map |
| | | projection. |
| | longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with |
| | | the geodetic datum. |
| | semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| | spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| | utm_zone_number | UTM zone number |
| | | edInterferogram/HH/yCoordinateSpacing |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: scalar |
| Descriptio | n: Nominal spacing in meters between | |
| | long_name | Y coordinates spacing |
| | units | meters |
| | | edInterferogram/HH/xCoordinateSpacing |
| Type: Floa | at64 | Shape: scalar |
| Descriptio | n: Nominal spacing in meters between | consecutive pixels |
| | long_name | X coordinates spacing |
| | units | meters |
| /science/L | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwra | appedInterferogram/VV/projection |
| Type: UInt | | Shape: scalar |
| | | code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| | ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| | epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| | false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map |
| | | projection. |
| | false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| | grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| | inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
| | latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| | longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with the geodetic datum. |
| | semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| | spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| | utm_zone_number | UTM zone number |
| /science/l | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwra | appedInterferogram/VV/yCoordinateSpacing |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: scalar |
| | n: Nominal spacing in meters between | |
| | | Y coordinates spacing |
| | long_name units | |
| | | meters |
| | | appedInterferogram/VV/xCoordinateSpacing |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: scalar |
| | n: Nominal spacing in meters between | |
| | long_name | X coordinates spacing |
| | units | meters |
| | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrapp | |
| Type: UInt | | Shape: scalar |
| | | code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| | ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| | epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| | false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |

| | false porthing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map |
|---|--|---|
| | false_northing | projection. |
| , | grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| | inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
| | latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| , | longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with the geodetic datum. |
| | semi major axis | Semi-major axis |
| { | spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| 1 | utm_zone_number | UTM zone number |
| /science/L | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrapp | pedInterferogram/VV/yCoordinateSpacing |
| Type: Floa | nt64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description | n: Nominal spacing in meters between | n consecutive lines |
| | long_name | Y coordinates spacing |
| | units | meters |
| | | pedInterferogram/VV/xCoordinateSpacing |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: scalar |
| | n: Nominal spacing in meters between | |
| | long_name | X coordinates spacing |
| | units | meters |
| | | appedInterferogram/HH/xCoordinates |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: (frequencyAWidth) |
| Description | n: X coordinates in specified projection | |
| | long_name | X coordinates of projection |
| | standard_name | projection_x_coordinate |
| | units | meters |
| | | appedInterferogram/HH/yCoordinates |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: (frequencyALength) |
| Description | n: Y coordinates in specified projection | |
| | long_name | Y coordinates of projection |
| | standard_name | projection_y_coordinate |
| | units | meters |
| | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrapp | |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: (frequencyAWidth) |
| | n: X coordinates in specified projection | |
| | | X coordinates of projection |
| | standard_name | projection_x_coordinate |
| | units | meters |
| | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrapp | |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: (frequencyALength) |
| | n: Y coordinates in specified projection | |
| | long_name | X coordinates of projection |
| | standard_name | projection_x_coordinate |
| | units | meters |
| | | appedInterferogram/VV/xCoordinates |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: (frequencyAWidth) |
| | n: X coordinates in specified projection | |
| | long_name | X coordinates of projection |
| | standard_name | projection_x_coordinate |
| | units | meters |
| (colonoo/l) | SAR/GUNW/grids/frequencvA/unwra | appedInterferogram/VV/yCoordinates |
| Type: Floa | | Shape: (frequencyALength) |

| Description: Y coordinates in specified projectio | M1 |
|--|--|
| 5 | |
| I standard name | Y coordinates of projection |
| — | projection_y_coordinate |
| units | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrap | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: X coordinates in specified projection | |
| long_name | X coordinates of projection |
| standard_name | projection_x_coordinate |
| units /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wrap | meters |
| Type: Float64 | |
| Description: Y coordinates in specified projectio | Shape: (frequencyALength) |
| | X coordinates of projection |
| long_name standard_name | projection_x_coordinate |
| | |
| units /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwr | meters |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Unwrapped interferogram between | |
| FillValue | nan |
| — | projection |
| grid_mapping mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | radians |
| | appedInterferogram/HH/connectedComponents |
| Type: Ulnt16 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Connected components for HH layer | |
| FillValue | 65535 |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| units | 1 |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwr | annedInterferogram/HH/coherenceMagnitude |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Coherence magnitude between HH | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | 1 |
| | appedInterferogram/HH/ionospherePhaseScreen |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: lonosphere phase screen | |
| | nan |
| | projection |
| grid_mapping | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| grid_mapping mean_value | |
| mean_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| mean_value min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| mean_value | |
| mean_value min_value max_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points Maximum value of the numeric data points |

| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
|---|---|
| Description: Uncertainty of the ionosphere phase | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | radians |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwra | |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Unwrapped interferogram between | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | radians |
| | appedInterferogram/VV/connectedComponents |
| Type: Ulnt16 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Connected components for VV laye | |
| FillValue | 65535 |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| units | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unwra | nnadintarfaragram////aabaranaaMagnituda |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Coherence magnitude between VV | |
| FillValue | nan |
| — — | |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value max value | Minimum value of the numeric data points Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | |
| units | |
| | appedInterferogram/VV/ionospherePhaseScreen |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: lonosphere phase screen FillValue | non |
| | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| | radians |
| | appedInterferogram/VV/ionospherePhaseScreenUncertainty |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Uncertainty of the ionosphere phas | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |

| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
|--|---|
| | radians |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/unw | |
| Type: Byte | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Byte layer with flags for various ch | |
| FillValue | 255 |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| percentage_water | Percentage of pixels over water bodies and ocean |
| units | 1 |
| | ppedInterferogram/HH/wrappedInterferogram |
| Type: CFloat32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Complex wrapped interferogram b | |
| FillValue | (nan+nan*j) |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| units | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wra | ppedInterferogram/HH/coberenceMagnitude |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Coherence magnitude between H | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | |
| | ppedInterferogram/VV/wrappedInterferogram |
| Type: CFloat32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Complex wrapped interferogram b | |
| FillValue | (nan+nan*i) |
| — | projection |
| grid_mapping units | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/wra | nadinterferegren/W/eebergneeMegnitude |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (frequencyALength, frequencyAWidth) |
| Description: Coherence magnitude between V | |
| FillValue | |
| grid_mapping | nan projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| min_value max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| | |
| sample_stddev units | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| | • |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/num | |
| Type: UByte | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Number of swaths of continuous i | magery, que to transmit gaps |
| units | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixe | |
| Type: Ulnt32 | Shape: scalar |
| | G code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map |
| | projection. |

| | false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
|---------|---|---|
| | grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| | inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
| | latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| | longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with the geodetic datum. |
| | semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| | spatial ref | Spatial reference |
| | utm_zone_number | UTM zone number |
| /scienc | ce/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pix | |
| | Float32 | Shape: (offsetLength, offsetWidth) |
| | ption: Slant range offset | ······································ |
| | FillValue | nan |
| | grid_mapping | projection |
| | mean value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| | min value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| | max value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| | sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| | units | meters |
| Iscienc | ce/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pi | |
| | Float32 | Shape: (offsetLength, offsetWidth) |
| | ption: Along-track offset | onape. (onseteengin, onsettman) |
| Descri | FillValue | nan |
| | grid_mapping | projection |
| | mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| | | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| | min_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| | max_value | |
| | sample_stddev units | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| 1 | | meters |
| | | celOffsets/HH/correlationSurfacePeak |
| | Float32 | Shape: (offsetLength, offsetWidth) |
| Descri | ption: Normalized cross-correlation sur | |
| | FillValue | nan |
| | grid_mapping | projection |
| | mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| | min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| | max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| | sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| | units | 1 |
| | ce/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pix | |
| Type: l | | Shape: scalar |
| Descri | | SG code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| | ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| | epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| | false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| | false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map projection. |
| | grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| | | |

| latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map |
|---|---|
| | projection. |
| longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with the geodetic datum. |
| semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| utm zone number | UTM zone number |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel | Dffsets/VV/slantRangeOffset |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (offsetLength, offsetWidth) |
| Description: Slant range offset | |
| _FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel | |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (offsetLength, offsetWidth) |
| Description: Along-track offset | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel | |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (offsetLength, offsetWidth) |
| Description: Normalized correlation surface peal | |
| FillValue | nan |
| grid_mapping | projection |
| mean_value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| min_value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| units | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel0 |) Iffsets/HH/xCoordinates |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (offsetWidth) |
| Description: X coordinates in specified projection | |
| long_name | X coordinates of projection |
| standard_name | projection x coordinate |
| | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel0 | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (offsetLength) |
| Description: Y coordinates in specified projection | |
| long_name | Y coordinates of projection |
| standard_name | projection_y_coordinate |
| | meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel0 | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (offsetWidth) |
| Description: X coordinates in specified projection | |
| | X coordinates of projection |
| | |

| standa | ard_name | projection_x_coordinate | |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| units | | meters | |
| /science/LSAR/0 | GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel | Dffsets/VV/yCoordinates | |
| Type: Float64 | | | |
| Description: Y c | oordinates in specified projection | 1 | |
| long_r | name | Y coordinates of projection | |
| standa | ard_name | projection_y_coordinate | |
| units | | meters | |
| /science/LSAR/0 | GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel | Offsets/HH/xCoordinateSpacing | |
| Type: Float64 | | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Nor | minal spacing in meters betweer | n consecutive pixels | |
| long_r | name | X coordinates spacing | |
| units | | meters | |
| /science/LSAR/0 | GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixel | Offsets/HH/yCoordinateSpacing | |
| Type: Float64 | | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Nor | minal spacing in meters betweer | n consecutive lines | |
| long_r | name | Y coordinates spacing | |
| units | | meters | |
| /science/LSAR/0 | /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixelOffsets/VV/xCoordinateSpacing | | |
| Type: Float64 Shape: scalar | | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Nor | minal spacing in meters betweer | | |
| long_r | name | X coordinates spacing | |
| units | | meters | |
| /science/LSAR/0 | /science/LSAR/GUNW/grids/frequencyA/pixelOffsets/VV/yCoordinateSpacing | | |
| Type: Float64 | | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Nor | Description: Nominal spacing in meters between consecutive lines | | |
| long_r | name | Y coordinates spacing | |
| units | | meters | |

5.4 Processing Information

Table 5-4 NISAR HDF5 variables related to processing parameters.

| Processing-related variables | | | |
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| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processin | gInformation/parameters/runConfigurationContents | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Contents of the run configuration | | | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processin | gInformation/parameters/reference/rfiCorrectionApplied | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Flag to indicate if RFI correction | | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/isMixedMode | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | | |
| | omposite of data collected in multiple radar modes, "False" otherwise | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/referenceTerrainHeight | | |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (dopplerCentroidLength, dopplerCentroidWidth) | | |
| Description: Reference Terrain Height as a f | function of map coordinates for reference RSLC | | |
| units | meters | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/slantRangeStart | | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Slant range start distance for th | e reference RSLC | | |
| units | meters | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/numberOfRangeSamples | | |
| Type: UInt64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Number of slant range samples | for each azimuth line within the reference RSLC | | |
| units | 1 | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/numberOfAzimuthLines | | |
| Type: UInt64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Number of azimuth lines within | the reference RSLC | | |
| units | 1 | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/slantRangeSpacing | | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Slant range spacing of reference | | | |
| units | meters | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/zeroDopplerTimeSpacing | | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Time interval in the along-track | • | | |
| units | seconds | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/zeroDopplerStartTime | | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Azimuth start time of the reference RSLC product | | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/rangeBandwidth | | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Processed slant range bandwid | | | |
| units | hertz | | |
| | gInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/azimuthBandwidth | | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar | | |
| Description: Processed azimuth bandwidth f | | | |
| units | hertz | | |

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|--|--|
| | ngInformation/parameters/reference/frequencyA/dopplerCentroid |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (dopplerCentroidLength, dopplerCentroidWidth) |
| Description: 2D LUT of Doppler centroid fo | |
| units | hertz |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/referenceTerrainHeight |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: (dopplerCentroidLength, dopplerCentroidWidth) |
| · · · | function of map coordinates for secondary RSLC |
| units | meters |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/rfiCorrectionApplied |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Flag to indicate if RFI correction | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/isMixedMode |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: "True" if secondary RSLC is a | composite of data collected in multiple radar modes, "False" otherwise |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/slantRangeStart |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range start distance for t | |
| units | meters |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/numberOfRangeSamples |
| Type: UInt64 | Shape: scalar |
| | s for each azimuth line within the secondary RSLC |
| units | |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/numberOfAzimuthLines |
| Type: UInt64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Number of azimuth lines withir | |
| | |
| | |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/slantRangeSpacing |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range spacing of second | |
| units | meters |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/zeroDopplerTimeSpacing |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Time interval in the along-track | |
| units | seconds |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/zeroDopplerStartTime |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Azimuth start time of the second | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/rangeBandwidth |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Processed slant range bandwi | dth for secondary RSLC |
| units | hertz |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/azimuthBandwidth |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Processed azimuth bandwidth | |
| units | hertz |
| | ngInformation/parameters/secondary/frequencyA/dopplerCentroid |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (dopplerCentroidLength, dopplerCentroidWidth) |
| Description: 2D LUT of Doppler centroid fo | |
| units | hertz |
| | ngInformation/parameters/common/frequencyA/dopplerCentroid |
| | |
| | Shana: (dannlarContraid) angth dannlarContraid(Midth) |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (dopplerCentroidLength, dopplerCentroidWidth) |
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|---|--|
| | ngInformation/parameters/common/frequencyA/dopplerBandwidth Shape: scalar |
| Type: Float64 | |
| Description: Common Doppler Bandwidth u | hertz |
| | |
| · · · · · · | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/rangeBandwidth |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Processed slant range bandwi | |
| units | hertz |
| | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/azimuthBandwidth |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Processed azimuth bandwidth | |
| units | hertz |
| • | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/commonBandRang |
| eFilterApplied | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Flag to indicate if common bar | |
| • | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/commonBandAzim |
| uthFilterApplied | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Flag to indicate if common bar | |
| | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/numberOfRangeLo |
| oks | |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| | slant range direction to form the wrapped interferogram |
| units | 1 |
| | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/numberOfAzimuth |
| Looks | |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| | along-track direction to form the wrapped interferogram |
| units | 1 |
| | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/ellipsoidalFlattenin |
| gApplied | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | metric phase has been flattened with respect to a zero height ellipsoid |
| • | ngInformation/parameters/wrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/topographicFlatten |
| ingApplied | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | metric phase has been flattened with respect to topographic height using a DEM |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/rangeBandwidth |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Processed slant range bandwi | dth for frequency A interferometric layers |
| units | hertz |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/azimuthBandwid |
| th | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Processed azimuth bandwidth | |
| units | hertz |
| | ngInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/commonBandRa |
| ngeFilterApplied | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Flag to indicate if common bar | |
| | ngInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/commonBandAz |
| imuthFilterApplied | |
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| Type, string | Shanay appler |
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| Type: string Description: Flag to indicate if common ba | Shape: scalar |
| | |
| Looks | singInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/numberOfRange |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Number of looks applied in th | e slant range direction to form the unwrapped interferogram |
| units | 1 |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/process thLooks | singInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/numberOfAzimu |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| | e along-track direction to form the unwrapped interferogram |
| units | 1 |
| | singInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/ellipsoidalFlatte |
| ningApplied | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | ometric phase has been flattened with respect to a zero height ellipsoid |
| | singInformation/parameters/unwrappedInterferogram/frequencyA/topographicFlatt |
| eningApplied | ·····g································ |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | ometric phase has been flattened with respect to topographic height using a DEM |
| | singInformation/parameters/ionosphere/lowBandBandwidth |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range bandwidth of the | |
| units | hertz |
| | singInformation/parameters/ionosphere/highBandBandwidth |
| Type: Float32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range bandwidth of the | |
| units | hertz |
| | singInformation/parameters/geocoding/rangelonosphericCorrectionApplied |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | phospheric correction is applied to improve geolocation |
| | singlnformation/parameters/geocoding/azimuthlonosphericCorrectionApplied |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | i ionospheric correction is applied to improve geolocation |
| | singlnformation/parameters/geocoding/hydrostaticTroposphericCorrectionApplied |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | atic tropospheric correction is applied to improve geolocation |
| | singInformation/parameters/geocoding/wetTroposphericCorrectionApplied |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | pospheric correction is applied to improve geolocation |
| | singInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/alongTrackWindowSize |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Along-track cross-correlation | |
| units | 1 |
| | singInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/slantRangeWindowSize |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range cross-correlation | |
| units | 1 |
| | singInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/alongTrackSearchWindowSiz |
| e | |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Along-track cross-correlation | |
| units | 1 |
| unito | |

| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi e | ngInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/slantRangeSearchWindowSiz |
|--|--|
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range cross-correlation s | |
| units | |
| | ngInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/alongTrackSkipWindowSize |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Along-track cross-correlation s | |
| units | |
| | ngInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/slantRangeSkipWindowSize |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Slant range cross-correlation s | |
| units | 1 |
| | ngInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/crossCorrelationSurfaceOver |
| sampling | |
| Type: UInt32 | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Oversampling factor of the cro | |
| units | 1 |
| | ngInformation/parameters/pixelOffsets/frequencyA/isOffsetsBlendingApplied |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | are the results of blending multi-resolution layers of pixel offsets |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/softwareVersion |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Software version used for proc | |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/coregistrationMethod |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: RSLC coregistration method | L - · F · · · · · |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/geometryCoregistration |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Geometry coregistration algorithm | |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| v = /i | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/crossCorrelation |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Cross-correlation algorithm for | |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/resampling |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Secondary RSLC resampling a | |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/crossCorrelationOutliers |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Outliers identification algorithm | |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/crossCorrelationFilling |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Outliers data filling algorithm for | |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/coregistration/crossCorrelationFilterKernel |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Filtering algorithm for cross-co | |
| algorithm_type | RSLC coregistration |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/interferogramFormation/multilooking |

| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
|---|---|
| Description: Multilooking algorithm | |
| algorithm_type | Interferogram formation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/interferogramFormation/wrappedInterferogramFiltering |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Algorithm used to filter the wra | pped interferogram prior to phase unwrapping |
| algorithm_type | Interferogram formation |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processi | ngInformation/algorithms/interferogramFormation/flatteningMethod |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Algorithm used to flatten the w | |
| algorithm_type | Interferogram formation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/unwrapping/unwrappingAlgorithm |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Algorithm used for phase unwi | |
| algorithm_type | Unwrapping |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/unwrapping/unwrappingInitializer |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Algorithm used to initialize pha | |
| algorithm_type | Unwrapping |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/unwrapping/costMode |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Cost mode algorithm for phase | |
| algorithm_type | Unwrapping |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/unwrapping/preprocessing/wrappedPhaseOutliers |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Algorithm identifying outliers in | |
| algorithm_type | Unwrapping |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/unwrapping/preprocessing/wrappedPhaseFilling |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Outliers data filling algorithm for | |
| algorithm_type | Unwrapping ngInformation/algorithms/ionosphereEstimation/ionosphereAlgorithm |
| | Shape: scalar |
| Type: string Description: Algorithm used to estimate ion | |
| algorithm_type | lonosphere estimation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/ionosphereEstimation/ionosphereOutliers |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Algorithm identifying outliers in | |
| algorithm_type | Ionosphere estimation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/ionosphereEstimation/ionosphereFilling |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Outliers data filling algorithm for | |
| algorithm_type | Ionosphere estimation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/ionosphereEstimation/ionosphereFiltering |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| Description: Filtering algorithm for ionosphere | |
| algorithm_type | Ionosphere estimation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/ionosphereEstimation/unwrappingErrorCorrection |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | ng errors in sub-band unwrapped interferograms |
| algorithm_type | lonosphere estimation |
| | ngInformation/algorithms/geocoding/demInterpolation |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar |
| | |

| Description: DEM interpolation algorithm | | |
|--|--|--|
| algorithm_type | Geocoding | |
| | nformation/algorithms/geocoding/floatingGeocodingInterpolation | |
| | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Geocoding interpolation algorithm | | |
| algorithm_type | Geocoding | |
| | nformation/algorithms/geocoding/integerGeocodingInterpolation | |
| | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Geocoding interpolation algorithm | | |
| algorithm_type | Geocoding | |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | nformation/algorithms/geocoding/complexGeocodingInterpolation | |
| | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Geocoding interpolation algorithm | | |
| algorithm_type | Geocoding | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingl | | |
| | Shape: (numberOfInputL1Files) | |
| Description: List of input reference L1 RSLC products used | | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingl | | |
| | Shape: (numberOfInputL1Files) | |
| Description: List of input secondary L1 RSLC products used | | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingl | | |
| | Shape: (numberOfInputOrbitFiles) | |
| Description: List of input orbit files used | | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/inputs/configFiles | | |
| | Shape: (numberOfInputConfigFiles) | |
| Description: List of input config files used | | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/processingInformation/inputs/demSource | | |
| 7 | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Description of the input digital ele | vation model (DEM) | |

5.5 Other Radar Metadata

| Table 5-5 NISAR HDF | 5 variables related | to useful radar metadata. |
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| Radar metadata-related variables |
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| /science/LSAR/RIFG/metadata/orbit/reference/interpMethod |
| Type: string Shape: scalar |
| Description: Orbit interpolation method, either "Hermite" or "Legendre" |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/reference/time |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength) |
| Description: Time vector record. This record contains the time corresponding to position and velocity records |
| units seconds since YYYY-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/reference/position |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength, tripletxyz) |
| Description: Position vector record. This record contains the platform position data with respect to WGS84 G1762 reference frame |
| units meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/reference/velocity |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength, tripletxyz) |
| Description: Velocity vector record. This record contains the platform velocity data with respect to WGS84 G1762 reference frame |
| units meters / second |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/reference/orbitType |
| Type: string Shape: scalar |
| Description: Orbit product type, either "FOE", "NOE", "MOE", "POE", or "Custom", where "FOE" stands for Forecast Orbit Ephemeris, "NOE" is Near real-time Orbit Ephemeris, "MOE" is Medium precision Orbit Ephemeris, and "POE" is Precise Orbit |
| Ephemeris |
| /science/LSAR/RIFG/metadata/orbit/secondary/interpMethod |
| Type: string Shape: scalar |
| Description: Orbit interpolation method, either "Hermite" or "Legendre" |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/secondary/time |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength) |
| Description: Time vector record. This record contains the time corresponding to position and velocity records |
| units seconds since YYYY-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/secondary/position |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength, tripletxyz) |
| Description: Position vector record. This record contains the platform position data with respect to WGS84 G1762 reference frame |
| units meters |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/secondary/velocity |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength, tripletxyz) |
| Description: Velocity vector record. This record contains the platform velocity data with respect to WGS84 G1762 reference frame |
| units meters / second |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/orbit/secondary/orbitType |
| Type: string Shape: scalar |
| Description: Orbit product type, either "FOE", "NOE", "MOE", "POE", or "Custom", where "FOE" stands for Forecast Orbit |
| Ephemeris, "NOE" is Near real-time Orbit Ephemeris, "MOE" is Medium precision Orbit Ephemeris, and "POE" is Precise Orbit |
| Ephemeris |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude/reference/time |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (orbitListLength) |
| Description: Time vector record. This record contains the time corresponding to attitude and quaternion records |
| units seconds since YYYY-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude/reference/quaternions |
| Type: Float64 Shape: (attitudeListLength, quaternions) |

| Description: Attitude quaternions (q0, q1, | q2, q3) | |
|--|---|--|
| units | 1 | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude | /reference/eulerAngles | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (attitudeListLength, tripletxyz) | |
| Description: Attitude Euler angles (roll, pit | ch, yaw) | |
| units | degrees | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude | /reference/attitudeType | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| | NRP", "PRP, or "Custom", where "FRP" stands for Forecast Radar Pointing, "NRP" is | |
| Near Real-time Pointing, and "PRP" is Pred | | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude | | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (orbitListLength) | |
| Description: Time vector record. This reco | ord contains the time corresponding to attitude and quaternion records | |
| units | seconds since YYYY-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude | /secondary/quaternions | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (attitudeListLength, quaternions) | |
| Description: Attitude quaternions (q0, q1, | q2, q3) | |
| units | 1 | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude | /secondary/eulerAngles | |
| Type: Float64 | Shape: (attitudeListLength, tripletxyz) | |
| Description: Attitude Euler angles (roll, pit | ch, yaw) | |
| units | degrees | |
| /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/attitude | /secondary/attitudeType | |
| Type: string | Shape: scalar | |
| Description: Attitude type, either "FRP", "NRP", "PRP, or "Custom", where "FRP" stands for Forecast Radar Pointing, "NRP" is Near Real-time Pointing, and "PRP" is Precise Radar Pointing | | |

5.6 Radar Grid

Table 5-6 NISAR HDF5 variables related to metadata cube.

| Description: Incidence angle is defined as the angle between the LOS vector and the normal to the ellipsoid at the target height valid_max 90.0 valid_min 0.0 | Metadata cube-related variables | 5 | |
|--|---|------------|---|
| Description: Slant range of the reference RSLC in meters rillValue nan grid_mapping projection long_name Slant range units meters slant range long_name Slant range units Slant range long_name Slant range long_name Slant range units Interset Stape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Description: Hydrostatic component of the troposphere phase screen Intits radians //ge:Ince/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/slantRangeSolidEarthTidesPhaseScreen Type: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Solid Earth Tides Phase along slant range direction Intits radians //ype: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: 2aro Doppler azimuth time in seconds Intits //ype: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Zaro Doppler azimuth time in seconds Intits //ype: Float63 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Incidence angle is defined as the angle between the LOS vector and the normal to the ellipsoid at the target height </td <td>/science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radar0</td> <td>Grid/refe</td> <td>renceSlantRange</td> | /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radar0 | Grid/refe | renceSlantRange |
| FillValue nan grid_mapping projection long_name Slant range units meters /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/hydrostaticTroposphericPhaseScreen | Type: Float64 | Shape: | : (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) |
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| long_name Slant range meters units meters Type: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Hydrostatic component of the troposphere phase screen inits vinits radians /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/wetTroposphere/PhaseScreen yee: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Wet component of the troposphere phase screen units radians /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/slantRangeSolidEarthTidesPhase Type: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Solid Earth tides phase along slant range direction units Units radians /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/ireferenceZeroDopplerAzimuthTime Type: Float64 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Zero Doppler azimuth time in seconds units seconds since YYY-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS /science/LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid/incidenceAngle Type: Float32 Shape: (radarCubeHeight, radarCubeLength, radarCubeWidth) Description: Incidence angle is defined as the angle between the LOS vector and the normal to the ellipsoid at the target height valid_max | _FillValue | | nan |
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| | max_value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
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| | sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| | long_name | Parallel baseline |
| | units | meters |
| /science | LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid | |
| Type: Flo | | hape: (radarCubeWidth, radarCubeLength, twoLayersCubeHeight) |
| | ion: Perpendicular component of th | |
| | mean value | Arithmetic average of the numeric data points |
| | min value | Minimum value of the numeric data points |
| | max value | Maximum value of the numeric data points |
| | sample_stddev | Standard deviation of the numeric data points |
| | long_name | Perpendicular baseline |
| | units | meters |
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| /science | LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid | |
| Type: Flo | | hape: (radarCubeWidth) |
| | ion: Y coordinates in specified proj | |
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| /science | LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid | |
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| | | Ellipsoid corresponding to the radar grid |
| | standard name | height above reference ellipsoid |
| | units | meters |
| /science | LSAR/GUNW/metadata/radarGrid | |
| Type: Ul | | hape: scalar |
| | | PSG code, with additional projection information as HDF5 Attributes |
| 2000.00 | ellipsoid | Projection ellipsoid |
| | epsg_code | Projection EPSG code |
| | false_easting | The value added to all abscissa values in the rectangular coordinates for a map |
| | | projection. |
| | false_northing | The value added to all ordinate values in the rectangular coordinates for a map |
| | | projection. |
| | grid_mapping_name | Grid mapping variable name |
| | inverse_flattening | Inverse flattening of the ellipsoidal figure |
| | latitude_of_projection_origin | The latitude chosen as the origin of rectangular coordinates for a map |
| | | projection. |
| | longitude_of_projection_origin | The longitude, with respect to Greenwich, of the prime meridian associated with |
| | | the geodetic datum. |
| | semi_major_axis | Semi-major axis |
| | spatial_ref | Spatial reference |
| | utm zone number | UTM zone number |

6 METADATA CUBE

In this section, we provide an overview of the metadata cubes used to store spatially-varying ancillary data in the secondary layers of the NISAR L-SAR product HDF5 granules. Note that this sparse representation is to assist users in ingesting and analyzing NISAR products within existing GIS software and is not meant to replace traditional representations of SAR data within the product granules or traditional processing approaches with radar geometry-aware software.

Metadata cubes are represented as three-dimensional arrays in the NISAR product HDF5 modules (Figure 6-1). The axes of the array are interpreted as (height, increasing azimuth time, and increasing slant range) in case of radar geometry products and as (height, decreasing northing, and increasing easting) in case of geocoded products. The data is organized with height as the first axis, as this allows one to directly ingest data as GCPs or rasters into existing GIS software. Each height layer is the same size. Metadata cubes will have fixed grid spacing (3 km in azimuth/northing x 1 km in slant range/easting x 1.5 km in height and will allow for easy merging when multiple products along the same imaging track are to be concatenated. The metadata fields on this coarse resolution grid will be evaluated using traditional radar processing approaches without approximations. The metadata cube will also span a field slightly larger than the original image product to allow users to interpolate data without introducing edge effects. Such low-resolution representation of slowly varying parameters has been demonstrated for InSAR products and processing [RD6].

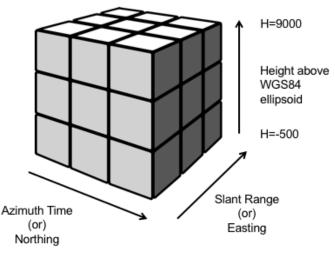


Figure 6-1. Metadata cube layer schematic

6.1 Metadata Cube Interpolation Example

We provide here a conceptual example of how these metadata cubes can be used within an existing GIS framework. Let us consider a GUNW product on a UTM Zone 10 grid. We use a

geocoded product for the demonstration, but the presented approach can be easily extended to radar coordinate products by replacing northing axis by azimuth time and easting axis by slant range.

| Name | Value | Description | |
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| Primary la | Primary layer properties | | |
| xmin | 100000.0 | Easting of the first column (m) | |
| xmax | 340000.0 | Easting of the last column (m) | |
| dx | 30.0 | Column spacing in Easting (m) | |
| Nx | 8001 | Number of columns | |
| ymax | 570000.0 | Northing of first row (m) | |
| ymin | 330000.0 | Northing of last row (m) | |
| dy | -30.0 | Row spacing in Northing (m). Negative to emphasize North-up imagery in geocoded products | |
| Ny | 8001 | Number of rows | |
| Metadata | cube properties | | |
| Cxmin | 97000.0 | Easting of first column (m) | |
| Cxmax | 343000.0 | Easting of last column (m) | |
| Cdx | 1000.0 | Column spacing in Easting (m) | |
| CNx | 247 | Number of columns | |
| Cymax | 579000.0 | Northing of first row (m) | |
| Cymin | 321000.0 | Northing of last row(m) | |
| Cdy | -3000.0 | Row spacing in Northing (m). Negative to emphasize North-up imagery in geocoded products | |
| CNy | 87 | Number of rows | |
| Czmin | -1500 | Height of the first layer (m) | |
| Czmax | 9000 | Height of the last layer (m) | |
| Cdz | 1500 | Layer spacing in height (m) | |
| CNz | 8 | Number of height layers | |

Table 6-1 Example metadata cube properties.

Suppose we are interested in computing the Perpendicular Baseline (Bperp) at a pixel of interest located at UTM coordinates point (Px,Py). Since these are coordinates on a map domain, we can look up a DEM to get the height at this point. The three-dimensional point of interest then becomes (Px, Py, h(Px,Py)).

The metadata cube for Perpendicular baseline can be thought of as a three-dimensional field Bperp(x,y,z) – even though it is oriented as (Nz,Ny,Nx) in the HDF5 file for ease of use with a GIS. The user can use standard built-in regular grid three-dimensional interpolation routines in languages like MATLAB (e.g, interp3), IDL or Python (e.g, RegularGridInterpolator) to interpolate the Bperp array. We recommend cubic interpolation for best results. If a three-dimensional interpolator is not available, one could use two-dimensional cubic interpolation for each height layer followed by a one-dimensional cubic interpolation in the following manner:

1. Populate f(i), i=0,...Nz-1 by two-dimensional cubic interpolation of each height layer:

$$f(i) = Bperp\left[i, \frac{Py - Cymax}{Cdy}, \frac{Px - Cxmax}{Cdx}\right]$$

where the numbers in the square brackets indicate indices into the three-dimensional cube. For example, if we are interested in the point (107590.0 East, 555870.0 North, 300.0 Height), we would interpolate at Row 7.71 and Column 10.59 for each height layer.

2. Interpolate f(i) using one-dimensional cubic interpolation:

$$Bperp(Px, Py, h(Px, Py)) = f\left[\frac{h(Px, Py) - Czmin}{Cdz}\right]$$

where the number in the square bracket indicates an index into a one-dimensional array. For example, for a height value of 200.0, we would interpolate at an index of 1.2.

6.2 Metadata Cube Usage Note

Note that the metadata cubes are designed to accommodate one double-precision cube within 1 MB of memory, allowing for information to be easily stored in memory for on-the-fly computation within GIS frameworks or software without much overhead. The metadata cubes are not a replacement for traditional SAR processing approaches or very high-resolution analyses. They are meant to facilitate rapid processing and analysis by non-experts and will serve the needs for most SAR applications. Analyses show that the geolocation error is on the order of 1.5 cm due to interpolation which is significantly smaller than errors from sources such as DEM, orbits, and atmospheric path delay. Interpolation errors for each of the metadata layers will be reported after additional study.

7 APPENDIX A: ACRONYMS

| ADT | Algorithm Development Team |
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| AT | Along Track |
| AWS | Amazon Web Services |
| BFPQ | Block adaptive Floating-Point Quantization |
| Cal/Val | Calibration and Validation (also sometimes cal/val) |
| CDR | Critical Design Review |
| CF | Climate and Forecast |
| CPU | Central Processing Unit |
| CRSD | Calibration Raw Signal Data |
| CSV | Comma-separated values |
| DAAC | Distributed Active Archive Center |
| DEM | Digital Elevation Model |
| DN | Digital Number |
| EAR | Export Administration Regulations |
| ECMWF | European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts |
| ECEF | Earth Centered Earth Fixed |
| EPSG | European Petroleum Survey Group |
| ESA | European Space Agency |
| FM | Frequency Modulation |
| FOP | Forecast Orbit Ephemeris |
| FOV | Field of View |
| GCOV | Geocoded Polarimetric Covariance (also as L2_GCOV) |
| GCP | Ground Control Point |
| GDAL | Geospatial Data Abstraction Library |
| GDS | Ground Data System |
| GIS | Geographic Information System |
| GMTED | Global Multi-resolution Terrain Elevation Data |
| GOFF | Geocoded Pixel Offsets (also as L2_GOFF) |
| GPU | Graphics Processing Unit |
| GSLC | Geocoded Single Look Complex (also as L2_GSLC) |
| GUNW | Geocoded Unwrapped Interferogram (also as L2_GUNW) |
| HDF5 | Hierarchical Data Format version 5 |
| НК, НКТМ | Housekeeping Telemetry |
| InSAR | Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar |
| ISCE | InSAR Scientific Computing Environment |
| ISCE3 | InSAR Scientific Computing Environment Enhanced Edition (for NISAR) |
| ISO | International Organization for Standardization |
| ISRO | Indian Space Research Organisation (British spelling) |
| L0B | Level-0B (data) |
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| L1 | Level-1 (data) | | |
|---------|---|--|--|
| L2 | Level-2 (data) | | |
| LOS | Line-Of-Sight | | |
| LUT | Lookup Table | | |
| Mbps | Megabits per second | | |
| MHz | Megahertz | | |
| MOE | Medium-precision Orbit Ephemeris | | |
| NCSA | National Center for Supercomputing Applications | | |
| NetCDF4 | Network Common Data Form version 4 | | |
| NISAR | NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar | | |
| NOE | Near-Realtime Orbit Ephemeris | | |
| PDR | Preliminary Design Review | | |
| PLM | Product Lifecycle Management | | |
| POD | Precision Orbit Determination | | |
| POE | Precision Orbit Ephemeris | | |
| PRF | Pulse Repetition Frequency | | |
| QA | Quality Assurance | | |
| REE | Radar Echo Emulator | | |
| RFI | Radio Frequency Interference | | |
| RIFG | Range-Doppler Interferogram (also as L1_RIFG) | | |
| ROFF | Range-Doppler Pixel Offsets (also as L1_ROFF) | | |
| RRSD | Radar Raw Signal Data | | |
| RRST | Radar Raw Science Telemetry | | |
| RSLC | Range-Doppler Single Look Complex (also as L1_RSLC) | | |
| RUNW | Range-Doppler UnWrapped Interferogram (also as L1_RUNW) | | |
| SAR | Synthetic Aperture Radar | | |
| SAS | Science Algorithm Software | | |
| SDS | Science Data System | | |
| SDT | Science Definition Team | | |
| SIS | Software Interface Specification | | |
| SLC | Single Look Complex | | |
| SNAPHU | Statistical-cost, Network-flow Algorithm for Phase Unwrapping | | |
| SRTM | Shuttle Radar Topography Mission | | |
| ST | Science Team | | |
| TAI | International Atomic Time (Temps Atomique International) | | |
| TCF | Terrain Correction Factor | | |
| TEC | Total Electron Content | | |
| TFdb | Track-frame Database | | |
| SWST | Sampling Window Start Time | | |
| UR | Urgent Response | | |
| UTC | Universal Time Coordinated | | |

| UTM | Universal Transverse Mercator | |
|-------|--|--|
| WGS84 | World Geodetic System 84 | |
| XML | eXtensible Markup Language (xml in code) | |
| YAML | YAML Ain't Markup Language | |

8 APPENDIX B: GEOCODED PRODUCT GRIDS

NISAR L2 products will be generated on a pre-defined Track/Frame system. The projection system for a particular frame will be available to the users as a predefined map and will be held constant through the life of the system. Each L2 HDF5 granule itself will include information indicating the projection used for the product.

Map Projections

NISAR's SDS is able to ingest any DEM whose vertical datum represents height above the WGS84 ellipsoid and the horizontal datum can be represented by an EPSG code for generating geocoded product. Table 7-1 lists the various projection systems used to output L2 geocoded products.

| EPSG code | PROJ.4 string | Common Name | Geographical scope |
|-------------|--|--|---|
| 3031 | +proj=stere +lat_0=-90 +lat_ts=-71 +lon_0=0 +k=1 +x_0=0 +y_0=0 +datum=WGS84 +units=m +no_defs | Antarctic Polar Stereographic | Antarctica and Southern Hemisphere Sea Ice |
| 3413 | +proj=stere +lat_0=90 +lat_ts=70 +lon_0=- 45 +k=1 +x_0=0 +y_0=0 +datum=WGS84 +units=m +no_defs | NSIDC Sea Ice Polar Stereographic North | Greenland and Northern Hemisphere Sea Ice |
| 32601-32660 | +proj=utm +zone=X-32600 +datum=WGS84 +units=m +no_defs | UTM Zone North | Northern Hemisphere Land except Greenland |
| 32701-32760 | +proj=utm +zone=X-32700 +south +datum=WGS84 +units=m +no_defs | UTM Zone South | Southern Hemisphere Land except Antarctica |

Table 8-1 Projection systems for NISAR L2 products.