

Seaglider File Formats Manual

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Chapter 1 Conventions and Introduction

1.1 Conventions

Example files are given in **bold Courier font**. Direct annotations of files are given in smaller font. Parameters are in **UPPER CASE BOLD** font, and have a preceding \$. File names that are used in Seaglider command, control, or operations are given in **lowercase bold font**. Documents and sections of documents are *italicized*.

123 is used throughout this document as a placeholder for Seaglider serial number, and 55 is used as a placeholder for dive number. Many file names include a three digit Seaglider serial number, followed by a four digit dive number, both with preceding zeros (e.g. **p1230055.log**). Numerals after the dot in a file name are represented by 0's and, when additional numerals are needed, 9's. Because they represent various meanings, numerals after the dot are always annotated the first time the file name appears, and in the file description heading.

1.2 Introduction

This manual is designed to help the Seaglider user identify and interpret files he or she will encounter on the basestation. It is to be used in conjunction with the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide*, *Parameter Reference Manual*, and *Extended PicoDOS Reference Manual*.

1.2.1 List of Files Found on the Basestation

(using SG132, dive 55, for example file names)

These files are described in the document below.

processed_files.cache
baselog_080221110101
baselog.log
sg_calib_constants.m
cmdfile
comm.log

p1230055.asc
p1230055.cap
p1230055.dat
p1230055.eng
p1230055.log
p1230055.pro
p1230055.bpo
p1230055.pvt

p1230000.prm

cmdedit.log
targedit.log
sciedit.log

comm_merged.log

history.log

cmdfile.0
targets.0
science.0
p1230055.000.pdos

st0055du.1a.x00
st0055du.r
st0055du.x00

st0055lu.1a.x00
st0055lu.x00

These files are intermediates found on the basestation. They are used to create the processed files documented in this manual. Characters in the file names indicate the following:

p indicates that these files have been processed by the basestation. They are the files that contain information from the glider, for use by the pilot, operator, and scientist.

This file is sent at the end of a self test. Contains a list of the parameters and their settings at the time of the self test, and some information about the transmission of files during the self test.

These files are made by the basestation, and document each change made to the command file, targets file, and science file using cmdedit, targedit, and sciedit.

Merged comm log and history

Record of shell commands

Every time a **cmdfile**, **targets file**, or **science file** is taken up by the glider, it is saved on the basestation and renamed to include the dive number. **PDOS command files** are also saved, but already include the dive number, so they are saved with a serial number. If there are multiple calls on one surfacing, a **cmdfile** is sent each time, and a serial number is added after the dive number.

d indicates that these intermediate files will be used to create a data file.

l indicates that these intermediate files will be used to create a log file.

st : The file is from a self-test. If from a normal dive, this prefix will be *pt*
b: has had duplicate sections removed "Bogue Syndrome processing"
1a: has been stripped of the padding characters added for transmission from the Seaglider.
u: uncompressed
z: zipped
r: raw; a reconstruction of the raw ASCII text file on the glider
x: The following sequence number is in the hexadecimal system

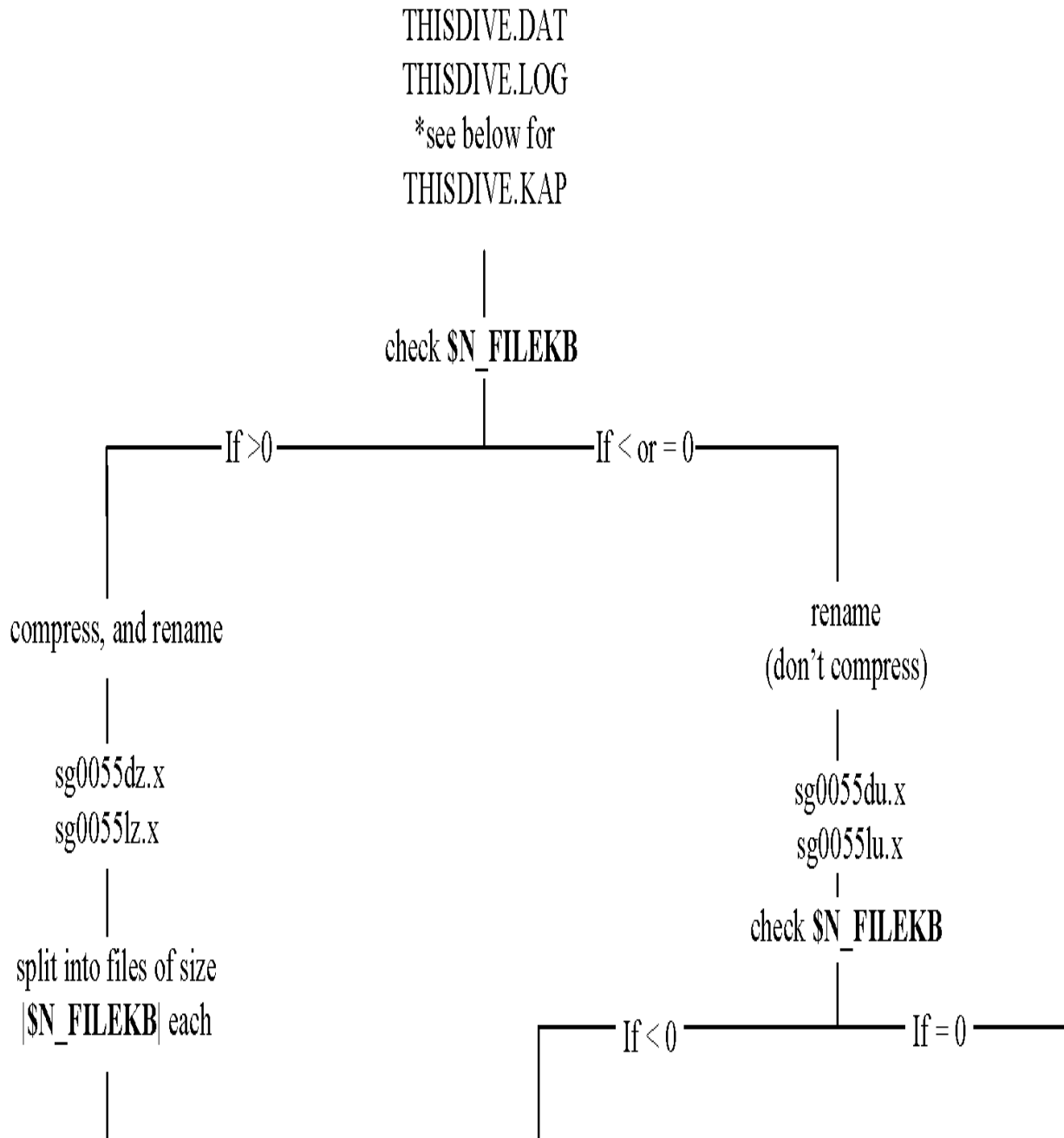
st0055kz.1a.x02
st0055kz.1a.x03
st0055kz.b.1a.x04
st0055kz.b.x04
st0055kz.r
st0055kz.x00
st0055kz.x01

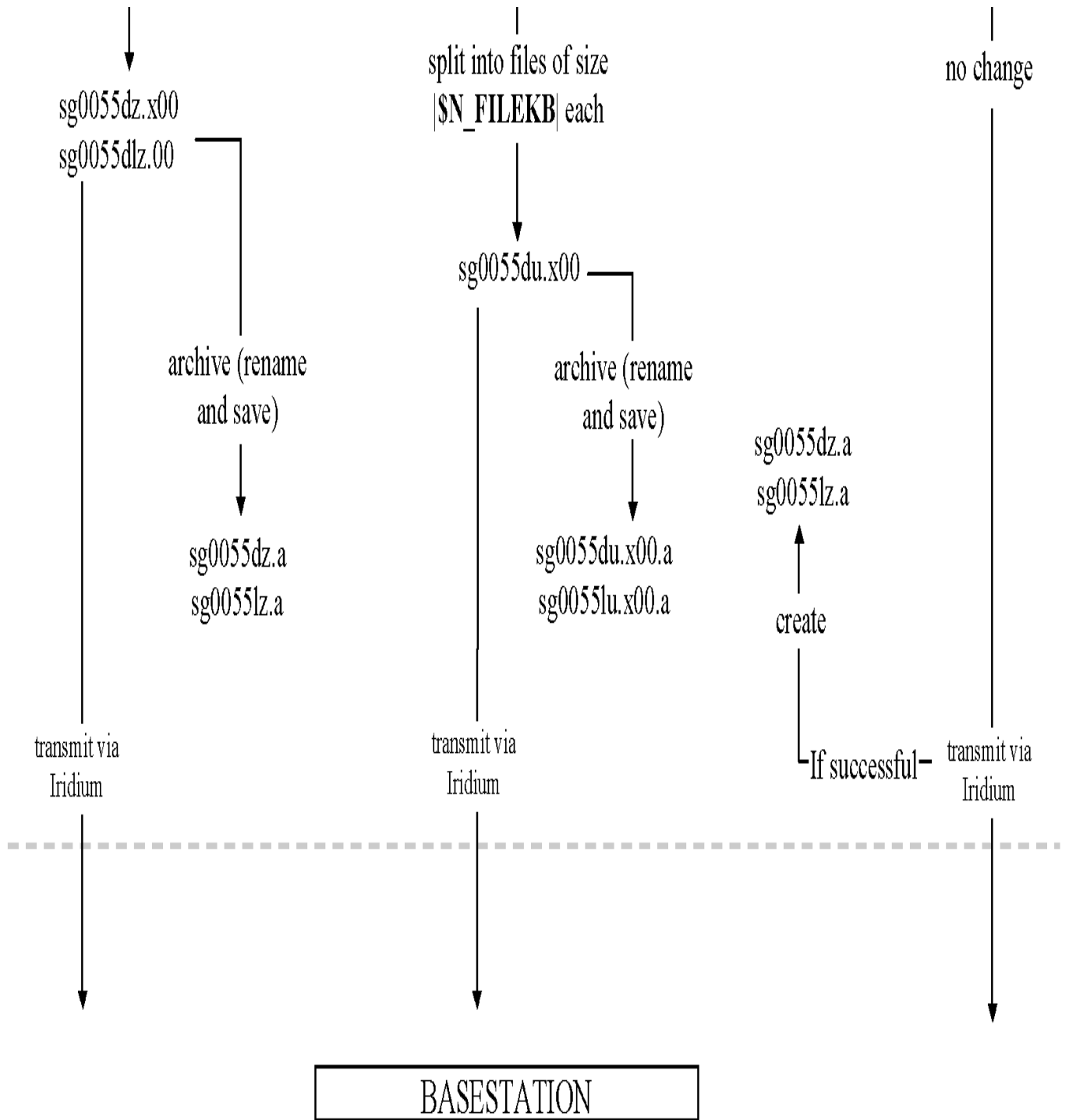
st0055kz.x00.PARTIAL.1

k indicates that these intermediate files will be used to create a capture file.

Partial files appear when the basestation does not receive a complete file from the Seaglider, and is unable to process it. Transmission errors are addressed in the Communications Log section of this document, and in the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide*.

1.2.2 Data Flow Map





Chapter 2

File Descriptions

This section describes the files relevant to the Seaglider user. Where appropriate, excerpts from real files, with explanatory annotation, are shown.

2.1 Processed Files

2.1.1 Log File

(p1230055.log)

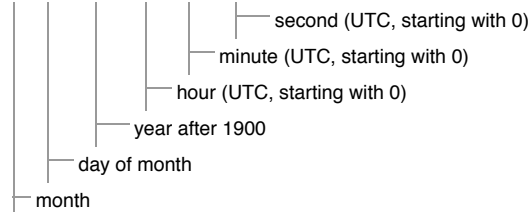
One **log file** is made for each dive. The first portion of the data is a list of the Seaglider's parameters and their values for that dive. See the *Parameter Reference Manual* for more information. The second section, beginning with the entry **\$GPS1**, contains information concerning the pre-dive period at the surface. The \$GC-labeled lines describe motor actions (pitch, roll, or VBD), one line per motor move. The information listed after the \$GC lines are data collected at the end of the dive (surface maneuver data, final temperature reading, etc). Some of this data is from the previous surfacing (before the start of the current dive). Not all Seagliders will report all of the lines that appear in the example given here, because the devices installed vary among Seagliders.

Example Log File

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version: 66.06 Seaglider operating code
glider: 123 Seaglider serial number
mission: 1 counter settable by pilot or launch operator
dive: 055 dive number
start: 7 17 106 19 24 20, day and time (UTC) of start of dive

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data:
$ID,123
$MISSION,1
$DIVE,55
$D_SURF,2
$D_FLARE,3
$D_TGT,990
$D_ABORT,1090
$D_NO_BLEED,500
$D_FINISH,0
$T_DIVE,220
$T_MISSION,275
$T_ABORT,1440
$T_TURN,225
$T_TURN_SAMPINT,5
$T_NO_W,120
$USE_BATHY,0
$USE_ICE,-1
$D_OFFGRID,1001
$T_WATCHDOG,10
$RELAUNCH,1
$APOGEE_PITCH,-5
$MAX_BUOY,225
$COURSE_BIAS,0
$GLIDE_SLOPE,30
$SPEED_FACTOR,1
$RHO,1.0275
$MASS,52202
$NAV_MODE,0
$FERRY_MAX,60
$KALMAN_USE,1
$HD_A,0.003

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$HD_B,0.0099999998
$HD_C,9.9999997e-06
$HEADING,-1
$ESCAPE_HEADING,0
$ESCAPE_HEADING_DELTA,10
$TGT_DEFAULT_LAT,21
$TGT_DEFAULT_LON,-158.3
$TGT_AUTO_DEFAULT,0
$SM_CC,400
$N_FILEKB,4
$FILEMGR,0
$CALL_NDIVES,1
$COMM_SEQ,0
$N_NOCOMM,1
$N_NOSURFACE,0
$PITCH_MIN,331
$PITCH_MAX,3664
$C_PITCH,2720
$PITCH_DBAND,0.1
$PITCH_ADJ_DBAND,0.5
$PITCH_ADJ_GAIN,0.03
$PITCH_MAXERRORS,1
$ROLL_DEG,45
$ROLL_MAX,4000
$ROLL_MIN,120
$PITCH_CNV,0.0046000001
$P_OVSHOOT,0.039999999
$PITCH_GAIN,16
$PITCH_TIMEOUT,20
$PITCH_AD_RATE,150
$UPLOAD_DIVES_MAX,-1
$CALL_TRIES,5
$CALL_WAIT,60
$CAPUPLOAD,0
$CAPMAXSIZE,100000
$T_GPS,15
$N_GPS,20
$T_GPS_ALMANAC,0
$T_GPS_CHARGE,-47579.566
$T_RSLEEP,3
$C_ROLL_DIVE,2150
$C_ROLL_CLIMB,2225
$HEAD_ERRBAND,10
$ROLL_CNV,0.028270001
$ROLL_TIMEOUT,15
$R_PORT_OVSHOOT,62
$R_STBD_OVSHOOT,42
$ROLL_AD_RATE,500
$ROLL_MAXERRORS,0
$ROLL_ADJ_GAIN,0
$ROLL_ADJ_DBAND,0
$VBD_MIN,704
$VBD_MAX,3940
$C_VBD,2956
$VBD_DBAND,2
$VBD_CNV,-0.24529999
$VBD_TIMEOUT,720
$PITCH_VBD_SHIFT,0.0020000001
$VBD_PUMP_AD_RATE_SURFACE,5
$VBD_PUMP_AD_RATE_APOGEE,4
$VBD_BLEED_AD_RATE,8
$UNCOM_BLEED,20
$VBD_MAXERRORS,1
$CF8_MAXERRORS,0
$AH0_24V,91.800003
$AH0_10V,61.200001
$MINV_24V,19
$MINV_10V,8
$FG_AHR_10V,6.94801 $FG_AHR_24V,6.73398 $PHONE_SUPPLY,2 $PRESSURE_YINT,-9.1756201
$PRESSURE_SLOPE,9.1530041e-05
$AD7714Ch0Gain,64
$TCM_PITCH_OFFSET,0
$TCM_ROLL_OFFSET,0
$ALTIM_BOTTOM_PING_RANGE,0
$ALTIM_TOP_PING_RANGE,0

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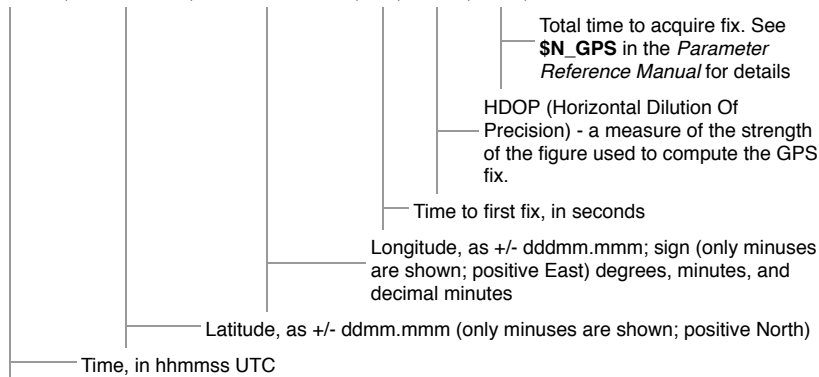
See *Parameter Reference Manual* for information on parameters reported in the **log file**.

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$ALTIM_BOTTOM_TURN_MARGIN,0
$ALTIM_TOP_TURN_MARGIN,0
$ALTIM_TOP_MIN_OBSTACLE,1
$ALTIM_PING_DEPTH,0
$ALTIM_PING_DELTA,0
$ALTIM_FREQUENCY,13
$ALTIM_PULSE,2
$ALTIM_SENSITIVITY,4
$XPDR_VALID,0
$XPDR_INHIBIT,90
$INT_PRESSURE_SLOPE,0.0097660003
$INT_PRESSURE_YINT,0
$MOTHERBOARD,4
$DEVICE1,2
$DEVICE2,20
$DEVICE3,37
$DEVICE4,-1
$DEVICE5,-1
$DEVICE6,-1
$COMPASS_DEVICE,33
$PHONE_DEVICE,48
$GPS_DEVICE,32
$RAFOS_DEVICE,-1
$XPDR_DEVICE,24
$SIM_W,0
$SIM_PITCH,0
$SEABIRD_T_G,0.004327164
$SEABIRD_T_H,0.00064159534
$SEABIRD_T_I,2.4326842e-05
$SEABIRD_T_J,2.4823044e-06
$SEABIRD_C_G,-10.256908
$SEABIRD_C_H,1.181479
$SEABIRD_C_I,-0.0036624616
$SEABIRD_C_J,0.00030102869

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```
$GPS1, 191808,1910.592, -15645.222,55, 1.0, 59,
```



These values are from the first of two GPS fixes prior to the start of the current dive.

```
$_CALLS,1
```

Total number of calls that were made in an attempt to connect on the previous surfacing.

```
_XMS_NAKs,0
```

Total number of transfers that ended with a NAK (No Acknowledgements) on the previous surfacing.

```
$_XMS_TOUTs,0
```

Total number of transfers that ended without a timeout on the previous surfacing.

```
$_SM_DEPTHo,2.36
```

Glider-measured depth, in meters, while the glider is at the surface at the end of the previous dive.

```
$_SM_ANGLEo,-58.8
```

Glider-measured angle at the surface, at the end of the previous dive, in degrees

```
$GPS2,192327,1910.511,
-15645.083,18,1.5,19,9.6
```

These values are from the second GPS fix prior to the start of the current dive. See the "Canonical Dive Profile" in the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide* for further details on where the GPS fix is taken.

```
$SPEED_LIMITS,0.260,0.356
```

The minimum and maximum horizontal speed attainable by the Seaglider on this dive, in meters per second. These values are based on the minimum and maximum dive angles and the allowable buoyancy force. The minimum speed corresponds to the maximum dive angle; the maximum speed is obtained as the minimum value of the horizontal speed.

```
$TGT_NAME,WPT5
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The name of the active target of this dive. See the Targets File section for details.

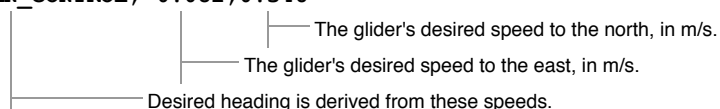
```
$TGT_LATLONG,2000.000,-15640.000
```

The latitude and longitude, in +/- ddmm.mmm and +/- dddmm.mmm format, for the target of this dive.

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$TGT_RADIUS,1852.000
```

The radius for the active target for this dive, in meters.

```
$KALMAN_CONTROL,-0.082,0.346
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```
$KALMAN_X,194116.0,-264.0,95.2,-71195.6,1396.7
```

X displacement from present position to predicted position due to mean, diurnal and
 semidiurnal components of the model
 East position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to glider speed through water
 East position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to semidiurnal current
 East position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to diurnal current
 East position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to mean current

\$KALMAN_Y, 194116.0, -264.0, 95.2, -71195.6, 1396.7

Y displacement from present position to predicted position due to mean, diurnal and
 semidiurnal components of the model
 North position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to glider speed through water
 North position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to semidiurnal current
 North position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to diurnal current
 North position relative to initial position (in meters), at time tk due to mean current

\$MHEAD_RNG_PITCHd_wd, 337.1, 92079, -20.1, -15.000, -18.000

Glide angle (theta0)
 Desired vertical velocity on dive (cm/s)
 Desired vehicle pitch angle
 Distance, in meters, to the target
 Desired magnetic heading (degrees)

\$D_GRID, 990 The depth, in meters, to the apogee maneuver, as read from the currently active bathymetry map.

\$GCHEAD, st_secs, pitch_ctl, vbd_ctl, depth, ob_vertv, data_pts, end_secs, pitch_secs, roll_secs, vbd_secs, vbd_i, gcphase, pitch_i, roll_i, pitch_ad, roll_ad, vbd_ad, pitch_retries, pitch_errors, roll_retries, roll_errors, vbd_retries, vbd_errors

st_secs: Elapsed time from the start of the dive to the start of the GC
 pitch_ctl: Position of the pitch mass, in centimeters, relative to **\$C_PITCH** (positive aft)
 vbd_ctl: Position of the VBD, in cc, relative to **\$C_VBD** (positive buoyant)
 depth: Depth at the start of GC, in meters
 ob_vertv: Observed vertical velocity, in centimeters per second
 data_pts: Number of data records collected thus far in the dive
 end_secs: Elapsed time from the start of the dive to the end of the GC
 pitch_secs: Number of seconds the pitch motor was on
 roll_secs: Number of seconds the roll motor was on
 vbd_secs: Number of seconds the VBD was on
 vbd_i: Average current used by the VBD, in amps
 gcphase: GC phase, encoded as follows
 1: Pitch change
 2: VBD change
 3: Roll
 4: Turning (passive)
 5: Roll back (to center)
 6: Passive mode (waiting)
 pitch_i: Average current used by the pitch motor, in amps
 roll_i: Average current used by the roll motor, in amps
 pitch_ad: Position of the pitch motor, in AD counts, at the end of the motor move
 roll_ad: Position of the roll motor, in AD counts, at the end of the motor move
 vbd_ad: Position of the VBD, in AD counts, at the end of the motor move
 pitch_retries: number of retries (instantaneous AD rate of move less than **\$PITCH_AD_RATE**) during this motor move
 pitch_errors: number of pitch motor errors (timeouts) during this motor move
 roll_retries: number of retries (instantaneous AD rate of move less than **\$ROLL_AD_RATE**) during this motor move
 roll_errors: number of roll motor errors (timeouts) during this motor move
 vbd_retries: number of retries (instantaneous AD rate of move less than **\$VBD_PUMP_AD_RATE_APOGEE**, **\$VBD_PUMP_AD_RATE_SURFACE**, or **\$VBD_BLEED_RATE** as appropriate) during this motor move
 vbd_errors: number of VBD errors (timeouts) during this motor move

\$GC, 15, -1.70, -218.4, 0.0, 0.0, 0.59, 0.00, 0.00, -41.92, 0.000, 2.0.000, 0.000, 326, 2165, 2436, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
\$GC, 60, -1.70, -219.0, 3.2, -3.9, 7, 115, 11.95, 2.45, -34.53, 0.000, 4.0.180, 0.062, 2341, 3533, 3851, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
\$GC, 275, -1.70, -219.0, 47.8, -22.3, 47, 281, 0.00, 2.28, 0.00, 0.000, 6.0.000, 0.025, 2341, 2181, 3853, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
\$GC, 596, -1.70, -219.0, 120.2, -20.3, 108, 601, 0.00, 2.50, 0.00, 0.000, 4.0.000, 0.045, 2341, 759, 3854, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
\$GC, 665, -1.70, -219.0, 134.5, -21.4, 114, 672, 0.00, 2.33, 0.00, 0.000, 6.0.000, 0.023, 2342, 2149, 3855, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
 ...lines omitted...
\$GC, 13111, 2.12, 489.2, 70.3, 12.2, 557, 13165, 0.00, 2.53, 46.45, 0.633, 4.0.000, 0.048, 3183, 832, 959, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
\$GC, 13278, 2.24, 526.9, 48.1, 13.3, 588, 13317, 0.08, 2.38, 31.85, 0.607, 6.0.047, 0.025, 3213, 2229, 806, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0
\$STATE, 20661, end climb, SURFACE_DEPTH_REACHED
\$STATE, 20661, begin surface coast
\$FINISH, 1.9, 1.008786

Density of water, in grams per cc, at the first sample taken after reaching **\$D_SURF** (or **\$D_FINISH**, if enabled)
 Depth of glider, in meters at the first sample taken after reaching **\$D_SURF** (or **\$D_FINISH**, if enabled)

\$SM_CCo, 2031, 75.53, 0.653, 0, 0, 239, 530.09

Final position of the VBD after the SM pump in cc's
 Final position of the VBD after the SM pump, in AD counts
 Number of errors during the SM pump
 Number of retries during the SM pump
 Average current for the VBD during the SM pump, in amps

	Time in seconds for the SM pump	
	Time in seconds from the start of the dive to when the Surface Maneuver (SM) pump was started	
\$SM_GC	1.25, 11.30, 0.00, 0.00, 0.038, 0.000, 0.000, 424, 2272, 1263, -10.22, 0.34, 438.35	
\$IRIDIUM_FIX	1904.66, 12231.77, 091207, 191902	
\$TT8_MAMPS	0.02301	Power draw on the 10 V power pack, in amps, measured at the end of the dive. This measurement can be used to determine if devices are being left on.
\$HUMID	40.11	Relative humidity inside the pressure hull, in percent.
\$INTERNAL_PRESSURE	7.15848	Pressure inside the pressure hull, in PSIA.
\$TCM_TEMP	23.60	Last temperature reading taken from the compass, in degrees C.
\$XPDR_PINGS	8	Number of times the transponder commanded a ping on the dive. This could be altimeter pings, or pings in response to something that sounded like an interrogation.
\$ALTIM_BOTTOM_PING	875.1, 26.8	Depth of the glider, and altimeter-detected distance to bottom.
\$24V_AH	23.3, 21.710	Total amp-hours consumed on the 24V battery since the last reset of the battery meters (usually when new batteries are installed).
	The minimum measured battery voltage (measured during active phase) on the 24V battery pack, in volts.	
\$10V_AH	10.0, 17.969	Same as \$24V_AH , but for 10V battery pack.
\$FG_AHR_24Vo	6.819	Cumulative A-hr consumed from the 24V battery pack as tracked by the supervisor fuel gauge and recorded at the end of the dive. Only meaningful for RevC and later motherboards
\$FG_AHR_10Vo	6.967	Same as \$FG_AHR_24Vo , but for 10V battery pack. Only meaningful for RevC and later motherboards
\$DEVICES	Pitch_motor, Roll_motor, VBD_pump_during_apogee, VBD_pump_during_surface, VBD_valve, Iridium_during_init, Iridium_during_connect, Iridium_during_xfer, Transponder_ping, Mmodem_TX, Mmodem_RX, GPS, TT8, LPSleep, TT8_Active, TT8_Sampling, TT8_CF8, TT8_Kalman, Analog_circuits, GPS_charging, Compass, RAFOS, Transponder.	Provides the titles of the numbers in the next two lines (\$DEVICE_SECS and \$DEVICE_MAMPS). The meaning of each title is listed below.
	Pitch_motor: All use of the pitch motor, in the units given in the next two lines Roll_motor: All use of the roll motor, in the units given in the next two lines VBD_pump_during_apogee: Use of the VBD pump during active mode VBD_pump_during_surface: Use of the VBD pump outside of the dive VBD_valve: Any use of the VBD valve Iridium_during_init: Use of the phone related to turning the phone on Iridium_during_connect: Use of the phone while connecting to the basestation Iridium_during_xfer: Use of phone during a file transfer Transponder_ping: Use of the transponder during an active ping Mmodem_TX: Mmodem_RX: GPS: All use of the GPS for fix acquisition TT8: Use of the TT8 at 2 MHz LPSleep: Use of the TT8 under low power sleep TT8_Active: Use of the TT8 in active mode TT8_Sampling: Use of the TT8 while sampling sensors TT8_CF8: Use of the TT8 while accessing the flash TT8_Kalman: Use of the TT8 while running the Kalman filter code Analog_circuits: Use of the analog circuitry, including the pressure sensor GPS_charging: Use of the auxiliary GPS charging circuit Compass: Use of the compass RAFOS: Use of the RAFOS receiver Transponder: Total use of the transponder (including ping time)	
\$DEVICE_SECS	28.900, 130.775, 625.775, 0.000, 0.000, 32.521, 48.298, 129.845, 2.000, 81.068, 563.712, 9134.856, 711.991, 3431.997, 344.516, 33.374, 1911.731, 0.000, 3107.613, 0.000, 0.186	Reports the number of seconds each device was powered on during the dive.
\$DEVICE_MAMPS	180.245, 87.438, 1307.735, 0.000, 0.000, 103.000, 160.000, 223.000, 420.000, 50.000, 19.800, 2.190, 19.800, 39.800, 45.800, 81.800, 12.000, 0.000, 8.000, 0.000, 30.000	Reports the maximum current (in mA) drawn by each device listed in \$DEVICES .
\$SENSORS	SBE_CT, SBE_O2, WL_BB2F, nil, nil, nil	Similar to \$DEVICES , in simply providing titles for the numbers listed in the following two columns (\$SENSOR_SECS and \$SENSOR_MAMPS). Each title represents one of the sensors installed on the Seaglider, as described here.
	SBE_CT: Seabird CT sensor. By convention, this is configured as the first device. SBE_O2: Seabird O2 sensor. WL_BB2F: Wetlabs BB2F combination backscatter sensor and fluorometer. Optode: Optode oxygen sensor. nil: indicates that no sensor is installed in this position.	
\$SENSOR_SECS	2182.877, 1551.421, 748.579, 0.000, 0.000, 0.000	Reports the number of seconds each sensor was powered on during the dive.
\$SENSOR_MAMPS	24.000, 19.000, 105.000, 0.000, 0.000, 0.000	Reports the maximum current drawn by each sensor during the dive.
\$DATA_FILE_SIZE	36111, 664	The number of data samples taken during the dive The total size of the data file in bytes
\$CFSIZE	260165632, 248328192	The available free space on the compact flash card The total capacity of the compact flash card

The .asc, or ASCII, files are created on the basestation. They are essentially the reconstituted (uncompressed, reassembled, and differentially summed) versions of the data (DAT) files created on the Seaglider. See the Data File section for descriptions of the column names. The entry NaN indicates that there was no sample returned for that sensor. Either the sensor was not installed, or the sensor was not enabled for that sample/deployment, as controlled by the Science File.

2.1.4 Eng File (p1230055.eng)

The .eng, or engineering, files are created on the basestation. They restate data contained in the .asc and .log files, but with the Seaglider control state and attitude observations converted into engineering units. The column titles are described below. The first 10 columns are always present, while the remaining 10 columns vary, depending on the installed sensors.

elaps_t_0000: Time, in seconds, since 0000UTC of the current day
 elaps_t: Time, in seconds, since the start of the dive
 condFreq: Conductivity frequency, in Hertz.
 tempFreq: Temperature frequency, in Hertz.
 depth: Depth, in centimeters, at the start of the sample
 head: Vehicle heading, in degrees magnetic
 pitchAng: Vehicle pitch at the start of the sample, in degrees; positive nose-up
 rollAng: Vehicle roll at the start of the sample, in degrees; positive starboard wing down (rolled to starboard)
 pitchCtl: Pitch mass position relative to **\$C_PITCH**, in centimeters; positive nose up
 rollCtl: Roll mass position, in degrees relative to **\$C_ROLL_DIVE** or **\$C_ROLL_CLIMB**; positive starboard wing down
 vbdCC: VBD value relative to **\$C_VBD**, in cc's; positive buoyant
 O2Freq: Oxygen concentration (in Hertz)
 redRef: Red reference, in A/D counts
 redCount: Red backscatter, in A/D counts
 blueRef: Blue reference, in A/D counts
 blueCount: Blue backscatter, in A/D counts
 FluorCount: Fluorometer, in A/D counts
 VTemp: BB2F temperature, in degrees C
 O2: Aanderaa optode oxygen concentration
 temp: Aanderaa optode temperature
 dphase: Aanderaa optode dphase

2.1.5 Profiles File (p1230055.pro)

The .pro files contain the scientific data that was acquired during the dive, such as temperature and salinity. The column names are as follows:

elapse_time_s_v: time, in seconds, since the beginning of the dive (before the first sample is taken)
 Pressure_v: pressure, in decibars
 depth_m_v: depth, in meters
 TempC_Cor_v: temperature, in degrees C, corrected for 1st order time lag (response time of sensor)
 Cond_Cor_v: conductivity, corrected as above
 Salinity_v: salinity, calculated
 SigmaT_v: density at the current temperature
 dive_pos_lat_dd_v: estimated latitude, in decimal degrees. It should be noted that this position is a rough estimate based on the position at the surface, and the depth-averaged current, not an actual GPS or other reading.
 dive_pos_lon_dd_v: estimated longitude (see above).

2.1.6 Binned Profiles File (p1230055.bpo)

This is the same data as in the .pro files, but here it is "binned", or averaged, into depth intervals specified by the user.

2.1.7 Capture File (p1230055.cap)

The capture file contains information about all of the actions the Seaglider took during the dive. It captures the output written to the console while the Seaglider is operating. Capture files are a great source of information on the glider's performance, especially in error analysis and debugging. For more information on the use of capture files, please see the Capture File section in the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide*.

The format of the capture file is not as hard and fast as other file formats, but it usually conforms to that shown below:

time, service, output level, text

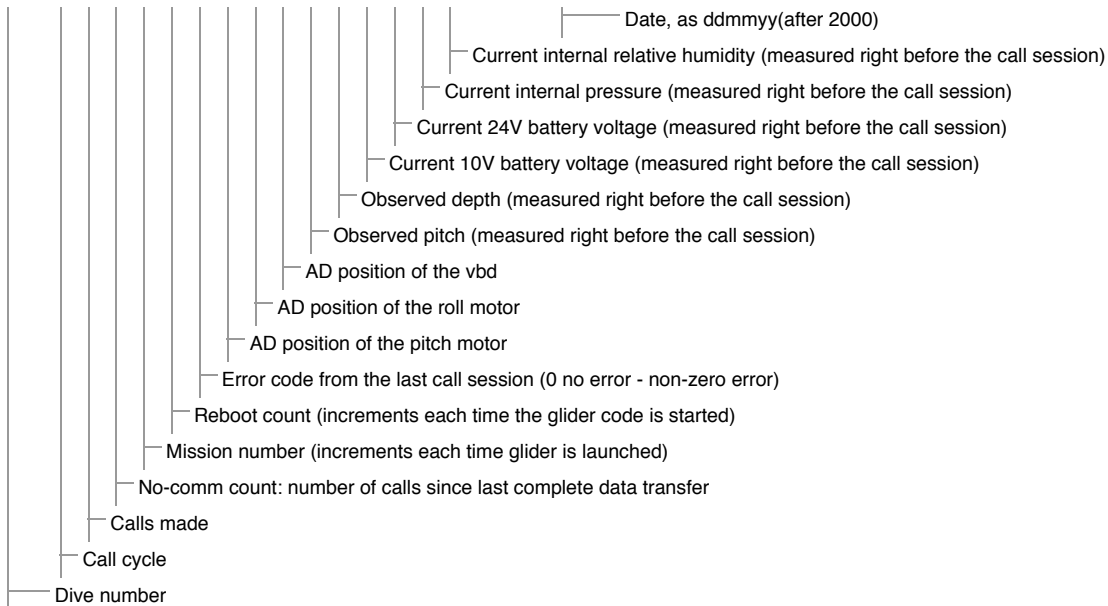
Example Capture File

2966.752,N,Capture file opened

Descriptive text; often what action was taken, and sometimes the reason for the action.

Output level. There are three letters that can appear in this position: N, C, or D. N indicates normal output level. C stands for critical, and means that only output considered critical to glider function will be printed. For the most part, this consists of dire problems with hardware or software, like motor errors or buffer overruns. D stands for Debug, and is used for extended diagnostics. This output can be quite voluminous and it is recommended that this only be set on specific services when it is known that some needed output will be captured. Most services do not have output in this level currently, but work is ongoing to add extended diagnostics under this output level.

Time in seconds, since the start of the dive



ver=66.041,rev=1243M,frag=4,launch=110908,151311

Iridium bars: 5 geolocation: 1846.424805,12238.228516,031207,020210

Location obtained by the iridium phone's geolocation property. This may be accurate to +/- 20km or more

Sun Dec 2 19:17:20 2007 [sg123] cmdfile/XMODEM: 128 Bytes, 17 BPS
Received cmdfile 17 bytes

Describes the transmission of the command file from the basestation to the Seaglider

Sun Dec 2 19:17:49 2007 [sg123] sector number = 1, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:17:54 2007 [sg123] sector number = 2, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:00 2007 [sg123] sector number = 3, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:05 2007 [sg123] sector number = 4, block length = 1024

These lines describe the glider sending a file to the basestation.

Sun Dec 2 19:18:07 2007 [sg123] received EOT and read timed out

End of transmission

Sun Dec 2 19:18:07 2007 [sg123] sector number = -10, block length = 1024

Indicates end of file

Sun Dec 2 19:18:07 2007 [sg123] done - sending ACK

Acknowledgement that file was sent

Sun Dec 2 19:18:07 2007 [sg123] sg00551z.x00/XMODEM: 4096 Bytes, 178 BPS

The name of the file is printed after the glider has finished sending it.

Sun Dec 2 19:18:07 2007 [sg123] Exiting (0)

Sun Dec 2 19:18:14 2007 [sg123] sector number = 1, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:19 2007 [sg123] sector number = 2, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:23 2007 [sg123] sector number = 3, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:28 2007 [sg123] sector number = 4, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:31 2007 [sg123] received EOT and read timed out

Sun Dec 2 19:18:31 2007 [sg123] sector number = -10, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:31 2007 [sg123] done - sending ACK

Sun Dec 2 19:18:31 2007 [sg123] sg0055dz.x00/XMODEM: 4096 Bytes, 189 BPS

Sun Dec 2 19:18:31 2007 [sg123] Exiting (0)

Sun Dec 2 19:18:38 2007 [sg123] sector number = 1, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:43 2007 [sg123] sector number = 2, block length = 1024

Sun Dec 2 19:18:49 2007 [sg123] timeout trying to read next sector

Sun Dec 2 19:18:50 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 999

Sun Dec 2 19:18:50 2007 [sg123] got 0x2d sector header

Sun Dec 2 19:18:53 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 746

Sun Dec 2 19:18:54 2007 [sg123] got 0x40 sector header

Sun Dec 2 19:18:57 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 787

Sun Dec 2 19:18:59 2007 [sg123] sector number = 3, block length = 128

Sun Dec 2 19:19:02 2007 [sg123] timeout trying to read next sector

Sun Dec 2 19:19:03 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 999

Sun Dec 2 19:19:04 2007 [sg123] got 0xe6 sector header

Sun Dec 2 19:19:06 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = -1

Sun Dec 2 19:19:06 2007 [sg123] got 0xb7 sector header

Sun Dec 2 19:19:07 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 875

Sun Dec 2 19:19:08 2007 [sg123] sector number = 4, block length = 128

Sun Dec 2 19:19:10 2007 [sg123] sector number = 4, block length = 128

Sun Dec 2 19:19:10 2007 [sg123] received dup sector = 4

Duplicate and/or missing sector numbers indicate loss of synchronization between the Seaglider and the basestation.

Sun Dec 2 19:19:12 2007 [sg123] timeout trying to read next sector

Sun Dec 2 19:19:13 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 999

Errors can also be caused by dropped Iridium connections. The Seaglider will automatically call back and try sending

```

Sun Dec 2 19:19:13 2007 [sg123] got 0xaf sector header
Sun Dec 2 19:19:15 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = -1
Sun Dec 2 19:19:15 2007 [sg123] got 0x59 sector header
Sun Dec 2 19:19:17 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 543
Sun Dec 2 19:19:17 2007 [sg123] got 0x59 sector header
Sun Dec 2 19:19:21 2007 [sg123] finished waiting for next line - cnt = 130
Sun Dec 2 19:19:23 2007 [sg123] sector number = 6, block length = 128
Sun Dec 2 19:19:23 2007 [sg123] sync error in protocol

```

data again until it succeeds or reaches the maximum number of calls (set by the parameter **\$CALL_TRIES**).

```

Sun Dec 2 19:19:23 2007 [sg123] sg0055dz.x01/XMODEM: got error
Renamed partial file sg0055dz.x01 to sg0055dz.x01.PARTIAL.1
Sun Dec 2 19:19:23 2007 [sg123] processed partial file sg0055dz.x01 (0x0)
Sun Dec 2 19:19:23 2007 [sg123] Exiting (128)
Disconnected at Sun Dec 2 19:19:39 PST 2007

```

In this case, the glider "realizes" that the basestation did not receive a complete file. The glider will automatically resend the file on the next call.

```

Connected at Sun Dec 2 19:21:39 PST 2007
159:0:2:0 GPS,031207,031455,1855.179,12237.359,41,1.3,41,-2.1
ver=66.03,rev=1243M,frag=4
Iridium bars: 5 geolocation: 1846.424805,12241.375977,031207,070746
Sun Dec 2 19:21:58 2007 [sg123] cmdfile/XMODEM: 128 Bytes, 14 BPS
Received cmdfile 17 bytes
Sun Dec 2 19:22:28 2007 [sg123] sector number = 1, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:22:33 2007 [sg123] sector number = 2, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:22:37 2007 [sg123] sector number = 3, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:22:42 2007 [sg123] sector number = 4, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:22:45 2007 [sg123] received EOT and read timed out
Sun Dec 2 19:22:45 2007 [sg123] sector number = -10, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:22:45 2007 [sg123] done - sending ACK
Sun Dec 2 19:22:45 2007 [sg123] sg0055dz.x01/XMODEM: 4096 Bytes, 186 BPS
Sun Dec 2 19:22:45 2007 [sg123] Exiting (0)
Sun Dec 2 19:22:53 2007 [sg123] sector number = 1, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:22:58 2007 [sg123] sector number = 2, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:23:03 2007 [sg123] sector number = 3, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:23:07 2007 [sg123] sector number = 4, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:23:10 2007 [sg123] received EOT and read timed out
Sun Dec 2 19:23:10 2007 [sg123] sector number = -10, block length = 1024
Sun Dec 2 19:23:10 2007 [sg123] done - sending ACK
Sun Dec 2 19:23:10 2007 [sg123] sg0055dz.x02/XMODEM: 4096 Bytes, 186 BPS

```

If no error is reported, but the basestation does not receive a complete file, the pilot can command the glider to resend the dive by using a Pdos command (see *resend_dive* in the *Extended PicoDos Reference Manual*).

The file was successfully resent.

2.2.2 SG Calib Constants

(sg_calib_constants.m)

The "calib constants" file contains calibration information about each of the sensors on the Seaglider. This file is created by the pilot or operator, and exists only on the basestation. It does not have a counterpart on the Seaglider. Except for the compass, all of the Seaglider's sensors come calibrated to the Seaglider Fabrication Center. Their calibration numbers can be found in the notebook delivered with the glider, and should be entered in this file. The compass values are recorded when the Seaglider is fully assembled, and the compass is calibrated in the presence of the batteries and other hardware. The values in this file should be checked, and changed if necessary, whenever new sensors are installed, batteries are changed, or other hardware alterations are made.

The calib_constants file is also used by various visualization tools (Matlab, GLMPC, etc.) to plot Seaglider data. Incorrect values in this file will result in incorrect scientific data in the plots.

Example Calibration Constants File

```

% sg_calib_constants.m
% establishes glider calibration constants

id_str = '128';    Seaglider serial number

mission_title = ' Port Susan Aug 15 2007';    pilot or operator specified

calibcomm = 'SBEs/n0041, calibration 25 April 2006';
              |----- Sensor serial number (found in SG notebook)
              |----- Sea-Bird Electronics

t_g = 4.37369092e-03 ;
t_h = 6.48722213e-04 ;
t_i = 2.63414771e-05 ;    SBE temperature sensor calibration coefficients
t_j = 2.83524759e-06 ;

% Minimum and maximum frequencies (kHz) for reasonable
% oceanographic values of temperature from SBE calibration
% for C/T s/n 041

```

```
sbe_temp_freq_min = 3.214274; % kHz From SBE sensor calibration. Basestation processing will reject observed temperature frequencies
sbe_temp_freq_max = 6.081845; % kHz outside of this range.
```

```
c_g = -9.97922732e+00 ;
c_h = 1.12270684e+00 ;
c_i = -2.35632554e-03 ;
c_j = 2.37469252e-04 ;
```

SBE conductivity sensor calibration coefficients

```
% Minimum and maximum frequencies (kHz) for reasonable
% oceanographic values of conductivity SBE calibration
% for C/T s/n 041
```

```
sbe_cond_freq_min = 2.98792; % kHz From SBE sensor calibration. Basestation processing will reject observed temperature frequencies
sbe_cond_freq_max = 7.95840; % kHz outside of this range.
```

```
cpcor = -9.57e-08 ;
ctcor = 3.25e-06 ;
```

```
calibcomm_oxygen = '0106';
```

```
Soc = 2.1921e-04;
Boc = 0.0;
Foffset = -825.6362;
TCor = 0.0017;
PCor = 1.350e-04;
```

```
mass = 52.173; measured mass of glider
```

```
hd_a = 0.003836; lift
hd_b = 0.010078; drag
hd_c = 9.8541e-6; induced drag (by lift)
```

Seaglider hydrodynamic parameters

```
rho0 = 1027.5; Greatest expected water density in area of operation
pitch_min_cnts = 426;
pitch_max_cnts = 3705;
roll_min_cnts = 157;
roll_max_cnts = 3897; Software limits
vbd_min_cnts = 550;
vbd_max_cnts = 3875;
vbd_cnts_per_cc = -4.0767;
volmax = 51344; Volume, in cc, the glider displaces when fully pumped; see the Seaglider Pilot's Guide for tank and ballasting information.
```

2.2.3 Pagers File (.pagers)

The "dot pagers" file controls the automatic notification system. It allows any of three types of messages to be sent to any valid email address: gps, alerts, and recov (see below). This service is run by the data conversion script, which is invoked by a glider logout or disconnection. Lines beginning with a # are comment lines, and are ignored in processing.

```
# Joe Smith
#joe@gmail.com,gps,alerts,recov Joe Smith will receive emails to his APL account, and text messages to his Sprint phone,
jsmith@apl.washington.edu,recov but will not receive messages to his gmail account.
2065551234@messaging.sprintpcs.com,recov
# Jane Jones
jjones@apl.washington.edu,gps,alerts,recov
| | | | |
| | | | | If the glider goes into recovery, send the most recent GPS position and the recov code.
| | | | | Send an alert when the basestation has a problem converting a file or files.
| | | | | After every dive, send the most recent GPS position and, if the glider is in recovery, the recov code.
#206333555@vtext.com,gps,alerts,recov
#2061239999@vtext.com,gps,alerts
#Iridium Phone
#88164559999@msg.iridium.com,gps
```

2.2.4 .URLS

(.urls)

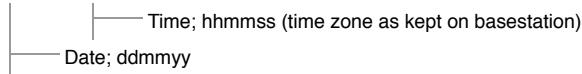
The ".Dot URLs" file is read by the basestation, following processing of dive data (triggered by a Seaglider logout). It specifies URLs on which to run GET for each processed dive. This can be used for any supported httpd function, and is mainly used to poll for data transfers to support visualization servers. The first entry on the line is the timeout (in seconds) to wait for a response to the GET. It is separated from the URL by a tab. `convert.pl` adds arguments "instrument_name=sg&dive=" with the proper separator. Comments in the file are indicated by a #

Example .urls file

```
1 http://iop.apl.washington.edu/~glider/cgi-bin/update.cgi
```

2.2.5 Basestation Log

`baselog_000000999999, baselog.log`



The `baselog_` file is produced by the basestation, and logs the output from the scripts that perform the data conversion and notification functions of the basestation. It is written during each invocation. This file is the first place to look when debugging problems with the data conversion. If the basestation cannot process a file, it sends an alert to any contact listed in the `.pages` file.

The `baselog.log` is an accumulation of all of the basestation conversions reported in the `baselog_` files, without the timestamps.

2.3 On-board Glider Information

This section includes files that are stored on the Seaglider. Most of the information in these files is used by the glider in calculations regarding navigation and energy usage.

2.2.6 Processed Files Cache

(`processed_files.cache`)

This file contains the dives that have been processed and the time of processing. To force a file to be re-processed, delete the corresponding line from this file. Comment lines are indicated by a #.

Example `processed_files.cache`

```
# Written 14:54:28 23 Feb 2008 UTC
st0007pz.000, 19:05:58 21 Feb 2008 UTC
sg0000k1, 14:54:28 23 Feb 2008 UTC
st0007du, 19:05:58 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0007lu, 19:05:58 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0009du, 19:40:22 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0009kz, 19:16:44 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0009lu, 19:37:51 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0010du, 20:21:33 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0010kz, 20:15:35 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0010lu, 20:15:34 21 Feb 2008 UTC
st0011du, 14:54:28 23 Feb 2008 UTC
st0011kz, 14:30:35 23 Feb 2008 UTC
st0011lu, 14:30:35 23 Feb 2008 UTC
```

2.3.1 Bathymap

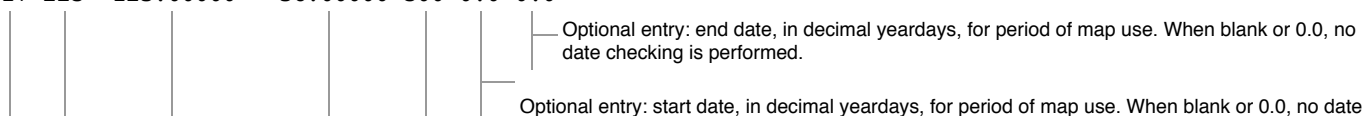
When the bathymetry map-reading function of the glider is enabled, this file contains the map. It is usually uploaded to the Seaglider's compact flash before deployment, but may be uploaded in the field if necessary.

Map files provide the glider with geographic (and sometimes temporal) environmental information. A bathymetry map provides the glider with bathymetry data about a given region of the ocean. The glider may carry up to 999 bathymetry maps (the files are named *bathymap.000*), but in practice far fewer are on board. These maps are not required for gliders to fly. For more details on how bathymetry maps are used, see the Navigation section of the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide*.

In addition to bathymetry maps, the glider can carry ice maps which indicate a spatially and temporally varying climatology of ice cover. The glider can use this information to make decisions about surfacing.

Both kinds of maps contain a fixed-size header, followed by a variable-length data section. The header is defined as follows:

```
117 225 -123.00000 36.00000 500 0.0 0.0
```



checking is performed.

Integer distance between grid points in meters

Longitude of the lower left corner of the map, specified in decimal degrees; positive East

Latitude of the lower left corner of the map, specified in decimal degrees; positive North

Number of columns in the data section

Number of rows in the data section

For a bathymetry map, the data section contains the depth of the bottom at each grid point, expressed in integer meters. The data is stored in column major order.

For an ice map the data section contains ice condition values for the time period between the start and end dates at each grid point. Ice condition values are stored as 2-bit integers packed sequentially together into sixteen equal length periods spanning the dates between start date and end date. Valid condition codes are: 0 = always surface, 1 = possibly ice, 2 = probably ice, 3 = always ice. As an example, for a start date = 0.0 and end date = 365.0, the lowest two bits of the value at any grid point encode the ice condition for the first 23 days of the year. Bits 2 and 3 cover the condition for the next 23 days, etc.

2.3.2 Battery File (BATTERY)

The Battery File is used by the glider to keep track of power consumption throughout the time the glider is using the battery pack. The Battery File is not intended to be edited by the user.

Pitch_motor 3041.069

Amp seconds drawn by this device since the battery pack power tracking was initiated

See \$DEVICES and \$SENSORS in the Log File section of this document.

Roll_motor 990.029

VBD_pump_during_apogee 216074.641

VBD_pump_during_surface 82015.531

VBD_valve 0.000

Iridium_during_init 17540.021

Iridium_during_connect 9597.448

Iridium_during_xfer 48699.711

Transponder_ping 873.774

Mmodem_TX 0.000

Mmodem_RX 0.000

GPS 5227.668

TT8 11375.065

LPSsleep 3565.161

TT8_Active 9204.906

TT8_Sampling 30932.490

TT8_CF8 25142.061

TT8_Kalman 2861.964

Analog_circuits 10045.106

GPS_charging 0.000

Compass 5552.722

RAFOS 0.000

Transponder 126.060

SBE_CT 5738.196

SBE_O2 4966.481

WL_BB2F 59876.422

2.3.3 Compass Calibration File (TCM2MAT) .123

Seaglider serial number

The compass is calibrated in the assembled glider, to account for effects of the metal on the compass readings. This file is stored on the glider by the assembler, and is not intended to be edited by the user.

Example Compass Calibration File

tcm2mat.sparton_SN100.sg123.080807

Date of last calibration (ddmmyy)

Seaglider serial number

compass type and serial number

-0.0184 0.8424 0.1660 0.0466

0.0133 0.9603 0.0447 -0.0185

0.0984 -0.0018 0.0018 0.0010 0.1054 -0.0004

compass calibration values

-0.0008 0.0012 0.1040

53.9472 -17.3493 5.8241

2.3.4 Capvec File

The Capvec File is parsed by the glider and updates one or more elements of the Capture Vector. Normally, this file is not used except for glider provisioning. See the *capvec* and *parse_capvecfile* commands in *Extended PicoDOS Reference Manual* for details on updating the Capture Vector, and the section Capture Files in the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide* for details how and when to use capture files.

The Capvec File is a line oriented format. Lines may be comment lines, in which case the first character must be a /. All other lines are updates to the Capture Vector and are documented under the *capvec* command in the *Extended PicoDOS Reference Manual*.

2.4 Command and Control Files

These files are created by the pilot to control the Seaglider mission characteristics. Formats are given here, but usage of these files is discussed in the *Seaglider Pilot's Guide*.

2.4.1 Targets File (targets)

The Pilot creates the targets file. One target is listed per line, and the target name must be listed first. The order of the other fields does not matter. Comments can be included, preceded by a /.

SEVEN	lat=4807.0	lon=-12223.0	radius=200	goto=SIX
SIX	lat=4806.0	lon=-12222.0	radius=200	goto=FIVE
FIVE	lat=4805.0	lon=-12221.0	radius=200	goto=EIGHT
FOUR	lat=4804.0	lon=-12220.0	radius=200	goto=EIGHT
KAYAKPT	lat=4808.0	lon=-12223.0	radius=100	goto=KAYAKPT

Target name - this can be any string of numbers and/or letters, without whitespace.	Latitude, in +/- ddmm.m;	Longitude, in +/- dddmm.m; positive East	Radius, in meters, within which the Seaglider determines it has reached the target.	Next target - this target name must be specified in the Target column.
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Above is a typical version 66 targets file. It has all the fields necessary to direct the Seaglider to targets. There are also four optional fields, which can be added as columns in the targets file:

escape=KAYAKPT	depth=100	finish=90	timeout=3.0
The <i>escape_target</i> specifies what target to move to if the glider has been unable to navigate for a specified length of time (e.g. if it is stuck under the ice). The <i>escape_target</i> must be a valid named target in the file and can vary for each named target. One possible future use is to have the standard targets along a cyclical survey route all point to a single escape target that then points (through <i>next_target</i>) to a series of targets that define an entire route to a convenient recovery location.	Specifying a value for depth on a target means that target can be achieved by crossing a bathymetric contour. If the value is positive the target is achieved when crossing that contour from deep to shallow. When negative, target achievement is defined by moving across that contour from shallow to deep. The glider measures its depth for comparison against the target depth either by altimetry or via a \$T_NO_W timeout during the dive phase.	Finish specifies a direction (degrees), and establishes a finish line through the target, perpendicular to the direction specified. The target is considered achieved when the difference between the bearing to the target and the finish direction is greater than 90 (or less than -90) degrees. Example 1: finish direction of 90 specifies a north-south finish line drawn through the target; the target is achieved when the glider is east of the line. Example 2: finish direction of 180 specifies an east-west finish line; target is achieved when glider is south of the line. A value of -1 or no specification of finish means that no finish line will be tested.	Timeout specifies a length of time (in days) that the glider should try to achieve this target. If the timeout is exceeded the glider will proceed to the target named by goto. If timeout is not specified or is given as zero then the glider will try to achieve the target with no time limit.

2.4.2 Science File (science)

This file, created by the pilot, contains instructions for the Seaglider about when to sample with the scientific instruments. Comment lines are indicated by a/, and columns are separated by tabs.

Example Science File

```
// Science for Port Susan
|-----| The bottom limit of each depth bin
|-----| The most frequent sample interval in this depth bin
|-----| Each digit in this column corresponds to one sensor. Sensors and sensor order vary by
|-----| Seaglider. Consult $SENSORS in the Log File. Multiply this digit by the number in the
|-----| time column to calculate how often this sensor should sample in this depth bin.
|-----| The time interval on which the sensors should sample during the GC phase.
```

These values differ from regular sampling times for the sake of energy conservation. See the Pilot's Guide for more information.

/depth	time	sample	gcint	
20	6	100	60	—This row indicates that from the surface (0 meters) to 20 meters, the first sensor should sample every 6 seconds. The second and third sensors should be turned off. During GC, all sensors should sample every 60 seconds.
50	12	100	180	
200	12	120	300	—This row indicates that from 50 to 200 meters, the first sensor should sample every 12 seconds, the second should sample every 24 seconds, and the third sensor should be turned off. During GC, all sensors should sample every 300 seconds.

2.4.3 Command File (cmdfile)

Refer to the *Pilot's Guide* for more information on the Command File.

2.4.4 Pdos Commands File (pdoscmds.bat)

The file pdoscmds.bat is created by the pilot, and uploaded to the Seaglider. It is used to deal with the Seaglider's software. See the *Extended PicoDOS Reference Manual* for information.

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