

# **ISCE to StaMPS Manual**

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# Chapter 1

## DISCLAIMER

This manual and the included scripts call routines of the JPL/Caltech ISCE software to prepare outputs of the ISCE stack processor for ingestion in the open source StaMPS package. It is assumed that the user has already generated the coregistered stack using the "SLC" workflow of the stack processors included in the ISCE contrib folder. At this time, the ISCE to StaMPS package supports only outputs from the topsStack processor.

In addition to citing ISCE and the stack processor, cite the ISCE to StaMPS as:

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The provided scripts as part of this ISCE to StaMPS conversion package, are included into the contrib of ISCE and are not supported as part of official ISCE applications. The provided scripts only set-up the assumed StaMPS processing structure. Users should refer back to StaMPS for actual time-series processing. The scripts are provided to you "as is" with no warranties of corrections. Use at your own risk.

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## Chapter 2

# Installation

The provided scripts call ISCE and StaMPS functionality, both packages should be installed. In addition the bin folder should be added to your PATH.

## Chapter 3

# Introduction

A set of shell scripts are provided that set-up the StaMPS directory structure using outputs from the ISCE stack processors. Outputs from stripmapApp.py and topsApp.py are not supported as these are pair-by-pair processing apps in ISCE. Only outputs from the topsStack and stripmapStack processors are supported in which the user should have selected the "SLC" workflow.

The SLC workflow outputs a stack of coregisted SLC's, baselines grids for each SLC, and geometry files (e.g., los, lon, lat, hgt). Each of these files should have a corresponding xml file. In case xml files are needed, use the [gdal2isce\\_xml.py](#) script included in ISCE package to generate them.

The following structure is assumed:

- SLC's are organized as `yyyymmdd/yyyymmdd.slcSLC_suffix`, where the `SLC_suffix` is an optional suffix string.
- Baselines are organized as `master_slave/master_slave` or `master_slave/master_slave.txt`, where `master` and `slave` are in `yyyymmdd` format.
- Geom data are stored together as `lon.rdrgeom_suffix`, `lat.rdrgeom_suffix`, `hgt.rdrgeom_suffix` and `los.rdrgeom_suffix`, where the `geom_suffix` is an optional suffix string.

## Chapter 4

# Setting-up StaMPS processing directories

Generate a file called "input\_file" at the location where the `INSAR_master_date` needs to be generated. The following parameters should be contained in the `input_file`. Required parameters are indicated with (R), optional parameters with (O). The `master_date` can be chosen based on minimizing perpendicular and temporal baseline. The baselines will be automatically re-inverted to the chosen master.

Parameter Name	Value	Description: R=required,O=optional
<code>source_data</code>	<code>slc_stack</code>	Do not change (R)
<code>slc_stack_path</code>	<code>PATH_SLC</code>	Path to the SLC stack (R)
<code>slc_stack_master</code>	<code>yyyymmdd</code>	Master date as to be used in StaMPS processing. Does not need to be the same as the master used for generating the coregistered stack. (R)
<code>slc_stack_geom_path</code>	<code>PATH_geom</code>	Path to the geometry directory. (R)
<code>slc_stack_baseline_path</code>	<code>PATH_baseline</code>	Path to the baselines directory (R)
<code>range_looks</code>	<code>40</code>	Number of range looks multi-looked products (R)
<code>azimuth_looks</code>	<code>10</code>	Number of azimuth look multi-looked products (O). <code>azimuth_looks</code> overrules <code>aspect_ratio</code> .
<code>aspect_ratio</code>	<code>4</code>	Aspect ratio multi-looked products (R)
<code>lambda</code>	<code>0.056</code>	Wavelength in meter units (R)
<code>slc_suffix</code>	<code>.full</code>	Suffix string for SLC's (O)
<code>geom_suffix</code>	<code>.full</code>	Suffix string for geom files (O)

To generate the single master setup type:

`make_single_master_stack_isce`

## 4.1 PS Processing

If you plan to run the StaMPS PS processing, proceed directly to the "PS processing" chapter of the StaMPS manual. Unlike the `mt_prep` command detailed in the StaMPS manual use `mt_prep_isce` instead.

## 4.2 SB Processing

If you plan to only run the StaMPS Small Baseline processing, it will save time and disk space to turn the hard-coded flag for the SM interferogram and amplitude file generation to 'n' in the `make_single_master_stack_isce` code. Even when not generating the interferograms or amplitude files, the required information for the SMALL\_BASELINES processing will be extracted.

If you did not run the STAMPS PS processing in the `INSAR_master_date` directory, then first load baseline info into the matlab workspace. If you already ran the PS processing, you can skip this step:

```
mt_extract_info_isce
matlab
>>ps_load_info
```

To determine which small baseline interferograms to make, in the `INSAR_master_date` directory run one of the `sb_find*.m` codes included in StaMPS, e.g.,:

```
matlab
>>sb_find (rho_min , Ddiff_max , Bdiff_max)
```

Adjust the input parameters according to your data set, where `rho_min` is the minimum coherence based on the maximum temporal `Ddiff_max` and perpendicular `Bdiff_max` decorrelated baselines. There should be no isolated clusters of images. More connections can be made by reducing `rho_min`, or individual connections can be added by editing `small_baselines.list`, which is created by `sb_find`. The connections in `small_baselines.list` can then be plotted with the default StaMPS program:

```
>>plot_sb_baselines.
```

To create the small baseline interferograms listed in `small_baselines.list` in the `INSAR_master_date` directory, run:

```
make_small_baselines_isce.
```

Once completed, proceed directly to "Small Baseline processing" chapter of the StaMPS manual. Unlike the `mt_prep` command detailed in the StaMPS manual use `mt_prep_isce` instead.

## Chapter 5

# Additional scripts

If mdx is intalled, the following command can be used to make snapshots of the interferograms:

```
get_quickview_isce isce_minrefdem.int
```