and complements formal testing by being comprehensive (all displays can be checked) and by revealing errors that are difficult to detect via test. In addition, the Suite can be run early in the development cycle to find and correct errors in advance of testing.

This software suite was developed by Chris Land of The Boeing Company and Kathryn Moye of the Dynacs Co. for Johnson Space Center. Further information is contained in a TSP (see page 1). MSC-23630-1

**MRO DKF Post-Processing Tool**

This software tool saves time and reduces risk by automating two labor-intensive and error-prone post-processing steps required for every DKF [DSN (Deep Space Network) Keyword File] that MRO (Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter) produces, and is being extended to post-process the corresponding TSOE (Text Sequence Of Events) as well. The need for this post-processing step stems from limitations in the sequence and provides a report for each check. The tool performs more than 50 different checks on the sequence. The automation varies from summarizing data about the sequence needed for visual verification of the sequence, to performing automated checks on the sequence and providing a report for each step. To allow for the addition of new checks as needed, this tool is built in a modular fashion.

This work was done by Shanti Ayap of LMCO, and Forest Fisher, Roy Gladden, and Teerapat Khanampornpan of NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory. This software is available for commercial licensing. Please contact Karina Edmonds of the California Institute of Technology at (626) 395-2322. Refer to NPO-45481.

**MRO Sequence Checking Tool**

The MRO Sequence Checking Tool program, mro_check, automates significant portions of the MRO (Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter) sequence checking procedure. Though MRO has similar checks to the ODY’s (Mars Odyssey) Mega Check tool, the checks needed for MRO are unique to the MRO spacecraft.

The MRO sequence checking tool automates the majority of the sequence validation procedure and check lists that are used to validate the sequences generated by MRO MPST (mission planning and sequencing team). The tool performs more than 50 different checks on the sequence. The automation varies from summarizing data about the sequence needed for visual verification of the sequence, to performing automated checks on the sequence and providing a report for each step. To allow for the addition of new checks as needed, this tool is built in a modular fashion.

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**UAVSAR Flight-Planning System**

A system of software partly automates planning of a flight of the Uninhabited Aerial Vehicle Synthetic Aperture Radar (UAVSAR) — a polarimetric synthetic-aperture radar system aboard an unpiloted or minimally piloted airplane. The software constructs a flight plan that specifies not only the intended flight path but also the setup of the radar system at each point along the path.

A user first specifies the desired image swath by specifying certain geographic and geometric features of the swath or the desired flight path. Using an input digital elevation map (DEM), the software predicts the image swath and sets such variables as a data window position (DWP). A raster backscatter classification file co-registered with the input DEM can be used to estimate radar attenuation settings. The software determines whether such radar constraints as those pertaining to duty cycles and data rates are obeyed, and de-