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INTRODUCTION

1.1 Multiply EU-Horizon 2020 project

“MULTIscale SENTINEL land surface information retrieval Platform”

With the start of the SENTINEL era, an unprecedented amount of Earth Observation (EO) data will become available. Currently there is no consistent but extendible and adaptable framework to integrate observations from different sensors in order to obtain the best possible estimate of the land surface state. MULTIPLY proposes a solution to this challenge.

The project will develop an efficient, fully generic and fully traceable platform that uses state-of-the-art physical radiative transfer models, within advanced data assimilation (DA) concepts, to consistently acquire, interpret and produce a continuous stream of high spatial and temporal resolution estimates of land surface parameters, fully characterized. These inferences on the state of the land surface will be the result from the coherent joint interpretation of the observations from the different Sentinels, as well as other 3rd party missions (e.g. ProbaV, Landsat, MODIS).

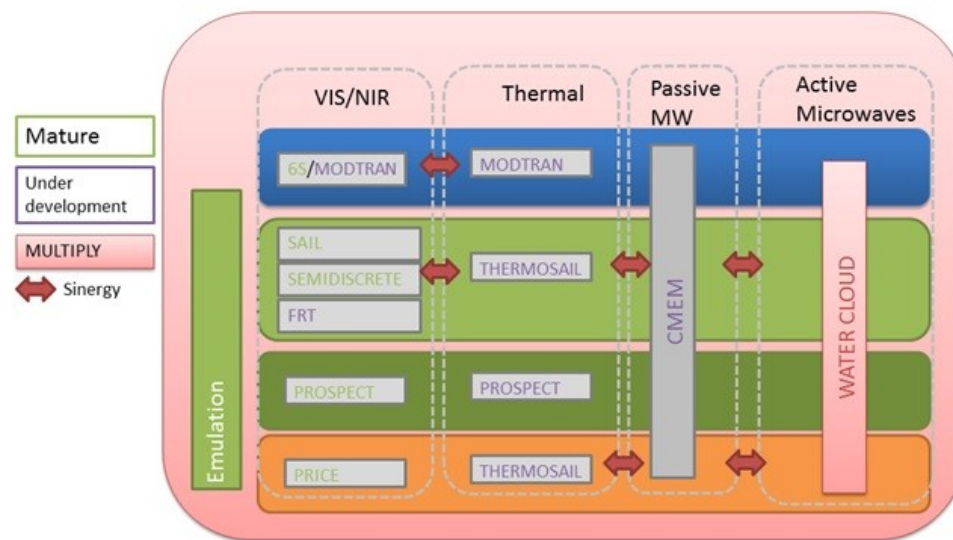


Fig. 1.1: radiative transfer models

The framework allows users to exchange components as plug-ins according to their needs and builds on the EO-LDAS concepts, which have shown the feasibility of producing estimates of the land surface parameters by combining different sets of observations through the use of radiative transfer models. The data retrieval platform will operate in an environment with advanced visualisation tools.

Users will be engaged throughout the process and trained. Moreover, user demonstrator projects include applications to crop monitoring & modelling, forestry, biodiversity and nature management. Another user demonstrator project involves providing satellite operators with an opportunity to cross-calibrate their data to the science-grade Sentinel standards.

The project will run from 1st January 2016 till 31 December 2019.

COMPONENTS

In this section, the various components that form the MULTIPLY platform are explained in detail.

2.1 MULTIPLY Data Access

This is the help for the MULTIPLY Data Access Component (DAC). The DAC forms part of the MULTIPLY platform, which is a platform for the retrieval of bio-physical land parameters (such as fAPAR or LAI) on user-defined spatial and temporal grids from heterogeneous data sources, in particular from EO data in the microwave domain (Sentinel-1), optical high resolution domain (Sentinel-2), and optical coarse resolution domain (Sentinel-3). The DAC has been designed to work as part of the platform, but can also be used separately to manage and query for data from local and remote sources.

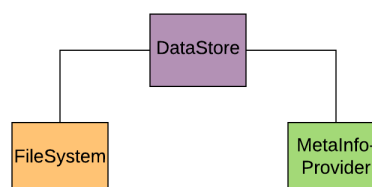
The MULTIPLY Data Access Component serves to access all data that is required by components of the MULTIPLY platform. It can be queried for any supported type of data for a given time range and spatial region and provide URL's to the locally provided data. In particular, the Data Access Component takes care of downloading data that is not yet available locally.

The Data Access Component relies on the concept of Data Stores: All data is organized in such a data store. Such a store might provide access to locally stored data or encapsulate access to remotely stored data. Users may register new data stores and, if they find that the provided implementations are not sufficient, implement their own data store realizations.

This help is organized into the following sections.

2.1.1 Basic Concepts

Basically, the Data Access Component administrates several Data Stores. A Data Store is a unit that provides access to data of a certain type. It consists of a FileSystem and a MetaInfoProvider. The FileSystem accesses the actual data, the MetaInfoProvider has information on the available data.

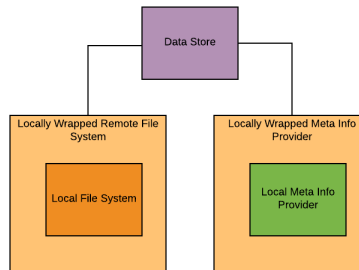


This separation has been undertaken so that queries can be performed quickly on the MetaInfoProvider without having to browse through the FileSystem which might be costly. Queries on the availability of data for a given data type, spatial region, and in a certain time range will be addressed to the MetaInfoProvider. Such information will be

retrieved in the form of a *DataSetMetaInfo* object. This is a simple data storage object which provides information about the data type, spatial coverage, start time and end time of a dataset.

The File System will be addressed when actual URL's are requested. Such a request might result in costly operations, such as downloads.

Some of the Data Stores access data that is stored remotely. To make it accessible to the other components of the MULTIPLY platform it needs to be downloaded and added to a local data store. These remote data stores are “wrapped” by a local data store, so the result is a store that has a remote File System, a local File System, a remote Meta Info Provider and a local Meta Info Provider.



If a query is made for data, the Data Store will search first in the local, then in the remote Meta Info Provider. Results from the remote Meta Info Provider that are already contained in the local Meta Info Provider will not be considered. When then the data is actually requested, it is either simply retrieved from the local File System or, if it is provided on the remote File System, downloaded from there into a temporary directory. It is then put into the local File System and the local Meta Info Provider is updated with the information about the newly added data.

The following forms of FileSystems and MetaInfoProviders exist:

File Systems:

- **LocalFileSystem:** Provides access to locally stored data. Applicable to any data type, this is the default for local meta info provision.
- **HttpFileSystem:** A locally wrapped file system that retrieves data via http. Applicable to any data type.
- **AWSS2FileSystem:** A locally wrapped file system that retrieves S2 data in the AWS format from the Amazon Web Services. This File System requires that users are registered at the AWS.
- **LpDaacFileSystem:** A locally wrapped file system that retrieves MODIS MCD43A1.006 data from the Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center. This File System requires that users have an Earthdata Login.
- **VrtFileSystem:** A locally wrapped file system that downloads data sets of a given type, a certain spatial region and no temporal information. It combines these data sets into a single global *.vrt-file* which references the downloaded data sets. This is useful for ,e.g., having elevation data.

Meta Info Providers:

- **JsonMetaInfoProvider:** A local meta info provider that stores relevant information (spatial coverage, start time, end time, data type) about a data set in a JSON file. Applicable to any data type, this is the default for local meta information provision.
- **HttpMetaInfoProvider:** A locally wrapped meta info provider that provides meta information about data sets that can be retrieved via http. Applicable for any data type.
- **AwsS2MetaInfoProvider:** A locally wrapped meta info provider that provides meta information about S2 data in the AWS format from the Amazon Web Services. This information can be retrieved without having an AWS account.

- `LpDaacMetaInfoProvider`: A locally wrapped meta info provider that provides meta information about MODIS MCD43A1.006 data from the Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center. This File System requires that users have an Earthdata Login.
- `VrtMetaInfoProvider`: A locally wrapped meta info provider that provides meta information about a single global `.vrt`-file that encapsulates access to data sets from a given data type.

2.1.2 Installation

Requirements

The MULTIPLY Data Access Component has been developed against Python 3.6. It cannot be guaranteed to work with previous Python versions, so we suggest using 3.6 or higher. The DAC will attempt downloading data from remote sources. We therefore recommend to run it on a computer which has a lot of storage (solid state disks are recommended) and also a good internet connection.

Installing from source

To install the Data Access Component, you need to clone the latest version of the MULTIPLY code from GitHub and step into the checked out directory:

- `git clone https://github.com/multiply-org/data-access.git`
- `cd data-access`

To install the MULTIPLY Data Access into an existing Python environment just for the current user, use:

- `python setup.py install --user`

To install the MULTIPLY Data Access for development and for the current user, use

- `python setup.py develop --user`

Configuration

There are a few configuration options you can make to use the DAC. These options will be available after you use the DAC for the first time. To use it, type in a python console:

```
$ from multiply_data_access import DataAccessComponent
$ dac = DataAccessComponent()
```

When you execute this for the first time, in your home directory a folder `.multiply` is created, in which you will find a file called `data_stores.yml`, which we will refer to as the data stores file in the following. This file contains the data stores to which the DAC has access. In the beginning, it will consist of several default entries for data stores which are required for accessing remote data (For an explanation of the concepts of a `FileSystem` and a `MetaInfoProvider` go to function). These entries have settings that look like the following:

```
- DataStore:
  FileSystem:
    parameters:
      path: /path/to/user_home/.multiply/aws_s2/
      pattern: /dt/yy/mm/dd/
      temp_dir: /path/to/user_home/.multiply/aws_s2/temp/
    type: AwsS2FileSystem
  Id: aws_s2
```

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MetaInfoProvider:
  parameters:
    path_to_json_file: /path/to/user_home/.multiply/aws_s2/aws_s2_store.json
    type: AwsS2MetaInfoProvider

```

Consider especially the parameters `path` and `pattern` of the `FileSystem`. These parameters determine where downloaded data will be saved. `path` determines the root path, `pattern` determines a pattern for adding an additional relative graph. `dt` stands here for the data type, `yy` for the year, `mm` for the month, and `dd` for the day of the month. So, if you download S2 L1C data in the AWS format for the 26th of April, 2018, using the above configuration it would be saved to `/path/to/user_home/.multiply/aws_s2/aws_s2_l1c/2018/4/26/`. Feel free to change these parameters so the data is stored where you want it. If you point it to a folder that already contains data, make sure it conforms to the pattern so it will be detected. If you want to add a new data store using your already locally stored data, go to [User Guide](#).

Some of the data stores require authentication. Here we will describe how to set this up the access to Sentinel-2 data from Amazon Web Services (AWS, <https://registry.opendata.aws/sentinel-2/>) and to MODIS data from the Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center (LP DAAC, <https://lpdaac.usgs.gov>).

Configuring Access to MODIS Data from the LP DAAC

To access the data, you need an Earthdata Login. If you do not have such a login, click [here1](#) to register. .. [here1](#): <https://urs.earthdata.nasa.gov/home> Registration and Data Access are free of charge. When you have the Login data, open the data stores file and search for the Data Store with the Id `MODIS Data`. You will find two entries `username` and `password`. Enter there your Earthdata username and password. The entry should then look something like this:

```

- DataStore:
  FileSystem:
    type: LpDaacFileSystem
    parameters:
      temp_dir: /path/to/user_home/.multiply/modis/
      username: earthdata_login_user_name
      password: earthdata_login_password
      path: /path/to/data/modis/
      pattern: /dt/yy/mm/dd/
  Id: MODIS Data
  MetaInfoProvider:
    type: LpDaacMetaInfoProvider
    parameters:
      path_to_json_file: /path/to/user_home/.multiply/modis/modis_store.json

```

Then simply save the file.

Configuring Access to Sentinel-2 Data from Amazon Web Services

First, you can enable it to download Sentinel-2 data from Amazon Web Services. Please note that unlike the other forms of data access, this one eventually costs money. The charge is small, though. (see [here2](#)). .. [here2](#): <https://forum.sentinel-hub.com/t/changes-of-the-access-rights-to-l1c-bucket-at-aws-public-datasets-requester-pays/172> To enable access, go to <https://aws.amazon.com/free/> and sign up for a free account. You can then log on to the ‘**Amazon Console**’ __. __ [aws_console](#) __. __ [aws_console: https://console.aws.amazon.com/console/home](https://console.aws.amazon.com/console/home) From the menu items `Services->Security, Identity and Compliance` choose `IAM`. There, under `Users`, you can add a new user. Choose a user name and make sure the check box for `Programmatic Access` is checked. .. [figure::_static/figures/aws_add_user.png](#)

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On the next page you need to set the permissions for the user. Choose Attach existing policies directly and check the boxes for AmazonEC2FullAccess and AmazonS3FullAccess (later you may simply choose to copy the permissions from an existing user). .. figure:: _static/figures/aws_add_user_permissions.png

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When everything is correct, you can create the user. On the next site you will be shown the access key id and a secret access key. You can also download both in form of a .csv-file.

Next you will need to install the `sentinelhub` python package. Follow the instructions from ‘[this site](#)’__ to do so. __ `sentinelhub` .. `_sentinelhub`: <https://sentinelhub-py.readthedocs.io/en/latest/install.html> Then proceed to configure sentinelhub using your AWS credentials, following the instructions from ‘[this site](#)’__. __ `sentinelhub_configuration` .. `_sentinelhub_configuration`: <https://sentinelhub-py.readthedocs.io/en/latest/configure.html>

The MULTIPLY Data Access Component will then be able to access this data.

(one can argue that maybe to put this higher up in the structure, but considering that this is only done once, I thought it better to put it lower in the documentation).

2.1.3 User Guide

The MULTIPLY Data Access Component is supposed to be used via its Python API. Therefore, most of this section will deal with the *Usage via the Python API*. To see how to manually manipulate the data stores file, see *Configuration*. If you want to register a new data store from data that is saved on local disk, see *How to add new Local Data Stores*. Finally, if you find that the Data Access Component is missing functionality, you can extend it by *Implementing a new File System* or *Implementing a new Meta Info Provider*. When you have these two set up, you can create a new data store by editing the default data stores yaml file.

- implementing new file systems
- implementing new meta info providers
- implementing new data types

Usage via the Python API

This section gives an overview about how the Data Access Component can be used within Python. The only component that is supposed to be used directly is the `DataAccessComponent` object.

DataAccessComponent

class `multiply_data_access.data_access_component.DataAccessComponent`

The controlling component. The data access component is responsible for communicating with the various data stores and decides which data is used from which data store.

can_put (*data_type: str*) → bool

Parameters `data_type` – A data type.

Returns True, if data of this type can be added to at least one data store.

create_local_data_store (*base_dir: Optional[str] = None, meta_info_file: Optional[str] = None, base_pattern: Optional[str] = '/dt/yy/mm/dd/', id: Optional[str] = None, supported_data_types: Optional[str] = None*)

Adds a new local data store and saves it permanently. It will consist of a LocalFileSystem and a Json-MetaInfoProvider. :param supported_data_types: A string with the comma-separated names of data types shall be allowed in this data store. If this is None or empty, the data types will be derived from the data sets in the json file. If there are no entries in the json file, it will be guessed from the data in the file system. :param base_dir: The base directory to which the data shall be written. :param meta_info_file: A JSON file that already contains meta information about the data that is present in the folder. If not provided, an empty file will be created and filled with the data that match the base directory and the base pattern. :param base_pattern: A pattern that allows to create an order in the base directory. Available options are 'dt' for the data type, 'yy' for the year, 'mm' for the month, and 'dd' for the day, arrangeable in any order. If no pattern is given, all data will simply be written into the base directory. :param id: An identifier for the Data Store. If there already exists a Data Store with the name, an additional number will be added to the name.

get_data_urls (*roi: str, start_time: str, end_time: str, data_types: str*) → List[str]

Builds a query from the given parameters and asks all data stores whether they contain data that match the query. If datasets are found, url's to their positions are returned. :return: a list of url's to locally stored files that match the conditions given by the query in the parameter.

get_data_urls_from_data_set_meta_infos (*data_set_meta_infos: List[multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo]*) → List[str]

Builds a query from the given parameters and asks all data stores whether they contain data that match the query. If datasets are found, url's to their positions are returned. :return: a list of url's to locally stored files that match the conditions given by the query in the parameter.

get_provided_data_types () → List[str]

Returns A list of all data types that are provided by the Data Access Component.

put (*path: str, data_store_id: Optional[str] = None*) → None

Puts data into the data access component. If the id to a data store is provided, the data access component will attempt to put the data into the store. If data cannot be added to that particular store, it will not be attempted to put it into another one. If no store id is provided, the data access component will on its own try to determine an apt data store. A data store is considered apt if it already holds data of the same type. :param path: A path to the data that shall be added to the Data Access Component. :param data_store_id: The id of a data store. Can be None.

query (*roi: str, start_time: str, end_time: str, data_types: str*) → List[multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo]

Distributes the query on all registered data stores and returns meta information on all data sets that meet the conditions of the query. :param roi: The region of interest, given in the form of a wkt-string. :param start_time: The start time of the query, given as a string in UTC time format :param end_time: The end time of the query, given as a string in UTC time format :param data_types: A list of data types to be queried for. :return: A list of DataSetMetaInfos that meet the conditions of the query.

show_stores ()

Prints out a list of all registered data stores.

DataSetMetaInfo

```
class multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo (coverage:  str, start_time:
                                                         Optional[str], end_time:
                                                         Optional[str], data_type:
                                                         str, identifier:  str, refer-
                                                         encenced_data:  Optional[str]
                                                         = None)
```

A representation of meta information about a data set. To be retrieved from a query on a MetaInfoProvider or DataStore.

property coverage

The dataset's spatial coverage, given as WKT string.

property data_type

The type of the dataset.

property end_time

The dataset's end time. Can be none.

equals (other: object) → bool

Checks whether two data set meta infos are equal. Does not check the identifier or referenced data sets!

equals_except_data_type (other: object) → bool

Checks whether two data set meta infos are equal, except that they may have the same data type. Does not check the identifier or referenced data sets!

property identifier

An identifier so that the data set can be found on the Data Store's File System.

property referenced_data

A list of additional files that are referenced by this data set. Can be none.

property start_time

The dataset's start time. Can be none.

How to add new Local Data Stores

You can add a new local data store via the Python API like this. This will create a new data store consisting of a LocalFileSystem and a JsonMetaInfoProvider.

All parameters are optional. The default for the base directory is the `.multiply`-folder in the user's home directory. The base directory will be checked for any pre-existing data. This data will be registered in the store if it is of any of the supported data types. If you do not specify the supported data types, the Data Access Component will determine these from the entries in the JSON metainfo file. If no metadata file is provided, the data types will be determined from the data in the base directory. If finally no data can be found there, the data store is not created.

Implementing new Data Stores

If you need to create a completely new data store, you will probably need to implement both a new File System and a new Meta Info Provider (we advise to check whether you can re-use existing File Systems and Meta Info Providers). This section is a guideline on how to do so. It is recommended to consider *Basic Concepts* first.

Implementing a new File System

The basic decision is whether the file system shall be wrapped by a local file system or not. The wrapping functionality is provided by the `LocallyWrappedFileSystem` in `locally_wrapped_data_access.py`. Choose this if you want to access remote data but don't want to bother with how to organize the data on the local disk.

Implementing a Non-Locally Wrapped File System

For this, you need to adhere to the interfaces `FileSystemAccessor` and `FileSystem` defined in `data_access.py`. The following lists the methods of the interface that need to be implemented:

class `multiply_data_access.data_access.FileSystemAccessor`

classmethod `create_from_parameters` (*parameters: dict*) → *multiply_data_access.data_access.FileSystem*

Returns a `FileSystem` object.

classmethod `name` () → *str*

The name of the file system implementation.

`name`: Shall return the name of the file system.

`create_from_parameters`: Will receive a list of parameters and create a file system by handing these in as the initialization parameters. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed out by `FileSystem`'s `get_parameters_as_dict`.

class `multiply_data_access.data_access.FileSystem`

An abstraction of a file system on which data sets are physically stored

abstract `can_put` () → *bool*

Returns True, if data can be put into this file system.

abstract `get` (*data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo*) → *Sequence[<Mock name='mock.FileRef' id='140385421767400'>]*

Retrieves a sequence of 'FileRef's.

abstract `get_parameters_as_dict` () → *dict*

Returns The parameters of this file system as dict

abstract **classmethod** `name` () → *str*

Returns The name of the file system implementation.

abstract `put` (*from_url: str, data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo*) → *multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo*

Adds a data set to the file system by copying it from the given url to the expected location within the file system. Returns an updated data set meta info.

abstract `remove` (*data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo*)

Removes all data sets from the file system that are described by the data set meta info

abstract `scan` () → *Sequence[multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo]*

Retrieves a sequence of data set meta informations of all file refs found in the file system.

`name`: Shall simply return the name of the file system. This will serve as identifier.

`get`: From a list of `:ref:'ug_02'`s, this returns `FileRefs` to the data that is ready to be accessed, i.e., is provided locally. This part would perform a download if necessary.

`get_parameters_as_dict`: This will return the parameters that are needed to reconstruct the file system. The parameters will eventually be written to the data stores file. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed in by the `FileSystemAccessors`'s `create_from_parameters`.

`can put`: Shall return true when the Data Access Component can add data to the file system.

`put`: Will copy the data located from the url to the file system and update the data set meta info. You might throw a User Warning here if you do not support this operation. You can use the identifier of the data set meta info to later relocate the file on the file system more easily.

`remove`: Shall remove the file identified by the data set meta info from the file system. You might throw a User Warning here if you do not support this operation.

`scan`: Retrieves data set meta infos for all data that is found on the file system. This expects to find the data that is directly, i.e, locally available.

To later have the file system available in the data access component, you need to register it in the `setup.py` of your python package. The registration should look like this:

```

setup(name='my-multiply-data-access-extension', version=1.0,      packages=['my_multiply_package'],      en-
      try_points={
          'file_system_plugins': [ 'my_file_system = my_multiply_package:my_file_system.MyFileSystemAccessor'
          ],
      },)

```

Implementing a Locally Wrapped File System

A locally wrapped file system requires a `FileSystemAccessor` that should be defined as above. The `LocallyWrappedFileSystem` base class already implements some of the methods, but puts up other method stubs that need to be implemented. Note that all these methods are private.

Already implemented methods are: * `get` * `get_parameters_as_dict` * `can_put` * `put` * `remove` * `scan` So, actually the only method from the `FileSystem` interface that still needs implementing is `name`.

```

class multiply_data_access.locally_wrapped_data_access.LocallyWrappedFileSystem(parameters:
                                                    dict)

```

```

abstract _get_from_wrapped(data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo)
                        → Sequence[<Mock name='mock.FileRef'
                        id='140385421767400'>]
    Retrieves the file ref from the wrapped file system.

```

```

abstract _get_wrapped_parameters_as_dict() → dict
    Returns The parameters of this wrapped file system as dict

```

```

abstract _init_wrapped_file_system(parameters: dict) → None
    Initializes the file system wrapped by the LocallyWrappingFileSystem. To be called instead of __init__

```

```

abstract _notify_copied_to_local(data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo) →
                                None
    Called when the data set has been copied to the local file system.

```

`_init_wrapped_file_system`: This method is called right after the creation of the object. Implement it to initialize the file system with parameters. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed out by `_get_wrapped_parameters_as_dict`. `_get_from_wrapped`: Like `get` from the File System: Will

retrieve FileRefs to data. This data has to be provided locally, so any downloading has to be performed here. `_notify_copied_to_local`: Informs the File System that the data designated by the data set meta info has been put to the local file system. You do not have to do anything here, but in case you have downloaded the data to a temporary directory, this is a good time to delete it from there. `_get_wrapped_parameters_as_dict`: Similar to the File System's `get_parameters_as_dict`, this method will return the required initialization parameters in the form of a dictionary. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed in to `_init_wrapped_file_system`.

Implementing a new Meta Info Provider

In many cases when you require your own dedicated File System, you will want to add a Meta Info Provider. As for the File System, you also have the choice to create a locally wrapped version of it or not. The wrapping functionality is provided by the `LocallyWrappedMetaInfoProvider` in `locally_wrapped_data_access.py`. Choose this if you want to provide information about remotely stored data and keep it separated from information about data from this source that has already been downloaded.

Implementing a Non-Locally Wrapped Meta Info Provider

To implement a regular Meta Info Provider, you need to create realizations of the interfaces `MetaInfoProviderAccessor` and `MetaInfoProvider` defined in `data_access.py`. The `MetaInfoProviderAccessor` is required by the `DataAccessComponent` so that `MetaInfoProviders` can be registered and created. The following lists the methods of the `MetaInfoProviderAccessor` interface that need to be implemented:

```
class multiply_data_access.data_access.MetaInfoProviderAccessor
```

```
classmethod create_from_parameters (parameters:          dict)      →      multi-
                                         ply_data_access.data_access.MetaInfoProvider
```

Returns a `MetaInfoProvider` object.

```
classmethod name () → str
```

The name of the meta info provider implementation.

`name`: Shall return the name of the meta info provider.

`create_from_parameters`: Will receive a list of parameters and create a meta info provider by handing the parameters in as the initialization parameters. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed out by the `MetaInfoProvider`'s `_get_parameters_as_dict`.

The methods to be implemented for the `MetaInfoProvider` are:

```
class multiply_data_access.data_access.MetaInfoProvider
```

An abstraction of a provider that contains meta information about the files provided by a data store.

```
abstract _get_parameters_as_dict () → dict
```

Returns The parameters of this file system as dict

```
abstract can_update () → bool
```

Returns true if this meta info provider can be updated.

```
abstract get_all_data () → Sequence[multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo]
```

Returns all available data set meta infos.

```
abstract get_provided_data_types () → List[str]
```

Returns A list of the data types provided by this data store.

```
abstract classmethod name () → str
```

The name of the file system implementation.

abstract provides_data_type (*data_type: str*) → bool

Whether the meta info provider provides access to data of the queried type :param data_type: A string labelling the data :return: True if data of that type can be requested from the meta info provider

abstract query (*query_string: str*) → List[multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo]

Processes a query and retrieves a result. The result will consist of all the data sets that satisfy the query. :return: A list of meta information about data sets that fulfill the query.

abstract remove (*data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo*)

Removes information about this data set from its internal registry.

abstract update (*data_set_meta_info: multiply_data_access.data_access.DataSetMetaInfo*)

Adds information about the data set to its internal registry.

name: Shall simply return the name of the meta info provider. This will serve as identifier.

query: Evaluates a query string and returns a list of data set meta infos about available data that fulfils the query. A query string consists of a geometry in the form of a wkt string, a start time in UTC format, an end time in UTC format, and a comma-separated list of data types.

provides_data_type: True, if the meta info provider is apt for this data. Returning true here does not necessarily mean that data of this type is currently stored.

get_provided_data_types: Returns a list of all data types that this meta info provider supports.

_get_parameters_as_dict: A private method that will return the parameters that are needed to reconstruct the meta info provider. The parameters will eventually be written to the data stores file. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed in by the MetaInfoProviderAccessors's `create_from_parameters`.

can_update: Shall return true when entries about data available on the file system can be added to this meta info provider.

update: Hands in a data set that has been put to the file system. The meta info provider is expected to store this information and retrieve it when it meets an incoming query. If this is not implemented, make sure that `can_update` returns false.

remove: Shall remove the entry associated with the data set meta info from the provider's registry. If this is not implemented, make sure that `can_update` returns false.

get_all_data: Shall return data set meta infos about all available data.

As for the File System, the Meta Info Provider needs to be registered in the `setup.py` of the python package to make it available for the data access component. The registration should look like this:

```

setup(name='my-multiply-data-access-extension', version=1.0, packages=['my_multiply_package'], en-
    try_points={
        'meta_info_provider_plugins': [ 'my_meta_info_provider = my_multiply_package:my_meta_info_provider.MyMetaInfoF
    ],
    },)

```

Implementing a Locally Wrapped Meta Info Provider

A locally wrapped meta info provider is a special type of meta info provider and requires a MetaInfoProviderAccessor that should be defined as above. The `LocallyWrappedMetaInfoProvider` base class already implements some of the methods, but puts up other method stubs that need to be implemented. Note that all these methods are private and are never to be called from another class.

Already implemented methods are: * query * _get_parameters_as_dict * can_update * update * remove * get_all_data So, the only methods from the `MetaInfoProvider` interface that still needs implementing are `name`, `provides_data_type`, and `get_provided_data_types`.

class `multiply_data_access.locally_wrapped_data_access.LocallyWrappedFileSystem` (*parameters: dict*)

abstract `_get_wrapped_parameters_as_dict ()` → dict

Returns The parameters of this wrapped file system as dict

`_init_wrapped_meta_info_provider`: This method is called right after the creation of the object. Implement it to initialize the meta info provider with parameters. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed out by `_get_wrapped_parameters_as_dict`.

`_query_wrapped_meta_info_provider`: Evaluates a query string and returns a list of data set meta infos about available data that fulfils the query. A query string consists of a geometry in the form of a wkt string, a start time in UTC format, an end time in UTC format, and a comma-separated list of data types.

`_get_wrapped_parameters_as_dict`: Similar to the `FileSystem`'s `get_parameters_as_dict`, this method will return the required initialization parameters in the form of a dictionary. Shall correspond to the dictionary handed in to `_init_wrapped_file_system`.

2.1.4 Examples

This section lists a few examples to explain how the Data Access Component can be used.

How to show available stores

You can get a list of available stores by calling `show_stores`:

Ask for available Data Types

You can ask the Data Access Component for the types of data that are available:

Query for Data

To query for data you need to hand in * a representation of the geographic area in Well-Known-Text-format. This might look something like this: ROI = "POLYGON((-2.20397502663252 39.09868106889479,-1.9142106223355313 39.09868106889479,"

"-1.9142106223355313 38.94504502508093,-2.20397502663252 38.94504502508093," "-2.20397502663252 39.09868106889479))"

You can use <https://arthur-e.github.io/Wicket/sandbox-gmaps3.html> to get WKT representations of other regions of interest. Note that you can pass in an empty string if you don't want to specify a region. * a start time in UTC format * an end time in UTC format The platform can read different forms of the UTC format. The following times would be recognized: * 2017-09-01T12:30:30 * 2017-09-01 12:30:30 * 2017-09-01 * 2017-09 * 2017 You need to specify start and end times.

- a comma-separated list of data types

This might be any combination of data types (of course, it makes only sense for those that are provided).

An example for a query string would be then:

Getting data

It is recommended to query for data first to see what is available before you execute the `get_data_urls` command. The `get_data_urls` command takes the same arguments as the `query` command above. In the following example, we are asking to retrieve the emulators for the Sentinel-2 MSI sensors A and B.

As the data was not locally available, it was downloaded. Executing the same command again would simply give us the list of urls which is here at the end.

When you have already queried for data, you may use that query result to actually retrieve the data:

Putting Data

Assume you have data available that you want to add to a store. You can add it using the `put`-command. Just hand in the path to the file and the id of the store you want to add it to.

You could have omitted the id in this case, as there is only one writable store for S2L2 data in the AWS format. If no store is found, the data is not added. If multiple stores are found, the data is added to an arbitrarily picked store. Note that in any case the data is copied to the data store's file system. After the putting process, you will be able to find the data in a `query`:

[Basic Concepts](#) explains the structure of the Data Access Component and how it works. [Installation](#) guides through the installation and configuration process, [User Guide](#) shows how the Data Access Component can be used and extended, and [Examples](#) gives a few practical examples.

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A suggestion for a structure is

- introduction
- concepts / algorithm
- user manual
- architecture
- api reference

2.3 A sensor invariant Atmospheric Correction (SIAC)

This atmospheric correction method uses MODIS MCD43 BRDF product to get a coarse resolution simulation of earth surface. A model based on MODIS PSF is built to deal with the scale differences between MODIS and other sensors, and linear spectral mapping is used to map between different sensors spectrally. We use the ECMWF CAMS prediction as a prior for the atmospheric states, coupling with 6S model to solve for the atmospheric parameters, then the solved atmospheric parameters are used to correct the TOA reflectances. The whole system is built under Bayesian theory and the uncertainty is propagated through the whole system. Since we do not rely on specific bands' relationship to estimate the atmospheric states, but instead a more generic and consistent way of inversion those parameters. The code can be downloaded from [SIAC](#) github directly and further updates will make it more independent and can be installed on different machines.

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2.3.1 SIAC

Introduction

Land surface reflectance is the fundamental variable for the most of earth observation (EO) missions, and corrections of the atmospheric disturbs from the cloud, gaseous, aerosol help to get accurate spectral description of earth surface. Unlike the previous empirical ways of atmospheric correction, we propose a data fusion method for atmospheric correction of satellite images, with an initial attempt to include the uncertainty information from different data source. It takes advantage of the high temporal resolution of MODIS observations to get BRDF description of the earth surface as the prior information of the earth surface property, uses the ECMWF CAMS Near-real-time as the prior information of the atmospheric sates, to get optimal estimations of the atmospheric parameters. The code is written in python and we have tested it with Sentinel 2, Landsat 8, Landsat 5, Sentinel 3 and MODIS data and it shows SIAC can correct the atmospheric effects reasonably well.

Sentinel 2 and Landsat 8 correction examples

A [page](#) shows some correction samples.

A [map](#) shows the validation results against AERONET measurements. If you click points on the scatter plot, it will the comparison between the TOA and BOA reflectance and you can drag to compare between them and click on the image to have spectral comparison over your clicked pixel as well.

2.3.2 Installation

1. The standard python way

You can download the source code from the [project website](#). Unpack the file you obtained and then run:

```
python setup.py install
```

2. Using pip

```
pip install SIAC
```

3. Using anaconda

```
conda install -c f0xy -c conda-forge siac
```

4. From code repository for developing

Installation from the recent stable code repository can be done by:

```
pip install https://github.com/multiply-org/atmospheric_correction/archive/master.zip
```

2.3.3 Quickstart

The usage of SIAC for Sentinel 2 and Landsat 8 Top Of Atmosphere (TOA) reflectance is very straight forward:

Sentinel 2

```
from SIAC import SIAC_S2
SIAC_S2('/directory/where/you/store/S2/data/') # this can be either from AWS or
↳ Senitinel offical package
```

Landsat 8

```
from SIAC import SIAC_L8
SIAC_L8('/directory/where/you/store/L8/data/')
```

An example usage of SIAC over other sensors and the way to access all the ancillary data is shown with a [jupyter notebook example](#).

2.3.4 SIAC data accessing and usage on other sensors

In this Chapter, I will introduce the **SIAC** (Sensor Invariant Atmospheric Correction) developed under the European Union's Horizon 2020 **MULTIPLY** project can be used to generate global **uncertainty quantified analysis ready datasets** after 2003, which covered by NASA **Landsat 5-8** missions and ESA **Senitinel 2** mission.

SIAC

This atmospheric correction method uses MODIS MCD43 BRDF product to get a coarse resolution simulation of earth surface. A model based on MODIS PSF is built to deal with the scale differences between MODIS and other sensors, and linear spectral mapping is used to map between different sensors spectrally. We uses the ECMWF **CAMS** prediction as a prior for the atmospheric states, coupling with 6S model to solve for the atmospheric parameters, then the solved atmospheric parameters are used to correct the TOA reflectances. The whole system is built under Bayesian theory and the uncertainty is propagated through the whole system. Since we do not rely on specific bands' relationship to estimate the atmospheric states, but instead a more generic and consistent way of inversion those parameters. The code can be downloaded from **SIAC** github directly and futrher updates will make it more independent and can be installed on different machines.

Inputs:

- **MCD43A1**: 16 days before and 16 days after the sensing date
- ECMWF CAMS **Near Real Time** prediction or MACC **reanalysis**: a time step of 3 hours with the start time of 00:00:00 over the date and a easier access option is hosted at <http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/cams/> but only after 01/04/2015, when Sentinel 2A was just lunched.
- Global dem: Global DEM VRT file built from ASTGTM2 DEM, and a bash script under eles/ can be used to generate with the individual files, and here we use **ASTER Global Digital Elevation Model V002** and a easier option of accessing the dataset with **gdal virtual file system** is hosted at http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/eles/global_dem.vrt.
- Emulators: emulators for the 6S for different senros, can be found at: <http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/emus/>

Outputs:

The outputs are the corrected BOA images saved as `B0*_sur.tif` for each band and uncertainty `B0*_sur_unc.tif`. `TOA_RGB.tif` and `BOA_RGB.tif` are generated for a visual check of correction results. They are all under the same folder as the TOA images.

Data access:

MCD43A1

The MODIS MCD43A1 Version 6 Bidirectional reflectance distribution function and Albedo (BRDF/Albedo) Model Parameters data set is a 500 meter daily 16-day product. The Julian date in the granule ID of each specific file represents the 9th day of the 16 day retrieval period, and consequently the observations are weighted to estimate the BRDF/Albedo for that day. The MCD43A1 algorithm, as is with all combined products, has the luxury of choosing the best representative pixel from a pool that includes all the acquisitions from both the Terra and Aqua sensors from the retrieval period. The MCD43A1 provides the three model weighting parameters (isotropic, volumetric, and geometric) for each of the MODIS bands 1 through 7 and the visible (vis), near infrared (nir), and shortwave bands used to derive the Albedo and BRDF products (MCD43A3 and MCD43A4). Along with the 3 dimensional parameter layers for these bands are the Mandatory Quality layers for each of the 10 bands. The MODIS BRDF/ALBEDO products have achieved stage 3 validation. (From the website)

We use the BRDF descriptors inverted from MODIS high temporal multi-angular observations to get simulation of surface reflectance by using the Landsat or Sentinel 2 scanning geometry, and the reason of using 32 days MCD43 is due to the gaps in the current MCD43 products which cause issues for the inversion of reliable atmospheric parameters. This dataset has to be downloaded from the [NASA Data Pool](#) with username and password registered at [EARTH-DATA LOGIN](#). The function `get_MCD43.py` inside `util` can be used for a easier access to the data, but remember to change the username and password in the `util/earthdata_auth` file:

```
!cat util/earthdata_auth
```

```
username
password
```

```
import sys
sys.path.insert(0, 'util')
from get_MCD43 import get_mcd43, find_files
from datetime import datetime
# the great gdal virtual file system and google cloud landsat public datasets
google_cloud_base = '/vsicurl/https://storage.googleapis.com/gcp-public-data-landsat/'
aoi = google_cloud_base + 'LE07/01/202/034/LE07_L1TP_202034_20060611_20170108_01_T1/'
↳LE07_L1TP_202034_20060611_20170108_01_T1_B1.TIF'
obs_time = datetime(2006, 6, 11)
# based on time and aoi find the MCD43
# within 16 days temporal window
ret = find_files(aoi, obs_time, temporal_window = 16)
print(ret[0])
```

```
https://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/MOTA/MCD43A1.006/2006.05.26/MCD43A1.A2006146.h17v05.006.
↳2016102175833.hdf
```

To download them and used them and creat a daily global VRT file:

```
#get_mcd43(aoi, obs_time, mcd43_dir = './MCD43/', vrt_dir = './MCD43_VRT')
```

```
ls ./MCD43/ ./MCD43_VRT/ ./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/*.vrt
```

```
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band1.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band2.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band3.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band4.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band5.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band6.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band7.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_nir.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_shortwave.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_vis.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band1.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band2.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band3.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band4.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band5.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band6.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band7.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_nir.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_shortwave.vrt
./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_vis.vrt
```

```
./MCD43/:
2006_05_26/
flist.txt
MCD43A1.A2006146.h17v05.006.2016102175833.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006147.h17v05.006.2016102184226.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006148.h17v05.006.2016102192740.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006149.h17v05.006.2016102201522.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006150.h17v05.006.2016102210019.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006151.h17v05.006.2016102215923.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006152.h17v05.006.2016102223051.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006153.h17v05.006.2016102225753.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006154.h17v05.006.2016102232936.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006155.h17v05.006.2016102235934.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006156.h17v05.006.2016103003425.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006157.h17v05.006.2016103010516.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006158.h17v05.006.2016103013644.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006159.h17v05.006.2016103020849.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006160.h17v05.006.2016103023658.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006161.h17v05.006.2016103030549.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006162.h17v05.006.2016103034045.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006163.h17v05.006.2016103041018.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006164.h17v05.006.2016103044452.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006165.h17v05.006.2016103051319.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006166.h17v05.006.2016103054336.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006167.h17v05.006.2016103062221.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006168.h17v05.006.2016103064243.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006169.h17v05.006.2016103123307.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006170.h17v05.006.2016103125809.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006171.h17v05.006.2016103131624.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006172.h17v05.006.2016103133334.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006173.h17v05.006.2016103134900.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006174.h17v05.006.2016103140345.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006175.h17v05.006.2016103141904.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006176.h17v05.006.2016103143227.hdf
```

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```

MCD43A1.A2006177.h17v05.006.2016103144345.hdf
MCD43A1.A2006178.h17v05.006.2016103150133.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011232.h17v05.006.2016135180015.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011233.h17v05.006.2016135180956.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011234.h17v05.006.2016135182004.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011235.h17v05.006.2016135183413.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011236.h17v05.006.2016135184405.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011237.h17v05.006.2016135185631.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011238.h17v05.006.2016135190844.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011239.h17v05.006.2016135192024.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011240.h17v05.006.2016135193355.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011241.h17v05.006.2016135194900.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011242.h17v05.006.2016135200116.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011243.h17v05.006.2016135201359.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011244.h17v05.006.2016135202542.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011245.h17v05.006.2016135203726.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011246.h17v05.006.2016135204754.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011247.h17v05.006.2016135210022.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011248.h17v05.006.2016135211314.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011249.h17v05.006.2016135212256.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011250.h17v05.006.2016137122909.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011251.h17v05.006.2016137125638.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011252.h17v05.006.2016137131949.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011253.h17v05.006.2016137134319.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011254.h17v05.006.2016137140557.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011255.h17v05.006.2016137143341.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011256.h17v05.006.2016137144846.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011257.h17v05.006.2016137151738.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011258.h17v05.006.2016137153854.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011259.h17v05.006.2016137155602.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011260.h17v05.006.2016137161759.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011261.h17v05.006.2016137164021.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011262.h17v05.006.2016137170721.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011263.h17v05.006.2016137172812.hdf
MCD43A1.A2011264.h17v05.006.2016137175047.hdf

```

```
./MCD43_VRT/:
```

```

2006-05-26/ 2006-06-06/ 2006-06-17/ 2011-08-20/ 2011-08-31/ 2011-09-11/
2006-05-27/ 2006-06-07/ 2006-06-18/ 2011-08-21/ 2011-09-01/ 2011-09-12/
2006-05-28/ 2006-06-08/ 2006-06-19/ 2011-08-22/ 2011-09-02/ 2011-09-13/
2006-05-29/ 2006-06-09/ 2006-06-20/ 2011-08-23/ 2011-09-03/ 2011-09-14/
2006-05-30/ 2006-06-10/ 2006-06-21/ 2011-08-24/ 2011-09-04/ 2011-09-15/
2006-05-31/ 2006-06-11/ 2006-06-22/ 2011-08-25/ 2011-09-05/ 2011-09-16/
2006-06-01/ 2006-06-12/ 2006-06-23/ 2011-08-26/ 2011-09-06/ 2011-09-17/
2006-06-02/ 2006-06-13/ 2006-06-24/ 2011-08-27/ 2011-09-07/ 2011-09-18/
2006-06-03/ 2006-06-14/ 2006-06-25/ 2011-08-28/ 2011-09-08/ 2011-09-19/
2006-06-04/ 2006-06-15/ 2006-06-26/ 2011-08-29/ 2011-09-09/ 2011-09-20/
2006-06-05/ 2006-06-16/ 2006-06-27/ 2011-08-30/ 2011-09-10/ 2011-09-21/

```

```
!gdalinfo ./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band5.vrt
```

```
Driver: VRT/Virtual Raster
```

```
Files: ./MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band5.vrt
```

```
Size is 2400, 2400
```

```
Coordinate System is:
```

```
PROJCS["unnamed",
```

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```

GEOGCS["Unknown datum based upon the custom spheroid",
    DATUM["Not specified (based on custom spheroid)",
        SPHEROID["Custom spheroid",6371007.181,0]],
    PRIMEM["Greenwich",0],
    UNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],
PROJECTION["Sinusoidal"],
PARAMETER["longitude_of_center",0],
PARAMETER["false_easting",0],
PARAMETER["false_northing",0],
UNIT["Meter",1]]
Origin = (-1111950.519667000044137,4447802.078666999936104)
Pixel Size = (463.312716527916677,-463.312716527916677)
Corner Coordinates:
Upper Left  (-1111950.520, 4447802.079) ( 13d 3'14.66"W, 40d 0' 0.00"N)
Lower Left  (-1111950.520, 3335851.559) ( 11d32'49.22"W, 30d 0' 0.00"N)
Upper Right (          0.000, 4447802.079) ( 0d 0' 0.01"E, 40d 0' 0.00"N)
Lower Right (          0.000, 3335851.559) ( 0d 0' 0.01"E, 30d 0' 0.00"N)
Center      (-555975.260, 3891826.819) ( 6d 6'13.94"W, 35d 0' 0.00"N)
Band 1 Block=128x128 Type=Int16, ColorInterp=Gray
  NoData Value=32767
Band 2 Block=128x128 Type=Int16, ColorInterp=Gray
  NoData Value=32767
Band 3 Block=128x128 Type=Int16, ColorInterp=Gray
  NoData Value=32767

```

The great part of creating VRT files is that virtual global mosaic of MCD43 for different parameters and different times are created with a very small fraction of storage space, but eliminate a lot of troubles in dealing with different spatial resolutions, data formats and multi-tile coverage... Actually, the best way of storing the datasets is turn it into [Cloud optimized GeoTIFF](#), which enables access of chunks of data from a virtul mosaic to be possible and saves a lot of unnecessary downloading of data outside the area of interest. And this can be done easily with gdal as well:

```

#!/usr/bin/env python
import os
import sys
import gdal
from datetime import datetime
fname = './MCD43/MCD43A1.A2006146.h17v05.006.2016102175833.hdf'
try:
    g = gdal.Open(fname)
except:
    raise IOError('File cannot opened!')
subs = [i[0] for i in g.GetSubDatasets()]

def translate(sub):
    ret = sub.split(':')
    path, para = ret[2].split('"')[1], ret[-1]
    base = '/'.join(path.split('/')[:-1])
    fname = path.split('/')[-1]
    day = datetime.strptime(fname.split('.')[1].split('A')[1], '%Y%j').strftime('%Y_
↪ %m_%d')
    ret = fname.split('.')
    day = datetime.strptime(ret[-5].split('A')[1], '%Y%j').strftime('%Y_%m_%d')
    fname = '_'.join(ret[:-2]) + '_%s.tif'%para
    fname = base + '/' + day + '/' + fname
    if os.path.exists(fname):
        pass

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else:
    if os.path.exists(base + '/' + s + '%day'):
        pass
    else:
        os.mkdir(base + '/' + s + '%day')
        gdal.Translate(fname, sub, creationOptions=["TILED=YES", "COMPRESS=DEFLATE"])
for sub in subs:
    translate(sub)

```

```
ls MCD43/2006_05_26/
```

```

flist.txt
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band1.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band2.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band3.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band4.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band5.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band6.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_Band7.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_nir.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_shortwave.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Band_Mandatory_Quality_vis.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band1.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band1.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band2.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band2.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band3.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band3.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band4.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band4.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band5.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band5.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band6.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band6.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band7.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band7.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_nir.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_nir.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_shortwave.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_shortwave.tif.aux.xml
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_vis.tif
MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_vis.tif.aux.xml

```

So we basically converted the MODIS HDF format into GeoTiff format and an important argument for the `gdal.translate` is `TILED=YES` which will make small chunk access of dataset to be possible.

```

#!/usr/bin/env python
import pylab as plt
import numpy as np
from reproject import reproject_data
# here we try to reproject the RGB band
# from MCD43 to the aoi used above, whcih
# is just a url to the google cloud file
# we also use the vrt file we created
# as our source file and reproject them
# to the aoi with the same spatial resol.

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```
source = './MCD43_VRT/2006-05-27/MCD43_2006147_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band1.vrt'

r = reproject_data(source, aoi).data[0] * 0.001
g = reproject_data(source.replace('Band1', 'Band4'), aoi).data[0] * 0.001
b = reproject_data(source.replace('Band1', 'Band3'), aoi).data[0] * 0.001

r[r>1] = np.nan
b[b>1] = np.nan
g[g>1] = np.nan
plt.imshow(np.array([r,g,b]).transpose(1,2,0)*4)
```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fae7aabf518>
```

I have also put the created tif file into the UCL geography file server at http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/test_files/2006_05_26/

```
from IPython.core.display import HTML
#HTML("http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/test_files/2006_05_26/")
```

And if we change from the VRT file to the url to the tif files, it will also works!!!

```
url = '/vsicurl/http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/test_files/2006_05_26/'
source = url + 'MCD43A1_A2006146_h17v05_006_BRDF_Albedo_Parameters_Band1.tif'

r = reproject_data(source, aoi).data[0] * 0.001
g = reproject_data(source.replace('Band1', 'Band4'), aoi).data[0] * 0.001
b = reproject_data(source.replace('Band1', 'Band3'), aoi).data[0] * 0.001

r[r>1]=np.nan
b[b>1] = np.nan
g[g>1] = np.nan
plt.imshow(np.array([r,g,b]).transpose(1,2,0)*4)
```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fae7a228dd8>
```

And if we creat virtual global mosaic VRT file with those GeoTiff images, we can also access them with gdal and do the subset and reprojection easily...And I will demonstrate it with the ASTGTM2 DEM...

Global DEM

I have downloaded most of the DEM images from NASA server and put them in the UCL server at: <http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/eles/> and a global DEM VRT file is generated with:

```
ls *.tif>file_list.txt
gdalbuildvrt -te -180 -90 180 90 global_dem.vrt -input_file_list file_list.txt
```

```
print(gdal.Info('/vsicurl/http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/eles/global_dem.vrt',
↪showFileList=False))
```

```
Driver: VRT/Virtual Raster
Files: /vsicurl/http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/eles/global_dem.vrt
```

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```

Size is 1296000, 648000
Coordinate System is:
GEOGCS["WGS 84",
    DATUM["WGS_1984",
        SPHEROID["WGS 84",6378137,298.257223563,
            AUTHORITY["EPSG","7030"]],
        AUTHORITY["EPSG","6326"]],
    PRIMEM["Greenwich",0],
    UNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433],
    AUTHORITY["EPSG","4326"]]
Origin = (-180.00000000000000,90.00000000000000)
Pixel Size = (0.00027777777777778,-0.00027777777777778)
Corner Coordinates:
Upper Left  (-180.0000000,  90.0000000) (180d 0' 0.00"W, 90d 0' 0.00"N)
Lower Left  (-180.0000000, -90.0000000) (180d 0' 0.00"W, 90d 0' 0.00"S)
Upper Right ( 180.0000000,  90.0000000) (180d 0' 0.00"E, 90d 0' 0.00"N)
Lower Right ( 180.0000000, -90.0000000) (180d 0' 0.00"E, 90d 0' 0.00"S)
Center      (   0.0000000, -0.0000000) ( 0d 0' 0.00"E,  0d 0' 0.00"S)
Band 1 Block=128x128 Type=Int16, ColorInterp=Gray

```

```

source = '/vsicurl/http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/eles/global_dem.vrt'
ele = reproject_data(source, aoi).data * 0.001
plt.imshow(ele)

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fae7a210908>
```

Instantly, we get the DEM with the same resolution and geographic coverage as the aoi, which means if we have the MCD43 in GeoTiff format and a global mosaic can be created for each day then the access of MCD43 data will be much easier, and this actually applies to all different kind of GIS datasets.

CAMS atmospheric composition data

As part of the European Copernicus programme on environmental monitoring, greenhouse gases, aerosols, and chemical species have been introduced in the ECMWF model allowing assimilation and forecasting of atmospheric composition. At the same time, the added atmospheric composition variables are being used to improve the Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP) system itself, most notably through the interaction with the radiation scheme and the use in observation operators for satellite radiance assimilation. (from the [website](#))

In SIAC, the aerosol optical thickness (AOT) at 550nm, total column of water vapour (TCWV) and total column of Ozone(TCO₃) are used as priors for the atmospheric states. The data can be acquired through the official pages, but it needs to wait for the queue to process each time you request it, but actually the dataset is at a coarse grid and only take small storage space and again daily global mosaic for each parameter in tif format at UCL server at <http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/cams/>. There is no need to process it for each user and do the subset each time....

The api access to cams near real time:

```

#!/usr/bin/env python
import os
import sys
import gdal
from glob import glob
from ecmwfapi import ECMWFDataServer
server = ECMWFDataServer()

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```

from datetime import datetime, timedelta
para_names = 'tcwv,gtco3,aod550,duaod550,omaod550,bcaod550,suaod550'.split(',')
this_date = datetime(2015,4,26)
filename = "%s.nc"%this_date
if not os.path.exists(filename):
    server.retrieve({
        "class": "mc",
        "dataset": "cams_nrealtime",
        "date": "%s"%this_date,
        "expver": "0001",
        "levtype": "sfc",
        "param": "137.128/206.210/207.210/209.210/210.210/211.210/212.210",
        "step": "0/3/6/9/12/15/18/21/24",
        "stream": "oper",
        "time": "00:00:00",
        "type": "fc",
        "grid": "0.75/0.75",
        "area": "90/-180/-90/180",
        "format": "netcdf",
        "target": "%s.nc"%this_date,
    })
else:
    pass
header = '_' .join(filename.split('.')[0].split('-'))
if not os.path.exists(header):
    os.mkdir(header)
exists = glob(header+'/*.tif')
if len(sys.argv[2:])>0:
    list_para = sys.argv[2:]
else:
    list_para = para_names
temp = 'NETCDF:"%s":%s'
for i in list_para:
    if header + '/' + header + '_' + i + '.tif' not in exists:
        t = 'Translating %-31s to %-23s'%(temp%(filename,i), header+'_' + i + '.tif')
        print(t)
        gdal.Translate(header + '/' + header + '_' + i + '.tif', temp%(filename,i), outputSRS=
        ↪ 'EPSG:4326', creationOptions=["TILED=YES", "COMPRESS=DEFLATE"])

```

and reanalysis data:

```

#!/usr/bin/env python
import os
import sys
import gdal
from glob import glob
from ecmwfapi import ECMWFDataServer
server = ECMWFDataServer()
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
para_names = 'tcwv,gtco3,aod550,duaod550,omaod550,bcaod550,suaod550'.split(',')
this_date = datetime(2012,4,26)
filename = "%s.nc"%this_date
if not os.path.exists(filename):
    server.retrieve({
        "class": "mc",
        "dataset": "macc",
        "date": "%s"%this_date,

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        "expver": "rean",
        "levtype": "sfc",
        "param": "137.128/206.210/207.210/209.210/210.210/211.210/212.210",
        "step": "0/3/6/9/12/15/18/21/24",
        "stream": "oper",
        "time": "00:00:00",
        "type": "fc",
        "grid": "0.75/0.75",
        "area": "90/-180/-90/180",
        "format": "netcdf",
        "target": "%s.nc"%this_date,
    })
else:
    pass
header = '_' . join(filename.split('.')[0].split('-'))
if not os.path.exists(header):
    os.mkdir(header)
exists = glob(header+'/*.tif')
if len(sys.argv[2:])>0:
    list_para = sys.argv[2:]
else:
    list_para = para_names
temp = 'NETCDF:"%s":%s'
for i in list_para:
    if header + '/' + header + '_' + i + '.tif' not in exists:
        t = 'Translating %-31s to %-23s'%(temp%(filename,i), header+'_' + i + '.tif')
        print(t)
        gdal.Translate(header + '/' + header + '_' + i + '.tif', temp%(filename,i), outputSRS=
→'EPSG:4326', creationOptions=["TILED=YES", "COMPRESS=DEFLATE"])

```

```

# here we test with subset of global AOT 550
# over the aoi
source = '/vsicurl/http://www2.geog.ucl.ac.uk/~ucfafyi/cams/2015_09_08/2015_09_08_
→aod550.tif'
g = gdal.Open(source)
b1 = g.GetRasterBand(1)
scale, offset = b1.GetScale(), b1.GetOffset()
g = None
g = reproject_data(source, aoi).g
aot = scale * g.GetRasterBand(3).ReadAsArray() + offset
plt.imshow(aot)

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fae7a1857f0>
```

TOA reflectance

Unlike many AC method, one needs to convert reflectance to radiance and back to reflectance after AC, SIAC only need the reflectance ranging from 0-1 (or 10, 100, 1000... but you need to give the scale and offset vlaues). To access the Landsat datasets, you can download it from [USGS](#) or google has mirrored the whole Landsat datesets which can be accessed from the google public [Landsat dateset](#) with url: <https://storage.googleapis.com/gcp-public-data-landsat/>.

Here we show example of accessing different Landsat mission images, with the [AOI](#) in Spain, and we stored it as a Geojson file.

```

import requests
# Landsat 5
base = 'https://storage.googleapis.com/gcp-public-data-landsat/'
tile = 'LT05/01/202/034/LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1/'
bands = ['LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_B%d.TIF'%i for i in [1,2,3,4,5,7]]
metadata = requests.get(base + tile + 'LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_MTL.
↳txt').content.decode()
scale = []
off = []
for i in metadata.split('\n'):
    if 'REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND' in i:
        print(i)
        off.append(float(i.split(' = ')[1]))
    if 'REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND' in i:
        print(i)
        scale.append(float(i.split(' = ')[1]))
rgb = []
for i in [0,1,2]:
    g = gdal.Warp('', '/vsicurl/' + base + tile + bands[i], format = 'MEM',
↳warpOptions = \
        ['NUM_THREADS=ALL_CPUS'],srcNodata = 0, dstNodata=0, cutlineDSName=
↳'aoi.json', \
        cropToCutline=True, resampleAlg = gdal.GRIORA_NearestNeighbour)
    rgb.append(g.ReadAsArray())
rgb = np.array(scale[:3])[... ,None, None]*rgb + np.array(off[:3])[... ,None, None]
alpha = np.any(rgb < 0, axis=0)

```

```

REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND_1 = 1.2582E-03
REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND_2 = 2.6296E-03
REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND_3 = 2.2379E-03
REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND_4 = 2.7086E-03
REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND_5 = 1.8340E-03
REFLECTANCE_MULT_BAND_7 = 2.5458E-03
REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND_1 = -0.003756
REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND_2 = -0.007786
REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND_3 = -0.004746
REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND_4 = -0.007377
REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND_5 = -0.007472
REFLECTANCE_ADD_BAND_7 = -0.008371

```

```

# since landsat angles has to be produced
# from the angular text file
ang = requests.get(base + tile + 'LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_ANG.txt').
↳content
with open('landsat/landsat_ang/LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_ANG.txt', 'wb
↳') as f:
    f.write(ang)

header = 'LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_'
import os
from glob import glob
from multiprocessing import Pool
import subprocess
from functools import partial
cwd = os.getcwd()
#header += cwd
os.chdir('landsat/landsat_ang/')

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```
def translate_angle(band, header):
    subprocess.call([cwd+'/util/landsat_angles/landsat_angles', \
                    header + 'ANG.txt', '-B', '%d'%band])
    inp = 'angle_sensor_B%02d.img'%band
    oup = header+ 'VZA_VAA_B%02d.TIF'%band
    if os.path.exists(oup):
        os.remove(oup)
    gdal.Translate(oup, inp, creationOptions = \
                  ['COMPRESS=DEFLATE', 'TILED=YES'], noData='-32767').FlushCache()
    if not os.path.exists(header + 'SZA_SAA.TIF'):
        gdal.Translate(header + 'SZA_SAA.TIF', 'angle_solar_B01.img', creationOptions_
↳ = \
                        ['COMPRESS=DEFLATE', 'TILED=YES'], noData='-32767').FlushCache()
    p = Pool()
    par = partial(translate_angle, header=header)
    p.map(par, range(1,8))
    list(map(os.remove, glob('angle_s*_B*.img*')))
    os.chdir(cwd)
```

```
sza, saa = gdal.Warp('', 'landsat/landsat_ang/'+ header + 'SZA_SAA.TIF', format = 'MEM'
↳ , warpOptions = \
                    ['NUM_THREADS=ALL_CPUS'], srcNodata = 0, dstNodata=0, cutlineDSName=
↳ 'aoi.json', \
                    cropToCutline=True, resampleAlg = gdal.GRIORA_NearestNeighbour).
↳ ReadAsArray()/100.
rgb = rgb / np.cos(np.deg2rad(sza))
rgb[rgb<0] = np.nan
rgba = np.r_[rgb, ~alpha[None, ...]]
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(8,8))
plt.imshow(rgba.transpose(1,2,0)*2)
```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fae7aa1cf60>
```

```
# We save all the remote file to local
# also convert it to reflectance...

for i in range(6):
    g = gdal.Warp('', '/vsicurl/' + base + tile + bands[i], format = 'MEM',
↳ warpOptions = \
                    ['NUM_THREADS=ALL_CPUS'], srcNodata = 0, dstNodata=0, cutlineDSName=
↳ 'aoi.json', \
                    cropToCutline=True, resampleAlg = gdal.GRIORA_NearestNeighbour)
    data = (g.ReadAsArray() * scale[i] + off[i])/np.cos(np.deg2rad(sza))
    data[data<0] = -9999
    driver = gdal.GetDriverByName('GTiff')
    ds = driver.Create('landsat/' + bands[i], data.shape[1], data.shape[0], 1, \
                      gdal.GDT_Float32, options=['TILED=YES', "COMPRESS=DEFLATE"])
    ds.SetGeoTransform(g.GetGeoTransform())
    ds.SetProjection(g.GetProjectionRef())
    ds.GetRasterBand(1).WriteArray(data)
    ds.FlushCache()
    ds=None
```

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```

g = gdal.Warp('landsat/' + bands[0].replace('B1', 'BQA'), '/vsicurl/' + base + tile +
↳bands[0].replace('B1', 'BQA'), format = 'GTiff', warpOptions = \
    ['NUM_THREADS=ALL_CPUS'],srcNodata = 0, dstNodata=0, cutlineDSName=
↳'aoi.json', \
    cropToCutline=True, resampleAlg = gdal.GRIORA_NearestNeighbour,
↳creationOptions \
    = ['COMPRESS=DEFLATE', 'TILED=YES'])
g.FlushCache()
aoi_mask = np.isnan(data)

```

```

plt.imshow(gdal.Open('landsat/LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_B1.TIF').
↳ReadAsArray())
plt.colorbar()

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7fadb404d7b8>
```

We now have the angle and reflectance for this AOI, we can pass them into SIAC to run the atmospheric correction.

Run SIAC

In reality, we need the emulators for this sensor, but at the moment we do not have, so we instead use Landsat 8 emulators just for demonstration purpose.

```

import numpy as np
from SIAC.the_aerosol import solve_aerosol
from SIAC.the_correction import atmospheric_correction
sensor_sat = 'OLI', 'L8'
toa_bands = ['landsat/'+i for i in bands]
view_angles = ['landsat/landsat_ang/LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_VZA_VAA_
↳%.TIF'%i \
    for i in ['B01', 'B02', 'B03', 'B04', 'B05', 'B07']]
sun_angles = 'landsat/landsat_ang/LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_SZA_SAA.TIF
↳'
cloud_mask = gdal.Open('landsat/' + bands[0].replace('B1', 'BQA')).ReadAsArray()
cloud_mask = ~((cloud_mask >= 672) & (cloud_mask <= 684)) | aoi_mask
band_wv = [469, 555, 645, 859, 1640, 2130]
obs_time = datetime(2011, 9, 5, 10, 51, 11)
#get_mcd43(toa_bands[0], obs_time, mcd43_dir = './MCD43/', vrt_dir = './MCD43_VRT')
band_index = [1,2,3,4,5,6]
aero = solve_aerosol(sensor_sat,toa_bands,band_wv, band_index,\
    view_angles,sun_angles,obs_time,cloud_mask,aot_prior = 0.05, \
    aot_unc=0.1, mcd43_dir= './MCD43_VRT/',gamma=10., ref_scale = 1.,
↳ ref_off = 0., a_z_order=0)
aero._solving()

base = 'landsat/LT05_L1TP_202034_20110905_20161006_01_T1_'
aot = base + 'aot.tif'
tcwv = base + 'tcwv.tif'
tco3 = base + 'tco3.tif'
aot_unc = base + 'aot_unc.tif'
tcwv_unc = base + 'tcwv_unc.tif'
tco3_unc = base + 'tco3_unc.tif'

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```

rgb = [toa_bands[2], toa_bands[1], toa_bands[0]]
atmo = atmospheric_correction(sensor_sat, toa_bands, band_index, view_angles, sun_
    ↪angles, \
                                aot = aot, cloud_mask = cloud_mask, tcwv = tcwv, tco3 =
    ↪tco3, \
                                aot_unc = aot_unc, tcwv_unc = tcwv_unc, tco3_unc = tco3_
    ↪unc, \
                                rgb = rgb, ref_scale = 1., ref_off = 0., a_z_order =
    ↪0)
ret = atmo._doing_correction()

```

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2018-09-13 18:41:35,579 - AtmoCor - INFO - Set AOI.
2018-09-13 18:41:35,581 - AtmoCor - INFO - Get corresponding bands.
2018-09-13 18:41:35,581 - AtmoCor - INFO - Slice TOA bands based on AOI.
2018-09-13 18:41:36,815 - AtmoCor - INFO - Parsing angles.
2018-09-13 18:41:36,821 - AtmoCor - INFO - Mask bad pixels.
2018-09-13 18:41:37,122 - AtmoCor - INFO - Get simulated BOA.
2018-09-13 18:42:25,089 - AtmoCor - INFO - Get PSF.
2018-09-13 18:42:28,284 - AtmoCor - INFO - Solved PSF: 8.67, 11.33, 0, 4, 1, and R_
    ↪value is: 0.961.
2018-09-13 18:42:28,288 - AtmoCor - INFO - Get simulated TOA reflectance.
2018-09-13 18:42:31,141 - AtmoCor - INFO - Filtering data.
2018-09-13 18:42:31,199 - AtmoCor - INFO - Loading emulators.
2018-09-13 18:42:33,766 - AtmoCor - INFO - Reading priors and elevation.
2018-09-13 18:42:42,059 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - MultiGrid solver in process...
2018-09-13 18:42:42,060 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - Total 5 level of grids are going_
    ↪to be used.
2018-09-13 18:42:42,061 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [94mOptimizing at grid level 1

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2018-09-13 18:42:43,462 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mb'CONVERGENCE: REL_REDUCTION_
    ↪OF_F_<=_FACTR+EPSMCH'
2018-09-13 18:42:43,463 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mIterations: 4
2018-09-13 18:42:43,463 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mFunction calls: 23
2018-09-13 18:42:43,464 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [94mOptimizing at grid level 2

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    ↪OF_F_<=_FACTR+EPSMCH'
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2018-09-13 18:42:46,116 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mFunction calls: 25
2018-09-13 18:42:46,117 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [94mOptimizing at grid level 3

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    ↪EVALUATIONS EXCEEDS LIMIT'
2018-09-13 18:42:57,283 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mIterations: 8
2018-09-13 18:42:57,284 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mFunction calls: 75
2018-09-13 18:42:57,284 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [94mOptimizing at grid level 4

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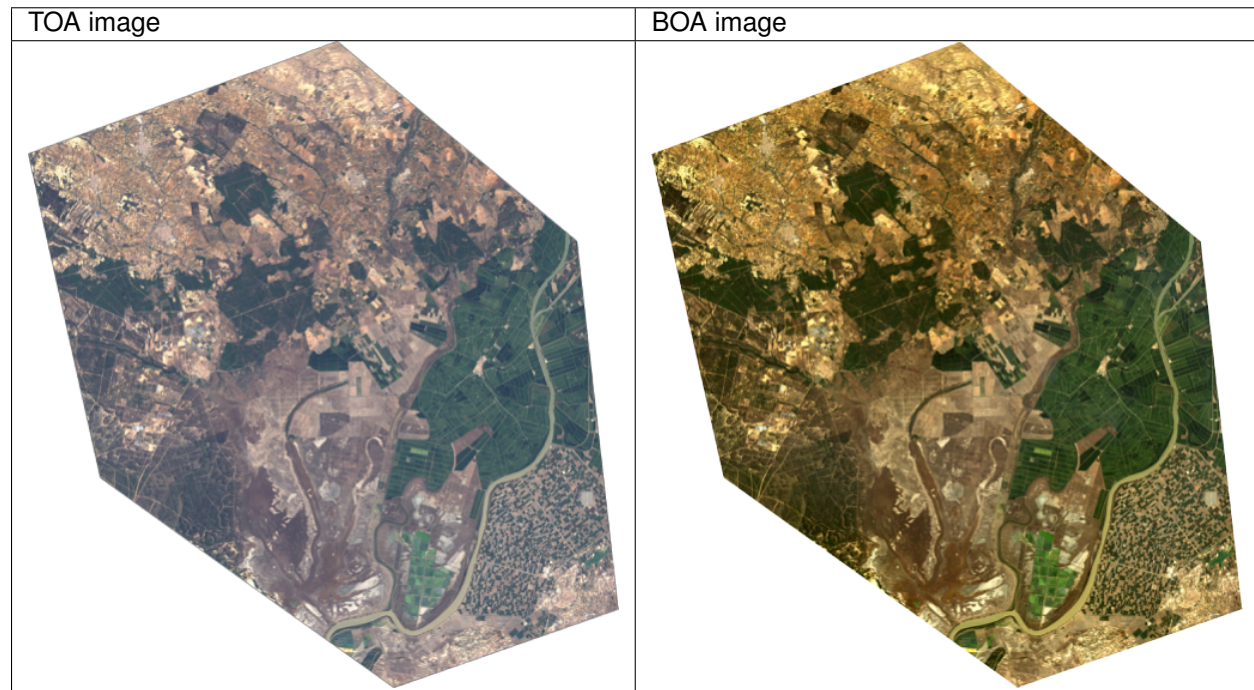
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2018-09-13 18:43:09,654 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mb'CONVERGENCE: REL_REDUCTION_
↳OF_F_<=_FACTR*EPSMCH'
2018-09-13 18:43:09,655 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mIterations: 10
2018-09-13 18:43:09,655 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mFunction calls: 36
2018-09-13 18:43:09,656 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [94mOptimizing at grid level 5

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2018-09-13 18:45:07,040 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mb'CONVERGENCE: REL_REDUCTION_
↳OF_F_<=_FACTR*EPSMCH'
2018-09-13 18:45:07,040 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mIterations: 10
2018-09-13 18:45:07,041 - MultiGrid solver - INFO - [92mFunction calls: 32
2018-09-13 18:45:10,977 - AtmoCor - INFO - Finished retrieval and saving them into_
↳local files.
2018-09-13 18:45:13,309 - AtmoCor - INFO - Set AOI.
2018-09-13 18:45:13,310 - AtmoCor - INFO - Slice TOA bands based on AOI.
2018-09-13 18:45:14,708 - AtmoCor - INFO - Parsing angles.
2018-09-13 18:45:15,728 - AtmoCor - INFO - Parsing auxs.
2018-09-13 18:45:16,584 - AtmoCor - INFO - Parsing atmo parameters.
2018-09-13 18:45:23,338 - AtmoCor - INFO - Loading emus.
2018-09-13 18:45:25,858 - AtmoCor - INFO - Get correction coefficients.
2018-09-13 18:45:32,039 - AtmoCor - INFO - Doing corrections.
2018-09-13 18:45:37,474 - AtmoCor - INFO - Composing RGB.
2018-09-13 18:45:39,423 - AtmoCor - INFO - Done.

```



```

toa = []
boa = []
for i in range(6):

```

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```

    toa.append(gdal.Open(toa_bands[i]).ReadAsArray(1500, 500, 1,1)[0,0])
    boa.append((gdal.Open(toa_bands[i].replace('.TIF', '_sur.tif')).ReadAsArray(1500, 500, 1,1)[0,0])/10000.)
plt.plot(band_wv, toa, 's-', label='TOA')
plt.plot(band_wv, np.array(boa), 'o-', label='BOA')
plt.legend()

```

```
<IPython.core.display.Javascript object>
```

```
<matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7fade5894080>
```

Here we demonstrate the use of SIAC for the correction of Landsat 5 images, but it can only be treated as a test and if one wants to do the real AC of Landsat 5 collection, the emulators and spectral mapping should be created for Landsat 5 TM sensor also a more reasonable prior should be used.

2.3.5 Technical documentation

SIAC_S2

SIAC_L8

Atmospheric parameters Inversion

Atmospheric parameters Solver

Atmospheric correction

2.4 Indices and tables

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- [modindex](#)
- [search](#)

2.5 MULTIPLY - SAR Pre Processing

2.5.1 Introduction

Scope

The MULTIPLY project will “develop a new platform for joint and consistent retrieval of Copernicus SENTINEL data and beyond”. This document presents the Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document (ATBD) of the MULTIPLY project. The ATBD aims at providing a detailed description of the algorithms implemented in the different processing chains, including a scientific background, a justification for each implemented algorithm and the parameterisation used in the project. This ATBD is written through successive increments. This initial version (v1) deals with the coarse resolution data in general. The second version focuses on the activities regarding the high-resolution data and a last version (v3) will be released at the end of the project. The ATBD-v3 will be the final version of the document.

Structure of this documentation

Need to be done !!!

This documentation gives a detailed

The documentation is organised in ... main sections.

- Section
- Section
- Section

2.5.2 Installation

The standard python way

You can download the source code from the [project website](#). Unpack the file you obtained and then run:

```
python setup.py install
```

Using conda

not yet implemented

Using pip

not yet implemented

From code repository for developing

to be continued

Installation from the recent stable code repository can be done by:

```
to be continued
```

2.5.3 Processing Chain

```
put "Sentinel-1 Level-1 SLC data" in the caption? Depends on other parts!
How will the deliverable be organized?
```

Overview

The two Sentinel-1 satellites 1A and 1B are one of the first satellites which are providing microwave data in high temporal and spatial resolution. Within the MULTIPLY project we developed a preprocessing chain to process time-series of Sentinel-1 data for quantitative analysis of vegetation and soil parameters over agricultural fields. Therefore, rigorous geometric and radiometric corrections as well as a multi-temporal speckle filter is applied. The different preprocessing steps are shown in [Fig. 2.1](#) and [Fig. 2.2](#). Furthermore, every processing step is explained in more detail in the following subsections. As it can be seen [Fig. 2.1](#) and [Fig. 2.2](#) the preprocessing work-flow is split in two main

parts. The preprocessing methods in Fig. 2.1 can be applied separately for every image. Whereas the work-flow shown in Fig. 2.2 need several images which were preprocessed by the different steps presented in Fig. 2.1.

The whole preprocessing chain for Sentinel-1 Level-1 Single Look Complex (SLC) data is accomplished by ESA's SNAP S1TBX software (current version 5.0.4). The SNAP toolbox can be downloaded from <http://step.esa.int/main/download/>. However, to automatically apply different preprocessing steps on Sentinel-1 data a python script, which uses the Graph Processing Tool (GPT) of the S1TBX, is provided. All codes, xml-graphs etc are stored in a GitHub repository accessible under <https://github.com/multiply-org/sar-pre-processing>.

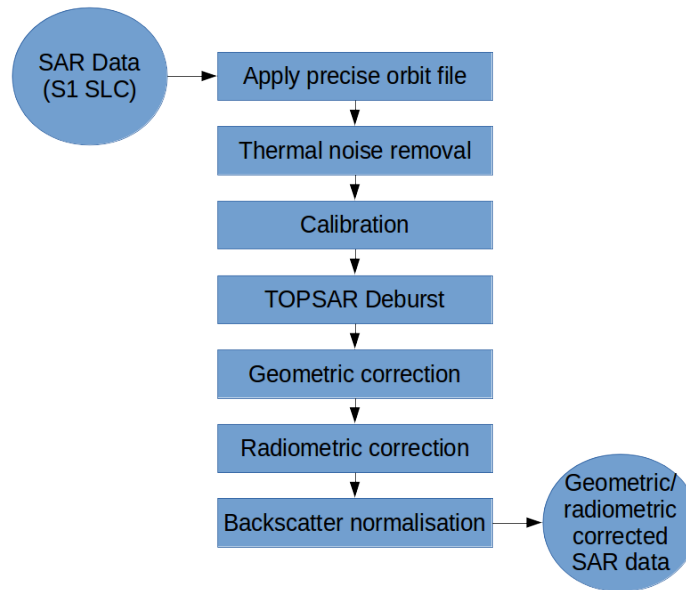


Fig. 2.1: First main part of the used preprocessing chain (rigorous geometric and radiometric correction including preliminary operations)

Sentinel-1 Level-1 SLC data

The preprocessing work-flow of Fig. 2.1 is based on Sentinel-1 Level-1 SLC data. Among some other sources Sentinel-1 data can be downloaded from ESA's Copernicus Open Access Hub (<https://scihub.copernicus.eu/>).

Sentinel-1 Level-1 SLC data are generated by the operational ESA Instrument Processing Facility (IPF). The SLC products are situated in slant range geometry. The slant range geometry is the natural radar one and is defined by the line-of-sight distance of the radar system to each reflecting object. The SLC product consists of focused SAR data in zero-Doppler orientation. Furthermore, for geo-referencing orbit and attitude information directly provided by the satellite are stored within the SLC product. Moreover the SAR data is corrected for errors caused by the well known azimuth bi-static delay, elevation antenna pattern and range spreading loss [1]. In contrary to Level-1 Ground Range Detected (GRD) products SLC data preserve the real and imaginary part of the backscatter signal and contain therefore also the phase information [1]. The IPF is generating SLC data for all available acquisition modes (StripMap (SM), Interferometric Wide (IW), Extra Wide (EW), and Wave (WV)) of the Sentinel-1 satellites. Further information about Sentinel-1 Level-1 products are gathered in ESA's Sentinel-1 User Handbook [1] available at https://earth.esa.int/documents/247904/685163/Sentinel-1_User_Handbook.

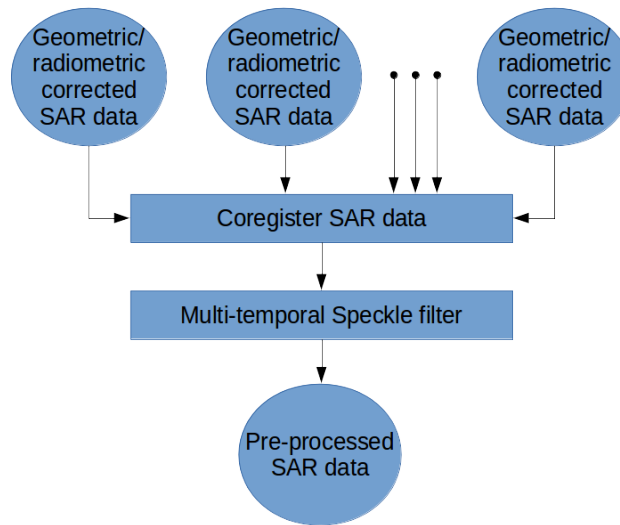


Fig. 2.2: Second main part of the used preprocessing chain (Co-registration and multi-temporal speckle filter)

Precise orbit file

Theory / Purpose

During the acquisition of Sentinel-1 data the satellite position is recorded by a Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS). To assure a fast delivery of Sentinel-1 products orbit information generated by an on-board navigation solution are stored within the Sentinel-1 Level-1 products. The orbit positions are later refined and made available as restituted or precise orbit files by the Copernicus Precise Orbit Determination (POD) Service. The POD products for Sentinel-1 data with given accuracy and availability after data acquisition are listed in [Table 2.1](#).

Table 2.1: Accuracy specification for Sentinel-1 POD products [Sentinel-sPODteam]

Mission	POD Product	Accuracy	Latency
Sentinel-1	Restituted Orbit File	< 10 cm	3 hours
	Precise Orbit Ephemerides (POE) Orbit file	< 5 cm	20 days
	Attitude Restituted Data	< 0.005 deg	20 days

Precise orbit information can have a high influence on the quality of several preprocessing steps especially e.g. for the geo-referencing of the data. Therefore, it is always preferable to use the most accurate orbit information that is available.

Practical implementation

Since the preprocessing for the MULTIPLY project doesn't depend on near-real-time data the precise orbit file (available within 20 days) is used to update the orbit and velocity information within the Sentinel-1 SLC product. Therefore the operator "Apply Orbit Correction" of SNAP S1TBX toolbox is used.

Input:

- Sentinel-1 SLC IW image (downloaded from Copernicus Open Access Hub)
- Precise orbit file (automatic download by SNAP S1TBX)

Output:

- Sentinel-1 SLC IW image with updated orbit information

Thermal noise removal**Theory / Purpose**

Thermal noise is caused by the background energy of a SAR receiver and independent from the received signal power. Like some other noise factors thermal noise appears randomly over the entire image. But in contrary to quantization noise like speckle, which is connected to the signal power, thermal noise is hardly noticeable. Therefore, high impact of thermal noise on the quality of the data is especially given in areas like calm lakes, rivers and other with a low mean signal response detected by the SAR system. For the purpose of correction the IPF is calculating a thermal noise Look up Table (LUT) which is stored within the Sentinel-1 Level-1 product. More information about the calculation of the thermal noise for Sentinel-1 is given in [3].

Practical implementation

The “Thermal Noise Removal” operator of SNAP S1TBX software is used to remove the thermal noise which is stored within a LUT within Sentinel-1 Level-1 products. Thermal noise removal can only applied on backscatter intensity therefore the phase information of the SLC data get lost.

Input:

- Sentinel-1 SLC IW image with updated orbit information

Output:

- Sentinel-1 SLC Intensity corrected by thermal noise

Radiometric calibration**Theory / Purpose**

Sentinel-1 Level-1 products are not radiometric corrected by default. However, for the quantitative use of SAR images a radiometric calibration of radar reflectivity (stored as Digital Numbers (DN) within Sentinel-1 Level-1 products) to physical units (radar backscatter) is essential. Otherwise a comparison of SAR images from different sensors or even the same sensor for different acquisition dates or different acquisition modes is not possible. To apply a radiometric calibration a Calibration Annotation Data Set (CADS) with four Look Up Tables (LUTs) are provided within the Sentinel-1 Level-1 products by Sentinel-1 Instrument Processing Facility (IPF). The four LUTs are used to convert DN to sigma naught, beta naught and gamma or vice versa. More information about the radiometric calibration is given in [4].

Practical implementation

The “Radiometric Calibration” operator of SNAP S1TBX software is used to perform the conversion of DN to radar backscatter. In our case the output radar backscatter information is calibrated in Sigma naught.

Input:

- Sentinel-1 SLC Intensity corrected by thermal noise

Output:

- Sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter

TOPSAR Deburst**Theory / Purpose**

Sentinel-1 Level-1 SLC images acquired in IW or EW swath mode consists of one image per swath and polarisation. IW products are made up of three swaths which means three images for single polarisation and six images for dual polarisation. EW products are made up of five swaths which means five images for single polarisation and ten images for dual polarisation. The sub-swath images consists of different bursts which are all processed as separate images. The different bursts are stored in one single image whereby each burst is separated by a black-filled demarcation [1]. For the usage of Sentinel-1 Level-1 SLC data only one sub-swath can be extracted or several/all sub-swath can be combined to one image with fluent transitions between the sub-swaths. More detailed information are provided in [1], [5] and [6].

Practical implementation

The “TOPSAR-Deburst” operator of SNAP S1TBX software is used to merge all sub-swath to retrieve one fluent image.

Input:

- Sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (with different sub-swath)

Output:

- Sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (with fluent transitions)

Geometric correction**Theory / Purpose**

An important part of the preprocessing chain is the geometric terrain correction. The geometric correction is a conversion of the Sentinel-1 SLC data from slant range geometry into a map coordinate system. Due to the acquisition geometry of the SAR different topographical distortions like foreshortening, layover or shadowing effects occur. The appropriate way to correct these distortions is the Range-Doppler approach. The method needs information about the topography (normally provided by a Digital Elevation Model (DEM)) as well as orbit and velocity information from the satellite (stored within Sentinel-1 SLC product) to correct the mentioned distortions and derive a precise geolocation for each pixel of the image.

Practical implementation

A geometric correction of the input data is performed by using the “Range Doppler Terrain Correction” method implement in SNAP’s S1TBX software. Data from the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) with a resolution of 1-arc second (30 meters) is used for the necessary DEM.

Input:

- Sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (with fluent transitions)
- SRTM data with 1-arc second resolution (automatic download by SNAP S1TBX)

Output:

- Geometric corrected sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (Map Projection WGS84)
- Incidence angle from ellipsoid
- Local incidence angle (based on SRTM)

Radiometric correction**Theory / Purpose**

For the conversion of Sentinel-1 backscatter values to sigma or gamma naught, LUT's stored within the Sentinel-1 product are used (see [Radiometric calibration](#)). For the creation of the LUT's Sentinel-1 IPF is using an incidence angle of an ellipsoid inflated earth model [4]. Therefore, the local terrain variation within the image and their radiometric impact on the backscatter is considered insufficiently. A simple and widely used practice to consider the radiometric impact due to local terrain variations represents the approach to use the local incidence angle instead of the ellipsoid one [7]. The radiometric corrected backscatter σ_{NORLIM}^0 used by Kelldorfer et al. [7] can be calculated as

$$\sigma_{NORLIM}^0 = \sigma_{Eu} \frac{\sin \theta_{LIA}}{\sin \theta_{Eu}} \quad (2.1)$$

with θ_{LIA} as the local incidence angle, θ_{Eu} as the ellipsoid incidence angle used by IPF and the radar backscatter σ_{Eu} calculated by using LUT's provided by IPF.

Practical implementation

Within the “Range Doppler Terrain Correction” method of SNAP's S1TBX software the radiometric normalisation approach of Kelldorfer et al. [7] is implemented as a additional option. Unfortunately, the SNAP internal option can not be used with our kind of data. Therefore, normalisation after Kelldorfer et al [7] is done by coding the equations within the “BandMath” operator of SNAP's S1TBX. The used local incidence angle is provided by the previous applied “Range Doppler Terrain Correction” and therefore the local incidence angle is based on the SRTM data.

Input:

- Geometric corrected sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (Map Projection WGS84)
- Incidence angle from ellipsoid
- Local incidence angle (based on SRTM)

Output:

- Radiometric and geometric corrected sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (Map Projection WGS84)

Backscatter normalisation**Theory / Purpose**

Beside the previously discussed geometric and radiometric distortions some other specific backscattering coefficient variations within the range direction of the image are caused by the image geometry of the SAR sensor. The backscattered energy of an illuminated area has not only a dependency on the area itself but also on the incidence angle. This

means, backscatter values of a specific area with a small incidence angle return higher backscatter values than data of the same area acquired with a higher incidence angle. Incidence angle induced variations not only occur inside one image but also between images from different sensors as well as within one sensor through different acquisition geometries or different tracks or orbits. For a usage of Sentinel-1A and 1B time-series acquired with different orbits and/or different tracks and therefore most likely a high change between the incidence angles a backscatter normalisation is vital. A often and widely used technique to minimize backscatter variations caused by the incidence angle is the cosine correction [8]. The cosine correction is based on the Lambert's law for optics. Therefore, under the assumption that the backscattered energy in the upper hemisphere follows a cosine law and also the radiation variability has a cosine dependency, the received backscatter $\sigma_{\theta_i}^0$ and its dependency on the incidence angle can be written as

$$\sigma_{\theta_i}^0 = \sigma_0^0 \cos^n(\theta_i) \quad (2.2)$$

with a weighting factor n and the incidence angle independent backscatter σ_0^0 . With the cosine correction the backscatter of the Sentinel-1 products can therefore normalised to a reference angle θ_{ref} with

$$\sigma_{ref}^0 = \frac{\sigma_{\theta_i}^0 \cos^n(\theta_{ref})}{\cos^n(\theta_i)} \quad (2.3)$$

Studies show that the weighting factor n is dependent on the roughness [9] and therefore the backscatter variations can vary with different land cover types. A schematic illustration of the backscatter variations considering the incidence angle is given in Fig. 2.3.

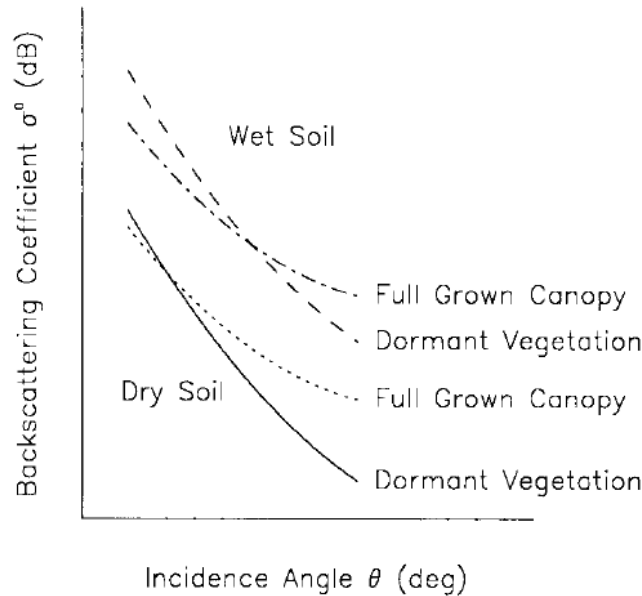


Fig. 2.3: Illustration of the backscatter variations considering the incidence angle dependency [10].

Practical implementation

The backscatter normalisation is applied by coding (2.3) in SNAP's S1TBX operator "BandMaths". As default a reference angle of 37,55° (average incidence angle for IW swath mode [3]) and a weighting factor of 2 (standard value) is specified. Through a configuration file the user can replace the default values for the reference angle and weighting factor to probably more suitable values of their specific applications.

Input:

- Radiometric and geometric corrected sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter (Map Projection WGS84)
- reference angle (default is 37,55°)
- weighting factor (default is 2)

Output:

- Radiometric and geometric corrected sigma naught calibrated radar backscatter values normalised to reference angle (Map Projection WGS84)

Co-registration**Theory / Purpose**

For time-series analysis especially when applying a *Multi-temporal speckle filter* the SAR image has to be co-registered. The co-registration is a method to get every image of the time-series on the same grid and also the pixel resolution.

Practical implementation

The co-registration as a requirement for the *Multi-temporal speckle filter* is accomplished by the “Co-Registration” operator within SNAP’s S1TBX. The “Co-Registration” operator in SNAP is defined as a completely automatic process. The operator consists of a stack creation (collocating master and slave image), a cross correlation (allignment between master and slave image) and a warp (resamples pixels from the slave image to pixels of the master image).

Input:

- Master image
- Slave image(s)

Output:

- Co-registered images

Multi-temporal speckle filter**Theory / Purpose**

A characteristic of images acquired by a SAR system is the visibility of random noise which look like “salt and pepper” within the image and is called speckle. The appearance of speckle is caused by the interferences of coherent echoes from individual scatterers within one pixel [11]. The presence of speckle degrades the quality of the image and therefore it makes the interpretation of the SAR data more difficult. Over the years several approaches for speckle reduction were developed. They are mainly based on either multi-looking or filtering methods. Different filtering approaches like Frost, Lee etc. can be applied as a single or multi-temporal speckle filter. First findings with Sentinel-1 data show that a multi-temporal speckle filter provides better results in form of speckle reduction and resolution preservation than a single speckle filter. A major advantage for the usage of a multi-temporal speckle filter on Sentinel-1 data is the high temporal resolution availability. Nevertheless, more detailed studies on analysing the impact of different multi-temporal speckle filters on the retrieval of bio- and geophysical parameters from Sentinel-1 data are still lacking. Anyway, a usage of a multi-temporal filter significantly reduces the speckle and is therefore an essential part of our preprocessing chain.

Practical implementation

For the speckle reduction the “Multi-temporal Speckle Filter” operator within SNAP’s S1TBX software is used. Currently 15 temporally consecutive images are used within the “Multi-temporal Speckle Filter” whereby the target image is temporally situated in the middle. The applied filter is a Lee filter with spatial averaging over 3x3 pixel. The spatial averaging over pixel has a significant influence on spatial resolution information loss of the image. Therefore, the averaging pixel size might change during the project. If the image consists of two polarisations the filter is applied on each polarisation separately. The practical implementation in case of filter type, used polarisation, number of used images etc. may change with more experience of applying multi-temporal speckle filters and the occurring results.

Input:

- 15 co-registered images

Output:

- speckle filtered images

References

2.5.4 Technical documentation

Sar-Pre-Processing

Wrapper module to launch preprocessor

```
class sar_pre_processing.sar_pre_processor.AttributeDict (**entries)
```

Bases: `object`

A class to convert a nested Dictionary into an object with key-values accessibly using attribute notation (AttributeDict.attribute) instead of key notation (Dict[“key”]). This class recursively sets Dicts to objects, allowing you to recurse down nested dicts (like: AttributeDict.attr.attr)

```
add_entries (**entries)
```

```
class sar_pre_processing.sar_pre_processor.PreProcessor (**kwargs)
```

Bases: `object`

```
pre_process ()
```

```
class sar_pre_processing.sar_pre_processor.SARPreProcessor (**kwargs)
```

Bases: `sar_pre_processing.sar_pre_processor.PreProcessor`

```
netcdf_information (**kwargs)
```

```
pre_process_step1 (**kwargs)
```

Pre-process S1 SLC data with SNAP’s GPT

- 1) apply precise orbit file
- 2) thermal noise removal
- 3) calibration
- 4) TOPSAR-Deburst
- 5) Geometric Terrain Correction
- 6) Radiometric Correction (after kelldorfer et al.)
- 7) backscatter normalisation on specified angle in config file (based on Lambert’s Law)

```

pre_process_step2 (**kwargs)
    pre_process_step1 has to be done first

    Pre-process S1 SLC data with SNAP's GPT

    1) co-register pre-processed data

    !!! all files will get metadata of the master image !!! Problem?

pre_process_step3 (**kwargs)
    pre_process_step1 and 2 has to be done first

    Pre-process S1 SLC data with SNAP's GPT

    1) apply multi-temporal speckle filter

```

File list for Sar-Pre-Processing

Create List of SAR data which will be processed by `sar_pre_processor` module

```

class sar_pre_processing.file_list_sar_pre_processing.AttributeDict (**entries)
    Bases: object

    A class to convert a nested Dictionary into an object with key-values accessibly using attribute notation (AttributeDict.attribute) instead of key notation (Dict["key"]). This class recursively sets Dicts to objects, allowing you to recurse down nested dicts (like: AttributeDict.attr.attr)

    add_entries (**entries)

class sar_pre_processing.file_list_sar_pre_processing.SARList (**kwargs)
    Bases: object

    create_list (**kwargs)

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```

2.5.5 Changelog sar-pro-processing module

version 0.4

version 0.3

Version for presentation at MULTIPLY User Workshop in Frascati 06.02.2018

2.6 MULTIPLY - Forward Operators

A suggestion for a structure is

- introduction
- concepts / algorithm
- user manual
- architecture
- api reference

2.7 Emulators for complex models using Gaussian Processes in Python: *gp_emulator*

The *gp_emulator* library provides a simple pure Python implementations of Gaussian Processes (GPs), with a view of using them as **emulators** of complex computers code. In particular, the library is focused on radiative transfer models for remote sensing, although the use is general. The GPs can also be used as a way of regressing or interpolating datasets.

If you use this code, please cite both the code and the paper that describes it.

- JL Gómez-Dans, Lewis PE, Disney M. Efficient Emulation of Radiative Transfer Codes Using Gaussian Processes and Application to Land Surface Parameter Inferences. Remote Sensing. 2016; 8(2):119. DOI:10.3390/rs8020119
- José Gómez-Dans & Professor Philip Lewis. (2018, October 12). jgomezdans/gp_emulator (Version 1.6.5). Zenodo. DOI:10.5281/zenodo.1460970

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2.7.1 Gaussian Process Emulators

Introduction

Often, complex and numerically demanding computer codes are required in inverse modelling tasks. Such models might need to be invoked repeatedly as part of a minimisation task, or in order to provide some numerically-integrated quantity. This results in many applications being rendered impractical as the codes are too slow.

The concept of an emulator is simple: for a given model, let’s provide a function that given the same inputs are the original model, gives *the same* output. Clearly, we need to qualify “the same”, and maybe downgrade the expectations to “a very similar output”. Ideally, with some metric of uncertainty on the prediction. So an emulator is just a fast, surrogate to a more established code.

Gaussian processes (GPs) have been used for this task for years, as they’re very flexible through the choice of covariance function that can be used, but also work remarkably well with models that are nonlinear and that have a reasonable number of inputs (10s).

We have used these techniques for emulation radiative transfer models used in Earth Observation, and we even wrote a nice paper about it: [Gomez-Dans et al \(2016\)](#). Read it, it’s pure gold.

Installing the package

The package works on Python 3. With a bit of effort it’ll probably work on Python 2.7. The only dependencies are *scipy* and *numpy*. To install, use either **conda**:

```
conda install -c jgomezdans gp_emulator
```

or **pip**:

```
pip install gp_emulator
```

or just clone or download the source repository and invoke *setup.py* script:

```
python setup.py install
```

2.7.2 Quickstart

Single output model emulation

Assume that we have two arrays, X and y . y is of size N , and it stores the N expensive model outputs that have been produced by running the model on the N input sets of M input parameters in X . We will try to emulate the model by learning from these two training sets:

```
gp = gp_emulator.GaussianProcess(inputs=X, targets=y)
```

Now, we need to actually do the training...

```
gp.learn_hyperparameters()
```

Once this process has been done, you're free to use the emulator to predict the model output for an arbitrary test vector x_{test} (size M):

```
y_pred, y_sigma, y_grad = gp.predict(x_test, do_unc=True,
                                     do_grad=True)
```

In this case, y_{pred} is the model prediction, y_{sigma} is the variance associated with the prediction (the uncertainty) and y_{grad} is an approximation to the Jacobian of the model around x_{test} .

Let's see a more concrete example. We create a damped sine, add a bit of Gaussian noise, and then subsample a few points (10 in this case), fit the GP, and predict the function over the entire range. We also plot the uncertainty from this prediction.

We can see that the GP is doing an excellent job in predicting the function, even in the presence of noise, and with a handful of sample points. In situations where there is extrapolation, this is indicated by an increase in the predictive uncertainty.

Multiple output emulators

In some cases, we can emulate multiple outputs from a model. For example, hyperspectral data used in EO can be emulated by employing the SVD trick and emulating the individual principal component weights. Again, we use X and y . y is now of size $N \times P$, and it stores the N expensive model outputs (size P) that have been produced by running the model on the N input sets of M input parameters in X . We will try to emulate the model by learning from these two training sets, but we need to select a variance level for the initial PCA (in this case, 99%)

```
gp = gp_emulator.MultivariateEmulator(X=y, y=X, thresh=0.99)
```

Now, we're ready to use on a new point x_{test} as above:

```
y_pred, y_sigma, y_grad = gp.predict(x_test, do_unc=True,
                                     do_grad=True)
```

A more concrete example: let's produce a signal that can be decomposed as a sum of scaled orthogonal basis functions...

2.7.3 Emulating a typical radiative transfer model

This package was designed to emulate radiative transfer models. The process entails the following steps:

1. Decide on what input parameters are required
2. Decide their ranges

3. Generate a training input parameter set
4. Run the model for each element of the input training set and store the outputs
5. Pass the input and output training pairs to the library, and let it fit the hyperparameters

We can show how this works with an example of the PROSPECT+SAIL model.

Setting the input parameter ranges

We can set the parameter names and their ranges simply by having lists with minimum and maximum values. This assumes a uniformly-distributed parameter distribution between those two boundaries, but other distributions are possible (we never had any reason to try them though!). We additionally set up the SRFs and other variables that need to be defined here... We train the model on 250 samples and test on (say) 100. 100 validation samples is probably too few, but for the sake of not waiting too much... ;-)

```
from functools import partial

import numpy as np

import gp_emulator

import prosail

# Spectral band definition. Just a top hat, with start and
# end wavelengths as an example
b_min = np.array( [ 620., 841, 459, 545, 1230, 1628, 2105] )
b_max = np.array( [ 670., 876, 479, 565, 1250, 1652, 2155] )
wv = np.arange ( 400, 2501 )
passband = []

# Number of training and validation samples
n_train = 250
n_validate = 100
# Validation number is small, increase to a more realistic value
# if you want

# Define the parameter names and their ranges
# Note that we are working here in transformed coordinates...

# Define geometry. Each emulator is for one geometry
sza = 30.
vza = 0.
raa = 0. # in degrees

parameters = [ 'n', 'cab', 'car', 'cbrown', 'cw', 'cm', 'lai', 'ala', 'bsoil', 'psoil',
               ↪']
min_vals = [ 0.8           , 0.46301307, 0.95122942, 0.           , 0.02829699,
             0.03651617, 0.04978707, 0.44444444, 0.           , 0.]
max_vals = [ 2.5           , 0.998002 , 1.           , 1.           , 0.80654144,
             0.84366482, 0.99501248, 0.55555556, 2.           , 1           ]
```

We then require a function for calling the RT model. In the case of PROSAIL, we can do that easily from Python, in other models available in e.g. Fortran, you could have a function that calls the external model

```
def inverse_transform ( x ):
    """Inverse transform the PROSAIL parameters"""
```

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```

x_out = x*1.
# Cab, posn 1
x_out[1] = -100.*np.log ( x[1] )
# Cab, posn 2
x_out[2] = -100.*np.log ( x[2] )
# Cw, posn 4
x_out[4] = (-1./50.)*np.log ( x[4] )
#Cm, posn 5
x_out[5] = (-1./100.)*np.log ( x[5] )
# LAI, posn 6
x_out[6] = -2.*np.log ( x[6] )
# ALA, posn 7
x_out[7] = 90.*x[7]
return x_out

def rt_model ( x, passband=None, do_trans=True ):
    """A coupled land surface/atmospheric model, predicting refl from
    land surface parameters. This function provides estimates of refl for
    a particular illumination geometry.

    The underlying land surface reflectance spectra is simulated using
    PROSAIL. The input parameter ``x`` is a vector with the following components:

        * ``n``
        * ``cab``
        * ``car``
        * ``cbrown``
        * ``cw``
        * ``cm``
        * ``lai``
        * ``ala``
        * ``bsoil``
        * ``psoil``

    """
    x, sza, vza, raa = x

    # Invert parameter LAI
    if do_trans:
        x = inverse_transform ( x )
        ##### surface refl with prosail #####

    surf_refl = prosail.run_prosail(x[0], x[1], x[2], x[3], x[4], x[5], x[6], x[7], 0.
→01, sza, vza, raa,
                                rsoil=x[8], psoil=x[9])
    if passband is None:
        return surf_refl
    else:
        return surf_refl[passband].mean()

```

Now we loop over all the bands, and prepare the emulators. we do this by using the `create_emulator_validation` function, that does everything you'd want to do... We just stuff the emulator, training and validation sets in one list for convenience.


```

retval = []
for iband,bmin in enumerate ( b_min ):
    # Looping over the bands....
    print("Doing band %d" % (iband+1))
    passband = np.nonzero( np.logical_and ( wv >= bmin, wv <= b_max[iband] ) )
    # Define the SRF for the current band
    # Define the simulator for convenience
    simulator = partial (rt_model, passband=passband)
    # Actually create the training and validation parameter sets, train the emulators
    # and return all that
    x = gp_emulator.create_emulator_validation (simulator, parameters, min_vals, max_
    ↪vals,

                                         n_train, n_validate, do_gradient=True,
                                         n_tries=15, args=(30, 0, 0) )

    retval.append (x)

```

A simple validation visualisation looks like this

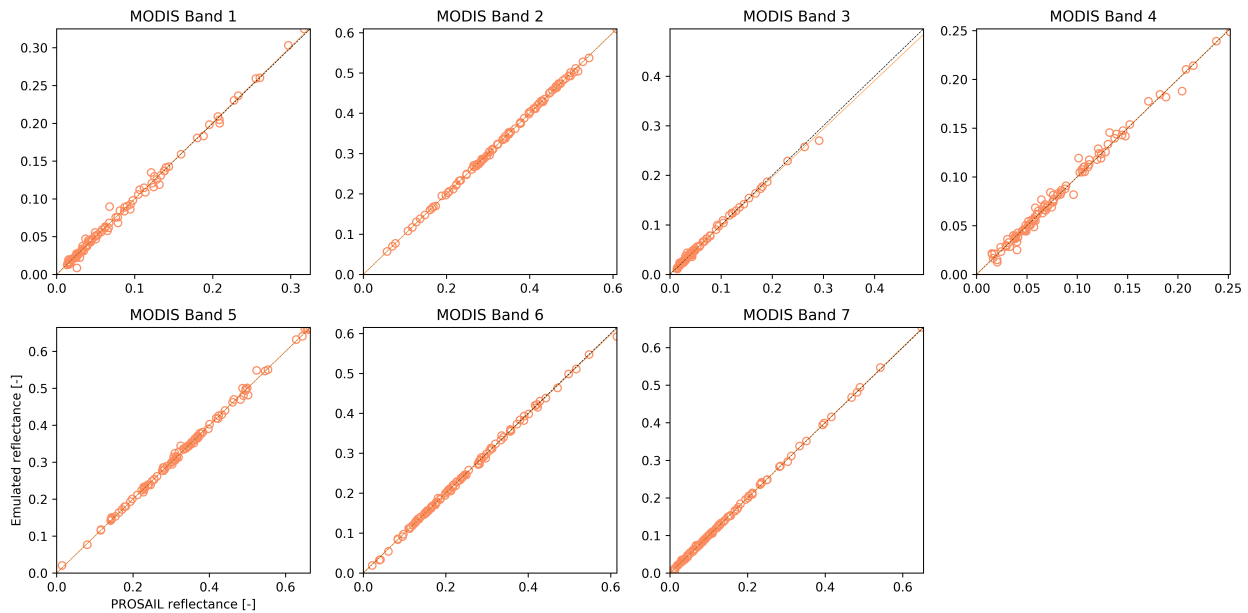


Fig. 2.4: Comparison between the simulated output and the corresponding emulator output for the validation dataset. Correlations (R^2) are in all cases better than 0.99. Slope was between 0.97 and 1., whereas the bias term was smaller than 0.002.

An spectral emulator of PROSAIL

For the case of a spectral emulator, the approach is the same, only that we just use the spectral emulator, which is a bit simpler.

```

n_train = 350
n_validate = 100
x = gp_emulator.create_emulator_validation ( rt_model, parameters, min_vals, max_vals,
                                         n_train, n_validate, do_gradient=True,
                                         n_tries=10, args=(30, 0, 0) )

```

The validation results looks like this:

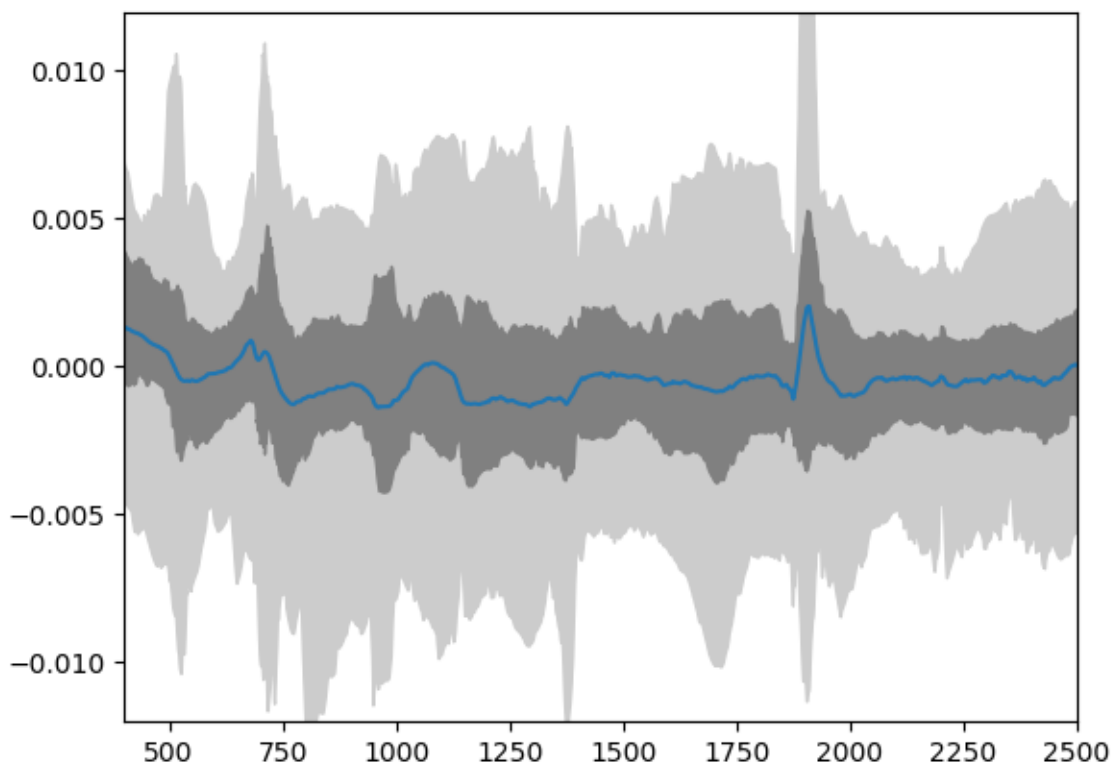


Fig. 2.5: Distribution of residuals derived from the difference of the emulator and simulator for PROSAIL.

We can also check that the gradient of the model is sensible, by comparing it with finite difference approximations from the original model, which is already carried out by `create_emulator_validation` if we set the `do_gradient` option.

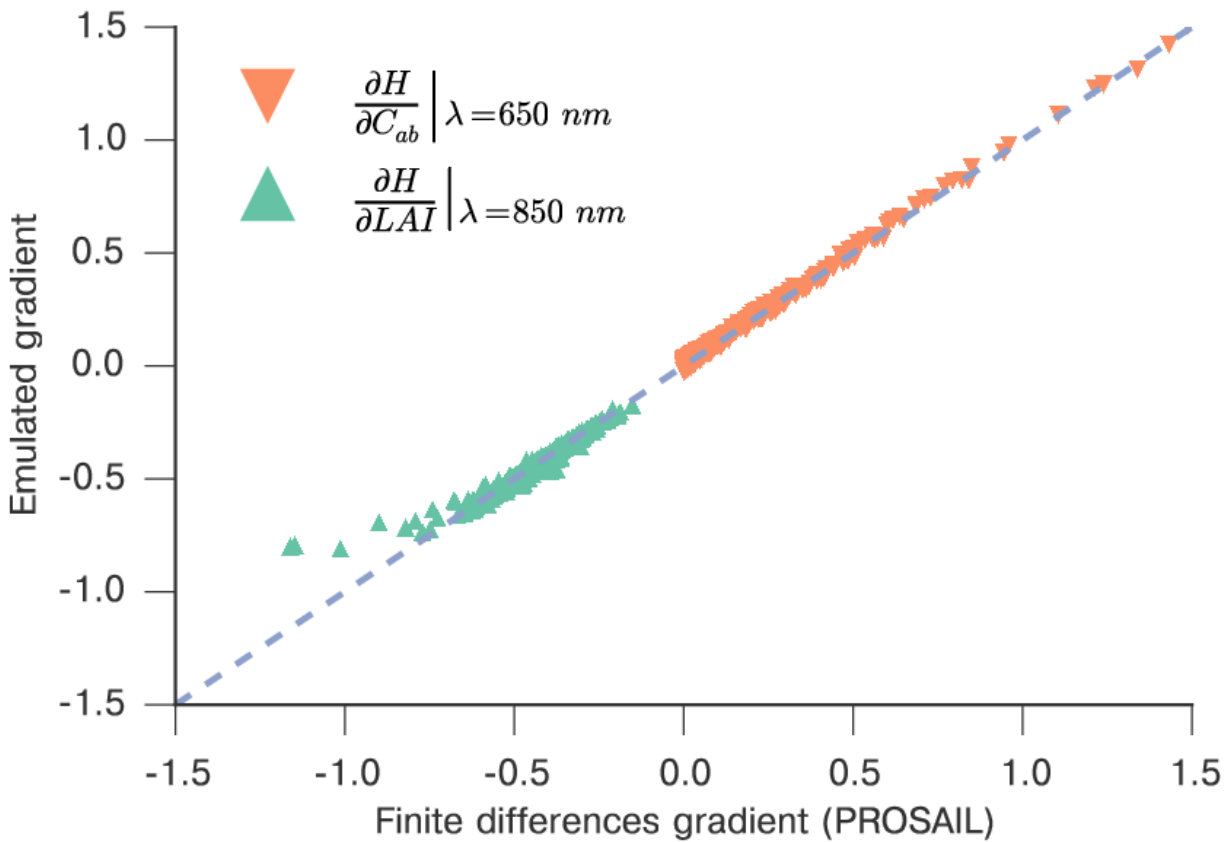


Fig. 2.6: Comparison of the emulated model gradient versus finite difference approximation for LAI and chlorophyll at different spectral regions.

2.7.4 GPs as regressors for biophysical parameter inversion

GPs are a general regression technique, and can be used to regress some wanted magnitude from a set of inputs. This isn't as cool as other things you can do with them, but it's feasible to do... GPs are flexible for regression and interpolation, but given that this library has a strong remote sensing orientation, we'll consider their use for biophysical parameter extraction from Sentinel-2 data (for example).

Retrieving biophysical parameters for Sentinel-2

Let's assume that we want to retrieve leaf area index (LAI) from Sentinel-2 surface reflectance data. The regression problem can be stated as one where the inputs to the regressor are the spectral measurements of a pixel, and the output is the retrieved LAI. We can do this mapping by pairing in situ measurements, or we can just use a standard RT model to provide the direct mapping, and then learn the inverse mapping using the GP.

Although the problem is easy, we know that other parameters will have an effect in the measured reflectance, so we can only expect this to work over a limited spread of parameters other than LAI. Here, we show how to use the `gp_emulator` helper functions to create a suitable training set, and perform this.

```

1 import numpy as np
2
3 import scipy.stats
4
5 import gp_emulator
6 import prosail
7
8 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
9
10 np.random.seed(42)
11 # Define number of training and validation samples
12 n_train = 200
13 n_validate = 500
14 # Define the parameters and their spread
15 parameters = ["n", "cab", "car", "cbrown", "cw", "cm", "lai", "ala"]
16 p_mins = [1.6, 25, 5, 0.0, 0.01, 0.01, 0., 32.]
17 p_maxs = [2.1, 90, 20, 0.4, 0.014, 0.016, 7., 57.]
18
19 # Create the training samples
20 training_samples, distributions = gp_emulator.create_training_set(parameters, p_mins,
21 ↪p_maxs,
22                               n_train=n_train)
23 # Create the validation samples
24 validation_samples = gp_emulator.create_validation_set(distributions, n_validate=n_
25 ↪validate)
26
27 # Load up the spectral response functions for S2
28 srf = np.loadtxt("S2A_SRS.csv", skiprows=1,
29                 delimiter=",")[100:, :]
30 srf[:, 1:] = srf[:, 1:]/np.sum(srf[:, 1:], axis=0)
31 srf_land = srf[:, [ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13]].T
32
33 # Generate the reflectance training set by running the RT model
34 # for each entry in the training set, and then applying the
35 # spectral basis functions.
36 training_s2 = np.zeros((n_train, 10))
37 for i, p in enumerate(training_samples):
38     refl = prosail.run_prosail (p[0], p[1], p[2], p[3], p[4], p[5], p[6], p[7],
39                               0.001, 30., 0, 0, prospect_version="D",
40                               rsoil=0., psoil=0, rsoil0=np.zeros(2101))
41     training_s2[i, :] = np.sum(refl*srf_land, axis=-1)
42
43 # Generate the reflectance validation set by running the RT model
44 # for each entry in the validation set, and then applying the
45 # spectral basis functions.
46 validation_s2 = np.zeros((n_validate, 10))
47 for i, p in enumerate(validation_samples):
48     refl = prosail.run_prosail (p[0], p[1], p[2], p[3], p[4], p[5], p[6], p[7],
49                               0.001, 30., 0, 0, prospect_version="D",
50                               rsoil=0., psoil=0, rsoil0=np.zeros(2101))
51     validation_s2[i, :] = np.sum(refl*srf_land, axis=-1)
52
53 # Define and train the emulator from reflectance to LAI
54 gp = gp_emulator.GaussianProcess(inputs=training_s2, targets=training_samples[:, 6])
55 gp.learn_hyperparameters(n_tries=15, verbose=False)
56
57 # Predict the LAI from the reflectance

```

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```

56 ypred, _, _ = gp.predict(validation_s2)
57
58 # Plot
59 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(7,7))
60 plt.plot(validation_samples[:, 6], ypred, 'o', mfc="none")
61 plt.plot([p_mins[6], p_maxs[6]], [p_mins[6], p_maxs[6]],
62         '--', lw=3)
63 x = np.linspace(p_mins[6], p_maxs[6], 100)
64
65 regress = scipy.stats.linregress(validation_samples[:, 6], ypred)
66 plt.plot(x, regress.slope*x + regress.intercept, '-')
67 plt.xlabel(r"Validation LAI  $[m^2m^{-2}]$ ")
68 plt.ylabel(r"Retrieved LAI  $[m^2m^{-2}]$ ")
69 plt.title("Slope=%8.4f,"%(regress.slope) +
70         "Intercept=%8.4f,"%(regress.intercept) +
71         "$R^2$=%8.3f" % (regress.rvalue**2))

```

The results are quite satisfactory. Another issue is whether these results will work as well on real Sentinel-2 data of random vegetation classes!!! One reason why they won't is because above I have assumed the soil to be black. While this won't matter for situations with large canopy cover, it will for low LAI.

2.7.5 User Reference

The *GaussianProcess* class

class `gp_emulator.GaussianProcess` (*inputs=None, targets=None, emulator_file=None*)
 Bases: `object`

A simple class for Gaussian Process emulation. Currently, it assumes a squared exponential covariance function, but other covariance functions ought to be possible and easy to implement.

hessian (*testing*)

Calculates the hessian of the GP for the testing sample. `hessian` returns a (nn by d by d) array.

learn_hyperparameters (*n_tries=15, verbose=False, x0=None*)

User method to fit the hyperparameters of the model, using random initialisations of parameters. The user should provide a number of tries (e.g. how many random starting points to avoid local minima), and whether it wants lots of information to be reported back.

Parameters

- **n_tries** (*int, optional*) – Number of random starting points
- **verbose** (*flag, optional*) – How much information to parrot (e.g. convergence of the minimisation algorithm)
- **x0** (*array, optional*) – If you want to start the learning process with a particular vector, set it up here.

loglikelihood (*theta*)

Calculates the loglikelihood for a set of hyperparameters `theta`. The size of `theta` is given by the dimensions of the input vector to the model to be emulated.

Parameters **theta** (*array*) – Hyperparameters

partial_devs (*theta*)

This function calculates the partial derivatives of the cost function as a function of the hyperparameters, and is only needed during GP training.

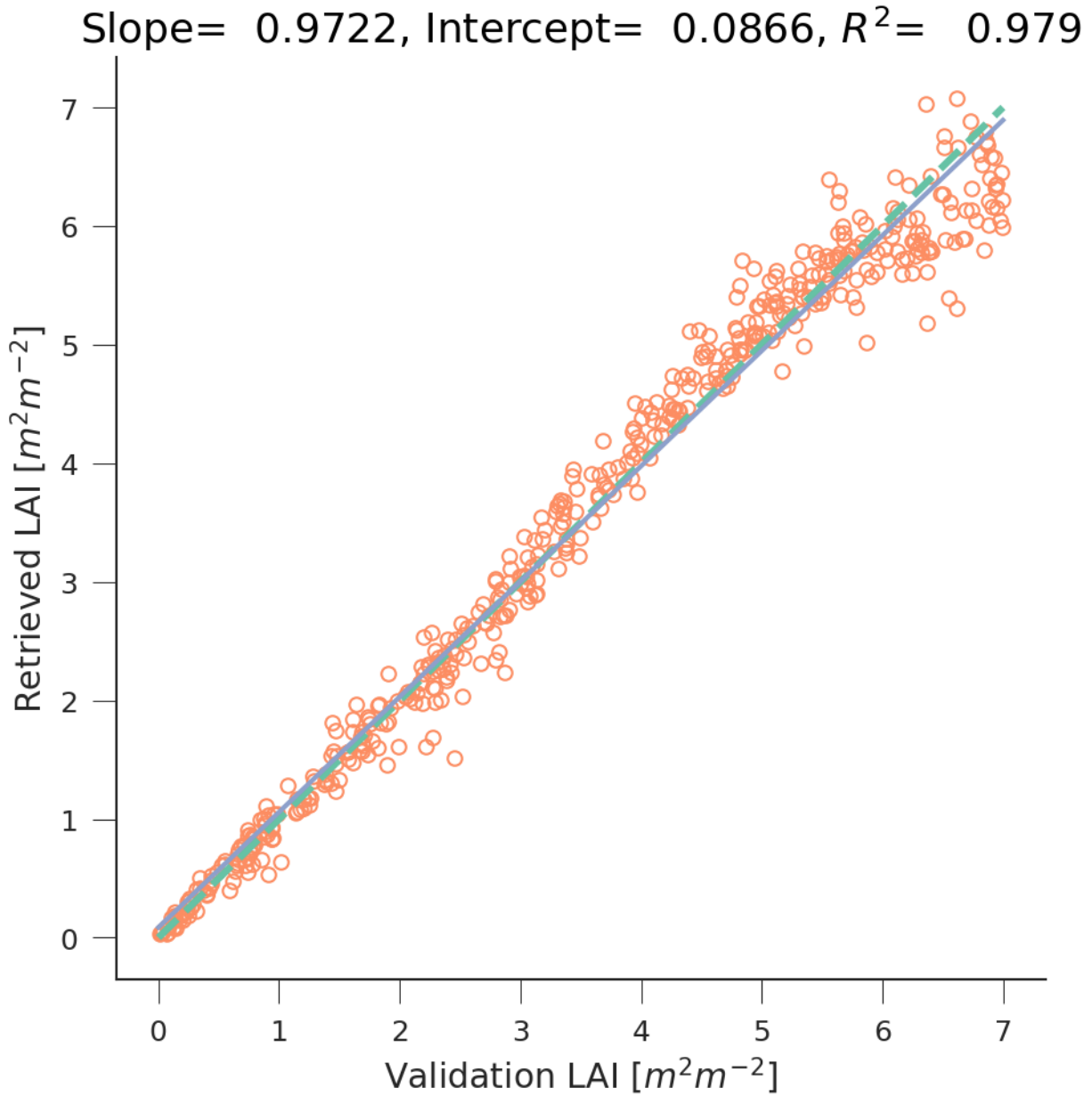


Fig. 2.7: Using Gaussian Processes to regress leaf area index (LAI) from Sentinel-2 data using the PROSAIL RT model. Comparison between the true LAI and retrieved LAI using the GPs.

Parameters `theta` (*array*) – Hyperparameter set

predict (*testing*, *do_deriv=True*, *do_unc=True*)

Make a prediction for a set of input vectors, as well as calculate the partial derivatives of the emulated model, and optionally, the “emulation uncertainty”.

Parameters

- **testing** (*array*, *size* $N_{pred} * N_{inputs}$) – The size of this array (and it must always be a 2D array!) is given by the number of input vectors that will be run through the emulator times the input vector size.
- **do_unc** (*flag*, *optional*) – Calculate the uncertainty (if you don’t set this flag, it can shave a few us.
- **do_deriv** (*flag*, *optional*) – Whether to calculate the partial derivatives of the emulated model.

Returns

- *Three parameters (the mean, the variance and the partial derivatives)*
- *If some of those outputs have been left out, they are returned as*
- *None* elements.

save_emulator (*emulator_file*)

Save emulator to disk as npz FileExistsError Saves an emulator to disk using an npz file.

The *MultivariateEmulator* class

class `gp_emulator.MultivariateEmulator` (*dump=None*, *X=None*, *y=None*, *hyper-params=None*, *model=""*, *sza=0*, *vza=0*, *raa=0*, *thresh=0.98*, *n_tries=5*)

Bases: `object`

calculate_decomposition (*X*, *thresh*)

Does PCA decomposition

This simply does a PCA decomposition using the SVD. Note that if *X* is very large, more efficient methods of doing this might be required. The number of PCs to retain is selected as those required to estimate *thresh* of the total variance.

Parameters

- **X** (*array* (*N_train*, *N_full*)) – The modelled output array for training
- **thresh** (*float*) – The threshold at where to cutoff the percentage of variance explained.

compress (*X*)

Project full-rank vector into PC basis

dump_emulator (*fname*, *model_name*, *sza*, *vza*, *raa*)

Save emulator to file for reuse

Saves the emulator to a file (*.npz* format) for reuse.

Parameters **fname** (*str*) – The output filename

hessian (*x*)

A method to approximate the Hessian. This method builds on the fact that the spectral emulators are a linear combination of individual emulators. Therefore, we can calculate the Hessian of the spectral emulator as the sum of the individual products of individual Hessians times the spectral basis functions.

predict (*y*, *do_unc=True*, *do_deriv=True*)

Prediction of input vector

The individual GPs predict the PC weights, and these are used to reconstruct the value of the function at a point *y*. Additionally, the derivative of the function is also calculated. This is returned as a (*N_params*, *N_full*) vector (i.e., it needs to be reduced along axis 1)

Parameters: *y*: array

The value of the prediction point

do_deriv: bool Whether derivatives are required or not

do_unc: bool Whether to calculate the uncertainty or not

Returns: A tuple with the predicted mean, predicted variance and partial derivatives. If any of the latter two elements have been switched off by *do_deriv* or *do_unc*, they'll be returned as *None*.

train_emulators (*X*, *y*, *hyperparams*, *n_tries=2*)

Train the emulators

This sets up the required emulators. If necessary (*hyperparams* is set to *None*), it will train the emulators.

X: array (N_train, N_full) The modelled output array for training

y: array (N_train, N_param) The corresponding training parameters for *X*

hyperparams: array (N_params + 2, N_PCs) The hyperparameters for the relevant GPs

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2.8 MULTIPLY prior-engine

2.8.1 Scope of MULTIPLY

The MULTIPLY project will “develop a new platform for joint and consistent retrieval of Copernicus SENTINEL data and beyond”.

This documentation covers the prior engine for the MULTIPLY main platform. This module provides *a priori* information to the [Inference Engine](#) to support land surface parameter retrieval.

The [prior engine specific documentation](#) is hosted on ReadTheDocs. It is part of the [MULTIPLY core documentation](#). Please find the latest pdf version of this documentation [here](#).

2.8.2 First Steps

Getting Started

Please find instructions on how to download and install the prior engine in the [Installation](#) section.

Note: TBD: Getting started with python, bayes theorem, ..

Testing and Contribution

You are welcome to test and contribute to the MULTIPLY Prior Engine.

Please find corresponding guidelines and further information on how to do so in the Contribution section and on the [project GitHub page](#).

2.8.3 Content

Introduction

Priors are an essential component in the MULTIPLY inference engine as they provide a priori information on different components of the unknown state vector of the system, helping to constrain the ill-posed problem given that the information content from the observations alone is insufficient. A series of prior models with different levels of complexity is therefore required and will be developed and implemented as part of the MULTIPLY platform.

The priors to be implemented are:

- Differential characterisation of the traits of vegetation types or (crop) species
- Vegetation phenology
- Surface soil moisture dynamics
- Surface disturbances

Background

A seamless and gap free integration of SENTINEL data streams requires the transfer of information across temporal and spatial scales. Typically data gaps are filled using low pass filters and different interpolation techniques (e.g. Savitzky-Golay filter; Savitzky & Golay, 1964) directly on parameter space (e.g. Yuan et al., 2011; Kandasamy et al. 2013). However, this approach is inconsistent, as the ill-posed nature of the inversion problem results in strong correlations between parameters: smoothing one parameter breaks that relationship with other retrieved parameters. Additionally, the role of uncertainty is usually ignored in filtering. Given that filtering methods originate from a prior belief in the smoothness of the processes that control the evolution of the parameters, it makes sense to implement these smoothness constraints consistently as priors within the retrieval process. These so-called regularisation constraints encompass our prior belief in the spatial and temporal correlation of the parameter fields. These constraints are implemented within the MULTIPLY platform as a weak constraint. The added benefit of having these constraints is that they not only result in smoother and more consistent series (an added benefit is an important reduction in parameter uncertainty), but also in spatially and temporally gap free estimates of biophysical parameters.

However, other prior information should be used to better constrain the inversion, and make sure that the inferences on the parameters are consistent with our understanding of biogeochemical processes and their effect on the state of the land surface.

Goal

The major objectives of this software are i) to implement the required technical infrastructures to provide the prior information at appropriate temporal and spatial scales in relation to the SENTINEL observations, and ii) implement a flexible user interface which allows user to integrate own prior models as a MULTIPLY plugin.

Installation

Download

If not already done so, the first step is to clone the latest code and change directory:

```
1 git clone https://github.com/multiply-org/prior-engine.git
2 cd prior-engine
```

Note: The MULTIPLY platform has been developed against Python 3.6. It cannot be guaranteed to work with previous Python versions.

Installation procedure

The MULTIPLY prior engine can be run from sources directly. To install the MULTIPLY prior engine into an existing Python environment just for the current user, use

```
python setup.py install --user
```

To install the MULTIPLY Core for development and for the current user, use

```
python setup.py develop --user
```

Using Conda

Note: TBD

Module requirements

from *requirements.txt*:

```
numpy==1.13.1
Shapely==1.6.2
h5py==2.7.1
pandas==0.22.0
scipy==0.19.1
setuptools==36.5.0
matplotlib==2.1.2
pytest==3.2.1
GDAL==2.2.2
```

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```
python_dateutil==2.7.3
netCDF4==1.4.0
PyYAML==3.12
```

Usage

Python Package

MULTIPLY prior engine is available as Python Package. To import it into your python application, use

```
import multiply_prior_engine
```

Command Line Interface

There is a Command Line Interface (CLI) integrated to allow for the following actions:

- add user defined prior data,
- import user defined prior data,
- remove/un-select prior data from configuration,
- show configuration.

The CLI's help can be accessed via `-h` flag:

```
user_prior -h
```

The help and description of the above mentioned sub-commands can be accessed via, e.g.:

```
user_prior add -h
```

Current limitations in the user defined priors

So far, priors can only be added as point data for specific variables. User defined prior data has to be passed to the engine in the form of comma separated values (csv) with dates in the first column and the parameter values in the second column. There is the requirement for a header line specifying the variable name (lai, sm, ...) and geolocation (latitude, longitude) of the data. E.g.:

```
lai, 10.5564, 48.3124
2017-06-01, 1.01
2017-06-02, 1.01
2017-06-03, 1.2
2017-06-04, 1.25
2017-06-05, 1.4
....
```

Processing

Priors are provided for the respective forward operators. The relationships are shown in following figure:

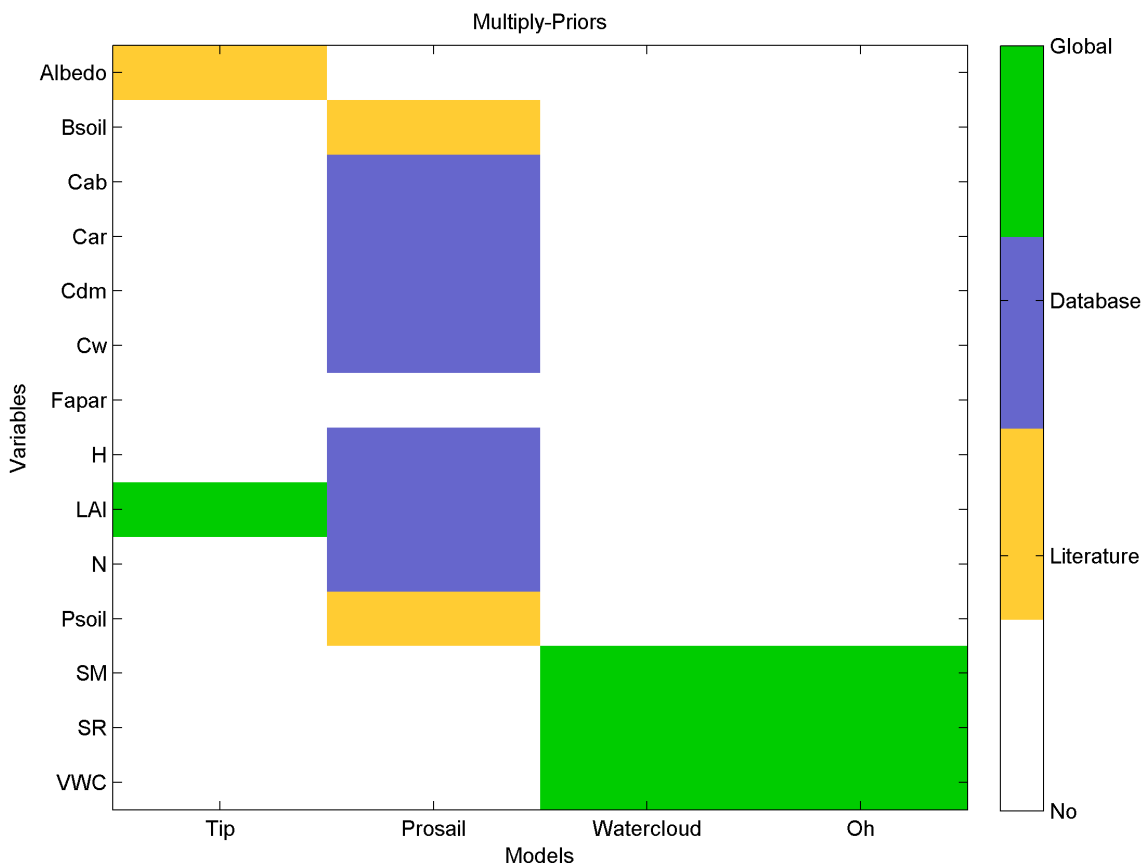


Fig. 2.8: Figure 1: Relationship of priors to their respective forward operators.

Description of Processing

This prototype is capable of delivering for both vegetation priors as well as soil priors spanning all variables required in the forward operators. The overall processing chain is divided up to two parts (dealing with the soil prior and the vegetation prior).

The optical prior engine is designed to deliver prior information to the inference engine specifically for the leaves and vegetation. The overall flow of the prior-engine is illustrated by Figure 2.

The ‘microwave’ prior engine is designed to deliver prior information for soil parameters. The overall flow of the prior-engine is illustrated by Figure 3.

In these flowcharts a distinction is made between the current implementation of the prototype (green) and the final foreseen version of the prior engine (red). Within the prototype version of the module, the values of the priors are consistent with @peak biomass; no dynamical component is integrated into the prototype module. In order for completeness a place-holder (orange) process is embedded into the flowchart. In addition, in the final version of the prior engine it is foreseen that the users themselves can choose between how the specific prior are created. It is foreseen that these user-selections will be obtained from the configuration-file with which the MULTIPLY framework is run. This is represented in the flowchart by orange selection boxes. Prior data specified by the User is currently not visualized.

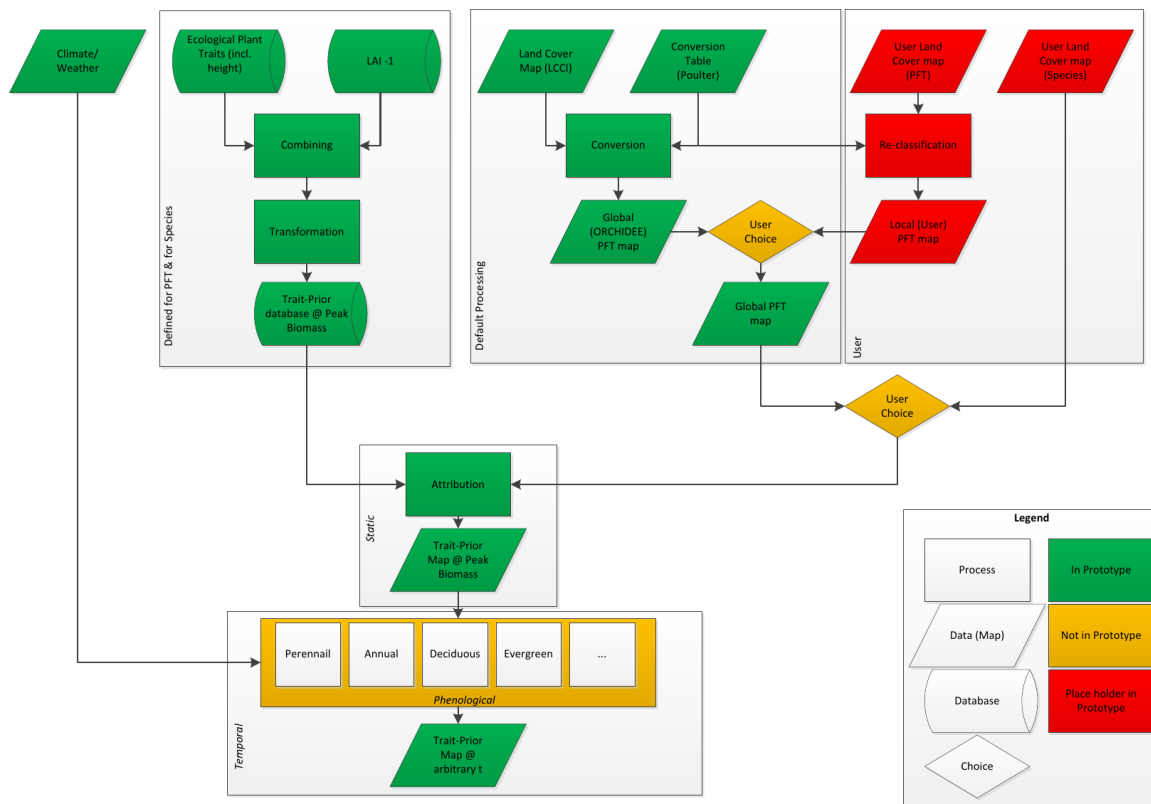


Fig. 2.9: Figure 2: Flow in ‘optical’ prior engine

Note: TBD Figure 3: Flow in ‘microwave’ prior engine

Technical Description

The processing chain in the prior engine is defined in a config file. For now this looks like:

```
General:
  roi: POLYGON ((48.0 11.3, 48.2 11.300, 48.1 11.1, 48.0 11, 48.0 11.3))
  start_time: 2017-01-01
  end_time: 2017-12-31
  time_interval: 1 # 1 day
  spatial_resolution : 10 # metres
  state_mask: /path/to/my/state_mask.tif # Or shape?
  output_directory_root: /some/where/
  # output_prefix: my_test_33

Inference: # inference config
- parameters:
  - LAI
  - soil_moisture
- optical_operator_library: some_operator.nc # Optional
- sar_operator_library: some_other_operator.nc # Optional
- a: identity
- inflation: 1e3

Prior:
# Prior section conventions

# - 1. sub-level contains all potential variables (sm, roughness, lai, ..)
#   which are asked for/being inferred from Orchestrator/Inference Engine
#   and for which prior information is provided.
# - 2. sub-level contains prior type (ptype). These can be commented out
#   to be omitted.

General:
  directory_data: ./aux_data/Static/Vegetation/
sm:
  climatology:
    dir: ./aux_data/Climatology/SoilMoisture/
  coarse:
    dir: ./aux_data/Coarse/SoilMoisture/
# recent:
#   dir: ""
# user1:
#   dir: "."
# dynamic:
#   type: dynamic
#   model:
#     - API
#     - other
# recent:
#   aux_data = ...
# static:
#   type: static
lai:
  database:
cab:
  database:
  #climatology:
```

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```
# database: ../aux_data/new_geotiff
# model:
# veg:
#   veg_pft:
#     type: pft
#     database: /aux_data/some_DB
#   veg_spec:
#     type: species
#     database: /user_data/some_DB
# -
```

The internal flow and relations can be seen in figure 4.

Fig. 2.10: Figure 4: Prior Engine relationships

2.8.4 Developer Documentation

Testing

We use *PyTest* in the MULTIPLY software. The test files are located in the *test* folder in the source directory.

They can be run e.g. via:

```
pytest -vs
```

Note: This section will describe testing routines used in the prior engine necessary for development.

Module documentation

prior_engine module

prior module

soilmoisture_prior module

vegetation_prior module

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2.9 MULTIPLY - Inference Engine

A suggestion for a structure is

- introduction
- concepts / algorithm
- user manual
- architecture
- api reference

2.10 MULTIPLY - Orchestrator

A suggestion for a structure is

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2.11 MULTIPLY - Post Processing

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WORKFLOW

This is the workflow

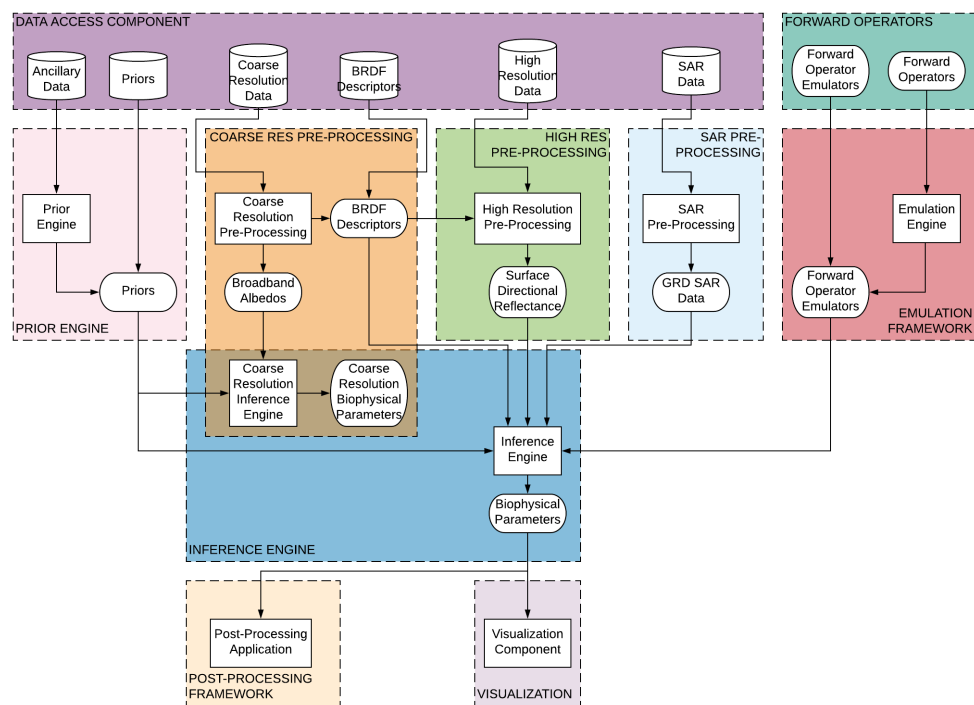


Fig. 3.1: workflow

to be continued ..

QUICK START

What is the fastest way to use the MULTIPLY platform?

USER MANUAL

In-depth explanation of how to use the MULTIPLY platform

- From Command Line
- From UI

For the use from python, refer to the API descriptions of the components.

6.1 Issue Tracking

Bugs, feature requests, suggestions for improvements should be reported in the relevant issue trackers:

- [Data Access Issue Tracker](#)
- [Coarse Res Pre-Processing Issue Tracker](#)
- [High Res Pre-Processing Issue Tracker](#)
- [SAR Pre-Processing Issue Tracker](#)
- [Prior Engine Issue Tracker](#)
- [Forward Operators Issue Tracker](#)
- [Emulation Framework Issue Tracker](#)
- [Inference Engine Issue Tracker](#)
- [Post-Processing Issue Tracker](#)

If you are unsure which of these trackers to use or if your issue is of a more general nature, use the [Core Issue Tracker](#).

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CHANGELOG SAR-PRO-PROCESSING MODULE

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8.2 version 0.3

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