# EXAMPLES USING THE IMOS USER CODE LIBRARY (MATLAB VERSION)

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# **Revision History**

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# 1. Introduction

This document intends to present how to load IMOS NetCDF data into a MATLAB environment, and offers some suggestions about how to use the data once loaded. The starting point is running the NetCDF parser from the IMOS user code library.

The examples provided in this document only represent a tiny bit of the content of most of the NetCDF files. There are usually many more variables available in a NetCDF file, and therefore many other ways to display data.

# 1.1 Installation of the IMOS User Code Library (MATLAB)

The IMOS User Code Library for MATLAB can be downloaded from: <a href="https://github.com/aodn/imos\_user\_code\_library/tree/master/MATLAB\_R2011">https://github.com/aodn/imos\_user\_code\_library/tree/master/MATLAB\_R2011</a>

It can be checked out using a Git client, or be downloaded as a zip file: <a href="https://github.com/aodn/imos\_user\_code\_library/archive/master.zip">https://github.com/aodn/imos\_user\_code\_library/archive/master.zip</a>

A tertiary toolbox, nctooblox, needs to be installed. Please follow the description available at http://code.google.com/p/nctoolbox/.

# **1.2** Finding an IMOS NetCDF File

In order to find a dataset you are interested in, please refer to the portal help: <a href="http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2">http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2</a> help/

A HOWTO has been written to help any user in his way to find an IMOS NetCDF file.

For users who are already familiar with IMOS facilities and datasets, IMOS NetCDF files are also directly accessible via an OPeNDAP catalog at: <a href="http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/catalog.html">http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/catalog.html</a>

Once a NetCDF file has been chosen to work with (See <a href="http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2">http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2</a> help/? <a href="http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2">q=node/112</a>), the user needs to go to the 'OPeNDAP Dataset Access Form' page. The 'Data URL' located just above the 'Global Attributes' field is the URL which needs to be replaced in the examples which we'll present in the following sections.

The NetCDF file can also be downloaded to the user's local machine using the HTTP Server option on the THREDDS options page. In this case, the user has to replace the 'Data URL' variable with the local address of the NetCDF file when using ncParse in the following examples.

# 2. General Features of the IMOS user code library

The first step consists in parsing a NetCDF file, whether this file is available locally or remotely on an OPeNDAP server.

#### Type in your MATLAB command window:

```
file_URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SOOP/SOOP-TMV/VLST_Spirit-of-Tasmania-
1/transect/2011/07/IMOS_SOOP-TMV_TSB_20110709T092744Z_VLST_FV02_transect-D2M_END-
20110709T203700Z.nc';
dataset = ncParse(file_URL);
```

# 2.1 Output structure

ncParse provides a Matlab structure with 2 fields variables and metadata. Metadata contains the NetCDF global attributes while variables contains the variable attributes and their values...

```
>> dataset
```

```
metadata: [1x1 struct]
variables: [1x1 struct]
dimensions: [1x1 struct]
```

#### 2.2 Discover Metadata

In order to see all the global attributes available, type in your command window:

```
>> dataset.metadata
       project: 'Integrated Marine Observing System (IMOS)'
          conventions: 'IMOS-1.2'
             title: [1x159 char]
          institution: 'Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA Vic)'
         date created: '2011-08-02T10:51:05Z'
            abstract: [1x330 char]
             source: 'ship observation'
            keywords: [1x192 char]
         platform_code: 'VLST'
        netcdf_version: '3.6'
       naming_authority: 'IMOS'
     quality_control_set: '1'
      geospatial_lat_min: -41.177570000000003
      geospatial_lat_max: -37.850310000000000
      geospatial_lon_min: 1.446208400000000e+02
      geospatial_lon_max: 1.463750700000000e+02
   geospatial_vertical_min: 0
   geospatial_vertical_max: 0
     time_coverage_start: '2011-07-09T09:27:44Z'
```

time\_coverage\_end: '2011-07-09T20:37:00Z'
local\_time\_zone: 10
data\_centre\_email: 'info@emii.org.au'
data\_centre: 'eMarine Information Infrastructure (eMII)'
principal\_investigator: 'Lee, Randall EPA'
institution\_references: 'http://imos.org.au/emii.html'
citation: [1x126 char]
acknowledgment: [1x385 char]
distribution\_statement: [1x118 char]
netcdf\_filename: 'IMOS\_SOOP-TMV\_TSB\_20110709T092744Z\_VLST\_FV02\_transect-D2M\_END-20110709T203700Z.nc'

You can attach to the Matlab variable 'title' the corresponding NetCDF global attribute:

>> title = dataset.metadata.title

title =

Temperature, salinity, fluorescence and turbidity Data collected by the Spirit of Tasmania ferry 1 - Transect between Devonport and Melbourne on the 09-Jul-2011

#### 2.3 Discover Variables

In order to list all the variables available in each NetCDF file, type:

>> dataset.variables

TEMP: [1x1 struct]
TEMP\_2: [1x1 struct]
COND: [1x1 struct]
PSAL: [1x1 struct]
CPHL: [1x1 struct]
TURB: [1x1 struct]
LATITUDE: [1x1 struct]
LONGITUDE: [1x1 struct]

To access the Temperature variable:

data values

>> dataset.variables.TEMP.data

• names of corresponding dimension variables

>> dataset.variables.TEMP.dimensions

'TIME'

quality control flags

>> dataset.variables.TEMP.flags

• variable attributes

#### 2.4 Discover Dimensions

The dimensions values attached to each variable, visible in dataset.variables.VARIABLE.dimensions, can be found in:

>> dataset.dimensions.TIME.data % 1st possibility

>> dataset.dimensions.(char(dataset.variables.TEMP.dimensions{1})).data % 2<sup>nd</sup> possibility to access to the data of the first dimension.

# 3. Dataset examples – Using the NetCDF Parser for Plotting

# 3.1 AATAMS – Animal Tagging and Monitoring - non QC'd data

The Australian Animal Tagging And Monitoring System (AATAMS) is a coordinated marine animal tagging project. CTD Satellite Relay Data Loggers are used to explore how marine mammal behaviour relates to their oceanic environment.

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/AATAMS/marine\_mammal\_ctd-tag/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot all the animal's dives as a single profile time-series of temperature, measured by a CTD tag.

```
%% AATAMS - Animal Tagging and Monitoring
aatams URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/AATAMS/marine mammal ctd-
tag/2009 2011 ct64 Casey Macquarie/ct64-M746-09/IMOS AATAMS-SATTAG TSP 20100205T043000Z ct64-M746-
09 END-20101029T071000Z FV00.nc';
aatams DATA = ncParse(aatams URL);
nProfiles = length (aatams DATA.dimensions.profiles.data);
% creation of a 2 dimension array for temperature, pressure and salinity
for profileNumber = 1 : nProfiles
  indexVar = (aatams DATA.variables.parentIndex.data == profileNumber); % a logical array of index
  tempVec = aatams DATA.variables.TEMP.data(indexVar);
  tempData(profileNumber,1:length(tempVec)) = tempVec; clear tempVec
  presVec = aatams DATA.variables.PRES.data(indexVar);
  presData(profileNumber,1:length(presVec)) = presVec; clear tempVec
  psalVec = aatams DATA.variables.PSAL.data(indexVar);
  psalData(profileNumber,1:length(psalVec)) = psalVec; clear tempVec
end
% we replace the 0 values automatically created by Matlab with NaN
psalData(psalData == 0) = NaN;
presData(presData == 0) = NaN;
tempData(tempData == 0) = NaN;
timeData = aatams DATA.variables.TIME.data;
latProfile = aatams DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data;
lonProfile = aatams DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data;
%longitude in the original dataset goes from -180 to +180
%For a nicer plot, we change the values to the [0 360] range
```

```
lonProfile(lonProfile < 0 ) = lonProfile(lonProfile < 0 ) +360 ;</pre>
% creation of the Time array
[nline, ncol] = size(tempData);
sizer = ones(1, ncol);
TIME CYCLE NUMBER2D = timeData * sizer;
%plot all the profiles as a timeseries
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 1000 1100 900 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
subplot(2,2,1:2),
pcolor(TIME CYCLE NUMBER2D, -presData, tempData);
datetick('x',20)
shading interp
cmap = colorbar('location', 'EastOutside');
set(get(cmap, 'ylabel'), 'string', strrep([aatams DATA.variables.TEMP.long name ' in '
aatams_DATA.variables.TEMP.units ],'_',' '),'Fontsize',10)
title({[aatams DATA.metadata.species name '-released in 'aatams DATA.metadata.release site '/animal
reference number: 'aatams DATA.metadata.unique reference code],...
zlabel(strrep([aatams DATA.variables.TEMP.long name ' in ' aatams DATA.variables.TEMP.units], ' ', ' '))
xlabel('Time in DD/MM/YY')
ylabel(strrep([aatams DATA.variables.PRES.long name ' in negative ' aatams DATA.variables.PRES.units], ' ', ' '))
%plot the LAT timeseries
subplot(2,2,3),plot(TIME CYCLE NUMBER2D,latProfile)
title(strrep([aatams_DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long_name ' - Timeseries'],'_', ' '))
ylabel(strrep([aatams DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long name 'in 'aatams DATA.variables.LATITUDE.units], ', ', '))
datetick('x',20)
%plot the LON timeseries
subplot(2,2,4),plot(TIME_CYCLE_NUMBER2D,lonProfile)
title(strrep([aatams DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long name ' - Timeseries'], ' ', ' '))
ylabel(strrep([aatams DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long name 'in 'aatams DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.units], ','))
datetick('x',20)
% plot of a single profile
profileToPlot = 1; % this is arbitrary. We can plot all profiles from 1 to nProfiles, modify profileToPlot as desired
figure2 = figure;
set(figure2, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot (tempData(profileToPlot,:),presData(profileToPlot,:))
title({aatams_DATA.metadata.title,...
  [ 'location',num2str(latProfile(profileToPlot), '%2.3f'), '/',num2str(lonProfile(profileToPlot), '%3.2f') ],...
 [ datestr(timeData(profileToPlot)) 'UTC']})
xlabel([strrep(aatams_DATA.variables.TEMP.long_name,'_', ' ') ' in ' aatams_DATA.variables.TEMP.units])
ylabel([strrep(aatams_DATA.variables.PRES.long_name,'_',' '') ' in ' aatams_DATA.variables.PRES.units])
```

aatams\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file ProfileToPlot : the profile number to plot.

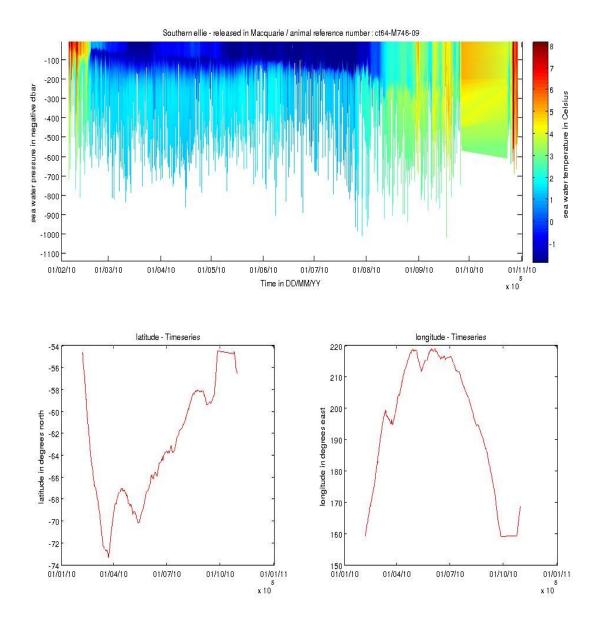


Illustration 2: Example of a Temperature Profile Time-series from AATAMS data

# 3.2 ABOS – Deep Water Mooring

#### 3.2.1 Southern Ocean Time-series - non QC'd data

The Southern Ocean Time Series (SOTS) sub-facility provides high temporal resolution observations in sub-Antarctic waters. Observations are broad and include measurements of physical, chemical and biogeochemical parameters from multiple deep-water moorings.

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/ABOS/SOTS/catalog.html

In the example below, the ncParse function is used to extract temperature data from a Pulse mooring instrument and then produce a temperature time series plot .

```
abos_URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/ABOS/SOTS/Pulse/IMOS_ABOS-SOTS_20110803T000000Z_PULSE_FV01_PULSE-8-2011_END-20120719T000000Z_C-20121009T214808Z.nc'; abos_DATA = ncParse(abos_URL); tempDataStructure = abos_DATA.variables.TEMP_85_1; tempData = tempDataStructure.data; timeData = abos_DATA.dimensions.(char(tempDataStructure.dimensions)).data; abstract = abos_DATA.metadata.abstract; figure1 = figure; set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]); plot (timeData,tempData) title([abos_DATA.metadata.title 'at ' num2str(tempDataStructure.sensor_depth) ' m depth' ]) xlabel([strrep(abos_DATA.dimensions.(char(tempDataStructure.dimensions)).long_name,'_','')]) ylabel([strrep( tempDataStructure.standard_name,'_','') ' in ' tempDataStructure.units]) datetick('x',12)
```

#### It is possible to see the abstract by typing in the MATLAB command window

>> abstract

"The Pulse 6 mooring was deployed from September 2009 to March 2010 at Lat -46.3224, Lon 140.6776. Moored instruments are deployed by the IMOS Australian Bluewater Observing System (ABOS) Southern Ocean Time Series sub-facility for time-series observations of physical, biological, and chemical properties, in the Sub-Antarctic Zone southwest of Tasmania, with yearly servicing. The Southern Ocean Time Series (SOTS) Sub-Facility is responsible for the deployment of Pulse moorings. These time-series observations are crucial to resolving ecosystem processes that affect carbon cycling, ocean productivity and marine responses to climate variability and change, ocean acidification and other stresses."

#### Variables to modify:

• abos\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

• tempDataStructure : we arbitrarily chose the variable called TEMP\_85\_1, but many more are available.

# 3.3 ACORN - Ocean Radar - non QC'd data

The Australian Coastal Ocean Radar Network (ACORN) facility comprises a coordinated network of HF radars delivering real-time, non-quality controlled and delayed-mode, quality controlled surface current data into a national archive.

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/ACORN/catalog.html

Monthly aggregated files are also available in the following folders:

- monthly gridded 1h-avg-current-map QC
- monthly gridded 1h-avg-current-map non-QC

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot velocity data for one time value only in a latitude / longitude grid.

```
acorn URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/ACORN/monthly gridded 1h-avg-current-map non-
QC/TURQ/2012/IMOS ACORN V 20121001T000000Z TURQ FV00 monthly-1-hour-avg END-20121029T180000Z C-
20121030T160000Z.nc.gz';
acorn DATA = ncParse(acorn URL);
% we load the data. Casting data to double to be used afterwards with surface function
speedData = double(acorn DATA.variables.SPEED.data);
latData = double(acorn DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data);
lonData = double(acorn DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data);
timeData = acorn DATA.dimensions.TIME.data;
% sea water U and V components
uData = (acorn DATA.variables.UCUR.data);
vData = (acorn DATA.variables.VCUR.data);
% Only one time value is being plotted. modify timeIndex if
% desired (value between 1 and length(timeData)
timeIndex = 5;
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
quiver(lonData,latData,squeeze(uData(timeIndex,:,:)),squeeze(vData(timeIndex,:,:)),1.5,'LineWidth',1,'Color','k')
hold all
% to place a quiver plot on top of a surface plot
z = lonData .* exp(-lonData.^2 - latData.^2);
h = surface(lonData ,latData , squeeze(speedData(timeIndex,:,:)));
set(h, 'ZData', -1+0*z) % Move the surface plot to Z = -1 in order to plot quivers over surface
shading interp
cmap = colorbar;
caxis([min(min(speedData(timeIndex,:,:)))) max(max(speedData(timeIndex,:,:))))]
set(get(cmap, 'ylabel'), 'string', [acorn_DATA.variables.SPEED.long_name ' in
```

```
acorn_DATA.variables.SPEED.units ],'Fontsize',10)

title({acorn_DATA.metadata.title ,...
    datestr(timeData(timeIndex),31) })
xlabel(acorn_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long_name)
ylabel(acorn_DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long_name)
```

acorn\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file
 timeIndex : the time index number to plot

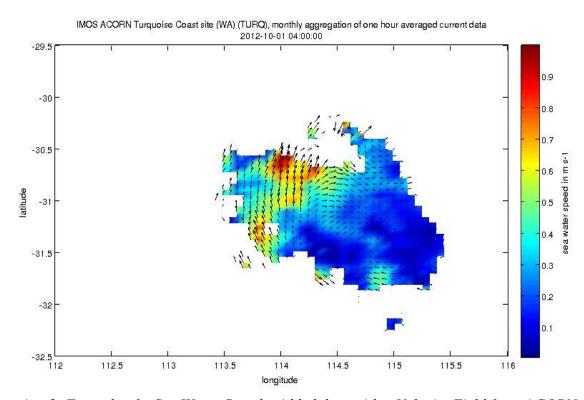


Illustration 3: Example of a Sea Water Speed gridded data with a Velocity Field from ACORN data

## 3.4 ANFOG – Ocean Gliders - QC'd good data

The Australian National Facility for Ocean Gliders (ANFOG), with IMOS/NCRIS funding, deploys a fleet of eight gliders around Australia.

NetCDF files can be found at :

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/ANFOG/seaglider/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot salinity data as well as depth data in a same graph. Only the data points with a Quality Control flag greater than 1 (which means 'good data', please refers to IMOS NetCDF User Manual for a description of the Quality Control, available at http://imos.org.au/facility\_manuals.html)

```
anfog URL =
http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/ANFOG/seaglider/SOTS20110420/IMOS ANFOG BCEOSTUV 2011042
OT111022Z SG517 FV01 timeseries END-20110420T140511Z.nc';
anfog DATA = ncParse(anfog URL);
qcLevel = 1; % we use the quality control flags to only select the good data
psalData = anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.data (anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.flag == qcLevel);
timeData = anfog DATA.dimensions.TIME.data (anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.flag == qcLevel);
depthData = anfog DATA.variables.DEPTH.data (anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.flag == qcLevel);
% get the flag meaning values to add it later in the figure title
flag meanings = textscan(anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.flag meanings,'%s','delimiter',' ');
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
[AX,H1,H2] = plotyy(timeData,psalData,timeData,depthData,'plot');
set(get(AX(1), 'Ylabel'), 'String', [strrep( anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.standard name, ' ', ' ') ' in '
anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.units])
set(get(AX(2), 'Ylabel'), 'String', [strrep( anfog_DATA.variables.DEPTH.standard_name, '_', ' ') ' in '
anfog DATA.variables.DEPTH.units '-positive =' anfog DATA.variables.DEPTH.positive])
datetick(AX(1),'x',0,'keeplimits','keepticks')
set(AX(2), 'XTick',[])
xlabel(anfog DATA.dimensions.TIME.standard name)
title({anfog DATA.metadata.title,['plot of 'strrep(flag meanings{1}{qcLevel+1}, '', '') 'only']})
set(H1, 'LineStyle', '--')
set(H2,'LineStyle',':')
```

anfog\_URL

: the opendap url of the chosen file : quality control value (varies from 0 to 9) qcLevel

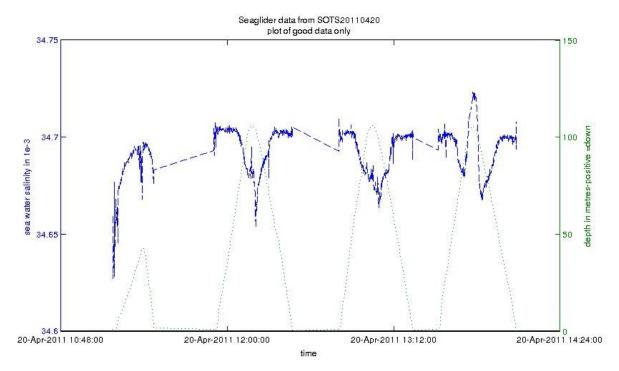


Illustration 4: Example of Sea Water Time-series taken during a SeaGlider Dive. Filtered to plot good data only

## 3.5 ANMN – National Mooring Network - QC'd good data

The Australian National Mooring Network Facility is a series of national reference stations and regional moorings designed to monitor particular oceanographic phenomena in Australian coastal ocean waters.

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/ANMN/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot the U current variable measured with an ADCP instrument (in Western Australia).

```
anmn URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/ANMN/WA/WATR50/Velocity/IMOS ANMN-
WA VATPE 20120516T040000Z WATR50 FV01 WATR50-1205-Workhorse-ADCP-498 END-20121204T021500Z C-
20121207T023956Z.nc';
anmn DATA = ncParse(anmn URL);
%it is a lot more relevant for ADCP data to plot the good and probably good data only (flags 1 and 2).
qcLevel = [1 2];
qcIndex = anmn DATA.variables.UCUR.flag == qcLevel(1) | anmn DATA.variables.UCUR.flag == qcLevel(2);
uCurrentData = anmn DATA.variables.UCUR.data;
uCurrentData (\sim qcIndex) = NaN;
timeData = anmn DATA.dimensions.TIME.data;
depthData = anmn DATA.dimensions.HEIGHT ABOVE SENSOR.data;
% we create a matrix of similar size to be used afterwards with pcolor
[depthData_mesh,timeData_mesh] = meshgrid(depthData,timeData);
% get the flag meaning values to add it later in the figure title
flag meanings = textscan(anfog DATA.variables.PSAL.flag meanings, '%s', 'delimiter', ');
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
pcolor(timeData mesh, depthData mesh, uCurrentData)
%% creation of a blue and red colormap centered in white
% initialise limits with RGB values
bluecolor = [0,0,1];\% blue
redcolor = [1,0,0];%white
whitecolor = [1,1,1];% red
% create each vector individually
maplength = 64; % number of color 'steps'
part1 = linspace(bluecolor(1), whitecolor(1), maplength/2);
part2 = linspace( whitecolor(1), redcolor(1), maplength/2);
part3 = linspace(bluecolor(2), whitecolor(2), maplength/2);
part4 = linspace( whitecolor(2), redcolor(2), maplength/2);
```

```
part5 = linspace(bluecolor(3),whitecolor(3),maplength/2);
part6 = linspace( whitecolor(3), redcolor(3),maplength/2);

% compose colormap
cmap_r_b = [horzcat(part1, part2)',horzcat(part3, part4)',horzcat(part5, part6)'];

shading flat
caxis([-max(abs(uCurrentData))) max(max(abs(uCurrentData)))]) % colorbar centered . we take the abs value colormap(cmap_r_b)
cmap = colorbar;
set(get(cmap,'ylabel'),'string',strrep([anmn_DATA.variables.UCUR.long_name ' in ' anmn_DATA.variables.UCUR.units ],'_,','),'Fontsize',10)
title({strrep([anmn_DATA.metadata.title ],'_,','), ['plot of ' strrep(flag_meanings{1}{qcLevel(1)+1},'_,',') ' and ' strrep(flag_meanings{1}{qcLevel(2)+1},'_,',') ' only'] })
xlabel(anmn_DATA.dimensions.TIME.standard_name)
ylabel(strrep([anmn_DATA.dimensions.HEIGHT_ABOVE_SENSOR.long_name ' in ' anmn_DATA.dimensions.HEIGHT_ABOVE_SENSOR.units],'_,','))
datetick('x',12)
```

- anmn\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file. (The example URL used here may not work if the file has been replaced by a newer version. A currently available file can be selected as described in section 1.2 above.)
- qcLevel : quality control value (varies from 0 to 9)

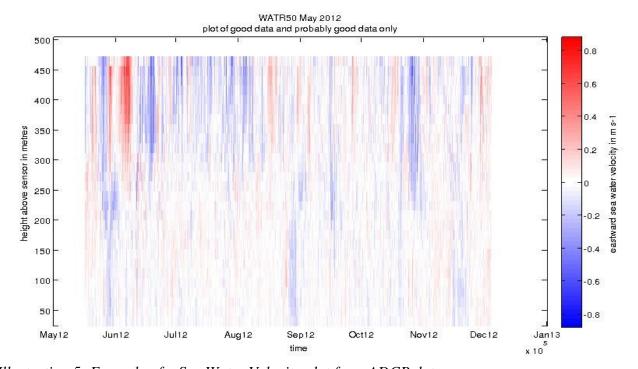


Illustration 5: Example of a Sea Water Velocity plot from ADCP data

## 3.6 AUV – Autonomous Underwater Vehicle - non QC'd data

The IMOS Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) Facility operates an ocean going AUV called Sirius capable of undertaking high resolution, geo-referenced survey work.

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/AUV/catalog.html

In the example below, the ncParse function is used to extract depth, temperature, and time data and then produce a multiple time-series plot showing the variation of water temperature with depth and time during the robot's dive.

```
auv URL =
http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/AUV/GBR201102/r20110301 012810 station1195 09 transect/hydr
o netcdf/IMOS AUV ST 20110301T012815Z SIRIUS FV00.nc';
auv DATA = ncParse(auv URL);
tempData = auv DATA.variables.TEMP.data;
timeData = auv DATA.dimensions.TIME.data;
depthData = auv DATA.variables.DEPTH.data;
averageLat = mean(auv DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data);
averageLon = mean(auv DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data);
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 1400 500 ], 'Color', [1 1 1]);
xlabel([strrep(auv DATA.dimensions.(char(auv DATA.variables.TEMP.dimensions)).long name, '', '')])
ylabel([strrep( auv_DATA.variables.TEMP.standard_name,'_', ' ') ' in ' auv_DATA.variables.TEMP.units])
datetick('x',15)
[AX,H1,H2] = plotyy (timeData,tempData,timeData,depthData);
set(get(AX(1),'Ylabel'),'String',[strrep( auv_DATA.variables.TEMP.standard_name,'_', ' ') ' in '
auv DATA.variables.TEMP.units])
set(get(AX(2), 'Ylabel'), 'String', [strrep( auv DATA.variables.DEPTH.standard name, ' ', ' ') ' in '
auv DATA.variables.DEPTH.units '-positive =' auv DATA.variables.DEPTH.positive])
datetick(AX(1), 'x', 31, 'keeplimits', 'keepticks')
set(AX(2), 'XTick',[])
xlabel(auv DATA.dimensions.TIME.standard name)
title({['campaign 'auv DATA.metadata.title],...
  ['location:lat=' num2str(averageLat) '; lon=' num2str(averageLon) ]})
set(H1, 'LineStyle', '--')
set(H2,'LineStyle',':')
```

Variables to modify:

• auv URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

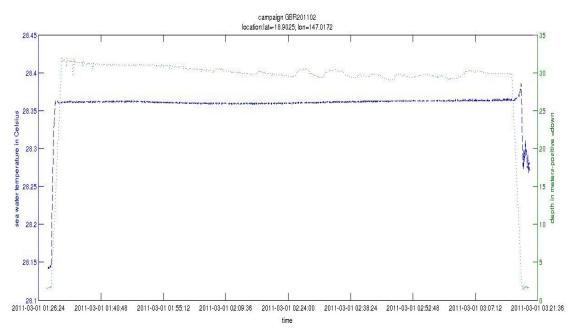


Illustration 6: Example of a Temperature Time-series plot during an AUV dive

# 3.7 Argo – Argo Floats Program - non QC'd data

Argo floats have revolutionised our understanding of the broad scale structure of the oceans to 2000 m depth. In the past 10 years more high resolution hydrographic profiles have been provided by Argo floats then from the rest of the observing system put together. Each Argo float is identified by a unique identification number called a WMO ID.

NetCDF files can be found at: http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/Argo/aggregated\_datasets/catalog.html

In the examples below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot Argo data from an aggregated file (One file per year per basin: Atlantic, Indian, Pacific North, Pacific South). All the surface locations of all the Argo floats are plotted, as well as one temperature profile only.

#### **3.7.1** Example 1

```
argo URL =
'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/Argo/aggregated datasets/south pacific/IMOS Argo TPS-
20020101T000000 FV01 yearly-aggregation-South Pacific C-20121102T220000Z.nc';
argo DATA = ncParse(argo URL);
nProfData = argo DATA.dimensions.N PROF.data; %Number of profiles contained in the file.
nLevelData = argo DATA.dimensions.N LEVELS.data; %Maximum number of pressure levels contained in a profile.
% we choose a random profile number
profileNumber = 7;
% Casting data to double to be used afterwards with surface function
tempData = double(argo DATA.variables.TEMP ADJUSTED.data(profileNumber,:));
psalData = double(argo DATA.variables.PSAL ADJUSTED.data(profileNumber,:));
presData = double(argo DATA.variables.PRES ADJUSTED.data(profileNumber,:));
latProfile = argo DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data(profileNumber);
lonProfile = argo DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data(profileNumber);
timeProfile = argo DATA.variables.JULD.data(profileNumber);
latArgo = argo DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data;
lonArgo = argo DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data;
% temperature profile
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot (tempData,presData)
title({argo_DATA.metadata.description,...
  datestr(timeProfile),...
  ['location:lat=' num2str(latProfile) '; lon=' num2str(lonProfile)],...
  ['Argo Float Number: 'num2str(argo DATA.variables.PLATFORM NUMBER.data(profileNumber)) ]})
xlabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.TEMP_ADJUSTED.long_name 'in 'argo_DATA.variables.TEMP_ADJUSTED.units], '',
ylabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.PRES_ADJUSTED.long_name ' in ' argo_DATA.variables.PRES_ADJUSTED.units],'_', '
```

```
'))
% salinity profile
figure2 = figure;
set(figure2, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot (psalData,presData)
title({argo_DATA.metadata.description,...
   datestr(timeProfile),...
   ['location:lat=' num2str(latProfile) '; lon=' num2str(lonProfile)],...
   ['Argo Float Number: 'num2str(argo_DATA.variables.PLATFORM_NUMBER.data(profileNumber)) ]})
xlabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.PSAL_ADJUSTED.long_name ' in ' argo_DATA.variables.PSAL_ADJUSTED.units],' ', '
ylabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.PRES_ADJUSTED.long_name ' in ' argo_DATA.variables.PRES_ADJUSTED.units],' ', '
'))
% argo float trajectory
figure3 = figure;
set(figure3, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot(lonArgo,latArgo,'+')
xlabel(argo_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long_name)
ylabel(argo_DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long_name)
title('Argo Floats stations')
```

- argo\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file
- ProfileNumber: the number index of the profile to plot. This value can be changed by the user by restricting to a specific time/location.

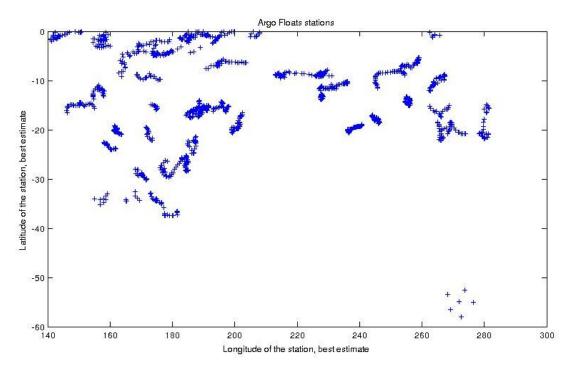


Illustration 7: Example of all Profile Locations of Argo Floats

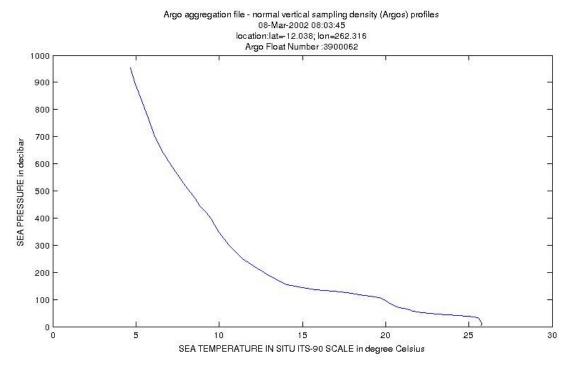


Illustration 8: Example of a Sea Water Temperature profile from an Argo float

#### **3.7.2** Example 2

```
argo URL =
'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/Argo/aggregated datasets/south pacific/IMOS Argo TPS-
20020101T000000 FV01 yearly-aggregation-South Pacific C-20121102T220000Z.nc';
argo_DATA = ncParse(argo_URL);
nProfData = argo DATA.dimensions.N PROF.data; %Number of profiles contained in the file.
nLevelData = argo DATA.dimensions.N LEVELS.data; %Maximum number of pressure levels contained in a profile.
% we list all the Argo floats number in the variable 'argoFloatNumber' and
% chose one value
argoFloatNumber = unique(argo DATA.variables.PLATFORM NUMBER.data);
argoFloatNumberChosen = 5900106; we randomly chose one float number;
% we load the data for this float. Casting data to double to be used afterwards with surface function
argoFloatProfilesIndexes = argo DATA.variables.PLATFORM NUMBER.data == argoFloatNumberChosen;
tempData = double(argo DATA.variables.TEMP ADJUSTED.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes,:));
psalData = double(argo DATA.variables.PSAL ADJUSTED.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes,:));
presData = double(argo DATA.variables.PRES ADJUSTED.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes,:));
latProfile = argo DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes,:);
lonProfile = argo_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes,:);
timeProfile = argo DATA.variables.JULD.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes,:);
% creation of a time array which will be used by pcolor
[nline, ncol] = size(tempData);
sizer = ones(1, ncol);
CYCLE_NUMBER2D = double(argo_DATA.variables.CYCLE_NUMBER.data(argoFloatProfilesIndexes)) * sizer;
TIME CYCLE NUMBER2D = timeProfile * sizer;
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 1000 1100 900 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
%plot the argofloat TEMP timeseries
subplot(2,2,1:2),
pcolor(TIME CYCLE NUMBER2D, -presData, tempData);
datetick('x',20)
shading interp;
cmap = colorbar('location', 'EastOutside');
set(get(cmap,'ylabel'),'string',strrep([argo_DATA.variables.TEMP ADJUSTED.long name ' in '
argo DATA.variables.TEMP ADJUSTED.units ],' ',' '),'Fontsize',10)
title({argo DATA.metadata.description,...
  ['Argo Float Number: 'num2str(argoFloatNumberChosen)]})
xlabel('Time in DD/MM/YY')
ylabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.PRES_ADJUSTED.long_name ' in ' argo_DATA.variables.PRES_ADJUSTED.units],' ', '
'))
%plot the argofloat LAT timeseries
subplot(2,2,3),plot(TIME CYCLE NUMBER2D,latProfile)
title(strrep([argo DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long name ' - Timeseries'],' ', ' '))
```

```
ylabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long_name ' in ' argo_DATA.variables.LATITUDE.units], '_', ''))
datetick('x',20)

%plot the argofloat LON timeseries
subplot(2,2,4),plot(TIME_CYCLE_NUMBER2D,lonProfile)
title(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long_name ' - Timeseries'], '_', ' '))
ylabel(strrep([argo_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long_name ' in ' argo_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.units], '_', ' '))
datetick('x',20)
```

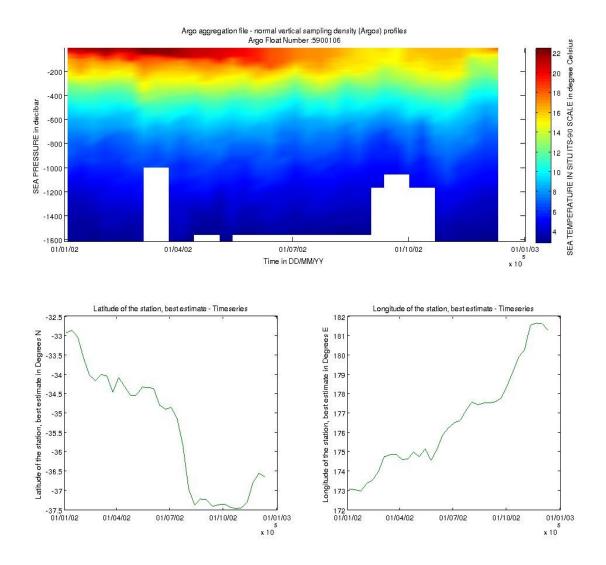


Illustration 9: Example of a Sea Water Temperature Time-series profile from an Argo float with its location over time

# 3.8 FAIMMS – Wireless Sensor Networks - QC'd good data

The IMOS Facility for Intelligent Monitoring of Marine Systems is a sensor network established in the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Queensland, Australia. A 'sensor network' is an array of small, wirelessly interconnected sensors that collectively stream sensor data to a central data aggregation point. Sensor networks can be used to provide spatially dense bio-physical measurements in real-time.

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/FAIMMS/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot a temperature time-series. Only data points which have a flag value equal to 1 are used (which means 'good data', please refers to IMOS NetCDF User Manual for a description of the Quality Control, available at <a href="http://imos.org.au/facility\_manuals.html">http://imos.org.au/facility\_manuals.html</a>).

```
FAIMMS URL =
'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/FAIMMS/Myrmidon Reef/Sensor Float 1/water temperature/sea wat
er temperature@5.0m channel 114/2012/QAQC/IMOS FAIMMS T 20121201T000000Z FV01 END-
20130101T000000Z C-20130426T102459Z.nc';
faimms DATA = ncParse(FAIMMS URL);
qcLevel = 1;
tempData = faimms DATA.variables.TEMP.data (faimms DATA.variables.TEMP.flag == qcLevel);
timeData = faimms DATA.dimensions.TIME.data(faimms DATA.variables.TEMP.flag == gcLevel);
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot (timeData,tempData)
title({faimms DATA.metadata.title,...
  [num2str(faimms DATA.variables.TEMP.sensor depth) ' m depth'],...
 ['location:lat=' num2str(faimms DATA.dimensions.LATITUDE.data) '; lon='
num2str(faimms DATA.dimensions.LONGITUDE.data) ]})
xlabel([strrep(faimms DATA.dimensions.TIME.long name,' ', ' ')])
ylabel([strrep( faimms DATA.variables.TEMP.standard name, ' ', ' ') ' in ' faimms DATA.variables.TEMP.units])
datetick('x',20)
```

Variables to modify:

• faimms\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

• qcLevel : quality control value (varies from 0 to 9)

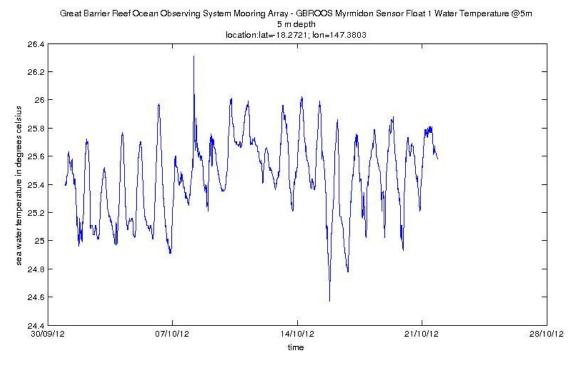


Illustration 10: Example of a Sea Water Temperature at 5m depth on the Great Barrier Reaf from FAIMMS data

# 3.9 SOOP – Ship Of Opportunities

#### 3.9.1 XBT - expandable bathythermographs - QC'd data

IMOS Ship of Opportunity Underway Expandable Bathythermographs (XBT) group is a research and data collection project working within the IMOS Ship of Opportunity Multi-Disciplinary Underway Network sub-facility.

NetCDF files can be found at: http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/SOOP/SOOP-XBT/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot a XBT temperature profile.

```
xbt URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SOOP/SOOP-
XBT/aggregated datasets/line and year/IX1/IMOS SOOP-XBT T 20040131T195300Z IX1 FV01 END-
20041221T214400Z.nc';
xbt DATA = ncParse(xbt URL);
qcFlag = 4; % flag value to eliminate (bad data)
maxSample = length(xbt_DATA.dimensions.MAXZ.data); % 'maximum_number_of_samples_in_vertical_profile'
nProfiles = length(xbt DATA.dimensions.INSTANCE.data); % number of profiles
%% we look for all the profiles of a similar cruise
cruiseData = xbt DATA.variables.cruise ID.data;
cruiseID = [];
for iiCruise = 1:length(cruiseData)
  cruiseID{iiCruise} = strrep(cruiseData(iiCruise,:),' ',");
uniqueCruiseIds = unique(cruiseID);
cruiseToPlot = uniqueCruiseIds{6}; % 'tb408504', this is arbitrary. This value can be modified to plot the cruise of
choice
indexCruiseToPlot = strcmp(cruiseID , cruiseToPlot); % logical array
TEMP = xbt DATA.variables.TEMP;
DEPTH = xbt DATA.variables.DEPTH;
TIME = xbt DATA.variables.TIME;
% we load the data for each cruise
timeCruise = TIME.data(indexCruiseToPlot);
latCruise = xbt DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data(indexCruiseToPlot);
lonCruise = xbt_DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data(indexCruiseToPlot);
% we load only the data which does not have a quality control value equal to qcFlag (see above)
indexGoodData = xbt DATA.variables.TEMP.flag(:,indexCruiseToPlot) ~= gcFlag;
tempCruise = double(TEMP.data(:,indexCruiseToPlot));
depthCruise = double(DEPTH.data(:,indexCruiseToPlot));
```

```
% we modify the values which we don't want to plot to replace them with NaN
tempCruise(~indexGoodData) = NaN;
depthCruise(~indexGoodData) = NaN;
% creation of a profile array to use it with pcolor. same dimension of temp and depth
[nline, ncol] = size(tempCruise);
sizer = ones(nline,1);
profileIndex = 1:ncol;
prof 2D = sizer * profileIndex ;
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 1000 1100 900 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
%plot the xbt TEMP timeseries
subplot(2,3,1:3),
pcolor(prof 2D, -depthCruise, tempCruise);
% datetick('x',20)
shading interp;
cmap = colorbar('location', 'EastOutside');
set(get(cmap, 'ylabel'), 'string', strrep([xbt_DATA.variables.TEMP.long_name ' in ' xbt_DATA.variables.TEMP.units_],' ' ','
'), 'Fontsize', 10)
title({xbt_DATA.metadata.title,...
   ['Cruise: char(cruiseToPlot) '-' xbt DATA.metadata.XBT line description]})
xlabel('Profile Index')
ylabel(strrep([xbt DATA.variables.DEPTH.long name 'in 'xbt DATA.variables.DEPTH.units],' ', ' '))
%plot the xbt LAT timeseries
subplot(2,3,4),plot(prof 2D,latCruise)
title(strrep([xbt DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long name ' - Timeseries'],' ', ' '))
ylabel(strrep([xbt DATA.variables.LATITUDE.long name 'in 'xbt DATA.variables.LATITUDE.units],' ', ' '))
xlabel('Profile Index')
%plot the xbt LON timeseries
subplot(2,3,5),plot(prof 2D,lonCruise)
title(strrep([xbt DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long name ' - Timeseries'],' ', ' '))
ylabel(strrep([xbt DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long name 'in 'xbt DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.units], ',''))
xlabel('Profile Index')
%plot the xbt LON timeseries
subplot(2,3,6),plot(timeCruise,prof 2D)
title(strrep([xbt DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.long name ' - Timeseries'],' ', ' '))
xlabel([TIME.long name 'in dd/mm/yy'])
ylabel('Profile Index')
datetick('x',20)
% plot of a single profile
profileToPlot = 1; % this is arbitrary. We can plot all profiles from 1 to ncol, modify profileToPlot if desired
figure2 = figure;
set(figure2, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot (tempCruise(:,profileToPlot),-depthCruise(:,profileToPlot))
```

```
title({xbt_DATA.metadata.title ,...

['Cruise ' char(cruiseToPlot)] ,...

xbt_DATA.metadata.XBT_line_description,...

['location:lat=' num2str(latCruise(profileToPlot)) '; lon=' num2str(lonCruise(profileToPlot))],...

[datestr(timeCruise(profileToPlot)) ]})

xlabel(strrep([xbt_DATA.variables.TEMP.long_name ' in ' xbt_DATA.variables.TEMP.units],'_', ' '))

ylabel(strrep([xbt_DATA.variables.DEPTH.long_name ' in negative ' xbt_DATA.variables.DEPTH.units],'_', ' '))
```

• xbt\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

• ProfileToPlot: the profile number attached to the cruise id to plot

• cruiseToPlot : the cruise id number or line to plot

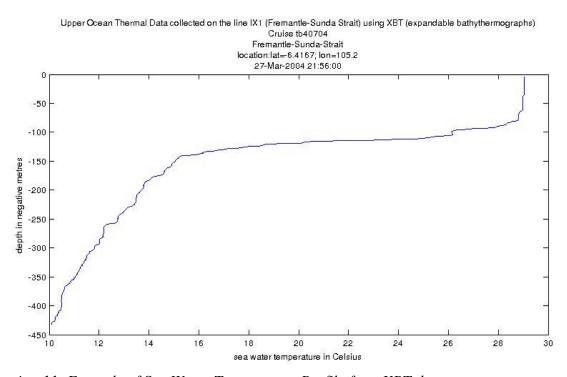


Illustration 11: Example of Sea Water Temperature Profile from XBT data

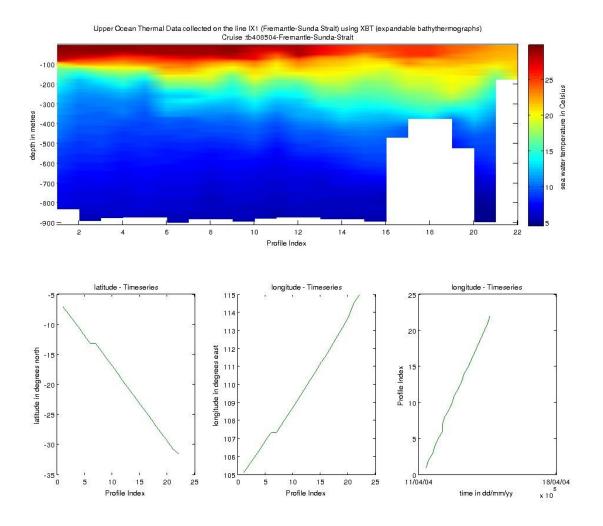


Illustration 12: Example of Sea Water Temperature Time-series Profile from XBT data with the profiles' location

## 3.10 SRS – Satellite Remote Sensing

#### 3.10.1 Bio-Optical database – Pigment data

The bio-optical data base underpins the assessment of ocean colour products in the Australian region (e.g. chlorophyll a concentrations, phytoplankton species composition and primary production).

NetCDF files can be found at: http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/SRS/BioOptical/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot a Chlorophyll-a profile (High Performance Liquid Chromatography of pigments in discrete sea-water samples)

```
srs URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/BioOptical/1997 cruise-FR1097/pigment/IMOS SRS-
OC-BODBAW X 19971201T052600Z FR1097-pigment END-19971207T220700Z C-20121129T120000Z.nc';
srs DATA = ncParse(srs URL);
nProfiles = length (srs DATA.dimensions.profile.data);
% we choose the first profile
ProfileToPlot = 10; % this is arbitrary. We can plot all profiles from 1 to nProfiles
nObsProfile = srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(ProfileToPlot); %number of observations for ProfileToPlot
timeProfile = srs DATA.variables.TIME.data(ProfileToPlot);
latProfile = srs DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data(ProfileToPlot);
lonProfile = srs DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data(ProfileToPlot);
% we look for the observations indexes related to the chosen profile
indexObservationStart = sum( srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(1:ProfileToPlot)) -
srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(ProfileToPlot) +1;
indexObservationEnd = sum( srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(1:ProfileToPlot));
indexObservation = indexObservationStart:indexObservationEnd;
% we chose arbitrary to plot CPHL a but there are many more variables
% available
cphl aData = srs DATA.variables.CPHL a.data(indexObservation); %for ProfileToPlot
depthData = srs DATA.variables.DEPTH.data(indexObservation);
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot (cphl aData,depthData)
title({srs DATA.metadata.source,...
  datestr(timeProfile),...
  ['location:lat=' num2str(latProfile) '; lon=' num2str(lonProfile) ]})
xlabel([strrep(srs_DATA.variables.CPHL_a.long_name,' ',' ') ' in ' srs_DATA.variables.CPHL_a.units])
ylabel([strrep(srs_DATA.variables.DEPTH.long_name,'_', ' ') ' in ' srs_DATA.variables.DEPTH.units ';positive '
srs DATA.variables.DEPTH.positive ])
```

Variables to modify:

srs\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file ProfileToPlot : the profile number to plot

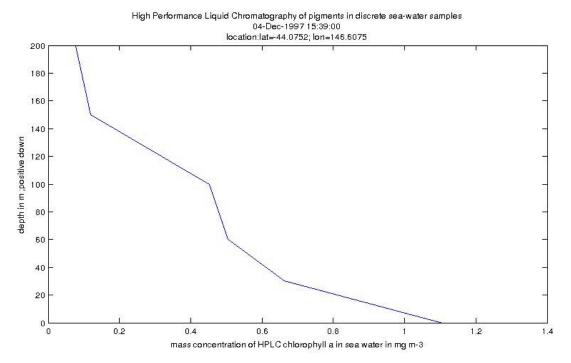


Illustration 13: Example of Pigment Data Profile from the BioOptical database dataset

#### 3.10.2 Bio-Optical database – Absorption data

The bio-optical data base underpins the assessment of ocean colour products in the Australian region (e.g. chlorophyll a concentrations, phytoplankton species composition and primary production).

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/catalog/IMOS/SRS/BioOptical/catalog.html

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot (1) the variation of Absorption coefficients of CDOM (gilvin) in discrete sea-water samples at different wavelengths and (2) the variation of absorption coefficients of CDOM at different wavelengths and different depths.

```
srs URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/BioOptical/1997 cruise-
FR1097/absorption/IMOS SRS-OC-BODBAW X 19971201T052600Z FR1097-absorption-CDOM END-
19971207T180500Z C-20121129T130000Z.nc';
srs DATA = ncParse(srs URL);
nProfiles = length (srs DATA.dimensions.profile.data);
% we choose the first profile
ProfileToPlot = 10; % this is arbitrary. We can plot all profiles from 1 to nProfiles
nObsProfile = srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(ProfileToPlot); %number of observations for ProfileToPlot
timeProfile = srs DATA.variables.TIME.data(ProfileToPlot);
latProfile = srs DATA.variables.LATITUDE.data(ProfileToPlot);
lonProfile = srs DATA.variables.LONGITUDE.data(ProfileToPlot);
% we look for the observations indexes related to the chosen profile
indexObservationStart = sum( srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(1:ProfileToPlot)) -
srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(ProfileToPlot) +1;
indexObservationEnd = sum( srs DATA.variables.rowSize.data(1:ProfileToPlot));
indexObservation = indexObservationStart:indexObservationEnd;
agData = double(srs DATA.variables.ag.data(indexObservation,:));
wavelengthData = double(srs DATA.dimensions.wavelength.data);
depthData = double(srs DATA.variables.DEPTH.data(indexObservation));
% we create a matrix of similar size to be used afterwards with pcolor
[wavelengthData mesh,depthData mesh] = meshgrid(wavelengthData,depthData);
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
pcolor(wavelengthData mesh, depthData mesh, agData)
shading flat
caxis([min(min(agData)) max(max(agData))])
cmap = colorbar;
set(get(cmap,'ylabel'),'string',strrep([srs_DATA.variables.ag.long_name ' in ' srs_DATA.variables.ag.units_],' ','
'), 'Fontsize', 10)
title(strrep([srs DATA.metadata.source ],' ',' '))
xlabel( strrep([srs DATA.dimensions.wavelength.long_name ' in: ', srs_DATA.dimensions.wavelength.units],'_', ' '))
```

```
ylabel(strrep([srs_DATA.variables.DEPTH.long_name ' in ' srs_DATA.variables.DEPTH.units '; positive '
srs_DATA.variables.DEPTH.positive ],'_',' '))
nDepth = length(depthData);
figure2 = figure;
set(figure2, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
plot(wavelengthData,agData,'x')
unitsMainVar=char(srs DATA.variables.ag.units);
ylabel( strrep([srs DATA.variables.ag.long name 'in: ', srs DATA.variables.ag.units], '', ''))
xlabel( strrep([srs_DATA.dimensions.wavelength.long_name ' in: ', srs_DATA.dimensions.wavelength.units],'_', ' '))
title({strrep(srs_DATA.variables.ag.long_name,'_',' '),...
  strcat('in units:',srs DATA.variables.ag.units),...
  strcat('station:',char(srs DATA.variables.station name.data(ProfileToPlot,:)),...
  '- location',num2str(latProfile,'%2.3f'),'/',num2str(lonProfile,'%3.2f')),...
  strcat('time :',datestr(timeProfile))
  })
for iiDepth=1:nDepth
  legendDepthString{iiDepth}=strcat('Depth:',num2str(depthData(iiDepth)),'m');
legend(legendDepthString)
```

• srs\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

ProfileToPlot : the profile number to plot

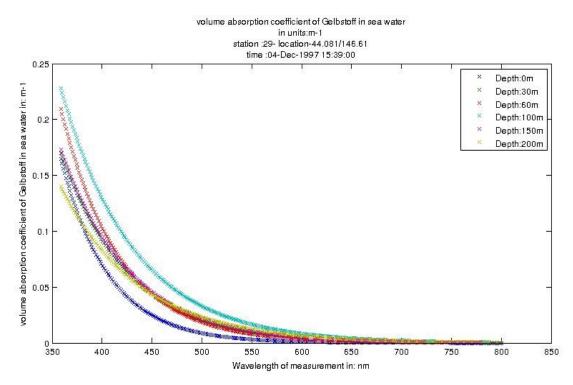


Illustration 14: Example of Absorption Data at different depth from the BioOptical database dataset

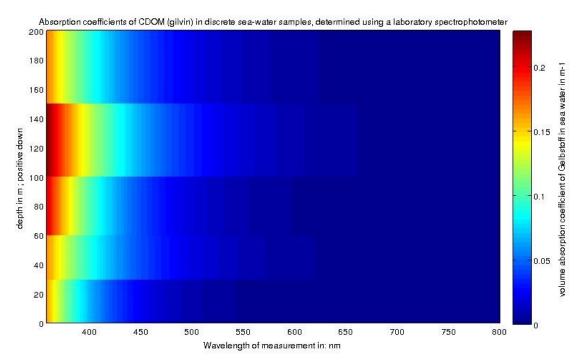


Illustration 15: Example of Absorption Data plot from the BioOptical database dataset

#### 3.10.3 GHRSST – L3P mosaic

Please refer to the SRS product Help page: <a href="http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2">http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2</a> help/?q=node/149

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/GHRSST-SSTsubskin/

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot the Sea Surface Temperature from a gridded data product.

```
srs URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/GHRSST-SSTsubskin/2013/20130315-ABOM-
L3P GHRSST-SSTsubskin-AVHRR MOSAIC 01km-AO DAAC-v01-fv01 0.nc';
srsL3P DATA = ncParse(srs URL);
step = 20; % we take one point out of 'step'. Only to make it faster to plot on Matlab
sst = squeeze(srsL3P DATA.variables.sea surface temperature.data(1,1:step:end,1:step:end));
lat = squeeze(srsL3P_DATA.dimensions.lat.data(1:step:end));
lon = squeeze(srsL3P DATA.dimensions.lon.data(1:step:end));
[lon mesh,lat mesh] = meshgrid(lon,lat);% we create a matrix of similar size to be used afterwards with pcolor
figure1 = figure;
surface(lon mesh, lat mesh, sst)
shading flat
caxis([min(min(sst)) max(max(sst))])
cmap = colorbar;
set(get(cmap, 'ylabel'), 'string',[srsL3P_DATA.variables.sea_surface_temperature.long_name ' in '
srsL3P_DATA.variables.sea_surface_temperature.units ],'Fontsize',10)
title([srsL3P DATA.metadata.title '-' srsL3P DATA.metadata.start date ])
xlabel(strrep(([srsL3P DATA.dimensions.lon.long name in srsL3P DATA.dimensions.lon.units]), '', ''))
ylabel(strrep(([srsL3P_DATA.dimensions.lat.long_name ' in ' srsL3P_DATA.dimensions.lat.units]),'_',' ))
```

• srs\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

• step : a number to lower the resolution. This helps to reduce memory issues.

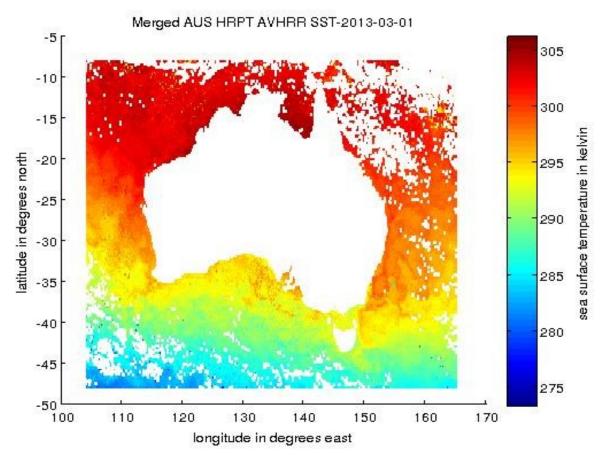


Illustration 16: Example of Sea Surface Temperature plot from a L3P product

#### 3.10.4 GHRSST – L3C – multi swath, single sensor

Please refer to the SRS product Help page: <a href="http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2">http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2</a> help/?q=node/149

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/SRS-SST/L3C-01day/

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot the Sea Surface Temperature from a gridded data product.

```
srs URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/SRS-SST/L3C-01day/L3C GHRSST-SSTskin-
AVHRR19 D-1d night/2013/20130401152000-ABOM-L3C GHRSST-SSTskin-AVHRR19 D-1d night-v02.0-
fv01.0.nc.gz';
srsL3C DATA = ncParse(srs URL);
step = 10; % we take one point out of 'step'. Only to make it faster to plot on Matlab
sst = squeeze(srsL3C_DATA.variables.sea_surface_temperature.data(1,1:step:end,1:step:end));
lat = squeeze(srsL3C DATA.dimensions.lat.data(1:step:end));
lon = squeeze(srsL3C DATA.dimensions.lon.data(1:step:end));
if sum(lon<0) > 0
  lon(lon<0) = lon(lon<0)+360;
end
[lon mesh,lat mesh] = meshgrid(lon,lat);% we create a matrix of similar size to be used afterwards with pcolor
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
surface(lon mesh, lat mesh, sst)
shading flat
caxis([min(min(sst)) max(max(sst))])
cmap = colorbar;
set(get(cmap, 'ylabel'), 'string',[srsL3C DATA.variables.sea surface temperature.long name ' in '
srsL3C DATA.variables.sea surface temperature.units ], 'Fontsize',10)
title({srsL3C DATA.metadata.title,...
  srsL3C DATA.metadata.start time })
xlabel(strrep(([srsL3C_DATA.dimensions.lon.long_name ' in ' srsL3C_DATA.dimensions.lon.units]),'_',' '))
ylabel(strrep(([srsL3C DATA.dimensions.lat.long name 'in 'srsL3C DATA.dimensions.lat.units]), '', ''))
```

• srs\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

• step : a number to lower the resolution. This helps to reduce memory issues.

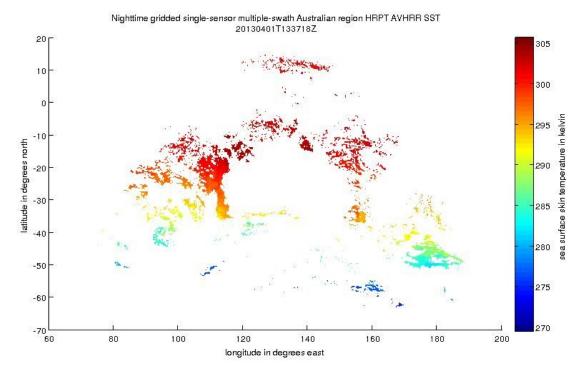


Illustration 17: Example of Sea Surface Temperature plot from a L3Cproduct at night

#### 3.10.5 GHRSST – L3S – multi swath, multi sensor, one day

Please refer to the SRS product Help page: <a href="http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2">http://portalhelp.aodn.org.au/Portal2</a> help/?q=node/149

NetCDF files can be found at:

http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/SRS-SST/L3S-01day/

In the example below, we demonstrate how to use the ncParse function to plot the Sea Surface Temperature from a gridded data product.

```
srs URL = 'http://thredds.aodn.org.au/thredds/dodsC/IMOS/SRS/SRS-SST/L3S-
01day/L3S 1d night/2013/20130401152000-ABOM-L3S GHRSST-SSTskin-AVHRR D-1d night-v02.0-fv01.0.nc.gz';
srsL3S DATA = ncParse(srs URL);
step = 10; % we take one point out of 'step'. Only to make it faster to plot on Matlab
sst = squeeze(srsL3S DATA.variables.sea surface temperature.data(1,1:step:end,1:step:end));
lat = squeeze(srsL3S DATA.dimensions.lat.data(1:step:end));
lon = squeeze(srsL3S DATA.dimensions.lon.data(1:step:end));
if sum(lon<0) > 0
  lon(lon<0) = lon(lon<0)+360;
end
[lon mesh,lat mesh] = meshgrid(lon,lat);% we create a matrix of similar size to be used afterwards with pcolor
figure1 = figure;
set(figure1, 'Position', [1 500 900 500 ], 'Color',[1 1 1]);
surface(lon mesh, lat mesh, sst)
shading flat
caxis([min(min(sst)) max(max(sst))])
cmap = colorbar;
set(get(cmap, 'ylabel'), 'string',[srsL3S_DATA.variables.sea_surface_temperature.long_name ' in '
srsL3S DATA.variables.sea surface temperature.units ], 'Fontsize',10)
title({srsL3S DATA.metadata.title,...
  srsL3S DATA.metadata.start time })
xlabel(strrep(([srsL3S_DATA.dimensions.lon.long_name 'in' srsL3S_DATA.dimensions.lon.units]), '', ''))
ylabel(strrep(([srsL3S_DATA.dimensions.lat.long_name ' in ' srsL3S_DATA.dimensions.lat.units]),'_',''))
```

• srs\_URL : the opendap url of the chosen file

• step : a number to lower the resolution. This helps to reduce memory issues.

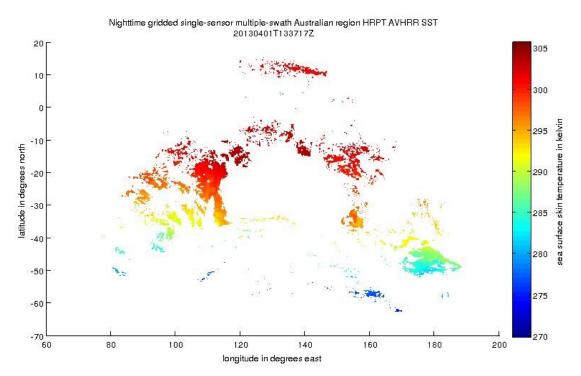


Illustration 18: Example of Sea Surface Temperature plot from a L3S product at night