Geomagnetism package notes

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Introduction

The package geomagnetim intends to serve pedagogical purpose rather to replace well established FORTRAN or C progam developed by academic institutions. In contrast with these programs, which favor compactness and time execution, the geomagnetic package ,tentatively, focus on lisibility. You can download geomagnetis using :

pip install geomagnetism

Geomagnetism calculation

As the terrestrial magnetic field obeys both $\nabla {\bf B}=0$ and $\nabla \times {\bf B}=0$, it can be shown that the magnetic field can be expressed as the gradient of a scalar potential V which satisfies the Laplace equation:

$$\Delta V = 0 \tag{1.1}$$

For a spherical geometry the geomagnetic potential is given by the spherical harmonic expension (SH) (Stacey and Davis , Campbell 2007):

$$V(r,\theta,\phi,t) = a \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+1} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left[g_{n}^{m}(t)\cos(m\phi) + h_{n}^{m}(t)\sin(m\phi)\right] P_{n}^{m}(\cos(\theta))$$
 (1.2)

with:

$$P_n^m(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n &: m = 0\\ \sqrt{\frac{2(n-m)!}{(n+m)!} (1 - x^2)^m} \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^{n+m}}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n &: m > 0 \end{cases}$$
(1.3)

 g_n^m and h_n^m are the Gauss's coefficients. Note that the sum over n begins with the the value n=1 as the index n=0 would correspond to a monopole. The dipole, quadrupole, octupole,... contribution correspond to n=1,2,3,... These coefficients varies with time and are tabulated (https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/igrf.html). The coefficient a is the mean radius of the earth (6371.2 km); r, the radial distance from the center of the Earth; θ , the geocentric colatitude; ϕ , the east longitude measured from the Greewich. We note that the Condon-Shortley phase correction $(-1)^m$ is omitted in the definition of the associated Legendre polynomial and the polynomes are normalized using Schmidt quasi-normalization (Winch, Ivers et al. 2005). The relation $\mathbf{B} = -\nabla V$ leads to:

$$\begin{cases} X_{c} = \mathbf{B}_{x} = -B_{\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left[g_{n}^{m} \cos(m\phi) + h_{n}^{m} \sin(m\phi) \right] \frac{dP_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{d\theta} \\ Y_{c} = \mathbf{B}_{y} = B_{\phi} = \frac{-1}{r \sin\theta} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sum_{m=0}^{n} m \left[g_{n}^{m} \sin(m\phi) - h_{n}^{m} \cos(m\phi) \right] \frac{P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} \end{cases}$$

$$Z_{c} = \mathbf{B}_{z} = -B_{r} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (n+1) \left(\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left[g_{n}^{m} \cos(m\phi) + h_{n}^{m} \sin(m\phi) \right] P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)$$

$$(1.4)$$

Where \mathbf{B}_x , \mathbf{B}_y , \mathbf{B}_z are the field components respectively in the northward, eastward and downward directions. Theses components are expressed in the geocentric referential as recall by the index c

Spherical harmonics normalisation

If we define:

$$C_n^m(\theta,\phi) \equiv P_{(s),n}^m(\cos\theta)\cos m\theta \quad : m = 0,1,2\cdots n$$

$$S_n^m(\theta,\phi) \equiv P_{(s),n}^m(\cos\theta)\sin m\theta \quad : m = 1,2\cdots n$$
(1.5)

the Schmidt quasi-normalization conditions reads (Winch, Ivers et al. 2005):

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} C_{n}^{m}(\theta,\phi) C_{N}^{M}(\theta,\phi) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = \frac{1}{2n+1} \delta_{n}^{N} \delta_{m}^{M}$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} S_{n}^{m}(\theta,\phi) S_{N}^{M}(\theta,\phi) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = \frac{1}{2n+1} \delta_{n}^{N} \delta_{m}^{M}$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} C_{n}^{m}(\theta,\phi) S_{N}^{M}(\theta,\phi) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = 0 \quad : \forall n, N, m, M$$
(1.6)

The associated Legendre polynomial value are generated by the scipy function M,Mp=lpmn(M,N,x) where:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} P_0^0 & P_1^0 & \cdots & P_N^0 \\ 0 & P_1^1 & \cdots & P_N^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & P_N^M \end{bmatrix}$$
(1.7)

with:

$$P_n^m(x) = \frac{(-1)^m}{2^n n!} \sqrt{(1-x^2)^m} \frac{d^{n+m}}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n$$
 (1.8)

To obtain the normalize Legendre polynomials $P_{(s),n}^m$ we use:

$$\underline{\mathbf{P}}_{(s)} = \underline{\mathbf{P}} \odot \underline{\mathbf{N}} \tag{1.9}$$

where \odot is the component-wise multiplication and :

$$N_{n,m} = \begin{cases} (-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{\left(2 - \delta_m^0\right)(n - m)!}{(n + m)!}} &: n - |m| \ge 0\\ 0 &: n - |m| < 0 \end{cases}$$
 (1.10)

Note that other authors in geophysics use different normalization factors. Stacey (Stacey and Davis) use :

$$N_n^{\prime m} = \begin{cases} (-1)^m \sqrt{\left(2 - \delta_m^0\right) \left(2m + 1\right) \frac{(n - m)!}{(n + m)!}} & : |m| \le n \\ 0 & : |m| > n \end{cases}$$
(1.11)

The function Norm_Schimdt (m, n) computes the normalisation matrix (1.10)

The function Norm Stacey (m, n) computes the normalisation matrix (1.11)

Exemples:

Geotetic to geocentric transformation

The computation of the geomagnetic field is done in a geocentric coordinate system. So if we provide

The geotetic coordinates we have to convert them into geocentric ones. In the following we deduce the transformation relation used in the function <code>geodetic_to_geocentric</code>.

Ellipse equation

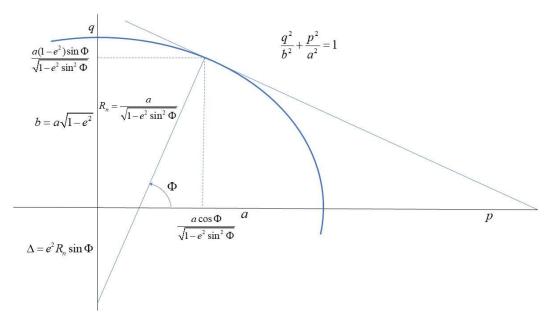


Figure 1 : Ellipse notation convention.

The equation of the ellipse read:

$$\frac{q^2}{b^2} + \frac{p^2}{a^2} = 1 \tag{1.12}$$

The geotetic latitude $\,\Phi\,\mbox{can}$ be be expressed through the derivative :

$$\cot \Phi = -\frac{dq}{dp} = \frac{b^2}{a^2} \frac{q}{p} \tag{1.13}$$

From (1.13) we can express q as:

$$q = p \frac{a^2}{h^2} \tan \Phi \tag{1.14}$$

Using (1.12) and (1.14) we obtain:

$$\begin{cases} p = \frac{a\cos\Phi}{\sqrt{1 - e^2\sin^2\Phi}} \\ q = \frac{a(1 - e^2)\sin\Phi}{\sqrt{1 - e^2\sin^2\Phi}} \end{cases}$$
 (1.15)

The prime vertical curvature radius $\,R_{\scriptscriptstyle n}\,$ can be deduced from $\,p$ as :

$$R_{n} = \frac{p}{\cos \Phi} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1 - e^{2} \sin^{2} \Phi}}$$

$$R_{n} = \frac{a^{2}}{\sqrt{a^{2} - (a^{2} - b^{2}) \sin^{2} \Phi}}$$
(1.16)

Using the prime vertical curvature we can re-express $\,p$ and $\,q$ as :

$$\begin{cases} p = R_n \cos \Phi \\ q = (1 - e^2)R_n \sin \Phi \end{cases}$$
 (1.17)

Geotetic to geocentric transformation

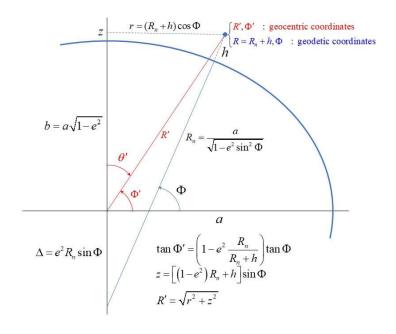


Figure 2 : Geotetic and geocentric notation convention.

Relation between the geotetic colatitude $\,\Phi$ and the geocentric colatitude $\,\Phi'\,$:

Using the conventions of Figure 2 we have

$$\frac{\tan \Phi'}{\tan \Phi} = \frac{z}{z + \Delta} = \frac{(1 - e^2)R_n + h}{(1 - e^2)R_n + h + e^2R_n} = 1 - e^2 \frac{R_n}{R_n + h}$$
(1.18)

The flattening is defined as follow:

$$f = \frac{a - b}{a} \tag{1.19}$$

The geodetic reference ellipsoids are specified by giving the reciprocal flattening $\,f^{-1}\,$

As usual the eccentricity reads:

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{f(2 - f)}$$

$$1 - e^2 = \frac{b^2}{a^2}$$
(1.20)

We can express z and r as:

$$\begin{cases} z = (R_n + h)\sin\Phi - \Delta = \left[(1 - e^2)R_n + h \right] \sin\Phi \\ r = (R_n + h)\cos\Phi \end{cases}$$
 (1.21)

Using (1.21) the geocentric radius is equal to:

$$R' = \sqrt{z^2 + r^2} \tag{1.22}$$

Using (1.22) we can express the geocentric radius using the semi major and the semi minor axis. We obtain (Peddie 1982):

$$R'^{2} = \frac{h^{2} + 2h\sqrt{a^{2} - (a^{2} - b^{2})\sin^{2}\Phi} + \left[a^{4} - (a^{4} - b^{4})\sin^{2}\Phi\right]}{a^{2} - (a^{2} - b^{2})\sin^{2}\Phi}$$
(1.23)

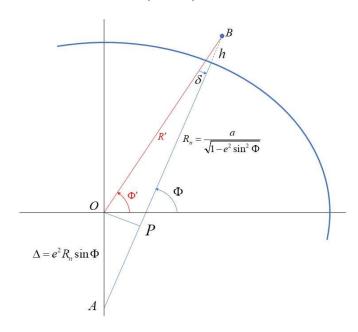


Figure 3 : Computation of $\cos\delta$ and $\sin\delta$.

Using (1.21) and (1.22), the geocentric colatitude can be deduced from:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{z}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}} = \frac{\sin \Phi}{\sqrt{\left[\frac{R_n + h}{(1 - e^2)R_n + h}\right]^2 \cos^2 \Phi + \sin^2 \Phi}}$$
(1.24)

The relation (1.24) can be expressed using the semi major and minor axis. Using (1.16), (1.20) we obtain (Peddie, 1982):

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\sin \Phi}{\sqrt{c \cos^2 \Phi + \sin^2 \Phi}}; \quad c = \left[\frac{a^2 + h\sqrt{a^2 - (a^2 - b^2)\sin^2 \Phi}}{b^2 + h\sqrt{a^2 - (a^2 - b^2)\sin^2 \Phi}} \right]^2$$
 (1.25)

Using the triangle AOB of the Figure 3 we obtain the relation:

$$\Delta \sin \Phi + R' \cos \delta = R_n + h \tag{1.26}$$

After rearanging:

$$\cos \delta = \frac{1}{R'} \Big[h + R_n (1 - e^2) \Big]$$
 (1.27)

Using (1.16) we have :

$$\cos \delta = \frac{1}{R'} \left[h + \frac{a^2}{R_n} \right] \tag{1.28}$$

The length of OP is equal to

$$R'\sin\delta = \Delta\cos\Phi \tag{1.29}$$

So:

$$\sin \delta = \frac{R_n}{R'} e^2 \cos \Phi \sin \Phi \tag{1.30}$$

Computational aspect

The function <code>geodetic_to_geocentric(ellipsoid, co_latitude, height)</code> computes the geocentric and the geocentric colatitude using respectively (1.22) and (1.18). The angle

$$\delta = \theta' - \theta \tag{1.31}$$

between the geocentric and the geotetic colattitude is also computed (Figure 4).

The routine uses the tuple ellipsoid = (a, f^{-1}) . Depending on the selected convention ellipsoid can be set to

GRS80 = geo.geomagnetism.GRS80

WGS84 = geo.geomagnetism.WGS84

Exemple:

r_geocentric, co_latitude_geocentric, delta =
geo.geodetic_to_geocentric(geo.geomagnetism.WGS84 , 170, 100_000)
>> (6457402.34844737, 2.965925285681976, -0.0011344427083841424)

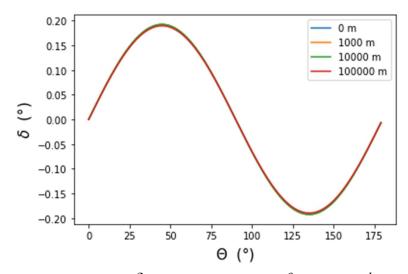


Figure 4 : Variation of δ versus the geotetic colatitude heta and the height h .

The function <code>geodetic_to_geocentric_IGRF13</code> (ellipsoid, co_latitude, height) is a translation of a FORTRAN (https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/igrf.html) where the authors use (1.23), (1.28), (1.30) to compute the geocentric radius the cosine and sine of the angle δ .

The function use the tuple ellipoid=(a,b). Depending on the selected convention ellipsoid can be set to

GRS80_ = geo.geomagnetism.GRS80_ WGS84 = geo.geomagnetism.WGS84

Base transformation

Passing from geocentric to geotetic referential the magnetic field undergoes the following transformation :

$$\begin{pmatrix}
B_{x} \\
B_{y} \\
B_{z}
\end{pmatrix}_{\text{geodetic}} = \begin{bmatrix}
\cos \delta & 0 & -\sin \delta \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
\sin \delta & 0 & \cos \delta
\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}
B_{x} \\
B_{y} \\
B_{z}
\end{pmatrix}_{\text{geocentric}}$$
(1.32)

with $\delta=\theta'-\theta=\Phi-\Phi'$ (Figure 5). Using Peddie notation (Peddie, 1982) we have :

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \delta & 0 & -\sin \delta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \delta & 0 & \cos \delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.33)

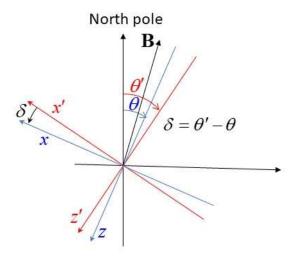


Figure 5 : Variation of $\,\delta\,$ versus the geotetic colatitude $\,\theta\,$ and the height $\,h\,$.

Using the notations of the Figure 6, the geomagnetic horizontal intensity $\,H\,$, total intensity $\,F\,$, declination $\,D\,$ and inclination $\,I\,$ can be obtained from :

$$\begin{cases} H = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} \\ F = \sqrt{H^2 + Y^2} \\ D = \operatorname{atan} 2(Y, X) \\ I = \operatorname{atan} 2(Z, H) \end{cases}$$
 (1.34)

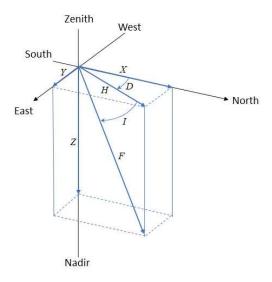


Figure 6: Geomagnetic conventions and notations from (Chullia, 2020)

Geomagnetic field at North and South pole

North pole

For $\theta = 0$ we have to eluate

$$\frac{dP_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{d\theta}, \frac{P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta}, P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)$$

(1.35)

Due to the definition of the associate Legendre polynomial:

$$P_n^m(x) = (1 - x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} \frac{d^m}{dx^m} P_n(x)$$
 (1.36)

From (1.36) we deduce that $\frac{P_n^m(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta}$ is not null if and only if m=1. If that condition is fullfilled we have :

$$\frac{P_n^{1}(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} \xrightarrow{\theta \to 0} \frac{d}{dx} P_n(x) \bigg|_{x=1}$$
 (1.37)

From the differential equation:

$$(1-x^2)\frac{d^2}{dx^2}P_n(x) - 2x\frac{d}{dx}P_n(x) + n(n+1)P_n(x) = 0$$
(1.38)

We deduce:

$$\frac{d}{dx}P_n(1) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, \qquad \frac{d}{dx}P_n(-1) = (-1)^{n-1}\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$
(1.39)

Taking into account (1.39) and the Schmidt normalisation coefficient (1.10) we obtain:

$$\frac{P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} \xrightarrow{\theta \to 0} \delta_{1}^{m} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$$
(1.40)

From (1.36) we deduce:

$$P_{(s),n}^{m}(1) = \delta_m^0 \tag{1.41}$$

Concerning the derivative of the Legendre polynomials we have at the left and right boundaries:

$$\frac{dP_n^m(x)}{dx}\Big|_{x=1} = \begin{cases}
\frac{n(n+1)}{2} & \text{if } m = 0 \\
\infty & \text{if } m = 1 \\
-\frac{(n-1)n(n+1)(n+2)}{4} & \text{if } m = 2 \\
0 & \text{if } m = 3,4,...
\end{cases}$$
(1.42)

Using (1.42) we obtain:

$$\frac{dP_n^m(\cos\theta)}{d\theta}\bigg|_{\theta=0} = \delta_1^m \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$$
 (1.43)

Aggregating (1.41), (1.40), (1.43) we obtain:

$$\begin{cases} X_{c}(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} g_{n}^{1} \cos(\phi) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} h_{n}^{1} \sin(\phi) \\ Y_{c}(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} g_{n}^{1} \sin(\phi) - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} h_{n}^{1} \cos(\phi) \\ Z_{c}(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (n+1) \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} g_{n}^{0} \end{cases}$$

$$(1.44)$$

South pole

For or for $\theta = \pi$ we have :

$$P_{(s),n}^{m}(-1) = \delta_{m}^{0}(-1)^{n} \tag{1.45}$$

$$\frac{P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} \xrightarrow{\theta \to \pi} \delta_{1}^{m} (-1)^{n} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$$
(1.46)

$$\frac{dP_n^m(x)}{dx}\Big|_{x=-1} = \begin{cases}
(-1)^{n+1} \frac{n(n+1)}{2} & \text{if } m = 0 \\
(-1)^n \infty & \text{if } m = 1 \\
(-1)^n \frac{(n-1)n(n+1)(n+2)}{4} & \text{if } m = 2 \\
0 & \text{if } m = 3,4,...
\end{cases}$$
(1.47)

Aggregating (1.45), (1.46), (1.47) we have :

$$\begin{cases} X_{c}(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(-\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} g_{n}^{1} \cos(\phi) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(-\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} h_{n}^{1} \sin(\phi) \\ Y_{c}(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(-\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} g_{n}^{1} \sin(\phi) - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(-\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} \sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} h_{n}^{1} \cos(\phi) \\ Z_{c}(0) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} (n+1) \left(-\frac{a}{r} \right)^{n+2} g_{n}^{0} \end{cases}$$

$$(1.48)$$

Spherial harmonic coefficients

Gauss coefficients

The main ingredient for the computing of the geomagnetic field are the spherical harmonic coefficients g_m^n and h_n^m . These coefficients depend on the geocentic latitude on the longitude, and on the time. The package <code>geomagnetism</code> provide several functions to read tabulated cofficients

```
import geomagnetism as geo
file = "IGRF13.COF" # downloaded from
https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/coeffs/igrf13coeffs.txt
dic_dic_h, dic_dic_g, dic_dic_SV_h, dic_dic_SV_g, dic_N, Years=
geo.read_IGRF13_COF(file)
m=1
n=3
years="1965"
h = dic_dic_h[years][(m,n)]
print(f'Spherial harmonic coefficients h(m={m},n={n}) for year = {years} :{h}')
>>Spherial harmonic coefficients h(m=1,n=3) for year = 1965 :-404.0
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Tableau 1: Gauss coefficients from different sources.

File name	Deb	End	Source
WMM_2020.COF	2020	2020	https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag/WMM/soft.shtml
WMM_2015.COF	2015	2015	https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag/WMM/soft.shtml
IGRF13.COF	1900	2020	https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/coeffs/igrf13coeffs.txt
IGRF13coeffs .txt	1900	2020	https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/coeffs/igrf13coeffs.txt
FORTRAN_1900 _1995.txt	1900	1995	https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/igrf13.f

IGRF13.COF and IGRF13coeffs.txt contain the same data with a different format.

Gauss coefficients secular variation

As the Gauss coefficients of the geomagnetic field vary with time their secular variation \dot{g}_n^m and \dot{h}_n^m expressed in nT/year are tabulated. We have :

$$\begin{cases} g_m^n(t) = g_m^n(t_0) + \dot{g}_m^n(t_0)(t - t_0) \\ h_m^n(t) = h_m^n(t_0) + \dot{h}_m^n(t_0)(t - t_0) \end{cases}$$
(1.49)

The secular variation are stored in the dictionaries <code>dic_dic_sv_h</code>, <code>dic_dic_sv_g</code>. Using these coefficients it is straightforward to compute the secular variation of the geomagnetic field componants. We have (Chullia, 2020):

$$\begin{cases}
\dot{X}_{c} = \dot{\mathbf{B}}_{x} = -\dot{B}_{\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \dot{V}}{\partial \theta} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left[\dot{g}_{n}^{m} \cos(m\phi) + \dot{h}_{n}^{m} \sin(m\phi)\right] \frac{dP_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{d\theta} \\
\dot{Y}_{c} = \dot{\mathbf{B}}_{y} = \dot{B}_{\phi} = \frac{-1}{r \sin\theta} \frac{\partial \dot{V}}{\partial \phi} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sum_{m=0}^{n} m \left[\dot{g}_{n}^{m} \sin(m\phi) - \dot{h}_{n}^{m} \cos(m\phi)\right] \frac{P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} \\
\dot{Z}_{c} = \dot{\mathbf{B}}_{z} = -\dot{B}_{r} = \frac{\partial \dot{V}}{\partial r} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (n+1) \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^{n+2} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left[\dot{g}_{n}^{m} \cos(m\phi) + \dot{h}_{n}^{m} \sin(m\phi)\right] P_{(s),n}^{m}(\cos\theta) \\
(1.50)
\end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{X} \\ \dot{Y} \\ \dot{Z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \delta & 0 & -\sin \delta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \delta & 0 & \cos \delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{X}_c \\ \dot{Y}_c \\ \dot{Z}_c \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1.51)

Using (1.34) we obtain¹:

$$\begin{cases}
\dot{H} = \frac{X\dot{X} + Y\dot{Y}}{H} \\
\dot{F} = \frac{X\dot{X} + Y\dot{Y} + Z\dot{Z}}{F} \\
\dot{I} = \frac{H\dot{Z} - Z\dot{H}}{F^{2}} \\
\dot{D} = \frac{X\dot{Y} - Y\dot{X}}{H^{2}}
\end{cases} (1.52)$$

Other programs

- In line calculators

https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag/calculators/magcalc.shtml

http://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/igrf/gggm/index.html

permits the computation of the magnetic declination.

- a FORTRAN code available can be downloaded from:

https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/igrf.html .

Qote: "This code is is a synthesis routine for the 13th generation IGRF as agreed in December 2019 by IAGA Working Group V-MOD. It is valid 1900.0 to 2025.0 inclusive. Values for dates from 1945.0 to 2015.0 inclusive are definitive, otherwise they are non-definitive. Reference radius remains as 6371.2 km - it is NOT the mean radius (= 6371.0 km) but 6371.2 km is what is used in determining the coefficients.'

- a C code available along with the Geomag 7.0 software (Windows version):

https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/IAGA/vmod/igrf.html

- a PYTHON code:

https://pypi.org/project/geomag/#files

¹ We use
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \operatorname{atan} 2(y, x) = -\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$
, $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \operatorname{atan} 2(y, x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$

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