

# Multi-sensor Match up System (MMS) Manual

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## 2 Introduction

This document is the user manual for the Multisensor Matchup System software (MMS). It covers all tools, configuration files, supported data formats and plugin configurations used by the software. In addition, a description of the installation and operation procedures on the CEDA JASMIN cluster is given.

The software system has been used to successfully support the following projects:



Fidelity and uncertainty in climate data records from Earth Observations. FIDUCEO has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 Programme for Research and Innovation, under Grant Agreement no. 638822 (<https://research.reading.ac.uk/fiduceo/>)



Sea Surface Temperature (SST) project of the European Space Agency (ESA) Climate Change Initiative (CCI) Programme (<https://climate.esa.int/en/projects/sea-surface-temperature/>)

### CIRCAS

Consistent Retrieval of Cloud Aerosol Surface, ESA Contract 4000121362/17/I-NB (<http://www.circas.eu/>)

### CIMR-SCEPS

Copernicus Imaging Microwave Radiometer – scientific end-to-end simulation.  
(<https://www.eoportal.org/satellite-missions/cimr>)

## 2.1 Scope

This document is thought as a living document, updates will be integrated whenever applicable or necessary. The contents of this version of the manual refers to the MMS software version 1.5.8.

## 2.2 Version Control

Version	Reason	Reviewer	Date of Issue
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1.0	Initial version		
1.1	New minor version		
1.2	New minor version, added post-processing		2017-01-17
1.3	New minor version, cumulative updates		2017-10-13
1.4	Updates to V 1.4		2019-04-04
1.4	New minor version, cumulative updates		2019-06-20
1.5	Updates to v 1.5		2019-08-26
1.5.2	Updates for SST-CCI COO-1 MODIS		2020-10-15
1.5.3	Updates for SST-CCI COO-2 and 3		2021-02-19
	Update ERA5 post- processing		2021-05-27
1.5.4	SIRDS support		2021-07-30
1.5.5	Cumulative updates		2021-09-16
1.5.6	Updates for SST CCI COO2		2022-09-19
1.5.7	CIMR updates, bugfixes		2022-12-14
1.5.8	CIMR updates, bugfixes		2023-09-27

## 2.3 Software Changelog

This chapter lists the changes, updates and bugfixes applied to the MMS software.

### 2.3.1 Updates from version 1.5.7 to 1.5.8

- Added support for SMAP Salinity L2C data
- Added support for NOAA TAO insitu data
- MMD Writer configuration for global attributes "title", "institution", "contact" and "licence" was added
- added support for NOAA NDBC insitu data
- Added support for Windsat Coriolis data
- Added conda environment for Python code
- Extended workflow to run without scheduler on plain console
- Added option to use different name for matchup dimension in post processing

### 2.3.2 Updates from version 1.5.6 to 1.5.7

- Added support for SMOS L1B daily gridded data
- Added support for SIC-CCI RRDP insitu data
- Corrected reading bug in slstr-s3x-uor reader

### 2.3.3 Updates from version 1.5.5 to 1.5.6

- Added support for SLSTR subset data processed by UoR

- updated to use SNAP 9.0.2 / S3TBX 9.0.3
- corrected TAI 1993 to UTC conversion for MODIS data
- added support for MODIS MxD035 cloud data
- updated H2 database driver
- added option for IngestionTool to update already existing entries
- changed database to use relative archive paths and added migration tool
- updated SLSTR reader to allow switching geo-coding source between tie-point/pixel data
- added database timeout to configuration
- Updated ERA5 processing – simplified configuration
- Fixed bug in ERA5 post-processing - time series iteration was incorrect

## 2.3.4 Updates from version 1.5.4 to 1.5.5

- added shutdown hook for resource cleanup on hard shutdowns
- corrected fill value handling for time-variable in ERA-5 post processing
- corrected ERA-5 raster position calculations

## 2.3.5 Updates from version 1.5.3 to 1.5.4

- updated to use SNAP version 8.0.5 / S3TBX version 8.0.3
- updated Postgres/PostGIS drivers
- corrected bug in Postgres connection where segmented geometries were read incorrectly sometimes
- added support for SIRDS SST insitu data

## 2.3.6 Updates from version 1.5.2 to 1.5.3

- Updated to SNAP 8.0.3
- added random string to SLSTR uncompressed temp directory to allow parallel processing of the same product by multiple nodes
- updated workflow handling to new PMonitor version
- updated random seed strategy: keeps on iterating after IOException
- update MxD021km reader - split vector based attributes to channel layer
- added post-processing to handle ERA-5 NWP data
- added support for AVHRR FRAC MetOp-C
- fixed issues with SNAP readers and non-quadratic extraction window

## 2.3.7 Updates from version 1.5.1 to 1.5.2

- Updated to SNAP 8-SNAPSHOT
- Updated to use NetCDF library version 5.3.1
- Added facility to store scaled variables to MMD
- Added support for MxD021KM MODIS level 1 data
- Added support for AVHRR FRAC MetopB data
- Integrated SLURM scheduler
- corrected too-far-apart matches issue when using SOBOL based sampling

## 2.3.8 Updates from version 1.5.0 to 1.5.1

- Added PixelPositionCondition
- Corrected geocoding bug in SLSTR reader
- Added distinction between SLSTR NR and NT products

## 2.3.9 Updates from version 1.4.9 to 1.5.0

- corrected bug in SLSTR reader - read over product borders
- added data caching for SLSTR reader

## 2.3.10 Updates from version 1.4.8 to 1.4.9

- added support for compressed SLSTR L1B data
- corrected SeedPointMatchupStrategy coordinate rounding
- corrected SLSTR L1B time coding calculations
- updated AVHRR FCDR naming regular expression
- corrected post-processing for AVHRR FCDR correlation coefficients

## 2.3.11 Updates from version 1.4.7 to 1.4.8

- implemented support for segmented geo-location data for AVHRR GAC
- added support for AVHRR GAC v2.10.2 data

## 2.3.12 Updates from version 1.4.6 to 1.4.7

- Added inverse cosine scaling for Sobol random sequences
- Added post-processing for AVHRR FCDR correlation coefficients
- Added support for SLSTR L1B data
- Added support for AVHRR\_GAC v2.10.1 data
- Changed MongoDB socket timeout to 2 minutes

## 2.3.13 Updates from version 1.4.5 to 1.4.6

- Added option to switch Sobol sequences between equal-area and equal-angle sampling.

## 2.3.14 Updates from version 1.4.4 to 1.4.5

- Updated AVHRR FCDR reader to follow new filename regular expression

## 2.3.15 Updates from version 1.4.3 to 1.4.4

- Updated AVHRR FCDR reader to support format changes

## 2.3.16 Updates from version 1.4.2 to 1.4.3

- Added support for compressed AVHRR FRAC data products
- Corrected NetCDF lib fill value initialisation during write operations

## 2.3.17 Updates from version 1.4.1 to 1.4.2

- Added reader for AVHRR FIDUCEO FCDR products
- Added reader for AVHRR HIRS FCDR products

- Added support for GRUAN data reference format
- Corrected bug in distance-to-land: NPE when two or more instances are allocated
- Added support for AVHRR FRAC data products
- updated scripts to new JASMIN file system
- added optional paging and offset to database drivers
- updated to SNAP 6.0.8
- updated 3rd party libraries
- added DB maintenance tool

## 2.3.18 Updates from version 1.4.0 to 1.4.1

- migrated to asynchronous PMonitor
- AIRS reader implemented
- AIRS post processing to add channel data implemented
- Bugfix BowTiePixellocator

## 2.3.19 Updates from version 1.3.9 to 1.4.0

- NWP Post Processing improvements
- Post processing to add AIRS channel data to matchup implemented
- AIRS Level-1B IR Radiances reader implemented
- Bug - null pointer exception if MODIS products with bow tied geocoding has gaps - fixed

## 2.3.20 Updates from version 1.3.8 to 1.3.9

- Improved performance of IASI geo-coding
- Speed up in polar-orbiting matchup strategy
- Corrected handling of multiple intersecting areas in one orbit file

## 2.3.21 Updates from version 1.3.7 to 1.3.8

- Added post-processing that copies the AMSR2 Scan\_Data\_Quality variable to the MMD
- Renamed PostProcessing Plugin AddAmsreSolarAngles, expanded to be applicable also for AMSR-2

## 2.3.22 Updates from version 1.3.6 to 1.3.7

- Update to use SNAP version 6.0.0
- Corrected bug in PostGRES database driver
- Maintenance of core modules

## 2.3.23 Updates from version 1.3.5 to 1.3.6

- Implemented support for AMSR 2 data
- Added functionality to extract all overflights over a single location
- Added global temp-file handling with automated cleanup
- Improved geocoding for MxD06 sensor data, improved accuracy

## 2.3.24 Updates from version 1.3.4 to 1.3.5

- Improve check if product is already ingested to speed up database ingestion

- Improve geocoding for MxD06 data, bow tie case, to handle with data gaps

## 2.3.25 Updates from version 1.3.3 to 1.3.4

- Bugfix. Wrong day of year (DOY) handling at PathContext.

## 2.3.26 Updates from version 1.3.2 to 1.3.3

- Bugfix. Fix read for AcquisitionInfo of CALIOP\_xxx\_Reader.  
Caliop reader must be able to create product bounding geometry for very small products.

## 2.3.27 Updates from version 1.3.1 to 1.3.2

- Urgent workaround to resolve NetCDF v4.6.10 bug

## 2.3.28 Updates from version 1.3.0 to 1.3.1

- Caliop L2 Clay Post Processing to add Clay data to an MMD file which already contain Caliop VFM Data.

## 2.3.29 Updates from version 1.2.9 to 1.3.0

- Added condition plugin to ensure unique samples per MMD file
- Implemented support for AVHRR GAC data in version 1.5

## 2.3.30 Updates from version 1.2.8 to 1.2.9

- Added satellite sensor reader for CALIOP L2 Clay products
- Implemented support for MxD06 Modis cloud products
- Fixed bug in NWP post processing plugin configuration parsing

## 2.3.31 Updates from version 1.2.7 to 1.2.8

- Implemented support for AVHRR GAC data in version 1.3 and 1.4
- Updated SST-In-situ reader to support v04.0 data

## 2.3.32 Updates from version 1.2.6 to 1.2.7

- Implemented support for OceanRain insitu SST data

## 2.3.33 Updates from version 1.2.5 to 1.2.6

- MMD – Writer ensures CF conform usage of variable attribute “units”
- Initialize ReaderCache from system or writer configuration
- Corrected SeedPointStrategy to use numPointsPerDay
- Post Processing for CALIOP Feature\_Classification\_Flags

## 2.3.34 Updates from version 1.2.4 to 1.2.5

- Optimized resource usage for distance-to-land calculations
- Updated NWP post processing to accept scaled integer geolocation data
- Added post processing that calculates the distance to land
- Added support for matchup with multiple secondary sensors
- Added satellite sensor reader for CALIOP L2 VFM products

- Border distance condition is ready to support multiple secondary sensors
- Time Delta condition is ready to support multiple secondary sensors
- Overlap remove condition is ready to support multiple secondary sensors
- Window value screening is ready to support multiple secondary sensors

## 2.3.35 Updates from version 1.2.3 to 1.2.4

- Fixed bug in IASI reader that caused crashes when reading files significantly larger than 2 GB
- Updated third party libraries: NetCDF, MongoDB, H2, MySQL and SNAP

## 2.3.36 Updates from version 1.2.2 to 1.2.3

- Added “Sun\_Glint\_Angle” variable to AMSR-E reader
- Extended IASI reader to support v4 and v5 MDR data
- Implemented post processing to add IASI spectrum to MMD
- Added IASI reader for EUMETSAT format
- Fixed bug in AngularScreening that removed too many pixels in some cases.

## 2.3.37 Updates from version 1.2.1 to 1.2.2

- Extended Archive class to understand DAY\_OF\_YEAR elements
- Added post processing plugin to convert elevation to zenith angles
- Improved PostProcessingTool – now creates target directory if not existing

## 2.3.38 Updates from version 1.2.0 to 1.2.1

- Updated BorderDistance condition to allow distinguishing between reference and secondary sensor
- Added RFI glint variables to AMSR-E reader
- Added post processing plugin to add ERA-interim NWP data to matchup datasets

## 2.3.39 Updates from version 1.1.3 to 1.2.0

- Implemented post processing engine
- Added spherical distance post-processing plugin
- Added AMSRE solar angles post-processing plugin
- Added SST in-situ time series extraction post-processing plugin
- Added WindowValue screening plugin

## 2.3.40 Updates from version 1.1.2 to 1.1.3

- Added reader cache size parameter to MMD writer configuration
- Updated MMDWriter to store CF conforming default fill value attributes

## 2.3.41 Updates from version 1.1.1 to 1.1.2

- Fixed bug in AVHRR reader that causes crashes when extracting 1x1 pixel windows

## 2.3.42 Updates from version 1.1.0 to 1.1.1

- Implemented full support for PostGIS databases

## 2.3.43 Updates from version 1.0.5 to 1.1.0

- Added condition plugin for overlap removal
- Added support for SST-CCI insitu data

## 2.3.44 Updates from version 1.0.4 to 1.0.5

- Migrated system configuration from properties to XML format
- Implemented configurable archiving rules

## 2.3.45 Updates from version 1.0.3 to 1.0.4

- Added MMD Writer configuration file
- Added MMD variable renaming engine

## 2.3.46 Updates from version 1.0.2 to 1.0.3

- Added reader for SSM/T-2 data
- Added full support for Apache H2 database
- Renamed parameter for AngularScreening plugin
- Added mmd writer configuration
- Fixed bug in HIRS reader plugin that prevented HIRS NOAA 18 data to be handled

## 2.3.47 Updates from version 1.0.1 to 1.0.2

- Added HIRS “Iza” angular screening
- Added HIRS L1C reader
- Updated regular expression for AMSU-B/MHS reader
- Added reader for ATSR1, ATSR2 and AATSR L1B data in ENVISAT format
- Added optional calculation of matchup center distance variable
- Added PixelValue screening plugin
- Corrected fill value handling to follow CF conventions
- Added reader form AMSR-E L2A data in HDF format
- Added support for multiple processing version of sensor data

## 2.3.48 Updates from version 1.0.0 to 1.0.1

- Implemented cloud screening algorithm for AMSU-B, MHS and SSMIS according to University of Hamburg
- Bugfixes:
  - Fixed issue where input files were not closed correctly
  - Fixed performance bottleneck when adding secondary observation pixels

## 2.4 Applicable and Reference Documents

The following documents are applicable (AD) or references (RD) in this manual

RD 1	FIDUCEO_MMS_IP_v_1_1	Fiduceo Multisensor Matchup System Implementation Plan, version 1.1
RD 2	Buehler2007	S. A. Buehler, M. Kuvatov, T. R. Sreerekha, V. O. John, B. Rydberg, P. Eriksson, and J. Notholt: A cloud filtering method for microwave upper tropospheric humidity measurements, Atmos. Chem Phys. Discuss., 7, 7509–7534, 2007
RD 3	Hans2016	TN: Computing the Tb thresholds for cloud detection for the different viewing angles, Imke Hans, University of Hamburg
RD 4	SST_CCI-TN-UOL-003	ESA CCI Phase 2 (SST) - MMD Content Specification
RD 5	Worby et al	Worby, A. P., C. Geiger, M. J. Paget, M. van Woert, S. F Ackley, T. DeLiberty, (2008). Thickness distribution of Antarctic sea ice. J. Geophys. Res., 113, C05S92, doi:10.1029/2007JC004254.
AD 1	EUM/OPS- EPS/MAN/04/0032	IASI Level 1: Product Guide, issue v4C, 3 December 2014

## 2.5 Glossary

CDO	Climate Data Operators
CEDA	Centre for Environmental Data Analysis
CEMS	Climate and Environmental Monitoring from Space
DMI	Danmarks Meteorologiske Institut
DTU	Danmarks Tekniske Universitet
JDBC	Java DataBase Connectivity
JDK	Java Development Kit
LZA	Local Zenith Angle
MMD	Multisensor Matchup Dataset
MMS	Multisensor Matchup System
NetCDF	Network Common Data Format
NDBC	National Data Buoy Center
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NWP	Numerical Weather Prediction
TAO	Tropical Atmosphere/Ocean array
TN	Technical Note
SLSTR	Sea and Land Surface Temperature Radiometer
VZA	Viewing Zenith Angle
XML	eXtensible Markup Language



### 3 Software Overview

The MMS is a software system that is composed of several interacting components. This chapter gives a high-level overview of the purpose and interactions of the components.

To operate the MMS tools, some external components need to be installed and accessible to the tools. This is mainly a unified archive of input data (see 4.1.1) and a database server engine (currently supported MongoDB, Apache H2 and PostGIS) with a user account accessible to the tools.

The calculation of matchup datasets is a three-step process:

1. Ingest satellite metadata into the database. This has to be run once for every input dataset that should be used for matchup analysis. This task is executed by the IngestionTool (chapter 3.1)
2. Find matchups and generate MMD files. This is done by the MatchupTool (chapter 3.2).
3. (optionally) Run a post-processing job on the generated MMDs. This is done by the PostProcessingTool (chapter 3.3).

#### 3.1 Ingestion Tool

This tool extracts satellite metadata from the input files, pre-processes the metadata and stores the records to the database. The tool is invoked from the command line using the script *ingestion-tool.sh/bat* which is located in the *bin* directory of the MMS installation. The command line parameters can be plotted using the `-h/--help` option:

```
ingestion-tool version 1.5.6

usage: ingestion-tool <options>
Valid options are:
  -c,--config <arg>           Defines the configuration directory. Defaults to './config'.
  -end,--end-time <Date>      Define the ending time of products to inject.
  -h,--help                   Prints the tool usage.
  -s,--sensor <arg>          Defines the sensor to be ingested.
  -start,--start-time <Date>  Define the starting time of products to inject.
  -u,--update                 Update database entries if already existing.
  -v,--version <arg>         Define the sensor data processing version.
```

**--config:** define the path to the configuration files directory

**--sensor:** define the sensor key to be ingested. Sensor keys are defined by the product reader modules available, see chapter 3.5.

**--version:** defines the sensor data processing version to be ingested. Must match one of the versions stored in the archive, see 4.1.1.

**--start-date:** defines the start date for the ingestion (format: “yyyy-DDD”)

**--end-date:** defines the end date for the ingestion (format: “yyyy-DDD”)

**--update:** this option allows updating already existing entries in the database instead of skipping them during the ingestion process.

All satellite data files matching the type and version with an acquisition time start that falls into the interval defined by *start-date* and *end-date* will be processed.

The ingestion tool uses the following configuration files:

- system-config.xml (chapter 4.1.1)
- database.properties (chapter 4.1.2)

## 3.2 Matchup Tool

The matchup tool calculates matchups and generates MMD files. The tool is invoked from the command line using the script *matchup-tool.sh/bat* which is located in the *bin* directory of the MMS installation. The command line parameters can be plotted using the *-h/--help* option:

```
matchup-tool version 1.5.6

usage: matchup-tool <options>
Valid options are:
  -c,--config <arg>           Defines the configuration directory. Defaults to './config'.
  -end,--end-time <arg>       Defines the processing end-date, format 'yyyy-DDD'
  -h,--help                    Prints the tool usage.
  -start,--start-time <arg>   Defines the processing start-date, format 'yyyy-DDD'
  -u,--usecase <arg>         Defines the path to the use-case configuration file. Path is
                             relative to the configuration directory.
```

**--config:** define the path to the configuration files directory

**--start-time:** defines the start date for the matchup processing (format: "yyyy-DDD")

**--end-time:** defines the end date for the matchup processing (format: "yyyy-DDD")

**--usecase:** defines the usecase configuration file to use, see chapter 4.1.4

The matchup tool uses the following configuration files:

- system-config.xml (chapter 4.1.1)
- database.properties (chapter 4.1.2)
- mmd-writer-config.xml (chapter 4.1.3)

## 3.3 Post Processing Tool

The post processing tool allows to add/remove/modify variables in a set of MMD files already generated. It is a command line tool using the following parameters (the same printout can be achieved by running the

tool using the `-h` parameter). The tool is started using shells scripts located in the bin directory of the installation named *post-processing-tool.sh/bat*.

```
post-processing-tool version 1.5.6

usage: post-processing-tool <options>
Valid options are:
  -c,--config <arg>           Defines the configuration directory. Defaults to './config'.
  -end,--end-date <arg>       Defines the processing end-date, format 'yyyy-DDD'.
                               DDD = day of year.
  -h,--help                   Prints the tool usage.
  -i,--input-dir <arg>        Defines the path to the input mmd files directory.
  -j,--job-config <arg>       Defines the path to post processing job configuration file.
                               Path is relative to the configuration directory.
  -start,--start-date <arg>   Defines the processing start-date, format 'yyyy-DDD'.
                               DDD = day of year.
```

**--config:** define the path to the configuration files directory

**--job-config:** define the job-configuration file to use; the format of this file is described in chapter 4.1.5.

**--input-dir:** defines the input data directory. All files inside this directory which match the file naming pattern "*mmd\{d{1,2}.\*\_.\*\_\{d{4}-\{d{3}\_\{d{4}-\{d{3}.nc*" are collected as input files for post processing. The directory search runs recursively through all subdirectories.

**--start-date:** defines the start date for the post-processing (format: "yyyy-DDD")

**--end-date:** defines the end date for the post processing (format: "yyyy-DDD")

All MMD files with a start date within the period defined by start-date and end-date will be taken into account for processing. If any severe error occurs while computing a post processing, the processing will report the error and continue processing with the next input file, if possible.

The post processing tool uses the following configuration files:

- system-config.xml (chapter 4.1.1)
- post processing configuration (chapter 4.1.5)

## 3.4 Database Maintenance Tool

The database maintenance tool allows to modify the data paths of the metadata database. This may be necessary when the physical disk archive is moved or rearranged. It is a command line tool using the following parameters (the same printout can be achieved by running the tool using the `-h` parameter). The tool is started using shells scripts located in the bin directory of the installation named *db\_maintenance.sh/bat*.

```
db-maintenance-tool version 1.5.6

usage: db_maintenance <options>
Valid options are:
  -c,--config <arg>           Defines the configuration directory. Defaults to './config'.
  -d,--dryrun                 Defines 'dryrun' status, i.e. just test the replacement and report
                               problems.
```

<code>-h, --help</code>	Prints the tool usage.
<code>-p, --path &lt;arg&gt;</code>	Observation path segment to be replaced or truncated.
<code>-r, --replace &lt;arg&gt;</code>	Observation path segment replacement.
<code>-s, --segments &lt;arg&gt;</code> (default: 4)	Number of segments to consider for paths missing the search expression
<code>-t, --truncate</code>	Command to truncate path segment.

**--config:** define the path to the configuration files directory

**--dryrun:** set to dryrun state, which is testing the requested operations without performing them and reporting the result to the console.

**--segments:** set the length of the path segments to be distinguished in the --dryrun report, defaults to 4. This allows to detail the amount of paths that are reported to a meaningful subset, i.e. the sensor and the version. For a database containing paths in the form of

`<SENSOR>/<VERSION>/<YEAR>/<MONTH>/<DAY>/data_product`

An example printout with `--segments 2` gives the following result:

```
Datasets checked: 863712
Datasets ok to convert: 0
Datasets with deviating path:
- slstr-s3b-nt/v1: 376100
- slstr-s3a-nt/v1: 362673
- avhrr-frac-ma/v1: 52228
- avhrr-frac-mb/v1: 47583
- aatsr-en/v3: 25127
```

**--path:** defines the path segment to search for. Updating of the path of the database entry will be executed for all entries containing the path segment.

**--replace:** defines the path segment to replace the search path defined with the `--path` argument

**--truncate:** set this to truncate the search path segment defined in `--path` from the database entry path

The database maintenance tool uses the following configuration files:

- system-config.xml (chapter 4.1.1)
- database.properties (chapter 4.1.2)

## 3.5 Supported Satellite Sensors

This chapter lists the input satellite data source types available for matchup processing. In subsequent chapters, the sensors, the data format, and the available variables are described in more detail.

### 3.5.1 AIRS-Level-1B

AIRS Level-1B Version v5.0.0.0

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Sensor Key	Source
airs-aq	AIRS Level-1B data from Aqua platform

Variable Name	Description
Latitude	Footprint boresight geodetic Latitude in degrees North (-90.0 ... 90.0)
Longitude	Footprint boresight geodetic Longitude in degrees East (-180.0 ... 180.0)
Time	Footprint "shutter" TAI Time: floating-point elapsed seconds since Jan 1, 1993
scanang	Scanning angle of AIRS instrument with respect to the AIRS Instrument for this footprint (-180.0 ... 180.0, negative at start of scan, 0 at nadir)
satheight	Satellite altitude at nadirTAI in km above reference ellipsoid (e.g. 725.2)
satroll	Satellite attitude roll angle at nadirTAI (-180.0 ... 180.0 angle about the +x (roll) ORB axis, +x axis is positively oriented in the direction of orbital flight completing an orthogonal triad with y and z.)
satpitch	Satellite attitude pitch angle at nadirTAI (-180.0 ... 180.0 angle about +y (pitch) ORB axis. +y axis is oriented normal to the orbit plane with the positive sense opposite to that of the orbit's angular momentum vector H.)
satyaw	Satellite attitude yaw angle at nadirTAI (-180.0 ... 180.0 angle about +z (yaw) axis. +z axis is positively oriented Earthward parallel to the satellite radius vector R from the spacecraft center of mass to the center of the Earth.)
satgeoqa	<p>Satellite Geolocation QA flags:</p> <p>Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) bad input value;</p> <p>Bit 1: (value 2) PGS_TD_TAItUTC() gave PGSTD_E_NO_LEAP_SECS;</p> <p>Bit 2: (value 4) PGS_TD_TAItUTC() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 3: (value 8) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSEPH_W_BAD_EPHEM_VALUE;</p> <p>Bit 4: (value 16) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSEPH_E_BAD_EPHEM_FILE_HDR;</p> <p>Bit 5: (value 32) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSEPH_E_NO_SC_EPHEM_FILE;</p> <p>Bit 6: (value 64) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSEPH_E_NO_DATA_REQUESTED;</p> <p>Bit 7: (value 128) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSTD_E_SC_TAG_UNKNOWN;</p> <p>Bit 8: (value 256) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSEPH_E_BAD_ARRAY_SIZE;</p> <p>Bit 9: (value 512) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSTD_E_TIME_FMT_ERROR;</p> <p>Bit 10: (value 1024) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSTD_E_TIME_VALUE_ERROR;</p> <p>Bit 11: (value 2048) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGSTD_E_NO_LEAP_SECS;</p> <p>Bit 12: (value 4096) PGS_EPH_EphemAttit() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 13: (value 8192) PGS_CSC_ECItECR() gave PGSCSC_W_BAD_TRANSFORM_VALUE;</p> <p>Bit 14: (value 16384) PGS_CSC_ECItECR() gave PGSCSC_E_BAD_ARRAY_SIZE;</p> <p>Bit 15: (value 32768) PGS_CSC_ECItECR() gave PGSTD_E_NO_LEAP_SECS;</p>

	<p>Bit 16: (value 65536) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave PGSTD_E_TIME_FMT_ERROR;</p> <p>Bit 17: (value 131072) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave PGSTD_E_TIME_VALUE_ERROR;</p> <p>Bit 18: unused (set to zero);</p> <p>Bit 19: (value 524288) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave PGSTD_E_NO_UT1_VALUE;</p> <p>Bit 20:(value 1048576) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 21: (value 2097152) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGSCSC_W_TOO_MANY_ITERS;</p> <p>Bit 22: (value 4194304) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGSCSC_W_INVALID_ALTITUDE;</p> <p>Bit 23: (value 8388608) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGSCSC_W_SPHERE_BODY;</p> <p>Bit 24: (value 16777216) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGSCSC_W_LARGE_FLATTENING;</p> <p>Bit 25: (value 33554432) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGSCSC_W_DEFAULT_EARTH_MODEL;</p> <p>Bit 26: (value 67108864) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGSCSC_E_BAD_EARTH_MODEL;</p> <p>Bit 27: (value 134217728) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 28-31: not used</p>
glintgeoqa	<p>Glint Geolocation QA flags:</p> <p>Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) bad input value;</p> <p>Bit 1: (value 2) glint location in Earth's shadow (Normal for night FOVs);</p> <p>Bit 2: (value 4) glint calculation not converging;</p> <p>Bit 3: (value 8) glint location sun vs. satellite zenith mismatch;</p> <p>Bit 4: (value 16) glint location sun vs. satellite azimuth mismatch;</p> <p>Bit 5: (value 32) bad glint location;</p> <p>Bit 6: (value 64) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth() gave any 'W' class return code;</p> <p>Bit 7: (value 128) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth() gave any 'E' class return code;</p> <p>Bit 8: (value 256) PGS_CBP_Earth_CB_Vector() gave any 'W' class return code;</p> <p>Bit 9: (value 512) PGS_CBP_Earth_CB_Vector() gave any 'E' class return code;</p> <p>Bit 10: (value 1024) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave any 'W' class return code except PGSCSC_W_PREDICTED_UT1 (for Glint);</p> <p>Bit 11: (value 2048) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave any 'E' class return code (for Glint);</p> <p>Bit 12: (value 4096) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave any 'W' class return code (for Glint);</p> <p>Bit 13: (value 8192) PGS_CSC_ECRtoGEO() gave any 'E' class return code (for Glint);</p> <p>Bit 14: (value 16384) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave any 'W' class return code except PGSCSC_W_PREDICTED_UT1 ;</p> <p>Bit 15: (value 32768) PGS_CSC_ECIttoECR() gave any 'E' class return code</p>
moongeoqa	<p>Moon Geolocation QA flags:</p> <p>Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) bad input value;</p> <p>Bit 1: (value 2) PGS_TD_TAIttoUTC() gave PGSTD_E_NO_LEAP_SECS;</p> <p>Bit 2: (value 4) PGS_TD_TAIttoUTC() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 3: (value 8) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave</p>

	<p>PGSCSC_W_BELOW_SURFACE;  Bit 4: (value 16) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSCBP_W_BAD_CB_VECTOR;  Bit 5: (value 32) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSCBP_E_BAD_ARRAY_SIZE;  Bit 6: (value 64) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSCBP_E_INVALID_CB_ID;  Bit 7: (value 128) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSMEM_E_NO_MEMORY;  Bit 8: (value 256) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSCBP_E_UNABLE_TO_OPEN_FILE;  Bit 9: (value 512) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSTD_E_BAD_INITIAL_TIME;  Bit 10: (value 1024) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSCBP_E_TIME_OUT_OF_RANGE;  Bit 11: (value 2048) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSTD_E_SC_TAG_UNKNOWN;  Bit 12: (value 4096) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSEPH_E_BAD_EPHEM_FILE_HDR;  Bit 13: (value 8192) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave  PGSEPH_E_NO_SC_EPHEM_FILE;  Bit 14: (value 16384) PGS_CBP_Sat_CB_Vector() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;  Bit 15: not used</p>
ftptgeoqa	<p>Footprint Geolocation QA flags:  Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) bad input value;  Bit 1: (value 2) PGS_TD_TAtoUTC() gave PGSTD_E_NO_LEAP_SECS;  Bit 2: (value 4) PGS_TD_TAtoUTC() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;  Bit 3: (value 8) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_MISS_EARTH;  Bit 4: (value 16) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSTD_E_SC_TAG_UNKNOWN;  Bit 5: (value 32) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_ZERO_PIXEL_VECTOR;  Bit 6: (value 64) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_BAD_EPH_FOR_PIXEL;  Bit 7: (value 128) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_INSTRUMENT_OFF_BOARD;  Bit 8: (value 256) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_BAD_ACCURACY_FLAG;  Bit 9: (value 512) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_E_BAD_ARRAY_SIZE;  Bit 10: (value 1024) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_DEFAULT_EARTH_MODEL;  Bit 11: (value 2048) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_W_DATA_FILE_MISSING;  Bit 12: (value 4096) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSCSC_E_NEG_OR_ZERO_RAD;  Bit 13: (value 8192) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSMEM_E_NO_MEMORY;  Bit 14: (value 16384) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave  PGSTD_E_NO_LEAP_SECS;</p>

	<p>Bit 15: (value 32768) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGSTD_E_TIME_FMT_ERROR;</p> <p>Bit 16: (value 65536) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGSTD_E_TIME_VALUE_ERROR;</p> <p>Bit 17: (value 131072) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGSCSC_W_PREDICTED_UT1;</p> <p>Bit 18: (value 262144) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGSTD_E_NO_UT1_VALUE;</p> <p>Bit 19: (value 524288) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 20: (value 1048576) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGSEPH_E_BAD_EPHEM_FILE_HDR;</p> <p>Bit 21: (value 2097152) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave PGSEPH_E_NO_SC_EPHEM_FILE;</p> <p>Bit 22-31: not used</p>
zengeoqa	<p>Satellite zenith Geolocation QA flags:</p> <p>Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) (Spacecraft) bad input value;</p> <p>Bit 1: (value 2) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGSCSC_W_BELOW_HORIZON;</p> <p>Bit 2: (value 4) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGSCSC_W_UNDEFINED_AZIMUTH;</p> <p>Bit 3: (value 8) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGSCSC_W_NO_REFRACTION;</p> <p>Bit 4: (value 16) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGSCSC_E_INVALID_VECTAG;</p> <p>Bit 5: (value 32) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGSCSC_E_LOOK_PT_ALTIT_RANGE;</p> <p>Bit 6: (value 64) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGSCSC_E_ZERO_INPUT_VECTOR;</p> <p>Bit 7: (value 128) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(S/C) gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT;</p> <p>Bit 8: (value 256) (Sun) bad input value;</p> <p>Bit 9: (value 512) (suppressed) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGSCSC_W_BELOW_HORIZON (This is not an error condition - the sun is below the horizon at night);</p> <p>Bit 10: (value 1024) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGSCSC_W_UNDEFINED_AZIMUTH;</p> <p>Bit 11: (value 2048) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGSCSC_W_NO_REFRACTION;</p> <p>Bit 12: (value 4096) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGSCSC_E_INVALID_VECTAG;</p> <p>Bit 13: (value 8192) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGSCSC_E_LOOK_PT_ALTIT_RANGE;</p> <p>Bit 14: (value 16384) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGSCSC_E_ZERO_INPUT_VECTOR;</p> <p>Bit 15: (value 32768) PGS_CSC_ZenithAzimuth(Sun) gave PGS_E_TOOLKIT</p>
demgeoqa	<p>Digital Elevation Model (DEM) Geolocation QA flags:</p> <p>Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) bad input value;</p> <p>Bit 1: (value 2) Could not allocate memory;</p> <p>Bit 2: (value 4) Too close to North or South pole. Excluded. (This is not an</p>



	<p>error condition - a different model is used);</p> <p>Bit 3: (value 8) Layer resolution incompatibility. Excluded;</p> <p>Bit 4: (value 16) Any DEM Routine (elev) gave PGSDM_E_IMPROPER_TAG;</p> <p>Bit 5: (value 32) Any DEM Routine (elev) gave PGSDM_E_CANNOT_ACCESS_DATA;</p> <p>Bit 6: (value 64) Any DEM Routine (land/water) gave PGSDM_E_IMPROPER_TAG;</p> <p>Bit 7: (value 128) Any DEM Routine (land/water) gave PGSDM_E_CANNOT_ACCESS_DATA;</p> <p>Bit 8: (value 256) Reserved for future layers;</p> <p>Bit 9: (value 512) Reserved for future layers;</p> <p>Bit 10: (value 1024) PGS_DEM_GetRegion(elev) gave PGSDM_M_FILLVALUE_INCLUDED;</p> <p>Bit 11: (value 2048) PGS_DEM_GetRegion(land/water) gave PGSDM_M_FILLVALUE_INCLUDED;</p> <p>Bit 12: (value 4096) Reserved for future layers;</p> <p>Bit 13: (value 8192) PGS_DEM_GetRegion(all) gave PGSDM_M_MULTIPLE_RESOLUTIONS;</p> <p>Bit 14: (value 16384) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave any 'W' class return code except PGSCSC_W_PREDICTED_UT1;</p> <p>Bit 15: (value 32768) PGS_CSC_GetFOV_Pixel() gave any 'E' class return code</p>
nadirTAI	TAI time at which instrument is nominally looking directly down. (between footprints 15 & 16 for AMSU or between footprints 45 & 46 for AIRS/Vis & HSB) (floating-point elapsed seconds since start of 1993)
sat_lat	Satellite geodetic latitude in degrees North (-90.0 ... 90.0)
sat_lon	Satellite geodetic longitude in degrees East (-180.0 ... 180.0)
scan_node_type	'A' for ascending, 'D' for descending, 'E' when an error is encountered in trying to determine a value.
satzen	Spacecraft zenith angle (0.0 ... 180.0) degrees from zenith (measured relative to the geodetic vertical on the reference (WGS84) spheroid and including corrections outlined in EOS SDP toolkit for normal accuracy.)
satazi	Spacecraft azimuth angle (-180.0 ... 180.0) degrees E of N GEO)
glintlat	Solar glint geodetic latitude in degrees North at nadirTAI (-90.0 ... 90.0)
glintlon	Solar glint geodetic longitude in degrees East at nadirTAI (-180.0 ... 180.0)
sun_glint_distance	Distance (km) from footprint center to location of the sun glint (-9999 for unknown, 30000 for no glint visible because spacecraft is in Earth's shadow)
topog	Mean topography in meters above reference ellipsoid
topog_err	Error estimate for topog
landFrac	Fraction of spot that is land (0.0 ... 1.0)
landFrac_err	Error estimate for landFrac
state	Data state: 0:Process, 1:Special, 2:Erroneous, 3:Missing
CalScanSummary	<p>Bit field. Bitwise OR of CalFlag over the all channels with ExcludedChans &lt; 3. Zero means all "good" channels were well calibrated for this scanline</p> <p>Bit 7 (MSB): scene over/underflow;</p> <p>Bit 6: (value 64) anomaly in offset calculation;</p> <p>Bit 5: (value 32) anomaly in gain calculation;</p>

	Bit 4: (value 16) pop detected; Bit 3: (value 8) DCR Occurred; Bit 2: (value 4) Moon in View; Bit 1: (value 2) telemetry out of limit condition; Bit 0: (LSB, value 1) cold scene noise
spaceview_selection	Indicates which footprints were included for this scan. Each bit is high when the corresponding space view is used in the spaceview offset calculation. (See L1B Processing Requirements, section 6.2); LSB is first space view.
Rdiff_swindow	Radiance difference in the 2560 cm <sup>-1</sup> window region used to warn of possible errors caused by scene non-uniformity and misalignment of the beams: radiance(Rdiff_swindow_M1a_chan) - radiance(Rdiff_swindow_M2a_chan). (radiance units)
Rdiff_lwindow	Radiance difference in the longwave window(850 cm <sup>-1</sup> ) used to warn of possible errors caused by scene non-uniformity and misalignment of the point beams: radiance(Rdiff_lwindow_M8_chan) - radiance(Rdiff_lwindow_M9_chan). (radiance units)
SceneInhomogeneous	Threshold test for scene inhomogeneity, using band-overlap detectors (bit fields).; Bit 7 (MSB, value 128): scene is inhomogeneous, as determined by the Rdiff_swindow threshold. For v5.0 the test is $\text{abs}(\text{Rdiff\_swindow}) > 5 * \sqrt{\text{NeN}(\text{Rdiff\_swindow\_M1a\_chan})^2 + \text{NeN}(\text{Rdiff\_swindow\_M2a\_chan})}$ ; Bit 6 (value 64): scene is inhomogeneous, as determined by the Rdiff_lwindow threshold. For v5.0 the test is $\text{abs}(\text{Rdiff\_lwindow}) > 5 * \sqrt{\text{NeN}(\text{Rdiff\_lwindow\_M8\_chan})^2 + \text{NeN}(\text{Rdiff\_lwindow\_M9\_chan})}$ ; Bits 5-0: unused (reserved)
dust_flag	Flag telling whether dust was detected in this scene; 1: Dust detected; 0: Dust not detected; -1: Dust test not valid because of land; -2: Dust test not valid because of high latitude; -3: Dust test not valid because of suspected cloud; -4: Dust test not valid because of bad input data
dust_score	Dust score. Each bit results from a different test comparing radiances. Higher scores indicate more certainty of dust present. Dust probable when score is over 380. Not valid when dust_flag is negative.
spectral_clear_indicator	Flag telling whether scene was flagged as clear by a spectral filter. Only ocean filter is validated; 2: Ocean test applied and scene identified as clear; 1: Ocean test applied and scene not identified as clear; 0: Calculation could not be completed. Possibly some inputs were missing or FOV is on coast or on the edge of a scan or granule; -1: Unvalidated land test applied and scene not identified as clear; -2: Unvalidated land test applied and scene identified as clear
BT_diff_SO2	Brightness temperature difference Tb(1361.44 cm <sup>-1</sup> ) - Tb(1433.06 cm <sup>-1</sup> ) used as an indicator of SO2 release from volcanoes. Values under -6 K have likely volcanic SO2. (Kelvins)
OpMode	Instrument Operations Mode. See AIRS Command Handbook, section 6.4 for

	a definition of each bit. Bits 0 (LSB)-2 cal phase; bits 3-6 Cal Func; Bit 7 quicklook (expedited) flag; bits 8-11 submode Bits 12-14 Mode (0=standby, 1=ready, 2=operate, 3=checkout, 4=decontaminate, 5=off, 6=survival); bit 16 transition flag
EDCBOARD	EDC A/B Powered on Indicator;; 0: Both sides off; 1: Side A; 2: Side B; 3: Invalid; 65534: No value downlinked

### 3.5.2 AMSR-2

AMSR-2 L1R brightness temperatures in HDF5 format as supplied by JAXA. This reader only handles data in the low resolution, the 89 GHz A and B data are ignored.

Sensor Key	Source
amsr2-gcw1	AMSR-2 data from GCOM-W1 platform

Variable Name	Description
Area_Mean_Height	Altitude data
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,6.9GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 6.9 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,7.3GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 7.3 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,10.7GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 10.7 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,18.7GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 18.7 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,23.8GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 23.8 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,36.5GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 36.5 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Brightness_Temperature_(resXX,89.0GHz,Y)	Observed brightness temperature at 89.0 GHz, resampled to resolution XX, polarisation Y
Earth_Incidence	Incidence angle of observation in degrees
Earth_Azimuth	Azimuth angle of observation in degrees
Sun_Elevation	Sun elevation angle in degrees
Sun_Azimuth	Sun azimuth angle in degrees
Land_Ocean_Flag_6	Land coverage flag for 6.9 GHz channel
Land_Ocean_Flag_10	Land coverage flag for 10.7 GHz channel
Land_Ocean_Flag_23	Land coverage flag for 23.8 GHz channel
Land_Ocean_Flag_36	Land coverage flag for 36.5 GHz channel

Latitude_of_Observation_Point_for_89A	Latitude in degrees, subsampled to match the low resolution raster size
Longitude_of_Observation_Point_for_89A	Longitude in degrees, subsampled to match the low resolution raster size
Pixel_Data_Quality_6_to_36	Pixel data quality flags, rearranged to SHORT data type by merging the two BYTE data arrays
Position_in_Orbit	The satellite position on the orbit
Scan_Time	Acquisition time per scanline in TAI seconds since 1993

### 3.5.3 AMSR-E

AMSR-E L2A brightness temperatures in HDF4 format. This reader only handles the “Low\_Res\_Swath” data.

Sensor Key	Source
amsre-aq	AMSR-E data from Aqua platform

Variable Name	Description
Time	Acquisition time per scanline in TAI seconds since 1993
Latitude	Latitude of pixel in decimal degrees
Longitude	Longitude of pixel in decimal degrees
Earth_Incidence	Incidence angle of observation in degrees
Earth_Azimuth	Azimuth angle of observation in degrees
Sun_Elevation	Sun elevation angle in degrees
Sun_Azimuth	Sun azimuth angle in degrees
Land_Ocean_Flag_6	Land coverage flag for 6 GHz channel
X_XV_Res_1_TB	Brightness temperatures vertical polarisation in low resolution for channels X_X (6_9, 10_7, 18_7, 23_8, 36_5, 89_0)
X_XH_Res_1_TB	Brightness temperatures horizontal polarisation in low resolution for channels X_X (6_9, 10_7, 18_7, 23_8, 36_5, 89_0)
Scan_Quality_Flag	Quality flags per scan
Channel_Quality_Flag_XXV	Quality flags per vertical polarisation channel XX (6, 10, 18, 23, 36, 89)
Channel_Quality_Flag_XXH	Quality flags per horizontal polarisation channel XX (6, 10, 18, 23, 36, 89)
Res1_Surf	Land coverage percentage for resolution one
Geostationary_Reflection_Latitude	RFI sources glint angles latitude
Geostationary_Reflection_Longitude	RFI sources glint angles longitude
Sun_Glint_Angle	Angular separation between the Reflected Satellite View Vector and the Sun Vector. When Sun_Glint_Angle is zero, the instrument views the center of the specular (mirror-like) sun reflection.

### 3.5.4 AMSU-B

AMSU-B L1c data from NOAA CLASS storage, converted to HDF using “atovin” and “convert\_to\_hdf5”.

Sensor Key	Source
amsub-n15	AMSU-B NOAA15
amsub-n16	AMSU-B NOAA16
amsub-n17	AMSU-B NOAA17

Variable Name	Description
btemps_ch1	Brightness temperature in channel 1 (2.9684 m <sup>-1</sup> )
btemps_ch2	Brightness temperature in channel 2 (5.0032 m <sup>-1</sup> )
btemps_ch3	Brightness temperature in channel 3 (6.1146 m <sup>-1</sup> )
btemps_ch4	Brightness temperature in channel 4 (6.1146 m <sup>-1</sup> )
btemps_ch5	Brightness temperature in channel 5 (6.1146 m <sup>-1</sup> )
chanqual_ch1	Channel quality for channel 1
chanqual_ch2	Channel quality for channel 2
chanqual_ch3	Channel quality for channel 3
chanqual_ch4	Channel quality for channel 4
chanqual_ch5	Channel quality for channel 5
instrtemp	Instrument temperature
qualind	Quality indicator
scanqual	Scan line quality
scnlin	Scan line number
scnlindy	Day of scan line acquisition
scnlintime	Time of scan line acquisition
scnlinyr	Year of scan line acquisition
Latitude	Latitude of pixel
Longitude	Longitude of pixel
Time	Acquisition time in TAI93 seconds
Satellite_azimuth_angle	The satellite azimuth angle
Satellite_zenith_angle	The satellite zenith angle
Solar_azimuth_angle	The solar azimuth angle
Solar_zenith_angle	The solar zenith angle

All per-scan line variables are extended to cover the full pixel grid.

### 3.5.5 (A)ATSR

ATSR1, ATSR2 and AATSR data in ENVISAT native format (\*.N1). The MMS supports data in processing version v2.1 and v3 format.

Sensor Key	Source
atsr-e1	ATSR1 on ERS1
atsr-e2	ATSR2 on ERS2
aatsr-en	AATSR on ENVISAT

Variable Name	Description
btemp_nadir_1200	Brightness temperature, nadir view (11500-12500 nm)

btemp_nadir_1100	Brightness temperature, nadir view (10400-11300 nm)
btemp_nadir_0370	Brightness temperature, nadir view (3505-3895 nm)
reflec_nadir_1600	Reflectance, nadir view (1580-1640 nm)
reflec_nadir_0870	Reflectance, nadir view (855-875 nm)
reflec_nadir_0670	Reflectance, nadir view (649-669 nm)
reflec_nadir_0550	Reflectance, nadir view (545-565 nm)
confid_flags_nadir	Confidence flags, nadir view
cloud_flags_nadir	Cloud flags, nadir view
btemp_fward_1200	Brightness temperature, forward view (11500-12500 nm)
btemp_fward_1100	Brightness temperature, forward view (10400-11300 nm)
btemp_fward_0370	Brightness temperature, forward view (3505-3895 nm)
reflec_fward_1600	Reflectance, forward view (1580-1640 nm)
reflec_fward_0870	Reflectance, forward view (855-875 nm)
reflec_fward_0670	Reflectance, forward view (649-669 nm)
reflec_fward_0550	Reflectance, forward view (545-565 nm)
confid_flags_fward	Confidence flags, forward view
cloud_flags_fward	Cloud flags, forward view
lat_corr_nadir	Latitude corrections, nadir view
lon_corr_nadir	Longitude corrections, nadir view
sun_elev_nadir	Solar elevation, nadir view
view_elev_nadir	Satellite elevation, nadir view
sun_azimuth_nadir	Solar azimuth, nadir view
view_azimuth_nadir	Satellite azimuth, nadir view
lat_corr_fward	Latitude corrections, forward view
lon_corr_fward	Longitude corrections, forward view
sun_elev_fward	Solar elevation, forward view
view_elev_fward	Satellite elevation, forward view
sun_azimuth_fward	Solar azimuth, forward view
view_azimuth_fward	Satellite azimuth, forward view
latitude	Latitudes
longitude	Longitudes
altitude	Topographic altitude

All tie-point raster variables are interpolated to the full raster resolution.

### 3.5.6 AVHRR GAC

AVHRR L1C GAC data in NetCDF format, converted using routines developed at University of Reading. The MMS supports data of processing versions 1.2, 1.3, 1.4-cspp, 1.5 and 2.10.1.

Sensor Key	Source
avhrr-n06	AVHRR NOAA06
avhrr-n07	AVHRR/2 NOAA07
avhrr-n08	AVHRR NOAA08
avhrr-n09	AVHRR/2 NOAA09
avhrr-n10	AVHRR NOAA10
avhrr-n11	AVHRR/2 NOAA11

avhrr-n12	AVHRR/2 NOAA12
avhrr-n14	AVHRR/2 NOAA14
avhrr-n15	AVHRR/3 NOAA15
avhrr-n16	AVHRR/3 NOAA16
avhrr-n17	AVHRR/3 NOAA17
avhrr-n18	AVHRR/3 NOAA18
avhrr-n19	AVHRR/3 NOAA19
avhrr-m02	AVHRR/3 METOP A
avhrr-ma	AVHRR/3 METOP A
avhrr-m01	AVHRR/3 METOP B
avhrr-mb	AVHRR/3 METOP B

Variable Name	Description
ch1	Channel 1 reflectance
ch1_earth_counts	Channel 1 photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1)
ch1_noise	Channel 1 noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5, v2.10.1)
ch2	Channel 2 reflectance
ch2_earth_counts	Channel 2 photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1)
ch2_noise	Channel 2 noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5, v2.10.1)
ch3	Channel 3 reflectance (only AVHRR/2)
ch3_earth_counts	Channel 3 photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1) (only AVHRR/2)
ch3_noise	Channel 3 noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5) (only AVHRR/2)
ch3a	Channel 3a reflectance (only AVHRR/2 AVHRR/3)
ch3a_earth_counts	Channel 3a photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1) (only AVHRR/2 AVHRR/3)
ch3a_noise	Channel 3a noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5) (only AVHRR/2 AVHRR/3)
ch3b	Channel 3b brightness temperature
ch3b_bbody_counts	Channel 3b smoothed black body counts (only v2.10.1)
ch3b_earth_counts	Channel 3b photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1)
ch3b_nedt	Channel 3b noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5)
ch3b_space_counts	Channel 3b photon counts space view (only v2.10.1)
ch4	Channel 4 brightness temperature
ch4_bbody_counts	Channel 4 smoothed black body counts (only v2.10.1)
ch4_earth_counts	Channel 4 photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1)
ch4_nedt	Channel 4 noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5)
ch4_space_counts	Channel 4 photon counts space view (only v2.10.1)
ch5	Channel 5 brightness temperature (only AVHRR/3)
ch5_bbody_counts	Channel 5 smoothed black body counts (only v2.10.1)
ch5_earth_counts	Channel 5 photon counts earth view (only v2.10.1)
ch5_nedt	Channel 5 noise estimate (only v01.4-cspp, 1.5)
ch5_space_counts	Channel 5 photon counts space view (only v2.10.1)
cloud_mask	CLAVR-X cloud mask
cloud_probability	CLAVR-X cloud probability
dtime	Scanline time difference from start time
ict_temp	Temperature of internal calibration target
l1b_line_number	Level 1b line number
lat	Latitude coordinates
lon	Longitude coordinates

orbital_temperature	Average orbital temperature (t_inst) (only v2.10.1)
orbital_temperature_nlines	Number of lines over which the average orbital temperature was calculated (only v2.10.1)
prt_1	PRT1 smoothed temperatures (only v2.10.1)
prt_2	PRT2 smoothed temperatures (only v2.10.1)
prt_3	PRT3 smoothed temperatures (only v2.10.1)
prt_4	PRT4 smoothed temperatures (only v2.10.1)
qual_flags	Quality Flags
relative_azimuth_angle	Relative Azimuth Angle (not v2.10.1)
satellite_azimuth_angle	satellite azimuth angle (only v2.10.1)
solar_azimuth_angle	solar azimuth angle (only v2.10.1)
satellite_zenith_angle	Satellite zenith angle
solar_zenith_angle	Solar zenith angle

## 3.5.7 AVHRR FCDR

AVHRR FCDR data from FIDUCEO project in NetCDF format. Some variables need to be transferred to the MMD using a post-processing as their dimensionality does not match the core engine requirements. Please refer to chapter 4.1.5.1.15.

Sensor Key	Source
avhrr-n06-fcdr	AVHRR NOAA06 FCDR
avhrr-n07-fcdr	AVHRR/2 NOAA07 FCDR
avhrr-n08-fcdr	AVHRR NOAA08 FCDR
avhrr-n09-fcdr	AVHRR/2 NOAA09 FCDR
avhrr-n10-fcdr	AVHRR NOAA10 FCDR
avhrr-n11-fcdr	AVHRR/2 NOAA11 FCDR
avhrr-n12-fcdr	AVHRR/2 NOAA12 FCDR
avhrr-n14-fcdr	AVHRR/2 NOAA14 FCDR
avhrr-n15-fcdr	AVHRR/3 NOAA15 FCDR
avhrr-n16-fcdr	AVHRR/3 NOAA16 FCDR
avhrr-n17-fcdr	AVHRR/3 NOAA17 FCDR
avhrr-n18-fcdr	AVHRR/3 NOAA18 FCDR
avhrr-n19-fcdr	AVHRR/3 NOAA19 FCDR
avhrr-ma-fcdr	AVHRR/3 METOP A FCDR

Variable Name	Description
Ch1	Channel 1 reflectance
Ch2	Channel 2 reflectance
Ch3a	Channel 3a reflectance
Ch3b	Channel 3b brightness temperature
Ch4	Channel 4 brightness temperature
Ch5	Channel 5 brightness temperature
Time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1970-01-01 00:00:00
data_quality_bitmask	bitmask for quality per pixel
latitude	Geolocation latitude



longitude	Geolocation longitude
quality_pixel_bitmask	Flag mask
quality_scanline_bitmask	bitmask for quality per scanline
relative_azimuth_angle	Viewing geometry azimuth angle
satellite_zenith_angle	Viewing geometry zenith angle
scanline_map_to_origl1bfile	Indicator for mapping each line to its corresponding original level 1b file. See global attribute 'source' for the filenames. 0 corresponds to 1st listed file, 1 to 2nd file.
scanline_origl1b	Original scan line numbers from corresponding l1b records
solar_zenith_angle	Solar zenith angle
u_common_Ch1	common uncertainty per pixel for channel 1
u_common_Ch2	common uncertainty per pixel for channel 2
u_common_Ch3a	common uncertainty per pixel for channel 3a
u_common_Ch3b	common uncertainty per pixel for channel 3b
u_common_Ch4	common uncertainty per pixel for channel 4
u_common_Ch5	common uncertainty per pixel for channel 5
u_independent_Ch1	independent uncertainty per pixel for channel 1
u_independent_Ch2	independent uncertainty per pixel for channel 2
u_independent_Ch3a	independent uncertainty per pixel for channel 3a
u_independent_Ch3b	independent uncertainty per pixel for channel 3b
u_independent_Ch4	independent uncertainty per pixel for channel 4
u_independent_Ch5	independent uncertainty per pixel for channel 5
u_structured_Ch1	structured uncertainty per pixel for channel 1
u_structured_Ch2	structured uncertainty per pixel for channel 2
u_structured_Ch3a	structured uncertainty per pixel for channel 3a
u_structured_Ch3b	structured uncertainty per pixel for channel 3b
u_structured_Ch4	structured uncertainty per pixel for channel 4
u_structured_Ch5	structured uncertainty per pixel for channel 5

### 3.5.8 AVHRR FRAC

AVHRR full resolution L1B data in NOAA format. Reader supports gzip compressed products.

Sensor Key	Source
avhrr-frac-ma	AVHRR full resolution on MetopA
avhrr-frac-mb	AVHRR full resolution on MetopB
avhrr-frac-mc	AVHRR full resolution on MetopC

Variable Name	Description
radiance_[1, 2, 3a, 3b, 4, 5]	TOA radiances
reflec_[1, 2, 3a, 3b, 4, 5]	TOA reflectances
flags	Quality flags
cloudFlag	Cloud flags
sun_zenith	Solar zenith angle
view_zenith	Viewing zenith angle
delta_azimuth	Azimuth angle difference

latitude	
longitude	

### 3.5.9 CALIOP CLay

CALIOP Lidar L2 Cloud Layer Product in NetCDF file format.

Sensor Key	Source
caliop_clay-cal	CALIOP Clay Standard V4.10 on CALIPSO

Variable Name	Description
Profile_ID	The ID of the vertical profile
Latitude	Latitude in degrees of the laser footprint
Longitude	Longitude in degrees of the laser footprint
Profile_Time	Time expressed in International Atomic Time (TAI)
Profile_UTC_Time	Time expressed in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
Spacecraft_Position_x	ECR coordinate system X
Spacecraft_Position_y	ECR coordinate system Y
Spacecraft_Position_z	ECR coordinate system Z
Number_Layers_Found	The number of cloud layers found in this column
Column_Feature_Fraction	The fraction of the 5-km horizontally averaged profile, which has been identified as containing a feature (i.e., either a cloud, an aerosol, or a stratospheric layer)
FeatureFinderQC	A set of feature finder QC flags
Feature_Classification_Flags	See <a href="https://www-calipso.larc.nasa.gov/resources/calipso_users_guide/data_summaries/vfm/index.php">https://www-calipso.larc.nasa.gov/resources/calipso_users_guide/data_summaries/vfm/index.php</a>
ExtinctionQC_532	cloud extinction is only reported at 532 nm
CAD_Score	The cloud-aerosol discrimination score
Layer_IAB_QA_Factor	$= 1 - F(y'_{above})$ , where $F(y'_{above})$ is the <u>cumulative probability</u> of measuring a complete column IABequal to $y'_{above}$ .
Opacity_Flag	An opacity flag value of 1 indicates an opaque layer; values of 0 indicate transparent layers
Ice_Water_Path	The integral, from layer top to layer base, of the ice-water content profile within any ice cloud layer
Ice_Water_Path_Uncertainty	
Feature_Optical_Depth_532	Layer optical depth computed according to the procedures outlined in the CALIOP extinction retrieval ATBD, cloud optical depth is reported only for the 532 nm measurements
Feature_Optical_Depth_Uncertainty_532	
Layer_Top_Altitude	
Layer_Base_Altitude	

### 3.5.10 CALIOP VFM

CALIOP Lidar L2 Vertical Feature Product in NetCDF file format.

Sensor Key	Source
caliop_vfm-cal	CALIOP VFM Standard V4.10 on CALIPSO

Variable Name	Description
Profile_ID	The ID of the vertical profile
Latitude	Latitude in degrees of the laser footprint
Longitude	Longitude in degrees of the laser footprint
Profile_Time	Time expressed in International Atomic Time (TAI)
Profile_UTC_Time	Time expressed in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
Day_Night_Flag	Indicates the lighting conditions at an altitude of ~24 km above mean sea level. 0 = day, 1 = night
Land_Water_Mask	a 30 arc second resolution land/water mask provided by the SDP toolkit
Spacecraft_Position_x	ECR coordinate system X
Spacecraft_Position_y	ECR coordinate system Y
Spacecraft_Position_z	ECR coordinate system Z

### 3.5.11 HIRS

HIRS L1C data converted to NetCDF using tools developed at University of Reading.

Sensor Key	Source
hirs-tn	HIRS/2 on Tiros-N
hirs-n06 – n12	HIRS/2 on NOAA 6 to NOAA 12
hirs-n14	HIRS/2 on NOAA 14
hirs-n15 – n17	HIRS/3 on NOAA 15 to NOAA 17
hirs-n18 – n19	HIRS/4 on NOAA 18 to NOAA 19
hirs-ma	HIRS/4 on Metop-A
hirs-mb	HIRS/4 on Metop-B

Variable Name	Description
time	Acquisition time per scanline in seconds since 1970
lat	Latitude of pixel
lon	Longitude of pixel
bt_ch01 – ch19	Brightness temperatures for channel 1 to 19
radiance_ch01 – ch19	TOA radiances for channel 1 to 19
counts_ch01 – ch19	Raw measurement counts for channels 1 to 19
lza	Local zenith angle
scanline	Original scanline number
scanpos	Original scan position number
scanline_type	Scanline type flag

## 3.5.12 HIRS FCDR

HIRS FCDR data from FIDUCEO project in NetCDF format. Some variables need to be transferred to the MMD using a post-processing as their dimensionality does not match the core engine requirements.

Sensor Key	Source
hirs-n06 – n12-fcdr	HIRS/2 on NOAA 6 to NOAA 12
hirs-n14-fcdr	HIRS/2 on NOAA 14
hirs-n15 – n17-fcdr	HIRS/3 on NOAA 15 to NOAA 17
hirs-n18 – n19-fcdr	HIRS/4 on NOAA 18 to NOAA 19
hirs-ma-fcdr	HIRS/4 on Metop-A
hirs-mb-fcdr	HIRS/4 on Metop-B

Variable Name	Description
latitude	Latitude of pixel
longitude	Longitude of pixel
bt_ch01 – ch19	Brightness temperature, NOAA/EUMETSAT calibrated for channel 1 to 19
satellite_zenith_angle	platform_zenith_angle
satellite_azimuth_angle	sensor_azimuth_angle
solar_zenith_angle	solar_zenith_angle
solar_azimuth_angle	solar_azimuth_angle
time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1970-01-01 00:00:00
quality_scanline_bitmask	Scanline quality indicator
scanline_map_to_origl1bfile	Indicator for mapping each line to its corresponding original level 1b file. See global attribute 'source' for the filenames. 0 corresponds to 1st listed file, 1 to 2nd file
scanline_origl1b	Original scan line numbers from corresponding l1b records
quality_channel_bitmask_ch01 – ch19	Channel quality indicator for channel 1 to 19
u_independent_ch01 – ch19	Uncertainty from independent errors for channel 1 to 19
u_structured_ch01 – ch19	Uncertainty from structured errors for channel 1 to 19
u_common_ch01 – ch19	Uncertainty from common errors for channel 1 to 19

## 3.5.13 IASI

IASIS L1C data in Eumetsat format following the specification in AD 1. Supported is data using an MDR of class 8, subclass 2, version 4 and version 5.

The reader implements a virtual x/y raster on a per-EFOV basis, all per scan or per snapshot variables are extended to this raster.

IMPORTANT: this reader per-se does not supply the IASI spectrum, this has to be added using a post-processing step (see chapter 4.1.5.1.8).

Sensor Key	Source
iasi-ma	IASI on MetopA
iasi-mb	IASI on MetopB

Variable Name	Description
DEGRADED_INST_MDR	Quality of MDR has been degraded from nominal due to an instrument degradation
DEGRADED_PROC_MDR	Quality of MDR has been degraded from nominal due to a processing degradation
GEPSIasiMode	Instrument mode
GEPSOPSProcessingMode	Processing mode
OBT	On Board Time (Coarse time + Fine time)
OnboardUTC	Date of IASI measure (on board UTC)
GEPSDatIasi	Date of IASI measure (corrected UTC)
GEPS_CCD	Corner Cube Direction for all observational targets
GEPS_SP	Scan position for all observational targets
GQisFlagQualDetailed	Detailed quality flag for the system ( <i>not in v4</i> )
GQisQualIndex	System-IASI general quality index
GQisQualIndexIIS	IIS imager quality index inside 1c product
GQisQualIndexLoc	Geometric quality index for sounder product
GQisQualIndexRad	Radiometric quality index for sounder product
GQisQualIndexSpect	Spectral quality index for sounder product
GQisSysTecIISQual	System-TEC quality index for IIS
GQisSysTecSondQual	System-TEC quality index for sounder
GGeoSondLoc_Lon	Location of pixel centre in geodetic coordinates for each sounder pixel (lon)
GGeoSondLoc_Lat	Location of pixel centre in geodetic coordinates for each sounder pixel (lat)
GGeoSondAnglesMETOP_Zenith	Measurement angles for each sounder pixel (zenith)
GGeoSondAnglesMETOP_Azimuth	Measurement angles for each sounder pixel (azimuth)
GGeoSondAnglesSUN_Zenith	Solar angles at the surface for each sounder pixel (zenith)
GGeoSondAnglesSUN_Azimuth	Solar angles at the surface for each sounder pixel (azimuth)
EARTH_SATELLITE_DISTANCE	Distance of satellite from Earth centre
IDefSpectDWn1b	Sample width of IASI 1C spectra (same as 1B)
IDefNsfirst1b	Number of the first sample of IASI 1C spectra (same as 1B)
IDefNslast1b	Number of the last sample of IASI 1C spectra (same as 1B)
GCcsRadAnalNbClass	Radiance Analysis: Number of identified classes in the sounder FOV
IDefCcMode	Radiance Analysis: Image used is from AVHRR or IIS imager (degraded cases)
GCcsImageClassifiedNbLin	Radiance Analysis: Number of useful lines
GCcsImageClassifiedNbCol	Radiance Analysis: Number of useful columns
GCcsImageClassifiedFirstLin	First line of the classified image (number in the Avhrr raster, as per section 2.5 )

GCcsImageClassifiedFirstCol	First column of the classified image (number in the Avhrr raster, as per section 2.5 )
GlacVarImagIIS	Variance of IIS image ( <i>not in v4</i> )
GlacAvgImagIIS	Average of IIS image ( <i>not in v4</i> )
GEUMAvhrr1BCldFrac	Cloud fraction in IASI FOV from AVHRR 1B in IASI FOV ( <i>not in v4</i> )
GEUMAvhrr1BLandFrac	Land and Coast fraction in IASI FOV from AVHRR 1B ( <i>not in v4</i> )
GEUMAvhrr1BQual	Quality indicator. If the quality is good, it gives the coverage of snow/ice. ( <i>not in v4</i> )

**Note:** The MMD will always generate variables according to the MDR\_1C specification version 5, when encountering a file containing MDR\_1C version 4 data, the additional variables will be “fake” variables that contain only the appropriate fill value. The variables are marked as “not in v4” in the table above.

## 3.5.14 MHS

MHS L1c data from NOAA CLASS storage, converted to HDF using “atovin” and “convert\_to\_hdf5”.

Sensor Key	Source
mhs-n18	MHS on NOAA18
mhs-n19	MHS on NOAA19
mhs-ma	MHS on MetopA
mhs-mb	MHS on MetopB

Variable Name	Description
btemps_ch1 ... ch5	Brightness temperatures for channel 1 to 5
chanqual_ch1 ... ch5	Channel quality flags
instrtemp	Instrument temperature in Kelvin
qualind	Quality indicator
scanqual	Scan line quality
scnlin	Scan line number
scnlindy	Scan line acquisition day of year
scnlintim	Scan line acquisition seconds of day
scnlinyr	Scan line acquisition year
Latitude	Pixel latitude in degrees
Longitude	Pixel longitude in degrees
Satellite_azimuth_angle	Satellite azimuth angle
Satellite_zenith_angle	Satellite zenith angle
Solar_azimuth_angle	Sun azimuth angle
Solar_zenith_angle	Sun zenith angle

All per-scan line variables are extended to cover the full pixel grid.

### 3.5.15 MODIS MxD021KM

Modis MxD012KM L1 products from Terra and Aqua platform in 1 km resolution, standard NASA HDF file format. This reader uses geo-location and sensor/solar geometry data from the associated MxD03 geolocation file. Please ensure that both MxD012KM and MxD03 data files are mounted in the archive with the same processing version.

Sensor Key	Source
mod021km-te	Modis L1 data from Terra platform
myd021km-aq	Modis L1 data from Aqua platform

Variables in the MMD originating from the MxD03 geolocation files are tagged with (mxd03) in the table below.

Variable Name	Description
Noise_in_Thermal_Detectors_ch20 ... ch36	Detector noise per sensor and scan
EV_1KM_RefSB_ch08 ... ch26	Earth View 1KM Reflective Solar Bands
EV_1KM_RefSB_Uncert_Indexes_ch08 ... ch26	Earth View 1KM Reflective Solar Bands Uncertainty Indexes
EV_1KM_Emissive_ch20 ... ch36	Earth View 1KM Emissive Band
EV_1KM_Emissive_Uncert_Indexes_ch20 ... ch36	Earth View 1KM Emissive Bands Uncertainty Indexes
EV_250_Aggr1km_RefSB_ch01/ch02	Earth View 250M Aggregated 1km Reflective Solar Bands
EV_250_Aggr1km_RefSB_Uncert_Indexes_ch01/ch02	Earth View 250M Aggregated 1km Reflective Solar Bands Uncertainty Indexes
EV_250_Aggr1km_RefSB_Samples_Used_ch01/ch02	Earth View 250M Aggregated 1km Reflective Solar Bands Number of Samples Used in Aggregation
EV_500_Aggr1km_RefSB_ch03 ... ch07	Earth View 500M Aggregated 1km Reflective Solar Bands
EV_500_Aggr1km_RefSB_Uncert_Indexes_ch03 ... ch07	Earth View 500M Aggregated 1km Reflective Solar Bands Uncertainty Indexes
EV_500_Aggr1km_RefSB_Samples_Used_ch03 ... ch07	Earth View 500M Aggregated 1km Reflective Solar Bands Number of Samples Used in Aggregation
EV_Band26	Earth View Band 26
EV_Band26_Uncert_Indexes	Earth View Band 26 Uncertainty Indexes
Scan_number	Scan number
Latitude	Latitude (mxd03)
Longitude	Longitude (mxd03)
Height	Height (mxd03)
SensorZenith	SensorZenith (mxd03)
SensorAzimuth	SensorAzimuth (mxd03)
Range	Range (mxd03)
SolarZenith	SolarZenith (mxd03)
SolarAzimuth	SolarAzimuth (mxd03)
Land_SeaMask	Land_SeaMask (mxd03)
WaterPresent	WaterPresent (mxd03)

Gflags	gflags (mxd03)
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### 3.5.16 MODIS MxD06

Modis MxD06 L2 cloud products from Terra and Aqua platform, standard NASA HDF file format.

This reader only uses the low-resolution data. High resolution data is re-mapped to the low resolution data by picking the centre pixel of a 5x5 1km pixel acquisition.

Sensor Key	Source
mod06-te	Modis cloud data from Terra platform
myd06-aq	Modis cloud data from Aqua platform

Variable Name	Description
Latitude	Pixel latitude in degrees
Longitude	Pixel longitude in degrees
Scan_Start_Time	TAI time at start of scan replicated across the swath
Solar_Zenith	Solar Zenith Angle, Cell to Sun
Solar_Zenith_Day	Solar Zenith Angle, Cell to Sun, Day Data Only
Solar_Zenith_Night	Solar Zenith Angle, Cell to Sun, Night Data Only
Solar_Azimuth	Solar Azimuth Angle, Cell to Sun
Solar_Azimuth_Day	Solar Azimuth Angle, Cell to Sun, Day Data Only
Solar_Azimuth_Night	Solar Azimuth Angle, Cell to Sun, Night Data Only
Sensor_Zenith	Sensor Zenith Angle, Cell to Sensor
Sensor_Zenith_Day	Sensor Zenith Angle, Cell to Sensor, Day Data Only
Sensor_Zenith_Night	Sensor Zenith Angle, Cell to Sensor, Night Data Only
Sensor_Azimuth	Sensor Azimuth Angle, Cell to Sensor
Sensor_Azimuth_Day	Sensor Azimuth Angle, Cell to Sensor, Day Data Only
Sensor_Azimuth_Night	Sensor Azimuth Angle, Cell to Sensor, Night Data Only
Surface_Temperature	Surface Temperature from Ancillary Data
Surface_Pressure	Surface Pressure from Ancillary Data
Cloud_Height_Method	Index Indicating MODIS Bands Used for Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval
Cloud_Top_Height	Geopotential Height at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level (rounded to nearest 50 m)
Cloud_Top_Height_Nadir	Geopotential Height at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles <=32 Degrees (rounded to nearest 50 m)
Cloud_Top_Height_Nadir_Day	Geopotential Height at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles <=32 Degrees, Day Data Only (rounded to nearest 50 m)
Cloud_Top_Height_Nadir_Night	Geopotential Height at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles <=32 Degrees, Night Data Only (rounded to nearest 50 m)
Cloud_Top_Pressure	Cloud Top Pressure Level (rounded to nearest 5 mb)
Cloud_Top_Pressure_Nadir	Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles <= 32 Degrees (rounded to nearest 5 mb)



Cloud_Top_Pressure_Night	Cloud Top Pressure Level, Night Data Only (rounded to nearest 5 mb)
Cloud_Top_Pressure_Nadir_Night	Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees (rounded to nearest 5 mb), Night Data Only
Cloud_Top_Pressure_Day	Cloud Top Pressure Level, Day Only (rounded to nearest 5 mb)
Cloud_Top_Pressure_Nadir_Day	Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees (rounded to nearest 5 mb), Day Data Only
Cloud_Top_Temperature	Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level
Cloud_Top_Temperature_Nadir	Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees
Cloud_Top_Temperature_Night	Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level, Night Only
Cloud_Top_Temperature_Nadir_Night	Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees, Night Data Only
Cloud_Top_Temperature_Day	Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level, Day Only
Cloud_Top_Temperature_Nadir_Day	Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees, Day Data Only
Tropopause_Height	Tropopause Height from Ancillary Data
Cloud_Fraction	Cloud Fraction in Retrieval Region (5x5 1-km Pixels) from 1-km Cloud Mask
Cloud_Fraction_Nadir	Cloud Fraction in Retrieval Region (5x5 1-km Pixels) from 1-km Cloud Mask for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees
Cloud_Fraction_Night	Cloud Fraction in Retrieval Region (5x5 1-km Pixels) from 1-km Cloud Mask, Night Only
Cloud_Fraction_Nadir_Night	Cloud Fraction in Retrieval Region (5x5 1-km Pixels) from 1-km Cloud Mask for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees, Night Data Only
Cloud_Fraction_Day	Cloud Fraction in Retrieval Region (5x5 1-km Pixels) from 1-km Cloud Mask, Day Only
Cloud_Fraction_Nadir_Day	Cloud Fraction in Retrieval Region (5x5 1-km Pixels) from 1-km Cloud Mask for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees, Day Data Only
Cloud_Effective_Emissivity	Cloud Effective Emissivity from Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval
Cloud_Effective_Emissivity_Nadir	Cloud Effective Emissivity from Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees
Cloud_Effective_Emissivity_Night	Cloud Effective Emissivity from Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval, Night Only
Cloud_Effective_Emissivity_Nadir_Night	Cloud Effective Emissivity from Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles $\leq 32$ Degrees, Night Data Only
Cloud_Effective_Emissivity_Day	Cloud Effective Emissivity from Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval, Day Only

Cloud_Effective_Emissivity_Nadir_Day	Cloud Effective Emissivity from Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval for Sensor Zenith (View) Angles <= 32 Degrees, Day Data Only
Cloud_Top_Pressure_Infrared	Cloud Top Pressure from IR Window Retrieval
Radiance_Variance	Band 31 Radiance Standard Deviation
Cloud_Phase_Infrared	Cloud Phase from 8.5 and 11 um Bands
Cloud_Phase_Infrared_Night	Cloud Phase from 8.5 and 11 um Bands, Night Only
Cloud_Phase_Infrared_Day	Cloud Phase from 8.5 and 11 um Bands, Day Only
Cloud_Phase_Infrared_1km	Cloud Phase at 1-km resolution from 8.5- 11 um BTDS and cloud emissivity ratios (12/11, 8.5/11, and 7.2/11 um)
IRP_CTH_Consistency_Flag_1km	Indicates Cloud_Phase_Infrared_1km results changed to ice from water when cloud_top_method_1km reports valid band 36/35 CO2-slicing result (1=change)
os_top_flag_1km	Upper Tropospheric/Lower Stratospheric (UTLS) Cloud Flag at 1-km resolution - valid from -50 to +50 Degrees Latitude
cloud_top_pressure_1km	Cloud Top Pressure at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT, Cloud Top Pressure Level rounded to nearest 5 mb
cloud_top_temperature_1km	Cloud Top Temperature at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT, Temperature from Ancillary Data at Retrieved Cloud Top Pressure Level
cloud_emissivity_1km	Cloud Emissivity at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT Cloud Top Pressure Retrieval
cloud_top_method_1km	Index Indicating the MODIS Band(s) Used to Produce the Cloud Top Pressure Result
surface_temperature_1km	Surface Temperature for Each 1-km MODIS Pixel Interplated from Ancillary Data
cloud_emiss11_1km	11 micron Cloud Emissivity at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT for All Clouds
cloud_emiss12_1km	12 micron Cloud Emissivity at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT for All Clouds
cloud_emiss13_1km	13.3 micron Cloud Emissivity at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT for All Clouds
cloud_emiss85_1km	8.5 micron Cloud Emissivity at 1-km resolution from LEOCAT for All Clouds
Cloud_Effective_Radius	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Effective_Radius_PCL	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Effective_Radius_16	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 6(1.6um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral

Cloud_Effective_Radius_16_PCL	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 6(1.6um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Effective_Radius_37	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 20(3.7um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Effective_Radius_37_PCL	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 20(3.7um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Optical_Thickness	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_PCL	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_16	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 6(1.6um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_16_PCL	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 6(1.6um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_37	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 20(3.7um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_37_PCL	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 20(3.7um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Effective_Radius_1621	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Effective_Radius_1621_PCL	Cloud Particle Effective Radius two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from points identified

	as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_1621	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_1621_PCL	Cloud Optical Thickness two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Water_Path	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Water_Path_PCL	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Water_Path_1621	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Water_Path_1621_PCL	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Water_Path_16	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 6(1.6um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Water_Path_16_PCL	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 6(1.6um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Water_Path_37	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 20(3.7um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from best points: not failed in any way, not marked for clear sky restoral
Cloud_Water_Path_37_PCL	Column Water Path two-channel retrieval using band 20(3.7um) and either band 1(0.65um), 2(0.86um), or 5(1.2um) (specified in Quality_Assurance_1km)from points identified as either partly cloudy from 250m cloud mask test or 1km cloud edges
Cloud_Effective_Radius_Uncertainty	Cloud Effective Particle Radius (from band 7(2.1um)) Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m

Cloud_Effective_Radius_Uncertainty_16	Cloud Effective Particle Radius (from band 6(1.6um) Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m
Cloud_Effective_Radius_Uncertainty_37	Cloud Effective Particle Radius (from band 20(3.7um)) Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_Uncertainty	Cloud Optical Thickness Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m based on the Cloud_Optical_Thickness and Cloud_Effective_Radius results
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_Uncertainty_16	Cloud Optical Thickness Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m based on the Cloud_Optical_Thickness_16 and Cloud_Effective_Radius_16 results
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_Uncertainty_37	Cloud Optical Thickness Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m based on the Cloud_Optical_Thickness_37 and Cloud_Effective_Radius_37 result
Cloud_Water_Path_Uncertainty	Cloud Water Path Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m based on the Cloud_Water_Path result
Cloud_Effective_Radius_Uncertainty_1621	Cloud Effective Particle Radius Relative Uncertainty (Percent) using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m
Cloud_Optical_Thickness_Uncertainty_1621	Cloud Optical Thickness Relative Uncertainty (Percent) using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m
Cloud_Water_Path_Uncertainty_1621	Cloud Water Path Relative Uncertainty (Percent) using band 7(2.1um) and band 6(1.6um)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m
Cloud_Water_Path_Uncertainty_16	Cloud Water Path Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m using the VNSWIR-1.6um retrieval
Cloud_Water_Path_Uncertainty_37	Cloud Water Path Relative Uncertainty (Percent)from both best points and points identified as cloud edge at 1km resolution or partly cloudy at 250m using the VNSWIR-3.7um retrieval
Above_Cloud_Water_Vapor_094	Above-cloud water vapor amount from 0.94um channel, ocean only, tau > 5.
IRW_Low_Cloud_Temperature_From_COP	Low Cloud Temperature from IR Window retrieval using cloud emissivity based on cloud optical thickness

Cloud_Phase_Optical_Properties	Cloud Phase Determination Used in Optical Thickness/Effective Radius Retrieval
Cloud_Multi_Layer_Flag	Cloud Multi Layer Identification From MODIS Shortwave Observations
Cirrus_Reflectance	Cirrus Reflectance
Cirrus_Reflectance_Flag	Cirrus_Reflectance_Flag
Cloud_Mask_5km	First Byte of MODIS Cloud Mask Plus Additional Stats for L3 (2nd Byte) <b>NOTE: both bytes are merged to one short value, first byte as higher byte of the short</b>
Quality_Assurance_5km_03	Quality Assurance at 5x5 Resolution - Number of cloudy pixels
Quality_Assurance_5km_04	Quality Assurance at 5x5 Resolution - Number of clear pixels
Quality_Assurance_5km_05	Quality Assurance at 5x5 Resolution - Number of missing pixels
Quality_Assurance_5km_09	Quality Assurance at 5x5 Resolution - Cloud height Category

### 3.5.17 MODIS MxD35

A Modis MxD35 product is an L2 cloud mask product from Terra and Aqua platforms in 1km and 5km resolution. Standard NASA HDF (HDFEOS) file format.

The reader super-samples all data to 1km resolution.

This reader uses geo-location from the associated MxD03 geolocation file. If the expected MxD03 file is not available, this reader uses the internal latitude and longitude tie-point variables as fallback, interpolated to a resolution of 1km and taking into account the bow-tie effect.

Please ensure that both MxD35 and MxD03 data files are mounted in the archive with the same processing version.

Sensor Key	Source
mod35-te	Modis L2 cloud mask data from Terra platform
myd35-aq	Modis L2 cloud mask data from Aqua platform

Variable Name	Description
Latitude	Latitude
Longitude	Longitude
Scan_Start_Time	Scan start time
Solar_Zenith	Solar zenith
Solar_Azimuth	Solar azimuth
Sensor_Zenith	Sensor zenith
Sensor_Azimuth	Sensor azimuth
Cloud_Mask_SPI_0	Dispersion in band 1 from 250m reflectance statistics of cloud mask
Cloud_Mask_SPI_1	Dispersion in band 2 from 250m reflectance statistics of cloud mask

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	1100 0000	0100 0000	land/sea_mask_USGS1kmBinary
	1100 0000	1000 0000	land/sea_mask_other
	1100 0000	1100 0000	land/sea_mask_notUsed
Quality_Assurance_9	Quality Assurance for Cloud Mask / Byte 9		
	Flags		
	Mask	Value	Meaning
	0000 0001	0000 0001	digital_elevation_model_notUsed
	0000 0110	0000 0000	precipitable_water_NCEP_GDAS
	0000 0110	0000 0010	precipitable_water_DAO
	0000 0110	0000 0100	precipitable_water_mod07
	0000 0110	0000 0110	precipitable_water_other

### 3.5.18 SLSTR

SLSTR L1B data in SAFE format. This reader reads only stripe A data, both nadir and oblique view. The overall resolution is 1km. The high-resolution variables are resampled to the 1km Raster:

- Data variables: averaging of all non-fill-value acquisitions
- Flag variables: or-aggregation of all non-fill-value pixels

The reader supports directory based and zip compressed product types. Due to performance issues, the SLSTR data is completely cached during processing, so it is advised to run SLSTR matches with high memory (> 8GB) and to reduce the reader cache size, see 4.1.1.

It allows to select the source of geo-location data using a configuration file. This configuration must be stored in the configuration files directory passed to the process as argument. It is named *slstr-reader-config.xml*, an example is listed below:

```
<slstr-reader-config>
  <use-pixel-geocoding>false</use-pixel-geocoding>
</slstr-reader-config>
```

When the tag *use-pixel-geocoding* is set to true, the reader uses the variables longitude\_in/latitude\_in for the geolocation, if set to false or no config file is present, the reader uses interpolated tie-point data longitude\_tx/latitude\_tx as geolocation source.

Sensor Key	Source
slstr-s3a	SLSTR on Sentinel 3A

slstr-s3b	SLSTR on Sentinel 3B
slstr-s3a-nr	SLSTR on Sentinel 3A, near-realtime products
slstr-s3b-nr	SLSTR on Sentinel 3B, near-realtime products
slstr-s3a-nt	SLSTR on Sentinel 3A, non-time-critical products
slstr-s3b-nt	SLSTR on Sentinel 3B, non-time-critical products

Variable Name	Description
latitude_tx	Latitude of detector FOV centre on the earth's surface
longitude_tx	Longitude of detector FOV centre on the earth's surface
sat_azimuth_tn	Satellite azimuth angle (nadir view)
sat_zenith_tn	Satellite zenith angle (nadir view)
solar_azimuth_tn	Solar azimuth angle (nadir view)
solar_zenith_tn	Solar zenith angle (nadir view)
sat_azimuth_to	Satellite azimuth angle (oblique view)
sat_zenith_to	Satellite zenith angle (oblique view)
solar_azimuth_to	Solar azimuth angle (oblique view)
solar_zenith_to	Solar zenith angle (oblique view)
S(1...6)_radiance_an	TOA radiance for channel S(1...6) (A stripe grid, nadir view) (500 m – resampled to 1km)
S(1...6)_exception_an	toa_radiance_status_flag (500 m – resampled to 1km)
S(7...9)_BT_in	Gridded pixel brightness temperature for channel S(7...9) (1km TIR grid, nadir view) (1 km)
S(7...9)_exception_in	toa_brightness_temperature_status_flag (1 km)
confidence_in	Status flag data (1km)
pointing_in	Status flag data (1km)
bayes_in	Status flag data (1km)
cloud_in	Status flag data (1km)
S(1...7)_radiance_ao	TOA radiance for channel S(1...7) (A stripe grid, oblique view) (500 m – resampled to 1km)
S(1...7)_exception_ao	toa_radiance_status_flag (500 m – resampled to 1km)
S(7...9)_BT_io	Gridded pixel brightness temperature for channel S(7...9) (1km TIR grid, oblique view) (1 km)
S(7...9)_exception_io	toa_brightness_temperature_status_flag (1 km)
bayes_io	Status flag data (1km)
cloud_io	Status flag data (1km)

### 3.5.19 SLSTR subset

SLSTR L1b data in a modified and subsetting SAFE format as processed by University of Reading. These products only contain the 1km data for Stripe A. The reader supports directory based and zip compressed product types.

Sensor Key	Source
slstr-s3a-uor	SLSTR on Sentinel 3A
slstr-s3b-uor	SLSTR on Sentinel 3B

Variable Name	Description
latitude_in	Latitude of detector FOV centre on the earth's surface
longitude_in	Longitude of detector FOV centre on the earth's surface
sat_azimuth_tn	Satellite azimuth angle (nadir view)
sat_path_tn	Distance from satellite to surface (nadir view)
sat_zenith_tn	Satellite zenith angle (nadir view)
solar_azimuth_tn	Solar azimuth angle (nadir view)
solar_path_tn	Distance from sun to surface (nadir view)
solar_zenith_tn	Solar zenith angle (nadir view)
sat_azimuth_to	Satellite azimuth angle (oblique view)
sat_path_to	Distance from satellite to surface (oblique view)
sat_zenith_to	Satellite zenith angle (oblique view)
solar_azimuth_to	Solar azimuth angle (oblique view)
solar_path_to	Distance from sun to surface (oblique view)
solar_zenith_to	Solar zenith angle (oblique view)
S(1...6)_radiance_in	TOA radiance for channel S(1...6) (A stripe grid, nadir view)
S(1...6)_radiance_io	TOA radiance for channel S(1...6) (A stripe grid, oblique view)
S(7...9)_BT_in	Gridded pixel brightness temperature for channel S(7...9) (1km TIR grid, nadir view)
S(7...9)_BT_io	Gridded pixel brightness temperature for channel S(7...9) (1km TIR grid, oblique view)
S(7...9)_exception_in	toa_brightness_temperature_status_flag (nadir view)
S(7...9)_exception_io	toa_brightness_temperature_status_flag (oblique view)
confidence_in	Status flag data (1km)
pointing_in	Status flag data (1km)
bayes_in	Status flag data (1km)
cloud_in	Status flag data (1km)
probability_cloud_dual_in	Probability of cloud in pixel (dual view)
probability_cloud_single_in	Probability of cloud in pixel (single view)
confidence_io	Status flag data (1km)
pointing_io	Status flag data (1km)
bayes_io	Status flag data (1km)
cloud_io	Status flag data (1km)

probability_cloud_dual_io	Probability of cloud in pixel (dual view)
probability_cloud_single_io	Probability of cloud in pixel (single view)
time_stamp_i	Time at which the sub-satellite point crosses the image row

### 3.5.20 SMOS L3 daily aggregates

Daily global aggregates of SMOS L1 data as processed by IFREMER and distributed by CATDS. The reader accepts TGZ compressed header/netcdf file formats.

The data is split into 14 layers per observation angle extending the angle to the variable name. The reader skips the layer 14 as this contains only fill value. The acquisition time is taken from the 40 degrees layer.

Sensor Key	Source
miras-smos-CDF3TA	MIRAS on SMOS, ascending node
miras-smos-CDF3TD	MIRAS on SMOS, descending node

Variable Name	Description
lon	Longitude of grid cell
lat	Latitude of grid cell
X_Swath	Minimum distance of grid point to the sub satellite point track
Grid_Point_Mask	Flag indicating land/sea USGS content, coastline distance, and Ice content.
BT_H_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Brightness temperature in H-pol over current Earth fixed grid point, obtained by polarisation rotation from L1c data
BT_V_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Brightness temperature in V-pol over current Earth fixed grid point, obtained by polarisation rotation from L1c data
BT_3_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Brightness temperature 3rd Stokes parameter over current Earth fixed grid point, obtained by polarisation rotation from L1c data
BT_4_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Brightness temperature 4th Stokes parameter over current Earth fixed grid point, obtained by polarisation rotation from L1c data
Pixel_Radiometric_Accuracy_H_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Error accuracy measurement in the brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Pixel_Radiometric_Accuracy_V_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Error accuracy measurement in the brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel

Pixel_Radiometric_Accuracy_3_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Error accuracy measurement in the brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Pixel_Radiometric_Accuracy_4_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Error accuracy measurement in the brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Pixel_BT_Standard_Deviation_H_(025 ... 625)	Angle class BT standard deviation in the Brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Pixel_BT_Standard_Deviation_V_(025 ... 625)	Angle class BT standard deviation in the Brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Pixel_BT_Standard_Deviation_3_(025 ... 625)	Angle class BT standard deviation in the Brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Pixel_BT_Standard_Deviation_4_(025 ... 625)	Angle class BT standard deviation in the Brightness Temperature presented in the previous field, extracted in the direction of the pixel
Incidence_Angle_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Incidence angle value corresponding to the measured BT value over current Earth fixed grid point. Measured as angle from pixel to S/C with respect to the pixel local normal (0 if vertical)
Azimuth_Angle_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Azimuth angle value corresponding to the measured BT value over current Earth fixed grid point. Measured as angle in pixel local tangent plane from projected pixel to S/C direction with respect to the local North (0 if local North)
Footprint_Axis1_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Elliptical footprint major semi-axis value
Footprint_Axis2_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Elliptical footprint minor semi-axis value
Xi_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Direction cosine: Xi
Eta_(025 ... 625)	Angle class averaged Direction cosine : Eta
Nviews_(025 ... 625)	Number of views used to compute Angle class averages
Nb_RFI_Flags_(025 ... 625)	Number of views flagged as potentially contaminated by RFI used to compute Angle class averages
Nb_SUN_Flags_(025 ... 625)	Number of views flagged as potentially contaminated by Sun used to compute Angle class averages
Days_(025 ... 625)	UTC Time at which the averaged BT was taken, in EE CFI transport time format. Days
UTC_Seconds_(025 ... 625)	UTC Time at which the averaged BT was taken, in EE CFI transport time format. Seconds
UTC_Microseconds_(025 ... 625)	UTC Time at which the averaged BT was taken, in EE CFI transport time format. Microseconds

### 3.5.21 SSMT2

SSMT2 L1C data in NetCDF format.

Sensor Key	Source
ssmt2-f11	SSMT/2 on DMSP F11
ssmt2-f12	SSMT/2 on DMSP F12

ssmt2-f14	SSMT/2 on DMSP F14
ssmt2-f15	SSMT/2 on DMSP F15

Variable Name	Description
ancil_data_Year_1	Scan information – year
ancil_data_DayofYear_1	Scan information – day of year
ancil_data_SecondsofDay_1	Scan information – seconds of day
ancil_data_SatLat	Satellite nadir latitude
ancil_data_SatLong	Satellite nadir longitude
ancil_data_SatAlt	Satellite altitude
ancil_data_SatHeading	Satellite heading
ancil_data_Year_2	Scan information – year
ancil_data_DayofYear_2	Scan information – day of year
ancil_data_SecondsofDay_2	Scan information – seconds of day
tb_ch1 ... tb_ch5	Brightness temperatures in channels 1 to 5
lon	Pixel longitude
lat	Pixel latitude
channel_quality_flag_ch1 ... ch5	Channel quality flags for channels 1 to 5
gain_control_ch1 ... ch5	Gain control for channels 1 to 5
counts_to_tb_gain_ch1 ... ch5	Conversion scale factors for channel 1 to 5
counts_to_tb_offset_ch1 ... ch5	Conversion offset values for channels 1 to 5
Temperature_misc_housekeeping_thermistorcount01 ... 18	Thermistor status information for thermistors 1 to 18
warm_counts_ch1_cal1 ... ch5_cal4	Warm calibration counts for channels 1 to 5 and views 1 to 4
cold_counts_ch1_cal1 ... ch5_cal4	Cold calibration counts for channels 1 to 5 and views 1 to 4
Satellite_zenith_angle	Artificial variable containing the satellite zenith angle derived from the scan position and the platform orbit altitude

### 3.5.22 Windsat

Windsat L1C data acquired from Coriolis platform. Data as processed by Remote Sensing Systems, single orbit data mapped onto plate-carree projection global products, version v08.0 NetCDF files.

Sensor Key	Source
windsat-coriolis	WindSat polarimetric radiometer on Coriolis platform

The multidimensional datasets are flattened to two-dimensional variables per frequency/band and view and/or polarisation:

freq: 068, 107, 187, 238, 370

band: 06, 10, 18, 23, 37

pol: H, V, L, M, P, R

view: aft, fore

Variable Name	Description
earth_azimuth_angle_(freq)_(view)	Average azimuthal look angle relative to North
earth_incidence_angle_(freq)_(view)	Average earth incidence angle
fra_(freq)_(view)	Faraday rotation angle
fractional_orbit	Fractional orbit position: 0.00: Southern end of swath. 0.25: Equator ascending swath. 0.50: Northern end of swath. 0.75: Equator descending swath. 1.00: Southern end of swath.
land_fraction_06	Approximate land fraction within 6.8 GHz footprint
land_fraction_10	Approximate land fraction within 10.7 GHz footprint
latitude	Latitude of OI Earth grid cell
longitude	Longitude of OI Earth grid cell
pra_(freq)_(view)	Geometric polarization basis rotation angle between surface and antenna
quality_flag_(freq)_(view)	8-bit quality control flag
scan_angle_(freq)_(view)	Average scan angle of observations within grid cell.
tb_(band)_(pol)_(view)	TOA brightness temperature.
time_(freq)_(view)	Time of observation

### 3.5.23 SMAP Salinity L2C

The RSS SMAP Level 2C Sea Surface Salinity V5.0 Validated Dataset (SMAP\_RSS\_L2\_SSS\_V5) are products that contain the fourth release of the validated sea surface salinity orbital/swath data from the NASA Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) observatory. Data as processed by Remote Sensing Systems, single orbit data mapped onto plate-carree projection global product, version v05.0 NetCDF files.

For more information, begin on page 55 in the following PDF file:

[https://data.remss.com/smap/SSS/V05.0/documents/SMAP\\_NASA\\_RSS\\_Salinity\\_Release\\_V5.0.pdf](https://data.remss.com/smap/SSS/V05.0/documents/SMAP_NASA_RSS_Salinity_Release_V5.0.pdf)

The reader is implemented to provide either all "for" or "aft" look information of a SMAP product. Never the whole product at once, because this is not possible due to the pixel locator, which must be different for "for" and "aft" view.

Sensor Key	Source
smap-sss-for	SMAP L2C sea surface salinity for Look
smap-sss-aft	SMAP L2C sea surface salinity aft Look



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The multidimensional datasets are flattened to two-dimensional variables per look, polarisation, iceflag\_components, uncertainty\_components:

Extra Dimension	Layer Names	see page in pdf linked above
look	for, aft	page 56
polarisation_2	V, H	page 58
polarisation_3	I, Q, S3	page 59
polarisation_4	V, H, S3, S4	pages 58 and 59
iceflag_components	ice1, ice2, ice3	page 56
uncertainty_components	ws-ran, nedt-v, nedt-h, sst, wdir, ref-gal, lnd-ctn, si-ctn, ws-sys	see table at page 44

Variable Name	Description
alpha_(look)	Scan angle: +90 is left of forward. +270 is right of forward.
anc_sea_ice_flag_(ice#)	ancillary sea-ice detection indicator
cellat_(look)	Latitude of OI Earth grid cell
cellon_(look)	Longitude of OI Earth grid cell
dtb_land_correction_(look)_(pol_2)	TA land correction applied at TOA. Pol basis V,H
dtb_sea_ice_correction_(pol_2)	TB sea-ice correction applied at TB SUR 0. Pol basis V,H
dtemp_ant_(look)_(pol_2)	Empirical correction to physical temperature of reflector. Pol basis V,H
eea_(look)	Azimuthal look angle relative to North
eia_(look)	Earth incidence angle
fland_(look)	land fraction within footprint
gallat_(look)	Latitudinal (polar) angle of specular reflection ray in ECI2000
gallon_(look)	Longitudinal (azimuthal) angle of specular reflection ray in ECI2000
gice_est	estimated sea ice fraction weighted by antenna gain
gland_(look)	land fraction weighted by antenna gain
iqc_flag_(look)	32-bit quality control flag
monglt_(look)	Moon glint angle
pra_(look)	Polarization basis rotation angle (geometric part)
pratot_exp_(look)	Expected total polarization basis rotation angle: Faraday rotation (from external TEC) + geometric
rain	IMERG rain rate. Resampled to SMAP resolution.
sea_ice_zones	sea-ice contamination zones
solar_flux	Ancillary solar flux (from NOAA SWPC)
sss_ref	Reference sea surface salinity from HYCOM
sss_smap_(look)	SMAP sea surface salinity smoothed to approx 70km resolution
sss_smap_40km_(look)	SMAP sea surface salinity at original 40km resolution
sss_smap_40km_unc_(look)	total formal uncertainty estimate of SMAP sea surface salinity at original 40km resolution
sss_smap_40km_unc_comp_(unc_cmp)_(look)	formal uncertainty components of SMAP sea surface salinity at original 40km resolution
sss_smap_unc_(look)	total formal uncertainty estimate of SMAP sea surface salinity smoothed to approx 70km resolution
sss_smap_unc_comp_(unc_cmp)_(look)	formal uncertainty components of SMAP sea surface salinity smoothed to approx 70km resolution
sun_alpha_(look)	Sun azimuth angle in S/C coordinate system
sun_beta_(look)	Sun zenith angle in S/C coordinate system
sunglt_(look)	Sun glint angle. Negative value means that sun ray pierces the Earth.
surtep	Ancillary sea surface temperature (from CMC)
ta_ant_(look)_(pol_4)	unfiltered antenna temperature. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
ta_ant_calibrated_(look)_(pol_4)	Antenna temperature after correcting for emissive reflector and TND adjustment. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
ta_ant_exp_(look)_(pol_4)	Expected (RTM) antenna temperature before any losses. This is to be compared with ta_ant_calibrated. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
ta_ant_filtered_(look)_(pol_4)	RFI filtered antenna temperature. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
ta_earth_(look)_(pol_4)	Antenna temperature after correcting for cold space, galaxy, sun, moon. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
ta_gal_dir_(look)_(pol_3)	TA of direct galaxy intrusion. Pol basis I,Q,S3

ta_gal_ref_(look)_(pol_3)	TA of reflected galaxy intrusion. Pol basis I,Q,S3
ta_sun_dir_(look)_(pol_3)	TA of direct sun intrusion. Pol basis I,Q,S3
ta_sun_ref_(look)_(pol_3)	TA of reflected sun intrusion. Pol basis I,Q,S3
tb_consistency_(look)	sqrt(chi2) of MLE in SSS retrieval
tb_sur_(look)_(pol_4)	Brightness temperature at rough ocean surface BEFORE applying roughness correction. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tb_sur0_(look)_(pol_4)	Brightness temperature at flat ocean surface AFTER applying roughness correction. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tb_sur0_exp_(look)_(pol_4)	Expected (RTM) at flat ocean surface. SIC added. This is to be compared with tb_sur0, before SIC. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tb_sur0_sic_(look)_(pol_4)	Brightness temperature at flat ocean surface after applying roughness correction and sea-ice correction. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tb_toa_(look)_(pol_4)	Brightness temperature at top of atmosphere BEFORE applying land correction. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tb_toa_lc_(look)_(pol_4)	Brightness temperature at top of atmosphere AFTER applying land correction. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tb_toi_(look)_(pol_4)	Brightness temperature at top of ionosphere. Pol basis V,H,S3,S4
tbdw	Atmospheric downwelling brightness temperature
tbup	Atmospheric upwelling brightness temperature
TEC_(look)	Vertically integrated electron content between surface and S/C
temp_ant_(look)_(pol_2)	Physical temperature of reflector from L1B files. Pol basis V,H
time_(look)	Time of observation
tran	Total atmospheric transmittance
windir	Ancillary wind direction relative to North (from NCEP, meteorological convention) that is used in surface roughness correction
winspd	Ancillary sea surface wind speed from CCMP NRT that is used in surface roughness correction
zang_(look)	Orbital position angle of S/C. 0 is South. 90 is equator ascending. 180 is North. 270 is equator descending.

### 3.6 Supported Insitu Data

This chapter lists the input in-situ data source types available for matchup processing. In subsequent chapters, the sensors, the data format and the available variables are described in more detail.

#### 3.6.1 GRUAN reference files

Specific ASCII data format developed by University of Leicester that maps geolocation and time to an original GRUAN measurement file. Must be used with the post-processing that adds the full reference file name, see 4.1.5.1.14.

Sensor Key	Source
gruan-uleic	GRUAN reference files

Variable Name	Description
time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1970-01-01
lat	Latitude of measurement position
lon	Longitude of measurement position
source_file_path	GRUAN original measurement file reference path

#### 3.6.2 NOAA NDBC

NOAA based insitu data acquired by buoys and weather stations ([https://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/historical\\_data.shtml](https://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/historical_data.shtml)). The MMS supports data of type “Continuous Winds” and “Standard Meteorological”. The sensor keys allow to distinguish between the types of sensor and the measurement type.

Ocean buoy data and ocean station data is defined to be acquired further than 5 km away from any land or coastline. Lake stations and lake buoys cover all inland water measurements.

Sensor Key	Source
ndbc-cw-ob	Continuous winds, ocean buoy
ndbc-cw-cb	Continuous winds, coast buoy
ndbc-cw-lb	Continuous winds, lake buoy
ndbc-cw-os	Continuous winds, ocean station
ndbc-cw-cs	Continuous winds, coast station
ndbc-cw-ls	Continuous winds, lake station
ndbc-sm-ob	Standard meteorological, ocean buoy
ndbc-sm-cb	Standard meteorological, coast buoy
ndbc-sm-lb	Standard meteorological, lake buoy
ndbc-sm-os	Standard meteorological, ocean station
ndbc-sm-cs	Standard meteorological, coast station
ndbc-sm-ls	Standard meteorological, lake station

Variable Name	Description
station_id	Station identifier
station_type	Station type. 0: OCEAN_BUOY, 1: COAST_BUOY, 2: LAKE_BUOY, 3: OCEAN_STATION, 4: COAST_STATION, 5: LAKE_STATION
measurement_type	Measurement type. 0: CONSTANT_WIND, 1: STANDARD_METEOROLOGICAL
longitude	Longitude of acquisition
latitude	Latitude of acquisition
anemometer_height	Height of instrument above site elevation
air_temp_height (only SM)	Height of instrument above site elevation
barometer_height (only SM)	Height of instrument above mean sea level
sst_depth (only SM)	Depth of instrument below water line
time	Acquisition time in UNIX epoch seconds UTC
WDIR	Ten-minute average wind direction measurements in degrees clockwise from true North.
WSPD	Ten-minute average wind speed values in m/s.
GDR	Direction, in degrees clockwise from true North, of the GST, reported at the last hourly 10-minute segment.
GST	Maximum 5-second peak gust during the measurement hour, reported at the last hourly 10-minute segment.
GTIME	The minute of the hour that the GSP occurred, reported at the last hourly 10-minute segment.
WVHT (only SM)	Significant wave height (meters) is calculated as the average of the highest one-third of all of the wave heights during the 20-minute sampling period.
DPD (only SM)	Dominant wave period (seconds) is the period with the maximum wave energy.
APD (only SM)	Average wave period (seconds) of all waves during the 20-minute period.
MWD (only SM)	The direction from which the waves at the dominant period (DPD) are coming. The units are degrees from true North, increasing clockwise, with North as 0 (zero) degrees and East as 90 degrees.
PRES (only SM)	Sea level pressure (hPa).
ATMP (only SM)	Air temperature (Celsius). For sensor heights see variable "air_temp_height".
DEWP (only SM)	Dewpoint temperature taken at the same height as the air temperature measurement.
VIS (only SM)	Station visibility (nautical miles). Note that buoy stations are limited to reports from 0 to 1.6 nmi.
TIDE (only SM)	The water level in feet above or below Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

### 3.6.3 NOAA TAO

Ocean and atmospheric in-situ data collected by the TAO array buoys operated and distributed by NDBC.

The data has been pre-processed to merge the single measurement/instrument files per buoy into a single ascii file that allows to run matchups containing all variables available in a single run.

The instrument data per buoy is available on three different time rasters, daily (reference to noon), hourly and in 10-minute slices. During pre-processing, the SSS measurements and their acquisition time have been taken as reference, for all other instruments, data has been selected that matches the SSS acquisition time.

Geo-location data for the buoys is not recorded consistently, and if recorded is rarely on the same time raster as the SSS measurements. Therefore, the geolocation is either the nominal one, without taking into account the sway-radius, or the data is linearly interpolated to the time instant of the closest SSS measurement.

Sensor Key	Source
tao-sss	Tao SSS measurements and additional variables

Variable Name	Description
time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1970-01-01
latitude	Latitude of measurement position
longitude	Longitude of measurement position
SSS	Sea Surface Salinity in psu
SST	Sea surface temperature in degree Celsius
AIRT	Air temperature in degree Celsius
RH	Relative humidity in percent
WSPD	Wind speed (m/s)
WDIR	Wind To Direction degree true in Oceanographic Convention
BARO	Air pressure at mean sea level
RAIN	Rainfall rate (mm/hour)
Q	Data quality codes
M	Data modes

## Data Quality Codes

These codes define the data quality, the variable contains an 8-digit integer where each digit contains the quality index for one measurement. The coding (left to right) is as follows.

1. SSS
2. SST
3. AIRT
4. RH
5. WSPD
6. WDIR
7. BARO
8. RAIN

The meaning of the digit is:

- 0 = unknown
- 1 = good data
- 2 = probably good data
- 3 = questionable data
- 4 = bad data
- 5 = adjusted data
- 9 = missing data

## Data Mode Codes

These codes define the data acquisition mode as an 8-character string, the order of the instrument variables is the same as for the Data Quality Codes (see above). The meaning is:

- R = real-time data
- P = provisional data
- D = delayed mode data
- M = mixed real-time and delayed mode data

### 3.6.4 OceanRain

In-situ data collected at the University of Hamburg within “the Ocean Rain And Ice-phase precipitation measurement Network”. (<http://oceanrain.cen.uni-hamburg.de>)

ASCII dataset, 64 characters per line, one measurement per minute.

Sensor Key	Source
ocean-rain-sst	The OceanRAIN SST dataset

Variable Name	Description
time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1970-01-01
lat	Latitude of measurement position
lon	Longitude of measurement position
sst	SST in degrees Celsius

### 3.6.5 SST-CCI

In-situ data collected for SST-CCI, sea surface temperature. Formatted to NetCDF following the project specifications (RD 4). Supported is data of processing versions v03.3 and v04.0.

Sensor Key	Source
drifter-sst	Drifter based SST data
ship-sst	Ship based SST data
gtmba-sst	Global Tropical Moored Buoy Array SST data

radiometer-sst	Radiometer based SST data
argo-sst	Argo floater based SST data
xbt-sst	Expendable Bathythermograph SST data
mbt-sst	MBT SST data
ctd-sst	CTD SST data
animal-sst	Animal based SST measurements
bottle-sst	Bottle SST data

Variable Name (v03.3)	Description
insitu.time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1978-01-01
insitu.lat	Latitude of measurement position
insitu.lon	Longitude of measurement position
insitu.sea_surface_temperature	SST in degrees Celsius
insitu.sst_uncertainty	Measurement uncertainty in degrees Celsius
insitu.sst_depth	Measurement depth in meters
insitu.sst_qc_flag	In situ sea surface temperature MOHC QC flag
insitu.sst_track_flag	In situ sea surface temperature MOHC track flag
insitu.mohc_id	Unique ID from MOHC database
insitu.id	Unique ID generated from acquisition year, month and mohc_id

Variable Name (v04.0)	Description
insitu.collection	HadIOD observation identifier
insitu.lat	Latitude of measurement position
insitu.lon	Longitude of measurement position
insitu.mohc_id	Unique ID from MOHC database
insitu.prof_id	HadIOD profile identifier
insitu.qc1	Observation quality flag 1
insitu.qc2	Observation quality flag 2
Insitu.sea_surface_temperature	SST in Celsius
insitu.sst_depth	Measurement depth in meters
insitu.sst_depth_corr	Measurement depth correction
insitu.sst_plat_corr	Measurement platform correction
insitu.sst_plat_corr_unc	Uncertainty of measurement platform correction
insitu.sst_random_uncertainty	Measurement random uncertainty in degrees Celsius
insitu.sst_type_corr	Measurement platform type correction
insitu.sst_type_corr_unc	Uncertainty of measurement platform type correction
insitu.sst_uncertainty	Measurement uncertainty in degrees Celsius
insitu.subcol1	HadIOD data sub-collection code 1
insitu.subcol2	HadIOD data sub-collection code 2
insitu.time	Acquisition time in seconds since 1978-01-01 00:00:00
insitu.id	Unique ID generated from acquisition year, month and mohc_id

## 3.6.6 SIC-CCI RRDP

Sea ice concentration data gathered for the SIC-CCI project. Data is available at:

[https://figshare.com/articles/dataset/Reference\\_dataset\\_for\\_sea\\_ice\\_concentration/6626549/7](https://figshare.com/articles/dataset/Reference_dataset_for_sea_ice_concentration/6626549/7)

This dataset is already a matchup-database in ASCII format which consists of several data sections. The MMS supports a subset of the available sources, using the reference data from DMI, DTU and Polarstern. Additional sections supported are

- AMSR2
- ASCAT
- ERA-Interim/ERA5
- QSCAT
- SMAP
- SMOS

The reader is organised by reference data, additional sources are added as stated in the filename.

Sensor Key	Source
ANTXXXI-sic-cci	ASPeCt ship observations of Antarctic sea ice and snow thickness and concentration
DMISIC0-sic-cci	DMI SIC 0 reference data
DTUSIC1-sic-cci	DTU SIC 1 reference data

### 3.6.6.1 ANTXXXI section

ASPeCt ship observations of Antarctic sea ice and snow thickness and concentration (Worby et al), preprocessed by ITU.

Variable Name	Description
longitude	Longitude of measurement position
latitude	Latitude of measurement position
time	Acquisition time in UTC seconds since epoch
reference-id	Data source reference identifier
SIC-total	Total sea ice concentration
SIC-primary	Concentration of primary sea ice type
Ice-type-primary	Primary ice type
SIT-primary	Thickness of primary sea ice type
Ridged-ice-fraction-primary	Ridged ice fraction of primary sea ice type
Ridge-height-primary	Ridge height of primary sea ice type
Snow-cover-type-primary	Snow cover type of primary sea ice type (ASPeCt code)
Snow-depth-primary	Snow depth of primary sea ice type
SIC-secondary	Concentration of secondary sea ice type
Ice-type-secondary	Secondary ice type
SIT-secondary	Thickness of secondary sea ice type
Ridged-ice-fraction-secondary	Ridged ice fraction of secondary sea ice type
Ridge-height-secondary	Ridge height of secondary sea ice type
Snow-cover-type-secondary	Snow cover type of secondary sea ice type (ASPeCt code)



Snow-depth-secondary	Snow depth of secondary sea ice type
SIC-tertiary	Concentration of tertiary sea ice type
Ice-type-tertiary	Tertiary ice type
SIT-tertiary	Thickness of tertiary sea ice type
Ridged-ice-fraction-tertiary	Ridged ice fraction of tertiary sea ice type
Ridge-height-tertiary	Ridge height of tertiary sea ice type
Snow-cover-type-tertiary	Snow cover type of tertiary sea ice type (ASPeCt code)
Sea-water-temperature	Sea water temperature (deg C)
Air-temperature	Air temperature (deg C)
Wind-speed	Wind speed (m/s)
Wind-direction	Wind direction (degree)
Visibility	Visibility (code)
Cloud-cover	Cloud cover (octas)
Weather	Weather (code)

### 3.6.6.2 DMISIC0 section

Data from high latitude areas of 0% ice concentration identified from ice charts, climatology and classified satellite images such as SAR discrimination between water and ice. Data compiled by DMI.

Variable Name	Description
longitude	Longitude of measurement position
latitude	Latitude of measurement position
time	Acquisition time in UTC seconds since epoch
reference-id	Data source reference identifier
SIC	Sea ice concentration

### 3.6.6.3 DTUSIC1 section

Data from areas of ~100% ice from quantification of convergence areas in ENVISAT ASAR, RADARSAT and Sentinel-1 ice drift data (DTU/DMI).

Variable Name	Description
longitude	Longitude of measurement position
latitude	Latitude of measurement position
time	Acquisition time in UTC seconds since epoch
reference-id	Data source reference identifier
SIC	Sea ice concentration
areachange	<undocumented in source>

### 3.6.6.4 ERA-Interim/ERA5 section

Depending on the data source variable names are either prefixed ERA or ERA5.

Variable Name	Description
ERA(5)_longitude	ERA Interim/ERA5 longitude
ERA(5)_latitude	ERA Interim/ERA5 latitude
ERA(5)_time	ERA Interim/ERA5 time in UTC seconds since epoch

ERA(5)_reference-id	ERA Interim/ERA5 reference identifier
ERA(5)_upstreamfile	Name of ERA Interim/ERA5 file (Internal)
ERA(5)_msl	Mean sea level pressure (hPa)
ERA(5)_u10	Wind speed 10 m (u component) (m/s)
ERA(5)_v10	Wind speed 10 m (v component) (m/s)
ERA(5)_ws	Wind speed (m/s)
ERA(5)_t2m	2 m air temperature (K)
ERA(5)_skt	Skin temperature (K)
ERA(5)_istl1	Ice temperature layer 1 (0-7 cm)
ERA(5)_istl2	Ice temperature layer 2 (7-28 cm)
ERA(5)_istl3	Ice temperature layer 3 (28-100 cm)
ERA(5)_istl4	Ice temperature layer 4 (100-150 cm)
ERA(5)_sst	Sea surface temperature
ERA(5)_d2m	2 m dew point temperature
ERA(5)_tcwv	Total columnar water vapour (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
ERA(5)_tclw	Total columnar liquid water (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
ERA(5)_tciw	Total columnar ice water (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
ERA(5)_ssrd	Surface solar radiation downwards (W/m <sup>2</sup> ) (average of accumulated radiation over the previous 6h)
ERA(5)_strd	Surface thermal radiation downwards (W/m <sup>2</sup> ) (average of accumulated radiation over the previous 6h)
ERA(5)_e	Evaporation (m of water equivalent) (Accumulated previous 6h)
ERA(5)_tp	Total precipitation (m) (Accumulated previous 6h)
ERA(5)_sf	Snow fall (m of water equivalent) (accumulated previous 6h)
ERA(5)_fal	Forecast albedo (0-1)
ERA(5)_ci / ERA(5)_siconc	ERA Interim Ice Concentration

### 3.6.6.5 AMSR2 section

Variable Name	Description
AMSR2_longitude	AMSR2 longitude
AMSR2_latitude	AMSR2 latitude
AMSR2_time	Acquisition time in UTC seconds since epoch
AMSR2_reference-id	AMSR2 reference identifier
AMSR2_6.9GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_6.9GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_7.3GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_7.3GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_10.7GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_10.7GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_18.7GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_18.7GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_23.8GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_23.8GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_36.5GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_36.5GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_89.0GHzH	AMSR channel TB (K)

AMSR2_89.0GHzV	AMSR channel TB (K)
AMSR2_Earth-Incidence	Earth Incidence angle
AMSR2_Earth-Azimuth	Earth azimuth angle
AMSR2_scanpos	Scanpos (0-243)
AMSR2_upstreamfile	Name of AMSR file
AMSR2_timediff	Time difference between reference time and AMSR time (seconds)

## 3.6.6.6 ASCAT section

This section contains ASCAT data from IFREMER CERSAT.

Variable Name	Description
ASCAT_longitude	ASCAT longitude
ASCAT_latitude	ASCAT latitude
ASCAT_time	ASCAT time in UTC seconds since epoch
ASCAT_reference-id	ASCAT reference identifier
ASCAT_upstreamfile	Name of ASCAT file (ex. ASCAT_20140726.nc)
ASCAT_sigma_40	ASCAT backscatter (dB)
ASCAT_sigma_40_mask	ASCAT backscatter (dB) - masked
ASCAT_nb_samples	Number of ASCAT samples
ASCAT_warning	ASCAT flag
ASCAT_std	Standard deviation of ASCAT data

## 3.6.6.7 SMOS section

This section contains SMOS data pre-processed by University of Hamburg.

Variable Name	Description
SMOS_longitude	SMOS longitude
SMOS_latitude	SMOS latitude
SMOS_time	SMOS time in UTC seconds since epoch
SMOS_reference-id	SMOS reference identifier
SMOS_upstreamfile	Name of SMOS data file (ex. SMOS_40deg_e12.5_20101118.nc)
SMOS_Tbv	SMOS TBV (at 40 deg incidence angle)
SMOS_Tbh	SMOS TBH (at 40 deg incidence angle)
SMOS_RMSE_v	Stdev of TBV
SMOS_RMSE_h	Stdev of TBH
SMOS_nmp	Number of data points in daily map
SMOS_dataloss	Number of invalid data points (potentially RFI contaminated)

## 3.6.6.8 SMAP section

This section contains SMAP data pre-processed by University of Hamburg.

Variable Name	Description
SMAP_longitude	SMAP longitude
SMAP_latitude	SMAP latitude
SMAP_time	SMAP time in UTC seconds since epoch
SMAP_reference-id	SMAP reference identifier

SMAP_upstreamfile	Name of SMAP data file (ex. SMAP_40deg_e12.5_20101118.nc)
SMAP_Tbv	SMAP TBV (at 40 deg incidence angle)
SMAP_Tbh	SMAP TBH (at 40 deg incidence angle)
SMAP_RMSE_v	Stdev of TBV
SMAP_RMSE_h	Stdev of TBH
SMAP_nmp	Number of data points in daily map

## 3.6.6.9 QSCAT section

This section contains QuikSCAT data from IFREMER CERSAT.

Variable Name	Description
QSCAT_longitude	QUIKSCAT longitude
QSCAT_latitude	QUIKSCAT latitude
QSCAT_time	QUIKSCAT time in UTC seconds since epoch
QSCAT_reference-id	QUIKSCAT reference identifier
QSCAT_upstreamfile	Name of QUIKSCAT file (ex. 20090405-L3-PSI-NH-1D_012-QSCAT.nc)
QSCAT_sigma0_inner	QUIKSCAT backscatter (dB) (HH)
QSCAT_sigma0_mask_inner	QUIKSCAT backscatter (dB) – masked (HH)
QSCAT_nb_inner	Number of QUIKSCAT samples (HH)
QSCAT_std_inner	Standard deviation of nb_inner datapoints in daily map (HH) - (not dB)
QSCAT_sigma0_outer	QUIKSCAT backscatter (dB) (VV)
QSCAT_sigma0_mask_outer	QUIKSCAT backscatter (dB) – masked (VV)
QSCAT_nb_outer	Number of QUIKSCAT samples (VV)
QSCAT_std_outer	Standard deviation of nb_outer datapoints in daily map (VV) - (not dB)

## 3.6.7 SIRDS-SST

Ocean temperature in-situ data extracted from UK Met Office Hadley Centre Integrated Ocean Database, formatted to NetCDF format, monthly extracts per instrument type.

Sensor Key	Source
animal-sirds	Animal based SST measurements
argo-sirds	Argo floater based SST data
argosurf-sirds	Argo floater based “near surface” SST data
bottle-sirds	Bottle SST data
ctd-sirds	CTD SST data
driftercmems-sirds	CMEMS Coriolis drifter based SST data
drifter-sirds	Drifter based SST data
gtmba-sirds	Global Tropical Moored Buoy Array SST data
mbt-sirds	MBT SST data
mooring-sirds	Mooring SST data (excluding GTMBA)
ship-sirds	Ship based SST data
xbt-sirds	Expendable Bathythermograph SST data

Variable Name	Description
collection	HadIOD data collection code

depth	Measurement depth in meters
depth_corr	Measurement depth correction
latitude	Latitude of measurement position
longitude	Longitude of measurement position
plat_id	Platform identifier
prof_id	HadIOD profile identifier
qc1	Observation quality flag 1 SST in Celsius
qc2	Observation quality flag 2
sst	Sea surface temperature
sst_comb_unc	Sea surface temperature combined uncertainty
sst_plat_corr	Sea surface temperature correction (individual platform)
sst_plat_corr_unc	Sea surface temperature correction (individual platform) uncertainty
sst_rand_unc	Sea surface temperature random measurement uncertainty
sst_type_corr	Sea surface temperature correction (platform type)
sst_type_corr_unc	Sea surface temperature correction (platform type) uncertainty
subcol1	HadIOD data sub-collection code 1
subcol2	HadIOD data sub-collection code 2
unique_id	Unique ID generated from acquisition year, month and mohc_id

## 4 Configuration

The Fiduceo MMS is a highly configurable software system that allows customisation wherever applicable.

### 4.1 Configuration Files

This chapter lists the available parameters in various configuration files that are used by the software. All configuration files should be located in a single configuration directory.

#### 4.1.1 System Configuration

The system configuration file “system-config.xml” contains global settings that affect all components of the MMS. An example XML configuration is displayed below; each tag is explained later in the document.

```
<system-config>
  <geometry-library name="S2"/>
  <reader-cache-size>64</reader-cache-size>
  <temp-directory>/tmp</temp-directory>

  <archive>
    <root-path>
      /usr/local/data/fiduceo
    </root-path>

    <rule sensors="drifter-sst, ship-sst, gtmba-sst, ..."
      insitu/SENSOR/VERSION"
    </rule>
  </archive>
</system-config>
```

**geometry-library:** defines the geometry library to be used for geometric operations. Available values are

- “S2” – use the Google S2 spherical library – the default and recommended value
- “JTS” – use the Java Topology Suite library – experimental

**reader-cache-size:** defines the number of product-readers which are cached with open files. It depends on the size of the input sensor products how many readers can be cached. Default value is 8.

**temp-directory:** defines the system directory for temporary file storage. When omitted to set the software uses the standard directory as defined by the system property “java.io.tmpdir”. All temporary files created by the system will be deleted on process exit, if files cannot be cleaned an associated entry in the log-file states this.

**archive:** defines all settings related to the satellite data archive.

**root-path:** defines the root directory containing the input datasets used for matchup processing by default, the archive is organised as

```
<root>/<sensor-platform>/<version>/<year>/<month>/<day>
```

**rule:** this tag allows to define specific archiving rules that may differ from the default organisation. Any number of rules may be added to the configuration. A rule can apply to one or many sensors, defined by the “*sensors*” attribute of the rule tag. Multiple sensors are written as comma-separated list of sensor - keys. All sensor-keys defined in chapter 3.5 are valid entries for this tag.

A rule defines a general path into the archive. The elements of the path must be separated by a forward slash “/”. Path elements can be either selected from a list of pre-defined entities or defined as custom elements. The pre-defined entities will be expanded dynamically during runtime; the custom elements are treated as constant path elements. Pre-defined path elements are:

- **SENSOR** – will be expanded to the sensor key being processed
- **VERSION** – will be expanded to the data version being processed
- **YEAR** – will be expanded to the currently processed year
- **MONTH** - will be expanded to the currently processed month
- **DAY** - will be expanded to the currently processed day
- **DAY\_OF\_YEAR** - will be expanded to the currently processed day of year

## 4.1.2 Database Configuration

The database configuration file “database.properties” defines the connection properties for the MMS database. It is a java properties file containing unstructured key/value pairs.

The following settings are available:

**driverClassName:** defines the database connection driver class name. The following values are available:

- “mongodb”: use the MongoDB database driver class – the default and recommended value
- “org.postgresql.Driver”: use the PostGIS JDBC database driver
- “org.h2.driver”: use the H2 in memory database driver
- “com.mysql.jdbc.driver”: use the MySQL JDBC database driver – experimental, do not use

**url:** defines the database connection URL. The format depends on the driverClassName selected, please consult the documentation of the specific database vendor for details.

**username:** defines the database user name that is submitted during the database connection process.

**password:** defines the password that is submitted during the database connection process.

**timeout:** defines the timeout for database connections in seconds, defaults to 120 (i.e. 2 minutes).

## 4.1.3 MMD Writer Configuration

The MMD output format and content can be configured using this file. In addition, it allows fine-tuning of the writer performance and behaviour. The configuration file is an XML file named “mmd-writer-config.xml” and located in the standard configuration directory.

An example configuration is displayed below; each tag is explained later in the document.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<mmd-writer-config>
  <overwrite>false</overwrite>
  <cache-size>2048</cache-size>
  <reader-cache-size>8</reader-cache-size>
  <netcdf-format>N4</netcdf-format>
  <global-attributes>
    ...
  </global-attributes>
  <variables-configuration>
    ...
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

**overwrite:** this tag defines the MMD writer behaviour when encountering an already existing file with the same name in the target directory.

- false: software raises an exception and stops
- true: software deletes the existing file and writes the new one.

**cache-size:** defines the cache size in number of matchups that is used by the mmd-writer. Default value is 2048. Reduce this number when experiencing OutOfMemory errors on large subset window sizes.

**reader-cache-size:** defines the reader cache size in number of open file readers. The reader cache keeps frequently used input files open to increase the MMD writing performance. This setting defines the number of input files that are kept simultaneously open.

**netcdf-format:** defines the NetCDF file format version used for the MMD files. Available values are:

- "N3" - write MMDs in NetCDF version 3 format
- "N4" - write MMDs in NetCDF version 4 format – the default value

**variables-configuration:** allows to rename or exclude variables or attributes. A detailed description is given in the following chapter.

#### 4.1.3.1 Global Attributes Configuration

When writing an MMD file, global attributes are added to the file. (see 5.1) Some of the global attributes are configurable via the writer configuration.

Example:

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <global-attributes>
    <attribute name="title" value="Multi-sensor match-up dataset for use case XXXXX" />
    <attribute name="institution" value="Company or institution name" />
    <attribute name="contact" value="example name (example@mail.address.xx)" />
    <attribute name="licence" value="Your licence text" />
  </global-attributes>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

##### 4.1.3.1.1 List of configurable attributes:

- **title** → the title for the MMD file



- `institution` → the institution or company name of the file creator
- `contact` → the contact name and/or email of the contact person
- `licence` → The licence information under which the data in the generated file may be used.

### 4.1.3.2 Variables Configuration

The variables configuration section of the MMD writer configuration allows fine-tuning the content of the final matchup data files. It is possible to

- rename a sensor
- define a separator per sensor namespace for name concatenation
- exclude variables
- rename variables
- rename attributes of variables

For a detailed description of the content and structure of an MMD file and the naming convention used, please refer to chapter 0.

#### 4.1.3.2.1 Renaming a sensor

In the standard configuration the sensors reference are named as they appear in the descriptions in chapters 3.5 and 3.6. This behaviour can be changed using the `sensor-rename` tag. Multiple `sensor-rename` tags are allowed inside a variables configuration.

Example:

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <variables-configuration>
    <sensor-rename source-name="amsub-n16" target-name="AMSU-B_NOAA16" />
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

#### 4.1.3.2.2 Define a separator per sensor namespace

The MMS stores input variables to the MMD using the pattern `<sensor-name><separator><variable-name>`, for example "ssmt2-f14\_tb-ch4". This configuration aspect allows to change the separator character, which is set to the underscore character `'_'` by default. Separators can be associated to one or many sensors, which have to be added as a comma-separated list.

Example:

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <variables-configuration>
    <separator sensor-names="sen1, sen2, ..." separator = "." />
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

## 4.1.3.2.3 Exclude variables

It is possible to exclude variables of the input data from being written to the MMD file. The exclude tag allows to exclude any number of variables from a given sensors variables list. The names appearing in the exclude tag must exactly match the variable names of the input products as listed in chapters 3.5 and 3.6.

Example:

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <variables-configuration>
    <sensors names="hirs-n17, hirs-n16">
      <exclude source-name="not_needed" />
      <exclude source-name="useless" />
    </sensors>
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

## 4.1.3.2.4 Rename variables

Using this tag, it is possible to rename variables, i.e. to define a different name for the variable in the MMD as it originally appeared in the input data. This tag only changes the variable name, the sensor and separator parts of the final composite name are not affected, these can be changed separately. The names of the source variables appearing in the rename tag must exactly match the variable names of the input product as listed in chapters 3.5 and 3.6.

Example:

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <variables-configuration>
    <sensors names="hirs-n17, hirs-n16">
      <rename source-name="stupid" target-name="cool" />
      <rename source-name="boring" target-name="exciting" />
    </sensors>
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

## 4.1.3.2.5 Rename attributes of variables

It is possible to adapt the names of attributes of any variable in the MMD. The names of the source variables and attribute names appearing in the rename-attribute tag must exactly match the variable and attribute names of the input product as listed in chapters 3.5 and 3.6.

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <variables-configuration>
    <sensors names="hirs-n17, hirs-n16">
      <rename-attribute source-name="attN1" target-name="attN1_r" />
      <rename-attribute variable-names="var1" source-name="attN2" target-name="attN2_r" />
      <rename-attribute variable-names="var1, var2" source-name="attN3" target-name="attN3_r" />
    </sensors>
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

## 4.1.3.2.6 Write scaled data

The overall configuration of the MMS is to store the data in the MMD as it is in the original satellite product. There may be circumstances where it is desirable to store the scaled geophysical data instead of raw integer counts with scale factor and offset attributes. The “writeScaled” tag allows to switch this behaviour on for single variables and specific sensors. Variables where scaled writing is enabled will always be of data type double.

**NOTE:** it is highly recommended when using the scaled writing feature to exclude the scale-factor and offset attributes of the original variable. Some tools detect these attributes and scale automatically – which may lead to unusable data as the scaling will be applied twice.

```
<mmd-writer-config>
  <variables-configuration>
    <sensors names="hirs-n17, hirs-n16">
      <writeScaled source-name="signed_int_variable" />
    </sensors>
  </variables-configuration>
</mmd-writer-config>
```

## 4.1.4 UseCase Configuration

This configuration file defines the parameter-set to be used for a matchup processing. It is an XML file that has to be located in the configuration directory used for processing.

An example configuration is displayed below; each tag is explained later in the document.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<use-case-config name="mmd02">
  <sensors>
    <sensor>
      <name>avhrr-n17</name>
      <primary>false</primary>
    </sensor>
    <sensor>
      <name>avhrr-n18</name>
      <primary>true</primary>
    </sensor>
  </sensors>

  <dimensions>
    <dimension name="avhrr-n17">
      <nx>5</nx>
      <ny>5</ny>
    </dimension>
    <dimension name="avhrr-n18">
      <nx>5</nx>
      <ny>5</ny>
    </dimension>
  </dimensions>

  <location>
    <lon>-12.7</lon>
    <lat>33.24</lat>
  </location>

  <write-distance>true</write-distance>
  <random-sampling>
```

```

    <points-per-day>20000</points-per-day>
    <distribution>true</distribution >
  </random-sampling>
  <output-path>/tmp/fiduceo_test/usecase-02</output-path>

  <conditions>
    <time-delta>
      <time-delta-seconds>10800</time-delta-seconds>
    </time-delta>
    <spherical-distance>
      <max-pixel-distance-km>3.0</max-pixel-distance-km>
    </spherical-distance>
  </conditions>

  <screenings>
    <angular>
      <primaryVZAVariable name="satellite_zenith_angle" />
      <secondaryVZAVariable name="satellite_zenith_angle" />
      <maxAngleDelta>10.0</maxAngleDelta>
    </angular>
  </screenings>
</use-case-config>

```

Each usecase configuration file starts with an XML version and character encoding statement. The enclosing `<use-case-config name="mmd02">` tag defines the content of the configuration. Each usecase configuration has to be given a name that is set in the “name” attribute as shown above. This name is used during MMD file generation to create the result file names.

**sensors:** this tag encloses a list of sensors to be processed. Each sensor element in this list must contain a valid `<name>` tag that defines the sensor name. The sensor names must match one name of the list of supported sensors, see chapters 3.5 and 3.6. One (and only one) of the sensors must be tagged as being the primary (i.e. reference) sensor in this list of sensors. This is accomplished by adding a primary tag with the value “true”:

```
<primary>true</primary>
```

The primary tag with a value of “false” can be omitted, the software automatically assumes this when the tag is missing.

Optionally, sensor data can be restricted to a single data/processing version. This can be expressed by adding a version tag:

```
<data-version>v2.08</data-version>
```

When the version tag is omitted, the MMS uses all available data versions for this sensor for processing.

**dimensions:** enclosed by this tag is a list of dimension tags. These define the output window size for each matchup, i.e. the size of the data extract stored to the MMD with the matchup x/y location in the centre. It is required that for each sensor defined in the sensor list, an associated dimension is being defined. The association is realised by matching the names, stored as dimension attribute “name”.

The tags “nx” and “ny” define the extent of each dimension, they define the complete width and height of the extract. Following the requirement of a central matchup pixel, both values have to be odd numbers.

**location:** optional tag to define a matchup processing that extracts input sensor pixels that contain the location defined by the tags **lon** and **lat**. If set, this setting supersedes the standard matchup processing and allows overflight detection for a fixed ground location. All geodesic matches within the time-interval and sensor(s) configured are considered as valid matchups.

**write-distance:** specifies whether the MMD file shall contain an additional variable that stores the matchup centre distance in kilometres. Valid values are “true” and “false”, defaults to “false”.

**output-path:** defines the target directory for the processing. All MMD files generated will be stored in the directory denoted by this tag.

**conditions:** this tag encloses a list of condition plugin configurations. The values in each configuration are depending on the plugin and are explained in more detail in chapter 4.1.4.1.

**screenings:** this tag encloses a list of screening plugin configurations. The values in each configuration are depending on the plugin and are explained in more detail in chapter 4.1.4.2.

**random-sampling:** specifies to use a random sampling point matchup strategy. The random “Seed Point Matchup Strategy” is helpful to avoid that all the pixels of the entire observations are matchups, e.g. if the primary and secondary observation geometries are congruent, because they are on the same platform.

**points-per-day:** Defines the number of global generated pseudo random seed points (sobol generated points) per day. The points are nearly equidistant distributed on the globe and nearly equidistant distributed in the time range defined by the matchup tool command line arguments. (See 3.2 Matchup Tool)

**distribution:** defines the random distribution properties. The time and longitude axes are always equally distributed. The latitude axis can be scaled using the distribution tag; valid values are:

- FLAT: equally distributed – which increases the probability of polar matches because it generates an equal-angle sampling.
- COSINE\_LAT: the latitude distribution is weighted by  $\cos(\text{latitude})$ . This generates an equal area distribution by good approximation
- INV\_TRUNC\_COSINE\_LAT; the latitude distribution is weighted by  $\frac{1}{3} * \min(\frac{1}{\cos(\text{latitude})}, 3)$ . This weighting increases the probability of polar matches even more than FLAT.

The old syntax:

```
<random-points-per-day>20000</random-points-per-day>
```

is still supported by the software and generates a cosine-weighted distribution.

#### 4.1.4.1 Conditions

This chapter lists the configuration settings for all condition plugins available for the MatchupTool. A condition plugin serves for checking that a matchup conforms to the condition defined. A condition plugin operates solely on the raw matchup information, i.e.

- Primary and secondary pixel

- Geo-location longitude and latitude
- Pixel raster location x and y
- Pixel acquisition time in seconds since epoch
- Primary and secondary product raster width and height
- Primary and secondary extraction window sizes
- The processing time-range

When one or more of the subsequent plugin configurations are present in the configuration, the corresponding plugin is loaded and configured using the values supplied. During processing, the chain of plugins is applied to the matchups. The order of the condition configurations defines the processing order.

#### 4.1.4.1.1 Border Distance Condition

This condition ensures that the matchup location within the data file raster is within a defined distance from the raster borders. The condition can check primary and multiple secondary acquisition positions using different parameters, according to the configuration. If the pixel is outside the defined boundaries, the matchup is rejected.

Example with one secondary sensor:

```
<border-distance>
  <primary>
    <nx>22</nx>
    <ny>6</ny>
  </primary>

  <secondary>
    <nx>5</nx>
    <ny>8</ny>
  </secondary>
</border-distance>
```

“primary”: if tag is present, the primary (i.e. reference) sensor position is checked

“secondary”: if tag is present, the secondary sensor position is checked

“nx” defines the minimal distance of the matchup centre location x coordinate to the left or right data raster boundary.

“ny” defines the minimal distance of the matchup centre location y coordinate to the upper or lower data raster boundary.

Example with three secondary sensors:

```
<border-distance>
  <primary>
    <nx>22</nx>
    <ny>6</ny>
  </primary>

  <secondary names="sensor-A">
    <nx>5</nx>
    <ny>8</ny>
```

```

</secondary>

<secondary names="sensor-B, sensor-C">
  <nx>3</nx>
  <ny>3</ny>
</secondary>
</border-distance>

```

A “secondary” tag can be used twice or more times. Each of the “secondary” tags must have assigned a “names” attribute containing one or more secondary sensor names. Border distance calculations will be applied to all of these sensors.

It is not allowed to use a secondary sensor name twice.

It is not allowed to use more than one “secondary” tag without names.

It is not allowed to mix “secondary” tag without name and “secondary” tag with name.

#### 4.1.4.1.2 Spherical Distance Condition

This condition ensures that the primary and secondary matchup location are within a given spherical distance. If the matchup pixel centre locations (in lon/lat) are further apart than the threshold value, the matchup is rejected. Example:

```

<spherical-distance>
  <max-pixel-distance-km>6</max-pixel-distance-km>
</spherical-distance>

```

#### 4.1.4.1.3 Time Delta Condition

This condition verifies that the pixel acquisition time difference of the contributing primary and secondary (named or not named) products do not exceed the configured threshold. All pixels with an acquisition time difference above the threshold are rejected.

Example Case: primary and one secondary sensor

```

<time-delta>
  <time-delta-seconds>10800</time-delta-seconds>
</time-delta>

```

Example Case: primary and two or more secondary sensors

```

<time-delta>
  <time-delta-seconds names="name1, name2, ..."
    secondaryCheck="true"> <!-- default is false -->
    300
  </time-delta-seconds>
</time-delta>

```

“names” attribute contain comma separated secondary sensor names to which this condition applies  
 “secondaryCheck” attribute

- If “true” the check also applies between the named secondaries
- If “false” (default) the check applies NOT between secondaries

Example Case: extra time delta for each sensor combination

```
<time-delta>

  <!-- time delta between primary and name1 sensor -->
  <time-delta-seconds names="name1">
    300
  </time-delta-seconds>

  <!-- time delta between primary and name2 sensor -->
  <time-delta-seconds names="name2">
    250
  </time-delta-seconds>

  <!-- time delta between named secondary sensors -->
  <time-delta-seconds names="name3,name4,..."
    primaryCheck="false"      <!-- default is true -->
    secondaryCheck="true">   <!-- default is false -->
    400
  </time-delta-seconds>
  ...
</time-delta>
```

“primaryCheck” attribute

- If “true” (default) the check applies between primary and secondary
- If “false” NOT primary check will be applied

#### 4.1.4.1.4 Overlap Remove Condition

This condition plugin removes overlapping extraction windows. The plugin can operate either on the primary or on the secondary sensor extracts. It checks all matchup pixels for overlapping extraction windows and rejects all appropriate, so that the remaining list of matchups does not have overlapping areas. Example:

```
<overlap-remove>
  <reference>PRIMARY</reference>
</overlap-remove>
```

“reference”: denotes the sensor that shall be used for overlap removal. Valid choices are “PRIMARY” and “SECONDARY”.

If more than one secondary sensors defined in use case configuration, a “names” attribute must be applied to the “SECONDARY” reference tag to define to which secondary sensor the overlap remove should be applied.

```
<overlap-remove>
  <reference names="name-a, name-b, ...">
    SECONDARY
  </reference>
</overlap-remove>
```

#### 4.1.4.1.5 UniqueSamples Condition

This condition plugin ensures that duplicate matches are removed from the MMD. Duplicate matches can e.g. occur when a single satellite measurement is associated to two or more in-situ measurements because



the acquisition interval of the in-situ instrument is shorter than the matchup time criterion. The sample with the smallest geodetic distance to the reference is kept, all other matches are rejected.

Example:

```
<unique-samples>
  <reference-sensor>sensor_a</reference-sensor>
  <associated-sensor>sensor_b</associated-sensor>
</unique-samples>
```

The reference sensor is the sensor whose matchups shall be kept, the associated sensor is the one to be checked for multiple references. Both tags must contain a valid sensor key, as listed in section 3.5 and 3.6.

#### 4.1.4.1.6 PixelPosition Condition

A condition plug-in that allows to specify a raster position region constrained by xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax that contains valid matchups. All pixels outside this region are rejected. The condition can be applied to the primary sensor or to one, many or all secondary sensors .

Example:

```
<pixel-position>
  <minX>256</minX>
  <maxX>1056</maxX>
  <minY>8000</minY>
  <maxY>14</maxY>
  <reference>PRIMARY</reference>
</pixel-position>
```

“minX” denotes the minimal x position. Any pixel x position smaller than this is rejected. If parameter is omitted, a check for minimal x is skipped.

“maxX” denotes the maximal x position. Any pixel x position larger than this is rejected. If parameter is omitted, a check for maximal x is skipped.

“minY” denotes the minimal y position. Any pixel y position smaller than this is rejected. If parameter is omitted, a check for minimal y is skipped.

“maxY” denotes the maximal y position. Any pixel y position larger than this is rejected. If parameter is omitted, a check for maximal y is skipped.

“reference” denotes the reference sensor for the position check. Valid values are “PRIMARY” or “SECONDARY”.

If more than one secondary sensors defined in use case configuration, a “names” attribute must be added to the “SECONDARY” reference tag to define to which secondary sensor(s) pixel position shall be checked.

```
<pixel-position>
  <reference names="aatsr-en, atsr-e2">SECONDARY</reference>
</pixel-position>
```

## 4.1.4.2 Screenings

This chapter lists the configuration settings for all screening plugins available for the MatchupTool. A screening plugin serves for checking that a matchup conforms to the condition defined. A screening plugin operates on the raw matchup information (see chapter 4.1.4.1) and additionally has access to the product data readers.

When one or more of the subsequent plugin configurations are present in the configuration, the corresponding plugin is loaded and configured using the values supplied. During processing, the chain of plugins is applied to the matchups. The order of the screening configurations defines the processing order.

### 4.1.4.2.1 Angular Screening

This plugin performs a number of screenings on the satellite or viewing zenith or azimuth angles. The names of the variables can be configured, as well as the screenings that shall be applied and the associated thresholds. A screening is executed only when the associated tag is present in the configuration. Example:

```
<angular>
  <primary-vza-variable name="zenith_angle"/>
  <secondary-vza-variable name="satellite_zenith_angle"/>
  <max-primary-vza>10.0</max-primary-vza>
  <max-secondary-vza>15.0</max-secondary-vza>
  <max-angle-delta>17.0</max-angle-delta>
</angular>
```

“primary-vza-variable” denotes the variable name containing the angle to be screened for the primary sensor.

“secondary-vza-variable” denotes the variable name containing the angle to be screened for the secondary sensor.

“max-primary-vza” denotes the threshold for the primary angular variable in decimal degrees. All matchups with a value higher than the threshold value are rejected. Requires “primary-vza-variable” to be set. If tag is not present, the screening is not applied.

“max-secondary-vza” denotes the threshold for the secondary angular variable in decimal degrees. All matchups with a value higher than the threshold value are rejected. Requires “secondary-vza-variable” to be set. If tag is not present, the screening is not applied.

“max-angle-delta” denotes the maximal angular difference absolute value in decimal degrees. Matchups with an angular difference higher than the threshold are rejected. Requires “primary-vza-variable” and “secondary-vza-variable” to be set. If tag is not present, the screening is not applied.

### 4.1.4.2.2 Angular Cosine Proportion Screening

This plugin performs a screening on satellite viewing zenith angles as defined by the University of Hamburg (see RD 1), following the equation:

$$\left| \frac{\cos(primaryVZA)}{\cos(secondaryVZA)} - 1 \right| < \varepsilon_1$$

All matchups with a proportion value exceeding the threshold are rejected. Example configuration:

```
<angular-cosine-proportion>
  <primary-variable name="zenith_angle"/>
  <secondary-variable name="satellite_zenith_angle"/>
  <threshold>0.02</threshold>
</angular-cosine-proportion>
```

“primary-variable” denotes the variable name containing the angle to be screened for the primary sensor.

“secondary-variable” denotes the variable name containing the angle to be screened for the primary sensor.

“threshold” denotes the threshold value (i.e. the  $\varepsilon_1$  in the equation above).

#### 4.1.4.2.3 HIRS LZA Angular Screening

The LZA variable in the HIRS L1C data describes the local zenith angle for each scanline x-position. It does not distinguish left and right nadir positions. To implement a correct angular difference screening, the scanposition dataset has to be taken into account.

This plugin implements a correct angular difference screening for HIRS data following the algorithm:

```
sigmaprimary = scanposprimary < 28 ? -1.0 : 1.0
sigmasecondary = scanpossecondary < 28 ? -1.0 : 1.0
angDelta = abs(sigmaprimary * lzaprimary - sigmasecondary * lzasecondary)
```

All matchups with an angDelta above the “max-lza-delta” threshold are rejected. Values are in decimal degrees. Example configuration:

```
<hirs-lza-delta>
  <max-lza-delta>10.0</max-lza-delta>
</hirs-lza-delta>
```

#### 4.1.4.2.4 Buehler Cloud Screening

This plugin performs a cloud screening for microwave sensors based on the algorithm described in RD 2 and RD 3. It is applicable to AMSU-B, MHS and SSM/T-2. It can be applied either to primary, secondary or both sensor data. The screening is only executed when all three configuration values for the sensors are set. To switch the screening for a sensor off, remove the associated tags from the configuration. All matchups detected as cloudy are rejected.

Example configuration:

```
<buehler-cloud>
  <primary-narrow-channel name="btemp_ch18"/>
  <primary-wide-channel name="btemp_ch20"/>
  <primary-vza name="Satellite_zenith_angle"/>

  <secondary-narrow-channel name="btemp_ch3"/>
  <secondary-wide-channel name="btemp_ch4"/>
  <secondary-vza name="Satellite_zenith_angle"/>
</buehler-cloud>
```

“primary-narrow-channel” denotes the variable name containing the narrow bandwidth channel for the primary sensor.

“primary-wide-channel” denotes the variable name containing the wide bandwidth channel for the primary sensor.

“primary-vza” denotes the variable name containing the satellite zenith angle values for the primary sensor.

“secondary-narrow-channel” denotes the variable name containing the narrow bandwidth channel for the secondary sensor.

“secondary-wide-channel” denotes the variable name containing the wide bandwidth channel for the secondary sensor.

“secondary-vza” denotes the variable name containing the satellite zenith angle values for the secondary sensor.

#### 4.1.4.2.5 Pixel Value Screening

This screening plugin allows selecting matchups using a mathematical expression consisting of any combination of input variables. The plugin allows entering different expressions for primary and secondary sensor. Mathematical expressions can be arbitrarily complex but must evaluate to a Boolean value. The mathematical expressions are evaluated using the matchup location only. All matchups where either the primary or the secondary expression evaluate to false are rejected.

Mathematical expressions can be composed of variables and functions.

Variables available are all variables contained in the input satellite or in-situ data using the name as it appears in the file and as documented in section chapters 3.5 and 3.6, e.g. “btemps\_ch5” for AMSU-B brightness temperature in channel 5. In addition to this, the constants “PI” and “E” are available denoting pi and e. And of course any number typed into the expression is treated as numerical constant.

Mathematical operations and functions available are:

Function	Description
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
==	Equality comparison

!=	Inequality comparison
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal
abs	Calculates absolute value of argument
acos	Arc cosine of argument
ampl	Calculates amplitude of arguments ( $a^2 + b^2$ )
asin	Arc sine of argument
atan	Arc tangent of argument
atan2	The theta component of the point (r, theta) in polar coordinates that corresponds to the point (x, y) in Cartesian coordinates. ( <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/lang/Math.html#atan2(double,%20double))">https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/lang/Math.html#atan2(double,%20double))</a> )
avg	Mean value of arguments
bit_set	Checks whether a bit is set or not, first argument is the value to check, second argument is the bit index (e.g. bit_set(cloud_flags_fward , 1))
ceil	Round upwards to next integer value
cos	Cosine of argument
cosech	Hyperbolic cosecant of argument
cosh	Hyperbolic cosine of argument
deg	Converts argument from radians to decimal degrees
distance	Calculates the distance (sqrt of sum of squares)
exp	Exponential of argument
exp10	Ten to the power of argument
feq	Fuzzy equality (1e-6 accuracy) or when used with three arguments, third argument supplies maximal delta.
floor	Round downwards to next integer value
fneq	Fuzzy inequality (1e-6 accuracy) or when used with three arguments, third argument supplies maximal delta.
inf	Check argument for infinity. Returns 1 if argument is positive or negative infinite, returns 0 otherwise
log	Natural logarithm of argument
log10	Logarithm to the base of 10 of argument
max	Maximum value of arguments
min	Minimum value of arguments
nan	Checks argument for “not a number”. Returns 1 if argument is not a number, 0 otherwise
phase	Calculates phase of arguments (atan2(b,a))
pow	General power function $a^b$
rad	Converts argument in decimal degrees to radians
random_gaussian	Generates a random number from a gaussian distributed process
random_uniform	Generates a random number from a uniformly distributed process
round	Round to closes integer value
sech	Hyperbolic secant of argument
sign	Compute signum, returns +1 for positive, -1 for negative and 0 for zero argument
sin	Sine of argument
sinh	Hyperbolic sine of argument
sq	Square of argument

sqrt	Square root of argument
tan	Tangent of argument
tanh	Hyperbolic tangent of argument

All matchups where the mathematical expression for either primary or secondary sensor evaluates to false are rejected. Example configuration:

```
<pixel-value>
  <primary-expression>btemp_ch4 >= 180.5</primary-expression>
  <secondary-expression>cloud_probability < 0.25</secondary-expression>
</pixel-value>
```

#### 4.1.4.2.6 Window Value Screening

This screening plugin allows selecting matchups using a mathematical expression consisting of any combination of input variables. The plugin allows entering different expressions for primary and secondary sensor. Mathematical expressions can be arbitrarily complex but must evaluate to a Boolean value. The mathematical expressions are evaluated for each pixel of a window defined by the matchup location and an interval defined by the use case configuration.

Additional to the mathematical expression two more properties must be defined. The percentage and the evaluate property. The evaluate property decide whether pixels with fill value should be ignored or all pixels of the window are used to calculate the percentage pixel count.

All matchups where either the primary or the secondary percentage evaluate to less pixels are valid are rejected.

Mathematical expressions can be composed of variables and functions.

Variables available are all variables contained in the input satellite or in-situ data using the name as it appears in the file and as documented in section chapters 3.5 and 3.6, e.g. “btemps\_ch5” for AMSU-B brightness temperature in channel 5. Satellite variables are always scaled to geophysical entities before evaluated, if the original data is stored as scaled integer data.

In addition to this, the constants “PI” and “E” are available denoting pi and e. And of course any number typed into the expression is treated as numerical constant.

Mathematical operations and functions available are the same as in 4.1.4.2.5.

Example case 1: Primary and only one secondary sensor defined in use case configuration

```
<window-value>
  <primary>
    <expression>btemp_ch4 >= 180.5</expression>
    <percentage>22.3</percentage>
    <evaluate>EntireWindow</evaluate> // second option is “IgnoreNoData”
  </primary>
  <secondary>
    <expression> cloud_probability < 0.25</expression>
    <percentage>50.0</percentage>
    <evaluate>IgnoreNoData</evaluate>
```

```
</secondary >
</window-value>
```

Example case 2: Screening for one primary and multiple secondaries

```
<window-value>
  <primary>
    <expression>btemp_ch4 >= 180.5</expression>
    <percentage>22.3</percentage>
    <evaluate>EntireWindow</evaluate> // second option is "IgnoreNoData"
  </primary>
  <secondary names="name-A">
    <expression> cloud_probability < 0.25</expression>
    <percentage>50.0</percentage>
    <evaluate>IgnoreNoData</evaluate>
  </secondary >
  <secondary names="name-B, name-C">
    <expression>CH_wavelength233 < 0.33</expression>
    <percentage>75.0</percentage>
  </secondary >
</window-value>
```

## 4.1.5 Post Processing Configuration

The post processing configuration file stores the parameters and configuration used by the post-processing tool. It is an XML file that must be located in the general configuration files directory, see chapter 4.1. It contains the main tag *<post-processing-config>* and a list of *<post-processings>* which contain the configurations of the plugins. A list of implemented post processing plugins is described in 4.1.5.1.

Also, the configuration file contains information whether the input mmd files should be overwritten in place

```
<overwrite>
```

or new extended files should be written to the output directory

```
<create-new-files>
  <output-directory><!--the existing output directory path --></output-directory>
</create-new-files>
```

In rare cases, it can be necessary to adapt the name of the matchup dimension. This can be achieved with the tag:

```
<matchup-dimension-name>a_different_name</matchup-dimension-name>
```

If not set, the standard value *"matchup\_count"* is used.

Example Post Processing Configuration File:

```
<post-processing-config>
  <create-new-files>
    <output-directory><!--the existing output directory path --></output-directory>
  </create-new-files>
```

```
<post-processings>
... <!-- List of plugin configurations -->
</post-processings>
</post-processing-config>
```

Plugins can be chained and are processed in the order they appear in the configuration file.

## 4.1.5.1 Post Processing Plugins

Each post processing plugin has its own XML signature.

### 4.1.5.1.1 Spherical Distance Plugin

The spherical distance plugin is a post processing plugin, which can be used to add a spherical distance variable to a matchup dataset i.e. the distance of the matchup acquisitions for primary and additional sensor, calculated as geodesic distance in kilometers.

Requirements:

- The matchup dataset must contain latitude and longitude information for primary and secondary sensor.
- This geo information can be organized in 1 by 1, 3 by 3, 5 by 5 or each other odd manner.
- The matchup dataset must not contain a variable with the name, defined in `<var-name>` tag.

```
<spherical-distance>
  <target>
    <data-type>Float</data-type>
    <var-name>post_dist</var-name>
    <dim-name>matchup_count</dim-name>
  </target>

  <primary-lat-variable scaleAttrName="Scale">amsub-n16_Latitude</primary-lat-variable>
  <primary-lon-variable scaleAttrName="Scale">amsub-n16_Longitude</primary-lon-variable>
  <secondary-lat-variable>ssmt2-f14_lat</secondary-lat-variable>
  <secondary-lon-variable>ssmt2-f14_lon</secondary-lon-variable>
</spherical-distance>
```

If the geo information variable contains values which must be scaled to get the real lat/lon information, in the plugin XML the names of scaling (*scaleAttrName*) and offset (*offsetAttrName*) attributes have to be supplied. The plugin scales the variables accordingly before calculating the geodesic distance. If scaling or offset attributes are defined but not available, a runtime exception will be thrown.

The primary and secondary lat/lon value will always be extracted from the center pixel.

### 4.1.5.1.2 SST Insitu Timeseries Plugin

This plugin extracts a time series from in the situ data files and appends the data to the mmd file.

Requirements:



- An input mmd file must contain variables containing “\_insitu.” in its name. The part before “\_insitu.” is interpreted as the insitu sensor type.  
e.g. “gtmba-sst\_insitu.id” resolves to insitu sensor type “gtmba-sst”
- An input mmd file must contain a variable named  
“<insitu-sensor-type>\_file\_name”  
which contains the original insitu data file name per matchup
- An input mmd file must contain a dimension named “file\_name” which defines the field size of a file\_name field in the “<insitu-sensor-type>\_file\_name variable.
- An input mmd file must contain a dimension named “matchup\_count” which defines the number of matchups in this file.

Example sst time series post processing plugin xml part:

```
<sst-insitu-time-series>
  <version>v03.3</version>
  <time-range-in-seconds>129600</time-range-in-seconds>
  <time-series-size>220</time-series-size>
  <secondary-sensor-matchup-time-variable>
    amsre.acquisition_time
  </secondary-sensor-matchup-time-variable>
  <insitu-sensor>ship-sst</insitu-sensor>
  <file-name-variable>ship-sst.file_name</file-name-variable>
  <y-variable>ship-sst.y</y-variable>
</sst-insitu-time-series>
```

- version: defines the processing version of the insitu data files. Also encodes the data archive path.
- time-range-in-seconds: defines the complete time range extract range from the insitu acquisitions
- time-series-size: defines the size of the extract – should match the maximum number of acquisitions possible within the extraction time range
- secondary-sensor-matchup-time-variable: variable name for the reference times
- insitu-sensor: name of the insitu sensor (optional). This configuration parameter can be skipped if the MMD to process uses standard variable notation. If variable names or naming rules have been updated you can set the correct sensor name here.
- file-name-variable: name of the insitu file name variable in the input MMD (optional). This configuration parameter can be skipped if the MMD to process uses standard variable notation. If variable names or naming rules have been updated you can set the correct file name variable name here.
- y-variable: name of the insitu y-position variable in the input MMD (optional). This configuration parameter can be skipped if the MMD to process uses standard variable notation. If variable names or naming rules have been updated you can set the correct file y variable name here.

The plugin expects that the insitu file archive is organized without year/month/day paths. This means that all the insitu files of same sensor type and version should be in one directory.

Example archive snippet from system-config.xml

```
<system-config>
  . . .
  <archive>
    <root-path><!-- archive root path --></root-path>
    <rule sensors="animal-sst, gtmba-sst">insitu/SENSOR/VERSION</rule>
```

```
</archive>
. . .
</system-config>
```

Time series variables created by the plugin:

- insitu.dtime [int] (time delta between secondary matchup time and insitu time)
- insitu.id [long] (this a unique id generated by combining YEAR, MONTH and mohc\_id)
- insitu.lat [float]
- insitu.lon [float]
- insitu.mohc\_id [int]
- insitu.sea\_surface\_temperature [float]
- insitu.sst\_depth [float]
- insitu.sst\_qc\_flag [short]
- insitu.sst\_track\_flag [short]
- insitu.sst\_uncertainty [float]
- insitu.time [int]
- insitu.y [int]

#### 4.1.5.1.3 NWP plugin

This plugin adds numerical weather prediction (NWP) data to matchup datasets. The NWP data is extracted from ERA-Interim data (<http://www.ecmwf.int/en/research/climate-reanalysis/era-interim>). The plugin allows two different processes to be executed, a time series extraction for single pixel matchups (like insitu data) or an n x m pixel extract with profile data for atmospheric parameters for satellite-sensor extracts. The plugin relies on the publicly available CDO software (<https://code.zmaw.de/projects/cdo>) to perform the time-series aggregation and projection tasks.

The parametrization for the time-series and sensor-extracts is configured in specific sub-tags, see example below.

Configuration example:

```
<nwp>
  <cdo-home>/usr/local/bin/cdo</cdo-home>
  <nwp-aux-dir>/the/auxiliary/files</nwp-aux-dir>
  <delete-on-exit>true</delete-on-exit>

  <time-series-extraction>
    <analysis-steps>19</analysis-steps>
    <forecast-steps>33</forecast-steps>

    <time-variable-name>acquisition-time</time-variable-name>
    <longitude-variable-name>animal-sst_inistu.lon</longitude-variable-name>
    <latitude-variable-name>animal-sst_inistu.lat</latitude-variable-name>

    <analysis-center-time-name>matchup.nwp.an.t0</analysis-center-time-name>
    <forecast-center-time-name>matchup.nwp.fc.t0</forecast-center-time-name>

    <an-ci-name>an_sea-ice-fraction</an-ci-name>
    <an-sstk-name>an_sea-surface-temperature</an-sstk-name>
    <fc-sstk-name>fc_sea-surface-temperature</fc-sstk-name>
    <an-u10-name>an_east_wind</an-u10-name>
    <an-v10-name>an_north_wind</an-v10-name>
    <fc-u10-name>10m_east_wind_component</fc-u10-name>
```

```

<fc-v10-name>10m_north_wind_component</fc-v10-name>
<fc-msl-name>mean_surface_pressure</fc-msl-name>
<fc-t2-name>2m-temperature</fc-t2-name>
<fc-d2-name>2m_dew_point</fc-d2-name>
<fc-tp-name>total_precipitation</fc-tp-name>
<an-clwc-name>cloud_liquid_water_content</an-clwc-name>
<fc-clwc-content-name>cloud_liquid_water_content</fc-clwc-name>
<an-tcwg-name>an_total_column_water_vapour</an-tcwg-name>
<fc-tcwg-name>fc_total_column_water_vapour</fc-tcwg-name>
<fc-sshf-name>fc_surface_sensible_heat_flux</fc-sshf-name>
<fc-slhf-name>surface_latent_heat_flux</fc-slhf-name>
<fc-blh-name>boundary_layer_height</fc-blh-name>
<fc-ssrd-name>fc_downward_surface_solar_radiation</fc-ssrd-name>
<fc-strd-name>fc_downward_surface_thermal_radiation</fc-strd-name>
<fc-ssr-name>fc_surface_solar_radiation</fc-ssr-name>
<fc-str-name>fc_surface_thermal_radiation</fc-str-name>
<fc-ewss-name>fc_turbulent_stress_east_component</fc-ewss-name>
<fc-nsss-name>fc_turbulent_stress_north_component</fc-nsss-name>
<fc-e-name>fc_evaporation</fc-e-name>
</time-series-extraction>

<sensor-extraction>
  <time-variable-name>acquisition_time</time-variable-name>
  <longitude-variable-name>amsre.longitude</longitude-variable-name>
  <latitude-variable-name>amsre.latitude</latitude-variable-name>

  <x-dimension>5</x-dimension>
  <x-dimension-name>nwp_x</x-dimension-name>
  <y-dimension>5</y-dimension>
  <y-dimension-name>nwp_y</y-dimension-name>
  <z-dimension>60</z-dimension>
  <z-dimension-name>nwp_z</z-dimension-name>

  <an-ci-name>seaice_fraction</an-ci-name>
  <an-asn-name>snow_albedo</an-asn-name>
  <an-sstk-name>sea_surface_temperature</an-sstk-name>
  <an-tcwg-name>total_column_water_vapour</an-tcwg-name>
  <an-msl-name>mean_sea_level_pressure</an-msl-name>
  <an-tcc-name>total_cloud_cover</an-tcc-name>
  <an-u10-name>10m_east_wind_component</an-u10-name>
  <an-v10-name>north_wind</an-v10-name>
  <an-t2-name>2m_temperature</an-t2-name>
  <an-d2-name>2m_dew_point</an-d2-name>
  <an-al-name>albedo</an-al-name>
  <an-lnsp-name>log_surface_pressure</an-lnsp-name>
  <an-skt-name>skin_temperature</an-skt-name>
  <an-t-name>temperature_profile</an-t-name>
  <an-q-name>water_vapour_profile</an-q-name>
  <an-o3-name>ozone_profile</an-o3-name>
  <an-clwc-name>cloud_liquid_water</an-clwc-name>
  <an-ciwc-name>cloud_ice_water</an-ciwc-name>
  <an-tp-name>total_precipitation</an-tp-name>
</sensor-extraction>
</nwp>

```

Configuration parameters are explained in detail below:

- “cdo-home”: denotes the absolute path to the root directory of the binary CDO operators installation.
- “nwp-aux-dir”: defines the directory where the ERA-Interim auxiliary files are located.
- “delete-on-exit”: Set whether to delete all temporary files after processing or not. Default value is: true

Configuration parameter for the time-series extraction process:

- “analysis-steps”: Defines the number of time steps around the matchup time for NWP analysis data (6 hr time resolution). Default is: 17.
- “forecast-steps”: Defines the number of time steps around the matchup time for NWP forecast data (3 hr time resolution). Default is: 33.
- “time-variable-name”: Defines the name of the time variable to use as reference time. Time variables are expected to store data in seconds since 1970 format.
- “longitude-variable-name”: Defines the name of the longitude variable to use as reference. Data is expected in decimal degrees east.
- “latitude-variable-name”: Defines the name of the longitude variable to use as reference. Data is expected in decimal degrees north.
- “analysis-center-time-name”: Defines the name of the variable for analysis center times. Values are in seconds since 1970-01-01. Default: matchup.nwp.an.t0.
- “forecast-center-time-name”: Defines the name of the variable for forecast center times. Values are in seconds since 1970-01-01. Default: matchup.nwp.fc.t0.
- “an-ci-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis sea-ice-fraction (CI). Default: matchup.nwp.an.sea\_ice\_fraction.
- “an-sstk-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis sea surface temperature (SSTK). Default: matchup.nwp.an.sea\_surface\_temperature.
- “fc-sstk-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast sea surface temperature (SSTK). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.sea\_surface\_temperature.
- “an-u10-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis 10m east wind component (U10). Default: matchup.nwp.an.10m\_east\_wind\_component.
- “an-v10-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis 10m north wind component (V10). Default: matchup.nwp.an.10m\_north\_wind\_component.
- “fc-u10-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast 10m east wind component (U10). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.10m\_east\_wind\_component.
- “fc-v10-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast 10m north wind component (V10). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.10m\_north\_wind\_component.
- “fc-msl-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast mean sea level pressure (MSL). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.mean\_sea\_level\_pressure.
- “fc-t2-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast 2m temperature (T2). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.2m\_temperature.
- “fc-d2-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast 2m dew point (D2). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.2m\_dew\_point.
- “fc-tp-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast total precipitation (TP). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.total\_precipitation.
- “an-clwc-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis cloud liquid water content (CLWC). Default: matchup.nwp.an.cloud\_liquid\_water\_content
- “fc-clwc-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast cloud liquid water content (CLWC). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.cloud\_liquid\_water\_content
- “an-tcww-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis total column water vapour (TCWV). Default: matchup.nwp.an.total\_column\_water\_vapour
- “fc-tcww-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast total column water vapour (TCWV). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.total\_column\_water\_vapour
- “fc-sshf-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast surface sensible heat flux (SSHF). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.surface\_sensible\_heat\_flux
- “fc-slhf-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast latent sensible heat flux (SLHF). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.surface\_latent\_heat\_flux.

- “fc-blh-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast boundary layer height (BLH). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.boundary\_layer\_height.
- “fc-ssrd-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast downward surface solar radiation (SSRD). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.downward\_surface\_solar\_radiation.
- “fc-strd-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast downward surface thermal radiation (STRD). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.downward\_surface\_thermal\_radiation.
- “fc-ssr-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast surface solar radiation (SSR). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.surface\_solar\_radiation.
- “fc-str-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast surface thermal radiation (STR). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.surface\_thermal\_radiation.
- “fc-ewss-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast turbulent stress east component (EWSS). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.turbulent\_stress\_east\_component.
- “fc-nsss-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for forecast turbulent stress north component (NSSS). Default: matchup.nwp.fc.turbulent\_stress\_north\_component.

Configuration parameter for the sensor extraction process:

- “time-variable-name”: Defines the name of the time variable to use as reference time. Time variables are expected to store data in seconds since 1970 format.
- “longitude-variable-name”: Defines the name of the longitude variable to use as reference. Data is expected in decimal degrees east.
- “latitude-variable-name”: Defines the name of the longitude variable to use as reference. Data is expected in decimal degrees north.
- “x-dimension”: defines the extract window extent in x direction.
- “x-dimension-name”: defines the name of the NetCDF dimension for the x direction extent of the NWP extract.
- “y-dimension”: defines the extract window extent in y direction.
- “y-dimension-name”: defines the name of the NetCDF dimension for the y direction extent of the NWP extract.
- “z-dimension”: defines the extract window extent in z direction (i.e. atmospheric layers).
- “z-dimension-name”: defines the name of the NetCDF dimension for the z direction extent of the NWP extract.
- “an-ci-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis sea-ice-fraction (CI). Default: amsre.nwp.seaice\_fraction.
- “an-asn-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis snow albedo (ASN). Default: amsre.nwp.snow\_albedo.
- “an-sstk-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis sea surface temperature (SSTK). Default: amsre.nwp.sea\_surface\_temperature.
- “an-tcwg-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis total column water vapour content (TCWV). Default: amsre.nwp.total\_column\_water\_vapour.
- “an-msl-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis mean sea level pressure (MSL). Default: amsre.nwp.mean\_sea\_level\_pressure.
- “an-tcc-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis total cloud coverage (TCC). Default: amsre.nwp.total\_cloud\_cover.
- “an-u10-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis 10m east wind component (U10). Default: amsre.nwp.10m\_east\_wind\_component.
- “an-v10-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis 10m north wind component (V10). Default: amsre.nwp.10m\_north\_wind\_component.

- “an-t2-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis 2m temperature (T2). Default: amsre.nwp.2m\_temperature.
- “an-d2-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis 2m dew point (D2). Default: amsre.nwp. 2m\_dew\_point.
- “an-al-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis albedo (AL). Default: amsre.nwp.albedo.
- “an-lnspr-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis logarithmic surface pressure (LNSP). Default: amsre.nwp.log\_surface\_pressure.
- “an-skt-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis skin temperature (SKT). Default: amsre.nwp.skin\_temperature.
- “an-t-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis temperature profile (T). Default: amsre.nwp.temperature\_profile.
- “an-q-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis water vapour profile (Q). Default: amsre.nwp.water\_vapour\_profile.
- “an-o3-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis ozone profile (O3). Default: amsre.nwp.ozone\_profile.
- “an-clwc-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis cloud liquid water (CLWC). Default: amsre.nwp.cloud\_liquid\_water.
- “an-ciwc-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis cloud ice water (CIWC). Default: amsre.nwp.cloud\_ice\_water.
- “an-tp-name”: Defines the name of the target variable for analysis total precipitation (TP). Default: amsre.nwp.total\_precip.

#### 4.1.5.1.4 ERA-5 NWP

A plugin which adds numerical weather prediction (NWP) data to matchup datasets. The NWP data is extracted from ERA-5 data (<https://www.ecmwf.int/en/forecasts/datasets/reanalysis-datasets/era5>).

This plugin requires the data to be stored on a file-system mount point.

The plugin allows two different processes to be executed, a time series extraction for single pixel matchups (like insitu data) or an n x m pixel extract with profile data for atmospheric parameters for satellite-sensor extracts. All ERA-5 data is interpolated to the referring satellite or insitu data raster, using the same geolocation as the satellite/insitu dataset. All times are rounded to the nearest ERA-5 time-stamp, i.e. to the next full hour UTC. A separate NWP-time variable tracks the NWP time instant for all matchups.

The parametrization for the time-series and sensor-extracts is configured in specific sub-tags, see example below. The existence of an extract-type sub-tag defines if the data shall be processed, a missing tag skips the type completely from processing, i.e. if the tag <matchup-fields> is not present, no in-situ matchup extraction is performed and the associated variables are not created.

Configuration example:

```
<era5>
  <nwp-aux-dir>/location/of/era5/data</nwp-aux-dir>
  <era5-collection>ERA-5T</era5-collection>

  <satellite-fields>
    <x_dim name='nwp_x' length='5' />
```

```

<y_dim name='nwp_y' length='5' />
<z_dim name='nwp_z' length='86' />

<era5_time_variable>era5-time</era5_time_variable>
<longitude_variable>slstr-s3b_lon</longitude_variable>
<latitude_variable>slstr-s3b_lat</latitude_variable>
<time_variable>slstr-s3b_acquisition_time</time_variable>

<an_ml_q>humidity</an_ml_q>
<an_ml_t>temperature</an_ml_t>
<an_ml_o3>ozone</an_ml_o3>
<an_ml_lnspr>pressure</an_ml_lnspr>
<an_sfc_t2m>2m_temperature</an_sfc_t2m>
<an_sfc_u10>u_wind</an_sfc_u10>
<an_sfc_v10>v_wind</an_sfc_v10>
<an_sfc_siconc>sea_ice</an_sfc_siconc>
<an_sfc_msl>mean_pressure</an_sfc_msl>
<an_sfc_skt>skin_temp</an_sfc_skt>
<an_sfc_sst>ocean_temp</an_sfc_sst>
<an_sfc_tcc>cloud_cover</an_sfc_tcc>
<an_sfc_tcwv>water_vapour</an_sfc_tcwv>
</satellite-fields>

<matchup-fields>
  <time_dim_name>matchup_time</time_dim_name>
  <time_steps_past>14</time_steps_past>
  <time_steps_future>12</time_steps_future>

  <era5_time_variable> era5-mu-time </era5_time_variable>
  <longitude_variable>insitu_lon</longitude_variable>
  <latitude_variable>insitu_lat</latitude_variable>
  <time_variable>insitu_time</time_variable>

  <an_sfc_u10>mu_u10_wind</an_sfc_u10>
  <an_sfc_v10>mu_v10_wind</an_sfc_v10>
  <an_sfc_siconc>mu_sea_ice </an_sfc_siconc>
  <an_sfc_sst>mu_ocean_temp</an_sfc_sst>
  <fc_sfc_metss>mu_stress_east</fc_sfc_metss>
  <fc_sfc_mntss>mu_stress_north</fc_sfc_mntss>
  <fc_sfc_mslhf>mu_heat_flux</fc_sfc_mslhf>
  <fc_sfc_mslwrf>mu_long_wave</fc_sfc_mslwrf>
  <fc_sfc_msnwrf>mu_short_wave</fc_sfc_msnwrf>
  <fc_sfc_msshf>mu_sens_flux</fc_sfc_msshf>
</matchup-fields>
</era5>

```

Configuration parameters are explained in detail below:

- **nwp-aux-dir**: defines the root directory file system location of the ERA-5 dataset
- **era5-collection**: defines the era-5 collection used, valid entries are “ERA5”, “ERA5T” and “ERA51”. This value is stored in the MMD global meta-data as field “era5-collection”. If the configuration field is empty, the MMS tries to deduce the value from the “nwp-aux-dir” path. If this is not successful, an exception is raised.

Configuration parameter for the satellite extraction process:

- **x\_dim**: Defines the x-axis raster extent of the NWP data extract. Attributes:
  - **name**: the name of the dimension
  - **length**: the extent of the dimension. If dimension length is larger than the satellite data extract the value is clipped to the satellite data size.



- **y\_dim**: Defines the y-axis raster extent of the NWP data extract. Attributes:
  - **name**: the name of the dimension
  - **length**: the extent of the dimension. If dimension length is larger than the satellite data extract the value is clipped to the satellite data size.
- **z\_dim**: Defines the z-axis raster extent of the NWP data extract. Attributes:
  - **name**: the name of the dimension
  - **length**: the extent of the dimension. If attribute is skipped, the full range of the ERA-5 data is used, else the number of layers from the bottom upwards.
- **era5\_time\_variable**: defines the name of the variable which stores the ERA-5 satellite extraction time stamps in seconds since 1970.
- **longitude\_variable**: defines the satellite longitude variable name
- **latitude\_variable**: defines the satellite latitude variable name
- **time\_variable**: defines the satellite matchup time variable name
- **an\_ml\_q**: defines the name of the target variable containing the specific humidity “q”. If not set the default value “nwp\_q” is used.
- **an\_ml\_t**: defines the name of the target variable containing the temperature “t”. If not set the default value “nwp\_t” is used.
- **an\_ml\_o3**: defines the name of the target variable containing the ozone mass mixing ratio “o3”. If not set the default value “nwp\_o3” is used.
- **an\_ml\_lnsf**: defines the name of the target variable containing the logarithm of surface pressure “lnsf”. If not set the default value “nwp\_lnsf” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_t2m**: defines the name of the target variable containing the 2 metre temperature “t2m”. If not set the default value “nwp\_t2m” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_u10**: defines the name of the target variable containing the 10 metre U wind component “u10”. If not set the default value “nwp\_u10” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_v10**: defines the name of the target variable containing the 10 metre V wind component “v10”. If not set the default value “nwp\_v10” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_siconc**: defines the name of the target variable containing the sea ice area fraction “siconc”. If not set the default value “nwp\_siconc” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_msl**: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean sea level pressure “msl”. If not set the default value “nwp\_msl” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_skt**: defines the name of the target variable containing the skin temperature “skt”. If not set the default value “nwp\_skt” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_sst**: defines the name of the target variable containing the sea surface temperature “sst”. If not set the default value “nwp\_sst” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_tcc**: defines the name of the target variable containing the total cloud cover “tcc”. If not set the default value “nwp\_tcc” is used.
- **an\_sfc\_tcwv**: defines the name of the target variable containing the total column water vapour “tcwv”. If not set the default value “nwp\_tcwv” is used.

Configuration parameter for the matchup time-series extraction process:

- **time-dim-name**: defines the name of the time-series dimension



- `time_steps_past`: defines the number of time steps (i.e. one hour steps) that the time-series is expanding into the past from starting the matchup time
- `time_steps_future`: defines the number of time steps (i.e. one hour steps) that the time-series is expanding into the future starting from the matchup time
- `era5_time_variable`: defines the name of the variable which stores the ERA-5 insitu extraction time stamps in seconds since 1970.
- `longitude_variable`: defines the insitu longitude variable name
- `latitude_variable`: defines the insitu latitude variable name
- `time_variable`: defines the insitu matchup time variable name
- `an_sfc_u10`: defines the name of the target variable containing the 10 metre U wind component "u10". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_u10" is used.
- `an_sfc_v10`: defines the name of the target variable containing the 10 metre V wind component "v10". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_v10" is used.
- `an_sfc_siconc`: defines the name of the target variable containing the sea ice area fraction "siconc". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_siconc" is used.
- `an_sfc_sst`: defines the name of the target variable containing the sea surface temperature "sst". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_sst" is used.
- `fc_sfc_metss`: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean eastward turbulent surface stress "metss". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_metss" is used.
- `fc_sfc_mntss`: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean northward turbulent surface stress "mntss". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_mntss" is used.
- `fc_sfc_mslhf`: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean surface latent heat flux "mslhf". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_mslhf" is used.
- `fc_sfc_msnlwrfl`: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean surface net long-wave radiation flux "msnlwrfl". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_msnlwrfl" is used.
- `fc_sfc_msnsrfl`: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean surface net short-wave radiation flux "msnsrfl". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_msnsrfl" is used.
- `fc_sfc_msshf`: defines the name of the target variable containing the mean surface sensible heat flux "msshf". If not set the default value "nwp\_mu\_msshf" is used.

To simplify adaptation of a given processing naming configuration to multiple sensors, for both satellite extraction and matchup timeseries configuration, an expression replacement mechanism is available. This allows to define target variable names with a varying sensor/insitu source element. When a tag

```
<sensor-ref>avhrr-n11</sensor-ref>
```

or

```
<insitu-ref>sirds-drifter</insitu-ref>
```

Is set, all variables names containing the expression

```
{sensor-ref}
```

Or

```
{insitu-ref}
```

Will be expanded to contain the reference value. Example (for the matchup fields configuration, a similar approach is valid for the satellite fields configuration):

The configuration

```
<matchup-fields>
  <insitu-ref>sirds-drifter</insitu-ref>

  <an_sfc_u10>{insitu-ref}_u10_wind</an_sfc_u10>
  <an_sfc_v10>{insitu-ref}_v10_wind</an_sfc_v10>
</matchup-fields>
```

Will be expanded during loading to

```
<matchup-fields>
  <insitu-ref>sirds-drifter</insitu-ref>

  <an_sfc_u10>sirds-drifter_u10_wind</an_sfc_u10>
  <an_sfc_v10>sirds-drifter_v10_wind</an_sfc_v10>
</matchup-fields>
```

## 4.1.5.1.5 Cloud Flagging for HIRS

This plugin computes and adds cloud flag data to a matchup dataset containing HIRS data.

Currently the software is not able to differentiate the cases “water” and “ice covered water”.  
So “ice covered water” now is calculated like “water”.

Example plugin xml part:

```
<hirs-l1-cloudy-flags>
  <hirs-sensor-name>hirs-n18</hirs-sensor-name>
  <hirs-var-name-source-file-name>hirs-n18_file_name</hirs-var-name-source-file-name>
  <hirs-var-name-source-x>hirs-n18_x</hirs-var-name-source-x>
  <hirs-var-name-source-y>hirs-n18_y</hirs-var-name-source-y>
  <hirs-var-name-processing-version>hirs-n18_processing_version</hirs-var-name-processing-version>
  <hirs-var-name-source-11_1-um>bt_ch08</hirs-var-name-source-11_1-um>
  <hirs-var-name-cloud-flags>hirs-n18_cloudy_flags</hirs-var-name-cloud-flags>
  <hirs-var-name-latitude>hirs-n18_lat</hirs-var-name-latitude>
  <hirs-var-name-longitude>hirs-n18_lon</hirs-var-name-longitude>
  <hirs-var-name-11_1-um>hirs-n18_bt_ch08</hirs-var-name-11_1-um>
  <hirs-var-name-6_5-um>hirs-n18_bt_ch12</hirs-var-name-6_5-um>
  <distance-product-file-path>/path/to/the/distance-NetCDF-file.nc</distance-product-file-path>
</hirs-l1-cloudy-flags>
```

The plugin differentiates three matchup scenes:

- “water”
- “ice covered water”
- “land”

In the case of a “water” scene, it is needed to reopen the source orbit and extract a 45 x 45 pixels area around the center position of the current matchup.

Therefor this list of parameters is needed:

- <hirs-sensor-name>  
The sensor name, which was used to ingest the input product to the database.
- <hirs-var-name-source-file-name>  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the source filename of the input file
- <hirs-var-name-source-x>  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the source center pixel **x** of the matchup
- <hirs-var-name-source-y>  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the source center pixel **y** of the matchup
- <hirs-var-name-processing-version>  
The processing version, which was used to ingest the input product to the database.
- <hirs-var-name-source-11\_1-um>  
The name of the 11,1μm brightness temperature variable of the source file

In the cases “ice covered water” or “land” the plugin can compute the flags without extraction of data from the source product.

The following list of parameters are effective for all cases.

- <hirs-var-name-cloud-flags>  
The name of the cloud flags variable, which will be attached to the MMD file.
- <hirs-var-name-11\_1-um>  
The name of the variable containing the brightness temperature values of 11,1μm.
- <hirs-var-name-6\_5-um>  
The name of the variable containing the brightness temperature values of 6,5μm.

Since HIRS input data currently does not contain quality flags, the only way to detect “land” or “water” scene is to fetch a distance to land value from a verified map file.

To detect “land” case currently the distance file: Globolakes-static\_distance\_to\_land\_Map-300m-P5Y-2005-ESACCI\_WB-fv1.0\_RES120.nc is used.

- Input: lat and lon position of the matchup center pixel
- Output: distance to land value (unit km)
- Evaluation: “land” = distance to land value is less than 0.3 km

Therefore the following list of parameters is needed.

- `<hirs-var-name-latitude>`  
The name of the variable containing the latitude values.
- `<hirs-var-name-longitude>`  
The name of the variable containing the longitude values.
- `<distance-product-file-path>`  
The path to the distance to land map file.

#### 4.1.5.1.6 ElevationToSolzen

This plugin converts viewing geometry angles stored as elevation angles (i.e. angles defined wrt. the normal plane) to zenith angles (i.e. angles defined wrt. the nadir line). It optionally allows to remove the original elevation angle variables.

Example configuration:

```
<elevation-to-solzen-angle>
  <convert source-name = "elevation_angle_1"
    target-name = "zenith_angle_1"
    remove-source = "false"/>
  <convert source-name = "elevation_angle_2"
    target-name = "zenith_angle_2"
    remove-source = "true"/>
</elevation-to-solzen-angle>
```

The configuration consists of a list of “convert” elements that describe a single angle conversion process. Any number of “convert” elements can be added to the configuration. Each of the element has three attributes:

- “source-name”: defines the source elevation variable name. Must appear exactly as stored in the MMD.
- “target-name”: defines the target zenith angle variable name.
- “remove-source”: Flag to keep/remove the source variable. If set to “true”, the source variable is removed from the MMD, if set to “false”, the variable is kept. Default value when not set is “true”.

#### 4.1.5.1.7 AddAmsrAngles

Post processing plugin that adds solar zenith and solar azimuth angle variables to AMSR-E and AMSR-2 data that follow the (A)ATSR angles convention. These are calculated following the equations:

$$\text{solarZenithAngle} = \text{SunElevation} + \text{EarthIncidence}$$

$$\text{solarAzimuthAngle} = (\text{EarthAzimuth} - \text{SunAzimuth} + 180.0) \% 360.0$$

Example configuration:

```
<add-amsr-solar-angles>
  <sun-elevation-variable name = "Sun_Elevation" />
  <sun-azimuth-variable name = "Sun_Azimuth" />
  <earth-incidence-variable name = "Earth_Incidence" />
  <earth-azimuth-variable name = "Earth_Azimuth" />
  <sza-target-variable name = "amsre.solar_zenith_angle" />
  <saa-target-variable name = "amsre.solar_azimuth_angle" />
```

```
</add-amsr-solar-angles>
```

The configuration parameter are:

- sun-elevation-variable: name of the sun elevation input variable
- sun-azimuth-variable: name of the sun azimuth input variable.
- earth-incidence-variable: name of the earth incidence input variable
- earth-azimuth-variable: name of the earth azimuth input variable
- sza-target-variable: name of the target variable containing the solar zenith angle
- saa-target-variable: name of the target variable containing the solar azimuth angle

#### 4.1.5.1.8 AddAmsr2ScanQualityData

This post processing plugin adds the AMSR2 Scan\_Data\_Quality variable to the MMD. It copies the matching original 512 bytes data array to the MMD data.

Example configuration:

```
<add-amsr2-scan-data-quality>
  <filename-variable name = "amsr2-gcw1_file_name" />
  <processing-version-variable name = "amsr2-gcw1_processing_version" />
  <y-variable name = "amsr2-gcw1_y" />
  <target-variable name = "amsr2-gcw1_Scan_Data_Quality" />
</add-amsr2-scan-data-quality>
```

The configuration parameter are:

- filename-variable: name of the file name input variable
- processing-version-variable: name of the processing version input variable.
- y-variable: name of the original scanline input variable
- target-variable: name of target variable

#### 4.1.5.1.9 AddIasiSpectrum

This plugin extends MMDs that have been generated using the IASI reader (see chapter 3.5.12) to contain the full IASI hyper-spectral data. This step is implemented as a post-processing because the target variable is a 4-dimensional dataset that cannot per-se be handled by the MMS core engine. The variable generated by this plugins has the dimensions matchup/y/x/spectrum.

Example configuration:

```
<add-iasi-spectrum>
  <target-variable name = "GS1cSpect" />
  <reference-variable name = "OnboardUTC" />
  <x-variable name = "iasi-ma_x" />
  <y-variable name = "iasi-ma_y" />
  <file-name-variable name = "iasi-ma_file_name" />
  <processing-version-variable name = "iasi-ma_processing_version" />
</add-iasi-spectrum>
```

The configuration parameter are:

- target-variable: name of the target variable
- reference-variable: name of reference input variable. This is used to detect the target dimensions.
- x-variable: name of the x-position input variable containing the matchup raster x position
- y-variable: name of the x-position input variable containing the matchup raster y position
- file-name-variable: name of the input variable that contains the filename where the matchup was taken from
- processing-version-variable: name of the input variable containing the file processing version

#### 4.1.5.1.10 AddDistanceToLand

A post-processing plugin that adds a variable containing the distance to the closest landmass/coastline. The distance is calculated based on an auxiliary file generated in the GLOBOLAKES project with a spatial resolution of 0.0083 degrees. Land pixels contain a distance of 0.0 km.

Example configuration:

```
<add-distance-to-land>
  <aux-file-path>/data/fiduceo/aux/globolakes.nc</aux-file-path>
  <target-variable name = "distance-to-land" />
  <lon-variable name = "xyz_longitude" />
  <lat-variable name = " xyz_latitude " />
</add-distance-to-land>
```

The configuration parameter are:

- aux-file-path: absolute path to the GLOBOLAKES distance auxiliary file
- target-variable: name of the variable written. The datatype is float and the dimension of this variable is the same as the dimension of the longitude variable used as input.
- lon-variable: input variable name of the variable containing the geolocation longitudes
- lat-variable: input variable name of the variable containing the geolocation latitudes

#### 4.1.5.1.11 CALIOP Feature Classification Flags Midpoints Extract

This plugin extracts horizontal midpoints from each vertical layer of the source CALIOP file from the variable "Feature\_Classification\_Flags" and adds the data to the mmd file to an user defined target variable.

Example configuration:

```
<post-processings>
  <caliop-level2-vfm-flags>
    <mmd-source-file-variable-name>
      caliop_vfm.file_name
    </mmd-source-file-variable-name>
    <mmd-processing-version-variable-name>
      caliop_vfm.processing_version
    </mmd-processing-version-variable-name>
    <mmd-y-variable-name>
      caliop_vfm.y
    </mmd-y-variable-name>
    <target-fcf-variable-name>
      caliop_vfm.Center_Feature_Classification_Flags
```

```

        </target-fcf-variable-name>
    </caliop-level2-vfm-flags>
</post-processings>

```

The configuration parameter are:

- `<mmd-source-file-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the source filename of the input file
- `<mmd-processing-version-variable-name>`  
The processing version, which was used to ingest the input product to the database.
- `<mmd-y-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the source center pixel **y** of the matchup.  
A center x variable is not needed because CALIOP products have a width of 1
- `<target-fcf-variable-name>`  
The name of the new variable which will be added.

#### 4.1.5.1.12 CALIOP add L2 CLay variables

This plugin adds “caliop\_clay-cal” (clay = cloud layer) product variables and data to an mmd file which already contains “caliop\_vfm-cal” data. (vfm = vertical feature mask)

Example configuration:

```

<post-processings>
  <caliop-sst-wp100-clay>
    <mmd-source-file-variable-name>
      caliop_vfm.file_name
    </mmd-source-file-variable-name>
    <processing-version>
      4.10
    </processing-version>
    <mmd-y-variable-name>
      caliop_vfm.y
    </mmd-y-variable-name>
    <target-variable-prefix>
      caliop_clay.
    </target-variable-prefix>
  </caliop-sst-wp100-clay>
</post-processings>

```

The configuration parameter are:

- `<caliop-sst-wp100-clay>`  
The main tag of this post processing plugin for caliop cloud layer product data
- `<mmd-source-file-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the VFM source filename. The VFM source file name is needed to create the correspding caliop\_clay-cal filename.
- `<processing-version>`  
The processing version of caliop\_clay-cal products, which was used to ingest the clay products to the database.
- `<mmd-y-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the VFM source center pixel **y** of the matchup.  
A center x variable is not needed because CALIOP products have a width of 1

- `<target-variable-prefix>`  
To insert the caliop cloud layer product variables to an mmd file a variable prefix is needed.  
e.g. "caliop-cal."

#### 4.1.5.1.13 AIRS add channel variables

This plugin adds channel data from AIRS L1B source products

Example configuration:

```
<post-processings>
  <add-airs-channel-data>
    <mmd-source-file-variable-name>
      airs-aq_file_name
    </mmd-source-file-variable-name>
    <mmd-processing-version-variable-name>
      airs-aq_processing_version
    </mmd-processing-version-variable-name>
    <mmd-x-variable-name>
      airs-aq_x
    </mmd-x-variable-name>
    <mmd-y-variable-name>
      airs-aq_y
    </mmd-y-variable-name>
    <mmd-variable-name-cut-out-reference>
      airs-aq_cutOutRef
    </mmd-variable-name-cut-out-reference>
    <target-variable-name-radiances>
      airs-aq_radiances
    </target-variable-name-radiances>
    <target_variable_name_CalFlag>
      airs-aq_CalFlag
    </target_variable_name_CalFlag>
    <target_variable_name_SpaceViewDelta>
      airs-aq_spaceViewDelta
    </target_variable_name_SpaceViewDelta>
  </add-airs-channel-data>
</post-processings>
```

Configuration parameters are:

- `< add-airs-channel-data >`  
The main tag of this post processing plugin for AIRS channel data
- `<mmd-source-file-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the AIRS product source filename. The source file name is needed to fetch channel data from the sam file as other data per matchup.
- `<mmd-processing-version-variable-name>`  
The processing version of AIRS products, which was used to ingest the clay products to the database.
- `<mmd-x-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the AIRS source center pixel **x** of the matchup.
- `<mmd-y-variable-name>`  
The name of the MMD variable, which contains the AIRS source center pixel **y** of the matchup.
- `<mmd-variable-name-cut-out-reference>`  
Name of reference input variable. This is used to detect the target dimensions.



- `<target-variable-name-radiances>`  
Target variable name for radiances channel data.  
e.g. "airs-aq\_radiances"
- `<target_variable_name_CalFlag>`  
Target variable name for CalFlag channel data.  
e.g. "airs-aq\_CalFlag"
- `<target_variable_name_SpaceViewDelta>`  
Target variable name for SpaceViewDelta channel data.  
e.g. "airs-aq\_SpaceViewDelta"

#### 4.1.5.1.14 AddGruanSource

Post processing that adds the GRUAN reference file path to the MMD.

Example configuration:

```
<add-gruan-source>
  <target-variable name = "gruan-source-file" />
  <y-variable name = "gruan-uleic_y" />
  <file-name-variable name = "gruan-uleic_file_name" />
  <processing-version-variable name = "gruan-uleic_processing_version" />
</add-gruan-source>
```

Configuration parameters are:

- `<target-variable>`: the name of the variable in the target containing the file references
- `<y-variable>`: The name of the variable containing the GRUAN y matchup location
- `<file-name-variable>`: the name of the variable containing the Gruan reference file in-situ file name
- `<processing-version-variable>`: the name of the variable containing the input file version.

#### 4.1.5.1.15 AddAvhrrCorrCoeffs

Post processing that adds the AVHRR FIDUCEO FCDR correlation variables to the MMD. This processing adds a variable that contains one set of correlation coefficients for each input file. The data dimension is therefore different from the number of matchups. Instead, an additional dimension "input\_files" is created that contains for each dimension the associated input file name.

Example configuration:

```
<add-avhrr-corr-coeffs>
  <file-name-variable name = "input-file-name-variable" />
  <processing-version-variable name = "input-processing-version" />
  <target-x-elem-variable name = "cross_element_correlation_coefficients" />
  <target-x-line-variable name = "cross_line_correlation_coefficients" />
</add-avhrr-corr-coeffs>
```

Configuration parameters are:

- `<file-name-variable>`: the name of the variable containing the AVHRR FCDR input file name.
- `<processing-version-variable>`: the name of the variable containing the input file version.
- `<target-x-elem-variable>`: the name of the target variable for the cross element correlation coefficients variable

- <target-x-line-variable>: the name of the target variable for the cross line correlation coefficients variable

## 5 MMD file format

The result data of a matchup-processing or post processing is stored in an MMD file. There will be one MMD file generated for each processing time slot (e.g. daily or one per week).

The MMD file is a self-descriptive NetCDF file that contains all variables of the input data as listed in subsections of 3.5 and 3.6 (except for those that have explicitly been excluded by mechanisms described in 4.1.3).

For each variable, the MMD file contains a three dimensional dataset where the x and y dimensions are the extract-window dimensions around the matchup and the z-dimension is the index of the matchup detected in the time slot processed. Thus each unique (x/y/z) in the MMD belongs to the same measurement and can therefore easily be processed by other analysis software.

### 5.1 Global Attributes

This section lists all global attributes of the MMD that are added by the MMS.

#### 5.1.1 title

This attribute contains the title of the mmd file.

See “Global Attributes Configuration” (4.1.3.1) how to configure the title attribute.

#### 5.1.2 institution

This attribute contains information about the institute/creator of the mmd file.

See “Global Attributes Configuration” (4.1.3.1) how to configure the institution attribute.

#### 5.1.3 contact

This attribute contains the contact information of the mmd file.

See “Global Attributes Configuration” (4.1.3.1) how to configure contact information attribute.

#### 5.1.4 licence

This attribute contains the licence of the mmd file.

See “Global Attributes Configuration” (4.1.3.1) how to configure the licence information attribute.

#### 5.1.5 creation\_date

This attribute contains the creation date of the MMD file in the following format:

`yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss`

#### 5.1.6 software\_version

This attribute contains the software version used at the time the MMD file was created.

#### 5.1.7 comment

An immutable global attribute which is the introduction to the following global attribute use-case-configuration (see 5.1.8).

It contains the predefined standard text: „This MMD file is created based on the use case configuration documented in the attribute 'use-case-configuration'.“

## 5.1.8 **use-case-configuration**

This attribute contains the full text of the use case configuration file. (see 4.1.4)

## 5.1.9 **sensor-names**

This attribute contains a comma separated list of sensor names that have been used to generate the MMD. The first name in the list is the name of the primary (reference) sensor.

## 5.2 **Extra MMD Variables**

In addition to the original sensor variable extracts, the MMS adds a number of useful variables that facilitate traceability of the data. These are listed in the following chapters.

### 5.2.1 **<sensor-name>\_x, <sensor-name>\_y**

These variables contain the x and y position of the matchup location for the sensor *<sensor>* in the input data raster. The variables are vectors with one value per matchup layer containing the matchup centre location.

### 5.2.2 **<sensor-name>\_file\_name**

A variable that contains for each matchup-layer the name of the sensor input file for each sensor *<sensor>*.

### 5.2.3 **<sensor-name>\_processing\_version**

Contains the processing version of the original sensor input file for each sensor *<sensor>* as stated during the database ingestion of the sensor data.

### 5.2.4 **<sensor-name>\_acquisition\_time**

This variable contains for each pixel in the matchup-extraction window the normalized acquisition time in seconds since 1970-01-01 (Unix epoch). All sensor specific acquisition times are converted to this value with the highest precision possible.

## 5.3 CF Conformity

### 5.3.1 CF conform usage of “units” attribute

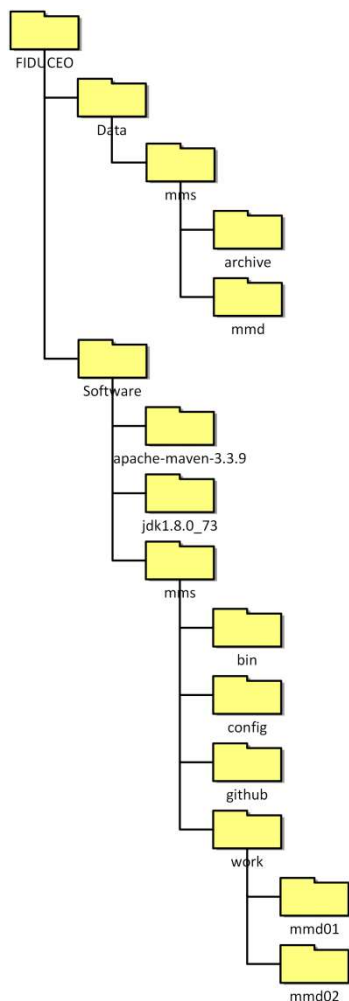
If the MMD-File-Writer detects, that an input variable contain a non CF conform “unit” attribute, the writer duplicates the attribute with the CF conform name “units” instead of “unit”. Finally such a variable contain two unit attributes with the same value. One with a non CF conform attribute name and one with a CF conform attribute name.

## 6 Installation and Operation on CEMS

This chapter covers the installation and operation of the Fiduceo MMS on the parallel processing facility JASMIN/CEMS supplied by CEDA. The Fiduceo project has a specific virtual machine assigned on the CEMS system for operations.

### 6.1 Workspace Structure

This chapter describes the Fiduceo workspace directory structure and the way the MMS is embedded into it. The sketches omit all non-MMS-related directories for a more clear view of the workspace structure.



The directory branch below “Data” contains a subdirectory for the “mms” that contains MMS related data. The “archive” directory contains all sensor and in-situ input data ordered in the directory structure described in the MMS Implementation Plan (see RD 1) whereas the directory “mmd” serves as target directory for the processing results. Subdirectories for each use-case will be generated during the processing of matchups.

The directories below “Software” contain all software comprising the MMS and also all third-party software used to build and run the MMS. Subdirectories “apache-maven-3.3.9” and “jdk1.8.0\_73” contain the apache maven build manager and the Java JDK/runtime required to compile and run the MMS.

The subdirectory “mms” contains all MMS related software, configuration, a build directory and a set of working directories. The current operating version of the MMS is contained in the directory “bin”. The configuration files used by the MMS are stored in the directory “config”.

The subdirectory “github” is the build directory. It contains the complete source code of the MMS and is configured to be able to fetch code changes from github and to build and deploy the software.

In the “work” directory contained are the working directories for processing. Any processing job needs to be operated from a dedicated sub-directory of “work”. Each subdirectory for a specific use-case processing contains status files, log-directories and all other files required by PMonitor to operate.

## 6.2 Building the MMS on CEMS

The build and deployment process is mostly automated. To build and deploy “master” branch (i.e. the latest development version) of the github repository, change to the directory “FIDUCEO/Software/mms/github/fiduceo” and invoke the script “build\_and\_install\_on\_cems.sh”. This script performs the following steps:

- Checkout the latest version of the code from github
- Invoke maven to build the code and run all tests
- Clean up the “bin” directory
- Invoke maven to build an assembly of the binaries and deploy it to the “bin” directory.

When these steps have been run successfully, the MMS software is ready to operate.

## 6.3 Operating the MMS on CEMS

This chapter covers all information with respect to operations of the MMS on the CEMS environment and specific configuration and set-up tasks.

### 6.3.1 Setting up the Scheduler

The MMS process control layer can operate two different scheduler implementations

- LSF
- SLURM

The scheduler implementation to be used needs to be configured before any operations are possible.

To do so, please open the environment script “bin/mms-env.sh” in an editor. Two settings need to be adapted, in the section “project and user settings” and in “export scheduling engine”.

#### project and user settings

- export PROJECT=<project\_name>: when using LSF the jobs are grouped by *project\_name*. Please set to an appropriate value when using LSF. Is ignored for SLURM.
- export MMS\_USER=<user\_name>: when using SLURM jobs are submitted as the user *user\_name*. This name needs to have a SLURM account, in most cases it’s the Linux user name. Is ignored by LSF. **If the MMS shall be operated by multiple users, it is strongly advised to assign a separate environment script for each user. When assigning separate scripts per user, a file naming convention like mms-env\_xxx.sh should be used. It is necessary to update the MMS\_USER field and to set MMS\_ENV\_NAME to the file name assigned to the user.**

#### export scheduling engine

- `export SCHEDULER='<engine>'`: Defines the scheduling engine to use. Valid values are *LSF* and *SLURM*.

## 6.3.2 Setting up the Environment

Before the MMS is able to operate on the LOTUS cluster, a number of environment variables and paths need to be set. This is done by simply sourcing a pre-configured script.

Assuming that you are in a use-case subdirectory e.g. in “FIDUCEO/Software/mms/work/mmd08” sourcing the environment file is accomplished by executing:

```
[tblock01@lotus mmd08]$ ../../bin/mms-env.sh
```

The script file is automatically installed to the directory “FIDUCEO/Software/mms/bin” by the maven deployment script.

## 6.3.3 CEMS Specific Configuration

The CEMS environment requires a number of specific configuration settings that ensure the proper operation on the cluster. All configuration files accessed by the operational MMS are located in the directory “FIDUCEO/Software/mms/config”.

**IMPORTANT:** The configuration files in this directory will not be updated by the MMS build and deploy procedure. Any changes in the file content, e.g. additional fields or field renaming, have to be inserted manually into the operational configuration.

### 6.3.3.1 System Configuration

The MMS system configuration is set up to pick up the correct input data archive path for the CEMS installation. The following setting is mandatory on CEMS:

**archive-root:** /group\_workspaces/cems2/fiduceo/Data/mms/archive

For a description of the system configuration file, please refer to chapter 4.1.1.

### 6.3.3.2 Database Configuration

The database installed on the Fiduceo workspace is a MongoDB server installation, version 3.2. This database requires a fixed set of access configuration parameters for the database configuration:

**driverClassName:** mongodb

**url:** mongodb://172.26.69.130:27017/FIDUCEO

**username:** xxxx

**password:** xxxx

Username and password are available on request. For a description of the database configuration file, please refer to chapter 4.1.2.

## 6.3.4 Operating the MMS

On the parallel processing environment on the LOTUS cluster, the MMS software is controlled by an additional Python layer, PMonitor. This software layer controls the deployment and parallel execution of MMS-Tool processes (Ingestion, Matchup, Post Processing) to the cluster nodes. It ensures that processing can be paused and re-invoked and that on e.g. hardware or network failures, large processing jobs can safely continue where they have been interrupted.

PMonitor is invoked from the console on the lotus VM using three shell scripts that are located in the directory “FIDUCEO/Software/mms/bin” – and that are automatically available on the path when the environment is set up correctly following the instructions in chapter 6.3.1.

**pmstart.sh:** this command is used to submit a parallel processing task to the cluster. It assumes a single cmd-line argument, the name of the workflow-file that contains the process description, e.g.

```
“pmstart.sh ingest_avhrr_n07.py”
```

**pmstop.sh:** this command stops the execution of parallel tasks and kills the currently running processes on LOTUS. PMonitor ensures that the processing can later pick up processing at the point where the job has been stopped. It assumes a single cmd-line argument, the name of the workflow-file that contains the process description, e.g.

```
“pmstop.sh ingest_avhrr_n11.py”
```

**pmclean.sh:** this command cleans up all temporary files that have been generated during the processing execution. It assumes a single cmd-line argument, the name of the workflow that has been processed, e.g.

```
“pmclean ingest_avhrr_m02”
```

The shell scripts are designed in a way that it is safe to close the console after a processing job has been started. Processing will keep on running in the background.

## 6.3.5 Workflow Files

The definition of the jobs to be executed by PMonitor is stored in workflow files. These are Python files that create and configure a workflow object, which is using PMonitor to execute the parallel processing on the cluster. Workflow files are available from and have to be stored into the directory “FIDUCEO/Software/mms/bin/python”.

An example workflow-file is displayed below:

```
from workflow import Workflow
```



```
w = Workflow('usecase02_avhrr_m02_n18', 7,
            '/group_workspaces/cems2/fiduceo/Software/mms/config')

w.add_primary_sensor('avhrr-m02', '2006-10-30', '2015-12-31', 'v01.2')
w.add_secondary_sensor('avhrr-n18', '2006-10-30', '2015-12-31', 'v01.2')

w.set_usecase_config('usecase-02.xml')

w.run_matchup(hosts=[('localhost', 10)], num_parallel_tasks=24)
```

A workflow is constructed using three parameters:

- usecase: the name of the usecase the workflow is operating on – used to name log-files and other process control files
- time\_slot\_days: the time slicing applied to the processing period in days. Every time slice is processed as a separate job on the cluster.
- config\_dir: the absolute path to the configuration directory

Subsequently, a number of sensors can be added to the workflow using the commands

- add\_primary\_sensor(...): adds the primary (i.e. reference) sensor to the workflow
- add\_secondary\_sensor(...): adds a secondary (i.e. associated) sensor to the workflow.

Each workflow must have a reference sensor, the number of associated sensors is not restricted. The parametrisation for both methods is the same, using:

- name: the sensor name as listed in chapter 3.5.
- start\_date: processing interval start date , formatted yyyy-MM-dd
- end\_date: processing interval end date , formatted yyyy-MM-dd
- version: the sensor data version

The start and end dates of the sensors must not (although they can) match the processing interval. These tags are meant to narrow down the validity range of the data. PMonitor automatically calculates the largest possible processing interval.

The workflow must know the processing configuration file to be used. This is accomplished by the call to `set_usecase_config()`. The argument is the name of a configuration file stored in the configuration directory passed in to the constructor. Configuration files are described in chapters 4.1.4 and 4.1.5.

The final line sets the hostnames and the parallelization to be used to execute the job. On CEMS, the only possible host for submitting jobs is “localhost”, assuming the MMS is operated on one of the CEMS science nodes. The number behind the host name denotes the maximum number of jobs submitted to the scheduler at once. The second parameter “num\_parallel\_tasks” denotes the number of parallel executed jobs on the cluster. PMonitor submits jobs in chunks of the maximum number of jobs to be submitted until the maximum number of parallel tasks is reached. Then it constantly checks the job status and submits new Jobs when a slot has become free until the batch is processed.

**IMPORTANT:** the LSF scheduler on CEMS is overloaded when using more than approx. 150 parallel nodes.