

Feature Collections Subsetting

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•TDS Subsetting services:

-Spatial coordinates:

NetCDF Subset Service: NCSS

- CDM Remote Feature: CdmrFeature

- Array index subsetting:

- OpenDAP



NetCDF Subset Service: NCSS

- Subset on Grid feature collections.
- Allows grid subsetting and point extraction.



Cdm Remote Feature: CdmrFeature

- Subset on point feature collections.
- Experimental



- threddsConfig.xml

Enabling the service:

```
<NetcdfSubsetService>
<allow>true</allow>
<!--maxFileDownloadSize>300 MB</maxFileDownloadSize -->
</NetcdfSubsetService>
```

Enabling netcdf4 as output (optional):

```
<Netcdf4Clibrary>
    libraryPath>C:/cdev/lib/</libraryPath>
    libraryName>netcdf4</libraryName>
    </Netcdf4Clibrary>
```

Catalogs:

```
<service name="subsetServer" serviceType="NetcdfSubset" base="/
thredds/ncss/grid/" />
```



- Document that provides all the information to formulate valid requests
- Contains:
 - coordinate axes
 - variables
 - spatial ranges
 - supported formats
 - ...



- Two views of the dataset description:
- Form view:
 - Web interface for accessing the service
 - Simple grid pre-visualization
- Xml document



Subsetting on variables

- Parameter var (mandatory)
- Variables as declared in the dataset description separated by ","
 - var=all
 - var=Pressure_surface, Temperature_tropopause



Spatial subsetting

- Lat/Lon bounding box:
 - params: north, south, west, east (all of them!!!)
 - var=Pressure_surface,Temperature_tropopause&north=80&south=60&west=200&east=280
- Projection bounding box
 - params: minx, maxx, miny, maxy (all of them!!!)
 - var=Pressure_surface, Temperature_tropopause&minx=0&maxx=3000&miny=-1000&maxy=



Temporal subsetting

- By default closest time to present
- All range, parameter temporal:
 - temporal=all
- Single time, parameter time (all times in W3C format):
 - time=2012-10-22T18:00:00Z
- Time range (all times and durations in W3C format):
 - params: time_start, time_end, time_duration (two of them!!!):
 - time_start=2012-10-22T15:00Z&time_duration=P1DT12H



Vertical subsetting

Default: all vertical levels

 vertCoord: only on variables with same vertical levels

vertCoord=400



Vertical subsetting: transformations

 If a vertical transformation is defined in the dataset (CF-1.0) all the variables needed to perform the transformation are included in the grid output

• Example:

http://geoport-dev.whoi.edu/thredds/ncss/grid/coawst_2_2/fmrc/coawst_2_2_best.ncd/dataset.html



Supported Formats

- netCDF, netCDF4
- NetCDF4 has to be configured in threddsConfig.xml
- Parameter: accept
- accept=netcdf
- accept=netcdf4



Grid As Point

- Extracts point features from grids
- Parameters latitude and longitude to define the requested point
- latitude=86&longitude=220



Vertical levels

- All vertical levels are returned by default
- Parameter vertCoord can be used on variables with different vertical levels.



Vertical levels

- If a vertical transformation is defined in the dataset the service returns:
 - The values of the dimensionless vertical coordinate.
 - The actual values of the vertical levels.



Supported Formats

- csv, xml, netCDF, netCDF4
- NetCDF4 has to be configured in threddsConfig.xml
- Parameter: accept
- accept=netcdf
- accept=netcdf4
 - accept=xml
 - accept=csv



- CdmrFeature: subsetting on point feature collections
- Still under development. Unstable.
- Eventually, NCSS and CdmrFeature will merge into one single API for subsetting grid and point features.



• Example requests:

Metadata requests

- Dataset form
 - req=form
- Dataset description (capabilities):
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- Stations:
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Data requests:

- req=data
- Spatial subsetting:
 - variables=some
 - spatial=bb
 - temporal=range

http://thredds.ucar.edu/thredds/cdmrfeature/nws/metar/ncdecoded/Metar_Station_Data_fc.cdmr?req=data&variables=some&var=air_temperature&var=cloud_area_fraction&spatial=bb&north=41&west=-109&east=-102&south=37&temporal=range&time_start=2013-07-09T23:00:00Z&time_end=2013-07-10T00:00:00Z&time=2013-05-10T00:00:00Z&accept=csv



• Data requests:

- Stations subsetting:
 - spatial=stns
 - stn=LEST,LEVX,LECO



Data requests:

- Closest station:
 - spatial=point
 - Latitude=39.98
 - longitude=-105.02

```
http://thredds.ucar.edu/thredds/cdmrfeature/nws/metar/ncdecoded/
Metar_Station_Data_fc.cdmr?
req=data&variables=some&var=air_temperature&spatial=point&latitude=39.9
8&longitude=-105.02&stn=&temporal=range&time_start=2013-07-09T23:00:0
0Z&time_end=2013-07-10T00:00:00Z&time=2013-05-10T00:00:00Z&accept=csv
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