

MagGeo - Annotate geo-magnetic satellite data with GPS trajectories

**Data-fusion tool to combine geo-magnetic data with GPS
trajectories**

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What's MagGeo

MagGeo is a tool that helps ecologists or animal movement researchers to link earth's magnetic field data from satellite source to GPS trajectories. Inspired by the Environmental Data Automated Track Annotation System (Env-DATA) Service a tool from Movebank and help researcher to get a better understanding about the geomagnetic variations across the GPS trajectories.

MagGeo is entirely built-in python and includes a two Jupyter Notebooks that offer two ways to link GPS tracks with the geomagnetic components using the data from one of the up-to-date satellite sources - Swarm Constellation. MagGeo will create an enriched GPS track with the following components:

- **Latitude** from the GPS Track.
- **Longitude** from the GPS Track.
- **Timestamp** from the GPS Track.
- **Magnetic Field Intensity** mapped as Fgps in nanoTeslas (nT).
- **N (Northwards) component** mapped as N in nanoTeslas (nT).
- **E (Eastwards) component** mapped as E. in nanoteslas (nT).
- **C (Downwards or Center)** component mapped as C in nanoTeslas (nT).
- **Horizontal component** mapped as H in nanoTeslas (nT).
- **Magnetic Declination or dip angle** mapped as D in degrees
- **Magnetic Inclination** mapped as I in degrees
- **Kp Index** mapped as kp
- **Total Points** as the amount of Swarm measures included in the ST-IDW process from the trajectories requested in the three satellites.

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- **Minimum Distance** mapped as MinDist, representing the minimum distance amount the set of identified point inside the Space Time cylinder and each GPS point location.
- **Average Distance** mapped as AvDist, representing the average distance amount the set of distances between the identified Swarm Point in the Space Time cylinder and the GPS Points location.

Researchers, particularly ecologists now can study the annotated table to analyze the geomagnetic Spatio-temporal variation across any GPS trajectory.

Suggestions?

MagGeo is work in progress and we are constantly making improvements that you can follow up with the commits made in the public GitHub repo. For general inquiries, scientific concepts, suggestions please email: Fernando.Benitez@st-andrews.ac.uk, ud2@st-andrews.ac.uk, jed.long@uwo.ca

For **errors**, or **improvements** please submit an issue in this repo, describing the problem.

About MagGeo

Inspired by The Environmental Data Automated Track Annotation System (Env-DATA) Service a tool on Movebank, where ecologists and animal movement researchers all over the world can link movement data with global environmental datasets. Including hundreds of variables from a diverse set of data sources including the European Space Agency (ESA), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and others. EnvData allow researchers to annotate in space and time multiples environmental information to enrich their GPS tracks to analyze the influence of several environmental variables in the trajectory. Using the Env-DATA Track Annotation Service registered users on MoveBank are able to get environmental parameters—such as wind conditions, land use, vegetation, and snow cover—for the whole world. Using different interpolation methods users can include multiple environment variables selecting from a comprehensive list of datasets (you can browse the available dataset [here](#)).

The second element that inspired **MagGeo** is having a tool to help researcher to get a better understanding over how the earth's magnetic field is being used by birds as one of their navigational strategies. Despite of there are several approach in this regards we know still have little knowledge about how birds can use the influence of the magnetic field for their migration patterns, especially for those long-distance migratory animals. Other studies have been reflecting into the magnetic field influence based on magnetic field estimation models, or using some displacement experiments with particular species. The disadvantage of those previous studies is the magnetic field is a highly dynamic force that have different impact

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The data products available from Swarm are Level 1b and Swarm Level 2 products. These products include Swarm magnetic field models, ionospheric and thermospheric products, and others. MagGeo use the Swarm Level 1b data product as the corrected and formatted output from each of the three Swarm satellites. For more information about the Swarm Data Products click [here](#).

MagGeo has been deployed using a set of Jupyter notebooks a powerful tool to run a python environment. Completely build in python 3.8 MagGeo is a well described program that will guide you through several steps to annotate your GPS trajectories with the geomagnetic field components reported by Swarm. You can access to Swarm Data products via HTTP or FTP using :

- via any HTTP browser at <http://swarm-diss.eo.esa.int>
- directly via an ftp client at <ftp://swarm-diss.eo.esa.int>

However **MagGeo** use **VirES** (Virtual environments for Earth Scientists) a platform for data & model access, analysis, and visualisation for ESA's magnetic mission **Swarm**. This is a powerful client with the `viresclient` API that provide several classes and methods defined in the `vires` client package. The `viresclient` Python package allows you to connect to the VirES server to download Swarm data and data calculated using magnetic models.

Part I.

How to use it

1. Installation

Installing MagGeo

MagGeo is a specialized tool that helps researchers analyze magnetic field data in relation to animal movement patterns. This guide will walk you through installing MagGeo on your computer, even if you're more familiar with R than Python.

1.1. What You'll Need

Before we begin, understand that **MagGeo** is currently built using Python (similar to how some R packages depend on specific R versions). We'll set up a contained environment so it won't interfere with any existing R installations or other software on your computer.

1.2. Step 1: Install Miniconda (Your Python Environment Manager)

What is Miniconda? Think of Miniconda as a package manager for Python, similar to how CRAN manages R packages. It creates isolated environments so different projects don't conflict with each other.

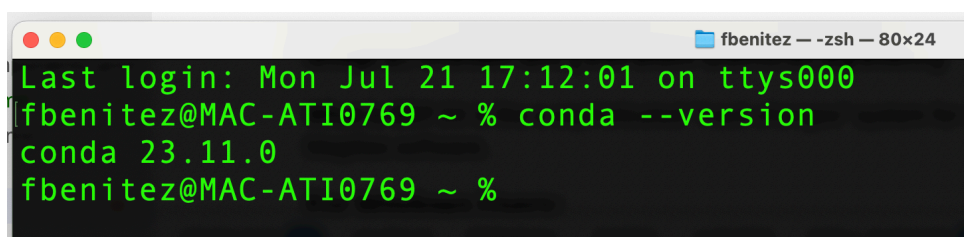
1.2.1. For Windows Users:

1. Visit <https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/miniconda.html>
2. Download the “Miniconda3 Windows 64-bit” installer
3. Run the downloaded `.exe` file as administrator
4. Follow the installation wizard:
 - Accept the license agreement
 - Choose “Just Me” installation
 - Use the default installation location
 - **Important:** Check “Add Miniconda3 to my PATH environment variable” (even if it shows a warning)
5. Click “Install” and wait for completion

1.2.2. For macOS Users:

1. Visit <https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/miniconda.html>
2. Download the “Miniconda3 macOS 64-bit pkg” installer
3. Double-click the downloaded `.pkg` file
4. Follow the installation wizard using default settings
5. The installer will automatically add conda to your PATH

Verification: After installation, open a new terminal (macOS) or Command Prompt (Windows) and type `conda --version`. You should see a version number.

A screenshot of a macOS terminal window. The title bar shows 'fbenitez -- zsh -- 80x24'. The terminal text is as follows:

```
Last login: Mon Jul 21 17:12:01 on ttys000
fbenitez@MAC-ATI0769 ~ % conda --version
conda 23.11.0
fbenitez@MAC-ATI0769 ~ %
```

1.3. Step 2: Clone MagGeo

You will need to clone the MagGeo repository in your local computer (we are currently working to make MagGeo available in `pip` to an easier installation), for now simply clone it and you will have access to all MagGeo.

If you don't have **Git**, or you are not use to work with version control, you will need to install git to clone any repository from GitHub

Installing Git

What is Git? Git is like a sophisticated “track changes” system for code, similar to version control in collaborative documents. We need it to download the MagGeo software.

1.3.1. For Windows Users:

1. Visit <https://git-scm.com/downloads>
2. Download “Git for Windows”
3. Run the installer with these recommended settings:
 - Select “Use Git from the Windows Command Prompt”
 - Choose “Checkout Windows-style, commit Unix-style line endings”
 - Use all other default settings

1.3.2. For macOS Users:

Option A (Recommended):

1. Open Terminal (found in Applications > Utilities)
2. Type `git --version` and press Enter
3. If **Git** isn't installed, macOS will prompt you to install Xcode Command Line Tools

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4. Click “Install” and follow the prompts

Option B:

1. Visit <https://git-scm.com/downloads>
2. Download “Git for macOS”
3. Run the installer with default settings

1.3.3. For Both Windows and macOS Users:

1. Open your command line interface:

- **Windows:** Press Windows + R, type cmd, press Enter
- **macOS:** Press Cmd + Space, type “Terminal”, press Enter

2. **Navigate to your desired location** (optional but recommended):

```
# Windows users:
cd C:\Users\YourUsername\Documents

# macOS users:
cd ~/Documents
```

3. **Download MagGeo:**

```
git clone https://github.com/MagGeo/MagGeo-Annotation-Program.git
```

This creates a folder called “**MagGeo-Annotation-Program**” with all the necessary files.

1.4. Step 4: Navigate to the MagGeo Folder

```
cd MagGeo-Annotation-Program
```

1.5. Step 5: Create the MagGeo Environment

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This creates a specialized Python environment with all the specific packages MagGeo needs, similar to installing a comprehensive R package with all its dependencies.

```
conda env create --file environment.yml
```

Warning

This process will take 5-10 minutes as it downloads and installs all required components. You'll see progress messages - this is normal.

1.6. Step 6: Activate the MagGeo Environment

Every time you want to use MagGeo, you'll need to “activate” its environment first:

```
conda activate MagGeoEnv
```

What this does: Switches your command line to use the MagGeo-specific Python environment, ensuring all the right tools are available.

1.7. Step 7: Set Up VirES Access (Magnetic Field Data)

What is VirES? VirES provides access to satellite magnetic field data from ESA's Swarm mission. Think of it as a specialized database for mag-

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netic field measurements that MagGeo uses to understand the magnetic environment your animals experienced.

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1.7.1. Create Your VirES Account:

1. **Sign up:** Visit <https://vires.services/oauth/accounts/signup/>
 - Use your institutional email if possible
 - Create a secure password
 - Verify your email address
2. **Log in:** Go to <https://vires.services/>
3. **Get your access token:**
 - Follow the detailed instructions at https://viresclient.readthedocs.io/en/latest/access_token.html
 - Your token is like a password that allows MagGeo to download data for you
 - **Important:** Keep this token secure and don't share it
4. **Configure MagGeo with your token:**

```
# Replace YOUR_TOKEN_HERE with your actual token
viresclient set_token --token YOUR_TOKEN_HERE
```

1.8. Testing Your Installation

To verify everything is working:

1. Make sure you're in the MagGeo directory and the environment is activated
2. Try running a simple test (specific commands will depend on MagGeo's documentation)

1.9. Troubleshooting Common Issues

1.9.1. Windows-Specific Issues

Problem: “conda is not recognized as an internal or external command”

- **Solution:** Miniconda wasn't added to PATH during installation
- **Fix:** Reinstall Miniconda and ensure you check “Add Miniconda3 to my PATH environment variable”

Problem: “Permission denied” errors

- **Solution:** Run Command Prompt as Administrator
- **Fix:** Right-click Command Prompt and select “Run as administrator”

Problem: Long path names causing issues

- **Solution:** Install MagGeo in a shorter path like C:\MagGeo

1.9.2. macOS-Specific Issues

Problem: “command not found: conda”

- **Solution:** Terminal doesn’t recognize conda
- **Fix:** Close and reopen Terminal, or run `source ~/.bash_profile`

Problem: “Permission denied” during Git clone

- **Solution:** You don’t have write permissions in the current directory
-
- **Fix:** Navigate to your home directory first: `cd ~`

Problem: Xcode Command Line Tools installation fails

- **Solution:** Install Xcode from the App Store first, then try again

1.9.3. General Issues

Problem: Environment creation fails with package conflicts

- **Solution:** Clear conda cache and try again
- **Fix:** Clean your conda enviroment cache and reinstall the MagGeo environment.

```
`conda clean --all`
```

```
`conda env create --file environment.yml`
```

Problem: VirES token authentication fails

- **Solution:** Token might be incorrect or expired

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- **Fix:** Generate a new token from the VirES website and reconfigure

Problem: Git clone fails with “Repository not found”

- **Solution:** Check your internet connection and the repository URL
- **Fix:** Try cloning again, or download the ZIP file directly from GitHub

1.10. Reporting an Issue

If you encounter issues not covered here:

1.10.1. Before Reporting an Issue:

1. Note your operating system (Windows 10/11, macOS version)
2. Copy any error messages exactly as they appear
3. Note which step in the installation process failed

1.10.2. How to Report an Issue:

1. Visit <https://github.com/MagGeo/MagGeo-Annotation-Program/issues>
2. Click “New Issue”
3. Choose “Bug report” or “Installation help”
4. Provide a clear title like “Installation fails at Step 5 on Windows 11”
5. Include:
 - Your operating system
 - The exact error message
 - What you were trying to do when the error occurred
 - Screenshots if helpful

1.11. Next Steps

Once installation is complete:

- Read the MagGeo user guide for analysis workflows
- Prepare your animal movement data according to the format requirements

Tip

Remember: You only need to install MagGeo once, but you'll need to activate the environment (`conda activate MagGeoEnv`) each time you want to use it.

Run MagGeo using the sample data

MagGeo can be executed using the same terminal you have been using in the previous steps. If you want to get familiar with MagGeo and get an annotated GPS trajectory using the data we have included as an example (data folder), run the following command (replace your virES token where is required):

```
python MagGeo_main.py -p parameters/default.yml --token YOUR_TOKEN_HERE
```

Now MagGeo will start to download the Swarm Data.

```
(base) fbenitez@MAC-A10769 MagGeo-Annotation-Program % poetry run python MagGeo_SA.py -p parameters/default.yml
Setting access token for https://vires.services/ows ...
Generate a token at https://vires.services/accounts/tokens/
Enter token:
Token saved for https://vires.services/ows
--
Reading parameters file: parameters/default.yml
--
Getting Swarm Data: 100%
Annotating the GPS Trayectory: 27%
```

Once the data has been downloaded, MagGeo will process it to make the annotation process (for more information about how this is done, visit our methodological paper in Movement Ecology)

The last step MagGeo does is annotating the gathered data, that would take more time depending how big is your dataset. In our example it only takes 4 seconds.

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Setting access token for https://vires.services/ows ...
Generate a token at https://vires.services/accounts/tokens/
Enter token:
Token saved for https://vires.services/ows
%
Reading parameters file: parameters/default.yml
--
Getting Swarm Data: 40%
```

And **Congrats you got annotated data**. The results will be stored in the folder results for your futher analysis. You will find a .csv file named like **GeoMagResult_+name_of_your_csv_file_trajectory**.

Run MagGeo using your data.

If you are ready to annotate your GPS trajectories. You need to update the parameters file in MagGeo to let the program know what are the correct values of your data.

- Copy the csv file with your trajectories into the data folder.
- Open and Update the following parameters in the file `default.yml` located in parameters folder:
- `gpsfilename`: "name_of_your_trajectory.csv" Include the name of your Input data. The GPS trajectory you need to annotate with the geomagnetic satellite data.
- `Lat`: "latitude_column_name_in_your_trajectory"
- `Long`: "longitude_column_name_in_your_trajectory"
- `DateTime`: "Date_Time_column_name_in_your_trajectory" make sure you have one column that includes Date and Time values together.
- `altitude`: "altitude_column_name_in_your_trajectory" if you do not have any altitude column, you can leave that in blank, including only ""

Save your changes, return to the Terminal and run:

```
python MagGeo_main.py -p parameters/default.yml --token YOUR_TOKEN_HERE
```


Run MagGeo step by step, using Jupyter Notebook.

MagGeo includes a set of Jupyter Notebooks, you will find four notebooks (.ipynb) in the Notebooks folder.

In a Terminal, make sure you are using `MagGeoEnv` environment, and run:

```
jupyter notebook
```

A Jupyter Notebook dashboard will come out in your browser locally (e.g. <http://localhost:8888>) then you can explore MagGeo and its content. Go to Notebooks folder and open any of the following notebook for a step by step process. You can add cells to make your own test or analysis, but be aware that any change you do at the code might affect the correct performance of the program.

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- Main Notebook : An initial and descriptive notebook where you can get detail information about MagGeo, the sample data used, background concepts and software requirements.
- Sequential Mode: Annotation Notebook applying a sequential mode. Using a traditional loop to going through the GPS track rows and process every row computing the magnetic components. Particularly useful for small datasets.
- Parallel Mode: If you have a “big” dataset (e.g. 1 million of records) you might want try the parallel mode. The parallel mode has some differences when you run the required libraries in a windows or Linux environment. We have tested **MagGeo** in a windows server environment.
- Notebook basics: If you are not familiar with Jupiter Notebooks and want to learn about the basics over how to run the notebooks before try the annotate tool. You can try this notebook to get the basics elements to run cells, read data, and plot some a basic chart.

The following image will help you to understand how the sequential and parallel mode differ, and how in parallel mode you should be able to use the full capacity of your machine. However it is quite important to identify

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when we need to use a parallel mode. For small datasets running **MagGeo** in Parallel mode could be even slower than the sequential mode.

Data requirements

! Important

Your trajectory must be in a csv format:
There are three columns that must be included in your GPS trajectory. Make sure your GPS trajectory includes **Latitude** , **Longitude** and **timestamp**. We suggest that the Timestamp column follow the day/month/year Hour:Minute (**dd/mm/yyyy HH:MM:SS**) format, Latitude and Longitude should be in decimal degrees (WGS84). If you have a **altitude** attribute, make sure that the units are in kilometers. Other columns will be ignored. Here it is an example of how your GPS track should look like.
For this example we are reading the **BirdGPSTrajectory.csv** file. If you want to run the method using your own csv file, make sure you store your the file in the **/data** folder. For more information about the dataset we used in this example go to the Main Notebook.

Dataset used as use-case

MagGeo comes with a dataset for the use case you see in the notebook outputs. This dataset comes from the MoveBank Data Repository (<https://www.datarepository.movebank.org/>)[1][2].

We annotated tracking data of greater white-fronted geese (*Anser albifrons*), which migrate between northern Germany and the Russian Arctic. We annotated data for fifteen individuals in a single autumn migration (42 days) a total of 973 GPS location.

[1] Kölzsch A, Müskens GJDM, Kruckenberg H, Glazov P, Weinzierl R, Nole BA, Wikelski M (2016) Towards a new understanding of migration timing: slower spring than autumn migration in geese reflects different decision rules for stopover use and departure. *Oikos*. doi:10.1111/oik.03121

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Part II.

The science behind

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2. Key Concepts

1. Animal Navigation Fundamentals

This is not a comprehensive book related to animal navigation fundamental, however there are certain concepts you might want to recall and understand that establish the foundations of what you have built **MagGeo**.

2.0.1. True Navigation

Long-distance migratory navigation represents one of nature's most remarkable phenomena, consisting of two primary components that work together to enable animals to travel vast distances with inexplicable precision. The first component, is **compass orientation**, involves determining the correct direction of movement relative to environmental cues (where to go). The second component, **geographic positioning**, requires animals to know their current location at any specific time during their journey (where am I)¹.

These mechanisms together support what Ecologists term “**true navigation**” - defined as the ability to find the way to a distant, unknown location using only cues that are available locally at the animal's current position².

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2.0.2. Navigation Mechanisms

Migratory animals (e.g Birds) have evolved sophisticated sensory systems that can detect and interpret multiple environmental cues for navigation purposes [demersar2025]. These cues fall into two primary categories based on their navigational function:

For Compass Orientation: Animals use several types of compass systems to maintain consistent directional movement:

- **Solar compass:** Utilizes the Sun's position, accounting for its apparent movement across the sky and seasonal variations
- **Stellar compass:** Relies on star patterns and celestial rotation, particularly useful during nighttime migration
- **Polarized light patterns:** Detects polarization patterns in skylight that remain consistent relative to the Sun's position
- **Earth's magnetic field:** Uses the planet's magnetic field as a reliable directional reference³

For Geographic Positioning: To determine their specific location, animals can access several types of positional cues:

- **Earth's magnetic field:** Utilizes spatial gradients and patterns in Earth's magnetic field intensity and inclination³
- **Olfactory cues:** Chemical signatures that vary geographically, creating olfactory landscapes
- **Visual landmarks:** Topographical features, coastlines, and other geographical markers
- **Infrasound:** Low-frequency sound waves that can travel long distances and vary by location¹

2.1. 2. Geomagnetic Navigation

Geomagnetic navigation represents a strategy whereby animals use information derived from Earth's magnetic field for either compass orientation, geographic positioning, or both functions simultaneously³. This navigational mechanism has been documented across an taxonomic range, suggesting it evolved independently multiple times or represents an ancient, conserved ability.

Evidence for geomagnetic navigation exists across diverse taxa:

- **Birds:** From songbirds to seabirds, with extensive experimental evidence¹
- **Fish:** Including both oceanic and freshwater species
- **Sea turtles:** Particularly well-documented in marine navigation ¹
- **Terrestrial mammals:** From small rodents to large ungulates^{11 12}
- **Marine mammals:** Including whales and dolphins^{13 1}

However the study of geomagnetic navigation employs two primary methodological approaches, each with distinct advantages and limitations:

Lab Experiments: Controlled studies where animals are placed in artificial magnetic field to examine how magnetic parameters influence the onset and direction of migratory behavior. Laboratory experiments provide exceptional precision and experimental control, allowing researchers to manipulate specific magnetic parameters while holding other variables constant^{2 1 1}. However, the observed behaviors in such controlled environments differ significantly from what occurs in wild¹. Additionally, these studies typically focus on small numbers of individuals from single species, which limits the results across multiple species¹.

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Field Studies with Tracking: Modern migration research employs tracking technologies, particularly GPS tags combined with displacement experiments. These approaches provide greater ecological relevance by studying animals in their natural environments^{1 2 21}. However, most tracking studies have been limited by their reliance on static representations of the geomagnetic field (space and temporal), failing to account for the dynamic temporal variations that may influence animal navigation²².

2.2. 3. Earth's Magnetic Field

Earth's magnetic field is a complex, dynamic system that results from the superposition of magnetic fields originating from multiple sources. Understanding this complex environmental variable is crucial for comprehending how animals use magnetic data for navigation. The total magnetic field at any location and time results from the combination of three primary components, each with different characteristics, spatial patterns, and temporal behaviors³.

Core Field: The dominant contributor to Earth's magnetic field is the core field, generated by the geodynamo mechanism operating within Earth's outer liquid core. This field arises from the motion of electrically conductive molten iron as it circulates within the outer core, driven by thermal convection and the planet's rotation. The core field exhibits a broadly dipolar structure on large scales, resembling that of a giant bar magnet tilted approximately 11 degrees from Earth's rotational axis. However, this apparent simplicity masks considerable complexity in the detailed structure, with significant non-dipolar components that create regional variations in field strength and direction across the globe.

The core field dominates the total magnetic field at Earth's surface, typically contributing over 98% of the field strength at any location. This field undergoes gradual changes over time scales of years to decades, known as

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secular variation, as the circulation patterns within the outer core evolve. These long-term changes can amount to tens of nanoTesla per year at any given location, representing a slow but persistent evolution of the magnetic environment that animals experience.

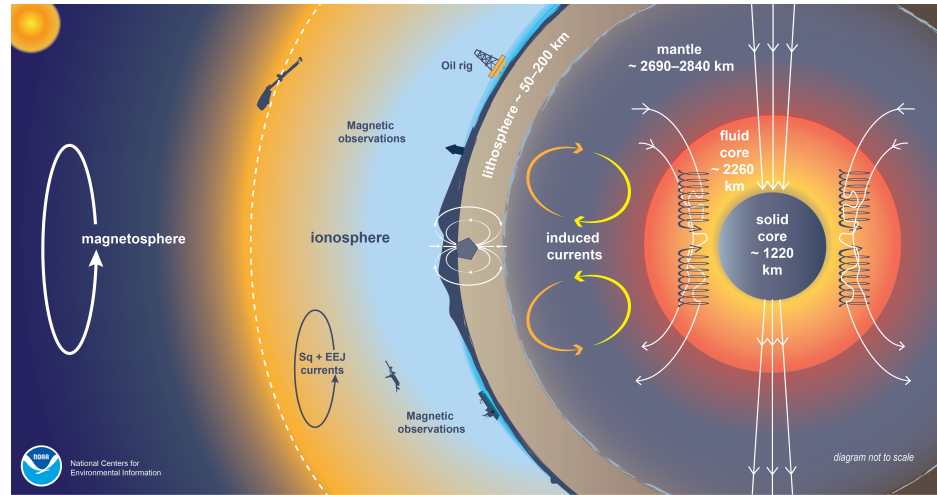
Lithospheric Field: The lithospheric or crustal field originates from the magnetic properties of rocks within Earth's crust. Certain minerals, particularly magnetite and other iron-bearing compounds, became magnetized when they formed and retain this magnetization over geological time scales. The lithospheric field creates local and regional magnetic anomalies - areas where the magnetic field strength or direction differs noticeably from what would be expected from the core field alone.

These magnetic anomalies can range from subtle variations of a few nanoTesla to dramatic variations of thousands of nanoTesla over distances of kilometers to hundreds of kilometers. The lithospheric field is considered essentially static over time periods relevant to animal lifespans, changing only over geological time scales of millennia or longer. For migratory animals, these crustal magnetic signatures provide potentially stable, location-specific magnetic features that could serve as magnetic landmarks or components of magnetic maps.

External Fields: External magnetic fields result from electrical current systems flowing in Earth's ionosphere and magnetosphere, driven by interactions between the solar wind and Earth's magnetic field. These fields exhibit the most dynamic behavior of the three components, varying on time scales from seconds to days. The external field contributions include both regular, predictable daily variations and irregular disturbances associated with space weather events.

The regular daily variations, known as Sq (solar quiet) currents, result from the regular heating of the ionosphere by solar radiation, which creates predictable current systems that vary with local time and season. These regular variations typically amount to 20-30 nanoTesla at mid-latitudes but can be significantly larger at high latitudes near the magnetic poles.

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Figure

1 showing magnetic field components and coordinate system, NOAA, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/news/HDGM>

2.2.1. Magnetic Field Measurements and Coordinate Systems

Scientists measure Earth's magnetic field using a standardized coordinate system that allows for consistent description and comparison of magnetic field vectors worldwide. The magnetic field vector \mathbf{B} is decomposed into components using the North-East-Centre (NEC) coordinate system, also known as the local geodetic coordinate system.

In this system, measurements are made relative to the local geographic reference frame at each point on Earth's surface. The North component points toward geographic north (true north), the East component points toward geographic east, and the Centre component points radially downward toward Earth's center. This coordinate system provides a consistent framework for describing magnetic field variations across the globe and through time.

2.3. 4. Spatial and Temporal Variation

From these three orthogonal components, several important magnetic field parameters are derived:

- **Intensity (F):** The magnitude or total strength of the magnetic field vector B, representing the length of the vector in three-dimensional space
- **Inclination (I):** The angle between the magnetic field vector B and its horizontal component H, measuring how steeply the field lines plunge into or emerge from Earth
- **Declination (D):** The angle between the horizontal component H and geographic north, indicating how much magnetic north deviates from geographic north
- **Horizontal component (H):** The horizontal projection of the magnetic field vector, representing the component parallel to Earth's surface

These parameters provide different types of information that animals might potentially use for navigation. Intensity varies systematically with latitude and can provide positional information, while inclination also varies predictably with latitude and could serve as a magnetic latitude indicator. Declination provides information about magnetic versus geographic north, potentially useful for compass orientation.

2.3. 4. Spatial and Temporal Variation

2.3.1. Global Spatial Patterns

Intensity: The total magnetic field intensity shows global patterns that reflect the underlying dipolar structure of the core field. At the magnetic equators, where the field lines run horizontally, the total intensity reaches its minimum values of approximately *23,000 nanoTesla*. Moving toward

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higher magnetic latitudes, the field intensity gradually increases as the field lines become more vertical, reaching maximum values of approximately *62,000 nanoTesla* near the magnetic poles.

This variation in intensity with magnetic latitude creates what researchers term “isodynamic lines” - contours of equal magnetic intensity that generally run east-west but show considerable deviation from simple latitudinal bands due to non-dipolar components of the field. These intensity gradients are steep enough that animals traveling north-south distances of hundreds of kilometers would encounter measurable changes in field intensity.

Inclination: Magnetic inclination, the angle at which field lines plunge into Earth, provides perhaps the most systematic navigational cue available from the geomagnetic field. At the magnetic equator, field lines run horizontally, giving inclination values near zero degrees. Moving toward the magnetic poles, inclination increases progressively, reaching 90 degrees (vertical) at the magnetic poles themselves.

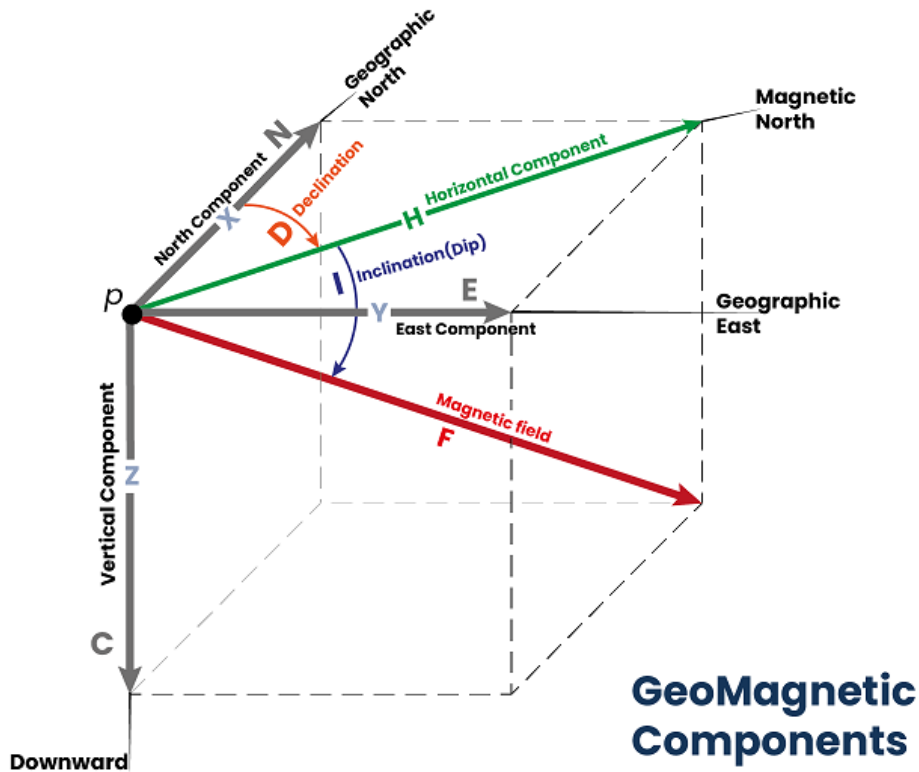
This relationship between inclination and magnetic latitude has led researchers to propose that inclination serves as a primary magnetic coordinate for animal navigation. The inclination gradient is steep enough that latitudinal movements of tens of kilometers produce detectable changes in inclination angle, potentially providing fine-scale positional information.

Declination: Magnetic declination on the other side, the deviation of magnetic north from geographic north, shows the most complex spatial patterns of the major magnetic field components. Unlike intensity and inclination, declination does not follow simple latitudinal patterns but instead shows regional variations that reflect the non-dipolar components of the core field and crustal magnetic anomalies.

In some regions, declination changes very gradually over large distances, while in other areas it can change by several degrees over distances of hundreds of kilometers. These declination patterns create distinctive regional

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magnetic signatures that could potentially serve as magnetic landmarks for animal navigation systems.



2.3.2. Temporal Variations

The temporal behavior of Earth's magnetic field spans an enormous range of time scales, from rapid variations lasting seconds to gradual changes occurring over geological time. Understanding these temporal variations is crucial for reading how animals use magnetic data for navigation.

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Quiet-Time Variations: Even during geomagnetically quiet periods, Earth's magnetic field shows regular daily variations driven by solar heating of the ionosphere. During daylight hours, solar ultraviolet radiation ionizes atmospheric gases, creating electrical conductivity that allows current systems to flow in the ionosphere. These currents generate magnetic fields that add to the main field measured at Earth's surface.

The amplitude of these quiet-time variations depends strongly on latitude and local time. At mid-latitudes, typical daily variations amount to approximately 20 nanoTesla, with maximum variations occurring during local noon when ionospheric currents are strongest. At polar latitudes, where ionospheric current systems are more complex, daily variations can reach 100 nanoTesla or more.

These regular variations follow *predictable* patterns that repeat daily and show seasonal modulations. For animals using magnetic cues for navigation, these predictable variations might either be filtered out by their sensory systems or potentially used as additional timing information.

Geomagnetic Storm Disturbances: During periods of enhanced solar activity, Earth's magnetic field can experience big disturbances that far exceed normal quiet-time variations. Geomagnetic storms occur when disturbances in the solar wind create enhanced coupling between the solar wind's magnetic field and Earth's magnetosphere. These events drive intense electrical currents in the magnetosphere and ionosphere, creating magnetic field variations that can exceed *1000 nanoTesla* in polar regions and *250 nanoTesla* at mid-latitudes²³.

The temporal characteristics of geomagnetic storms are particularly relevant for animal navigation. Storm-related magnetic field changes can occur within seconds to days, creating rapid alterations in the magnetic environment that animals experience. The magnitude of these changes often exceeds the established sensitivity thresholds of animal magnetoreceptors by factors of ten or more, suggesting that geomagnetic storms could significantly disrupt magnetic navigation systems.

2.4. 5. Geomagnetic Storms and Solar Wind

Secular Variation: On longer time scales, Earth's magnetic field undergoes continuous slow changes known as secular variation, driven by evolving circulation patterns within the liquid outer core. These changes typically amount to tens of nanoTesla per year at any given location, representing a gradual evolution of the magnetic field over time scales of years to decades.

For long-lived migratory animals or populations with strong site fidelity, secular variation could potentially require periodic recalibration of magnetic navigation systems. However, the slow rate of secular variation means that it is unlikely to affect navigation during individual migratory journeys, which typically last weeks to months.

2.4. 5. Geomagnetic Storms and Solar Wind

2.4.1. Storm-Related Disruption

The sensitivity thresholds established by neurophysiological and behavioral research have profound implications when compared to the magnitude of magnetic field variations that occur during geomagnetic storms. Solar wind disturbances can create magnetic field changes exceeding 1000 nanoTesla within minutes during major geomagnetic storms², representing variations that are 5-65 times larger than established animal sensitivity thresholds.

Potential Disruption Mechanisms: Animals using magnetic intensity as a positional cue could experience significant navigation errors during geomagnetic storms. If birds or other animals rely on specific intensity values as location markers, sudden storm-related intensity changes could create the illusion that they have been displaced to entirely different geographic locations. This effect would be similar to the responses observed in virtual magnetic displacement experiments^{1 1 2}, where animals exposed

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to artificial magnetic fields characteristic of distant locations attempt to compensate by changing their flight direction.

Animals using magnetic inclination or declination for compass orientation might experience disruption of their directional sensing capabilities during storms. Rapid changes in field direction could cause temporary loss of magnetic compass function, potentially forcing animals to rely on alternative compass systems such as solar or stellar compasses .

Species-Specific Responses: Different animal species likely respond to geomagnetic disturbances in various ways, depending on their particular methods of using magnetic information for navigation³. Some species might temporarily cease migration during severe magnetic disturbances, while others might switch to alternative navigation systems. The behavioral responses probably depend on the availability of backup navigation cues and the flexibility of each species' navigation system.

2.5. 6. Geomagnetic Data Sources

2.5.1. Terrestrial Observatory Networks

The systematic measurement of Earth's magnetic field began in the 1830s and has evolved into a sophisticated global network of ground-based observatories that provide continuous, high-precision magnetic field measurements.

INTERMAGNET Network: The International Real-time Magnetic Observatory Network (INTERMAGNET) represents the primary source of ground-based geomagnetic data, currently comprising 152 observatories distributed across the globe³. These observatories employ standardized instrumentation and data collection procedures to ensure consistency and comparability of measurements worldwide.

2.5. 6. Geomagnetic Data Sources

Each INTERMAGNET observatory typically operates multiple magnetometers, including absolute instruments that measure the true magnetic field vector and variometers that detect changes in the field with high temporal resolution. The observatories record magnetic field measurements continuously, typically at one-second or one-minute intervals, creating detailed time series that capture both gradual changes and rapid fluctuations.

Advantages of Terrestrial Measurements: Ground-based observatories offer several significant advantages for magnetic field research. Their calibration accuracy is exceptionally high, with measurement uncertainties typically less than 1 nanoTesla for carefully maintained instruments. The continuous operation of these stations creates long-term data records, some extending back more than a century, that are invaluable for studying secular variation and long-term magnetic field changes.

The temporal resolution of ground-based measurements is also superior to satellite data, with one-second sampling rates that can capture rapid magnetic field fluctuations associated with geomagnetic storms and other space weather events. This high temporal resolution makes ground-based data particularly valuable for studying the detailed time evolution of magnetic disturbances.

Limitations of Ground-Based Networks: Despite their high accuracy and temporal resolution, terrestrial magnetic observatories have significant limitations for global magnetic field studies. The spatial coverage is highly irregular, with dense networks in some regions (particularly northern and western Europe) but sparse or absent coverage in others. Oceanic regions are particularly poorly covered, with very few magnetic observatories on islands and none on the open ocean.

The effective spatial coverage of each observatory is limited to approximately 1000 kilometers, beyond which local magnetic variations can differ significantly from those measured at the observatory. This limitation

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means that only regions with dense observatory networks provide complete spatial coverage, excluding most animal migration pathways that cross oceanic or remote continental regions.

Temporal data availability also presents challenges for real-time applications. Observatories submit their data to the central INTERMAGNET network at different times, often with delays of months to years for the highest quality, fully processed data. Some observatories occasionally cease operation due to funding or technical issues, creating gaps in temporal coverage.

2.5.2. Satellite-Based Measurements

Satellite missions have revolutionized geomagnetic field research by providing consistent global coverage with standardized instrumentation. Over the past 60 years, a series of dedicated magnetic field missions has complemented terrestrial measurements and enabled global-scale studies of magnetic field structure and dynamics.

Historical Satellite Missions: The evolution of satellite-based geomagnetism began with early missions such as POGO (1965-1971), which provided the first global magnetic field measurements from space. Subsequent missions including Magsat (1979-80), Ørsted (1999-present), CHAMP (2000-2010), and SAC-C (2000-present) progressively improved measurement accuracy and global coverage³.

Each mission contributed unique capabilities and extended the temporal baseline of satellite magnetic measurements. Magsat provided the first high-precision global magnetic field model, while Ørsted began the era of continuous, long-term satellite magnetic monitoring. CHAMP delivered exceptionally precise measurements that advanced understanding of both the main field and its temporal variations.

The Swarm Mission: The European Space Agency’s Swarm mission, launched in 2013, represents the current state-of-the-art in satellite-based

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magnetic field measurement³. The mission employs three identical satellites arranged in a carefully designed constellation that provides enhanced spatial and temporal sampling of the global magnetic field.

The constellation consists of satellites Alpha and Charlie, which orbit in parallel at an altitude of 480 kilometers with a separation of approximately 150 kilometers at the equator. Satellite Bravo orbits at a higher altitude of 510 kilometers in a different orbital plane that, at present, is nearly perpendicular to the Alpha-Charlie pair. This configuration provides measurements at two different altitudes and enables separation of different magnetic field sources.

Swarm Instrumentation: Each Swarm satellite carries identical scientific instrumentation designed for precise magnetic field measurement. The primary instruments include an Absolute Scalar Magnetometer (ASM) that measures the total magnetic field intensity, a Vector Field Magnetometer (VFM) that measures the three-component magnetic field vector, and a GPS receiver for precise orbit determination.

The VFM provides magnetic field measurements at 1 Hz resolution in the North-East-Centre coordinate system, calibrated using measurements from the ASM and stellar cameras that determine satellite orientation. This combination of instruments enables precise determination of both the magnitude and direction of the magnetic field vector at satellite altitude.

Advantages of Satellite Measurements: Satellite measurements resolve many of the limitations of ground-based networks by providing consistent global coverage with standardized instrumentation. The polar-orbiting design of most magnetic field satellites ensures complete global coverage within a few days, including oceanic and remote continental regions that lack ground-based observatories.

Satellite data are typically available within days to weeks of collection, much faster than the fully processed data from many ground-based observatories. The standardized instrumentation and data processing proce-

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dures also ensure consistency in measurements across different geographic regions and time periods.

The orbital perspective of satellites enables measurement of the magnetic field above most ionospheric current systems, providing information about magnetic field sources that cannot be obtained from ground-based measurements alone. This capability is particularly valuable for studying external field variations and their global patterns.

Satellite Data Access and Formats: Swarm data are made freely available through the European Space Agency’s Earth Observation Policy, with data access provided through the VirES (Virtual workspace for Earth observation Scientists) web platform . The Level 1b data products provide corrected and calibrated magnetic field measurements in standard scientific formats.

However, satellite magnetic data are provided in specialized formats such as the Common Data Format (CDF) developed by NASA ³, which are not readily accessible using standard ecological data analysis software. This technical barrier has historically limited the use of satellite magnetic data outside the specialized geophysics community, despite the open data policies of space agencies.

2.5.3. Geomagnetic Indices and Activity Monitoring

Understanding and quantifying the level of geomagnetic activity is crucial for both space weather applications and studies of magnetic field effects on biological systems. Geomagnetic indices provide standardized measures of magnetic field disturbance that enable comparison of activity levels across different times and locations.

K-Index System: The K-index represents the fundamental unit for measuring local geomagnetic disturbance. Calculated every three hours at individual magnetic observatories, the K-index quantifies disturbances in the horizontal component of the magnetic field on a quasi-logarithmic scale

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from 0 to 9². A K-index of 0 indicates perfectly calm magnetic conditions, while values of 5 or higher indicate geomagnetic storm conditions.

The K-index calculation involves comparing the observed magnetic field variations during each three-hour period to the expected quiet-day variation for that location and season. This approach accounts for the regular daily variations in the magnetic field and highlights unusual disturbances that exceed normal quiet-time levels.

Kp Index: The planetary Kp index provides a global measure of geomagnetic activity by averaging K-indices from a standardized network of magnetic observatories distributed worldwide³. Calculated every three hours, the Kp index ranges from 0 to 9 and serves as a proxy for the energy input from the solar wind into Earth's magnetosphere.

The Kp index is widely used in space weather applications and research studies because it provides a single number that characterizes global magnetic activity levels. Kp values of 5 or higher indicate geomagnetic storm conditions, with values above 7 representing severe storms that can have significant technological and potentially biological impacts.

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Calculation of Magnetic Components

Swarm data provide information on the earth's magnetic field at the orbit level, which is above the ionosphere, where geomagnetic field is affected by the electrical currents induced by the interaction of the solar wind and magnetosphere (see the figure above to understand the vertical contributions of the earth' magnetic field). This means that to obtain the values of the magnetic field on the Earth's surface where animals are migrating, the raw measurements from Swarm need to be corrected removing the effects from the modeled values from core, crust and magnetosphere.

We do this in three steps:

1. We download the swarm residuals for the GPS date, getting essentially the unmodelled ionospheric field contribution that we haven't captured in any of the other models.
2. Because at the ground level the core and crust contributions are stronger than the ones at the satellite altitude, We use the CHAOS model to compute the core, crust and magnetosphere contributions for the particular, latitude, longitude, datetime and altitude of each GPS point.
3. Finally we add those values modeled by CHAOS values with the Swarm residuals, computing a comprehensive magnetic values than include the stronger core and crust contributions and the unmodelled values from the satellite altitude that capture all the ionosphere field contributions. For details of this correction see Supplementary Information 1 in our main paper.

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CHAOS: It is a comprehensive field model, containing the modeled contributions of the time-varying core, the static crustal field, the average time-varying magnetosphere. We show calculation of the residuals (adding this parameter `residuals=True`) which means: `data - CHAOS(Core+Static+Magnetosphere)`

The **CHAOS** model is available on the server as model variables:

- CHAOS-Core: SH degree 1-20
- CHAOS-Static: SH degree 21-110
- CHAOS-MMA-Primary: Magnetosphere external field, SH degree 1-2
- CHAOS-MMA-Secondary: Magnetosphere internal induced field, SH degree 1-2

How MagGeo Works

MagGeo is a tool that contains a set of python functions to carry out a data manipulation and mathematical processes to transform the data from Swarm Constellation, include the modelled values from CHAOS model (last version in December 2019) and annotate the interpolated values into every GPS point in a given GPS trajectory.

The following process is a set of three steps, **1. Get the Swarm data**, particularly the magnetic residuals in the NEC components. **2. Run the Spatio-temporal kernel** where the script will filter the Swarm data based on our spatial-temporal cylinder, to interpolate the magnetic components in the NEC frame for the given GPS track. Finally using the enriched GPS track, the final step will be the **3. Calculation of Magnetic Components** which use the CHAOS model to compute the magnetic components at the ground level. With the interpolated magnetic values corrected by the ionospheric contribution. The script will compute the other magnetic components including F (magnetic intensity), H (Horizontal component), Declination and Inclination. For detailed information of this process go to the Main Notebook.

Interpolation (ST-IDW) and Annotation Process

Once we have requested the data we need for each point in the GPS Track and considering we have gathered the available data from the three satellites for one day (*24 hours, every 60 seconds around 1440 Swarm measures per satellite*). Now we need to **filter** in space and time the

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available points to compute the magnetic values for each GPS point in its particular date and time. Therefore, before running the interpolation process we set **four** functions that will require the *latitude* and *longitude* and the *epoch* time of each GPS point to filter the Swarm points into what we called **Space-Time Cylinder**. The following picture can provide a better explanation about how the points inside the space-time cylinder are included or excluded. **Figure I**, shows how the R of the Space-Time cylinder is based on the GPS point latitude. **Figure II**, illustrate the geometric components behind the space-time cylinder where the points are filtered and included in the interpolation process. Figure B, will help you to understand how the following functions compute the required parameters **Figure III** shows the idea behind the interpolation process for each GPS point, requesting and processing the available Swarm measures by the three satellites. For more information about the time-space windows please read the full paper where we explain the details of it.

SwarmMagAnnotation function:

Working as the main function for the annotation process, this functions meets the previous functions running the space-time window filters, and the computing the ST- IDW process. This function will run a interpolation process for each GPS Point considering only the Swarm points inside the Space-Time cylinder computed by the four previous functions. The return value will be an array with the values the annotated magnetic values for the GPS point. The function will be executed inside a loop going through the GPS track. This function is the annotation process per se, and through this process at first we run the interpolation getting the magnetic values in NEC reference frame and then we compute the extra magnetic values that are useful to get a better understating of the earth's magnetic field at this particular location, date and time.

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Auxiliary Functions: The function ST_IDW_Process includes 4 auxiliary functions to run the spatial-temporal kernel

distance_to_GPS function: Is the function in charge to calculate the distance between each GPS Point and the Swarm Point.

Kradius function: Is the function in charge to compute the R (radius) value in the cylinder. The R value will be considered based on the latitude of each GPS Point.

DistJ function: This function will calculate the d value as the hypotenuse created in the triangle created amount the locations of the GPS point, the location of the Swarm points and the radius value.

DfTime_func function: This is a time function to selected the points in the range of a the DeltaTime - DT window. The Delta time window has been set as 4 hours for each satellite trajectory.

Part III.

Notebooks

MagGeo - Sequential Mode

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2.7. Overview

This Jupyter Notebook will guide you through the required steps to annotate your GPS tracking data with the earth's magnetic field data from Swarm (European Space Agency). This version is called Sequential Mode, alternatively you can use Parallel Mode to take advantage of parallelized computing if required. More information about the Swarm satellites can be found in the Main Document on the MagGeo github repository. This script will use a sequential loop to run the annotation process for each GPS Point (row) from your data.

To execute the code, you can go through each cell (pressing Ctrl+Enter), you will also find inner comments **##** to describe each particular step. If you are not familiar with using Jupyter Notebooks, you might want to take some time to learn how first, for example take a look at the notebook-basics.ipynb Notebook inside MagGeo.

2.8. Data requirements

Your trajectory must be in a csv format:

There are three columns that must be included in your GPS trajectory. Make sure your GPS trajectory includes **Latitude** , **Longitude** and **timestamp**. We suggest that the Timestamp column follow the day/month/year Hour:Minute (**dd/mm/yyyy HH:MM:SS**) format, Latitude and Longitude should be in decimal degrees (WGS84). Optionally an altitude column can be used providing altitude (the altitude must be in **km**). Other Columns will be ignored. Here it is an example of how your GPS track should look:

For this example we are reading the BirdGPSTrajectory.csv file. If you want to run the method using your own csv file, make sure you store your the file in the ./data folder. For more information about the dataset we used in this example go to the Main Notebook.

2.9. Import the required python libraries

```
import datetime as dt
from datetime import timedelta
import sys, os
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from tqdm import tqdm
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from viresclient import set_token
sys.path.append("..")

import utilities
from utilities.MagGeoFunctions import getGPSData
```


2.10. Add your VirES web client Token

```
from utilities.MagGeoFunctions import Get_Swarm_residuals
from utilities.MagGeoFunctions import ST_IDW_Process
from utilities.MagGeoFunctions import CHAOS_ground_values
```

2.10. Add your VirES web client Token

The **VirES client API**, requires a token. Before start you need to get your own VirES token. You can visit <https://vires.services/> to get yours, and then add it into the next cell.

```
set_token("https://vires.services/ows", set_default=True)
```

2.11. Read the GPS track

The following steps will load the GPS track from a csv file, and set some requirements before downloading geomagnetic data from Swarm. If your csv track file doesn't have any altitude attribute, MagGeo will use sea level as your altitude (i.e., 0 Km). **Altitude column units must be Km**

```
base_dir=os.path.dirname(os.getcwd())
temp_results_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "temp_data")
results_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "results")
data_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "data")
utilities_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "utilities")
```

```
# Make sure the csv file of your trackectory is stored in the Data folder.
```

```
# Enter the name of your GPS track csv file including the extension .csv and press Enter (e
```

```
# Make sure you have a column that integrates date and time, before include in MagGeo.
```

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```
# If your csv track file does not have any altitude attribute, MagGeo will use
# i.e height (Only in KM)
gpsfilename= "BirdGPSTrajectoryTest.csv"
Lat="location-lat"
Long="location-long"
DateTime="timestamp"
altitude = "height"
```

```
# Here MagGeo is reading your CSV file, taking the Lat, Long, Date&Time and Altitude
# Setting the date and time attributes for the required format and computing
GPSTData = getGPSTData(data_dir,gpsfilename,Lat,Long,DateTime,altitude)
GPSTData
```

2.12. Validate the correct amount of Swarm measures

The following loop is identifying the time and validating if the time is less than 4:00 hours and more than 20:00 hours to bring one extra day of data. The result of this validation is written in an empty python list which will be later validated to get the unique dates. This avoids duplicate downloading of data for the same day and reduces overall computational time.

```
datestimeslist = []
for index, row in GPSTData.iterrows():
    datetimerow = row['gpsDateTime']
    daterow = row['dates']
    hourrow = row['times']
    hourrow = hourrow.strftime('%H:%M:%S')
    if hourrow < '04:00:00':
        date_bfr = daterow - (timedelta(days=1))
```

2.13. Download Swarm residuals data

```
datestimeslist.append(daterow)
datestimeslist.append(date_bfr)
if hourrow > '20:00:00':
    Date_aft = daterow + (timedelta(days=1))
    datestimeslist.append(daterow)
    datestimeslist.append(Date_aft)
else:
    datestimeslist.append(daterow)
```

Getting a list of unique dates to download the Swarm Data

```
def uniquelistdates(list):
    x = np.array(list)
    uniquelist = np.unique(x)
    return uniquelist

uniquelist_dates = uniquelistdates(datestimeslist)
uniquelist_dates
```

2.13. Download Swarm residuals data

Once the date and time columns have been defined and the unique dates are identified the script can start the download process. Usually the data from Swarm is requested using only one satellite, however **MagGeo** will use the magnetic measures from the three satellite of the Swarm Mission (Alpha, Bravo, Charlie). Be aware satellite Charlie, got its AMS broken earlier in the mission, although the initial dates still have valid data MagGeo can use.

Be aware: Due to the amount of dates in the demo GPS track (42 days), the time to process the sample data will take approximately 10 minutes.

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Unfortunately the download process might be a slow process, particularly for the magnetic models data MagGeo requires.

Set a connection to the VirES client and using the function `Get_Swarm_residuals` we will get the swarm residuals for the dates included in the previous list.

```
%%time

hours_t_day = 24 #MagGeo needs the entire Swarm data for each day of the ider
hours_added = dt.timedelta(hours = hours_t_day)

listdfa = []
listdfb = []
listdfc = []

for d in tqdm(uniquelist_dates, desc="Getting Swarm Data"):
    #print("Getting Swarm data for date:",d )
    startdate = dt.datetime.combine(d, dt.datetime.min.time())
    enddate = startdate + hours_added
    SwarmResidualsA,SwarmResidualsB,SwarmResidualsC = Get_Swarm_residuals(sta
    listdfa.append(SwarmResidualsA)
    listdfb.append(SwarmResidualsB)
    listdfc.append(SwarmResidualsC)
```

Concat the previous results and temporally save the requested data locally: Integrate the previous list for all dates, into pandas dataframes. We will temporally saved the previous results, in case you need to re-run MagGeo, with the following csv files you will not need to run the download process.

```
%%time

PdSwarmRes_A = pd.concat(listdfa, join='outer', axis=0)
```

2.14. Spatio-Temporal filter and interpolation process (ST-IDW)

```
PdSwarmRes_A.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,'TotalSwarmRes_A.csv'), header=True)
PdSwarmRes_B = pd.concat(listdfb, join='outer', axis=0)
PdSwarmRes_B.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,'TotalSwarmRes_B.csv'), header=True)
PdSwarmRes_C = pd.concat(listdfc, join='outer', axis=0)
PdSwarmRes_C.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,'TotalSwarmRes_C.csv'), header=True)

TotalSwarmRes_A = pd.read_csv(os.path.join(temp_results_dir,"TotalSwarmRes_A.csv"),low_memory=True)
TotalSwarmRes_A['timestamp'] = pd.to_datetime(TotalSwarmRes_A['timestamp'])
TotalSwarmRes_B = pd.read_csv(os.path.join(temp_results_dir,"TotalSwarmRes_B.csv"),low_memory=True)
TotalSwarmRes_B['timestamp'] = pd.to_datetime(TotalSwarmRes_B['timestamp'])
TotalSwarmRes_C = pd.read_csv(os.path.join(temp_results_dir,"TotalSwarmRes_C.csv"),low_memory=True)
TotalSwarmRes_C['timestamp'] = pd.to_datetime(TotalSwarmRes_C['timestamp'])

TotalSwarmRes_A.head(10) #If you need to take a look of the Swarm Data, you can print TotalSwarmRes_A
```

2.14. Spatio-Temporal filter and interpolation process (ST-IDW)

Once we have requested the swarm data, now we need to **filter** in space and time the available points to compute the magnetic values (NEC frame) for each GPS point based on its particular date and time. The function `ST_IDW_Process` takes the GPS track and the downloaded data from swarm to filter in space and time based on the criteria defined in our method. With the swarm data filtered we interpolate (IDW) the NEC components for each GPS data point.

```
%%time
#Sequential mode, applying a traditional loop using iterrows.
if __name__ == '__main__':
    dn = [] ## List used to add all the GPS points with the annotated MAG Data. See the last
    for index, row in tqdm(GPSData.iterrows(), total=GPSData.shape[0], desc="Annotating the
```

```
GPSLat = row['gpsLat']
GPSLong = row['gpsLong']
GPSDateTime = row['gpsDateTime']
GPSTime = row['epoch']
GPSAltitude = row['gpsAltitude']
#print("Process for:", index,"DateTime:",GPSDateTime)
try:
    result=ST_IDW_Process(GPSLat,GPSLong,GPSAltitude, GPSDateTime,GPS
    dn.append(result)
except:
    #print("Ups!.That was a bad Swarm Point, let's keep working with
    result_badPoint= {'Latitude': GPSLat, 'Longitude': GPSLong, 'Alt
    dn.append(result_badPoint)
    continue
```

Temporally save the ST-IDW result locally. Still MagGeo needs to run the calculation of geomagnetic components, bringing the magnetic values at the altitude provided for your GPS track.

```
GPS_ResInt = pd.DataFrame(dn)
GPS_ResInt.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,"GPS_ResInt.csv"), header=T
GPS_ResInt
```

2.15. Compute the magnetic components at the trajectory altitude using CHAOS model

The function CHAOS_ground_values is used to run the calculation of magnetic components. This adjustment requires the magnetic components at the trajectory altitude (or at the ground level) using CHAOS (theta, phi, radial). This process also further conducts the rotation and transformation between a geocentric earth-based reference system

2.16. The final result

(CHAOS) and geodetic earth-based reference system (GPS track). Once the corrected values are calculated the non-necessary columns are removed. For more information about this process go to the Main Notebook.

```
%%time
X_obs, Y_obs, Z_obs, X_obs_internal, Y_obs_internal, Z_obs_internal =CHAOS_ground_values(uti
GPS_ResInt['N'] =pd.Series(X_obs)
GPS_ResInt['E'] =pd.Series(Y_obs)
GPS_ResInt['C'] =pd.Series(Z_obs)
GPS_ResInt['N_Obs'] =pd.Series(X_obs_internal)
GPS_ResInt['E_Obs'] =pd.Series(Y_obs_internal)
GPS_ResInt['C_Obs'] =pd.Series(Z_obs_internal)

GPS_ResInt.drop(columns=['N_res', 'E_res','C_res'], inplace=True)
GPS_ResInt
```

2.16. The final result

With the NEC components for each GPS Track point, it is possible to compute the additional magnetic components. For more information about the magnetic components and their relevance go to the main paper or notebook.

The annotated dataframe will include the following attributes: If you need more information about the attributes, go to the Main Notebook.

- Latitude** from the GPS Track.
- Longitude** from the GPS Track.
- Timestamp** from the GPS Track.
- Magnetic Field Intensity** mapped as Fgps in nanoTeslas (nT).
- N (Northwards) component** mapped as N in nanoTeslas (nT).
- E (Eastwards) component** mapped as E. in nanoteslas (nT).
- C (Downwards or Center)** component mapped as C in nanoTeslas (nT).

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- Horizontal component** mapped as H in nanoTeslas (nT).
- Magnetic Inclination** mapped as I in degrees.
- Magnetic Declination or dip angle** mapped as D in degrees.
- Kp Index** mapped as kp
- Total Points** as the amount of Swarm points included in the track.
- Minimum Distance** mapped as MinDist, representing the minimum distance between points.
- Average Distance** mapped as AvDist, representing the average distance between points.

```
%%time
# Having Intepolated and weighted the magnetic values, we can compute the other components.
GPS_ResInt['H'] = np.sqrt((GPS_ResInt['N']**2)+(GPS_ResInt['E']**2))
#check the arctan in python., From arctan2 is saver.
DgpsRad = np.arctan2(GPS_ResInt['E'],GPS_ResInt['N'])
GPS_ResInt['D'] = np.degrees(DgpsRad)
IgpsRad = np.arctan2(GPS_ResInt['C'],GPS_ResInt['H'])
GPS_ResInt['I'] = np.degrees(IgpsRad)
GPS_ResInt['F'] = np.sqrt((GPS_ResInt['N']**2)+(GPS_ResInt['E']**2)+(GPS_ResInt['C']**2))
GPS_ResInt['F'] = np.degrees(GPS_ResInt['F'])
```

The previous dataframe (GPS_ResInt), MagGeo has computed the geo-magnetic components for each locations and time of your CSV trajectory. Now we will finish up combining the original atributes from your CSV with the annotated results from MagGeo.

```
%%time
originalGPSTrack=pd.read_csv(os.path.join(data_dir,gpsfilename))
MagGeoResult = pd.concat([originalGPSTrack, GPS_ResInt], axis=1)
#Drop duplicated columns. Latitude, Longitued, and DateTime will not be part of the result.
MagGeoResult.drop(columns=['Latitude', 'Longitude', 'DateTime'], inplace=True)
MagGeoResult
```


2.17. Export the final results to a CSV file

```
%%time
#Exporting the CSV file
outputfile = "GeoMagResult_"+gpsfilename
export_csv = MagGeoResult.to_csv (os.path.join(results_dir,outputfile), index = None, header
```

2.18. Validate the results (Optional)

To validate the results we plot the Fgpscolumn.

```
## Creating a copy of the results and setting the Datetime Column as dataframe index.
ValidateDF = GPS_ResInt.copy()
ValidateDF.set_index("DateTime", inplace=True)
## Plotting the F column.
hist = ValidateDF.hist(column='F')
plt.title('F distribution')
plt.xlabel('F in nT')
plt.ylabel('# of measurements')
```

2.19. Map the GPS Track using the annotated Magnetic Values (Optional)

Now we are going to plot the annotated GPS track stored into the Mag-DataFinal dataframe to see the different magnetic components in a map to have a better perspective of the impact of the earth magnetic field.

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```
ValidateDF.plot(kind="scatter", x="Latitude", y="Longitude",
                 label="Magnetic Intensity in nT",
                 c="F", cmap=plt.get_cmap("gist_rainbow"),
                 colorbar=True, alpha=0.4, figsize=(10,7),
                 sharex=False #This is only needed to get the x-axis label working due to
)

plt.ylabel("Longitude", fontsize=12)
plt.xlabel("Latitude", fontsize=12)
plt.legend(fontsize=12)
plt.show()
```

```
import geopandas
import geoplots
import hvplot.pandas
gdf = geopandas.GeoDataFrame(ValidateDF, geometry=geopandas.points_from_xy(ValidateDF, 'Longitude', 'Latitude'))
gdf.head()
```

```
gdf.hvplot(title=f'Annotated trajectory using MagGeo - F GeoMag Intensity',
           geo=True,
           c='F',
           tiles='CartoLight',
           frame_width=700,
           frame_height=500)
```

```
gdf.hvplot(title=f'Annotated trajectory using MagGeo - I Inclination',
           geo=True,
           tiles='CartoLight',
           c='I',
           cmap='Viridis',
           frame_width=700,
           frame_height=500)
```

2.19. Map the GPS Track using the annotated Magnetic Values (Optional)

```
world = geopandas.read_file(geopandas.datasets.get_path('naturalearth_lowres'))

ax = world.plot(color='white', edgecolor='gray', figsize = (18,8))

minx, miny, maxx, maxy = gdf.total_bounds
ax.set_xlim(minx, maxx)
ax.set_ylim(miny, maxy)

gdf.plot(ax=ax, column='F', legend=True,
         legend_kwds={'label': "Magnetic Intensity in nT",
                      'orientation': "horizontal"})
plt.ylabel("Longitude", fontsize=12)
plt.xlabel("Latitude", fontsize=12)

plt.show()

fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(ncols=2, figsize = (18,8))

ax1 = world.plot(ax=ax1, color='white', edgecolor='black')
xlim = ([gdf.total_bounds[0], gdf.total_bounds[2]])
ylim = ([gdf.total_bounds[1], gdf.total_bounds[3]])
ax1.set_xlim(xlim)
ax1.set_ylim(ylim)

gdf.plot(ax=ax1, column='F', legend=True,
         legend_kwds={'label': "Magnetic Intensity in nT",
                      'orientation': "horizontal"})
plt.ylabel("Longitude", fontsize=9)
plt.xlabel("Latitude", fontsize=9)
ax1.set_title('Magnetic Intensity - F')
```

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```
ax1.set_xlabel('Latitude')
ax1.set_ylabel('Longitude')

ax2 = world.plot( ax=ax2, color='white', edgecolor='black')
xlim = ([gdf.total_bounds[0], gdf.total_bounds[2]])
ylim = ([gdf.total_bounds[1], gdf.total_bounds[3]])
ax2.set_xlim(xlim)
ax2.set_ylim(ylim)

# We can now plot our ``GeoDataFrame``.
gdf.plot(ax=ax2, column='I', legend=True, cmap='Spectral',
        legend_kwds={'label': " Inclination in Degrees",
                      'orientation': "horizontal"})
ax2.set_title('Inclination - I')
ax2.set_xlabel('Latitude')
ax2.set_ylabel('Longitude')
```

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2.20. Overview

This Jupyter Notebook will guide you through the required steps to annotate your GPS tracking data with the earth's magnetic field data from Swarm (European Space Agency). This version is called Parallel Mode to take advantage of parallelized computing to process big datasets.

To execute the code, you can go through each cell (pressing Ctrl+Enter), you will also find inner comments `##` to describe each particular step. If you are not familiar with Jupyter Notebook, you might want to take some time to learn how to use it first, for example take a look at the notebook-basics.ipynb Notebook inside MagGeo.

For parallel processing, there are some considerations to make:

1. Linux and Windows environments have some differences. In windows we need to separate the functions and store them separately, then import them into a `main` function.

2. Defining what part of the process is CPU bound and what part is I/O bound: Identify what parts of the program are I/O bound (writing or reading from the disk or network) and what part par CPU bound (Processing capacity). To take advantage of our CPU capacity we need to identify the process where the CPU is actually doing the main Tasks.

2.21. Data requirements

Your trajectory must be in a csv format:

There are three columns that must be included in your GPS trajectory. Make sure your GPS trajectory includes **Latitude** , **Longitude** and **timestamp**. We suggest that the Timestamp column follow the day/month/year Hour:Minute (dd/mm/yyyy HH:MM:SS) format, Latitude and Longitude should be in decimal degrees (WGS84). Optionally an altitude column can be used providing altitude (the altitude must be in **km**). Other Columns will be ignored. Here it is an example of how your GPS track should look:

For this example we are reading the BirdGPSTrajectory.csv file. If you want to run the method using your own csv file, make sure you store your the file in the ./data folder. For more information about the dataset we used in this example go to the Main Notebook.

2.22. Import the requeried libraries

```
import datetime as dt
from datetime import timedelta
import sys, os
import pandas as pd
```

2.23. Add your VirES web client Token

```
import numpy as np
from tqdm import tqdm
from pathlib import Path
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

from viresclient import set_token
sys.path.append("..")
import utilities
from utilities.MagGeoFunctions import getGPSData
from utilities.MagGeoFunctions import Get_Swarm_residuals
```

2.23. Add your VirES web client Token

The **VirES client API**, requires a token. Before start you need to get your own VirES token. You can visit <https://vires.services/> to get yours, and then add it into the next cell.

```
set_token("https://vires.services/ows", set_default=True)
```

2.24. Reading the GPS track

The following steps will load the GPS track from a csv file, and set some requirements before download the data from Swarm. Importing the GPS track. You can note that there is a folder to store the CSV file. Using `os.getcwd()` you can validate where the file is located.

```
base_dir=os.path.dirname(os.getcwd())
temp_results_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "temp_data")
results_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "results")
data_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "data")
```

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```
#Make sure the csv file of your trajectory is stored in the Data folder.
#Enter the name of your GPS track csv file including the extension .csv and
# Make sure you have a column that integrates date and time, before include :
#If your csv track file does not have any altitude attribute, MagGeo will use
# i.e height (Only in KM)

gpsfilename= "BirdGPSTrajectoryTest.csv"
Lat="location-lat"
Long="location-long"
DateTime="timestamp"
altitude = "height"

# Here MagGeo is reading your CSV file, taking the Lat, Long, Date&Time and A
# Setting the date and time attributes for the required format and computing
GPSData = getGPSData(data_dir,gpsfilename,Lat,Long,DateTime,altitude)
GPSData
```

	gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch	dates
0	2014-09-08 05:54:00	68.307333	70.854717	0.000	1410155640	2014-09-08
1	2014-09-08 06:10:00	67.975050	70.830300	0.406	1410156600	2014-09-08
2	2014-09-08 06:26:00	67.752417	70.761717	0.498	1410157560	2014-09-08
3	2014-09-08 06:42:00	67.561983	70.686517	0.787	1410158520	2014-09-08
4	2014-09-08 07:14:00	67.548317	70.685450	0.337	1410160440	2014-09-08
...
194	2014-09-27 11:09:00	49.503800	67.735100	0.098	1411816140	2014-09-27
195	2014-09-27 11:25:00	49.503767	67.735100	0.099	1411817100	2014-09-27
196	2014-09-27 11:40:00	49.503667	67.735100	0.100	1411818000	2014-09-27
197	2014-09-27 11:56:00	49.503650	67.735100	0.100	1411818960	2014-09-27
198	2014-09-27 12:11:00	49.503617	67.735000	0.092	1411819860	2014-09-27

Setting the date and time attributes for the requerided format and computing the epoch column. Values like Maximum and Minimun Date and

2.25. Validate the right amount of Swarm measures

time are also calculated.

2.25. Validate the right amount of Swarm measures

The following loop is identifying the time and validating if the time is less than 4:00 hours and more than 20:00 hours to bring one extra day of data. The result of this validation is written in a empty python list which will be later validated to get the unique dates avoing to download data for the same day and reducing the the downloand time process.

```
%%time
datestimeslist = []
for index, row in GPSTData.iterrows():
    datetimerow = row['gpsDateTime']
    daterow = row['dates']
    hourrow = row['times']
    hourrow = hourrow.strftime('%H:%M:%S')
    if hourrow < '04:00:00':
        date_bfr = daterow - (timedelta(days=1))
        datestimeslist.append(daterow)
        datestimeslist.append(date_bfr)
    if hourrow > '20:00:00':
        Date_aft = daterow + (timedelta(days=1))
        datestimeslist.append(daterow)
        datestimeslist.append(Date_aft)
    else:
        datestimeslist.append(daterow)
```

Getting a list of unique dates, to being used to download the Swarm Data

```
%%time
def uniquelistdates(list):
    x = np.array(list)
    uniquelist = np.unique(x)
    return uniquelist

uniquelist_dates = uniquelistdates(datestimeslist)
uniquelist_dates
```

2.26. Download Swarm residuals data

Once the date and time columns have been defined, and the unique dates were identified the script can start the download process. Usually the data from Swarm is requested using only one satellite, however **MagGeo** will use the magnetic measures from the three satellite of the Swarm Mission.

Be aware: Due to the amount of dates the GPS track has (42 days) to request and compute the residuals, the time to process the sample data will take approximately 10 minutes.

Set a connection to the VirES client and using the function `Get_Swarm_residuals` we will get the swarm residuals for the dates included in the previous list.

```
%%time

hours_t_day = 24
hours_added = dt.timedelta(hours = hours_t_day)

listdfa = []
listdfb = []
listdfc = []
```

2.27. Set the number of processes, and split the dataframe (GPSData) into chunks

```
for d in tqdm(unique_list_dates, desc="Getting Swarm Data"):
    #print("Getting Swarm data for date:",d )
    startdate = dt.datetime.combine(d, dt.datetime.min.time())
    enddate = startdate + hours_added
    SwarmResidualsA,SwarmResidualsB,SwarmResidualsC = Get_Swarm_residuals(startdate, enddate)
    listdfa.append(SwarmResidualsA)
    listdfb.append(SwarmResidualsB)
    listdfc.append(SwarmResidualsC)
```

Concat the previous results and temporally save the requested data locally: Integrate the previous list for all dates, into pandas dataframes. We will temporally save the previous results, in case you need to re-run MagGeo, with the following csv files you will not need to run the download process.

```
%%time
TotalSwarmRes_A = pd.concat(listdfa, join='outer', axis=0)
TotalSwarmRes_A.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,'TotalSwarmRes_A.csv'), header=True)
TotalSwarmRes_B = pd.concat(listdfb, join='outer', axis=0)
TotalSwarmRes_B.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,'TotalSwarmRes_B.csv'), header=True)
TotalSwarmRes_C = pd.concat(listdfc, join='outer', axis=0)
TotalSwarmRes_C.to_csv (os.path.join(temp_results_dir,'TotalSwarmRes_C.csv'), header=True)
TotalSwarmRes_A #If you need to take a look of the Swarm Data, you can print TotalSwarmRes_A
```

2.27. Set the number of processes, and split the dataframe (GPSData) into chunks

We can set the number of processes we need to dedicate for the multiprocessing mode, of course that also depends on the number of cores the machine you are using to run **MagGeo**. You can use

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`multiprocessing.cpu_count()` to set the number of processes as the the number of cores your machine has. Beside that we will also to split the GPS track into chunks to dedicate each core for each chunk. For more information take a look at the Home Notebook.

```
import multiprocessing
import sklearn
from multiprocessing import Pool

NumCores = multiprocessing.cpu_count()
df_chunks = np.array_split(GPSData, NumCores)
df_chunks
```

		gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch	\
0	2014-09-08	05:54:00	68.307333	70.854717	0.000	1410155640	
1	2014-09-08	06:10:00	67.975050	70.830300	0.406	1410156600	
2	2014-09-08	06:26:00	67.752417	70.761717	0.498	1410157560	
3	2014-09-08	06:42:00	67.561983	70.686517	0.787	1410158520	
4	2014-09-08	07:14:00	67.548317	70.685450	0.337	1410160440	
5	2014-09-08	07:30:00	67.549433	70.685750	0.026	1410161400	
6	2014-09-08	07:46:00	67.530983	70.690333	0.026	1410162360	
7	2014-09-08	08:03:00	67.506233	70.692683	0.023	1410163380	
8	2014-09-08	08:34:00	67.506167	70.692533	0.022	1410165240	
9	2014-09-08	08:50:00	67.506383	70.692583	0.023	1410166200	
10	2014-09-08	09:37:00	67.501633	70.695017	0.026	1410169020	
11	2014-09-08	09:54:00	67.498917	70.693850	0.026	1410170040	
12	2014-09-08	13:53:00	67.505800	70.692667	0.000	1410184380	

	dates	times
0	2014-09-08	05:54:00
1	2014-09-08	06:10:00
2	2014-09-08	06:26:00
3	2014-09-08	06:42:00

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4   2014-09-08  07:14:00
5   2014-09-08  07:30:00
6   2014-09-08  07:46:00
7   2014-09-08  08:03:00
8   2014-09-08  08:34:00
9   2014-09-08  08:50:00
10  2014-09-08  09:37:00
11  2014-09-08  09:54:00
12  2014-09-08  13:53:00  ,

      gpsDateTime    gpsLong    gpsLat    gpsAltitude    epoch \
13  2014-09-08 14:09:00  67.505883  70.692667      0.034  1410185340
14  2014-09-08 14:25:00  67.506000  70.692617      0.034  1410186300
15  2014-09-08 14:41:00  67.505883  70.692750      0.033  1410187260
16  2014-09-08 15:13:00  67.511617  70.694350      0.036  1410189180
17  2014-09-08 15:29:00  67.509050  70.693650      0.034  1410190140
18  2014-09-08 15:45:00  67.511250  70.693467      0.032  1410191100
19  2014-09-08 16:01:00  67.510000  70.693450      0.033  1410192060
20  2014-09-08 16:33:00  67.510767  70.693633      0.034  1410193980
21  2014-09-08 16:49:00  67.509500  70.693583      0.033  1410194940
22  2014-09-08 17:05:00  67.509750  70.693600      0.033  1410195900
23  2014-09-08 17:38:00  67.509700  70.693633      0.035  1410197880
24  2014-09-08 17:53:00  67.509650  70.693650      0.017  1410198780
25  2014-09-21 12:23:00  49.996717  66.897217      0.019  1411302180

      dates    times
13  2014-09-08  14:09:00
14  2014-09-08  14:25:00
15  2014-09-08  14:41:00
16  2014-09-08  15:13:00
17  2014-09-08  15:29:00
18  2014-09-08  15:45:00
19  2014-09-08  16:01:00
20  2014-09-08  16:33:00
21  2014-09-08  16:49:00

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22 2014-09-08 17:05:00
23 2014-09-08 17:38:00
24 2014-09-08 17:53:00
25 2014-09-21 12:23:00 ,
      gpsDateTime    gpsLong    gpsLat    gpsAltitude    epoch \
26 2014-09-21 12:55:00 49.997550 66.897567      0.030 1411304100
27 2014-09-21 13:11:00 49.998683 66.898600      0.000 1411305060
28 2014-09-21 13:43:00 49.997133 66.898300      0.000 1411306980
29 2014-09-21 14:00:00 49.997383 66.897600      0.000 1411308000
30 2014-09-21 14:17:00 49.997467 66.897517      0.000 1411309020
31 2014-09-21 14:31:00 50.005250 66.895483      0.044 1411309860
32 2014-09-21 15:03:00 50.040800 66.890583      0.000 1411311780
33 2014-09-21 15:19:00 50.047867 66.890167      0.000 1411312740
34 2014-09-21 15:35:00 50.047600 66.890150      0.000 1411313700
35 2014-09-21 16:07:00 50.047800 66.890183      0.000 1411315620
36 2014-09-21 16:23:00 49.961467 66.980783      0.000 1411316580
37 2014-09-22 05:52:00 49.847017 66.960383      0.000 1411365120
38 2014-09-22 06:08:00 49.846967 66.960450      0.000 1411366080

      dates    times
26 2014-09-21 12:55:00
27 2014-09-21 13:11:00
28 2014-09-21 13:43:00
29 2014-09-21 14:00:00
30 2014-09-21 14:17:00
31 2014-09-21 14:31:00
32 2014-09-21 15:03:00
33 2014-09-21 15:19:00
34 2014-09-21 15:35:00
35 2014-09-21 16:07:00
36 2014-09-21 16:23:00
37 2014-09-22 05:52:00
38 2014-09-22 06:08:00 ,
      gpsDateTime    gpsLong    gpsLat    gpsAltitude    epoch \

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39 2014-09-22 06:24:00 49.846950 66.960367 0.000 1411367040
40 2014-09-22 06:40:00 49.847350 66.960383 0.000 1411368000
41 2014-09-22 07:13:00 49.846850 66.960400 0.000 1411369980
42 2014-09-22 08:02:00 49.712750 67.096717 0.000 1411372920
43 2014-09-30 06:35:00 47.120217 66.684717 0.006 1412058900
44 2014-09-30 06:51:00 46.696433 66.529533 0.000 1412059860
45 2014-09-30 07:07:00 46.267167 66.378733 0.000 1412060820
46 2014-09-30 07:23:00 45.813017 66.230733 0.000 1412061780
47 2014-09-30 08:04:00 44.659750 65.770600 0.000 1412064240
48 2014-09-30 08:46:00 43.495867 65.287350 0.000 1412066760
49 2014-09-30 10:10:00 41.314500 64.129950 0.000 1412071800
50 2014-09-30 10:26:00 40.957017 63.896433 0.000 1412072760
51 2014-09-30 11:04:00 40.313267 63.317133 0.000 1412075040

      dates      times
39 2014-09-22 06:24:00
40 2014-09-22 06:40:00
41 2014-09-22 07:13:00
42 2014-09-22 08:02:00
43 2014-09-30 06:35:00
44 2014-09-30 06:51:00
45 2014-09-30 07:07:00
46 2014-09-30 07:23:00
47 2014-09-30 08:04:00
48 2014-09-30 08:46:00
49 2014-09-30 10:10:00
50 2014-09-30 10:26:00
51 2014-09-30 11:04:00 ,

      gpsDateTime      gpsLong      gpsLat      gpsAltitude      epoch \
52 2014-09-30 11:21:00 40.012267 63.049433 0.0 1412076060
53 2014-09-30 11:53:00 39.520267 62.547750 0.0 1412077980
54 2014-09-30 12:09:00 39.286400 62.327483 0.0 1412078940
55 2014-09-30 16:27:00 35.165983 59.422467 0.0 1412094420
56 2014-09-30 16:59:00 34.759200 58.980250 0.0 1412096340

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57	2014-09-30	17:15:00	34.471817	58.817917	0.0	1412097300
58	2014-09-30	17:47:00	34.448300	58.827933	0.0	1412099220
59	2014-09-30	18:04:00	34.448467	58.826017	0.0	1412100240
60	2014-09-30	18:20:00	34.435233	58.819850	0.0	1412101200
61	2014-09-30	18:35:00	34.201167	58.727250	0.0	1412102100
62	2014-09-30	19:08:00	33.569233	58.405500	0.0	1412104080
63	2014-09-30	19:24:00	33.236700	58.241183	0.0	1412105040
64	2014-09-30	19:40:00	33.014350	58.041567	0.0	1412106000

	dates	times
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52	2014-09-30	11:21:00
53	2014-09-30	11:53:00
54	2014-09-30	12:09:00
55	2014-09-30	16:27:00
56	2014-09-30	16:59:00
57	2014-09-30	17:15:00
58	2014-09-30	17:47:00
59	2014-09-30	18:04:00
60	2014-09-30	18:20:00
61	2014-09-30	18:35:00
62	2014-09-30	19:08:00
63	2014-09-30	19:24:00
64	2014-09-30	19:40:00 ,

	gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch \
65	2014-09-30 19:56:00	32.698767	57.913150	0.000	1412106960
66	2014-09-30 20:12:00	32.470350	57.709567	0.003	1412107920
67	2014-09-30 20:28:00	32.223617	57.567683	0.002	1412108880
68	2014-10-01 00:29:00	31.970950	57.454033	0.000	1412123340
69	2014-10-01 00:44:00	31.971250	57.453767	0.000	1412124240
70	2014-10-01 01:00:00	31.971667	57.453667	0.037	1412125200
71	2014-10-01 02:42:00	31.894067	57.427383	0.038	1412131320
72	2014-10-01 02:59:00	31.669200	57.321483	0.128	1412132340
73	2014-10-01 03:14:00	31.446667	57.195767	0.135	1412133240
74	2014-10-01 05:05:00	29.696600	56.703217	0.131	1412139900

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75 2014-10-01 06:19:00 28.411983 56.252417 0.127 1412144340
76 2014-10-01 06:35:00 28.150767 56.085417 0.132 1412145300
77 2014-10-01 07:23:00 27.264867 55.628233 0.132 1412148180

      dates      times
65 2014-09-30 19:56:00
66 2014-09-30 20:12:00
67 2014-09-30 20:28:00
68 2014-10-01 00:29:00
69 2014-10-01 00:44:00
70 2014-10-01 01:00:00
71 2014-10-01 02:42:00
72 2014-10-01 02:59:00
73 2014-10-01 03:14:00
74 2014-10-01 05:05:00
75 2014-10-01 06:19:00
76 2014-10-01 06:35:00
77 2014-10-01 07:23:00 ,
      gpsDateTime  gpsLong  gpsLat  gpsAltitude  epoch \
78 2014-10-01 07:40:00 26.967033 55.513917 0.132 1412149200
79 2014-10-01 07:56:00 26.703400 55.396383 0.131 1412150160
80 2014-10-01 11:42:00 22.913617 53.929300 0.129 1412163720
81 2014-10-01 12:13:00 22.347700 53.795100 0.131 1412165580
82 2014-10-01 12:29:00 22.068817 53.726433 0.129 1412166540
83 2014-10-01 13:02:00 21.519500 53.613633 0.000 1412168520
84 2014-10-01 13:18:00 21.238517 53.580000 0.142 1412169480
85 2014-10-01 13:34:00 20.974200 53.522383 0.137 1412170440
86 2014-10-01 13:50:00 20.682200 53.486600 0.136 1412171400
87 2014-10-01 14:22:00 20.148067 53.381400 0.000 1412173320
88 2014-10-01 14:38:00 19.858717 53.353933 0.134 1412174280
89 2014-10-01 14:54:00 19.568867 53.324533 0.149 1412175240
90 2014-10-01 15:26:00 18.964567 53.259633 0.145 1412177160

      dates      times

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78 2014-10-01 07:40:00
79 2014-10-01 07:56:00
80 2014-10-01 11:42:00
81 2014-10-01 12:13:00
82 2014-10-01 12:29:00
83 2014-10-01 13:02:00
84 2014-10-01 13:18:00
85 2014-10-01 13:34:00
86 2014-10-01 13:50:00
87 2014-10-01 14:22:00
88 2014-10-01 14:38:00
89 2014-10-01 14:54:00
90 2014-10-01 15:26:00 ,

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		gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch \
91	2014-10-01	15:42:00	18.664850	53.268217	0.145	1412178120
92	2014-10-01	19:42:00	16.177583	53.797867	0.143	1412192520
93	2014-10-01	19:57:00	16.178717	53.798633	0.136	1412193420
94	2014-10-01	20:13:00	16.179067	53.798667	0.135	1412194380
95	2014-10-01	20:30:00	16.179150	53.798850	0.133	1412195400
96	2014-10-01	21:02:00	16.178950	53.798350	0.134	1412197320
97	2014-10-01	21:18:00	16.178817	53.798350	0.146	1412198280
98	2014-10-01	21:34:00	16.179200	53.798467	0.124	1412199240
99	2014-10-01	21:50:00	16.178483	53.798617	0.117	1412200200
100	2014-10-01	22:22:00	16.179033	53.798367	0.118	1412202120
101	2014-10-01	22:38:00	16.178983	53.797933	0.119	1412203080
102	2014-10-01	23:10:00	16.178733	53.798333	0.118	1412205000

	dates	times
91	2014-10-01	15:42:00
92	2014-10-01	19:42:00
93	2014-10-01	19:57:00
94	2014-10-01	20:13:00
95	2014-10-01	20:30:00
96	2014-10-01	21:02:00

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97  2014-10-01  21:18:00
98  2014-10-01  21:34:00
99  2014-10-01  21:50:00
100 2014-10-01  22:22:00
101 2014-10-01  22:38:00
102 2014-10-01  23:10:00  ,
      gpsDateTime  gpsLong  gpsLat  gpsAltitude  epoch  \
103 2014-10-01  23:26:00  16.178650  53.798483  0.126  1412205960
104 2014-10-01  23:42:00  16.179417  53.798400  0.129  1412206920
105 2014-10-01  23:58:00  16.179233  53.798633  0.107  1412207880
106 2014-10-02  03:42:00  16.179567  53.795533  0.108  1412221320
107 2014-10-02  04:14:00  16.161283  53.889767  0.109  1412223240
108 2014-10-02  05:02:00  15.977883  54.208517  0.913  1412226120
109 2014-10-02  05:18:00  15.791683  54.210117  0.823  1412227080
110 2014-10-02  05:35:00  15.640317  54.180867  0.010  1412228100
111 2014-10-02  05:51:00  15.502350  54.150750  0.005  1412229060
112 2014-10-02  06:22:00  15.502000  54.150600  0.009  1412230920
113 2014-10-02  06:38:00  15.500733  54.145917  0.000  1412231880
114 2014-10-02  07:26:00  15.500717  54.146000  0.000  1412234760

      dates  times
103 2014-10-01  23:26:00
104 2014-10-01  23:42:00
105 2014-10-01  23:58:00
106 2014-10-02  03:42:00
107 2014-10-02  04:14:00
108 2014-10-02  05:02:00
109 2014-10-02  05:18:00
110 2014-10-02  05:35:00
111 2014-10-02  05:51:00
112 2014-10-02  06:22:00
113 2014-10-02  06:38:00
114 2014-10-02  07:26:00  ,
      gpsDateTime  gpsLong  gpsLat  gpsAltitude  epoch  \

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115	2014-10-02	07:43:00	15.499767	54.145750	0.000	1412235780
116	2014-10-02	11:43:00	15.236950	54.089233	0.000	1412250180
117	2014-10-02	11:59:00	15.236767	54.089383	0.003	1412251140
118	2014-10-02	12:15:00	15.236850	54.089300	0.005	1412252100
119	2014-10-02	12:31:00	15.236900	54.089283	0.381	1412253060
120	2014-10-02	13:04:00	15.236850	54.089267	0.928	1412255040
121	2014-10-02	13:20:00	15.236750	54.089433	0.337	1412256000
122	2014-10-02	13:36:00	15.236067	54.090017	0.267	1412256960
123	2014-10-02	13:52:00	15.236983	54.089300	0.357	1412257920
124	2014-10-02	14:24:00	15.237417	54.089350	0.140	1412259840
125	2014-10-02	14:41:00	15.236900	54.089200	0.315	1412260860
126	2014-10-02	14:57:00	15.237067	54.089250	0.132	1412261820

	dates	times
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115	2014-10-02	07:43:00
116	2014-10-02	11:43:00
117	2014-10-02	11:59:00
118	2014-10-02	12:15:00
119	2014-10-02	12:31:00
120	2014-10-02	13:04:00
121	2014-10-02	13:20:00
122	2014-10-02	13:36:00
123	2014-10-02	13:52:00
124	2014-10-02	14:24:00
125	2014-10-02	14:41:00
126	2014-10-02	14:57:00

	gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch	\
127	2014-10-02 15:29:00	15.236800	54.088833	0.136	1412263740	
128	2014-10-02 15:45:00	15.237250	54.090200	0.133	1412264700	
129	2014-10-02 19:45:00	15.111483	54.130650	0.133	1412279100	
130	2014-10-02 20:01:00	15.111733	54.131350	0.130	1412280060	
131	2014-10-02 20:17:00	15.111050	54.132650	0.133	1412281020	
132	2014-10-02 20:34:00	15.109267	54.131633	0.133	1412282040	
133	2014-10-02 21:06:00	15.107017	54.133217	0.132	1412283960	

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134	2014-10-02	21:22:00	15.106033	54.133567	0.128	1412284920
135	2014-10-02	21:38:00	15.103083	54.134050	0.124	1412285880
136	2014-10-02	21:54:00	15.101467	54.133400	0.129	1412286840
137	2014-10-02	22:26:00	15.096867	54.132917	0.132	1412288760
138	2014-10-02	22:42:00	15.093067	54.133083	0.130	1412289720

	dates	times
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127	2014-10-02	15:29:00
128	2014-10-02	15:45:00
129	2014-10-02	19:45:00
130	2014-10-02	20:01:00
131	2014-10-02	20:17:00
132	2014-10-02	20:34:00
133	2014-10-02	21:06:00
134	2014-10-02	21:22:00
135	2014-10-02	21:38:00
136	2014-10-02	21:54:00
137	2014-10-02	22:26:00
138	2014-10-02	22:42:00

	gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch	\
139	2014-10-02 23:30:00	15.093517	54.138450	0.130	1412292600	
140	2014-10-02 23:46:00	15.094350	54.139350	0.133	1412293560	
141	2014-10-03 03:47:00	15.093983	54.146717	0.128	1412308020	
142	2014-10-03 04:03:00	15.095067	54.147683	0.134	1412308980	
143	2014-10-03 04:19:00	15.098000	54.149517	0.128	1412309940	
144	2014-10-03 04:35:00	15.104433	54.147617	0.119	1412310900	
145	2014-10-03 05:23:00	15.152317	54.096800	0.121	1412313780	
146	2014-10-03 05:39:00	15.190917	54.093067	0.132	1412314740	
147	2014-10-03 05:55:00	15.197550	54.096967	0.133	1412315700	
148	2014-10-03 06:27:00	15.243367	54.089450	0.135	1412317620	
149	2014-10-03 06:43:00	15.243600	54.089300	0.135	1412318580	
150	2014-10-03 06:59:00	15.244167	54.089067	0.133	1412319540	

	dates	times
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139 2014-10-02 23:30:00
140 2014-10-02 23:46:00
141 2014-10-03 03:47:00
142 2014-10-03 04:03:00
143 2014-10-03 04:19:00
144 2014-10-03 04:35:00
145 2014-10-03 05:23:00
146 2014-10-03 05:39:00
147 2014-10-03 05:55:00
148 2014-10-03 06:27:00
149 2014-10-03 06:43:00
150 2014-10-03 06:59:00 ,

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	gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch	\
151	2014-10-03 07:15:00	15.244133	54.089417	0.133	1412320500	
152	2014-10-03 07:33:00	15.244200	54.089733	0.133	1412321580	
153	2014-10-03 07:47:00	15.243783	54.089867	0.130	1412322420	
154	2014-10-03 11:49:00	15.238017	54.089583	0.136	1412336940	
155	2014-10-03 12:05:00	15.238167	54.089050	0.158	1412337900	
156	2014-10-03 12:22:00	15.238100	54.088700	0.158	1412338920	
157	2014-10-03 12:37:00	15.236933	54.088900	0.160	1412339820	
158	2014-10-03 13:10:00	15.237350	54.089000	0.162	1412341800	
159	2014-10-03 13:26:00	15.237433	54.089017	0.109	1412342760	
160	2014-10-03 13:42:00	15.237433	54.088983	0.099	1412343720	
161	2014-10-03 13:58:00	15.237433	54.088983	0.106	1412344680	
162	2014-10-03 14:30:00	15.236800	54.088517	0.101	1412346600	

	dates	times
151	2014-10-03	07:15:00
152	2014-10-03	07:33:00
153	2014-10-03	07:47:00
154	2014-10-03	11:49:00
155	2014-10-03	12:05:00
156	2014-10-03	12:22:00
157	2014-10-03	12:37:00

2.27. Set the number of processes, and split the dataframe (GPSTData) into chunks

```

158 2014-10-03 13:10:00
159 2014-10-03 13:26:00
160 2014-10-03 13:42:00
161 2014-10-03 13:58:00
162 2014-10-03 14:30:00 ,
      gpsDateTime  gpsLong  gpsLat  gpsAltitude  epoch \
163 2014-10-03 14:47:00 15.236733 54.088233 0.105 1412347620
164 2014-10-03 15:35:00 15.237633 54.088950 0.101 1412350500
165 2014-10-03 15:51:00 15.243483 54.091083 0.108 1412351460
166 2014-10-03 19:52:00 14.787900 54.018417 0.103 1412365920
167 2014-10-03 20:08:00 14.787250 54.018517 0.104 1412366880
168 2014-10-03 20:24:00 14.786450 54.018783 0.101 1412367840
169 2014-10-03 20:40:00 14.785433 54.019250 0.113 1412368800
170 2014-10-03 21:28:00 14.784967 54.019617 0.127 1412371680
171 2014-10-03 21:44:00 14.786017 54.018650 0.123 1412372640
172 2014-10-03 22:00:00 14.785600 54.018983 0.123 1412373600
173 2014-10-03 22:32:00 14.784983 54.020017 0.104 1412375520
174 2014-10-03 22:48:00 14.785433 54.020367 0.099 1412376480

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163 2014-10-03 14:47:00
164 2014-10-03 15:35:00
165 2014-10-03 15:51:00
166 2014-10-03 19:52:00
167 2014-10-03 20:08:00
168 2014-10-03 20:24:00
169 2014-10-03 20:40:00
170 2014-10-03 21:28:00
171 2014-10-03 21:44:00
172 2014-10-03 22:00:00
173 2014-10-03 22:32:00
174 2014-10-03 22:48:00 ,
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175 2014-10-03 23:04:00 14.785533 54.020600 0.099 1412377440

```

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176	2014-10-03	23:20:00	14.785650	54.021083	0.098	1412378400
177	2014-10-03	23:36:00	14.785433	54.021517	0.098	1412379360
178	2014-10-03	23:52:00	14.785767	54.021817	0.103	1412380320
179	2014-10-04	03:53:00	14.778733	54.025167	0.103	1412394780
180	2014-10-04	04:09:00	14.778000	54.025550	0.104	1412395740
181	2014-10-04	04:25:00	14.777683	54.025383	0.096	1412396700
182	2014-10-04	04:41:00	14.778167	54.025033	0.104	1412397660
183	2014-10-04	05:29:00	14.780733	53.994583	0.099	1412400540
184	2014-10-04	05:45:00	14.780900	53.994617	0.098	1412401500
185	2014-10-04	06:01:00	14.780883	53.994533	0.099	1412402460
186	2014-10-04	06:33:00	14.780950	53.994300	0.098	1412404380

	dates	times
175	2014-10-03	23:04:00
176	2014-10-03	23:20:00
177	2014-10-03	23:36:00
178	2014-10-03	23:52:00
179	2014-10-04	03:53:00
180	2014-10-04	04:09:00
181	2014-10-04	04:25:00
182	2014-10-04	04:41:00
183	2014-10-04	05:29:00
184	2014-10-04	05:45:00
185	2014-10-04	06:01:00
186	2014-10-04	06:33:00

	gpsDateTime	gpsLong	gpsLat	gpsAltitude	epoch	\
187	2014-10-04 06:49:00	14.780833	53.994033	0.103	1412405340	
188	2014-10-04 07:38:00	14.778800	53.993117	0.103	1412408280	
189	2014-10-04 07:53:00	14.718333	53.959217	0.103	1412409180	
190	2014-08-30 12:39:00	75.312300	71.454100	0.101	1409402340	
191	2014-08-30 14:42:00	75.347050	71.463450	0.102	1409409720	
192	2014-08-30 18:49:00	75.379600	71.457583	0.103	1409424540	
193	2014-09-27 10:54:00	49.504100	67.734967	0.100	1411815240	
194	2014-09-27 11:09:00	49.503800	67.735100	0.098	1411816140	

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195	2014-09-27	11:25:00	49.503767	67.735100	0.099	1411817100
196	2014-09-27	11:40:00	49.503667	67.735100	0.100	1411818000
197	2014-09-27	11:56:00	49.503650	67.735100	0.100	1411818960
198	2014-09-27	12:11:00	49.503617	67.735000	0.092	1411819860

	dates	times
187	2014-10-04	06:49:00
188	2014-10-04	07:38:00
189	2014-10-04	07:53:00
190	2014-08-30	12:39:00
191	2014-08-30	14:42:00
192	2014-08-30	18:49:00
193	2014-09-27	10:54:00
194	2014-09-27	11:09:00
195	2014-09-27	11:25:00
196	2014-09-27	11:40:00
197	2014-09-27	11:56:00
198	2014-09-27	12:11:00]

2.28. Spatio-Temporal filter and Interpolation process (ST-IDW)

Once we have requested the swarm data, now we need to **filter** in space and time the available points to compute the magnetic values (NEC frame) for each GPS point based on its particular date and time. The function `ST_IDW_Process` imported in the `row_handler`, takes the GPS track and the downloaded data from swarm to filter in space and time based on the criteria defined in our method. With the swarm data filtered we interpolated (IDW) the NEC components for each GPS data point, based on the latitude, date, time and number of Swarm points filtered.

The function `CHAOS_ground_values`, inside the `MagGeoFunctions` file,

is used to run the **Calculation of magnetic components**. This calculation requires the magnetic components at the trajectory altitude (or at the ground level) using CHAOS (theta, phi, radial). This process includes a rotation and transformation between a geocentric frame (CHAOS) and geodetic frame (GPS track). Once the corrected values are calculated, are included in the GPS track, and the non-necessary columns are removed. For more information about this process go to the Main Notebook.

2.28.1. Run the (ST-IDW) process in parallel mode

Although the next cell seems to run a small `main` function. What is happening is a call for several functions running at the same time for several cores. Initially we set a pool of processes. Using the `pool` class we will distribute the assigned function among the data chunks we created. Every data chunk will be like a subset of the entire GPS track. So we need to iterate among data chunk. And inside every data chunk we need to identify the `datetime`, `epoch`, `altitude`, `latitude` and `longitude` of each row to run the interpolation & annotation process using the Swarm data we have filtered and stored in the previous steps.

The function in charge to distribute the required function (`row_handler`) among the data chunks is the `map` function from the `pool` class.

`row_handler.py` is an interrows iteration to get the required parameter for the `ST_IDW_Process` function.

Auxiliary Functions:

`ST_IDW_Process` function: This is the main function in charge to read the Swarm Data already filtered, and then import `DfTime_func`, `distance_to_GPS`, `Kradius`, `DistJ` functions to compute the spatial-time cylinder and the annotation process. The return of this function is a row (dictionary) that will be appended into a python list where all the results

2.28. Spatio-Temporal filter and Interpolation process (ST-IDW)

from the different cores. The python list from every process is concatenated into a pandas dataframe in the main function having there the whole chain of the parallel process.

`distance_to_GPS` function: Is the function in charge to calculate the distance between each GPS Point and the Swarm Point.

`Kradius` function: Is the function in charge to compute the R (radius) value in the cylinder. The R value will be considered based on the latitude of each GPS Point.

`DistJ` function: This function will calculate the d value as the hypotenuse created in the triangle created amount the locations of the GPS point, the location of the Swarm points and the radius value.

`DfTime_func` function: This is a time function to selected the points in the range of a the DeltaTime - DT window. The Delta time window has been set as 4 hours for each satellite trajectory.

`CHAOS_ground_values` function: This is the calculation of geomagnetic components function to get the CHAOS magnetic values and process the Nres,Eres,Cres values and transform them into the N,E,C values at the GPS altitude.

```
%%time
from functools import partial
from utilities.row_handler import row_handler

if __name__ == '__main__':
    with multiprocessing.Pool(NumCores) as pool:
        GeoMagParallelResult = pd.concat(pool.map(partial(row_handler),df_chunks), ignore_in
```

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```
CPU times: user 245 ms, sys: 265 ms, total: 510 ms  
Wall time: 17.5 s
```

With the Parallel mode the Annotation process takes about 12 seconds to complete (We had tested the parallel process in a windows server machine with 12 cores, see the image bellow). With the same GPS track in the sequetial mode the process is complete in about 2 minutes. In the image bellow you can see how the machine create several python processes and all cores (full CPU capacity) is taken.

Multiprocessing:

is even more powerfull when you have to process a big amount of data (e.g. 2 millions of points). Although here is making a notable improvement if you have to process a big dataset the parallelization makes even more sense.

Be aware that there is no output cell in here, you can follow the parallelization progress in the Anaconda Prompt.

2.29. The final result

With the NEC components for each GPS Track point, it is possible to compute the additional magnetic components. For more information about the magnetic components and their relevance go to the main paper or notebook.

The annotated dataframe will include the following attributes: If you need

- Latitude** from the GPS Track.
- Longitude** from the GPS Track.
- Timestamp** from the GPS Track.
- Magnetic Field Intensity** mapped as Fgps in nanoTeslas (nT).
- N (Northwards) component** mapped as N in nanoTeslas (nT).
- E (Eastwards) component** mapped as E. in nanoTeslas (nT).
- C (Downwards or Center)** component mapped as C in nanoTeslas (nT).
- Horizontal component** mapped as H in nanoTeslas (nT).
- Magnetic Inclination** mapped as I in degrees.
- Magnetic Declination or dip angle** mapped as D in degrees.
- Kp Index** mapped as kp.
- Total Points** as the amount of Swarm measures included in the ST-IDW.
- Minimum Distance** mapped as MinDist, representing the minimum distance.
- Average Distance** mapped as AvDist, representing the average distance.

```
#14. Having Intepolated and weigth magnetic values, we can compute the other magnectic compo
GeoMagParallelResult['H'] = np.sqrt((GeoMagParallelResult['N']**2)+(GeoMagParallelResult['E']
#check the arctan in python., From arctan2 is saver.
DgpsRad = np.arctan2(GeoMagParallelResult['E'],GeoMagParallelResult['N'])
GeoMagParallelResult['D'] = np.degrees(DgpsRad)
IgpsRad = np.arctan2(GeoMagParallelResult['C'],GeoMagParallelResult['H'])
GeoMagParallelResult['I'] = np.degrees(IgpsRad)
```

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```
GeoMagParallelResult['F'] = np.sqrt((GeoMagParallelResult['N']**2)+(GeoMagParallelResult['E']**2))
GeoMagParallelResult
```

	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	DateTime	TotalPoints	Minimum_Distance
0	70.854717	68.307333	0.000	2014-09-08 05:54:00	46	327.950987
1	70.830300	67.975050	0.406	2014-09-08 06:10:00	46	340.038476
2	70.761717	67.752417	0.498	2014-09-08 06:26:00	55	348.223318
3	70.686517	67.561983	0.787	2014-09-08 06:42:00	55	355.472899
4	70.685450	67.548317	0.337	2014-09-08 07:14:00	55	355.980432
...
194	67.735100	49.503800	0.098	2014-09-27 11:09:00	58	314.462546
195	67.735100	49.503767	0.099	2014-09-27 11:25:00	39	314.463935
196	67.735100	49.503667	0.100	2014-09-27 11:40:00	39	314.468143
197	67.735100	49.503650	0.100	2014-09-27 11:56:00	39	314.468858
198	67.735000	49.503617	0.092	2014-09-27 12:11:00	39	314.470867

The previous dataframe (GPS_ResInt), MagGeo has computed the geo-magnetic components for each locations and time of your CSV trajectory. Now we will finish up combining the original attributes from your CSV with the annotated results from MagGeo.

```
%%time

originalGPSTrack=pd.read_csv(os.path.join(data_dir,gpsfilename))
MagGeoResult = pd.concat([originalGPSTrack, GeoMagParallelResult], axis=1)
#Drop duplicated columns. Latitude, Longitude, and DateTime will not be part
MagGeoResult.drop(columns=['Latitude', 'Longitude', 'DateTime'], inplace=True)
MagGeoResult
```

CPU times: user 3.91 ms, sys: 1.05 ms, total: 4.95 ms
Wall time: 15.9 ms

2.30. Export the final results to a CSV file

	timestamp	location-long	location-lat	height	individual_id	Altitude	TotalPoints	Minim
0	08/09/2014 05:54	68.307333	70.854717	0.000	1	0.000	46	327.9
1	08/09/2014 06:10	67.975050	70.830300	0.406	1	0.406	46	340.0
2	08/09/2014 06:26	67.752417	70.761717	0.498	1	0.498	55	348.2
3	08/09/2014 06:42	67.561983	70.686517	0.787	1	0.787	55	355.4
4	08/09/2014 07:14	67.548317	70.685450	0.337	1	0.337	55	355.9
...
194	27/09/2014 11:09	49.503800	67.735100	0.098	2	0.098	58	314.4
195	27/09/2014 11:25	49.503767	67.735100	0.099	2	0.099	39	314.4
196	27/09/2014 11:40	49.503667	67.735100	0.100	2	0.100	39	314.4
197	27/09/2014 11:56	49.503650	67.735100	0.100	2	0.100	39	314.4
198	27/09/2014 12:11	49.503617	67.735000	0.092	2	0.092	39	314.4

2.30. Export the final results to a CSV file

```
%%time
#Exporting the CSV file
outputfile ="GeoMagResult_"+gpsfilename
export_csv = MagGeoResult.to_csv (os.path.join(results_dir,outputfile), index = None, header
```

```
CPU times: user 6.95 ms, sys: 2.86 ms, total: 9.8 ms
Wall time: 53.7 ms
```

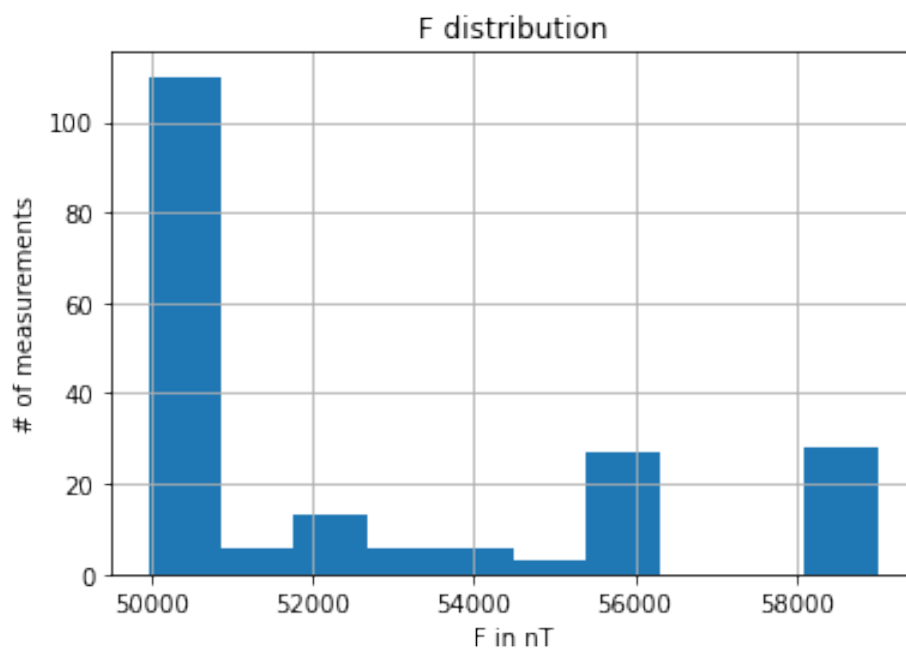
2.31. Validate the results (optional)

To validate the results we plot the Fcolumn.

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```
## Creating a copy of the results and setting the Datetime Column as dataframe index
ValidateDF = GeoMagParallelResult.copy()
ValidateDF.set_index("DateTime", inplace=True)
## Plotting the F column.
hist = ValidateDF.hist(column='F')
plt.title('F distribution')
plt.xlabel('F in nT')
plt.ylabel('# of measurements')
```

```
Text(0, 0.5, '# of measurements')
```



2.32. Mapping the GPS Track using the annotated Magnetic Values (optional)

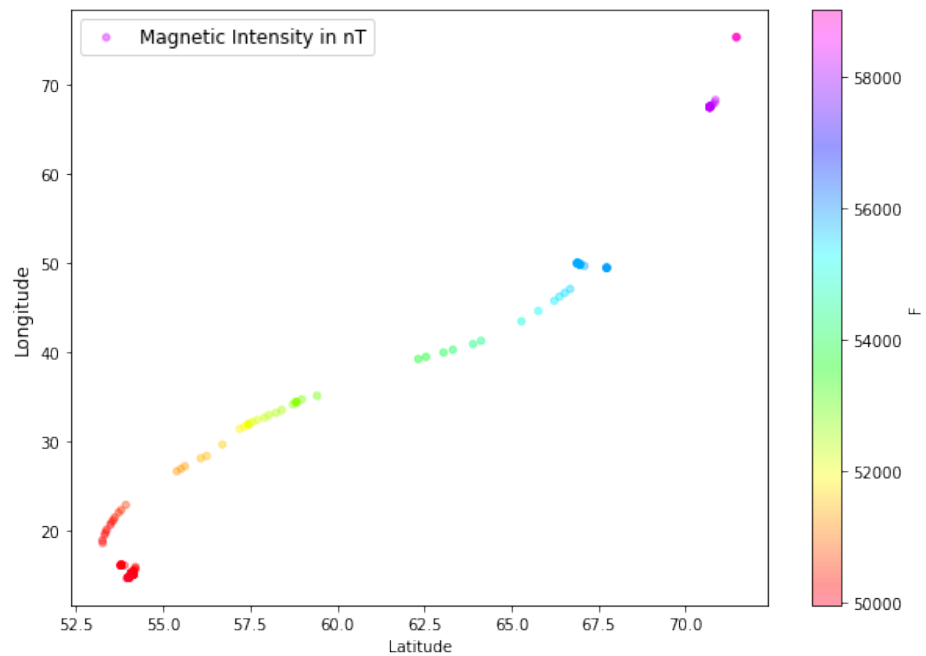
2.32. Mapping the GPS Track using the annotated Magnetic Values (optional)

Now we are going to plot the annotated GPS track stored into the Mag-DataFinal dataframe to see how the different magnetic components in a map to have a better perspective of the impact of the earth magnetic field.

```
ValidateDF.plot(kind="scatter", x="Latitude", y="Longitude",
    label="Magnetic Intensity in nT",
    c="F", cmap=plt.get_cmap("gist_rainbow"),
    colorbar=True, alpha=0.4, figsize=(10,7),
    sharex=False #This is only needed to get the x-axis label working due to a current bug i
)

plt.ylabel("Longitude", fontsize=12)
plt.xlabel("Latitude", fontsize=10)
plt.legend(fontsize=12)
plt.show()
```

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```
import geopandas
import geoplots
import hvplot.pandas
gdf = geopandas.GeoDataFrame(ValidateDF, geometry=geopandas.points_from_xy(ValidateDF['Latitude'], ValidateDF['Longitude']))
gdf.head()
```

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Unable to display output for mime type(s): application/javascript, application/javascript

Unable to display output for mime type(s): text/html

2.32. Mapping the GPS Track using the annotated Magnetic Values (optional)

DateTime	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	TotalPoints	Minimum_Distance	Average_Distance
2014-09-08 05:54:00	70.854717	68.307333	0.000	46	327.950987	665.008368
2014-09-08 06:10:00	70.830300	67.975050	0.406	46	340.038476	667.146029
2014-09-08 06:26:00	70.761717	67.752417	0.498	55	348.223318	678.815409
2014-09-08 06:42:00	70.686517	67.561983	0.787	55	355.472899	680.040733
2014-09-08 07:14:00	70.685450	67.548317	0.337	55	355.980432	680.062802

```
gdf.hvplot(title=f'Annotated trajectory using MagGeo - F GeoMag Intensity',
            geo=True,
            c='F',
            tiles='CartoLight',
            frame_width=700,
            frame_height=500)
```

```
:Overlay
.Tiles.I :Tiles [x,y]
.Points.I :Points [Longitude,Latitude] (F)
```

```
gdf.hvplot(title=f'Annotated trajectory using MagGeo - I Inclination',
            geo=True,
            tiles='CartoLight',
            c='I',
            cmap='Viridis',
            frame_width=700,
            frame_height=500)
```

```
:Overlay
.Tiles.I :Tiles [x,y]
.Points.I :Points [Longitude,Latitude] (I)
```

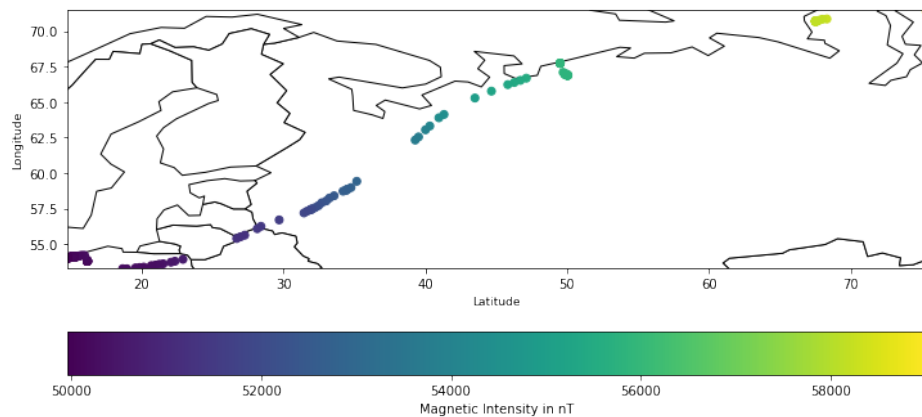
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```
world = geopandas.read_file(geopandas.datasets.get_path('naturalearth_lowres'))
ax = world.plot(color='white', edgecolor='black', figsize = (12,6))

minx, miny, maxx, maxy = gdf.total_bounds
ax.set_xlim(minx, maxx)
ax.set_ylim(miny, maxy)

# We can now plot our ``GeoDataFrame``.
gdf.plot(ax=ax, column='F', legend=True,
        legend_kwds={'label': "Magnetic Intensity in nT",
                      'orientation': "horizontal"})
plt.ylabel("Longitude", fontsize=9)
plt.xlabel("Latitude", fontsize=9)

plt.show()
```



```
fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(ncols=2, figsize = (15,6))

ax1 = world.plot(ax=ax1, color='white', edgecolor='black')
xlim = ([gdf.total_bounds[0], gdf.total_bounds[2]])
```

2.32. Mapping the GPS Track using the annotated Magnetic Values (optional)

```
ylim = ([gdf.total_bounds[1], gdf.total_bounds[3]])
ax1.set_xlim(xlim)
ax1.set_ylim(ylim)

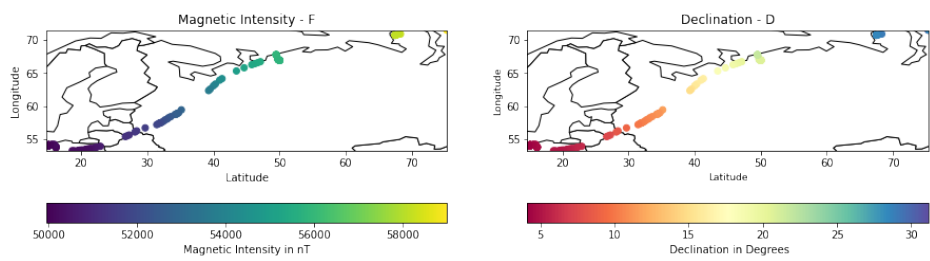
gdf.plot(ax=ax1, column='F', legend=True,
         legend_kwds={'label': "Magnetic Intensity in nT",
                      'orientation': "horizontal"})
plt.ylabel("Longitude", fontsize=9)
plt.xlabel("Latitude", fontsize=9)
ax1.set_title('Magnetic Intensity - F')
ax1.set_xlabel('Latitude')
ax1.set_ylabel('Longitude')

ax2 = world.plot( ax=ax2, color='white', edgecolor='black')
xlim = ([gdf.total_bounds[0], gdf.total_bounds[2]])
ylim = ([gdf.total_bounds[1], gdf.total_bounds[3]])
ax2.set_xlim(xlim)
ax2.set_ylim(ylim)

# We can now plot our ``GeoDataFrame``.
gdf.plot(ax=ax2, column='D', legend=True, cmap='Spectral',
         legend_kwds={'label': "Declination in Degrees",
                      'orientation': "horizontal"})
ax2.set_title('Declination - D')
ax2.set_xlabel('Latitude')
ax2.set_ylabel('Longitude')
```

```
Text(567.7954545454544, 0.5, 'Longitude')
```

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Troubleshooting Guide

Note

With Python and in particular with many new ways to use your computer, create folder and scripts things can get messy and very confusing, this is very normal and it is part of the process. The first thing is do not get frustrated or trying all sort of things without understanding what is the root of the issue. So you need to think systematically and then find out the solution. Here I have listed a few potential and common issues you might find. So first take all of this before escalating your issue to the lecturer or the IT support team.

Before Seeking Help

You should complete this checklist:

- ☐ Miniconda is installed and `conda --version` works
- ☐ Environment was created without errors
- ☐ Environment shows (`maggeo`) when activated
- ☐ Verification script runs successfully
- ☐ Jupyter Lab starts without errors

Standardized Error Reporting

When reporting problems, always include:

```
# Run these commands and include output
conda info
conda list geopandas
python --version
jupyter --version
```

Issue 1: “conda: command not found”

This is the most common issue for beginners.

Windows Solution:

```
# Option 1: Use the correct command prompt
# Search for "Anaconda Prompt" in Start Menu if available
# Or reinstall Miniconda ensuring PATH is added

# Option 2: Manually add to PATH
set PATH=%PATH%;C:\Users\%USERNAME%\miniconda3\Scripts
set PATH=%PATH%;C:\Users\%USERNAME%\miniconda3
```

macOS Solution:

```
# Add to PATH temporarily
export PATH="$HOME/miniconda3/bin:$PATH"

# Add to PATH permanently
```



```
echo 'export PATH="$HOME/miniconda3/bin:$PATH"' >> ~/.bash_profile
source ~/.bash_profile

# For zsh users (macOS Catalina and later)
echo 'export PATH="$HOME/miniconda3/bin:$PATH"' >> ~/.zshrc
source ~/.zshrc
```

Issue 2: Environment Creation Fails

Common causes and solutions:

```
# Solution 1: Clean conda cache
conda clean --all

# Solution 2: Update conda first
conda update conda

# Solution 3: Try creating environment with explicit solver
conda env create -f environment.yml --solver=classic

# Solution 4: Check internet connection and try again
# Large downloads may timeout on slow connections
```

Issue 3: Different Python Versions

All students must have Python 3.10 for consistency.

```
# Check your Python version
python --version

# If incorrect, remove environment and recreate
```

Troubleshooting Guide

```
conda env remove --name maggeo
conda env create -f environment.yml
```

Issue 4: Package Conflicts During Installation

This indicates environment file issues:

```
# Solution: Use mamba for faster, more reliable solving
conda install mamba -n base -c conda-forge
mamba env create -f environment.yml
```

Issue 5: Jupyter Lab Won't Start

Consistency check:

```
# Ensure environment is activated
conda activate maggeo

# Verify Jupyter installation
jupyter --version

# If missing, reinstall
conda install jupyter jupyterlab -c conda-forge

# Start Jupyter Lab
jupyter lab
```

Issue 6: Import Errors Despite Successful Installation

Environment activation problem:

```
# Always activate environment first
conda activate maggeo

# Check which Python you're using
which python      # macOS/Linux
where python      # Windows

# Should show path to conda environment, not system Python
```

Emergency Reinstallation

If all else fails, sometimes it is better and quicker run a complete clean installation:

```
# Remove environment
conda env remove --name maggeo

# Clean all caches
conda clean --all

# Recreate environment
conda env create -f environment.yml
```

Additional Resources

Use the following instructions as a guide for extra resources and better familiarity with working with Python. In case you want to manage your python environment, export your outcomes to PDF, and get extra learning resources.

Environment Management - Useful Commands

```
# List all environments
conda env list

# Activate environment
conda activate maggeo

# Deactivate environment
conda deactivate

# Update all packages in environment
conda update --all

# Install additional package
conda install package-name

# Remove environment
conda env remove --name maggeo
```

Additional Resources

Updating the Environment

```
# Update environment from file  
conda env update -f environment.yml --prune
```

Exporting Your Environment

```
# Export current environment  
conda env export > my-environment.yml
```