# EarthCARE Plotting Functions Documentation

## **Plotting Functions**

### **Main Plotting Functions**

- 1. plot\_EC\_target\_classification Creates classification plots for Earth-CARE target data
- 2. plot\_EC\_2D Creates 2D plots for various EarthCARE parameters
- 3. plot\_scc\_2D Creates specialized 2D plots for SCC data
- 4. plot\_EC\_1D Creates 1D plots for EarthCARE data
- 5. plot\_RGB\_MRGR Creates RGB visualization of MRGR data
- 6. plot\_TIR\_MRGR Creates thermal infrared visualization of MRGR data
- 7. plot\_CFAD Plots Contoured Frequency by Altitude Diagrams
- 8. plot\_CFAD\_frames Creates CFAD plots for different frames
- 9. plot\_MAOT\_example Creates example plots for MAOT (Aerosol Optical Thickness) data
- 10. plot\_MCOP\_example Creates example plots for MCOP (Cloud Optical Properties) data
- 11. plot\_MCM\_example Creates example plots for MCM (Cloud Mask) data

## **MSI-Specific Plotting**

- 12. plot\_ECL1\_MSI\_VNS Plots MSI VNS (Visible and Near-infrared) bands
- 13. plot ECL1 MSI TIR Plots MSI TIR (Thermal Infrared) bands
- 14. plot\_ECL1\_MSI\_extras Plots additional MSI parameters

#### **Quicklook Functions**

- 15. quicklook\_ANOM Creates quicklook plots for ANOM (ATLID Level 1 Nominal) data
- 16. quicklook\_CNOM Creates quicklook plots for CNOM (CPR Level 1 Nominal) data
- 17. quicklook\_AEBD Creates quicklook plots for AEBD data
- 18. quicklook\_AICE Creates quicklook plots for AICE data
- 19. quicklook\_ATC Creates quicklook plots for ATC data
- 20. quicklook\_CTC Creates quicklook plots for CTC data
- 21. quicklook\_CFMR Creates quicklook plots for CFMR data
- 22. quicklook\_CCD Creates quicklook plots for CCD data
- 23. quicklook\_CCLD Creates quicklook plots for CCLD data
- 24. quicklook\_ACTC Creates quicklook plots for ACTC data
- 25. quicklook\_ACMCAP Creates quicklook plots for ACMCAP data
- 26. quicklook\_MCM Creates quicklook plots for MCM data
- 27. quicklook\_AFM Creates quicklook plots for AFM data
- 28. quicklook\_BSNG Creates quicklook plots for BSNG data
- 29. quicklook ACMB Creates combined quicklook plots

- 30. quicklook\_measurements\_CNOM Creates measurement quicklooks for CNOM data
- 31. quicklook\_platform\_CNOM Creates platform quicklooks for CNOM data
- 32. quicklook\_orbit\_CNOM Creates orbit quicklooks for CNOM data

#### **Intercomparison Functions**

- 33. intercompare\_target\_classification Compares different target classifications
- 34. intercompare\_ice\_water\_content Compares ice water content measurements
- 35. intercompare\_snow\_rate Compares snow rate measurements
- 36. intercompare\_ice\_effective\_radius Compares ice effective radius measurements
- 37. intercompare\_rain\_water\_content Compares rain water content measurements
- 38. intercompare\_rain\_rate Compares rain rate measurements
- 39. intercompare\_liquid\_water\_content Compares liquid water content measurements
- 40. intercompare\_liquid\_effective\_radius Compares liquid effective radius measurements
- 41. intercompare\_aerosol\_extinction Compares aerosol extinction measurements
- 42. intercompare\_lidar\_ratio Compares lidar ratio measurements
- 43. intercompare\_rain\_median\_diameter Compares rain median diameter measurements
- 44. intercompare\_ice\_median\_diameter Compares ice median diameter measurements
- 45. intercompare\_CFADs Compares Contoured Frequency by Altitude Diagrams

## **Helper Functions**

## Formatting Functions

- 1. format\_time Formats time axis
- 2. format\_height Formats height axis
- 3. format\_across\_track Formats across-track axis
- 4. format\_latitude Formats latitude axis
- 5. format\_plot Formats general plot elements
- 6. format\_plot\_1D Formats 1D plot elements
- 7. format\_time\_ticks Formats time axis ticks
- 8. format\_latlon\_ticks Formats latitude/longitude ticks
- 9. format MRGR Formats MRGR plots

#### **Plot Enhancement Functions**

- 10. add colorbar Adds colorbar to plots
- 11. add\_nadir\_track Adds nadir track to plots
- 12. add extras Adds extra elements to plots
- 13. add\_subfigure\_labels Adds labels to subfigures
- 14. add surface Adds surface representation
- 15. add\_temperature Adds temperature contours
- 16. add\_humidity Adds humidity contours
- 17. add land sea border Adds land-sea border
- 18. add\_marble Adds marble effect to plots
- 19. shade\_around\_text Adds shading around text

## **Text Processing Functions**

- 20. linesplit Splits text into lines
- 21. linebreak Breaks text into lines with specified length

## **Data Processing Functions**

- 22. calculate\_RGB\_MRGR Calculates RGB values for MRGR data
- 23. create\_CFAD Creates Contoured Frequency by Altitude Diagrams
- 24. stack\_histograms Stacks histogram data
- 25. counts\_to\_frequency Converts counts to frequencies
- 26. snap\_xlims Synchronizes x-axis limits

## Constants and Colormaps

#### Colormaps

- cmap\_grey\_r Reversed grayscale colormap
- cmap\_grey Grayscale colormap
- cmap\_rnbw Rainbow colormap
- cmap\_org Orange colormap
- cmap\_smc Seismic colormap

#### **Category Colors**

- ACTC\_category\_colors Colors for ACTC categories
- ATC\_category\_colors Colors for ATC categories
- CTC\_category\_colors Colors for CTC categories
- MAOT\_qstat\_category\_colors Colors for MAOT quality status categories
- MCOP\_qstat\_category\_colors Colors for MCOP quality status categories
- MCM\_maskphase\_category\_colors Colors for MCM mask phase categories
- MCM\_type\_category\_colors Colors for MCM type categories

## **Usage Notes**

- 1. Most plotting functions accept parameters for:
  - Dataset containing the data to plot
  - Maximum height (hmax)
  - Plot type specific parameters
  - Output directory for saving plots
- 2. Helper functions are designed to be used within the plotting functions but can also be used independently.
- 3. Colormap constants are used consistently across different plot types for visual coherence.
- 4. Standard plot elements include:
  - Colorbars
  - Axis labels
  - Title
  - Nadir track (where applicable)
  - Surface indicators (where applicable)