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Chapter 1. Scope

This OGC API Coverages (https://github.com/opengeospatial/ogc_api_coverages) specification establishes how to access coverages as defined by the Coverage Implementation Schema (CIS) 1.1 (http://docs.opengeospatial.org/is/09-146r6/09-146r6.html) through a Web API such as those described by the OpenAPI specification (https://www.openapis.org/).

The functionality provided by API-Coverages resembles that of the OGC Web Coverage Service (WCS) 2.1 Interface Standard. It is expected that Coverage APIs and WCS services will be able to interoperate, allowing developers to pick the solution best suited for their requirements.

1.1. Current scope:

The OGC is using an incremental approach to their API development. The initial goal is to develop a relatively simple API standard which will meet the needs of a large percentage of implementors. Additional capabilities will be added based on community demand.

As a result, this API-Coverages standard does not provide a full duplication of the WCS capabilities. The restrictions are:

- Only gridded coverages are addressed, not MultiPoint/Curve/Surface/SolidCoverages. Reason is that gridded coverages receive most attention today.
- Only GeneralGridCoverage is addressed, other coverage types will follow later. Reason is to have a first version early which shows and allows to evaluate the principles.
- Only coverage extraction functionality is considered, not general processing (as is provided with Web Coverage Service (WCS) extensions such as the Processing Extension). Exceptions from this rule are subsetting including band subsetting, scaling, and CRS conversion and data format encoding, given their practical relevance.
- Subsetting is considered in the query component only for now. As typically all dimensions in a coverage are of same importance subsetting might not fit perfectly in the hierarchical nature of the path component. Further, subsetting may reference any axis and leave out any other, which makes positional parameters unsuitable. Nevertheless subsetting in the path component particularly limited to fixed subsets might be considered in a future version.

Chapter 2. Conformance

Conformance with this standard shall be checked using the tests specified in Annex A (normative) of this document. The framework, concepts, and methodology for testing, and the criteria to claim conformance, are specified in the OGC Compliance Testing Policies and Procedures and the OGC Compliance Testing web site.

The one Standardization Target for this standard is Web APIs.

OGC API-Common provides a common foundation for OGC API standards. Therefore, this standard should be viewed as an extension to API-Common. Conformance to this standard requires demonstrated conformance to the applicable Conformance Classes of API-Common.

This standard idenfies TBD Conformance Classes. The Conformance Classes implemented by an API are advertised through the /conformance path on the landing page. Each Conformance Class has an associated Requirements Class. The Requirements Classes define the functional requirements which an implementation must meet.

The Requirements Classes for OGC API-Coverages are:

Core

The *Core* Requirements Class is the minimal useful service interface for an OGC Coverages API. The requirements specified in this Requirements Class are mandatory for all implementations of API-Coverages.

2.1. Encodings

The *Core* Requirements Class does not mandate a specific encoding or format for representing resources. The encoding Requirements Classes defined for this version of API-Coverages are:

- HTML
- GeoJSON
- RFD
- NetCDF
- GeoTIFF
- JPEG-2000

The *HTML* and *GeoJSON* Requirements Classes specify commonly used encodings for spatial data on the web. Use of these encodings is recommended for resources which describe the coverage resources.

Many requirements in this standard include wording similar to the following:

"encoded using a schema equivalent to the JSON fragment at"

"Equivalent to" shall be interpreted to mean a schema which has the same information content as the JSON fragment.

NOTE

We may want to re-work the requirements so that they point to an appropriate requirements in the encoding Requirements Class.

Question, Can I use a format which is not on the list of recognized Conformance

2.2. API Description

Classes?

• OpenAPI 3.0

API-Coverages does not mandate any encoding of format for the formal definition of the API. The prefered option is the OpenAPI 3.0 specification. The *OpenAPI 3.0* requirements class has been specified for APIs implementing OpenAPI 3.0.

Chapter 3. References

The following normative documents contain provisions that, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this document. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies.

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Chapter 4. Terms and Definitions

This document uses the terms defined in Clause 5 of [OGC 17-072] and in ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards. In particular, the word "shall" (not "must") is the verb form used to indicate a requirement to be strictly followed to conform to this standard.

For the purposes of this document, the following additional terms and definitions apply.

4.1. Coverage

feature that acts as a function to return values from its range for any direct position within its spatiotemporal domain, as defined in OGC Abstract Topic 6

4.2. Regular grid

grid whose grid lines have a constant distance along each grid axis

4.3. Irregular grid

Grid whose grid lines have individual distances along each grid axis

4.4. Displaced grid

grid whose direct positions are topologically aligned to a grid, but whose geometric positions can vary arbitrarily

4.5. Mesh

coverage consisting of a collection of curves, surfaces, or solids, respectively

4.6. Partition [of a coverage]

separately stored coverage acting, by being referenced in the coverage on hand, as one of its components

4.7. Sensor model

mathematical model for estimating geolocations from recorded sensor data such as digital imagery

4.8. Transformation grid

grid whose direct positions are given by some transformation algorithm not further specified in this standard

Chapter 5. Conventions

The following conventions will be used in this document. Examples of conventions are symbols, abbreviations, use of XML schema, or special notes regarding how to read the document.

5.1. Identifiers

The normative provisions in this standard are denoted by the URI

http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-coverages/1.0

All requirements and conformance tests that appear in this document are denoted by partial URIs which are relative to this base.

5.2. Examples

Most of the examples provided in this standard are encoded in JSON. JSON was chosen because it is widely understood by implementers and easy to include in a text document. This convention should NOT be interpreted as a requirement that JSON must be used. Implementors are free to use any format they desire as long as there is a Conformance Class for that format and the API advertises its support for that Conformance Class.

5.3. Schema

JSON Schema is used throughout this standard to define the structure of resources. These schema are typically represented using YAML encoding. This convention is for the ease of the user. It does not prohibit the use of another schema language or encoding. Nor does it indicate that JSON schema is required. Implementations should use a schema language and encoding appropriate for the format of the resource.

5.4. UML Notation

Diagrams using the Unified Modeling Language (UML) adhere to the following conventions:

- UML elements having a package name of "GML" are those defined in the UML model of GML 3.2.1
- UML elements having a package name of "SWE Common" are those defined in the UML model of SWE Common 2.0
- UML elements not qualified with a package name, or with "CIS", are those defined in this standard.

Further, in any class where an attribute name or association role name is identical to a name in some superclass the local definition overrides the superclass definition.

5.5. Namespace Prefix Conventions

UML diagrams and XML code fragments adhere to the namespace conventions shown in Table 2. The namespace prefixes used in this document are not normative and are merely chosen for convenience. The namespaces to which the prefixes correspond are normative, however.

Whenever a data item from a CIS-external namespace is referenced this constitutes a normative dependency on the data structure imported together with all requirements defined in the namespace referenced.

Table 1. Namespace mapping conventions

UML prefix	GML prefix	Namespace URL	Description
CIS	cis	http://www.opengis.net/cis/1.1	Coverage Implementation Schema 1.1
CIS10	cis10	http://www.opengis.net/gmlcov/	Coverage Implementation Schema 1.0
GML	gml	http://www.opengis.net/gml/3.2	GML 3.2.1
GML33	gml33	http://www.opengis.net/gml/3.3	GML 3.3
SWE Common	swe	http://www.opengis.net/swe/2.0	SWE Common 2.0
SML	sml	http://www.opengis.net/ sensorml/2.0	SensorML 2.0

Chapter 6. Overview

6.1. General

OGC API standards define modular API building blocks to spatially enable Web APIs in a consistent way. OpenAPI is used to define the reusable API building blocks with responses in JSON and HTML.

The OGC API family of standards is organized by resource type. OGC API-Coverages specifies the fundamental API building blocks for interacting with coverages. The spatial data community uses the term 'coverage' for homogeneous collections of values located in space/time, such as spatio-temporal sensor,image, simulation, and statistics data.

If you are unfamiliar with the term 'coverage', the explanations on the Coverages DWG Wiki provide more detail and links to educational material. Additionally, Coverages: describing properties that vary with location (and time) in the W3C/OGC Spatial Data on the Web Best Practice document may be considered.

This OGC API - Coverages specification establishes how to access coverages as defined by the Coverage Implementation Schema (CIS) 1.1 through Web APIs.

6.1.1. Current scope

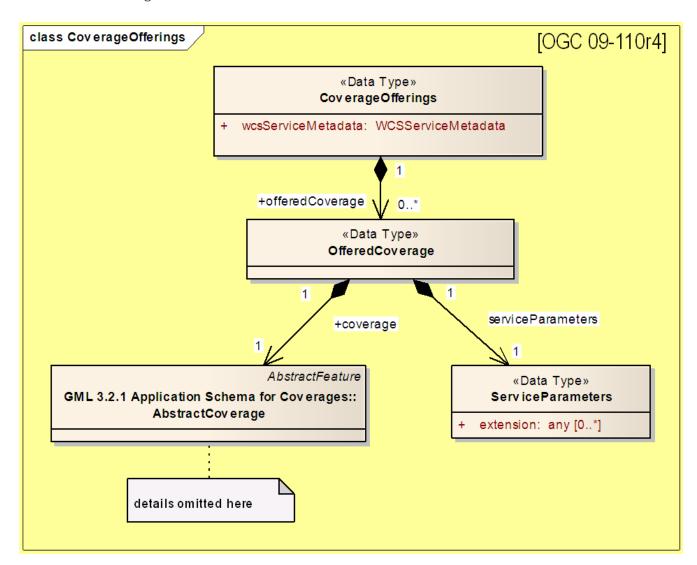
- Only gridded coverages are addressed, not MultiPoint/Curve/Surface/SolidCoverages. Reason is that griddedcoverages receive most attention today.
- Only CIS 1.1 GeneralGridCoverage is addressed, other coverage types will follow later. Reason is to have a first version early which showsand allows to evaluate the principles.
- Only coverage extraction functionality is considered, not general processing (as is provided with Web Coverage Service (WCS) extensions such as the Processing Extension). Exceptions from this rule are subsetting including band subsetting, scaling, and CRS conversion and data format encoding, given their practical relevance.
- Subsetting is considered in the query component only for now. As typically all dimensions in a coverage are of same importance subsetting might not fit perfectly in the hierarchical nature of the pathcomponent. Further, subsetting may reference any axis and leave out anyother, which makes positional parameters unsuitable. Nevertheless subsetting in the path component particularly limited to fixed subsetsmight be considered in a future version. The principles of the /tiles path defined in OGC API Maps & Tiles might be a good fit and shall be explored.

As such, the functionality provided below resembles OGC Web Coverage Service (WCS) 2.1 Interface Standard - Core.

6.1.2. Background Information: WCS Service Model

OGC WCS 2 has an internal model of its storage organization based on which the classic operations GetCapabilities, DescribeCoverage, and GetCoverage can be explained naturally. This model consists of a single CoverageOffering resembling the complete WCS data store. It holds some service metadata describing service qualities (such as WCS extensions, encodings, CRSs, and interpolations supported, etc.). At its heart, this offering holds any number of OfferedCoverages. These contain the

coverage payload to be served, but in addition can hold coverage-specific service-related metadata (such as the coverage's Native CRS).



Discussion has shown that the OpenAPI functionality also assumes underlying service and object descriptions, so a convergence seems possible. In any case, it will be advantageous to have a similar "mental model" of the server store organization on hand to explain the various functionalities introduced below.

6.1.3. Prinicples

OpenAPI establishes URL-based access patterns, as defined by RFC 3986 "Uniform Resource Identifier (URI): Generic Syntax", RFC 3987 "Internationalized Resource Identifiers (IRIs)", and RFC 6570 "URI Template" following a syntax like http://www.acme.com/path/to/resource/{id}{?query,parameters} whereby

- /path/to/resource/{id} defines the local path to the resource to be retrieved on the node identified by the head part, http://www.acme.com.
- the {?query,parameters} represent key/value pairs with further parameters passed to the request.

As a general rule,

- accessing a coverage component is done in the path section,
- subsetting is done in the query parameter section
- format encoding is controlled via HTTP headers

As the coverage model normatively is given by the corresponding XML schema (JSON and RDF are built in sync with XML) specification of the OpenAPI access paths follows this schema. Note, though, that OWS Common, while normatively referenced in CIS, is not followed by OpenAPI, so here deviations will occur.

For path expressions abbreviations (i.e., aliases) may be defined for convenience.

Chapter 7. Requirements Class "Core"

7.1. Overview

Requirements Class	
http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-coverages/1.0/req/core	
Target type	Web API
Dependency	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core
Dependency	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/collections

The OGC API family of standards is organized by resource type. OGC API-Coverages specifies the fundamental API building blocks for interacting with coverages. The spatial data community uses the term 'coverage' for homogeneous collections of values located in space/time, such as spatiotemporal sensor,image, simulation, and statistics data.

If you are unfamiliar with the term 'coverage', the explanations on the Coverages DWG Wiki provide more detail and links to educational material. Additionally, Coverages: describing properties that vary with location (and time) in the W3C/OGC Spatial Data on the Web Best Practice document may be considered.

This OGC API - Coverages specification establishes how to access coverages as defined by the Coverage Implementation Schema (CIS) 1.1 through Web APIs. A high-level view of the CIS data model is provided in Figure 1.

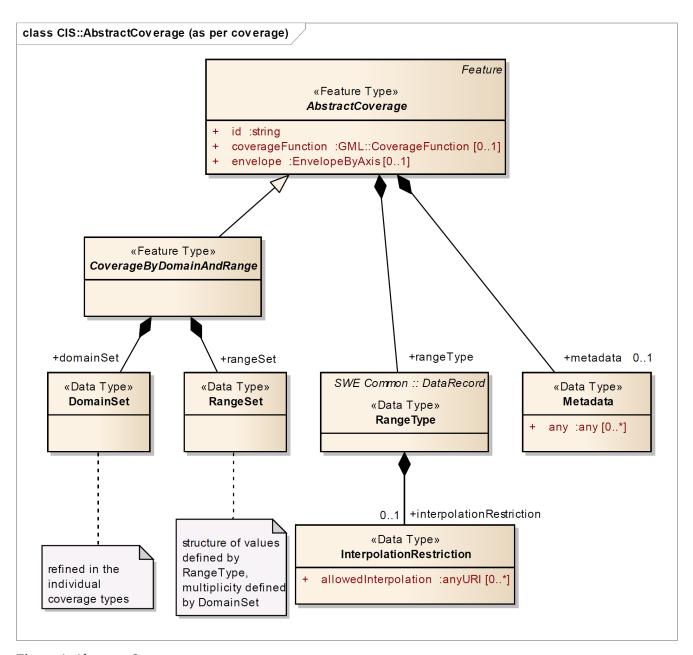


Figure 1. Abstract Coverage

This Core Requirements Class defines the requirements for locating, understanding, sub-setting, and accessing coverage resources. However, it does not specify any formats for the returned resources. The formats available to implementors of this standard are specified in additional Requirements Classes.

7.2. Dependencies

The OGC API-Coverages standard is an extension of the OGC API-Common standard. Therefore, an implementation of API-Coverages must first satisfy the appropriate Requirements Classes from API-Common.

Requirement 1	/req/core/api-common

The API SHALL comply with the following requirements specified in the http://www.opengis.net/spec/OAPI_Common/1.0/req/core Requirements Class of the OGC API-Common version 1.0 Standard.		
A	/req/core/api-definition-op	
В	/req/core/api-definition-success	

Table 2 Identifies the API-Common Requirements Classes which are applicable to each section of this Standard. Instructions on when and how to apply these Requirements Classes are provided in each section.

Table 2. Mapping API-Coverages Sections to API-Common Requirements Classes

API-Coverage Section	API-Common Requirements Class
API Landing Page	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core
API Definition	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core
Declaration of Conformance Classes	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core
Collections	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/collections
OpenAPI 3.0	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/oas30
GeoJSON	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/geojson
HTML	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/html

7.3. Path Summary

Resources exposed through an OGC API are accessed through a Universal Resource Identifier (URI). URIs are composed of three sections:

- Service Offering: The service endpoint (subsequently referred to as Base URL)
- Access Paths: Unique paths to Resources
- Query: Parameters for subsetting a Resource or Resources

Table 3 summarizes the access paths defined in this standard.

Table 3. Coverage API Paths

Path Template	Resource	
Common		
{root}/	Landing page	
{root}/api	API Description	
{root}/conformance	Conformance Classes	

Path Template	Resource
{root}/collections	Metadata describing the spatial collections available from this API.
{root}/collections/{collection Id}	Metadata describing the collection which has the unique identifier {collectionId}
	Coverages
{root}/collections/{collection Id}/coverage	A general description of the coverage identified by {collectionId} including the coverage's envelope.
{root}/collections/{collection id}/coverage/description	returns the whole coverage description consisting of domainset, rangetype, and metadata (but not the rangeset)
{root}/collections/{collection id}/coverage/domainset	returns the coverage's domain set definition
root}/collections/{collectionid}/coverage/rangetype	returns the coverage's range type information (i.e., a description of the data semantics)
{root}/collections/{collection id}/coverage/metadata	returns the coverage's metadata (may be empty)
{root}/collections/{collection id}/coverage/rangeset	returns the coverage's range set, i.e., the actual values in the coverage's Native Format (see format encoding for ways to retrieve inspecific formats)
{root}/collections/{collection id}/coverage/all	returns all of the above namely the coverage's domainset, rangetype, metadata, and rangeset comparable to a GetCoverage response

Where:

- {root} = URI for the API server
- {collectionId} = an identifier for a specific collection

7.4. Platform

7.4.1. API landing page

The landing page provides links to start exploring the resources offered by the API instance. It mainly consists of a list of links. OGC API-Common already requires some common links. Those links are sufficient for this core.

Table 4. Dependencies

http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core

7.4.1.1. **Operation**

This operation is defined in the Core conformance class of API-Common. No modifications are needed to support Coverage resources. The Core conformance class describes one way of performing

this operation:

1. Follow the / path

Support for the / path is required by API-Common.

7.4.1.2. Response

Requirement 2	/req/core/root-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with an HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the schema landingPage.json and include links to the following resources: • the API definition (relation type 'service-desc' or 'service-doc') • /conformance (relation type 'conformance') • one or more information resources (relation type 'data')

The Response to the Landing Page operation is defined in API-Common. However, this resource is extended for use with Coverages. The schema for this resource is provided in Landing Page Response Schema.

Landing Page Response Schema

```
type: object
required:
   - links
properties:
   title:
     type: string
     example: Buildings in Bonn
description:
     type: string
     example: Access to data about buildings in the city of Bonn via a Web API that
conforms to the OGC API Common specification.
   links:
     type: array
   items:
     $ref: link.yaml
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to an OGC API-Coverages Landing Page operation.

7.4.1.3. Error situations

See HTTP Status Codes for general guidance.

7.4.2. API definition

Every API is expected to provide a definition that describes the capabilities of that API. This definition can be used by developers to understand the API, by software clients to connect to the server, or by development tools to support the implementation of servers and clients.

Table 5. Dependencies

```
http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core
```

7.4.2.1. **Operation**

This operation is defined in the Core conformance class of API-Common. No modifications are needed to support Coverage resources. The Core conformance class describes two ways of performing this operation:

- 1. Follow the /api path
- 2. Follow the service-desc link on the landing page

Only the link is required by API-Common.

7.4.2.2. Response

API-Common leaves the selection of format for the API Definition response to the API implementor. However, the options are limited to those which have been defined in the API-Common standard. At this time, there is only one option, OpenAPI version 3.0.

7.4.2.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.4.3. Declaration of conformance classes

To support "generic" clients that want to access multiple OGC API standards and extensions - and not "just" a specific API / server, the API has to declare the conformance classes it implements and conforms to.

Table 6. Dependencies

http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/core

7.4.3.1. Operation

This operation is defined in the Core conformance class of API-Common. No modifications are needed to support Coverage resources. The Core conformance class describes two ways of performing this operation:

- 1. Follow the /conformance path
- 2. Follow the conformance link on the landing page

Both techniques are required by API-Common.

7.4.3.2. Response

Requirement 3	/req/core/conformance	
The list of confomance classes advertised by the API SHALL include		
A	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/core	
В	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/collections	
С	http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-coverages/1.0/conf/core	

The Response to the Conformance operation is a list URLs. Each URL identifies an OGC Conformance Class for which this API claims conformance. The schema for this resource is defined in API-Common and provided for reference in Conformance Response Schema.

```
type: object
required:
    - conformsTo
properties:
    conformsTo:
    type: array
    items:
        type: string
        example: "http://www.opengis.net/spec/OAPI_Common/1.0/req/core"
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to an OGC API-Coverages conformance operation.

Conformance Information Example

```
"conformsTo": [
[
    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/core",
    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/collections",
    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/oas3",
    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/html",
    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-common/1.0/conf/geojson",
    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-coverages/1.0/conf/core"
]
```

7.4.3.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.5. Coverage Access Paths

In this clause, the path component of OGC API - Coverages access is established.

Access paths follow the XML Schema of CIS in their structure.

To access coverage service constituents, such as formats supported, OGC 14-121 Web Query Service provides guidance, see

https://github.com/opengeospatial/ogc_api_coverages/blob/master/CIS%2BWCS-standards/14-121_Web-Query-Service_2016-06-19.pdf.

7.5.1. Collections

TBD

Table 7. Dependencies

7.5.1.1. Operation

This operation is defined in the Collections conformance class of API-Common. No modifications are needed to support Coverage resources. The Collections conformance class describes two ways of performing this operation:

- 1. Follow the /collections path
- 2. Follow the service-desc link on the landing page

Support for both the /collections path and the dataset link is required by API-Common.

7.5.1.2. Response

Collections Response Schema

```
type: object
required:
   - links
   - collections
properties:
   links:
     type: array
   items:
     $ref: link.yaml
collections:
   type: array
   items:
     $ref: collectionInfo.yaml
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to an OGC API-Coverages Collections operation.

Collections Example

```
{
   "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
   ]
}
```

7.5.1.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.5.2. Collection Information

TBD

Table 8. Dependencies

http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi_common/1.0/req/collections

7.5.2.1. Operation

This operation is defined in the Collections conformance class of API-Common. No modifications are needed to support Coverage resources. The Collections conformance class describes two ways of performing this operation:

- Follow the /collections/{collectionId} path
- 2. Follow the service-desc link on the landing page

Support for both the /collections/{collectionId} path and the dataset link is required by API-Common.

The {collectionId} parameter is the unique identifier for a single collection on the API.

7.5.2.2. Response

```
type: object
required:
 - id
  - links
properties:
 id:
    type: string
   example: address
 title:
    type: string
   example: address
 description:
   type: string
   example: An address.
 links:
   type: array
    items:
      $ref: link.yaml
   example:
      - href: http://data.example.com/buildings
        rel: item
      - href: http://example.com/concepts/buildings.html
        rel: describedBy
        type: text/html
 extent:
    $ref: extent.yaml
 itemType:
    description: indicator about the type of the items in the collection (the default
value is 'unknown').
   type: string
    default: unknown
    description: the list of coordinate reference systems supported by the API; the
first item is the default coordinate reference system
   type: array
    items:
      type: string
    default:
      - http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/OGC/1.3/CRS84
   example:
      - http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/OGC/1.3/CRS84
      - http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/EPSG/0/4326
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to an OGC API-Coverages Collection Information operation.

```
{
   "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
   ]
}
```

7.5.2.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.6. Coverage Access

This section is about coverage access, which is driven by the coverage structure.

The paths discussed in this section are all branches off of the /collections/{collectionId} root.

7.6.1. Coverage Description

Returns the whole coverage description consisting of domainset, rangetype, and metadata (but not the rangeset)

7.6.1.1. Operation

Requirement 4	/req/core/cov-desc-op
A	The API SHALL support the HTTP GET operation at the path /collections/{coverageId}/coverage/description.
	• coverageId is the local identifier for a coverage. It serves the same role and is subject to the same requirements as the collectionId parameter defined in API-Common.

7.6.1.2. Response

Requirement 5	/req/core/cov-desc-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with a HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the JSON schema coverage_description.json.

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to a Coverage Description request.

Coverage Description Example

```
{
   "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
   ]
}
```

7.6.1.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.6.2. Coverage Domain Set

returns the coverage's domain set definition

7.6.2.1. Operation

Requirement 6	/req/core/cov-ds-op
A	The API SHALL support the HTTP GET operation at the path /collections/{coverageId}/coverage/domainset.
	• coverageId is the local identifier for a coverage. It serves the same role and is subject to the same requirements as the collectionId parameter defined in API-Common.

7.6.2.2. Response

Requirement 7	/req/core/cov-ds-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with a HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the JSON schema coverage_domainset.json.

Coverage Domain Set Response Schema

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
    "domainSet": {
        "title": "domainSet",
        "description": "The domainSet describes the *direct positions* of the
coverage, i.e., the locations for which values are available.",
        "type": "object",
        "oneOf": [
            {
                "required": [
                    "type",
                    "generalGrid"
                ],
                "properties": {
                    "type": {
                        "enum": ["DomainSetType"]
                    },
                    "generalGrid": {
                        "title": "General Grid",
                        "description": "A general n-D grid is defined through a
sequence of axes, each of which can be of a particular axis type.",
                        "type": "object",
                        "required": ["type"],
                        "additionalProperties": false,
                        "properties": {
                             "type": {
                                "enum": ["GeneralGridCoverageType"]
                            "id": {"type": "string"},
                             "srsName": {
                                "type": "string",
                                "format": "uri"
                            },
                             "axisLabels": {
                                 "type": "array",
                                "items": {"type": "string"}
                            },
```

```
"axis": {
                                 "type": "array",
                                 "items": {
                                     "type": "object",
                                     "oneOf": [
                                         {
                                             "title": "Index Axis",
                                             "description": "An Index Axis is an axis
with only integer positions allowed.",
                                             "required": [
                                                  "type",
                                                  "axisLabel",
                                                  "lowerBound",
                                                  "upperBound"
                                             ],
                                             "additionalProperties": false,
                                             "properties": {
                                                  "type": {
                                                      "enum": ["IndexAxisType"]
                                                  "id": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "axisLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "lowerBound": {"type": "number"},
                                                  "upperBound": {"type": "number"}
                                             }
                                         },
                                             "title": "Regular Axis",
                                             "description": "A Regular Axis is an axis
where all direct coordinates are at a common distance from its immediate neighbors.",
                                             "required": [
                                                  "type",
                                                  "axisLabel",
                                                  "lowerBound",
                                                  "upperBound",
                                                  "resolution",
                                                  "uomLabel"
                                             ],
                                             "additionalProperties": false,
                                             "properties": {
                                                  "type": {
                                                      "enum": ["RegularAxisType"]
                                                  "id": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "axisLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "lowerBound": {
                                                      "type": [
                                                          "number",
                                                          "string",
                                                          "null",
                                                          "boolean"
```

```
},
                                                  "upperBound": {
                                                      "type": [
                                                          "number",
                                                          "string",
                                                          "null",
                                                          "boolean"
                                                      1
                                                  },
                                                  "uomLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "resolution": {"type": "number"}
                                         },
                                         {
                                              "title": "Irregular Axis",
                                             "description": "An irregular axis
enumerates all possible direct position coordinates.",
                                              "required": [
                                                  "type",
                                                  "axisLabel",
                                                  "uomLabel",
                                                  "coordinate"
                                             "additionalProperties": false,
                                              "properties": {
                                                  "type": {
                                                      "enum": ["IrregularAxisType"]
                                                  },
                                                  "id": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "axisLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "uomLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                                  "coordinate": {
                                                      "type": "array",
                                                      "items": {
                                                          "type": [
                                                              "number",
                                                              "string",
                                                              "boolean"
                                                          ]
                                                      }
                                                 }
                                             }
                                         }
                                     ]
                                 }
                             },
                             "displacement": {
                                 "title": "Displacement",
                                 "description": "A Displacement is a warped axis nest
where points on the grid all have their individual direct position coordinates. The
```

```
sequenceRule element describes linearization order.",
                                 "type": "object",
                                 "oneOf": [
                                     {
                                         "required": [
                                             "type",
                                             "axisLabels",
                                             "uomLabels",
                                             "coordinates"
                                         ],
                                         "properties": {
                                             "type": {
                                                 "enum": ["DisplacementAxisNestType"]
                                             },
                                             "id": {"type": "string"},
                                             "axisLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                             "srsName": {
                                                 "type": "string",
                                                 "format": "uri"
                                             },
                                             "axisLabels": {
                                                 "type": "array",
                                                 "items": {"type": "string"}
                                             },
                                             "uomLabels": {
                                                 "type": "array",
                                                 "items": {"type": "string"}
                                             },
                                             "coordinates": {
                                                 "type": "array",
                                                 "items": {
                                                      "type": "array",
                                                      "items": {
                                                          "type": [
                                                              "number",
                                                              "string",
                                                              "boolean"
                                                          ]
                                                     }
                                                 }
                                             }
                                         }
                                     },
                                     {
                                         "required": [
                                             "type",
                                             "axisLabels",
                                             "uomLabels",
                                             "coordinatesRef"
                                         ],
                                         "properties": {
```

```
"type": {
                                                 "enum":
["DisplacementAxisNestTypeRef"]
                                             "id": {"type": "string"},
                                             "axisLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                             "srsName": {
                                                 "type": "string",
                                                 "format": "uri"
                                             },
                                             "axisLabels": {
                                                 "type": "array",
                                                 "items": {"type": "string"}
                                             },
                                             "uomLabels": {
                                                 "type": "array",
                                                 "items": {"type": "string"}
                                             },
                                             "coordinatesRef": {
                                                 "type": "string",
                                                 "format": "uri"
                                             }
                                         }
                                    }
                                ]
                            },
                             "model": {
                                "title": "Sensor model",
                                "description": "A Transformation By Sensor Model is a
transformation definition which is given by a SensorML 2.0 transformation
specification.",
                                 "type": "object",
                                 "required": [
                                     "type",
                                     "sensorModelRef"
                                ],
                                 "properties": {
                                     "type": {
                                         "enum": ["TransformationBySensorModelType"]
                                     "id": {"type": "string"},
                                     "axisLabels": {
                                         "type": "array",
                                         "items": {"type": "string"}
                                    },
                                     "uomLabels": {
                                         "type": "array",
                                         "items": {"type": "string"}
                                    },
                                     "sensorModelRef": {
                                         "type": "string",
```

```
"format": "uri"
                                    },
                                     "sensorInstanceRef": {
                                         "type": "string",
                                         "format": "uri"
                                    }
                                }
                            },
                             "gridLimits": {
                                 "title": "Grid limits",
                                 "description": "This is the boundary of the array
underlying the grid, given by its diagonal corner points in integer 60 3D. The grid
limits can be omitted in case all axes are of type index axis, because then it repeats
the grid information in a redundant way. The purpose of the axisLabels attribute,
which lists the axis labels of all axisExtent elements in proper sequence, is to
enforce axis sequence also in XML systems which do not preserve document order.",
                                 "type": "object",
                                 "required": ["type"],
                                 "properties": {
                                     "indexAxis": {
                                         "title": "Index Axis",
                                         "description": "An Index Axis is an axis with
only integer positions allowed.",
                                         "type": "object",
                                         "required": [
                                             "type",
                                             "lowerBound",
                                             "upperBound"
                                         ],
                                         "additionalProperties": false,
                                         "properties": {
                                             "type": {
                                                 "enum": ["IndexAxisType"]
                                             "id": {"type": "string"},
                                             "axisLabel": {"type": "string"},
                                             "lowerBound": {"type": "number"},
                                             "upperBound": {"type": "number"}
                                        }
                                     },
                                     "srsName": {
                                         "type": "string",
                                         "format": "uri"
                                    },
                                     "axisLabels": {
                                         "type": "array",
                                         "items": {"type": "string"}
                                    }
                                }
                            }
                        }
```

```
}
},
    "required": [
        "type",
        "directMultiPoint"
    ],
    "properties": {
        "type": {
            "enum": ["DomainSetType"]
        "directMultiPoint": {
            "oneOf": [
                {
                    "required": [
                        "type",
                         "coordinates"
                    "properties": {
                         "type": {
                             "enum": ["DirectMultiPointType"]
                        },
                         "coordinates": {
                             "type": "array",
                             "items": {
                                 "type": "array",
                                 "items": {
                                     "type": [
                                         "number",
                                         "string",
                                         "boolean"
                                     ]
                                }
                             }
                        }
                    }
                },
                {
                    "required": [
                         "type",
                         "coordinatesRef"
                    "properties": {
                             "enum": ["DirectMultiPointTypeRef"]
                        },
                         "coordinatesRef": {
                             "type": "string",
                             "format": "uri"
                        }
```

```
}
                         ]
                     }
                }
            },
                "required": [
                     "type",
                     "fileReference"
                ],
                "properties": {
                     "type": {
                         "enum": ["DomainSetRefType"]
                     },
                     "id": {
                         "type": "string",
                         "format": "uri"
                     "fileReference": {
                         "type": "string",
                         "format": "uri"
                     }
                }
            }
        ]
   }
}
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to a Coverage DomainSet request.

Coverage DomainSet Example

```
{
    "TBD": [
        "filler1",
        "filler2"
    ]
}
```

7.6.2.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.6.3. Coverage Range Type

returns the coverage's range type information (i.e., a description of the data semantics)

7.6.3.1. Operation

Requirement 8	/req/core/cov-rt-op
A	The API SHALL support the HTTP GET operation at the path /collections/{coverageId}/coverage/rangetype.
	• coverageId is the local identifier for a coverage. It serves the same role and is subject to the same requirements as the collectionId parameter defined in API-Common.

7.6.3.2. Response

Requirement 9	/req/core/cov-rt-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with a HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the JSON schema coverage_rangetype.json.

Coverage Range Type Response Schema

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
    "rangeType": {
        "title": "rangeType",
        "description": "The rangeType element describes the structure and semantics of
a coverage's range values, including (optionally) restrictions on the interpolation
allowed on such values.",
        "type": "object",
        "oneOf": [
            {
                "required": [
                    "type",
                    "field"
                ],
                "properties": {
                    "type": {
                        "enum": ["DataRecordType"]
                    },
                    "field": {
                        "type": "array",
                        "items": {
                            "title": "quantity",
                            "description": "quantiy",
                            "type": "object",
                            "required": ["type"],
```

```
"properties": {
   "type": {
        "enum": ["QuantityType"]
   },
   "id": {
       "type": "string",
        "format": "uri"
   },
   "name": {"type": "string"},
   "definition": {
        "type": "string",
        "format": "uri"
   },
   "uom": {
        "title": "units of measure",
        "description": "units of measure",
        "type": "object",
        "required": [
            "type",
            "code"
       ],
        "properties": {
            "type": {
                "enum": ["UnitReference"]
            },
            "id": {
                "type": "string",
                "format": "uri"
            },
            "code": {"type": "string"}
       }
   },
   "constraint": {
        "title": "Constraint",
        "description": "Constraint",
        "type": "object",
        "required": ["type"],
        "properties": {
            "type": {
                "enum": ["AllowedValues"]
            },
            "id": {
                "type": "string",
                "format": "uri"
            },
            "interval": {
                "type": "array",
                "items": {
                    "type": [
                        "number",
                        "string",
```

```
"boolean"
                                     ]
                                 }
                             }
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        },
        "interpolationRestriction": {
            "title": "interpolationRestriction",
            "description": "Interpolation restriction",
            "type": "object",
            "required": ["type"],
            "properties": {
                 "type": {
                    "enum": ["InterpolationRestrictionType"]
                },
                "id": {
                    "type": "string",
                    "format": "uri"
                "allowedInterpolation": {
                    "type": "array",
                    "items": {
                         "type": "string",
                         "format": "uri"
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
},
    "required": [
        "type",
        "fileReference"
    ],
    "properties": {
        "type": {
            "enum": ["RangeTypeRefType"]
        },
        "id": {
            "type": "string",
            "format": "uri"
        },
        "fileReference": {
            "type": "string",
            "format": "uri"
        }
    }
```

```
}
}
}
}
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to a Coverage RangeType request.

Coverage RangeType Example

```
{
  "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
]
}
```

7.6.3.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.6.4. Coverage Range Set

returns the coverage's range set, i.e., the actual values in the coverage's Native Format (see format encoding for ways to retrieve inspecific formats)

7.6.4.1. Operation

Requirement 10	/req/core/cov-rs-op
A	The API SHALL support the HTTP GET operation at the path /collections/{coverageId}/coverage/rangeset.
	• coverageId is the local identifier for a coverage. It serves the same role and is subject to the same requirements as the collectionId parameter defined in API-Common.

7.6.4.2. Response

Requirement 11	/req/core/cov-rs-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with a HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the JSON schema coverage_rangeset.json.

Coverage Range Set Response Schema

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
    "rangeSet": {
        "title": "rangeSet",
        "description": "The rangeSet lists a value for each of the coverage's direct
positions. Values resemble the *payload* information of some particular direct
positions. Values can be composite (with a single nesting level, i.e.: composites
always consist of atomics), or atomic (emulated through single-component composites)
whereby the sequence, structure, and meaning of every value is defined through the
rangeType. Values can be represented in-line or by reference to an external file which
may have any suitable encoding.",
        "type": "object",
        "oneOf": [
            {
                "required": [
                    "type",
                    "dataBlock"
                "properties": {
                    "type": {
                        "enum": ["RangeSetType"]
                    },
                    "dataBlock": {
                        "title": "dataBlock",
                        "description": "Data block objects",
                        "type": "object",
                        "required": [
                             "type",
                             "values"
                        ],
                        "properties": {
                             "type": {
                                "enum": [
                                     "VDataBlockType",
                                     "CVDataBlockType"
                                ]
                            },
                             "values": {
                                 "type": "array",
                                 "items": {
                                     "type": [
                                         "number",
                                         "string",
                                         "null",
                                         "boolean"
                                    1
                                }
                            }
                        }
                    }
```

```
},
                "required": [
                     "type",
                     "fileReference"
                ],
                "properties": {
                     "type": {
                         "enum": ["RangeSetRefType"]
                     },
                     "fileReference": {
                         "type": "array",
                         "items": {
                             "type": "string",
                             "format": "uri"
                         }
                     }
                }
            }
        ]
    }
}
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to a Coverage RangeSet request.

Coverage RangeSet Example

```
{
   "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
]
}
```

7.6.4.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.6.5. Coverage Metadata

returns the coverage's metadata (may be empty)

7.6.5.1. **Operation**

Requirement 12	/req/core/cov-md-op	
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A	The API SHALL support the HTTP GET operation at the path /collections/{coverageId}/coverage/metadata.
	 coverageId is the local identifier for a coverage. It serves the same role and is subject to the same requirements as the collectionId parameter defined in API-Common.

7.6.5.2. Response

Requirement 13	/req/core/cov-md-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with a HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the JSON schema coverage_metadata.json.

Coverage Metadata Response Schema

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
    "metadata": {
        "description": "The metadata element is a container of any (not further
specified) information which should be transported along with the coverage on hand,
such as domain-specific metadata.",
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {}
}
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to a Coverage Metadata request.

Coverage Metadata Example

```
{
   "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
   ]
}
```

7.6.5.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.6.6. Coverage All

returns all of the above namely the coverage's domainset, rangetype, meatadata, and rangeset comparable to a GetCoverage response

7.6.6.1. Operation

Requirement 14	/req/core/cov-all-op
A	The API SHALL support the HTTP GET operation at the path /collections/{coverageId}/coverage/all.
	• coverageId is the local identifier for a coverage. It serves the same role and is subject to the same requirements as the collectionId parameter defined in API-Common.

7.6.6.2. **Response**

Requirement 15	/req/core/cov-all-success
A	A successful execution of the operation SHALL be reported as a response with a HTTP status code 200.
В	The content of that response SHALL be based upon the JSON schema coverage.json.

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#",
    "title": "Coverage object",
    "description": "Component of OGC Coverage Implementation Schema 1.1. Last updated:
2016-may-18. Copyright (c) 2016 Open Geospatial Consortium, Inc. All Rights Reserved.
To obtain additional rights of use, visit http://www.opengeospatial.org/legal/.",
    "type": "object",
    "oneOf": [
        {
            "required": [
                "type",
                "domainSet",
                "rangeSet",
                "rangeType"
            ],
            "properties": {
                "id": {"type": "string"},
                "type": {
                    "enum": ["CoverageByDomainAndRangeType"]
                },
                "envelope": {"$ref": "coverage_envelope.json#/envelope"},
                "domainSet": {"$ref": "coverage_domainset.json#/domainSet"},
                "rangeSet": {"$ref": "coverage_rangeset.json#/rangeSet"},
                "rangeType": {"$ref": "coverage rangetype.json#/rangeType"},
                "metadata": {"$ref": "coverage_metadata.json#/metadata"}
            }
        },
            "required": [
                "type",
                "partitionSet",
                "rangeType"
            ],
            "properties": {
                "id": {"type": "string"},
                "type": {
                    "enum": ["CoverageByPartitioningType"]
                "envelope": {"$ref": "coverage_envelope.json#/envelope"},
                "partitionSet": {"$ref":
"coverage_partitioningset.json#/partitioningSet"},
                "rangeType": {"$ref": "coverage_rangetype.json#/rangeType"},
                "metadata": {"$ref": "coverage_metadata.json#/metadata"}
            }
        }
   ]
}
```

The following JSON fragment is an example of a response to a Coverage All request.

Coverage All Example

```
{
  "TBD": [
    "filler1",
    "filler2"
]
```

7.6.6.3. Error situations

See [http_status_codes] for general guidance.

7.7. Coverage Subsetting

The third part is about query parameters:

- http://acme.com/oapi/collections/{collectionid}/coverage?SUBSET=Lat(40 returns a coverage cutout between (40,10) and (50,20), as multipart coverage
- http://acme.com/oapi/collections/{collectionid}/coverage/rangeset?SUBSET=Lat(40 returns a coverage cutout between (40,10) and (50,20), in the coverage's Native Format
- http://acme.com/oapi/collections/{collectionid}/coverage?SUBSET=time("2019-03-27") returns a coverage slice at the timestamp given (in case the coverage is Lat/Long/time the result will be a 2D image)

7.8. Coverage Query Parameters

In this clause, the query component of OGC API - Coverages access is established.

Subsetting parameters may be mixed in a query part, in no particular order.

Chapter 8. Media Types for any data encoding(s)

A section describing the MIME-types to be used is mandatory for any standard involving data encodings. If no suitable MIME type exists in http://www.iana.org/assignments/media-types/index.html then this section may be used to define a new MIME type for registration with IANA.

Annex A: Conformance Class Abstract Test Suite (Normative)

NOTE

Ensure that there is a conformance class for each requirements class and a test for each requirement (identified by requirement name and number)

A.1. Conformance Class A

A.1.1. Requirement 1

Test id:	/conf/conf-class-a/req-name-1		
Requirement:	/req/req-class-a/req-name-1		
Test purpose:	Verify that		
Test method:	Inspect		

A.1.2. Requirement 2

Annex B: Revision History

Date	Release	Editor	Primary clauses modified	Description
2019-03-06	Template	C. Heazel	all	initial template

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