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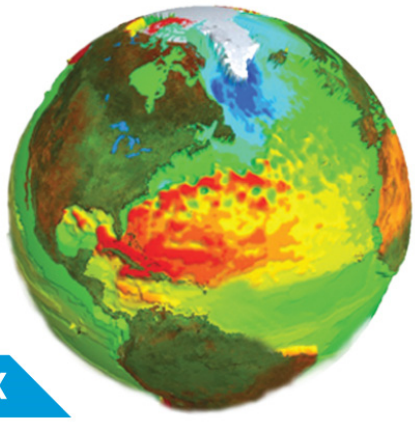

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Project history and background

The Broadview Radar Altimetry Toolbox (BRAT) and the Radar Altimetry Tutorial (RAT) were originally produced by CLS and S&T in 2006-2011 under contract with ESA and CNES (the toolbox name at the time was called Basic Radar Altimetry Toolbox). Since April 2015 under ESA contract within the SEOM program, with additional support from CNES, the current consortium formed by DEIMOS Engenharia S.A., isardSAT UK, and TU Delft is continuing the work, updating the content of the tutorial and redesigning and improving the toolbox.

1.2. Global overview

The Broadview Radar Altimetry Toolbox (BRAT) is a collection of tools and tutorial documents designed to facilitate the processing of radar altimetry data. BRAT is able to handle most distributed radar altimetry data formats, providing support for ingesting, processing, editing (to a certain extent), generating statistics, visualising and exporting the results.

BRAT consists of several modules operating at different levels of abstraction. These modules can be Graphical User Interface (GUI) applications, command-line tools, interfaces to existing applications (such as IDL and MATLAB) or application program interfaces (APIs) to programming languages such as C, Fortran and Python.

The main BRAT functions are:

- Data Import and Quick Look: basic tools for extracting data from standard formats and generating quick-look images.
- Data Export: output of data to the netCDF binary format, ASCII text files, or GeoTiff+GoogleEarth (KMZ/KML export); raster images (PNG, JPEG, BMP, TIFF, and PNM) of visualisations can be saved.
- Statistics: calculation of statistical parameters from data.
- Combinations: computation of formulas involving combinations of data fields (and saving of those formulas).
- Resampling: over and under-sampling of data; data binning.
- Data Editing: data selection using simple criteria, or a combination of criteria (that can also be saved).
- Exchanges: data editing and combinations can be exchanged between users.
- Data Visualisation: display of results, with user-defined preferences. The viewer enables the user to display data stored in the internal format (netCDF).
- Download and periodic synchronization of satellite products with RADS database.

APIs are available with data reading, date and cycle/pass conversion and statistical computation functions for C, Fortran, IDL, (only using previous versions of BRAT), MATLAB and Python, allowing the integration of BRAT functionality in custom applications. For the most common use cases (selection, combinations, visualisations, etc.), command-line tools are available that can be configured by creating parameter files. For beginners, we recommend using the BRAT GUI application, which enables the operator to easily specify the processing parameters required by each tool (and then invoke those tools at the push of a button).

BRAT is provided as Open Source Software, enabling the user community to participate in further development and quality improvement.

1.3. Toolbox contents

BRAT consists of the following parts:

- BRAT Library

The core part of the toolbox is the BRAT library package itself. This package provides data ingestion functionality for each of the supported data products. The data access functionality is provided via two different layers, called CODA and BRATHL.

- CODA

The first BRAT layer (formerly known as BRATLL) is implemented using the Common Data Access framework CODA. CODA allows direct access to product data, supporting a very wide range of products and formats. It provides a single consistent hierarchical view on data independent of the underlying storage format.

The version of CODA that comes with BRAT supports over 200 altimetric product files. All product file data is accessible via the CODA C library. Furthermore, the version of CODA in BRAT also comes with a set of command-line tools (codacheck, codacmp, codadump, and codafind). Typically, BRAT users will not need to deal with the CODA library directly (although it is included if it is needed), but the CODA command-line tools can be useful for investigating or debugging product data files directly.

More information about the CODA framework and tools can be found in the CODA documentation, supplied in the BRAT doc/coda/ directory in (HTML format). Be aware that in order for the CODA command-line tools to function correctly in a BRAT environment, the user must manually set the CODA_DEFINITION path environment variable to include the location of the BRAT data directory (i.e. the bin/data/ subdirectory of the BRAT installation root directory). This is necessary because the CODA command-line tools need to be told where to find the BRAT product format definition files. In order to check if everything is set properly, the command:

codadd list

will yield a list of all the products CODA recognises. (For a correct BRAT configuration, this list will e.g. include JASON and River_Lake products.)

More information about the specific altimetry product formats made accessible from BRAT through CODA can be found in the CODA definitions documentation, supplied in the BRAT doc/codadef/ directory (HTML format), and in Chapter 2, Data read and processed and Annex A, List of Datasets read by BRAT.

- BRATHL

The second layer of BRAT provides an abstraction to the product data to make it easier for the user to get the most important data from a product. A single function will allow the user to ingest selected altimetric product data values (from one or more files), into an array. It is also possible (in the same function call) to request statistics on the ingested data and to perform calculations on the data values (e.g. field1 + field2). In addition to the ingestion function, a number of date and cycle data structures and conversion functions are also available.

The BRATHL library is implemented in C++, and built on top of the CODA framework (plus various other third-party libraries). It is possible to develop programs that make direct use of the C++ classes that make up the BRATHL library, but this is mainly intended for the (rare) case in which users need to develop BRATHL itself.

Instead, the simple public BRATHL functionality described earlier is accessible via C, Fortran, IDL, (only if using BRAT v3.1), MATLAB and Python interfaces.

More information about the various BRATHL APIs can be found in Chapter 9, BRATHL Application Programming Interfaces (APIs).

More information about the C++ BRATHL API can be found in the BRAT reference manual, supplied in the BRAT doc/ directory (PDF format).

- BRAT Console Applications

Most BRAT users will not be programmers and will interact with the BRAT library via the use of one or more of the supplied executable applications.

The toolbox contains a number of console applications that are to be run from the command-line. These applications shield the user from the library and the programming level by providing a set of the most commonly needed BRAT functionalities (data computations, data conversions, etc.). These functionalities are in turn user-configurable by so-called parameter files that can easily be created, stored, and shared.

The console applications included in BRAT are: BratCreateYFX, BratCreateZFXY, BratListFieldNames, BratShowInternalFile, BratStats, BratExportAscii and BratExportGeoTiff.

In addition, BRAT also contains the lower-level CODA console applications mentioned in Section 1.2.1.1, as well as the similarly low-level ncdump and ncgen utilities. These latter two are part of the netCDF library and can be used to inspect (ncdump) or create (ncgen) data files in the netCDF format.

More information about the BRAT Console Applications can be found in Chapter 8, Using BRAT in 'command lines' mode with parameter files.

- BRAT GUI Applications

In order to provide a truly pleasant, user-friendly interface to the BRAT functionality, BRAT also contains two applications that present a Graphical User Interface (GUI). It is expected that most BRAT users will primarily interact with BRAT through these applications.

- Brat

Brat is the main BRAT application. It allows the user to create and manage Workspaces, Datasets, Operations and Views at a very high level of abstraction, and with all the power and convenience of a modern-day graphical user interface. Brat is built on top of the BRAT Console Applications, which it invokes 'under the hood', shielding the user from having to deal with command line options or parameter files directly.

There is a price to pay for the convenience of Brat: not all functionality of the console applications is available through Brat. If the users reach the limits of what can be done with Brat, they will have to learn to work with the console applications after all. For a majority of important uses, however, the functionality of Brat should be sufficient.

More information about Brat can be found in Chapter 4 BRAT Graphical User Interface (GUI).

- Scheduler

Scheduler enables BRAT user to delay the execution of an Operation (e.g. having it running at night). It will be available through Brat application, and also through its own icon/executable (to check and modify a scheduled task, in particular).

More information about Scheduler can be found in Chapter 7 BRAT scheduler interface.

2. DATA READ AND PROCESSED

2.1. Background

The Broadview Radar Altimetry Toolbox is able to read most distributed radar altimetry data, from (ERS-1 & 2 (ESA), Topex/Poseidon (NASA/CNES), Geosat Follow-On (US Navy), Jason-1 (CNES/NASA), Envisat (ESA), Cryosat (ESA) and), Jason-2 (CNES/NASA/EUMETSAT/NOAA) and the to be launched Sentinel-3 (ESA/EU) missions. The different types of data readable and processed by the Broadview Radar Altimetry Toolbox are listed below (for a description of the exact datasets with their nomenclature, see 85, List of datasets read by BRAT).

Note that data stored in arrays (e.g. waveforms) are not available individually (i.e. you can't access one value in the array) through the Graphical User Interface, but "only" through the API (See Chapter 9, BRATHL Application Programming Interfaces (APIs)), except for high-resolution GDR data (10, 18 and 20-Hz data) that you can access individually via the GUI.

NetCDF COARDS-CF compliant data can be read by BRAT. Note, however, that no warning/error message will be issued if different data are mixed, thus leading to incoherent datasets.

2.2. Level 1B/2 data products

Table 1: Level 1B/2 data products

Data	Satellite(s)	Data center	Format
Level 1B & level 2	Cryosat	ESA	ESA PDS
Level 1B & Level 2 Ocean Products	Cryosat	ESA	ESA PDS
RA-2 wind/wave product for Meteo Users (RA2_WWV_2P)	Envisat	ESA	ESA PDS
RA-2 Fast Delivery Geophysical Data Record (RA2_FGD_2P)	Envisat	ESA	ESA PDS
RA-2 Geophysical Data Record (RA2_GDR_2P)	Envisat	ESA	ESA PDS
RA-2 Intermediate Geophysical Data Record (RA2_IGD_2P)	Envisat	ESA	ESA PDS
RA-2 Sensor Data Record (RA2_MWS_2P)	Envisat	ESA	ESA PDS
Interim Geophysical data record (IGDR)	Jason-1, Topex/Poseidon	AVISO PO.DAAC	Binary
Geophysical data record (GDR)	Jason-1, Topex/Poseidon	AVISO PO.DAAC	Binary
Operational Sensor Data Record (OSDR)	Jason-1	AVISO PO.DAAC	Binary
Sensor Geophysical data record (SGDR)	Jason-1	AVISO PO.DAAC	Binary
Operational / Interim / Geophysical data record (O/I/GDR)	Jason-2	AVISO EUMETSAT NOAA	netCDF
Sensor (Interim) Geophysical data record (S(I)GDR)	Jason-2	AVISO EUMETSAT NOAA	netCDF
Sea Surface Height Anomaly Operational / Interim / Geophysical data record (SSHA O/I/GDR)	Jason-2	AVISO EUMETSAT	netCDF

Data	Satellite(s)	Data center	Format
		NOAA	
Topex waveforms	Topex/Poseidon	PO.DAAC	Binary
RA OPR	ERS-1 and 2	CERSAT	ESA PDS
RA WAP	ERS-1 and 2	CERSAT	ESA PDS
ERS REAPER Level 2 Products	ERS-1 and 2	ESA	netCDF
Geophysical data record (GDR)	GFO	NOAA	Binary
Level 1 & Level 2 Products	Sentinel 3*	ESA	netCDF

2.3. Higher level products

Table 2: Higher level products

Data	Satellite(s)	Data center	Format
Along-track Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Sea Level Anomalies (DT- & NRT-SLA) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Cryosat, Jason-1, Jason-2, Topex/Poseidon, GFO, Envisat, ERS-2, ERS-1	AVISO	netCDF
Along-track Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Absolute Dynamic Topography (DT- & NRT-ADT) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Cryosat, Jason-1, Jason-2, Topex/Poseidon, GFO, Envisat, ERS-2, ERS-1	AVISO	netCDF
Gridded Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Maps of Sea Level Anomalies (DT- & NRT-MSLA) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Merged	AVISO	netCDF
Gridded Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Maps of Sea Level Anomalies mapping error (DT- & NRT-MSLA) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Merged	AVISO	netCDF
Gridded Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Maps of Sea Level Anomalies geostrophic velocities (DT- & NRT-MSLA) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Merged	AVISO	netCDF
Gridded Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Maps of Absolute Dynamic Topography (DT- & NRT-MADT) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Merged	AVISO	netCDF
Delayed-Time and Near Real Time Absolute Dynamic Topography geostrophic velocities (DT- & NRT-MADT) (Ssalto/Duacs multimission products)	Merged	AVISO	netCDF
Along-track Delayed-Time Sea Level Anomalies (DT-SLA) (monomission product)	Cryosat, Jason-1, Jason-2, Topex/Poseidon, Envisat, ERS-2	AVISO	netCDF
Along-track Delayed-Time Corrected Sea Surface Height (DT-CorSSH) (monomission product)	Cryosat, Jason-1, Jason-2, Topex/Poseidon, Envisat, ERS-2	AVISO	netCDF
Along-track Sea Surface Height Anomalies (AT-SSHA)	Topex/Poseidon, Jason-1	PO.DAAC	Binary
Along-track Gridded Sea Surface Height Anomalies (ATG-SSHA)	Topex/Poseidon, Jason-1	PO.DAAC	Binary
Gridded Near Real Time Maps of Significant Wave Height (NRT-MSWH) (mono- and multi-mission products)	Jason-1, Jason-2, Topex/Poseidon, Envisat, GFO, merged	AVISO	netCDF
Gridded Near Real Time Maps of Wind Speed modulus (NRT-MWind)	Jason-1, Jason-2, Topex/Poseidon, Envisat, GFO, merged	AVISO	netCDF

Data	Satellite(s)	Data center	Format
Heracles along-track land-ice (multimission products)*	Cryosat, Envisat	ESA	netCDF
Heracles crossover land-ice (multimission products)*	Cryosat, Envisat	ESA	netCDF
Gridded Heracles SHA land-ice (multimission products)*	Cryosat, Envisat, merged	ESA	netCDF
Gridded Heracles Sigma0 land-ice (multimission products)*	Cryosat, Envisat, merged	ESA	netCDF
Gridded Heracles Leading Edge Width (LEW) land-ice (multimission products)*	Cryosat, Envisat, merged	ESA	netCDF
River & Lake products	Envisat	ESA	Binary

3. HOW TO INSTALL AND UNINSTALL BRAT

3.1. Supported platforms

BRAT binaries are available as single-file installer packages for the three major operating systems, in 32 and 64 bit processor architectures: Windows[1], Linux[2] , and Mac OS X[3] . These standalone installers can be downloaded from the BRAT Website (http:// www.altimetry.info/toolbox/) or copied from the top-level directory of the BRAT Distribution DVD.

On not directly supported platforms and for certain purposes, BRAT will have to be compiled from source. A source archive is therefore also available, but as compilation is a rather complex affair it is highly recommended to try one of the binary installers first.

3.2. The BRAT distribution DVD

The BRAT Distribution DVD contains:

- The binary installers for the supported platforms.
- The source archive.
- A copy of all the BRAT documentation (also already included in the binary installers).
- A large directory of sample data files (which is too large to be included in the binary installers).

3.3. MS Windows

3.3.1. Installing the binary distribution

BRAT supports Windows XP and higher, 32 and 64 bit. The binary distribution contains pre-built versions of the full toolbox as well as all the BRAT documentation and examples. For the MATLAB and Python interfaces, pre-built versions are included that will work with MATLAB V8.1/R2013a or higher and Python 3.0 or higher. For the IDL interface, BRAT version 3.1.0 should be used; it will work with IDL 6.3 or higher.

The BRAT Windows binary installers are found in the files:

brat-4.1.0-Win32-installer.exe (32 bit)

brat-4.1.0-x64-installer.exe (64 bit)

In order to install BRAT, select and double-click the installer file that matches the architecture of your Windows version and follow the instructions.

By default, BRAT will be installed in C:/Program Files/BRAT-4.1.0/[4], or in the user's local profile directory when installed as a user without Administrator privileges. It is also possible to specify a custom installation location during the installation process.

After installation, the BRAT Console and GUI applications are immediately ready for use. A shortcut to the BRAT application will have been placed on the desktop and is also accessible via the Start > Programs > Broadview Radar Altimetry Toolbox<version><architecture> menu. In order to use the Console Applications, open a command window and call the applications directly from their installed location (C:/Program Files/BRAT-4.1.0/bin/ by default, or else wherever you instructed the installer to install BRAT).

[1] Windows® is a registered trademark of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and other countries.
[2] Linux® is the registered trademark of Linus Torvalds in the U.S. and other countries.
[3] Mac OS X® is a registered trademark of Apple Inc. in the U.S. and other countries.
[4] This is valid for 32 bit installers in 32 bit systems and 64 bit installers in 64 bit systems. 32 bit installers in 64 bit systems will install BRAT by default in C:/Program Files (x86)/BRAT-4.1.0/.

There are a number of optional software prerequisites to using BRAT after installation:

- If you plan on using the C interface, you should have a C or C++ compiler installed on your system. The C interface has been verified to work with Microsoft Visual Studio 13 and 15, but it is expected to be compatible without major issues with the same tools that could build BRAT 3.1.0, in the same or higher versions, with the exception of Visual Studio 6 and earlier.

- If you plan on using the Fortran interface, you should have a FORTRAN 77 or Fortran 90 compiler installed on your system.

- If you plan on using the IDL interface, besides installing BRAT 3.1.0 side-by-side with BRAT 4.1.0, you need a recent version of IDL for Windows: The IDL interface has been verified to work with IDL version 6.3 and higher.

- If you plan on using the MATLAB interface you need a recent version of MATLAB for Windows: The MATLAB interface will only work with MATLAB version V8.1/R2013a or higher.

- If you plan on using the Python interface you need to have a version of Python 3.x installed on your Windows system, and it must match the installed BRAT architecture (32 bit or 64 bit). You will then be able to open a console in the sub-directory \examples\python of your installation root and run

  \> python example.py

- If the Python executable is not referenced in your PATH environment variable, you must invoke python with the full path; so, if Python is installed in C:\Python34\, the command will be:

  \> C:\Python34\python example.py

Check example.py and the annex concerning the Python API to find more details about setting up the proper environment for running Python code that interfaces with the BRATHL library.

3.3.2. Installing from source

Generally, installation from source will be necessary if:

- You want to use the MATLAB interface to BRAT for a version that is incompatible with the pre-compiled interface in BRAT.

- You want to use the Fortran interface.

The BRAT source distribution can be found in the file:

brat-4.1.0.tar.gz

After unpacking this archive in a suitable location, instructions for configuring, compiling and installing BRAT for Windows can be found in the top-level file INSTALL.

3.3.3. Uninstalling

Open the 'Add/Remove Programs' or 'Programs and Features' control panel, and select the BRAT-<version>-<architecture> entry. Everything created during installation will then be removed. Files added after installation will remain, for the user to check if they can be safely deleted. Alternatively, choose the 'Uninstall BRAT' menu item from Start > Programs > BRAT<version><architecture> – this will have the same result.

These uninstall methods only work for BRAT installations created through the binary installers. For BRAT installations from source, you will need to remove the various files and directories manually.

3.4. Linux

3.4.1. Installing the binary distribution

BRAT is developed on platforms running the Debian GNU/Linux 7.x operating systems, 32 bit (PAE) and 64 bit. The following dependencies are required for BRAT to run:

- libgeos-c1
- libxerces-c3.1
- libproj0
- libgdal1
- libspatialindex1
- libegl1-mesa
- rsync

Other Linux distributions could work equally well, depending on their compatibility with the Debian 7 distribution. Install the BRAT binary distribution and simply see if it works or not (if it does not, you can always try to compile BRAT from source – see below for details).

The binary distribution contains pre-built versions of the full toolbox as well as all the BRAT documentation, examples, C, Fortran and Python interfaces. Because of inherent library versioning and path issues on the Linux platform, no MATLAB interface is included in the binary installation. If desired, it can be created by compiling from source for your specific installed version of MATLAB. For the IDL interface, BRAT version 3.1.0 should be used.

The BRAT Linux binary installers are found in the files:

brat-4.1.0-i386-installer.run (32 bit)

brat-4.1.0-x86_64-installer.run (64 bit)

In order to install BRAT, double-click on the installer file from a desktop manager window (or execute it from a command-line shell) and follow the instructions. (If you downloaded the installer via a network it may have been given the wrong file permissions and not be recognised by the system as executable. You should run the command 'chmod +x brat-4.1.0-x-installer.run', replacing "x" by "i386" or "x86_64" as appropriate, in order to make it executable.)

By default, BRAT will be installed in $HOME/brat-4.1.0-<architecture>/ (where $HOME stands for the user's home directory and <architecture> is i386 or x86_64). It is also possible to specify a custom install location during the installation process.

After installation, the BRAT Console and GUI applications are immediately ready for use. A shortcut to the BRAT application will have been placed on the desktop. In order to use the Console Applications, open a command-line shell and call the applications directly from their installed location ($HOME/BRAT-4.1.0-<architecture>/bin or else wherever you instructed the installer to install BRAT).

There are a number of optional software prerequisites to using BRAT after installation:

- If you plan on using the C interface, you should have the GNU C or C++ compiler installed on your system. The C interface has been verified to work with GNU C/C++ 4.7.2.

- If you plan on using the Fortran interface, you should have a FORTRAN 77 or Fortran 90 compiler installed on your system. The Fortran interface has been verified to work with GNU Fortran 4.7.2.

- If you plan on using the Python interface you need to have installed a version of Python 3.x matching the installed BRAT architecture (32 bit or 64 bit). You will then be able to open a console in the sub-directory /examples/python of your installation directory and run

```
$ python3 example.py
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3.4.2. Installing from source

Generally, installation from source on Linux will only be necessary if:

- You want to use the MATLAB interface to BRAT.

- You are on a system not compatible with the one used to create the BRAT Linux binary distribution (in which case BRAT will fail to run if installed as a binary).

The BRAT source distribution can be found in the file:

brat-4.1.0.tar.gz

After unpacking this archive in a suitable location, instructions for configuring, compiling and installing BRAT on Linux (or other Unix-based systems) can be found in the top-level file INSTALL.

3.4.3. Uninstalling

In the installation folder (the default one or the one chosen), there is an executable called Uninstall-brat-4.1.0-i386 or Uninstall-brat-4.1.0-x86_64 which can be executed to remove everything created during the installation. Any files created by BRAT or the user after the installation process will remain, so that the user can check if they should kept or can be safely deleted.

There is also a shortcut, called 'Uninstall BRAT-4.1.0-<architecture>', which can be double-clicked from within your desktop manager (if you use the KDE or GNOME desktop environment) to get the same result.

3.5. Mac OS X

3.5.1. Installing the binary distribution

BRAT 4.1.0 is supported on Intel-based systems running Mac OS X versions 10.8 or later (32 and 64 bit kernels).

This binary distribution contains pre-built versions of the full toolbox as well as all the BRAT documentation, examples, C, Fortran and Python interfaces. Because of inherent library versioning issues on the Mac OS Unix-based platform, no MATLAB interface is included in the binary installation. If desired, these can be created by compiling from source for your specific installed version of MATLAB. For the IDL interface, BRAT version 3.1.0 should be used.

The BRAT Mac OS X binary installers can be found in the disk image files:

brat-4.1.0-macosx-i386.dmg (32 bit)

or:

brat-4.1.0-macosx-x86_64.dmg (64 bit)

In order to install BRAT, double-click on the image file to mount and open it. Copy "brat" and "scheduler" applications that are inside the disk image to your Applications folder.

In order to use the Console Applications, open the Terminal application in the MacOS sub-directory of the brat.app application bundle and run the applications directly from there.

To do a full installation, including the several documentation items (README, INSTALL, manuals, etc.), you can copy the mounted installation folder to Applications. This is also recommended if you have other versions installed, or if you plan to use both 32 and 64 bit versions on the same system. Each complete version will then be located in its own folder, properly identified, without overwriting any file previously installed, as would be the case if the separate items were dragged directly into Applications.

After installation, the BRAT Console and GUI applications are immediately ready for use. BRAT can be started by double-clicking the brat.app icon.

There are a number of optional software prerequisites to using BRAT after installation:

- If you plan on using the C interface, you should have the clang compiler installed on your system.
- If you plan on using the Fortran interface, you should have a FORTRAN 77 or Fortran 90 compiler installed on your system. The Fortran interface has been verified to work with GNU Fortran 5.1.0.
- If you plan on using the Python interface you need to have Python 3.x for Mac OS X installed on your system. You will then be able to open a console in the sub-directory /examples/python of the 'brat.app/Contents' folder and run

  $ python3 example.py

  Or, to use 32 bit Python,

  $ arch –i386 python3 example.py

  The Python version that you invoke must match the architecture (32 bit or 64 bit) of the BRAT installation where is located the example you are trying to run.

Check example.py and the annex concerning the Python API to find more details about setting up the proper environment for running Python code that interfaces with the BRATHL library.

3.5.2. Installing from source

Generally, installation from source on Mac OS X will only be necessary if:

- You want to use the MATLAB interface to BRAT.

The BRAT source distribution can be found in the file:

brat-4.1.0.tar.gz

After unpacking this archive in a suitable location, up-to-date instructions for configuring, compiling and installing BRAT on Mac OS X can be found in the top-level file INSTALL.

3.5.3. Uninstalling

To uninstall any version of BRAT, simply move to the trash any items you copied when installing that version.

3.6. The RADS Service

To use BRAT with RADS data, periodically synchronized with the RADS servers, you have to install the RadsService. This service or daemon starts when you login to the operating system, checking at specified time intervals if there is new data in RADS, and downloading it to a predefined location. You can define the period, in days, to check for new data, as well as specific missions, mission's phases, and a storage location to save locally the downloaded files, organized in the same folder tree structure as in their origin.

3.6.1. Installing the RadsService

The RadsService installation is done from inside the BRAT GUI, using the Options dialog, or Preferences dialog in Mac OS X, which you can access in the "Tools" or the "brat" menu. Once in the dialog, click the RADS button to display the "RADS" configuration page. At the top you have the "Install service" button. All other widgets in the page will be disabled when the service is not installed.

3.6.1.1. Required Permissions

Installing a service requires permissions that the user may not have.

In Windows, installing and configuring the service requires running BRAT with administration permissions, otherwise the "RADS" configuration page will be disabled. If this happens, and your account is an administrator account, you should restart BRAT as administrator, by right-clicking the BRAT icon and selecting "Run as administrator". If your account is a standard user account, or without administration privileges, it is recommended to login to Windows as administrator to install and configure the service; you can also try to run BRAT as administrator, but, depending on your operating system version and how it is configured, that may not be enough when logged in as a standard user.

In Mac OS X or Linux BRAT should be started without root privileges. The required permissions, if any, will be asked during the installation procedure. After installing, the daemon can also be configured without any special privileges.

In all systems, please make sure that any TCP traffic from your machine to port 873 on the RADS server is not being blocked by a firewall. This is usually not an issue, but it can happen if your system is accessing RADS behind a more restrictive network configuration.

3.6.1.2. Installation and configuration procedures

After accessing the "RADS" configuration page, click the "Install service" button. A dialog will pop-up showing the user name and asking a password. Do not change the user name and enter the respective password. After that, in Linux, the root password may also be requested to set up the daemon's auto-start settings.

When the installation is complete, a notification is displayed, the button text will change to "Uninstall service", and the "Service Settings" section will be activated. Use the widgets in "Service Settings" to specify the local download directory, the interval in days for data synchronization and the missions whose data you want to receive. The downloaded files will be stored under the "rads" sub-directory of the directory you specified; care should be taken to enter a directory where all the users that will run BRAT in the machine have read/write access.

In the RADS configuration page you can also find the "Start service" and the "Synchronize now" buttons. Using these buttons is optional, the RadsService will operate according to the settings you defined without the need for additional user intervention. However, the "Start service" button can be convenient if you want to start the service immediately after installation, without rebooting your machine, or if you want to start/stop it later for any reason. Also, the "Synchronize now" button will allow you to update the local data before the next scheduled synchronization, or to stop any current download. Note that this will not change the periodic synchronization schedule.

3.6.2. Uninstalling the RadsService

If you installed the RadsService, uninstalling it from the BRAT GUI is required before uninstalling the whole of BRAT. Otherwise you will have to manually uninstall it by using the tools and procedures provided by the respective operating system, which may not be as simple or convenient for most users.

You will need to run BRAT (as administrator, if in Windows, or as usual in the other systems) and, after accessing the "RADS" configuration page, click the "Uninstall service" button. If the service is running, you will have to stop it first. Uninstalling the service will not delete any data previously downloaded. Also, it will not affect any other component of the BRAT toolbox, which can be fully used independently of the RadsService.

4. BRAT GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE (GUI)

4.1. Overview

The BRAT Graphical User Interface (GUI) is a windowed interface to the BRAT Tools. Note that not all tool functions are accessible from the GUI (some options are only available using the command files directly).

The BRAT GUI includes:

- a "Workspace Elements" dock, with 4 tabs:
    - "Datasets"
    - "RADS Datasets"
    - "Filters"
    - "Operations"
- an "Output" dock, with 2 tabs:
    - "Logs"
    - "Processes"
- the main map

You can configure the position of both docks.

BRAT GUI basically creates parameter files (see Section 8, Using BRAT in 'command lines' mode with parameter files), that are stored in the 'Operations' folder of the respective workspace. It also enables to save your preferences and work.

The next section of this manual (4.2, Starting with BRAT GUI) explains the basics of the interface. For more detailed information about all the functionalities, see section 4.3, BRAT GUI tabs description.

4.2. Starting with BRAT GUI

Using BRAT GUI is basically a 3-step process.

You have to:

1. define one or several '**Dataset(s)**': the product data you want to work on (see section 4.2.2);
2. add one or more **Filters:** this step is optional and allows the creation of data filters (for your input datasets) using time or location criteria (see section 4.2.3);
3. create an **Operation** (quick or advanced): configure the data fields you want to visualize and respective process parameters that are used for generating the plots (see section 4.2.4).

The Datasets, RADS Datasets, Filters and Operations tabs are within the 'Workspace Elements' dock. Each tab corresponds to a different function, and to a different step in the process, so you'll have to use fist the 'Datasets' or the 'RADS Datasets' tab, to define the input data, then the 'Filter' tab in case you want to filter inputs, and finally the 'Operations' tab to define a computation over the previously defined inputs, generating a view with the result.

This section gives the main information for a quick-start with BRAT GUI. For more complete information, see the relevant sections within the 4.3, BRAT GUI tabs description.

4.2.1. Create a workspace

When you open BRAT GUI, the software asks for the name and location of the 'Workspace' you will be working in. A 'Workspace' is a way of saving your preferences, computations and generally the work done with BRAT GUI. Some or all elements of a workspace can be imported into another workspace. The

"Workspace" menu (and also the main toolbar) allows the user to create, open, close, save, import, rename or delete a workspace.

It is highly recommended to save your workspace (ctrl+s, or 'save' in the "Workspace" menu) **while working**. You will be asked whether or not you wish to save the workspace when you quit BRAT GUI. Note that if you answer "no" and have not saved anything previously, none of your work can be recalled later.

If there are already one or more valid workspace(s), BRAT GUI recalls the last used Workspace by default.

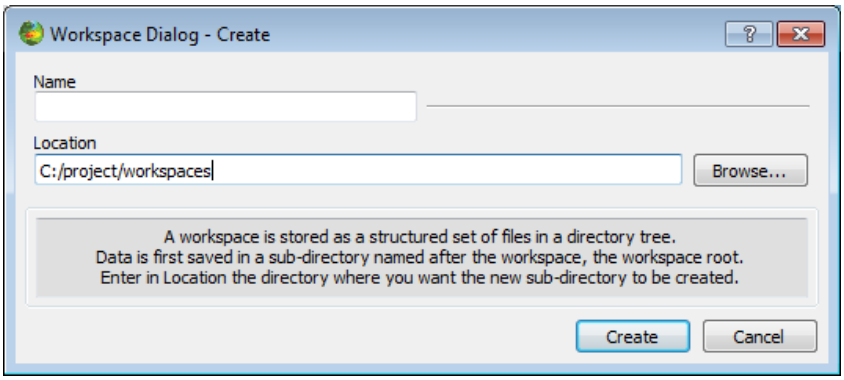

Figure 1: 'Create a new workspace' window. You can choose to save it wherever you want on your hard drive or local network, and name it as you prefer (preferably in such a way you will remember what's in it).

4.2.2. Create a dataset

The first tab opened if you have never used BRAT is '**Datasets**' (otherwise, the default tab is the one that was opened when you left BRAT GUI the last time you used it). This 'Datasets' tab is dedicated to the definition and selection of the data you want to use. You must define **at least one** dataset to be able to further use BRAT.

To create a dataset, click on the '**new**' button in the Datasets tab.

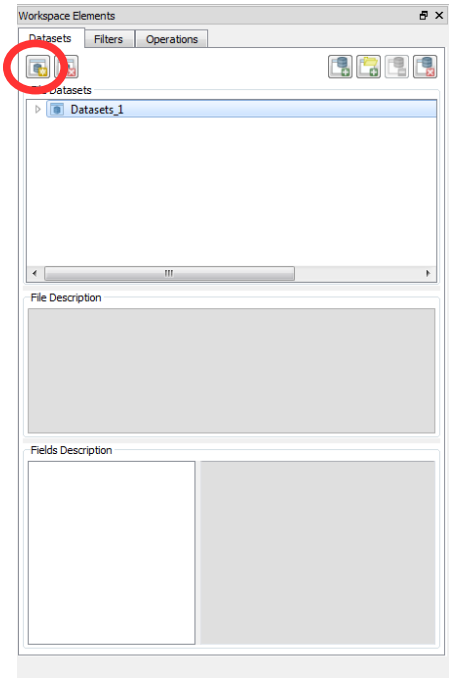

Figure 2: The Dataset tab as it appears when opening a new Workspace. The "New" button enables to create a new dataset.

Default name for a new dataset is 'Dataset_1', with the number incrementing each time you create a dataset. You are strongly encouraged to re-name it, so that you'll remember what's in it when using it later on. To rename it, simply **double-click on dataset name**, type in another one and press the Enter key.

When you have created your dataset and named it, you then have to add one or more data file(s), chosen from your hard drive, CD/DVD driver, local network or other medium. You can do so, by using the '**Add Files**' button. **At least one file is necessary**.

If you wish to add a long list of files, the '**Add Dir**' button allows you to choose all of the files within a folder by simply choosing the directory in which they are stored. Please note that **only the data files recognized by BRAT are added** to the dataset, the remaining files in the folder (with an unknown format) are ignored after raising a warning message.

Only coherent datasets are possible (i.e. same format, same data product). BRAT netCDF outputs can be used, even several of them, provided they have exactly the same variables, with the same names. In the current BRAT release, homogeneity of the Dataset files is performed automatically as the files are added.

Once you have added at least one data file, if you click on one file name in the list, you can see (at the bottom) information about the available fields within the data product, and (for netCDF files) about the file description below. The satellite tracks for the selected data file are also shown on the map at the right.

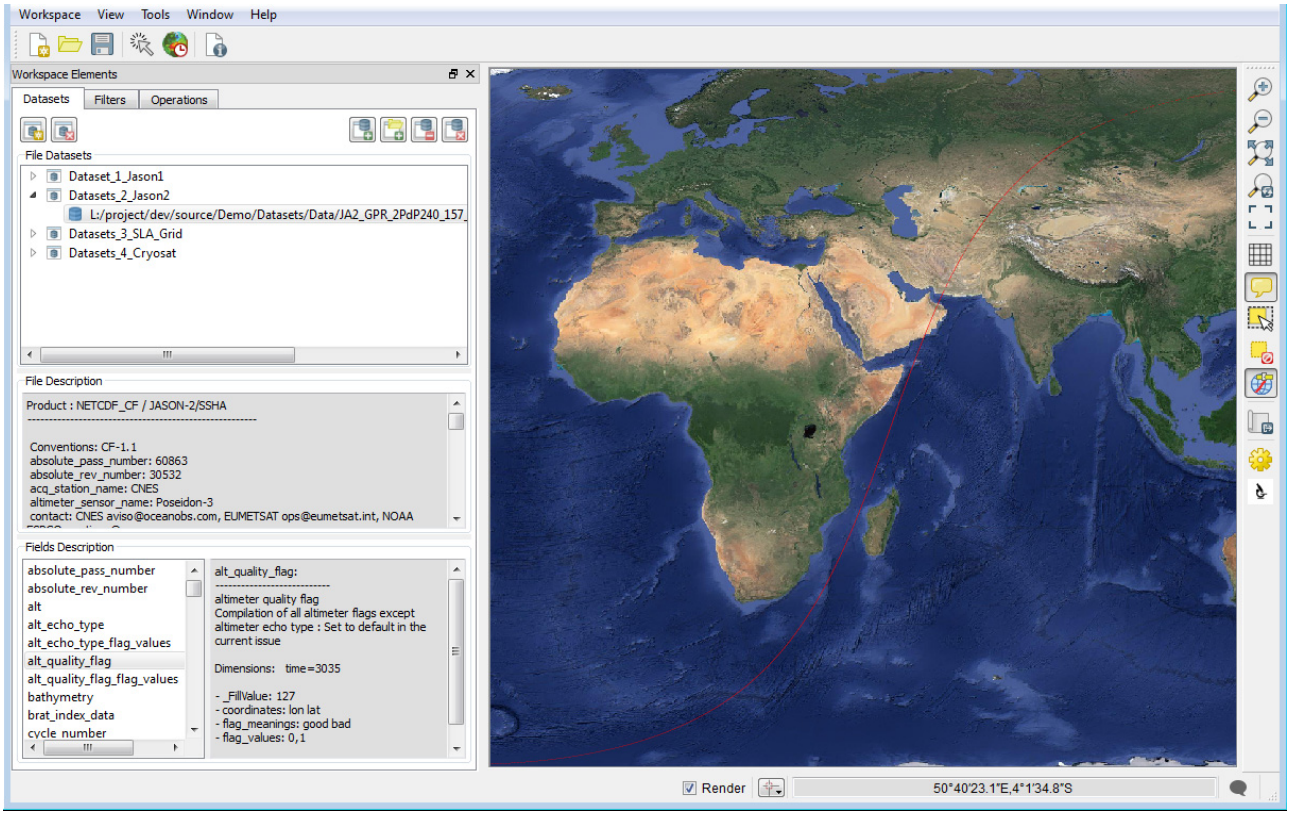

Figure 3: Several datasets. On the top, the list of files; on the centre, the description of the netCDF data file, bottom (left) enumeration of the available fields inside the netCDF file, bottom (right) field description. The satellite tracks for the selected data file are plotted on the map at the right (red line).

4.2.2.1. RADS datasets

A RADS dataset is created like a standard dataset, by using the 'New Dataset' button and naming the new dataset, but you won't be able to select individual files or folders to add data to it. Instead, you select a single mission from the list of missions made available by the RADS server and assign it to the dataset. Each dataset can be associated with only one mission. All files locally downloaded by the RadsService for the respective mission and selected mission's phases will be included in the dataset.

After naming it, the new RADS dataset is created empty, and you select the respective mission and phases from the list of missions displayed by clicking in the drop-down button of the dataset entry in the "Datasets" list.

4.2.3. Create a filter

The filter enables to select only the data relevant for your work, in order not to uselessly process data out of desired area and period (date or cycle and pass). This new feature "Filters" replaces the old '**Define selection criteria'** feature on previous versions of Brat. Note that, besides selecting relevant files, 'Filters' also allow extracting/selecting data from files.

To use this feature, click on "**Create filter**" button to create a new filter. The default name for a new filter is "Filter_1", with the number incrementing each time you create a filter. Then follow the instructions below to define the selection criteria (spatial and/or temporal criteria).

Define spatial criteria ("Where" section):

Click on the "**Selection**" button on the right toolbar and draw a selection layer over the map.

Click on the "**create area**" button to create a new area from the current map selection. The default name for a new area is "UserArea_1", with the number incrementing each time you create an area. You are strongly encouraged to rename it, in order to easy the identification of each area.

Once you have created all the required areas to define the spatial criteria, **select the checkbox of each area** to include it into the filter.

Note that:

- the "**create area**" button is enabled if the selection is valid (i.e. the selection is not completely outside the map limits).
- Case the selection is partially outside the map limits, BRAT creates a truncated area containing only the part within the map limits.
- To duplicate an existing area, select it on the areas list and click on "**create area**" button.
- The areas can be grouped into different regions for easy handling of a long list of areas.

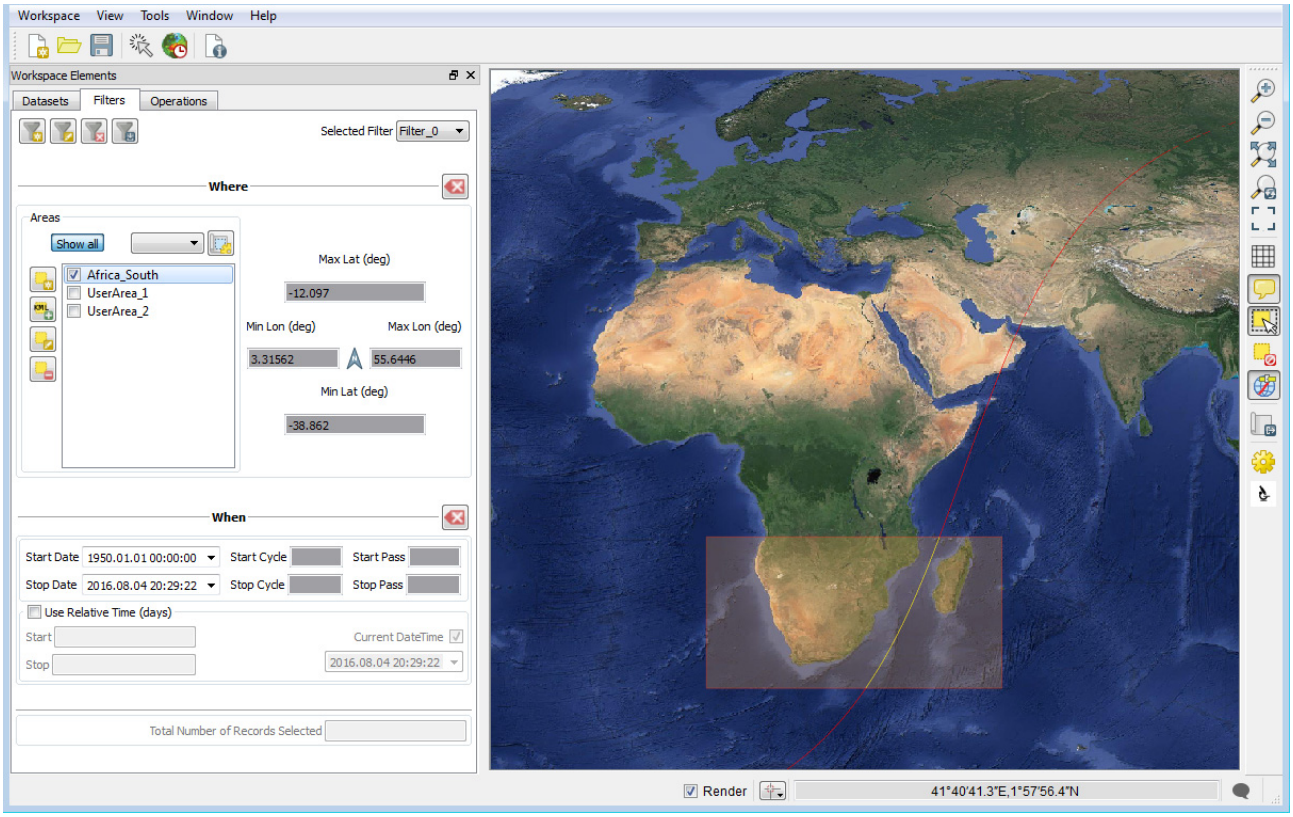

Figure 4: The filters tab. On the right, the "Selection" button enables to draw a selection over the map; on the left, the "Create area" button creates a new area from current map selection.

Define temporal criteria ("When" section):

Edit the information on this section to define the desired time period. You can define the start and stop times using any of the following options:

- Absolute date and time;
- Cycle and Pass of the product mission;
- Relative time in days from a reference date and time.

4.2.4. Create an operation

Once you have defined which data you want to work on (and eventually the filters that will be used for data selection), you have to define which data fields you want to process and visualize. This is done in the 'Operations' tab. You can choose between creating a quick or an advanced operation.

Create a quick operation:

To quickly execute an operation, select a dataset, check a field of interest in the Fields list, and click the Map or Plot buttons to see the result. A new name, that you can change later, will automatically be assigned to the new operation.

Note that you can convert the quick operation into an advanced operation one by duplicating it in "Advanced" mode.

Create an advanced operation:

If none exist, you **have to create an Operation**. Click on the '**create operation**' button.

Default name for a new Operation is 'Operations_1', with the number incrementing each time you create an operation. You are strongly encouraged to re-name it, so that you'll remember what's in it when using it later on. To rename it, simply click on "**Rename operation**" button, type in another one and press the Enter key.

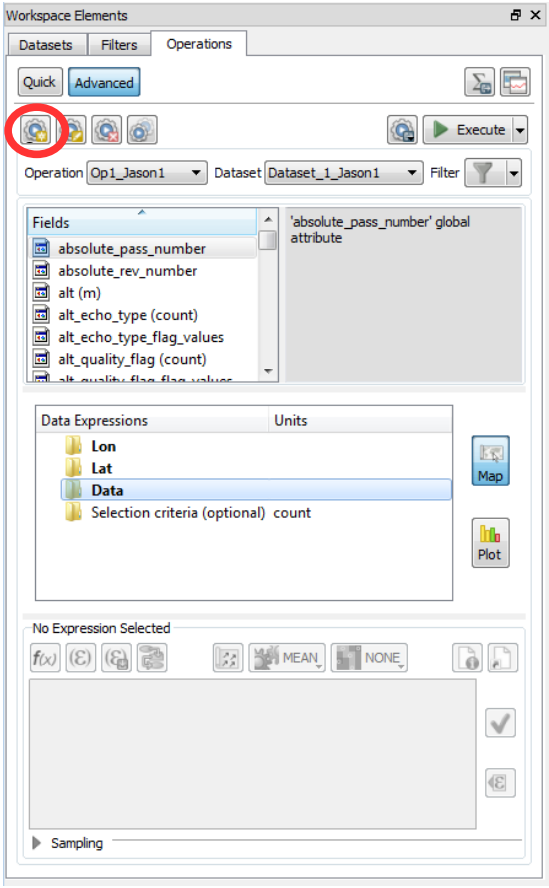

Figure 5: The 'Operations' tab in the advanced mode. The "Create operation" button enables to create a new operation.

Otherwise, you may work with a previously saved operation. The 'Operation' dropdown list contains all the already defined operations within the workspace, which can be selected, renamed, modified, deleted, duplicated, and other options.

4.2.4.1. Select source data

The information about the source data is in the topmost part of the Operations tab.

You first have to choose the dataset you want to work with from the 'Dataset' dropdown list. Then, within this dataset, the whole list of available fields is proposed, organised as a tree. If the data are split in different records, click on the '+' to expand the tree, '-' to flatten it.

The description of each field is given in the top (right) text box information available.

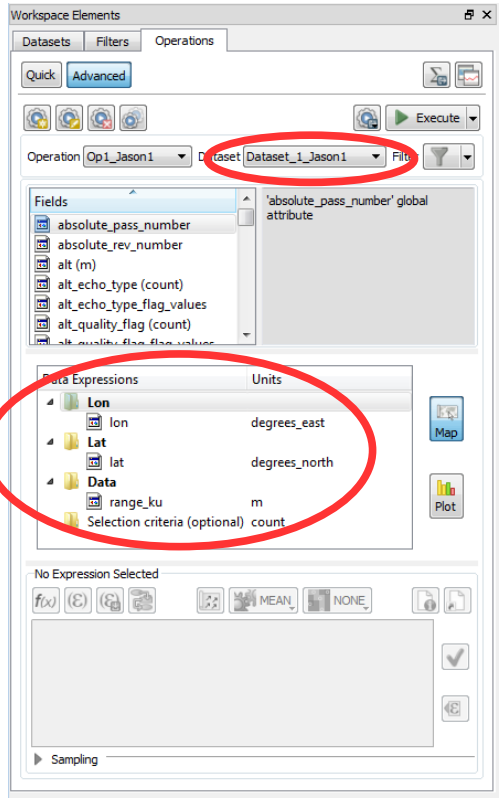

Figure 6: On the top, the dataset dropdown list; below, the tree with records and data fields.

4.2.4.2. Define expressions

4.2.4.2.1. Generalities

An operation consists mainly in the definition of 'Expressions'.

An expression can be simple (one data field), or complex (with the use of arithmetic combinations, functions applied on several fields, etc.).

In the second row box of the 'Operations' tab ('Data expression'), you can see four categories of Expressions:

- 'X'or'Lon' (case 'Plot' or 'Map' option is selected, respectively)
- 'Y'or 'Lat' (case 'Plot' or 'Map' option is selected, respectively)
- Data
- Selection criteria (optional)

At least one expression as 'X', and one as 'Data' must be defined for an Operation to be valid.

These expressions can be filled by several means, the quickest being by **drag & drop**: drag a field from the top (left) list and drop it in either one of those, or in the 'Expression' box (you can also use contextual menus by right-clicking either on the data fields or on the expressions, or use the 'Insert expression' and/or 'Insert field' button, or type in an empty expression the field names and functions you want to apply).

A 'brat_index_data' can be listed within the available data field. This is the index of the data (i.e. Measurement number in the file and/or record) **ordered along the time within a given file**. This means that it is not available for (e.g.) longitude-latitude grids, or for some data where the time is not provided explicitly.

If using this index with several different files in the same dataset, note that **the order of the files as appears within the dataset will be kept** (thus, if the files are not ordered chronologically, the net result will **not** be chronological either).

Note that only **one** expression can be defined as X, and (optionally) one as Y, whereas more than twenty can be defined as Data.

An Expression can be:

- only one field in a dataset (typically, for a map, longitude as X-axis, latitude as Y-axis, and e.g. significant wave height as Data, etc.)
- a combination of fields, either +,-,* and /, or by using the available Functions (see 4.3.3.4.2, Functions).
- a pre-set combination of fields among the ones you will find in the 'Formulas' (see 4.3.3.4.3, Formulas), e.g. SSH computation.

To check if your expression is well formulated, you can click on the '**Check syntax**' (green tick on the right) button (note, however, that this won't provide you with a validation of the relevance of your expression from the point of view of physics).

The '**Show Info**' button provides information about the original units (the ones defined in the data products) and the units used during computation or selection.

The '**Show Aliases**' button provides information about the aliases available for the chosen dataset. Aliases are equivalents that you can use instead of the fields' name.

E.g. a %{swh} alias exists, that works for all GDR data for the Ku-band significant wave height. Note, however, that since not all the fields exists for all the data, you may encounter warnings if you try some aliases on all the altimetry data.

If you want to go back on your work later on, or to save an expression as formula choose the "Save as" option and fill in the requested fields.

4.2.4.2.2. X, Y and data expressions

You can change the name of any X, Y or Data Expression, by double-clicking on their name, or by using the contextual menu available by right-click. This will then be the default name on the plots, on the axis or near to the scale if you have not given a title to your Expression (in the title/comment).

You can change the unit as it appears in the Expression tree area.

BRAT is able to understand all SI units and their sub-units as defined in the International System, i.e. **case sensitive** (e.g. "ms" means milliseconds, whereas "Ms" would mean megaseconds). There are also "count" for data without dimension, and "dB" (see section 4.3.3.4.1, Units).If you let "count" (which is the default) as unit, the resulting data will be in the basic SI unit (e.g. in metres, even if the field you used was defined in mm). **Note that you have to validate your change of unit by typing "enter" or clicking on the box below**.

If you choose a pre-saved formula, a default unit will appear as the unit. If you select one field in the dataset list and insert it, it will automatically be filled with the correct unit (but if you finally write your own formula, beware that the final unit might be different). If the unit you defined does not fit the unit of the data as defined, an error message will be generated (again, this does not work for complex expressions).

On any X, Y or Data Expression, you can apply 'data computation' (see 4.3.3.4.5, Data computation), to:

- compute statistics **at each point** (same X, optionally same Y): MEAN, STDDEV (standard deviation), COUNT.
- do some arithmetic operations **between files** within a dataset: adding, subtracting or multiplying: SUM, SUBTRACTION, PRODUCT)
- it can also be used for the display (MEAN, FIRST, LAST, MIN, MAX), if you prefer to visualise, for instance, the last value rather than the mean one.

Note that to compute the statistics for the Data Expressions as a whole (Number of valid data, Mean, Standard deviation, Minimum, Maximum), you can use the '**Compute Statistics**' (capital epsilon on the top right) button.

There are two main kinds of Operations:

- one – or several – Data expression(s) with respect to another one (X), leading to a "curve" plot
- or one – or more – Data expression(s) with respect to two others, leading to a "map" plot or 3D plot.

In the first case, you'll fill only the "X" expression; in the second, you'll fill both X and Y expressions. Note that X and Y can be Longitude and Latitude, but can also be any other two fields or combination of fields within the dataset.

If you fill both X and Y, you have to define a resolution (or sampling). For Longitude, Latitude a default resolution (1/3 of a degree for both axis), minimum and maximum are proposed. For other X and/or Y, a step of 1 is proposed, but no minimum and maximum. You can define a step, minimum and maximum values, or use the minimum and maximum value of your expression by clicking on the 'Get min/max expression values' button in the 'Sampling' section (on the bottom). The number of intervals is automatically computed from those elements, and cannot be directly changed.

Note that

- you cannot choose different resolutions for different data expressions within the same operation (they all share the same X and Y!).
- by choosing a step, you may sub-sample your source data.
- Changing the Min/Max can be used to extract a smaller X-Y area (as well as the selection criteria).
- And, of course, the smaller the steps, the higher the computation time! (and the heavier the output file)

You can also choose to smooth and/or extrapolate the data by means of a Loess filter so as to obtain a fully coloured plot (and not individual tracks or points on a map). In that case, you will have to fill in the corresponding information for X and Y, too (see section 4.3.3.4.7, Smoothing).

4.2.4.2.3. Selection criteria expression

The Selection criteria expression is used to select data e.g. by date and/or boundaries, etc. and/or for editing it using flag values, thresholds, etc. Logical, relational functions can be used, separated by && ('and'), || ('or') or with ! ('not'). Only the data fulfilling the whole set of conditions, and not equal to default values, are selected.

The Selection criteria expression can be filled the same way than X, Y and Data expression. There can be only one Selection criteria expression. It is optional; when it is filled the 'Selection criteria' title is bold.

All the fields or combination of fields of the source data can be used. To use a combination of fields, it can be clearer to use a formula (see section 4.3.3.4.3, Formulas).

Note that the selection criteria expression is working only with the basic SI units (i.e. when defining thresholds, you have to put values in e.g. meters, even if the data source field is in mm).

4.2.4.3. Output

To process the defined operation on the whole selected dataset, you have to click on the '**Execute**', button. The Logs tab then opens (see section 4.3.5, Logs tab), and you can see the current task(s) being executed (both operations and views), comments during execution (verbose mode) and errors.

The "Delay Execution" button enables to launch the Operation or an export (see next section) at a scheduled time. The "Launch scheduler" button launch the scheduler, which have to be running in order to have the task executed (NB. the Brat scheduler interface icon gives access to the same interface – see chapter 7 for more details).

Executing an operation builds an output netCDF. The name of this netCDF file is predefined using the name you gave to your operation, and cannot be changed within the GUI. It is stored in the Operation folder within your workspace.

BRAT output netCDF files can be used as source data in a new dataset, seen though the BRAT Display tool, or used with any other tool reading netCDF.

4.2.4.4. Export

You can choose to export the output data by clicking on the 'Export' button. Several formats are available:

- NetCDF (the same than the automatic one, but you can choose where you want it, and how it is named);
- Ascii - The Ascii export can also be seen (once saved) through a built-in text viewer ('Edit Ascii export' button);
- GeoTiff (if the axis of the operation are longitude and latitude), which also provides a Google Earth KML export format.

The KML/KMZ file contains the following information:

- The GeoTiff image overlaid,
- Along track points coloured as the GeoTiff. In the description of each point you will find:
  - Latitude and Longitude information
  - The Data variable chosen to be exported. In case the data exported is a distance measurement, the different along track points would be also placed with the elevation of the exported data. (Only one variable can be exported each time. If there are more variables placed on the Data folder, the export will not work).
  - Acquisition time, dataset/filetype information.
  - Colour bar relating the values of the variable exported and the corresponding colour.
  - Brat logo overlaid.

4.2.5. Create a view

When you have executed your operation, you may want to have a look at the results in a graphical way. This is usually automatic, after having computed a certain operation. If you want to view a certain operation you had previously computed, you can do so by accessing "**Window>Workspace Views**" or "**Tools>Operation Views**" menu, which opens all views of current workspace or operation, respectively. In this way, you will not have to recompute every operation you may want to view. The option at "**Window>List**" list all view windows that are opened or active.

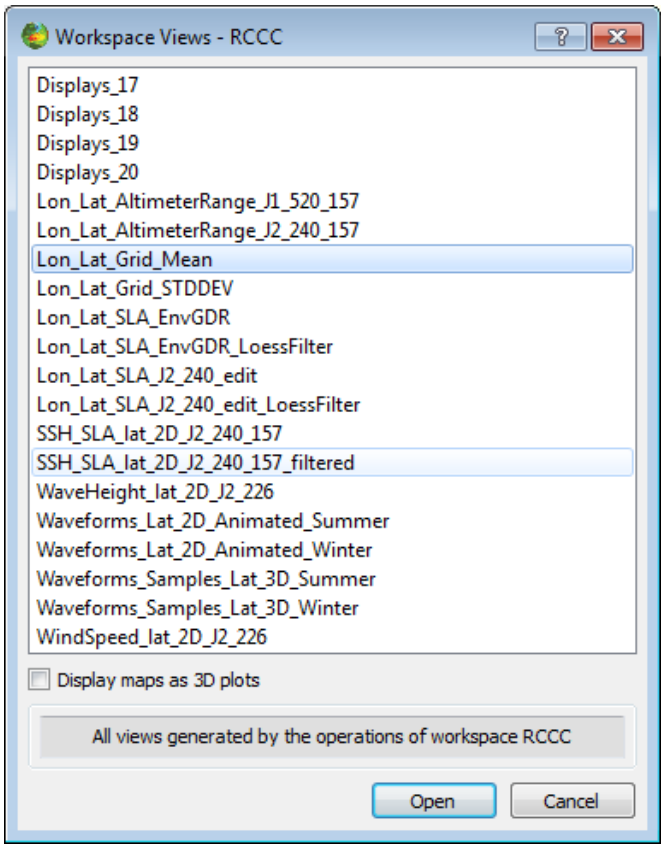

Figure 7: Dialog shown when "Window>Workspace views" menu is triggered that allows the selection and visualization of a certain operations

In the current version of Brat you can only visualize data expression(s) from the same Operation previously computed. Therefore it will only make sense to visualize data from a given Operation. You can select the operation you want to visualize in the "**Operation"** drop-down menu.

The type of available display data has three main categories:

- Y=F(X), which are basically curve plots
- Z=F(X,Y), which are the representation of a value (in colours/contours) with respect to two others
- Z=F(Lon,Lat), i.e. maps

Different view types, will generate different view windows.

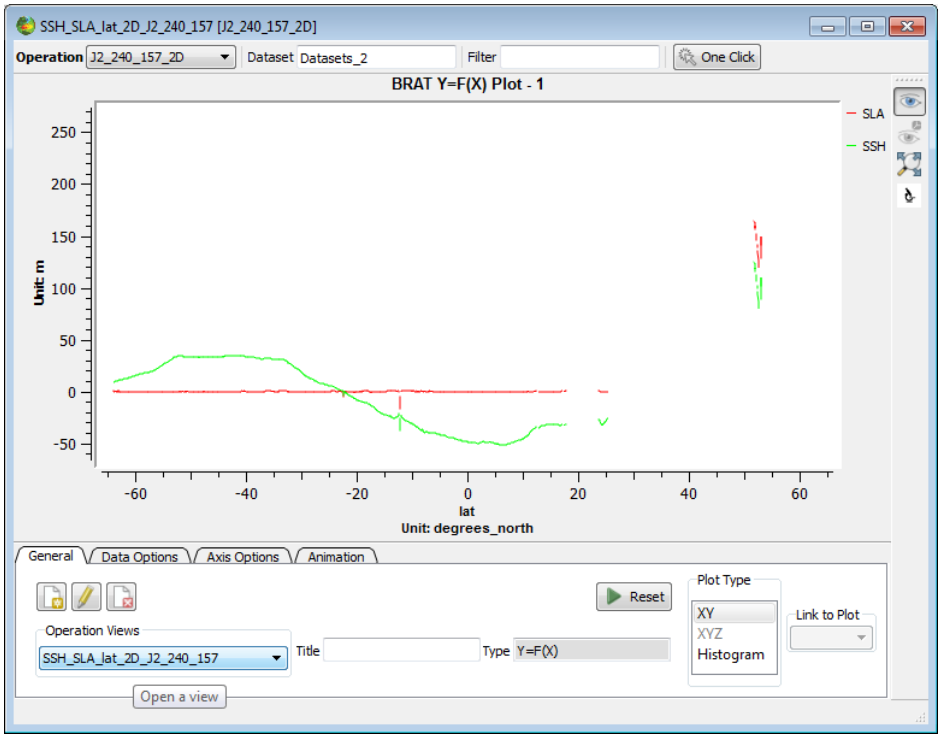

Figure 8: A 'Display' window with one view created. Note the list of available views

Notice that all the data expressions/fields are already made available for you to use under the "Data Options" tab. Here you can customize how to view your data or which data expressions to render.

You can select more than one data expression to be displayed. To handle animated plots configuration change the settings under "Animation" tab. All plot properties are to be changed within the visualisation window (see visualization interface).

4.2.5.1. Export

A view can be exported into an image file, either by using the appropriate toolbar button of the view window, or directly from the command line without the need to start a BRAT GUI session. In fact, the BRAT executable can be called with this purpose as a command line utility, by direct invocation in a prompt or by using a script.

For this to be achieved, open a terminal and make cd to the directory where BRAT is installed. Then, call BRAT as in the following example, taken from a Unix console:

./brat /home/brat/s3-altb/project/user-data/workspaces/RCCC WaveHeight_lat_2D_J2_226 /home/brat/images/WaveHeight_lat_2D_J2_226-3D.jpg 3

The first argument is the path to the root directory of the workspace that contains the operation.

The second argument is the name of the display (view) you wish to export as image.

The third argument is the path of the file to export the image to, including the file extension (which will be used by BRAT to infer the intended image format).

An optional fourth argument can be specified to require a 3D image, if supported by the operation. When used, this fourth argument should always be the number 3.

4.3. BRAT GUI tabs description

4.3.1. Workspace menu

A 'workspace' is a way of saving your preferences, computations and generally the work done with BRAT.

A workspace contains definitions of:

- **Datasets**, that define the collections of files of the same kind you want to use,
- **Operations**, for reading and/or processing and/or selecting data within a dataset. An operation produces an intermediate file (netCDF) and a parameter file. Alternatively, data can be exported, in netCDF, Ascii or GeoTiff and KML.
- **Formulas**, to enable you to use pre-defined combinations of data fields or to define them yourself and re-use them later.
- **Views**, that plot results of one or more operations

All these are stored within a folder named from the workspace, with a sub-folder for each part: Datasets, Displays, Formulas and Operations. Displays and Operations folders include parameter files (.par), which define the Views and Operations done, and the latter also include the netCDF intermediate files produced by the tool.

Workspace folders can be copied and exchanged. Results saved within a workspace can be accessed even if the source data are not available (but warning messages will be emitted when opening the workspace if some source data are not available).

Workspaces in BRAT GUI are managed by the menu the further to the left. It contains the following items:

- '**New**': creates a new workspace
- '**Open**': opens a previously saved workspace
- '**Save**': (or ctrl+s) saves the current workspace and all its datasets, operations, formulas and views
- '**Import**': imports a previously saved workspace within the current one (Datasets, Operations, Formulas and/or Views). Formulas can be imported separately, but otherwise, Views need the Operations and Operations need Datasets, so that you can't import Views without Operations and Datasets, nor Operations without Datasets.
- '**Rename**': renames the current workspace (note that it is not a copy, but a change of name)
- '**Delete**': deletes the current workspace
- '**Recent workspaces**': lists the 2 most recently used workspaces

4.3.2. Datasets tab

This tab is dedicated to the choice of the source data product files.

In this tab window:

- The selected files' names are on the left; as well as the tools to select them.
- The bottom display lists all fields defined for this kind of data and, in the middle there is a more detailed description of the selected field (extracted from the data dictionary).

You may define as many datasets as you wish.

Note that if you want the same operation to be applied to several files separately, you will have to define several datasets, or use the parameter files directly with a script (see section 8.3).

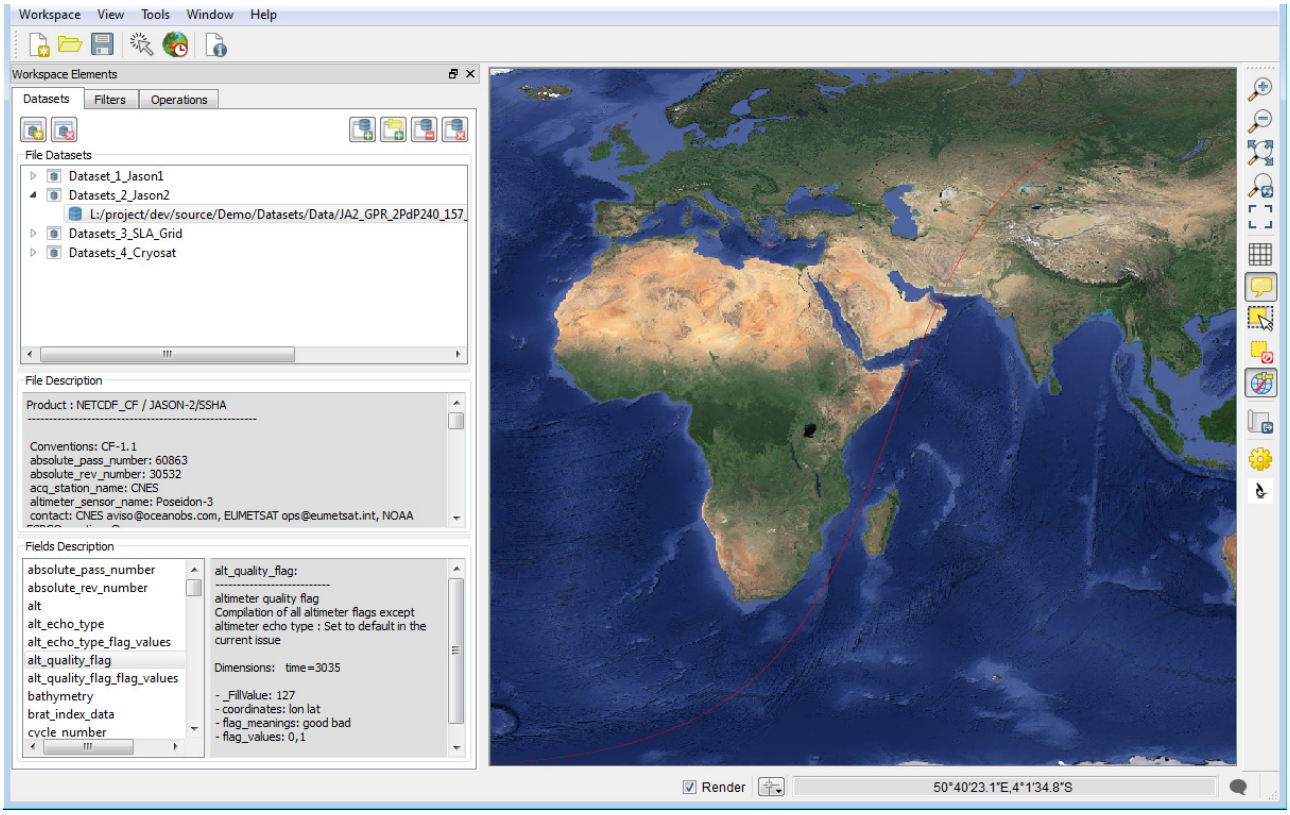

Figure 9: Example of dataset with netCDF data selected.

4.3.2.1. Creation of a dataset

The 'Dataset Name' is available in the "File Datasets" text box. This list contains all the defined dataset names and allows you to select and rename a dataset. You have to give the dataset a name (with no spaces or special characters in the name).

- If you change the name within "File Datasets" text box, and press the Enter key it renames your dataset.
- The 'New Dataset' button creates a new dataset, with a name like 'Datasets_2'
- The 'Delete...' button enables to delete an existing dataset, if your dataset is not used in an Operation.

4.3.2.2. Management of the data files list

The '**File Datasets** textbox list is organized as a tree like structure that will list all the Datasets included in the current workspace and, when expanded, a certain dataset will list all the files of the dataset. Note that only coherent datasets are possible (i.e. same format, same data product).

- The 'Clear' button will remove the whole list included in selected dataset.
- You can delete the selected file by using the 'Remove...' button.

File names don't have to be the original ones. However, files within a dataset have to be of the same data product (no mixing of e.g. Envisat and Jason-1 GDR data).

- The 'Add files...' button (at the top right of the window) enables you to select those data files you wish to work on.
- If there are a lot of files, you should preferably select a whole folder by clicking on 'Add Dir...', or proceed in several steps. Otherwise, some files names could be truncated, thus leading to an error.

4.3.2.3. Data file information

On the middle left part of the Datasets tab, you can see information about the fields within the source data product.

Among the listed dataset properties, the following are available:

- 'Full name': the fully described name in the file structure hierarchy and related to the record.
- 'Name': the short field name
- 'Unit': the unit of the field
- 'Dim': Dimension of the field (number of values in arrays, if the data is stored in an array)

Under the list there is the '**Fields description**' box with a detailed description of the currently selected field (as extracted from the data dictionary)

Left, under the file list is a '**File description**' box, which give the information about the file for netCDF products.

4.3.3. RADS Datasets tab

Apart from its creation, detailed in 4.2.2.1, the RADS dataset concept in BRAT is similar to the concept of the standard datasets in the 'Datasets' tab. This similarity is reflected also in the two dataset tabs. But, because no individual files or folders can be associated with a RADS dataset, this tab does not present the buttons to manage files and folders.

With the exception of these buttons, and of the behaviour of the button to create new datasets, both tabs present the same widgets, in the same places, with the same functions. The only remarkable differences are that no satellite tracks will be displayed when a RADS dataset is selected (otherwise the map would be covered for the most part with superimposed, indistinguishable satellite tracks, which besides inefficient would not be helpful), and that the product description showed in the 'RADS Datasets' tab is the common description of all files of the respective dataset's mission, not of a single file.

4.3.4. Filters tab

For filtering data files, you can use the Filters tab. When you apply a certain filter to an operation, you will filter out all data that do not match the filtering criteria. A filter is a set of spatial (areas) and/or temporal criteria (absolute or relative time or cycle and pass constraints). The top four buttons allow you to perform basic Filters operations, namely:

- Create a new filter by pressing the "**Create Filter**" button.
- Rename an existing filter by pressing the "**Rename Filter**" button.
- Delete an existing filter by pressing the "**Delete Filter**" button.
- Saving an existing filter by pressing the "**Save Filter**" button.

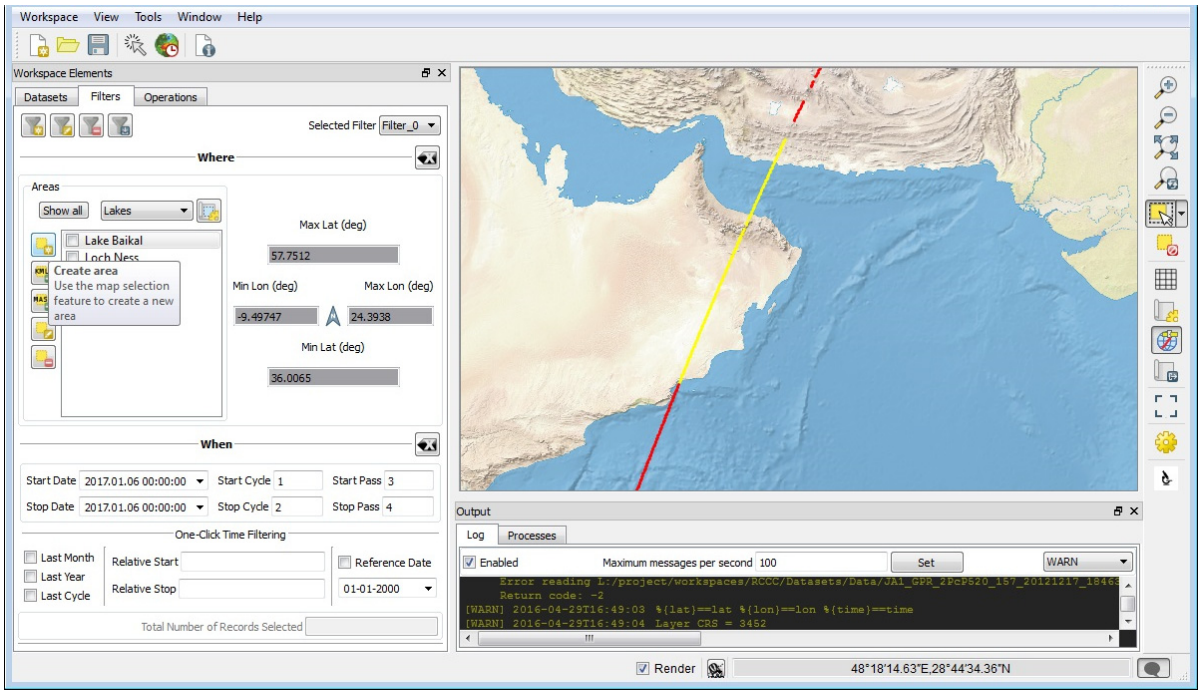

Figure 10: Filters tab showing applied filter

To define which areas this filter will contain, you must select/unselect the checkbox of each one. Areas can be organised into regions – regions are mainly area containers and only exist to provide the user with better areas handling (i.e. the lake region contains only lake areas). To edit the region settings, click under "**Region Settings**" button and a new dialog entitled "Region Settings..." should pop-up. There are three buttons available for use:

- **"Create a Region"** - creates a new region
- **"Rename a Region" –** renames the current region
- "**Delete a Region"** – deletes the current region

The purpose of this Dialog is simply to create a new region – the user can do this simply by selecting the areas to be included in the current (new) region and simply click "close" when the current region is defined.

The list of all available regions is listed within the drop-down menu by the right of the "show all" button. By the right there is a display that shows the bounding area for each area within the selected region. The "**Show All**" button simply lists all the available areas and the user should select only the ones that are to be included into the current filter. There are several ways to define a new area:

- One can simply select a new area by first using the "**Selection**" button at the toolbar at the right side of BRAT and then clicking on the "**Create Area**" button on the left side of the Filters tab, and the newly created area will represent the selected area created with the "**Selection Tool**".
- From a KML file using the "**Add Area from KML file**" button.

The user can also rename a selected area by clicking on the "**Rename Area**" button. In a similar way, the user can also delete an area by clicking under the "**Delete Area**" button. Another filtering option is the Start Date/Stop Date – this will only keep the dataset files whose time range is contained within the range [Start Date, Stop Date]. Other filtering option is the Start/Stop Cycle and Pass that should only keep the dataset files who's Cycle and Pass is contained in the range [Start Cycle, Stop Cycle]. The relative Start/Stop dates works in a similar manner.

4.3.5. Operations tab

This tab is dedicated to the definition of what kind of computation(s) and/or selection(s) you want to apply on the data.

Building an operation in fact creates a 'parameter' files (.par), which keeps all the information and which is stored in the Workspace Operations folder. Executing an operation use either the BRATCreateYFX or the BRATCreateZFXY programme on this parameter file to generate the output of the operation. The whole process can however be done completely through the GUI.

In this Operations tab window:

- The management of the operations is at the top.
- The data source (datasets and fields available within) are on the left.
- The middle part shows the different Expressions within the current Operation
- The bottom part shows the content of the selected Expression.

You may define as many Operations as you wish.

Note that an Operation must contains at least one X expression, and one Data expression.

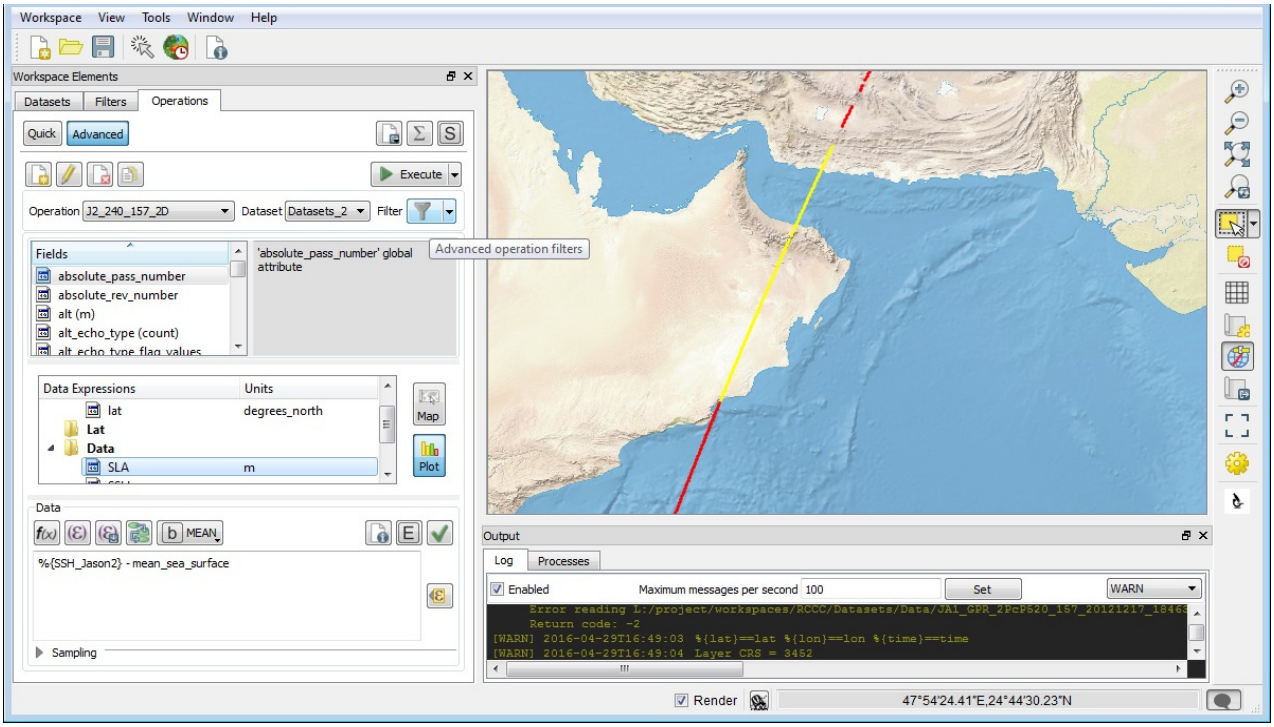

Figure 11: Operations tab, with an operation being built. Left the dataset chosen is called 'test_dataset', with Jason-2 data product; in the middle the list of fields within the J2 record being expanded. In the middle, only one Expression is defined yet ('lat' as X).

4.3.5.1. Manage Operations

Several functions are meant to 'manage' the operations.

- The ' operations' dropdown list contains all the defined operation names. To rename a certain operation you should use the "**Rename Operation**" button and allows you to select and rename an operation. When renaming an operation, take care that it does not copy it, but it replaces the old one.

- The **'Create a new operation'** button is used to create a new operation, with a name like 'Operations_2'

- The '**Duplicate selected operation**' button enables you to copy an existing operation, and modify it (e.g. change the dataset for another one with the same kind of data at another date, change the selection criteria, etc.).
- The '**Delete selected operation**' button enables to delete an existing operation, if none of your operation's expression is used in a View.
- The 'Execute' button executes the active operation.
- The 'Export' button enables to save the BRAT GUI output on either another format (Ascii, GeoTiff and KML) or in netCDF, and under another name wherever you prefer it.
- The 'Delay execution' feature is not implemented yet.
- The '**Launch scheduler**' button is not yet implemented in the current release.
- The '**Generate Statistics and save result in file**' button gives the global statistics for each Data expression. You can thus retrieve:
    - Number of valid data,
    - Mean,
    - Standard deviation,
    - Minimum,
    - Maximum,

If you want to apply the same operation to different datasets, and be able to compare their outputs, you will have to re-create it as many times as needed, using the '**Duplicate selected operation**' button. You can also use the parameter file directly with a script (see section 8.3, Using the parameter files to process many datasets). Or, you can export the data in netCDF for future use (otherwise, the output file will be replaced by the new one).

4.3.5.2. Define source data

- '**Datasets**' box lists the names of the datasets available within this workspace: you have to select one of them
- '**Fields**' box shows the list of all fields available within the selected dataset, organised as a tree.

  Right-click provides a contextual menu, with 'sort ascending' and 'sort descending' at the bottom, to sort the data field names in alphabetical order (or reverse).

  To know some information about one field, hover the mouse pointer over it, and a tooltip will appear.

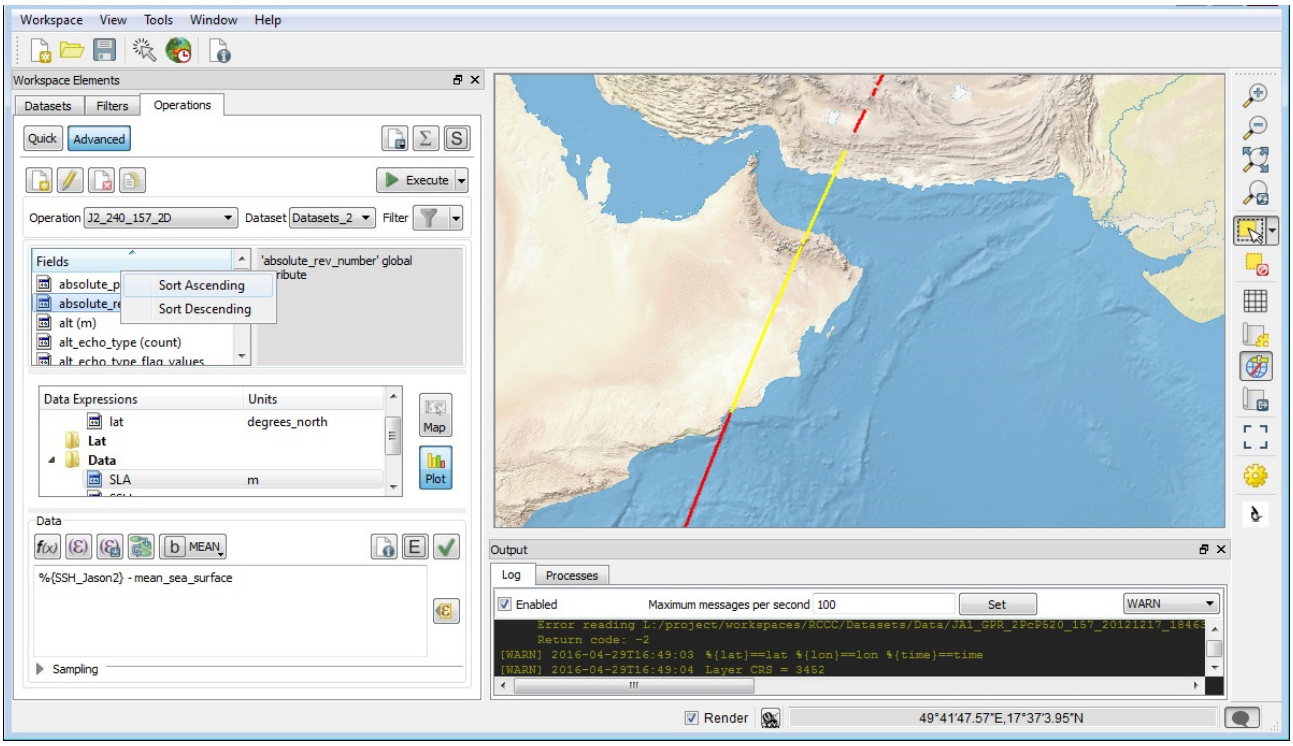

Figure 12: Operations tab.

4.3.5.3. Define expressions

In the middle of the Operations tab is the tree with the expressions, including the selection applied. You have four kinds of expressions:

- '**X**': as axis (the data will be organised relative to the values within this field); only one X expression is possible, and one is necessary.
- '**Y (optional)**': to be used as second axis (e.g. X=longitude, Y=latitude); only one Y expression is possible
- '**Data**': at least one Data expression is necessary, but you can add up to twenty of them.
- '**Selection criteria**' (optional; the title is bold when it is filled): it enables to select data e.g. by date and/or boundaries, etc. and/or for editing it using flag values, thresholds, etc. Logical, relational functions can be used, separated by && ('and'), || ('or') or with ! ('not'). All the fields, or combination of fields of the source data can be used. To use a combination of fields, it can be clearer to use a formula. Note that the selection criteria expression is working only with the basic SI units (i.e. when defining thresholds, you have to put values in e.g. meters, even if the data source field is in mm).

X and Y are used as axis: BRAT will read the source data and extract, for each X (optionally Y), the corresponding value of each Data expression fulfilling the conditions defined as 'selection criteria'.

All expressions can be filled the same ways.

The expressions can be filled by several means:

- The quickest is by **drag & drop**: drag a field from the leftmost list and drop it in either one of those, or in the 'Expression' box;

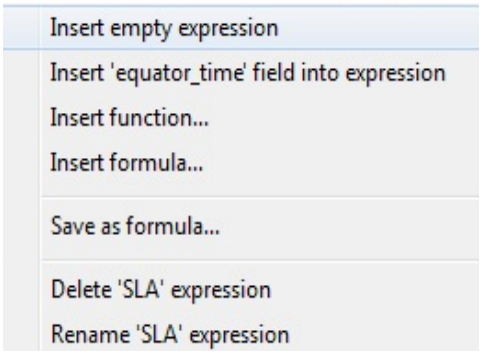

Figure 13: Example of menu that appears by right-click on a data expression ('SLA'). Note that here one data field ('equator_time') is selected (left-click); if no data field is selected, this item is inactive.

'Insert empty expression' will add a new expression (in 'Data'), or replace the active expression by an empty one (in X and Y). 'Insert (field) into expression' add the selected data field (if any) in the active expression. 'Insert function' enable to use the list of mathematical and logical functions, and 'Insert formula' insert one of the predefined expressions saved.

'Sort' enable to sort all the expressions (if there's more than one) by their name in either ascending or descending (alphabetical) order.

- or use the '**Insert field**' button (which will insert the selected data field in the active expression).
- or you can always use the '**Insert expression**' (which will insert an empty expression, to be filled by one or several combined fields) and type in an empty expression the field names and functions you want to apply, using your keyboard

Since you can do more than insert one field, a set of functions is available, as well as

- The '**Insert Function**' button opens the pop-up window with the list of available functions (see section 4.3.3.4.2, Functions) for the complete list and specifications)
- The '**Insert Formula**' button opens the pop-up window with the list of available formulas. A set of those is pre-defined (see section Formulas); more can be saved using '**Save as Formula**' button and re-used, in the same Workspace or imported in another one
- The '**Insert Algorithm**' button opens the pop-up window with the list of available algorithms (see section Algorithms) for the complete list and specifications)
- '**Delete expression**' button enables to delete an expression (the Delete key on your keyboard has also the same effect). Remember, however, that you have to have an X and a Data expression defined.

4.3.5.4. Expression information and parameters

When an expression is selected, several parameters can be filled/used.

- '**Unit**' of the expression: this text field is filled whenever you define a data field as expression, or use a predefined formula. Default is 'count' (meaning, without unit). See section 4.3.3.4.1, Units below for details about the units you can use. The unit of the Selection criteria expression is always 'count, by default', since it is a logical expression)

- The '**Type of the expression**' dropdown list is mainly of use for longitude, latitude and time as X and Y, and help manage specific needs for those types of data. Most of the time it should be automatically filled. If a discrepancy is detected, an error can be issued in the Logs tab.

- The '**Expression**' box: this where the expression itself is defined
- 'Data Computation' rolling list
- 'Check Syntax' button
- '**Show info**' button.

- 'Show aliases' button

  Aliases have been added within BRAT to take into account the fact that the equivalent fields are not named similarly for all the datasets (names following the User documentation made by the data provider). The equivalent fields have been defined with the same alias(es) for all the altimetry data. If a given field is not available within the current dataset, a warning will be issued.

  Note that there may be several aliases for a same field, in order to speed the typing (e.g. %{mss}), or be more self-explaining (e.g. %{mean_sea_surface}).

  An alias can be a field or a combination of fields. They are stored in an "aliases.xml" file that can be edited (in brat program folder, data/ sub-folder). In the same folder, the aliases.xsd.html file gives the rules to define new aliases and/or modify the existing ones.

  See section Aliases for more information.

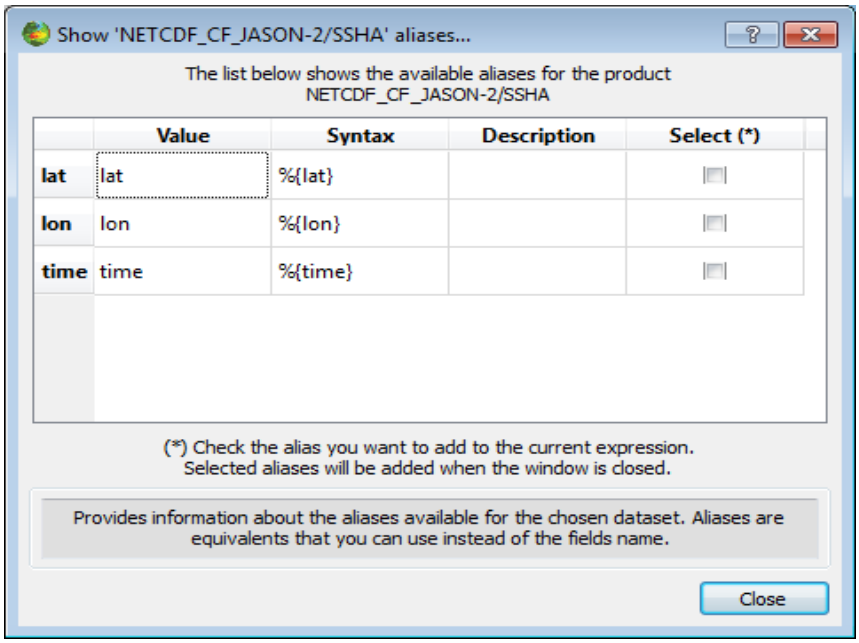

Figure 14: ''Show Aliases' pop-up window. Here for a Jason2 NetCDF file. Note the 'Syntax' column, where the alias syntax is given, while the 'Value' column gives the original field name (or combination).

If you are in an expression (X, Y or Data expression, or Selection criteria) you can insert one or several alias(es) in your expression by checking the box(es) in the 'Select' rightmost column. If no expression is selected, this column won't appear.

- 'Title/Comment' button

This feature is not available in current BRAT version.

- '**Resolution and filter information**' and '**Set Resolution / Filter**' feature from the older Brat is now available at 'Sampling' section and 'Smoothing' button, respectively.

4.3.5.4.1. Units

BRAT is able to understand all SI units and their sub-units, as defined in the International System, i.e. case sensitive: "ms" means milliseconds, whereas "Ms" would mean megaseconds), plus "count" for data without dimension, and "dB".

Typically, the units you might use are:

- metres (m, mm, cm, km,...)
- seconds (s, ms, etc., but also hours, h, days)

- m/s (km/s,...)
- degrees East (longitude)
- degrees North (latitude)
- degrees
- count
- dB

Note that all data fields are converted in SI units in the data dictionary.

Thus practical units such as "TECU" are converted (1 TECU (Total Electron Content Unit) = 1 × 1016 electrons/m²).

If you let "count" (which is the default) as unit, the resulting data will be in the basic SI unit (e.g. in metres, even if the field(s) you used was defined in mm)

Every Operation is computed using SI units even if a sub-unit is defined for the data source and for the Expression (e.g. metres instead of cm, mm or km). Thus you can put 'km' as unit even if the data source field is defined in mm and still end up with correct values.

4.3.5.4.2. Functions

The '**insert function**' button provides a simple way of including (and knowing) the available functions and constants which can be used in expressions. The functions are organised by categories, but you can have a look at all of them. For each function, if selected, you will see a short explanation of what it does.

You can use those functions for, among others:

- compute geostrophic velocities modulus : sqrt(sqr(U) + sqr(V))
- a test on a flag: Surface_type == 0 will return only the 'open ocean' flagged Jason-1 GDR data
- boundaries: is_bounded(-130, alt_cog_ellip-ku_band_ocean_range ,100) (or: (alt_cog_ellip-ku_band_ocean_range >= -130) && (alt_cog_ellip-ku_band_ocean_range <= 100)) select only the data for which the uncorrected altimetric distance is between -130 and +100 metres

They are available for processing or selecting a data expression.

Basics functions (not listed below) are +, -, *, /, and (and); you can also use '^' to indicate a number to the power of another number (or data field or data expression) e.g. '10^-6' means '10-6'. Use the keyboard to insert them.

Table 3: BRAT functions

Name	Description	Syntax	Type
!	logical negation operator NOT The logical negation operator (!) reverses the meaning of its operand. The result is *true* if the converted operand is false; the result is *false* if the converted operand is true.	! expr1	Logical
!=	not-equal-to operator The not-equal-to operator (!=) returns *true* if the operands do not have the same value; otherwise, it returns *false* A != B is true (when no default in A or B) if abs(A-B) >= epsilon	expr1 != expr2	Relational
&&	**logical AND operator** The logical AND operator (&&) returns the boolean value *true* if both operands are *true* and returns *false* otherwise. Logical AND has left associativity.	expr1 && expr2	Logical
||	logical OR operator The logical OR operator (||) returns the boolean value *true* if either one operand is true or both operands are true and returns *false* otherwise.	expr1 || expr2	Logical

Name	Description	Syntax	Type
	Logical OR has left associativity		
<	**less than** It yields values of the Boolean type. The value returned is false (0) if the relationship in the expression is false; otherwise, the value returned is *true* (1).	arithmetic expr1 <arithmetic expr2	Logical
<=	**less than or equal to** It yields values of the Boolean type. The value returned is false (0) if the relationship in the expression is false; otherwise, the value returned is *true* (1).	arithmetic expr1 <= arithmetic expr2	Logical
==	equal-to operator A == B is true (when there is no default in A or B) if abs(A-B) < epsilon The equal-to operator returns true (1) if both operands have the same value; otherwise, it returns *false* (0).	==	Relational
>	**greater than** It yields values of the Boolean type. The value returned is false (0) if the relationship in the expression is false; otherwise, the value returned is true (1).	arithmetic expr1 > arithmetic expr2	Relational
>=	**greater than or equal to** It yields values of the Boolean type. The value returned is false (0) if the relationship in the expression is false; otherwise, the value returned is true (1).	arithmetic expr1 >= arithmetic expr2	Relational
~	bitwise not operator Takes the value as an integer (a default value if the floating point one is outside the integer range) and reverses each bit.	~ expr1	Bitwise operator
&	**bitwise and operator** Takes the value of each operand as an integer (a default value if the floating point one is outside the integer range) and does an *and* operation on each corresponding bit *And* operation: 0011 & 0101 = 0001	expr1 & expr2	Bitwise operator
|	bitwise or operator Takes the value of each operand as an integer (a default value if the floating point one is outside the integer range) and does an *or* operation on each corresponding bit *Or* operation: 0011 & 0101 = 0111	expr1 | expr2	Bitwise operator
()	parenthesis operator Isolates an expression (or a sub expression) in order to take it as a whole. Example: A * (B + C) multiplies (B + C) by A. without parentheses, B would by multiplied by A and then C added	(expr1)	
DV	Default value	DV	Constant
PI	**PI** value	PI	Constant
PI2	**PI/2** value	PI2	Constant
PI4	**PI/4** value	PI4	Constant
abs	absolute value Calculates the absolute value.	abs(param1)	Math&Trigo
ceil	**ceiling of a value** Calculates the ceiling of a value.	ceil(param1)	Math&Trigo
cos	cosine (radian) Calculates the cosine (radian) of a value.	cos(param1)	Math&Trigo
cosd	cosine (degree) Calculates the cosine (degree) of a value.	cosd(param1)	Math&Trigo
deg2rad	Translates Degree to Radian.	deg2rad(param1)	Math&Trigo
deg_normalize	**Normalizes longitude** (degree) Z = deg_normalize(X, Y) returns a value which makes the following expressions true: Z = Y + n*360, X <= Z < X+360	deg_normalize(param1, param2)	geographical
dv (DV)	Default value	DV	Constant
exp	**exponential** Calculates the exponential.	exp(param1)	Math&Trigo
floor	**floor of a value** Calculates the floor of a value	floor(param1)	Math&Trigo

Name	Description	Syntax	Type
frac	fractional parts Calculates the fractional parts of a value.	frac(param1)	Math&Trigo

iif	Inline if
	If the first parameter is true (not 0 and not default value), the second parameter is returned, otherwise the third one is returned.
	Logically equivalent to:
	if (param1 is true)
	return param2
	else
	return param3
	end if
		iif(param1, param2, param3)	Logical

iif3	Inline if with default value case
	If the first parameter is true (not 0 and not default value), the second parameter is returned. If it is 0, the third one is returned, otherwise (it is a default value) the fourth one is returned.
	Logically equivalent to:
	if (param1 is default value)
	return param4
	else
	if (param1 is true)
	return param2
	else
	return param3
	end if
	end if
		iif3(param1, param2, param3, param4)	Logical

int	integer parts Calculates the integer parts of a value.	int(param1)	Math&Trigo
is_bounded	**Checks whether a value x is included between two values** (min/max). is_bounded(min, x, max)	is_bounded(param1,param2,param3)	Relational
is_bounded_strict	**Checks whether a value x is strictly included between two values** (min/max). is_bounded_strict(min, x, max)	is_bounded_strict(param1,param2,param3)	Relational
is_default	**Checks whether a value is a default value** (1: yes, 0: no)	is_default(param1)	Logical
log	logarithm Calculates the logarithm of a value	log(param1)	Math&Trigo
log10	base-10 logarithm Calculates the base-10 logarithm of a value	log10(param1)	Math&Trigo
max	Maximum Calculates the larger of two values	max(param1,param2)	
min	Minimum Calculates the smaller of two values	min(param1,param2)	
mod	**floating-point remainder** Calculates the floating-point remainder	mod(param1,param2)	Math&Trigo
rad2deg	Translates Radian to Degree	rad2deg(param1)	Math&Trigo
round	rounded value Calculates the rounded value	round(param1)	Math&Trigo
rnd	**rounded value** Calculates the rounded value of a number x with a decimal precision of n figures after decimal point. rnd(x,decimal precision)	Rnd(param1,param2)	Math&Trigo
sign	**Checks the sign** of a value (-1: negative, 1: positive or zero)	sign(param1)	Math&Trigo
sin	sine (radian) Calculates the sine (radian) of a value.	sin(param1)	Math&Trigo
sind	sine (degree) Calculates the sine (degree) of a value.	sind(param1)	Math&Trigo
sqr	square Calculates the square of a value.	sqr(param1)	Math&Trigo
sqrt	square root Calculates the square root of a value.	sqrt(param1)	Math&Trigo

Name	Description	Syntax	Type
tan	tangent (radian) Calculates the tangent (radian) of a value.	tan(param1)	Math&Trigo
tand	tangent (degree) Calculates the tangent (degree) of a value.	tand(param1)	Math&Trigo
to_date	Date formats conversion Translates a string value into a date value Allowed formats are: YYYY-MM-DD HH:MN:SS.MS string. For instance: '1995-12-05 12:02:10.1230' '1995-12-05 12:02:10' '1995-12-05' a Julian string: format:positive 'Days Seconds Microseconds' Seconds must be strictly less 86400 and Microseconds must be strictly less than 1000000 For instance: '2530 230 4569' a Julian string: format:positive decimal Julian day For instance: '850.2536985' For Julian string, it can contain its reference date at the end by specifying @YYYY where YYYY is the reference year that's must be one of 1950, 1958, 1985, 1990, 2000 The reference year YYYY stands for YYYY-01-01 00:00:00.0 If no reference date is specified the default reference date (1950) is used. For instance: '2530 230 4569@2000' '850.2536985@1990' '850.2536985@1950' is equal to '850.2536985' Dates prior to 1950-01-01 00:00:00.0 are invalid	to_date(param1)	Date&Time

NOTE: except when explicitly stated (as with iif3, is_default) every expression involving a default value (also called missing value) is a default value. A true expression is an expression which is not 0 and not a default value. The descriptions below are for expressions which do not contain default values (to simplify their writing). For example the result of 'A || B' (A or B) is a default value if B is one even if A is true. 0 and default values are considered as false values (! X is a default value if X is also one, so X is false and ! X too).

4.3.5.4.3. Formulas

In the **"insert formula"** button, you will find pre-defined formulas (Sea Surface Height and Sea Level Anomaly formulas from the different satellites' GDR fields, and also 'Ocean editing' formulas, to use as selection criteria to select only valid data over ocean). If you have saved as formula an expression in the current workspace (or imported one from another workspace), you will also find it here. Any expression, i.e. valid combination of data fields and functions can be saved as formula. You can insert a developed formula and modify it, or use a formula as part of an expression.

The formula will appear either by its name only (if you leave the 'as alias' checked), or complete (if you un-check 'as alias').

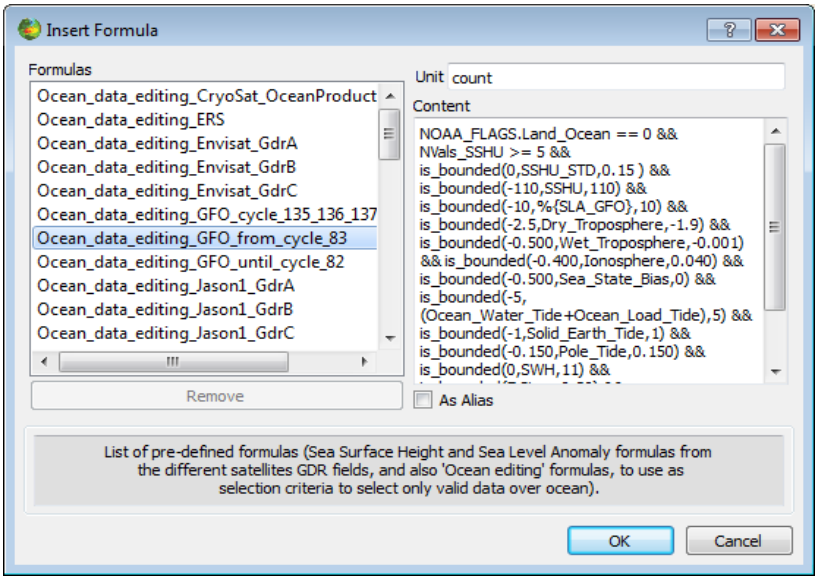

Figure 15: The 'Formulas' pop-up window, with the list of available formulas, top (sorted in alphabetical order).

Here, one of them (Ocean_data_editing_GFO_from_cycle_83) is selected, thus you can see the unit of the formula ('count', i.e. no unit, this is a selection formula), and the full formula in the box below. The check-box 'As alias' enables to insert the formula by its name only ('as alias') or, when unchecked, to insert in its full extent.

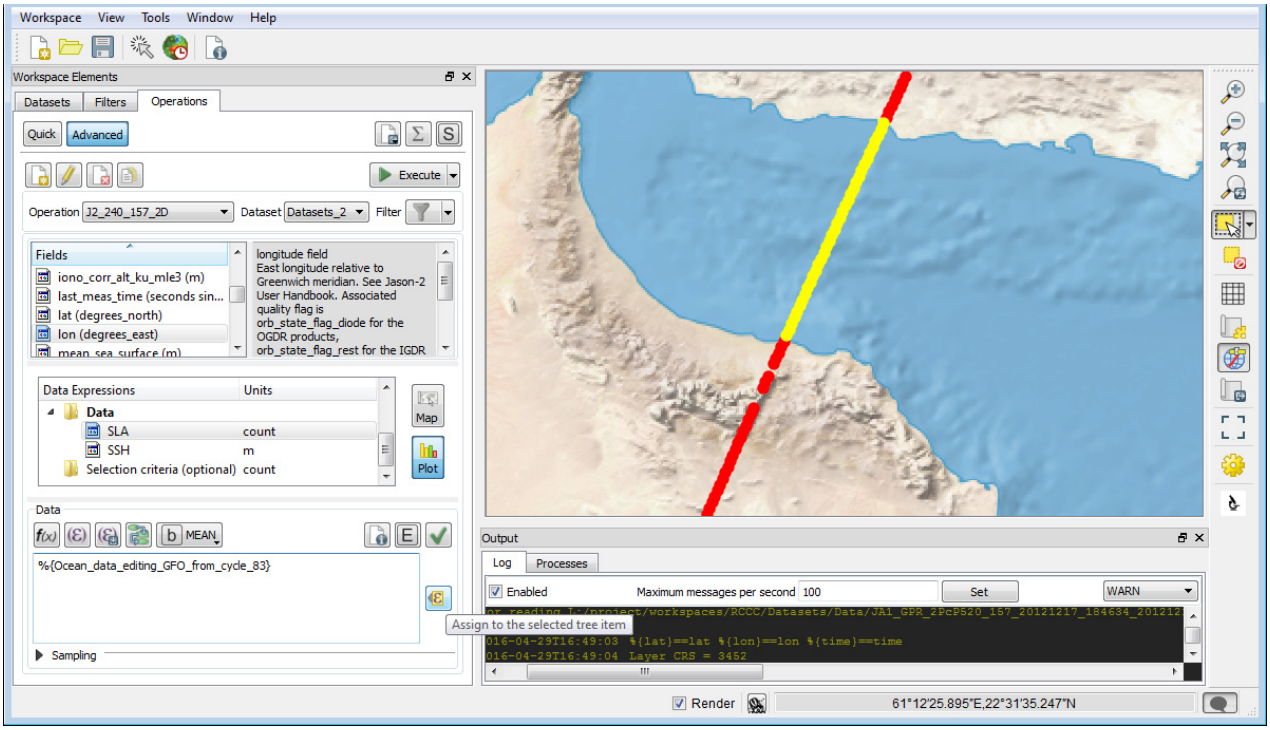

Figure 16: use of a pre-defined formula (Ocean_data_editing_GFO_from_cycle_83), by inserting its developed version Note the use in this particular formula of another formula as alias %{Ocean_data_editing_GFO_from_cycle_83}on the next to last line)

To apply the inserted formula to the selected Data Expression in the tree item, click the button "**Assign to the selected tree item**".

4.3.5.4.4. Algorithms

Algorithms provide means of computing complex operations. They are pre-defined and compiled within BRAT. They include an algorithm name and a number of input parameters (depending on the algorithm) to be filled in by the user. The button "insert algorithm" enable to access the available algorithms with the relevant information provided.

Eleven algorithms are available at this time:

- computation of U (zonal) and of V (meridional) component of geostrophic velocities from gridded data
- computation of across-track geostrophic velocities from along-track data.
- Filters to apply on along-track data (Gaussian, Median, Lanczos or Loess)
- Filters to apply on gridded data (Gaussian, Median, Lanczos or Loess)

Note that, as in the all of BRAT, computations are done in SI units. If the field(s) you are using have a unit defined, BRAT will take care of the conversion. However, beware if there is no unit really defined ("count"). BRAT will then consider the data as in S.I.

Table 4: BRAT algorithms

Name	Description	Input parameters
BratAlgoGeosVelAtp	Geostrophic velocity computation for along-track data; result is the value of the geostrophic velocity component perpendicular to the track. Input data must contain at least longitude, latitude and a field corresponding to height information.	**Latitude**: to be replaced by the name of the latitude field within the data **Longitude**: to be replaced by the name of the longitude field within the data **Height**: to be replaced by the name of a field corresponding to a height (e.g. SLA, ADT...), or a formula enabling to compute it.
BratAlgoGeosVelGridU	Geostrophic velocity computation for gridded data; result is the value of the geostrophic velocity zonal (North) component, U. Input data must contain at least longitude, latitude and a field corresponding to height information.	**Latitude**: to be replaced by the name of the latitude field within the data **Longitude**: to be replaced by the name of the longitude field within the data **Height**: to be replaced by the name of a field corresponding to a height (e.g. SLA, ADT...), or a formula enabling to compute it. **5**: latitude North and South below which the computation won't be done, to take into account the lack of Coriolis force at the Equator.
BratAlgoGeosVelGridV	Geostrophic velocity computation for gridded data; result is the value of the geostrophic velocity meridional (East) component, V Input data must contain at least longitude, latitude and a field corresponding to height information.	**Latitude**: to be replaced by the name of the latitude field within the data **Longitude**: to be replaced by the name of the longitude field within the data **Height**: to be replaced by the name of a field corresponding to a height (e.g. SLA, ADT...), or a formula enabling to compute it. **5**: latitude North and South below which the computation won't be done, to take into account the lack of Coriolis force at the Equator
BratAlgoFilterGaussianAtp	Gaussian Kernel filter for along-track data. A Gaussian filter is a linear weighted mean filter. Weights in the filter are calculated according to a Gaussian distribution.	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowLength**: Window/region size (N). The value must be odd. **1**: The standard deviation (sigma) of the distribution. Set by default to 1. The parameter must be a constant value. **3**: The coefficient of spreading to the left and right of the distribution." Set by default

Name	Description	Input parameters
		to 3. The parameter must be a strictly positive constant value. Usually in practice, the value used is 3 with sigma equals to 1. The part of Gaussian distribution utilized is the range [(-3 x sigma), (3 x sigma)], the Gaussian distribution is truncated at points +/- (3 x sigma). When the range is [(-3 x sigma), (3 x sigma)], the bell-shaped curve adjusts the corner values to 0.01. **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.
BratAlgoFilterGaussianGrid	Gaussian Kernel filter for gridded data. A Gaussian filter is a linear weighted mean filter. Weights in the filter are calculated according to a Gaussian distribution.	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowLength**: Window/region size (N x N). The value must be odd. **1**: The standard deviation (sigma) of the distribution. Set by default to 1. The parameter must be a constant value. **3**: The coefficient of spreading to the left and right of the distribution." Set by default to 3. The parameter must be a strictly positive constant value. Usually in practice, the value used is 3 with sigma equals to 1. The part of Gaussian distribution utilized is the range [(-3 x sigma), (3 x sigma)], the Gaussian distribution is truncated at points +/- (3 x sigma). When the range is [(-3 x sigma), (3 x sigma)], the bell-shaped curve adjusts the corner values to 0.01. **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.
BratAlgoFilterLanczosAtp	Lanczos kernel filter for along-track data. A Lanczos filter is a weighted filter. Weights in the filter are calculated in the Frequency space, using Fourier transform.	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowLength**: Window/region size (N). The value must be odd. **CutOff**: The value of the cut-off period (number of data points). The frequency (1/CutOff) is the value at which the response passes from one to zero. **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.
BratAlgoFilterLanczosGrid	Lanczos kernel filter for gridded data. A Lanczos filter is a weighted filter. Weights in the filter are calculated in the Frequency space, using Fourier transform.	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowLength**: Window/region size (N x N). . The value must be odd. **CutOff**: The value of the cut-off period (number of data points). The frequency (1/CutOff) is the value at which the response passes from one to zero. **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not

Name	Description	Input parameters
		applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.
BratAlgoFilterLoessAtp	Loess kernel filter for along-track data. A Loess filter is a low-pass filter mostly used for smoothing. It is based on a local regression using weighted linear least squares and a 2nd degree polynomial model	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **X**: The input data (X values) used to compute weights. **WindowLength**: Window/region size. The value must be odd. **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **Extrapolate**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.
BratAlgoFilterLoessGrid	Loess kernel filter for gridded data. When used with X=longitude, Y=latitude, it is equivalent to the filter available in the 'set resolution/filter' box (but it can be applied here on any and every X and Y) A Loess filter is a low-pass filter mostly used for smoothing. It is based on a local regression using weighted linear least squares and a 2nd degree polynomial model	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowWidth**: Window/region width (x). The parameter must be a constant odd value. **WindowHeight**: Window/region height (y). The parameter must be a constant odd value. **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.
BratAlgoFilterMedianAtp	Median kernel filter for along-track data. A Median filter is often used for speckle noise reduction. A median filter is a non-linear filter which orders the elements within a window and pick the middle one.	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowLength**: Window/region size **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied. Expr: WindowLength:
BratAlgoFilterMedianGrid	Median kernel filter for gridded data. A Median filter is often used for speckle noise reduction. A median filter is a non-linear filter which orders the elements within a window and pick the middle one.	**Expr**: The input data (variable or Brat expression) on which the filter is applied **WindowWidth**: Window/region width (x) **WindowHeight**: Window/region height (y) **ValidPts**: The minimum number of valid points below which the algorithm is not applied. **0**: A flag to specify if the algorithm is applied when the current data is 'defaut value' (no value). 0: not applied, 1: applied.

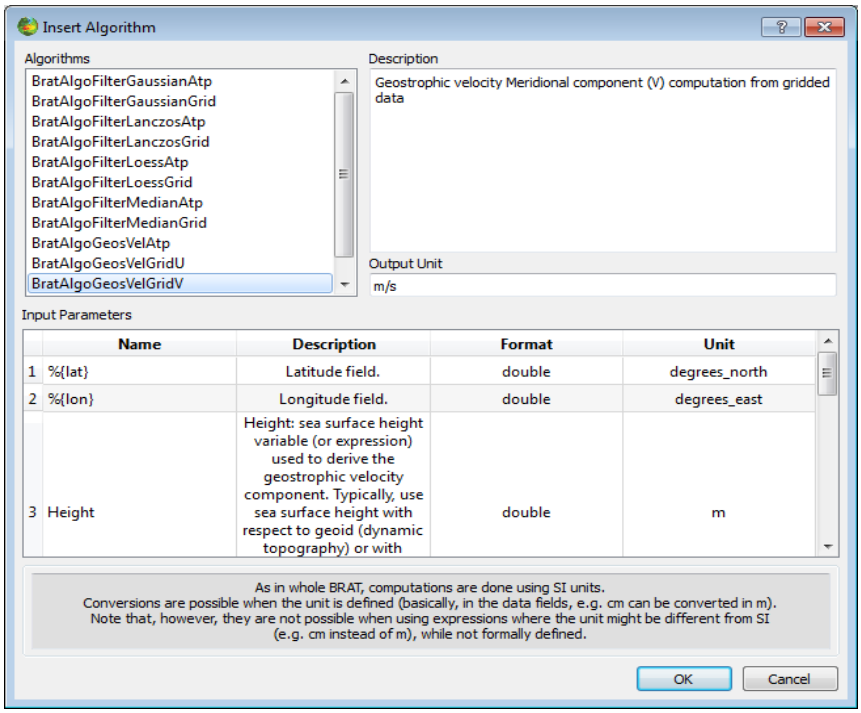

Figure 17: Insert Algorithm pop-up, with the BratAlgoGeosVelGridV selected.

A list of available algorithm is shown (top)

Description of the selected algorithm is available (just below) as well as the necessary input parameters (middle) and standard output unit (here m/s, bottom). Clicking on "OK" will insert the call to the algorithm within the current expression (it will appear as exec('"BratAlgoGeosVelGridV",%{lat],%{lon],Height,5) in the expression box.

You then have to change the four input parameters (or not; most of the time, only "Height" will have to be changed; Latitude and Longitude aliases are used, so they will work for any dataset) to fit your dataset and your needs.

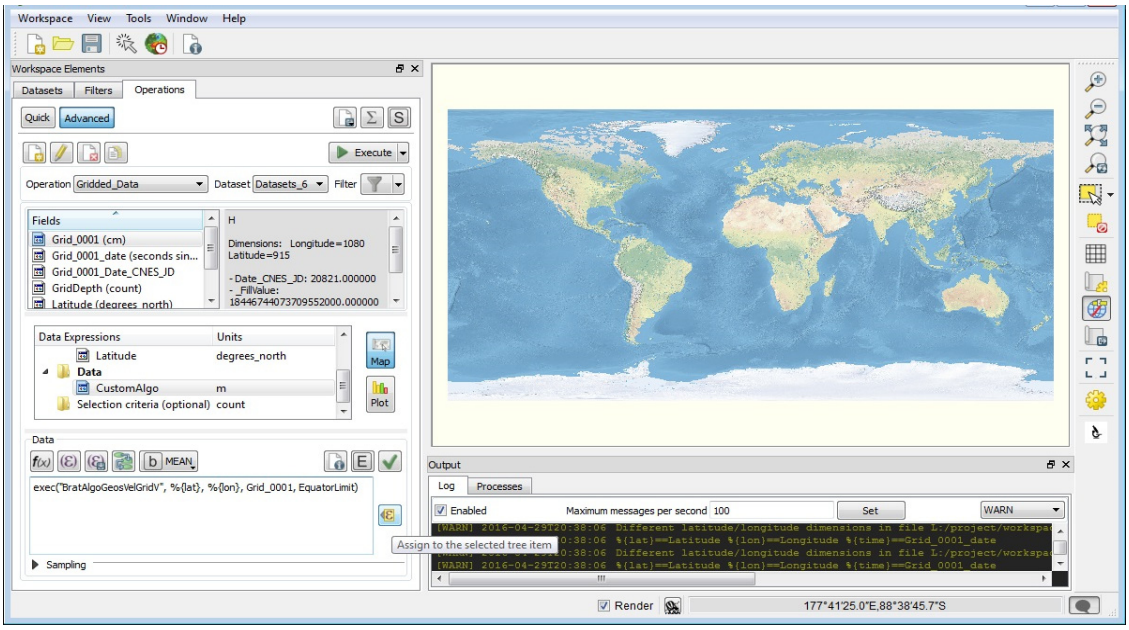

Figure 18: Operation resulting from the insertion of algorithms (here the "CustomAlgo" algorithm is visible). Latitude, Longitude and 5 have been left as default; Height is replaced by "Grid_0001", which is the name of the Sea Level Anomaly height in the gridded dataset used.

4.3.5.4.5. Data computation

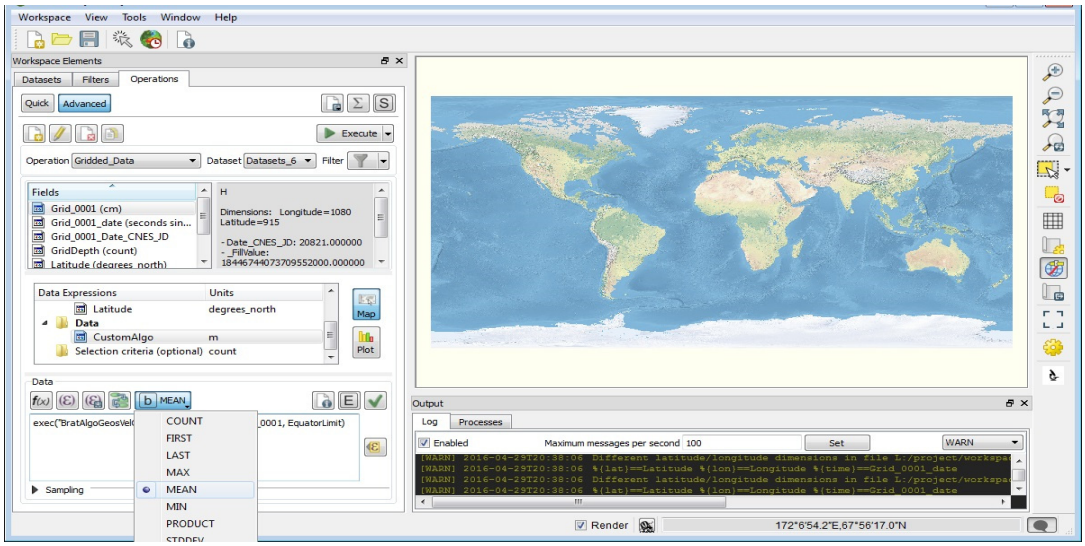

Figure 19: Choice of the data computation

The data computation is used whenever you have several values of a field for a given (X) or (X,Y). This is typically the case for:

- crossover points between tracks
- several files available for different dates
- sub-sample data

Possible computations are:

- '**MEAN**' (default): computes the mean for all values of the field within the dataset at each X (or (X,Y))
- '**COUNT**': returns the number of values of the field within the dataset at each X (or (X,Y))
- '**FIRST**': returns the first encountered value of the field within the dataset (in the order of the list of files as it appears in the 'dataset' tab)
- '**LAST**': returns the last encountered value of the field within the dataset (in the order of the list of files as it appears in the 'dataset' tab)
- '**MAX**': gives the maximum value of the field within the dataset
- '**MIN**': gives the minimum value of the field within the dataset
- '**PRODUCT**:' multiplies the selected field for each file within the dataset
- '**STDDEV**': computes the standard deviation for all values of the field within the dataset at each X (or (X,Y))
- '**SUBTRACTION**': subtracts the selected field for each file from the first of the list (file order dependent)
- '**SUM**': adds the selected field for each file

Take care, however, that for along-track data, on a given ground track, longitudes or latitudes are scarcely ever exactly the same from one cycle to the next. So if you want to (e.g.) average data over several cycles for a given track with respect to **only** longitude or latitude, you will have to round the data in the X expression (see round or rnd functions).

4.3.5.4.6. Sampling (previous 'Resolution and filters')

When you fill both X and Y you 'grid' the data, and you then have to define the grid parameters, i.e.

minimum, maximum and step, for the whole operation. Note that by choosing a step, you may sub-sample your source data, and that by changing the Min/Max you can extract a smaller X-Y area.

- for longitude/latitude, Minimum and Maximum are set by default to 0 – 360°,-90° – 90° (whatever the data source). For any other type of X and Y, Minimum and maximum have to be defined. The 'Get min/max expression' button is here to help you: if you don't have an idea of what the values of your field could reasonably be, this will provide you with the absolute minimum and maximum of your expression (note that if your dataset include a long list of files, it can take some time to be computed). The unit in which the minimum and maximum have to be defined are those defined in the corresponding expressions, and are recalled, top of each sub-part of the window.

- Pre-defined steps are proposed (1/3° for longitude and latitude, 1 for any other data), but may not fit your need. The number of intervals is automatically computed from those elements, and cannot be directly changed.

  However, note that the higher the step, the smaller the resolution, and the longer the execution time for the operation.

4.3.5.4.7. Smoothing

BRAT provides you with the possibility of "smoothing", "binning", or to extrapolate the data, using Loess filter

There are three different filters :

- '**Smooth**': smooth's the values of the data where there are already data (i.e. it will not fill in gaps between tracks)
- '**Extrapolate**': fills in the gaps between values (with some overlay on continents)
- '**Loess**': smooth's and fills in the gap values (with some overlay on continents)

The choice depend on the result you want. 'Extrapolate tends' to keep data ground tracks visible. 'Smooth' spreads out the data, but tends to level the maxima and minima and to generate 'data' on continents from ocean-only measurements. 'Loess' does both extrapolation and smoothing.

If you select one of them, you have set the 'Loess cut-off' value for each axis (both X and Y), i.e. the number of grid points before the Loess filter becomes equal to zero (odd number).

Typical Loess filter cut-off values depend on the Step you choose and on the kind of filter you have selected in your field (Smooth, Extrapolate or Loess). They are odd numbers (if you fill in an even number, the number used will be your number+1).

The general rule is that the higher the cut-off value, the more spread out the data will be, since the radius of action of the filter will be greatest.

For good results to render along-track data, values of 31 begins to gives rather correct results, even if they still show a hint of ground tracks.

4.3.6. Logs tab

The '**Logs**' tab displays the state of the programmes being run. Several operations and views can be executed at the same time. Errors can be detected using the messages from the Logs tab.

If things go well, you should have messages like:

'===> Task 'DisplayDisplays_17' (pid 284) SUCCESSFULLY ENDED <===

Currently the Log functionality of Brat only serves as a gateway to monitoring the behaviour of Brat internally.

5. ALIASES

Aliases are short names or unified names for data fields. Aliases have been added within BRAT to take into account the fact that the equivalent fields are not named similarly for all the datasets (names always follow the User documentation made by the data provider, in order that the user can refer to this documentation for more information).

Some are already defined. The equivalent fields have been defined with the same alias(es) for all the relevant altimetry data. If a given field is not available within the current dataset, a warning will be issued. However, you can either modify them, or create your own ones.

A few aliases are "universal" (pre-defined for all known datasets read by BRAT) : %{lon}, %{lat}, %{time}

(NB. you may encounter NetCDF data read by BRAT but not pre-defined, for which this won't work, however, in this version we are currently developing ways to solve this problem)

Note that there may be several aliases for a same field, in order to either speed the typing (e.g. %{mss}), or be more self-explaining (e.g. %{mean_sea_surface}).

An alias can be a field or a combination of fields. They are stored in an "aliases.xml" file that can be edited (in brat program folder, data/ sub-folder). In the same folder, the aliases.xsd.html file gives the rules to define new aliases and/or modify the existing ones.

The following must be kept in mind:

- an alias always refer to a given data product.
- BRAT GUI call to aliases.xml for alias definition. If you modify this file, the aliases can change! (and, thus, if you used aliases previously, your Operations may not work anymore)

5.1. Using aliases

Aliases can be used as any field or combination of field, by using "%" before the name, and encompassing it between "{" and "}"

For example, a (nearly) universal SSH formula could be written as follow in the 'data expression' of an Operation:

%{alt} - %{range} - %{dry_tropo_corr} -%{dynamic_atmos_corr} - %{tides_all_corr} - %{ssb} - %{iono_corr} - %{wet_tropo_corr}

(**note that the fact that not all corrections are available for all satellites make it not absolutely universal!**)

or, in a "selection criteria" expression, you could write:

is_bounded(40,%{lat},60)

to select data between 40°N and 60°N.

5.2. Structure

Here is an example of the structure of the xml file. For more information on this structure, please refer to aliases.xsd.html file.

```
<product class="ENVISAT_RA2MWR" description="ENVISAT RA2 and MWR products">
<defaultRecord name="ra2_mds"/>
<aliases>
....
  <alias name="range">ku_band_ocean_range</alias>
....
</aliases>
</product>
```

Figure 20: Example of the definition of an alias. This example is for Envisat RA2 and MWR products, by default for data within the "ra2_mds" record. "ku_band_ocean_range" is the name given by default in the documentation and thus in BRAT. To keep it simpler, we call it here "range".

See Brat products format definitions in the doc/codadef/index.html file located in the Brat directory. Products are classified in 'class' (product class) and 'type' (product type)

5.3. Modifying an alias

To modify an alias, edit the xml file in a text editor. And just change its name in <alias name="....">.

For example, you could replace:

alias name="range">ku_band_ocean_range</alias>

by

<alias name="THERANGE">ku_band_ocean_range</alias>

thus, afterwards, you would be using %{THERANGE} as alias. Note that, in this case, previous use of %{range} won't work anymore.

5.4. Creating an alias

5.4.1. For a field for which no alias exists

Find the product(s) for which you want the alias to work, and just add a line like:

<alias name="range">ku_band_ocean_range</alias>

defining the name you wish to use, and the given name of the field. You have to do it for any and every data product where you want to use this alias.

See Brat products format definitions in the doc/codadef/index.html file located in the Brat directory. Products are classified in 'class' (product class) and 'type' (product type)

You may have to specify a record within the default record.

You will put this in a ProductType tag, like

aliases productType="RA2_MWS_2P" record="avg_waveforms_mds" ref="RA2_GDR_2P">

You can use combination of fields to define an alias. E.g. an alias including all tide-related corrections can be:

"<alias name="tides_all_corr">(ocean_tide_sol1+ solid_earth_tide + pole_tide)</alias> "

5.4.2. For a field for which an alias has already been defined

If you'd prefer something else than the predefined name, but do not want to erase it by modifying it, you can create alternate aliases.

For example, above we decided that when we will be using %{range}, it will be the field "ku_band_ocean_range". However, it can be misunderstood (there's a 'C-Band' range in Envisat data). So you may want to specify at least in some cases that you are using the Ku-band range (e.g. if you're using C-Band data close-by).

To do this, you would define :

```
<alias name="range">ku_band_ocean_range</alias>[as previously]
<alias name="range_ku" ref="range"/>[referring to the above alias]
```

You can then use either %{range} or %{range_ku} in an expression with the same results.

6. VISUALISATION INTERFACE

Within the "**Operations tab**" you also define which type of view you want to choose to display you data: you can choose between a Map type or a Plot type (simply by clicking on the button with the proper caption). However, to plot your data in a Map you need to have at least the field "Lon", "Lat" and "Data" set. Otherwise (if you choose the "Plot" type) you are implicitly choosing 2D or 3D representation for your data. Once you do this you can view your data simply by clicking the "**Execute**" button.

The visualisation options are quite different for a '**Y=F(X)**' (curve) than for a '**Z=F(lon,lat)**' (map); the other plots ('**Z=F(X,Y)**') have functionalities from both types.

6.1. 'Plot2D'

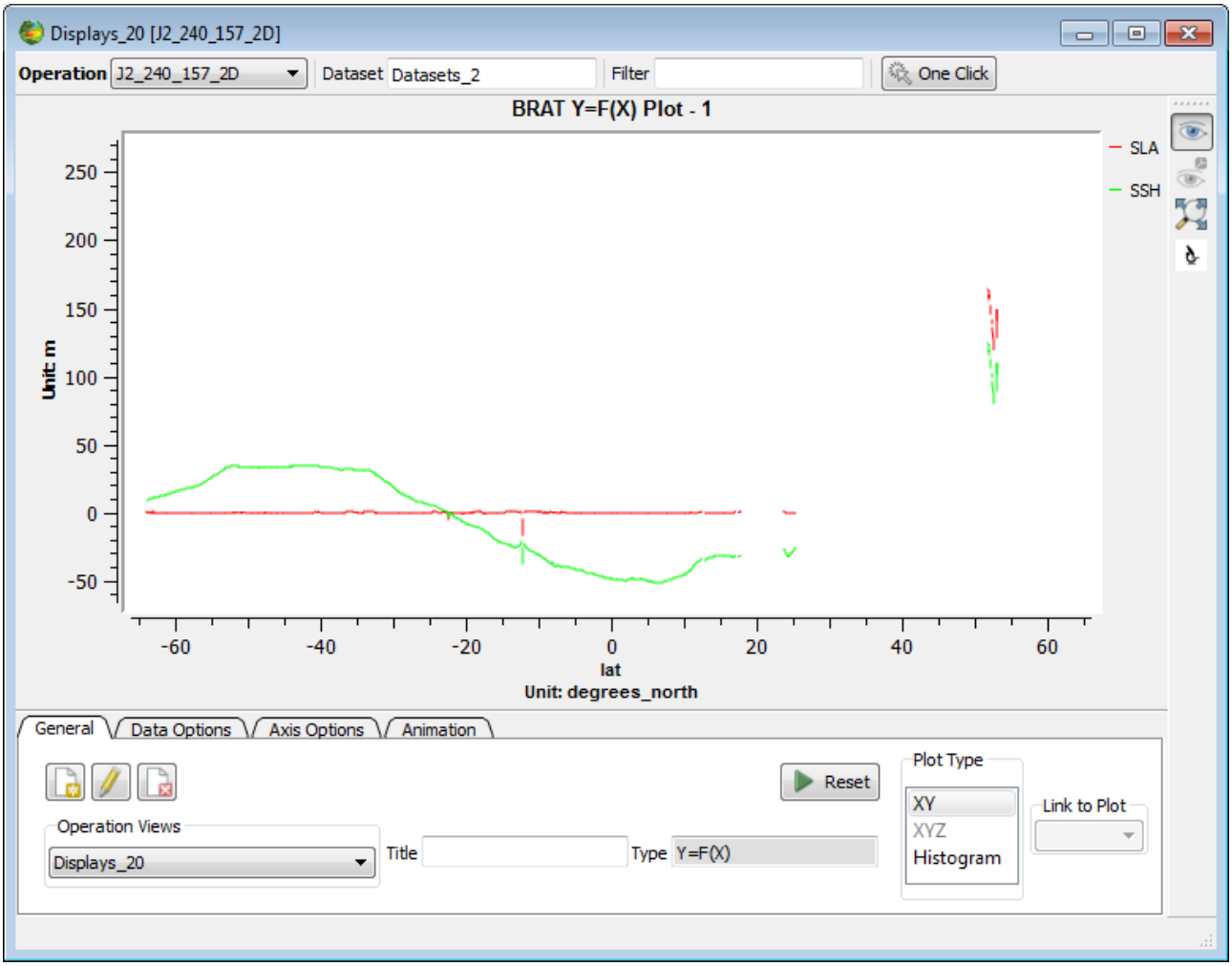

Figure 21: An example Y=F(X) visualisation with two curves

Usually this type of Plot is used upon displaying a y=f(x) curve type.

BRAT support saving the plots as an image format. The Plot2D dialog is organised in several tabs, each one with a different functionality.

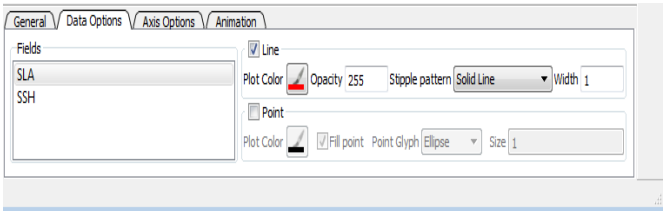

Figure 22: Data Options tab of the visualisation tool

The first tab 'General' holds information about the current Operation View associated with this Plot. You can change the current Operation View by changing the contents of the dropdown menu in "Operation Views". Title outputs the Plot title for the current plot. The Plot type text box allows you to change the visualization type for the current data, but only certain types of Views are available depending on the contents of you current data. The "Reset" button rebuilds the current view.

When a field is selected in this 'Data Options' tab, you have some options to choose the colour and style (full, dots, etc.) of the line and of the points (none by default, circles, crosses, etc.). If there are several fields to plot, you can thus enhance the legibility of your plot.

Second tab ('**Axis Options**') enable to choose several options however, modifications done only in the visualisation window will not be saved as part of the workspace and thus cannot be recalled for future use.

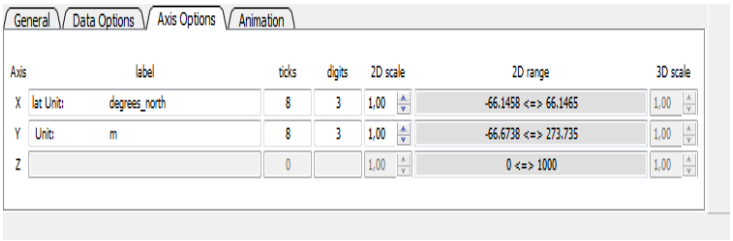

Figure 23: Y-axis properties of a Y=F(X) plot, with only one field selected for view. Label (including the unit), number of ticks in the axis, min and max of the axis are shown. X-axis properties are similar.

The label of each axis includes by default the name of the plotted field and its unit, with \n for line break and \t for space.

"2D Range" allows you to see the currently selected range. You can change the axis scale by changing the values in the 2D scale field. You can also change the number of axis ticks available for the current plot.

You can also zoom in on a portion of curve using the wheel of your mouse. By pressing the wheel mouse button you can also move the Plot inside the view.

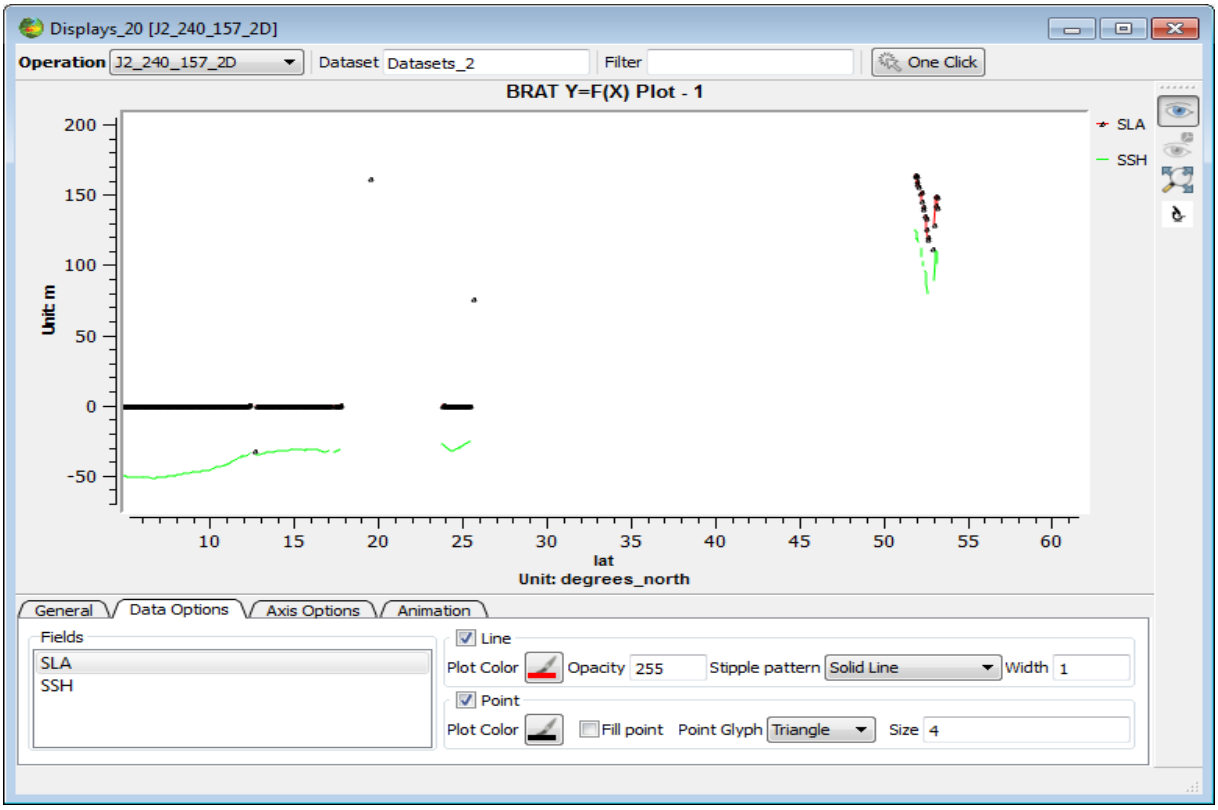

Figure 24: Two curves overlaid, with different point glyphs defined

6.2. 'Map Plot'

This type of plot is one of the three possibilities to display a plot of the type Z=F(Lon, Lat) (the others are spectrograms and 3DPlots). The general tab view allows you to:

- Duplicate the current view by pressing the "**Create a new view**" buttons;
- Rename the current view by pressing the "**Rename the selected view**" button;
- Delete the current view by pressing the "**delete selected view**" button.

Similarly as before the operation views drop-down menu allows you to choose a view for the currently selected operation (the current operation can be changed in the drop-down menu "Operation"). The title text box displays the current plot title. The type text box shows you the current plot type. The "**Reset**" button rebuilds the entire view. The "**Distance/Area**" button allows you to measure distances or areas over the map:

Distance: use the left mouse button to draw points over the map in order to create a multi-line and click once on the right mouse button to stop drawing, or twice to clear the multi-line.

Area: use the left mouse button to draw points over the map in order to create a polygon and click once on the right mouse button to stop drawing, or twice to clear the polygon.

In both cases, a window appears showing the metrics of each feature.

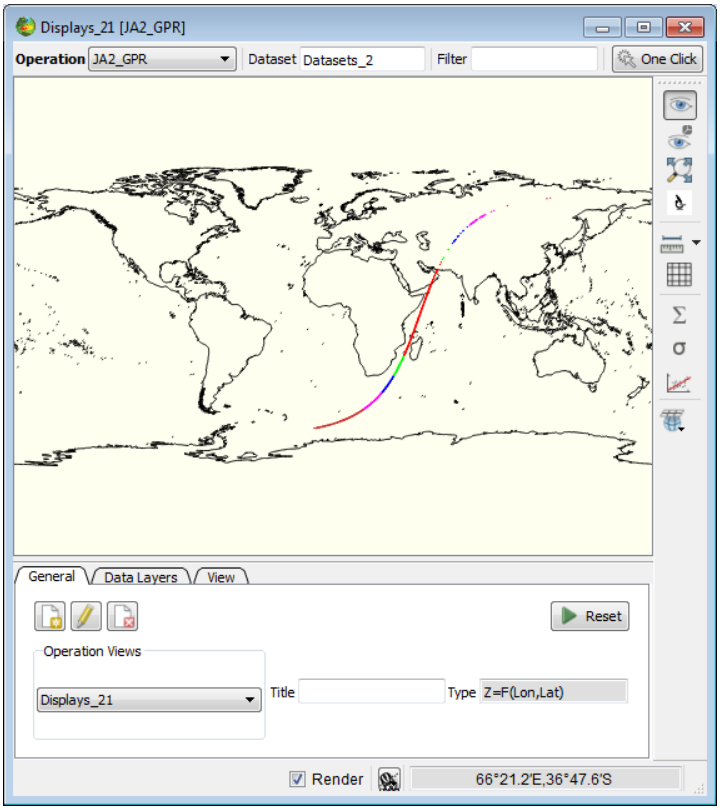

Figure 25: Map plot type to display a simple z=f(lon,lat) graph type.

Another tab available is the "Data Options" that shows all the current available data layers for the current view, and in addition, allow further visual details configuration.

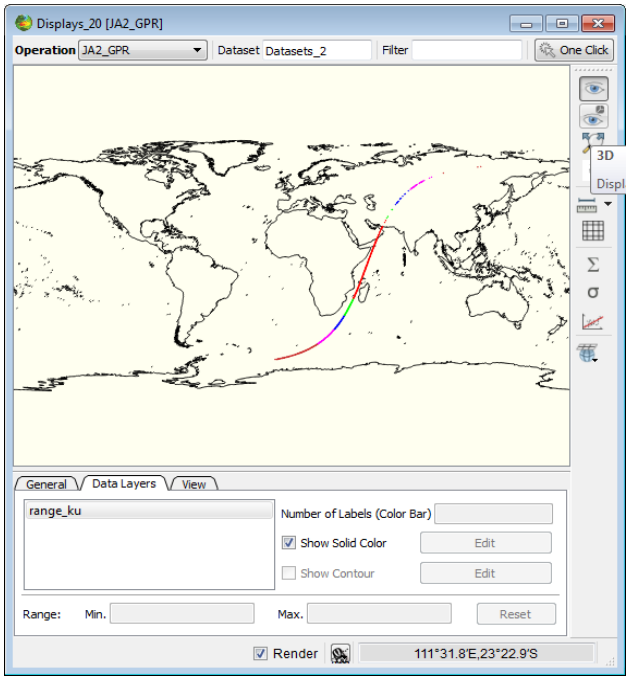

Figure 26: The "Data Options" tab.

The contours feature allows the creation of map contours. You can choose the number of contour levels at "**Number**"; the line width at the "**Width**" text box and the contours precision at the precision text

boxes. The contours detail improves for higher precision numbers; however the processing time also increases. For more information see the reference of the contour algorithm[5].

The following is a globe view example:

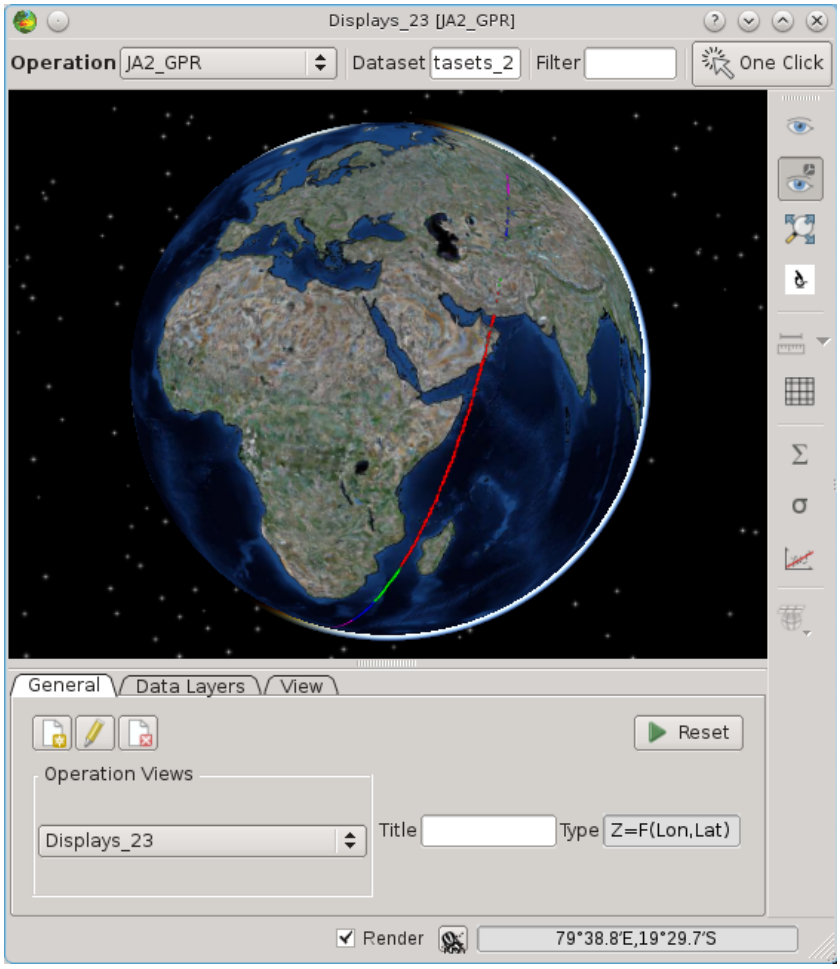

Figure 27: You can also trigger the Globe Plot for this type of data by clicking under the "3D" button.

6.2.1. Plot3D

The first tab 'General' holds information about the current Operation View associated with this Plot. You can change the current Operation View by changing the contents of the dropdown menu in "Operation Views". Title should output the Plot title for the current plot however this is not currently implemented yet. The Plot type text box allows you to change the visualization type for the current data, but only certain types of Views are available depending on the contents of you current data. For 3D Plot types, one usually have two plotting possibilities: a spectrogram or a 3D graph. One can hide one or another when clicking under the "2D" or "3D" button.

[5] http://www.codeproject.com/Articles/1727/A-C-implementation-of-an-improved-contour-plotting

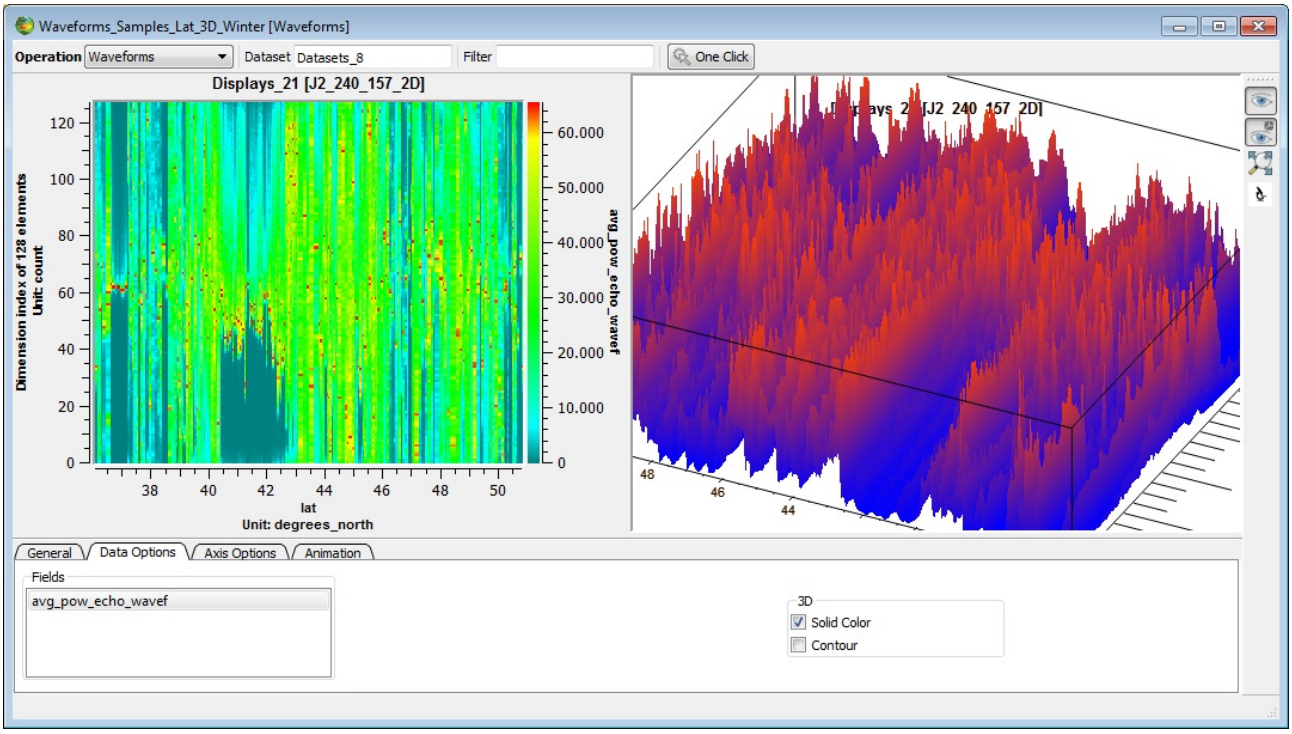

Figure 28 – Plotting a z=f(lon,lat) graph.

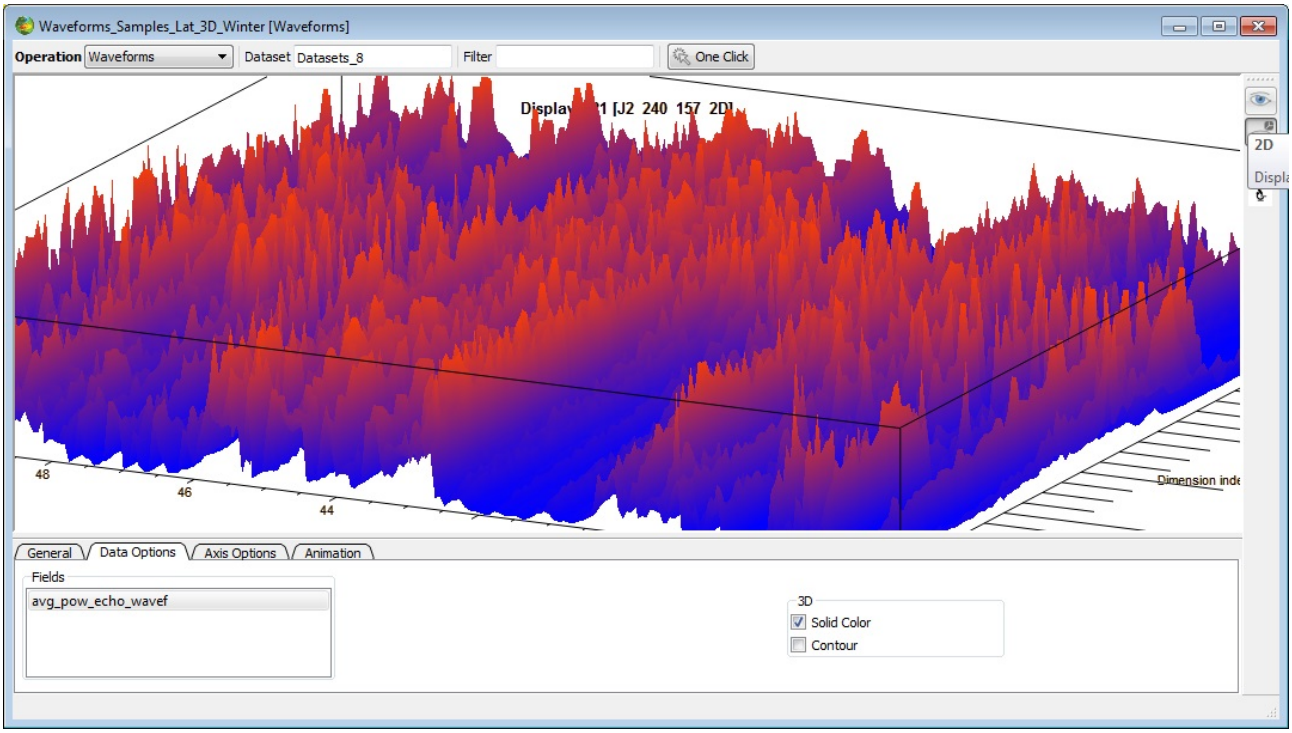

Figure 29 – Same plot but with a hidden spectrogram plot by clicking under the 2D button.

The "Axis Options" tab works in a similar manner as for the 2D case. The animation case should only address graphs that have animation, and implements features to stop and start the animation and define the number of frames to be used.

6.2.2. Colour table editor

Several colour tables are available within BRAT. You can use any one of them.

6.3. Vector Plots

Vector plots are displayed when fields from the visualization tab are selected as East and North vector components. Both components have to be present, otherwise an error message will be issued.

East/North Component can be selected in 'Map View proprieties' button at 'Operations' tab. One expression has to be selected as north component and a different one for east component. Only one vector plot can be displayed at a time. Both expressions must be of the same data type.

Vectors are naturally visualized as arrows. The magnitude values available in the data are displayed when the user sets the mouse over an arrow.

7. BRAT SCHEDULER INTERFACE

BRAT scheduler interface enable to postpone execution of operations. It has to be programmed through BRAT GUI (by clicking on the 'delay execution' button)

BRAT scheduler can be launched either from BRAT GUI or from the desktop icon. If it is not open and running, no scheduled task will be processed.

8. USING BRAT IN 'COMMAND LINES' MODE WITH PARAMETERS FILE

The GUI is there to ease the use of BRAT. However, everything made with the GUI can be made directly by writing parameter files and execute them and more than what can be done with the GUI is possible with parameter files.

Dictionaries of key functions that can be called within parameter files are available in annex B (Y=F(X), annex C (Z=F(X,Y) and annex D (Display parameter file keys).

'-h' option offers help for launching the executable file

'-k' offers help on parameter keys

BratCreateYFX.exe create an output netCDF with one or several data field(s) with respect to a single field

BratCreateZFXY.exe create an output netCDF with one or several data field(s) with respect to two different fields (e.g. longitude, latitude)

brat.exe can be used as the older "BratDisplay.exe" from the previous versions of Brat in order to just display a *.par file. In order to activate this mode one only needs to execute "brat.exe <par_path>" where <par_path> is a simple directory that points to your .par file. (i.e. brat.exe C:\projects\workspaces\UserJohn\Displays\DisplayDisplays_25.par) .

BratExportAscii.exe export an output to Ascii

BratExportGeoTiff.exe export gridded data from a netCDF product to GeoTiff (with optional GoogleEarth wrapper)

BratListFieldNames.exe

BratShowInternalFile.exe

BratStats.exe

8.1. Creating an output netCDF file

A 'Create' parameter file typically consist of:

- the definition of a dataset (a list of files that will be processed),
- the name of the record within the dataset in which the data you are interested in are stored,
- = the definition of an X axis and of one or several 'Field(s)'; in the Z=F(X,Y) case, also the definition of an Y-axis,
- a selection expression, if need be
- the name and location of the netCDF output file.

The definition of the axis or of a field includes the name of an existing data field, or the expression that you wish to compute from several of them, a name (without any spaces or special characters), a unit, a title (that may include spaces or special characters), a min and a max and information about a possible filter.

```
#----- GENERAL PROPERTIES -----
DATA_MODE=MEAN

#----- DATASET -----

RECORD=ra2_mds

FILE=File1
FILE=File2
…

#----- FIELDS -----
Y=lat
Y_NAME=lat
Y_TYPE=Latitude
Y_UNIT=degrees_north
Y_TITLE=Latitude
Y_FILTER=DV
Y_MIN=DV
Y_MAX=DV
Y_INTERVALS=DV
Y_LOESS_CUTOFF=DV

X=lon
X_NAME=lon
X_TYPE=Longitude
X_UNIT=degrees_east
X_TITLE=Longitude
X_FILTER=DV
X_MIN=DV
X_MAX=DV
X_INTERVALS=DV
X_LOESS_CUTOFF=DV

FIELD=ra2_wind_sp
FIELD_NAME=my_first_field
FIELD_TYPE=Data
FIELD_UNIT=mm/s
FIELD_TITLE=Altimeter wind speed modulus
FIELD_FILTER=DV
FIELD_MIN=DV
FIELD_MAX=DV
FIELD_INTERVALS=DV
FIELD_LOESS_CUTOFF=DV

FIELD=alt_cog_ellip - ku_band_ocean_range - mod_dry_tropo_corr - inv_barom_corr -
(tot_geocen_ocn_tide_ht_sol1 + tidal_load_ht + long_period_ocn_tide_ht) -
solid_earth_tide_ht - geocen_pole_tide_ht - sea_bias_ku - ra2_ion_corr_ku -
mwr_wet_tropo_corr
FIELD_NAME=SSH
FIELD_TYPE=Data
FIELD_UNIT=m
FIELD_TITLE=my second field
FIELD_FILTER=DV
FIELD_MIN=DV
FIELD_MAX=DV
FIELD_INTERVALS=DV
FIELD_LOESS_CUTOFF=DV

#----- SELECT -----

#----- OUTPUT -----

OUTPUT=output_file.nc
```

Figure 30: Example parameter file for creating a Z=F(X,Y) output

You create the netCDF file by typing

'BratCreateZFXY.exe command_file.par'

(or 'BratCreateYFX.exe command_file.par')

You will then have a netCDF file that you can either visualise through the tool provided within BRAT, or with some other tool capable of reading netCDF.

8.2. Visualising an output netCDF file through BRAT

To visualise an output file, you have to write a second parameter file. This kind of file is simpler than the one needed to create a netCDF.

Basically, the commands needed are:

- the type of data to be displayed (Y=F(X) ==> 0 Z=F(Lat,Lon) ==> 2 Z=F(X,Y) ==> 1)
- the name of the file(s) to be displayed
- the title, projection
- the name of the field(s) to be displayed
- some information about the display (min, max, name, whether there is a contour or not, colour table…)

```
#!/usr/bin/env BratCreateZFXY
#Type:Z=F(X,Y)
#----- DATASET -----

FILE=Createenvisat_cycle.nc

#----- GENERAL PROPERTIES -----

DISPLAY_TITLE=title of the plot
DISPLAY_PLOT_TYPE=1
DISPLAY_GROUPBY_FILE=Y
DISPLAY_PROJECTION=3D

#----- sigma_0_ku FIELD -----

FIELD=sigma_0_ku

#----- sigma_0_ku FIELDS PROPERTIES -----

DISPLAY_NAME=sigma_0_ku
FIELD_GROUP=1
DISPLAY_MINVALUE=0.00000
DISPLAY_MAXVALUE=50.000
DISPLAY_CONTOUR=N
DISPLAY_SOLID_COLOR =Y
DISPLAY_COLORTABLE=DV
```

Figure 31: Example 'display' parameter file

You open the visualisation tool by typing:

'BratDisplay.exe command_file.par'

8.3. Using the parameter files to process many datasets

A typical case in which using the parameter files will be much easier than using the GUI is when you want to process the same operation on all the altimetry satellite cycles or for a long series of them. Parameter files enable you to write a script that will process the same operation on a number of files.

You can either write the parameter file directly, or you can make the parameter file through the GUI, test it on one cycle and then modify it (right-click) by replacing the cycle number by a character that will be replaced consecutively by a list of cycle numbers through a script;

```
#!/usr/bin/env BratCreateZFXY
# SRC_DATA_DIR and CYCLE are environment variables that can be set in a shell # script

FILE=${SRC_DATA_DIR}/JA1_GDR_2PAP${CYCLE}_001.CNES
FILE=${SRC_DATA_DIR}/JA1_GDR_2PAP${CYCLE}_002.CNES
FILE=${SRC_DATA_DIR}/JA1_GDR_2PAP${CYCLE}_003.CNES

RECORD = data
VERBOSE = 2

ALIAS_NAME = SLA_JASON
ALIAS_VALUE  = altitude - range_ku - model_dry_tropo_corr - inv_bar_corr -
(ocean_tide_sol1 + ocean_tide_equil + load_tide_sol1) - solid_earth_tide - pole_tide -
sea_state_bias_ku - iono_corr_alt_ku - rad_wet_tropo_corr - mss

X  = longitude
X_TYPE  = longitude
X_NAME  = Longitude
X_UNIT  = DV
X_TITLE = Longitude
X_MIN   = DV
X_MAX   = DV
X_INTERVALS  = 1800

Y  = latitude
Y_TYPE  = latitude
Y_NAME  = Latitude
Y_UNIT  = DV
Y_TITLE = Latitude
Y_MIN   = DV
Y_MAX   = DV
Y_INTERVALS  = 900

# SLA_JASON is an alias see ALIAS_NAME and ALIAS_VALUE above
FIELD= %{SLA_JASON}
FIELD_TYPE = data
FIELD_NAME = SLA
FIELD_UNIT = m
FIELD_TITLE  = Sea Level Anomalies - Cycle ${CYCLE}
FIELD_FILTER = LOESS_EXTRAPOLATE
X_LOESS_CUTOFF  = 5
Y_LOESS_CUTOFF  = 5

SELECT = is_bounded(-1.0, %{SLA_JASON},1.0)

OUTPUT     = ${BRATHL_DATA_DIR}/JasonSLA${CYCLE}.nc
OUTPUT_TITLE = Jason - Cycle ${CYCLE}
```

Figure 32: An example parameter file for creating output netCDF for several cycles (SLA from Jason-1 GDRs)

```
REM Set the cycle number
SET CYCLE=109

REM Set the data source path
SET SRC_DATA_DIR=D:\data\gdr_jason\cycle_%CYCLE%

REM Launch 'BRAT create Z=F(X,Y)' process
BratCreateZFXY C:\BRAT\MyCmdPath\BratCreateZFXYJasonSLASample.par

REM ------------------------------

REM Set another cycle number
SET CYCLE=110

REM Set the data source path
SET SRC_DATA_DIR=D:\data\gdr_jason\cycle_%CYCLE%

REM Launch 'BRAT create Z=F(X,Y)' process
BratCreateZFXY C:\BRAT\MyCmdPath\BratCreateZFXYJasonSLASample.par
```

Figure 33: An example script for DOS (to be inserted in a .bat file) to launch a parameter file over several cycles

```
#!/bin/bash
# BratCreateZFXYJasonSLASample.sh

# Set the cycle number
export CYCLE=109

# Set the data source path
export SRC_DATA_DIR=/data/gdr_jason/cycle_%CYCLE%

# Launch 'BRAT create Z=F(X,Y)' process
BratCreateZFXY BRAT/MyCmdPath/BratCreateZFXYJasonSLASample.par

# ------------------------------

# Set the cycle number
export CYCLE=110

# Set the data source path
export SRC_DATA_DIR=/data/gdr_jason/cycle_%CYCLE%

# Launch 'BRAT create Z=F(X,Y)' process
BratCreateZFXY BRAT/MyCmdPath/BratCreateZFXYJasonSLASample.par
```

Figure 34: An example Shell script for Linux for launching a parameter file over several cycles

9. BRATHL APPLICATION PROGRAMMING INTERFACES (APIS)

Some functions of BRAT are not available through the GUI, but through C, Fortran, Python, IDL and MATLAB APIs. Note that for IDL and MATLAB under Linux and Mac OS you need to compile the API before being able to use them – they are not included in the binary distributions of BRAT.

9.1. Data reading function

BRATHL_READDATA reads data from a set of files; each measurement for a data is a scalar value (a single number). It also gives statistics (e.g. a mean over a geographical area)

Possible arguments of this function are:

[in] fileNames: file name string (one file) or file names array

[in] recordName: Name of the fields record (for netCDF files the recordName is 'data')

[in] selection: Expression involving data fields which has to be true to select returned data. (if the string is empty nothing is selected (in other words all of the data is taken)

[in] dataExpressions: Expression string (one expression) or expressions array applied to data fields to build the wanted value.

[in] units: Wanted unit for each expression (string (one unit) or units array).

(if empty string, no unit conversion is applied to the data of the corresponding expression. When a unit conversion has to be applied, the result of the expression is considered to be the base unit (SI). For example if the wanted unit is grams/litre, the unit of the expression is supposed to be kilogrammes/m3 (internally all data are converted to the basic unit of the actual fields unit which is coherent with the above assumption).

[in/out] results: Data read. Must be an array (dim = number of dataExpressions) of values to read.

[in] ignoreOutOfRange: Skip excess data. 0=*false*, other = *true*

Must be *false* if 'statistics' is *true*.

[in] statistics: returns statistics on data instead of data themselves

0=*false*, other = *true*

If statistics is *true*, ignoreOutOfRange must be *false*.

The returned values (5 values) for each expression are:

- Count of valid data taken into account.

  Invalid data are those which are equal to the default/missing value
- Mean of the valid data.
- Standard deviation of the valid data
- Minimum value of the valid data
- Maximum value of the valid data

[in] defaultValue: value to use for default/missing values

This is the value you want to indicate that a value is missing or invalid.

return 0 or error code.

Syntax: see annexes

- for IDL
- for MATLAB
- for Fortran
- for C
- for Python

9.2. Cycle/date conversion functions

Two functions are available to convert between cycle/pass and date.

Syntax: see annexes

- for IDL
- for MATLAB
- for Fortran
- for C
- for Python

BRATHL_CYCLE2YMDHMSM Converts a cycle/pass into a date.

- Arguments of this function are:

[in] mission:

0 : Topex/Poseidon

1 : Jason-1

2 : ERS2

3 : Envisat

4 : ERS1-A

5 : ERS1-B

6 : GFO

[in] cycle: number of cycles

[in] pass: number of passes in the cycle

- Outputs are:

[out] dateYMDHMSM: date to convert

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2CYCLE Converts a date into a cycle/pass

- Arguments of this function are:

[in] mission: mission type :

0 : Topex/Poseidon

1 : Jason-1

2 : ERS2

3 : Envisat

4 : ERS1-A

5 : ERS1-B

6 : GFO

[in] dateYMDHMSM: date to convert

- Outputs are:

[out] cycle: number of cycles

[out] pass: number of passes in the cycle

9.3. Date conversion/computation function

A set of functions is available to convert between the different kinds of date formats:

- days-seconds-microseconds dates:
- Julian decimal dates:
- year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond dates:

Syntax: see annexes

- for IDL
- for MATLAB
- for Fortran
- for C
- for Python

BRATHL_DAYOFYEAR	Retrieves the day of year of a date
BRATHL_NOWYMDHMSM	Gets the current date/time
BRATHL_SETREFUSER1	Set user-defined reference dates
BRATHL_SETREFUSER2	Set user-defined reference dates
BRATHL_DIFFDSM	Computes the difference between two days-seconds-microseconds dates (date1 - date2) the result is expressed in a decimal number of seconds
BRATHL_DIFFJULIAN	Computes the difference between two decimal Julian dates (date1 - date2) the result is expressed in a decimal number of seconds
BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM	Computes the difference between two year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond dates (date1 - date2) the result is expressed in a decimal number of seconds
BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN	Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_DSM2SECONDS	Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into seconds, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM	Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date
BRATHL_JULIAN2DSM	Converts a decimal Julian date into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_JULIAN2SECONDS	Converts a decimal Julian date into seconds, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_JULIAN2YMDHMSM	Converts a decimal Julian date into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date
BRATHL_SECONDS2DSM	Converts seconds into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_SECONDS2JULIAN	Converts seconds into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_SECONDS2YMDHMSM	Converts seconds into a a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_YMDHMSM2DSM	Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_YMDHMSM2JULIAN	Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter
BRATHL_YMDHMSM2SECONDS	Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into seconds, according to refDate parameter

9.4. Named structures

Several structures are also available, to represent the different kinds of date formats.

Syntax: see annexes

- for IDL
- for MATLAB
- for Fortran
- for C
- for Python

BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM	YYYY-MM-DD HH:MN:SS:MS date structure YEAR MONTH DAY HOUR MINUTE SECOND MUSECOND
BRATHL_DATEDSM	day/seconds/microseconds date structure REFDATE reference date DAYS numbers of days SECONDS numbers of seconds MUSECONDS numbers of microseconds REFDATE is the reference date i.e. : 0: 1950-01-01 00:00:00.0

1: 1958-01-01 00:00:00.0

2: 1985-01-01 00:00:00.0

3: 1990-01-01 00:00:00.0

4: 2000-01-01 00:00:00.0

5: user reference 1

6: user reference 2

values of 5 and 6 allow users to set two specific reference dates of their choice (see BRATHL_SETREFUSER1 and BRATHL_SETREFUSER2 functions)

BRATHL_DATESECOND decimal seconds date structure

REFDATE reference date - see :BRATHL_DATEDSM

NBSECONDS decimal numbers of seconds (seconds.microseconds)

BRATHL_DATEJULIAN decimal Julian date structure

REFDATE reference date - see :BRATHL_DATEDSM

JULIAN decimal Julian day

10. ANNEX A: LIST OF DATASETS READ BY BRAT

10.1. Cryosat product overview

Table 5: 10.1. Cryosat product overview

product type	description
SIR_LRM_1B	SIRAL L1B LRM product
SIR_SAR_1B	SIRAL L1B SAR mode product
SIR_SIN_1B	SIRAL L1B SARin mode product
SIR1LRM_0M	SIRAL MON-LRM/TRK product (Rx1 channel)
SIR2LRM_0M	SIRAL MON-LRM/TRK product (Rx2 channel)
SIR1SAR_0M	SIRAL MON-SAR product (Rx1 channel)
SIR2SAR_0M	SIRAL MON-SAR product (Rx2 channel)
SIR_SIN_0M	SIRAL MON-SARin product
SIR_SIC40M	SIRAL MON-CAL4 product
SIR1LRC11B	SIRAL CAL1-LRM product (Rx1 channel)
SIR2LRC11B	SIRAL CAL1-LRM product (Rx2 channel)
SIR1SAC11B	SIRAL CAL1-SAR product (Rx1 channel)
SIR2SAC11B	SIRAL CAL1-SAR product (Rx2 channel)
SIR_SIC11B	SIRAL CAL1-SARin product
SIR_SICC1B	SIRAL complex CAL1-SARin product
SIR1SAC21B	SIRAL CAL2-SAR product (Rx1 channel)
SIR2SAC21B	SIRAL CAL2-SAR product (Rx2 channel)
SIR1SIC21B	SIRAL CAL2-SARin product (Rx1 channel)
SIR2SIC21B	SIRAL CAL2-SARin product (Rx2 channel)
SIR_LRM_2_	SIRAL L2 product from LRM processing
SIR_FDM_2_	SIRAL L2 product from fast delivery ocean processing
SIR_SIN_2_	SIRAL L2 product from SARin processing
SIR_SID_2_	SIRAL L2 product from SARin degraded processing
SIR_SAR_2A	SIRAL L2 product from SAR step 1 processing
SIR_SAR_2B	SIRAL L2 product from SAR step 2 processing
SIR_GDR_2A	SIRAL L2 consolidated product including SAR step 1 data (SIR_SAR_2A)
SIR_GDR_2B	SIRAL L2 consolidated product including SAR step 2 data (SIR_SAR_2B)
SIR_LRMI2_	SIRAL intermediate L2 product from LRM processing
SIR_FDMI2_	SIRAL intermediate L2 product from fast delivery ocean processing
SIR_SINI2_	SIRAL intermediate L2 product from SARin processing
SIR_SIDI2_	SIRAL intermediate L2 product from SARin degraded processing
SIR_SARI2A	SIRAL intermediate L2 product from SAR step 1 processing
SIR_SARI2B	SIRAL intermediate L2 product from SAR step 2 processing

10.2. Cryosat Ocean products overview

Table 6: Cryosat Ocean products overview

product type	description
SIR_IOP_1B	Interim L1B Ocean Product
SIR_GOP_1B	Geophysical L1B Ocean Product
SIR_IOP_2_	Interim L2 Ocean Product

product type	description
SIR_GOP_2_	Geophysical L2 Ocean Product

10.3. Jason-2 product overview

Table 7: Jason-2 product overview

product type	description
JA2_OPN_2P	The Operational Geophysical Data Record (OGDR), produced on a NRT basis
JA2_OPR_2P	The reduced Operational Geophysical Data Record(SSHA-OGDR), produced on a NRT basis
JA2_IPN_2P	The Interim Geophysical Data Record (IGDR)
JA2_IPR_2P	The reduced Interim Geophysical Data Record (SSHA-IGDR), produced on a NRT basis
JA2_IPS_2P	The Sensor Interim Geophysical Data Record (SIGDR)
JA2_GPN_2P	The Geophysical Data Record (GDR)
JA2_GPR_2P	The reduced Geophysical Data Record (SSHA-GDR), produced on a NRT basis
JA2_GPS_2P	The Sensor Geophysical Data Record (SGDR)

10.4. Envisat product overview

Table 8: Envisat product overview

product type	description
RA2_FGD_2P	RA-2 Fast Delivery Geophysical Data Record
RA2_GDR_2P	RA-2 Geophysical Data Record
RA2_IGD_2P	RA-2 Intermediate Geophysical Data Record
RA2_MWS_2P	RA-2 Sensor Data Record
RA2_WWV_2P	RA-2 wind/wave product for Meteo Users

10.5. Jason-1 product overview

Table 9: Jason-1 product overview

product type	description
JA1_OSD_2P	The Operational Sensor Data Record (OSDR), produced on a NRT basis
JA1_IGD_2P	The Interim Geophysical Data Record (IGDR)
JA1_GDR_2P	The Geophysical Data Record (GDR)
JA1_SDR_2P	The Sensor Geophysical Data Record (SGDR)

10.6. Topex/Poseidon product overview

Table 10: Topex/Poseidon radar altimetry products

product type	description
MGDR_cycle_header_File	Merged GDR Topex/Poseidon cycle header file
MGDR_pass_file	Merged GDR Topex/Poseidon pass file
MGDR_crossover_point_file	Merged GDR Topex/Poseidon crossover point file (XNG)
SDR_pass_file	SDR Topex/Poseidon pass file

10.7. ERS-1 and 2 product overview

Table 11: ERS-1 and ERS-2 radar altimetry products

product type	description
OPR_pass_file	Same as the off-line intermediate product but enhanced with all geophysical corrections and precise orbit altitude.
URA	Radar Altimeter Fast delivery
WAP	Radar Altimeter Waveform product

10.8. GFO product overview

Table 12: GFO product overview

product type	description
GDR	The GDR is generated from GFO Sensor Data Records (SDRs), precise laser orbit ephemerides provided by NASA Goddard Space Flight Center and Raytheon ITSS, environmental corrections, and ancillary geophysical variables.

10.9. PODAAC product overview

Table 13: Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Center radar altimetry products for Jason-1 and Topex/Poseidon

product type	description
J1SSHA_CYCLE_HEADER_FILE	The PODAAC JASON-1 SSHA cycle header file
TPSSHA_CYCLE_HEADER_FILE	The PODAAC TOPEX/POSEIDON SSHA cycle header file
J1SSHA_PASS_FILE	The PODAAC JASON-1 SSHA pass file
TPSSHA_PASS_FILE	The PODAAC TOPEX/POSEIDON SSHA pass file
J1SSHA_ATG_FILE	The PODAAC JASON-1 Along Track Gridded SSHA file
TPSSHA_ATG_FILE	The PODAAC TOPEX/POSEIDON Along Track Gridded SSHA file

10.10. River and Lake product overview

Table 14: ENVISAT-ERS Exploitation River and Lake Products

product type	description
RLH	River/Lake Hydrology Product
RLA	River/Lake Altimetry Product

10.11. NetCDF products

NetCDF products are self-describing products.

This means that when a netCDF file is opened one can retrieve the product structure from the file itself. For this reason, BRAT will not store fixed product format descriptions for HDF files in the Data Dictionary (you will therefore also not find netCDF product format descriptions in this documentation). What BRAT will do is use the underlying netCDF library to retrieve the product format dynamically once a netCDF file is opened. Based on this format BRAT will create, on the fly, a mapping of the HDF product structure to one that is based on the Data Dictionary data types

However, to be properly interpreted in the toolbox, a HDF product needs a description module to be added.

For example, in order to (really) read a netCDF files we need to:

Access to netCDF attributes

Identify default/missing values (see _FillValue standard attribute)

Convert data to its actual value (not the value stored in file): see scale_factor and add_offset standard attributes.

Interpret the structure of file to compute actual values of data (and not solely returning the netCDF variables values 'as is').

Avoid making available variables belonging to data structure (which are not the data themselves)

10.11.1. Aviso Altimetry data in netCDF

Table 15: Aviso Altimetry data in netCDF

product type	description
NRT- or DT-MSLA (h)	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Maps of sea level anomalies (gridded)
NRT- or DT-MSLA (uv)	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Geostrophic velocities associated to the Maps of sea level anomalies (gridded)
NRT- or DT-MSLA (err)	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Maps of sea level anomalies Formal mapping error (gridded)
NRT- or DT-SLA	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Sea level anomalies (along-track)
NRT- or DT-NRT- or DT-MADT (h)	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Maps of absolute dynamic topography (gridded)
NRT- or DT-MADT (uv)	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Geostrophic velocities associated to the Maps of absolute dynamic topography (gridded)
NRT- or DT-ADT	Ssalto/Duacs multimission Near real-time or Delayed time Absolute dynamic topography (along-track)
Monomission DT-SLA	Delayed time Sea level anomalies (along-track)
Monomission DT-CorSSH	Delayed time Corrected sea surface height (along-track)
NRT-MSWH	Near real-time Maps of Significant wave height (gridded)
NRT-MWind	Near real-time Maps of Wind speed modulus (gridded)

10.11.2. ERS REAPER data in netCDF

Table 16: ERS REAPER data in netCDF

product type	description
ERS_ALT_2_	REAPER L2 GDR Product
ERS_ALT_2S	REAPER L2 SGDR Product (GDR with echo waveforms)
ERS_ALT_2M	REAPER L2 Meteo Product (reduced 1Hz meteo product)

10.11.3. Sentinel 3 data in netCDF

Table 17: Sentinel 3 data in netCDF

product type	description
SR_1_SRA___	Echoes parameters for LRM, PLRM and SAR mode (resolution 20Hz)
SR_1_CAL___	Calibration parameters for LRM and SAR mode
SR_2_LAN___	1-Hz and 20-Hz Ku and C bands parameters (LRM/SAR/PLRM), waveforms. Over Land
SR_2_WAT___	1-Hz and 20-Hz Ku and C bands parameters (LRM/SAR/PLRM), waveforms. Over Water

11. ANNEX B: Y=F(X) PARAMETER FILE KEYS

NOTE: The following table of parameter file keyword help can be always be obtained by calling: "BratCreateYFX -k".

FILE

Type : Str Count : [1-n]

Input file name.

RECORD

Type : Str Count : 1

Record set name to take into account for a file.

OUTPUT

Type : Str Count : 1

Name of created/modified file.

OUTPUT_TITLE

Type : Str Count : [0-1]

Title of created/modified file (string describing the content and which should appear as a graphic title, for example).

(Default="")

SELECT

Type : Expr Count : [0-n]

True for record values selected.

(Default=1)

FIELD

Type : Expr Count : [1-20]=X

Expression of fields of *RECORD* to take into account.

FIELD_NAME

Type : Name Count : X

Name of the *FIELD* data

FIELD_TYPE

Type : KW1 Count : X

Type of *FIELD* data.

FIELD_UNIT

Type : Unit Count : X

Unit of *FIELD* expression.

FIELD_TITLE

Type : Str Count : X

Long name describing *FIELD*. The one which should appear in graphics on axis or legends, for example.

DATA_MODE

Type : KW2 Count : [0-1]

Keyword to indicate how data are stored/computed.

(Default=MEAN)

X

Type : Expr Count : 1

Expression of fields of *RECORD* to take into account.

X_NAME

Type : Name Count : 1

Name of the *X* data

X_TYPE

Type : KW1 Count : 1

Type of *X* data (normally X, T or longitude).

X_UNIT

Type : Unit Count : 1

Unit of *X* expression

X_TITLE

Type : Str Count : 1

Long name describing *X*. The one which should appear in graphics on axis or legends, for example.

ALIAS_NAME

Type : Name Count : [0-n]=N

Name of an alias. An alias is a value which can be used anywhere in another value of field by mean of %{NAME} construct. Names are case sensitive. If a name reference (%{XXX}) does not correspond to an actually defined alias, the expansion is an empty string.

(Default=None)

ALIAS_VALUE

Type : Str Count : N

The value of the alias. ALIAS_VALUE keyword must have at least as many occurrences as the ALIAS_NAME one.

VERBOSE

Type : Int Count : [0-1]

Amount of output: 0=None...5=Debug.

(Default=0)

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Description of types:

Name

String beginning with a letter and containing only letters, digits and '_'

Int

Integer

Expr	Combination of fields of the current record. An expression which can contain function calls like trigonometric, conversion, test...
Str	String. Leading and trailing blanks are ignored.
Unit	Unit string conforming to Udunits package and the special keyword 'DATE' which means that the data is a date.
KW1	Keywords: X/Y/Z/T/Latitude/Longitude/Data
KW2	Keywords: FIRST/LAST/MIN/MAX/MEAN/STDDEV/COUNT

12. ANNEX C: Z=F(X,Y) PARAMETER FILE KEYS

NOTE: The following table of parameter file keyword help can be always be obtained by calling: "BratCreateZFXY -k"

FILE

Type : Str Count : [1-n]

Input file name.

OUTPUT

Type : Str Count : 1

Name of created/modified file.

OUTPUT_TITLE

Type : Str Count : [0-1]

Title of created/modified file (string describing the content and which should appear as a graphic title, for example).

(Default="")

SELECT

Type : Expr Count : [0-n]

True for record values selected.

(Default=1)

RECORD

Type : Str Count : 1

Record set name to take into account for a file.

DATA_MODE

Type : KW2 Count : [0-1]

Keyword to indicate how data are stored/computed.

(Default=MEAN)

POSITION_MODE

Type : KW3 Count : [0-1]

How position is computed.

(Default=NEAREST)

OUTSIDE_MODE

Type : KW4 Count : [0-1]

How data outside limits are managed.

(Default=STRICT)

X

Type : Expr Count : 1

Expression of fields of *RECORD* to take into account.

X_NAME

Type : Name Count : 1

Name of the *X* data

X_TYPE

Type : KW1 Count : 1

Type of *X* data (normally X, T or longitude).

X_UNIT

Type : Unit Count : 1

Unit of *X* expression

X_TITLE

Type : Str Count : 1

Long name describing *X*. The one which should appear in graphics on axis or legends, for example.

X_INTERVALS

Type : Int Count : 1

Number of intervals between Min and Max for *X*.

(Default=180 for lat 360 for lon)

X_MIN

Type : Flt Count : 1

Min value for *X* expression storage.

(Default=-90 for lat, -180 for lon)

X_MAX

Type : Flt Count : 1

Max value for *X* expression storage.

(Default=90 for lat, 180 for lon)

X_LOESS_CUTOFF

Type : Int Count : 1

Distance (in dots) where LOESS filter reaches 0 along X axis. Must be an odd integer. If 1 or 0, Distance computation is disabled. Needed only if at least one filter is asked.

(Default=0)

Y

Type : Expr Count : 1

Expression of fields of *RECORD* to take into account.

Y_INTERVALS

Type : Int Count : 1

Number of intervals between Min and Max for *Y*.

(Default=180 for lat 360 for lon)

Y_NAME

Type : Name Count : 1

Name of the *Y* data.

Y_TYPE

Type : KW1 Count : 1

Type of *Y* data (normally X, T or longitude).

Y_UNIT

Type : Unit Count : 1

Unit of *Y* expression.

Y_TITLE

Type : Str Count : 1

Long name describing *Y*. The one which should appear in graphics on axis or legends, for example.

Y_MIN

Type : Flt Count : 1

Min value for *Y* expression storage.

(Default=-90 for lat, -180 for lon)

Y_MAX

Type : Flt Count : 1

Max value for *Y* expression storage.

(Default=90 for lat, 180 for lon)

Y_LOESS_CUTOFF

Type : Int Count : 1

Distance (in dots) where LOESS filter reaches 0 along Y axis. Must be an odd integer. If 1 or 0, Distance computation is disabled. Needed only if at least one filter is asked.

(Default=0)

FIELD

Type : Expr Count : [1-20]=X

Expression of fields of *RECORD* to take into account.

FIELD_NAME

Type : Name Count : X

Name of the *FIELD* data

FIELD_TYPE

Type : KW1 Count : X

Type of *FIELD* data.

FIELD_UNIT

Type : Unit Count : X

Unit of *FIELD* expression.

FIELD_TITLE

Type : Str Count : X

Long name describing *FIELD*. The one which should appear in graphics on axis or legends, for example.

FIELD_FILTER

Type : KS1 Count : X

How to filter the data.

ALIAS_NAME

Type : Name Count : [0-n]=N

Name of an alias. An alias is a value which can be used anywhere in another value of field by mean of %{NAME} construct. Names are case sensitive. If a name reference (%{XXX}) does not correspond to an actually defined alias, the expansion is an empty string.

(Default=None)

ALIAS_VALUE

Type : Str Count : N

The value of the alias. ALIAS_VALUE keyword must have at least as many occurrences as the ALIAS_NAME one.

VERBOSE

Type : Int Count : [0-1]

Amount of output: 0=None...5=Debug.

(Default=0)

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Description of types:

Name

String beginning with a letter and containing only letters, digits and '_'

Flt

Floating point number

Int

Integer

Expr

Combination of fields of the current record.

An expression which can contain function calls like trigonometric, conversion, test...

Str

String. Leading and trailing blanks are ignored.

Unit

Unit string conforming to Udunits package and the special keyword 'DATE' which means that the data is a date.

KW1

Keywords: X/Y/Z/T/Latitude/Longitude/Data

KW2

Keywords: FIRST/LAST/MIN/MAX/MEAN/STDDEV/COUNT

KW3

Keywords: EXACT/NEAREST

EXACT: Measures which are exactly on boundaries (grid lines) are kept others are ignored

NEAREST: Get the nearest boundary.

KW4

Keywords: STRICT/RELAXED/BLACK_HOLE

	STRICT: Measure outside limits are ignored RELAXED: Measure outside limits are ignored if they are farther than a half step from the limit. BLACK_HOLE: Everything outside the limit is considered to be on the limit.
KS1	Set of keywords from: NONE, LOESS_SMOOTH, LOESS_EXTRAPOLATE, LOESS (LOESS means LOESS_SMOOTH and LOESS_EXTRAPOLATE)

13. ANNEX D: DISPLAY PARAMETER FILE KEYS

NOTE: The following table of parameter file keyword help can be always be obtained by calling: "BratDisplay –k".

FILE

Type : Str Count : [1-n]

Input file name.

FIELD

Type : Expr Count : [1-23]=X

Expression of fields of *RECORD* to take into account.

FIELD_GROUP

Type : Int Count : X

Group id from where belongs *FIELD*. generally used to group many fields in one plot.

DISPLAY_PROPERTIES

Type : Bool Count : [0-1]

Indicates if property panel is shown.

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_TITLE

Type : Str Count : [0-1]

Title of the plot to be displayed.

(Default="")

DISPLAY_ANIMATIONBAR

Type : Bool Count : [0-1]

Keyword to indicate if property panel is shown.

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_COLORBAR

Type : Bool Count : [0-1]

Keyword to indicate if colour bar (legend) is shown.

(Default=Yes)

DISPLAY_CENTERLAT

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Latitude of the projection's centre point.

(Default=0)

DISPLAY_CENTERLON

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Longitude of the projection's centre point.

(Default=0)

DISPLAY_PROJECTION

Type : KW9 Count : [0-1]

Projection to use for mapping the world globe.

(Default=3D)

DISPLAY_COASTRESOLUTION

Type : KW6 Count : [0-1]

Resolution of the coast line drawn on the map.

Recommended value: low.

(Default=low)

DISPLAY_ZOOM_LON1

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Zoom area west side.

(Default=-180)

DISPLAY_ZOOM_LON2

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Zoom area east side.

(Default=180)

DISPLAY_ZOOM_LAT1

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Zoom area south side.

(Default=-90)

DISPLAY_ZOOM_LAT2

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Zoom area north side.

(Default=90)

DISPLAY_GROUPBY_FILE

Type : Bool Count : [0-1]

For world plot. When several files are in input, this parameter indicates if fields are displayed in the same plot (group field by file) or in different plots (one plot by file).

(Default=Yes)

DISPLAY_XMINVALUE

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Minimum X coordinate value to use in XY plot.

(Default=min of data values for X axis)

DISPLAY_XMAXVALUE

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Maximum X coordinate value to use in XY plot.

(Default=max of data values for X axis)

DISPLAY_YMINVALUE

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Minimum Y coordinate value to use in XY plot.
(Default=min of data values for Y axis)

DISPLAY_YMAXVALUE

Type : Flt Count : [0-1]

Maximum Y coordinate value to use in XY plot.
(Default=max of data values for Y axis)

DISPLAY_XLABEL

Type : Str Count : [0-1]

X axis label to be displayed.
(Default=field title or field name)

DISPLAY_YLABEL

Type : Str Count : [0-1]

Y axis label to be displayed.
(Default=field title or field name)

DISPLAY_XTICKS

Type : Int Count : [0-1]

Number of ticks for the X axis.
(Default=6)

DISPLAY_YTICKS

Type : Int Count : [0-1]

Number of ticks for the Y axis.
(Default=6)

DISPLAY_NAME

Type : Str Count : [0-n]=W

Field name to be displayed.

DISPLAY_OPACITY

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Opacity of the colour value map image:
1.0 colour is totally opaque
0.0 is completely transparent.
(Default=0.7)

DISPLAY_MINVALUE

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Minimum colour table value to use in plot.
(Default=min of data values)

DISPLAY_MAXVALUE

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Maximum colour table value to use in plot.
(Default=max of data values)

DISPLAY_NUMCOLORLABELS

Type : Int Count : 0 or W

Number of labels shown on the plot's colour bar.

(Default=2)

DISPLAY_COLORTABLE

Type : Str Count : 0 or W

Name of a predefined colour table:

Aerosol

Blackbody

BlackToWhite

Cloud

Ozone

GreenToRed

Rainbow

RedToGreen

WhiteToBlack

or name of a file containing the colour table definition

(absolute or relative path).

(Default=Aerosol)

DISPLAY_COLORCURVE

Type : KW5 Count : 0 or W

Set the colour table on a specific curve.

(Default=Linear)

DISPLAY_CONTOUR

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if the contour layer of the field is shown or not.

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_CONTOUR_NUMBER

Type : Int Count : 0 or W

Number of contour lines to generate

(equally spaced contour values between specified range

See DISPLAY_CONTOUR_MINVALUE and DISPLAY_CONTOUR_MAXVALUE).

(Default=5)

DISPLAY_CONTOUR_LABEL

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicate if the contour labels (value) are shown or not.

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_CONTOUR_LABEL_NUMBER

Type : Int Count : 0 or W

Number of labels on each contour.

(Default=1)

DISPLAY_CONTOUR_MINVALUE

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Minimum value to use to contour calculation.

Default values are the same as the colour scale one.

(Default=min of data values)

DISPLAY_CONTOUR_MAXVALUE

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Maximum value to use to contour calculation.

Default values are the same as the colour scale one.

(Default=max of data values)

DISPLAY_SOLID_COLOR

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if colour layer of the field is shown or not.

(Default=Yes)

DISPLAY_EAST_COMPONENT

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if this field is the East component of a vector plot.

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_NORTH_COMPONENT

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if this field is the North component of a vector plot.

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_COLOR

Type : KW7 Count : 0 or W

Colour name of the XY plot field.

(Default=rainbow colour)

DISPLAY_POINTS

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if points are displayed in a XY plot(for the field).

(Default=No)

DISPLAY_LINES

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if line is displayed in a XY plot (for the field).

(Default=Yes)

DISPLAY_POINTSIZE

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Size of the points (XY plot, for the field).

(Default=1.0)

DISPLAY_LINEWIDTH

Type : Flt Count : 0 or W

Width of the line (XY plot, for the field).

(Default=0.8)

DISPLAY_STIPPLEPATTERN

Type : KW10 Count : 0 or W

Stipple pattern for the line (field) (XY plot).

(Default=Full)

DISPLAY_POINTGLYPH

Type : KW8 Count : 0 or W

Glyph of the points (field) (XY plot).

(Default=Circle)

DISPLAY_POINTFILLED

Type : Bool Count : 0 or W

Indicates if points are filled or not.

(Default=Yes)

ALIAS_NAME

Type : Name Count : [0-n]=N

Name of an alias. An alias is a value which can be used anywhere in another value of field by mean of%{NAME} construct. Names are case sensitive. If a name reference (%{XXX}) does not correspond to an actually defined alias, the expansion is an empty string.

(Default=None)

ALIAS_VALUE

Type : Str Count : N

The value of the alias. ALIAS_VALUE keyword must have at least as many occurrences as the ALIAS_NAME one.

VERBOSE

Type : Int Count : [0-1]

Amount of output: 0=None...5=Debug.

(Default=0)

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Description of types:

Name

String beginning with a letter and containing only letters, digits and '_'

Bool	Boolean true if : YES/Y/TRUE/T/OUI/O/VRAI/V/1 false if : NO/N/FALSE/F/NON/N/FAUX/0
Flt	Floating point number
Int	Integer
Expr	Combination of fields of the current record. An expression which can contain function calls like trigonometric, conversion, test...
Str	String. Leading and trailing blanks are ignored.
KW5	Keywords: cosine, linear, sqrt (square root)
KW6	Keywords: In increasing resolution: crude, low, intermediate, full
KW7	Keywords: AQUAMARINE, BLACK, BLUE, BLUE VIOLET, BROWN, CADET BLUE, CORAL, CORNFLOWER BLUE, CYAN, DARK GREY, DARK GREEN, DARK OLIVE GREEN, DARK ORCHID, DARK SLATE BLUE, DARK SLATE GREY, DARK TURQUOISE, DIM GREY, FIREBRICK, FOREST GREEN, GOLD, GOLDENROD, GREY, GREEN, GREEN YELLOW, INDIAN RED, KHAKI, LIGHT BLUE, LIGHT GREY, LIGHT STEEL BLUE, LIME GREEN, MAGENTA, MAROON, MEDIUM AQUAMARINE, MEDIUM BLUE, MEDIUM FOREST GREEN, MEDIUM GOLDENROD, MEDIUM ORCHID, MEDIUM SEA GREEN, MEDIUM SLATE BLUE, MEDIUM SPRING GREEN, MEDIUM TURQUOISE, MEDIUM VIOLET RED, MIDNIGHT BLUE, NAVY, ORANGE, ORANGE RED, ORCHID, PALE GREEN, PINK, PLUM, PURPLE, RED, SALMON, SEA GREEN, SIENNA, SKY BLUE, SLATE BLUE, SPRING GREEN, STEEL BLUE, TAN, THISTLE, TURQUOISE, VIOLET, VIOLET RED, WHEAT, WHITE, YELLOW, YELLOW GREEN.
KW8	Keywords: ARROW, CIRCLE, CROSS, DASH, DIAMOND, HOOKEDARROW, SQUARE, THICKARROW, THICKCROSS, TRIANGLE

KW9	Keywords: 3D, Azimuthal Equidistant, Lambert Cylindrical, Lambert Azimuthal, Mercator, Mollweide, Plate-Caree, Robinson
KW10	Keywords: DASHTINY, DASH, DASHDOT, DOT, FULL

14. ANNEX E: BRATHL-MATLAB API

The BRATHL-MATLAB API consists of just a handful of MATLAB structures and functions.

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structures
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BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM = 0
BRATHL_DATEDSM = 1
BRATHL_DATESECOND = 2
BRATHL_DATEJULIAN = 3

To create a structure, use BRATHL_CREATESTRUCT (see description below)

BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM structure

This structure represents an YYYY-MM-DD HH:MN:SS:MS date structure :
YEAR
MONTH
DAY
HOUR
MINUTE
SECOND
MUSECOND

Example :

MyDate=BRATHL_CREATESTRUCT(0)

MyDate.YEAR=2003
MyDate.MONTH=12
MyDate.DAY=5
MyDate.HOUR=18
MyDate.MINUTE=0
MyDate.SECOND=21
MyDate.MUSECOND=1069

BRATHL_DATEDSM structure

This structure represents a day/seconds/microseconds date structure:

REFDATE	reference date
DAYS	numbers of days
SECONDS	numbers of seconds
MUSECONDS	numbers of microseconds

REFDATE is the reference date i.e. :

0: 1950-01-01 00:00:00.0
1: 1958-01-01 00:00:00.0
2: 1985-01-01 00:00:00.0
3: 1990-01-01 00:00:00.0
4: 2000-01-01 00:00:00.0
5: user reference 1
6: user reference 2

values of 5 and 6 allow the user to set two specifics reference date of his choice
(see BRATHL_SETREFUSER1 and BRATHL_SETREFUSER2 functions)

Example:

```
MyDate=BRATHL_CREATESTRUCT(1)

MyDate.REFDATE=3
MyDate.DAYS=423
MyDate.SECONDS=5
MyDate.MUSECONDS=0
```

BRATHL_DATESECONDS structure

This structure represents a decimal seconds date structure:

REFDATE	reference date - see :BRATHL_DATEDSM
NBSECONDS	decimal numbers of seconds (seconds.microseconds)

Example:

```
MyDate=BRATHL_CREATESTRUCT(2)
```

MyDate.REFDATE=0
MyDate.NBSECONDS=56236.0253

BRATHL_DATEJULIAN structure

This structure represents a decimal Julian date structure:
REFDATE reference date - see :BRATHL_DATEDSM
JULIAN decimal Julian day

Example:

MyDate=BRATHL_CREATESTRUCT(3)

MyDate.REFDATE=0
MyDate.JULIAN=123.569

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structure creation functions
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BRATHL_CREATESTRUCT

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Date conversion/computation functions
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BRATHL_DAYOFYEAR

BRATHL_DIFFDSM
BRATHL_DIFFJULIAN
BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM

BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN
BRATHL_DSM2SECONDS
BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM

BRATHL_JULIAN2DSM
BRATHL_JULIAN2SECONDS
BRATHL_JULIAN2YMDHMSM

BRATHL_SECONDS2DSM
BRATHL_SECONDS2JULIAN
BRATHL_SECONDS2YMDHMSM

BRATHL_NOWYMDHMSM

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2DSM
BRATHL_YMDHMSM2JULIAN
BRATHL_YMDHMSM2SECONDS

BRATHL_SETREFUSER1
BRATHL_SETREFUSER2

==========
Cycle/date conversion functions
==========
To convert cycle <-> date, these functions use an asci parameter file (ascii file) with records :

field 1 : Name of the mission
field 2 : Cycle reference
field 3 : Pass reference
field 4 : Reference date in decimal Julian day

Each field has to be separated by, at least, a non-numeric character
The file can contained several records for a same mission.
Only the field with the greatest date is taken into account
You can add records.
You can add comments, commented lines start by '#' character.

If the file doesn't exist, default values are:

Name	Cycle	Pass	Reference date
Jason-1	99	230	19987.9081795
Topex/Poseidon	442	230	19987.9127535
ERS2	66	598	18831.768334
ERS1-A	15	1	15636.938955

ERS1-B	42	108	16538.6732895
ENVISAT	30	579	19986.106016

BRATHL_CYCLE2YMDHMSM
BRATHL_YMDHMSM2CYCLE

BRATHL_DAYOFYEAR

Retrieves the day of year of a date

dayOfYear = BRATHL_DAYOFYEAR(BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date
[out] dayOfYear : day of year of the date parameter

Example:

MyDate={BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM}

MyDate.YEAR=2003
MyDate.MONTH=12
MyDate.DAY=5
MyDate.HOUR=18
MyDate.MINUTE=0
MyDate.SECOND=21
MyDate.MUSECOND=1069

dayOfYear=0L
r = BRATHL_DAYOFYEAR(MyDate, dayOfYear)
print, r, dayOfYear

BRATHL_DIFFDSM

Computes the difference between two dates (date1 - date2)
the result is expressed in a decimal number of seconds

BRATHL_DIFFDSM(BRATHL_DATEDSM date1, BRATHL_DATEDSM date2, DOUBLE diff)

[in] date1

[in] date2
[out] diff : difference in seconds (date1 - date2)

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example:

```
d1={BRATHL_DATEDSM}
d1.REFDATE=3
d1.DAYS=423
d1.SECONDS=5
d1.MUSECONDS=0

d2={BRATHL_DATEDSM}
d2.REFDATE=2
d2.DAYS=36
d2.SECONDS=54
d2.MUSECONDS=2536

diff = 0.0D
r =  BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM(d1, d2, diff)
print, r, diff
```

BRATHL_DIFFJULIAN

Computes the difference between two dates (date1 - date2)
the result is expressed in a decimal number of seconds

BRATHL_DIFFJULIAN(BRATHL_DIFFJULIAN date1, BRATHL_DIFFJULIAN date2, DOUBLE diff)

[in] date1
[in] date2
[out] diff : difference in seconds (date1 - date2)

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DIFFDSM

BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM

Computes the difference between two dates (date1 - date2)
the result is expressed in a decimal number of seconds

BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM(BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM date1, BRATHL_DIFFYMDHMSM date2, DOUBLE diff)

[in] date1
[in] date2
[out] diff : difference in seconds (date1 - date2)

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DIFFDSM

BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN(BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian);

[in] dateDSM : date to convert
[in] refDate : date reference conversion
[out] dateJulian : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example :

dIn={BRATHL_DATEDSM}

dIn.REFDATE=3
dIn.DAYS=423
dIn.SECONDS=5
dIn.MUSECONDS=0

dOut={BRATHL_DATEJULIAN}

refDateDestination = 0

r = BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN(dIn, refDateDestination, dOut)

print, r, dOut.REFDATE, dOut.JULIAN

BRATHL_DSM2SECONDS

Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into seconds, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_DSM2SECONDS(BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATESECOND dateSeconds);

[in] dateDSM : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateSeconds : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM

Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date

BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM(BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM, BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM);

[in] dateDSM : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateYMDHMSM : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example:

dIn={BRATHL_DATEDSM}

dIn.REFDATE=3

dIn.DAYS=423

dIn.SECONDS=5

dIn.MUSECONDS=0

dOut={BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM}

refDateDestination = 0

r = BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM(dIn, dOut)

print, r, dOut.YEAR, dOut.JULIAN, dOut.MONTH, dOut.DAY, dOut.HOUR, dOut.MINUTE, dOut.SECOND, dOut.MUSECOND

BRATHL_JULIAN2DSM

Converts a decimal Julian date into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_JULIAN2DSM(BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM);

[in] dateJulian : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateDSM : result of conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM(BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM, BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM);

[in] dateDSM : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateYMDHMSM : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_JULIAN2SECONDS

Converts a decimal Julian date into seconds, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_JULIAN2SECONDS(BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATESECOND dateSeconds)

[in] dateJulian : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateSeconds : result of conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_JULIAN2YMDHMSM

Converts a decimal Julian date into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date

BRATHL_JULIAN2YMDHMSM(BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian, BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM);

[in] dateJulian : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateYMDHMSM : result of conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2YMDHMSM

BRATHL_SECONDS2DSM

Converts seconds into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_SECONDS2DSM(BRATHL_DATESECOND dateSeconds, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM);

[in] dateSeconds : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateDSM : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_SECONDS2JULIAN

Converts seconds into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_SECONDS2JULIAN(BRATHL_DATESECOND dateSeconds, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian)

[in] dateSeconds : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateJulian : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_SECONDS2YMDHMSM

Converts seconds into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_SECONDS2YMDHMSM(BRATHL_DATESECOND dateSeconds, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian)

[in] dateSeconds : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateJulian : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_NOWYMDHMSM

Gets the current date/time,

LIBRATHL_API int32_t brathl_NowYMDHMSM(brathl_DateYMDHMSM *dateYMDHMSM);

[out] dateYMDHMSM : current date/time

BRATHL_NOWYMDHMSM(BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

dOut={BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM}

r = BRATHL_NOWYMDHMSM(dOut)

print, r, dOut.YEAR, dOut.JULIAN, dOut.MONTH, dOut.DAY, dOut.HOUR, dOut.MINUTE, dOut.SECOND, dOut.MUSECOND

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2DSM

Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2DSM(BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEDSM dateDSM)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateDSM : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2JULIAN

Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a decimal Julian date, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2JULIAN(BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATEJULIAN dateJulian)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateJulian : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2SECONDS

Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a seconds, according to refDate parameter

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2SECONDS(BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM, INT refDate, BRATHL_DATESECOND dateSeconds)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert

[in] refDate : date reference conversion

[out] dateSeconds : result of the conversion

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example: see BRATHL_DSM2JULIAN

BRATHL_SETREFUSER1
BRATHL_SETREFUSER2

Set user-defined reference dates

BRATHL_SETREFUSER1(STRING dateRef)

[in] dateRef : date to set - format: YYYY-MM-DD HH:MN:SS.MS

return 0 or error code (see Date error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example:

```
dateRefUser1 = '2001 01 12 14:57:23:1456'
dateRefUser2 = '2005 11 14'

brathl_setrefuser1(dateRefUser1)
brathl_setrefuser2(dateRefUser2)

MyDate={BRATHL_DATEDSM}

. Set user-defined ref. date  2001 01 12 14:57:23:1456
MyDate.REFDATE=5
MyDate.DAYS=423
MyDate.SECONDS=5
MyDate.MUSECONDS=0

AnotherDate={BRATHL_DATEDSM}

. Set user-defined ref. date  2005 11 14
AnotherDate.REFDATE=6
AnotherDate.DAYS=423
AnotherDate.SECONDS=5
AnotherDate.MUSECONDS=0

; ref. date for MyDate  is now 2005 11 14
MyDate.REFDATE=6

brathl_setrefuser2('2005 05 18 13:08:00')
; ref. date for MyDate and AnotherDate is now 2005 05 18 13:08:00
```

BRATHL_CYCLE2YMDHMSM

Converts a cyle/pass into a date

BRATHL_CYCLE2YMDHMSM(INT mission, ULONG cycle, ULONG pass, BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM)

[in] mission : mission type :

0 : Topex/Poseidon

1 : Jason-1

2 : ERS2

3 : Envisat

4 : ERS1-A

5 : ERS1-B

6 : GFO

[in] cycle : number of cycle to convert

[in] pass : number of pass in the cycle to convert

[out] dateYMDHMSM : date corresponding to the cycle/pass

return 0 or error code (see Cycle/date conversion error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example:

```
cycle=120L
pass=153L
mission=3

dOut={BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM}

r =  BRATHL_CYCLE2YMDHMSM(mission, cycle, pass, dOut)
print, "result ", r

print, "mission ", mission , " cycle ", cycle, " pass ", pass
print, "Y", dOut.year, " M ", dOut.month, " D ", dOut.day, " H ", dOut.hour, " MN ", dOut.minute, " S ", dOut.second, " MS ", dOut.muSecond
```

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2CYCLE

Converts a date into a cycle/pass

BRATHL_YMDHMSM2CYCLE(INT mission, BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM, ULONG cycle, ULONG pass)

[in] mission : mission type :

0 : Topex/Poseidon

1 : Jason-1

2 : ERS2

3 : Envisat

4 : ERS1-A

5 : ERS1-B

6 : GFO

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert

[out] cycle : number of cycle

[out] pass : number of pass in the cycle

return 0 or error code (see Cycle/date conversion error codes in brathl general documentation)

Example:

```
cycle=0L
pass=0L
mission=1

dIn={BRATHL_DATEYMDHMSM}
dIn.YEAR=2003
dIn.MONTH=12
dIn.DAY=5
dIn.HOUR=18
dIn.MINUTE=0
dIn.SECOND=21
dIn.MUSECOND=1069

r =  BRATHL_YMDHMSM2CYCLE(mission, dIn, cycle, pass)
print, "result ", r

print, "Y", dOut.year, " M ", dOut.month, " D ", dOut.day, " H ", dOut.hour, " MN ", dOut.minute, " S ", dOut.second, " MS ", dOut.muSecond
print, "mission ", mission , " cycle ", cycle, " pass ", pass
```

15. ANNEX F: BRATHL-FORTRAN API

The BRATHL-C API consists of just a handful of Fortran functions.

Below is the list of Fortran APIs functions.

A description of each function is detailed in the BRATHL documentation in html or latex format (search for refman-html or refman-latext sub-directories in your BRATHL directories installation). Note: When installing BRAT Toolbox, you have to selected 'Documentations' component.

==========

Date conversion/computation functions

==========

brathl_DayOfYear

brathl_DiffDSM

brathl_DiffJULIAN

brathl_DiffYMDHMSM

brathl_DSM2Julian

brathl_DSM2Seconds

brathl_DSM2YMDHMSM

brathl_JULIAN2DSM

brathl_JULIAN2Seconds

brathl_JULIAN2YMDHMSM

brathl_SECONDS2DSM

brathl_SECONDS2Julian

brathl_SECONDS2YMDHMSM

brathl_NowYMDHMSM

brathl_YMDHMSM2DSM

brathl_YMDHMSM2Julian

brathl_YMDHMSM2Seconds

Date conversion/computation example:

```
PROGRAM TESTDATE_F

IMPLICIT NONE
```

```
INCLUDE "brathlf.inc"
      INTEGER IREFDATESRC
      DOUBLE PRECISION ISECONDS
      INTEGER IREFDATEDEST
      INTEGER ODAYS
      INTEGER OSECONDS
      INTEGER OMUSECONDS

INTEGER Y
      INTEGER M
      INTEGER D
      INTEGER H
      INTEGER MN
      INTEGER SEC
      INTEGER MS

      INTEGER RESULT
      CHARACTER*128 ERRSTR
      CHARACTER*28 REFUSER
      INTEGER TMP

      REFUSER = '1952 02 18'
      CALL BRATHLF_SETREFUSER1(REFUSER)
IREFDATESRC = REF20000101
C     IREFDATEDEST = REF19500101
      IREFDATEDEST = REFUSER1

      ISECONDS = 86460.16936D0
      ODAYS = 0
      OSECONDS = 0
      OMUSECONDS = 0

      RESULT = BRATHLF_SECONDS2DSM(IREFDATESRC, ISECONDS, IREFDATEDEST,
&ODAYS, OSECONDS, OMUSECONDS)

      IF (RESULT .NE. BRATHL_SUCCESS) THEN
        CALL BRATHLF_ERRNO2STRING(RESULT, ERRSTR)
        WRITE(*,*) 'ERROR: ' // ERRSTR
        STOP
      END IF
```

```
      WRITE(*,*)  ' IREFDATESRC:', IREFDATESRC,' ISECONDS:', ISECONDS,
&     ' IREFDATEDEST:', IREFDATEDEST, ' ODAYS:', ODAYS, ' OSECONDS:',
&     OSECONDS, ' OMUSECONDS:', OMUSECONDS
C -----------------------------------------------------

      RESULT = BRATHLF_DSM2SECONDS(IREFDATESRC, ODAYS, OSECONDS,
&OMUSECONDS, IREFDATEDEST, ISECONDS)

      IF (RESULT .NE. BRATHL_SUCCESS) THEN
        CALL BRATHLF_ERRNO2STRING(RESULT, ERRSTR)
        WRITE(*,*) 'ERROR: ' // ERRSTR
        STOP
      END IF

      WRITE(*,*)  ' IREFDATESRC:', IREFDATESRC,' ISECONDS:', ISECONDS,
&     ' IREFDATEDEST:', IREFDATEDEST, ' ODAYS:', ODAYS, ' OSECONDS:',
&     OSECONDS, ' OMUSECONDS:', OMUSECONDS
C -----------------------------------------------------
      RESULT = brathlf_DSM2YMDHMSM(IREFDATESRC, ODAYS, OSECONDS,
&     OMUSECONDS, Y, M, D, H, MN, SEC, MS)

      IF (RESULT .NE. BRATHL_SUCCESS) THEN
        CALL BRATHLF_ERRNO2STRING(RESULT, ERRSTR)
        WRITE(*,*) 'ERROR: ' // ERRSTR
        STOP
      END IF

      WRITE(*,*)  ' IREFDATESRC:', IREFDATESRC,' Y:', Y,
&     ' M:', M,  ' D:', D, ' H:', H,' MN:', MN,' SEC:', SEC,' MS:', MS,
&     ' ODAYS:', ODAYS, ' OSECONDS:',
&     OSECONDS, ' OMUSECONDS:', OMUSECONDS
C -----------------------------------------------------

      RESULT = brathlf_YMDHMSM2DSM( Y, M, D, H, MN, SEC, MS,
&     IREFDATEDEST, ODAYS, OSECONDS, OMUSECONDS,)

      IF (RESULT .NE. BRATHL_SUCCESS) THEN
        CALL BRATHLF_ERRNO2STRING(RESULT, ERRSTR)
        WRITE(*,*) 'ERROR: ' // ERRSTR
        STOP
```

```
      END IF

      WRITE(*,*)  ' IREFDATESRC:', IREFDATESRC,' Y:', Y,
&     ' M:', M,  ' D:', D, ' H:', H,' MN:', MN,' SEC:', SEC,' MS:', MS,
&     ' ODAYS:', ODAYS, ' OSECONDS:',
&     OSECONDS, ' OMUSECONDS:', OMUSECONDS
C -----------------------------------------------------

      END
```

==========

Cycle/date conversion functions

==========

To convert cycle <-> date, these functions use an asci parameter file (ascii file) with records:

- field 1 : Name of the mission
- field 2 : Cycle reference
- field 3 : Pass reference
- field 4 : Reference date in decimal Julian day

Each field has to be separated by, at least, a non-numeric character

The file can contained several records for a same mission.

Only the field with the greatest date is taken into account

You can add records.

You can add comments, commented lines start by '#' character.

If the file doesn't exist, default values are :

Name	Cycle	Pass	Reference date
Jason-1	99	230	19987.9081795
Topex/Poseidon	442	230	19987.9127535
ERS2	66	598	18831.768334
ERS1-A	15	1	15636.938955
ERS1-B	42	108	16538.6732895
ENVISAT	30	579	19986.106016

brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM

brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle

Cycle/date conversion example:

```
      PROGRAM TESTCYCLE_F

      IMPLICIT NONE

      INCLUDE "brathlf.inc"
      INTEGER C
      INTEGER P
      INTEGER MISSION

      INTEGER Y
      INTEGER M
      INTEGER D
      INTEGER H
      INTEGER MN
      INTEGER SEC
      INTEGER MS

      INTEGER RESULT
      CHARACTER*128 ERRSTR

      MISSION = ENVISAT

      C = 120
      P = 153

      RESULT = BRATHLF_CYCLE2YMDHMSM(MISSION, C, P,
&     Y, M, D, H, MN, SEC, MS)

      IF (RESULT .NE. BRATHL_SUCCESS) THEN
        CALL BRATHLF_ERRNO2STRING(RESULT, ERRSTR)
        WRITE(*,*) 'ERROR: ' // ERRSTR
        STOP
      END IF

      WRITE(*,*)  ' MISSION:', MISSION,' CYCLE:', C,
&     ' PASS:', P,
&     ' Y:', Y,
&     ' M:', M,  ' D:', D, ' H:', H,' MN:', MN,' SEC:', SEC,' MS:', MS
C -----------------------------------------------------
```

```
      RESULT = BRATHLF_YMDHMSM2CYCLE(MISSION,
&     Y, M, D, H, MN, SEC, MS, C, P)

      IF (RESULT .NE. BRATHL_SUCCESS) THEN
        CALL BRATHLF_ERRNO2STRING(RESULT, ERRSTR)
        WRITE(*,*) 'ERROR: ' // ERRSTR
        STOP
      END IF

      WRITE(*,*)  ' MISSION:', MISSION,' CYCLE:', C,
&     ' PASS:', P,
&     ' Y:', Y,
&     ' M:', M,  ' D:', D, ' H:', H,' MN:', MN,' SEC:', SEC,' MS:', MS

END
```

==========

Data reading function

==========

brathl_ReadData

Example:

```
    PROGRAM P
    IMPLICIT NONE
    CHARACTER*(100) NAMES(10)
    CHARACTER*(10)  Record
    CHARACTER*(120) Selection
    CHARACTER*(200) Expressions(20)
    CHARACTER*(20)  Units(20)
    REAL*8       Result(1000,20)
    LOGICAL*4  Ignore
    LOGICAL*4  Statistics
    REAL*8       Default

    INTEGER*4  NbValues
    INTEGER*4  NbResults
    INTEGER*4  ReturnCode
```

```
INCLUDE "brathlf.inc"

NAMES(1)    = 'JA1_GDR_2PaP124_001.CNES'
NAMES(2)    = 'JA1_GDR_2PaP124_002.CNES'
NAMES(3)    = 'JA1_GDR_2PaP124_003.CNES'
Record      = 'data'
Selection = 'latitude > 20'
Expressions(1) = 'latitude + longitude'
Units(1)  = 'radians'
Expressions(2) = 'swh_ku'
Units(2)  = 'm'
NbValues= 1000
NbResults   = -1
Ignore      = .false.
Statistics = .false.
Default     = 1.0E100

ReturnCode = brathlf_ReadData(3,
$                 NAMES,
$                 Record,
$                 Selection,
$                 2,
$                 Expressions,
$                 Units,
$                 Result,
$                 NbValues,
$                 NbResults,
$                 Ignore,
$                 Statistics,
$                 Default)
print *, NbResults
print *, ReturnCode
END
```

16. ANNEX G: BRATHL-C API

The BRATHL-C API consists of just a handful of C structures and functions.

Below is the list of C APIs functions.

A description of each function is detailed in the BRATHL documentation in html or latex format (search for refman-html or refman-latext sub-directories in your BRATHL directories installation). Note: When installing BRAT Toolbox, you have to selected 'Documentations' component.

==========

Date conversion/computation functions

==========

brathl_DayOfYear

brathl_DiffDSM

brathl_DiffJULIAN

brathl_DiffYMDHMSM

brathl_DSM2Julian

brathl_DSM2Seconds

brathl_DSM2YMDHMSM

brathl_JULIAN2DSM

brathl_JULIAN2Seconds

brathl_JULIAN2YMDHMSM

brathl_SECONDS2DSM

brathl_SECONDS2Julian

brathl_SECONDS2YMDHMSM

brathl_NowYMDHMSM

brathl_YMDHMSM2DSM

brathl_YMDHMSM2Julian

brathl_YMDHMSM2Seconds

Date conversion/computation example:

```
#include <brathl.h>
#include <brathl_error.h>
```

```
void PrintfDateDSM(brathl_DateDSM *d);
void PrintfDateSecond(brathl_DateSecond *d);
void PrintfDateJulian(brathl_DateJulian *d);
void PrintfDateYMDHMSM(brathl_DateYMDHMSM *d);

int main (int argc, char *argv[])
{
  double diff = 0;
  brathl_DateSecond dateSeconds;
  brathl_DateDSM dateDSM;
  brathl_DateDSM dateDSM2;
  brathl_DateJulian dateJulian;
  brathl_DateJulian dateJulian2;
  brathl_DateYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM;
  brathl_DateYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM2;
  brathl_refDate refDate = REF19500101;
  brathl_refDate refDateDest = REF19500101;
  char Buff[1024];
  memset(brathl_refDateUser1, '\0', BRATHL_REF_DATE_USER_LEN - 1);
memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
  memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));
  memset(&dateDSM2, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM2));
  memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));
  memset(&dateJulian2, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian2));
  memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));
  memset(&dateYMDHMSM2, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM2));
puts ("Choose Source Reference : \n"
    "1 --> 1950\n"
    "2 --> 1958\n"
    "3 --> 1990\n"
    "4 --> 2000\n"
    "5 --> user 1\n"
    "x Exit\n");

c = getchar();
  getchar();
   switch (c)
  {
    case 'X' :
    case 'x' :
```

```
      return 0;
    case '1' : refDate = REF19500101; break;
    case '2' : refDate = REF19580101; break;
    case '3' : refDate = REF19900101; break;
    case '4' : refDate = REF20000101; break;
    case '5' :
      refDate = REFUSER1;
      puts ("Choose date of reference with the format YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms ");
      gets (Buff);
      strncpy (brathl_refDateUser1, Buff, BRATHL_REF_DATE_USER_LEN - 1);
      break;
    default : refDate = REF19500101;
  }
  puts ("Choose Destination Reference : \n"
    "1 --> 1950\n"
    "2 --> 1958\n"
    "3 --> 1990\n"
    "4 --> 2000\n"
    "5 --> user 1\n"
    "x Exit\n");

c = getchar();
  getchar();
  switch (c)
  {
    case 'X' :
    case 'x' :
      return 0;
    case '1' : refDateDest = REF19500101; break;
    case '2' : refDateDest = REF19580101; break;
    case '3' : refDateDest = REF19900101; break;
    case '4' : refDateDest = REF20000101; break;
    case '5' :
      refDateDest = REFUSER1;
      puts ("Choose the reference date with the format YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms ");
      //fgets (brathl_refDateUser1, strlen(refDateUser), stdin);
      gets (Buff);
      strncpy (brathl_refDateUser1, Buff, BRATHL_REF_DATE_USER_LEN - 1);
```

```
      break;
    default : refDateDest = REF19500101;
  }

  printf("ref. dest %d %s\n", refDateDest, brathl_refDateUser1 );

  do
  {
    puts ("\nConversion  : \n"
      "1 - Seconds --> DSM\n"
      "2 - DSM -->Seconds\n"
      "3 - Julian --> DSM\n"
      "4 - DSM -->Julian\n"
      "5 - YMDHMSM --> DSM\n"
      "6 - DSM -->YMDHMSM\n"
      "7 - Seconds --> Julian\n"
      "8 - Julian --> Seconds\n"
      "9 - Seconds --> YMDHMSM\n"
      "A - YMDHMSM --> Seconds\n"
      "B - Julian --> YMDHMSM\n"
      "C - YMDHMSM -->Julian\n"
      "D - diff Date1 - Date2  (YMDHMSM)\n"
      "E - diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (DSM)\n"
      "F - diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (Julian)\n"
"N - Now --> YMDHMSM\n"
      "Q - YMDHMSM --> Quantieme\n"
      "x Exit\n");

    c = getchar();
getchar();

    switch (c)
    {
      case '1' :  // Seconds --> DSM
        memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
     memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));

     dateSeconds.refDate = refDate;

     puts ("nbSeconds :");
```

```
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateSeconds.nbSeconds);

result = brathl_Seconds2DSM(&dateSeconds, refDateDest, &dateDSM);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
   PrintfDateSecond(&dateSeconds);
PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
break;
 case '2' : // DSM -->Seconds
   memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));

dateDSM.refDate = refDate;

puts ("D S M :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%ld%*c%ld%*c%ld ",
    &dateDSM.days,
    &dateDSM.seconds,
    &dateDSM.muSeconds );

result = brathl_DSM2Seconds(&dateDSM, refDateDest, &dateSeconds);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
   PrintfDateSecond(&dateSeconds);
PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
break;

 case '3' : // Julian --> DSM
memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));
memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));

dateJulian.refDate = refDate;

puts ("julian :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateJulian.julian);

result = brathl_Julian2DSM(&dateJulian, refDateDest, &dateDSM);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
   PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
```

```
    PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
    break;

     case '4' : // DSM -->Julian
       memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));
    memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));

    dateDSM.refDate = refDate;

    puts ("D S M :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%ld%*c%ld%*c%ld ",
        &dateDSM.days,
        &dateDSM.seconds,
        &dateDSM.muSeconds );

    result = brathl_DSM2Julian(&dateDSM, refDateDest, &dateJulian);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
    PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
    break;


     case '5' : // YMDHMSM --> DSM
    memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));

    puts ("YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
          &dateYMDHMSM.year, &dateYMDHMSM.month, &dateYMDHMSM.day,
          &dateYMDHMSM.hour,          &dateYMDHMSM.minute,          &dateYMDHMSM.second,
&dateYMDHMSM.muSecond);

    result = brathl_YMDHMSM2DSM(&dateYMDHMSM, refDateDest, &dateDSM);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
    break;
```

```
 case '6' : // DSM -->YMDHMSM
   memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));
memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));

puts ("D S M :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%ld%*c%ld%*c%ld ",
    &dateDSM.days,
    &dateDSM.seconds,
    &dateDSM.muSeconds );

result = brathl_DSM2YMDHMSM(&dateDSM, &dateYMDHMSM);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
   PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
break;
 case '7' :  // Seconds --> Julian
   memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));

dateSeconds.refDate = refDate;

puts ("nbSeconds :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateSeconds.nbSeconds);

result = brathl_Seconds2Julian(&dateSeconds, refDateDest, &dateJulian);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
   PrintfDateSecond(&dateSeconds);
PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
break;

 case '8' :  // Julian -->  Seconds
   memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));

dateJulian.refDate = refDate;

puts ("julian :");
   gets (Buff);
```

```
    sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateJulian.julian);

    result = brathl_Julian2Seconds(&dateJulian, refDateDest, &dateSeconds);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateSecond(&dateSeconds);
    PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
    break;

      case '9' :  // Seconds --> YMDHMSM
       memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));

    dateSeconds.refDate = refDate;

    puts ("nbSeconds :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateSeconds.nbSeconds);

    result = brathl_Seconds2YMDHMSM(&dateSeconds, &dateYMDHMSM);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateSecond(&dateSeconds);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    break;

      case 'A' :  // YMDHMSM --> Seconds
      case 'a' :  // YMDHMSM --> Seconds
       memset(&dateSeconds, '\0', sizeof(dateSeconds));
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));

    puts ("YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
           &dateYMDHMSM.year, &dateYMDHMSM.month, &dateYMDHMSM.day,
           &dateYMDHMSM.hour,          &dateYMDHMSM.minute,          &dateYMDHMSM.second,
&dateYMDHMSM.muSecond);

    result = brathl_YMDHMSM2Seconds(&dateYMDHMSM, refDateDest, &dateSeconds);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateSecond(&dateSeconds);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
```

```
    break;

     case 'B' : // Julian --> YMDHMSM
     case 'b' : // Julian --> YMDHMSM
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));
    memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));

    dateJulian.refDate = refDate;

    puts ("julian :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateJulian.julian);

    result = brathl_Julian2YMDHMSM(&dateJulian, &dateYMDHMSM);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    break;

      case 'C' :  // YMDHMSM --> Julian
      case 'c' :  // YMDHMSM --> Julian
       memset(&dateJulian, '\0', sizeof(dateJulian));
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));

    puts ("YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
          &dateYMDHMSM.year, &dateYMDHMSM.month, &dateYMDHMSM.day,
          &dateYMDHMSM.hour,          &dateYMDHMSM.minute,          &dateYMDHMSM.second,
&dateYMDHMSM.muSecond);


    result = brathl_YMDHMSM2Julian(&dateYMDHMSM, refDateDest, &dateJulian);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
       PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    break;

      case 'D' :  // diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (YMDHMSM)
      case 'd' :  // diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (YMDHMSM)
```

```
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM2, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM2));

    puts ("Date 1 YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
          &dateYMDHMSM.year, &dateYMDHMSM.month, &dateYMDHMSM.day,
          &dateYMDHMSM.hour,  &dateYMDHMSM.minute,  &dateYMDHMSM.second,
&dateYMDHMSM.muSecond);

    puts ("Date 2 YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
          &dateYMDHMSM2.year, &dateYMDHMSM2.month, &dateYMDHMSM2.day,
          &dateYMDHMSM2.hour,  &dateYMDHMSM2.minute,  &dateYMDHMSM2.second,
&dateYMDHMSM2.muSecond);

       diff = 0;

    result = brathl_DiffYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM, &dateYMDHMSM2, &diff);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM2);
       printf("\t----> Difference : %lf \n", diff);
    break;

      case 'E' :  // diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (DSM)
      case 'e' :  // diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (DSM)
    memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));
    memset(&dateDSM2, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM2));

    dateDSM.refDate = refDate;
    dateDSM2.refDate = refDateDest;

    puts (" Date 1 D S M :");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%ld%*c%ld%*c%ld ",
        &dateDSM.days,
        &dateDSM.seconds,
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```
    &dateDSM.muSeconds );

puts (" Date 2 D S M :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%ld%*c%ld%*c%ld ",
    &dateDSM2.days,
    &dateDSM2.seconds,
    &dateDSM2.muSeconds );

   diff = 0;

result = brathl_DiffDSM(&dateDSM, &dateDSM2, &diff);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM);
PrintfDateDSM(&dateDSM2);
   printf("\t----> Difference : %lf \n", diff);
break;

  case 'F' :  // diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (Julian)
  case 'f' :  // diff Date1 (ref. src)  - Date2 (ref. dest) (Julian)
memset(&dateDSM, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM));
memset(&dateDSM2, '\0', sizeof(dateDSM2));

dateJulian.refDate = refDate;
dateJulian2.refDate = refDateDest;

puts ("Date 1 julian :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateJulian.julian);

puts ("Date 2 julian :");
   gets (Buff);
sscanf(Buff, "%lf", &dateJulian2.julian);

   diff = 0;

result = brathl_DiffJulian(&dateJulian, &dateJulian2, &diff);
printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian);
PrintfDateJulian(&dateJulian2);
```

```
      printf("\t----> Difference : %lf \n", diff);
    break;

     case 'N' :  // Now --> YMDHMSM
     case 'n' :  // Now --> YMDHMSM
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));



    result = brathl_NowYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    break;

     case 'Q' :  // YMDHMSM --> Quantième
     case 'q' :  // YMDHMSM --> Quantième
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));

    puts ("YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
      gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
          &dateYMDHMSM.year, &dateYMDHMSM.month, &dateYMDHMSM.day,
          &dateYMDHMSM.hour, &dateYMDHMSM.minute, &dateYMDHMSM.second,
&dateYMDHMSM.muSecond);

    uint32_t quantieme;
    result = brathl_Quantieme(&dateYMDHMSM, &quantieme);
    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
      printf("\t----> Quantieme : %ld \n", quantieme);
    break;

    default  : break;
    }

    if ((c != 'X') && (c != 'x'))
    {
     puts("Press enter key to continue");
     getchar();
    }
```

```
  } while ((c != 'X') && (c != 'x'));


  return 0;

}

//--------------------------------------
void PrintfDateDSM(brathl_DateDSM *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateDSM  days %ld seconds %ld  museconds %ld ref. %d %s\n",
       d->days, d->seconds, d->muSeconds, d->refDate, brathl_refDateUser1);

}
//--------------------------------------

void PrintfDateSecond(brathl_DateSecond *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateSecond  nbSeconds %lf ref. %d %s\n",
       d->nbSeconds, d->refDate, brathl_refDateUser1);

}
//--------------------------------------
void PrintfDateJulian(brathl_DateJulian *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateJulian  julian %lf ref. %d %s\n",
       d->julian, d->refDate, brathl_refDateUser1);


}

//--------------------------------------
void PrintfDateYMDHMSM(brathl_DateYMDHMSM *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateYMDHMSM   year %ld month %ld day %ld hour %ld minute %ld second %ld
musecond %ld ref.  %s\n",
       d->year,     d->month,     d->day,     d->hour,     d->minute,     d->second,     d->muSecond,
brathl_refDateUser1);


}
```

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Cycle/date conversion functions

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To convert cycle <-> date, these functions use an asci parameter file (ascii file) with records :

field 1 : Name of the mission
field 2 : Cycle reference
field 3 : Pass reference
field 4 : Reference date in decimal julian day

Each field has to be separated by, at least, a non-numeric character
The file can contained several records for a same mission.
Only the field with the greatest date is taken into account
You can add records.
You can add comments, commented lines start by '#' character.

If the file doesn't exist, default values are :

Name	Cycle	Pass	Reference date
Jason-1	99	230	19987.9081795
Topex/Poseidon	442	230	19987.9127535
ERS2	66	598	18831.768334
ERS1-A	15	1	15636.938955
ERS1-B	42	108	16538.6732895
ENVISAT	30	579	19986.106016

brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM
brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle

Cycle/date conversion example

```
#include <brathl.h>
#include <brathl_error.h>

void PrintfDateDSM(brathl_DateDSM *d);
void PrintfDateSecond(brathl_DateSecond *d);
void PrintfDateJulian(brathl_DateJulian *d);
void PrintfDateYMDHMSM(brathl_DateYMDHMSM *d);

int main (int argc, char *argv[])
```

```
{

  uint32_t cycle = 0;

  uint32_t pass = 0;

  int32_t result = BRATHL_SUCCESS;
  char c;

  double diff = 0;

  brathl_mission mission;

  brathl_DateYMDHMSM dateYMDHMSM;

  char Buff[1024];

  memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));

  puts ("Choose the mission  : \n"
    "1 --> TOPEX\n"
    "2 --> JASON1\n"
    "3 --> ERS2\n"
    "4 --> ENVISAT\n"
    "5 --> ERS1_A\n"
    "6 --> ERS1_B\n"
    "7 --> GFO\n"
    "x Exit\n");

c = getchar();
  getchar();

  switch (c)
  {
    case 'X' :
    case 'x' :
      return 0;
    case '1' : mission = TOPEX; break;
    case '2' : mission = JASON1; break;
    case '3' : mission = ERS2; break;
```

```
    case '4' : mission = ENVISAT; break;
    case '5' : mission = ERS1_A; break;
    case '6' : mission = ERS1_B; break;
    case '7' : mission = GFO; break;

      break;
    default : mission = TOPEX;
  }

  do
  {
    puts ("\nConversion Cycle <--> Date: \n"
      "1 - Cycle --> Date YMDHMSM\n"
      "2 - Date YMDHMSM -->Cycle\n"
"x Exit\n");

    c = getchar();
getchar();

    switch (c)
    {
      case '1' :  // Cycle --> Date YMDHMSM
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));
    cycle = pass = 0;

    puts ("Cycle Pass:");
       gets (Buff);
    sscanf(Buff, "%ld%*c%ld ", &cycle, &pass);
    result = brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM(mission, cycle, pass, &dateYMDHMSM);

    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
    printf("\tcycle %d pass %d\n", cycle, pass);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    break;
      case '2' : // Date YMDHMSM -->Cycle
    memset(&dateYMDHMSM, '\0', sizeof(dateYMDHMSM));
    cycle = pass = 0;

    puts ("YYYY MM DD hh:mn:s:ms :");
       gets (Buff);
```

```
    sscanf(Buff, "%4d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c"
                 "%2d%*c%2d%*c%2d%*c%6d",
           &dateYMDHMSM.year, &dateYMDHMSM.month, &dateYMDHMSM.day,
           &dateYMDHMSM.hour,  &dateYMDHMSM.minute,  &dateYMDHMSM.second,
&dateYMDHMSM.muSecond);

    result = brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle(mission, &dateYMDHMSM,  &cycle, &pass);

    printf("result %d %s\n", result, brathl_Errno2String(result));
    printf("\tcycle %d pass %d\n", cycle, pass);
    PrintfDateYMDHMSM(&dateYMDHMSM);
    break;

     default  : break;
    }

    if ((c != 'X') && (c != 'x'))
    {
      puts("Press enter key to continue");
      getchar();
    }

  } while ((c != 'X') && (c != 'x'));

  return 0;

}

//--------------------------------------
void PrintfDateDSM(brathl_DateDSM *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateDSM  days %ld seconds %ld  museconds %ld ref. %d %s\n",
       d->days, d->seconds, d->muSeconds, d->refDate, brathl_refDateUser1);

}
//--------------------------------------

void PrintfDateSecond(brathl_DateSecond *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateSecond  nbSeconds %lf ref. %d %s\n",
       d->nbSeconds, d->refDate, brathl_refDateUser1);
```

```
  }
//--------------------------------------
void PrintfDateJulian(brathl_DateJulian *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateJulian  julian %lf ref. %d %s\n",
       d->julian, d->refDate, brathl_refDateUser1);

}

//--------------------------------------
void PrintfDateYMDHMSM(brathl_DateYMDHMSM *d)
{
   printf("\tbrathl_DateYMDHMSM   year %ld month %ld day %ld hour %ld minute %ld second %ld musecond %ld ref.  %s\n",
      d->year,  d->month,  d->day,  d->hour,  d->minute,  d->second,  d->muSecond, brathl_refDateUser1);

}
```

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Data reading function

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brathl_ReadData

Example:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "brathl.h"
#include "brathl_error.h"

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
  char     *Names[10];
  int32_t ReturnCode;
  double  *Data[2] = {NULL,NULL};
  int32_t Sizes[2]  = {-1, -1};
  char     *Expressions[2];
  char     *Units[2];
  int32_t ActualSize;
```

```
  Names[0]  = "JA1_GDR_2PaP124_001.CNES";
  Names[1]  = "JA1_GDR_2PaP124_002.CNES";
  Names[2]  = "JA1_GDR_2PaP124_003.CNES";

  Expressions[0]    = "latitude + longitude";
  Units[0]          = "radians";
  Expressions[1]    = "swh_ku";
  Units[1]          = "m";

  ReturnCode    = brathl_ReadData(3, Names,
                  "data",
                  "latitude > 20",
                  2,
                  Expressions,
                  Units,
                  Data,
                  Sizes,
                 &ActualSize,
                  0,
                  0,
                  0);
  printf("Return code          : %d\n", ReturnCode);
  printf("Actual number of data: %d\n", ActualSize);
  return 0;
}
```

17. ANNEX H: BRATHL-PYTHON API

The BRATHL-Python API consists of a handful of Python structures and functions.

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 BRATHL-Python API:  Structures
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- brathl_DateYMDHMSM
- brathl_DateDSM
- brathl_DateSecond
- brathl_DateJulian

brathl_DateYMDHMSM data structure:

This structure represents an YYYY-MM-DD HH:MN:SS:MS date structure.

=> Example - Defining date 2000-01-01 12:25:20.1:

```
MyDate = brathl_DateYMDHMSM (2000, 1, 1, 12, 25, 20, 100000)
```

=> Example - Retrieving information:

```
MyDate.YEAR       : numbers of years
MyDate.MONTH      : numbers of months
MyDate.DAY        : numbers of days
MyDate.HOUR       : numbers of hours
MyDate.MINUTE     : numbers of minutes
MyDate.SECOND     : numbers of seconds
MyDate.MUSECOND   : numbers of microseconds
```

brathl_DateDSM data structure:

This structure represents day/seconds/microseconds date structure.

=> Example - Defining date 1 day, 62 seconds and 100000 microseconds:

```
MyDate = brathl_DateDSM(brathl_refDate.REF19500101, 1, 62, 100000)
```

=> Example - Retrieving information:

```
MyDate.REFDATE       : date reference number
```

MyDate.DAY : numbers of days
MyDate.SECOND : numbers of seconds
MyDate.MUSECOND : numbers of microseconds

REFDATE is the reference date i.e.:
0: brathl_refDate.REF19500101 : reference to 1950-01-01 00:00:00.0
1: brathl_refDate.REF19580101 : reference to 1958-01-01 00:00:00.0
2: brathl_refDate.REF19850101 : reference to 1985-01-01 00:00:00.0
3: brathl_refDate.REF19900101 : reference to 1990-01-01 00:00:00.0
4: brathl_refDate.REF20000101 : reference to 2000-01-01 00:00:00.0
5: brathl_refDate.REFUSER1 : user reference 1
6: brathl_refDate.REFUSER2 : user reference 2

-> NOTE: REFUSER1 and REFUSER2 allow the user to set two specifics reference dates of his choice (see brathl_SetRefDateUser1 and brathl_SetRefDateUser1 functions)

brathl_DateSecond data structure:

This structure represents a decimal seconds date structure.

=> Example - Defining 86401.01 seconds (starting reference date: 1950-01-01 00:00:00.0):
MyDate = brathl_DateSecond (brathl_refDate.REF19500101, 86401.01)

=> Example - Retrieving information:
MyDate.REFDATE : date reference number
MyDate.SECOND : numbers of seconds

brathl_DateJulian data structure:

This structure represents a decimal Julian date structure.

=> Example - Defining 1.5 days (starting reference date: 2000-01-01 00:00:00.0):
MyDate = brathl_DateJulian (brathl_refDate.REF20000101, 1.5)

=> Example - Retrieving information:
MyDate.REFDATE : date reference number
MyDate.JULIAN : decimal julian day

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 BRATHL-Python API: Functions
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Date conversion/computation functions
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- brathl_DayOfYear

- brathl_DiffDSM
- brathl_DiffJulian
- brathl_DiffYMDHMSM

- brathl_DSM2Julian
- brathl_DSM2Seconds
- brathl_DSM2YMDHMSM

- brathl_Julian2DSM
- brathl_Julian2Seconds
- brathl_Julian2YMDHMSM

- brathl_Seconds2DSM
- brathl_Seconds2Julian
- brathl_Seconds2YMDHMSM

- brathl_NowYMDHMSM

- brathl_YMDHMSM2DSM
- brathl_YMDHMSM2Julian
- brathl_YMDHMSM2Seconds

- brathl_SetRefDateUser1
- brathl_SetRefDateUser2

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Cycle/Date Conversion functions
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- brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM
- brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle
```

Data Reading functions

- brathl_ReadData

brathl_DayOfYear function:

Retrieves the day of the year of a date.

brathl_DayOfYear(date)

[in] date : date object (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)
return dayOfYear : day of year (Type: Python integer)

brathl_DiffDSM function:

Computes the difference between two dates (date1 - date2).

brathl_DiffDSM(dateDSM1, dateDSM2)

[in] dateDSM1 : date object (Type: brathl_DateDSM)
[in] dateDSM2 : date object (Type: brathl_DateDSM)
return diff : difference in seconds (Type: Python float)

brathl_DiffJulian function:

Computes the difference between two dates (date1 - date2).

brathl_DiffJulian(dateJulian1, dateJulian2)

[in] dateJulian1 : date object (Type: brathl_DateJulian)
[in] dateJulian2 : date object (Type: brathl_DateJulian)
return diff : difference in seconds (Type: Python float)

brathl_DiffYMDHMSM function:

Computes the difference, in seconds, between two dates (date1 - date2).

brathl_DiffYMDHMSM(date1, date2)

[in] dateYMDHMSM1 : date object (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

[in] dateYMDHMSM2 : date object (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

return diff : difference in seconds (Type: Python float)

brathl_DSM2Julian function:

Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into a decimal julian date, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_DSM2Julian(dateDSM, refDate)

[in] dateDSM : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateDSM)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateJulian : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateJulian)

brathl_DSM2Seconds function:

Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into seconds, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_DSM2Seconds(dateDSM, refDate)

[in] dateDSM : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateDSM)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateSeconds : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateSecond)

brathl_DSM2YMDHMSM function:

Converts a days-seconds-microseconds date into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date.

brathl_DSM2YMDHMSM(dateDSM)

[in] dateDSM : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateDSM)

return dateYMDHMSM : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

brathl_Julian2DSM function:

Converts a decimal julian date into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_Julian2DSM(dateJulian, refDate)

[in] dateJulian : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateJulian)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateDSM : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateDSM)

brathl_Julian2Seconds function:

Converts a decimal julian date into seconds, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_Julian2Seconds(dateJulian, refDate)

[in] dateJulian : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateJulian)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateSeconds : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateSecond)

brathl_Julian2YMDHMSM function:

Converts a decimal julian date into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date.

brathl_Julian2YMDHMSM(dateJulian)

[in] dateJulian : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateJulian)

return dateYMDHMSM : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

brathl_Seconds2DSM function:

Converts seconds into a days-seconds-microseconds date, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_Seconds2DSM(dateSeconds, refDate)

[in] dateSeconds : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateSecond)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateDSM : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateDSM)

brathl_Seconds2Julian function:

Converts seconds into a decimal julian date, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_Seconds2Julian(dateSeconds, refDate)

[in] dateSeconds : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateSecond)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateJulian : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateJulian)

brathl_Seconds2YMDHMSM function:

Converts seconds into a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date.

brathl_Seconds2YMDHMSM(dateSeconds)

[in] dateSeconds : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateSecond)

return dateYMDHMSM : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

brathl_NowYMDHMSM function:

Gets the current year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date.

brathl_NowYMDHMSM()

return dateYMDHMSM : current date/time (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

brathl_YMDHMSM2DSM function:

Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a days-seconds-microseconds date.

brathl_YMDHMSM2DSM(dateYMDHMSM, refDate)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateDSM : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateDSM)

brathl_YMDHMSM2Julian function:

Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into a decimal julian date, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_YMDHMSM2Julian(dateYMDHMSM, refDate)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateJulian : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateJulian)

brathl_YMDHMSM2Seconds function:

Converts a year, month, day, hour, minute, second, microsecond date into seconds, according to refDate parameter.

brathl_YMDHMSM2Seconds(dateYMDHMSM, refDate)

[in] dateYMDHMSM : date to convert (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

[in] refDate : date reference conversion (see REFDATE on brathl_DateDSM data structure example)

return dateSeconds : result of the conversion (Type: brathl_DateSecond)

brathl_SetRefDateUser1 function:

Set first user defined reference date: REFUSER1.

brathl_SetRefDateUser1(dateRef)

[in] dateRef : date to set in format: YYYY MM DD HH:MN:SS.MS (Type: Python string).

brathl_SetRefDateUser2 function:

Set first user defined reference date: REFUSER2.

brathl_SetRefDateUser2(dateRef)

[in] dateRef : date to set in format: YYYY MM DD HH:MN:SS.MS (Type: Python string).

brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM function:

Converts a cyle/pass into a date.

brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM(mission, cycle, nbPass)

[in] mission : mission type (Type: brathl_mission)

[in] cycle : number of cycle to convert (Type: Python int/long)

[in] nbPass : number of pass in the cycle to convert (Type: Python int/long)

return dateYMDHMSM : date/time corresponding to the cycle/pass (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)

'mission' is the Satellite/mission reference i.e.:
0: brathl_mission.TOPEX : Topex/Poseidon mission
1: brathl_mission.JASON2 : Jason-2 mission
2: brathl_mission.JASON1 : Jason-1 mission
3: brathl_mission.ERS2 : ERS2 mission
4: brathl_mission.ENVISAT : Envisat mission
5: brathl_mission.ERS1_A : ERS1-A mission
6: brathl_mission.ERS1_B : ERS1-B mission
7: brathl_mission.GFO : GFO mission

=> Example:

```
cycle  = 1
nbPass = 2
dateYMDHMSM = brathl_Cycle2YMDHMSM(brathl_mission.JASON1, cycle, nbPass)
```

brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle function:

Converts a date into a cyle/pass.

brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle(mission, dateYMDHMSM)

[in] mission : mission type (Type: brathl_mission)
[in] dateYMDHMSM : date/time to convert (Type: brathl_DateYMDHMSM)
return cycle : number of cycle (Type: Python int/long)
return nbPass : number of pass in the cycle (Type: Python int/long)

=> Example:

```
dateYMDHMSM  = brathl_DateYMDHMSM (2002, 1, 15, 6, 35, 43, 261871)
cycle, nbPass = brathl_YMDHMSM2Cycle(brathl_mission.JASON1, dateYMDHMSM)
```

brathl_ReadData function:

Reads data from a set of files.

brathl_ReadData(fileNames, recordName, selection, expressions, units, ignore-OutOfRange, statistics, defaultValue):

[in] fileNames : File name list. Empty strings are ignored (Type: Python list of strings).
[in] recordName : Name of the fields record. For netCDF files is 'data' (Type: Python string).

[in] selection : Expression for selecting data fields. If empty string, all data are selected (Type: Python string).
[in] expressions : Expressions applied to data fields to build wanted value. If empty string, the returned data are always default values (Type: Python list of strings).
[in] units : Wanted unit for each expression. Must be None or of 'expressions' size. If None, no unit conversion is done. If an entry is None or an empty string, no unit conversion is applied to the data of the corresponding expression (Type: Python list of strings).
[in] ignoreOutOfRange : Skip excess data. If there are too many values to store they are ignored (case is set True). Must be False if statistics is True (Type: Python bool).
[in] statistics : Returns statistics on data instead of data themselves (Type: Python bool). The returned values for each expression are:
- Count of valid data taken into account;
- Mean of the valid data;
- Standard deviation of the valid data;
- Minimum value of the valid data;
- Maximum value of the valid data.
[in] defaultValue : Value to use for default/missing values (Type: Python float or int).
return dataResults : Data read. Must contain a number of entries to values to read equal to expressions size (Type: Python list).

=> Example:

```
fileNames       = ['example.nc']
recordName      = 'data'
selection       = ''
expressions     = ['lat_mwr_l1b', 'lon_mwr_l1b']
units           = ['radians', 'radians']
ignoreOutOfRange = False
statistics      = False
defaultValue    = 0

dataResults = brathl_ReadData(fileNames,
                              recordName,
                              selection,
                              expressions,
                              units,
                              ignoreOutOfRange,
```

```
                    statistics,
                    defaultValue)

print ("---------- Printing data values ----------")
for i in range(len(dataResults)):
    print (expressions[i], "(", len(dataResults[i]), " values) =", dataResults[i])
print ("------------------------------------------------")
```

18. ANNEX I: BRAT-PYTHON ALGORITHMS

The user can also define new Brat algorithms using python scripts. As the other algorithms that are compiled within Brat, the python algorithms should follow a pre-defined structure. The algorithm name, number of input parameters, calculation steps and other properties must be set by the user.

The following instructions explain all the required steps to build a new Brat algorithm using a python script.

1- The name of the python script should be "BratAlgorithm-AlgorithmName.py", in which the "AlgorithmName" must be replaced by the name of your algorithm.

2- The python module "BratAlgorithmBase.py" contains the algorithm base that is loaded by Brat. Therefore, every Python algorithm must import this module. As you will see, the new algorithm will be an extension of the base algorithm (or derived from the base algorithm class). The first line in the script should contain:

```
from BratAlgorithmBase import PyBratAlgoBase
```

3- Import all other modules that are required for your algorithm (this step is optional). If you pretend to use modules that are available in your Python installation, extend the list of search paths with the directories of your system installation:

```
import sys
sys.path.extend( [  '/USER/PYTHON_DIR',  '/USER/PYTHON_PACKAGES_DIR" ])
```

To get the full list of directories, write "import sys" and then "sys.path" in your python terminal.

4- Complete all class methods with the required information. The following example contains the full code needed to define an algorithm that calculates the SSH (Sea Surface Height) according with the SSH Jason2 formula. Each class method is explained (see the commented lines).

```
============================================================

#!/usr/bin/python -tt


from BratAlgorithmBase import PyBratAlgoBase


# NOTE: In this case the name of the script should be "BratAlgorithm-Example_SSHjason2.py"
class Example_SSHjason2(PyBratAlgoBase):
    # Initialize here the input parameters of the algorithm
    def __init__(self):
        self.m1_alt = float()
        self.m2_range_ku = float()
        self.m3_model_dry_tropo_corr = float()
        self.m4_hf_fluctuations_corr = float()
        self.m5_inv_bar_corr = float()
        self.m6_ocean_tide_sol1 = float()
        self.m7_solid_earth_tide = float()
```

```
    self.m8_pole_tide = float()
    self.m9_sea_state_bias_ku = float()
    self.m10_iono_corr_alt_ku = float()
    self.m11_rad_wet_tropo_corr = float()

# Define here all the calculation steps of the algorithm
def Run(self, PyAlgoParams):
    self.SetParamValues(PyAlgoParams)      # Sets the algorithm parameters values
    self.Dump()                # Prints all the algorithm text during execution

    # Returns the result of the calculation
     return ( self.m1_alt - self.m2_range_ku - self.m3_model_dry_tropo_corr
            - (self.m4_hf_fluctuations_corr + self.m5_inv_bar_corr)
            - self.m6_ocean_tide_sol1 - self.m7_solid_earth_tide
            - self.m8_pole_tide - self.m9_sea_state_bias_ku
            - self.m10_iono_corr_alt_ku - self.m11_rad_wet_tropo_corr )

# Insert here the name of the algorithm
def GetName(self):
    return "Example_SSHjason2"

# The algorithm description
 def GetDescription(self):
    return "Example of an algorithm that calculates the SSH from Jason2 data."

# Insert the number of input parameters
def GetNumInputParam(self):
    return 11

# Define the name of each parameter
def GetInputParamName(self, indexParam):
    Param_dict = {0      : "%{alt}",
                  1      : "%{range_ku}",
                  2      : "model_dry_tropo_corr",
                  3      : "hf_fluctuations_corr",
                  4      : "inv_bar_corr",
                  5      : "ocean_tide_sol1",
                  6      : "solid_earth_tide",
                  7      : "pole_tide",
                  8      : "sea_state_bias_ku",
```

```
                9       : "iono_corr_alt_ku",
               10       : "rad_wet_tropo_corr" }
    value = Param_dict.get(indexParam)
    return value

# Insert the description of each parameter
def GetInputParamDesc(self, indexParam):
    Param_dict = {0       : "alt",
                  1       : "range_ku",
                  2       : "model_dry_tropo_corr",
                  3       : "hf_fluctuations_corr",
                  4       : "inv_bar_corr",
                  5       : "ocean_tide_sol1",
                  6       : "solid_earth_tide",
                  7       : "pole_tide",
                  8       : "sea_state_bias_ku",
                  9       : "iono_corr_alt_ku",
                 10       : "rad_wet_tropo_corr", }
    value = Param_dict.get(indexParam)
    return value

# Define each parameter data type
def GetInputParamFormat(self, indexParam):
    Param_dict = {0       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  1       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  2       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  3       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  4       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  5       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  6       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  7       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  8       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                  9       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,
                 10       : PyBratAlgoBase.Py_FLOAT,}

    value = Param_dict.get(indexParam)
    return value

# Define parameter units
def GetInputParamUnit(self, indexParam):
```

```
    Param_dict = {0      : "m",
                  1      : "m",
                  2      : "m",
                  3      : "m",
                  4      : "m",
                  5      : "m",
                  6      : "m",
                  7      : "m",
                  8      : "m",
                  9      : "m",
                 10      : "m",}
    value = Param_dict.get(indexParam)
    return value

 # Define the output unit of the algorithm
def GetOutputUnit(self):
    return "m"

# Sets the parameter values
def SetParamValues(self, PyAlgoParams):
    self.CheckInputParams(PyAlgoParams)

    self.m1_alt = float(PyAlgoParams[0])
    self.m2_range_ku = float(PyAlgoParams[1])
    self.m3_model_dry_tropo_corr = float(PyAlgoParams[2])
    self.m4_hf_fluctuations_corr = float(PyAlgoParams[3])
    self.m5_inv_bar_corr = float(PyAlgoParams[4])
    self.m6_ocean_tide_sol1 = float(PyAlgoParams[5])
    self.m7_solid_earth_tide = float(PyAlgoParams[6])
    self.m8_pole_tide = float(PyAlgoParams[7])
    self.m9_sea_state_bias_ku = float(PyAlgoParams[8])
    self.m10_iono_corr_alt_ku = float(PyAlgoParams[9])
    self.m11_rad_wet_tropo_corr = float(PyAlgoParams[10])
# Define here the text that is printed during the algorithm execution
def Dump(self):
    fOut = ""
    fOut += ("\n==> Dump a Example_SSHjason2 Object at " + str(hex(id(self))) + "\n")
    fOut += ("==> END Dump a Example_SSHjason2 Object at " + str(hex(id(self)))  + "\n")
    print (fOut)
```

```
    # This function is optional and can be used to test the algorithm outside Brat (e.g. test
    # the script consistence during the algorithm development).
    def main():
        algo = Example_SSHjason2()

        print (" ")
        print ("Name:        " + str( algo.GetName() ))
        print ("Description: " + str( algo.GetDescription() ))
        print ("Nb of Input: " + str( algo.GetNumInputParam() ))
        print ("Par 1 name:  " + str( algo.GetInputParamDesc(1) ))
        print ("RESULT:      " + str( algo.Run([60, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]) )
                             + " " + algo.GetOutputUnit()           )

# This is the standard boilerplate that calls the main() function.
if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

5 – After testing the algorithm outside the Brat application and checking that there are no errors, copy the algorithm script to the sub-directory "/bin/Python" of the installation directory, near the example algorithms already provided, or to any sub-directory you wish to create under "/bin/Python". At start-up, Brat will always search this directory and all its sub-directories for python algorithms to load.

The button "insert algorithm" In the "Operations" tab enable to access the available algorithms with the relevant information provided.

19. ANNEX J: COMPILATION IN GPOD ENVIRONMENT

In this annex it is explained how to compile the main BRAT command line tools, version 4, in a CentOS 6, 64 bit operating system.

19.1. Dependencies

BRAT version 4.1.0 requires CMake to be installed. The least suitable version is 3.1.0, but any version not greater than 3.2.3 will also work. These versions are not provided by default in CentOs 6: the link https://cmake.org/files/ can be used to download the required installer for any Linux x86_64 system. The installation procedure consists simply in running the downloaded script. To run CMake form any directory, the full path to the bin/ sub-directory of the CMake install location must be present in the PATH environment variable.

BRAT version 4.1.0 also requires Python 3. The standard version being 3.2.3, versions 3.3.x are equally suitable. Also, these versions are not found by default in CentOs 6 and must be obtained from 3rd party providers, following the respective instructions.

Besides CMake, Python3, and the compilation tools and packages installed in a typical CentoOS 6 system with minimal development capabilities (e.g., with g++ and make toolchains), the following system packages must also be installed: *libssh2-devel*, *expat-devel* and *qt-devel* (optional, if other valid Qt 4.6.2 or above is installed, as explained below).

If the software previously installed in the machine does not include other necessary dependencies, the build system will complain about the missing packages. In any case, all these dependencies for the command line tools compilation can be found in the default operating system software package list, and can be easily installed with the default package manager.

19.2. Source and Build directories

An out-of-source compilation is intended, meaning that the build outputs go to a dedicated directory, outside the source directory.

With that purpose, unpack the BRAT source package in its own directory (the <source directory>). A directory brat-<brat version> will be created and contain the software source code.

Create an empty directory (the <build directory>), outside the source directory created in the previous step, and, in the command line prompt, change (cd) to the <build directory>.

19.3. Configure and make

Then, invoke cmake with the following options:

```
$ cmake -DBRAT_TARGET_PROCESSOR=x86_64 -DBRAT_BUILD_GUI:BOOL=OFF -
DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE:STRING=Release -DBUILD_TESTING:BOOL=OFF -DCMAKE_CXX_FLAGS:STRING=-m64 -
DCMAKE_C_FLAGS:STRING=-m64 -DHDF5_BUILD_FORTRAN:BOOL=OFF -DBUILD_TESTING:BOOL=OFF -
DHDF5_BUILD_EXAMPLES:BOOL=OFF -DENABLE_TESTS:BOOL=OFF -DENABLE_DAP:BOOL=ON -DPYTHON_LIBRARY=<full
path to the shared python library, including filename and extension> -DPYTHON_INCLUDE_DIR=<full
path to the python include directory> -DIS_CENTOS_SYSTEM:BOOL=ON <source directory>
```

To use an existing Qt 4 installation other than qt-devel (the minimum required version being 4.6.2), the following must also be added to the invocation above:

```
-DQT_QMAKE_EXECUTABLE=<qmake executable full path>
```

CMake warnings about modules such as QtWebKit not being found can be safely disregarded.

If the CMake configuration process runs without errors, it will display the message

"Build files have been written to: <build directory>"

Finally, call make with the target "command-line-tools":

```
$ make command-line-tools
```

The message "Built target command-line-tools" will be displayed when the compilation is complete. The executables can be found in the bin sub-directory of <build directory>.

The executables require the environment variable BRAT_DATA_DIR to be defined, pointing to the data sub-directory of <source directory>, or of any other location where you wish to copy it.

Some executables, like BratCreateYFX and BratCreateZFXY, require also the embedded subset of Python in a specific location, namely in <build directory>/bin/Python/lib64. Simply create the Python sub-directory in <build directory>/bin and copy there the lib64 sub-directory of your Python installation.

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