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Delft-FEWS Basic Training

For NERC-CCCC

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Training Overview

- Objective
  - Detailed system introduction of FEWS-Gulf of Guinea
  - System user training
  - System support & maintenance training
  - Simple system configuration training

- Required software:
  - FEWS-GoG Stand Alone system deployed on the participants` local machine with proper internet connection.
  - Optional: Altova XMLSpy should be installed for editing and validating xml files. One can also editing xml files with any other text editor (e.g. Notepad++), however there are several drawbacks compare to an official xml editor.
  - Optional: Total commander, strongly advised for working with FEWS configuration.

Training Overview

- Prerequisite knowledge
  - FEWS-GoG system architecture and forecast data flow, no knowledge of Delft-FEWS configuration is required.

- Agenda: Day 3
  - System architecture and workflows
  - FEWS configuration basics
  - Exercise
- Agenda: Day 4
  - FEWS configuration basics
  - FEWS configuration basics
  - Exercise

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Module 4

Basic Configuration Files

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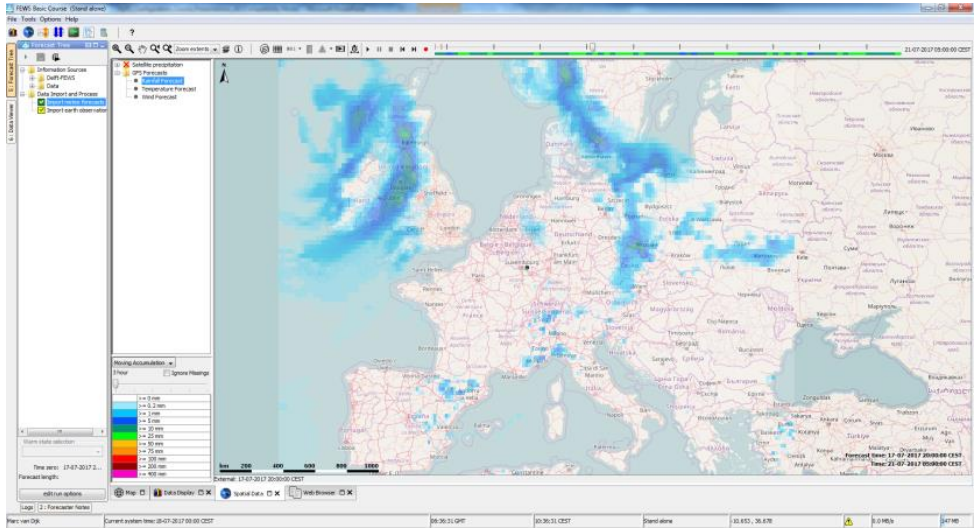
Delft-FEWS Basic Application

Software binaries
(Delft-FEWS)

Instructions
(xml/csv-configuration)

Delft-FEWS Basic Application



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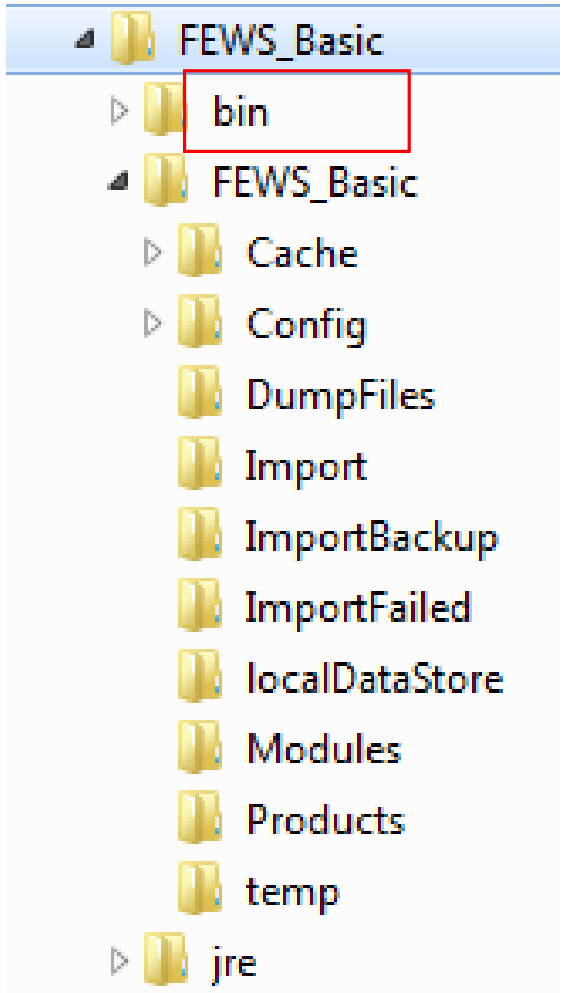
FEWS-Basic Application Folder

What is in the FEWS_Basic folder?

- **bin** – Delft-FEWS binaries
- **FEWS_Basic** – FEWS application folder
  - **Cache** – folder with map caches
  - **Config** – folder where the configuration/instructions are held
  - **localDataStore** – Database cache with local data
  - **Import/Export** – for data exchange with outside world
  - **Modules** – for model execution (Wflow, DFlow)
  - **temp** – folder with temporary files
- **jre** – Java runtime (32 or 64 bit)



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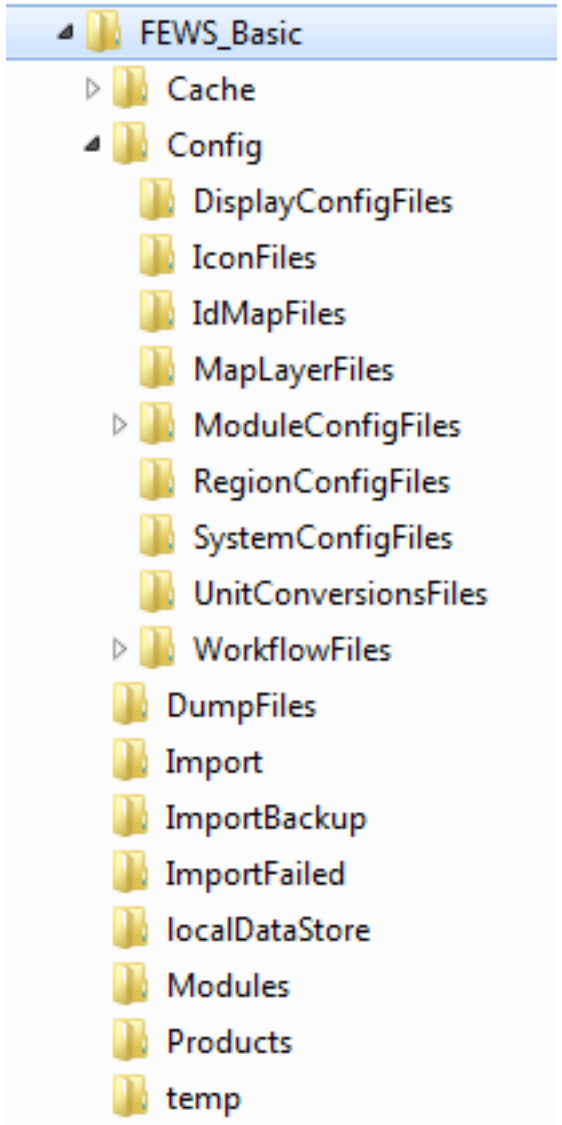
FEWS-Basic Folder Names



%REGION_HOME%

Created by Delft-FEWS software

Fixed folder naming, holds the instructions

Free to define folder naming

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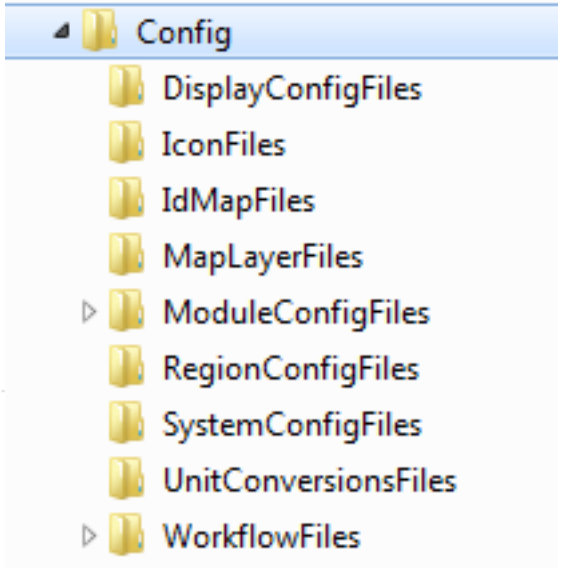
Main FEWS configuration – “Config” folder

- Most sub-folders contain XML configuration files
- Only a sub-set of all possible Delft-FEWS configuration files
- Check WIKI for detailed information on XML files



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Delft-FEWS

Delft-FEWS provides an open shell system for managing forecasting processes and/or handling time series data. Delft-FEWS incorporates a wide range of general data handling utilities, while providing an open interface to any external (forecasting model). The modular and highly configurable nature of Delft-FEWS allows it to be used effectively for data storage and retrieval tasks, simple forecasting systems and in highly complex systems utilising a full range of modeling techniques. Delft-FEWS can either be deployed in a stand-alone, manually driven environment, or in a fully automated distributed client-server environment.

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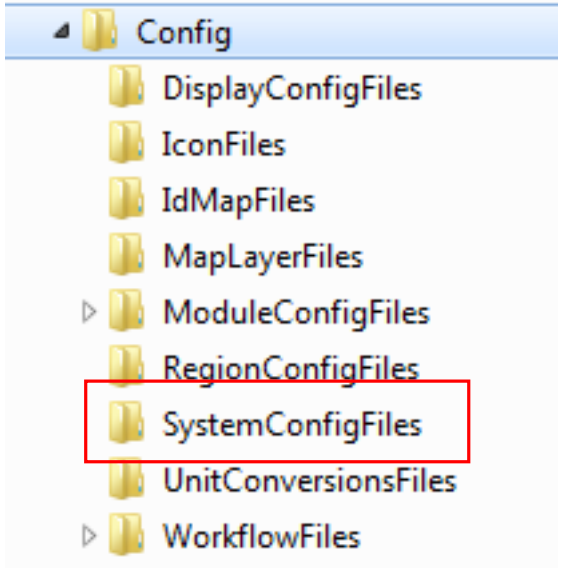
Main FEWS configuration – “SystemConfigFiles”

SystemConfigFiles Folder

- *Explorer.xml* – User interface defaults (Example is Exercise 2)
- *LocationIcons.xml* – Icons for different location sets
- *TimeSeriesDisplayConfig.xml* - Default line colours, styles, views

Also, but not included in basic course

- *DisplayGroups.xml* – predefined plots
- *UserGroups.xml* – known users
- *Permissions.xml* – permissions allocated to user groups
- *DisplayDescriptors.xml* – available displays components
- …



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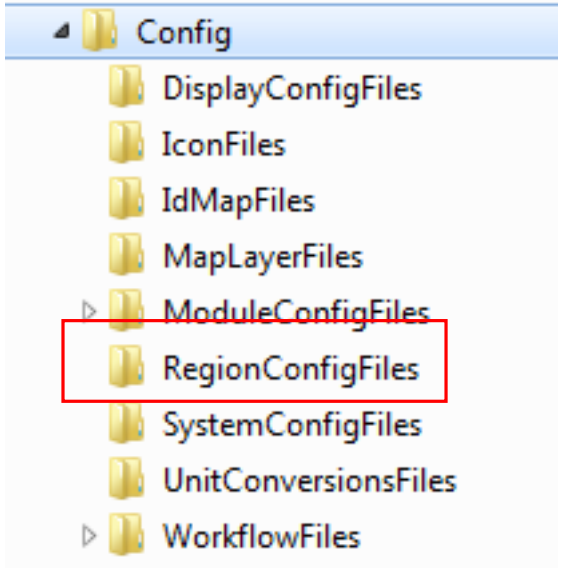
Main FEWS configuration – “RegionConfigFiles”

RegionConfigFiles Folder

- *Locations.xml* – Point locations
- *LocationSets.xml* – Groups of locations
- *Grids.xml* – Grid geometries
- *Filters.xml* – Pre-defined filters in the user interface
- *Parameters.xml* – Available parameters e.g. P.obs
- *Qualifiers.xml* – Extra tags for time series identification
- *ModuleInstanceDescriptors.xml* - Registration file for Modules
- *WorkflowDescriptors.xml* - Registration file Workflows
- *ValidationRulesSets.xml* – Validation rules for scalar time series
- *Thresholds.xml* – Thresholds definition
- *ThresholdWarningLevels.xml* – Layout for threshold crossings
- *ThresholdValuesSets.xml* – Assigns time series to thresholds
- *Topology.xml* – Layout of forecast tree



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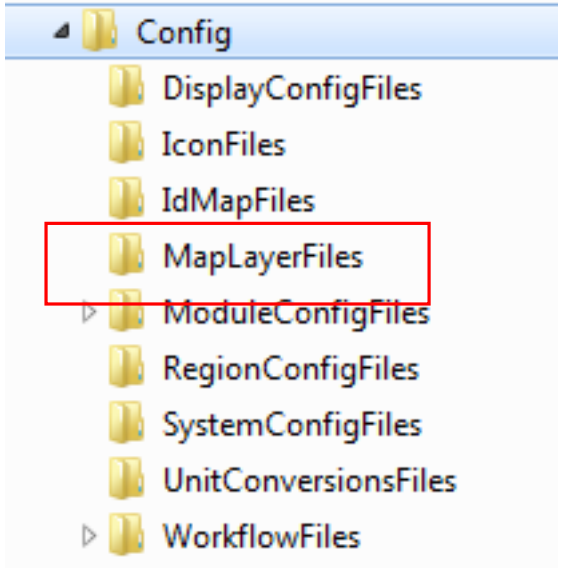
Main Delft-FEWS configuration – “MapLayerFiles”

MapLayerFiles Folder

- Additional map layers (e.g. shapefiles)
- Metadata for
  - Stations
  - Sensors
  - Catchments
  - Parameters
- Only folder that does not contain XML instruction files



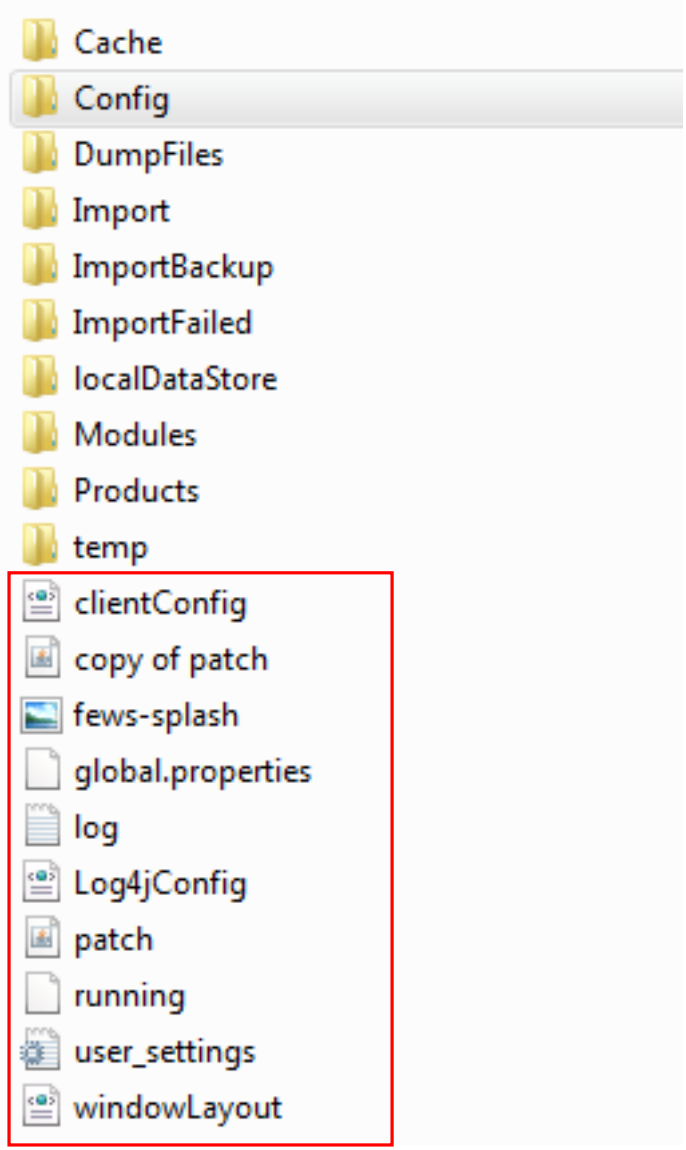
Main Delft-FEWS configuration – Root Files

Every Delft-FEWS application has a Root or Region folder

Delft-FEWS application root files:

- *clientConfig.xml* – Type of FEWS client (Stand Alone or OC)
- *fews-splash.jpg* – Splash screen when FEWS Application starts
- *global.properties* – additional properties of FEWS Application
- *log.txt* – log file of Application
- *log4jConfig* – configuration of log level (DEBUG, INFO,..)
- *patch.jar* – Java code with solved Delft-FEWS issues.

  (Additional FEWS classes not included in the \bin folder)
- *running* – File only present when FEWS Application is running
- *user_settings.ini* – Local settings of FEWS Application
- *windowsLayout.xml* – Layout of FEWS displays on start-up



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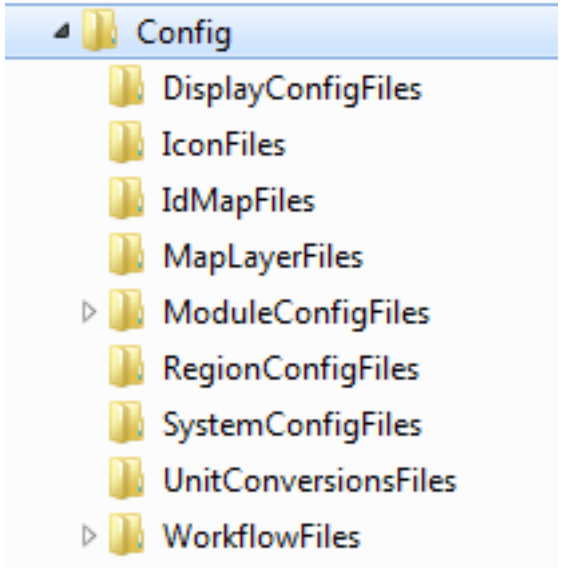
Flexible File Naming Conventions

- Free to choose your own file (readable) name
- Identifies what your XML configuration does
- Examples:
  - *Import_GFS.xml*
  - *Import_GPM.xml*
- Applies to all folders except:
  - RegionConfigFiles
  - SystemConfigFiles
  - RootConfigFiles
- Workflows, module instances and display instances need to be ‘registered’ in a descriptor file
  - Identifies what configuration it is
  - Give “readable” name (consistent naming conventions are handy)



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What is XML anyway?

- Most Delft-FEWS configuration files are written in XML format
- XML stands for EXtensible Markup Language – written in simple plain text
- Delft-FEWS interprets and validates the XML files using an XSD

Example:

```
<location id=“Amsterdam" name=" RainStationAmsterdam">
        <x>4.35</x>
        <y>52.011</y>
</location>
```

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What is an XSD?

- XSD = XML Schema Definition
- Defines the building blocks of an XML document
- Defines the order in which these elements can be included
- XML is valid when organized according to the (open) schema XSD.
  Every time you start a Delft-FEWS application it checks if all configuration files are valid
- XSD files are available
  - on the internet (www.wldelft.nl/schemas/version1.0/)
  - in a zipped file in the 'bin' folder (Delft_FEWS_schemas.jar)

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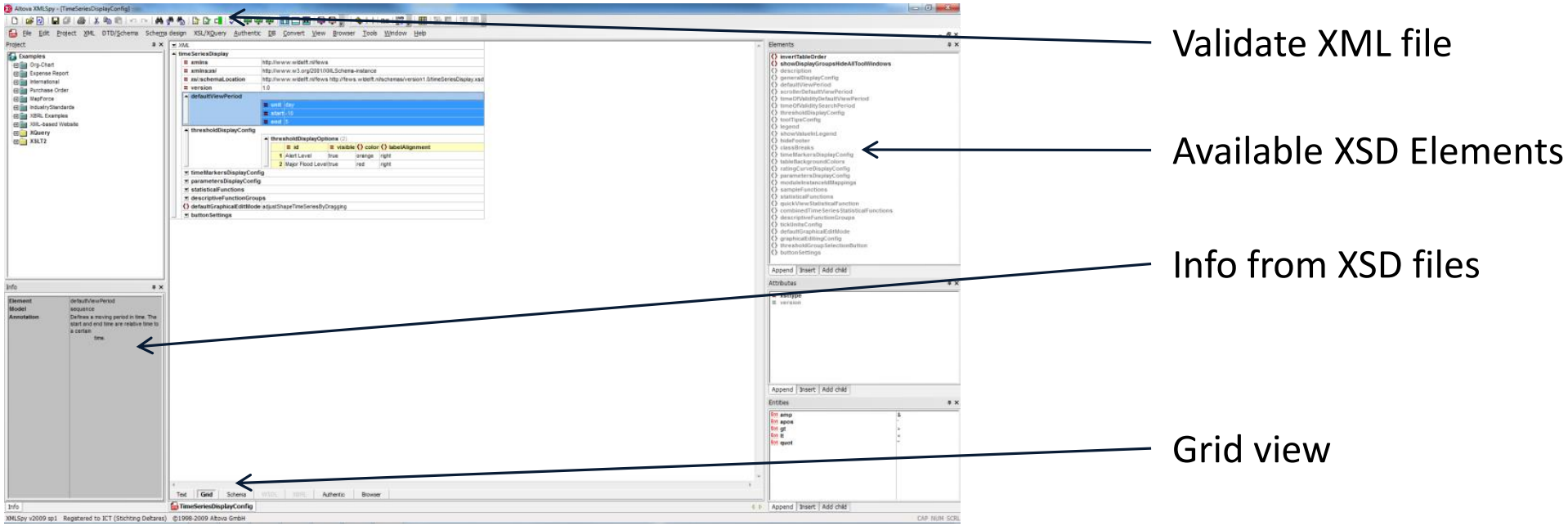
XML Editors

An XML editor is required to edit and validate XML files

- XML-Spy is a nice editor, however it is not free: https://www.altova.com/xmlspy-xml-editor
  - A free trial can be downloaded from website
- XMLPad is free http://www.wmhelp.com/



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Exercise 2: Explore the config folder

- See Exercises.ppt

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Delft-FEWS Concepts: Workflows, Modules, and Time Series

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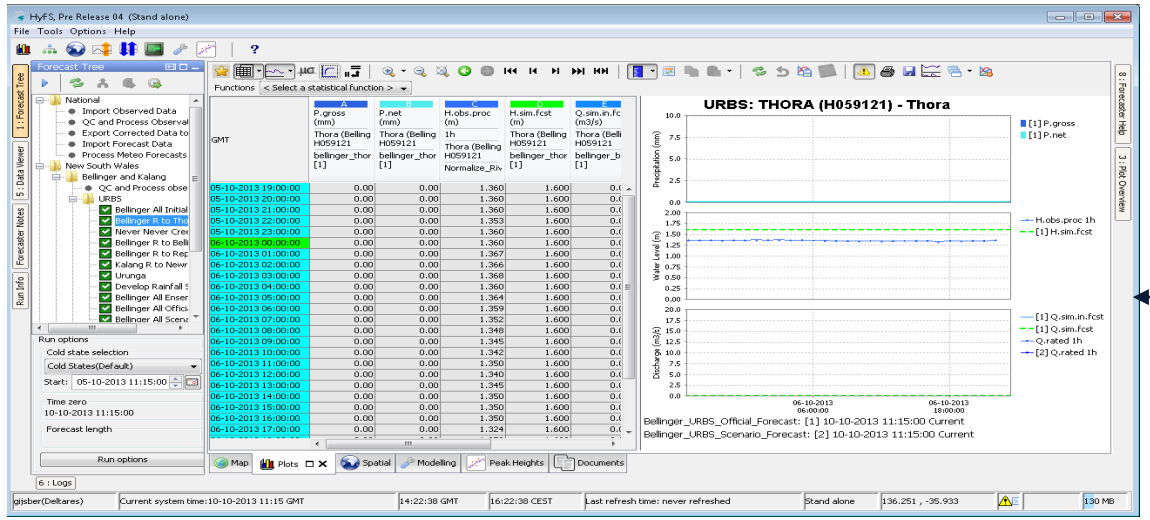
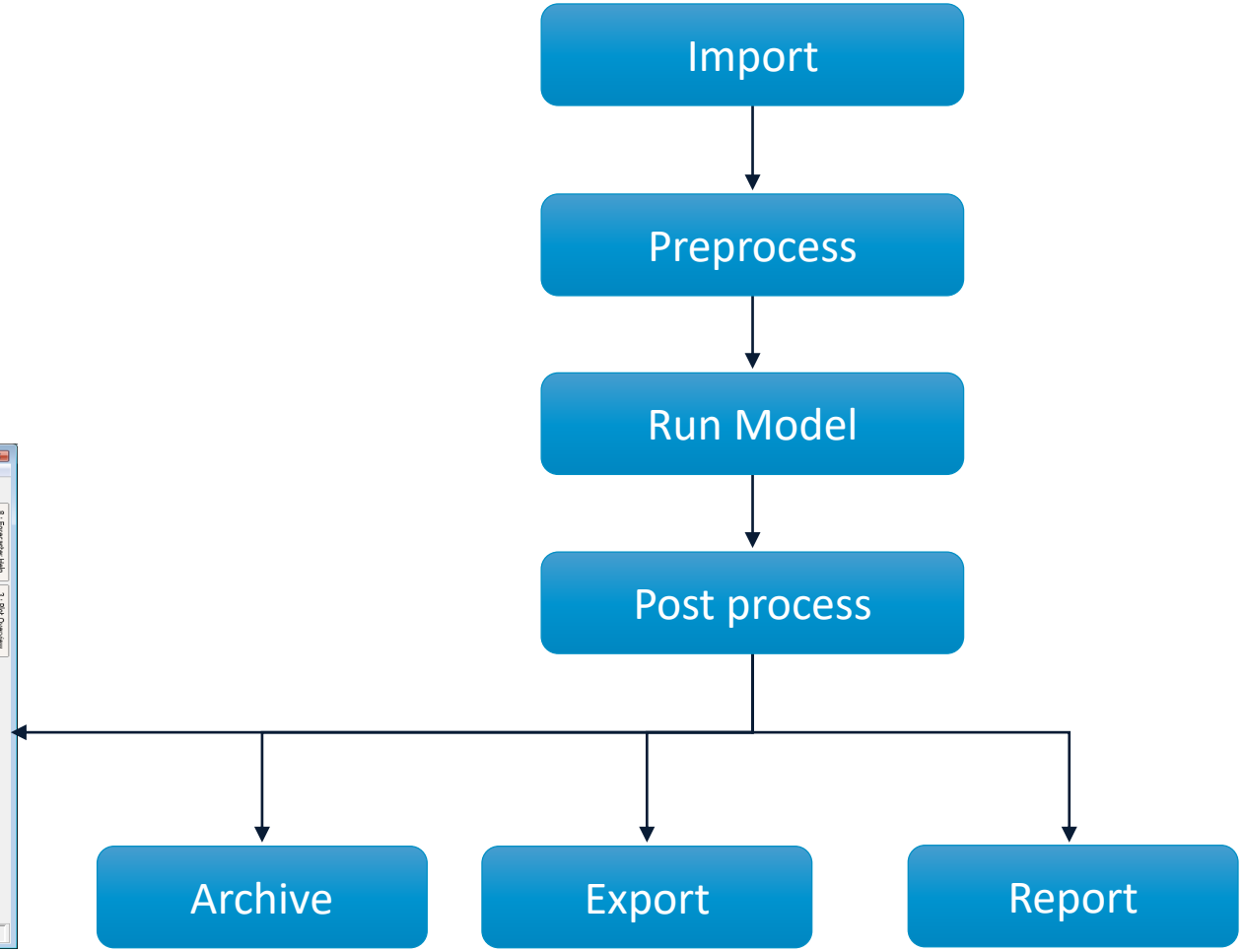
Delft-FEWS Concepts - Workflows

- Workflow – A sequence of modules
- Module instance – Configured module
- Task run – Actual execution of a workflow





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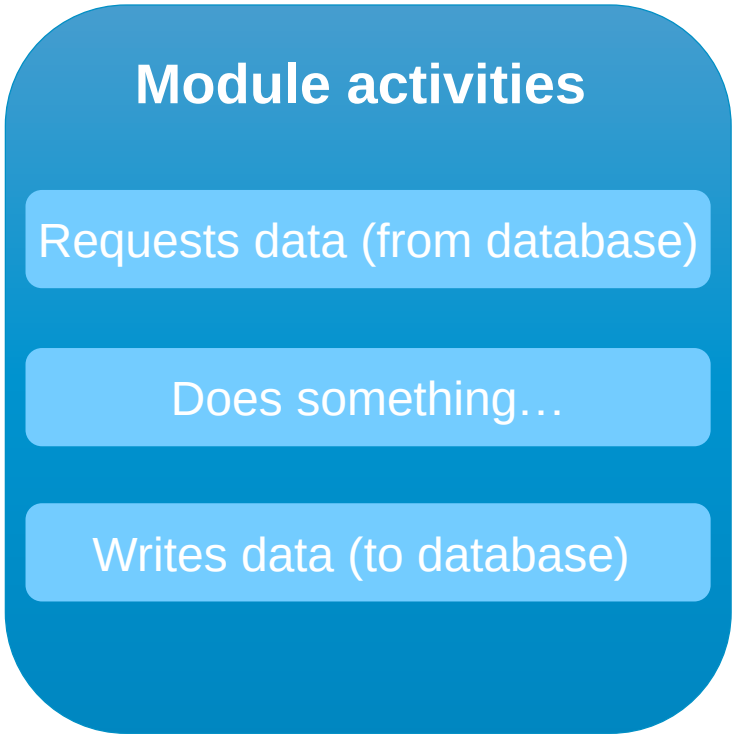
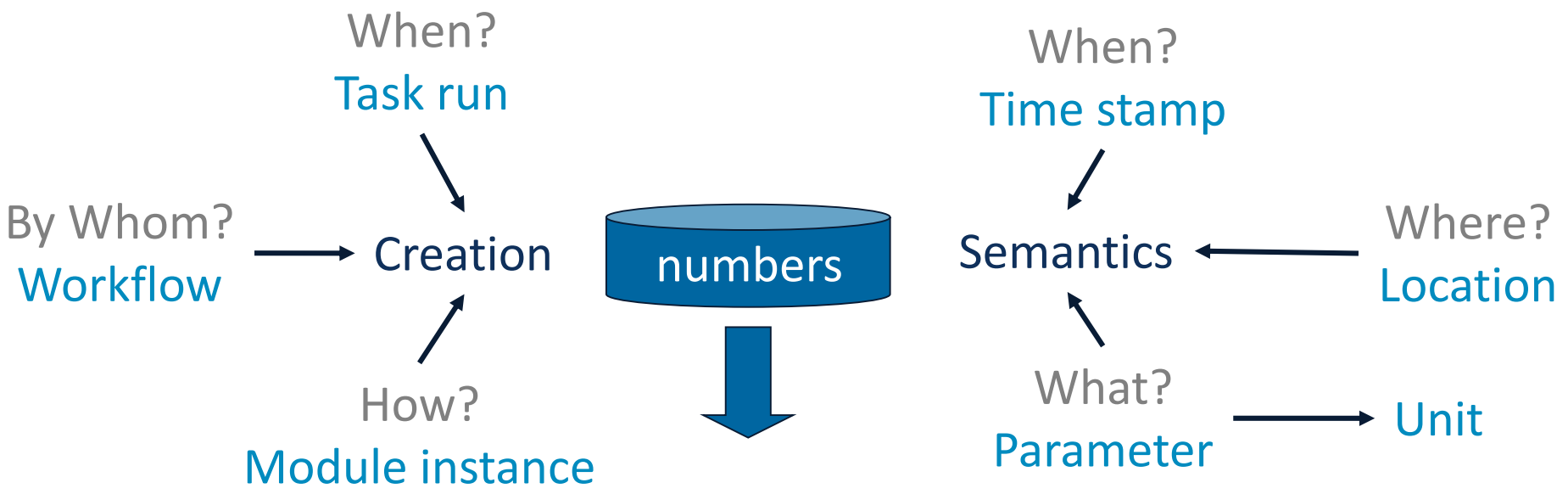
Delft-FEWS Concepts - Modules

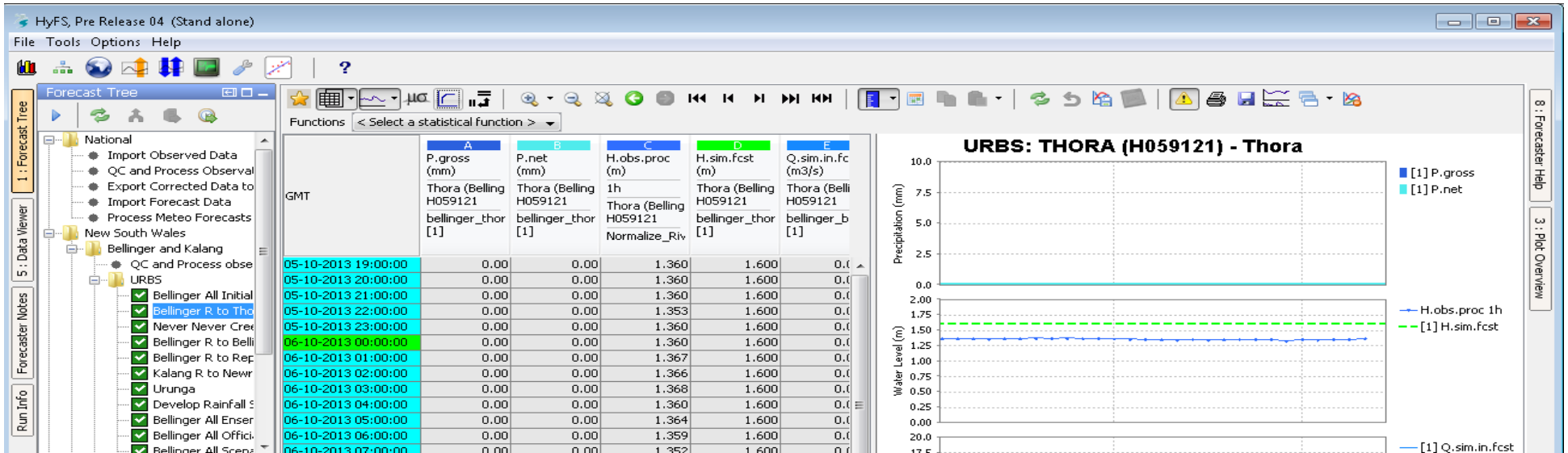


Types of Modules

Import	Interpolation	General Adapter
Transformation	Scenario	Export
Report	Archive	Many other Modules…

Delft-FEWS Concepts - Time Series





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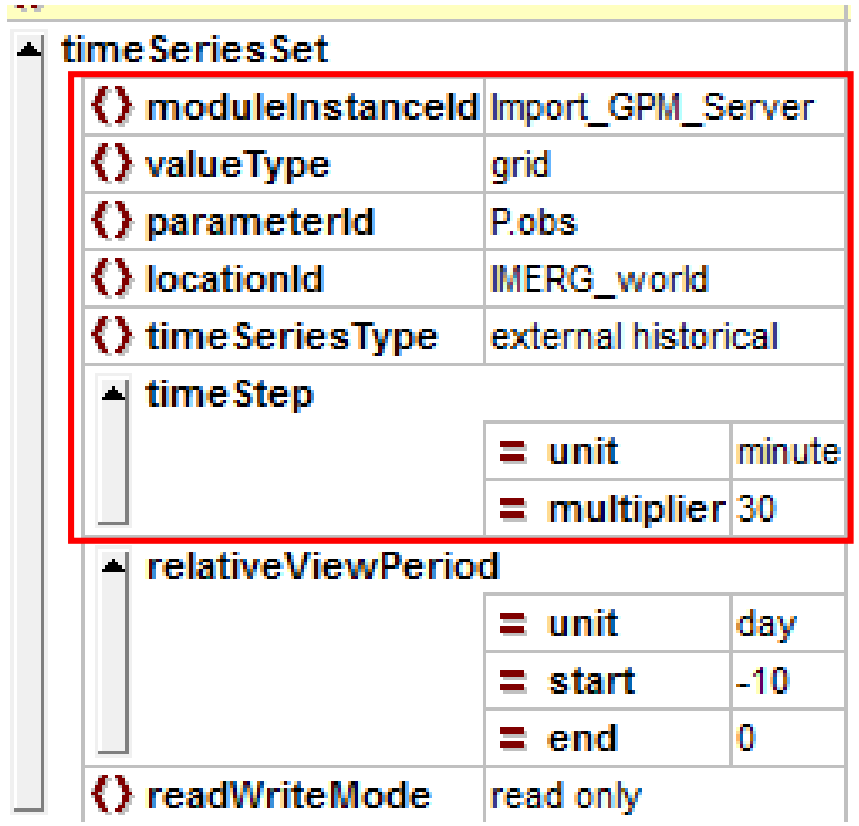
Delft-FEWS Concepts - Time Series

Delft-FEWS elements for time series identification:

- Module instance: how and who created a time series
- Value type: its internal data format
- Parameter: what the time series represents
- Location: where a time series value applies
- Time series type: its behavior in the system
- Time step: when a time series value applies

This combination of information makes the time series unique



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Delft-FEWS Concepts - Workflows

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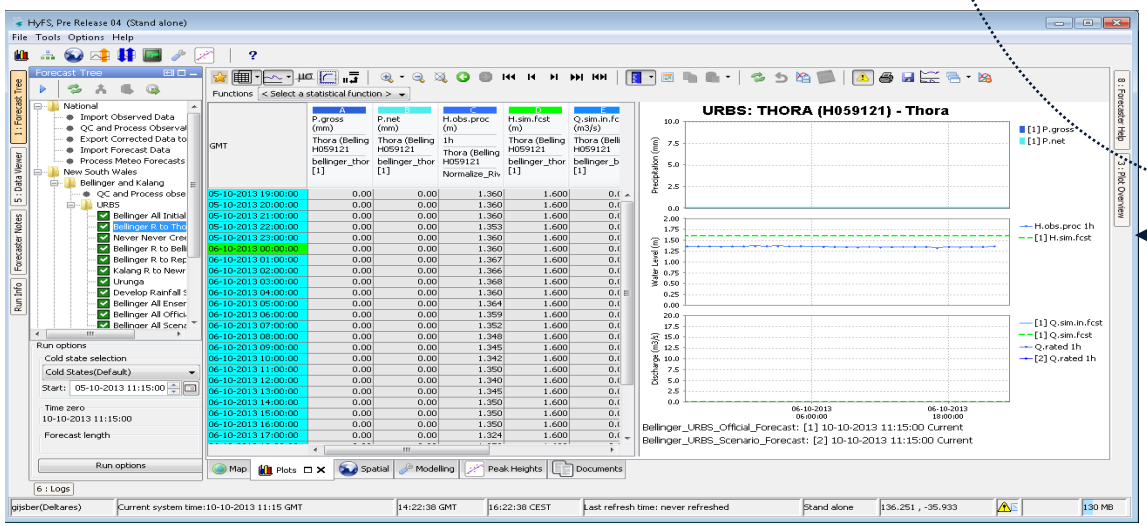
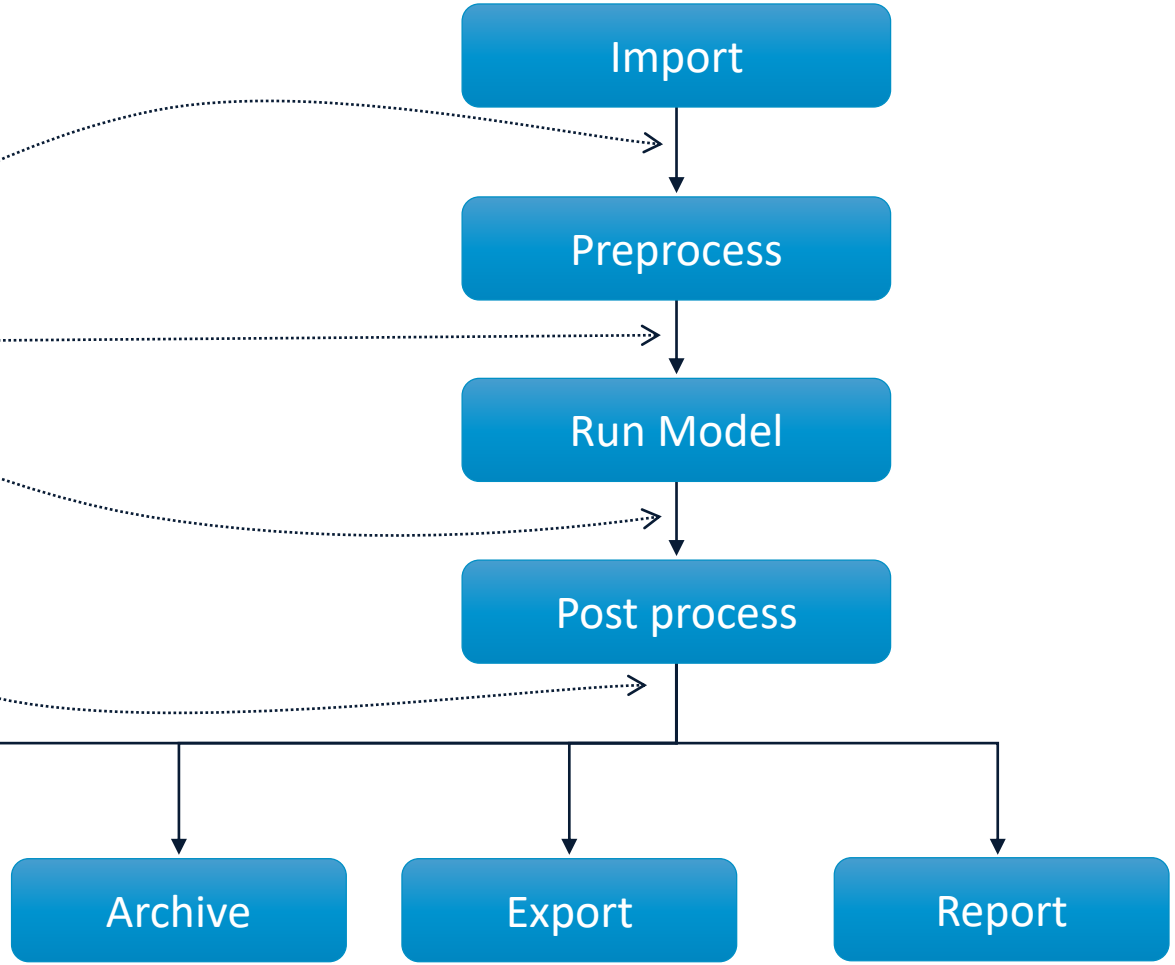
- Time series connect the dataflow between the module instances





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ModuleInstances and ModuleInstanceDescriptors

- Modules are configured in a **ModuleConfigFile**
  - holds the instructions to retrieve data, do something and store data

- **ModuleInstances** are instances of a module as it is called in the workflow
  - identified by ModuleInstanceId
  - registered in *RegionConfigFiles**ModuleInstanceDescriptors.xml*

- One ModuleConfigFile can act as a template for multiple moduleInstances
  - $PROPERTIES$ can be used to make time series explicit
  - $PROPERTIES$ can be provided by the workflow
  - $PROPERTIES$ are resolved at run-time

Module 6

Importing external data

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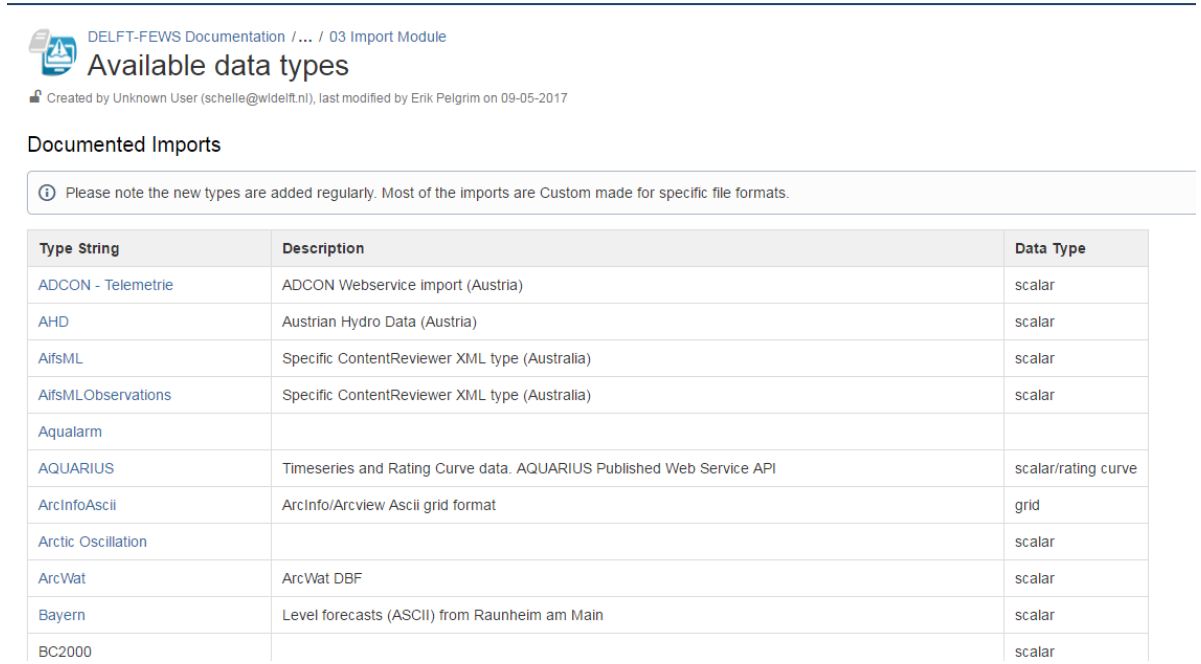
Delft-FEWS: Import of External Time Series

- Delft-FEWS WIKI has documentation on all import functions in Delft-FEWS
  https://publicwiki.deltares.nl/display/FEWSDOC/Available+data+types

- Import module can import data from
  - import folders
  - FTP servers
  - HTTP
  - Webservices
  - OpenDAP servers
  - databases



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Available data types

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Documented Imports

Please note the new types are added regularly. Most of the imports are Custom made for specific file formats.

Type String	Description	Data Type
ADCON - Telemetrie	ADCON Webservice import (Austria)	scalar
AHD	Austrian Hydro Data (Austria)	scalar
AifsML	Specific ContentReviewer XML type (Australia)	scalar
AifsMLObservations	Specific ContentReviewer XML type (Australia)	scalar
Aqualarm		
AQUARIUS	Timeseries and Rating Curve data. AQUARIUS Published Web Service API	scalar/rating curve
ArcInfoAscii	ArcInfo/Arcview Ascii grid format	grid
Arctic Oscillation		scalar
ArcWat	ArcWat DBF	scalar
Bayern	Level forecasts (ASCII) from Raunheim am Main	scalar
BC2000		scalar

- Procedure for data import is the same for all data types

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Delft-FEWS: Data Import Module

- Data Import Module has dedicated functions to read specific file formats
- Its configuration tells the software:
  - What file format to import
  - Where to find the data files
  - How to translate the information in the files to internal Ids
  - How to store the imported time series in the database

import

general

importType	NETCDF-CF_GRID
serverUrl	http://nomads.ncep.noaa.gov:9090/dods/gfs_0p25/gfs%TIME_ZERO(yyyyMMdd)%/gfs_0p25_%TIME_ZERO(HH)%z
idMapId	IdImportGFS
unitConversionsId	ImportUnitConversions
missingValue	-3.402823E38
importTimeZone	
timeZoneName	GMT
expiryTime	unit=day multiplier=7

timeSeriesSet (3)

	moduleInstanceId	valueType	parameterId	locationId	timeSeriesType	timeStep	readWriteMode	synchLevel
1	Import_GFS_Server	grid	P.forecast	GFS	external forecasting	timeStep unit=hour multiplier=3	add originals	6
2	Import_GFS_Server	grid	WS.u.forecast	GFS	external forecasting	timeStep unit=hour multiplier=3	add originals	6
3	Import_GFS_Server	grid	WS.v.forecast	GFS	external forecasting	timeStep unit=hour multiplier=3	add originals	6

externUnit (3)

	parameterId	unit
1	P.forecast	mm
2	WS.u.forecast	m/s
3	WS.v.forecast	m/s

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Delft-FEWS: Data Import Module

A configured import module instance is required for each file format

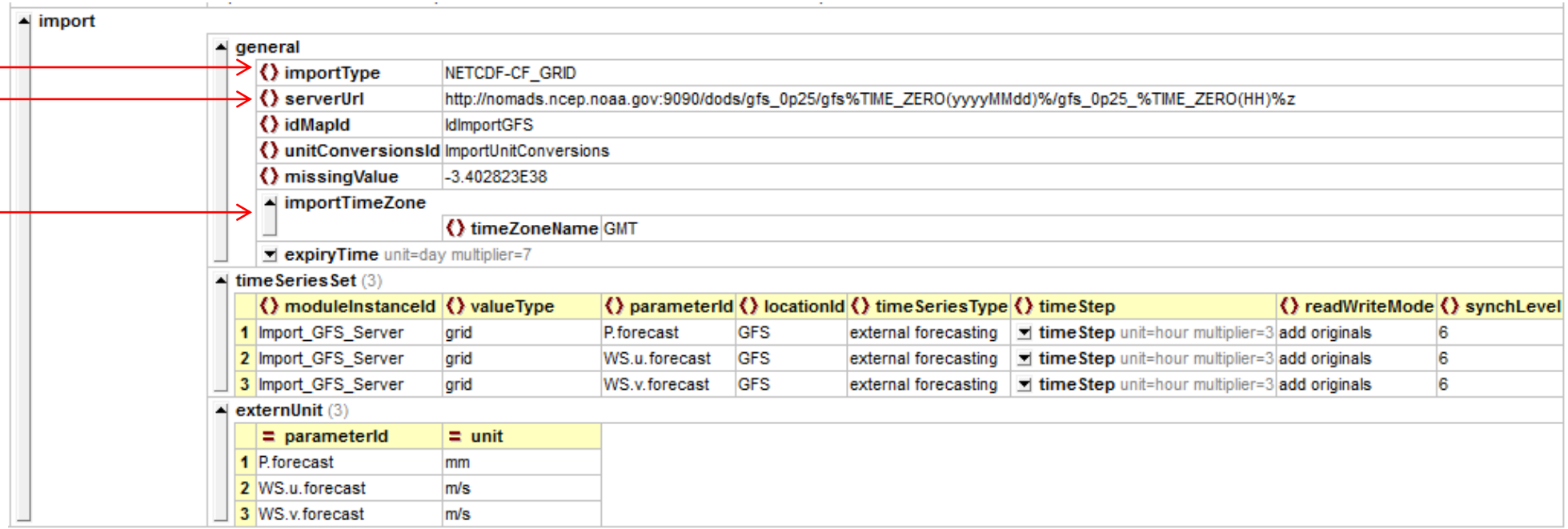
A workflow calls the module instances to import the data

To import data, configuration is defined in:

• *%REGION_HOME%\global.properties*	location of the import folder
• *\ModuleConfigFiles\Import\Import<TYPE>.xml*	Import instructions
• *\IdMapFiles\IdImport<TYPE>.xml*	Id mapping instructions
• *\RegionConfigFiles\LocationSets.xml*	locations that contain time series
• *\RegionConfigFiles\ModuleInstanceDescriptors.xml*	Registers import module instance
• *\RegionConfigFiles\WorkflowDescriptors.xml*	Registers import workflow
• *\WorkflowFiles\Import<TYPE>.xml*	List with import module instances activities

Let’s have a look at an import module instance

- **General** section with information on the data files that need to be imported
- Module instances specified by file format (**importType**)
- **serverURL** is where the data can be found; GFS server in this example
- **importTimeZone** is what time zone the data is stored in



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externUnit (3)

	parameterId	unit
1	P.forecast	mm
2	WS.u.forecast	m/s
3	WS.v.forecast	m/s

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Let’s have a look at an import module instance

- **timeSeriesSet** section with information on the time series to store in the database
- **externalUnit** section on the unit the time series are provided in
- Location, parameter and unit mapping is required in most import functions

import

general

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idMapId	IdImportGFS
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timeZoneName	GMT

idMap

xmlns	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews
xmlns:*xsi*	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance
xsi:schemaLocation	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews http://fews.wldelft.nl/schemas/version1.0/idMap.xsd
version	1.1

parameter (9)

	internal	external
1	P.forecast	Total_precipitation_surface_6_Hour_Accumulation
2	T.forecast	Temperature_height_above_ground
3	WS.u.forecast	u-component_of_wind_height_above_ground
4	WS.v.forecast	v-component_of_wind_height_above_ground
5	P.forecast	apcpsfc
6	T.forecast	tmp2m
7	AirPressure.forecast	pressfc
8	WS.u.forecast	ugrd10m
9	WS.v.forecast	vgrd10m

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Exercise 3: Analyse the import workflow

- See Exercises.ppt

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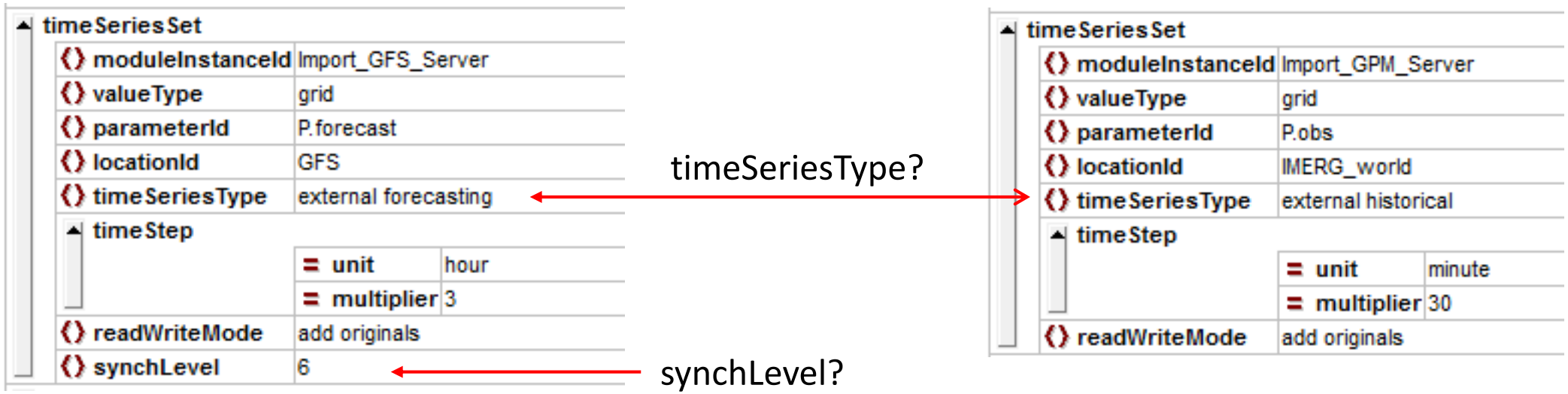
Delft-FEWS Concepts: Time Series Types

- Compare the two timeSeriesSets of Exercise 3



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Delft-FEWS Time Series Characterisation

- Time series are available from two sources:
  - external
  - simulated
- Time series are in two categories in relation to time:
  - historical (continuous in time)
  - forecasting (characterised by its start time)
- Time series can be in various formats:
  - 0D – scalar
  - 1D – vector or longitudinal profile
  - 2D – grid
  - rating curve
  - sample
  - spectra

timeSeriesType
(behaviour)

valueType
(data storage format)

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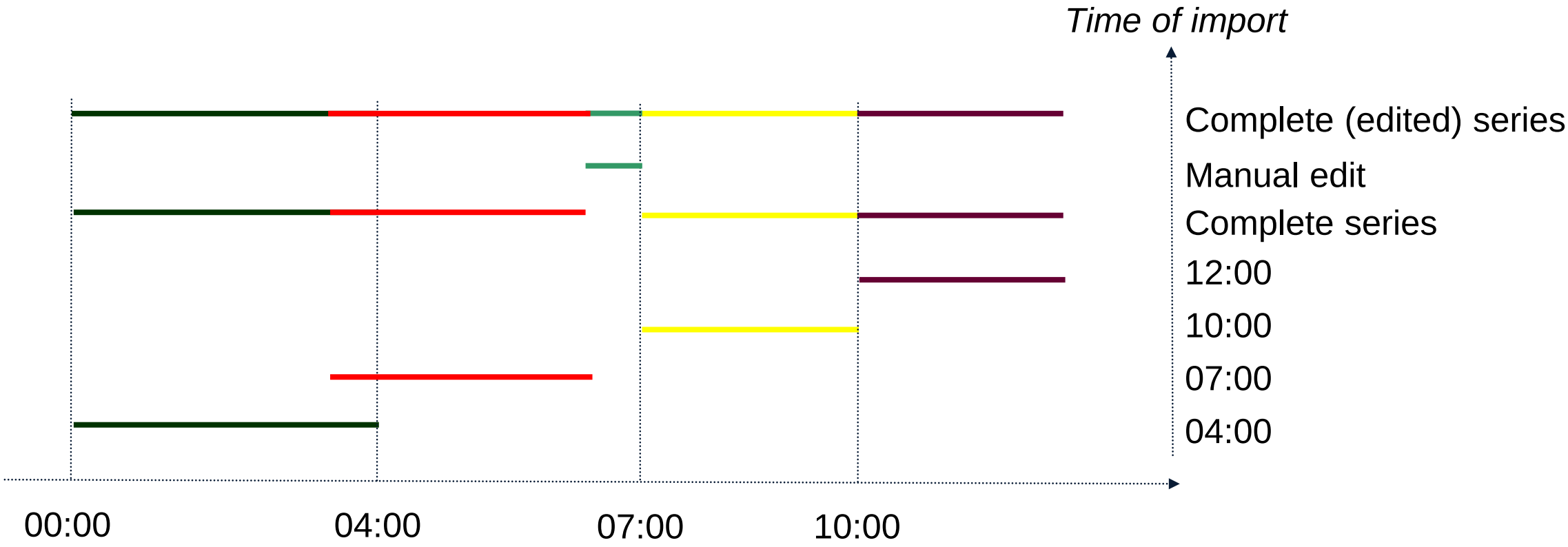
FEWS timeSeriesType – external historical

- Added incrementally
- Can be edited by the user
- Only new and changed values are stored



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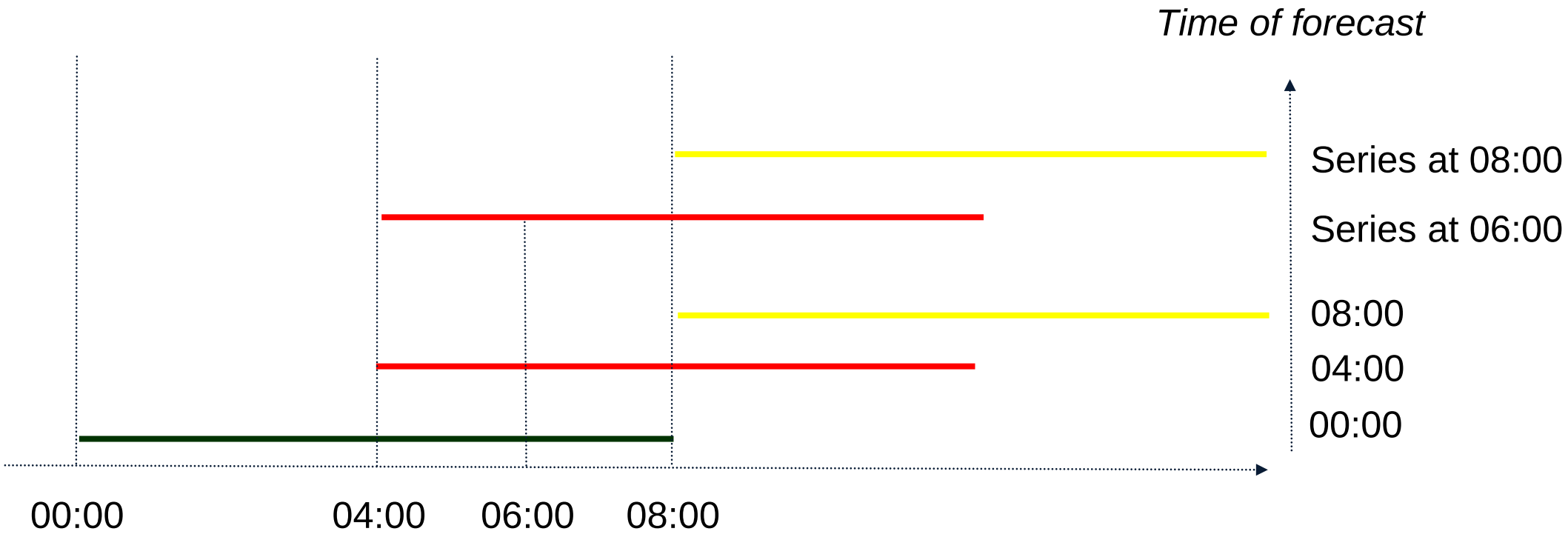
FEWS timeSeriesType – external forecasting

- Added and stored individually
- Can be edited by the user
- Usage of series depends on T0



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Exercise 4: Missing meteo forecast

- If external forecast is missing, what is expected behaviour of the system;
- **Exercise: import NOAA GFS of 24 hours ago, schedule a meteo-postprocessing run of today 06:00, what happened?**
- **Can you explain the system behaviour?**

Module 7

Delft-FEWS Locations and Parameters

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Parameters in Delft-FEWS

- The **parameterId** is a primary key in the time series of Delft-FEWS
- Parameters have a unique id and a name
- Organised into parameter groups
  - unique id
  - type (accumulative, instantaneous)
  - unit
  - value resolution (→ affects data compression)

parameterGroup (18)

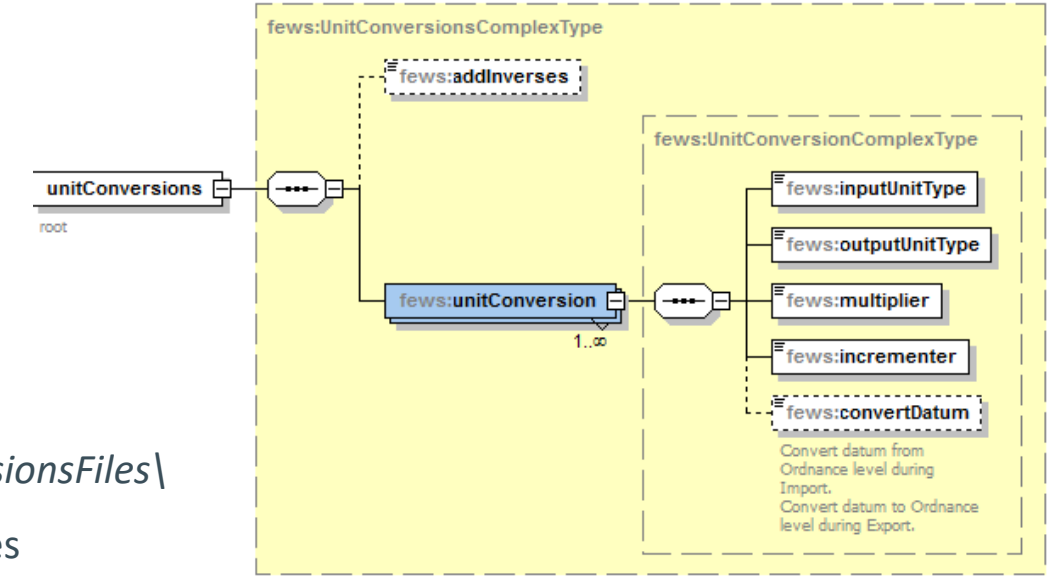
	= id	{} parameterType	{} unit	{} valueResolution	{} usesDatum	{} parameter
1	Discharge	accumulative	m3/s	0.01		parameter (4)
2	Runoff_mm	instantaneous	mm	0.01		parameter (1)
3	Precipitation	accumulative	mm	0.01		parameter (3)
4	Evaporation	accumulative	mm	0.01		parameter (4)

parameter (4)

	= id	= name	{} shortName
1	Q.forecast	Forecasted discharge	Q.forecast
2	Q.sim	Simulated discharge	Q.sim
3	Q.obs	Observed discharge	Q.obs
4	Q.outflow.sim	Simulated reservoir outflow	Q.outflow.sim

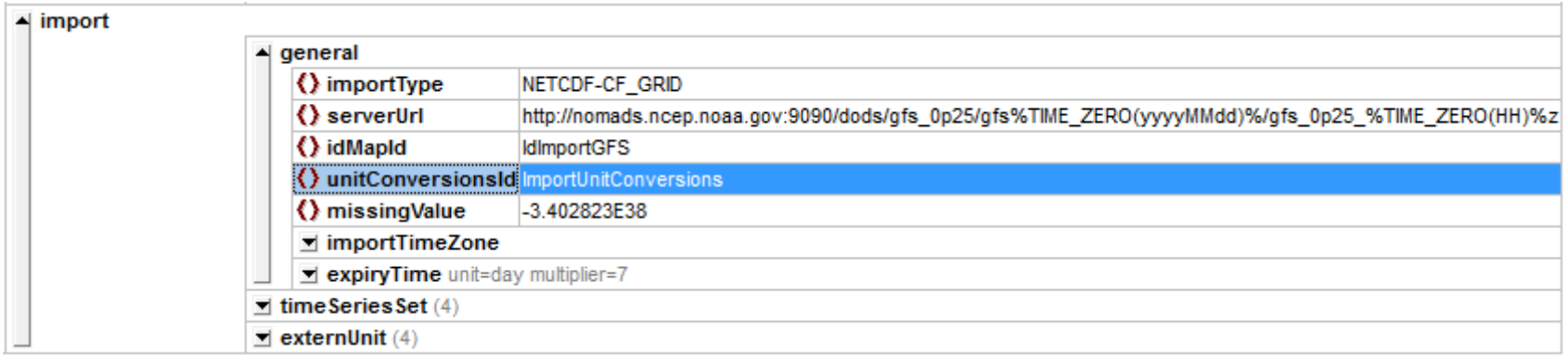
Parameters - unit conversion

- Units are a property of a parameter group
- While importing or exporting time series, units can be converted



- Unit conversion files are stored in the folder: *Config**UnitConversionsFiles*\
- One Delft-FEWS application can have multiple unit conversion files
- A module instance configuration file can reference a UnitConversion file

	inputUnitType	outputUnitType	multiplier	incrementer	convertDatum
1	mAOD	m	1	0	true
2	deg C	oC	1	0	
3	deg F	oC	0.5556	-17.7778	
4	K	oC	1	-273.15	
5	in	m	0.0254	0	



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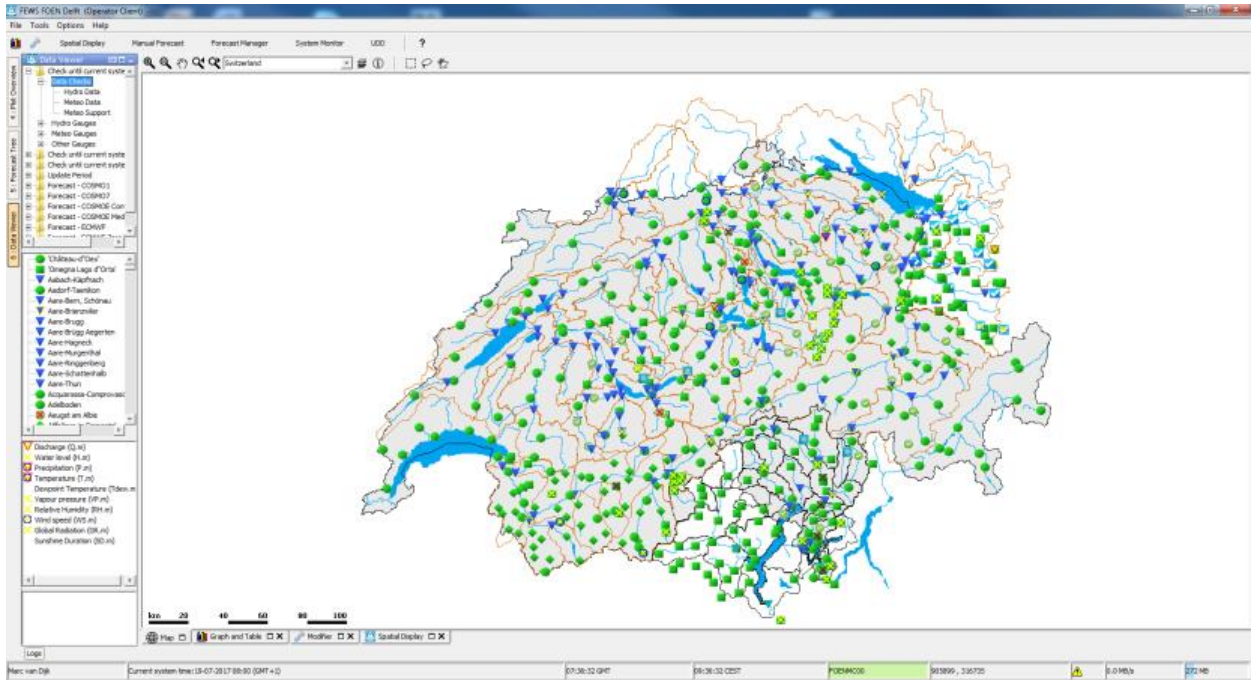
Locations in Delft-FEWS



- All time series are associated with a location
- Locations can be plotted on the map
- Locations have a geo-datum
- Locations have at least:
  - Identifier (primary key in time series)
  - X-coordinate
  - Y-coordinate
- Locations configuration file: *RegionConfigFiles**Locations.xml*

= xsi:schemaLoca...	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews http://fews.wldelft.nl/schemas/version1.0/locations.xsd
{} geoDatum	WGS 1984
Comment	GRID data location placeholders

location (2)

	= id	= name	{} description	{} shortName	{} x	{} y	{} z
1	Radar1111	Radar	Radar	Radar	32.14437	29.45468	0
2	Dummy	Dummy			0	0	0

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Grids are locations in Delft-FEWS

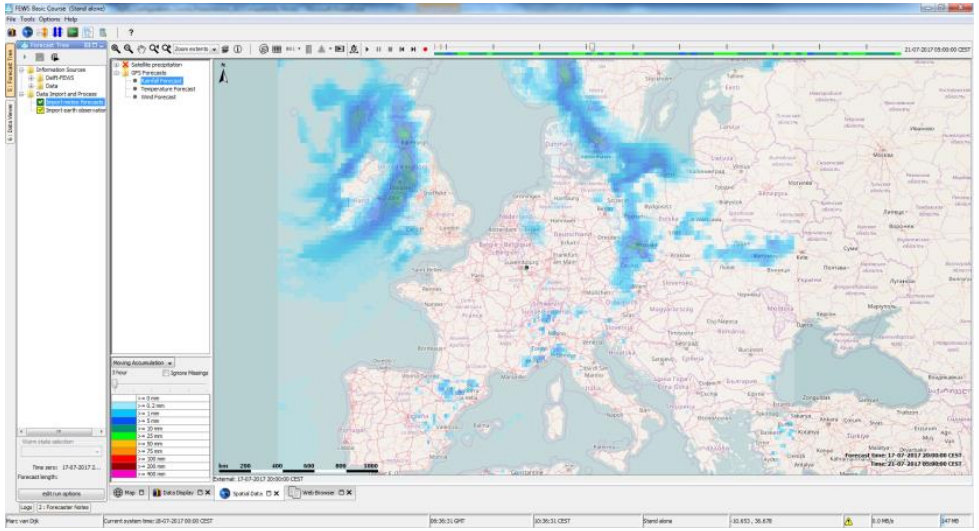
- Grid time series are 2D
- A grid location should be listed in *Locations.xml* and in *Grids.xml*
- The *Grids.xml* configuration file includes meta-information of a grid
- Gridded time series can be processed by most of the Delft-FEWS modules
- The Spatial Display can visualize gridded time series

grids

xmlns	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews
xmlns:*xsi*	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance
xsi:schemaLocation	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews http://fews.wldelft.nl/schemas/version1.0/grids.xsd

regular (4)

	locationId	rows	columns	geoDatum	firstCellCenter	xCellSize	yCellSize
1	GFS_world	361	720	WGS 1984	firstCellCenter	0.5	0.5
2	GFS	100	180	WGS 1984	firstCellCenter	0.25	0.25
3	IMERG_world	1800	3600	WGS 1984	firstCellCenter	0.1	0.1
					x -179.95		
					y 89.95		
					z 0.0		
4	IMERG	120	200	WGS 1984	firstCellCenter	0.1	0.1



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Location data – Location Icons

- Icons express location purpose on the map or in the list-boxes
- Location icons are configured for locationSets: *SystemConfigFiles**LocationIcons.xml*
- Delft-FEWS comes with a pre-defined set of icons: *IconFiles*\

locationIcons

= xmlns	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews
= xmlns:*xsi*	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance
= *xsi*:schemaLocation	http://www.wldelft.nl/fews http://fews.wldelft.nl/schemas/version1.0/locationIcons.xsd
{} rootDir	icons

locationIcon (2)

	{} description	{} iconId	{} locationSetId
1	Meteo Stations	rain.png	meteo_stations
2	Water level measurement sites	hydro_site_data	hydro_stations

HyFS Icons

Icons used in the map display and the data viewer display:

Location	Status: Validation (V) / Threshold (T)		
Rain gauge		V	data partly missing in view period
Water level gauge		V	data completely missing in view
Flow gauge		V	no data available at all
Model point		V	data has been edited in view period
Reservoir		V	soft limits are exceeded in view period
Catchment centre point		V	hard limits are exceeded in view
Tidal site		T	a threshold exceeded in view period

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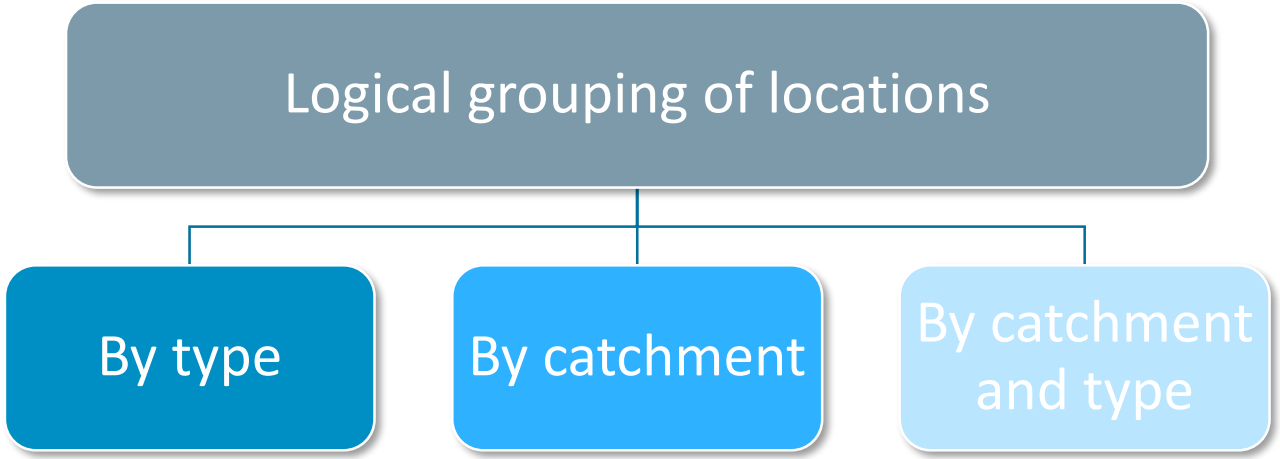
LocationSets

- A locationSet may include either locations or locationSets or both
- LocationSets can be nested
- Configuration file: *RegionConfigFiles**LocationSets.xml*

```
<locationSet id="RainfallStationNetherlands">
    <locationId>Amsterdam</locationId>
    <locationId>Hague</locationId>
    <locationId>Rotterdam</locationId>
</locationSet>

<locationSet id="RainfallStationEurope">
    <locationSetId>RainfallStationNetherlands</locationSetId>
    <locationSetId>RainfallStationFrance</locationSetId>
    <locationSetId>RainfallStationGermany</locationSetId>
</locationSet>
```



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LocationSets – XML and CSV approach

3 steps for configuring locations/locationsets with CSV files

1. Make a CSV file with locations organised in rows and attributes in columns

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	ID	NAME	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	ALTITUDE	LEVEL	FLOW	BASIN	CatchArea	AlertLevel	FloodLevel	Source	MODELOUTPUT
2	HydroDummy	Dummy Hydro	0	0	0	Level	Flow	Test	200	5	10	Dummy	WFLOW_Test
3													

2. In *LocationSets.xml* read the CSV file with location attributes (‘%column_name%’)
3. Define location(sub)set by filtering on attribute values

	= id	{} csvFile
1	hydro_stations	csvFile

csvFile

{} file	Hydro_Stations.csv
{} geoDatum	WGS 1984
{} id	%ID%
{} name	%NAME%
{} toolTip	Basin Name: %BASIN%\n Catchment Area: %CatchArea% \n Alert Level (m): %AlertLevel% \n M
{} x	%LONGITUDE%
{} y	%LATITUDE%
{} z	%ALTITUDE%

attribute (8)

	= id	= name	{} text	{} number
1	Level	Water Level	%LEVEL%	
2	Flow	Flow	%FLOW%	
3	Basin	Basin Name	%BASIN%	
4	CatchArea	Catchment Area		%CatchArea%
5	AlertLevel	Alert Level (m)		%AlertLevel%
6	FloodLevel	Major Flood Level (m)		%FloodLevel%
7	Source	Source	%Source%	
8	Modeloutput	Model output location	%MODELOUTPUT%	

locationSet (4)

	= id	{} csvFile	{} locationSetId	{} constraints
1	hydro_stations	csvFile		
2	hydro_stations_Level		hydro_stations	constraints → attributeExists → = id Level
3	hydro_stations_Flow		hydro_stations	constraints → attributeExists → = id Flow
4	meteo_stations	csvFile		

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Validating Data

- Allow quality checking of all scalar time series data
- Difference in hard limit and soft limit checks
  - Hard limit check marks data as unreliable
  - Soft limit check marks data as doubtful
  - Option to enter monthly limits
- Specify rule for one time series or a complete set

Different types of rules

- Upper/ Lower limits
- Rate of change
- Temporary shift
- Same readings

	= validationRuleSetId	= timeZone	{} extremeValuesFunctions	{} rateOfChangeFunctions	{} timeSeriesSet
1	HydroStations_Q_Year	0	extremeValuesFunctions hardMax = constantLimit @HMAX_Q@ hardMin constantLimit=@HMIN_Q@ softMax constantLimit=@SMAX_Q@ softMin constantLimit=@SMIN_Q@	rateOfChangeFunctions	timeSeriesSet {} moduleInstanceId Observed {} valueType scalar {} parameterId Q.m {} locationSetId HydroStations_Q_Year {} timeSeriesType external historical timeStep unit=hour {} readWriteMode add originals

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Exercise 5: Add Hydro Locations

- See Exercises.ppt

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Exercise 6: Add Meteo Locations

- See Exercises.ppt

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Exercise 7: Import

- Import additional parameter of NOAA GFS
- Check available parameter list at: https://nomads.ncep.noaa.gov/dods/gfs_0p25/gfs20221025/gfs_0p25_00z.info
- See Exercises.ppt

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Exercise 8: Delft-FEWS Explorer Tasks

- See Exercises.ppt

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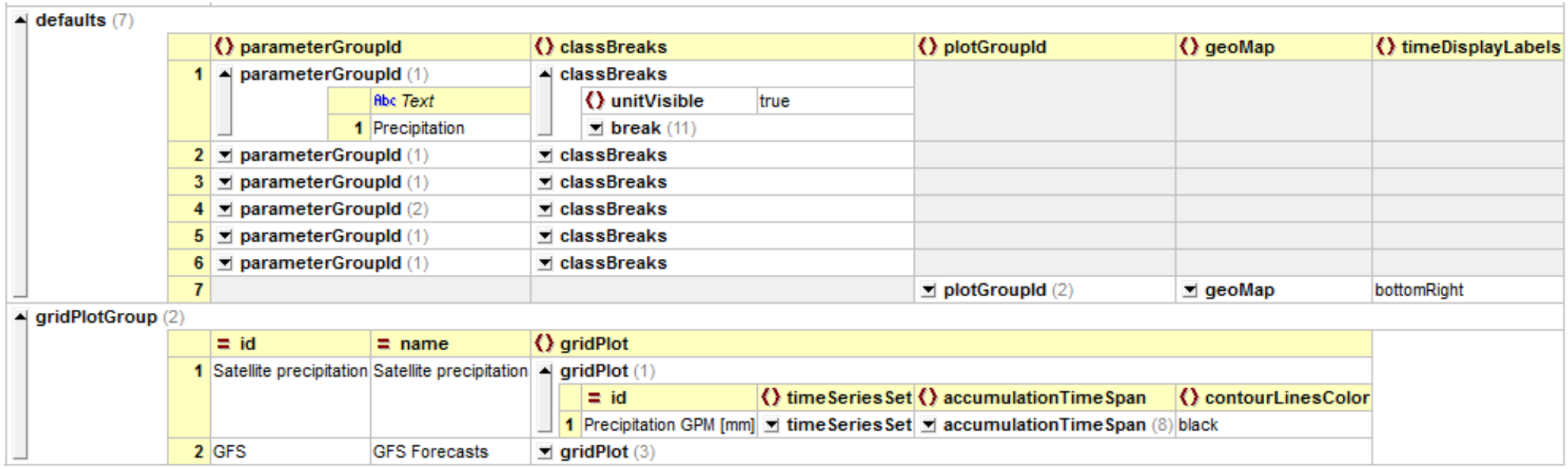
Delft-FEWS: Spatial Display

The Spatial Display configuration file contains two type of elements:

- **defaults**: Properties that will be used when displaying the spatial time series (grids). Can be organized per parameter group, gridPlotGroup, etc. In the FEWS Basic application, parameter groups are used.
- **gridPlotGroup**: Contains the folder structure and time series to display.



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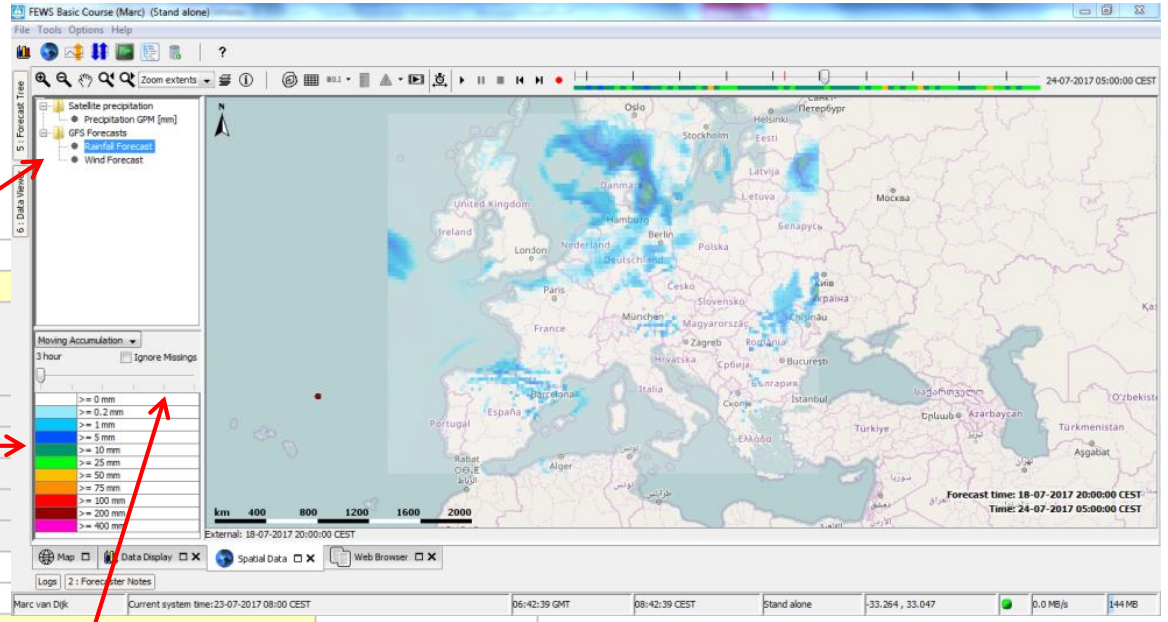
Delft-FEWS: Spatial Display

defaults (7)

	parameterGroupId	classBreaks			plotGroupId
1	parameterGroupId (1)	classBreaks			
	Abc *Text*	unitVisible	true		
	1 Precipitation	break (11)			
2	parameterGroupId (1)	classBreaks			
3	parameterGroupId (1)	classBreaks			
4	parameterGroupId (2)	classBreaks			
5	parameterGroupId (1)	classBreaks			
6	parameterGroupId (1)	classBreaks			
7					plotGroupId (2)

gridPlotGroup (2)

	= id	= name	gridPlot			
1	Satellite precipitation	Satellite precipitation	gridPlot (1)			
			= id	timeSeriesSet	accumulationTimeSpan	contourLinesColor
			1 Precipitation GPM [mm]	timeSeriesSet	accumulationTimeSpan (8)	black
2	GFS	GFS Forecasts	gridPlot (3)			



- defaults
  - Class Breaks (legend)
  - Map layers
- gridPlotGroup
  - Folder structure
  - Time Series Sets

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Exercise 9: Spatial Display

- See Exercises.ppt

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Module 8
Data Processing

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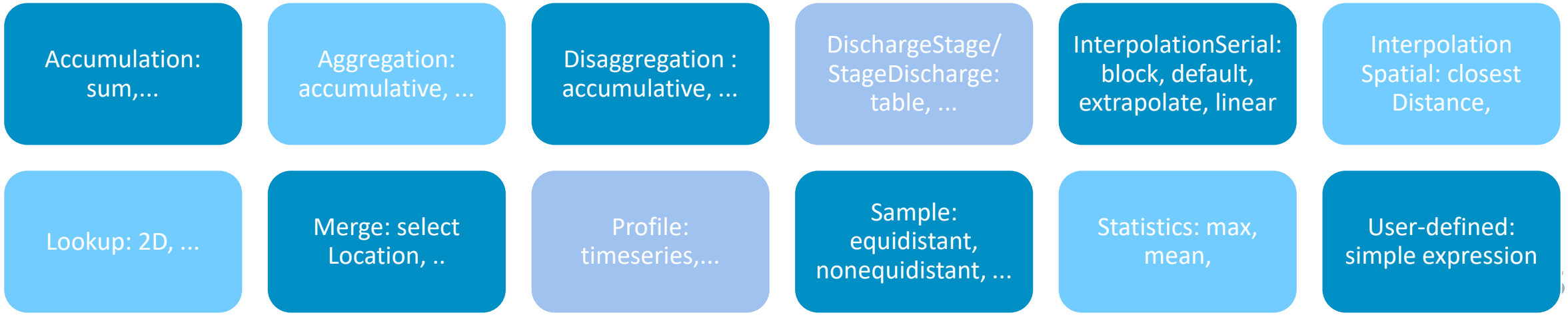
Data Processing: Transformation Module

- Data transformation module: workhorse of Delft-FEWS
- Input and outputs are always time series
- One configuration file can define multiple transformations
- Processing can be made conditional based on e.g.:
  - Value range
  - Date (before, in-between, after)
- There are many predefined transformation modules (for example)



Transformation – Input/Output

```
<variable>
  <variableId>Rain_grid_GPM_World</variableId>
  <timeSeriesSet>
    <moduleInstanceId>Import_GPM_Server</moduleInstanceId>
    <valueType>grid</valueType>
    <parameterId>P.obs</parameterId>
    <locationId>IMERG_world</locationId>
    <timeSeriesType>external historical</timeSeriesType>
    <timeStep unit="minute" multiplier="30"/>
    <relativeViewPeriod unit="hour" start="-12" end="0" startOverrulable="true"/>
    <readWriteMode>read only</readWriteMode>
  </timeSeriesSet>
</variable>
```

```
<regular locationId="IMERG_world">
  <rows>1800</rows>
  <columns>3600</columns>
  <geoDatum>WGS 1984</geoDatum>
  <firstCellCenter>
    <x>-179.95</x>
    <y>89.95</y>
    <z>0.0</z>
  </firstCellCenter>
  <xCellSize>0.1</xCellSize>
  <yCellSize>0.1</yCellSize>
</regular>
```

```
<regular locationId="IMERG">
  <rows>120</rows>
  <columns>240</columns>
  <geoDatum>WGS 1984</geoDatum>
  <firstCellCenter>
    <x>30</x>
    <y>30</y>
    <z>0.0</z>
  </firstCellCenter>
  <xCellSize>0.1</xCellSize>
  <yCellSize>0.1</yCellSize>
</regular>
```

Request data from datastore

Do something…

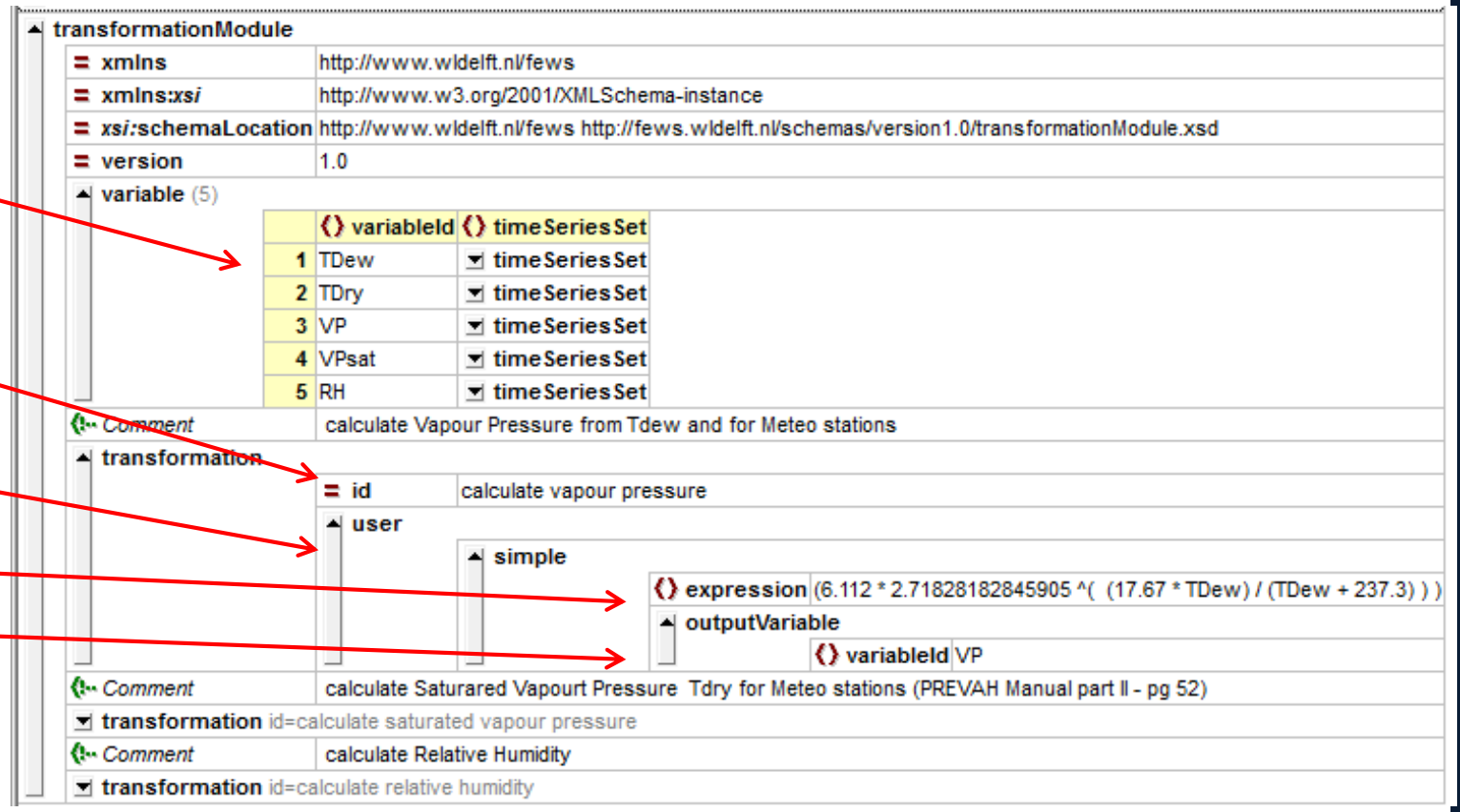
Write data to datastore

```
<transformation id="Rain_interpolate_workgrid_GPM">
  <interpolationSpatial>
    <closestDistance>
      <inputVariable>
        <variableId>Rain_grid_GPM_World</variableId>
      </inputVariable>
      <outputVariable>
        <variableId>Rain_grid_GPM</variableId>
      </outputVariable>
    </closestDistance>
  </interpolationSpatial>
</transformation>
```

```
<variable>
  <variableId>Rain_grid_GPM</variableId>
  <timeSeriesSet>
    <moduleInstanceId>Meteo_Preprocess_GPM</moduleInstanceId>
    <valueType>grid</valueType>
    <parameterId>P.obs</parameterId>
    <locationId>IMERG</locationId>
    <timeSeriesType>external historical</timeSeriesType>
    <timeStep unit="minute" multiplier="30"/>
    <relativeViewPeriod unit="hour" start="-12" end="0" startOverrulable="true"/>
    <readWriteMode>read only</readWriteMode>
  </timeSeriesSet>
</variable>
```

Typical Transformation Module Instance

- "User" transformation with a user-defined function
- Variables (timeSeriesSets)
- Transformation Id
- Function Type
- expression
- outputVariable



- One transformation module instance can contain multiple functions

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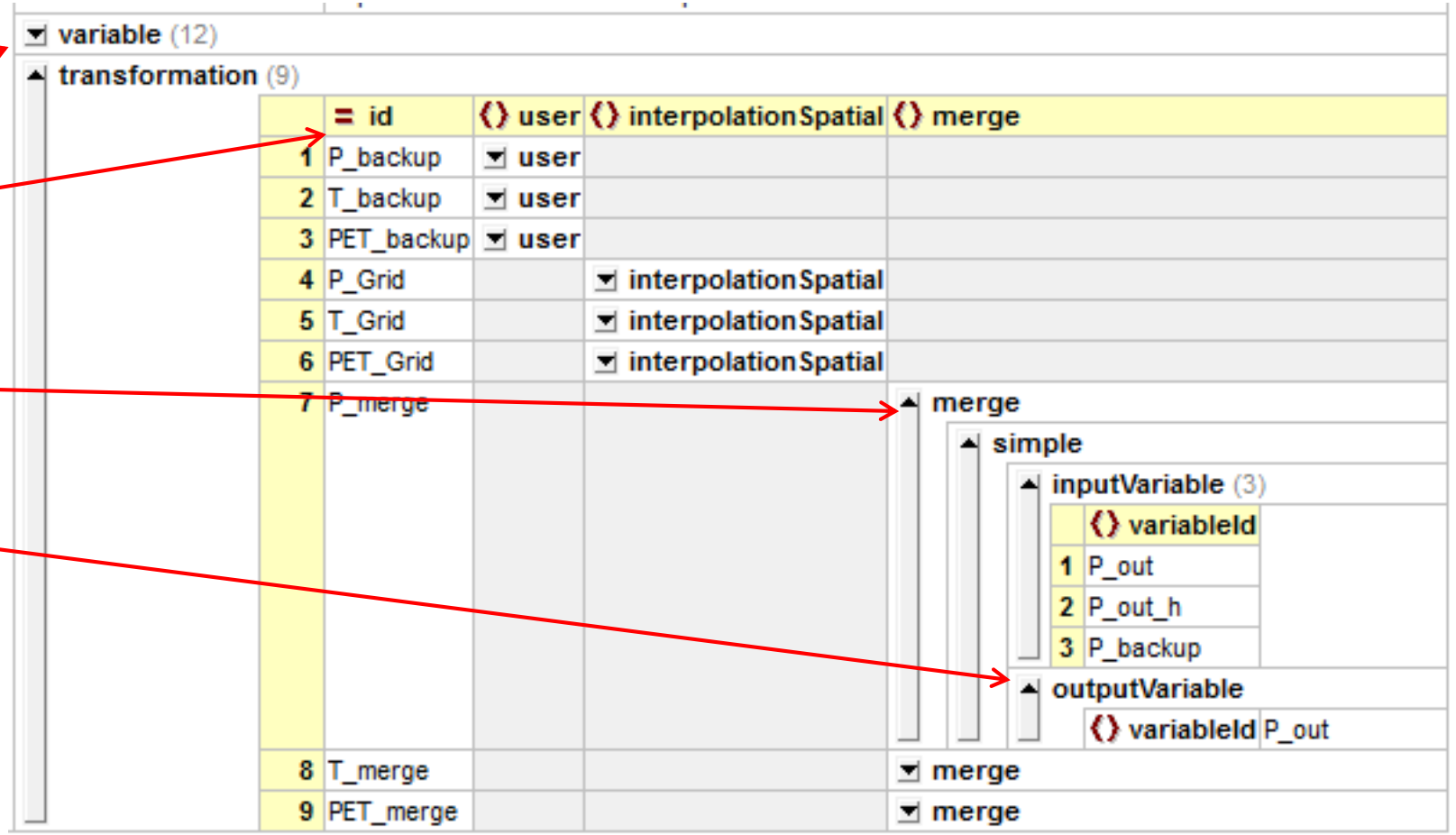
Typical Transformation Module Instance

Pre-defined functions (e.g. Merge or Data Hierarchy)

- Variables (timeSeriesSets)
- Transformation Id
- Function Type
- outputVariable



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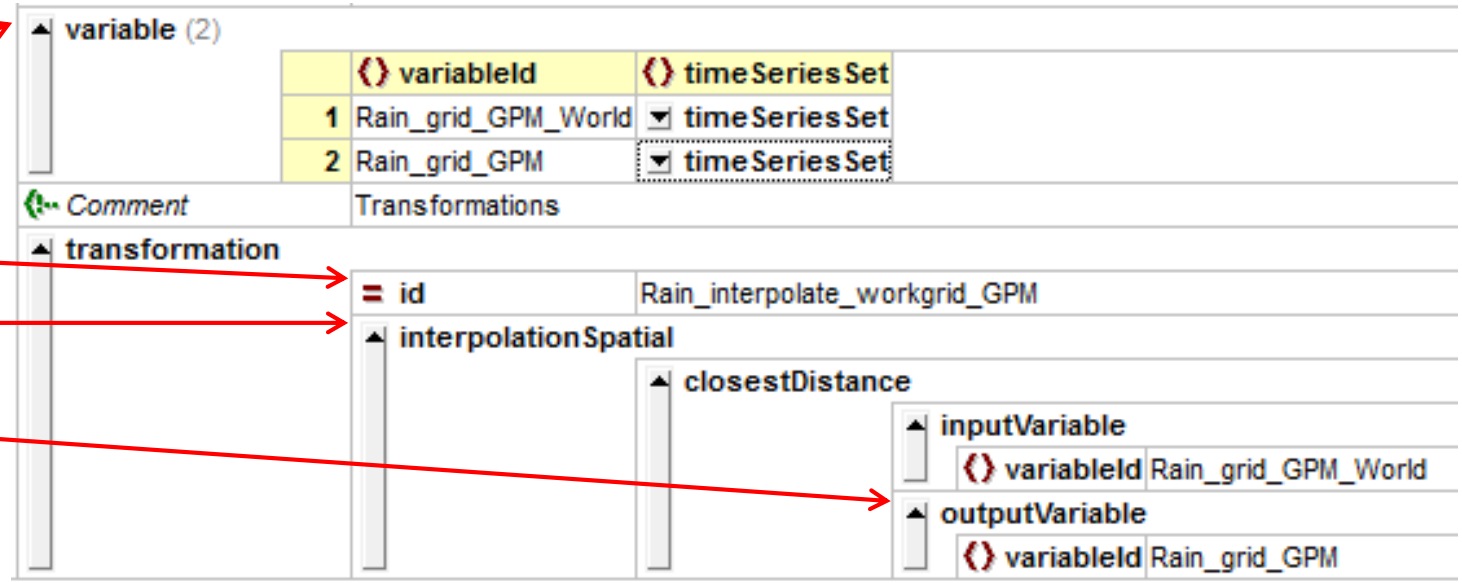
Typical Transformation Module Instance

Spatial Interpolations

- Variables (timeSeriesSets)
- Transformation Id
- Function Type
- outputVariable



Other Spatial Interpolation functions:

- Bilinear Interpolation
- Containing Polygon
- Inverse Distance
- Kriging
- Thiessen

Functions can be used for interpolations of

- Points to Grid and Point to Polygon
- Grid to Grid and Grid to Polygon
- Point to Longitudinal Profile
- Longitudinal Profile to Longitudinal Profile

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Exercise 10: Spatial Interpolation

- Add spatial interpolation of new NOAA GFS parameter (in Exercise 7) to scalar time series.

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Appendixes

- Appendix 1: More on Displays
- Appendix 2: More on Workflows
- Appendix 3: Miscellaneous

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Appendix 1

More on Displays

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More Display configuration in Delft FEWS

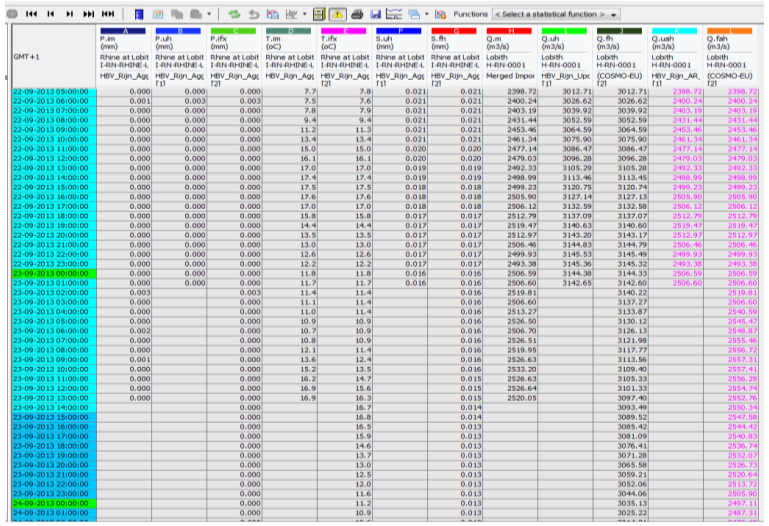
There are many more displays and display configuration files in Delft-FEWS. The following slides give a short overview.

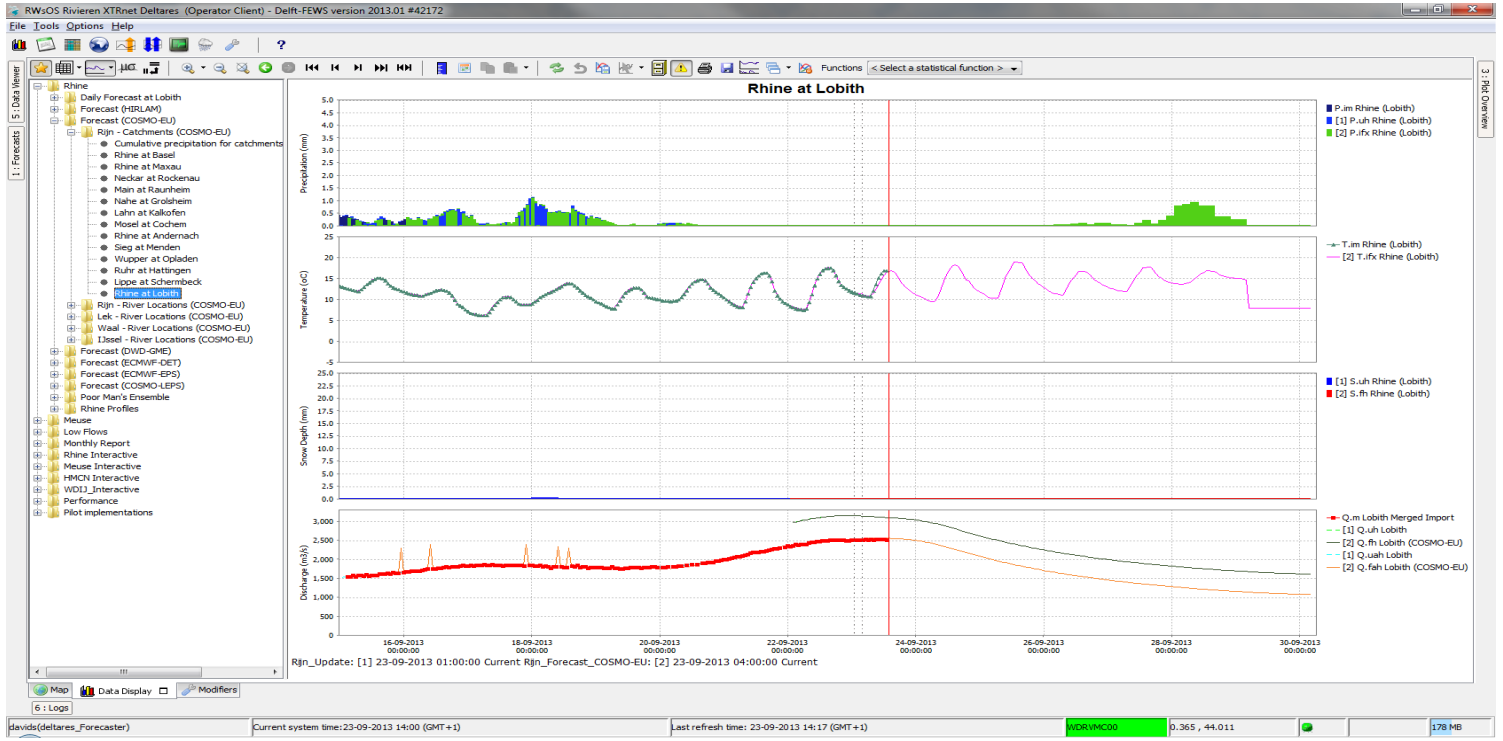
- Time Series Display (\SystemConfigFiles\TimeSeriesDisplayConfig.xml)
  - Longitudinal profiles
  - Statistics
- Schematic Status Display
- Data Viewer (\RegionConfigFiles\Filters.xml)
- Forecast Tree (\RegionConfigFiles\Topology.xml)

Delft-FEWS: Time Series Display

Time Series Display is used to show data in a graph and in a table

- Editing and viewing data
- Pre-configured displays
- Thresholds
- Historic Events





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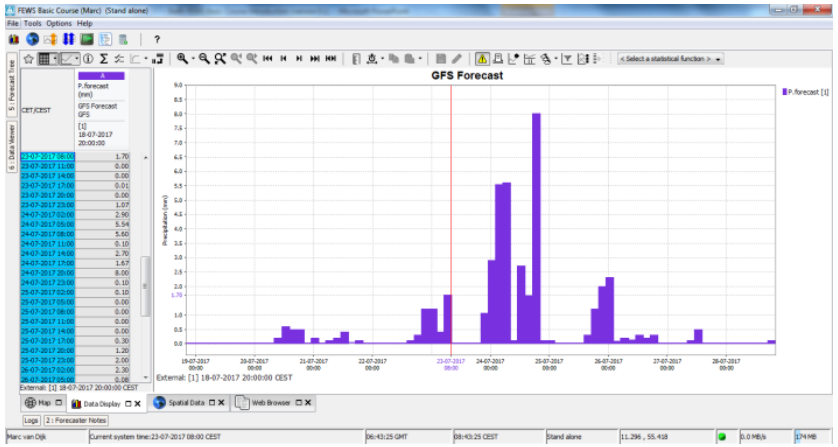
Delft-FEWS: Time Series Display

Elements of the Time Series Display

- Default View Period
- Thresholds display properties
- Colour of time markers
- Time Series properties (parameters)
- Statistical functions to show
- Buttons in Tools (enable/disable)



defaultViewPeriod (1)

	= unit	= start	= end
1	day	-10	5

thresholdDisplayConfig

timeMarkersDisplayConfig

timeMarkerDisplayOptions (4)

	= marker	{} color	{} lineStyle
1	systemTime	green	solid
2	timeZero	gray	dotted
3	displayTime	red	solid
4	threshold	orange	dashed

parametersDisplayConfig

parameterDisplayOptions (4)

statisticalFunctions

statisticalFunction (10)

descriptiveFunctionGroups

descriptiveFunctionGroup name=Basic statistics

{} **defaultGraphicalEditMode** adjustShapeTimeSeriesByDragging

buttonSettings

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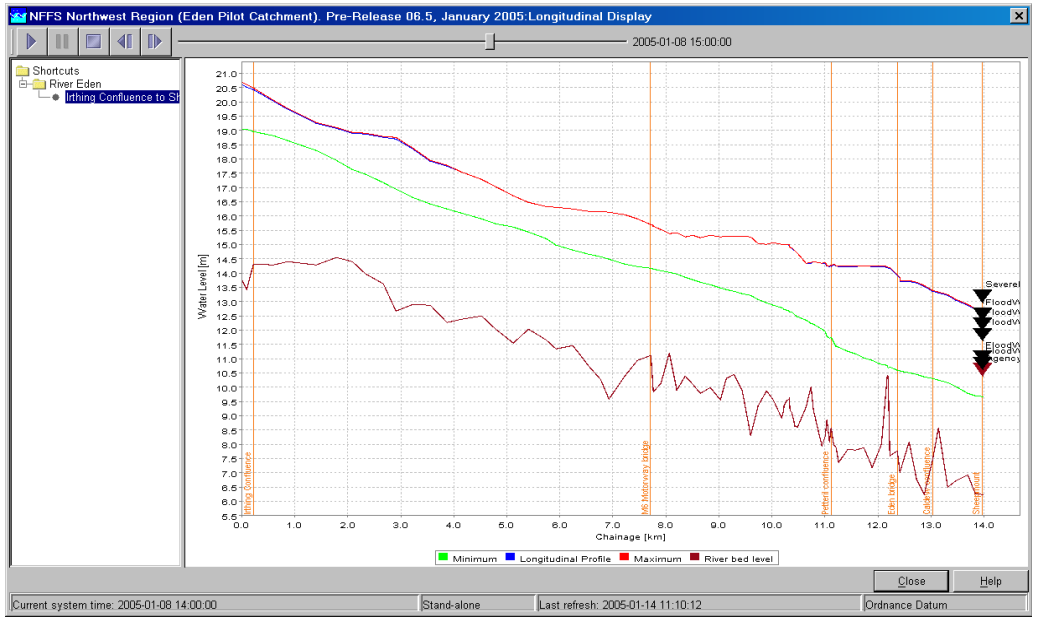
Delft-FEWS: Time Series Display

Time series display can also show longitudinal profiles; most often used in combination with hydrodynamic models of rivers

- Profile time series are one dimensional time series
- A location is required in the locations XML file
- A Branch configuration contains the nodes on a river section



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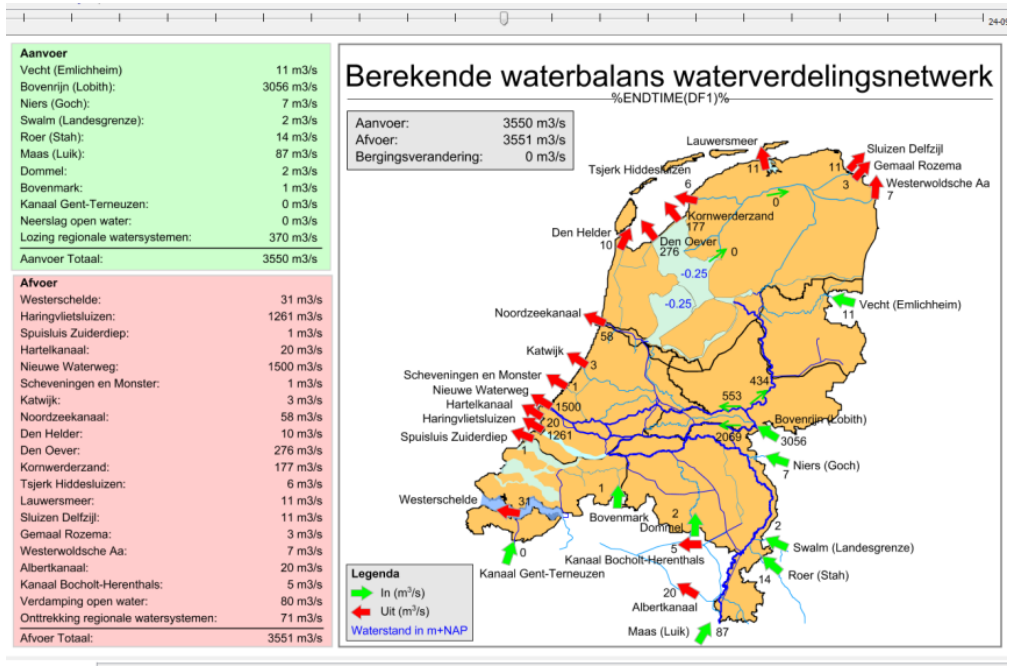
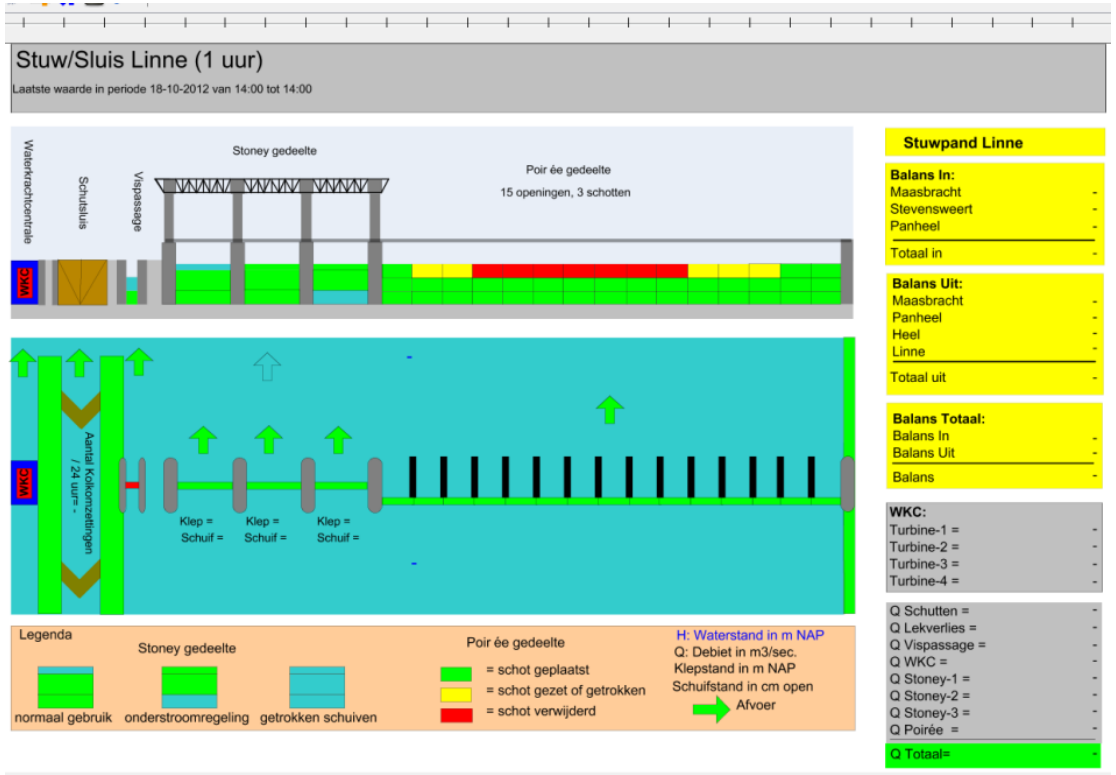
Delft-FEWS: Schematic Status Display

- Special Schematic displays can be made in combination with time series
- Colours and shapes can change dynamically, based on time series values





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Appendix 2

More on Workflows

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Delft-FEWS: More on Workflows

- Manual run
- Initiated from an Operator Client (selected & run by an active user)

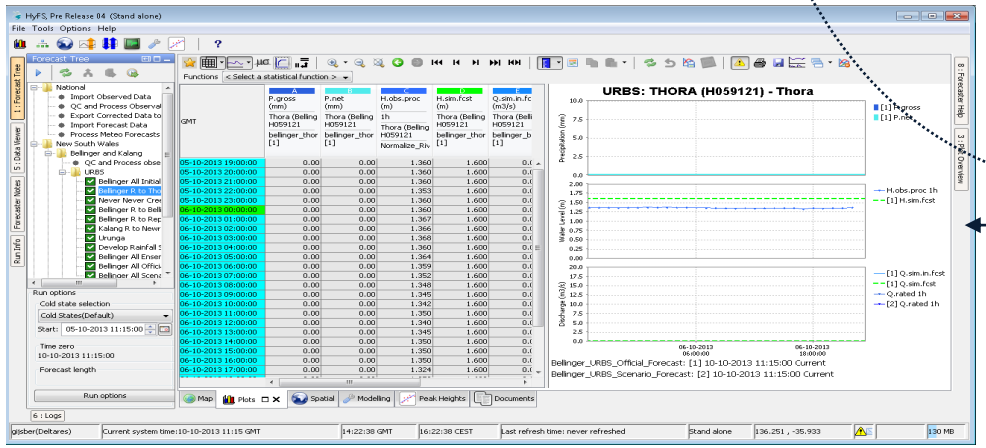
- Scheduled run
- Initiated from the Administrator Interface (Master Controller)
- Scheduled to run based on a regular interval

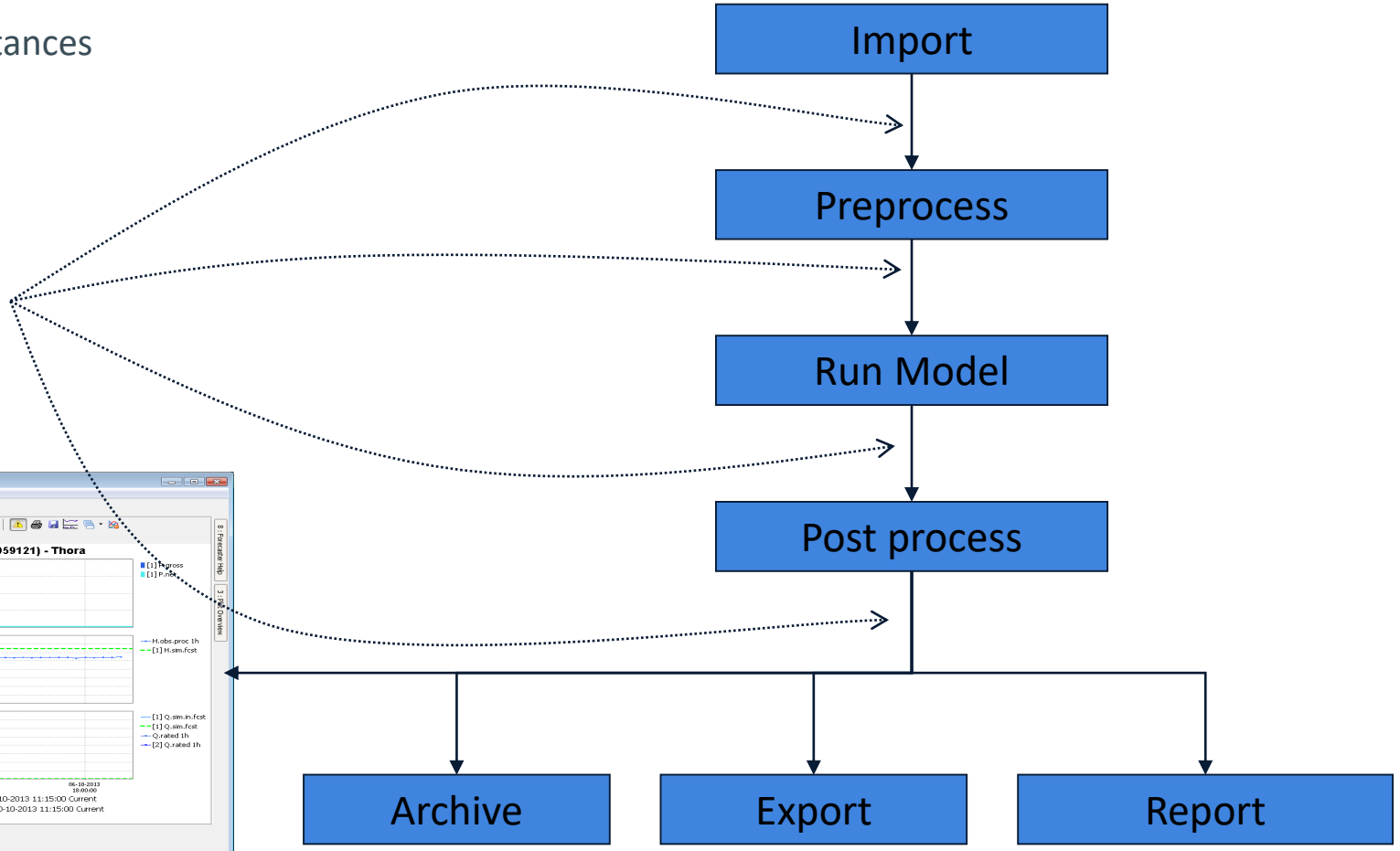
- Triggered run
- Initiated from the Administrator Interface (Master Controller)
- Triggered to run based on an ‘event’ (Event Log Message)
  - Existing run to change in frequency (e.g. more often)
  - Suspended run to run one-off.

Delft-FEWS: More on Workflows

- Workflow - Logical sequence of module instances
- Module instance – Configured module
- Task run - Actual execution of a workflow

- Time series connect the dataflow between the module instances





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Delft-FEWS: More on Workflows

Workflow Configuration

- Workflows are logical sequences of running forecast modules
- Workflows must be registered in the WorkflowDescriptors file

Sub-workflows

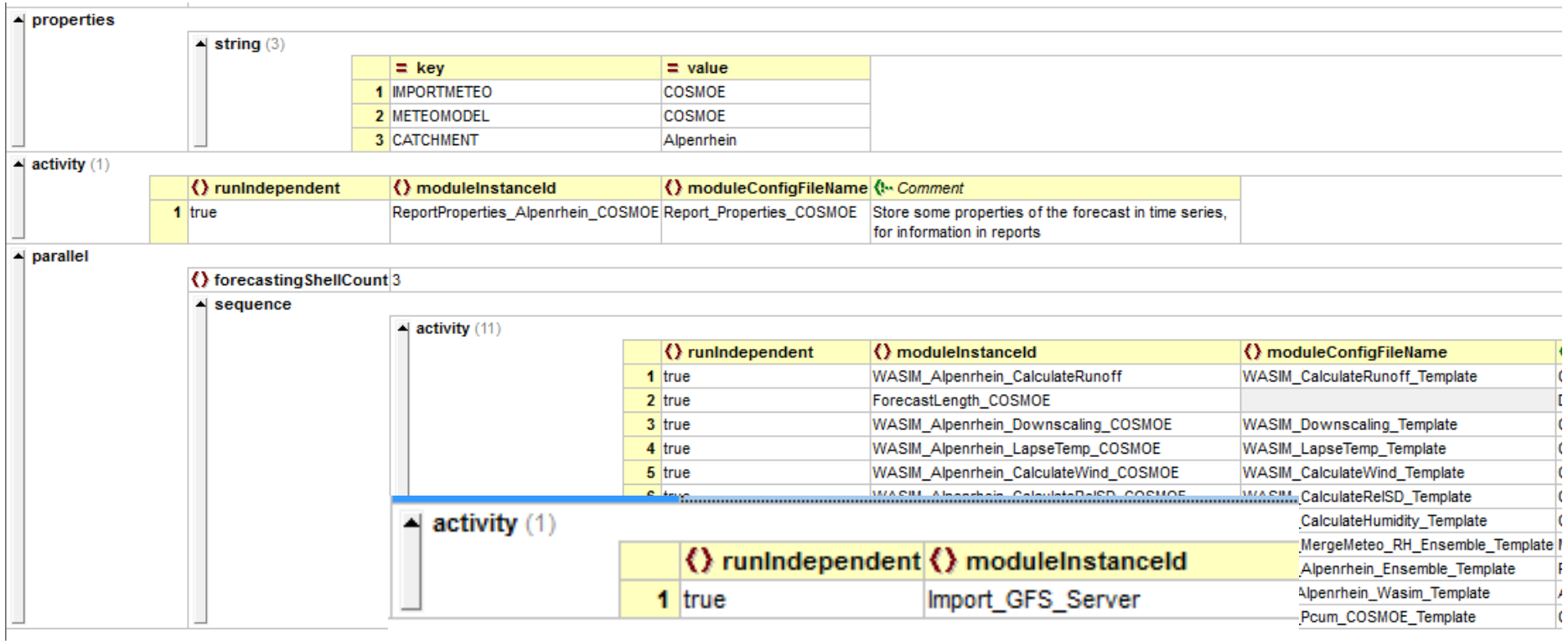
Module Instance ID

Run independent

Fall back activity

Ensemble

Parallel activity



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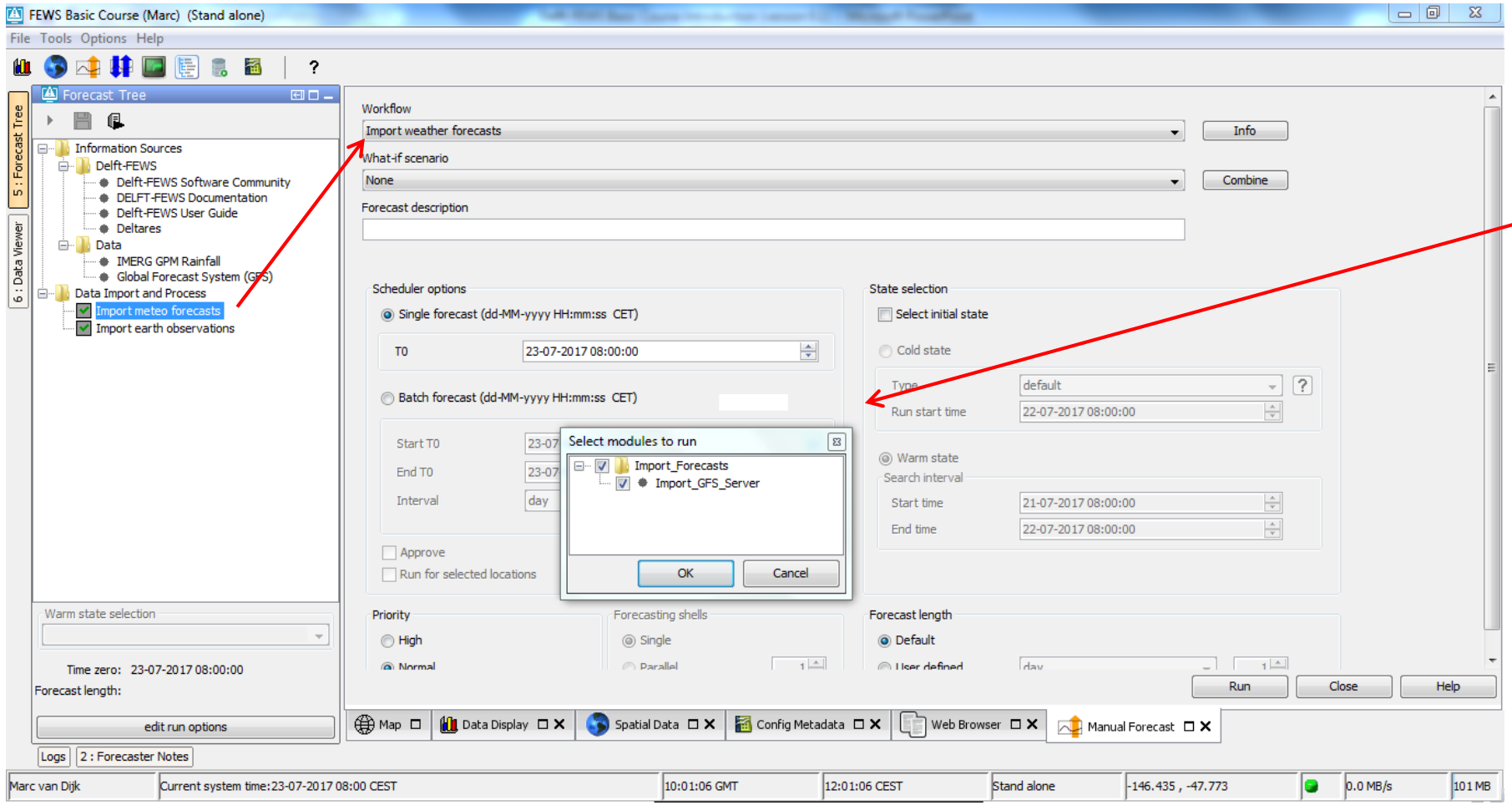
Delft-FEWS: More on Workflows

- Workflows can be started from the Forecast Tree or the Manual Forecast Display



Use F12 for debug options

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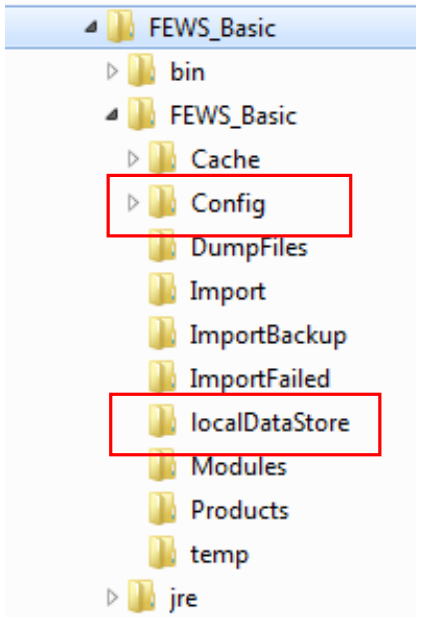
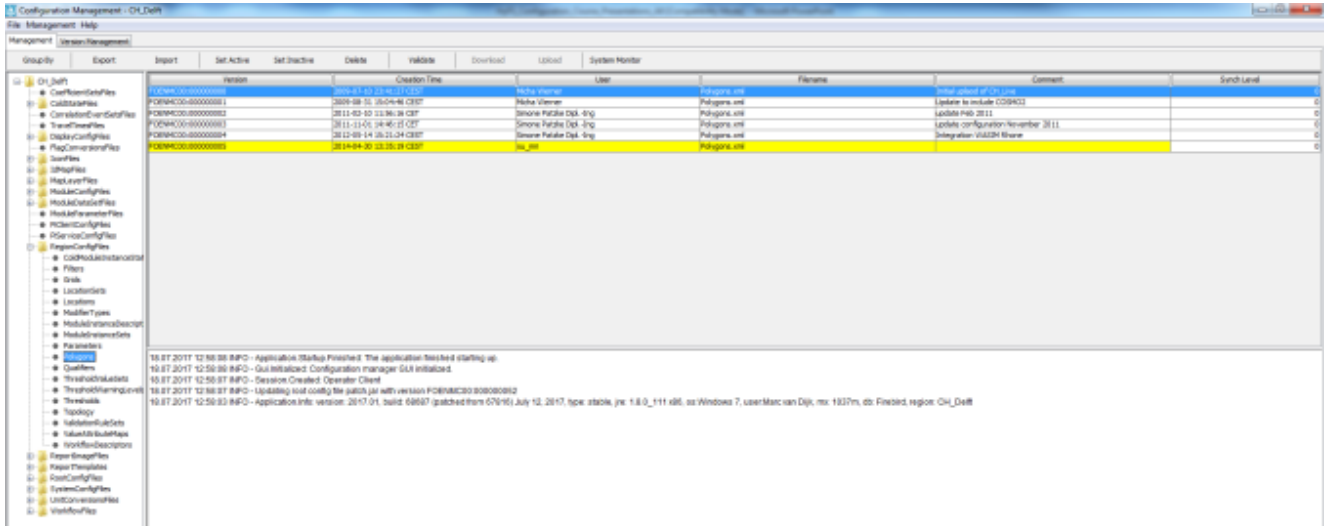
Delft-FEWS Application Configuration



Where is the Delft-FEWS application configuration?

- Primary Location (checked first): Local Config folder
  - All files available as XML/CSV in config files
  - Naming convention described applies
- Secondary Location: database (localDataStore)
  - Corresponding table for each section of configuration (e.g. Regional, System, etc.)
  - Associated default version table to identify active version

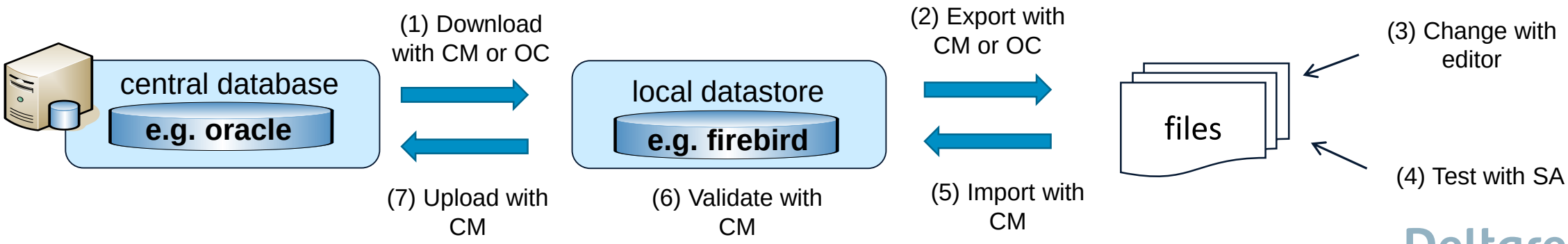
- Delft-FEWS Configuration Manager Tool can be used to upload the configuration from the local file system to the database



Management of Delft-FEWS Configurations

When changing the configuration of an existing Delft-FEWS Application

1. Download the configuration from central database to local cache or datastore
2. Export the config files with Configuration Manager (CM) or Operator Client (OC) to file system
3. Make changes to the configuration files (file system)
4. Test the configuration with a Delft-FEWS Stand Alone (SA)
5. Import the configuration files from file system to datastore with CM
6. Validate the configuration files in the CM
7. Upload the configuration files to the central database with CM



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Miscellaneous

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Delft-FEWS: Import of External Time Series

The Delft-FEWS software can import a large number of data sources

- Supports standards in data exchange formats: GRIB, NetCDF, etc.
- Data exchange with HIMS (e.g. WISKI, HYMOS)
- Plugin-technology to extend integration of data formats
- Emerging standards: WaterML – OpenGIS standard for exchange of hydrological data (USGS, NWS, CUAHSI), OpenDAP, ..

OGC® Making location count.

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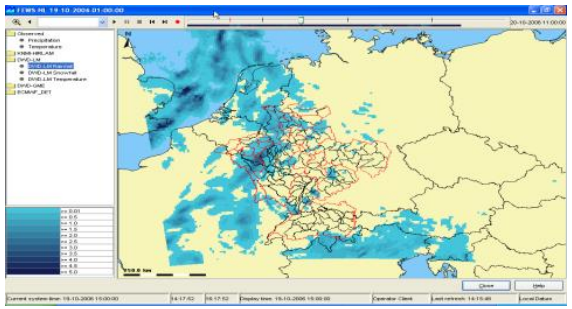

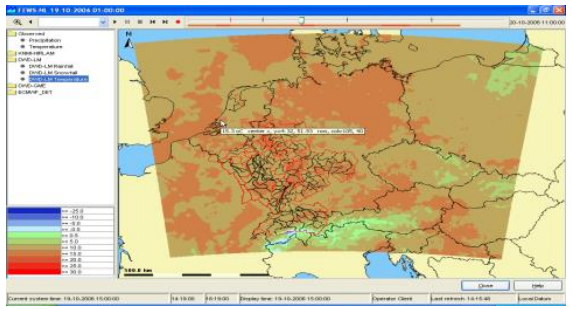

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Pre-defined file name convention

File names should adhere to Delft-FEWS software requirements

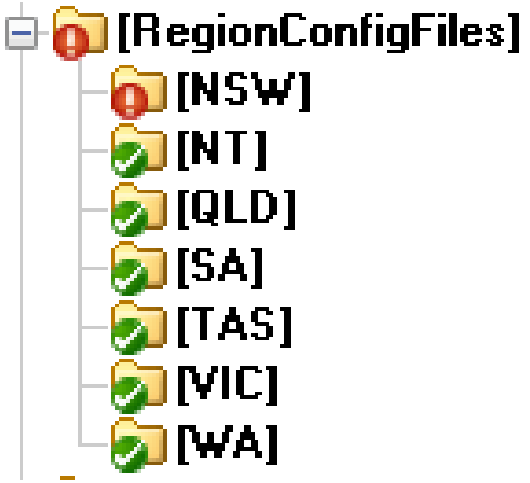
- RegionConfigFiles, SystemConfigFiles and RootConfigFiles folder

The following XML configuration may be split over multiple files:

- LocationSets_<postfix>.xml
- Filters_<postfix>.xml
- ModuleInstanceDescriptors_<postfix>.xml
- WorkflowDescriptors_<postfix>.xml
- DisplayGroups_<postfix>.xml

Special case:

- Topology.xml can refer to TopologyGroup_<postfix>.xml
- In FEWS Basic course this feature is not used. Can be very useful for larger systems when multiple groups manage the same configuration



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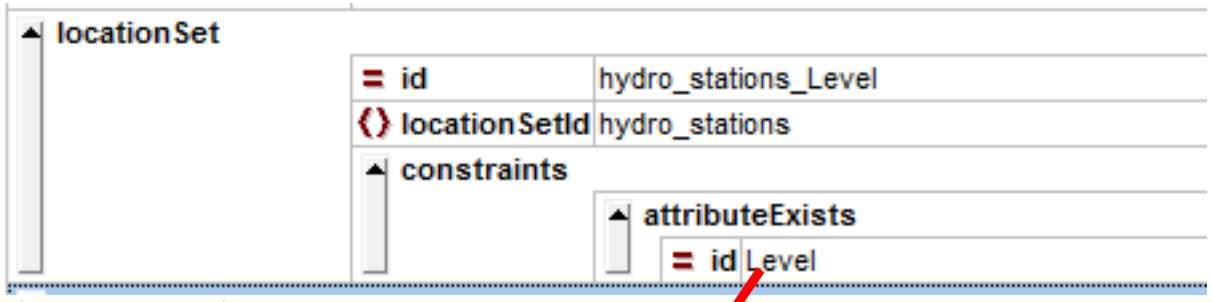
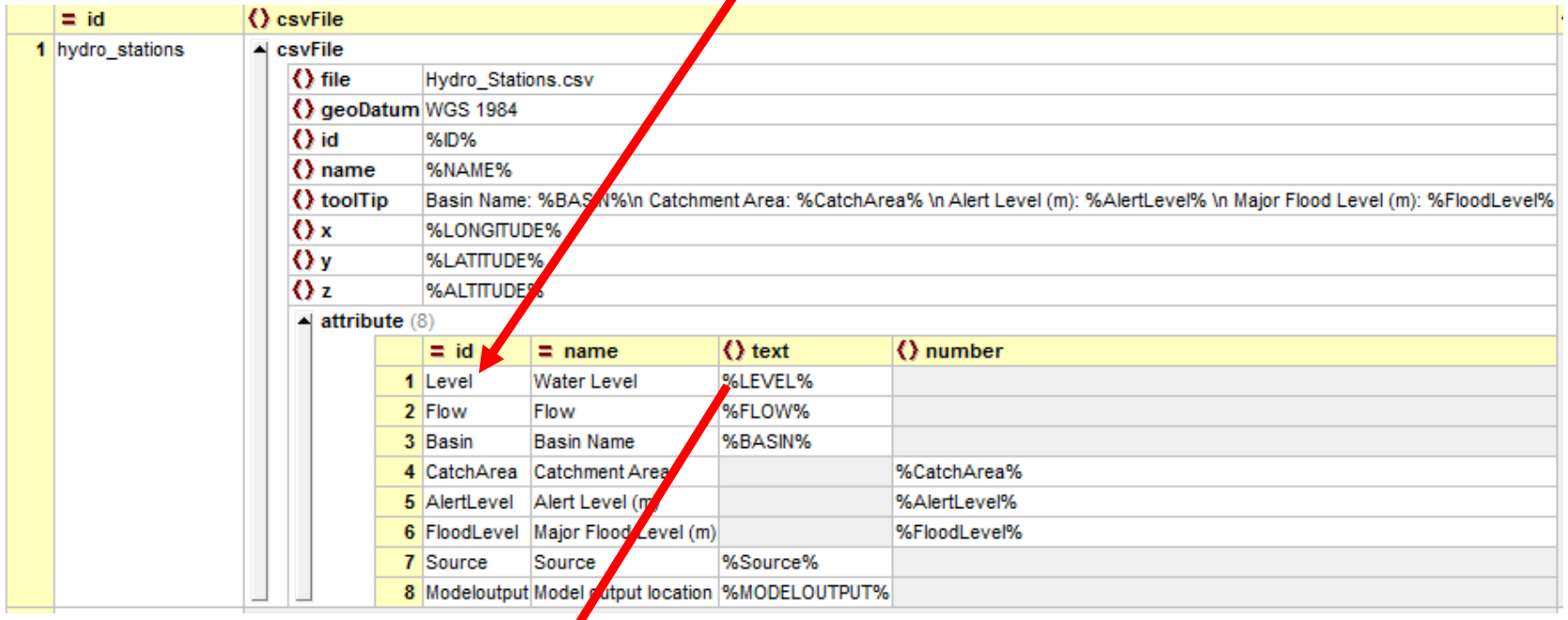
LocationSets – use of attribute filtering

LocationSets can be generated from another locationSet by using attributes and conditions:

- attribute equals
- attribute contains
- attribute starts with
- id contains
- attribute exists
- …





A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
ID	NAME	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	ALTITUDE	LEVEL	FLOW	BASIN	CatchArea	AlertLevel	FloodLevel	Source	MODELOUTPUT
Lobith	Lobith	51.8512	6.1062	0	Level	Flow	Rhine	0	5	10	RWS	
StPieter	Sint Pieter	50.83	5.7	0	Level	Flow	Meuse	0	5	10	RWS	
HvHolland	Hoek van Holland	51.976	4.125	0	Level		Rhine	0	2	3	RWS	

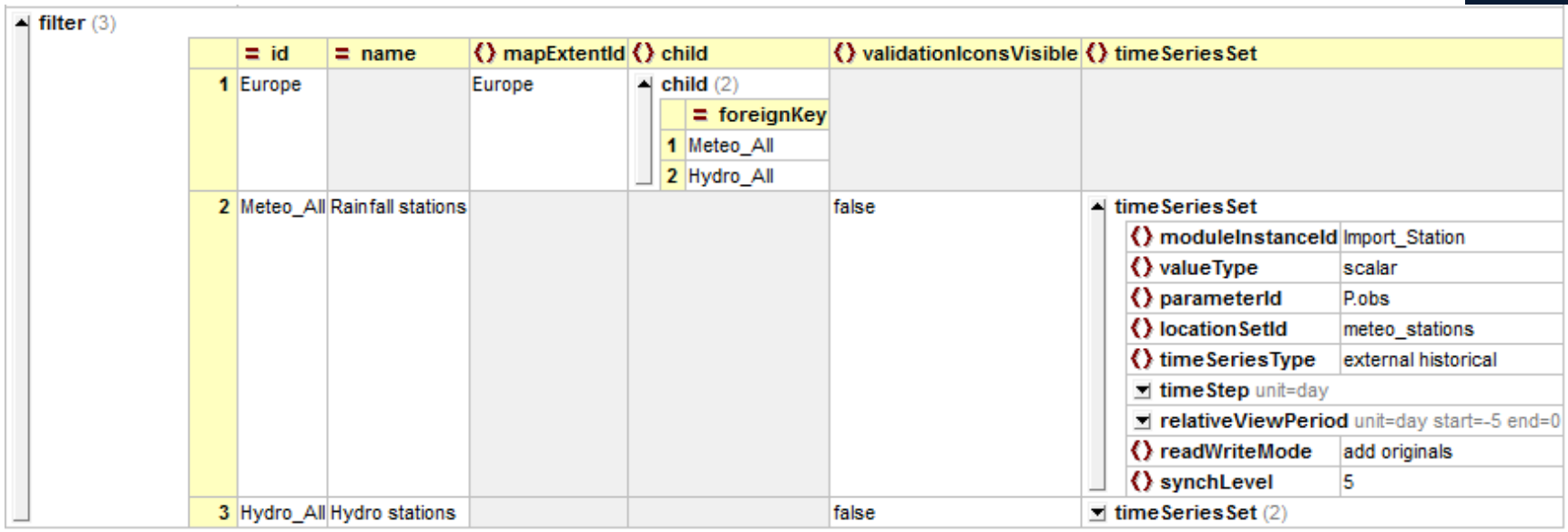
Delft-FEWS: Data Viewer (Filters)

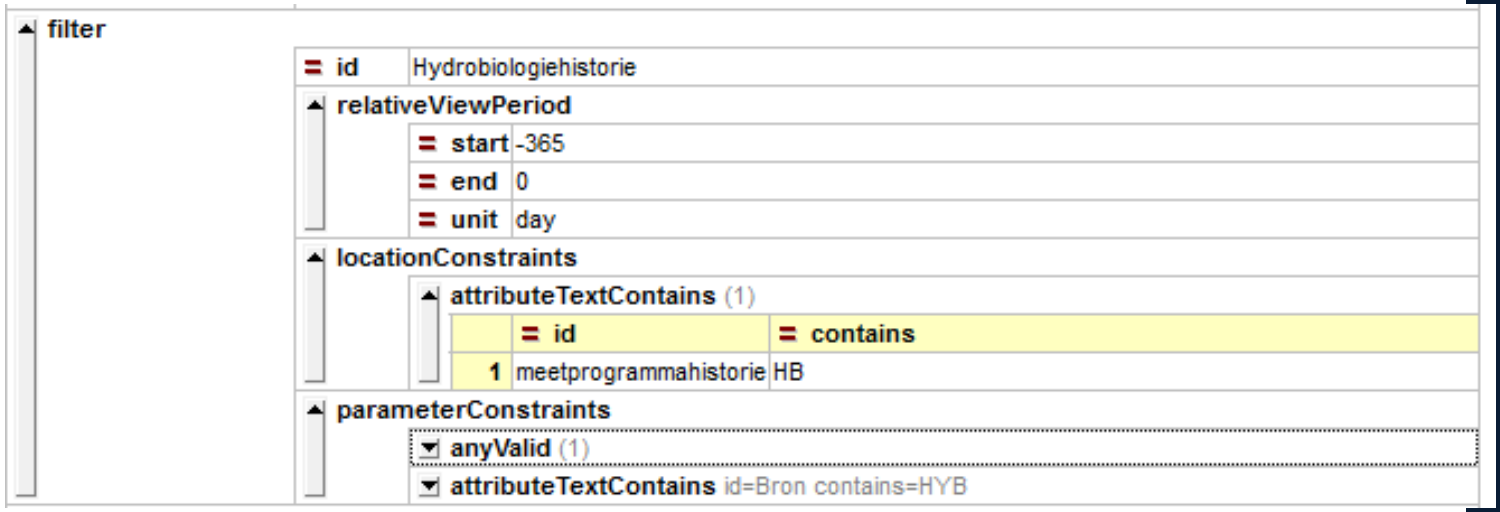
Filters are used to define the:

- Locations displayed on the map
- Locations displayed in the list box
- Parameters displayed in the list box

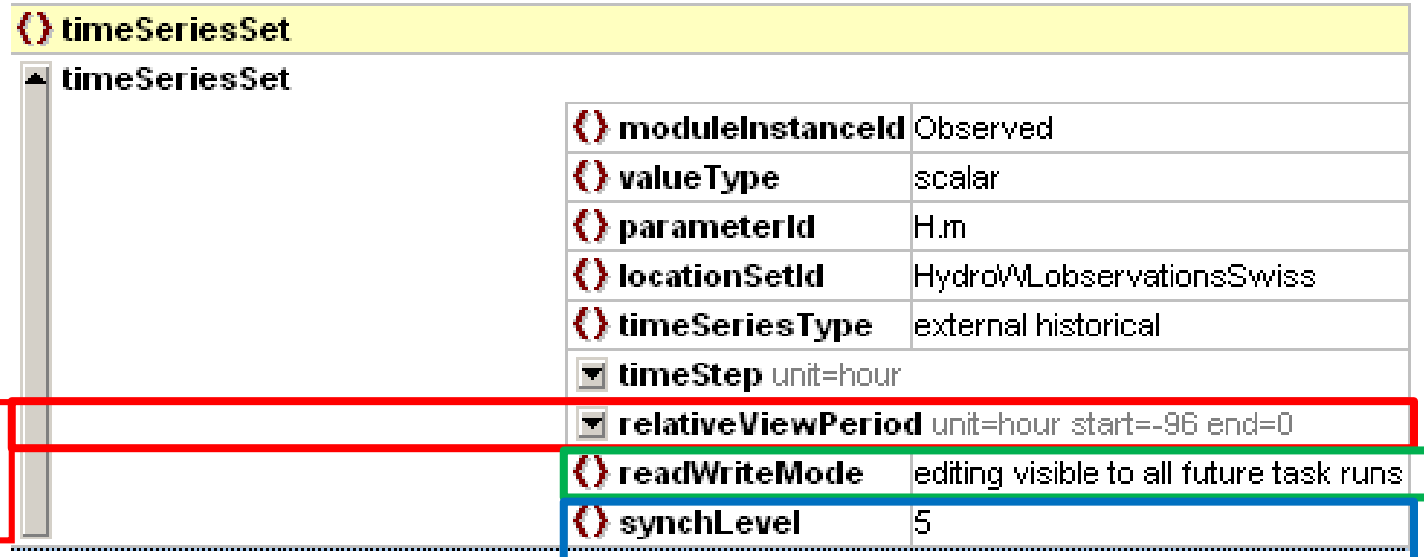
Filter:

- Organized in folders with child filters
- Arrange time series sets in logical groups
- View permissions
- Validation icons visible
- Link to map extent
- Can use location attributes to specify sub-sets





Display of data - Filters - Extra options



Relative View Period for Icon on main map

Allow/Disallow editing

synchLevel – for live system
(5 = edited data)

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Delft-FEWS: Forecast Tree (Topology)

Forecast Tree can be used to guide the forecaster in the forecast process

- Used to link with external websites
- Used to start workflows
- Configured with folder structure

nodes (2)

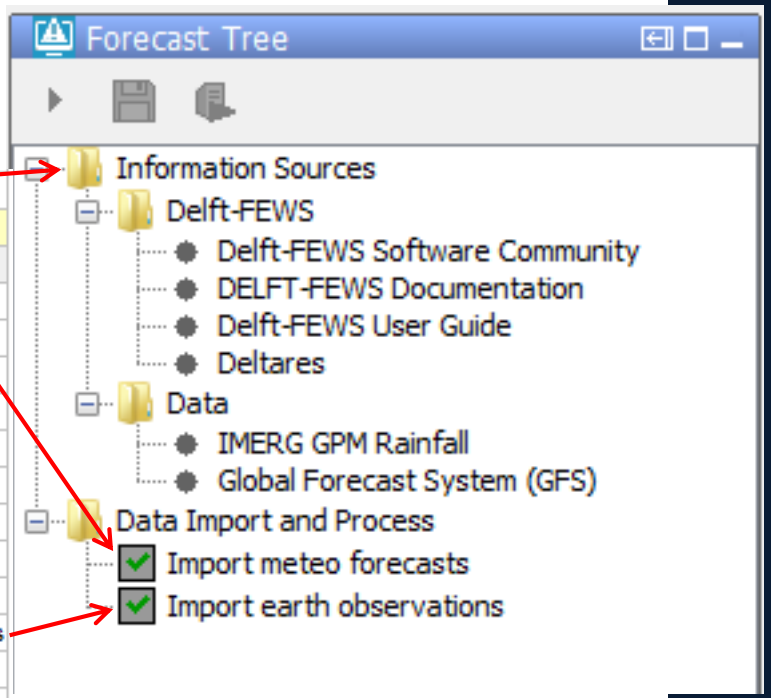
	id	name	localRun	nodes	node
1	Information_Sources	Information Sources	true	nodes (2)	
2	Import	Data Import and Process			

node

id	Import_forecasts
name	Import meteo forecasts
workflowId	Import_Forecasts
graceTime unit=hour multiplier=6	
localRun	false
showRunApprovedForecastButton	true

node

id	Import_earthobservation
name	Import earth observations
workflowId	Import_EarthObservation
localRun	false
showRunApprovedForecastButton	true



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