

HIMAWARI-8 DOCUMENTATION

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1 Preparation

1.1 Installing GEOCAT

Make your preparation folder for all your dataset. If you are using NCI, type your respective project number (e.g. v46, w40, etc) and your username (e.g. ty7605, gr5690, etc) and type in your terminal:

```
1. mkdir -p /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI #make a folder named HIMAWARI
```

Then, copy the preparation datasets, This include the sample data, ancillary data, and GEOCAT.

```
1. cp -r /scratch/public/lb5963/* /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI
```

Go to your directory, and then to your GEOCAT directory.

```
1. cd /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT
```

Type in your terminal:

```
1. tar xf cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b.tar.gz
```

This command will extract the tar.gz file into cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b folder.

Then, type:

```
1. export CSPP_GEO_GEOCAT_HOME=$PWD/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b
2. source $CSPP_GEO_GEOCAT_HOME/geocat_env.sh
```

This will set your GEOCAT environment for later use.

Type this line in your terminal to check whether you have done the steps successfully.

```
1. geocat_l2.sh --help
```

The output should be like this:

```
<<code snipped>>

usage: geocat_l2.py [-h] --satellite {goes,him8} [-W work_dir]
[--tmp_dir TMP_DIR] [--interrogate] [-d] [-v] [-V] [-x]
[inputs [inputs ...]]
Run GEOCAT level-2 algorithms on GOES area files, or Himawari-8 HSD or HimawariCast files.
positional arguments:
inputs One or more input files or directories.
optional arguments:
-h, --help show this help message and exit
--satellite {goes,him8}
The satellite to run geocat on. Possible values are
{'goes','him8'}. This option is mandatory.
-W work_dir, --work-dir work_dir work directory which all activity will occur in,
defaults to current dir
```

```
--tmp_dir TMP_DIR The directory where the Level 1 and 2 intermediate HDF4 file(s) are written.
--interrogate List the file metadata, and exit. [default: False]
-d, --debug always retain intermediate files. [default: False]
-v, --verbosity each occurrence increases verbosity 1 level from ERROR: -v=WARNING -vv=INFO -vvv=DEBUG [default: 2]
-V, --version Print the CSPP Geo package version
-x, --expert Display all help options, including the expert ones.
```

1.2 Preparing ancillary data for GEOCAT

Now, we prepare the ancillary data for GEOCAT. The ancillary data can be downloaded from <http://geodb.ssec.wisc.edu/ancillary/>. The ancillary data consist of Global Forecasting System datasets (GFS-NCEI/NOAA), sea surface temperature (OISST-NOAA), and snow map. In this example, we will use the ancillary data in the folder ANCILLARY. The ancillary folder **MUST** be in **YYYYMMDD** format.

First, copy all of your ancillary data to cache in GEOCAT folder. Type this in your terminal:

```
1. cp -r /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/ANCILLARY/2016* /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/
```

Then, type:

```
1. ls /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/
```

to check if your ancillary data is there. Then, you will see something like this:

```
1. [fm6730@gadi-login-04 fm6730]$ ls /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/
2016_10_09_283 2016_10_10_284  geocat_hdf
```

“YYYY_MM_DD_xxx” indicates your ancillary data folder.

Then, we have to rename the data folder to YYYYMMDD format. Type in your terminal:

```
1. mv /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/2016_10_09_283/ /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/20161009/
2. mv /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/2016_10_10_284/ /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/20161010/
```

Check if your renaming is successful:

```
1. ls /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/
```

You will see something like this:

```
1. [fm6730@gadi-login-04 fm6730]$ ls /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/
2. 20161009 20161010  geocat_hdf
```

1.2.1 Downloading your own ancillary data

There will be times where you want to use your own dataset and use the ancillary data from <http://geodb.ssec.wisc.edu/ancillary/>. One way to do this is by using ‘wget’. For example, we going to use data from 28-03-2023. Look at the website and find the date that you want. In this case, the date is “2023-03-28”.

First, access your ancillary folder:

```
1. cd /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/ANCILLARY
```

Type this in your terminal:

```
1. wget --no-parent -r http://geodb.ssec.wisc.edu/ancillary/2023_03_28_087/
```

This command will download all the ancillary dataset in the web page for the given date. Then, you can rename copy and rename this folder to your GEOCAT folder.

Type:

```
1. cp -r /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/ANCILLARY/2023_03_28_087/  
/g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/  
2. mv /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/2023_03_28_087/  
/g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b/anc/cache/20230320/
```

1.3 Making a work directory

Now, we make a work directory for our process. If you are using NCI you could put the working directory on your 'g/data/'. For example:

```
1. #go to your g/data in project v46 for user fm6730 (the project number and user id is  
according to you)  
2. cd /g/data/v46/fm6730/HIMAWARI/GEOCAT/  
3. mkdir -p work. #make a directory named 'work'
```

This concludes the preparation part of HIMAWARI dataset processing. In the next section we will explain how to process HIMAWARI dataset and extract the level-1 and level-2 variables.

Then you will get something like this:

```
#PBS -l wd

#PBS -lstorage=gdata/v46+gdata/w40                                #Your storage (e.g., scratch/w40)'

#PBS -q normalbw                                                  #process (e.g., normalbw,hugemembw)'

export LC_ALL=C.UTF-8                                           #debugger'
export LANG=C.UTF-8

VAR='/g/data/v46/fm6730/GEOCAT_2/cspp-geo-geocat-1.0.3b' #Your variables'
export CSPP_GEO_GEOCAT_HOME=$VAR                                #export environment'

source $CSPP_GEO_GEOCAT_HOME/geocat_env.sh

HFLDKD='/g/data/v46/lb5963/2023/HMW_2023/DATA_HMW/2016_10_10_0000/'
                                                                #locate the himawari dataset'

module purge
module load openmpi/2.1.6

geocat_l2.sh --no_rap --satellite him8 --num_cpu 96 --viewport -0.5 -0.4 0.25 0
.2 -W work $HFLDKD                                              #run'

~
~
~
-- INSERT --
```

Type “:wq runtest.sh” to save and finish (without the quotation marks).

Notes before continuing:

This script will get you a non-projected data of himawari-8. Non-projected means that it is a raw image captured by the satellite that includes the earth curvature. The last line in the script extracts the himawari dataset. You can change this line to suits your needs.

Some optional arguments (e.g., --no_rap,--num_cpu) in the “geocat_l2.sh” are:

optional arguments (taken from GEOCAT installation guide):

```
-h, --help show this help message and exit
--satellite {goes,him8} The satellite to run geocat on. Possible values are {'goes','him8'}.
This option is mandatory.
-W work_dir, --work-dir work_dir work directory which all activity will occur in,
defaults to current dir
--tmp_dir TMP_DIR The directory where the Level 1 and 2 intermediate HDF4 file(s) are written.
--ancillary_only Only retrieve and process ancillary data, do not run geocat. [default: False]
--no_rap Do not use Mesoscale model (RAP) files.
[default: False]
--cache_window CACHE_WINDOW Limit product cache to hold no more that this number of hours
preceding the target time.
[default: 6. hours]
--preserve_cache Do not flush old files from the product cache.
[default: False]
--viewport LLCNRX LLCNRY URCNRX URCNRY Lower-left and upper-right coordinates
[*llcrnx*, *llcrny*, *urcrnx*, *urcrny*] of the projection viewport, in the range
[-0.5,+0.5]. [default: None]
```

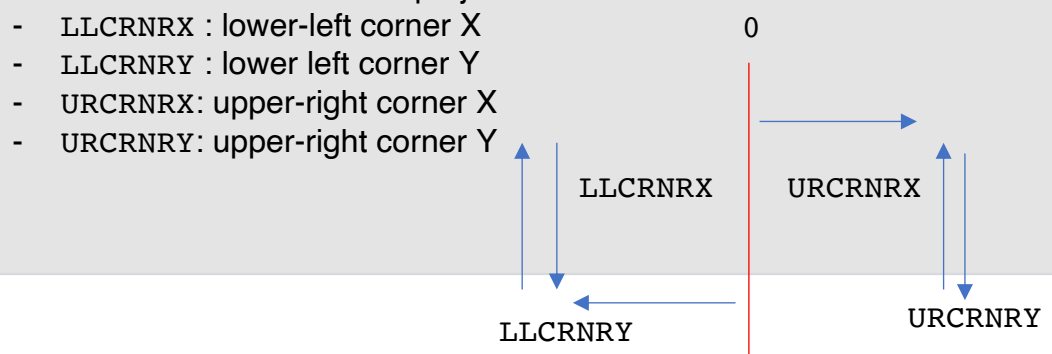
```

--viewport_xy YSTART YEND XSTART XEND Starting and ending lines [*ystart*, *yend*], and starting
and ending elements with stride
[*ystart*, *yend*, *xstride*], of the projection viewport. [default: None]
--xstride XSTRIDE The number of elements *xstride* to stride in the x-direction.
--num_cpu NUM_CPU The number of CPUs to try and use. [default: 1]
--geocat_nscans GEOCAT_NSCANS Geocat will partition its processing tasks into chunks of
'geocat_nscans'. [default: 200]
--line_segments LINE_SEGMENTS Partition the input image into *line_segments*
rows, which will be processed separately by geocat. Should not exceed 20. [default: 2]
--element_segments ELEMENT_SEGMENTS Partition the input image into
*element_segments* columns, which will be processed separately by geocat. Should not exceed 20.
[default: 2]
--interrogate List the file metadata, and exit. [default:
False]
-d, --debug always retain intermediate files. [default:
False]
-v, --verbosity each occurrence increases verbosity 1 level from ERROR: -v=WARNING -vv=INFO -
vvv=DEBUG
[default: 2]
-V, --version Print the CSPP Geo package version
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```

The most important arguments are --satellite, --no_rap, --num_cpu, --W and --viewport. Here, we will explain what do these 4 arguments do:

1. --satellite
This argument indicates what kind of dataset you are using. If it is himawari-8 then it is **{him8}**. This argument is **MANDATORY**.
2. --no_rap
Set `{--no_rap True}` if you plan to use mesoscale model to derive your Level-1 or Level-2 variables. Remember that this option may take lots of calculation, so if you do not really need it just set this to `{--no rap False}`.
3. --num_cpu
Set the number of CPU that we will use. Do not forget this argument to set the number of CPU or this will default to one, which can cause shortage of computing power.
4. --W
Set the working directory.
5. --viewport LLCRNRX LLCRNRX URCRNRX URCRNRX
Set the region range of the extracted data. Remember that this is NOT a Lat Lon coordinates. It is based on the projection view of the satellite.



For Australia, the viewport used is:

- LLCNRX : -0.5
- LLCNRY : -0.4
- URCNRX : 0.25
- URCNRY : 0.2

End of notes

If you have saved and finish the script. Now, you can submit the job to GADI.

```
1. chmod +rx runtest.sh
2. qsub runtest.sh
```

Use command “qstat” to see if the job has finished yet.

The output will be the raw satellite data from HIMAWARI-8 consisting of 16 band imagers with different wavelength and spatial resolution. The details are given as follows:

Taken from www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HIMAWARI_8

Wavelength (μm)	Band number	Spatial resolution at SSP (km)	Central wavelength (μm)
0.47	1	1	0.47063
0.51	2	1	0.51000
0.64	3	0.5	0.63914
0.86	4	1	0.85670
1.6	5	2	1.6101
2.3	6	2	2.2568
3.9	7	2	3.8853
6.2	8	2	6.2429
6.9	9	2	6.9410
7.3	10	2	7.3467
8.6	11	2	8.5926
9.6	12	2	9.6372
10.4	13	2	10.4073
11.2	14	2	11.2395
12.4	15	2	12.3806
13.3	16	2	13.2807

3 Processing the Level-1 and Level-2 Variables