MARVIC2EFI

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MARVIC models with EFI standards

EFI standards are concerned with two main files:

- 1) The model output file which contains the actual predicted values from the model. This file will be in **csv** format. There is also a possibility to have the output file in netCDF format, but tabular data has certain advantages.
- 2) The dataset metadata file contains all the accompanying metadata information that will help interpret and use the model outputs (resolution, dimensions, variable names, units etc. but also uncertainty propagation, data assimilation, model complexity etc.). This file will be in **json** format.

Start with installing libraries

```
# install.packages(c("EML", "emld))
library(EML)
library(emld)
emld::eml version("eml-2.2.0")
#install.packages(c("lubridate", "tibble", "dplyr", "tidyr", "reshape2"))
library(lubridate)
library(tibble)
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)
library(reshape2)
# for writing the parquet files
# install.packages("arrow")
# also make sure you install other packages that are required to read YOUR outputs
# e.g. if your raw outputs are in netCDF format:
# install.packages("ncdf4")
# library(ncdf4)
```

Producing the model output file

Read your model outputs

Read in your model outputs in your raw format. The example below assumes your outputs are in netcdf format:

```
rm(list=ls())
```

```
raw_output_file <- ".../my_raw_model_output.nc"
out_nc <- ncdf4::nc_open(raw_output_file)

# read example variables, here NEE, GPP, NPP
out_nee <- ncdf4::ncvar_get(out_nc, "NEE")
out_gpp <- ncdf4::ncvar_get(out_nc, "GPP") # in this example out_gpp is an "n_time x n_ensembles" matri
out_ar <- ncdf4::ncvar_get(out_nc, "AutoResp")
out_npp <- out_gpp - out_ar</pre>
```

Reformat model outputs according to EFI standards

Convert outputs to a flat file format (CSV):

```
# reference_datetime and publime can be the same for MARVIC
# just putting today's date
pub_datetime <- reference_datetime <- lubridate::today()</pre>
# actual time stamps for the predictions
n_time <- dim(out_gpp)[1]</pre>
start_date <- as.Date("2018-01-01") <== YOUR START DATE</pre>
datetimes <- seq(from=start_date, by="1 day", length=n_time)</pre>
# this example assumes ensemblized model runs
# there are other options, e.g. summary of a distribution
# number of ensemble members
n_ensembles <- dim(out_gpp)[2]</pre>
ensembles <- seq_len(n_ensembles)</pre>
obs_dim <- 1 ## 1 = latent state
## 2 = latent state + observation error
variable_names <- c("net_ecosystem_exchange",</pre>
                     "gross_primary_productivity",
                     "net_primary_productivity")
n_variables <- length(variable_names)</pre>
names(variable_names) <- paste0(rep("variable_", n_variables), 1:n_variables)</pre>
# prepare storage
output_storage <- array(NA,dim = c(n_time, n_ensembles, obs_dim, n_variables))
output_storage[,,,1] <- out_nee</pre>
output_storage[,,,2] <- out_gpp</pre>
output_storage[,,,3] <- out_npp</pre>
## data assimilation flag
data_assimilation <- rep(as.integer(0), n_time) ## this code indicates a 'free-run' that didn't assimi
## forecast flag
forecast <- rep(as.integer(0), n_time) ## EFI standard forcast flag. 1 = forecast, 0 = hindcast
## wrangle data from an array into a long format
df_combined <- reshape2::melt(output_storage, varnames=c("datetime", "parameter", "obs_flag", "variable_na
 pivot_wider(id_cols = 1:3,names_from = "variable_names", names_prefix = "variable_", values_from = "v
```

```
pivot_longer(cols = starts_with("variable"),names_to = "variable",values_to = "prediction") %>%
mutate(datetime = datetimes[datetime]) %>%
mutate(variable = variable_names[variable]) %>%
right_join(tibble(datetime=datetimes,data_assimilation = data_assimilation, forecast = forecast))
```

Here df_combined should look something like this:

```
> head(df_combined,n=10)
# A tibble: 10 \times 7
    datetime parameter obs_flag variable
                                                                                       prediction data_assimilation forecast
                <int> <int> <chr>
    <date>
                                                                                              <dbl>
                                                                                                                       <int>
 1 2018-01-01
                                      1 net_ecosystem_exchange
                                                                                   0.0000000843
                       1
                                                                                                                            0
 2 2018-01-01
                                                                                                                            0
                            1
                                        1 gross_primary_productivity 0
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                           1 1 gross_primary_productivity 0
1 1 net_primary_productivity 0
1 1 net_ecosystem_exchange 0.
1 1 gross_primary_productivity 0
1 1 net_primary_productivity 0
1 1 net_ecosystem_exchange 0.
1 1 gross_primary_productivity 0
1 1 net_primary_productivity 0
1 1 net_primary_productivity 0
 3 2018-01-01
                                                                                                                            0
                                                                                                                                         0
 4 2018-01-02
                                                                                   0.0000000885
                                                                                                                            0
                                                                                                                                         0
 5 2018-01-02
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 6 2018-01-02
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                                                                                                                                         0
                                                                                   0.0000000929
 7 2018-01-03
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 8 2018-01-03
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 9 2018-01-03
                                                                                                                            0
                                                                                                                                         0
10 2018-01-04
                                          1 net_ecosystem_exchange
                                                                                   0.0000000928
```

Write EFI csv

```
##### write csv
# YOUR PATH HERE
# we can also discuss standard file naming
csv_filename <- ".../FI-Qvd_SPY-C_2018-2023_EFIstandard.csv"
write.csv(df_combined,
          file = csv_filename)
# OPTIONAL
### convert to parquet format
# this is preliminary at the moment
# included here more as a discussion point
# FMI can convert your csv into parquet
# we are currently discussing the S3 folder hierarchy
# use cases to be discussed
# YOUR PATH HERE
# parquet_path <- ".../"
# arrow::write dataset(
# df_{combined},
  parquet_path,
  compression = "snappy"
# s)
```

Producing the standard Metadata file

EFI metadata convention builds on the Ecological Metadata Language (EML) metadata standard. EML has a long development history, is interconvertible with many other standards, and has built-in extensibility.

EFI dataset metadata convention makes some core components of the base EML standard required or

recommended. Many optional elements also exist as part of the EML schema (https://eml.ecoinformatics.org /schema/). The appendices of the EFI standards publication (https://doi.org/10.1002/ecs2.4686) includes the descriptions of these tags in more detail. We made these pdfs available on MARVIC share point also.

Prepare dataset metadata

```
These functions use R EML/emld packages.
## define variable names, units, etc
## in practice, this might be kept in a spreadsheet
attributes <- tibble::tribble(</pre>
  ~attributeName,
                                  ~attributeDefinition,
                                                                                      ~unit,
                                                                                                       ~fo
                                                                                                       "YY
  "datetime",
                                  "[dimension] {datetime}",
                                                                                      "year",
  "parameter",
                                  "[dimension] {index of ensemble member}",
                                                                                      "dimensionless", NA,
  "obs_flag",
                                  "[dimension] {observation error}",
                                                                                      "dimensionless", NA,
                                  "[variable]{Net Ecosystem Exchange}",
                                                                                      "kg C m-2 s-1",
  "net_ecosystem_exchange",
                                                                                                       NA,
  "gross_primary_productivity",
                                  "[variable] {Gross Primary Productivity}",
                                                                                      "kg C m-2 s-1",
                                                                                                      NA,
                                  "[variable] {Net Primary Productivity}",
  "net primary productivity",
                                                                                      "kg C m-2 s-1", NA,
                                                                                      "dimensionless", NA,
  "data_assimilation",
                                  "[flag]{whether time step assimilated data}",
  "forecast",
                                  "[flag] {whether time step forecast or hindcast}", "dimensionless", NA,
attributes
## note: EML uses a different unit standard than UDUNITS. MARVIC / EFI needs to provide a custom unitLi
## ignoring warnings for now
attrList <- set_attributes(attributes,</pre>
                           col_classes = c("Date", "numeric", "numeric", "numeric",
                                            "numeric", "numeric", "numeric"))
More metadata:
## sets metadata about the file itself (name, file type, size, MD5, etc)
physical <- set_physical(csv_filename)</pre>
```

```
## set metadata for the file as a whole
dataTable <- eml$dataTable(</pre>
  entityName = "MARVIC T3.2? outputs", ## this is a standard name to allow us to distinguish this enti
  entityDescription = "Agro-ecosystem carbon budget predictions",
 physical = physical,
 attributeList = attrList)
# who to contact about this output
creator_info <- list(individualName = list(givenName = "YourName",</pre>
                                            surName = "YourSurname"),
                     electronicMailAddress = "YourEmail",
                     id = "https://orcid.org/YourOrcid")
# can also set taxonomic, temporal, and geographic coverage of the outputs
taxa <- tibble::tribble(</pre>
               ~Species,
  ~Genus,
  "Your", "Species") # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
coverage <-
  set_coverage(begin = first(datetimes),
```

Combine the above bits to document the output dataset as a whole:

```
dataset = eml$dataset(
   title = "MARVIC T3.2 model outputs", # can discuss how to name this
   creator = creator_info,
   pubDate = reference_datetime,
   intellectualRights = "https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/", # choose
   abstract = "An illustration of how we might use EML metadata to describe a MARVIC output",
   dataTable = dataTable,
   keywordSet = keywordSet,
   coverage = coverage
)
```

Prepare additional metadata

EFI standards has additional metadata tags to store forecast specific information for basic elements and model structure & uncertainty:

- target_id: this is a unique identifier (e.g., URL or DOI) that links to data or metadata about what the forecast/prediction is being scored against
- model_version: This identifier should update when the model is updated or when the underlying modeling workflow is updated. EFI recommends issuing DOIs for different model/workflow versions, and thus, this is a natural choice for a model version.
- iteration_id: represents a unique ID for each run. Examples might be a start time or database ID.

```
## Global attributes
target_id <- "YOUR_TARGET_ID"
model_name <- "YOUR_MODEL_NAME"
model_version <- "YOUR_MODEL_VERSION"
iteration_id <- "20180101T0000000" # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY

# Additional metadata
additionalMetadata <- eml$additionalMetadata(
    metadata = list(
        forecast = list(
            ## Basic elements
            timestep = "1 day", ## should be udunits parsable
            horizon = pasteO(n_time, " days"),
            reference_datetime = reference_datetime,</pre>
```

```
iteration_id = iteration_id,
      target_id = target_id,
      metadata standard version = "1.0",
     model_description = list(
       model_id = model_version,
       name = model_name,
       type = "process-based", # OR?
       repository = "https://github.com/huitang-earth/SVMC"
      ),
      ## MODEL STRUCTURE & UNCERTAINTY CLASSES
      initial_conditions = list(
        # Possible values: absent/present, data_driven, propagates, assimilates
       #### ======>>
       present = FALSE # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
     ),
      drivers = list(
       present = FALSE # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
      parameters = list(
       present = TRUE, # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
       data driven = TRUE, # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
       #### ======>>
       complexity = 4, ## number of parameters being varied, UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
       propagation = list(
         type = "ensemble",
         size = 256 # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
       )
     ),
      random_effects = list(
       present = FALSE # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
      obs_error = list(
       present = FALSE # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
     process_error = list(
       present = FALSE # UPDATE ACCORDINGLY
   ) # forecast
  ) # metadata
) # eml$additionalMetadata
Write:
my eml <- eml$eml(dataset = dataset,
                 additionalMetadata = additionalMetadata,
                 packageId = iteration_id ,
                 system = "datetime" ## system used to generate packageId
)
## check base EML
## currently getting warnings about units
emld::eml_validate(my_eml)
# YOUR PATHS
```

```
eml_filename <- ".../my_model.xml"
write_eml(my_eml, eml_filename)
json_filename <- ".../my_model.json"
emld::as_json(as_emld(eml_filename), file = json_filename)</pre>
```