
Echotools

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INTRODUCTION

This document contains information about the data processing software provided by the echotools library (*echotools-libs*) python modules. The library uses the *dbdreader* python module to decode slocum glider files. The slocum binaries, for decoding glider files, do not provide sufficient precision when extracting information from the DBD files. The *dbdreader* provides full precision float values to extract the embedded echograms stored in the least significant digits of the echometrics data.

The echotools library will be able to decode three types of echometrics data. The echometrics modes are:

- *metrics*: Echometrics; no embedded echogram.
- *combo*: Echometrics and a low resolution embedded echogram.
- *egram*: The echometrics data is replaced by a medium resolution echogram.

INSTALLATION

General python package requirements:

- *dask*
- *future*
- *netcdf4*
- *numpy*
- *pandas*
- *pybuilder*
- *pyproj*
- *scipy*
- *shapely*
- *xarray*

Glider:

- *pyserial*

Other advanced and interactive features:

- *bokeh*
- *cartopy*
- *jupyterlab*
- *matplotlib*
- *nodejs*
- *plotly*
- *pymq*
- *tornado*

Documentation and testing:

- *mockito*
- *pytest*
- *sphinx*

Future dependencies:

- *pyarrow*

NOTE: This is not an exhaustive list. Major and/or obscure packages are shown.

2.1 ECHOTOOLS

The echotools library has a two step installation process. The first step is using *pybuilder* to build the source tree. After the source tree is built, it can be installed using *pip*.

NOTE: Be aware that the version number may be different than what is indicated below.

```
$ git clone git@github.com:phishdoc/Glider-echo-tools.git
$ cd Glider-echo-tools
$ cd echotools-libs
$ pyb
$ cd target/dest/echotools-0.3.0
$ python -m pip install .
```

This can be combined with *GUTILS* in a conda environment. Review and use the *gutils/rebuildGUTILS.sh* script found in the *echotools-libs* directory. This script builds a complete environment based on python 3.9.

GUTILS also has the following package dependencies:

- *cf-units*
- *compliance-checker*
- *owslib*
- *pocean-core*

2.2 GUTILS

For use within the GUTILS python module for processing glider data into the IOOS Glider DAC, three items are required:

- *dbdreader* python module
- *processEchogram.py* python script
- *teledyne.py* python class utilized by *processEchogram.py*

The *dbdreader* package is available from github.com/smerckel/dbdreader.

The *GUTILS* package is available from github.com/SECOORA/GUTILS.

The *echotools* package is kept in a **private** repository that resides at github.com/phishdoc/Glider-echo-tools. Access can be requested from John Horne (jhorne@uw.edu).

At some point, *echotools* will be released to the public allowing for easier integration of echotools processing code as a standalone module.

3.1 Processing of Glider Echograms

Echograms may be processed using the information transmitted over iridium or post deployment. The echogram is embedded into the echometrics information stored in the Teledyne Webb TBD files. A companion SBD file is required for additional time and depth information. A cache file is typically needed to decode the binary structure of the tbd and sbd file using the `dbdreader` python module.

3.1.1 Data Management

Data management include aspects of configuration, data structures and Workflow.

Separate documents attempt to describe the expected *configuration*, data *structure* and process *workflow*.

3.1.2 Output

The python program `processEchograms.py` can decode the glider files and produce three types of output:

- CSV (with or without a header)
- netcdf4 as a combined segment or separated by type (sbd, tbd)
- image (png, jpg, pdf) files in one or more styles: binned, scatter or pcolormesh

Most information is typically saved to a file. Some formats can be requested to be sent to standard output (stdout). If using the `teledyne.py Glider()` class, the echogram data frame may be manipulated or used directly for other purposes.

Metadata

When saving the CSV to a file or stdout, three columns of information are provided.

- Column 1: Time GMT/UTC (seconds since 01-01-1970)
- Column 2: Depth (meters)
- Column 3: Sv (dB re 1 m²/m³)

NOTE: Unique keys are formed from the first two columns giving this dataset a 3D like structure.

3.1.3 processEchograms.py

For more information on the operation details of this program and library, please refer to *Programs and Modules*.

Syntax

```
usage: processEchograms.py [-h] [--inpDir INPDIR] [--inpFile INPFILE] [-t T]
                          [--tbdFile TBDFILE] [--sbdFile SBDFILE] [--cacheDir CACHEDIR]
                          [--dbd2asc DBD2ASC] [--csvOut CSVOUT] [--csvHeader] [--ncDir NCDIR]
                          [--ncSeparate] [--imageOut IMAGEOUT] [--outDir OUTDIR] [--debug]
                          [--echogramBins ECHOGRAMBINS] [--echogramRange ECHOGRAMRANGE]
                          [--plotType PLOTTYPE] [--binnedDepthLabels] [--title TITLE]
                          [--deploymentDir DEPLOYMENTDIR] [--template TEMPLATE]
                          [--templateDir TEMPLATEDIR] [--dacOverlay DACOVERLAY]
                          [--saveBits SAVEBITS]
```

Echogram processing: This reads Teledyne Web glider files. The glider files may include echograms from an echosounder. This program can operate on a single file or a whole deployment of files.

optional arguments:

| | |
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| -h, --help | show this help message and exit |
| --inpDir INPDIR | full or relative path to glider input files |
| --inpFile INPFILE | glider input file(s) |
| -t T | glider file type: sfmc, rt or delayed |
| --tbdFile TBDFILE | full or relative path with filename to glider tbd binary input |
| ↳ file (DEPRECATED) | |
| --sbdFile SBDFILE | full or relative path with filename to glider sbd binary input |
| ↳ file (DEPRECATED) | |
| --cacheDir CACHEDIR | Directory with glider cache files; default current directory |
| --dbd2asc DBD2ASC | full or relative path with filename to glider dbd2asc binary |
| ↳ (DEPRECATED) | |
| --csvOut CSVOUT | full or relative path with filename to write CSV output or |
| ↳ 'stdout'; | default None |
| --csvHeader | (flag) include header with CSV output; default False |
| --ncDir NCDIR | full or relative path with filename to write netCDF output; |
| ↳ default | None |
| --ncSeparate | save tbd, sbd and sv data separately; default False |
| --imageOut IMAGEOUT | filename to write image or stdout; default None |
| --outDir OUTDIR | output directory for csv and plot files |
| --debug | (flag) show extra debugging for this python script; default False |
| --echogramBins ECHOGRAMBINS | Echogram bins; default 20 |
| --echogramRange ECHOGRAMRANGE | Echogram range; default -60.0 (meters) instrument facing up; |
| ↳ positive | values instrument facing down |

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```

--plotType PLOTTYPE    Use one or more of binned, scatter, pcolormesh or all; default
↳ binned
--binnedDepthLabels    (flag) Use the original depth bin labels instead of the adjusted
↳ depth
                        labels for the time/depth binned plot; default False
--title TITLE          optional figure title; default None
--deploymentDir DEPLOYMENTDIR
                        full or relative path directory with json files
--template TEMPLATE    full or relative path to metadata template
--templateDir TEMPLATEDIR
                        full or relative path to metadata template directory
--dacOverlay DACOVERLAY
                        full or relative path to an overlay configuration file
--saveBits SAVEBITS    full or relative path to save the bit encoding of the echogram

```

3.1.4 Examples (command line)

usf-stella-2021-209-5-16

Produce echogram plots of University of South Florida glider in “egram” mode with instrument facing **downwards** with a range of 60.0 meters:

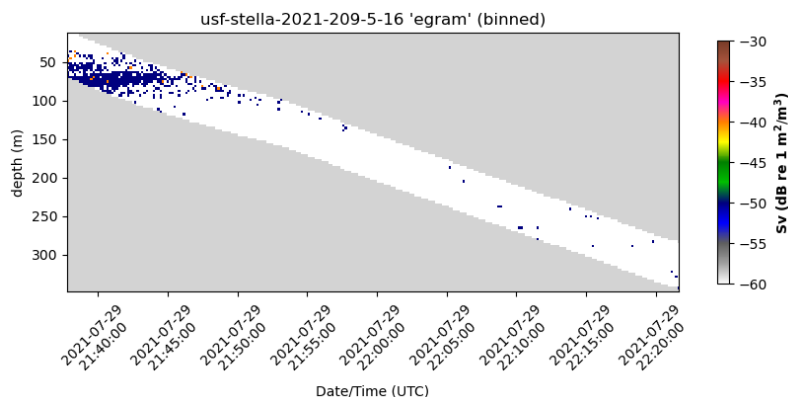
```

$ processEchograms.py --cacheDir examples/cache --inpDir examples/data \
  --echogramRange 60.0 \
  --inpFile usf-stella-2021-209-5-16 --imageOut default.png \
  --outDir examples/output --title "usf-stella-2021-209-5-16 'egram' (default)" -t
↳ sfmc \
  --plotType all \
  --vbsBins [-10,-20,-25,-30,-35,-45,-55] --dBLimits [-30,-60]

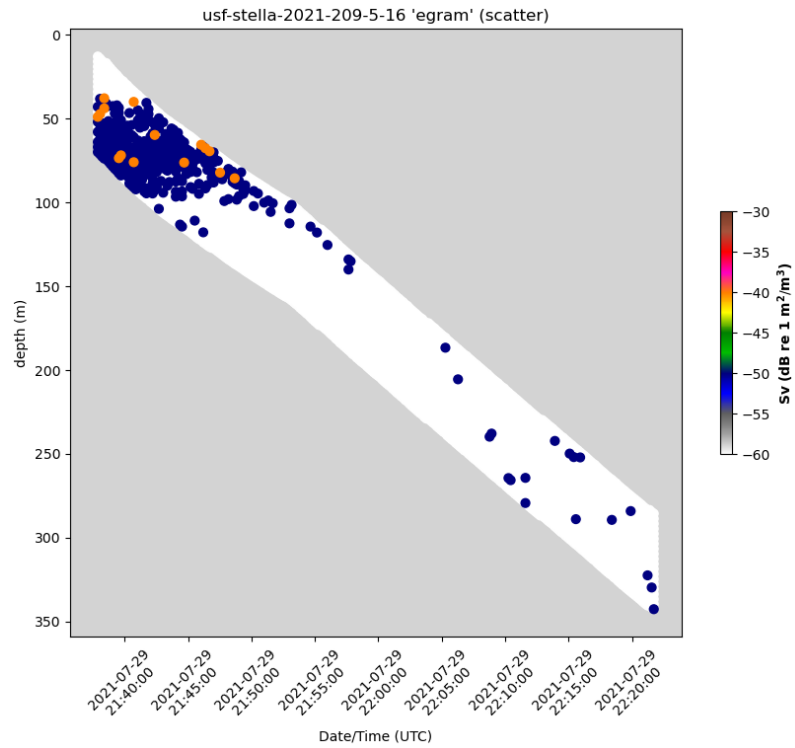
```

The should result in the creation of three figures.

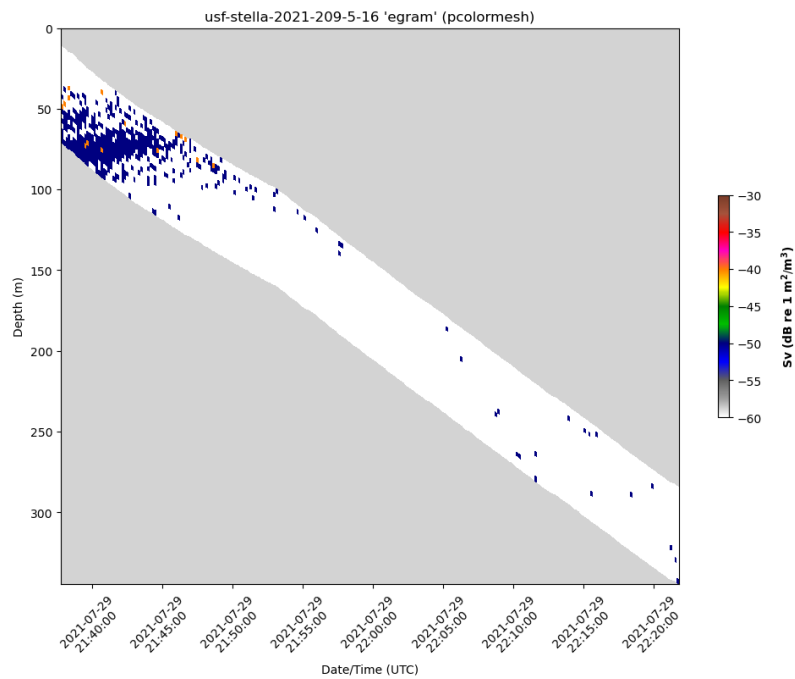
Using the binned plot type:



Using the scatter plot type:



Using the pcolormesh plot type:

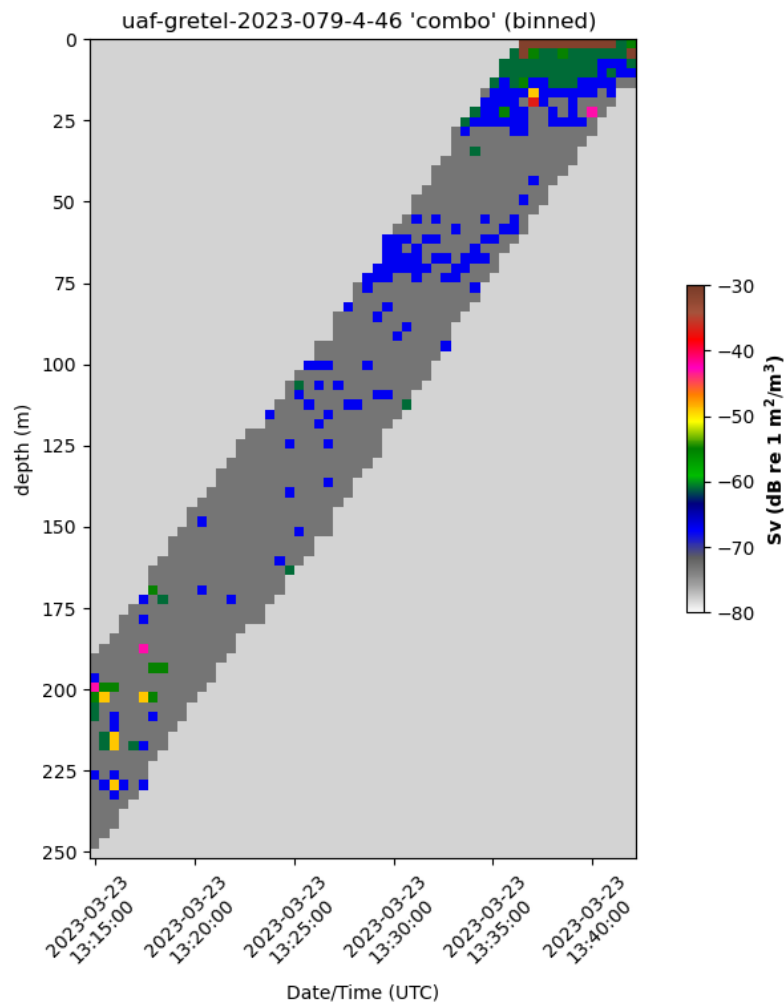


uaf-gretel-2022-019-8-0

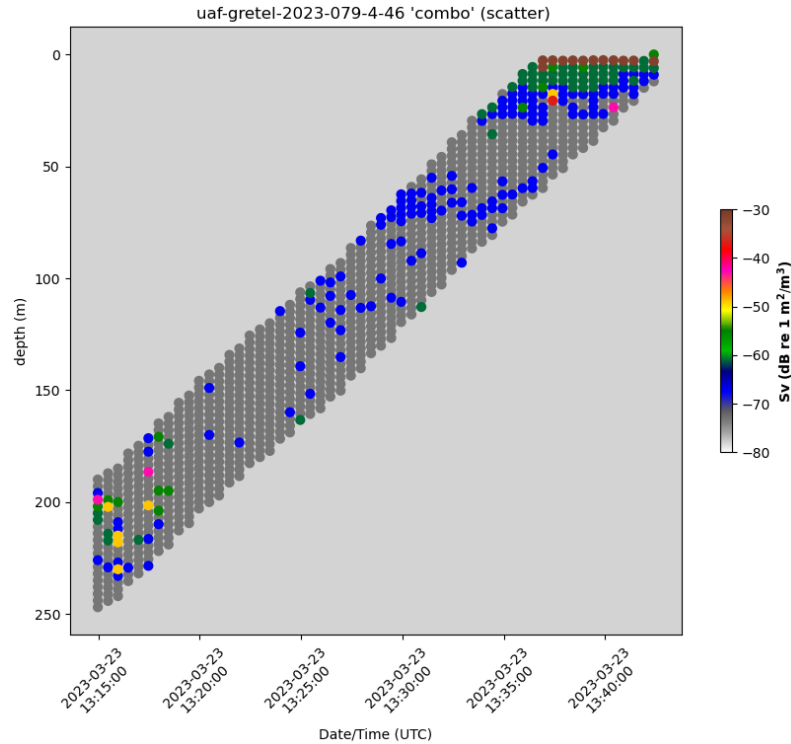
Produce echogram plots of University of Alaska Fairbanks glider in “combo” mode with instrument facing **upwards** with a range of 60.0 meters (echogramRange=-60.0) and output to CSV:

```
$ processEchograms.py --cacheDir examples/cache --inDir examples/data \
  --echogramRange -60.0 \
  --inpFile uaf-gretel-2023-079-4-46 --imageOut default.png \
  --outDir examples/output --title "uaf-gretel-2023-079-4-46 'combo' (default) " -t_
  ↪sfmc \
  --plotType all --vbsBins [-34,-40,-46,-52,-58,-64,-70] --dBLimits [-30,-80] \
  --csvOut uaf-gretel-2023-079-4-46.csv
```

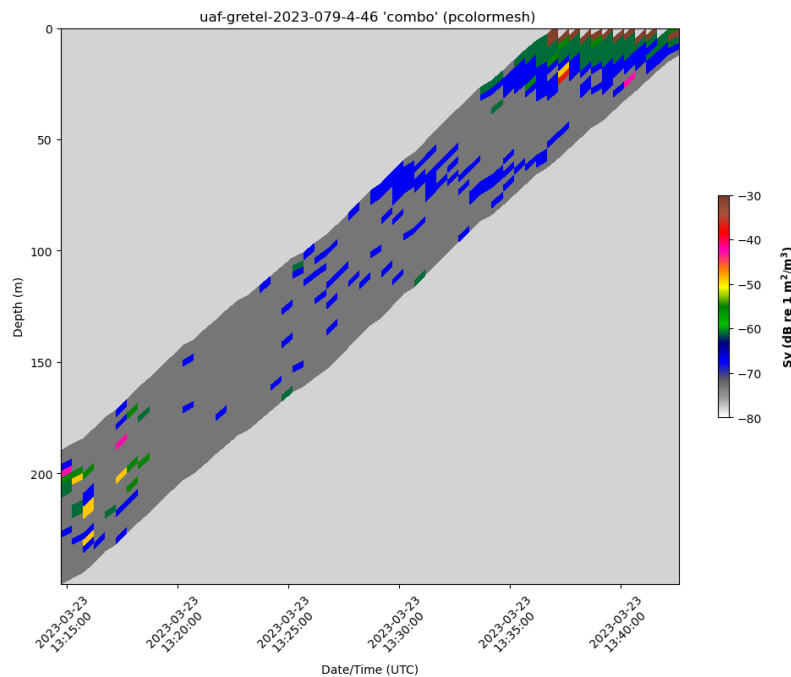
Using the binned plot type:



Using the scatter plot type:



Using the pcolormesh plot type:



The resulting output should look very similar to the standard output shown below.

Same example, but sending the CSV to stdout:

```
$ processEchograms.py --cacheDir examples/cache --inpDir examples/data \
  --echogramRange -60.0 \
```

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```
--inpFile uaf-gretel-2023-079-4-46 --outDir examples/output \
-t sfmc --vbsBins [-34,-40,-46,-52,-58,-64,-70] --dBLimits [-30,-80] \
--csvOut stdout
```

Echogram data printed to standard output:

```
1679577298.457703, 246.882675, -73.000000
1679577298.457703, 243.882675, -73.000000
1679577298.457703, 240.882675, -73.000000
1679577298.457703, 237.882675, -73.000000
1679577298.457703, 234.882675, -73.000000
1679577298.457703, 231.882675, -73.000000
....
```

Information sent to standard output can be captured or piped into another process for upstream processing or storage by another program.

3.1.5 Examples (configuration files)

In these examples, the GUTILS configuration files are used with `processEchograms.py` to perform echogram processing.

Configuration file: `deployment.json`

The majority of this file provides metadata that is written into the netcdf file (if requested). The portion of the configuration file that provides arguments to the echogram processor is in the echograms **subsection** of `extra_kwargs`:

```
"extra_kwargs": {
  "echograms": {
    "enable_nc": true,
    "enable_ascii": true,
    "enable_image": false,
    "plot_type": "all",
    "color_bar": "ek80",
    "svb_thresholds": [-34,-40,-46,-52,-58,-64,-70],
    "svb_limits": [-30.0,-80.0],
    "echogram_bins": 20,
    "echogram_range": -60.0,
    "echogram_range_units": "meters"
  }
}
```

3.1.6 Using the Glider() python class

The `Glider()` python class can read glider files directly using the `dbdreader` python module. After setting some arguments in the class object, a call can be made to attempt to read the embedded echogram. If the function fails for any reason, an empty spreadsheet is returned. If an echogram is present, the data frame returned will be a spreadsheet of values as described in the *Metadata* section of the manual.

Manual method

Here is a snippet of code that converts the glider files, extracts the echograms, produces graphics, exports a CSV file and presents the data frame in numpy, pandas and xarray forms.

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

# This is an example program that converts
# an echogram to a scatter plot by setting
# Glider() class arguments manually.

import os, glob
import pandas as pd
import xarray as xr
from echotools.parsers.slocum import teledyne

if __name__ == '__main__':
    # Setup the glider
    glider = teledyne.Glider()

    # Debug control: set True to increase verbosity
    glider.debugFlag = False

    segment = 'uaf-gretel-2023-079-4-46'
    args = {
        'vbsBins' : [-34,-40,-46,-52,-58,-64,-70],
        'dBLimits' : [-30.0,-80.0],
        'echogramBins' : 20,
        'echogramRange' : -60.0,
        'inpDir': 'data',
        'inpFile': f'{segment}',
        'cacheDir': 'cache',
        'outDir': 'output',
        'imageOut' : f'default.png',
        'title' : f'{segment}',
        'plotType' : 'all',
        'csvHeader' : True,
        'csvOut' : f'{segment}.csv'
    }

    # Pass arguments to the glider class object
    glider.args = args

    # Find and read glider files
    file_glob = \
        os.path.join(args['inpDir'],
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```

        "%s%s" % (segment, ".?[bB][dD]"))

glider_files = glob.glob(file_glob)
for glider_file in glider_files:
    glider.readDbd(
        inputFile = glider_file,
        cacheDir = args['cacheDir']
    )

# Attempt to extract echogram from glider data
glider.readEchogram()

# Create and export CSV file
glider.createEchogramSpreadsheet()
glider.handleSpreadsheet()

# Create graphics
glider.handleImage()

# The echogram is stored in a numpy data object
echogram_numpy = glider.data['spreadsheet']

print("The echogram at this point is available in a numpy object")
print("with the columns in the first row: [time, depth, Sv]")
print(echogram_numpy[0,:])
print()

# Convert the echogram numpy object to pandas and set the time
# column as an index.
echogram_pandas = pd.DataFrame(data = echogram_numpy,
                                columns = ['time', 'depth', 'Sv']).set_index('time')

print("The first row of the pandas data frame:")
print(echogram_pandas.iloc[0])
print()

# Convert the pandas data frame to xarray, add units
# and convert time timestamp to datetime object
echogram_xarray = echogram_pandas.to_xarray()
echogram_xarray['time'].attrs['units'] = 'seconds since 1970-01-01'
echogram_xarray['time'] = pd.to_datetime(echogram_xarray['time'], unit='s')
echogram_xarray['depth'].attrs['units'] = 'meters'
echogram_xarray['Sv'].attrs['units'] = 'dB re 1 m2/m3'

print("The first row of the xarray data frame:")
print(echogram_xarray.isel(time=0))

```

The output of this program should produce:

```

The echogram at this point is available in a numpy object
with the columns in the first row: [time, depth, Sv]
[ 1.67957732e+09  2.45765747e+02 -7.30000000e+01]

```

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```
The first row of the pandas data frame:
depth    245.765747
Sv       -73.000000
Name: 1679577318.4577026, dtype: float64
```

```
The first row of the xarray data frame:
<xarray.Dataset>
Dimensions:  ()
Coordinates:
    time      datetime64[ns] 2023-03-23T13:15:18.457702656
Data variables:
    depth     float64 245.8
    Sv        float64 -73.0
```

Configuration file method

This demonstrates code using the deployment.json files used by GUTILS. This program only provides access to the echogram numpy object.

The deploymentDir argument points to a deployment directory where it can find two important metadata configuration files:

- deployment.json
- instrument.json

The third file required is a template file. The location is specified by the templateDir argument. The typical template file used for processing to the IOOS Glider DAC is slocum_dac.json.

These json configuration files provide metadata that is included with the netCDF4 file passed to the IOOS Glider DAC.

This method of processing allows for processing groups of files on the fly. Additional discussion for processing groups of glider data can be found in the data management descriptions of [structure](#) and [workflow](#).

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

# This is an example program that converts
# an echogram to a scatter plot by setting
# Glider() class arguments using the
# GUTILS style configuration files.

import os, glob
from echotools.parsers.slocum import teledyne

if __name__ == '__main__':
    # Setup the glider object
    glider = teledyne.Glider()

    # Debug control: set True to increase verbosity
    glider.debugFlag = False

    segment = 'uaf-gretel-2023-079-4-46'
    args = {
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```

        'deploymentDir': 'config',
        'templateDir': 'config',
        'template': 'slocum_dac.json',
        'inpDir': 'data',
        'cacheDir': 'cache'
    }

    # Pass arguments to the glider class object
    glider.args = args

    glider.loadMetadata()
    glider.args = glider.updateArgumentsFromMetadata()

    # Pass arguments to the glider class object
    glider.args = args

    # Find and read glider files
    file_glob = \
        os.path.join(args['inpDir'],
            "%s%s" % (segment, ".*[bB][dD]"))

    glider_files = glob.glob(file_glob)
    for glider_file in glider_files:
        glider.readDbd(
            inputFile = glider_file,
            cacheDir = args['cacheDir']
        )

    # Attempt to extract echogram from glider data
    glider.readEchogram()
    glider.createEchogramSpreadsheet()

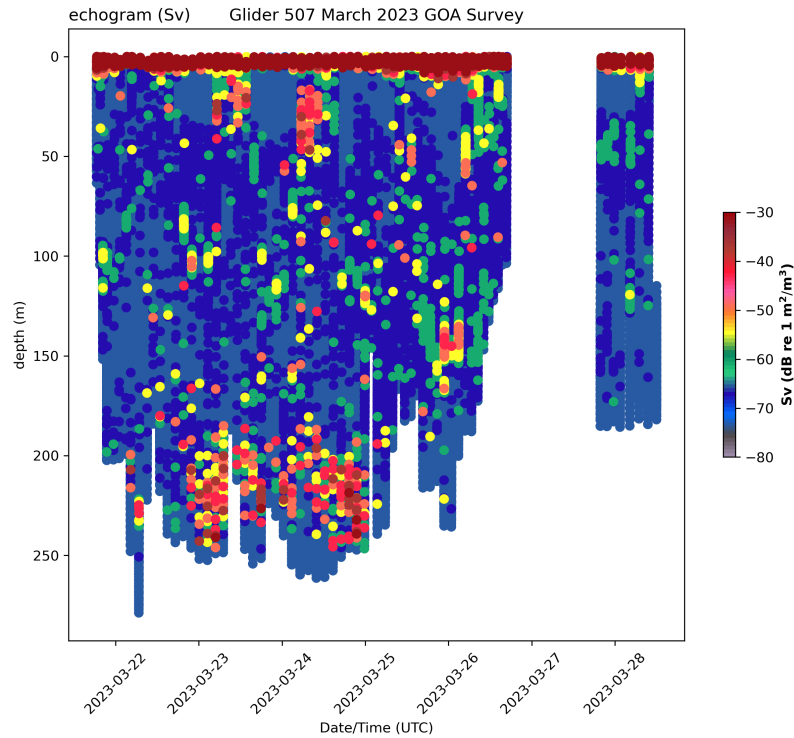
    # The echogram is stored in a numpy data object
    print("The echogram at this point is available in a numpy object")
    print("with the columns in the first row: [time, depth, Sv]")
    print(glider.data['spreadsheet'][0,:])

```

3.2 Product

Once the [workflow](#) is in place, at the completion of processing, a timeseries echogram can be constructed from the resulting netCDF files. An example python script is provided and shown in the [workflow](#) section of the manual.

Here is an example of an echogram time series:



3.3 Teledyne Webb file types

3.3.1 Flight data extensions

- dbd - full resolution data
- sbd - shortened flight data that is sent back via iridium
- mlg - message log files from the flight computer

3.3.2 Science data extensions

- ebd - full resolution data
- tbd - shortened science data that is sent back via iridium
- nlg - message log files from the science computer. We are running the echodroid in verbose more so all of the back and forth between the Science persistor, the Odroid and the mini are logged in this file.

Cache files

Cache files (cac) files help describe the binary structure of the tbd and sbd data files.

3.4 Auxillary programs

3.4.1 Originally developed programs

For the original toolset provided by Alex Silverman, see the `alex/original` directory. Within that directory run the `echoGen.sh` script with appropriate symbolic links to data and cache files.

NOTES:

- The Teledyne Webb binary `dba_sensor_filter` is required for this toolset.
- A symbolic link from `examples` needs to point to the directory with data and cache directory.
- A symbolic link from `bin` needs to point to the directory with the Teledyne Webb binaries.

Here is an example call to these scripts from the main shell program:

```
. echoGen.sh uaf-gretel-2022-019-6-0.tbd
```

The shell script performs the following steps:

- Decode (tmpSSV.txt)
- Reorder (tmpEcho.txt)
- Extract time/depth from tbd (tmpBar.txt)
- Create images from decoded temporary files
 - Raw image
 - Depth (bin) corrected image

This initial set of scripts formed the basis for creating the `processEchograms.py` script and `teledyne.py` python class included in the echotools python package.

3.5 History

A bit of history for the echotools library.

3.5.1 Version 1

Initial decoding and plotting code was provided by Alex Silverman.

3.5.2 Version 2

Initial echotools Glider() class developed around Alex's code and the python module dbdreader.

3.5.3 Version 3

The Glider() class has morphed into a hybrid cluster of code from four sources: Alex, Rob, a prior version of echotools written in python version 2 and GUTILS.

3.5.4 Version 4 (future)

Maybe consider rebuild the code stack from the bottom up using lessons learned and leveraging pyarrow and parquet for intermediate storage and I/O. Datasets should be easily converted to existing dataframes (numpy, pandas and xarray). There is a new lightweight REST service xpublish that can be tuned to be very fast as compared to the current giants ERDDAP and THREDDS which require java to run at the expense of needing a machine with lots of RAM.

3.6 Data Management Configuration

This explains additional details about the json configuration files utilized by the echotools and GUTILS software.

NOTE: These are by no means complete descriptions of all the available options. This will attempt to document what is known about these files.

3.6.1 echotools.json

This section explains some of the available options in the echotools.json configuration file. The purpose of this file is to assist with management of the glider data itself.

```
{
  "echotools": {
    "paths": {
      "deployments": "/mnt/ROB00001/glider/deployments/data/unit_507",
      "sfmc": "/mnt/SCR01/cermak/sfmc/unit_507/dbd",
      "rt": "/mnt/ROB00003/glider/2023/g507_rt_03",
      "delayed": "/mnt/ROB00003/glider/2023/g507_dm_03"
    },
    "deployment_name": "20230321",
    "deployment_start": "2023-03-21 16:55:00Z",
    "deployment_end": "2023-05-01T00:00:00Z",
    "teledyne_webb_vehicle_name": "unit_507",
    "glider_name": "Gretel",
    "sonar": {
      "manufacturer": "Simrad",
      "model": "EK80",
      "serial_number": "269651",
      "type": "echosounder",
      "transducer_model": "ES200-7CDK-Split",
      "transducer_serial_number": "167",
      "frequency_channels": [200000]
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```

    },
    "processing": {
      "start": "2023-03-21T16:55:00Z",
      "end": "2023-05-01T01:00:00Z",
      "sfmc": {
        "dbd": true
      },
      "raw": {
        "eit": ["eit.log.2023*"],
        "fishstick": ["*.raw"],
        "fli": ["*.DBD", "*.MBD", "*.SBD"],
        "sci": ["*.EBD", "*.NBD", "*.TBD"],
        "sonar_operational_modes": {
          "IYS2023_01": {
            "start": "2023-03-21T16:55:00Z",
            "end": "2023-05-01T00:00:00Z",
            "mode": "combo",
            "vbs_thresholds": [-34, -40, -46, -52, -58, -64, -70]
          }
        }
      }
    },
    "ioos_dac": {
    }
  }
}

```

THESE ARE STILL UNDER DEVELOPMENT AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- **paths:** Defines the location of raw glider data on the local filesystem. The echotools system tries not to work on the real raw sources leaving the operator free to organize the raw data as they see fit.
 - **deployments:** This should be the root directory this particular deployment. It is typical for a config directory to appear as a subdirectory of the deployment directory.
 - **sfmc:** location of files recieved over iridium. These are typically the long format file names: unit_507-2023-085-2-0.sbd
 - **rt:** location of real time raw files for either those recieved over iridium (long format and as used by GUTILS) or for the (delayed) short format identical files: 02530111.SBD
 - **delayed:** location of real delayed short format files from a post deployment. These are considered full resolution glider data. Short form files: 02530111.DBD
- **deployment_name:** This is the deployment name for a given glider. It is typically a date string.
- **deployment_start:** ISO date time string for the start of
- **deployment_end:** ISO date time string for the end of the deployment.
- **teledyne_webb_vehicle_name:** Vehicle serial number as initially delivered by Teledyne Webb. Web operators typically give names to their gliders.
- **glider_name:** Local operational name given to the glider.
- **sonar:** Another location of key metadata for the echo sounder.
- **processing:** Used to confine the data processing time if shorter than the full deployment time. Not fully implemented.

- `ioos_dac`: Reserved for additional IOOS Glider DAC requirements.

3.6.2 deployment.json

This section explains some of the available options in the `deployment.json` configuration file.

glider

This is usually the name of the glider and used as a file **prefix** on GUTILS created output files.

```
{  
  "glider": "G507",
```

trajectory_date

This value is usually the official deployment time of the glider.

```
"trajectory_date": "20230321T1655",
```

filters

Please see the GUTILS package for additional details.

These settings are usually observed for processing of real time (`rt`) data as communicated by iridium.

```
"filters": {  
  "tsint": 20,  
  "filter_z": 1,  
  "filter_time": 5,  
  "filter_points": 5,  
  "filter_distance": 1  
},
```

extra_kwargs

```
"extra_kwargs": {  
  "echograms": {  
    "enable_nc": true,  
    "enable_ascii": true,  
    "enable_image": true,  
    "plot_type": "binned",  
    "color_bar": "ek80",  
    "svb_thresholds": [-34, -40, -46, -52, -58, -64, -70],  
    "svb_limits": [-30.0, -80.0],  
    "echogram_bins": 20,  
    "echogram_range": -60.0,  
    "echogram_range_units": "meters"  
  }  
},
```


This is a very important control structure for GUTILS and how it interacts with the echotools package and subsequent processing.

- **enable_nc:** If true and an echogram is detected, the echogram is stored in a processed netCDF file with the suffix for real time (rt): *_rt_extra.nc. NOTE: **enable_ascii** must be true for this to succeed.
- **enable_ascii:** If true, this tells GUTILS to look for and process any detected echograms. Intermediate processed ASCII or CSV files can be found in the **ascii** directory (if preserved).
- **enable_image:** If true, a plot is created for the processed echogram. These are stored in the intermediate processing **ascii** directory.
- **plot_type:** This defines the plot type created. There are three types available: [binned, scatter, pcolormesh]. A special type **all** is available. A comma separated list can also be provided. At present, only last one indicated will end up being available. See the [workflow](#) description for additional implementation details.
- **color_bar:** Only select one of two available: [ek80, simrad].

FOR ACCURATE INFORMATION FOR PLOTTING, CSV AND NETCDF OUTPUT, THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS MUST MATCH VALUES USED IN THE GLIDER DEPLOYMENT!

- **svb_thresholds:** This contains a python list of 7 numbers that are used in the echogram encoding for the glider deployment.
- **svb_limits:** Python list(). This sets the Sv plotting limits for the echogram plots. [*maximum, minimum*]
- **echogram_bins:** For now, this is usually set to 20 bins.
- **echogram_range:** This is the set range of the echosounder. A negative value indicates the sensor is mounted in the **upward** facing direction.
- **echogram_range_units:** This indicates the units for the **echogram_range** and is typically in meters.

attributes

The “attributes” section has several important metadata fields that are carried through to the netCDF file provided to the IOOS Glider DAC.

variables

For echotools, “acoustics” should be defined in the variables section.

```
"variables": {
  "platform": {
    "attributes": {
      "comment": "",
      "id": 4802989,
      "instrument": "",
      "long_name": "G507 Slocum Glider",
      "type": "platform",
      "wmo_id": 4802989
    }
  },
  ...
}
```

....

```
"acoustics": {  
  "attributes": {  
    "instrument": "instrument_acoustics"  
  }  
}
```

3.6.3 instruments.json

This section explains some of the available options in the `instruments.json` configuration file.

variables

In the “variables” section, important characteristics about the echo sounder can be recorded in the `instrument_acoustics` section.

```
{  
  "variables": {
```

```
....
```

```
"instrument_acoustics": {  
  "type": "i4",  
  "attributes": {  
    "serial_number": "269615",  
    "make_model": "Simrad WBT Mini",  
    "serial_number_2": "167",  
    "make_model_2": "ES200-CDK-split",  
    "comment": "Slocum Glider UAF G507",  
    "long_name": "Kongsberg Simrad WBT Mini",  
    "mode_operation": "EK80",  
    "echogram_range_bins": 20,  
    "echogram_range": -60.0,  
    "echogram_range_units": "meters",  
    "calibration_date": "2023-03-21T12:00:00Z",  
    "factory_calibrated": "",  
    "calibration_report": "",  
    "platform": "platform",  
    "type": "instrument"  
  }  
}
```

3.6.4 slocum_dac.json

This section explains some of the available options in the `slocum_dac.json` configuration file.

This configuration serves as a generic template for passing processed glider data to the IOOS Glider DAC. Additional “variables” have been defined for gliders equipped with echo sounders.

NOTE: This *template* is generally very static and does not change between deployments. Changes normally occur when there are updated requirements from the IOOS Glider DAC.

```
{
  "variables": {

    ....

    "sci_echodroid_sv": {
      "shape": ["time"],
      "type": "float",
      "attributes": {
        "units": "nodim",
        "long_name": "Scattering Volume (SV)",
        "colorBarMinimum": -50.0,
        "colorBarMaximum": 0.0,
        "ioos_category": "Other",
        "platform": "platform",
        "observation_type": "measured",
        "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
      }
    },
    "sci_echodroid_propocc": {
      "shape": ["time"],
      "type": "float",
      "attributes": {
        "units": "nodim",
        "long_name": "Prop Occ",
        "colorBarMinimum": 0.0,
        "colorBarMaximum": 1.0,
        "ioos_category": "Other",
        "platform": "platform",
        "observation_type": "measured",
        "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
      }
    },
    "sci_echodroid_aggindex": {
      "shape": ["time"],
      "type": "float",
      "attributes": {
        "units": "m-1",
        "long_name": "Aggregation Index",
        "colorBarMinimum": 0.0,
        "colorBarMaximum": 1.0,
        "ioos_category": "Other",
        "platform": "platform",
        "observation_type": "measured",
```

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```

    "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
  },
  "sci_echodroid_sa": {
    "shape": ["time"],
    "type": "float",
    "attributes": {
      "units": "dB",
      "long_name": "Scattering Area",
      "colorBarMinimum": -70.0,
      "colorBarMaximum": 0.0,
      "ioos_category": "Other",
      "standard_name": "scattering_angle",
      "platform": "platform",
      "observation_type": "measured",
      "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
    }
  },
  "sci_echodroid_ctrmass": {
    "shape": ["time"],
    "type": "float",
    "attributes": {
      "units": "M",
      "long_name": "Center of Mass",
      "colorBarMinimum": 0.0,
      "colorBarMaximum": 50.0,
      "ioos_category": "Other",
      "platform": "platform",
      "observation_type": "measured",
      "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
    }
  },
  "sci_echodroid_inertia": {
    "shape": ["time"],
    "type": "float",
    "attributes": {
      "units": "m-2",
      "long_name": "Inertia",
      "colorBarMinimum": 0.0,
      "colorBarMaximum": 500.0,
      "ioos_category": "Other",
      "platform": "platform",
      "observation_type": "measured",
      "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
    }
  },
  "sci_echodroid_eqarea": {
    "shape": ["time"],
    "type": "float",
    "attributes": {
      "units": "m",
      "long_name": "Eq Area",

```

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```

        "colorBarMinimum": 0.0,
        "colorBarMaximum": 50.0,
        "ioos_category": "Other",
        "standard_name": "",
        "platform": "platform",
        "observation_type": "measured",
        "_FillValue": {"type": "float", "data": -9999.9}
    },
    "echogram_time": {
        "type": "double",
        "attributes": {
            "long_name": "Echogram Time",
            "ioos_category": "Other",
            "standard_name": "echogram_time",
            "platform": "platform",
            "observation_type": "measured",
            "_FillValue": {"type": "double", "data": -1}
        }
    },
    "echogram_depth": {
        "type": "double",
        "attributes": {
            "units": "m",
            "long_name": "Echogram Depth",
            "valid_min": 0.0,
            "valid_max": 2000.0,
            "ioos_category": "Other",
            "standard_name": "echogram_depth",
            "platform": "platform",
            "observation_type": "measured",
            "_FillValue": {"type": "double", "data": -9999.9}
        }
    },
    "echogram_sv": {
        "shape": ["time"],
        "type": "double",
        "attributes": {
            "units": "db",
            "long_name": "Echogram SV",
            "colorBarMinimum": -200.0,
            "colorBarMaximum": 200.0,
            "ioos_category": "Other",
            "standard_name": "echogram_sv",
            "platform": "platform",
            "observation_type": "measured",
            "_FillValue": {"type": "double", "data": -9999.9}
        }
    }
}

```

3.7 Data Management Structure

This explains the expected data structure of glider data for the `echotools` and `GUTILS` glider processing packages.

The instructions included here and in the [workflow](#) documentation explain from the standpoint of processing groups of files collected during a *whole* deployment.

Both toolsets require definition of a *deployment* directory. You may use any convention for your deployment directory structure. The single rule is that only one glider deployment should be included in that *deployment* directory.

A *config* directory should exist as a subdirectory of the *deployment* directory.

As an example, suppose you have a root directory called `deployments` and you have a deployment from February 12-20, 2022 and June 15-22, 2022. A suggested directory structure may look like this:

```
deployments/
  20220212/
    config
  20220615/
    config
```

The location of the *deployment* root on your machine is not important. You do not even have to keep the deployments organized under deployment. The actual **deployment** directories are `20220212` and `20220615` with their respective *config* directory.

The *config* directory will contain at a minimum:

- `deployment.json` configuration file
- `instruments.json` configuration file
- Teledyne Webb cache files (cac extension)

A separate document covers argument details of the json [configuration](#) files.

NOTE: If you have a deployment where the configuration changed during the deployment, it may be easier to separate the larger deployment into smaller deployments to capture the varied configurations. Substantial configuration changes include changing VBS thresholds, etc. Normally, once a glider is deployed, the configuration will not change.

For operators with multiple gliders, a typical pattern may also be:

```
deployments/
  unit_101/
    20220212/
      config
  unit_102/
    20220615/
      config
```

There is some flexibility in the arrangement of the deployment information.

3.7.1 echotools

The *config* directory will contain:

- `echotools.json` configuration file

There may be other files that appear in the `config` directory as part of the normal *workflow* processing.

Echotools also leverages some of the processing methods provided by GUTILS. It is common to also have configuration files in the `config` directory as described in the GUTILS section.

Echotools allows for glider file processing using `echotools` or `gutils`.

Within the `echotools` directory, `echotools` is setup to process three types of glider data. Two are similar to the GUTILS package. The third process type is called `sfmc`. The reason for a third type is to allow recreation of products as seen during a live deployment instead of full resolution data.

- `sfmc`: Process glider long format files as provided over iridium.
- `rt`: (post deployment) Process glider short format (TBD, SDB) files.
- `delayed`: (post deployment) Process glider short format (DBD, EBD) files.

Within the process type directories, the following directories exist for processing of the glider data files:

- `binary`: real or symbolic links to real glider files for processing
- `netcdf`: netCDF files; these are not IOOS Glider DAC compliant!
- `output`: plots, CSV and other information produced by `echotools`.
Other available output files are described in the *workflow* section.

Other data files appearing at the same level under the deployment directory are:

- `eit`: `echotools` log files as collected by `scientific_eit.py`
- `fishstick`: full resolution raw echosonde echograms

A typical layout for a `echotools` deployment:

```
deployment/
  config/
  echotools/
    sfmc/
    rt/
    delayed/
      binary
      netcdf
      output
  eit/
  fishstick/
  gutils/
    sfmc/
    rt/
    delayed/
      binary
      ascii
      netcdf
```

3.7.2 GUTILS

This describes the directory structure expected if planning to run GUTILS exclusively.

The *config* directory will contain:

- `deployment.json`: Overall description of the glider deployment
- `instruments.json`: Instruments operating on the glider at the time of the deployment.

The GUTILS package has at least two modes of processing and creates directories by processing type:

- `rt`: (near) real time glider file processing
- `delayed`: (post deployment) glider file processing

The GUTILS package also expects the following directories in each of the processing type directories:

- `binary`: This directory should contain long or short format glider files.
- `ascii`: This is used for intermediate processing of glider files.
- `netcdf`: This contains final netCDF files as utilized by the IOOS Glider DAC.

A quick view of a typical directory structure for a whole deployment.

```
deployment/  
  config/  
  rt/  
    binary  
    ascii  
    netcdf  
  delayed/  
    binary  
    ascii  
    netcdf
```

The echotools package does provide for a third processing type `sfmc`. See the echotools section for additional information.

3.8 Data Management Workflow

This explains the general workflow using echotools package. The general purpose for this software is to provide methods of processing raw echo sounder and glider data into useful products.

The software allows for processing, testing, validating and creation of products. The tools may be command line based or graphic user interface (GUI) based. Some tools can be leveraged for automation to perform regular delivery of product for presentation on a web portal.

This document will start as a single page, but likely branch out into different components.

3.8.1 Processing

Near real time processing

Near real time processing can be accomplished using the `processEchograms.py` script. Before the script can be used, some setup is necessary.

Once the glider data is identified and *configuration* files are setup in the expected data *structure*, follow these next steps to process glider data.

It is assumed that the operator is receiving glider data via iridium or some other communication method. In the usual case, the operators copy files from the SFMC glider system.

In the end, the operator has two sets of files:

- Glider long format files (sdb, tbd)
- Glider cache files (cac)

This can be in ANY directory. The next step is to create an inventory of these files. It is ok if the directory has multiple deployments. The configuration files should limit the inventory to the deployment start and stop time.

To create an *inventory file* for glider file processing, run the `selfFiles.py` script within the deployment config directory. The program expects to read an `echotools.json` file.

```
$ cd deployment/data/unit_507/20230321/config
$ selfFiles.py -t sfmc -c echotools.json -m sfmc_master.txt --rebuild-master
```

The `(-t)` option is given to specify that the type of files to be processed are the near real time glider files in long format form. This command will create three files in the config directory:

- `sfmc_master.txt`: master inventory from the raw source directory
- `sfmc.txt`: a listing of files by *segment* available for processing
- `sfmc.inv`: similar to the *master* inventory file.

Using the created processing file, the `sfmc/binary` directory can now be populated with symbolic links to the real data stored elsewhere.

From the deployment directory, run the `mkSymLinks.py` script. For this operation, the `(-p)` argument used to indicate that the echotools workflow is being used to process the glider data. The `(-t)` argument is again *sfmc*. The `(-v)` argument puts the script into verbose mode and provides a little more output than normal.

```
$ cd deployment/data/unit_507/20230321
$ mkdir -p echotools/sfmc/binary
$ mkdir -p echotools/sfmc/netcdf
$ mkdir -p echotools/sfmc/output
$ mkSymLinks.py -c config/echotools.json -p echotools -t sfmc -v
Symbolic link checking for the following:
Types: sfmc
Pipelines: echotools

PROCESSING:
  /mnt/ROB000001/glider/deployments/data/unit_507/20230321/config/sfmc.txt
  /mnt/ROB000001/glider/deployments/data/unit_507/20230321/echotools/sfmc/binary
STATISTICS:
  found 502
  real 0
```

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```
linked 12
ignored 0
errors 0
unlinked 0
stale 0
```

The script found **12** additional files and created symbolic links to the real files in the `binary` directory.

Everything is now setup for glider processing using the echotools workflow. The `processEchograms.py` is most efficiently run from the deployment directory.

```
$ processEchograms.py -t sfmc --cacheDir config --deploymentDir config \
  --templateDir /home/cermak/glider/gutils/config/templates \
  --template slocum_dac.json \
  --inpDir echotools/sfmc/binary \
  --outDir echotools/sfmc/output \
  --plotType all \
  --imageOut default.png \
  --ncDir echotools/sfmc/netcdf \
  --ncSeparate
```

If all goes well, the resultant output should look like:

```
$ ls -lR echotools

echotools/:
sfmc

echotools/sfmc:
binary
netcdf
output

echotools/sfmc/binary:
unit_507-2023-079-0-0.sbd
unit_507-2023-079-0-0.tbd
unit_507-2023-079-1-0.sbd
unit_507-2023-079-1-0.tbd
....

echotools/sfmc/netcdf:
....
20230321_182411_sbd.nc
20230321_182724_tbd.nc
20230321_183230_sv.nc
20230321_184318_sbd.nc
20230321_184726_sbd.nc
20230321_185128_tbd.nc
20230321_185634_sv.nc
20230321_190747_sbd.nc
20230321_191403_sbd.nc
20230321_191907_tbd.nc
....
```

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```

echotools/sfmc/output:
20230321_182724.csv
20230321_185128.csv
20230321_191907.csv
20230321_200213.csv
....
unit_507-2023-079-4-0_binned.png
unit_507-2023-079-4-0_pcolormesh.png
unit_507-2023-079-4-0_scatter.png
unit_507-2023-079-4-101_binned.png
unit_507-2023-079-4-101_pcolormesh.png
unit_507-2023-079-4-101_scatter.png
....

```

Command line arguments

- `-t`: glider data type (sfmc, rt, delayed)
- `--cacheDir`: glider cache file directory
- `--deploymentDir`: glider deployment directory
- `--templateDir`: IOOS Glider DAC template file directory
- `--template`: IOOS Glider DAC template file
- `--inpDir`: directory of raw glider files
- `--outDir`: directory for writing CSV, plots and other data
- `--plotType`: One or more comma separated (all, binned, scatter, pcolormesh)
- `--imageOut`: output filename for plots (“default” is *special*)
- `--ncDir`: directory for writing netCDF files
- `--ncSeparate`: each glider file has its own netCDF file by type (tbd, sbd, sv, ...)

If the “special” string is detected in the `imageOut` argument this triggers a string replacement operation. The “special” string is replaced by the segment name of the glider file being processed and the plot type being generated.

This is also done for the `--title` argument. These special operations are not fully implemented. They are lightly implemented to eliminate the need to run the script three separate times to generate the three different plots.

The `--ncSeparate` argument is REQUIRED. The merged netCDF file code is not fully implemented.

3.8.2 Products

Echogram profile

As demonstrated in other sections of this manual, individual echogram profiles can be produced. Additional details will be written at a later date.

Echogram timeseries

Once data processing for a deployment is complete, the echotools package can be used to create a timeseries of the echogram profiles. The script used for plotting utilizes the processed netCDF files ending with *_sv.nc.

The python script to create a timeseries profile follows:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

import matplotlib as mpl
import matplotlib.ticker as mticker
import numpy as np
import os
import pandas as pd
import pytz
import xarray as xr
from echotools.parsers.slocum import teledyne
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
#get_ipython().run_line_magic('matplotlib', 'inline')

"""
NOTE: The `teledyne` module may be directly imported to
avoid installing the full blown echotool-lib package.
"""

# Set the input directory to the source of the converted glider files to netCDF
# All the echogram data is in the *_rt_extra.nc files
inpDir = '/home/cermak/glider/deployments/data/unit_507/20230321/gutils/sfmc/netcdf'
svFiles = '*_rt_extra.nc'

# We utilize a couple items from the echotools library
glider = teledyne.Glider()

# Open an aggregated view over all the netCDF files
ds = xr.open_mfdataset(os.path.join(inpDir, svFiles), concat_dim="time", combine="nested
→")

# The dataset may be subsetted by date/time (UTC)
start_time = '2023-03-21 00:00:00'
end_time = '2023-03-28 12:00:00'
ds_subset = ds.sel(time=slice(start_time,end_time))

# Load the values of interest
sv = ds_subset['echogram_sv'].values
depth = ds_subset['depth'].values
time = ds_subset['time'].values

# Convert <class 'numpy.dtype[datetime64]'-> to floats
time_float = time.astype('float')

# Stack the data up so it can be sorted
data = np.column_stack((time_float,depth,sv))

# Sort Sv(dB) so the higher reflective readings show up
```

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```

# on the scatter plot
scatterData = data[np.argsort(data[:,2])]

# Find all the unique time points; helps
# determine the tick marks for the time axis
# Convert to float and convert microseconds to seconds
timeIndexes = np.unique(data[:,0]) / 1000000000

# Scatterplot

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10,8))

cmap = glider.cmaps[glider.defaultCmapType]
dB_limit = (-30.0, -80.0)
norm = mpl.colors.Normalize(vmin=dB_limit[1], vmax=dB_limit[0])

plt.scatter(pd.to_datetime(scatterData[:, 0]), scatterData[:, 1], c=scatterData[:, 2],
            cmap=cmap, norm=norm)

default_cb_ylabel = r'$\bf{Sv}$ $\bf{(dB)}$ $\bf{re}$ $\bf{1}$ $\bf{m^2}/m^3$ $\bf{m}$'
                    ↳{}$'
default_cb_shrink = 0.40

cbar = plt.colorbar(mpl.cm.ScalarMappable(norm=norm, cmap=cmap),
                    orientation='vertical', label=default_cb_ylabel, shrink=default_cb_shrink, ax=ax)

plt.gca().invert_yaxis()
plt.ylabel('depth (m)')
plt.xlabel('Date/Time (UTC)')
plt.title('Glider 507 March 2023 GOA Survey')
plt.title('echogram (Sv)', loc='left')

# Adjust x ticks
xtickLocs, xtickLabels = glider.findTimeInterval(timeIndexes, 'scatter', ax, nticks=10)
ax.xaxis.set_major_locator(mticker.FixedLocator(xtickLocs))
ax.set_xticklabels(xtickLabels)
plt.xticks(rotation = 45.0)

# Save figure at 300 dpi
plt.savefig('output/uaf-gretel-2023-03-echogramSV.png', bbox_inches='tight',
            dpi=300, orientation='landscape')

```

3.9 Data Management Files

This section of documentation describes files utilized by the echotools data processing workflow.

3.9.1 Glider inventory file

These files are created by the `selfFiles.py` script. They contain a quick inventory of files in a specified directory.

```
2023-03-31 01:24:29 2023-03-31 01:53:31 PATH0000:unit_507-2023-085-2-75.tbd 79884a79.cac
2023-03-31 03:02:27 0000-00-00 00:00:00 PATH0000:unit_507-2023-085-2-76.tbd 79884a79.cac
2023-03-31 03:02:27 2023-03-31 03:06:12 PATH0000:unit_507-2023-085-2-76.sbd 16708f40.cac
2023-03-31 03:06:41 2023-03-31 04:50:36 PATH0000:unit_507-2023-085-2-77.sbd 16708f40.cac
2023-03-31 03:16:02 2023-03-31 03:43:41 PATH0000:unit_507-2023-085-2-77.tbd 79884a79.cac
Z_CACHE:/mnt/ROB000001/glider/deployments/data/unit_507/20230321/config
Z_PATH0000:/mnt/SCR01/cermak/sfmc/unit_507/dbd
```

The general format by column is:

- Date/time first data row
- Date/time last data row
- Glider file: short or long format name
- Glider cache file required for the glider file

At the end of the file are pieces of metadata that allow expansion of the filename to the full directory path and the full path to the glider cache files.

This inventory was specifically created to be indexed by time for quick access to glider files by time.

NOTES:

- The date/time of the last row may be missing “0000-00-00 00:00:00”. This is usually indicative that this file contains NO USEFUL DATA. In this case, the date/time of the first data row is actually the glider `fileopen_time`.

3.10 Teledyne linux binaries

The zip file is stored within the repository. Extract only the binaries needed to perform post processing after downloading the repository.

Source of these binaries require registration with Teledyne Marine Webb Reserches forum:

<https://datahost.webbresearch.com/>

NOTE: These may no longer be needed with the incorporation of the `dbdreader` python module into echotools.

3.11 Example data

All raw data can be obtained from the [echotools](#) website.

3.11.1 USF: Stella

July Pt Sur cruise

- Mode: egram
- Instrument is pointed down (+60.0 meters)
- VBS thresholds: [-34, -40, -46, -52, -58, -64, -70]
- DB limits: [-30, -80]

| tbd | cache | description |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| usf-stella-2021-209-5-16.tbd | d0f88888.cac | Day 5 Segment 16 |

3.11.2 UAF: Gretel

Deployed from Seward, AK: March 21, 2023

- Mode: combo
- Instrument is pointed up (-60.0 meters)
- VBS thresholds: [-34, -40, -46, -52, -58, -64, -70]
- DB limits: [-30, -80]

| files | cache | description |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| uaf-gretel-2022-019-8-0.tbd | 16708f40.cac | Day 8 Segment 0 |
| uaf-gretel-2022-019-8-0.sbd | 79884a79.cac | Day 8 Segment 0 |

3.12 Teledyne files

3.12.1 File extensions

Flight data:

- dbd: full resolution data
- sbd: shortened flight data that is sent back via iridium
- mlg: message log files from flight computer

Science data:

- ebd: full resolution data
- tbd: shortened science data that is sent back via iridium

- nlq: message log files from the science computer

3.13 Programs and Modules

3.13.1 Programs

`processEchograms.py`

This script contains functions that decode an echogram from the echometrics data stream (if present). The resultant information can be:

- Rendered in plot a plot: binned, scatter or pcolormesh
- Saved to a CSV file
- Saved to a netCDF file
- Available as an xarray object
- Available as a pandas object

The output can be directed to a file or standard output (stdout). The netCDF may only be saved to a file. The netCDF variables may be saved as separate files for ease of aggregation.

Data written as CSV output is in three columns (comma separated values): Timestamp, Depth, Density. A metadata description is given below.

Metadata for the netCDF file is pulled from deployment configuration files: `deployment.json` and `instruments.json`; A general template file is also required for generic metadata.

Image output is controlled by the filename extension provided. A typical format is PNG. Use “.png” in the filename to produce a PNG formatted image.

Metadata

Here is the metadata description for each of the columns of this dataset (ASCII, spreadsheet):

| Column | Description |
|-----------|--|
| Timestamp | seconds since 01-01-1970 epoch; timezone GMT/UTC |
| Depth | depth (meters) |
| Density | Sv (dB) |

Command line arguments

```
-h, --help          show this help message and exit
--inpDir INPDIR     full or relative path to directory with
                    glider data
--inpFile INPFILE    glider input file; one segment
--t T               data type: sfmc, rt, delayed
--tbdFile TBDFILE    full or relative path with filename
                    to Teledyne glider tbd binary input file
--sbdFile SBDFILE    full or relative path with filename
```

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--cacheDir CACHEDIR      to Teledyne glider sbd binary input file
                        Directory with glider cache files;
                        default current directory
--dbd2asc DBD2ASC        full or relative path with filename
                        to glider dbd2asc binary
--csvOut CSVOUT          full or relative path with filename
                        to write CSV output or 'stdout'; default None
--ncDir NCDIR            full or relative path of a directory for
                        writing netCDF file(s); default None
--ncFormat NCFORMAT      alternate time format for saving netCDF files
--csvHeader              (flag) include header with CSV output; default False
--imageOut IMAGEOUT      filename to write image or stdout; default None
--outDir OUTDIR          output directory for csv and plot files; default None
--debug                 (flag) show extra debugging for this
                        python script; default False
--echogramBins ECHOSOUNDERANGE
                        Number of bins in use by the echogram;
                        default 20
--echogramRange ECHOSOUNDERANGE
                        Echogram range; default -60.0 (meters)
                        instrument facing up; positive values
                        instrument facing down
--title                 optional figure title; default None
--plotType              One or more of binned, scatter, pcolormesh or
                        all; default binned
--binnedDepthLabels      (flag) Use the original depth bin
                        labels instead of the adjusted depth
                        labels for the time/depth binned plot;
                        default False
--deploymentDir          full or relative path to deployment and
                        instrument json files; default None
--templateDir            full or relative path to glider
                        template directory; default None
--saveBits              output the echogram bits for
                        validation.

```

`processEchograms.printArgs(args)`

This is a convenience function for printing dictionary elements.

Parameters

args (`dict()`, required) –

Return type

Prints information to standard output.

`processEchograms.printAttributes(myObj)`

This is a convenience function for printing object attribute information for the supplied object. This function writes to standard output and does not print any objects with an underscore prefix. This was mainly used for debugging during development.

Parameters

myObj (any, required) –

Return type

Prints information to standard output.

`processEchograms.showHelp(parser)`

This prints the program description and arguments to standard output and exits.

`processEchograms.sussFileType(args)`

Suss out file types we are attempting to work with based on the output directory path.

3.13.2 Modules

teledyne

class `echotools.parsers.slocum.teledyne.Glider`(*tbdFile=None, sbdFile=None, cacheDir=None, dbd2asc=None, debugFlag=False*)

Bases: `object`

A container class for handling Teledyne Webb glider data.

Table 7-1

Glider : dbd mbd sbd mlg Science: ebd nbd tbd nlg

Initialize a glider object.

Parameters

- **tbdFile** (str) – Full or relative path with filename to glider tbd file.
- **sbdFile** (str) – Full or relative path with filename to glider sbd file.
- **cacheDir** (str) – Full or relative path to directory with glider (sensor) cache files.
- **dbd2asc** (str) – Full or realtive path with filename to Teledyne Webb binary dbd2asc. NOTE: System must be able to execute the binary.
- **debugFlag** (bool) – Flag for extra debugging information printed to standard output. Default: False

addAttributes(*ncDS, varName*)

This function adds variable attributes to the netCDF variable from the specified template file.

applyDeploymentGlobalMetadata(*ncDS*)

This function applies the deployment.json global metadata to the xarray Dataset object.

applyGlobalMetadata(*ncDS*)

Generically apply global metadata data to xarray Dataset object

applyTemplateGlobalMetadata(*ncDS*)

This function applies the {template}.json global metadata to the xarray Dataset object.

calculateMissionPlan()

Calculate mission plan parameters based on current arguments.

collectDbdVariables(*ncDS*)

This function collects dbd file variables.

collectEbdVariables(*ncDS*)

This function collects ebd file variables.

collectEchogram(*ncDS*)

This function collects the echogram and adds it to the xarray Dataset object.

collectSbdVariables(ncDS)

This function collects sbd file variables.

collectTbdVariables(ncDS)

This function collects tbd file variables.

createEchogramSpreadsheet()

This function reads GLIDER.data['echogram'] and places it in a spreadsheet format in GLIDER.data['spreadsheet']. The function is expecting at least two fields to have been read from the provided ebd/tbd file.

Notes for self.args

- args['debugFlag']: Boolean flag. If True, additional output is printed to standard output.
- args['plotType']: String. Available plot types are: binned, scatter and pcolormesh.

createFileInventory(fileList, cache_dir)

Create a slocum file inventory from a file list. This list must include file extensions.

dateFormat(dttmObj=datetime.datetime(2023, 3, 31, 7, 52, 58, 298081), fmt='%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%SZ')

Format a given datetime.datetime object into a string of the default format: “%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%SZ”. If a datetime.datetime object is not provided, use the current time.

extractColumns(source, columns=[], ignoreNaNColumns=[], asDict=False)

This function extracts requested columns from the GLIDER.data[source] object. This function will also remove rows for specified columns that contain NaNs.

NOTE: This function replaces the need for dba_sensor_filter and subsequently ignoring output of NaNs.

Parameters

- **columns** (list) – Named columns to subset from GLIDER.data[source] object.
- **ignoreNaNColumns** (list) – One the data is collected by column, rows are eliminated in named columns where the values are NaN.
- **asDict** (bool) – This is a flag to change the return value as a python dict() object where the column names are the dictionary keys.

Returns

This returns a subset of data stored in GLIDER.data[source]. This will either be another numpy array or a python dictionary.

Return type

numpy array or dict()

filterFiles(start_time=None, end_time=None)

Filter a loaded list of slocum files by the start and end times. This requires use of a created or loaded file inventory.

Parameters

- **start_time** (str) – A string containing the start time.
- **end_time** (str) – A string containing the end time.

Returns

Returns a python list of matching files between the start and end times.

Return type

list()

findTimeInterval(*timeAxis, plotType, ax, nticks=10*)

For a given time axis and number of ticks, return an array of axisLocations and axisLabels.

timeAxis is an array of timestamps in seconds.

findTimeVariable(*parameterList*)

Determine the time variable for a given parameter list.

Parameters

parameterList (*list()*) – A python list of parameters.

Returns

m_present_time or *sci_m_present_time* if detected. Returns None if either is not found.

Return type

str

getDepthPixel(*reqDepth, minDepth, maxDepth, depthBinSize*)

For the image (plotting) routine, depths are placed in discrete pixels by the depth bin size. The first pixel has the depth range of minimum depth to minimum depth plus depth bin size.

Notes

For a depth bin size of 3.0 meters and a minimum depth of 2.0 meters. Bin zero (0) should be 2.0 to 5.0 meters, bin (1) will be from 5.0 meters to 8.0 meters and so forth.

Parameters

- **reqDepth** (float) – Requested depth (meters)
- **minDepth** (int) – Minimum depth bin
- **maxDepth** (int) – Maximum depth bin (not used)
- **depthBinSize** (float) – Actual depth size of each depth bin (meters)

Returns

Returns the depth bin adjusted to the minimum depth bin

Return type

int

getFullFileNamesFromFileInventory()

Using the loaded file inventory, return full file paths.

getScale(*sensorName*)

Check the template for a scaling factor prior to assigning the final data.

groupFiles(*fileList*)

Take a list of filenames and group them by name without thier extension.

Parameters

array (*list()*) – A python list of filenames with extensions. The case of the file extension is ignored.

Returns

A python dictionary of file groups.

Return type

dict()

handleImage()

This function handles writing out a graphical image. By default, the image rendering uses discrete pixels that have depth and time bins. If `--useScatterPlot` is set, a scatter plot is produced instead of a time/depth binned (raster image/imshow) plot. The raster plot coordinates are the depth and time bins which requires redefining x and y labels on the fly.

Notes for self.args

- args['imageOut']: May be a full or relative path with filename or *stdout*.
- args['debugFlag']: Boolean flag. If True, additional output is printed to standard output.
- args['useScatterPlot']: Boolean flag. If True, a scatter plot is produced instead of the depth/time binned plot.

handleSpreadsheet()

This function handles writing out the decoded tbd data in CSV format. Either a filename is provided or the spreadsheet is sent to 'stdout'. If the csvHeader flag is set to True, a header is also provided.

Notes for self.args

- args['debugFlag']: Boolean flag. If True, additional output is printed to standard output.
- args['csvOut']: May be a full or relative path with filename or *stdout*.
- args['csvHeader']: Boolean flag. If True, a header is included with CSV output to file or standard out.

loadFileInventory(fname)

This loads an existing file inventory of slocum files.

Inventory file structure:

Start, End, File, Cache Z_CACHE:... Z_PATH0000:...

loadMetadata()

This function generically loads deployment and other metadata required for processing glider files into uniform netCDF files.

nearest(array, val)

Find the nearest value in a sorted numpy array and return the index for the nearest value.

Parameters

- **array** (numpy) – A value sorted numpy array that is to be searched.
- **val** (value) – The value to search for the closest matching element in the provided numpy array.

Returns

The index of the closest matching element.

Return type

int

obtainFillValue(varName)

This function obtains a _FillValue to use for the specified variable. If a fill value is not configured, the default is -9999.9.

obtainVariableName(sensorName)

This function obtains a variable name from a given glider sensor name. There is sometimes some mapping. This requires use of the template file and checking 'rename_from' elements.

readDbd(kwargs)**

This function reads any DBD glider file using the dbdreader python library.

Parameters

****kwargs** – See below

Returns

xarray Dataset or python dictionary

Return type

xarray Dataset() or dict()

Keyword Arguments

- *inputFile* (string) – relative or full path to glider DBD file
- *cacheDir* (string) – relative or full path to glider cache directory. This overrides the default class object value.
- *returnDict* (boolean) – when set True, the data returned from this function is a python dictionary. Default: **False**

readEchogram()

This function reads the glider tbd file and extracts the embedded echogram from the echometrics data. The *dbd2asc* file cannot be used since it truncates the least significant bits in which the echogram is embedded.

NOTE: This function *readEchogram* should only be used for extracting encoded echogram information embedded in the echometrics data. All other glider files may be read using *dbd2asc*. We highly recommend using the python *dbdreader* module.

This function automatically determines if the glider was in “egram” or “combo” mode. Prior knowledge of the operational mode is not necessary.

readSbd()

This function reads a glider sbd file. This also reads the corresponding cache file for additional metadata.

readTbd()

This function reads a glider tbd file using the Teledyne Webb linux binary *dbd2asc*. This also reads the corresponding cache file for additional metadata.

readTemplateUnlimitedDims()

This function reads {template}.json and allocates unlimited dimensions for the xarray Dataset object.

saveFileInventory(invFile, sort_by_time=False)

This saves a file inventory of slocum files.

Inventory file structure:

Start, End, File, Cache Z_CACHE:... Z_PATH0000:...

stopToDebug()

Generic function to stop python in its debugger. When stopped by this function, it is necessary to go up one level in the execution stack to get to the exact location of the breakpoint. Use the *up* command to go up one level in the execution stack.

updateArgumentsFromMetadata()

Adjust run time arguments based on metadata read by the glider class. This will only adjust arguments if self.deployment is set.

writeNetCDF()

Write out an IOOS DAC compatible netCDF file.

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