

SANSA Catalogue Documentation

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Note: This system currently has no automated backup procedure. The main system (Lion) includes around 26TB of online storage that we have no effective way of backing up. This should be addressed as a priority!

1 Introduction

1.1 The CSIR

This project has been carried out for the CSIR Satellite Applications Center, near Johannesburg, South Africa. The CSIR is the 'Council for Science and Industrial Research' - it is the main national science foundation of the country. They are a big organisation with many divisions of which SAC (Satellite Applications Center) is one.

1.2 SAC

SAC is a satellite ground station. This means they have a big campus with many antennas and collect information from satellites as they pass over our sky window they also do satellite tasking (telling satellites where to go and what to do) and satellite / space craft telemetry (tracking space vehicle orbit information etc).

SAC has two divisions:

1. Telemetry command and control where they do tracking, tasking etc.
2. EO (Earth Observation) where the focus is more software based to do remote sensing and generate products from imagery downloaded from satellites

SAC-EO is the client for this project.

1.3 SANSA Takover

South Africa is busy creating its own space agency - SANSA (South African National Space Agency). SANSA will aggregate space technology from various gov, parastatal, non-gov organisations to form a new organisation funded by the state. SAC-EO is scheduled to become part of SANSA as of 1 April 2011 and will become SANSA-EO.

1.4 The project

SAC-EO has been building for the last 3 or 4 years an integrated system before this project (of which we form a small part), the processing of imagery was done manually and ad-hoc which is not very efficient and prone to difficulty if an expert leaves.

Thus they have started to build an integrated system called SAEOS (pronounced 'sigh-os'). The purpose of SAEOS is to create an automated processing environment through all the steps of the EO product workflow i.e.:

- satellite tasking ('please programme spot5 to take an image at footprint foo on date X')

- image processing (level 1a through 3a/b)
- image analysis (level 4)
- image ordering ('can I please get a copy of that SPOT image you took on dec 4 2008 of this area')
- product packaging ('bundle up the stuff that was ordered using a DVD robot, placing on an ftp site, writing to an external HD etc')

To achieve this goal they have a number of software components.

The first components are the 'terminal software'. Terminal software are provided by satellite operators such as SPOT5 (I will use SPOT as an example a lot as its the pilot sensor for their project, eventually to incorporate many more sensors) The terminal software is typically a linux box with the operators own proprietary software on top that lets the operators do the tasking of satellites (to collect an image at a given place and time) and also to extract archived images from their tape library

The second component is 'SARMES'. SARMES is a collection of EASI scripts / routines. EASI is a programming language that runs on top of PCI / Geomatica a proprietary GIS tool that runs on windows and linux. SAC are busy porting SARMES to SARMES II which has the same functionality but uses python language bindings of PCI/Geomatica instead of EASI script. SARMES has all the logic to do things like:

- take a raw image and convert it to a common GIS format e.g. pix, gtiff etc.
- collect GCP's automatically using a reference image
- orthorectify an image using a dem, gcps and other reference data
- reproject the image into different coord systems (typically UTM 33S - UTM 36S in our area but others may apply too)
- perform atmospheric correction to remove effects of the stratosphere interference between lens and ground target
- perform sensor specific correction to e.g. remove effects of lens distortion on a specific camera (using published sensor models)
- perform mosaicking of images to create one big seamless colour corrected dataset
- perform pan sharpening (make a colour image higher resolution by merging it with a pan-chromatic / grey scale band)
- chop up images in various tile schemes (e.g. degree squares, quarter degree squares etc)

These jobs are run by manual process - creating config files, placing input files in a specific dir heirarchy etc.

The third component is DIMS. DIMS is a software system running on top of linux written in java, corba, and using oracle or postgresql as a backend (at SAC they are using PostgreSQL). DIMS is proprietary software written by a german company called WERUM. The same software is used by the German Space Agency and others. DIMS provides automated tool chain processing. Basically you set up work flows and run them using an 'operating tool'. Although DIMS uses postgresql, there is no third party access to that db and the whole system should be considered a black box except for a few specific entry and exit points.

DIMS is being extended and customised for SAC-EO including modifications so it will provide ogc interfaces. Before this had their own catalogue implementation and ordering system using very old standards or proprietary interfaces. So DIMS can process EO data and it builds up a catalogue of products that it has processed or 'knows about' - in its own silo. This catalogue is / will be accessible via CSW and for processing of ordering they are implementing the OGC

The OS4EO (ordering service for earth observation) is an ogc standard. The OS4EO standard is pretty simple and familiar. In essence it allows you to:

- get capabilities
- get quote
- place order

In DIMS it is implemented using SOAP rather than a RESTful service.

Along the process of creating the SAEOS project, SAC-EO have also been investing in high end hardware - particularly storage. They have a petabyte capable heirarchical storage system that in short works as follows:

- data is written to local hard drives
- after a certain period of inactivity moved down to slower sata drives (nearline storage)
- and after that its migrated down onto a tape library

The tape library (offline storage) is treated as part of the file system. It has a robot arm that loads tapes automatically. When you browse the file system, it appears that all data is local since all inodes are present in online storage. When you try to read a file that is offline, the robot fetches it from tape and puts it online - typically in under a minute, though that depends on system load.

DIMS is integrated with this file system (this file system is SGI's HFS - Heirarchical File System). HFS is also proprietary software running on top of Linux. One of the things DIMS will be doing is de-archiving from old manually loaded tapes and moving them into HFS. De-archiving historically collected raw satellite imagery that is. When DIMS

is finished going through that there will be hundreds of thousands (probably millions) of raw images stored in HFS and accessible via DIMS.

Since DIMS integrates with SARMES so you can do things like:

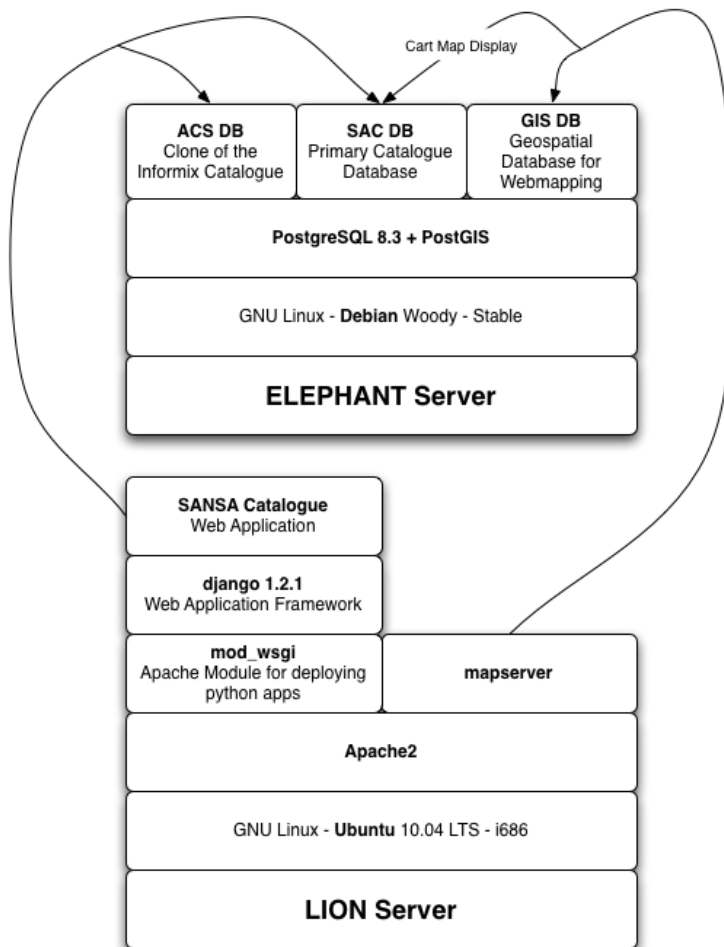
"Pull out that landsat 5 image from 2002, orthorectify it, correcto for atmospheric interference and lens distortions, reproject it to UTM 35S and clip it to this bounding box, then place the product on a dvd and write this label on it"

Thats the goal of the system - end to end automation with minimal operator intervention.

1.5 The Online Catalogue

Along side of these other packages, Linfiniti has been building a new web catalogue for SAC-EO. The catalogue is django + postgresql + all the other great FOSS tools we can use together to make a rich, interactive site.

System Overview



Work on this started before any dims software was installed on site and the first major task was to migrate data and thumbnailss from a legacy, proprietary informix catalogue and get it into postgresql.

We also went through a few refactorings since the first version was almost a direct clone of the data model from the legacy informix system. Our current version uses the concept of a 'generic product' for the data model.

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On the left / center part of the diagram you will see an entity name 'Generic product'. This is a generic representation of any product (e.g. optical, radar, atmospheric, derived (like landcover map) and in the future we want to tune this to cater for vector data too.

There are five inherited models:

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There are a bunch of small tables that provide foreign key dictionaries for the terms

described in the models including:

- tables relating to ordering and tasking
- search and search record models are used to store user searches
- temporary tables used during product imports

The Online catalogue has the capability to deliver some products directly if they are held on local storage and also some basic capabilities for visitors to submit tasking requests.

Every time a search is made, its remembered, and the records the user is shown may be added to a cart and then assigned to an order To get started, first add an entry like this to your ssh config file in ~/.ssh/config:

```
Host linfiniti2
  Port 8697
  HostName 188.40.123.80
  FallBackToRsh no
```

1.6 Checkout Sources

Then setup a working dir and check out the sources (you can adapt dirs / paths as needed, using these paths will keep you consistent with all setup notes but its not required).

```
cd /home
sudo mkdir web
sudo chown -R <username>.<username> web
cd web
mkdir sac
git clone git@linfiniti2:sac_catalogue.git sac_catalogue
```

Then follow the instructions in README, skipping sections on informix, building gdal from source and source code checkout (you already checked it out if you have the readme :-)

1.7 Load a database dump

A recent database dump can be obtained from:

http://196.35.94.243/sac_postgis_01February2011.dmp

2 Working with Git

Each devloper works on a remote branch, others can track a specific branch locally and try out implemented features. After approving implementation, branch is merged with HEAD. (possibly closed/removed from tree)

This commands are based on <http://www.eecs.harvard.edu/~cduan/technical/git/>

2.1 Getting a list of branches

For local branches do:

```
git branch -v
```

For remote branches do:

```
git branch -r -v
```

2.2 To create remote branch

For current versions of git (at least git 1.7 or better). Say we want to create a new branch called 'docs-branch':

```
git branch docs-branch
git push --set-upstream origin docs-branch
git checkout docs-branch
```

2.3 Working with a remote branch

To be able to work with a remote branch locally (if it already exists remotely), we must create local branch and setup tracking of remote branch.

```
git pull #your local repo must be up to date first
git branch --track new-branch origin/new-branch
git checkout new-branch
```

Now you can go on to do your work in that branch.

To pull changes from remote repo do:

```
git pull origin
```

2.4 Deleting branches

Once you are done with a branch, you can delete it. For a local branch do:

```
git branch -d new-branch
```

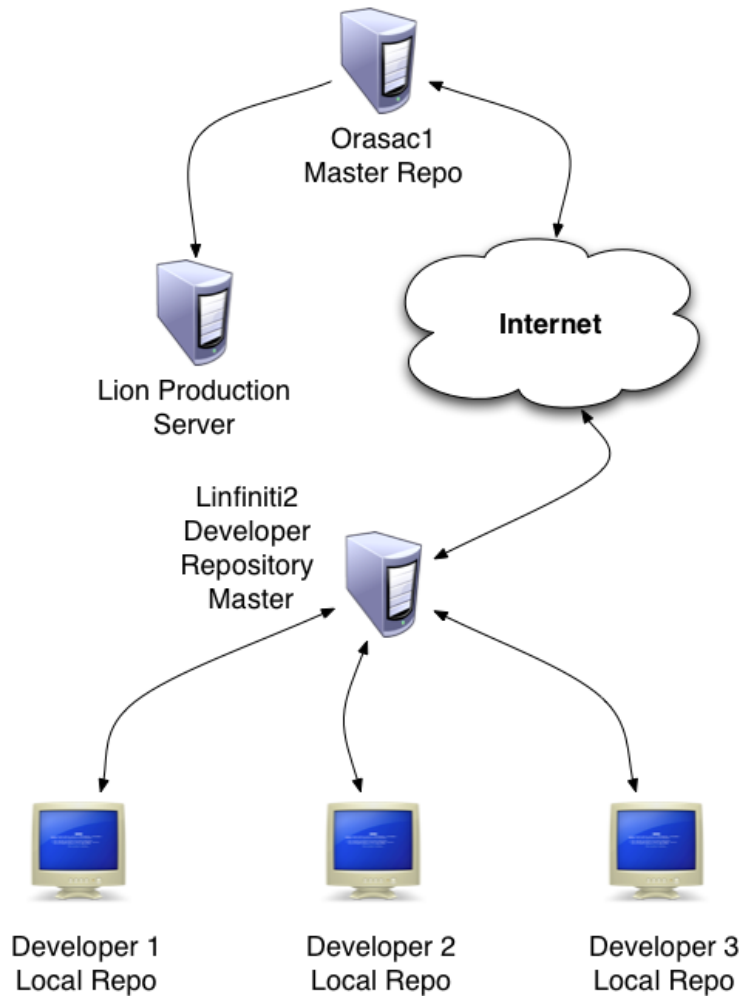
To delete a remote branch do (after first deleting it locally):

```
git push origin :new-branch
```

2.5 Distributed Git Repository Topology

The repositories are arranged like this:

GIT Topology



The orasac master repo must pull from the linfiniti2 server at regular (e.g. weekly) intervals using a command like this:

```
cd /opt/git/sac_catalogue
git pull git@linfiniti2:sac_catalogue.git
```

If changes have happened on the SAC side and committed to the repository on orasac1, those changes should be pushed over to the catalogue on linfiniti2 so that the two repos are in sync:

```
cd /opt/git/sac_catalogue
git push git@linfiniti2:sac_catalogue.git
```

Note that orasac1 also has an entry in `/home/timlinux/.ssh/config` like this:

```
Host linfiniti2
  HostName 188.40.123.80
  User timlinux
  Port 8697
```

The lion live and test instances are cloned from the orasac1 repo like this:

```
git clone timlinux@orasac1:/opt/git/sac_catalogue sac_live
git clone timlinux@orasac1:/opt/git/sac_catalogue sac_test
```

The instance on linfiniti2 gitosis was cloned in the same way into /opt/git/repositories/sac_catalogue.

For the Tim / Drazen / Alessandro clones, the clone was carried out as described in the first section of this doc.

2.6 Tracking branches from linfiniti with a master checkout from orasac

In this scenario, we want to be tracking master from orasac1 but occasionally pulling down branches from linfiniti2 to test them under lion:/opt/sac_catalogue/sac_test. Make sure you have a linfiniti2 entry in your ~/.ssh/config as described further up in this document.

```
git remote add linfiniti2 git@linfiniti2:sac_catalogue.git
git fetch linfiniti2
```

You should see something like the output below showing you that the branches from the secondary remote repository:

```
The authenticity of host '[188.40.123.80]:8697 ([188.40.123.80]:8697)' can't be established.
RSA key fingerprint is cd:86:2b:8c:45:61:ae:15:13:45:95:25:8e:9a:6f:c4.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '[188.40.123.80]:8697' (RSA) to the list of known hosts.
```

```
|_ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
| | | ' _ \ | | | ' _ \ | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | _ | | | | | | | |
|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|
```

```
-- Authorized Access Only --
Enter passphrase for key '/home/timlinux/.ssh/id_dsa':
remote: Counting objects: 201, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (150/150), done.
remote: Total 150 (delta 103), reused 0 (delta 0)
Receiving objects: 100% (150/150), 1.10 MiB | 47 KiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (103/103), completed with 28 local objects.
From linfiniti2:sac_catalogue
* [new branch]      ale       -> linfiniti2/ale
* [new branch]      ale_test  -> linfiniti2/ale_test
* [new branch]      map_resize -> linfiniti2/map_resize
* [new branch]      master    -> linfiniti2/master
* [new branch]      tim-model-refactor-off-ale -> linfiniti2/tim-model-refactor-off-ale
,
```

Now we are ready to check out the branch from there e.g.:

```
git branch map_resize linfiniti2/map_resize
git pull #not sure if needed
git checkout map_resize
sudo /etc/init.d/apache2 reload
```

When you want to get back to the original again do:

```
git checkout origin/master
```


2.7 Tracking Linfiniti in your local repo and pushing changes to orasac1

In this scenario, we want to have our master repo on the linfiniti development server, and then periodically push changes over to orasac1 production repo. Our checkout is on a third, desktop computer. So we do:

```
git clone git@linfiniti2:sac_catalogue.git sac_catalogue
```

That gives us a local repo whose remote master is on linfiniti. Now we add a new remote (you can have multiple remote repos and sync between them):

```
git remote add orasac1 timlinux@orasac1:/opt/git/sac_catalogue
git pull
```

Ok now our local repo is 'aware' of the remote repo on orasac1. So lets make a branch that tracks master on orasac1:

```
git branch --track orasac1-master orasac1/master
git checkout orasac1-master
```

Now it is simple to pull changes down from linfiniti and push them over to orasac1:

```
git merge master
git push
```

Since the branch is tracking orasac1/master they will automatically get pushed there.

3 System logic and rules

3.1 Computation of geometric_accuracy_mean

The geometric accuracy of a product is calculated as the mean of its geometric_resolution_x, geometric_resolution_y.

The values for geometric_resolution_x, geometric_resolution_y will vary per sensor and per mode. According to the following table:

(SAC to provide required detail here).

—— TABLE PLACEHOLDER ——

3.2 Sensor viewing angle

The sensor viewing angle

4 Updates and imports of products

```
vim /mnt/cataloguestorage/thumbnail_processing/thumb_blobs/lastblob.txt
```

Set desired blob no in above file.

```
python manage.py runscript -pythonpath=scripts -v 2 acs_importer
```

5 Configuring the database server

5.1 Initial Install

Software Raid Partitioning scheme on p5

1. Server has 4 * 170gb drives.
2. Server has 22gig ram

Reboot server from HMC

Press 5 when prompted with a menu so that it will boot from cdrom

Type

`install64`

at the boot prompt.

1. Choose install language: English
2. Choose country: South Africa
3. Choose a locale: en_ZA.utf8
4. Choose additional locales: none
5. Keymap for a USB keyboard: American English
6. Primary Network Interface: eth5
7. Network: press cancel durint autoconfigure with dhcp
8. Configure network manually
9. IP Address: 196.35.94.197
10. Netmask: 255.155.155.0
11. Gateway: 196.35.94.1
12. Nameserver: 168.210.2.2
13. Hostname: elephant
14. Domain Name: csir.co.za
15. Partitioning: Manual

We will set up following scheme (identical on each drive)

1. **Primary Partition 1:** 8.2mb bootable flag on, physical volume for PReP ppc boot partition (we will clone this with dd across all devices since it cant reside inside of a software raid device. The PReP partition must reside in the first partition.
2. **Primary Partition 2:** 11.5gb swap (we will stripe swap across all drives for best performance)
3. **Primary Partition 3:** 11 bootable flag on, for / partition - we will use ext3 and clone from sda3 to sdb3,sdc3 and sdd3 after setting up the OS
4. **Primary Partition 4:** 124.8gb All remaining space physical volume for raid (will become part of md0) for /opt partition - we will use raid 5 (stripe with parity) with 3 active drives and 1 hotswap drive.

After doing the above, choose software raid in the partitioning tool and do:

1. **md0:** /, rootfs formatted to ext3 Raid 5 with Active drives: sda4, sdb4, sdc4 Hot Spare: sdd4

Save partition layout and continue:

1. Root Password: _____
2. Full Name of new user: Tim Sutton
3. Username for your account: timlinux
4. Password: _____
5. Installing the base system:
6. Use a network mirror? yes (use za mirror as prompted)
7. Choose software to install: Standard system only
8. Device for bootloader installation: /dev/sda1 (we will clone to other drives later with dd)
9. Reboot...

5.2 Install openssh

```
sudo apt-get install openssh-server
```

Configure openssh to run on a non standard port, only accept named users and require public key authentication for added security. To do this edit

```
/etc/ssh/sshd_config
```

And change / add the following values:

```

Port 8697
PermitRootLogin no
#Add additional users who should have ssh access here delimited by spaces
AllowUsers timlinux wluck rgremels
Protocol 2
ListenAddress 196.35.94.196
RSAAuthentication yes
PubkeyAuthentication yes
PasswordAuthentication no
Banner /etc/sshbanner.txt

```

Create this file as `/etc/sshbanner.txt`

```

      _ _ _ _ _
     /   \   \   \
    /     \   \   \
   /       \   \   \
  /         \   \   \
 /           \   \   \
/             \   \   \
\             /   /   /
 \           /   /   /
  \         /   /   /
   \       /   /   /
    \     /   /   /
     \   /   /   /
      _ _ _ _ _

```

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Access to this computer is restricted to
authorised personnel.

Now restart ssh:

```
sudo /etc/init.d/ssh restart
```

5.3 Setup system locales

```
sudo dpkg-reconfigure locales
```

- Select 'All Locales'
- Choose `en_ZA.utf8` as the default locale
- Choose OK and wait while the locales are generated

5.4 Upgrade to lenny

The initial installation above was carried out using Debian 4.0 Stable 'Etch'. Subsequently, Debian 5.0 'Lenny' was released and so I upgraded using the following procedure:

Edit `/etc/apt/sources.list` as root and replace all 'etch' instances with 'lenny' so that it looks like this:

```

#
# deb cdrom:[Debian GNU/Linux 4.0 r4a _lenny_ - Official powerpc NETINST Binary-1 20080804-15:15]/ lenny contrib main
#deb cdrom:[Debian GNU/Linux 4.0 r4a _lenny_ - Official powerpc NETINST Binary-1 20080804-15:15]/ lenny contrib main
deb http://debian.mirror.ac.za/debian/ lenny main
deb-src http://debian.mirror.ac.za/debian/ lenny main
deb http://security.debian.org/ lenny/updates main contrib
deb-src http://security.debian.org/ lenny/updates main contrib

```

Note as well that we have commented out the CD rom sources so that only online apt repositories are used.

Next I ran the following commands to perform the operating system upgrade:

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get upgrade
sudo apt-get dist-upgrade
```

Note this can take some time depending on bandwidth availability.

After the upgrade is completed you should reboot the system so that you are using the newly installed kernel.

5.5 Setup Postgres/Postgis

This system is running software RAID 0 (mirror) and is well suited as a database server running postgres and PostGIS (the Spatial data extension for postgres). We will balance the load between the two PPC64 servers so that one is a dedicated database server and the other a dedicated web server. For web pages that are dynamically created, the web server will make database requests off the database server.

```
sudo apt-get install postgresql-8.1 postgresql-8.1-postgis
sudo su - postgres
```

Now as the postgres user make yourself a super user account and a read only user for mapserver:

```
createuser -s -d -r -l -P -E -e timlinux
createuser -S -D -R -l -P -E -e readonly
exit
```

Enter prompts following above commands as needed. Now you have postgres installed and a user created. Next create an empty spatial database:

Note: or see further below to restore existing backups of a db

```
createdb gis
createuser plpgsql gis
```

Now load the postgis sql dump and the srs tables:

```
psql sac < /usr/share/postgresql-8.1-postgis/lwpostgis.sql
psql sac < /usr/share/postgresql-8.1-postgis/spatial_ref_sys.sql
```

From here you can use the shp2pgsql command line tool to load data into postgis, or a tool such as QGIS / udig etc to do it using a gui.

Lastly we need to enable postgis for TCP/IP access. First

```
sudo vim /etc/postgresql/8.1/main/pg_hba.conf
```

And add one entry at the bottom of the file per host that needs access. You can also add a subnet etc. See pg docs for more info on that. I will just add my desktop pc as a client.

```
# Next line added by Tim to enable his desktop machines to connect on TCP/IP
host    all             all             196.35.94.7/32      md5
# Next line added by Tim to enable django server machines to connect on TCP/IP
host    all             all             196.35.94.196/32    md5
```

Also we need to allow tcp/ip connections from hosts other than localhost:

```
sudo vim /etc/postgresql/8.1/main/postgresql.conf
```

And add this line:

```
# Next line added by Tim to enable remote machines to connect on TCP/IP
listen_addresses='*'
```

Next shutdown postgres:

```
sudo /etc/init.d/postgresql-8.1 stop
```

Before we restart, we are going to move the postgres cluster (the files on the filesystem that are used to store the database information) into /opt/ since that opt is mapped to a larger partition, and for backup purposes its nice to have data separate from the main OS partition.

```
sudo mv /var/lib/postgresql /opt/
cd /var/lib/
sudo ln -s /opt/postgresql .
```

Now restart postgres:

```
sudo /etc/init.d/postgresql-8.3 start
```

There are two databases that need to be loaded and regularly backed up and restored:

- gis - All the backdrop gis data e.g. cadastrals, placenames etc
- sac - The web catalogue database used by the django web catalogue

To load these databases you should create them and then restore them from a recent backup:

```
createdb gis
pg_restore -F t gis_postgis_15June2009.sql.tar.gz |psql gis
createdb sac
pg_restore -F t sac_postgis_15June2009.sql.tar.gz |psql sac
```

After your databases are loaded you should have a db listing like this:

```
[elephant:timlinux:~] psql -l
List of databases
  Name      | Owner   | Encoding
-----|-----|-----
gis         | timlinux | UTF8
postgres   | postgres | UTF8
sac         | timlinux | UTF8
template0   | postgres | UTF8
template1   | postgres | UTF8
(5 rows)
```

Finally you need to add a rule in the firewall to allow incoming traffic on port 5432. Now go on to test with QGIS to see if you can connect ok.

5.6 Creating readonly user for mapserver access

You must do this to allow the mapserver client to connect to the database securely (ie. ensuring that no sql injection attacks can take place):

```
grant SELECT on vw_usercart to readonly;
grant select on visit to readonly;
grant select on search to readonly;
```

In addition the gis database needs to have permissions set to read only for all tables for mapserver. Here is a little script I wrote to do that in one go:

```
for TABLE in `echo "\dt" | \
psql -h 196.35.94.197 -U timlinux gis | \
awk '{print $3}'`;
do
echo "grant select on $TABLE to readonly;" >> /tmp/script.sql
done
psql -h 196.35.94.197 -U timlinux gis < /tmp/script.sql
```

5.7 Nightly clone of the sac catalogue to test

For testing we maintain a clone of the sac catalogue. The clone is replaced nightly. The script to replace the clone is in svn and should be checked out:

```
cd /home/timlinux
svn co https://196.35.94.196/svn/trunk/bash
```

Now edit the crontab:

```
crontab -e
```

And add the clone script to run nightly

```
# Added by Tim for others to see how crontab works
##      *      *      *      *      *      command to be executed
##      -      -      -      -      -
##|      |      |      |      |
##|      |      |      |      +----- day of week (0 - 6) (Sunday=0)
##|      |      |      +----- month (1 - 12)
##|      |      +----- day of month (1 - 31)
##|      +----- hour (0 - 23)
##+----- min (0 - 59)

# Run a test command every minute to see if crontab is working nicely
# comment out when done testing
##/1 * * * * date >> /tmp/date.txt

#A script to clone the sac live db nightly into the sac test db
#Runs at 2:05 am each night
5 2 * * * /home/timlinux/bash/pg_sac_test_cloner
```

Source of /home/timlinux/bash/pg_sac_test_cloner (replace XXXXXX with a valid password).

```
#!/bin/bash

cd /tmp
export PGPASSWORD=XXXXXXX
BACKUP=sac_postgis_`date +%d%B%Y`.dmp
pg_dump -i -Fc -f $BACKUP -x -O sac
dropdb sac-test
createdb sac-test
pg_restore $BACKUP | psql sac-test
rm $BACKUP
echo "SAC Test database successfully cloned from $BACKUP" \
| mail -s "SAC Test database successfully cloned from $BACKUP" \
tim@linfiniti.com
```

6 Configuring the Lion Catalogue server

The 'Lion' server provides web mapping services for the SAC Catalogue.

It contains the following key components:

- apache web server
- mapserver cgi with ecw support via custom built gdal
- tilecache
- an instance of the django catalogue software used
- IBM informix client sdk software
- the python informix DB adapter

In addition the lion server is connected to two 14TB Fujitsu Siemens storage arrays. The Server is an IA 64 processor machine installed with ubuntu server 10.04 LTS.

6.1 Package installations

```
sudo apt-get install bc xterm build-essential lxde rpm mc sun-java6-jre \  
firefox vim ntpdate lxde xinit rpl django python-django subversion \  
utidy python-utidylib python-psycopg2 python-geoip python-django-registration
```

6.2 Informix Client Setup

When following the Informix install procedure, do it as root locally on the server since I had problems trying to run the sdk setup tool remotely over an ssh -X connection.

For specific notes on how to set up the client see 003-3-informix_access.t2t

6.3 Nightly database sync

We should sync the ACS data to our own catalogue database nightly. When all the prerequisites are installed on the Lion server, the updateInformix.sh script can be used to do this on an ad hoc basis. Automating the process requires creation of a cron job:

```
crontab -e
```

Now add the following (adjusting paths if needed):

```
# Added by Tim for others to see how crontab works  
## * * * * * command to be executed  
#- - - - -  
#| | | | |  
#| | | | +----- day of week (0 - 6) (Sunday=0)  
#| | | +----- month (1 - 12)  
#| | +----- day of month (1 - 31)  
#| +----- hour (0 - 23)  
#+----- min (0 - 59)  
  
# Run a test command every minute to see if crontab is working nicely  
# comment out when done testing  
##/1 * * * * date >> /tmp/date.txt
```



```
# Run informix stats update nightly to keep responsiveness good
# Job will run 5 min after midnight
5 0 * * * /home/timlinux/dev/python/sac_catalogue/updateInformix.sh
# Job will run 2:05 am each day
5 2 * * * /home/timlinux/bin/pgbackups
```

The second job described above takes a backup of the gis and catalogue databases on a nightly basis. The pgbackups script looks like this:

```
#!/bin/bash

cd /mnt/cataloguestorage/backups/
tar cfz /mnt/cataloguestorage/backups/opt_'date +%d%B%Y'.tar.gz /opt/
export PGPASSWORD=XXXXX

pg_dump -U timlinux -h elephant -i -Fc -f gis_postgis_'date +%d%B%Y'.dmp -x -O gis
pg_dump -U timlinux -h elephant -i -Fc -f sac_postgis_'date +%d%B%Y'.dmp -x -O sac
```

To restore you do:

```
createdb sac
createdb gis
pg_restore sac_[filename].dmp | psql sac
pg_restore gis_[filename].dmp | psql gis
```

6.4 Compile and install GDAL

6.4.1 Building with ECW Support

Note: you can only compress images up to 500mb (though as far as I know there is no limit to decompression size)

Install dependencies:

```
sudo apt-get install build-essential libjpeg62-dev libtiff4-dev
```

Go to the erdas ecw sdk web page:

<http://www.erdas.com/Products/ERDASProductInformation/tabid/84/CurrentID/1142/Default.aspx>
(or just search their site for 'ecw sdk')

Get the ECW JPEG2000 Codec SDK Source Code (second item listed - first if win version)

After the download you should have:

```
ecw_jpeg_2000_sdk_3_3_source.zip
```

Now unzip it:

```
cd /tmp
unzip ecw_jpeg_2000_sdk_3_3_source.zip
unzip ImageCompressionSDKSourceCode3.3Setup_20070509.zip
sudo mv libecwj2-3.3 /usr/local/src/
cd /usr/local/src/
sudo chown -R timlinux libecwj2-3.3/
cd libecwj2-3.3
```

Make user you have a gnu build toolchain installed:

```
sudo apt-get install build-essential
```

Now build the ecw lib:

```
./configure
make
sudo make install
```

Next gdal must be (re)built with the ecw flag:

```
cd <gdal src>
make clean
./configure --with-libtiff=internal --with-geotiff=internal \
--with-ecw=/usr/local --with-python
make -j8
sudo make install
```

See also <http://trac.osgeo.org/gdal/wiki/ECW>

We configure gdal to build with its own internal copy of libtiff otherwise we encounter problems with assertion errors if the system tiff lib is not compatible. (see <http://trac.osgeo.org/gdal/ticket/3139> for more details).

6.5 Gdal MrSid Support

To add mr sid support, you need the MrSid geosdk and then to reconfigure and build gdal like this:

```
./configure --with-libtiff=internal \
--with-geotiff=internal \
--with-ecw=/usr/local \
--with-python \
--with-mrsid=/usr/local/Geo_DSDK-7.0.0.2167/ \
--without-jp2mrs
```

6.6 Hdf4 and Hdf5 support

```
sudo apt-get install libhdf5-serial-dev libhdf5-serial-1.6.6-0 libhdf4g-dev libhdf4g libhdf4g-doc
```

```
cd <gdal src>
make clean
./configure --with-ecw=/usr/local
make -j8
sudo make install
```

6.7 Set up the web mapping dir

TODO: Update these notes to use git rather.

The web mapping dir contains mapserver configuration files and resources. It should be checked out of SVN and then the map.templ files copied over to map files. The .templ files are stored as templates because they contain sensitive info such as passwords for database connections.

```
cd /opt
svn co https://196.35.94.196/svn/sac/python/sac_catalogue/mapserver webmapping
```

(You may need to adjust permissions of /opt in order to be allowed to do a check out into it)

Now copy each of the mapfile templates listed below and then update them to have appropriate credentials for database access.

```
cd mapfiles
for FILE in *.templ; do NEWFILE=$(echo "$FILE" | sed 's/\.templ//g'); \
cp $FILE $NEWFILE; done
```

6.8 Mapserver with fastcgi

First of all you need to compile mapserver from source since we need ecw and MrSid support. See `mapserver_notes.t2t` for detailed runthrough.

Ensure that after doing the above, your mapserver install supports fastcgi:

```
/usr/lib/cgi-bin/mapserv -v MapServer version 5.0.3
OUTPUT=GIF OUTPUT=PNG OUTPUT=JPEG OUTPUT=WBMP OUTPUT=SVG SUPPORTS=PROJ
SUPPORTS=AGG SUPPORTS=FREETYPE SUPPORTS=WMS_SERVER SUPPORTS=WMS_CLIENT
SUPPORTS=WFS_SERVER SUPPORTS=WFS_CLIENT SUPPORTS=WCS_SERVER SUPPORTS=FASTCGI
SUPPORTS=THREADS SUPPORTS=GEOS INPUT=EPPL7 INPUT=POSTGIS INPUT=OGR INPUT=GDAL
INPUT=SHAPEFILE
```

```
sudo apt-get install libapache2-mod-fcgid
```

Add these map file paths to your `/etc/apache2/sites-enabled/default` file:

```
NameVirtualHost *
<VirtualHost *>
    ServerAdmin tim@linfiniti.com
    ServerName 196.35.94.243
    DocumentRoot /var/www/
    #set to anything to ensure only explicitly named mapfiles are used
    SetEnv MS_MAP_NO_PATH "foo"
    #set the ZA_VECTOR e.g. http://localhost/cgi-bin/mapserv?map=ZA_VECTOR&mode=...
    SetEnv ZA_VECTOR "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector.map"
    SetEnv ZA_VECTOR_TEST "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_test.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT2007 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2007_2_5m_ecw.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT2008 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2008_2_5m_ecw.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT2009 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2009_2_5m_ecw.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT2010 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2010_2_5m_tif.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT10m2007 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2007_10m_ecw.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT10m2008 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2008_10m_ecw.map"
    SetEnv ZA_SPOT10m2009 "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_vector_spot2009_10m_ecw.map"
    SetEnv L7_MOSAIC "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/landsat7-global-mosaic.map"
    SetEnv ZA_NBI "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/za_nbi.map"
    SetEnv WORLD "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/world.map"
    SetEnv SEARCHES "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/searches.map"
    SetEnv CART "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/cart.map"
    SetEnv VISITORS "/opt/webmapping/mapfiles/visitors.map"
    <Directory /var/www/>
        Options Indexes FollowSymLinks MultiViews
        AllowOverride None
        Order allow,deny
        allow from all
    </Directory>

    Alias /ssi /mnt/cataloguestorage/sumbandilasat/SS1
    <Directory /mnt/cataloguestorage/sumbandilasat/SS1>
        Options Indexes FollowSymLinks MultiViews
        AllowOverride None
        Order allow,deny
        allow from all
    </Directory>

    Alias /shade /mnt/cataloguestorage/data/world/aster_dem/final
    <Directory /mnt/cataloguestorage/data/world/aster_dem/final>
        Options Indexes FollowSymLinks MultiViews
        AllowOverride None
        Order allow,deny
        allow from all
    </Directory>

    # Options for fastcgi support:
    # FastCgiConfig -appConnTimeout 60 -idle-timeout 60 -init-start-delay 1 -minProcesses 2 -maxClassProcesses 20 -startDelay 5

ScriptAlias /cgi-bin/ /usr/lib/cgi-bin/
<Directory "/usr/lib/cgi-bin">
    #Next two lines added by Tim for PyWPS
    SetEnv PYWPS_CFG /etc/pywps.cfg
    SetEnv PYWPS_PROCESSES /opt/wps-processes/sac
    PythonPath "['/opt/', '/opt/wps-processes/sac'] + sys.path"
    AllowOverride None
    #Options +ExecCGI -MultiViews +SymLinksIfOwnerMatch
    #changed from above for pywps
    Options +ExecCGI -MultiViews +FollowSymLinks
    Order allow,deny
    Allow from all
```

```

</Directory>

#Alias and dir below added for pywps
Alias /wps_outputs/ "/tmp/wps_outputs"
<Directory "/tmp/wps_outputs/">
    Options Indexes MultiViews FollowSymLinks
    AllowOverride None
</Directory>

<Location "/sarmes2">
    AuthType Basic
    AuthName "sac"
    AuthUserFile /etc/apache2/dims.passwd
    Require valid-user
</Location>

ErrorLog /var/log/apache2/error.log

# Possible values include: debug, info, notice, warn, error, crit,
# alert, emerg.
LogLevel warn

CustomLog /var/log/apache2/access.log combined
ServerSignature On

# For webmapping
Alias /tmp/ "/tmp/ms_tmp/"
# For munin server monitoring
Alias /munin/ "/var/www/munin/"

# Reverse proxy to the ordering service on dims
ProxyRequests Off

<Proxy *>
Order deny,allow
Allow from all
</Proxy>

ProxyPass /os4eo http://196.35.94.248:8080/hma/ordering
ProxyPassReverse /os4eo http://196.35.94.248:8080/hma/ordering

</VirtualHost>

```

6.9 Proxying Ordering Service Requests

The ordering service on jackal is not a publicly accessible server so we proxy access to it via lion.

```

sudo apt-get install libapache2-mod-proxy-html
sudo a2enmod proxy_http proxy_html headers

```

Now add proxy config to 000-default

```

# Reverse proxy to the ordering service on dims
ProxyRequests Off

<Proxy *>
Order deny,allow
Allow from all
</Proxy>

ProxyPass /os4eo http://196.35.94.248:8080/hma/ordering
ProxyPassReverse /os4eo http://196.35.94.248:8080/hma/ordering

```

6.10 Fibrecat storage arrays config

6.10.1 Catalogue Storage 1

IP Address: 192.168.1.142

Rack Position: **Upper** device as you look at the rack
 A WWN: 207000c0ff03a2c3 196.35.94.142 Catalogue Storage

```
RAID Controller B      Yes      Failed System Detected Failure      862821-0743MV00AK      Down
"cataloguestorage" Volume Information
Number Name          LUN      Size (Mbytes)
1      cataloguestorage1 0        15002850

Status Size (GB)      Manufacturer Model:Revision      Node WWN Serial Number      Chan:LoopID Port0 Port1      Enclosure
Up      1500.30GB      ATA        ST31500341AS      WWN:5000c5001120e443      SN:9V51CC29      0:11      ----
```

6.10.2 Catalogue Storage 2 (old Sarmes Storage)

IP Address: 192.168.1.141
 A WWN: 207000c0ff0a66c8 196.35.94.141 Sarmes Storage
 Rack Position: **Lower** device as you look at the rack

6.10.3 Lion configuration as fibreCAT client

```
timlinux@lion:~$ dmesg | grep scsi
[ 1.505180] scsi0 : ata_piix
[ 1.505252] scsi1 : ata_piix
[ 1.506339] scsi2 : ata_piix
[ 1.506396] scsi3 : ata_piix
[ 1.809264] scsi 2:0:0:0: Direct-Access ATA ST3750640NS n/a PQ: 0 ANSI: 5
[ 1.809395] sd 2:0:0:0: Attached scsi generic sg0 type 0
[ 1.813674] scsi 3:0:0:0: Direct-Access ATA ST3750640NS n/a PQ: 0 ANSI: 5
[ 1.813810] sd 3:0:0:0: Attached scsi generic sg1 type 0
[ 2.271356] scsi4 : qla2xxx
[ 2.630121] scsi5 : qla2xxx
[ 3.602342] scsi 4:0:0:0: Enclosure FSC FibreCAT_SX1 J200 PQ: 0 ANSI: 4
[ 3.603234] scsi 4:0:1:0: Enclosure FSC FibreCAT_SX1 J200 PQ: 0 ANSI: 4
[ 3.610832] scsi 4:0:0:0: Attached scsi generic sg2 type 13
[ 3.610957] scsi 4:0:1:0: Attached scsi generic sg3 type 13
[ 3.962310] scsi 5:0:0:0: Direct-Access FSC FibreCAT_SX1 J110 PQ: 0 ANSI: 3
[ 3.963175] scsi 5:0:1:0: Enclosure FSC FibreCAT_SX1 J110 PQ: 0 ANSI: 3
[ 3.972099] sd 5:0:0:0: Attached scsi generic sg4 type 0
[ 3.972210] ses 5:0:1:0: Attached scsi generic sg5 type 13
```

7 Informix SPOT Catalogue Notes

7.1 Accessing the server

```
ssh 196.35.94.210 -l informix
```

Interactive database access:

```
dbaccess
```

7.2 Command line batch processing

Add some sql commands to a text file:

```
vim /tmp/tim.sql
```

Some commands:

```
select geo_time_info from ers_view;
```

Save and run, redirecting output to another text file:

```
dbaccess catalogue < /tmp/tim.sql >> /tmp/tim.out
```

7.3 Command line processing using echo

Handy for quickly running once off commands or from bash scripts.

```
echo "select * from t_file_types" | dbaccess catalogue
```

7.4 Changing geotype to wkt

For batch export to the django catalogue the geometries need to be exported as wkt (well known text) which is not the type used internally for the spot catalogue.

```
echo "update GeoParam set value = 0 where id =3;" | dbaccess catalogue
```

7.5 Reverting geotype to informix format

To set geometry output back to informix representation and restoring normal catalogue functioning do:

```
echo "update GeoParam set value = 4 where id =3;" | dbaccess catalogue
```

7.6 Connecting to the database using python

Download the InformixDB driver for python from:

```
http://sourceforge.net/project/showfiles.php?group_id=136134
```

And the Informix client sdk from:

```
http://www14.software.ibm.com/webapp/download/preconfig.jsp?id=2007-04-19+14%3A08%3A41.173257R&S_TACT=104CBW71&S_CMP=
```

If the above link doesn't work for you (it seems to contain a session id), go to the

```
http://www14.software.ibm.com
```

website and search for

```
3.50.UC4
```

using the search box near the top right of the page. Downloading requires an IBM id etc. which you can sign up for if you don't have one.

Note: You will need to get the appropriate download for your processor type. For Lion, which is running ubuntu server x86_64, I downloaded the sdb bundle called:

```
IBM Informix Client SDK V3.50.FC4 for Linux (x86) RHEL 4, 64bit  
clientsdk.3.50.FC4DE.LINUX.tar (72MB)
```

Note 2: Even though it says Red Hat Enterprise Edition (RHEL) you can use it on ubuntu servers too. After you have downloaded the client sdk do the following to install (below is a log of my install process).

```

sudo adduser informix
Adding user 'informix' ...
Adding new group 'informix' (1003) ...
Adding new user 'informix' (1003) with group 'informix' ...
Creating home directory '/home/informix' ...
Copying files from '/etc/skel' ...
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for informix
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
Full Name []: Informix
Room Number []:
Work Phone []:
Home Phone []:
Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n] Y
[linfinity:timlinux:DownloadDirector] sudo ./installclientsdk

```

```

      Initializing InstallShield Wizard.....
      Launching InstallShield Wizard.....

```

```

-----
Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50

```

```

The InstallShield Wizard will install IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50 on
your computer.
To continue, choose Next.

```

```

IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50
IBM Corporation
http://www.ibm.com

```

```

Press 1 for Next, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

```

```

-----
      International License Agreement for Non-Warranted Programs

```

```

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      YOU AGREE TO THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT. IF YOU ARE ACCEPTING THESE
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the agreement, "2" to decline it or "99" to go back to the previous screen, "3"
Print.

```

```

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```

```

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

```

```

-----
IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50 Install Location

```

```

Please specify a directory or press Enter to accept the default directory.

```

```

Directory Name: [/opt/IBM/informix] /usr/informix

```

```

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

```

```

-----
Choose the setup type that best suits your needs.

```

```
[X] 1 - Typical
    The program will be installed with the suggested configuration.
    Recommended for most users.

[ ] 2 - Custom
    The program will be installed with the features you choose.
    Recommended for advanced users.
```

To select an item enter its number, or 0 when you are finished: [0]

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

```
-----
IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50 will be installed in the following
location:
```

/usr/informix

with the following features:

```
Client
Messages
Global Language Support (GLS)
```

for a total size:

91.8 MB

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

Installing IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50. Please wait...

```
|-----|-----|-----|
0%       25%     50%     75%    100%
|||||
```

```
Creating uninstaller...
Performing GSKit installation for Linux ...
```

```
Branding Files ...
Installing directory .
Installing directory etc
Installing directory bin
Installing directory lib
Installing directory lib/client
Installing directory lib/client/csm
Installing directory lib/esql
Installing directory lib/dmi
Installing directory lib/c++
Installing directory lib/cli
Installing directory release
Installing directory release/en_us
Installing directory release/en_us/0333
Installing directory incl
Installing directory incl/esql
Installing directory incl/dmi
Installing directory incl/c++
Installing directory incl/cli
Installing directory demo
Installing directory demo/esqlc
Installing directory demo/c++
Installing directory demo/cli
Installing directory doc
Installing directory doc/gls_api
Installing directory doc/gls_api/en_us
Installing directory doc/gls_api/en_us/0333
Installing directory tmp
Installing directory gsk
Installing directory gsk/client
Installing directory gskit
Installing directory gsk
Installing directory gsk/client
```

```
IBM Informix Product:      IBM INFORMIX-Client SDK
Installation Directory: /usr/informix
```

Performing root portion of installation of IBM INFORMIX-Client SDK...

Installation of IBM INFORMIX-Client SDK complete.


```

Installing directory etc
Installing directory gls
Installing directory gls/cm3
Installing directory gls/cv9
Installing directory gls/dll
Installing directory gls/etc
Installing directory gls/lc11
Installing directory gls/lc11/cs_cz
Installing directory gls/lc11/da_dk
Installing directory gls/lc11/de_at
Installing directory gls/lc11/de_ch
Installing directory gls/lc11/de_de
Installing directory gls/lc11/en_au
Installing directory gls/lc11/en_gb
Installing directory gls/lc11/en_us
Installing directory gls/lc11/es_es
Installing directory gls/lc11/fi_fi
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_be
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_ca
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_ch
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_fr
Installing directory gls/lc11/is_is
Installing directory gls/lc11/it_it
Installing directory gls/lc11/ja_jp
Installing directory gls/lc11/ko_kr
Installing directory gls/lc11/nl_be
Installing directory gls/lc11/nl_nl
Installing directory gls/lc11/no_no
Installing directory gls/lc11/os
Installing directory gls/lc11/pl_pl
Installing directory gls/lc11/pt_br
Installing directory gls/lc11/pt_pt
Installing directory gls/lc11/ru_ru
Installing directory gls/lc11/sk_sk
Installing directory gls/lc11/sv_se
Installing directory gls/lc11/th_th
Installing directory gls/lc11/zh_cn
Installing directory gls/lc11/zh_tw

IBM Informix Product:      Gls
Installation Directory: /usr/informix

Performing root portion of installation of Gls...

Installation of Gls complete.

Installing directory etc
Installing directory msg
Installing directory msg/en_us
Installing directory msg/en_us/0333

IBM Informix Product:      messages
Installation Directory: /usr/informix

Performing root portion of installation of messages...

Installation of messages complete.

-----
The InstallShield Wizard has successfully installed IBM Informix Client-SDK
Version 3.50. Choose Finish to exit the wizard.

Press 3 to Finish or 4 to Redisplay [3]

```

Note that trying to install it to another directory other than /usr/informix will cause the db adapter build to fail (and various other issues). So dont accept the default of /opt/IBM/informix and rather use /usr/informix

Now build the python informix db adapter:

```

cd /tmp/InformixDB-2.5
python setup.py build_ext
sudo python setup.py install

```

Now ensure the informix libs are in your lib search path:

```
sudo vim /etc/ld.so.conf
```

And add the following line:

```
/usr/informix/lib/  
/usr/informix/lib/esql
```

Then do

```
sudo ldconfig
```

7.7 Making a simple python test

First you need to add a line to informix's sqlhosts file:

```
sudo vim /usr/informix/etc/sqlhosts
```

And add a line that looks like this:

```
#catalog2 added by Tim  
#name, protocol, ip, port  
catalog2      onsoctcp      196.35.94.210  1537
```

Next you need to export the INFORMIXSERVER environment var:

```
export INFORMIXSERVER=catalog2
```

I found out that it is running on port 1537 by consulting the /etc/services file on the informix server. Now lets try our test connection. This little script will make a quick test connection so you can see if its working:

```
#!/usr/bin/python  
  
import sys  
import informixdb # import the InformixDB module  
  
# -----  
# open connection to database 'stores'  
# -----  
conn = informixdb.connect('catalogue@catalog2', user='informix', password='')  
  
# -----  
# allocate cursor and execute select  
# -----  
cursor1 = conn.cursor(rowformat = informixdb.ROW_AS_DICT)  
cursor1.execute('select * from t_file_types')  
  
for row in cursor1:  
  
    # -----  
    # delete row if column 'code' begins with 'C'  
    # -----  
    print "%s %s" % (row['id'], row['file_type_name'])  
# -----  
# commit transaction and close connection  
# -----  
conn.close()  
  
sys.exit(0);
```

Note that the documentation for the python InformixDB module is available here:

```
http://informixdb.sourceforge.net/manual.html
```

And the documentation for the Informix SQL implementation is here:

```
http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/idshelp/v10
```

7.8 WKT representation of GeoObjects

Informix uses its own representation of geometry objects. There are two extensions for informix that deal with spatial data : Geodetic and Spatial. It seems we have only geodetic extension at SAC and thus can't use ST_foo functions to work with geometry fields. For Geodetic we need to alter a value in the GeoParam table in order to change what formats are output / input. From the manual:

Converting Geodetic to/from OpenGIS Formats

Geodetic does not use functions to convert data to a specific format.

Instead, the GeoParam metadata table manages the data format for transmitting data between client and server. If the "data format" parameter is set to "OGC", then binary i/o is in WKB format and text i/o is in WKT format. (For specific details, see Chapter 7 in the Informix Geodetic DataBlade Module User's Guide).

You can override the representation type that should be returned so that you get e.g. WKT back instead. Consider this example:

```
-- set output format to 3
update GeoParam set value = 4 where id =3;
-- show what the format is set to now
select * from GeoParam where id = 3;
-- display a simple polygon
select first 1 geo_time_info from t_localization;
-- revert it to informix representation
update GeoParam set value = 0 where id =3;
-- display the polygon back in native informix representation
select first 1 geo_time_info from t_localization;
--verify that the format is reverted correctly
select * from GeoParam where id = 3;
```

Which produces output like this:

```
id      3
name    data format
value   4
remarks This parameter controls the external text & binary format of GeoObject
        s. It is not documented in the 3.0 version of the user's guide. See
        release notes for more info.

geo_time_info POLYGON((28.73 -15.35, 28.969999 -13.79, 27.34 -13.55, 27.1 -15.
                  11, 28.73 -15.35))

geo_time_info GeoPolygon(((((-15.35,28.73),(-13.79,28.969999),(-13.55,27.34),(-
                  15.11,27.1))),ANY,(1987-04-26 07:34:45.639,1987-04-26 07:34:45.6
                  39))

id      3
name    data format
value   0
remarks This parameter controls the external text & binary format of GeoObject
        s. It is not documented in the 3.0 version of the user's guide. See
        release notes for more info.
```

7.9 When things go wrong on the informix server

7.9.1 Record Lock Issues

If the client does not cleanly disconnect it can leave records locked. You may see a message like this from dbaccess when trying to do an interactive query:

```
244: Could not do a physical-order read to fetch next row.
107: ISAM error: record is locked.
```

There are probably solutions that are better than this, but the most robust way of dealing with the issue is to restart the informix database:

```
ssh informix@informix
cd /home/informix/bin
onmode -k
```

You will then get prompted like this:

```
This will take Informix Dynamic Server 2000 OFF-LINE -
Do you wish to continue (y/n)? y
```

```
There are 1 user threads that will be killed.
Do you wish to continue (y/n)? y
```

Afterwards, you can bring up the database like this:

```
oninit
```

The record locks should have been cleared at this point.

7.9.2 DBAccess Unresponsive

Collect diagnostics:

```
[101] catalog2:/home/informix> onstat -V Informix Dynamic Server 2000 Version
9.21.UC4 Software Serial Number AAD#J130440
```

```
[101] catalog2:/home/informix> onstat -a
```

Sent above and online.log to "Sergio Folco" <sergio.folco.GW-EMI@acsys.it> for diagnostics.

I have stored the logs for issues dating from 7 Jan 2009 in svn under informix_errors/

Following response from ACS, I added a cronjob to do a nightly analyse on the database:

```
ssh informix@informix
crontab -l
[101] catalog2:/home/informix> crontab -l
no crontab for informix
```

So now we make a little bash script:

```
#!/bin/bash

# A simple bash script to be invoked by CRON on a nightly basis
# To enable add to your crontab like so:
#
# -----
#
# Run informix stats update nightly to keep responsiveness good
# Job will run 5 min after midnight
# 5 0 * * * /home/informix/nightly_cron.sh
#
# -----
#
# Actual script follows:
#
# Tim Sutton, May 2009
#

# Update the db stats on a nightly basis:

date >> /tmp/informix_stats_update_cron_log.txt
echo "Nightly stats update running" >> /tmp/informix_stats_update_cron_log.txt
echo "update statistics high;" | dbaccess catalogue >> /tmp/informix_stats_update_cron_log.txt
```

And then set up a nightly cronjob to run it:

```
crontab -e
```

Now add this:

```
# Added by Tim for others to see how crontab works
## * * * * * command to be executed
#- - - - -
#| | | | |
#| | | | +----- day of week (0 - 6) (Sunday=0)
#| | | | +----- month (1 - 12)
#| | | +----- day of month (1 - 31)
#| | +----- hour (0 - 23)
#+----- min (0 - 59)

# Run a test command every minute to see if crontab is working nicely
# comment out when done testing
##/1 * * * * date >> /tmp/date.txt

# Run informix stats update nightly to keep responsiveness good
# Job will run 5 min after midnight
5 0 * * * /home/informix/nightly_cron.sh
```

7.10 File System

```
root@informix's password:
Last login: Tue Sep  9 12:57:53 2008 from :0
[root@catalog2 /root]# mount
/dev/sda6 on / type ext2 (rw)
none on /proc type proc (rw)
usbdevfs on /proc/bus/usb type usbdevfs (rw)
/dev/sda2 on /boot type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda10 on /home type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda8 on /tmp type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda5 on /usr type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda9 on /var type ext2 (rw)
none on /dev/pts type devpts (rw,gid=5,mode=620)
/dev/sdb1 on /mnt/disk1 type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sdc1 on /mnt/disk2 type ext2 (rw)
automount(pid458) on /misc type autofs (rw,fd=5,pgrep=458,minproto=2,maxproto=3)
```

7.11 Schema dump of informix databases

Its useful to be able to see the schema of databases so you can understand how it was put together. The following command will dump the catalogue2 (SAC Production database) schema to a text file. **Note:** No data is dumped in this process.

```
dbschema -t all -d catalogue catalogue_schema.sql
```

7.12 Listing system and user functions

To see what functions are installed in the database do:

```
select procname from sysprocedures;
```

To see full details of a function:

```
select * from sysprocedures where procname="lotofile";
```

7.13 Problems running functions

If you try to run a function that you know exists, but you get an error message like this:

```
_informixdb.DatabaseError: SQLCODE -674 in PREPARE:
IX000: Routine (lotofile) can not be resolved.
```

It probably means you passed the incorrect number or type of parameters to the function.

8 Setup Procedure for Fibrecat SX60 Storage arrays

8.1 Hardware preparation

As root / sudo edit the /etc/fstab and disable the storage array at boot. To do this change this line:

```
UUID=3bdda6ae-3195-47b0-955e-278b5ed51da5 /data ext3 auto,nouser,noexec,nosuid,rw 1 2
```

to look like this:

```
#UUID=3bdda6ae-3195-47b0-955e-278b5ed51da5 /data ext3 auto,nouser,noexec,nosuid,rw 1 2
```

The host system was powered off:

```
sudo /sbin/halt
```

The fibrecat system was powered off (note that it has redundant power supplies and both must be powered off).

All drives were then removed and their relative positions and serial numbers were recorded.

The drives were then removed from their caddies and replacement 1.5TB drives were inserted in their place.

After all the replacement drives were inserted, the storage array was powered up again and the system restarted.

We checked that all drives came up properly and no warning lights were displayed.

8.2 Configure the storage array in the web admin interface

The array is configured using a web control panel at

```
http://196.35.94.141
```

To login use _____ for username and _____ for password.

Next we had to create a virtual disk - removing the old drives destroys any pre-existing vdisks.

- Click on the **manage** link on the left and then choose **create a vdisk**
- Next choose **Manual Virtual Disk Creation**

- Enter 'sarmesstorage' in the **Enter Virtual Disk Name** box
- For **Select Virtual Disk RAID Level** choose 'Raid 5 - Parity RAID, Parity Distributed'
- Click next to proceed onto disk creation
- Tick all the drives in the enclosure diagram except for the last
- Calculate Formatted Virtual Disk Size of Selected Drives - click this button and verify output is something like that shown below here 'For a RAID Level 5, your selected drives will approximately yield a 15.00 TByte final virtual disk capacity.'
- For the tickbox **Would you like to add dedicated spare drives for this virtual disk?**, choose Yes
- Click continue
- All the drive bays save the last should now be shown in blue.
- Tick the remaining green bay and then click 'continue' next to the **Add Selected Dedicated Spare Drives to "sarmesstorage" and Continue Creating Virtual Disk:** prompt.

At this stage you will be shown a report that should look something like this:

```
Virtual Disk Name:  sarmesstorage
RAID Level:        5
Virtual Disk Size:  201644.88 GBytes
Drives Chosen:
Serial Number  WWN      Size (GBytes)  Encl.Slot
9VS1J496      5000C50011343DE3  1500.30       0.0
9VS1E8SL      5000C50011229530  1500.30       0.1
9VS1BWB5      5000C5001115F067  1500.30       0.2
9VS1BM5F      5000C5001111301C  1500.30       0.3
9VS1E0WR      5000C500111FC913  1500.30       0.4
9VS1HZ5M      5000C500113537B4  1500.30       0.5
9VS1FWXT      5000C500112BCEA2  1500.30       0.6
9VS1GH9V      5000C500113036EE  1500.30       0.7
9VS1GZMH      5000C5001130D35D  1500.30       0.8
9VS1H6A0      5000C50011353891  1500.30       0.9
9VS1FY6B      5000C500112C210C  1500.30       0.10
Dedicated Spare Drives Chosen:
Serial Number  WWN      Size (GBytes)
9VS1H76L      5000C50011353C6C  1500.30
Virtual Disk Initialization:  Online
```

Now we can proceed to set up partitions ('Volumes') on the virtual disk.

```
Configure Volumes for Virtual Disk sarmesstorage
How Many Volumes      : 1
Create Volumes of Equal Size?
Yes
Expose Volumes to All Hosts?
No
Automatically Assign LUNs?
Disabled
Would You Like to Name Your Volumes?
No
Advanced Virtual Disk Creation Options  Advanced Options - not used
```

Click 'Create virtual disk' A progress page will appear. Note that the process will take a loooooong time!

Note: It took 3 or 4 days to build the virtual device with 1.5TB disks.

After the virtual disk is built, you need to create a volume mapping.

The volume mapping associates a fibre channel LUN connector to the volume.

In the managment web UI, click: Manage -> volume mapping -> map hosts to volumre.

For the sarmes machine we used the following configuration:

Current Host-Volume Relationships

WWN	Host Name	LUN	Port 0 Access	Port 1 Access
10000000C96DABE6	Sarmes1_Port0	0	rw	rw
10000000C961BB34	Sarmes1_Port1	1	rw	rw
All Other Hosts		None	none	none

Note You probably only need to map one WWN / Host / Lun - we think you only need to map Sarmes1_port1 to 10000000C961BB34 but you will need to test experimentally to be sure.

After making these config changes, reboot the sarmes server.

Watch the boot messages or check

dmesg

You should see a new device listed like this:

```
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Very big device. Trying to use READ CAPACITY(16).
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] 29302441984 512-byte hardware sectors (15002850 MB)
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Write Protect is off
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Mode Sense: 93 00 00 08
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Write cache: enabled, read cache: enabled, doesn't support DPO or FUA
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Very big device. Trying to use READ CAPACITY(16).
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] 29302441984 512-byte hardware sectors (15002850 MB)
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Write Protect is off
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Mode Sense: 93 00 00 08
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Write cache: enabled, read cache: enabled, doesn't support DPO or FUA
sd: unknown partition table
sd 1:0:0:0: [sd] Attached SCSI disk
```

You can see the drive came up as sdc. It pushes the previous sdc drive down to sdd. This is not a problem though since the /etc/fstab uses UUIDs to reference partitions.

Next you can verify this using fdisk:

```
sudo /sbin/fdisk -l /dev/sdc

Disk /dev/sdc: 15002.8 GB, 15002850295808 bytes
255 heads, 63 sectors/track, 1823992 cylinders
Units = cylinders of 16065 * 512 = 8225280 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x00000000

Disk /dev/sdc doesn't contain a valid partition table
```

By default a DOS partition table is used on new devices and by fdisk. One major limitation of this is that it does not support partition sizes greater than 2TB, meaning that most of your large disk device will be inaccessible!

There are two ways two resolve this - using a raw xfs partition (as we have done on SARMES), or using the GPT partition table scheme as we have done on LION).

8.3 Partitioning option 1: Raw xfs filesystem

Lets first look at / check the partition table on this device:

```
sudo /sbin/fdisk /dev/sdc

sudo /sbin/fdisk /dev/sdc
Device contains neither a valid DOS partition table, nor Sun, SGI or OSF disklabel
Building a new DOS disklabel with disk identifier 0x5ae412a5.
Changes will remain in memory only, until you decide to write them.
After that, of course, the previous content won't be recoverable.

The number of cylinders for this disk is set to 1823992.
There is nothing wrong with that, but this is larger than 1024,
and could in certain setups cause problems with:
1) software that runs at boot time (e.g., old versions of LIL0)
2) booting and partitioning software from other OSs
   (e.g., DOS FDISK, OS/2 FDISK)
Warning: invalid flag 0x0000 of partition table 4 will be corrected by w(rite)

Command (m for help): p

Disk /dev/sdc: 15002.8 GB, 15002850295808 bytes
255 heads, 63 sectors/track, 1823992 cylinders
Units = cylinders of 16065 * 512 = 8225280 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x5ae412a5

Device Boot      Start         End      Blocks   Id  System
Command (m for help): n
Command action
e   extended
p   primary partition (1-4)
p
Partition number (1-4): 1
First cylinder (1-1823992, default 1):
Using default value 1
Last cylinder or +size or +sizeM or +sizeK (1-267349, default 267349):
Using default value 267349

Command (m for help): w
The partition table has been altered!

Calling ioctl() to re-read partition table.
Syncing disks.
```

Note: We have left the disk unpartitioned. Doing this is required because when partitioning we found that a max of 2TB were allocated. Since xfs supports using a raw unpartitioned disk, we are taking this route.

Now we have one BIG 15TB partition but no filesystem yet. We will format the partition with xfs:

```
sudo /sbin/mkfs.xfs -L "xfsdata" /dev/sdc
```

After its done it will show some statistics.

```
/sbin/mkfs.xfs -L "xfsdata" -f /dev/sdc
meta-data=/dev/sdc          isize=256    agcount=14, agsize=268435455 blks
=                               sectsz=512   attr=2
data      =                bsize=4096   blocks=3662805248, imaxpct=5
=                               sunit=0     swidth=0 blks
naming    =version 2        bsize=4096
log       =internal log    bsize=4096   blocks=32768, version=2
=                               sectsz=512   sunit=0 blks, lazy-count=0
realtime  =none            extsz=4096   blocks=0, rtextents=0
```

Now find out its UUID:

```
sudo /sbin/blkid
```

Now add an entry to `/etc/fstab`:

```
/dev/sdc /data2 xfs auto,noexec,nosuid,nouser,rw 1 2
```

Note: We are not using a UUID for this device since SUSE seems to not be able to find xfs non partitioned disks at boot up by their UUID!!!

At time of writing this, the complete `fstab` looked like this (note lines starting with `#` are comments):

```
#swap 1
UUID=d5b38bbe-7544-44d4-94cd-e34d2e96c7c4 none swap sw 0 0
#swap 2
UUID=d076d65e-9de1-4bd8-a83f-a86f966d6642 none swap sw 0 0
#UUID= swap swap defaults 0 0
UUID=3829d9de-ae4d-4d37-8dac-6ff9adbb8da4 / ext3 acl,user_xattr 1 1
UUID=8b9e0e92-a923-4918-8344-1582819f3480 /tmp ext3 acl,user_xattr 1 2
proc /proc proc defaults 0 0
sysfs /sys sysfs noauto 0 0
debugfs /sys/kernel/debug debugfs noauto 0 0
usbfs /proc/bus/usb usbfs noauto 0 0
devpts /dev/pts devpts mode=0620,gid=5 0 0
# Note we wanted to use umask here but xfs does not seem to support it!
##UUID=bb5379a1-91e6-4345-9592-4214a74c8e12 /data xfs auto,noexec,nosuid,nouser,rw 1 2
#UUID=3bdda6ae-3195-47b0-955e-278b5ed51da5 /data ext3 auto,nouser,noexec,nosuid,rw 1 2
/dev/sdc /data2 xfs auto,noexec,nosuid,nouser,rw 1 2
# Old data2 storage array:
#UUID=a9154619-2a3d-4d9f-8316-047dc539550e /data2 xfs auto,noexec,nosuid,nouser,rw 1 2
196.35.94.195:/mnt/data1/EOSC/EOSC /IRMES nfs auto,nouser,noexec,nosuid,rw 0 0
#smb://eouser@sac-msd01/eosc/IRMES
#//196.35.94.195/eosc/ /IRMES cifs user,credentials=/etc/samba_credentials,uid=eouser,gid=EOSC,file_mode=0770,dir_mode=0770 0 0

# output from /sbin/blkid (do not uncomment any of these lines):
#/dev/sda1: TYPE="swap" LABEL="swap1" UUID="d5b38bbe-7544-44d4-94cd-e34d2e96c7c4"
#/dev/sda2: LABEL="slash" UUID="3829d9de-ae4d-4d37-8dac-6ff9adbb8da4" TYPE="ext3"
#/dev/sdb1: TYPE="swap" LABEL="swap2" UUID="d076d65e-9de1-4bd8-a83f-a86f966d6642"
#/dev/sdb2: LABEL="tmp" UUID="8b9e0e92-a923-4918-8344-1582819f3480" TYPE="ext3"
#/dev/dm-0: UUID="a9154619-2a3d-4d9f-8316-047dc539550e" TYPE="xfs"
#/dev/sdd: UUID="Vg1MI3-GHBJ-mcyI-BNRn-c5nP-MbgJ-pPWkVI" TYPE="lvm2pv"
#/dev/sdc: UUID="" TYPE="ext3" SEC_TYPE="ext2"
```

Now reboot the system and the `sdc` should be activated. In the example above we returned the drive it replaced by commenting it out. We plan to remove `/dev/dm-0` after the upgrade is done.

8.4 Partitioning option 2: Creating a large filesystem using GPT

For newer systems we want to use `ext4` on a large (non raw) filesystem. The kernel must have been compiled with GPT support (it is by default under UBUNTU Jaunty Server Edition ≥ 9.04). In addition, we need to use **parted** (the command line version of `gparted`) to format the disk and create the GPT partition table.

In Linux parlance, determining the partition table type is called 'setting the disk label'. In the console transcripts that follow we will set the disk label to GPT, create a large single partition and then format and mount the drive. Once this has been completed, we will use a similar procedure as described above to add an `fstab` entry so that the volume is mounted at boot time.

This is the procedure I used to create a large `ext4` partition using `parted`:

```
(parted) unit s
(parted) print
Model: FSC FibreCAT_SX1 (scsi)
Disk /dev/sdc: 29302441984s
Sector size (logical/physical): 512B/512B
Partition Table: gpt
```

```

Number  Start  End  Size  File system  Name  Flags

(parted) mkpart
Partition name? []? cataloguestorage2
File system type? [ext2]? ext4
Start? 34
End? 29302441950
Warning: The resulting partition is not properly aligned for best performance.
Ignore/Cancel? cancel
(parted) mkpart cataloguestorage2 ext4 1 -1
Warning: You requested a partition from 1s to 29302441983s.
The closest location we can manage is 34s to 29302441950s.
Is this still acceptable to you?
Yes/No? yes
Warning: The resulting partition is not properly aligned for best performance.
Ignore/Cancel? Ignore
(parted) p
Model: FSC FibreCAT_SX1 (scsi)
Disk /dev/sdc: 29302441984s
Sector size (logical/physical): 512B/512B
Partition Table: gpt

Number  Start  End  Size  File system  Name  Flags
1       34s   29302441950s  29302441917s          cataloguestorage2

```

The process sets the drive units to sectors, then creates a new partition leaving 34sectors at the start of the drive.

Now exit parted and create the filesystem:

```
sudo mkfs.ext4 /dev/sdc1
```

Note it will take a little while to process. Finally add a new mount point for the partition and mount it.

```
mkdir /mnt/cataloguestorage2
```

Add an entry to /etc/fstab:

```
/dev/sdc1 /mnt/cataloguestorage2      ext4    relatime,errors=remount-ro    0    2
```

9 Backup systems

A number of backups are in place but it should be noted that there is cohesive disaster recovery plan and system in place. In particular, there are no full system images, there are no offsite backups and the ~26TB of online storage connected to LION are not backed up. This document describes those backup systems that are in place and that should be checked etc.

We strongly recommend a complete disaster recovery solution be implemented.

9.1 Nightly database dumps

9.2 Nightly Clone of sac live to sac-test

9.3 Nightly thumbs rsync

A duplicate tree of the catalogue thumbnails is stored on cheetah / cxfs at:

```
/cxfs/backups/lion/thumbnails_master_copy/
```

This tree is updated nightly via a cronjob running as the root user on cheetah. The script for the cron job is listed below:

```
cd /cxfs/backups/lion/thumbnails_master_copy/  
rsync -ave ssh lion:/mnt/cataloguestorage/thumbnails_master_copy/. .
```

And the cronjob entry itself looks like this.

Note: For the above to work, the filedrop configuration process must have been followed (described elsewhere in this document)

Note: This backup is a mirror only, there is no rotating backup implemented. SAC/SANSA are responsible to ensure that the cxfs is backed up including this directory if proper long term offsite backups are to be had.

9.4 Nightly products rsync

Currently the online products **are not backed up**. Ultimately there should be no online products store as everything should be in the DIMS product library, and retrieved via the OGC Ordering Services for EO interface to DIMS.

Until such time, we **highly recommend** making a tape facility available so that occasional snapshots can be made.

9.5 Nightly Mapping directory rsync

Currently the mapping data in /mnt/cataloguestorage/data is **not backed up**. This data does not change very often. However it is quite voluminous. We **highly recommend** that SAC should provide access to a tape drive so that occasionally snapshots can be made.

9.6 System backups for Elephant

9.7 System backups for Lion

9.8 Backups pulled to cheetah / cxfs

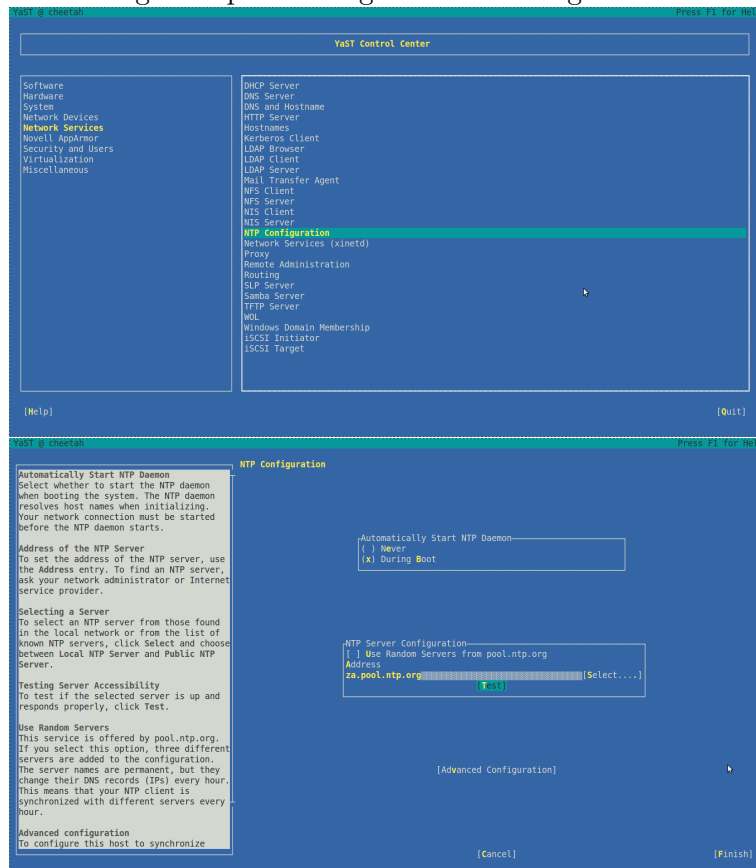
Note: Please see the filedrop chapter which describes how rssh/ssh/filedrop user is set up to allow passwordless scp and rsync operations to be carried out.

9.8.1 Setup NTP

Firstly, you should ensure that the system time on cheetah is kept properly synchronised via ntp:

```
sudo /sbin/yast2
```

Now configure ntp according to the following two screenshots



9.8.2 Install the backup script

On cheetah the script is available at:

```
#!/bin/bash

# This should be run in a cron job nightly by root to
# Pull backups over from LION for the catalogue and GIS databases
# Root needs to have rssh client key for lion configured - see
# Catalogue documentation for details.
#
# You should add an entry like this to root's crontab to run this every night /
# week as you prefer. Note the lion bacup cron job runs at 2:05 am so this
# backup should be timed for some time later.
# e.g.
# Job will run 7:05 am each day
#5 7 * * * /usr/local/bin/sac/fetch_pg_backups
#

cd /cxfs/backups/sql_backups/
MONTH=$(date +%B)
YEAR=$(date +%Y)
mkdir -p $YEAR/$MONTH
cd $YEAR/$MONTH
sudo scp lion:/mnt/cataloguestorage/backups/${YEAR}/${MONTH}/sac_postgis_`date +%d%B%Y`.dmp .
sudo scp lion:/mnt/cataloguestorage/backups/${YEAR}/${MONTH}/gis_postgis_`date +%d%B%Y`.dmp .
```

9.8.3 Add crontab entry

As directed above you should add a crontab entry e.g.:

```
sudo crontab -e
```

And then add this line:

```
# Job will run 7:05 am each day
5 7 * * * /usr/local/bin/sac/fetch_pg_backups
```

10 Installation Guide

10.1 Prepare your system

You need to be running Django $\geq 1.2.1$ for the catalogue to work. Ubuntu Lucid and Debian Lenny ship with older versions so do a manual build. We walk through this setup using the python virtual environment system.

10.1.1 Create working dir

```
cd /opt
mkdir sac
cd sac
```

10.1.2 Setup python virtual environment

We install Python in a virtual environment on Ubuntu and Debian, to be able to install Django 1.2 separate from the "System Python" and avoid conflicts.

If you do not have the Python virtualenv software, get it with:

```
sudo apt-get install python-virtualenv
```

Now, start the Python virtual environment setup. We install Python in the "python" subfolder of the project directory and then activate the virtual environment.

```
virtualenv --no-site-packages python
source python/bin/activate
```

10.1.3 Install some development dependencies

```
sudo apt-get install libpq-dev libpq4 libpqxx-dev
```

Install easy_install so that we can use pip thereafter:

```
easy_install pip
```

10.1.4 Informix DB Support

This is only needed on machines that will be doing updates from the legacy acs system.

You need to have the informix client sdk installed on the machine first.

Then make sure the virtual environment is active:

```
source ../python/bin/activate
```

Then extract the python informix client to tmp and install it into your venv.

```
cd /tmp/  
tar xzf /home/timlinux/Informix/InformixDBPython-2.5.tar.gz  
cd InformixDB-2.5/  
python setup.py build_ext  
python setup.py install
```

10.1.5 GDAL Python Bindings

The gdal python bindings (which are installed using the REQUIREMENTS file in the section that follows) will not compile without swq.h header. On my production servers where I am using a hand-built gdal with ecw support, I copied the aforementioned header into /usr/local/include. The header file is available here:

```
http://svn.osgeo.org/gdal/branches/1.7/gdal/ogr/swq.h
```

10.1.6 Install django and required django apps

To install django, django authentication etc into our virtual environment do:

```
pip install -r sac_catalogue/REQUIREMENTS.txt
```

Then make sure the appropriate settings from.djangodblog in settings.py.templ are deployed in your production settings.py

The full list of packages installed using the REQUIREMENTS file is:

```
#Note 1.2.4 has broken routers / multodb support  
django==1.2.1  
django-registration  
sorl-thumbnail  
django-db-log  
django-debug-toolbar  
django-extensions  
psycopg2  
pill  
gdata  
GDAL  
django-dag  
html5lib==0.90  
reportlab==2.5  
pisa==3.0.33  
pygooglechart==0.3.0  
lxml  
pysqlite
```

10.1.7 Further info on django registration

You may also want to read this:

<http://devdoodles.wordpress.com/2009/02/16/user-authentication-with-django-registration/>
if you want more info on how the registration stuff works.

Note: that you need to log in to the admin area of the site and change the domain name in the sites table from something other than 'example.com', otherwise the registration middleware will send the reminder with an incorrect url.

10.2 Source code Check out

Check out this folder using

```
svn co https://196.35.94.196/svn/trunk/sac_catalogue
cd sac_catalogue
```

Copy settings.py.template to settings.py and then modify settings.py as needed (probably you just need to set the eth adapter and db connection settings).

10.3 Database setup

Create the database using:

```
createlang plpgsql template1
psql template1 < /usr/share/postgresql-8.3-postgis/lwpostgis.sql
psql template1 < /usr/share/postgresql-8.3-postgis/spatial_ref_sys.sql
createdb sac
createdb acs
```

10.3.1 For an empty database:

Sync the model to the db (dont do this is you plan to restore an existing db as explained in the next section):

```
python manage.py syncdb --database=default
```

And if you have the legacy acs catalogue do:

```
python manage.py syncdb --database=acs
```

The django fixtures included with this project should populate the initial database when you run the above command.

10.3.2 Restoring an existing database

Nightly backups are made on lion at:

```
/mnt/cataloguestorage1/backups/YEAR/MONTH/DAY/
```

To restore the backup do:

```
pg_restore sac_postgis_30August2010.dmp | psql sac
pg_restore acs_postgis_30August2010.dmp | psql acs
```


10.4 Setup apache (mod python way)

Note: This will be deprecated in favour of mod_wsgi (see next section)

Make sure you have mod_expires and mod_deflate installed.

The assumption is that you are using name based virtual hosts and that the catalogue will run at the root of such a virtual host. Add to you apache site config:

```
cd apache
cp apache-site-modpy.templ catalogue-modpy
```

Modify as appropriate your closed catalogue-modpy file the source tree then link it to apache.

```
sudo ln -s catalogue-modpy /etc/apache2/sites-available/catalogue-modpy
```

Also do:

```
sudo apt-get install libapache2-mod-python
```

Now deploy the site:

```
sudo a2ensite catalogue-modpy
sudo /etc/init.d/apache reload
```

10.5 Setup apache (mod_wsgi way)

The assumption is that you are using name based virtual hosts and that the catalogue will run at the root of such a virtual host. Add to you apache site config:

Modify as appropriate a copy of the apache-site-wsgi.templ file found in the apache dir in the source tree then link it to apache.

```
cd apache
cp apache-site-wsgi.templ catalogue-wsgi
```

Now create a symlink:

```
sudo ln -s catalogue-wsgi /etc/apache2/sites-available/catalogue-wsgi
```

Also do:

```
sudo apt-get install libapache2-mod-wsgi
```

Now deploy the site:

```
sudo a2ensite catalogue-wsgi
sudo /etc/init.d/apache reload
```

10.6 Copy over the ribbon

There is a ribbon image that displays in the top left corner of the site that is used to convey version numbers etc. Since this may vary from deployment to deployment, you should copy over an appropriate ribbon e.g.:

```
cp media/images/ribbon_template.png media/images/ribbon.png
```

10.7 Install GEOIP data

GeoIP is used to resolve IP addresses to Lon/Lat. This directory needs the GeoIP lite dataset in it:

```
cd geoip_data
wget http://www.maxmind.com/download/geoip/database/GeoLiteCity.dat.gz
gunzip GeoLiteCity.dat.gz
```

10.8 Check settings.py!

Go through settings.py (after first copying it from settings.py.templ if needed) and check all the details are consistent in that file.

10.9 Install proxy.cgi - note this will be deprecated

Some parts of this site use cross site XMLHttpRequests. This is not allowed in the spec (to prevent cross site scripting attacks) so to get around this you need to install a proxy cgi on the django hosting server *if the mapserver instance is on a different physical server*.

```
cd /usr/lib/cgi-bin
sudo wget -O proxy.cgi \
http://trac.openlayers.org/browser/trunk/openlayers/examples/proxy.cgi?format=raw
sudo chmod +x /usr/lib/cgi-bin/proxy.cgi
```

Once you have installed the proxy.cgi you need to configure it to tell it the list of allowed servers it can proxy for. This is to prevent it becoming an open relay on the internet. Edit /usr/lib/cgi-bin/proxy/cgi and change line 18 to look like this:

```
allowedHosts = [ '196.35.94.243','lion', ]
```

I also changed line 32 to look like this:

```
url = fs.getvalue('url', "http://196.35.94.243")
```

so that the default proxy url is our wms server.

See <http://faq.openlayers.org/proxyhost/all/> for more info...

10.10 Creating branches

Note: This section uses svn commands and should be updated to use git equivalents.

When the code gets stabilised to a certain point you should create a branch to mark that stable code base and then deploy it on the live server. To create the branch do e.g.:

```
svn cp https://196.35.94.196/svn/trunk/sac_catalogue \
https://196.35.94.196/svn/branches/catalogue_v1_beta3
```

Where: **v1** = version 1 **beta3** = the current status of that major version

10.11 Backup of the web server

```
sudo dd if=/dev/sdb | ssh definiens4 "dd of=/cxfs/dd_backups/orasac1/orasac1_sdb_$(date +%a%d%b%Y).dd"
sudo dd if=/dev/sda | ssh definiens4 "dd of=/cxfs/dd_backups/orasac1/orasac1_sda_$(date +%a%d%b%Y).dd"
```

10.12 Creation of the ReadOnly db user

This should be done on the database server i.e. elephant

This user is required for mapserver access to some of the tables.

```
sudo su - postgres
createuser -S -D -R -l -P -e readonly
exit
psql sac
grant select on vw_usercart to readonly;
grant select on visit to readonly;
grant select on sensor to readonly;
\q
```

10.13 Optimal database configuration

To support the large number of recs tweak /etc/postgresql/8.3/main/postgresql.conf

```
# Changed by Tim as the sac db required more
max_fsm_pages = 500000
```

Then restart the db

```
sudo /etc/init.d/postgresql restart
```

10.14 set some file permissions

Apache user needs write access in avatars:

```
sudo chgrp www-data media/avatars
sudo chmod g+w media/avatars
```

10.15 ER Diagram

You can generate an ER diagram for the application using the django command extensions:

To generate the graph use:

```
python manage.py graph_models catalogue > docs/catalogue_diagram.dot
cat docs/catalogue_diagram.dot | dot -Tpng -o docs/catalogue_diagram.png ; \
display docs/catalogue_diagram.png
```

10.16 SVN Ignoring files

Please read this:

<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/116074/how-to-ignore-a-directory-with-svn>

so that files that do not belong in svn are not shown in the status list.

10.17 Troubleshooting

10.17.1 settings.py not found

This is usually a symptom that one of the imports withing settings.py failed. Test by doing:

```
python
```

Then at the python prompt do

```
import settings
```

The error you obtain there (if any) will be more descriptive.

11 Running unit tests

A settings file for tests is available as 'settings_test.py' this settings use the faster spatialite instead of createdb.

Note You must enable the virtual environment first:

```
source ../python/bin/activate
```

11.1 Running unit tests using SQLITE backend

Before you can run the tests, you need to make sure you have pysqlite installed:

```
pip install pysqlite
```

It should have been installed during the system setup process already.

Run tests for catalogue app as:

```
$ python manage.py test catalogue --settings=settings_test
```

11.2 Running Unit tests using Postgresql

Alternatively you can use postgresql as the test database backend. Before you can run the tests you should create a template database and set some permissions on it:

```
createdb template_postgis
psql template_postgis
GRANT ALL ON geometry_columns TO PUBLIC;
GRANT ALL ON spatial_ref_sys TO PUBLIC;
\q
```

Now you can run the tests without the settings_test option and they will be executed against an autogenerated PostgreSQL database backend.

```
python manage.py test catalogue
```

12 Catalogue Reporting tools

The catalogue provides numerous interactions for users and is continually being updated with new metadata records. It is useful to produce reports that allow SANSA staff to obtain the pulse of the system. These reports cover 4 main areas:

1. Data holdings
2. Search activities

3. Visitor statistics
4. Order and tasking activities

The reports can be obtained in one of two ways:

1. Visiting the 'staff' area of the web site and selecting from the reports presented there
2. By direct email. Here staff can nominate which reports they wish to receive, and with which frequency they receive them

Note: Only 'staff' members are eligible to receive reports.

Reports sent by email will be in either rich html format, or as pdf attachments.

12.1 Order summaries

12.1.1 Order summary table

The order summary table is accessible from the **Staff -> Orders list** and for individual users from **Popular Links -> My orders**. For individual users, only their own orders will be listed. In all other respects, both tables are the same. The table contains the following headers:

Id	Date	Status	Placed by	View
----	------	--------	-----------	------

When clicked, the headers will set the sort order for the table.

Above the table is a chart which displays total orders by status. For individual users, this chart shows only their own orders.

The summary report link on the summary table will return the user an on-the-fly created order summary report in pdf format as described below.

12.1.2 Order summary report

The order summary report will be sent to nominated users at chose interval of daily, weekly or monthly. It can also be generated on-the-fly from the staff admin interface.

The orders summary report contains the following information:

- How many orders have been created in the reporting month
- How many orders have been closed in the reporting month
- A break down of all open orders by status (accepted etc.)
- A break down of all open orders by age
- A break down of all orders by customer

Format : pdf

12.2 PDF report generation

To generate on-the-fly PDF reports we use **Pisa** <http://www.xhtml2pdf.com> which is an HTML/XHTML/CSS to PDF converter written in Python and based on Reportlab Toolkit, pyPDF, TechGame Networks CSS Library and HTML5lib. This approach doesn't break normal Django application development, as we can use Django Templating engine to prepare HTML for PDF rendering.

Graphs in PDF reports are created using Google Chart API through **pygooglechart** Python library.

12.3 Heatmap preparation

Heatmap is based on a pre-calculated data which allows offline map generation for specific period of time, i.e. last week, last month, last year, etc.

It's based on discovering intersections of user area of interest geometry for each search, with quarter degree grid for the whole world. These intersections are then summarized for each *grid cell* per day.

Heatmap data and rendering is updated by a scheduled background process, which creates required heatmaps.

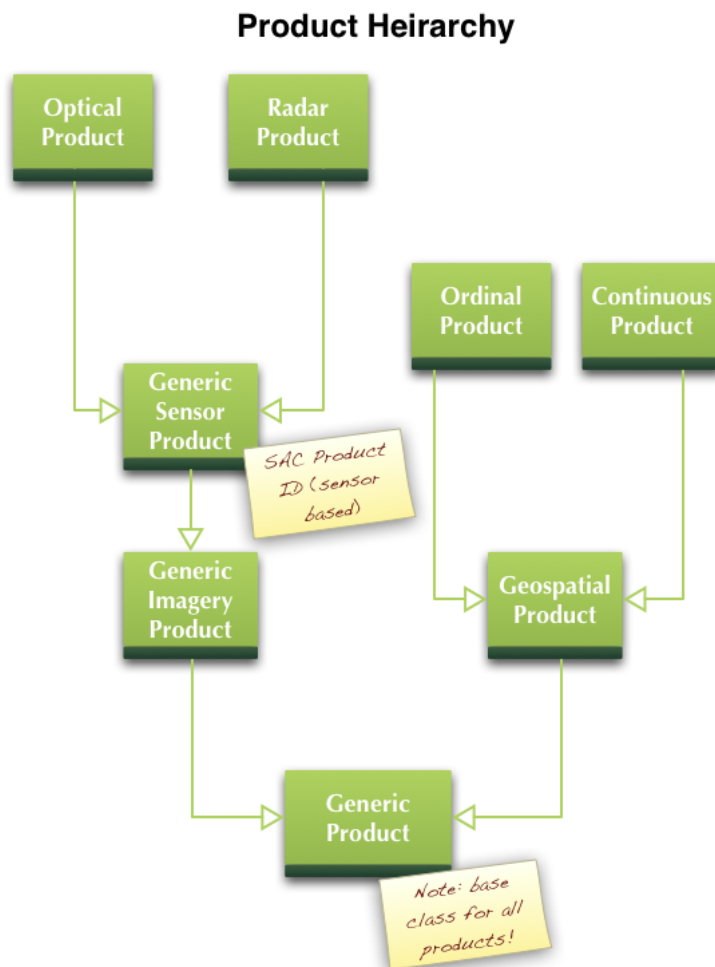
Note: Heatmap visualization can be implemented as OpenLayers Image layer, or as Mapserver WMS layer

13 Catalogue Schema : Products

The working unit of the catalogue is a product. A product can be any of a range of different type of geodata:

- satellite imagery
- processed imagery
- other satellite products e.g. radar data
- derived products e.g. pan sharpened imagery
- composite products (and composite derived products) e.g. mosaics
- vector and raster data of an ordinal nature (where the data is arranged in discrete classes) e.g. landcover maps
- vector and raster data of a continuous nature (where the data are arranged within a numeric scale) e.g. rainfall monitoring points

The catalogue implements a model (see figure below) that caters for these different types of product and tries to deal with them in a consistent way, and groups them in a manner that cross cutting properties and behaviours can be assigned to any given product based on the family of products to which it belongs.



This is the revised schema for version 2 of the online catalogue's product model.

In this chapter we delve into the various subtypes of product and explain the operational rules governing each type.

13.1 Generic Products

Synopsis: Abstract Base Class for all products.

Concrete or Abstract: Abstract (A product must be a subclass of Generic Product)

The generic product is the base class of all products (sensor based or derived / surveyed geospatial data). The purpose of the generic product is to define common properties applicable to **any** product regardless of type. A number of data dictionaries (as described in the next section) are used to ensure data consistency for properties relating to a product.

13.1.1 Generic Product Properties

The following properties are defined for generic products:

Property	Type
product_date	models.DateTimeField
processing_level	models.ForeignKey
owner	models.ForeignKey
license	models.ForeignKey
spatial_coverage	models.PolygonField
projection	models.ForeignKey
quality	models.ForeignKey
creating_software	models.ForeignKey
original_product_id	models.CharField
product_id	models.CharField
product_revision	models.CharField
local_storage_path	models.CharField
metadata	models.TextField
remote_thumbnail_url	models.TextField
concrete	False

Product Date is the generalised date for the product. This may be equivalent to the `product.acquisition.start` of sensor based products, the mid-point between `product.acquisition.start` and `product.acquisition.end` for sensor based products, or an arbitrary date assigned by an operator at point of product ingestion. Product Date is used as the basis for any date-centric search activities in the catalogue.

Processing Level. All products have a descriptor indicating to what level they have been processed. For sensor based products, this level may indicate whether the product has been georeferenced or not. For Generic Spatial Products, it may indicate what kind of analysis was carried out in order to create the product. *see:* dictionaries section below.

Local Storage Path

```
sac=# select local_storage_path from catalogue_genericproduct where local_storage_path is not null limit 5;
local_storage_path
```

```
-----
ZA2/1Ab/2010/5/31/ZA2_MSS_R3B_FMC4_080E_57_026N_47_100531_033947_L1Ab_ORBIT-.tif.bz2
ZA2/1Ab/2010/3/31/ZA2_MSS_R3B_FMC4_176E_47_039S_35_100331_204030_L1Ab_ORBIT-.tif.bz2
```

The path is relative to the `IMAGERY_ROOT` defined in `settings.py` and is in the form:

"mission/processing level/yyyy/m/d/product_id.<file extension>.bz2"

or

"mission/processing level/yyyy/m/d/product_id.<file extension>.tar.bz2" (for multi-file products)

13.1.2 Product ID Naming Scheme

All generic products can be identified by a 'nearly unique' product id. The product id seeks to normalise the naming conventions used by different satellite operators such that a common naming scheme can be universally applied.

The naming scheme used for products depends on where the product falls in the model heirarchy. Each product type (Generic, Imagery, Sensor, Geospatial etc.) can overload the `getSacProductId` method in order to apply model specific logic as to how these product Ids should be assigned.

These will be discussed more fully in the sections that follow.

Since this is an abstract class, it has no direct naming scheme of its own.

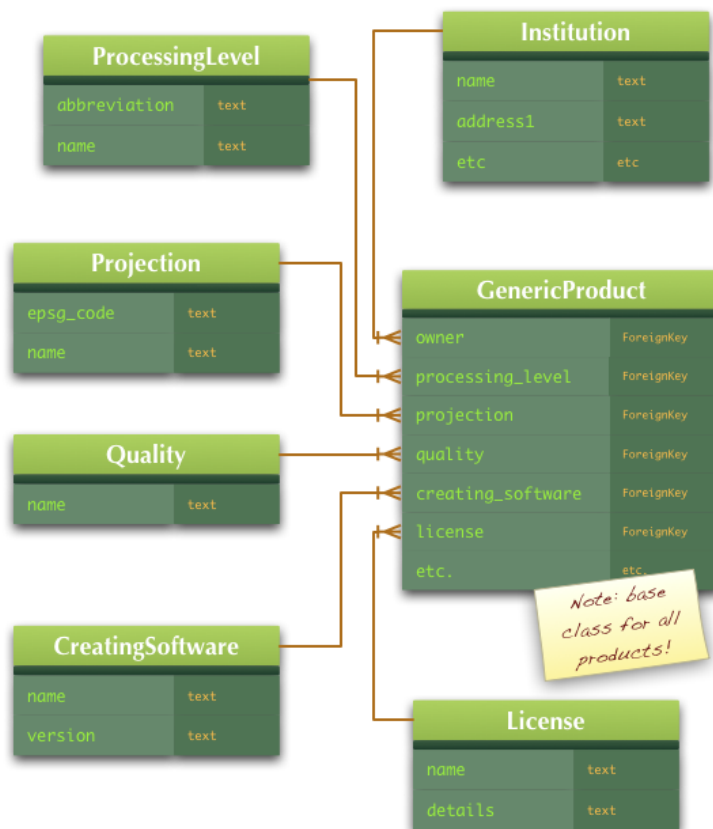
————— **Note:** As per discussion with Wolfgang on 17 Feb 2011, the SAC Product Id will apply only to sensor based products and a different, as yet undefined, identification scheme will be used for GeoSpatial products.

Note: See CDSM naming scheme for vector products.

13.1.3 Dictionaries

Generic product properties that are used repeatedly are described using foreign key joins to various dictionary tables. These can be visualised in the following diagram:

Generic Product Dictionaries



These dictionaries are described in details in the sub-sections that follow.

Institution

The institution (linked to the **GenericProduct** table on the owner field) indicates the organisation from which the product can be obtained.

As at the time of writing this document, only one record exists in this table, and all new products are assigned to this institution:

ID	Name	Address1	Address2	Address3	Post Code
1	Satellite Applications Centre	Hartebeeshoek	Gauteng	South Africa	0000

Constraint: Name must be unique.

Note: Wolfgang verify that we won't be storing the original data owner (e.g. Spot Image) here.

Processing Level

Products may have been processed by software to improve the product. For example, a level 1a product is a 'raw' image with no georeferencing, format conversion etc. In order for a product to be usable by mainstream users, it generally needs to be converted into a popular image format (e.g. geotiff), georeferenced (so that it appears in the correct place on a map), orthorectified (to adjust the image based on distortions introduced by terrain variance) and so on.

Processing levels are expressed as a four letter code e.g.:

L1Aa

This code can be deconstructed as:

- **L** Abbreviation for 'level'
- **[1-4]** A numeral representing the major level where
 - **1** Raw imagery
 - **2** Unreferenced imagery in a common format e.g. tiff
 - **3** Rectified and imagery cleaned for atmospheric disturbance, lens irregularities etc.
 - **4** Derived products
- **[A-C]** A single upper case character representing product class (derivative, raster, vector)
- **[a-z]** A single lower case character representing class-type (see below)

Note: The 'L' prefix is not stored in the database tables.
Some commonly used codes include:

Code	Description
2A/B	(L1G)
3Aa	(L1T) Orthorectified DN values
3Ab	At sensor/TOA reflectance
3Ac	Atmospherically corrected/TOC reflectance
3At	Topographic correction
4A*	Derivatives/products
4B*	Pixel-based classification
4C*	Vector/object classification

Some common values for class type include:

Code	Description
a	Ancillary data eg. Relief shadow, hydrology
b	Bare or built-up indices
m	Maths transformation
s	Statistical calculations
t	Texture
v	Vegetation indices
w	Water/moisture indices
x	Time-series or metrics
f	Spectral Rule based Features including indices
r	L1 Spectral Rule based layers
c	L2 Spectral Rule based layers classification spectral categories

The following processing levels are listed in the database.

ID	Abbreviation	Name
1	2A	Level 2A
2	1A	Level 1A
3	1Ab	Level 1Ab
4	1Aa	Level 1Aa
12	3Aa	Level 3Aa
13	3Ab	Level 3Ab
14	3Ac	Level 3Ac
15	3Ad	Level 3Ad
16	3Ba	Level 3Ba
17	3Bb	Level 3Bb
18	4	Level 4

Constraints: Name and abbreviation must both be unique.

Note: These should be updated to include a proper description with each in a new description col. TS

Projection

The projection (or more accurately the coordinate reference system (CRS)) model contains a dictionary of CRS identifiers and human readable names. The identifiers are expressed in the numbering system of the European Petroleum Survey Group (EPSG). The list included is not comprehensive - at the time of writing it contains only 84 or the *circa* 3000+ entries available in the official EPSG CRS list.

The EPSG name is a more user friendly and easily recognisable representation of the EPSG code. For reference, an extract of the entries is provided in the table below:

ID	Epsg Code	Name
1	32737	UTM37S
2	32733	UTM33S
3	32738	UTM38S
4	32734	UTM34S
5	32732	UTM32S
6	32735	UTM35S
7	32629	UTM29N
8	32731	UTM31S

Constraints: EPSG Code must be unique.

Quality

The quality is intended to provide a well defined dictionary of terms for qualitative assessment of products. Different product vendors use different schemes for describing product quality.

For example Spot Image describes quality in terms of an imaginary grid overlaid (and bisecting the image into equal sized units). Each grid cell is then given a ranking e.g. "AABBAAAABB".

Currently only one entry exists:

ID	Name
1	Unknown

This presence of a quality indicator is mandatory for GenericProduct, but the fact that all records are currently assigned a ranking of 'Unknown' makes this attribute largely meaningless.

Note: Wolfgang - we need to define a standard of quality description and a strategy for populating existing and new records with an appropriate quality indicator.

Creating Software

It is useful in understanding a dataset to know which software package was used to create it. At time of writing this document, only two software packages are available:

ID	Name	Version
1	Unknown	None
2	SARMES1	Sarmes1

Constraints: Name must be unique.

Sarmes2 will be added to this list in the future, and other additional packages as needed.

Note: Wolfgang - do we need to include other software here, and if so which products should have this applied?

License

Each product should have a license associated with it. The license will detail any restrictions on redistribution or usage that applies for the product.

The following licenses are defined and all products have been assigned one of these licenses.

ID	Name	Details	Type
1	SAC Commercial License	SAC Commercial License	
2	SAC Free License	SAC Free License	
3	SAC Partner License	SAC Partner License	

Constraints: Name must be unique.

License Type Enumeration: The license type is an enumerated list (managed directly in the model rather than in a separate dictionary via a foreign key constraint). The reason for this is that application logic specific to the license type is implemented (for example to determine if a product can be freely distributed to a client).

Each license in the system is allocated a type. The following types and their meanings are defined:

Free data, government license or commercial license or any.

ID	Type	Description
1	Free	Can be freely shared and redistributed without restriction
2	Government License	Applies to products that can be freely redistributed to government departments.
3	Commercial	Applies to product that can only be commercially distributed

The license type is determined on a sensor by sensor, product by product basis. The following rules hold true:

1. SPOT data are all under SAC Partner license
2. SAC-C, Sumbandilasat and CBERS are all under SAC Free License
3. When not explicitly defined, all products should be assigned the SAC Commercial License

Note: Wolfgang to define any further rules

Note: The allocation of license may not always reflect the cost of the data

- where substantial processing has been requested by a user, SAC may charge a processing fee. The system currently makes no accommodation for calculation of such 'value added' fees.

Note: For the Government license type The User profile for this catalogue includes a field `SacUserProfile::strategic_partner` which is a boolean indicating if the users is registered as a SAC Strategic Partner employee and thus granted unfettered access to certain products (e.g. Spot imagery). Where the user is not a Government employee, the product license should be considered to be commercial.

Note: Wolfgang - we need to define more completely the SAC License, or several variants of it, and add any other licenses that may apply. We would also need rules describing how to select products which should have which license applied.

Note: Wolfgang - does it make sense to have an 'any' license?

13.2 Generic Imagery Products

Synopsis: Base Class for *imagery* products.

Concrete or Abstract: Concrete (instances of this class can be created and stored).

GenericImageryProduct is the model that all sensor based products inherit from. In addition, concrete instances of **GenericImageryProduct** are used to lodge sensor based aggregate data. For example when an image is created that is a combination of a 'J' and a 'T' image, we can no longer canonically state which acquisition mode etc was used for that image. In this case the DAG (Directed Acyclical Graph) implementation will be used to provide backpointers to the original images used to create this record (and those backpointers will be to Sensor based product records).

13.2.1 Product ID Naming Scheme

Generic imagery products do not have an associated Mission, Sensor, Sensor Type or Acquisition Mode, and thus the naming system differs from final (having no ancestors) sensor based products.

Note: Wolfgang to define or we must devise something. The follow section was from Wolfgang's notes but it does not model well:

- composite products may span multiple modes, types, sensors and even missions.
- scenes may span long time periods and the concept of a central scene is ambiguous
- products may span larger areas than a single QDS map and in other countries mapping units may differ.
- composite products may include other imagery types eg. aerial photos.

Composite files -mosaics:

QQQQQQ.SSS_sss.ttt_mmmm_pppp-ps_rrrr_rs_yymmdd_hhmmss_LBLL_PPPPPP

Use central scene for date and time

Composite files - time series: be MT_yymmdd_yymmdd.SSS_sss.ttt_mmmm_pppp-ps_rrrr_rs_yymmdd_hhmmss-

Use central time scene for date and time

The following key can be used to decode the above:

Code	Description
SSS	satellite (mission) name e.g. L5-; S5-
sss	sensor (mission sensor) e.g. TM-; ETM
ttt	type (sensor type) e.g. HRF; HPN; HPM
mmm	bumper (acquisition) mode eg. SAM- BUF-
pppp	path (k)
ps	path shift
rrrr	row (j)
rs	row span
yymmdd	date
hhmmss	time
LLLL	processing Level code eg. L2A; L4Ab
PPPPPP	Projection eg. UTM35S; LATLON; ORBIT-
QQQQQQ	1:50000 topographic map name eg 3425CD
MT_yymmdd_yymmdd	multi-temporal time span: start date to end date

13.2.2 Imagery product Properties

A GenericImageryProduct extends the generic product model with these properties:

- geometric_resolution
- geometric_resolution_x
- geometric_resolution_y

13.2.3 Imagery Product Aggregation Rules

In the DAG (Directed Acyclical Graph) that maps relationships between products and their downstream constituent products, ImageryProducts can be made of:

- Generic Imagery Products
- Generic Sensor Products
- Optical Products
- Radar Products
- Geospatial Products and subclasses of Geospatial products

Note: Self referencing is not allowed. That is, a Imagery product may not include itself in any leaf node.

Note: Generic Imagery Products will always be composite (derived from one or more other products).

13.2.4 Dictionaries

No additional dictionaries are introduced with this class.

13.3 Generic Sensor based products

Synopsis: Base Class for *Sensor* products.

Concrete or Abstract: Abstract (instances cannot be directly created and stored).

Generic sensor product is an Abstract Base Class that all other sensor based products inherit from. It inherits from Generic Imagery product.

13.3.1 Product ID Naming Scheme

The following scheme is used for assigning product id's for sensor based products:

Single scene file names:

SSS_sss_ttt_mmmm_pppp_ps_rrrr_rs_yymmdd_hhmmss_LLLL_PPPPPP

e.g. L7-ETM_HRF_SAM-168-00_077-010530--L3Ab-UTM36S

The following key can be used to decode the above:

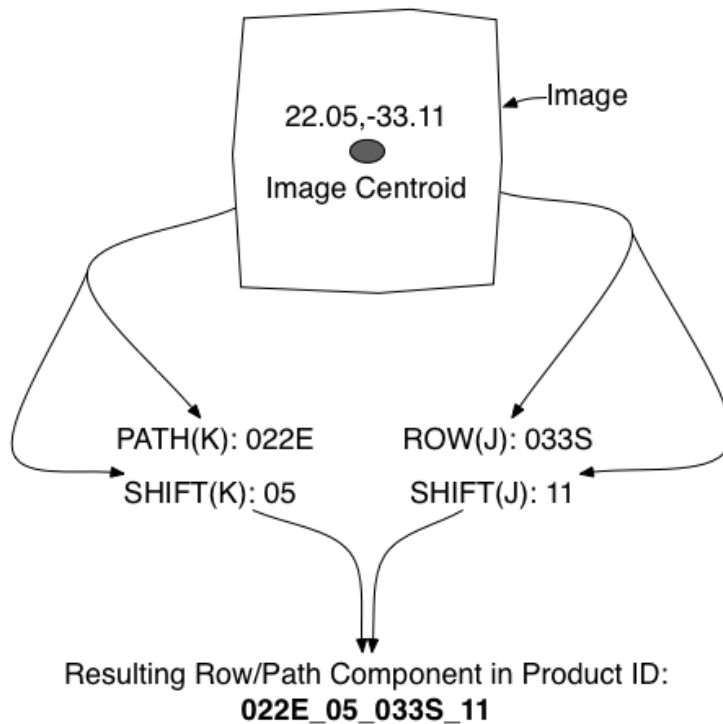
Code	Description
SSS	satellite (mission) name e.g. L5-; S5-
sss	sensor (mission sensor) e.g. TM-; ETM
ttt	type (sensor type) eg. HRF; HPN; HPM
mmm	bumper (acquisition) mode eg. SAM- BUF-
pppp	path (k)
ps	path shift
rrrr	row (j)
rs	row span
yymmdd	date
hhmmss	time
LLLL	processing Level code eg. L2A; L4Ab
PPPPPP	Projection eg. UTM35S; LATLON; ORBIT-

Note: Elements Mission(SSS), MissionSensor(sss), SensorType(ttt) and Acquisition-Mode (mmmm) are compulsory for GenericSensorProducts. Where these are not explicitly defined, they will be implicitly defined. That is to say, if no Sensor has been defined for a Mission, it will cause the creation and assignment of an implicit MissionSensor object named after the sensor. For example: A new product for fictitious sensor 'FOO' is imported. No sensor type is defined, so a default sensor type called 'FOO' is defined. This same logic applies to SensorType and Acquisition Mode. Another example: Mission L5 exists, Sensor MS exists, no sensor type exists so a default type of 'MS' is created and consequently a default acquisition mode of MS os also created. See 'placeholder' clauses in description that follow.

Where Row (rrrr) and Path (pppp) are not know for a sensor, the word 'None' will be written out in the product id to differentiate from 0000 which may be a valid row or path.

Where Row and Path are not applicable for a sensor (e.g. Sumbandilasat, some Radar sensors), a centroid derived Path, Path offset, Row and Row offset will be assigned as per the illustration below:

Centroid Derived Row/Path for product ID's



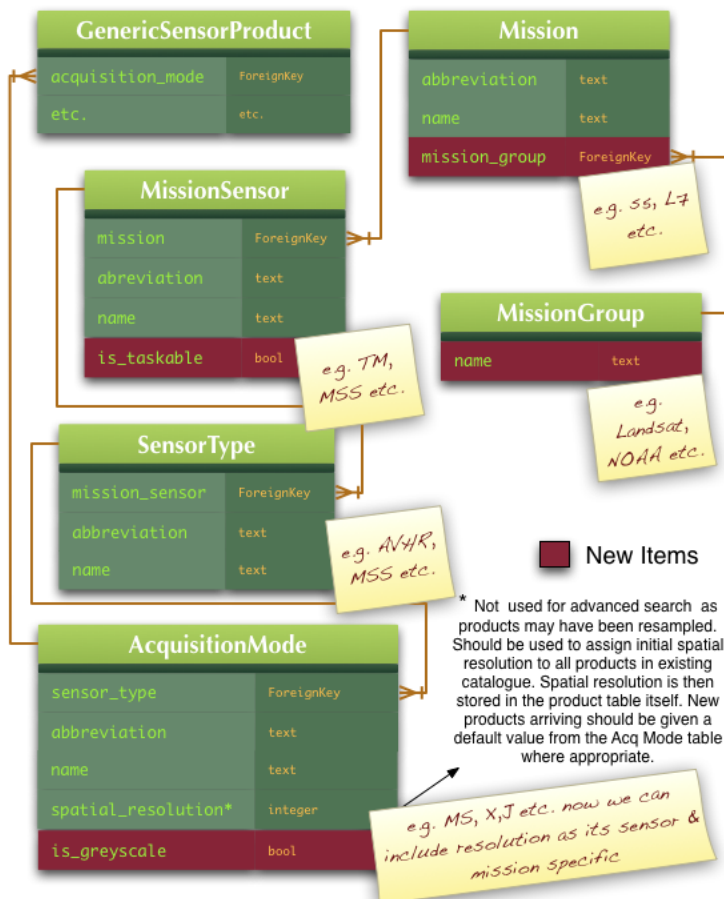
13.3.2 Generic Sensor Product Aggregation Rules

Since this is an abstract class it may not be a node in a product aggregation tree.

13.3.3 Sensor Product Dictionaries

Several domain lists are implemented for sensor based products. These can be visualised in the following diagram:

Generic Sensor Product Dictionaries



These dictionaries and their interrelationships are described in more detail in the text below.

Mission

A mission is the name for the particular space vehicle on board of which one or more sensors are deployed. The catalogue hosts metadata entry for a number of different sensors - at time of writing this list looked like the table below.

ID	Abbreviation	Name
1	N14	Noaa 14
2	N16	Noaa 16
3	N11	Noaa 11
4	N9	Noaa 9
5	N17	Noaa 17
6	N12	Noaa 12
7	N15	Noaa 15
8	E2	E-Ers 2
9	E1	E-Ers 1
10	L5	Landsat 5
11	L7	Landsat 7
12	L2	Landsat 2
13	L3	Landsat 3
14	L4	Landsat 4
15	S2	Spot 2
16	S4	Spot 4
17	S1	Spot 1
18	S5	Spot 5
19	ZA2	Sumbandilasat
20	C2B	CBERS
21	S-C	SAC-C

The mission abbreviation and name must be unique.

Note: Wolfgang we are using ZA2 instead of SS here.

Note: RE - RapidEye needs to be added to this list

Constraints: Name and abbreviation must be unique together. Name must be unique.

Mission Sensors

On board each space vehicle receiving EO data will be one or more sensors. Although the sensor may be nominally the same between two different missions (e.g. MSS), the specific properties of these sensors will vary between missions, and even between identical sensors on the same mission. A sensor is basically a camera or other equipment capable of performing distance observation of the earth.

ID	Abbreviation	Name	Description	Has Data	Mission
1	AVH	NOAA AVHRR		t	NOAA
2	AMI	ERS AMI SAR		t	ERS
3	TM	Landsat 4 TM		t	L4
4	TM	Landsat 5 TM		t	L5
5	MSS	Landsat 1 MSS		t	L1
6	MSS	Landsat 2 MSS		t	L2
7	MSS	Landsat 3 MSS		t	L3
8	MSS	Landsat 4 MSS		t	L4
9	MSS	Landsat 5 MSS		t	L5
10	ETM	Landsat 7 ETM+		t	L7
11	Xs1	Spot 1 HRV Xs		t	S1
12	Xs2	Spot 2 HRV Xs		t	S2
13	Xs3	Spot 3 HRV Xs		t	S3
14	Xi	Spot 4 G,R,NIR,SWIR		t	S4
15	M	Spot 4 Pan		t	S4
16	Pan	Spot 1 HRV Pan		t	S1
17	Pan	Spot 2 HRV Pan		t	S2
18	Pan	Spot 3 HRV Pan		t	S3
19	HRG	Spot 5 HRG	Spot 5 HRG	t	S5
20	CCD	CBERS CCD		t	C2B
21	MRS	SACC MRS		t	S-C
22	SMS	Sumbandilasat MSS		t	ZA2

The abbreviation field and the foreign key to Mission must be unique together.

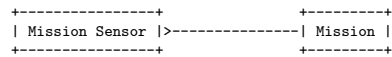
Note: Ale, I would like to get rid of the has data field if poss. It is used to restrict the display of sensors to users to only those with data associated to them. Is there a

cleaner way to do it? At minimum we need to automate updating this field as data is added to and removed from the system.

Sensors TM - Thematic Mapper ETM - Enhanced thematic mapper MSS Multi-spectral

Constraints: Name and abbreviation must be unique together. Name must be unique.

Note: A one-to-many relationship will be created between mission sensor entities and their related mission - as illustrated here:



Relationship in plain english: Each mission can have one or more mission sensors associated with it. Each mission sensor shall be associated to only one mission.

The Abbreviation will **not** be unique per sensor. Note that the 4 letter name space does not allow for many permutations and readers of the abbreviation should do it in context of a specific mission, sensor type etc. (for example by always presenting the mission abbreviation at the same time).

In some cases, no specific mission sensors will exist for a mission. In these cases, a placeholder mission sensor should be created, named directly after the mission e.g.

ID	Abbreviation	Name	Description	Has Data	Mission
1	ERS	ERS	ERS	t	ERS

Above assumes the pre-existence of a mission 'ERS'.

Sensor Types

The sensor type describes a mission sensor. 'High end' satellites may use a custom sensor type with its own specific properties. 'Cheaper' satellites may use simple CCD (charge coupled device) style sensors.

ID	Abbreviation	Name	Mission Sensor
1	AVHR	Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer	
2	AMI	AMI	
3	MST	Multispectral + Thermal	
4	CAM2	Spot Camera 2	
5	CAM1	Spot Camera 1	
6	R3B	R3B	
7	MSS	Multispectral	
8	RT	RT	

The abbreviation field and the foreign key to MissionSensor must be unique together.

Note: Wolfgang please populate the related mission sensor(s) per id above.

Each mission sensor should have at least one sensor type associated with it. When a mission sensor exists with no associated sensor type, a default sensor type matching the mission sensor abbreviation should be created e.g.

ID	Abbreviation	Name	Mission Sensor
7	MSS	Multispectral - Landsat 1	Landsat 1 MSS
8	MSS	Multispectral - Landsat 2	Landsat 2 MSS
9	MSS	Multispectral - Landsat 3	Landsat 3 MSS
10	MSS	Multispectral - Landsat 4	Landsat 4 MSS
11	MSS	Multispectral - Landsat 5	Landsat 5 MSS

The Abbreviation will **not** be unique per sensor type. Note that the 4 letter name space does not allow for many permutations and readers of the abbreviation should do it in context of a specific mission-sensor, acquisition mode etc. (for example by always presenting the mission abbreviation at the same time).

Note: A one-to-many relationship will be created between mission sensor entities and their related mission - as illustrated here:



Relationship in plain english: Each mission sensor can have one or more sensor types associated with it. Each sensor type shall be associated to only one sensor.“

Acquisition Modes

Each sensor can operate in one or more modes. Thus there the list of acquisition modes should include at least one entry per sensor type. Where such an entry does not exist, a default one (named after the sensor type) shall be created. Acquisition modes table example:

ID	Abbreviation	Name	Geom Resolution	Band Count	Sensor Type
1	MS	Multispectral	0	0	
2	VV	Vertical / Vertical Polarisation	0	0	
3	HRT	Multispectral and Thermal	0	0	
4	X	X	0	0	
5	I	I	0	0	
6	M	M	0	0	
7	P	P	0	0	
8	J	Multispectral	0	0	
9	B	Panchromatic	0	0	
10	A	Panchromatic	0	0	
11	FMC4	FMC4	0	0	
12	3BG	3BG	0	0	
13	5BF	5BF	0	0	
14	3BP	3BP	0	0	
15	HR	HR	0	0	

The abbreviation field and the foreign key to SensorType must be unique together.

Note: Wolfgang to populate sensor type. Entries should be duplicated for each sensor type that has that mode e.g.

ID	Abbreviation	Name	Geom Resolution	Band Count	Sensor Type
1	MS	Multispectral - Landsat 1	0	0	Multispectral - Landsat 1
2	MS	Multispectral - Landsat 2	0	0	Multispectral - Landsat 2

Todo: Check this list from Wolfgang is represented:

Mode	Description
HRF	Multi-spectral bands
HPN	Panchromatic bands
HTM	Thermal bands
HPM	Pan-sharpened multi-spectral

Note: A one-to-many relationship will be created between mission sensor entities and their related mission - as illustrated here:



Relationship in plain english: Each sensor type can have one or more acquisition mode associated with it. Each acquisition mode shall be associated to only one sensor type.“

The Abbreviation will **not** be unique per acquisition mode. Note that the 4 letter name space does not allow for many permutations and readers of the abbreviation should do it in context of a specific sensor type. (for example by always presenting the sensor type, mission type and mission abbreviations at the same time).

Note: The geometric resolution and band count columns in this table need to be populated by Wolfgang.

Logic Rules: The additional columns in the acquisition mode are used to provide implicit values for products if they are created without implicit values. In particular:

1. The geometric resolution will be used to populate the GenericSensorProduct fields of geometric_resolution, geometric_resolution_x and geometric_resolution_y. This is implemented by first populating the geometric_resolution field (NULL) when assigning acquisition mode, and then assigning the same value to both geometric_resolution_x and geometric_resolution_y.
2. The band_count in acquisition mode will be assigned to the GenericSensorProduct.band_count (formerly called spectral_resolution) if NULL at the moment of assignment.

Mission Group

The mission group model will be an addition to the schema that will allow virtual groupings of mission sensors. In simple search and other places designated by the client, mission groups will be used to select a family of missions (satellites) to search on e.g. all Landsat missions.



Relationship in plain english: Each mission group can have one or more missions associated with it. Each mission shall be associated to only one mission group.“

The mission group should be populated as follows:

When a new mission is added, it should always be assigned to an existing mission group (with the mission group being created first if needed).

13.3.4 Notes on the proposed schema changes

The proposed schema change will bring about the following advantages:

- less attributes stored on generic sensor (simplification is always good)
- easier to understand the relationship between these entities

- remove the risk of ambiguous entries (e.g. MSS applying to multiple different sensors)
- we can now effectively store resolution on acquisition table as its unambiguous as to which sensor & mission it applies
- product id 'drill down searches will be more efficient

Note: We need to get the mappings from Wolfgang for which mission sensors are associated with each mission etc.

Because the schema changes introduce a strict heirarchy and also introduce a requirement that acquisition mode through to mission be defined for a sensor based product, assigning these entities to derived products will not be meaningful. Because of this composite products (e.g. a pan sharpened SPOT image) will not be modelled under generic sensor products but rather belong to a sub class GenericImageryProduct.

Dictionaries naming rules

Given the relationships above mentioned for sensors dictionaries, the following rules are applied in cascade mode in order to build a unique dictionary item in the tree:

Dictionary	Naming scheme	Constraints (unique together if in brackets)	Example
Mission	abbreviation	abbreviation, name	L5
MissionSensor	abbreviation:Mission	abbreviation,	TM:L5
SensorType	abbreviation:MissionSensor	abbreviation,	MST:TM:L5
AcquisitionMode	abbreviation:SensorType	abbreviation,	HRT:MST:TM:L5

13.3.5 Resolving the metadata to explicit records

The input metadata we receive will be ambiguous for acquisition mode, sensor type, mission sensor. It is only with the presence of a mission abbreviation that these can be correctly resolved. For example:

L7-ETM-HRF-SAM-168-00-077-010530-----L3Ab-UTM36S
SSS_sss_ttt_mmmm_pppp_ps_rrrr_rs_yymmdd_hhmmss_LLLL_PPPPPP

Code	Description
SSS	satellite (mission) name e.g. L5-; S5-
sss	sensor (mission sensor) e.g. TM-; ETM
ttt	type (sensor type) eg. HRF; HPN; HPM
mmm	bumper (acquisition) mode eg. SAM- BUF-

So we can see from this example, we have the following:

Satellite	Mission Sensor	Sensor Type	Acquisition Mode
L7	ETM	HRF	SAM

In cases where the entries for these dictionary terms do not exist, new records should be added to the tables using the following logic:

1. Add L7 to the mission table and note the PKEY of the new record
2. Add abbreviation ETM, description ETM:Landsat 7, mission PKEY from above to the mission sensor table and note the PKEY of the new record

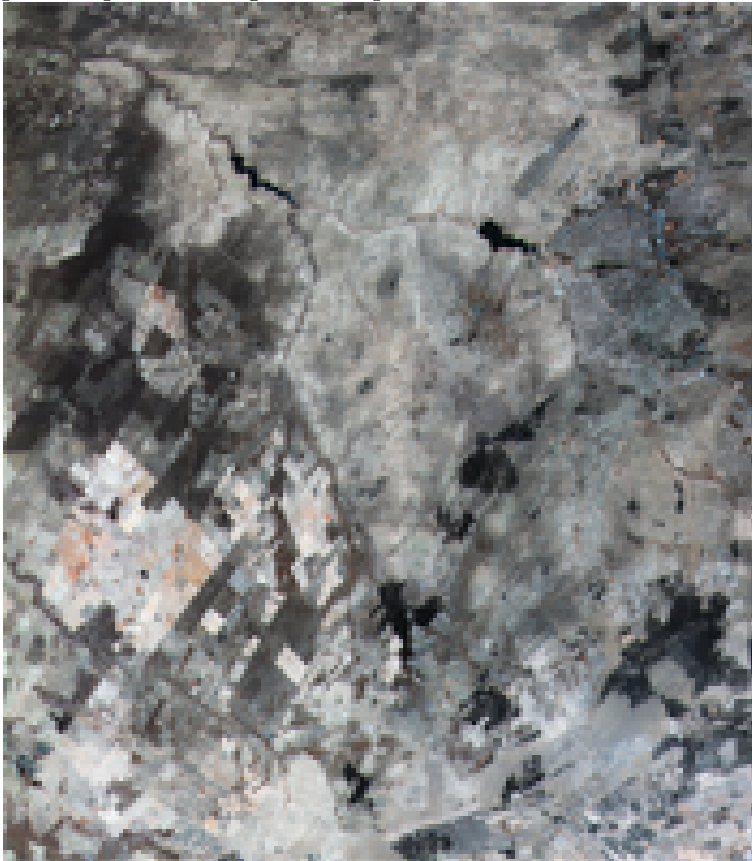
3. Add abbreviation “ HRF, description ‘‘HRF:ETM:Landsat 7, mission_sensor PKEY from above to the sensor type table and note the PKEY of the new record
4. Add abbreviation SAM, description SAM:HRF:ETM:Landsat 7, sensor_type PKEY from above to the acquisition mode table.

13.4 Optical products

Synopsis: Imagery where each pixel represents the reflectance value of light waves reflected from a remote target within a given segment of the light spectrum.

Concrete or Abstract: Concrete

Optical products are a specialisation of Generic Sensor Products. An Optical Product is a concrete class (i.e. one that should not be treated as abstract). The Optical Product model is used to represent any sensor originated product that has been taken using an optical sensor. It may cover non-visible parts of the spectrum and consist of one or more bands, each covering a different part of the spectrum. Generally the bands (in multiple band images) are co-aligned - meaning they cover the same geographical footprint. In some cases however, the bands are offset from each other, creating an opportunity to super-sample the image and improve its native resolution.



Optical products are end nodes in the product hierarchy - they do not have any further

specialisations.

13.4.1 Optical Product Properties

The optical product model introduces a number of properties in addition to those inherited from the `GenericSensorProduct` base class.

- `cloud_cover`
- `sensor_inclination_angle`
- `sensor_viewing_angle`
- `gain_name`
- `gain_value_per_channel`
- `gain_change_per_channel`
- `bias_per_channel`
- `solar_zenith_angle`
- `solar_azimuth_angle`
- `earth_sun_distance`

13.4.2 Product ID Naming Scheme

The naming of optical products follows the rules from its base class, `GenericSensorProduct`.

13.4.3 Optical Product Aggregation Rules

In the DAG (Directed Acyclical Graph) that maps relationships between products and their downstream constituent products, **OpticalProducts** may **not** themselves be aggregates. This is because each sensor product has an explicit acquisition mode, sensor type etc. and such relationships are not mappable for aggregate products. Optical-Products can however participate in aggregations. In the case that you have have two **OpticalProducts** forming a new image, the new image should be modelled as a **GenericImageryProduct**.

13.5 Radar Products

Synopsis: Imagery where each pixel represents the reflectance value of radio waves reflected from a remote target.

Concrete or Abstract: Concrete

13.5.1 Radar Product Aggregation Rules

In the DAG (Directed Acyclical Graph) that maps relationships between products and their downstream constituent products, **RadarProducts** may **not** be aggregates. This is because each sensor product has an explicit acquisition mode, sensor type etc. and such relationships are not mappable for aggregate products. In the case that you have two **RadarProducts** forming a new image, the new image should be modelled as a **GenericImageryProduct**.

13.5.2 Product ID Naming Scheme

Follows the same scheme as defined in OpticalProduct documentation.

13.5.3 Optical Product Properties

The radar product model introduces a number of properties in addition to those inherited from the GenericSensorProduct base class. These properties are not shared with optical products.

- imaging_mode
- look_direction
- antenna_receive_configuration
- polarising_mode
- polarising_list
- slant_range_resolution
- azimuth_range_resolution
- orbit_direction
- calibration
- incidence_angle

13.6 Geospatial Products

Synopsis: Level 4 products derived from imagery or by direct earth measurement (e.g. by conducting a survey with GPS).

Concrete or Abstract: GeoSpatial products are pure abstract (they cannot exist on their own, only as a subclass).

Geospatial Products incorporate all level 4 products. Geospatial products are abstract representations of features of the earths surface - as opposed to Imagery Products which are some form of observation of the earth service.

13.6.1 Geospatial Product Properties

All geospatial products share the following properties:

- name
- description
- processing_notes
- equivalent_scale
- data_type
- temporal_extent_start
- temporal_extent_end
- place_type
- place
- primary_topic
- tags

Properties from GenericProduct are also inherited.

The **name** property is a descriptive name (in plain english) for the dataset e.g. "Land-cover map of South Africa, 2010"

The **description** property defines a generalised description of the product. It will be incorporated into the product abstract that is autogenerated when subclasses re-implement GenericProduct::abstract(). The description is free-form text that describes the product and any special information relating to it.

The **processing notes** property is a freeform text field where any specific notes and logging information relating to the processing of the dataset can be recorded. This data should be provided in plain text format.

In the case of geospatial products, their spatial resolution is expressed as **equivalent scale** (after MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.spatialResolution > MD_Resolution.equivalentScale) from the ISO19115 specification. Only the denominator is store so, for example, a value of 50000 indicates the product is suitable for use at 1:50000 scale or smaller. A default of 1000000 (one million) shall be assigned to any dataset where the scale is not explicitly defined.

The **data.type** property describes what type of data is represented in the dataset. The options for data.type are defined in a dictionary in the GeospatialProduct model viz:

Abbreviation	Name
RA	Raster
VP	Vector - Points
VL	Vector - Lines
VA	Vector - Areas / Polygons

Note: The ISO-19115 spec defines an MD_SpatialRepresentationTypeCode but this is not granular to the feature type level. As such a programmatic mapping shall be such that types VP/VL/VA are mapped to MD_SpatialRepresentationTypeCode 'vector 001' and RA is mapped to MD_SpatialRepresentationTypeCode 'grid'.

The **temporal extent** maps to the gmd::EX_TemporalExtent element in the ISO_19136 standard. e.g.

```
<gmd:temporalElement>
  <gmd:EX_TemporalExtent>
    <gmd:extent>
      <gml:TimePeriod gml:id="T1">
        <gml:beginPosition>2008-01-01</gml:beginPosition>
        <gml:endPosition>2008-03-31</gml:endPosition>
      </gml:TimePeriod>
    </gmd:extent>
  </gmd:EX_TemporalExtent>
</gmd:temporalElement>
```

Note: The GenericSensorProduct includes GenericSensorProduct::product_acquisition_start and GenericSensorProduct::product_acquisition_end fields but their semantics are different - they define the actual imagery acquisition period, whereas in Level 4 / GeoSpatial products the temporal_extent_start and temporal_extent_end describe the complete date range of data represented within the dataset. If not specified, the temporal extent **start** shall default to the current data and time at the moment of product ingestion / creation. If not specified, the temporal extent **end** shall default to be the same value as the temporal extent start.

The **place** and **place_type** fields are used to define the geographic region of interest for this dataset. When represented using ISO Metadata, the region will be reflected in an EX_GeographicDescription element. e.g.

```
<xs:complexType name="EX_GeographicDescription_PropertyType">
  <xs:sequence minOccurs="0">
    <xs:element ref="gmd:EX_GeographicDescription"/>
  </xs:sequence>
  <xs:attributeGroup ref="gco:ObjectReference"/>
  <xs:attribute ref="gco:nilReason"/>
</xs:complexType>
```

Note: that although the ISO19139 specification allows a sequence (i.e. multiple geography description elements), our schema only accommodates a single geographic place. These elements must be defined by the script performing ingestion which is out of scope for this work package. As such the only current way to add new geospatial products is manually through the admin panel, or by writing a simple python tool.

Note: Future work package, not in spec:

In order to auto-assign place types 1-6 (see dictionaries section below), the closest place of that type to the centroid of the dataset will be used. If no region type and region are specified at point of ingestion, the product shall use default values of 'Local area - nearest named place' (place_type 7 as listed in the next section) for place_type and are assigned the named place that is nearest to the centroid of the product geometry (based on geonames dataset lodged in the **place** dictionary), unless they have been manually assigned.

Primary topic is the main categorisation for this dataset. Additional tags can be assigned to the dataset via the tags field (see below). The topic will be used when assembling the SAC product id for GeoSpatial products.

Tags are used to provide keyword based descriptive information for the product. Example tags might be: landcover, roads, trig beacons etc.

Note for Alessandro: use one of the django tagging apps for this.

13.6.2 Product ID Naming Scheme

The following scheme will be used when allocating product ID's to GeoSpatial products:

Field	Description
TTT	Type, ORD for Ordinal products, CON for continuous products
TOPIC	10 character abbreviation for topic, hyphen padded e.g. ROADS-
TY	2 character abbreviation e.g. RA for raster
PLACENAME	First 10 chars of place name with spaces/whitespace removed e.g. CAPETOWN-
yymmdd	temporal extent start date
yymmdd	temporal extent end date
LLLL	processing Level code eg. L4Aa; L4Ab
EPSG	EPSG Code for coordinate reference system of dataset

All id text elements will be converted to upper case. This a sample GeoSpatial product ID may look like this:

```
ORD_LANDUSE---_VL_ZA-----_110101_110211_L4Ab_4326
```

The order is of the id elements is designed so that when listing products using e.g. the unix "ls" command they naturally appear grouped thematically, then by data type and then by place.

13.6.3 Geospatial Product Aggregation Rules

Geospatial products may be aggregates. That is their lineage may reflect derivation from one or more other products.

13.6.4 Geospatial Product Dictionaries

The following dictionaries are implemented to support the creation of geospatial products.

Place Type

A place type can be one of:

ID	Type
1	Global
2	Continent e.g Africa
3	Region e.g. SADC
4	Country e.g. ZA
5	State e.g. WCAPE
6	Town or City
7	Local area - nearest named place
8	Quarter Degree Square - using ZA convention e.g 3318BC

Administering the place types list is not an end-user activity and should be done in consultation with developers.

Place

For places, a dictionary based on GeoNames provides a near-exhaustive list of local areas and towns. The geonames table will be augmented on an adhoc manner as required via the admin panel. When the place represents an area, the centroid of that area will be used in the geometry.

The place model looks like this:

ID	Type	Name	Long Name	Geometry
1	1	Global	Global	
2	2	Africa	African Continent	
3	3	SADC	Southern African Development Community	
4	4	ZA	South Africa	
5	5	GP	Gauteng Province	
6	6	Pretoria	Pretoria	
7	7	Mamelodi	Mamelodi	

Note: Alessandro we need an admin ui for this

13.7 Ordinal Products

Synopsis: Vector and Raster products where data are grouped into discrete classes.

Concrete or Abstract: Concrete

For ordinal products, there are three types of accuracy defined:

1. spatial
2. temporal
3. thematic

The first two are catered for by the GeospatialProduct abstract base class (equiv-
alent_scale, temporal_extent_start and temporal_extent_end). Thematic accuracy for a
product is described by adding the fields

13.7.1 Ordinal Product Properties

For ordinal products we define thematic accuracy by means of the following fields:

- class_count
- confusion_matrix
- kappa_score

The **class count** property is a compulsory simple numeric value representing how many classes are defined in the dataset.

The **confusion_matrix** property is a collection of comma separated integers representing (in order):

1. true positive (tp)

2. false negative (fn)
3. false positive (fp)
4. true negative (tn)

Thus an entry of 10,5,2,8 signifies:

1. tp=10
2. fn=5
3. fp=2
4. tn=8

The confusion matrix entry is not mandatory.

The [**kappa score** http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cohen's_kappa] is a statistical measure of inter-rater agreement for categorical items. It is represented as a single, non-compulsory real number.

13.7.2 Product ID Naming Scheme

The product ID for Ordinal products is described in the GeospatialProduct model description. Ordinal products are prefixed with the string 'ORD'.

13.7.3 Ordinal Product Aggregation Rules

Ordinal products may be part of aggregations and their lineage may include aggregations.

13.7.4 Ordinal Product Dictionaries

No additional dictionaries are introduced by the ordinal product model.

13.8 Continuous Products

Synopsis: Vector and Raster products where data are *not* grouped into discrete classes, but rather along a continuous value range.

Concrete or Abstract: Concrete

13.8.1 Continuous Product Properties

For Continuous data there are three additional fields:

- range_min - floating point not null
- range_max - floating point not null

- unit - foreign key

The **range_min** is the smallest value in the continuum of data represented in the dataset. This value is required.

The **range_max** is the largest value in the continuum of data represented in the dataset. This value is required.

The **unit** property is a reference to the unit dictionary and it describes the units of measurement for the data represented in the dataset. This value is required.

13.8.2 Product ID Naming Scheme

The product ID for Ordinal products is described in the GeospatialProduct model description. Continuous products are prefixed with the string 'CON'.

13.8.3 Continuous Product Aggregation Rules

Continuous products may be part of aggregations and their lineage may include aggregations.

13.8.4 Continuous Product Dictionaries

Unit - a look up table storing measurement units:

Abbreviation	Name
m	Meters
km	Kilometers
etc.	

14 Catalogue Schema : Orders

Note: Before reading this section please read & understand the products schema notes.

The purpose of the order application logic is to allow a user to easily order one or more products. Since each order can consist of one or more products, and each product can be included in many orders, a 'many to many' relationship exists between products and orders. This is realised via the **SearchRecord** model. This SearchRecord model is also described in the Search section. As a recap, the process of creating SearchRecords is achieved by carrying out a search. Initially when a search is carried out, SearchRecords are transient - that is, they are not persisted in the database. Once a user adds a SearchRecord (representing a single product) to their basket, the SearchRecord is assigned a User id and persisted in the database. A users basket or cart is thus the collection of SearchRecords owned by them but that have no Order allocated to them.

At the point of deciding to proceed with an order, the user is directed to the Order page, a wireframe for which is shown below.

The wireframe shows an 'Order' page layout. At the top, there's a header with 'Catalogue' and 'Logged in user' (with a profile icon). Below this is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Order', and 'Search etc.'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Order Details' and 'Order Products'. 'Order Details' contains three dropdown menus for 'Processing Level', 'Delivery Method', and 'Format', and a 'Notes' text area. 'Order Products' contains a list of four products, each with a 'Product ID', 'Product description', and 'Details'/'Remove' buttons. The third product in the list has additional dropdown menus for 'Processing Level', 'Format', and 'File Format'.

The purpose of the order page is to allow the user to specify details relating to their intended order and to proceed with the order initiation thereafter. Two levels of customisation are allowed for when creating an order:

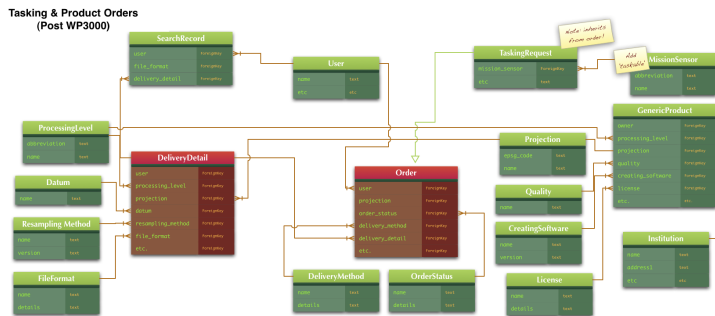
1. options that are global to the order can be defined
2. options that are specific to each product within the order can be defined (overriding the global options where applicable)

The specific global and options are specified in the sections that follow. The global versus option specification process is also illustrated in the wireframe provided above.

Note: The ordering system does not (yet) implement an e-commerce system and the processing of orders is not yet automated. When an order is placed for a product, the notifications to operators are automatic, but the process of fulfilling the orders remains operator controlled.

14.1 Schema

The schema relating to product orders can be summarised as follows:



This schema will be explained in more detail in the sections that follow.

We can express the above diagram verbally:

- Orders are instances of the Order model
- Each order has one or more SearchRecords associated with it
- Each order has a DeliveryDetail record associated with it
- Each SearchRecord *optionally* has a DeliveryDetail record associated with it
- An Order is owned by a User
- Each SearchRecord is owned by a User (which should match the Order owner)
- The DeliveryDetail record associated with an Order encapsulate the Projection, Datum, Processing level, Resampling Method and File Format that **all** the products of that order should be delivered in.
- The DeliveryDetail record associated with an Order optionally stores Order level AOI / clip mask used by staff to use to clip the products before shipping ordered products to the client
- The DeliveryDetail record associated with an SearchRecord encapsulate the Projection, Datum, Processing level, Resampling Method and File Format that the **specific product** associated with that SearchRecord should be delivered in.
- Each order has a current order status and history of OrderStatus records.
- Each order has a deliver method associated with it (e.g. ftp, portable disc, dvd etc.)

14.2 Operational notes

The following operation notes should be understood for the order system:

14.2.1 General Users

- In order for a user to initiate an order, they must have completed the details of their personal profile. If this is not the case, they will first be redirected to their profile page where they can complete their details. On completion of their details, they are returned to the order page.
- The user can remove products from the order at the point of making the order. However if he removes the last product from the order, his basket becomes empty and no order should be able to be placed.
- The user cannot edit the order after it has been placed.
- The user can request an order be cancelled after it has been placed, but should be advised that there may be a fee payable if products have already been procured.
- The user can see a list of the orders they have made and their statuses. Clicking on a specific order will take them to a detailed view of the order where they can view its current status and review the products associated with that order, and the history of status changes made for that order.
- The list of orders visible to a user is restricted to those owned by that user.
- The user's address and other contact details are shown on the order form, with a link that will take them to their profile editor so that they can update their details. After updating their details they are returned to the order.
- The user's avatar is shown on the order so that the process feels personalised to them.
- For each status change to an order (including the initial placement of the order itself), the user will receive an email which will be provided in both plain text and html format (falling back to plain text if html is not supported by the email client being used). The email will be visually consistent with the order page and include links to products that are available for immediate download (see below).

14.2.2 SAC Staff

- SAC Staff can view a master list of all orders and filter / sort those orders by status, owner etc.
- Staff can view any order and as appropriate adjust its status (e.g. open, in process, cancelled etc).
- No status change will be accepted without keeping a log of who made the change and what the reason was for the change.
- Each status change is timestamped so that a proper audit trail can be established.

- The order comments system should be the primary communication mechanism with the client, as it will provide a thorough audit trail.

14.3 Instant product delivery

In some cases products are available for instant download. The indicator for this is a populated `GenericProduct::local_storage_path` field which points to a valid resource on disk.

Where products originate from DIMS, an extract request will be made via the Ordering Service for Earth Observation products (OS4EO) implemented on the DIMS server.

In cases where instant delivery is made, download links will be included in notification emails and in the order summary visible to operators.

In the case of DIMS OS4EO extracted products, these will be flushed after a period of 1 week from the server file system and the user advised to this fact when this happens.

14.4 Filtering of CRS's

The projections list can be long and irrelevant for many images if the complete list is shown. Thus the following logic applies:

- For single product properties, when listing utm zones for the projection combo, only the zones in which the image bounding box falls, and the two zones to either side of that are shown.
- For Order records, only utm zones that intersect with the image bounding box of one or more of the products listed in the order should be listed, along with the two adjacent zones on either side of each image.
- EPSG:4326 Geographic is always listed
- EPSG:900913 Google Mercator is always listed

14.5 Datum

Currently only one datum is supported for order requests - WGS84:

id	name
1	WGS84

Until additional datum options are available, the datum is not shown to end users since providing a datum choice selection with only a single entry is superfluous.

14.6 Processing Levels

A user can request that a product be delivered at a different processing level to the one recorded for the project. For example a user can request that an image at L1A be supplied as a L3Aa product.

The processing levels are discussed in more detail in the 'dictionaries' section of the product schema discussion.

Note: Wolfgang to supply list of rules on how processing levels may be assigned.

14.7 File Format

The user making the order can request from one of a number of different delivery file formats. Currently these formats are defined as:

Id	Name
1	GeoTiff
2	ECW - ERMapper Compressed Wavelet
3	JP2 - JPEG 2000
4	ESRI -ShapeFile (Vector products only)

14.8 Packaging

By default products should be delivered inside of standard SAC packages. The packages will be placed in an ephemeral place in the file system (one where files older than 7 days are flushed daily).

14.9 Staff Order Notifications

The system can send notifications emails to staff based on product class or sensor ordered. If you look in the admin ui there is already a way to allocated users to sensors - we just need to extend that idea to include product classes as everything is not sensor based anymore.

Product types are not aggregated. From a user perspective, staff log in and choose which sensors and product classes they subscribe to by picking one or more items from a select list.

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In product id search, the user be able to put in ranges or comma delimited lists of rows and paths too e.g.

Row: 80 Path 80

or Row: 80-83 Path: 80-83

or Row: 80,90,112 Path: 90, 101

15 Tasking Requests

The TaskingRequest model is a subclass of the Order model. Tasking requests differ from orders in that they have no products associated with them. Instead a tasking request has a sensor associated with it and other information germane to tasking a satellite to capture and image (or other remotely sensed data) of a specific location.

15.1 Taskable Sensors

The `SensorType` model includes an `is_taskable` member which is used to determine which sensors a user may select from when making a tasking request.

16 Search Schema

This section covers the logic and schema related to search. The search process begins when the user clicks 'Search' on the main application toolbar. They have the option then of performing a simple search or an advanced search. Regardless of which search type they use, the outcome is the same - the catalogue application internally creates a collection of unserialised **SearchRecord** objects. These objects are simple mappings between a search and the products that match the criteria of that search.

The matching search records are shown to the user as a paginated table of entries, each entry corresponding to one product. If a user chooses to add that product to their basket, the `SearchRecord` is then serialised (saved persistently in the database). By definition, the basket can be defined as `// "all serialised SearchRecords for a given user which have no Order associated with them" //`. In the ordering section we describe the order process in more detail.

16.1 Simple search

Simple search is the default search interface. The user can enter the following search criteria:

1. date ranges (multiple, required)
2. digitized area of interest (optional)

A new search record is created when the user submits a valid form.

== Advanced search ==

When the user press "Advanced search", many more fields appear and a complex interface allows to specify almost all other search criteria, which can be different according to the selected product type.

For sensor-based products, the sensor criteria is always mandatory and an Ajax powered method, keeps available choices consistent in the sensor-related criteria (i.e. when the user selects a certain mission, only the sensors available in that mission are shown in the sensor box).

A new search record is created when the user submits a valid form.

Note: this Ajax U is similar but not identical to what happens in the Product ID search interface: in advanced search, the Ajax call takes only care of drilling down the mission-sensor hierarchy without issuing a new search query on every change.

16.1.1 Product ID search

This search view is only available for optical search products because other types have no Product ID implementation.

The aim of this function is to facilitate search results narrowing of an existing advanced search results set, through a UI based on the product ID.

A link to the search view is available from the search results window only if the search is an advanced search for optical products.

Note: every search submit will not create a new search but modify the original one. This is not identical to the behaviour of the modify search view which always creates a new search object.

Ajax search implementation details

The Ajax product id search has a JS handler which issues an Ajax post call on every option select change.

The Ajax call is received by ‘`catalogue.views.search.ProductIdSearch`’ which takes care of:

1. updating the Search object with the new parameters
2. calls `catalogue.views.searcher.Searcher.describeQuery`, that return a JSON object containing
 - a) the query description (to update the "Search summary" box)
 - b) the query SQL (if `settings.DEBUG` is set)
 - c) a dictionary of values for the select options (e.g.: `sensor_type`, `acquisition:mode` etc.)

The JS code responsible for this is in the view template `catalogue/templates/ProductIdSearch.html` and updates the select options hiding/showing the available values

Note: in order to avoid a narrow/one-way only search, all options must be nullable, this means that also sensors multiple select was changed to be not mandatory.

Note: `catalogue.views.searcher.Searcher.describeQuery` accepts an optional parameter (`unset_only=False`) that if activated, returns only values for parameter that are not set in current Search, this allows for a pivot-like way of obtaining the values: "tell me all the possible values for the parameters that are not set", this can be useful if the UI do not use '*' or other similar mechanisms to delete a parameter from the filter.

17 Metadata

Metadata created for products in the SAC Catalogue adheres to the ISO19115 specification. The aforementioned specification defines many different attributes that can be used

to describe a product, which can result in somewhat complicated metadata documents with the majority of attributes unpopulated do to lack of sufficient information.

The standard also specifies a core set of attributes that should be present for any given metadata document.

17.1 Mandatory Core Items

These are listed in the table that follows:

1. Dataset title (M)

- This is the SAC product identifier for this dataset
- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.citation > MD_Metadata > CI_Citation.title
- **Note:** Wolfgang in DIMS packages the ID is e.g. SPOT5.HRG.L1A but we should rather use SAC product ID here I think.

2. Dataset reference date (M)

- Date on which product was acquired or created. For imagery products it should refer to the acquisition data where feasible.
- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.citation > CI_Citation.date

3. Dataset topic category (M) -

- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.topicCategory

4. Abstract describing the dataset (M) -

- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.abstract

5. Dataset language (M)

- This will be set to English always for any product. There is currently no provision for storing language of products in the catalogue data models.
- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.language

6. Metadata point of contact (M) -

- MD_Metadata.contact > CI_ResponsibleParty

7. Metadata date stamp (M)

- This maps to the GenericProduct::product_date field
- MD_Metadata.dateStamp

Above listing taken from section 6.5 'Core metadata for geographic subsets' of the ISO 19115:2003 specification. Items marked (M) are mandatory, (O) Optional and (C) Conditionally required.

17.2 Optional Core Items

1. Spatial representation type (O)

- A geographic dataset should be represented as one of the following type codes:
 - vector
 - grid
 - textTable
 - tin
 - stereoModel
 - video
- MD_DataIdentification.spatialRepresentationType

2. Reference system (O)

- The standard allows the reference system to be described either by means of provision of projection, ellipsoid, datum, or by means of an identifier. In all cases we will use the MD_ReferenceSystem.referenceSystemIdentifier rather which should be specified in the form of an EPSG code.
- MD_Metadata > MD_ReferenceSystem

3. Dataset responsible party (O)

- This is the person / institution responsible for the metadata information.
- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.pointOfContact > CI_ResponsibleParty

4. Lineage (O)

- Lineage describes how the product was created and where it comes from. Two options for describing lineage exist (which can be used together too):
 - a) Using LI_Source (with properties: description(O), scaleDenominator(O), sourceReferenceSystem(O), sourceCitation(O), sourceExtent(O))
 - b) Using LI_ProcessStep (with properties: description(C), rationale(O), data-Time(O), processor(O)) where processor represents a contact person
- MD_Metadata > DQ_DataQuality.lineage > LI_Lineage

5. On-line resource (O)

- A permalink to an online record for this product. Any product will be accessible by visiting a specific url based on its product ID e.g. "http://catalogue.sac.co.za/showProduct_M-M-CAM2_0121_00.0404_00.061009.083518_L2A-UTM34S/"
- MD_Metadata > MD_Distribution > MD_DigitalTransferOption.onLine > CI_OnlineResource MD_DataIdentification.characterSet

6. Spatial resolution of the dataset (O) -

- MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.spatialResolution > MD_Resolution.equivalentScale or MD_Resolution.distance
7. **Distribution format (O) -**
 - MD_Metadata > MD_Distribution > MD_Format.name and MD_Format.version
 8. **Additional extent information for the dataset (vertical and temporal) (O) -**
 - MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.extent > EX_Extent > EX_TemporalExtent or EX_VerticalExtent
 9. **Metadata file identifier (O) -**
 - (MD_Metadata.fileIdentifier)
 10. **Metadata standard name (O) -**
 - MD_Metadata.metadataStandardName
 11. **Metadata standard version (O) -**
 - MD_Metadata.metadataStandardVersion

Above listing taken from section 6.5 'Core metadata for geographic subsets' of the ISO 19115:2003 specification. Items marked (M) are mandatory, (O) Optional and (C) Conditionally required.

17.3 Conditional Core Items

1. **Geographic location of the dataset (C) by four coordinates or by geographic identifier**
 - The footprint of the dataset in GML taken from GenericProduct::spatial_coverage
 - If this element is not present and we are examining a product package (as opposed to a metadata only package), geographic location will be retrieved directly from the project itself, using gdal.
 - MD_Metadata > MD_DataIdentification.extent > EX_Extent > EX_GeographicExtent > EX_BoundingPolygon or EX_GeographicBoundingBox or EX_GeographicDescription
 - **Note:** Wolfgang - DIMS should add the image footprint to the metadata, this can be achieved using EX_BoundingPolygon.
2. **Dataset character set (C) - MD_Metadata > characterSet -**
3. **Metadata language (C)**
 - This will be set to English always for any product. There is currently no provision for storing language of products in the catalogue data models.
 - MD_Metadata.language

4. Metadata character set (C) -

- MD_Metadata.characterSet

Above listing taken from section 6.5 'Core metadata for geographic subsets' of the ISO 19115:2003 specification. Items marked (M) are mandatory, (O) Optional and (C) Conditionally required.

17.4 Schema Representation in XML

Taking just these core elements we can realise a minimalist document structure for raster data as listed below):

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<gmd:MD_Metadata xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd
http://schemas.opengis.net/iso/19139/20060504/gmd/gmd.xsd"
  xmlns:gmd="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd"
  xmlns:gco="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gco"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml"
  xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink">
  <gmd:fileIdentifier>
    <gco:CharacterString></gco:CharacterString>
  </gmd:fileIdentifier>
  <gmd:language>
    <gmd:LanguageCode codeList="http://standards.iso.org/ittf/
PubliclyAvailableStandards/ISO_19139_Schemas/resources/
Codelist/ML_gmxCodellists.xml#LanguageCode"
      codeListValue="eng">eng</gmd:LanguageCode>
  </gmd:language>
  <gmd:characterSet>
    <gmd:MD_CharacterSetCode codeSpace="ISOTC211/19115"
      codeListValue="MD_CharacterSetCode_utf8"
      codeList="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/resources/
Codelist/gmxCodellists.xml#MD_CharacterSetCode">
      MD_CharacterSetCode_utf8</gmd:MD_CharacterSetCode>
    </gmd:characterSet>
  <gmd:hierarchyLevel>
    <gmd:MD_ScopeCode codeList="http://standards.iso.org/ittf/PubliclyAvailableStandards/
ISO_19139_Schemas/resources/Codelist/ML_gmxCodellists.xml#
MD_ScopeCode" codeListValue="dataset">dataset</gmd:MD_ScopeCode>
  </gmd:hierarchyLevel>
  <gmd:contact>
    <gmd:CI_ResponsibleParty>
      <gmd:organisationName>
        <gco:CharacterString>Test org</gco:CharacterString>
      </gmd:organisationName>
      <gmd:contactInfo>
        <gmd:CI_Contact>
          <gmd:address>
            <gmd:CI_Address>
              <gmd:electronicMailAddress>
                <gco:CharacterString>test@test.com</gco:CharacterString>
              </gmd:electronicMailAddress>
            </gmd:CI_Address>
          </gmd:address>
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        </gmd:role>
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  </gmd:metadataStandardName>
  <gmd:metadataStandardVersion>
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  </gmd:metadataStandardVersion>
  <gmd:identificationInfo>
```

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</gmd:dataQualityInfo>
</gmd:MD_Metadata>

```

17.5 Editing Metadata

There are a few different potential sources of metadata:

- Online editors such as the <http://www.inspire-geoportal.eu/EUOSME/> editor
- DIMS generated packages containing metadata
- The QGIS metadata preparation tool being built to complement the online catalogue

- This catalogue will generate metadata for products when their metadata records are being exported (e.g. when a user wishes to save their search results as a metadata record, when their cart product descriptions are downloaded or when products themselves are downloaded).

17.6 Required modifications to the ISOMetadata.xml

This list is about the modifications that has to be done to the ISOMetadata.xml in order to ingest the DIMS packages.

1. We do need the spatial coverage extent for the image footprint, so the extent must be specified with EX_BoundingPolygon instead of EX_GeographicBoundingBox

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18 Searching for data on the Catalogue

There are two ways that a user can carry out a search on the catalogue:

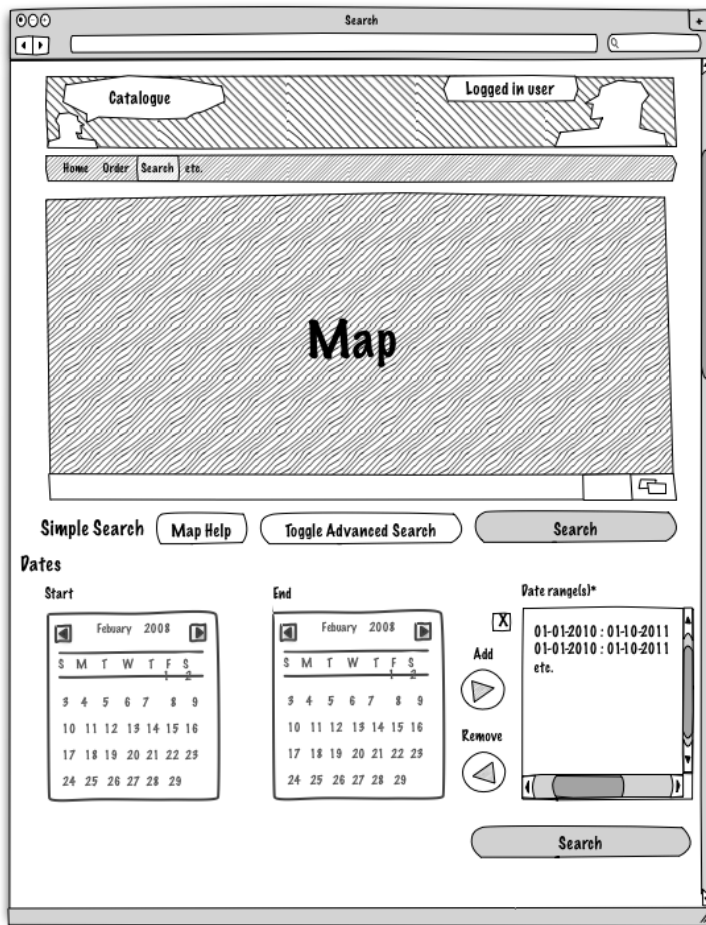
1. Basic search - for novice / casual users this is the easiest since it requires very little domain knowledge.
2. Advanced search - for power users and remote sensing professionals. Requires moderate to in-depth domain knowledge.

These two search environments are described in the sections that follow.

In addition to the advanced search, there is also the option for the user to refine searches using a 'product id refinement'. In this process, the user can further filter their search results and view the updated result set in real time.

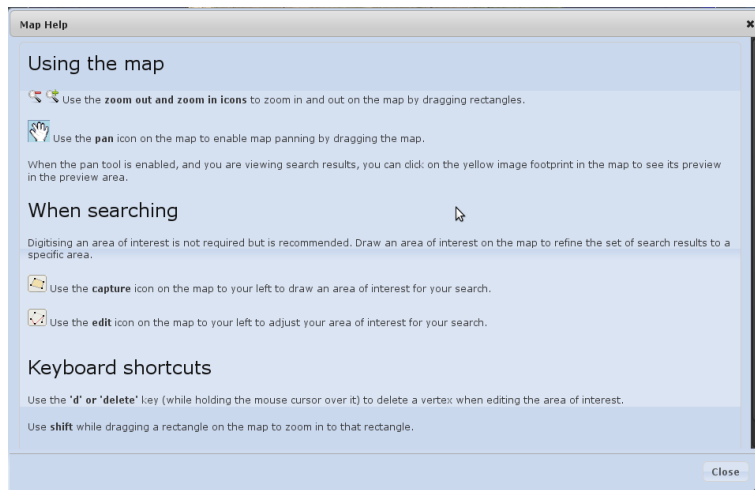
18.1 Basic Search

Basic search requires only the specification of a date range and optionally the digitisation of a search area on a map. A wireframe illustrating this is provided below.



At any time, the user can switch to the advanced search dialog (as described in the next sections) by using the 'Toggle Advanced Search' button.

The map area of the search window (which remains when the search is toggled to advanced mode) is provided above the search form. A button on the search form will launch a dialog that shows useful information on using the map. This is illustrated below.



The map itself can be customised by selecting the 'Layers' tab to the right and switching it to use a different backdrop layer. The layers listed may vary based on the user rights of the person currently logged in. Users that have been assigned 'partner' status will see higher resolution SPOT5 mosaics (which are not shown to general users due to licensing restrictions).

The toolbar below the map has a number of tools which can be used to interact with the map. These allow the activities of:

- zooming in
- zooming out
- panning (shifting the map extents north, south, east or west)
- stepping back in the history of areas of extents places you have panned or zoomed to)
- stepping forward in the history of areas of extents (places you have panned or zoomed to)
- digitising an area of interest for your search
- editing the digitised area of interest
- deleting the digitised area of interest

In addition, to the bottom right of the map area, two icons are present. These allow you to:

- restore the map size to default
- grow the size of the map such that it occupies the entire browser window area

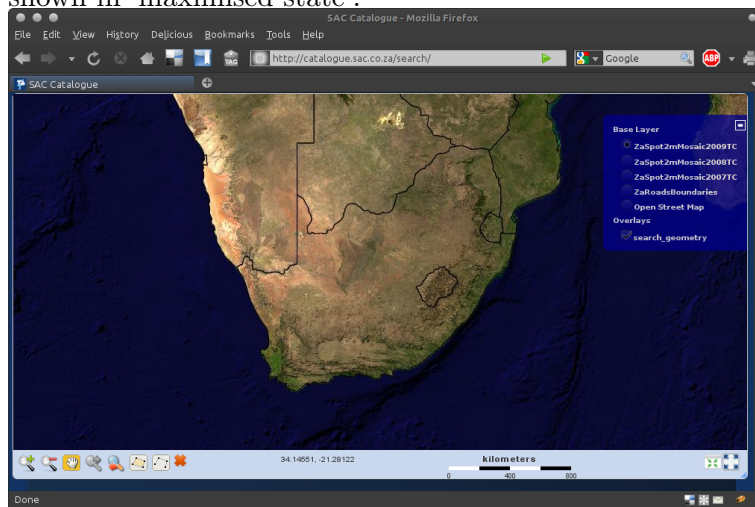
It should be noted that for the latter item, the search form and related buttons are shifted down to 'below the fold' (i.e. below the bottom edge of the window), requiring the user to scroll the window down to once again see the other input controls on the form.

Below the map are two additional elements:

- the current position of the cursor in decimal degrees
- a scale bar with units in kilometers

Technical note: The backdrop layers shown in the map areas are in the 'Google Mercator' coordinate reference system (EPSG:90013)

In the image below, the various map elements described above are shown. The map is shown in 'maximised state'.



18.2 Advanced Search

For casual users, the simple search functionality may be sufficient, but there is a class of users that demand more control over the search criteria. These users include SAC staff members, remote sensing specialists and other professional users. To cater to the needs of this demographic, we have implemented the advanced search functionality.

18.2.1 Optical Products

Advanced Search Map Help Toggle Advanced Search Search

Product Type Details

Product Type* Optical License Type Free

Sensor Details

Mission(s) Landsat 5
Spot 5
etc. Mission Sensor(s) MSS
Pan
etc.

Type(s) MSS
Pan
etc. Model(s) MS
HRT
etc.

Image Details

☒ Cloud Cover 0% 100%

Acquisition Angle Min 10 Max 14.5

Spatial Resolution* 1 - 7m Bands Panchromatic

Row & Path

Row [12,20] Processing Levels(s) L1a
L1b
etc.

Path 1412339

Allowed formats: Single item e.g. 11, Range [min,max] e.g. [12,20], List e.g. 12,15,22

Geometry

Upload Shapefile Upload KML

Position & Radius or Box [12,20] Allowed formats: Point with radius e.g. 22-32100m, BBox e.g. 11,33

Dates

Start February 2008 End February 2008 Date ranges(s)* 01-01-2010 : 01-10-2011
01-01-2010 : 01-10-2011
etc.

Add Remove Search

Note: select nothing = use all

*Note: * items mandatory*

An advanced search for optical products allows the user to create a refined subset of OpticalProduct records based on various properties. The options selected in the advanced search form are cumulative.

In the wireframe above, you can see the options available in advanced search.

Sensor Details

The sensor details area of the form allows the user to define which products should be found based on the sensors that acquired them.

- When selecting one or more missions, the sensors, modes, types and bands entries will be filtered to show only those items permissible for the given missions.

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- When selecting one or more types, the mode and band entries will be filtered to show only those items permissible for the given types.
- When selecting one or more modes, the band entries will be filtered to show only those items permissible for the given modes.
- The Mission, Mission Sensor, Type and Mode selectors are constrained to show only non-radar products (based on MissionSensor::is_radar property).

Image Details

The image details area of the form allows the user to define which products should be found based on the product / image properties.

Cloud cover can optionally be used to filter products that have been determined to have less than a given amount of cloud cover. Images with NULL cloud_cover will be assumed to have 100% cloud cover for purposes of filtering. If the checkbox next to the cloud cover slider is unchecked, cloud cover will be ignored when filtering.

The **acquisition angle** is used to limit search results to products that were acquired with the sensor orientated between a range of viewing angles. Images with NULL sensor_viewing_angle will be assumed to be excluded when filtering by sensor viewing angle. If either the min or max value is unpopulated, this will be ignored in the search.

Geometric accuracy is used to filter products based on image pixel size. On a technical note, the pixel size is determined by checking the GenericImageryProduct::geometric_resolution (which is an inherited property of optical product). The reason this is used rather than the AcquisitionMode::geometric_resolution is that the product may have been resampled during processing so (with the exception of level 1A products), the resolution may not correspond to the acquisition mode any more. For ease of use, geometric accuracy is grouped as shown in the table below, and the user may select a single entry from this list.

Class	Value Range
< 1m	0 - 1m
1m - 7m	1 - 7m
7m - 25m	7 - 250m
25m - 70m	25 - 70m
70m - 1km	70 - 1000m
> 1km	1000m +

Bands is used to identify the spectral resolution of the products being searched for. A user friendly grouping is listed in a select box allowing the user to select a single band range. These are:

Name	Notes
Panchromatic	Single band imagery
Truecolour RGB (3)	Three bands representing red green blue
Multispectral (4-8)	4 to 8 bands
Superspectral (9-40)	9 to 40 bands
Hyperspectral (>40)	more than 40 bands

Technical note: As with geometric accuracy, the number of bands used for filtering is taken from `GenericImageryProduct::band_count` rather than `AcquisitionMode::band_count`.

Row / Path Ranges

The specification of row and path ranges can be one in one of three ways:

1. A range e.g. `[0,15]` means include all rows/paths inclusively from 0 to 15.
2. A list e.g. `1,5,3` means include specifically row or paths numbered 1, 5 and 3.
3. A single item e.g. `10` means include only that row/path

The semantics of what constitutes a row and path (in a geospatial sense) varies from sensor to sensor. The search algorithm makes no special allowance for this so it should be noted that a row/path search of `30,50` for two different sensors may return imagery covering disparate areas.

Note: Although the normal expectation is that both a row and a path are provided, this is a soft requirement, and a user may enter one or the other (or neither) if they desire.

Processing levels

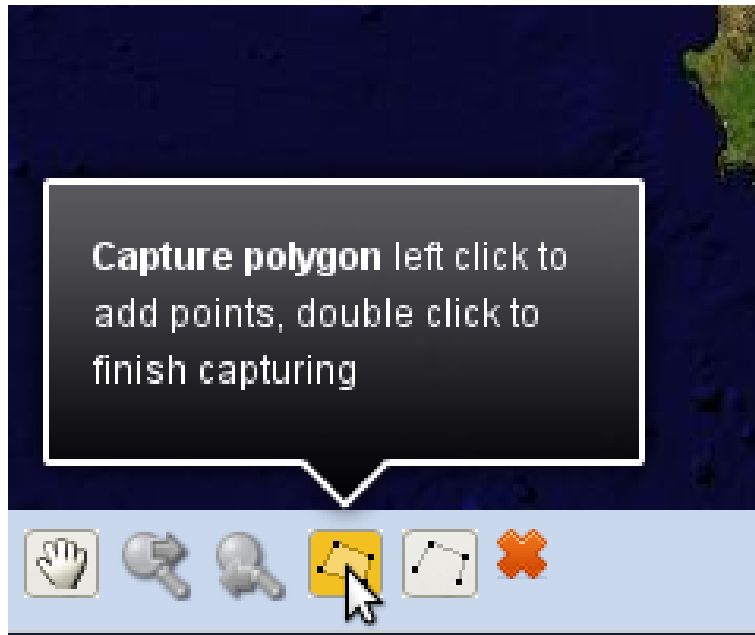
The products can be filtered according to their processing level. The list of processing level list is not dynamic (i.e. it does not adjust its entries based on mission, sensor etc. selections) as it would be prohibitively CPU intensive to do so. As such there is no guarantee of being at least one product for each of the listed processing levels.

One or more processing levels can be selected. If none are selected, it is assumed that products at all levels should be queried when searching.

Geometry

A geometry can be defined for a search in one of four ways:

1. Digitising an area on the map directly
2. Uploading a shapefile or kml demarcating the area of interest
3. Specifying point and radius geometry in an input box
4. Specifying a bounding box in an input box



For digitising, the user should select the 'capture polygon' tool on the map.

For the geometry upload functions, only the first feature in the uploaded shapefile / kml will be used. The shapefile should have a polygon geometry type and have a Coordinate Reference System of EPSG:4326 (Geographic WGS84).

The input box for geometry can be used to create a circular geometry by entering the coordinate of the center point and a radius in kilometers. For example:

20.5,-32.3,100

The values should be entered as easting (use negative number to indicate west), northing (use negative number to indicate south), radius (in km). The easting/northing values are specified in decimal degrees.

Finally, the bounding box can also be entered in the form:

xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax

For example:

20,-34,22,-32

Date Ranges

When conducting a search with the advanced search tool, the user can specify one or more date ranges. The start date for any date range will be restricted to be no earlier **1 January 1972**. The end date will be restricted to be no later than the current date. No facility is made for including time in the date range.

The process of defining date ranges consists of:

- Selecting a start date in the 'start' calendar

- Selecting an end date in the 'end' calendar
- Clicking the 'add' icon to add the date range to the range list

The user can remove a range from the list by selecting it and clicking the 'remove' icon.

Executing the search

Once the user has completed the search definition process, pressing the 'search' button will cause the search request to be posted to the server. If there are any validation errors, the user will be returned to the search form and the validation errors will be indicated. Assuming there were no errors, the user is redirected to the search results page.

18.3 Radar Search

Advanced Search Map Help Toggle Advanced Search Search

Product Type Details

Product Type* Radar License Type Free

Sensor Details

Mission(s) SAR
ERS
etc. Mission Sensor(s) SAR
ERS
etc.

Type(s) SAR
ERS
etc. Model(s) SAR
ERS
etc.

Note: select nothing = use all

Image Details

Polarisation Mode ☒ Single Pole ☐ Dual Pole ☐ Quad Pole ☐ All

Incidence Angle Min 10 Max 14.5

Spatial Resolution* 1 - 7m

Row & Path

Row [12,20] Levels L1a
L1b
etc.

Path 1412999

Allowed formats: Single item e.g. 11, Range [min,max] e.g. [12,20], List e.g. 12,15,22

Geometry

Upload Shapefile Upload KML

Position & Radius or Box [12,20] Allowed formats: Point with radius e.g. 22,\$2,100m, BBox e.g. 1,1,\$\$

Dates

Start February 2008 End February 2008 Date range(s)* 01-01-2010 : 01-10-2011
01-01-2010 : 01-10-2011
etc.

Add Remove

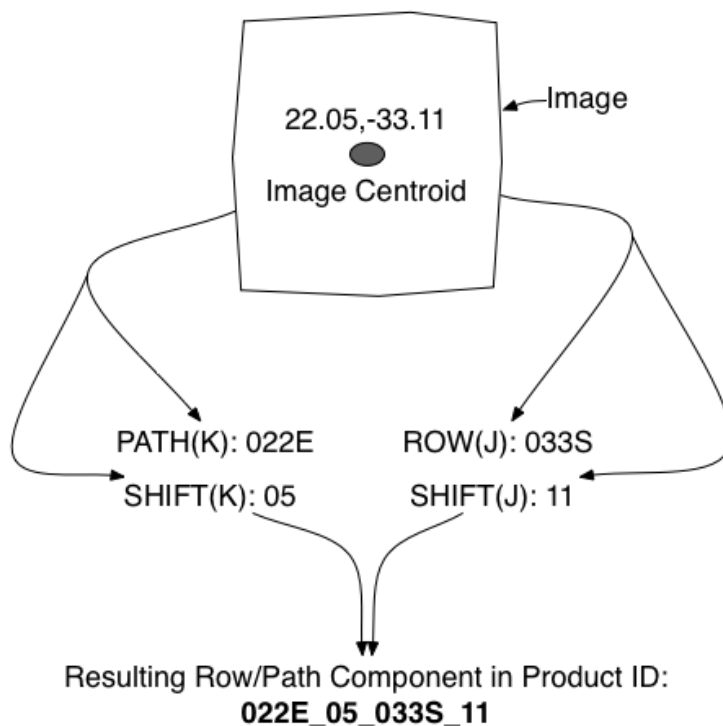
Search

Radar products share many properties in common with Optical products, so you should read the description of the Advanced Search for Optical Products above first. There are five principle differences in the Radar Search dialog:

1. There is no option to choose a cloud cover rating.
2. There is an option added for polarisation mode.
3. Acquisition angle is replaced with incidence angle (RadarProduct::incidence_angle).
4. The Mission, Mission Sensor, Type and Mode selectors are constrained to show only radar products (based on MissionSensor::is_radar property).
5. There is no option to choose a number of bands.

It should be noted that radar products will often not have row/path data. In this situation the row/path and offsets should have been defined using the product centroid system as illustrated below. For this reason the row/path inputs remain.

Centroid Derived Row/Path for product ID's



The centroid based the row/path schema uses N/S/E/W suffixes to indicate hemisphere, however the row/path range definition expects numeric entries. As such negative values in the row box will indicate west and negative values in the path will indicate south.

18.4 Generic Imagery Search

The purpose of the generic imagery search is to allow the user to locate GenericImageryProducts and their class heirarchy descendents (currently Optical and Radar products). The generic imagery search uses a reduced set of options in order to cater for the range of different imagery types.

The screenshot shows the 'Advanced Search' interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'Map Help', 'Toggle Advanced Search', and 'Search'. Below this, the 'Product Type Details' section includes 'Product Type*' (set to 'Generic Imagery') and 'License Type' (set to 'Free'). The 'Image Details' section includes 'Spatial Resolution*' (set to '1 - 7m') and 'Bands' (set to 'Panchromatic'). The 'Processing' section includes 'Levels' (a list box with 'L1a', 'L1b', etc.). The 'Geometry' section includes 'Upload Shapefile' and 'Upload KML' buttons. Below this, 'Position & Radius or Box' is set to '[12,20]', with a note: 'Allowed formats: Point with radius e.g. 22-92100m, BBox e.g. 11,33'. The 'Dates' section includes 'Start' and 'End' date pickers (both set to February 2008) and a 'Date ranges*' text area containing '01-01-2010 : 01-10-2011' and '01-01-2010 : 01-10-2011' with an 'Add' button. At the bottom, there is a 'Search' button.

In particular:

- There are no options related to the selection of a mission, sensor, sensor type or acquisition mode.
- There are no options related to acquisition angle or incidence angle.
- There are no options relating to polarisation mode.
- There are no options relating to Row / Path.

Because of the diverse results that may be returned upon completing a generic imagery search, there is no post search product id filtering catered for. However the user may refine the search from the search results screen where they will be returned to a pre-populated instance of the original search form.

18.5 GeospatialProduct Search

Advanced Search

Product Type Details

Product Type* License Type

Product Details

Effective Scale Better Than 1: Topic

Geometry

Position & Radius or Box Allowed formats: Point with radius e.g. 22-92100m, 68px e.g. 11,33

Dates

Start End

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	

19 Informix SPOT Catalogue Notes

This section is broken up into the following parts:

1. a description of the ACS port and data migration process
2. technical information on how to connect to informix from python
3. miscellaneous tips and tips relating to using the informix database

19.1 Overview of the data migration process

The process of data migration seeks to largely clone the informix ACS catalogue into a postgresql database, and then use that as the basis of running various import steps in order to migrate key parts of the ACS database into the SAC Catalogue.

There are two things to consider here:

1. migration of metadata
2. migration of product thumbnails

Metadata records are defined in a complex of different tables which need to be queried in order to be able to obtain all the data related to a specific product. The informix acs catalogue stores all thumbnails as whole segments within blobs inside the database and these need to be extracted, georeferenced and clipped into individual scenes.

19.2 Technical notes for informix access via python

This section covers the installation and setup process for the informix python client so that you can connect to the server from a separate linux box using python.

Download the InformixDB driver for python from:

http://sourceforge.net/project/showfiles.php?group_id=136134

And the Informix client sdk from:

http://www14.software.ibm.com/webapp/download/preconfig.jsp?id=2007-04-19+14%3A08%3A41.173257R&S_TACT=104CBW71&S_CMP=

(write the above url on a single line)

If the above link doesnt work for you (it seems to contain a session id), go to the

<http://www14.software.ibm.com>

website and search for

3.50.UC4

using the search box near the top right of the page. Downloading requires an IBM id etc. which you can sign up for if you dont have one.

Note: You will need to get the appropriate download for your processor type. For Lion, which is running ubuntu server x86_64, I downloaded the sdb bundle called:

IBM Informix Client SDK V3.50.FC4 for Linux (x86) RHEL 4, 64bit
clientsdk.3.50.FC4DE.LINUX.tar (72MB)

Note 2: Even though it says Red Hat Enterprise Edition (RHEL) you can use it on ubuntu servers too.

After you have downloaded the client sdk do the following to install (below is a log of my install process).

```
sudo adduser informix
Adding user 'informix' ...
Adding new group 'informix' (1003) ...
Adding new user 'informix' (1003) with group 'informix' ...
Creating home directory '/home/informix' ...
Copying files from '/etc/skel' ...
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for informix
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
Full Name []: Informix
Room Number []:
Work Phone []:
Home Phone []:
Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n] Y
[linfiniti:timlinux:DownloadDirector] sudo ./installclientsdk
```

```
Initializing InstallShield Wizard.....
Launching InstallShield Wizard.....
```

Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50

The InstallShield Wizard will install IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50 on your computer.
To continue, choose Next.

IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50
IBM Corporation
<http://www.ibm.com>

Press 1 for Next, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

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Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50 Install Location

Please specify a directory or press Enter to accept the default directory.

Directory Name: [/opt/IBM/informix] /usr/informix

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

Choose the setup type that best suits your needs.

[X] 1 - Typical
The program will be installed with the suggested configuration.
Recommended for most users.

[] 2 - Custom
The program will be installed with the features you choose.
Recommended for advanced users.

To select an item enter its number, or 0 when you are finished: [0]

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50 will be installed in the following location:

/usr/informix

with the following features:

Client
Messages
Global Language Support (GLS)

for a total size:

91.8 MB

Press 1 for Next, 2 for Previous, 3 to Cancel or 4 to Redisplay [1] 1

Installing IBM Informix Client-SDK Version 3.50. Please wait...

```
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
0%       25%      50%      75%     100%
|||||
```

Creating uninstaller...

Performing GSKit installation for Linux ...

Branding Files ...

Installing directory .
Installing directory etc
Installing directory bin
Installing directory lib
Installing directory lib/client
Installing directory lib/client/csm
Installing directory lib/esql
Installing directory lib/dmi
Installing directory lib/c++
Installing directory lib/cli
Installing directory release
Installing directory release/en_us
Installing directory release/en_us/0333
Installing directory incl
Installing directory incl/esql
Installing directory incl/dmi
Installing directory incl/c++
Installing directory incl/cli
Installing directory demo
Installing directory demo/esqlc
Installing directory demo/c++
Installing directory demo/cli
Installing directory doc
Installing directory doc/gls_api
Installing directory doc/gls_api/en_us
Installing directory doc/gls_api/en_us/0333
Installing directory tmp
Installing directory gsk
Installing directory gsk/client
Installing directory gskit
Installing directory gsk
Installing directory gsk/client

IBM Informix Product: IBM INFORMIX-Client SDK

Installation Directory: /usr/informix

Performing root portion of installation of IBM INFORMIX-Client SDK...

Installation of IBM INFORMIX-Client SDK complete.

Installing directory etc
Installing directory gls
Installing directory gls/cm3
Installing directory gls/cv9
Installing directory gls/dll
Installing directory gls/etc
Installing directory gls/lc11
Installing directory gls/lc11/cs_cz
Installing directory gls/lc11/da_dk
Installing directory gls/lc11/de_at
Installing directory gls/lc11/de_ch
Installing directory gls/lc11/de_de
Installing directory gls/lc11/en_au
Installing directory gls/lc11/en_gb
Installing directory gls/lc11/en_us
Installing directory gls/lc11/es_es
Installing directory gls/lc11/fi_fi
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_be
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_ca
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_ch
Installing directory gls/lc11/fr_fr
Installing directory gls/lc11/is_is
Installing directory gls/lc11/it_it
Installing directory gls/lc11/ja_jp
Installing directory gls/lc11/ko_kr
Installing directory gls/lc11/nl_be
Installing directory gls/lc11/nl_nl
Installing directory gls/lc11/no_no
Installing directory gls/lc11/os

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Installing directory gls/lc11/pl_pl
Installing directory gls/lc11/pt_br
Installing directory gls/lc11/pt_pt
Installing directory gls/lc11/ru_ru
Installing directory gls/lc11/sk_sk
Installing directory gls/lc11/sv_se
Installing directory gls/lc11/th_th
Installing directory gls/lc11/zh_cn
Installing directory gls/lc11/zh_tw

IBM Informix Product:      Gls
Installation Directory: /usr/informix

Performing root portion of installation of Gls...

Installation of Gls complete.

Installing directory etc
Installing directory msg
Installing directory msg/en_us
Installing directory msg/en_us/0333

IBM Informix Product:      messages
Installation Directory: /usr/informix

Performing root portion of installation of messages...

Installation of messages complete.

-----
The InstallShield Wizard has successfully installed IBM Informix Client-SDK
Version 3.50. Choose Finish to exit the wizard.

Press 3 to Finish or 4 to Redisplay [3]

```

Note that trying to install it to another directory other than /usr/informix will cause the db adapter build to fail (and various other issues). So dont accept the default of /opt/IBM/informix and rather use /usr/informix

Now build the python informix db adapter:

```

cd /tmp/InformixDB-2.5
python setup.py build_ext
sudo python setup.py install

```

Now ensure the informix libs are in your lib search path:

```

sudo vim /etc/ld.so.conf

```

And add the following line:

```

/usr/informix/lib/
/usr/informix/lib/esql

```

Then do

```

sudo ldconfig

```

19.2.1 Making a simple python test

First you need to add a line to informix's sqlhosts file:

```

sudo vim /usr/informix/etc/sqlhosts

```

And add a line that looks like this:

```
#catalog2 added by Tim
#name, protocol, ip, port
catalog2      onsoctcp      196.35.94.210  1537
```

Next you need to export the INFORMIXSERVER environment var:

```
export INFORMIXSERVER=catalog2
```

I found out that it is running on port 1537 by consulting the /etc/services file on the informix server. Now lets try our test connection. This little script will make a quick test connection so you can see if its working:

```
#!/usr/bin/python

import sys
import informixdb # import the InformixDB module

# -----
# open connection to database 'stores'
# -----
conn = informixdb.connect('catalogue@catalog2', user='informix', password='')

# -----
# allocate cursor and execute select
# -----
cursor1 = conn.cursor(rowformat = informixdb.ROW_AS_DICT)
cursor1.execute('select * from t_file_types')

for row in cursor1:

    # -----
    # delete row if column 'code' begins with 'C'
    # -----
    print "%s %s" % (row['id'], row['file_type_name'])
# -----
# commit transaction and close connection
# -----
conn.close()

sys.exit(0);
```

Note that the documentation for the python InformixDB module is available here:

<http://informixdb.sourceforge.net/manual.html>

And the documentaion for the Informix SQL implementation is here:

<http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/idshelp/v10>

19.3 Trouble shooting and general tips

19.3.1 WKT representation of GeoObjects

Informix uses its own representation of geometry objects. There are two extensions for informix that deal with spatial data : Geodetic and Spatial. It seems we have only geodetic extension at SAC and thus can't use ST_foo functions to work with geometry fields. For Geodetic we need to alter a value in the GeoParam table in order to change what formats are output / input. From the manual:

Converting Geodetic to/from OpenGIS Formats

Geodetic does not use functions to convert data to a specific format.

Instead, the GeoParam metadata table manages the data format for transmitting data between client and server. If the "data format" parameter is set to "OGC", then binary i/o is in WKB format and text i/o is in WKT format. (For specific details, see Chapter 7 in the Informix Geodetic DataBlade Module User's Guide).

You can override the representation type that should be returned so that you get e.g. WKT back instead. Consider this example:

```
-- set output format to 3
update GeoParam set value = 4 where id =3;
-- show what the format is set to now
select * from GeoParam where id = 3;
-- display a simple polygon
select first 1 geo_time_info from t_localization;
-- revert it to informix representation
update GeoParam set value = 0 where id =3;
-- display the polygon back in native informix representation
select first 1 geo_time_info from t_localization;
--verify that the format is reverted correctly
select * from GeoParam where id = 3;
```

Which produces output like this:

```
id      3
name    data format
value   4
remarks This parameter controls the external text & binary format of GeoObjects.
        It is not documented in the 3.0 version of the user's guide.  See release
        notes for more info.

geo_time_info POLYGON((28.73 -15.35, 28.969999 -13.79, 27.34 -13.55, 27.1 -15.
                  11, 28.73 -15.35))

geo_time_info GeoPolygon(((((-15.35,28.73),(-13.79,28.969999),(-13.55,27.34),
(-15.11,27.1))),ANY,(1987-04-26 07:34:45.639,1987-04-26
07:34:45.639))

id      3
name    data format
value   0
remarks This parameter controls the external text & binary format of GeoObject
s.  It is not documented in the 3.0 version of the user's guide.  See
release notes for more info.
```

19.3.2 When things go wrong on the informix server

Record Lock Issues

If the client does not cleanly disconnect it can leave records locked. You may see a message like this from dbaccess when trying to do an interactive query:

```
244: Could not do a physical-order read to fetch next row.
107: ISAM error:  record is locked.
```

There are probably solutions that are better than this, but the most robust way of dealing with the issue is to restart the informix database:

```
ssh informix@informix
cd /home/informix/bin
onmode -k
```

You will then get prompted like this:

```
This will take Informix Dynamic Server 2000 OFF-LINE -
Do you wish to continue (y/n)? y

There are 1 user threads that will be killed.
Do you wish to continue (y/n)? y
```

Afterwards, you can bring up the database like this:

```
oninit
```

The record locks should have been cleared at this point.

DBAccess Unresponsive

Collect diagnostics:

```
[101] catalog2:/home/informix> onstat -V Informix Dynamic Server 2000 Version
9.21.UC4 Software Serial Number AAD#J130440
[101] catalog2:/home/informix> onstat -a
```

Nightly Informix Compact Job

```
ssh informix@informix
crontab -l
[101] catalog2:/home/informix> crontab -l
no crontab for informix
```

So now we make a little bash script:

```
#!/bin/bash

# A simple bash script to be invoked by CRON on a nightly basis
# To enable add to your crontab like so:
#
# -----
#
# Run informix stats update nightly to keep responsiveness good
# Job will run 5 min after midnight
# 5 0 * * * /home/informix/nightly_cron.sh
#
# -----
#
# Actual script follows:
#
# Tim Sutton, May 2009
#

# Update the db stats on a nightly basis:

date >> /tmp/informix_stats_update_cron_log.txt
echo "Nightly stats update running" >> \
    /tmp/informix_stats_update_cron_log.txt
echo "update statistics high;" | \
    dbaccess catalogue >> /tmp/informix_stats_update_cron_log.txt
```

And then set up a nightly cronjob to run it:

```
crontab -e
```

Now add this:

```
# Added by Tim for others to see how crontab works
## * * * * * command to be executed
#- - - - -
#| | | | |
#| | | | +----- day of week (0 - 6) (Sunday=0)
#| | | +----- month (1 - 12)
#| | +----- day of month (1 - 31)
#| +----- hour (0 - 23)
#+----- min (0 - 59)
```

```
# Run a test command every minute to see if crontab is working nicely
# comment out when done testing
##/1 * * * * date >> /tmp/date.txt

# Run informix stats update nightly to keep responsiveness good
# Job will run 5 min after midnight
5 0 * * * /home/informix/nightly_cron.sh
```

19.3.3 File System

```
root@informix's password:
Last login: Tue Sep  9 12:57:53 2008 from :0
[root@catalog2 /root]# mount
/dev/sda6 on / type ext2 (rw)
none on /proc type proc (rw)
usbdevfs on /proc/bus/usb type usbdevfs (rw)
/dev/sda2 on /boot type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda10 on /home type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda8 on /tmp type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda5 on /usr type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sda9 on /var type ext2 (rw)
none on /dev/pts type devpts (rw,gid=5,mode=620)
/dev/sdb1 on /mnt/disk1 type ext2 (rw)
/dev/sdc1 on /mnt/disk2 type ext2 (rw)
automount(pid458) on /misc type autofs (rw,fd=5,pgrp=458,minproto=2,maxproto=3)
```

19.3.4 Schema dump of informix databases

Its useful to be able to see the schema of databases so you can understand how it was put together. The following command will dump the catalogue2 (SAC Production database) schema to a text file. **Note:** No data is dumped in this process.

```
dbschema -t all -d catalogue catalogue_schema.sql
```

19.3.5 Listing system and user functions

To see what functions are installed in the database do:

```
select procname from sysprocedures;
```

To see full details of a function:

```
select * from sysprocedures where procname="lotofile";
```

19.3.6 Problems running functions

If you try to run a function that you know exists, but you get an error message like this:

```
_informixdb.DatabaseError: SQLCODE -674 in PREPARE:
IX000: Routine (lotofile) can not be resolved.
```

It probably means you passed the incorrect number or type of parameters to the function.

19.3.7 Accessing the server Interactively

```
ssh 196.35.94.210 -l informix
```

Interactive database access:

```
dbaccess
```

19.4 Command line batch processing

Add some sql commands to a text file:

```
vim /tmp/tim.sql
```

Some commands:

```
select geo_time_info from ers_view;
```

Save and run, redirecting output to another text file:

```
dbaccess catalogue < /tmp/tim.sql >> /tmp/tim.out
```

19.4.1 Command line processing using echo

Handy for quickly running once off commands or from bash scripts.

```
echo "select * from t_file_types" | dbaccess catalogue
```

19.4.2 Changing geotype to wkt

For batch export to the django catalogue the geometries need to be exported as wkt (well known text) which is not the type used internally for the spot catalogue.

```
echo "update GeoParam set value = 0 where id =3;" | dbaccess catalogue
```

19.4.3 Reverting geotype to informix format

To set geometry output back to informix representation and restoring normal catalogue functioning do:

```
echo "update GeoParam set value = 4 where id =3;" | dbaccess catalogue
```

19.4.4 Informix environment preparation

```
export INFORMIXSERVER=catalog2
```

from the shell to make sure you have the informix env set up

```
Superclasses - OK 3 Records
DataMode - OK 3 Records
EllipsoidType - OK 2 Records
ErsCompMode - OK 2 Records
FileType - OK 18 Records
HeaderType - OK 7 Records
Satellite - OK 9 Records
Satellite - OK 15 Records
SpotAcquisitionMode - OK 3 Records
Station - OK 110 Records
Medium - OK: 157277 Records, Failed:0 Records.
Localization - OK: 1179257 Records, Failed:0 Records.
SegmentCommon - OK: 157277 Records, Failed:0 Records.
```

Note: Also probably no longer needed!

19.5 Backup and Restore of the postgres ACS clone

To backup the ACS postgres database do:

```
pg_dump -f acs-'date +%a%d%b%Y'.sql.tar.gz -x -0 -F tar acs
```

To restore the postgres database do:

```
pg_restore -F t acsThu21May2009.sql.tar.gz |psql acs
```

20 Procedures for importing data from various sources into the catalogue

Note: This document should be considered compulsory reading before you attempt to import any data into the catalogue.

Note2: This document *must* be kept up to date when you make changes to import scripts etc.

The catalogue system provides search access to metadata describing acquisitions that have taken place from a variety of sensors. This metadata needs to be lodged in the database in one way or another. Different sensors have different entry points into the system - and this document tries to cover the various permutations and procedures for lodging data into the database.

20.1 Legacy ACS System

20.2 SPOT Image Data

20.3 Sumbandilasat

For sumbandilasat the procedure for import at the moment boils down to this:

- Wolfgang / other SAC staffer performs initial L1Ab processing of imagery
- Products are placed on the SAC storage array and an email is sent to Tim detailing the names of the new product directories. (Typically they will be under /cxfs/SARMES/S/INT/RI/SS1/
- The products are copied over to LION into /mnt/cataloguestorage/imagery_processing/sumbandi e.g. `rsync -ave ssh cheetah:/cxfs/SARMES/S/INT/RI/SS1/2* .`
- Before rsyncing, it would be worth noting which products are already processed e.g. “20100409-20100712 20100801_20100830 20100901_20100910 20100901_20100922 20100927_20101014 20101018_20101108 20101109_20101112 20101116_20101119”
- The .shp project file is then imported into the sac database in the import schema to the 'sumb' table

- The scripts/sort_sumb_imagery.py script is then run. This converts the sumb pix images to tif and then files them under imagery master copies in the L1Ab folder as shown below.

```
imagery_mastercopies
+-- C2B      <-- CBERS
|  +-- 1Aa
|  +-- 1Ab
+-- S-C      <-- SACC
|  +-- 1Ab
+-- ZA2      <-- sumbandilasat
    +-- 1Aa
    +-- 1Ab
```

- The scripts/sort_sumb_raw_imagery.py script is then run. This archives the raw folder and files it into the L1Aa folder as shown above. Note: This step will be merged with the above step for convenience.

After this process the new data should be searchable in the catalogue, thumbnails should be available, and the raw products should be downloadable.

20.3.1 Copying the product folder over to LION

Currently we pull the data over from the storage array to LION. This is carried out using rsync. Here is an example of copying a DIMS project folder over:

```
cd /mnt/cataloguestorage/imagery_processing/sumbandilasat
rsync -ave ssh cheetah:/S/INT/RI/SS1/20100901_20100910 .
```

The copied over project file should have a structure something like this:

```
20100801_20100830
+-- imp
|  +-- ThN1
+-- raw
    +-- I0049
    +-- I0085
    ...etc
```

So the data in imp will be converted from pix into tif and made available as L1Ab products. The data in Thn1 will be imported as product thumbnails or 'quicklooks'. The folders under raw will be archived using a filename that matches their sac product ID and made available as downloads.

20.3.2 Importing the report file

Once the project folder has been carried over to LION, you need to import the report file into the database. To do this the report file needs to be copied over to ELEPHANT (the database server), the temporary sumb import table cleared and the new report file brought in to populate that table.

There is a django model called 'Sumb' which maps to this temporary import table

- it is not used for anything besides data import and can be safely removed if you do not use Sumbandilasat on your catalogue deployment.

The report file comes in two forms, a Geomatica 'PIX' file and a 'Shapefile' (which is actually a collection of a number of files).

```
SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.dbf
SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.pix
SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.prj
SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.shp
SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.shx
```

To move these files (the name will differ by product folder so this is just an example) to elephant we do:

```
scp -P 8697 SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.* elephant:/tmp/
```

You will need login credentials for elephant of course. Once the files are transferred, you need to log in to elephant (196.35.94.197), clear the import.sumb temporary table and import the report file:

```
ssh -p 8697 elephant
cd /tmp
```

Now open a db session and clear the sumb temporary table:

```
psql sac
delete from import.sumb;
\q
```

Now load the report shapefile into the temporary table (lines wrapped for readability):

```
shp2pgsql -a -s 4326 -S \
/tmp/SARMES_SS1_20100409-20100712_rep.shp \
import.sumb | psql sac
```

If you have a batch of report files to import in one go you can do it with a bash one liner like this:

```
for FILE in *.shp; do shp2pgsql -a -s 4326 -S $FILE import.sumb | psql sac; done
```

After importing, you can verify that all product records were loaded in the metadata table like this:

```
psql sac
sac=# select count(*) from import.sumb;
\q
```

Which should output something like this:

```
count
-----
352
(1 row)
```

Now log out of elephant and we will continue with the import on LION.

20.3.3 Unified product migration

Our goal here is to convert the Sumbandilasat data into the SAC Unified Product Model (UPM). The purpose of the UPM is to use a common product table for all sensor types - it includes only cross cutting attributes and does not try to model sensor specific attributes of a product. There are a few UPM specialisations - UPM-O for optical products, UPM-R for radar products and UPM-A for atmospheric products. Since Sumbandilasat is an optical product, metadata records will be lodged as UPM-O.

```
cd /opt/sac_catalogue/sac_live
```

now edit 'scripts/sumb_importer.py' and at the bottom of the file populate the list of project folders to process. e.g.

```
def run():
    myProjectsList = [
        "20101122_20101201",
        "20101206_20101213",
        "20110125_20110214",
        "20110215_20110228",
    ]
```

Also make sure that 'mSourcePath' at the top of the file is correct (you would typically not need to change it).

Now run the script by typing:

```
cd <path to catalogue dir>
source ../python/bin/activate
python manage.py runscript sumb_importer
```

To achieve this we will run a python script that will do the work for us.

20.3.4 Downloadable Products

20.4 CBERS

20.5 SACC

21 Procedures for importing data from DIMS packages into the catalogue

Note: This document should be considered compulsory reading before you attempt to import any data into the catalogue.

Note2: This document *must* be kept up to date when you make changes to import scripts etc.

21.1 Importing the packages from a pickup folder

The import process is done by a Django management command that can be called by a cron job.

When a package is successfully imported it is deleted from the filesystem (a command flag can be used to avoid this behaviour).

To see all available options you can call the command with '-h' or 'help' parameter:

```
$ python manage.py dims_ingest -h
Usage: manage.py dims_ingest [options]
```

Import into the catalogue all DIMS packages in a given folder, SPOT-5 OpticalProduct only

Options:

```
-v VERBOSITY, --verbosity=VERBOSITY
    Verbosity level; 0=minimal output, 1=normal output,
    2=all output
--settings=SETTINGS
    The Python path to a settings module, e.g.
    "myproject.settings.main". If this isn't provided, the
    DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE environment variable will be
    used.
--pythonpath=PYTHONPATH
    A directory to add to the Python path, e.g.
    "/home/djangoprojects/myproject".
--traceback
    Print traceback on exception
-f FOLDER, --folder=FOLDER
    Scan the given folder, defaults to current.
-i, --store_image
    Store the original image data extracted from the
    package.
-g GLOB, --glob=GLOB
    A shell glob pattern for files to ingest.
-t, --test_only
    Just test, nothing will be written into the DB.
-o OWNER, --owner=OWNER
    Name of the Institution package owner. Metadata will
    be used if available, the program will fail if no
    metadata are available and no name is provided.
-s CREATING_SOFTWARE, --creating_software=CREATING_SOFTWARE
    Name of the creating software. Defaults to: SARMES1
-l LICENSE, --license=LICENSE
    Name of the license. Defaults to: SAC Commercial
    License
-k, --keep
    Do not delete the package after a successful import.
--version
    show program's version number and exit
-h, --help
    show this help message and exit
```

21.1.1 Options in detail

-f FOLDER, --folder=FOLDER This is the folder in which the packages to ingest are searched, defaults to the current working directory. Example: '-f /var/dims_packages'

-i, --store_image Store the original image data extracted from the package. This flag indicates to the program that the original image must be stored locally. The destination folder is calculated by chaining `settings.IMAGERY_ROOT` and the result from the function call `GenericSensorProduct.imagePath()`, the image is compressed with `bzip2` and added a ".bz2" suffix.

-g GLOB, --glob=GLOB A shell glob pattern for files to ingest. Defaults to "*.tar.gz". Example: -g "*.tgz"

-t, --test_only Just test, nothing will be written into the DB or copied to the filesystem.

-o OWNER, --owner=OWNER Name of the institution, as a string. Defaults to: None. Example: -o "Satellite Applications Centre" Note: the institution will be created if it does not exist. Note: the institution will be read from metadata if not specified in the options.

-s CREATING_SOFTWARE, --creating_software=CREATING_SOFTWARE Name of the creating software. Defaults to: *SARMES1* Example: -s "SARMES1" Note: the software will be created if it does not exist. Version of the software will be set to a blank string.

-l LICENSE, --license=LICENSE Name of the license. Defaults to: *SAC Commercial License* Example: `-l "SAC Free License"` Note: will be created if it does not exists. License type will be automatically set to *LICENSE_TYPE_ANY* (4)

21.2 Implementation details

Details on the implementation, mainly regarding the source of the data used to populate the catalogue database.

21.2.1 Data and metadata extraction

The ingestion process uses the `dims_lib` package to extract informations from the packages, the following data are extracted and made available for the catalogue:

1. original metadata, is the package's `ISOMetadata.xml` file
2. thumbnail, read from `SacPackage Product` folder
3. image, the original `SacPackage Product` tif image
4. `spatial_coverage`, this is read from the metadata or directly from the image if it is not found

The following information is read from the `ISOMetadata`:

product_date `'/{xmlns}dateStamp/{xmlns_gco}Date', # Product date`

file_identifier `'/{xmlns}fileIdentifier/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

processing_level_code `'{xmlns}processingLevelCode{xmlns}code/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

cloud_cover_percentage `'/{xmlns}cloudCoverPercentage/{xmlns_gco}Real',`

image_quality_code `'{xmlns}imageQualityCode{xmlns}code/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

spatial_coverage `'{xmlns}EX_BoundingPolygon{xmlns_gml}coordinates',`

institution_name `'/{xmlns}CI_ResponsibleParty/{xmlns}organisationName/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

institution_address `'/{xmlns}CI_Address/{xmlns}deliveryPoint/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

institution_city `'/{xmlns}CI_Address/{xmlns}city/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

institution_region `'/{xmlns}CI_Address/{xmlns}administrativeArea/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

institution_postcode `'/{xmlns}CI_Address/{xmlns}postalCode/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

institution_country `'/{xmlns}CI_Address/{xmlns}country/{xmlns_gco}CharacterString',`

Note: The `spatial_coverage` is first read from `EX_BoundingPolygon` parameter in `ISOMetadata.xml`, and then read from the geotiff image if not found.

The following information is read from the main image using **GDAL** library:

1. radiometric_resolution
2. band_count
3. spatial_coverage

The following information are reverse-engineered from the **file_identifier**, the process is handled from the function call `GenericSensorProduct.productIdReverse()`

1. acquisition_mode
2. projection
3. path
4. row
5. path shift
6. row shift

Note: The acquisition_mode is a foreign key to the sensors dictionaries, the ingestion process will take care of creating all the necessary entries when they are missing. The mission_group value is not present in **file_identifier** and is hence set to the first type existing in the catalogue, should a new Mission record need to be created during the ingestion process. In practice the Mission dictionary entries should pre-exist and this situation should not arise.

Note: If a new license is created during the ingestion process, the type is defaulted to `License.LICENSE_TYPE_ANY`

Note: The projection is created if it does not exists, the epsg code is set to 0 by default.

22 Procedures for importing data from RapidEye packages into the catalogue

Note: This document should be considered compulsory reading before you attempt to import any data into the catalogue.

Note2: This document *must* be kept up to date when you make changes to import scripts etc.

22.1 Importing the packages from a the remote catalogue

The import process is done by a Django management command that can be called by a cron job.

To see all available options you can call the command with ‘-h’ or ‘help’ parameter:

```
$ python manage.py rapideye_harvest -h
Usage: manage.py rapideye_harvest [options]

Imports RapidEye packages into the SAC catalogue

Options:
  -v VERBOSITY, --verbosity=VERBOSITY
                                Verbosity level; 0=minimal output, 1=normal output,
                                2=all output
  --settings=SETTINGS            The Python path to a settings module, e.g.
                                "myproject.settings.main". If this isn't provided, the
                                DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE environment variable will be
                                used.
  --pythonpath=PYTHONPATH        A directory to add to the Python path, e.g.
                                "/home/djangoprojects/myproject".
  --traceback                    Print traceback on exception
  -u USERNAME, --username=USERNAME
                                Username for HTTP Authentication. Defaults is read
                                from settings.py.
  -p PASSWORD, --password=PASSWORD
                                Password for HTTP Authentication. Defaults is read
                                from settings.py.
  -b BASE_URL, --base_url=BASE_URL
                                Base catalogue URL. Defaults is read from settings.py.
  -t, --test_only                Just test, nothing will be written into the DB.
  -o OWNER, --owner=OWNER        Name of the Institution package owner. Defaults to:
                                Rapideye AG.
  -s CREATING_SOFTWARE, --creating_software=CREATING_SOFTWARE
                                Name of the creating software. Defaults to: Unknown.
  -y YEAR, --year=YEAR           Year to ingest (4 digits). Defaults to: current year
  -d DAY, --day=DAY              Day to ingest (2 digits). Defaults to None
  -m MONTH, --month=MONTH        Month to ingest (2 digits). Defaults to: current month
  -l LICENSE, --license=LICENSE  Name of the license. Defaults to: SAC Commercial
                                License
  -a AREA, --area=AREA           Area of interest, images which are external to this
                                area will not be imported (WKT Polygon, SRID=4326)
  -q QUALITY, --quality=QUALITY  Quality code (will be created if does not exists).
                                Defaults to: Unknown
  -r PROCESSING_LEVEL, --processing_level=PROCESSING_LEVEL
                                Processing level code (will be created if does not
                                exists). Defaults to: 1B
  --version                     show program's version number and exit
  -h, --help                    show this help message and exit
```

Running the command:

```
$ python manage.py rapideye_harvest -v 2 -a 'POLYGON(( 22 3, 23 3, 23 2, 22 2, 22 3))' -d 12 -y 2011 -m 03
```

22.2 Implementation details

Details on the implementation, mainly regarding the source of the data used to populate the catalogue database.

Pseudocode:

1. given the year and month (and optionally the day)
2. download the shapefiles with all imagery metadata for that period of time
3. optionally clip to a bounding polygon to restrict area of interest

4. for each image:
 - a) calculate product_id
 - b) search in catalogue
 - c) if already in catalogue, process the next product
 - d) download thumbnail
 - e) ingest in catalogue

22.2.1 Data and metadata extraction

The following metadata are hardcoded constants and can be changed at the top of the script 'catalogue/management/commands/rapideye_harvest.py':

Parameter	Value
band_count	5
radiometric_resolution	16
geometric_resolution_x	5
geometric_resolution_y	5
mission_sensor	REI
sensor_type	REI
acquisition_mode	REI
projection	ORBIT
product_acquisition_start_time	09:00

The following metadata are passed to the script as option parameters:

Parameter	Default
license	SAC Commercial License
owner	Rapideye AG
processing_level	1B
creating_software	Unknown

The following metadata are read from the shapefile:

Parameter	From
original_product_id	PATH
product_acquisition_start[1]	ACQ_DATE
row/path informations	footprint centroid
mission	CRAFT_ID
cloud_cover	CCP
sensor_viewing_angle	VW_ANGLE
solar_zenith_angle	90A° - SUNELVN
solar_azimuth_angle	SUNAZMT
sensor_inclination_angle	IND_ANGLE

[1] time taken from constant product_acquisition_start_time

23 Procedures for importing data from MODIS packages into the catalogue

Note: This document should be considered compulsory reading before you attempt to import any data into the catalogue.

Note2: This document *must* be kept up to date when you make changes to import scripts etc.

23.1 Importing the packages from a the remote catalogue

The import process is done by a Django management command that can be called by a cron job.

To see all available options you can call the command with ‘-h’ or ‘help’ parameter:

```
$ python manage.py modis_harvest -h
Usage: manage.py modis_harvest [options]

Imports mdois packages into the SAC catalogue

Options:
  -v VERBOSITY, --verbosity=VERBOSITY
                                Verbosity level; 0=minimal output, 1=normal output,
                                2=all output
  --settings=SETTINGS            The Python path to a settings module, e.g.
                                "myproject.settings.main". If this isn't provided, the
                                DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE environment variable will be
                                used.
  --pythonpath=PYTHONPATH       A directory to add to the Python path, e.g.
                                "/home/djangoprojects/myproject".
  --traceback                   Print traceback on exception
  -i, --store_image             Store the original image data extracted from the
                                package.
  -m MAXPRODUCTS, --maxproducts=MAXPRODUCTS
                                Import at most n products.
  -t, --test_only               Just test, nothing will be written into the DB.
  -s, --rcfileskip             Do not read or write the run control file.
  -o OWNER, --owner=OWNER      Name of the Institution package owner. Defaults to:
                                MODIS.
  -l LICENSE, --license=LICENSE
                                Name of the license. Defaults to: SAC Free
                                License
  -q QUALITY, --quality=QUALITY
                                Quality code (will be created if does not exists).
                                Defaults to: Unknown
  -r PROCESSING_LEVEL, --processing_level=PROCESSING_LEVEL
                                Processing level code (will be created if does not
                                exists). Defaults to: 1B
  --version                    show program's version number and exit
  -h, --help                   show this help message and exit
```

Running the command:

```
$ python manage.py modis_harvest
```

23.2 Run control

An rc file is created or updated after every single successful import.

The rc file is located in the project's main folder and named modis_harvest.rc

The rc file contains the following informations:

1. last_folder
2. last_package

Example:

```
last_folder=2000.02.18
last_package=2000.02.18/MCD43A2.A2000049.h19v12.005.2006269115820.hdf
```

23.3 Implementation details

Details on the implementation, mainly regarding the source of the data used to populate the catalogue database.

Pseudocode:

1. get the list of dates from remote FTP
2. sort the dates
3. read from the .ini file the last date examined and the last package imported
4. seek the list to the date next to the last imported one (if any)
5. loop for all dates
 - a) scan the date folder and get the list of packages
 - b) sort the list
 - c) seek the list to the package next to the last imported one (if any)
 - d) loop for all packages
 - i. download image
 - ii. read metadata
 - iii. calculate product_id
 - iv. search in catalogue
 - v. skip if already in catalogue
 - vi. creates the thumbnail
 - vii. ingest in catalogue

23.4 Data and metadata extraction

The following metadata are hardcoded constants and can be changed at the top of the script 'catalogue/management/commands/rapideye_harvest.py':

Parameter	Value
band_count	5
radiometric_resolution	16
geometric_resolution_x	500
geometric_resolution_y	500
mission	maps Terra/Aqua to MYD and MOD
mission_sensor	maps Terra/Aqua to MYD and MOD
sensor_type	MOD
acquisition_mode	MOD
projection	ORBIT

The following metadata are passed to the script as option parameters:

Parameter	Default
license	SAC Commercial License
owner	MODIS
processing_level	1B

The following metadata are read from the metadata in the HDF image:

Parameter	From
original_product_id	LOCALGRANULEID
product_acquisition_start	RANGEBEGINNINGDATE RANGEBEGINNINGTIME
product_acquisition_end	RANGEENDINGDATE RANGEENDINGTIME
row/path informations	footprint centroid
mission	CRAFT_ID
creating_software	HDFEOSVersion

23.5 Thumbnail image generation

The thumbnail is built using external gdal calls in three steps:

1. gdal_translate extracts sub dataset from hdf image (creates 4 tiffs, one for each sub dataset)
2. gdal_merge.py merge bands 1 4 3 into RGB tiff
3. gdal_translate creates a JPEG 400x400 px thumbnail with a world file

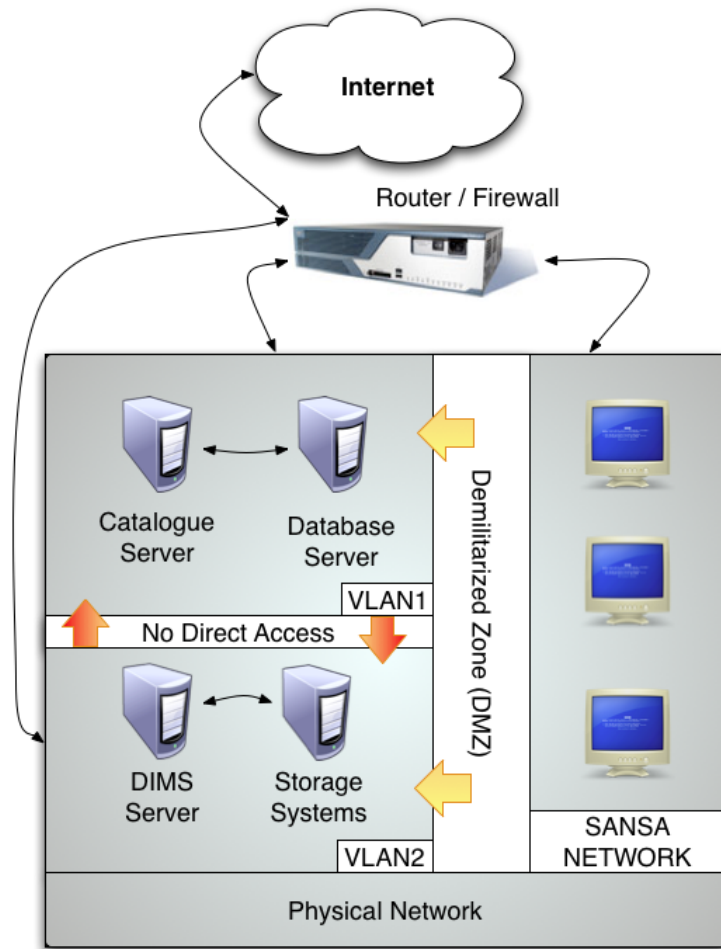
23.6 External programs required

1. gdal_translate
2. gdal_merge
3. bzip2

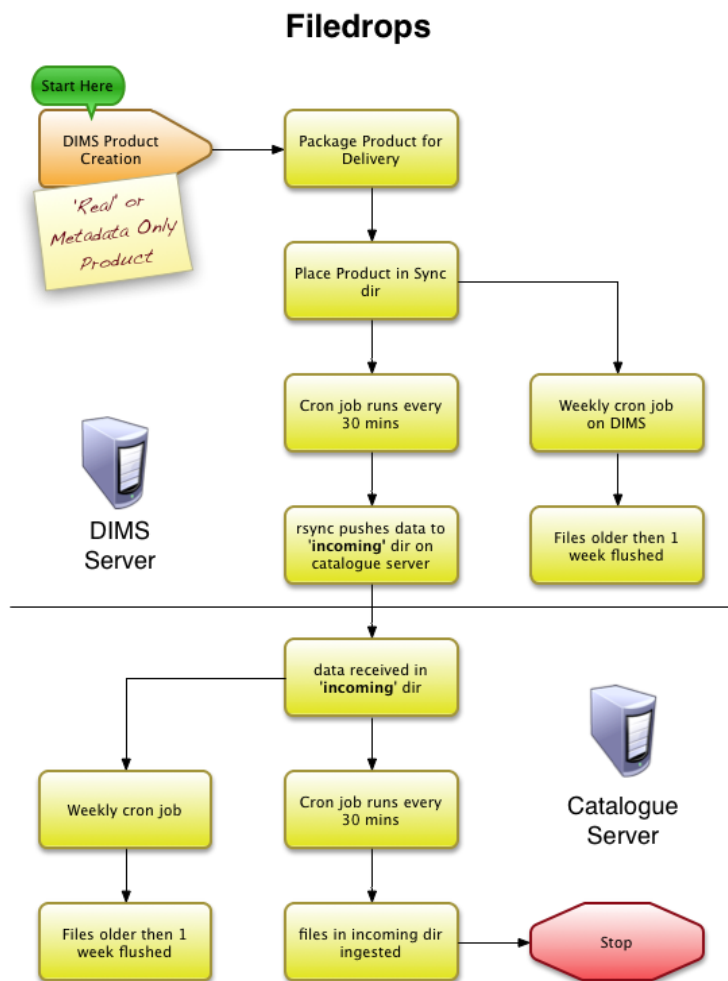
24 Lion File Drop

Lion (the catalogue server) should be isolated in the network from other SANSA servers and infrastructure (with the exception of the elephant database server). In addition the server has been locked down as much as possible and we do not wish to run services such as ftp on it. Thus in order to make files available to the catalogue server for processing, data should be **pushed** to the server and not **pulled** from other servers on the network. This will allow the system to be configured without making holes through the firewall to facilitate file transfers off internal servers.

Network Topology



To achieve a drop directory capability, the installation on the catalogue server provides rsync (remote synchronisation) access over ssh (secure shell) using rssh (restricted shell). The following diagram illustrates the logic flow for the filedrop.



24.1 Setup rssh

```
sudo apt-get install rssh
```

24.2 Creating a filedrop user

Next we make a user with a rssh (restricted shell) that can only use scp and rsync.

```
sudo useradd -m -d /mnt/cataloguestorage2/filedrop -s /usr/bin/rssh filedrop
sudo su - filedrop -s /bin/bash
ssh-keygen -N ''
```

The -N option should suppress prompting for a passphrase - no passphrase is entered so that keybased authentication can be used during non-interactive sessions (such as from a cron job) to transfer files.

After this, a public and private keypair exist in `"/mnt/cataloguestorage2/filedrop/.ssh"`. The private key should be copied to any server that will be synchronising files into the filedrop directory. This is explained in more detail further on in this document.

Now exit the filedrop user's shell:

```
exit
```

24.3 Ssh configuration

Next sshd has to be configured to allow connections for the filedrop user. To do this, edit `/etc/ssh/sshd.config` and add the filedrop user to the AllowUsers clause:

```
AllowUsers timlinux cstephens modisdbc0 filedrop
```

And then restart sshd:

```
sudo /etc/init.d/ssh restart
```

24.4 Authorized Keys for filedrop

Next we configure the filedrop user's authorised keys file so that key based connections from a specific host can be made.

Note: the 'specific host' part above is an additional security measure. This step needs to be repeated for each client that may want to deposit files into the filedrop.

```
sudo su - filedrop -s /bin/bash
cd .ssh/
cp id_rsa.pub authorized_keys
chmod 600 authorized_keys
```

Now edit `authorized_keys` and prepend the server ip address that will be copying files over. We will use cheetah for the purposes of this document.

```
#
# Restrict access to cheetah. Lines wrapped here for convenience in this document
#
from="cheetah",no-port-forwarding,no-pty ssh-rsa
AAAAAB3WzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA0iDxmisywIqqzNN2CUN2xJBI0hyvoAA9uqHDagN620UFH4A4Egdg
5am0CsDT8jm1V0/Y2ZCuyKNcmkRCnhPv4IeblsHFc2ekfZsZpSPYYAupUo43P0hfwcAPUvdoec1fuBJd
o+Y/zNBz8T0mAr3Mbc0zf5pLgdA3VE44TauCEt6KJ00Azqz1YEI1tmKFZ4VacgeDhEv9246HbmpEiAoW
vaMlkiIWKhVij3w10XiMp20pSbenGnw/2dN3avWFte3Wm4DFtnAR9MwppQ+4oyGVsG6rWgmIRVfamX1p
4FeWqnOPYfe9dCIk298GgiIHpmsGHf6Ce7uKYG F7aYW0enIFew== filedrop@lion
```

Note: You can allow additional hosts by comma separating them e.g. `"from="*.foo.co.za,!bar.co.za"`. The wildcard means all hosts from that prefix. The ! means deny access to that host.

Now exit the filedrop shell again:

```
exit
```

24.5 Configuring rssh

The final thing to do on the server side is to configure rssh.

```
sudo vim /etc/rssh.conf
```

Simply uncomment the `rsync` and `scp` lines:

```
allowscp
#allowssftp
#allowcvcs
#allowrdist
allowrsync
#allowsvnservice
```

There is no need to restart ssh, the changes should take effect immediately on saving the file.

To test from the client (cheetah in this case), you need to copy the **private** key over to that server

Immediately, log in to cheetah and move the key into root's home:

Now do a simple test to see if you can copy over a file to the remote system:

Note the `-i` parameter explicitly defines which private key to use for key based authentication.

```
cheetah:~ # ssh filedrop@196.35.94.243 -p 8697 -i .ssh/filedrop_private_key
```

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This account is restricted by rssh.
Allowed commands: scp rsync
If you believe this is in error, please contact your system administrator.
Connection to 196.35.94.243 closed.

24.7 Streamlining ssh parameters on client

Flag	Meaning
-p 8697	Connect on the 8697 port (non standard for security reasons)
-i .ssh/filedrop_private.key	Use a specified private key
196.35.94.243	The ip address of the host to connect to
filedrop@	The user to connect as

We can automate these items by placing the following into the `~/.ssh/config` of the root user on the client system.

```
Host lion
  User filedrop
  Port 8697
  HostName 196.35.94.243
  FallBackToRsh no
  Compression yes
  CompressionLevel 9
  IdentityFile /root/.ssh/filedrop_private_key
```

With the above config file, the syntax for copying a file over is much more streamlined:

```
scp /tmp/test222 lion:/tmp/
```

24.8 Synchronising with a cron job

On the client system, create a directory that will contain files to be synchronised, and do a test, manual rsync of that directory to the lion filedrop home:

```
cd /cxfs/datapickup
mkdir filedrop
echo "The filedrop directory was created by Tim for " > filedrop-README.txt
echo "synchronising files over to lion:/mnt/cataloguestorage2/filedrop" >> filedrop-README.txt
echo "Take a look at filedrop user's crontab for details on synchronisation frequency." >> filedrop-README.txt
cd filedrop
touch test
rsync -ave ssh . lion:/mnt/cataloguestorage2/filedrop/
```

Assuming that works correctly, we create a simple script that we will run from cron that performs a sync every 30 minutes. The script also flushes any files that are older than 7 days.

```
#!/bin/bash
rsync -ave ssh /cxfs/datapickup/filedrop/. lion:/mnt/cataloguestorage2/filedrop/
# be very very careful if you change this!
find /cxfs/datapickup/filedrop -name "*" -mtime +8 -exec rm -f {} \;
```

24.9 Lion Cron Jobs

On the lion server side, a similar cron job is run to:

- ingest any new packages that have arrived
- clear away any filedrop files older than 7 days

The cron job should not be run as root in order to avoid any potential side effects that may occur from broken scripts etc.

```
# be very very careful if you change this!
# avoid the .ssh dir and other user profile stuff
find /mnt/cataloguestorage2/filedrop -name "*" -mtime +8 -exec rm -f {} \;
```