Precipitable-Water Model Analysis Tool Documentation

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The Precipitable-Water Model Analysis Tool is an open-source suite for analyzing the relationship between atmospheric brightness temperature and precipitable water.

Warning: This documentation is under active development.

CHAPTER

ONE

GETTING STARTED

1.1 Introduction

The Precipitable-water Model Analysis Tool (`PMAT`) is a computational utility that is used to analyze the data collected from this project to understand the relationship between the zenith sky temperature and precipitable water in the atmosphere. `PMAT` has three different modules that work together to present data.

The first is the Deployment Module. This module acts as the user interface for the software suite, whether it be locally or through cloud services.

The second is the Pre-processing Module, this module imports data from University of Utah's MesoWest and the University of Wyoming UpperAir Databases.

The third module is the main program to run the analysis, the DAnalysis Module. Here the all of the data is presented and the regression analysis between precipitable water and zenith sky temperature is conducted.

1.2 Installation and Deployment Tutorial

We also require two data files. One that contains the raw data collected by the temperature sensors, that also includes date and time information (*cool_data.csv*). The second should contain sensor definitions with additional parameters for the preprocessing and analysis phases (*_pmat.yml*). A template and detailed breakdown of the configuration file is provided in Chapter 2.1, followed by a detailed breakdown on the data file format.

1.2.1 Github

This version of the Deployment module is, for the most part, automated and recommended. Follow the steps in this section to successfully deploy PMAT through GitHub with GitHub Actions.

1. Create a GitHub repository from the template repository[1].
2. Edit the README.md page based on your location and username
3. Update all files that are contained in the `data` directory, and utilize the documentation on data formatting that is provided
4. Upon finializing updates on `cool_data.csv`, the workflow will run automatically and the visual and data products will be generated

[1] https://template.pmat.app

1.2.2 Amazon Web Service (AWS)

For Amazon Web Services, PMAT can be configured through the EC2 virtual machines. Once they have been configured, connect to the virutal machine. Once connected, enter the following commands

```
sudo yum update -y
```

```
sudo amazon-linux-extras install docker
```

```
sudo docker pull ghcr.io/physicsgoddess1972/pmat:latest
```

From here, data files can be added and utilizing the `local_deploy.sh` script, PMAT can be executed.

1.2.3 Google Cloud Console (GCloud)

1.2.4 Local

We fully support Ubuntu and Debian systems. We do have minimal Windows support through the usage of Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL) and Virutalization.

1.2.5 development

CHAPTER

TWO

DATA FORMATTING

2.1 Data Collection Guidelines

First and foremost, collect honest data.

2.2 Data Formatting

As we have previously mentioned, PMAT required two input data files. In this chapter we will throughly explain how to properly complete either data file.

2.2.1 Configuration Input

Provided below is a template of the `_pmat.yml` file that is given in the template repository. While there are some optional fields, most are required.

```
- sensor:
    name:
    error:
    color:
    ratio:
    range:
    emissivity:
    poster:
    active:
- train_fraction:
  value:
- rel_difference:
  value:
- iteration:
  step:
  seed:
---
- noaa:
  - label:
    id:
- wyoming:
  - id:
```

CHAPTER

THREE

CHANGELOG

3.1 PMAT Cirrus

Version 2.0

Date 6 Mar 2021

Tagline New and Improved PMAT

3.1.1 Overall

- [Updated] Compatible with R 4.0

3.1.2 Data-input

- [Added] Now includes relative humidity imports.
- [Added] Now pulls data from MesoWest..
- [Added] New guidelines for sensors that are not active (See Documentation Page for further info.)

3.1.3 Setup-script

- [Updated] Now installs R 4.0
- [Added] Additional argument to configure database imports (run *bash setup.sh -h* for more information)

3.1.4 Plots

- [Fixed] Fixed issues with bar charts where if there were more than three sensors, not all bar charts would be added for the remaining sensors.
- [Added] Added more time series plots and more composite plots.
- [Updated] Changed the x-axis labeling system to have tick marks at the 1st of the month.
- [Updated] Redesigned the main analytical plot, confidence interval is now a shaded region, and the plot is now monochromatic.
- [Updated] Pac-Man residual was removed from this plot set.

- [Updated] Pac-man residual now resides in a new plot set (run *Rscript model.r –pacman*)
- [Added] Mean TPW and Mean temperature comparison can now be visualized in a Pac-Man plot.

3.1.5 Web-applications

- [Added] Two web-apps are active. One is a Data Dashboard, which allows for the viewing of time series data as a scatter plot or a heat map, and analytical comparisons between data that has been collected.
- [Added] The Data Dashboard also allows for custom time series data to be uploaded.
- [Added] The Machine Learning dashboard now allows for custom data to be uploaded.

3.1.6 Documentation

- [Fixed] Fixed multiple CSS issues.
- [Updated] Altered Pac-Man residual plot documentation to refer to the package documentation
- [Updated] Updated procedure to include the new command-line arguments
- [Added] Included buttons on the dashboard's "Project Updates" card to include Pac-Man plots and Poster plots that are generated from data we have collected.
- [Updated] We also scored a *.tech* domain for the page.

3.1.7 Automation

- [Misc] This is a work in progress

3.2 PMAT Altocumulus

Version 1.0

Date 10 Nov 2019

Tagline Initial Deployment of The Precipitable Water Model

3.2.1 Overall

- [Added] Flexible data input
- [Added] Easy Hands-off setup.
- [Added] Command-line arguments to access the different plots available
- [Added] Time Series plots for zenith sky temperature and precipitable water
- [Added] Analytical plots showing the correlation between zenith sky temperature and precipitable water
- [Added] Poster ready plots for presentations
- [Added] A data set including the average temperature and precipitable water

- [Added] The Pac-Man Residual
- [Updated] Documentation Page.

CHAPTER

FOUR

PMAT REFERENCE

4.1 pmat_analysis.r

module Precipitable Water Model Analysis Tool: Analysis

synopsis This module contains analysis functions

exp.**regression**(*results*, *t*, *range=c(1:length(results$date))*)

Detail Function includes all of the stuff to generate the exponential regression model with intervals

Parameters

- **results** (*list*) – output of sky.analysis
- **t** (*double*) – training fraction
- **range** (*integer*) – range of date indices to be used

Returns returns the data series and model statistics

Return type list

index.**norm**(*x*)

Detail calculates the normalized index of the dataset

Parameters **x** (*double*) – data range

Returns an array of values between 0 and 1

Return type double

inf.**counter**(*bool*, *snsr_data*, *label*)

Detail identifies the -Inf values

Parameters

- **bool** (*logical*) – decides if -Inf is not replaced with NaN
- **snsr_data** (*list*) – the dataset
- **label** (*character*) – the identifer for the dataset (e.g. sky, gro, skyo, groo)

Returns data set that replaces all -Infs for NaN (If bool == FALSE).

Return type list

`iterative.analysis(overcast, dir, obool)`

Detail computes regression statistics and outputs to a yaml file

Parameters

- **overcast** (*logical*) – boolean to determine label
- **dir** (*string*) – directory file path for _output.yml
- **obool** (*logical*) – determine whether to generate new _output.yml

Returns iterative stats and _output.yml

Return type list

Todo make the output file pass through a data.products function

`lin.regression(x, y)`

Detail Linear regression function

Parameters

- **x** (*double*) – the domain of the dataset
- **y** (*double*) – the range of the dataset

Returns returns the data series and model statistics

Return type list

`sky.analysis(overcast)`

Detail Computes average values and weighted averages

Parameters **overcast** (*list*) – results of the overcast.filter function

Returns series of arrays including average PWV, RH, etc.

Return type list

4.2 pmat_processing.r

module Precipitable Water Model Analysis Tool: Pre-processing

synopsis functions for preprocessing

`colscheme(range)`

`mean.filter(pw, n)`

`data.partition(x, y, train_size=0.7)`

`dna.filter(date, comments, snsr_sky, snsr_gro)`

`overcast.filter(col_con, col_date, col_com, pw_name, snsr_name, cloud_bool)`

4.3 pmat_products.r

module Precipitable Water Model Analysis Tool: Products

synopsis plotting functions for PMAT

`time9`(*datetime*)

Detail Sky Temperature - RH Time Series

Parameters

- **date** – the datestamp of the data
- **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns A sky temperature time series plot

`time.nth_range`(*range*, *title*, *color*, *leg.lab*, *ylab*, *datetime*, *overcast*)

Detail Multirange Time Series plot series

Parameters

- **date** – the datestamp of the data
- **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

`time.composite`(*range*, *title*, *color*, *ylab*, *datetime*, *overcast*)

Detail Time Series composite plot series

Parameters

- **date** – the datestamp of the data
- **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns A sky temperature time series plot

`analysis.nth_range`(*overcast*, *x*, *y*, *title*, *label*, *color*, *leg.lab*)

Detail Super Average Plot with Exponential Fit

Parameters **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns A sky temperature time series plot

`analysis.regression`(*overcast*, *x*, *y*, *des*, *label*, *iter*, *results*)

Detail Super Average Plot with Exponential Fit

Parameters **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns A sky temperature time series plot

`pac.compare`(*overcast*, *des*, *x*, *y*, *angular*, *radial*)

Detail Pac-Man plot of Super Average Plot

Parameters **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns A sky temperature time series plot

pac.**regression**(*overcast*)

Detail Pac-Man residual plot

Parameters **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns A sky temperature time series plot

charts(...)

Detail A collection of histograms and charts

Returns PDF of charts

chart1(*range*, *xlabel*, *title*)

Detail Histograms of defined quantities

Parameters

- **range** – a data range
- **xlabel** – the xaxis label
- **title** – the title of the histogram

poster.**plots**(*overcast*, *iter*)

Detail The set of all poster

Parameters **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

Returns All available poster plots

poster1(...)

poster2(*overcast*, *iter*)

Detail The analytics poster plot

Parameters **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of data (clear sky/overcast)

sensor.**chart**(...)

Detail overcast distribution charts

sensor.**time**(*overcast*)

Detail Instrumentation time series plots

data.**gen**(*overcast*, *dir*)

Detail creates a datafile containing the date, avg temp, and avg pwv for a defined condition

Parameters

- **overcast** (*bool*) – the condition of the data (clear sky/overcast)
- **dir** – directory path

data.**ml**(*dir*)

Detail creates a datafile containing the machine learning relavant information

Parameters **dir** – directory path

visual.**products**(*set*, *datetime=datetime*, *overcast=args$overcast*)

Detail saves plot sets

Parameters

- **set** (*character*) – the set identifier
- **overcast** (*logical*) – ovecast boolean

4.4 pmat_run.r

module Precipitable-Water Model Analysis Tool

synopsis The main file for PMAT. Documentation available at <https://docs.pmat.app>.

4.5 pmat_utility.r

module Precipitable Water Model Analysis Tool: Utility

synopsis general functions for PMAT

logg(*msglevel*, *msg*, *dir=args$dir*)

Detail creates log entries for _log.txt

Parameters

- **msglevel** (*character*) –
- **msg** (*character*) –

first()

startup()

Detail shows title banner for program

closing()

Detail cleans up files and ends the program

`reset_time`(*datetime*)

Detail A function that sets the time to 00:00:00

Parameters **`datetime`** (*`character`*) – a Date or datetime object

Returns A datetime object with time 00:00:00

Return type double

`time_axis_init`(*date*)

Detail A function that calculates the min, max, and position of the tick marks for

Parameters **`date`** (*`double`*) – A date or datetime object

Returns The max, min, and tick mark positions

Return type list

`time_axis`(*datetime*)

Detail A function that sets the x-axis format for time series plots

Parameters **`date`** (*`double`*) – A date or datetime object

`stnd_title`(*des*, *overcast*)

Detail A function that generates the title based on

Parameters

- **`des`** (*`character`*) – the description of the plot
- **`overcast`** (*`logical`*) – the sky condition

Returns a title string

Return type character