## Subject: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Maarten[1] on Tue, 27 Apr 2010 09:43:38 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Best,

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Hi Marteen,

for reprojecting SWATH MODIS data you may also consider to use the MODIS Reprojection Tool Swath software (https://lpdaac.usgs.gov/lpdaac/tools/modis\_reprojection\_tool\_swath).

I used it to process MODIS raw radiance data and I found it very easy to use. It can easily be called from an IDL application with a simple SPAWN command.

The supported output projections do not include the cylindrical equidistant, but I think that the equirectangular projection (which is instead available) should be equivalent to it.

Hope it helps,

Lorenzo

Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Klemen on Wed, 28 Apr 2010 15:34:37 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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; layer\_num - the corresponding number of lyer within the dataset,
e.g. 0 for band 1 at 0.6 microm, or 10 for band 31 at 11 microm
; d\_resolution - spatila resolution of output (in this case decimal degrees)

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; Run as:
: a =
modis_swath2_grid('MYD021KM.A2010107.1000.005.2010109145717. hdf',
'EV_1KM_Emissive', 10, 0.1)
; klemen.zaksek@zmaw.de, 2010
Function modis swath2 grid, in file, dataset, layer num, d resolution
;Tie points
d xL = -180.; left
dxR = 180.; right
d_yA = 90.; above
d_yB = -90.; below
: Set GeoTiff geotags: http://www.remotesensing.org/geotiff/spec/contents.html
s geotag = {$
MODELPIXELSCALETAG: [d resolution, d resolution, 0], $ ;resolution
MODELTIEPOINTTAG: [0, 0, 0, d xL, d yA, 0], $ ;coordinates left
above
 GTMODELTYPEGEOKEY: 2, $
                             :Geographic latitude-longitude System
        GTRASTERTYPEGEOKEY: 1, $
                                      :raster type
 GEOGRAPHICTYPEGEOKEY: 4326, $ :geodetic datum WGS84
GeogPrimeMeridianGeoKey: d_xL, $
                                             :prime
meridian
 GEOGANGULARUNITSGEOKEY: 9102 ;angular unit decimal degree
Open selected HDF file, read the chosen dataset, and extract the
chosen band
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                                    :open file
if i_fid eq -1 then begin
print, 'The input file does not exist or is not EOS HDF format!'
GOTO, JUMP1
endif
 i NSwath = EOS SW INQSWATH(in file, s SwathList)
i swathID = EOS SW ATTACH(i fid, s SwathList) ;attach object
i status read = EOS SW READFIELD(i swathID, dataset, m modis); read
1000m data
i status read = EOS SW READFIELD(i swathID, "Latitude", m lat) ;read
5000m latitude
i status read = EOS SW READFIELD(i swathID, "Longitude", m lon) :read
5000m longitude
i status detach = EOS SW DETACH(i swathID) ;detach object
i status close = EOS SW CLOSE(i fid) ;close file
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m_modis = m_modis[*,*,layer_num]
                                    extract the chosen band
in size = size(m modis)
x_min = floor(min(m_lon) / d_resolution) *
d_resolution; interpolation borders
x_max = ceil(max(m_lon) / d_resolution) * d_resolution
y_min = floor(min(m_lat) / d_resolution) * d_resolution
if y_min eq -90. then y_min = y_min + d_resolution; life is easier
if you do not consider data on the poles
y_max = ceil(max(m_lat) / d_resolution) * d_resolution
if y_max eq 90. then y_max = y_min - d_resolution
x_pix_min = (x_min - d_xL) / d_resolution
x_pix_max = (x_max - d_xL) / d_resolution
y_pix_min = (d_yA - y_max) / d_resolution
y_pix_max = (d_yA - y_min) / d_resolution
; Average original data to "geolocation frame"
;first prepare indexes
out size = size(m lat)
                       ;the output will have a reduced spatial
resolution (corresponding to the geolocation)
;the position 0,0 in geolocation corresponds to pixel 2,2 in original
data
the geolocation is 5 times downsampled;
out_indx_col = indgen(out_size[1]) * 5L + 2L ;corresponding coloumns
of orig. data in downsampled grid
out_indx_lin = indgen(out_size[2]) * 5L + 2L ;corresponding lines of
orig. data in downsampled grid
out_indx_col = rebin(out_indx_col, out_size[1], out_size[2])
out indx lin = rebin(reform(out indx lin,1,out size[2]), out size[1],
out_size[2])
out_indx = out_indx_lin * in_size[1] + out_indx_col ;one dimensional
index of original data in downsampled grid
compute mean value for the radiance
m_count = make_array(out_size[1],out_size[2]) ;array containing the
number of good maeasurements
m_mean = make_array(out_size[1],out_size[2]) ;array containing the
mean maeasurements
for j=-2,2 do begin
 for i=-2,2 do begin
 indx = out_indx + out_size[1]*j + i
 tmp = m_modis[out_indx]
 indx_good = where(tmp le 32767) ;do not use nodata, etc.
 m count[indx_good] = m_count[indx_good] + 1
 m_mean[indx_good] = m_mean[indx_good] + tmp[indx_good]
 endfor
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endfor
m mean = m mean / m count
: Interpolate the data to the regular grid
                        :transform into vector
v_x = transpose(m_lon[*])
v y = transpose(m lat[*])
; m_img0 = SPH_SCAT(v_x, v_y, m_mean, BOUNDS=[x_min, y_min, x_max,
y max], GS=[d resolution,d resolution])
TRIANGULATE, v x, v y, trg, SPHERE=sphere, /DEGREES, FVALUE=m mean
m_img0 = GRIDDATA(v_x, v_y, m_mean, /SPHERE, /DEGREES, /
INVERSE_DISTANCE, TRIANGLES = trq. $
  START = [x_min, y_min], DELTA = [d_resolution,d_resolution], $
 DIMENSION = [x_pix_max-x_pix_min+1, y_pix_max-y_pix_min+1], $
 MISSING=0, MAX PER SECTOR=1, SEARCH ELLIPSE=3*d resolution)
;write geotiff
m_img0 = reverse(m_img0, 2)
m img = make array((d xR-d xL)/d resolution, (d yA-d yB)/
d resolution)
m_img[x_pix_min:x_pix_max,y_pix_min:y_pix_max] = m_img0
write_tiff, in_file+'.tif', m_img, compression=1, geotiff=s_geotag, /
long
JUMP1: print, 'END'
return, m ima
END
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Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Maarten[1] on Wed, 28 Apr 2010 16:00:24 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 28 Apr 2010 16:23:40 GMT

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How long does it typically take you to process a single channel with this code? I've been waiting for about 15 minutes for the program to return. How much longer do you think I should wait. Windows 64-bit, 6GBytes RAM. :-(

Cheers.

David

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Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Klemen on Wed, 28 Apr 2010 16:26:53 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Just one more thing, gridding to sphere is a few times slower than to a grid with Cartesian coordinates. It takes me almost half a minute to get the global geotiff with one MODIS band at 0.1 degree resolution. Perhaps there is a faster way to do it, but that can do somebody else. :)

Cheers, Klemen

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David, I just wrote Marteen that it takes less than half of minute for me (Win XP, 2Gz, 2GB RAM). What might be the problem in your case is that you have the data which have positive longitude on its left side and negative on its left side. I presume that this is your case, I had something like this when I was gridding images from Alaska using ENVI. I can add a few lines to the code to fix it, but I am about to go jogging, so I can update it in the evening. But there should be no problem if you take an image of Europe or Africa for example. Cheers, Klemen

Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Klemen on Wed, 28 Apr 2010 22:59:58 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Function modis swath2grid, in file, dataset, layer num, d resolution
:Tie points
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                                                ;detach object
i_status_close = EOS_SW_CLOSE(i_fid)
                                         :close file
m modis = m modis[*.*.layer num] :extract the chosen band
in_size = size(m_modis)
tmp = where(m_lon lt -179., count_neg)
tmp = where(m_lon gt 179., count_pos)
if (count neg gt 0) and (count pos gt 0) then begin
indx = where(m_lon lt 0., count_lon)
if count_lon gt 0 then begin
 m_{lon[indx]} = m_{lon[indx]} + 360.
 prime meridian = 0.
 d_xL = 0.
 dxR = 360.
 endif
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x_min = floor(min(m_lon) / d_resolution) *
d_resolution ;interpolation borders
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easier if you do not consider data on the poles
y max = ceil(max(m lat) / d resolution) * d resolution
if y_max eq 90. then y_max = y_min - d_resolution
x pix min = round((x min - d xL) / d resolution)
x_pix_max = round((x_max - d_xL) / d_resolution) -1
print, x_pix_max
;if x_{pix}_{max} = round((d_xR-d_xL)/d_resolution) then x_{max} = x_{max}
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index of original data in downsampled grid
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m_mean = make_array(out_size[1],out_size[2]) ;array containing the
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for j=-2,2 do begin
 for i=-2,2 do begin
 indx = out indx + out size[1]*i + i
 tmp = m modis[out indx]
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indx good = where(tmp le 32767) ;do not use nodata, etc.
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 endfor
endfor
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v_y = transpose(m_lat[*])
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m img0 = GRIDDATA(v x, v v, m mean, /SPHERE, /DEGREES, /
INVERSE_DISTANCE, TRIANGLES = trg, $
  START = [x min, y min], DELTA = [d resolution,d resolution], $
  DIMENSION = [x pix max-x pix min+1, y pix max-y pix min+1], $
  MISSING=0, MAX PER SECTOR=1, SEARCH ELLIPSE=3*d resolution)
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s qeotaq = {$
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above
 GTMODELTYPEGEOKEY: 2, $
                               ;Geographic latitude-longitude System
  GTRASTERTYPEGEOKEY: 1, $
                                ;raster type
 GEOGRAPHICTYPEGEOKEY: 4326, $
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 GeogPrimeMeridianGeoKey: prime meridian, $ ;prime meridian
 GEOGANGULARUNITSGEOKEY: 9102 ;angular unit decimal degree
;write geotiff
m_{img0} = reverse(m_{img0}, 2)
print, size(m_img0), x_pix_max -x_pix_min, y_pix_max -y_pix_min
m_img = make_array((d_xR-d_xL)/d_resolution, (d_yA-d_yB)/
d resolution)
m_img[x_pix_min:x_pix_max,y_pix_min:y_pix_max] = m_img0
write tiff, in file+'.tif', m img, compression=1, geotiff=s geotag, /
long
JUMP1: print, 'END'
return, m_img
END
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## Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Maarten[1] on Thu, 29 Apr 2010 08:07:14 GMT

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On Apr 29, 12:59 am, Klemen <klemen.zak...@gmail.com> wrote:

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- > it...

I have several reasons for this:

- \* I don't know where the next interesting eruption will take place. Unprojected will allow for another reprojection later on (but this time completely within IDL, Python, ...) without special coding.
- \* I need to combine several instruments, and using unprojected data as an intermediate for hte instrument with the highest spatial resolution helps me here.
- \* I may want to plot the final result with a different tool altogether.

Best,

Maarten

Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by Klemen on Thu, 29 Apr 2010 09:00:30 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I see your point. Just about the resolution. In your first post you mentioned that you want to compare MODIS and OMi, so I just aggregated MODIS data to 5km resolution and then do the final gridding. In this case it makes no sense to you a better resolution than 0.05 deg.

If you need more, you should use original data and not aggregated data for the gridding but this will be really slow. I have no idea, how fast ms2gt is. I always prefer do do it myself in IDL. But also because of the processing speed I prefer to use some output with metric Cartesian coordinates (gridding is in this case much faster and further spatial analysis as e.g. area computation are more accurate).

Klemen

Subject: Re: ms2gt MODIS reprojection toolkit Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 29 Apr 2010 12:02:48 GMT

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I was using original data. I started it before I went to play tennis for three hours last night. It wasn't done by the time I got home. It \*was\* finished by the time I got up for my coffee this morning. :-)

> I have no idea, how fast ms2gt is.

Well, let's just say, by comparison, it is \*blazing\* fast! Never more than a minute or so in my experience.

Cheers,

David

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