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# **smos Documentation**

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SMOS (Soil Moisture and Ocean Salinity) data readers and time series converter.

Works great in combination with [pytesmo](#).



# CHAPTER 1

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## Documentation & Software Citation

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## CHAPTER 2

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### Installation

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Before installing this package via pip, please install the necessary conda dependencies:

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge netcdf4 pyresample
$ pip install smos
```

Setup of a complete environment with conda can be performed using the following commands:

You can also install all needed (conda and pip) dependencies at once using the following commands after cloning this repository. This is recommended for developers of the package.

```
$ git clone https://github.com/TUW-GEO/smos.git --recursive
$ cd smos
$ conda create -n smos python=3.6 # or any supported python version
$ source activate smos
$ conda update -f environment.yml
$ python setup.py develop
```

or you can use the installation script with/without the develop flag (-d), which will call python setup.py develop, resp python setup.py install.

```
$ bash install.sh -d --python 3.6 --name smos
```



## CHAPTER 3

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### Supported Products

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Currently the following products are supported, additional products can be added.

- **SMOS IC**: SMOS INRA-CESBIO (SMOS-IC) 25km



We are happy if you want to contribute. Please raise an issue explaining what is missing or if you find a bug. We will also gladly accept pull requests against our master branch for new features or bug fixes.

### 4.1 Guidelines

If you want to contribute please follow these steps:

- Fork the smos repository to your account
- make a new feature branch from the smos master branch
- Add your feature
- please include tests for your contributions in one of the test directories We use py.test so a simple function called `test_my_feature` is enough
- submit a pull request to our master branch



## 5.1 L3\_SMOS\_IC

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ds = SMOSDs(root_path, parameters='Soil_Moisture')
image = ds.read(datetime(2018, 1, 1))
assert list(image.data.keys()) == ['Soil_Moisture']
sm_data = image.data['Soil_Moisture']

plt.imshow(sm_data)
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The returned image is of the type `pygeobase.Image`. Which is only a small wrapper around a dictionary of numpy arrays.

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You can also limit the reading to certain variables or a spatial subset by defining a bounding box area. In the following example, we read SMOS IC Soil Moisture over Europe only, and mask the data based on the “Quality\_Flag” variable, to only include 0-flagged (i.e. “good”) values.

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imgdata = img.read(datetime(2018,1,1))

plt.imshow(imgdata.data['Soil_Moisture'])
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## Write (subset) images

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img.read(datetime(2018,1,1))

img.write(r"C:\Temp\write\subset_image.nc")
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Finally, you can also write down multiple files using the write function from `SMOSDs`. You can either create single files per time stamp (like the original data is) or netcdf stacks. This example will do both (note that days when no data is loaded are also skipped when writing the subset).

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->date=datetime(2018,1,3),
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# write data as a stack
ds.write_multiple(r'C:\Temp\write\test', stackfile='stack.nc', start_
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## Variable naming for different versions of SMOS

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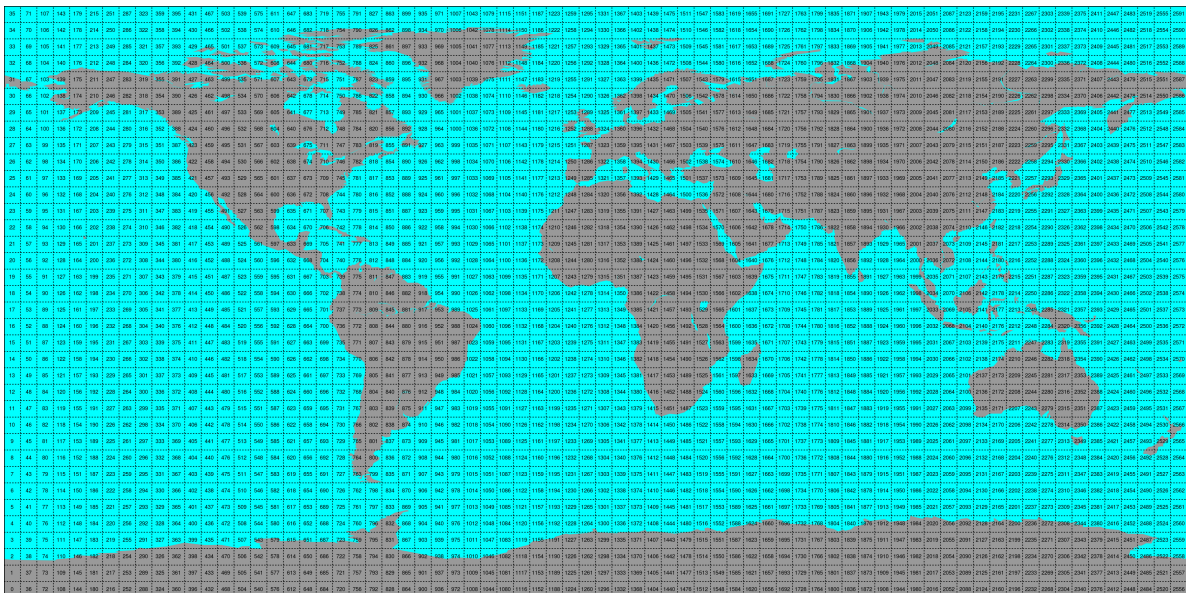
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Days	Number of Days since 1/1/2000	
Processing_Flags	Processing Flags	
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RMSE	RMSE TBmeas. TB modeled	
Scene_Flags	Scene Flags	
Soil_Moisture	Soil Moisture	$m^3 m^{-3}$
Soil_Moisture_StdError	Soil Moisture standard error	$m^3 m^{-3}$
Soil_Temperature_Level1	ECMWF Soil Temperature at surface level 1	Kelvin
UTC_Microseconds	Microseconds	micros.
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## Conversion to time series format

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- Store the time series in netCDF4 in the Climate and Forecast convention **Orthogonal multidimensional array** representation
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This conversion can be performed using the `smos_repurpose` command line program. An example would be:

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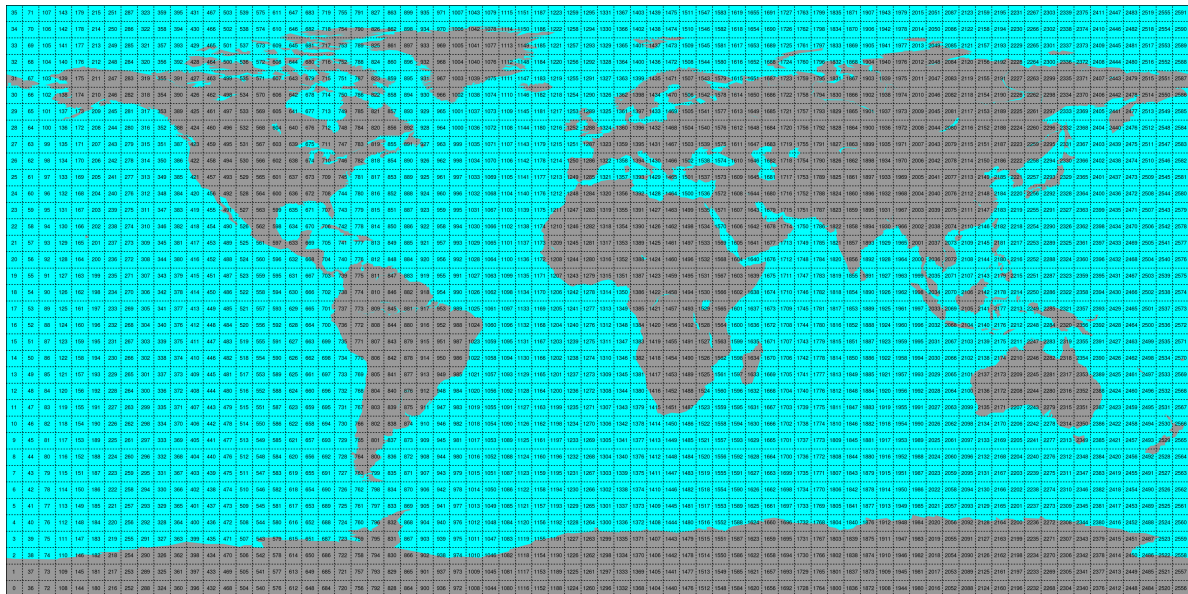
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## 9.7 Changelog

### 9.7.1 Unreleased

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## 9.7.2 Version 0.2

- Add option read data for spatial subsets
- Add option to add time stamps to time series index
- Add function to write images/stacks down
- Add function to reshuffle by bounding box
- Update docs and travis, automatic pypi deployment
- Update tests
- By default also reshuffle if Scene\_Flag is 2
- Switch to pyscaffold 3 package structure
- Drop support for python 2

## 9.7.3 Version 0.1

- First version of L3 SMOS IC image and TS reader
- Include time series reshuffling
- Include tests and CI
- Basic documentation

## 9.8 smos

### 9.8.1 smos package

#### Subpackages

**smos.smos\_ic package**

#### Submodules

**smos.smos\_ic.interface module**

**smos.smos\_ic.reshuffle module**

#### Module contents

#### Submodules

**smos.grid module**

#### Module contents

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