

# NOAA Public Datasets on Google Cloud

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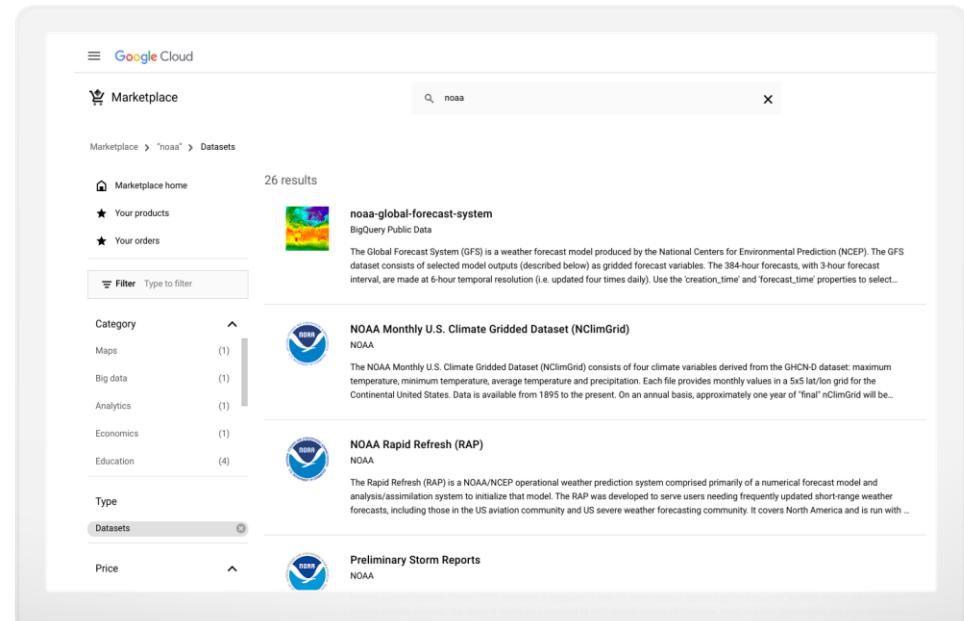
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# Public Datasets on Google Cloud

[Google Cloud Public Datasets](#) is a carefully curated and (mostly) Google managed dataset catalog from various sources all around the world, including weather data, shopping data, crypto, and even Google's own Search data.

# Datasets in Marketplace

- Google Cloud Marketplace is the source of truth for datasets in GCP
- Can search and filter through what's available
- No login required to browse dataset entries
- All consumption of raw (non-tabular, bucket) data is free
- BigQuery tabular data is charged per query



# An explosion of satellite data



Source: NASA

# 70+ Petabytes

Growing daily

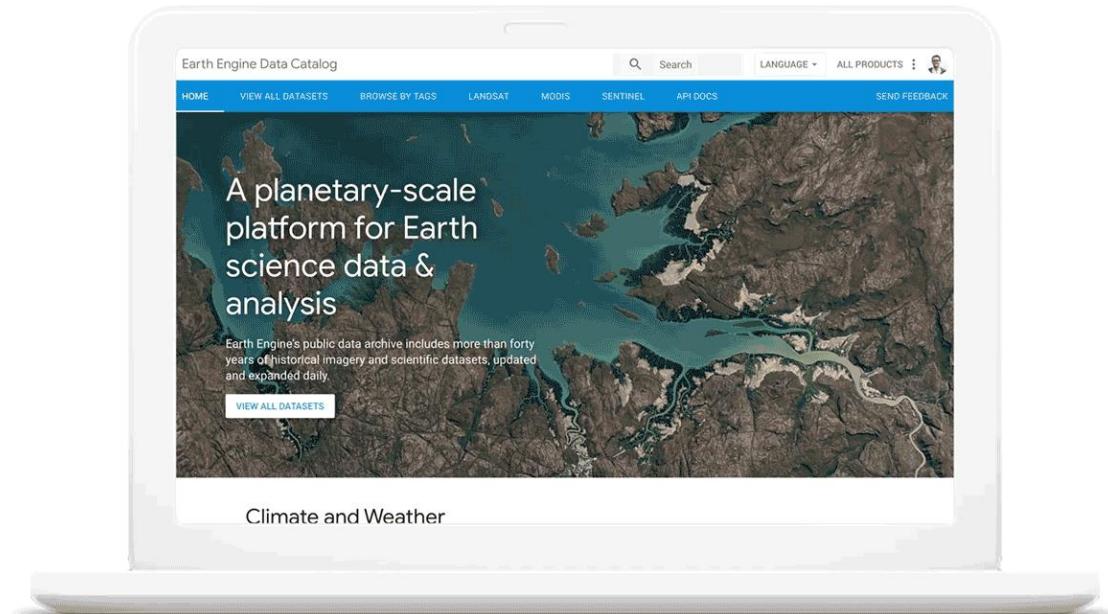
## 1 Petabyte

Monthly growth rate

## 700+

Curated datasets

Continuously  
updated in  
near real-time



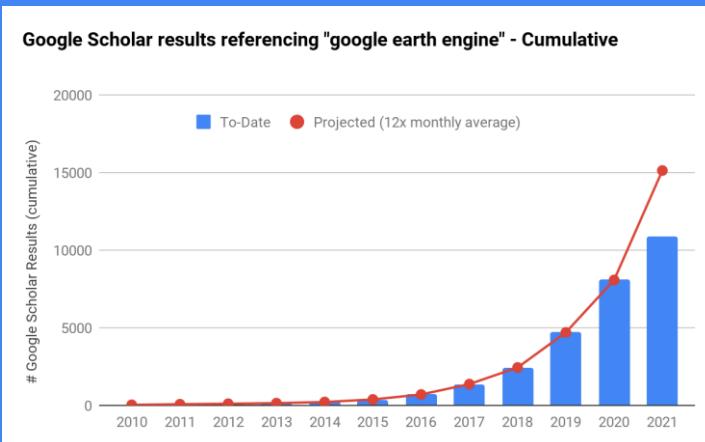
[developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/](https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/)

# 400k+

Scientists around  
the world

# 8,000+

Scientific papers



Remote Sensing of Environment

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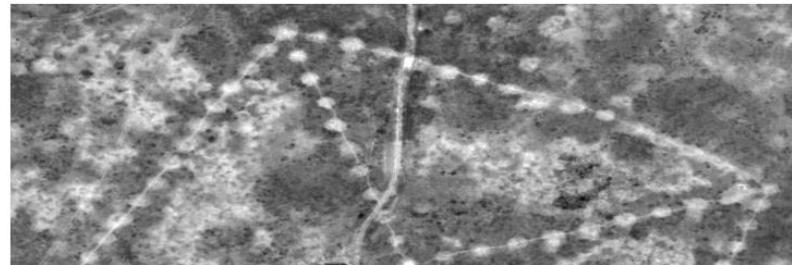
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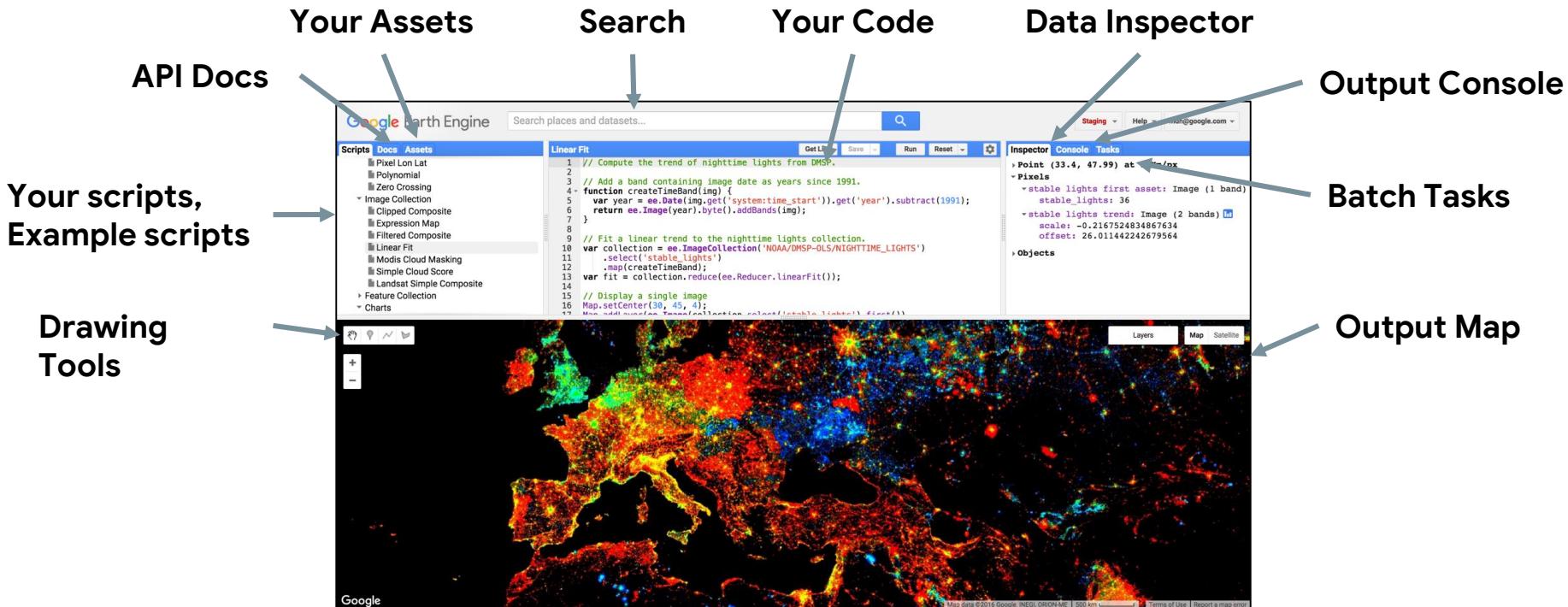


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# Featured NOAA datasets



## Global Summary of the Day (GSOD)

A dozen daily averages computed from global hourly station data, covering 1929 to present.

## Next Generation Radar (NEXRAD)

High-resolution S-band Doppler weather radars operated by the National Weather Service (NWS).

## Global Forecast System (GEFS)

A weather model created by the National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) that generates 21 separate forecasts to address underlying uncertainties in the input data.

## High Resolution Rapid Refresh (HRRR)

3-km resolution hourly updated, cloud-resolving, convection-allowing atmospheric model.

## Global Historical Climatology Network (GHCN)

Integrated database of climate summaries from land surface stations across the globe.

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# Accessing and Using Public Datasets

# Google Cloud Datasets Marketplace

Marketplace

Marketplace > Data

Marketplace home

226 results

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- Analytics (36)
- Big data (28)
- Databases (6)
- Machine learning (4)
- Generative AI (2)

Type

- Data
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- Free (214)
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Cloud-to-Ground Lightning Strikes

NOAA

Aggregated lightning strike data from 1987 to 2018



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BigQuery Public Data

Public dataset of historical Solana blockchain data created and maintained by the web3...



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BigQuery Public Datasets Program

Changes in community movement due to COVID-19



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COVID-19 Genome Sequence Dataset

National Library of Medicine

Centralized sequence repo of all strains of novel coronavirus.



fantom

Fantom Blockchain (Preview)

BigQuery Public Data

Comprehensive dataset of Fantom blockchain data, maintained by Google.



GOES 16/18

NOAA

Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite data



AlphaFold Protein Structure Database

BigQuery Public Data

214M AlphaFold protein structure predictions from DeepMind



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BigQuery Public Datasets Program

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# Where are public datasets stored?



**Google Cloud Storage** is a managed service for storing unstructured data.

Buckets contain objects (a.k.a. files and folders) that contain the data and how they're organized.

There are more than 80 buckets containing public datasets in various file formats.



**BigQuery** is Google's fully managed, serverless data warehouse for structured data.

It supports querying using a dialect of SQL.

There are more than 300 public BigQuery datasets spanning thousands of tables.

# GEFS data in the GCP Marketplace

Google Cloud NOAA

Marketplace

Marketplace > "GEFS"

1 result

NOAA Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS)  
NOAA

The Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS) has been operational at NCEP since December 1992, with the initial version using the NCEP Global Spectral Model (GSM) at T62L18 resolution (about 200km in horizontal and 18 vertical sigma levels) and the initial condition perturbations (2 pairs perturbed and 1 control members) were generated by breeding vector (BV) method (Toth and Kalnay 1993; Toth and Kalnay 1997; Toth et ...

Category

- Science & research (1)
- Climate (1)

Type

- Datasets (1)

Price

- Free (1)

<https://console.cloud.google.com/marketplace/product/noaa-public/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system>

 NOAA Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS)  
NOAA

NOAA Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS) data

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### Overview

The Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS) has been operational at NCEP since December 1992, with the initial version using the NCEP Global Spectral Model (GSM) at T62L18 resolution (about 200km in horizontal and 18 vertical sigma levels) and the initial condition perturbations (2 pairs perturbed and 1 control members) were generated by breeding vector (BV) method (Toth and Kalnay 1993; Toth and Kalnay 1997; Toth et al. 2001; Zhu et al. 2002; Buiizza et al. 2005; Zhu 2005). The GEFS ran once per day, out to 12 days in the early 90s. During the early 2000s, the 1st generation of GEFS reforecast (1979 - 2006) was produced off-line from using NCEP GFS/GEFS 1998 model version by NOAA PSL (Hamill et al. 2006) to demonstrate the improved ensemble reliability through bias correction and calibration.

Over the years, the GEFS has been upgraded. In early 2010, the GEFS was upgraded with enhanced representation of model uncertainty using the Stochastic Total Tendency Perturbation (STTP) algorithm (Hou et al., 2008). The stochastic tendency perturbations were updated every 6 hours. Meanwhile, the 2nd generation of NOAA GEFS reforecasts were produced off-line for 29 years (1985 - 2013) by NOAA PSL (Hamill et al. 2013; NOAA/PSL reforecast website) using GEFS v10 configurations and CFS reanalysis. Through another major upgrade in December 2015, the GEFS initial perturbations were chosen from the operational hybrid Global Data Assimilation System (GDAS) 80-member Ensemble Kalman Filter (EnKF; Whitaker et al., 2008) 6-h forecasts along with tropical storm relocation and centralization of the initial perturbations (Zhou et al. 2016, 2017). More information on GEFS can be found at [\[a link\]](#).

GEFS data can be found in the GEFS bucket:

- <gs://gcp-public-data-gfs-ensemble-forecast-system>

**Additional details**

Type: [Datasets](#)

Category: [Science & research, Climate](#)

Dataset source: [GEFS](#)

Cloud service: [GCS](#)

Expected update frequency: Real-time

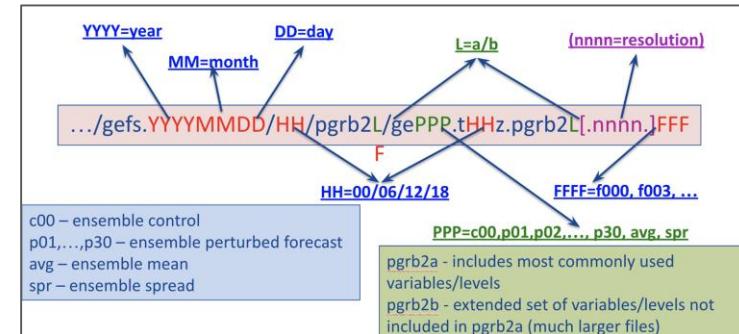
# Access GEFS data using a browser

1. The Google Cloud Storage bucket that stores the data is gfs-ensemble-forecast-system
2. Using a web browser, access the root of the bucket with the following URI\*  
<https://console.cloud.google.com/storage/browser/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system>
3. You can examine multiple levels of the bucket by appending the path to the URI above.

For example, to access the path gefs.20230815/06/atmos/bufr, use the URI

<https://console.cloud.google.com/storage/browser/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230815/06/atmos/bufr>

\*You will be asked to sign in if you are not currently signed in



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## Bucket details

### gfs-ensemble-forecast-system

OBJECTS CONFIGURATION PERMISSIONS PROTECTION LIFECYCLE OBSERVABILITY INVENTORY REPORTS

Buckets > gfs-ensemble-forecast-system

UPLOAD FILES UPLOAD FOLDER CREATE FOLDER TRANSFER DATA MANAGE HOLDS DOWNLOAD DELETE

Filter by name prefix only Filter objects and folders Show deleted data

Name	Size	Type	Created	Storage class	Last modified	Public access	Version history	Encryption	Retention expiration date	Holds
gefs.20210101/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210102/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210103/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210104/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210105/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210106/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210107/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210108/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210109/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210110/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210111/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210112/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210113/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210114/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210115/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210116/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮
gefs.20210117/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	⋮

<https://console.cloud.google.com/storage/browser/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system>

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## Bucket details

### gfs-ensemble-forecast-system

OBJECTS CONFIGURATION PERMISSIONS PROTECTION LIFECYCLE OBSERVABILITY INVENTORY REPORTS

Buckets > gfs-ensemble-forecast-system > gefs.20230815 > 06 > atmos > bufr

UPLOAD FILES UPLOAD FOLDER CREATE FOLDER TRANSFER DATA MANAGE HOLDS DOWNLOAD DELETE

Filter by name prefix only Filter objects and folders Show deleted data

Name	Size	Type	Created	Storage class	Last modified	Public
avg/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—
c00/_	—	Folder	—	—	—	—
geavg.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	74.4 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:07:34 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:07:34 AM	Value ⏪
gec00.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.4 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 3:52:20 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 3:52:20 AM	Value ⏪
gep01.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.6 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:08 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:08 AM	Value ⏪
gep02.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.7 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:08 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:08 AM	Value ⏪
gep03.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.5 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:09 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:09 AM	Value ⏪
gep04.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.7 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:07 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:07 AM	Value ⏪
gep05.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.5 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:07 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:07 AM	Value ⏪
gep06.t06z.bufrsnd.tar.gz	76.7 MB	binary/octet-stream	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:07 AM	Standard	Aug 15, 2023, 4:05:07 AM	Value ⏪

# Access GEFS data using the command line

**gsutil** is a Python application that lets you access Cloud Storage buckets and contents from the command line.

To list objects from the root of the bucket:

```
$ gsutil ls gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system

gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210101/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210102/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210103/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210104/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210105/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210106/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210107/
gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20210108/
...
```

Using gcloud storage has a similar effect:

```
$ gcloud storage ls gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system
```

# Access GEFS data using the command line

To copy an entire prefix (directory tree) and its contents to the current directory\*

```
$ gsutil -m cp gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230812 .
```

\*The -m flag enables multiprocessing to parallelize object downloads. Note that data for a single date (i.e. a gefs .YYYYMMDD folder) is more than 100 GB in size.

Again, using gcloud storage has a similar effect (without the -m flag):

```
$ gcloud storage cp gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230812 .
```

(For more info, see <https://cloud.google.com/sdk/gcloud/reference/storage>)

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Bucket details

gfs-ensemble-forecast-system

OBJECTS CONFIGURATION PERMISSIONS PROTECTION LIFECYCLE OBSERVABILITY INVENTORY REPORTS

Buckets > gfs-ensemble-forecast-system > gefs.20230801 > 00 > atmos > pgrb2ap5

UPLOAD FILES UPLOAD FOLDER CREATE FOLDER TRANSFER DATA ▾ MANAGE HOLDS DOWNLOAD DELETE

Filter by name prefix only ▾ Filter Filter objects and folders Show deleted data

Name	Size	Type	Created	Storage class	Last modified	Public a
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f000</a>	13.5 MB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:48:09 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:48:09 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f000.idx</a>	3.5 KB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:48:12 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:48:12 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f003</a>	14.4 MB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:49:28 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:49:28 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f003.idx</a>	5 KB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:48:08 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:48:08 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f006</a>	13.8 MB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:50:29 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:50:29 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f006.idx</a>	5 KB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:50:22 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:50:22 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009</a>	13.4 MB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:51:29 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:51:29 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009.idx</a>	5 KB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:51:33 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:51:33 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f012</a>	12.9 MB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:52:35 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:52:35 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f012.idx</a>	5.1 KB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:52:39 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:52:39 PM	Value h
<a href="#">geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f015</a>	12.7 MB	binary/octet-stream	Jul 31, 2023, 8:54:53 PM	Standard	Jul 31, 2023, 8:54:53 PM	Value h

<https://console.cloud.google.com/storage/browser/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system>

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Object details

Buckets > gfs-ensemble-forecast-system > gefs.20230801 > 00 > atmos > pgrb2ap5 > geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009

LIVE OBJECT VERSION HISTORY

DOWNLOAD EDIT METADATA EDIT ACCESS DELETE

Overview

Type	binary/octet-stream
Size	13.4 MB
Created	Jul 31, 2023, 8:51:29 PM
Last modified	Jul 31, 2023, 8:51:29 PM
Storage class	Standard
Custom time	—
Public URL	<a href="https://storage.googleapis.com/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230801/00/atmos/pgrb2ap5/geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009">https://storage.googleapis.com/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230801/00/atmos/pgrb2ap5/geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009</a>
Authenticated URL	<a href="https://storage.mtls.cloud.google.com/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230801/00/atmos/pgrb2ap5/geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009">https://storage.mtls.cloud.google.com/gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230801/00/atmos/pgrb2ap5/geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009</a>
gsutil URI	<a href="gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230801/00/atmos/pgrb2ap5/geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009">gs://gfs-ensemble-forecast-system/gefs.20230801/00/atmos/pgrb2ap5/geavg.t00z.pgrb2a.0p50.f009</a>

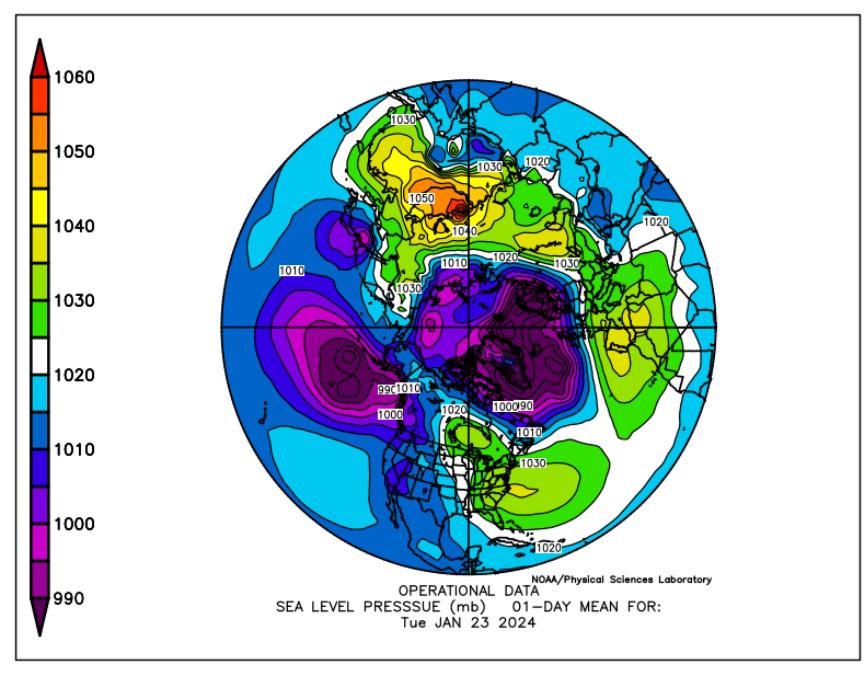
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# Use Cases and Journeys



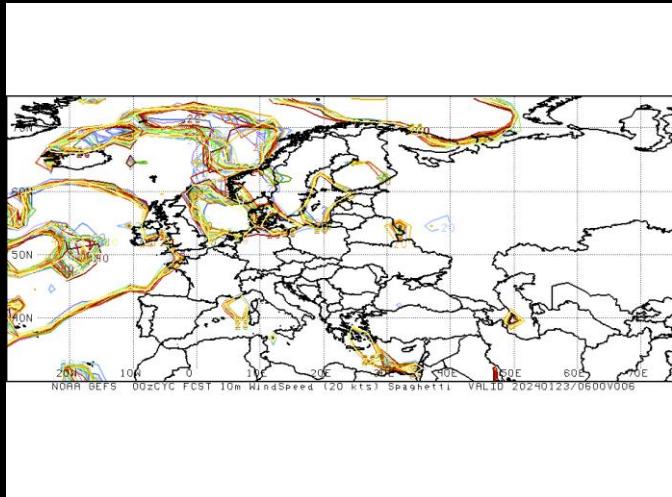
## Weather Satellites: An Invaluable Resource

- Nearly unlimited use cases. Weather observations for agriculture, transportation, finance, and energy sectors
- Climate change monitoring
- Disaster/risk management
  - Wildfires
  - Extreme Floods
  - Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, and Extreme Weather



# Global Weather Models: Another Invaluable Resource

- Global weather model ensembles [available](#)
  - Use 30 perturbed + 1 control forecast to increase your certainty in how much uncertainty a model has!



- Global weather models [available](#) in high resolution 4x per day for:
  - Business Analytics
  - Operational Forecast Needs
  - ML training and validation

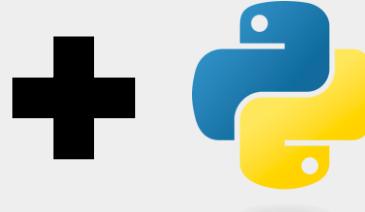
Quick code  
example for **JPSS**  
**ATMS** data on  
**GCP**

Try this on your  
own Colab!



## Setup

Setup your environment  
for all the tools you will  
need to accomplish your  
task.



```
!pip install -q zarr xarray[complete] fsspec aiohttp requests gcsfs cartopy
from google.colab import auth
from google.cloud import storage

from datetime import datetime
import xarray as xr
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import os
import fsspec
import gcsfs

auth.authenticate_user()
fs = gcsfs.GCSFileSystem(project='something')
```



## Instantiate client and fetch blobs

Start up your data set and find the data you want to work with. In this case we are working with JPSS MIRS data.

```
# Instantiates a client
storage_client = storage.Client()

# The bucket name for the JPSS VIIRS data
bucket_name = "noaa-nesdis-n20"

def list_blobs(bucket_name, prefix, delimiter=None):
    """Lists all the blobs in the bucket.

    storage_client = storage.Client()
    blobs = storage_client.list_blobs(bucket_name,
    prefix=prefix, delimiter=delimiter)
    # Note: The call returns a response only when the
    iterator is consumed.
    results = []
    for blob in blobs:
        # print(blob.name)
        results.append(blob.name)
    return results

results = list_blobs(bucket_name,
"NPRI_MIRS_IMG/2023/09/15", None)

# Alternative fetching method
# results = !gsutil ls 'gs://noaa-nesdis-
n20/NPRI_MIRS_IMG/2023/09/15/'

# Get rid of 33 min data for this example
results = [results[i] for i in range(len(results)) if
results[i].find('33min')<0]
print('Number of files: ', len(results))
```



Identify the files we want to work with...

Isolate the files you want to work with and add some additional parsed data.

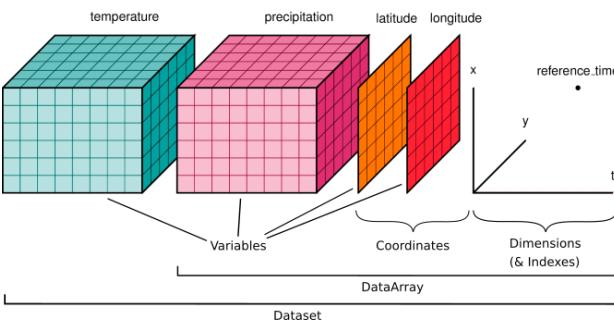
```
def parse_dates(string_names):
    string_names = string_names[48:62]
    year = int(string_names[0:4])
    month = int(string_names[4:6])
    day = int(string_names[6:8])
    hour = int(string_names[8:10])
    minute = int(string_names[10:12])
    seconds= int(string_names[12:14])
    string_dt = datetime(year, month, day, hour, minute,
    seconds)
    return string_dt

# Create a dataframe and add datetime field from filenames
dfr = pd.DataFrame(results, columns=['Files'])
dfr['Date'] = dfr.Files.apply(parse_dates)

#Fetch data from an important time
lets_get = dfr[(dfr.Date >= "2023-09-15 15:30:00") &
                (dfr.Date < "2023-09-15 23:30:00")]

# Get Filenames
lets_get = lets_get.Files.to_list()
print('Filtered to:', len(lets_get))

# Show first 5 files
lets_get[0:5]
```



## Open and process each file

Process netcdf files and plot using xarray and matplotlib.

```

datasets = []
for file in lets_get:
    data_path = 'gs://'+ bucket_name + '/' + file
    ds3 = xr.open_dataset(fs.open(data_path), engine='h5netcdf')

    # Reduce data set to Skin temperature data
    datasets.append(ds3['TSkin'])

# Concatenate all the data to make one image from all data sources
combined = xr.concat(datasets, dim='Field_of_view')

```

```

from cartopy import config
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import cartopy.crs as ccrs

```

```

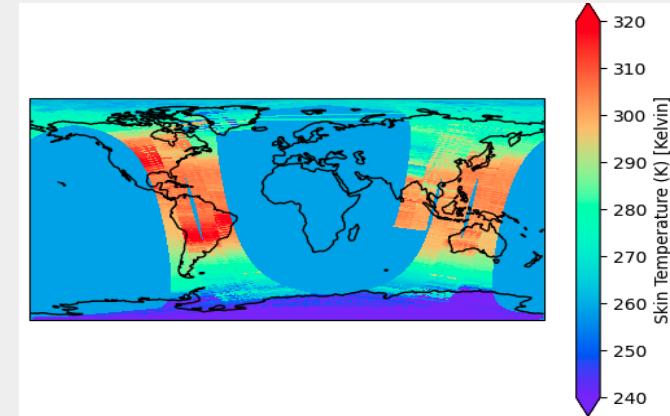
ax = plt.axes(projection=ccrs.PlateCarree())
combined.plot.pcolormesh(x='Longitude', y='Latitude',
cmap='rainbow', transform=ccrs.PlateCarree())

```

```

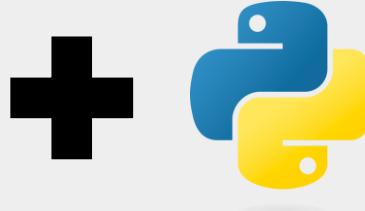
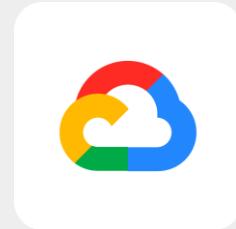
ax.coastlines()
plt.show()

```



# Quick code example for JPSS VIIRS Longwave IR data on GCP

Try this on your own [Colab!](#)  
<https://colab.research.google.com>



## Imports and Setup

Setup your kernel for all the tools you will need to accomplish these processing tasks.

```
!pip install -q zarr xarray[complete] fsspec aiohttp requests gcsfs cartopy
import h5py
import gcsfs
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from google.colab import auth
from google.cloud import storage
from datetime import datetime
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from cartopy import config
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import cartopy.crs as ccrs

auth.authenticate_user()
```



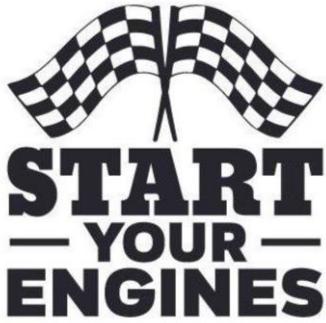
## Setup variables for data processing steps

Making some useful variables to limit data processing to reasonable size for processing on basic Colab.

```
bucket_name = "noaa-nesdis-n21"
target_data = "VIIRS-I4-IMG-EDR"
target_data_geo = "VIIRS-IMG-GTM-EDR-GEO"

year = '2023'
month = '09'
day = '15'
start_hour = '17'
start_minute = '13'
end_hour = '17'
end_minute = '17'

start_limiter = datetime(int(year), int(month), int(day),
int(start_hour), int(start_minute), 0)
end_limiter = datetime(int(year), int(month), int(day),
int(end_hour), int(end_minute), 0)
fs = gcsfs.GCSFileSystem(anon=True)
```



Instantiate client to fetch IR data blobs

Find all the relevant data from the IR sensor. In this case we are working with JPSS VIIRS IR data so we are focused on the I4 band and during our time range.

```
# Instantiates a client
storage_client = storage.Client()

def list_blobs(bucket_name, prefix, delimiter=None):
    """Lists all the blobs in the bucket.

    storage_client = storage.Client()
    blobs = storage_client.list_blobs(bucket_name, prefix=prefix, delimiter=delimiter)
    # Note: The call returns a response only when the iterator is consumed.
    results = []
    for blob in blobs:
        # print(blob.name)
        results.append(blob.name)
    return results

results = list_blobs(bucket_name, f'{target_data}/{year}/{month}/{day}/', None)
print('Number of files: ', len(results))

def parse_dates(s):
    s = s[38:56]
    year = int(s[1:5])
    month = int(s[5:7])
    day = int(s[7:9])
    hour = int(s[11:13])
    minute = int(s[13:15])
    seconds= int(s[15:17])
    string_dt = datetime(year, month, day, hour, minute, seconds)
    return string_dt

dfr = pd.DataFrame(results, columns=['Files'])
dfr['Date'] = dfr.Files.apply(parse_dates)

lets_get = dfr[(dfr.Date >= start_limiter) & (dfr.Date < end_limiter)].Files.to_list()
print('Filtered to:', len(lets_get))
lets_get[0:5]
```



## Instantiate client to fetch geo blobs

Start up your data set and find the data you want to work with. In this case we are working with grabbing GEO data.

```
# Instantiates a client
storage_client = storage.Client()

def list_blobs(bucket_name, prefix, delimiter=None):
    """Lists all the blobs in the bucket.

    storage_client = storage.Client()
    blobs = storage_client.list_blobs(bucket_name, prefix=prefix, delimiter=delimiter)
    # Note: The call returns a response only when the iterator is consumed.
    results = []
    for blob in blobs:
        # print(blob.name)
        results.append(blob.name)
    return results

results_geo = list_blobs(bucket_name, f'{target_data_geo}/{year}/{month}/{day}/', None)

print('Number of files: ', len(results))

def parse_dates(s):
    s = s[43:61]
    year = int(s[1:5])
    month = int(s[5:7])
    day = int(s[7:9])
    hour = int(s[11:13])
    minute = int(s[13:15])
    seconds= int(s[15:17])
    string_dt = datetime(year, month, day, hour, minute, seconds)
    return string_dt

dfr_geo = pd.DataFrame(results_geo, columns=['Files'])
dfr_geo['Date'] = dfr_geo.Files.apply(parse_dates)

lets_get_geo = dfr_geo[(dfr_geo.Date >= start_limiter) & (dfr_geo.Date < end_limiter)].Files.to_list()
print('Filtered to:', len(lets_get_geo))
lets_get_geo[0:5]
```

# Process all the data you need for your project.



Process data to numpy arrays (online) and prep for visualization.

```
agg_data_lat = []
agg_data_lon = []

# One file is ALOT of data
for file in lets_get_geo[1:2]:
    r = 'gs://' + bucket_name + '/' + file
    print(r)
    f = h5py.File(fs.open(r), 'r')
    latitude = f['All_Data']['VIIRS-IMG-GTM-EDR-GEO_All']['Latitude'][:]
    print(np.array(latitude).shape)
    longitude = f['All_Data']['VIIRS-IMG-GTM-EDR-GEO_All']['Longitude'][:]
    print(np.array(longitude).shape)

# If processing multiple files at once
for row in range(latitude.shape[0]):
    agg_data_lat.append(latitude[row])
for row in range(longitude.shape[0]):
    agg_data_lon.append(longitude[row])

agg_data = []
counter = 0

for file in lets_get[1:2]:
    r = 'gs://' + bucket_name + '/' + file
    print(r)
    f = h5py.File(fs.open(r), 'r')
    if counter < 1:
        products = f['All_Data']['VIIRS-I4-IMG-EDR_All']

    arr = f['All_Data']['VIIRS-I4-IMG-EDR_All']['BrightnessTemperature'][:]
    print(np.array(arr).shape)
    for row in range(0, arr.shape[0]):
        agg_data.append(arr[row])

longitude[longitude<-900] = np.nan
latitude[latitude<-900] = np.nan
```

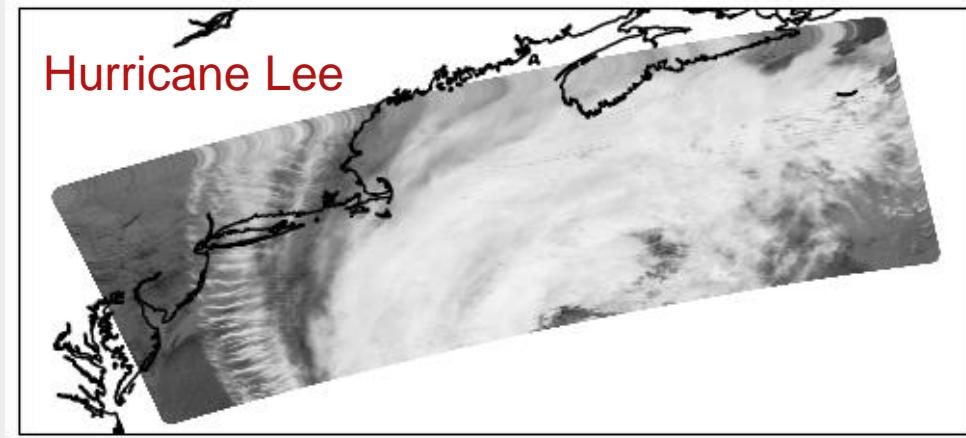
# Visualize Numpy Arrays

Plot numpy arrays using matplotlib and cartopy.

```
from cartopy import config
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import cartopy.crs as ccrs

ax = plt.axes(projection=ccrs.PlateCarree())
plt.scatter(longitude[:, 2500:6500], latitude[:, 2500:6500],
c=arr[:, 2500:6500], cmap='Greys',
transform=ccrs.PlateCarree())

ax.coastlines()
plt.show()
```





# Thank you.

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