A Python-Based Automatic Data Aggregation Framework for Hydrology Models

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The problem



Automates acquisition of **public data** given a lat/lon bounding box

• Various communications protocols

Performs data transformation on the fly

• Vector and raster formats

Outputs cropped / scaled / rotated files

• Same number of pixels and spatially aligned





```
EarthExplorer_Server = "https://earthexplorer.usgs.gov"
EarthExplorer_Settings = { "login": "username" "password": "secret" }
EarthExplorer_Datasets = [
    "EMODIS NDVI",
    "L8 OLI/TIRS"
]
SRTM_Servers = (
    "http://droppr.org/srtm/v4.1/6_6x5_TIFs/",
    "ftp://srtm.csi.cgiar.org/SRTMv41/SRTM_Data_GeoTiff/"
)
```

Elevation data

Tile processing

• GDAL

Watershed delineation

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ASTER GDEM post-processing

Vertical artifacts removal using SRTM as reference



Open Street Map

Water bodies, land use

OSM data:

• Overpass API

OSM to SVG

MapWeaver

SVG to Raster • ImageMagick



Soil Data

Uses MDB-Tools to extract soil properties from Harmonized World Soil Database



Soil Data

Soil properties are used to classify the soil Outputs a matrix with the same resolution as the DEM



Historic precipitation data

TMPA:

- Takes starting and ending dates as input
- Rotates and crops as needed
- Python multiprocessing library





Extreme Precipitation

Takes historic TMPA data as input, outputs series of NetCDF matrices



Conclusions

- From prototype to stable code very fast
- Not only an integration language
- Very pleasant to use

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