

*ISO 19131 SMAPVEX16-MB Soil
Roughness Dataset – Data Product
Specifications*

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Data product specifications: SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Dataset

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1. Overview

1.1. Informal description

The Soil Moisture Active/Passive Validation Experiment 2016-Manitoba (SMAPVEX16-MB) was conducted in the Carman/Elm Creek region. The purpose of the experiment was to collect a variety of ground measurements with coincident remotely-sensed data to calibrate and increase the accuracy of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)'s Soil Moisture Active/Passive (SMAP) soil moisture products.

This dataset contains surface soil roughness data that was collected for the SMAPVEX16-MB field campaign. Soil roughness measurements were taken from 50 agricultural fields within the study area. Sites were sampled once June 10, 13 and 15 during the first phase of the campaign: 3 to 4 weeks after all crops had been seeded.

For each field, roughness measurements were collected at site locations 1 and 2 in the look directions of RADARSAT-2 (descending mode) and airborne Passive Active L- and S-band Sensor (PALS). At each location, the surface roughness was measured using a digital camera and a 1m long pin profilometer consisting of 200 needles spaced at an interval of 5mm. To adequately measure the correlation length, the roughness measurements were taken over a 3m profile created by placing the 1m profiler end to end in the look direction of each Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) sensor (RADARSAT-2 descending mode and PALS). A digital camera recorded the pin meter profiles.

For each SAR sensor (RADARSAT-2 and PALS) and at each location, the photographs of the 3 separate profiles were joined into a single profile using MATLAB software application to provide the two roughness parameters: the surface root mean square (RMS) average height and the correlation length.

1.2. Data product specification - metadata

This section provides metadata about the creation of this data product specification

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| Data product specification – title: | SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Dataset |
| Data product specification - reference date: | June, 2016 |
| Data product specification - responsible party: | AAFC STB |
| Data product specification – language: | English |
| Data product specification - topic category: | geoscientificInformation |

1.3. Terms and definitions

- Feature attribute characteristic of a feature

- **Class**
description of a set of objects that share the same attributes, operations, methods, relationships, and semantics [UML Semantics]
NOTE: A class does not always have an associated geometry (e.g. the metadata class).
- **Feature**
abstraction of real world phenomena
- **Object**
entity with a well-defined boundary and identity that encapsulates state and behaviour [UML Semantics]
NOTE: An object is an instance of a class.
- **Package**
grouping of a set of classes, relationships, and even other packages with a view to organizing the model into more abstract structures

1.4. Abbreviations

| | |
|--------------|--|
| AAFC | Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada |
| GPS | Global Positioning System |
| NASA | National Aeronautics and Space Administration |
| PALS | Passive Active L- and S-band Sensor |
| RMS | Root Mean Square |
| SAR | Synthetic Aperture Radar |
| SMAP | Soil Moisture Active/Passive |
| SMAPVEX16-MB | Soil Moisture Active/Passive Validation Experiment 2016-Manitoba |
| STB | Science and Technology Branch |

2. SPECIFICATION SCOPE

This data specification has only one scope, the general scope.

NOTE: The term 'specification scope' originates from the International Standard ISO19131. 'Specification scope' does not express the purpose for the creation of a data specification or the potential use of data, but identifies partitions of the data specification where specific requirements apply.

3. DATA PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

3.1. Data series identification

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Title | SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Dataset |
| Alternate Title | SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Data |
| Abstract | SMAPVEX16-MB was conducted to assess and increase the overall accuracy of the soil moisture retrievals produced using the SMAP satellite. Soil roughness measurements were taken from 50 agricultural fields within the study area. The data was used in MATLAB to produce both the surface RMS average height and correlation length for each sensor. |
| Purpose | This dataset is used to increase the overall accuracy of the SMAP soil moisture product. |
| Topic Category | geoscientificInformation |
| Spatial Representation Type | textTable |
| Spatial Resolution | |
| Geographic Description | Carman/Elm Creek, Manitoba, Canada |
| Supplemental Information | <p>Principle Investigators: Heather McNairn - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Tom Jackson - United States Department of Agriculture; Co-Investigators(Canada): Amine Merzouki, Anna Pacheco, Jarrett Powers - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Stephane Belair, Peter Toose - Environment and Climate Change Canada; Monique Bernier - Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique(INRS); Aaron Berg, Tracy Rowlandson - University of Guelph; Paul Bullock - University of Manitoba; RoTimi Ojo - Manitoba Agriculture; Alexandre Roy - University of Montreal; Ramata Magagi - University of Sherbrooke; Co-Investigators(United States): Alicia Joseph, Peggy O'Neill - NASA Goddard Space Flight Centre; Andreas Colliander, Sab Kim - NASA Jet Propulsion Lab; Mike Cosh - United States Department of Agriculture; Co-Investigators(International): Giuseppe Satalino - National Research Council of Italy (ISSIA-CNR)</p> |
| Constraints | SMAPVEX16-MB field data will be placed on the University of Sherbrooke website. Access will be limited by password that will be provided to principle and co-investigators listed below. Principle and Co-Investigators are to ensure that staff, graduate students and post docs respect the terms of the agreement on usage and distribution. Access to the website will be restricted until August 1, 2017 for preliminary research and quality control. After |

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| | August 1, 2017 all field data will be transferred to the National Snow and Ice Data Centre to be made publically available. |
| Keywords | SMAPVEX16-MB, soil roughness, pin profilometer |
| Scope identification | series |

3.2. Data product identification

3.2.1. SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Dataset

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|-----------------------------|---|
| Title | SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Dataset |
| Alternate Title | SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Data |
| Abstract | Roughness measurements were collected at site locations 1 and 2 in the look directions of RADARSAT-2 (descending mode) and airborne PALS. At each location, the surface roughness was measured using a digital camera and a 1m long pin profilometer. To adequately measure the correlation length, the roughness measurements were taken over a 3m profile. |
| Purpose | SMAP produces global soil moisture products. This dataset is used to assess and increase the overall accuracy of the SMAP soil moisture product. |
| Topic Category | geoscientificInformation |
| Spatial Representation Type | textTable |
| Spatial Resolution | |
| Geographic Description | Carman/Elm Creek, Manitoba, Canada |
| Supplemental Information | <p>Principle Investigators: Heather McNairn - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Tom Jackson - United States Department of Agriculture;</p> <p>Co-Investigators(Canada): Amine Merzouki, Anna Pacheco, Jarrett Powers - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada; Stephane Belair, Peter Toose - Environment and Climate Change Canada; Monique Bernier - Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique(INRS); Aaron Berg, Tracy Rowlandson - University of Guelph; Paul Bullock - University of Manitoba; RoTimi Ojo - Manitoba Agriculture; Alexandre Roy - University of Montreal; Ramata Magagi - University of Sherbrooke;</p> <p>Co-Investigators(United States): Alicia Joseph, Peggy O'Neill - NASA Goddard Space Flight Centre; Andreas Colliander, Sab Kim - NASA Jet Propulsion Lab; Mike Cosh - United States Department of Agriculture;</p> <p>Co-Investigators(International): Giuseppe Satalino - National Research Council of Italy (ISSIA-CNR)</p> |

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| Keywords | SMAPVEX16-MB, soil roughness, pin profilometer |
| Scope Identification | dataset |
| Feature Attribute Names | OBJECTID, SITE_ID, PALS_HEIGHT, PALS_COR_L, R2_HEIGHT, R2_COR_L |

4. DATA CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

4.1. Feature-based application schema

Figure <#> - <Insert dataset title> UML Class Diagram

4.2. Feature catalogue – SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Dataset

| | |
|----------------|---|
| Title | SMAPVEX16-MB Soil Roughness Feature Catalogue |
| Scope | series |
| Version Number | 1 |
| Version Date | November 30, 2016 |
| Producer | AAFC STB |

System-generated attributes (for example, OBJECTID, Shape, Shape Length and Area) are not defined in the feature catalog.

4.2.1. Feature attributes

4.2.1.1. SITE_ID

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|-------------------|---|------|------------|
| Name | Site identification (SITE_ID) | | |
| Definition | Unique ID to identify the site where sampling occurs. Each field has 16 sampling locations. | | |
| Aliases | SITE_ID | | |
| Producer | AAFC STB | | |
| Value Data Type | String | | |
| Value Domain Type | 0 (not enumerated) | | |
| Value Domain | | | |
| | Feature Attribute Value | | |
| | Label | Code | Definition |
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4.2.1.2. PALS_HEIGHT

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|-------------------|---|------|------------|
| Name | PALS RMS Height (PALS_HEIGHT) | | |
| Definition | The RMS height (cm) measured in the look direction of PALS. | | |
| Aliases | PALS_HEIGHT | | |
| Producer | AAFC STB | | |
| Value Data Type | Double | | |
| Value Domain Type | 0 (not enumerated) | | |
| Value Domain | | | |
| | Feature Attribute Value | | |
| | Label | Code | Definition |
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4.2.1.3. PALS_COR_L

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| Name | PALS Correlation Length (PALS_COR_L) | | |
| Definition | The correlation length (cm) measured in the look direction of the PALS. | | |

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|-------------------|-------------------------|------|------------|
| Aliases | PALS_COR_L | | |
| Producer | AAFC STB | | |
| Value Data Type | Double | | |
| Value Domain Type | 0 (not enumerated) | | |
| Value Domain | | | |
| | Feature Attribute Value | | |
| | Label | Code | Definition |
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4.2.1.4. R2_HEIGHT

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|-------------------|---|------|------------|
| Name | RADARSAT-2 RMS Height (R2_HEIGHT) | | |
| Definition | The RMS height (cm) measured in the look direction of RADARSAT-2. | | |
| Aliases | R2_HEIGHT | | |
| Producer | AAFC STB | | |
| Value Data Type | Double | | |
| Value Domain Type | 0 (not enumerated) | | |
| Value Domain | | | |
| | Feature Attribute Value | | |
| | Label | Code | Definition |
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4.2.1.5. R2_COR_L

| | | | |
|-------------------|---|------|------------|
| Name | RADARSAT-2 Correlation Length (R2_COR_L) | | |
| Definition | The correlation length (cm) measured in the look direction of RADARSAT-2. | | |
| Aliases | R2_COR_L | | |
| Producer | AAFC STB | | |
| Value Data Type | Double | | |
| Value Domain Type | 0 (not enumerated) | | |
| Value Domain | | | |
| | Feature Attribute Value | | |
| | Label | Code | Definition |
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5. REFERENCE SYSTEMS

5.1. Spatial reference system

Not applicable.

5.2. Temporal reference system

Gregorian calendar

6. DATA QUALITY

6.1. Completeness

Measure not used at this time.

6.2. Logical consistency

Measure not used at this time.

6.3. Positional accuracy

A handheld Garmin Global Positioning System (GPS) was used to navigate to each sample site. The accuracy of the device is to within 3m.

6.4. Temporal accuracy

Measure not used at this time.

6.5. Thematic accuracy

Measure not used at this time.

6.6. Lineage statement

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|-------------------|--|
| Lineage Statement | Soil roughness measurements were taken from 50 agricultural fields within the study area. Sites were sampled once June 10, 13 and 15 during the first phase of the campaign: 3 to 4 weeks after all crops had been seeded. |
| Scope | |

7. DATA CAPTURE

Soil roughness measurements were collected at site locations 1 and 2 in the look directions of RADARSAT-2 (descending mode) and airborne PALS. At each location, the surface roughness was measured using a digital camera and a 1m long pin profilometer consisting of 200 needles spaced from an interval of 5mm. To adequately measure the correlation length, the roughness measurements were taken over a 3m profile created by placing the 1m profiler end to end in the look direction of each SAR sensor (RADARSAT-2 descending mode and PALS). A digital camera recorded the pin meter profiles. The digital photos were used to calculate the correlation length and RMS height with MATLAB software.

8. DATA MAINTENANCE

Unknown.

9. PORTRAYAL

Not applicable.

10. DATA PRODUCT DELIVERY

Csv
Format name : Comma Delimited
Format version: 1.0
Specification: A delimited data format that has
fields/columns separated by the comma character.
Languages: eng
Character set: utf8

11. METADATA

Not applicable.