

DGGS: Multi-resolution Bathymetry On-Demand

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The concept of HYDROSPATIAL



hydrospatial. adjective

Relating to hydrospatial sciences or denoting data, information and knowledge that is associated with a particular location and time of the earth's waters and their contiguous zones.

"We are going through a marine geospatial revolution"

HYDROSPATIAL Data



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Hydrospatial baseline

Hydrospatial Information Systems (HIS)

Roads Land use Boundaries Hydrography Elevation

Image base

Analog model



Hydrospatial baseline

Hydrospatial Information Systems (HIS)

Layered model

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Image base



Analog model Intermediate assistance - Expert

Hydrospatial baseline



Hydrospatial Information Systems (HIS)



Services, Products (APIs), Knowledge / Intelligence





Intermediate assistance - Expert

Reinventing HIS



Intermediate assistance - Expert

Integrated HIMS

Hydrospatial baseline



Integrated Hydrospatial Information Management

Integrating all types of data

Enable complex decision making and knowledge on demand

Global networks of queryable linked data

Services, Products (APIs), Knowledge / Intelligence



Integrated HIMS

Hydrospatial baseline



Integrated Hydrospatial Information Management

Multi-resolution model





Services, Products (APIs), Knowledge / Intelligence



Discrete Global Grid Systems

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A **Discrete Global Grid System (DGGS)** is a spatial reference system that uses a **hierarchical tessellation** of equal area cells to partition and address the globe.

Discrete Global Grid Systems



Multiresolution

Hierarchical tessellations with each cell having a unique identifier or indexing Cells at the same resolution are equal area cells

DGGS as an international standard



"DGGS infrastructures enable the integrated analysis of very large, multi-source, multi-resolution, multi-dimensional, distributed geospatial data." **Open Geospatial Consortium** - <u>Topic 21: Discrete Global Grid Systems Abstract</u> <u>Specification 15-104r5</u>



"All Discrete Global Grid Systems are structured for information as distinct from conventional coordinate reference systems originally designed for navigation." International Standard Organization – ISO 19170-1: Discrete Global Grid Systems Specifications



"DGGS as a Common Geography will ensure that all statistical data is consistently geospatially enabled and that users can discover, access, integrate, analyse and visualise statistical information seamlessly for geographies of interest." United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management - The Global Statistical Geospatial Framework

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How to perform analytics on the fly

DGGS grid definition

- Polyhedron selection
- Polyhedron Orientation
- Polyhedron Partitioning (cells)
- Projection (to/from Earth's surface)



Polyhedron selection



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Polyhedron orientation





Polyhedron partitioning - Cell tessellation



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Polyhedron partitioning - Aperture

• Aperture 3 hexagons (3 levels)



• Aperture 4 hexagons (3 levels)







DGGS - Cell indexing



| NO | N1 | N2 | | | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| N3 | N4 | N5 | | | | | | | | | |
| N6 | N7 | N8 | | | | | | | | | |
| 00 | 01 | 02 | PO | P1 | P2 | Q0 | Q1 | Q2 | RO | R1 | |
| 03 | 04 | 05 | P3 | P4 | P5 | Q3 | Q4 | Q5 | R3 | R4 | |
| 06 | 07 | 08 | P6 | P7 | P8 | Q6 | Q7 | Q8 | R6 | R7 | |
| 50 | 51 | 52 | | | | | | | | | |
| 53 | 54 | 55 | | | | | | | | | |
| 56 | 57 | 58 | | | | | | | | | |

DGGS - Quantization

- Populating DGGS cells with data.
- Methods for both raster and vector data.
- Different strategies for sampling data preserve the resolution of the original data.
- Following of the principles of high-fidelity digital signal processing.



DGGS - Operations





DGGS is an ideal candidate to handle global multi-resolution bathymetry integration from different sources and its integration with other Hydrospatial datasets



Current methods require **pre-integration** of regional and global data sources using a **conventional grid** to produce a static single resolution global bathymetry model



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Complicates statistical analysis and discrete simulations on these grids

GEBCO Grid

A Global Bathymetry Chart of the Oceans





Definitive map of the world ocean floor by 2030



Uses a latitude/longitude grid and the polar regions have been integrated to it



Hierarchical coordinate structures improve efficiency but still **introduce distortions** and fail to provide allowance for additional heterogeneous data integration.



GMRT

It integrates bathymetry in a multi-resolution model based on a quad-tree over the Mercator projection.

It accommodates global coverage by maintaining 3 parallel tile sets – Mercator, South Polar, and North Polar; all of them on different coordinate systems.

There is an added problem of accessing polar data combined with the rest of the world due to the need of using different CRS.



Global GGS

Combines the advantages of GMRT and GEBCO.

It is defined in geographic coordinates, uses a single scheme and projection, and incorporates a quadtree hierarchy, enabling data of any resolution to be represented.

Global GGS avoids the sampling asymmetries of GEBCO.

On the fly analysis and integration of other datasets would be complicated to perform in this kind of grid. The cells still get distorted near the poles and the cells are not equal area.



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Its usefulness has already been proven for the integration of terrain data models and for multi-resolution topographical analysis

Truncated Icosahedron

Platonic icosahedron \rightarrow truncate the 12 vertices



Hexagonal cells



ISEA3H



Alternative grid model for bathymetry data integration that meets all the goals of:

- global model,
- rapid data integration,
- multi-resolution,
- no distortion near the poles,
- optimized for parallelization in cloud computing environments

ISEA3H



Ideal candidate to manage global multiresolution bathymetry and handle integration and analysis of other hydrospatial data on the fly.



ISEA3H DEMO







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