

# GNOME™

GENERAL NOAA OIL MODELING ENVIRONMENT

## Data Formats

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# Introduction

In this document, we describe a number of files that can be used or generated by GNOME, the General NOAA Oil Modeling Environment. GNOME uses the following files:

**Maps:** GNOME uses maps to determine the shoreline where the oil beaches. Any area of the model domain not defined as "land" is viewed as "water" by GNOME.

**Currents:** Currents move the oil around, and are defined on a particular grid. GNOME recognizes finite element, rectangular, and curvilinear grid circulation models in both ASCII and netCDF file formats. Finite element models may have either the velocities on the triangles or on the nodes. Both steady state  $U(x,y)$  and time-dependent  $U(x,y,t)$  circulation models are supported. A steady state  $U(x,y)$  model "current pattern" may be adjusted ("scaled") and given time dependence through a time series  $T(t)$  (see the section, **Scaling Current Patterns**). If there is a gap between the circulation grid and the map, GNOME will assume the gap is water, and other movers, such as wind and diffusion, will be able to move the oil around.

**Winds:** Winds may be entered as a constant time series  $T(t)$  or as a regular grid time-dependent model  $Wind(x,y,t)$ . Both netCDF and ASCII formats are supported for wind model data.

Below is a table of circulation and wind models that we have converted into GNOME format, and our recommended format.

Model	Grid	GNOME Format
CATS	Triangle, velocities on triangles	CATS
POM	Curvilinear	netCDF
POM	Regular grid	GridCur; GridCurTime; netCDF
ADCIRC	Triangle, velocities on nodes	PtCur; netCDF
RMA2	Polygons – break down into triangles	PtCur
SWAFS	Regular grid	GridCur; GridCurTime; netCDF
ARPS	Regular grid	GridCur; GridCurTime; netCDF
HirLAM	Regular grid	GridCur; GridCurTime; netCDF
HF Radar	Rotated regular grid – use curvilinear	netCDF

GNOME also outputs files. Maps, as well as standard MOSS Files for GIS systems, can be exported from GNOME.

The output from both GNOME and GNOME Analyst (a companion program to GNOME that displays oil concentration contours) may be customized by adding your own logo. Instructions for adding your logo are provided in the last section.

# GNOME Input File Formats

## MAPS

Currently, GNOME uses only the map file format known as "bna".

### BNA Format

BNA format consists of a list of lines and polygons that are to be drawn on the screen. Each feature is preceded by a description line, such as the line shown below, from the example file *simple.bna*.

```
"2","1",18
```

The first number in quotes represents an identifier for the feature, and is usually unique.

The second number in quotes identifies the type of feature: "1" is a land feature; "2" is a water feature, or a polygon within another larger polygon.

The third number is the number of points in the feature, in order for drawing. A positive number indicates a polygon. Points are defined in a clockwise direction as you trace the land boundary (as though you are walking on an imaginary beach with your right foot on land and your left foot in the water). A negative number defines a line where the start and end points don't connect.

**File Name:** *simple.bna*

```
"2","1",18
-82.521416,27.278500
-82.552109,27.353674
-82.564636,27.383394
-82.600746,27.500633
-82.576721,27.581442
-82.541473,27.665442
-82.478104,27.725504
-82.443367,27.755222
-82.250000,27.730673
-82.250000,27.685675
-82.250000,27.640678
-82.250000,27.595680
-82.250000,27.505688
-82.250000,27.460690
-82.250000,27.415693
-82.250000,27.370695
-82.351616,27.278500
-82.453232,27.278500
"2","1",10
-82.250000,27.865969
-82.333580,27.864744
-82.383003,27.879385
-82.479012,27.888107
-82.543144,27.952902
-82.456032,28.066999
-82.405220,28.066999
```

```
-82.354408,28.066999  
-82.250000,27.977007  
-82.250000,27.898989
```

Two special types of polygons are defined for GNOME maps: (1) a map boundary for nonrectangular maps and (2) a spillable area. These special polygons are most commonly used in Location Files to help users avoid setting spills in areas where the Location File has not been set up or well calibrated.

### Map Bounds

The map bounds define a polygon with a format similar to that shown above. This polygon should be the first polygon in the map file.

```
"Map Bounds","1",7  
-121.319176,35.199476  
-121.319176,34.197944  
-121.218496,34.0  
-119.378944,34.0  
-119.221448,34.152428  
-119.221448,35.199476  
-121.319176,35.199476
```

### Spillable Area

The spillable area defines a polygon so that the user may not start spills outside the polygon, or over land areas within the polygon. Again, the format is similar to other polygons in the bna format. This polygon should be the last one defined in the map file.

```
"SpillableArea", "1", 15  
-121.319176,35.199476  
-121.319176,34.197944  
-121.218496,34.0  
-120.633640,34.0  
-120.445584,34.088112  
-120.381776,34.085196  
-120.204512,34.026884  
-120.066248,34.053124  
-119.931528,34.061872  
-119.729456,34.015220  
-119.534464,34.047292  
-119.378944,34.0  
-119.221448,34.152428  
-119.221448,35.199476  
-121.319176,35.199476
```

# CURRENTS

GNOME supports steady-state circulation models that produce “current patterns,” as well as time-dependent circulation models. GNOME uses both ASCII and netCDF files formats, though not all grid types are supported in both formats. Following are the types of circulation models that GNOME supports:

- Finite Element – Velocities on Triangles, Steady State [CATS]
- Finite Element – Velocities on Nodes, Steady State or Time Dependent [ptCur and netCDF]
- Rectangular Grid – Steady State [GridCur and netCDF]
- Rectangular Grid – Time Dependent [GridCurTime and netCDF]. In this circulation model, the data can be contained in a single file or broken into smaller files.
- Curvilinear Grid – Time Dependent [netCDF only]

Current patterns can be adjusted, or “scaled,” and time dependence can be added, connecting the patterns to a time series. Time series used for scaling currents can be of the following types:

- tidal currents
- tidal height (GNOME takes first derivative)
- wind and hydrological flow volume

Tidal current and tidal height time series can also be represented by the tidal harmonic series. In this case, GNOME calculates the necessary tidal information from the harmonic constants for the start time of the model run. For long simulations or Location Files, this results in using a smaller file size than the full time series.

## ASCII Formats

### **Currents: Finite Element – Velocities on Triangles, Steady State [CATS]**

For more information about file formats from the NOAA CATS (Current Analysis for Trajectory Simulation) hydrodynamic model, see the specific documentation for the application.

**Note:** Beginning with GNOME 1.2.2, we added the capability to generate a DAGTree within GNOME, so that a portion of the current file (the final section of the file, marked DAGTree) is now optional.

File Name: *TinyWillapa SAC.CUR*

DAG 1.0

Vertices 8

8 8

-124.018048	46.694592	1.000000
-124.044816	46.668488	1.000000
-124.017968	46.650984	1.000000
-123.992400	46.664772	1.000000
-123.964264	46.646212	1.000000
-123.929744	46.673788	1.000000
-123.956592	46.696068	1.000000
-123.991760	46.683868	1.000000

Topology 6

0	1	7	5	-1	-1	0.502367	-0.298270
1	2	3	-1	5	-1	0.000000	-0.000000
3	4	5	-1	4	-1	0.000000	-0.000000
5	6	7	-1	4	-1	0.588724	0.297317
7	3	5	2	3	5	0.978753	0.205045
7	1	3	1	4	0	0.971727	-0.100222

DAGTree 13

32	1	7
31	2	5
30	-8	3
2	4	-8
0	-8	-8
7	6	-8
6	-8	-8
26	8	11
25	-8	9
12	10	-8
13	-8	-8
18	12	-8
19	-8	-8

**Annotated Version of the File**

DAG 1.0

Vertices 8

8 8

	<b>Longitude</b>	<b>Latitude</b>	<b>Depth</b>
-124.018048	46.694592	1.000000	
-124.044816	46.668488	1.000000	
-124.017968	46.650984	1.000000	
-123.992400	46.664772	1.000000	
-123.964264	46.646212	1.000000	
-123.929744	46.673788	1.000000	
-123.956592	46.696068	1.000000	
-123.991760	46.683868	1.000000	

Topology 6

	<b>Points in Tri</b>	<b>Number of Triangles</b>	<b>Adjacent Tri to Seg</b>	<b>Velocity (u,v)</b>	<b>Tri #</b>
0	1	7	5	-1 -1	0
1	2	3	-1	5 -1	1
3	4	5	-1	4 -1	2
5	6	7	-1	4 -1	3
7	3	5	2	3 5	4
7	1	3	1	4 0	5

DAGTree 13

	<b>Seg#</b>	<b>Branch Left</b>	<b>Branch Right</b>	<b>DAGTree Branches</b>
32	1	7		0
31	2	5		1
30	-8	3		2



## Input Formats: Currents

2	4	-8	3
0	-8	-8	4
7	6	-8	5
6	-8	-8	6
26	8	11	7
25	-8	9	8
12	10	-8	9
13	-8	-8	10
18	12	-8	11
19	-8	-8	12

## Currents: Finite Element – Velocities on Nodes [ptCur]

Most finite element circulation models calculate velocities on the triangular grid nodes. The ptCur format can be used to make a single time-step “current pattern” or include the full model run time series. The format can be divided into several portions: header block, point definition block, topology, and time-specific data blocks. The header block provides basic information about the file, and much of the information is optional. The point definition block includes all the points, organized with the boundary points first. The topology block defines the triangular topology and segment list, and the DAGtree defines how to search through the triangles quickly. (These blocks are optional, as GNOME can calculate all this information, although loading the file will take longer without it.) The time-specific data blocks make up the velocity data.

**Note:** There are two different forms of the ptCur data format. The first has velocity values at all of the points, including the boundaries. In some cases, the original circulation model does not specifically define the boundary points, and defining these points may be too time-consuming for the user. In that case, fake boundary points may be defined that have zero velocity at these nodes. A keyword in the VERTICES line notifies GNOME that the first *NumLandPts* have zero velocities, and these points do not show up in the velocity data (i.e., the velocity data start with point *NumLandPts+1*).

### The Header Block

The header block is made up of lines that are initiated with a reserve word, which is enclosed in square brackets and is all caps, followed by a tab and the corresponding value. Each of these lines provides some global information about the file, and all but the first two are optional. The other lines have default values that GNOME provides. Except for the first line, the order of header lines is not important; however, if the keyword is in the file, a value must follow it, even if it matches the default value. The following list is supported:

[FILETYPE]	“PTCUR”	text required	
[NAME]	“user name for file”	text	optional
[CURSCALE]	multiplicative_scale float		optional
[UNCERTALONG]	along_axis	float	optional
[UNCERTCROSS]	cross_axis float		optional
[UNCERTMIN]	min_current_resolution float		optional
[GRIDTYPE]	vertical model used, bottom bc	text	optional
[MAXNUMDEPTHS]	max depth values	int	optional
[USERDATA]	“non GNOME user info”	text	optional

[FILETYPE] is an identifier for GNOME that identifies the following data as a PTCUR file. This is a mandatory first line for all PTCUR files.

[NAME] is used to identify the type of file for GNOME and allows the user to supply a name for the resulting current mover that will appear in the GNOME Summary List, in the left section of the window.

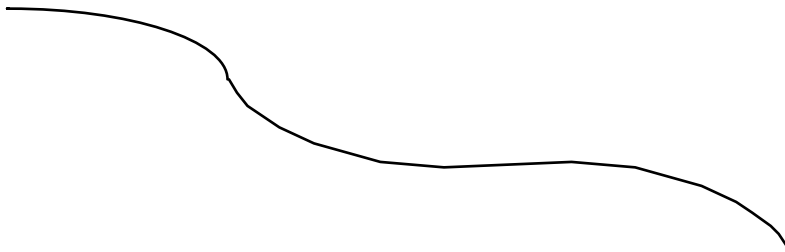
[CURSCALE] is used to set a global multiplicative scale for all of the current data in the file. In general, GNOME assumes that all of the current data it receives is

in units of m/sec, but the PTCUR mover will allow for a change of units through this global scaling term. If this term is not provided in the file, a value of 1.0 will be assumed. In GNOME's Diagnostic Mode, the associated dialog box allows the user to set or override this value.

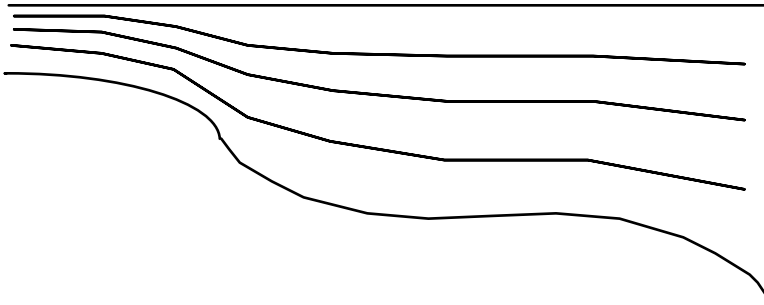
[UNCERTALONG] and [UNCERTCROSS] are terms whereby the user can specify a pair of coefficients that GNOME will use to set the uncertainty associated with the PTCUR mover. The first coefficient will set the bound on the MonteCarlo uncertainty components added/subtracted to the along-axis component of the current vector, and the second coefficient will be used to MonteCarlo the cross-axis uncertainty of the current vectors. If this term is not provided in the file, values of 0.5 and 0.25 will be assumed. In GNOME's Diagnostic Mode, the associated dialog box allows the user to override these values.

[UNCERTMIN] is currently not implemented, and a value of 0.0 is assumed. When implemented, the Uncertainty Minimum is intended to be used to set a minimum speed resolution that is expected from the model, and is used to MonteCarlo an uncertainty for cases where the predicted currents are very small. If this term is not provided in the file, a value of 0.05 will be assumed. In GNOME's Diagnostic Mode, the associated dialog box allows the user to override these values.

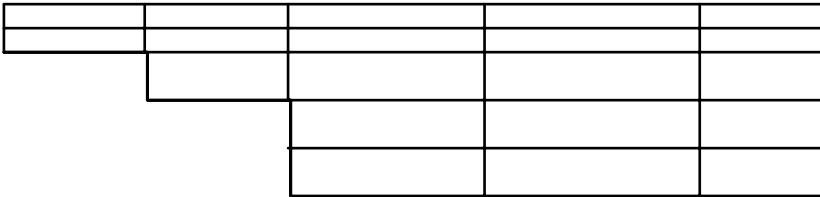
[GRIDTYPE] is an identifier of how the vertical depth data were modeled. If there are no depth data, the keyword "2D" is used. If there is information about the depth of the area being modeled, but the currents are the same at every depth, the keyword "BAROTROPIC" is used (see Figure 1a, below). If the depth is modeled using a sigma coordinate model, the keyword "SIGMA" is used (see Figure 1b). If the depth is modeled using a layered system, the keyword "MULTILAYER" is used (see Figure 1c). These last two options also require a boundary keyword, either "NOSLIP" or "FREESLIP", where "NOSLIP" also requires a distance in meters to define the boundary layer. This distance is constant throughout the domain. The default is "2D", in which case any depth information will be ignored.



**Figure 1a** Barotropic model – single velocity top to bottom



**Figure 1b** *Sigma model – uniform number of layers, thickness scales to total depth*



**Figure 1c** *Gridded model – number of layers and layer thickness may vary from place to place*

[MAXNUMDEPTHS] gives the maximum number of depth points where horizontal currents are available. In some cases, points within the model may have fewer defined depth points than this number. The sigma model, however, must have data for MAXNUMDEPTHS in the water column at every horizontal point. The layered model has data at a maximum of MAXNUMDEPTHS in the water column for any horizontal point. The default is 1, which corresponds to surface data only and is the case for both the 2D and barotropic gridtypes. (Though the latter has depth, it only has one unique current value per horizontal point.)

### The Point Definition Block

The point definition block describes the area covered by the model, including all of the horizontal points where data are available and at which depths the information is specified. This part of the model description also completely defines the topological characteristics of the model domain by giving the boundary segments that divide the region into “inside” and “outside” portions.

The first line in the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK is made up of the keyword “Vertices”, followed by the total number of horizontal points and the number of land points, separated by white space.

[USERDATA] is a reserved word that can be used (repeatedly, if necessary) by the developer of the PTCUR data to record any type of text documentation or metadata that they want to keep associated with the file. This is optional and can be thought of as a comment area in the file format.

**Vertices    NPTs    NumLandPts**

The fields are defined as follows:

**NPTs** - Gives the total number of horizontal data points (boundary and inside vertices).

**NumLandPts** - If data are available at all the horizontal points, this is zero. If there is a separate outer boundary from a land map where current data are not available (assumed to be zero there), the number of these boundary points is given.

The next NPTs lines of the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK define the individual horizontal points where data are available. Each line describes a single data point with the following fields, separated by white space.

**Pt#    Longitude    Latitude    depth d1 d2 ... dNdepths**

Each of the fields is defined as follows:

**Pt#** - A sequence number, or line number, assigned to each point 1...NPTs.

**Longitude** - The latitude of the point, given in decimal degrees ranging from -180 to 180. The Western hemisphere is by convention negative latitude.

**Latitude** - The longitude of the point, given in decimal degrees ranging from -90 to 90. The Northern hemisphere is by convention positive longitude.

**depth** - The depth in meters of the modeled ocean at the point. If the gridtype is 2D, this field and the rest of the line will not be read.

**d1 d2 ... dNdepths** - Each of the d1 through dNdepths values will be interpreted as a depth within the water column where current information will be defined. If the gridtype is barotropic, these points will not be read and the currents that are given will be assumed to represent the entire water column. For any point where data are available at fewer than the maximum number of depths, the user should enter, in order, all the valid depths and end the line with -1 to mark the end of data.

The lines that represent data points have two restrictions on the order in which they are entered into the file:

1. All boundary segments must be at the beginning of the file.

2. All boundary segments must have their points entered sequentially in “counter-clockwise” order. Counter-clockwise (cc) order is defined as follows: If an observer were to travel along the boundary of the model in a direction such that his/her left hand always pointed to the inside of the model, then they would encounter the boundary points in cc order. To build a PTCUR file, the user would first enter all of the points in cc order around the outer boundary of the model and follow those by the points in cc order around all the islands (in this case, only one). After the boundary segments are entered in the point list, all other points (the interior ones) can be entered in any order that is convenient.

After a line is entered for each of the model’s horizontal data points, the next line contains a single integer value:

**Number\_of\_Boundary\_Segments**

This is the total number of boundary segments that are needed to define the inside/outside of the model. The first boundary listed is the main outer edge of the model, then each of the islands represented by the model is added. For example, a domain with no islands will have a value of “1”, while a domain with two islands will have a value of “3”.

Following the line that tells GNOME how many boundary segments there are in the model domain will be one line for each of the boundary segments, with the number of the last boundary point on the corresponding segment.

Last\_point\_in\_segment1  
Last\_point\_in\_segment2  
...

You may want to define the land/water map from the vertices of your domain. This may be preferable using a high resolution shoreline if your model and the shoreline have significant mismatch. In order to define the map, you need to specify if any of the segments are open water.

WaterBoundaries 2 5  
3  
4

The numbers in the header line are the number of water boundaries and the total number of boundaries. The listed points are the indices of the end points of the water boundary segments.

**The Topology Block - Optional**

From the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK, GNOME will be able to completely reconstruct the topology and geometry of the model domain and develop an interpolation procedure to estimate data between the specified data points. GNOME will also be able to calculate when a pollutant particle has encountered a boundary of the model domain.

Alternatively, the CATS program can be used to determine the topology. The POINT DEFINITION BLOCK is in similar form to a verdat file and can easily be transformed to one. To do this, create a separate file with a header line DOGS, then all the points, comma delimited, followed by a line of zeros, and finally the boundary information. Any depth information should be removed and a single z value included for each point ( $\geq 1.0$ ). The order of the points in the PTCUR file must be the same as those in the verdat file used in CATS. You can then create a fake current pattern, and export the .cur file. Select the Topology and DagTree blocks from a CATS .CUR file and paste them into your PTCUR file. (The DagTree is optional. If GNOME doesn't find a DagTree, it will create it from the topology.) Then GNOME won't have to perform triangularization, which saves time if the same topology will be used repeatedly with different data sets. GNOME will ignore the velocity information given at the end of each topology line from the CATS .CUR file. For more information on using CATS to transform a POINT DEFINITION BLOCK to a verdat file, see the CATS-specific documentation.

### The Time-Specific Data Blocks

The Time-Specific Data Block contains the actual current velocity data for a fixed current pattern. If the input data represent a time-stepping pattern, then the block will be repeated as many times as necessary to step through the input information.

The first line in the TIME SPECIFIC DATA BLOCK is the keyword [TIME], followed by the time at which the block of current data was taken.

**[TIME]      StartDay StartMo StartYr StartHr StartMin**

The last five fields on this line define the time when the data in the following data block were taken. If these fields have the default value -1 in them, it will indicate that the model data represent a steady state and that only one TIME SPECIFIC DATA BLOCK will be present.

The next NPTs lines of data in the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK give the current data for each of the points described in the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK. The line of data contains:

**Pt#      Ud1      Vd1      Ud2      Vd2      ... UdNdepths VdNdepths**

The number of U V pairs that are given on each line will need to correspond to the data given in the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK. For example, if four different depth data points are specified for a particular point, then four U V pairs will be expected. This means that different lines of data may be of different lengths, but they will all end with a return sequence, and the actual number of fields for a particular point will be given by the line defining that point in the POINT DEFINITION BLOCK.

If the TIME SPECIFIC DATA BLOCK does not start with a constant time flag, then it may be followed by another TIME SPECIFIC DATA BLOCK, which is in

the same format, but will have a different time. Each succeeding time block must have a time value that is larger than the one from the previous block. The offsets can vary in size, though.

For very large data sets, where having all the currents in one file would be unwieldy (for example, small time steps or extended time runs, as in TAP), there is an alternative format. The [TIME] blocks can be put in separate files, with any number of blocks in each file. In place of these blocks in the header file, the full file path names (or partial paths, relative to the GNOME folder), and the start time and end time contained in each file should be listed. The keywords for this are [FILE], [STARTTIME], and [ENDTIME]. If there is a single time in a file, the start time and end time are the same. A constant current can also be done this way; start time and end time are both a series of -1s.

Three annotated example files follow, each starting at the top of a page for easier reading. At this time, only 2D time-dependent  $(x,y,t)$  data are shown in the examples.



Filename: *skiptcur.cur*

```

[FILETYPE] PT    CUR
[NAME] skip_ps_ptcur2D
[CURSCALE] 2.0
[UNCERTALONG] .3052
[UNCERTCROSS] .127
[UNCERTMIN] .01
[MAXNUMDEPTH] 1
[GRIDTYPE] 2D
[USERDATA] hi    fred
[USERDATA]how are you ?
VERTICES 5056      3150
  1 -122.548000 47.588500 1.000
  2 -122.547000 47.585500 1.000
  3 -122.548000 47.581300 1.000
  4 -122.547000 47.578700 1.000
  5 -122.543000 47.578200 1.000
  6 -122.544000 47.576000 1.000
  7 -122.546000 47.574000 1.000
  8 -122.549000 47.572400 1.000
  9 -122.550000 47.570600 1.000
 10 -122.545000 47.568500 1.000
...
...
5054 -122.447000 47.582600 1.000
5055 -122.437000 47.583300 1.000
5056 -122.427000 47.583600 1.000
Topology 6986
  4      5045 5046 4162 2612 2613 -2.536220      3.269671
  2 3 4 -1      2 -1      0.662334      0.724430
  4 1 2 -1      1 2612      1.187206      0.244548
  5 10      5045      8 2613      7 -0.668295      1.037525
  6 9 10      -1      7 6 -0.174680      -0.246778
  7 8 9 -1      6 -1      -0.130291      -0.090753
...
...
4958 4942 4959 6981 6975 6960 -0.899112      5.741174
4442 4441 4419 6922 6966 6985 0.818613      0.580789
4420 4421 4442 6969 6966 6967 0.626956      0.418461
4442 4461 4441 6980 6983 6970 0.641757      0.720018
DAGTree 15270
34236 1      7758
10448 2      3922
32803 3      1906
23762 4      1005
13772 5      492
34118 6      260
...
...
2448 -8      -8
2455 15268      15269
2454 -8      -8
2466 -8      -8
[TIME] 14 2 00 10 00      Day Month Year Hour Minute
0.889853 0.737729
2.14009 1.90379
2.84519 2.40390
2.84138 2.89028
2.33662 3.00912
0.0381742 1.07280
1.23144 2.63017
1.02648 2.13573
...

```

## Input Formats: Currents

```
-1.96154 9.09004  
1.30358 -7.58093  
0.697695 -6.05114  
[TIME] 14 2 00 11 00  
0.605738 0.502185  
1.38961 1.23618  
0.982804 0.830371  
-0.529060 -0.538164  
-1.72646 -2.22335  
0.403527 -0.554565  
-1.38999 -2.69251
```

Day Month Year Hour Minute

```
...  
2.66105 -11.2783  
-0.714619 3.31164  
2.13874 -12.4378  
-0.351095 3.04506
```

Velocity information ends the file

Filename: *ptCurMap.cur*

[FILETYPE] PT CUR  
 [NAME] PtCur : Negative currents  
 [CURSCALE] 2.0  
 [UNCERTALONG] .3052  
 [UNCERTCROSS] .127  
 [UNCERTMIN] .01  
 [MAXNUMDEPTH] 1  
 [GRIDTYPE] 2D  
 [USERDATA] comments here  
 [USERDATA]

Vertices 9 0  
 1 -124.360000 48.574744 1.000000  
 2 -124.959368 48.563896 1.000000  
 3 -125.104952 48.182896 1.000000  
 4 -124.534720 48.210148 1.000000  
 5 -124.360000 48.288996 1.000000  
 6 -124.702840 48.452732 97.000000  
 7 -124.863320 48.383372 60.000000  
 8 -124.739872 48.299656 102.000000  
 9 -124.545448 48.400108 75.000000

BoundarySegments 1  
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**WaterBoundaries 2 5** (optional section to generate land water map)

**3**

**4**

[TIME] 14 2 00 10 00

-1 1 5 6 5 -1 0.041327 0.001107  
 -1 1 6 7 6 -1 0.079485 -0.004495  
 -1 1 7 8 7 -1 0.036132 0.002556  
 -1 1 8 4 8 -1 0.053070 0.035451  
 -1 1 8 5 3 -1 0.086580 0.005730  
 -1 1 8 9 4 0 0.045369 0.012076  
 -1 1 6 1 10 0 0.031629 -0.002985  
 -1 1 7 2 10 1 0.039163 0.009258  
 -1 1 8 3 9 2 0.023545 -0.000079

[TIME] 14 2 00 11 00

-5 .5 5 6 5 -1 0.041327 0.001107  
 -5 .5 6 7 6 -1 0.079485 -0.004495  
 -5 .5 7 8 7 -1 0.036132 0.002556  
 -5 .5 8 4 8 -1 0.053070 0.035451  
 -5 .5 8 5 3 -1 0.086580 0.005730  
 -5 .5 8 9 4 0 0.045369 0.012076  
 -5 .5 6 1 10 0 0.031629 -0.002985  
 -5 .5 7 2 10 1 0.039163 0.009258  
 -5 .5 8 3 9 2 0.023545 -0.000079

[TIME] 14 2 00 12 00

-1 .1 5 6 5 -1 0.041327 0.001107  
 -1 .1 6 7 6 -1 0.079485 -0.004495  
 -1 .1 7 8 7 -1 0.036132 0.002556  
 -1 .1 8 4 8 -1 0.053070 0.035451  
 -1 .1 8 5 3 -1 0.086580 0.005730  
 -1 .1 8 9 4 0 0.045369 0.012076  
 -1 .1 6 1 10 0 0.031629 -0.002985  
 -1 .1 7 2 10 1 0.039163 0.009258  
 -1 .1 8 3 9 2 0.023545 -0.000079

[TIME] 14 2 00 13 00

-1 1 5 6 5 -1 0.041327 0.001107  
 -1 1 6 7 6 -1 0.079485 -0.004495  
 -1 1 7 8 7 -1 0.036132 0.002556  
 -1 1 8 4 8 -1 0.053070 0.035451  
 -1 1 8 5 3 -1 0.086580 0.005730  
 -1 1 8 9 4 0 0.045369 0.012076  
 -1 1 6 1 10 0 0.031629 -0.002985

## Input Formats: Currents

-1	1 7 2 10	1 0.039163	0.009258
-1	1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 14 00		
-5	5 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
-5	5 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
-5	5 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
-5	5 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
-5	5 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
-5	5 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
-5	5 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
-5	5 7 2 1 0	1 0.039163	0.009258
-5	5 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 15 00		
0	1 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
0	1 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
0	1 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
0	1 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
0	1 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
0	1 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
0	1 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
0	1 7 2 1 0	1 0.039163	0.009258
0	1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 16 00		
-1	.1 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
-1	.1 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
-1	.1 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
-1	.1 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
-1	.1 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
-1	.1 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
-1	.1 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
-1	.1 7 2 1 0	1 0.039163	0.009258
-1	.1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 17 00		
-100	100 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
-1	1 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
-1	1 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
-1	1 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
-1	1 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
-1	1 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
-1	1 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
-1	1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
-5	6 7 7 9 6 0.027216		0.003247

Filename: *ptCurNoMap.cur*

```
[FILETYPE] PT      CUR
[NAME]      PtCur : Negative currents
[CURSCALE] 2.0
[UNCERTALONG] .3052
[UNCERTCROSS] .127
[UNCERTMIN] .01
[MAXNUMDEPTH] 1
[GRIDTYPE] 2D
[USERDATA] comments      here
Vertices 9      0
1 -124.360000      48.574744      1.000000
2 -124.959368      48.563896      1.000000
3 -125.104952      48.182896      1.000000
4 -124.534720      48.210148      1.000000
5 -124.360000      48.288996      1.000000
6 -124.702840      48.452732      97.000000
7 -124.863320      48.383372      60.000000
8 -124.739872      48.299656      102.000000
9 -124.545448      48.400108      75.000000
```

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(Note that the Water Boundaries section is missing)

[TIME] 14 2 00 10 00

```
-1 1 5 6 5 -1      0.041327      0.001107
-1 1 6 7 6 -1      0.079485      -0.004495
-1 1 7 8 7 -1      0.036132      0.002556
-1 1 8 4 8 -1      0.053070      0.035451
-1 1 8 5 3 -1      0.086580      0.005730
-1 1 8 9 4 0 0.045369      0.012076
-1 1 6 1 10      0 0.031629      -0.002985
-1 1 7 2 10      1 0.039163      0.009258
-1 1 8 3 9 2 0.023545      -0.000079
```

[TIME] 14 2 00 11 00

```
-5 .5 5 6 5 -1      0.041327      0.001107
-5 .5 6 7 6 -1      0.079485      -0.004495
-5 .5 7 8 7 -1      0.036132      0.002556
-5 .5 8 4 8 -1      0.053070      0.035451
-5 .5 8 5 3 -1      0.086580      0.005730
-5 .5 8 9 4 0 0.045369      0.012076
-5 .5 6 1 10      0 0.031629      -0.002985
-5 .5 7 2 10      1 0.039163      0.009258
-5 .5 8 3 9 2 0.023545      -0.000079
```

[TIME] 14 2 00 12 00

```
-1 .1 5 6 5 -1      0.041327      0.001107
-1 .1 6 7 6 -1      0.079485      -0.004495
-1 .1 7 8 7 -1      0.036132      0.002556
-1 .1 8 4 8 -1      0.053070      0.035451
-1 .1 8 5 3 -1      0.086580      0.005730
-1 .1 8 9 4 0 0.045369      0.012076
-1 .1 6 1 10      0 0.031629      -0.002985
-1 .1 7 2 10      1 0.039163      0.009258
-1 .1 8 3 9 2 0.023545      -0.000079
```

[TIME] 14 2 00 13 00

```
-1 1 5 6 5 -1      0.041327      0.001107
-1 1 6 7 6 -1      0.079485      -0.004495
-1 1 7 8 7 -1      0.036132      0.002556
-1 1 8 4 8 -1      0.053070      0.035451
-1 1 8 5 3 -1      0.086580      0.005730
-1 1 8 9 4 0 0.045369      0.012076
-1 1 6 1 10      0 0.031629      -0.002985
-1 1 7 2 10      1 0.039163      0.009258
-1 1 8 3 9 2 0.023545      -0.000079
```

[TIME] 14 2 00 14 00

## Input Formats: Currents

-5	5 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
-5	5 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
-5	5 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
-5	5 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
-5	5 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
-5	5 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
-5	5 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
-5	5 7 2 1 0	1 0.039163	0.009258
-5	5 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 15 00		
0	1 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
0	1 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
0	1 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
0	1 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
0	1 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
0	1 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
0	1 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
0	1 7 2 1 0	1 0.039163	0.009258
0	1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 16 00		
-1	.1 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
-1	.1 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
-1	.1 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
-1	.1 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
-1	.1 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
-1	.1 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
-1	.1 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
-1	.1 7 2 1 0	1 0.039163	0.009258
-1	.1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
[TIME]	14 2 00 17 00		
-100	100 5 6 5 -1	0.041327	0.001107
-1	1 6 7 6 -1	0.079485	-0.004495
-1	1 7 8 7 -1	0.036132	0.002556
-1	1 8 4 8 -1	0.053070	0.035451
-1	1 8 5 3 -1	0.086580	0.005730
-1	1 8 9 4 0 0.045369		0.012076
-1	1 6 1 1 0	0 0.031629	-0.002985
-1	1 8 3 9 2 0.023545		-0.000079
-5	6 7 7 9 6 0.027216		0.003247

## Currents: Rectangular Grid – Steady State [GridCur]

The GridCur file should contain velocity information in the x and y directions on a rectangular grid. The first 8 lines contain header information that defines the file type, grid size, and grid location. The remaining lines contain the current data. The keywords are the words shown in capital letters below. They must appear exactly as shown. This documentation consists of two example files followed by an explanation of each of the file components. You can set the range of the data by providing (a) the upper left corner position and the increment size of delta\_x and delta\_y, or (b) the bounding latitude and longitude box. If you would like to try either of these current patterns, you will also need the *GridCur.bna* file.

**Note:** If you have missing values, you may simply skip those grid points in the data file.

In the first example, *GridCurExA.cur*, position information is given from a starting latitude and longitude and an increment.

**Filename:** *GridCurExA.cur*

```
[GRIDCUR]
NUMROWS 100
NUMCOLS 100
STARTLAT 33.8
STARTLONG -120.4
DLAT .008
DLONG .01
row col u v
1 1 .10 .10
1 2 .10 .10
1 3 .10 .10
1 4 .10 .10
1 5 .10 .10
1 6 .10 .10
. . .
```

In the second example, *GridCurExB.cur*, the grid location is given by bounding latitudes and longitudes.

**Filename:** *GridCurExB.cur*

```
[GRIDCUR]
NUMROWS 100
NUMCOLS 100
LOLAT 33.4
HILAT 35
LOLONG -120.4
HILONG -119
row col u v
1 1 .10 .10
1 2 .10 .10
1 3 .10 .10
1 4 .10 .10
1 5 .10 .10
. . .
```

**Explanation of File Components:**

The first line of the file is a flag identifying the file as an outside current file:

**[GRIDCUR]**

Lines 2 and 3 specify the grid size by number of rows and number of columns:

**NUMROWS nrows**  
**NUMCOLS ncols**

Lines 4 through 7 give the grid bounds and can be specified in either of two ways:

(1) By the latitude and longitude of the grid origin (assumed to be the upper left corner) and the increment size:

**STARTLAT lat**  
**STARTLONG long**  
**DLAT dlat**  
**DLONG dlong**

(2) By low and high latitude and longitude ranges:

**LOLAT lolat**  
**HILAT hilat**  
**LOLONG lolong**  
**HILONG hilong**

In the former case, the velocities are assumed to be given at the grid points, and in the latter case, the velocities are assumed to be in the center of grid rectangles.

Line 8 is designed to be a header, identifying the columns of data. It is read, but not used.

**row col u v**

This header information is followed by  $NROWS * NCOLS$  lines of current data. Each line consists of 4 elements, corresponding to the items in Line 8. These are the point's location in the grid, given by a row and column, and its velocity components in the x and y directions, assumed to be in meters/second. The file must contain a line for each of the  $NROWS * NCOLS$  grid points.



## Currents: Rectangular Grid – Time Dependent [GridCurTime]

If you have a rectangular grid, time dependent model, you can use this data format to create the time series of currents for GNOME. Large models and/or long time series can produce large files of output fields. You have the option to store all your data in one file, or in a series of files. We have been successful in obtaining daily forecasts in separate files, archiving them, and then "stringing" them together to create a time series for a single incident.

### Data in a Single File

GNOME accepts rectangular grid models in a simple file format, similar to the single current pattern described above. The header now indicates that time has been added [GRIDCURTIME] and the time of the first time-step has been added in the [TIME] line. The file *gridcurTime.cur* is shown below as an example.

**Note:** As in the rectangular GridCur data format, if you have missing values, you may simply skip those grid points in the data file. You may also create a constant current pattern by setting all the time references to -1.

**Filename:** *gridcurTime.cur*

```
[GRIDCURTIME]
NUMROWS 100
NUMCOLS 100
LOLAT 34.0
HILAT 34.4
LOLONG -120.8
HILONG -119.2
[TIME] 14 2 00 10 00  day month year hour minute
1 1 .10 .10
1 2 .10 .10
1 3 .10 .10
1 4 .10 .10
...
```

Each succeeding timestep is simply appended onto the bottom:

```
...
100 97 .10 .10
100 98 .10 .10
100 99 .10 .10
100 100 .10 .10
[TIME] 14 2 00 11 00  next timestep information
1 1 .20 .20
1 2 .20 .20
1 3 .20 .20
1 4 .20 .20
1 5 .20 .20
1 6 .20 .20
```

## Data In Multiple Files

With larger time series of current data, it may be useful to break the current time series into separate files that make up a long time series all together. In that case, GNOME supports multi-file data with a header file that indicates data and hard drive location information, and the subsequent files. The format is similar to the header on the regular *GridCurTime* format; however, rather than including the time information and the data, this header includes the file name and location, and the start and end times for each of the files. GNOME uses linear interpolation between timesteps within and across files. The references to the locations of the different current files on the computer's hard drive can be given two ways: a full path description of the directory or a relative description of the directory.

**Note:** A constant current can be created using a single record with all the time indicators set to  $-1$ . A single timestep is acceptable in a file with the start and end times listed as the same time in the header file.

The following four files are provided as examples with full path descriptions:

```
gridcurtime_hdr.cur
gridcurtime_hdrA.cur
gridcurtime_hdrB.cur
gridcurtime_hdrC.cur
```

The first file, *gridcurtime\_hdr.cur*, contains the header information, and the three subsequent files comprise the data.

**Filename:** *gridcurtime\_hdr.cur*

```
[GRIDCURTIME]
NUMROWS 78
NUMCOLS 92
LOLAT 34.
HILAT 34.4
LOLONG -120.8
HILONG -119.2
[FILE] C:\GridCurTime\gridcurtime_hdrA.cur
[STARTTIME] 30 1 2002 1 0
[ENDTIME] 30 1 2002 2 0
[FILE] C:\GridCurTime\gridcurtime_hdrB.cur
[STARTTIME] 30 1 2002 3 0
[ENDTIME] 30 1 2002 5 0
[FILE] C:\GridCurTime\gridcurtime_hdrC.cur
[STARTTIME] 30 1 2002 6 0
[ENDTIME] 30 1 2002 8 0
```

In the next example, the paths start with a colon (:), to indicate that they are relative paths.

```
[GRIDCURTIME]
NUMROWS 78
NUMCOLS 92
LOLAT 34
HILAT 34.4
```

## Input Formats: Currents

```
LOLONG -120.8
HILONG -119.2
[FILE] :gridcurtime_hdrA.cur
[STARTTIME] 30 1 2002 1 0
[ENDTIME] 30 1 2002 2 0
[FILE] :gridcurtime_hdrB.cur
[STARTTIME] 30 1 2002 3 0
[ENDTIME] 30 1 2002 5 0
[FILE] :gridcurtime_hdrC.cur
[STARTTIME] 30 1 2002 6 0
[ENDTIME] 30 1 2002 8 0
```

Each subsequent file contains only the data, with no header information:

```
[TIME] 30 1 2002 1 0
1 1 0.00000 0.00000
1 2 0.00000 0.00000
1 3 0.00000 0.00000
1 4 0.00000 0.00000
1 5 0.00000 0.00000
1 6 0.00000 0.00000
1 7 0.00000 0.00000
1 8 0.00000 0.00000
1 9 0.00000 0.00000
1 10 0.00000 0.00000
1 11 0.00000 0.00000
```

## NetCDF Formats

Currently, GNOME can read in netCDF files for rectangular, curvilinear, and triangular grids. This section includes examples of the three formats and some descriptions of the required information.

### NetCDF Rectangular Grid

Below is an example of the regular grid format for netCDF files. The global attribute `grid_type = REGULAR` is required (the default is `CURVILINEAR`). Time units can be hours, minutes, seconds, or days. A separate map will be needed in order to set a spill.

```
netCDF MacintoshHD:Desktop Folder:test {
dimensions:
    lat = 16 ;
    lon = 20 ;
    time = UNLIMITED ;      (85 currently)
variables:
    double lat(lat) ;
        lat:long_name = "Latitude" ;
        lat:units = "degrees_north" ;
        lat:point_spacing = "even" ;
    double lon(lon) ;
        lon:long_name = "Longitude" ;
        lon:units = "degrees_east" ;
        lon:point_spacing = "even" ;
    double time(time) ;
        time:long_name = "Valid Time" ;
time:units = "minutes since 1999-11-25 00:00:00" ;
    float water_u(time, lat, lon) ;
        water_u:long_name = "Eastward Water Velocity" ;
        water_u:units = "m/s" ;
        water_u:_FillValue = -9.9999e+32f ;
        water_u:scale_factor = 1.f ;
        water_u:add_offset = 0.f ;
    float water_v(time, lat, lon) ;
        water_v:long_name = "Northward Water Velocity" ;
        water_v:units = "m/s" ;
        water_v:_FillValue = -9.9999e+32f ;
        water_v:scale_factor = 1.f ;
        water_v:add_offset = 0.f ;

global attributes:
    :grid_type = "REGULAR" ;

data:

lat = 51.144606, 51.234386, 51.324167, 51.413944, 51.503722, 51.5935,
    51.683275, 51.77305, 51.862825, 51.952594, 52.042364, 52.132133, 52.2219,
    52.311664, 52.401425, 52.491186 ;

lon = 2.3155722, 2.4583139, 2.6010833, 2.743875, 2.8866917, 3.0295306,
    3.1723917, 3.3152694, 3.4581667, 3.6010833, 3.7440139, 3.8869583,
    4.0299167, 4.1728861, 4.3158667, 4.4588583, 4.6018583, 4.7448639,
    4.887875, 5.0308917 ;

time = 7020, 7080, 7140, 7200, 7260, 7320, 7380, 7440, 7500, 7560, 7620,
    7680, 7740, 7800, 7860, 7920, 7980, 8040, 8100, 8160, 8220, 8280, 8340,
    8400, 8460, 8520, 8580, 8640, 8700, 8760, 8820, 8880, 8940, 9000, 9060,
    9120, 9180, 9240, 9300, 9360, 9420, 9480, 9540, 9600, 9660, 9720, 9780,
```

## Input Formats: Currents

9840, 9900, 9960, 10020, 10080, 10140, 10200, 10260, 10320, 10380, 10440,  
10500, 10560, 10620, 10680, 10740, 10800, 10860, 10920, 10980, 11040,  
11100, 11160, 11220, 11280, 11340, 11400, 11460, 11520, 11580, 11640,  
11700, 11760, 11820, 11880, 11940, 12000, 12060 ;

## NetCDF Curvilinear Grid

Below is an example of the curvilinear format for netCDF files. In addition to x and y, there are several other dimension name options for latitude and longitude. The dimension names only need to start with X, Y or LAT, LON to be recognized. The variable names must appear as shown. The velocities can be shorts, floats, or doubles. Time units can be hours, minutes, seconds, or days. The land mask is required: 0 is land, 1 is water. If no map is available, the mask is used to identify land points (land 0, water 1) and a boundary map is created. The first sigma value is used, though currently GNOME is being extended to handle 3D currents. The topology can be saved out the first time and reloaded.

```
netcdf 20040726_11z_hazmat {
dimensions:
    x = 73 ;
    y = 163 ;
    sigma = 3 ;
    time = UNLIMITED ;
variables:
    float time(time) ;
        time:long_name = "Time" ;
        time:base_date = 2004, 1, 1, 0 ;
        time:units = "days since 2004-01-01 0:00:00 00:00" ;
        time:standard_name = "time" ;
    float lon(y, x) ;
        lon:long_name = "Longitude" ;
        lon:units = "degrees_east" ;
        lon:standard_name = "longitude" ;
    float lat(y, x) ;
        lat:long_name = "Latitude" ;
        lat:units = "degrees_north" ;
        lat:standard_name = "latitude" ;
    float mask(y, x) ;
        mask:long_name = "Land Mask" ;
        mask:units = "nondimensional" ;
    float depth(y, x) ;
        depth:long_name = "Bathymetry" ;
        depth:units = "meters" ;
        depth:positive = "down" ;
        depth:standard_name = "depth" ;
    float sigma(sigma) ;
        sigma:long_name = "Sigma Stretched Vertical Coordinate at Nodes" ;
        sigma:units = "sigma_level" ;
        sigma:positive = "down" ;
    sigma:standard_name = "ocean_sigma_coordinate" ;
    sigma:formula_terms = "sigma: sigma eta: zeta depth: depth" ;
    float u(time, sigma, y, x) ;
        u:long_name = "Eastward Water Velocity" ;
        u:units = "m/s" ;
        u:missing_value = -99999.f ;
        u:_FillValue = -99999.f ;
    u:standard_name = "eastward_sea_water_velocity" ;
    float v(time, sigma, y, x) ;
        v:long_name = "Northward Water Velocity" ;
        v:units = "m/s" ;
        v:missing_value = -99999.f ;
        v:_FillValue = -99999.f ;
    v:standard_name = "northward_sea_water_velocity" ;

global attributes:
    :file_type = "Full_Grid" ;
```

## Input Formats: Currents

```
:Conventions = "COARDS" ;
:grid_type = "curvilinear" ;
:z_type = "sigma" ;
:model = "POM" ;
:title = "Forecast: wind+tide+river" ;

data:

time = 208.4688, 208.4792, 208.4896, 208.5, 208.5104, 208.5208, 208.5312,
      208.5417, 208.5521, 208.5625, 208.5729, 208.5833,,;

sigma = 0, .5, 1.;
}
```

## NetCDF Triangular Grid

Below is an example of the triangular grid format for netCDF files. The global attribute `grid_type = TRIANGULAR` is required (the default is `CURVILINEAR`). The first depth value is used. Time units can be hours, minutes, seconds, or days. A map will be created using the boundary data. The topology can be saved out the first time and reloaded.

The netCDF header description for finite element model:

```
netCDF MacintoshHD:Desktop Folder:testFile {
dimensions:
    node = 7258 ;
    nele = 13044 ;           not currently used
    nbnd = 1476 ;
    nbi = 4 ;
    sigma = 11 ;           optional
    time = UNLIMITED ;     (12 currently)
variables:
    short bnd(nbnd, nbi) ;
        bnd:long_name = "Boundary Segment Node List" ;
        bnd:units = "index_start_1" ;
    float time(time) ;
        time:long_name = "Time" ;
        time:units = "days since 2003-01-00 0:00:00 00:00" ;
        time:base_date = 2003, 1, 0, 0 ;
    float lon(node) ;
        lon:long_name = "Longitude" ;
        lon:units = "degrees_east" ;
    float lat(node) ;
        lat:long_name = "Latitude" ;
        lat:units = "degrees_north" ;
    float sigma(sigma) ;           optional
sigma:long_name = "Stretched Vertical Coordinate" ;
    sigma:units = "sigma_level" ;
    sigma:positive = "down" ;
    float u(time, sigma, node) ;
        u:long_name = "Eastward Water Velocity" ;
        u:units = "m/s" ;
        u:missing_value = -99999.f ;
        u:_FillValue = -99999.f ;
    float v(time, sigma, node) ;
        v:long_name = "Northward Water Velocity" ;
        v:units = "m/s" ;
        v:missing_value = -99999.f ;
        v:_FillValue = -99999.f ;

global attributes:
    :file_type = "FEM" ;
    :Conventions = "COARDS" ;
    :grid_type = "Triangular" ;

data:

time = 26.95833, 27, 27.04167, 27.08333, 27.125, 27.16667, 27.20833, 27.25,
    27.29167, 27.33333, 27.375, 27.41667 ;

sigma = 1, 0.9807215, 0.9306101, 0.83061, 0.6807215, 0.5, 0.3192785,
    0.1693899, 0.06938996, 0.01927857, 0 ;
}
```



**Notes:**

1. The boundary list is an array of dimension  $\text{bnd}(\text{nbnd}, 4)$ . It is node numbers of the line segments, with a digit to indicate which land or island the segment is a part of, and a digit to indicate whether a boundary is land or water:

node1	node2	island	land/water (0/1)	
1	2	0	0	1 is usually the continent and outer water BC
2	5	0	0	
5	23	0	1	
....				
3568	1	0	1	The last segment joins up with the first.
551	552	1	0	next island
552	567	1	0	
...				
677	551	1	0	
789	388	2	0	
...	next			island, etc.

2. Only the first sigma level is used, although GNOME is currently being extended to handle 3D currents.

## Scaling Current Patterns

Since the current patterns created in GNOME only indicate the direction of the current and the relative speeds, the current patterns need to be scaled in order to be useful with the trajectory model. For example, consider a fictitious current pattern with only two triangles, A and B. The velocity in triangle A is 1.2 to the east and the velocity in triangle B is 1.8 to the north. Observations indicate that the velocity in triangle A should be 3.0 knots to the east, so we must scale the current pattern by the ratio of these velocities in triangle A, or  $(3.0 \text{ knots}/1.2 = 2.5 \text{ knots})$ . That is, multiplying the velocity in triangle A in the current pattern (1.2) by the scale factor (2.5 knots) yields the observed velocity (3.0 knots). The direction did not change. To find the velocity in triangle B, we multiply the velocity in triangle B in the current pattern (1.8) by the scale factor (2.5 knots) to get a velocity of 4.5 knots. The velocity in triangle B is still to the north, since the direction does not change in the current pattern.

GNOME is quite helpful in scaling current patterns. At a given reference point in the current pattern, GNOME tells you what the flow is. You then input into GNOME what you would like the velocity to be at the reference point, and GNOME calculates the scaling coefficient for the pattern for you!

The direction of the flow in the current fields in GNOME can reverse by multiplying the pattern by a negative scaling coefficient. The ebb and flow of tides are simulated this way, through a time series of positive and negative scaling values. You can scale currents with either a constant value or a time series. The acceptable file formats for time series are outlined below.

## Time Series File Formats

Current patterns in GNOME can be scaled to be time dependent with two different file types: (1) a time series of current magnitude or (2) a "SHIO mover" that contains data for GNOME to use in calculating tidal current magnitudes. All data in this section were created by the NOAA SHIO application ("shio" is Japanese for "tide").

The South Bend, Washington station on the Willapa River was chosen for all the examples in this section. Below is the information found in the *SouthBend.text* file to acquaint you with the information GNOME needs in order to calculate the tidal currents at this station. This particular file is not a data file for GNOME. Those data are represented in data files presented later in this discussion.

**File Name:** *SouthBend.text*

Tidal currents at South Bend, Willapa River, WASHINGTON COAST  
 Station No. CP1009  
 Meter Depth: n/a

Latitude: 46°0' N  
 Longitude: 123°47' W

Maximum Flood Direction: 90°  
 Maximum Ebb Direction: 270°

Time offsets      Hour:Min  
 Min Before Flood    0:19am  
 Flood                0:20am  
 Min Before Ebb      0:24am  
 Ebb                  -0:06am

Flood Speed Ratio: 0.6  
 Ebb Speed Ratio: 0.5

	Speed(kt)	Direction(deg.)
Min Before Flood	00.0	n/a
Flood	01.2	090
Min Before Ebb	00.0	n/a
Ebb	01.4	270

Based on Grays Harbor Ent.

Local Standard Time

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Mon, Aug 24, 1998    Sunrise -- 6:09am    Sunset -- 7:55pm

0:38am	+01.2	Max Flood
3:31am	+00.0	Min Before Ebb
6:29am	-01.6	Max Ebb
9:59am	+00.0	Min Before Flood
1:08pm	+01.4	Max Flood
4:12pm	+00.0	Min Before Ebb
6:56pm	-01.4	Max Ebb
10:17pm	+00.0	Min Before Flood

## (1) Time Series of Current Magnitude

Time series file for currents have the format

*dd,mm,yy,hr,min,|U|,0.0*

where *dd* is the day, *mm* is the month, *yy* is the year, *hr* is the hour, *min* is the minute, *|U|* is the magnitude of the velocity, and 0.0 is a number to indicate that the file is in a magnitude format rather than a *u,v* format. The direction is left blank because the current pattern supplies the individual current vectors. For example, the *SouthBend.ossm* file contains one day of tidal information for South Bend, WA.

**File Name:** *SouthBend.ossm*

24, 8, 98, 0, 37, 1.2, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 3, 30, 0.0, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 6, 28, -1.6, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 9, 58, 0.0, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 13, 7, 1.4, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 16, 11, 0.0, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 18, 55, -1.4, 0.0  
 24, 8, 98, 22, 16, 0.0, 0.0

## Annotated Version of the File

Day,	Month,	Year,	Hour,	Min.,	Speed,	Direction (Dummy Value)
24,	8,	98,	0,	37,	1.2,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	3,	30,	0.0,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	6,	28,	-1.6,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	9,	58,	0.0,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	13,	7,	1.4,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	16,	11,	0.0,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	18,	55,	-1.4,	0.0
24,	8,	98,	22,	16,	0.0,	0.0

## (2) SHIO Movers: Using Tidal Constituents

GNOME can use both **tidal height** and **tidal current constituent data** to scale current patterns. In the case of tidal height station data (2a, below), GNOME will take the time derivative of the tidal heights, and request the user to scale that derivative to calculate the tidal currents. For the tidal current station data (2b, below), GNOME will use the calculated currents directly. The constituent record data are rather complex, so we have provided information about the data fields and then provided an example file.

If you are unfamiliar with tidal constituent data, we suggest that you review the NOAA/COEB Tide Terminology Glossary at [http://www.baysail.com/tide\\_terms/gloss\\_m.html](http://www.baysail.com/tide_terms/gloss_m.html).

Wherever possible, we have kept the variable names (in italics) the same as in the NOAA tidal constituent data. See “Tidal Current Analysis Procedure and Associated Computer Programs” (NOAA Technical Memo NOS CO-OPS 0021).

### (2a) Tidal heights constituent record:

Line 1	[StationInfo]	
Line 2	T ype=H	station type for heights is “H”
Line 3	staName	station name
Line 4	Latitude= <i>latStr</i>	decimal degrees
Line 5	Longitude= <i>longStr</i>	decimal degrees
Line 6	[Constituents]	
Line 7	DatumControls.datum= <i>datum</i>	mean sea level
Line 8	DatumControls.FDir=0	bug. Type as seen. Will be fixed in 1.2.7
Line 9	DatumControls.EDir=0	bug. Type as seen. Will be fixed in 1.2.7
Line 10	DatumControls.L2F lag=0	bug. Type as seen. Will be fixed in 1.2.7
Line 11	DatumControls.HFlag=0	bug. Type as seen. Will be fixed in 1.2.7
Line 12	DatumControls.RotFlag=0	bug. Type as seen. Will be fixed in 1.2.7
Lines 13-17	<i>constituent amplitudes in order</i> <sup>1</sup>	M2, S2, N2, K1, M4, O1, M6, MK3, S4, MN4, NU2, S6, MU2, 2N2, OO1, LAM2, S1, M1, J1, MM, SSA, SA, MSF, MF, RHO, Q1, T2,

<sup>1</sup> Exceptions: For the cases of ANCHORAGE, CALETA PERCY, DAEHUKSAN DO, LISBON, MUKHO HANG, and SOKCHO HANG, there are more than 37 constituents.

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Lines 18-23     *constituent phases in order*     R2, 2Q1, P1, 2SM2, M3, L2, 2MK3, K2, M8, MS4 [feet]  
Line 24     [Offset]     see above, lines 13-17 [degrees]

**Note:** Lines 25-30 use a second integer to GNOME whether there is valid data in the field. "0" indicates no data, so GNOME can skip the calculation. "1" indicates valid data exists (that may be zero).

Line 25     HighTime=*highTime* 1     high water time adjustment (minutes)  
Line 26     LowTime=*lowTime* 1     low water time adjustment  
Line 27     HighHeight\_Mult=*highHeightScalar* 1     high water height multiplier  
Line 28     HighHeight\_Add=*highHeightAdd* 1     high water height addend  
Line 29     LowHeight\_Mult=*lowHeightScalar* 1     low water height multiplier  
Line 30     LowHeight\_Add=*lowHeightAdd* 1     low water height addend

### Example File: *HornIslandPass.shio.txt*

```
[StationInfo]
Type=H
Name=Horn Island Pass
Latitude=30.2167
Longitude=-88.483333
[Constituents]
DatumControls.datum=0.620000
DatumControls.FDir=0
DatumControls.EDir=0
DatumControls.L2Flag=0
DatumControls.HFlag=0
DatumControls.RotFlag=0
H=0.066000 0.022000 0.013000 0.468000 0.000000 0.460000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.020000 0.000000 0.000000 0.033000 0.036000 0.000000
0.120000 0.299000 0.000000 0.000000 0.018000 0.099000 0.000000 0.000000 0.012000 0.139000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000
kPrime=358.500000 355.700012 0.000000 327.000000 0.000000 324.200012 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 329.799988 0.000000 0.000000 325.500000 328.399994
0.000000 32.099998 151.800003 0.000000 0.000000 323.000000 314.100006 0.000000 0.000000
321.299988 331.899994 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
[Offset]
HighTime=-0.516667 1
LowTime=-0.883333 1
HighHeight_Mult=1.300000 1
HighHeight_Add=0.000000 1
LowHeight_Mult=1.300000 1
LowHeight_Add=0.000000 1
```

**(2b) Tidal currents constituent record:**

Line 1	[StationInfo]	
Line 2	T        ype=C	station type for currents is "C"
Line 3	staName	station name
Line 4	Latitude=        latStr	decimal degrees
Line 5	Longitude=       longStr	decimal degrees
Line 6	[Constituents]	
Line 7	DatumControls.datum= <i>datum datum</i>	
Line 8	DatumControls.FDir= <i>floodDirection</i>	flood direction
Line 9	DatumControls.EDir= <i>ebbDirection</i>	ebb direction
Line 10	DatumControls.L2Flag= <i>L2Flag</i>	L2Flag
Line 11	DatumControls.HFlag= <i>hydraulicFlag</i>	hydraulic flag
Line 12	DatumControls.RotFlag= <i>0</i>	For nonrotary tides, use "0". For rotary tides defined relative to North or East, use "1". For rotary tides defined by major and minor axes, use "2".
Lines 13-17	<i>constituent amplitudes in order<sup>2</sup></i>	M2, S2, N2, K1, M4, O1, M6, MK3, S4, MN4, NU2, S6, MU2, 2N2, OO1, LAM2, S1, M1, J1, MM, SSA, SA, MSF, MF, RHO, Q1, T2, R2, 2Q1, P1, 2SM2, M3, L2, 2MK3, K2, M8, MS4 [knots]
Lines 18-23	<i>constituent phases in order</i>	see above, lines 13-17 [degrees]
Line 24	[Offset]	
	<b>Note:</b> Lines 25-38 use a second integer to indicate to GNOME whether there is valid data in the field. "0" indicates no data, so GNOME can skip the calculation. "1" indicates valid data exists (that may be zero).	
Line 25	MinBefFloodTime= <i>minBefFloodTime 1</i>	minimum before flood time adjustment
Line 26	FloodTime= <i>floodTime 1</i>	flood time adjustment
Line 27	MinBefEbbTime= <i>minBefEbbTime 1</i>	minimum before ebb time adjustment
Line 28	EbbTime= <i>ebbTime 1</i>	ebb time adjustment
Line 29	FloodSpdRatio= <i>floodSpeedRatio 1</i>	flood speed ratio
Line 30	EbbSpdRatio= <i>ebbSpeedRatio 1</i>	ebb speed ratio
Line 31	MinBFloodSpd= <i>minBefFloodAvgSpeed 0</i>	average speed - minimum before flood
Line 32	MinBFloodDir= <i>minBefFloodAvgDir 0</i>	average direction - minimum before flood
Line 33	MaxFloodSpd= <i>maxFloodAvgSpeed 0</i>	average speed - flood
Line 34	MaxFloodDir= <i>maxFloodAvgDir 0</i>	average direction - flood
Line 35	MinBEbbSpd= <i>minBefEbbAvgSpeed 0</i>	average speed - minimum before ebb
Line 36	MinBEbbDir= <i>minBefEbbAvgDir 0</i>	average direction - minimum before ebb
Line 37	MaxEbbSpd= <i>maxEbbAvgSpeed 0</i>	average speed - ebb
Line 38	MaxEbbDir= <i>maxEbbAvgDir 0</i>	average direction - ebb

**Example File I: StJohnsRiver.shio.txt**

```
[StationInfo]
Type=C
Name=ST. JOHNS RIVER ENT. (between jetties)
Latitude=30.400000
Longitude=-81.383333
[Constituents]
DatumControls.datum=-0.350000
DatumControls.FDir=275
DatumControls.EDir=100
DatumControls.L2Flag=0
DatumControls.HFlag=0
DatumControls.RotFlag=0
```

<sup>2</sup> Exceptions: For the cases of ANCHORAGE, CALETA PERCY, DAEHUKSAN DO, LISBON, MUKHO HANG, and SOKCHO HANG, there are more than 37 constituents.

## Input Formats: Currents

```
H=1.993000 0.333000 0.404000 0.216000 0.293000 0.174000 0.092000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.078000 0.000000 0.000000 0.054000 0.000000 0.014000 0.000000 0.012000 0.014000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.034000 0.020000 0.000000 0.000000 0.071000
0.000000 0.000000 0.054000 0.000000 0.091000 0.044000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000
kPrime=227.199997 244.399994 208.800003 98.800003 131.100006 122.699997 238.699997 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 211.199997 0.000000 0.000000 190.300003 0.000000 235.199997 0.000000
110.699997 86.800003 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 134.600006 244.600006
0.000000 0.000000 99.199997 0.000000 0.000000 245.699997 0.000000 244.000000 100.800003 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
[Offset]
MinBefFloodTime=0.000000 1
FloodTime=0.000000 1
MinBefEbbTime=0.000000 1
EbbTime=0.000000 1
FloodSpdRatio=1.000000 1
EbbSpdRatio=1.000000 1
MinBFloodSpd=0.000000 0
MinBFloodDir=0.000000 0
MaxFloodSpd=0.000000 0
MaxFloodDir=0.000000 0
MinBEbbSpd=0.000000 0
MinBEbbDir=0.000000 0
MaxEbbSpd=0.000000 0
MaxEbbDir=0.000000 0
```

### Example File II: *Edmonds.shio.txt*

```
[StationInfo]
Type=C
Name=Edmonds, 2.7 miles WSW of
Latitude=47.800000
Longitude=-122.450000
[Constituents]
DatumControls.datum=-0.500000
DatumControls.FDir=180
DatumControls.EDir=5
DatumControls.L2Flag=0
DatumControls.HFlag=0
DatumControls.RotFlag=0
H=1.954000 0.460000 0.402000 0.847000 0.000000 0.421000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.078000 0.000000 0.000000 0.054000 0.018000 0.013000 0.000000 0.030000 0.033000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.016000 0.081000 0.028000 0.000000 0.000000 0.280000
0.000000 0.000000 0.055000 0.000000 0.125000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000
kPrime=66.400002 84.099998 39.400002 72.500000 0.000000 66.199997 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 43.000000 0.000000 0.000000 12.300000 78.800003 74.599998 0.000000 69.300003 75.800003
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 63.500000 63.000000 84.400002 0.000000 0.000000
73.199997 0.000000 0.000000 93.400002 0.000000 83.400002 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
[Offset]
MinBefFloodTime=0.733333 1
FloodTime=0.100000 1
MinBefEbbTime=0.216667 1
EbbTime=0.316667 1
FloodSpdRatio=0.100000 1
EbbSpdRatio=0.200000 1
MinBFloodSpd=0.000000 1
MinBFloodDir=0.000000 0
MaxFloodSpd=0.200000 1
MaxFloodDir=170.000000 1
MinBEbbSpd=0.000000 1
MinBEbbDir=0.000000 0
```

MaxEbbSpd=0.500000 1  
MaxEbbDir=0.000000 1



## Hydrology Time Series

Hydrology time series files for currents have the format listed below. An example hydrology time series file, *Hillsborough.HYD*, is also provided.

The first line lists the station name.

The second line contains the reference point position for scaling the current pattern with the hydrology volume transport time series.

The third line provides the units for the volume transport (CFS, KCFS, CMS, KCMS).

The data are given in the same time series format as the currents, except that the magnitude of the current is changed to the volume transport.

**Filename:** *Hillsborough.HYD*

```
HILLSBOURGH STATION
28.029534,-82.688080
CMS
01,10,2002,0,0,432,0
02,10,2002,0,0,309,0
03,10,2002,0,0,310,0
04,10,2002,0,0,312,0
05,10,2002,0,0,311,0
06,10,2002,0,0,287,0
07,10,2002,0,0,234,0
08,10,2002,0,0,235,0
09,10,2002,0,0,232,0
10,10,2002,0,0,177,0
```

### Annotated Version of the File

```
HILLSBOURGH STATION      Station Name
28.029534,-82.688080    Position (latitude, longitude)
CMS                      Units
Day,  Month,  Year,  Hour,  Min.,  Transport,  Direction (Dummy Value)
01,   10,    2002,  0,    0,     432,       0
02,   10,    2002,  0,    0,     309,       0
03,   10,    2002,  0,    0,     310,       0
04,   10,    2002,  0,    0,     312,       0
05,   10,    2002,  0,    0,     311,       0
```



## WINDS

GNOME uses winds, in addition to the currents and diffusion, to move the oil. For small-scale uses, a single point forecast is sufficient for trajectories [OSSM]. In this case, the time series can be created in GNOME using the variable or constant wind dialog boxes, or loaded as a file. You will find it useful to load winds as a file if you are downloading archived wind observations, or if you are creating a blended time series, with archived observations combined with a wind forecast.

For large-scale areas, you may use winds generated by atmospheric circulation model data. Be careful in mapping latitude and longitude of the grid points with the proper projection of the model.

GNOME supports both ASCII and netCDF formats for wind. The rectangular grid wind model in a time series format is [GridWindTime]. The gridded output time series format is the same as for currents, except the starting keyword is different. This is to prevent the user from accidentally loading a wind as a current, and vice versa. The Finite Element ASCII Format (for winds at the model nodes) is [ptWind]. GNOME also supports a netCDF file structure for rectangular grid models. If your particular atmospheric model is not supported, please let the GNOME Wizard know (ORR.GNOME@noaa.gov), as we are always interested in adding new grids to our collection.

## Winds: Single Point, Time Series [OSSM]

If you input an OSSM format wind file into GNOME, you will have to specify the units when the file is loaded.

**File name:** *OSSM Format.WND*

```

8,4,99,01,00,10,S
8,4,99,05,00,10,S
8,4,99,09,00,10,S
8,4,99,11,00,10,S
8,4,99,15,00,10,SW
8,4,99,21,00,10,SW
9,4,99,01,00,10,SW
9,4,99,05,00,10,SW
9,4,99,09,00,10,SW
9,4,99,11,00,10,SW
9,4,99,15,00,10,SW
9,4,99,21,00,10,SW
10,4,99,01,00,10,SW
10,4,99,05,00,05,S
10,4,99,09,00,05,S
10,4,99,11,00,05,S
10,4,99,15,00,05,S
10,4,99,21,00,05,S
11,4,99,01,00,10,SW
11,4,99,05,00,10,SW
11,4,99,09,00,10,SW
11,4,99,11,00,10,W
11,4,99,15,00,10,W
11,4,99,21,00,10,W
12,4,99,01,00,25,NW
12,4,99,05,00,25,NW
12,4,99,09,00,25,NW
12,4,99,11,00,25,NW
12,4,99,15,00,25,NW
12,4,99,21,00,25,NW

```

### Annotated Version of the File

Day, Month,	Year,	Hour,	Min.,	Speed,	Direction
8, 4, 99,		01,	00,	0,	S
8, 4, 99,		05,	00,	10,	S
8, 4, 99,		09,	00,	10,	S
8, 4, 99,		11,	00,	10,	S
8, 4, 99,		15,	00,	10,	SW
. . .					

## Winds: Rectangular Grid, Time Series [GridWindTime]

The rectangular grid surface wind model formats are very similar to the *GridCurTime* formats for rectangular grid time-dependent currents. The only difference is that the first line of the file changes from [GRIDCURTIME] to [GRIDWINDTIME].

**File name:** *GridWindTime.wnd*

```
[GRIDWINDTIME]
NUMROWS 19
NUMCOLS 26
LOLAT 36.6
HILAT 47.8
LOLONG -15.4
HILONG -4.3
[TIME] 19 11 02 1 00
1 1 0.15 -.16
1 2 0.16 -.17
1 3 0.17 -.19
1 4 0.19 -.21
. . .
```

## Winds: NetCDF Rectangular Grid, Time Series

The netCDF rectangular grid surface wind model formats are very similar to the netCDF rectangular grid current. The only difference is that air\_U and air\_V are used instead of water\_U and water\_V for the U and V velocity components.

```
netcdf pwsWind2004080904 {
dimensions:
    lon = 155 ;
    lat = 150 ;
    time = UNLIMITED ;      (49 currently)
variables:
    float time(time) ;
        time:long_name = "Time in AST" ;
        time:units = "hours since 2004-08-09 00:00:00" ;
    float lon(lon) ;
        lon:long_name = "Longitude" ;
        lon:units = "degrees_East" ;
        lon:point_spacing = "even" ;
    float lat(lat) ;
        lat:long_name = "Latitude" ;
        lat:units = "degrees_North" ;
        lat:point_spacing = "even" ;
    float air_u(time, lat, lon) ;
        air_u:valid_range = -30.f, 30.f ;
        air_u:long_name = "Eastward Air Velocity" ;
        air_u:units = "m/s" ;
        air_u:_FillValue = -9.9999e+32f ;
        air_u:scale_factor = 1.f ;
        air_u:add_offset = 0.f ;
    float air_v(time, lat, lon) ;
        air_v:valid_range = -30.f, 30.f ;
        air_v:long_name = "Northward Air Velocity" ;
        air_v:units = "m/s" ;
        air_v:_FillValue = -9.9999e+32f ;
        air_v:scale_factor = 1.f ;
        air_v:add_offset = 0.f ;

global attributes:
    :experiment = "PWS-NFS" ;
    :grid_type = "REGULAR" ;
    :base_date = 2004, 8, 9 ;

data:

time = 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22,
    23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40,
    41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52 ;

lon = -148.72, -148.7, -148.68, -148.66, -148.64, -148.62, -148.6, -148.58,
    -148.56, -148.54, -148.52, -148.5, -148.48, -148.46, -148.44, -148.42,
    -148.4, -148.38, -148.36, -148.34, -148.32, -148.3, -148.28, -148.26,
    -148.24, -148.22, -148.2, -148.18, -148.16, -148.14, -148.12, -148.1,
    -148.08, -148.06, -148.04, -148.02, -148, -147.98, -147.96, -147.94,
    -147.92, -147.9, -147.88, -147.86, -147.84, -147.82, -147.8, -147.78,
    -147.76, -147.74, -147.72, -147.7, -147.68, -147.66, -147.64, -147.62,
    -147.6, -147.58, -147.56, -147.54, -147.52, -147.5, -147.48, -147.46,
    -147.44, -147.42, -147.4, -147.38, -147.36, -147.34, -147.32, -147.3,
    -147.28, -147.26, -147.24, -147.22, -147.2, -147.18, -147.16, -147.14,
    -147.12, -147.1, -147.08, -147.06, -147.04, -147.02, -147, -146.98,
    -146.96, -146.94, -146.92, -146.9, -146.88, -146.86, -146.84, -146.82,
    -146.8, -146.78, -146.76, -146.74, -146.72, -146.7, -146.68, -146.66,
```

## Input Formats: Winds

```
-146.64, -146.62, -146.6, -146.58, -146.56, -146.54, -146.52, -146.5,  
-146.48, -146.46, -146.44, -146.42, -146.4, -146.38, -146.36, -146.34,  
-146.32, -146.3, -146.28, -146.26, -146.24, -146.22, -146.2, -146.18,  
-146.16, -146.14, -146.12, -146.1, -146.08, -146.06, -146.04, -146.02,  
-146, -145.98, -145.96, -145.94, -145.92, -145.9, -145.88, -145.86,  
-145.84, -145.82, -145.8, -145.78, -145.76, -145.74, -145.72, -145.7,  
-145.68, -145.66, -145.64 ;  
  
lat = 59.79, 59.8, 59.81, 59.82, 59.83, 59.84, 59.85, 59.86, 59.87, 59.88,  
59.89, 59.9, 59.91, 59.92, 59.93, 59.94, 59.95, 59.96, 59.97, 59.98,  
59.99, 60, 60.01, 60.02, 60.03, 60.04, 60.05, 60.06, 60.07, 60.08, 60.09,  
60.1, 60.11, 60.12, 60.13, 60.14, 60.15, 60.16, 60.17, 60.18, 60.19,  
60.2, 60.21, 60.22, 60.23, 60.24, 60.25, 60.26, 60.27, 60.28, 60.29,  
60.3, 60.31, 60.32, 60.33, 60.34, 60.35, 60.36, 60.37, 60.38, 60.39,  
60.4, 60.41, 60.42, 60.43, 60.44, 60.45, 60.46, 60.47, 60.48, 60.49,  
60.5, 60.51, 60.52, 60.53, 60.54, 60.55, 60.56, 60.57, 60.58, 60.59,  
60.6, 60.61, 60.62, 60.63, 60.64, 60.65, 60.66, 60.67, 60.68, 60.69,  
60.7, 60.71, 60.72, 60.73, 60.74, 60.75, 60.76, 60.77, 60.78, 60.79,  
60.8, 60.81, 60.82, 60.83, 60.84, 60.85, 60.86, 60.87, 60.88, 60.89,  
60.9, 60.91, 60.92, 60.93, 60.94, 60.95, 60.96, 60.97, 60.98, 60.99, 61,  
61.01, 61.02, 61.03, 61.04, 61.05, 61.06, 61.07, 61.08, 61.09, 61.1,  
61.11, 61.12, 61.13, 61.14, 61.15, 61.16, 61.17, 61.18, 61.19, 61.2,  
61.21, 61.22, 61.23, 61.24, 61.25, 61.26, 61.27, 61.28 ;  
}
```

# GNOME Output File Formats

## MOSS Files for GIS Systems

GNOME outputs MOSS files 3 through 7:

- File 3: Header information, such as scenario information and any caveats.
- File 4: Positions for Best Guess (Forecast) lagrangian elements.
- File 5: Attributes of each of the lagrangian elements in File 4.
- File 6: Same as File 4 for the Minimum Regret (Uncertainty) lagrangian elements.
- File 7: Same as File 5 for the Minimum Regret (Uncertainty) lagrangian elements.

The file formats are documented extensively in HAZMAT Report 96-4, "Digital Distribution Standard for NOAA Trajectory Analysis Information," January 1996, J. A. Galt, D. L. Payton, H. Norris, and C. Friel. We have not provided example files since you can easily export your own examples from GNOME's GIS or Diagnostic Modes with a Location File.



## GNOME and GNOME Analyst: Custom Logo on Output

Both GNOME and GNOME Analyst can have a custom logo added to their output products. If no custom logo is added, MOSS files will include the GNOME logo, and GNOME Analyst output will include only the GNOME logo in the upper right corner. (The custom logo is added to the upper left corner).

Here are some brief instructions for adding a custom logo to your output:

1. Create a bitmap called *logo.bmp* that contains the desired graphic.
2. Place *logo.bmp* into the application folder.

If you are writing MOSS files, then *logo.bmp* is written into the .MS3 file and *logo.bmp* is copied into the directory where the .MS\* files are being saved. ArcView uses a 150 x 150 pixel file.

If you are working with GNOME Analyst, the file *logo.bmp* will be used to draw the logo on the upper left of the output materials (printed page, bitmap). GNOME Analyst uses a 48 x 48 pixel file.