
EARTH EXPLORER MISSION CFI SOFTWARE

Release Notes - Version 3.7.2

1 INTRODUCTION

This note describes the changes introduced in the new release of the Earth Explorer CFI software libraries.

2 NEW RELEASE DESCRIPTION

2.1 CFI Software and Documentation Delivery

The new versions of the CFI software libraries are the following:

- EXPLORER_FILE_HANDLING -- Version 3.7.2 - 31/07/08
- EXPLORER_DATA_HANDLING -- Version 3.7.2 - 31/07/08
- EXPLORER_LIB -- Version 3.7.2 - 31/07/08
- EXPLORER_ORBIT -- Version 3.7.2 - 31/07/08
- EXPLORER_POINTING -- Version 3.7.2 - 31/07/08
- EXPLORER_VISIBILITY -- Version 3.7.2 - 31/07/08

The following Software User Manuals have been updated accordingly:

- EXPLORER_FILE_HANDLING issue 3.7.2
- EXPLORER_DATA_HANDLING issue 3.7.2
- EXPLORER_LIB issue 3.7.2
- EXPLORER_ORBIT issue 3.7.2
- EXPLORER_POINTING issue 3.7.2
- EXPLORER_VISIBILITY issue 3.7.2
- GENERAL issue 3.7.2

2.2 Compilation software and platform

This release of the CFI libraries are provided for SOLARIS, LINUX, MACOS and WINDOWS platforms.

- SOLARIS (32-bits):
 - Solaris 5.7 (or later) Operating System
 - gcc compiler version 3.3.2 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later
- SOLARIS (64-bits):
 - Solaris 5.9 (or later) Operating System
 - gcc compiler version 3.4.2 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later
- LINUX (32-bits):
 - Linux 2.4.18 (RedHat 8.0) Operating System
 - gcc compiler version 3.3.1 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later

Note that there is an incompatibility between gcc compiler version 3.3 and the RedHat 7.x Operating System. The standard C library (libc.a) is not fully compatible with gcc V3.x.

- LINUX (64-bits):
 - Linux 2.6.9 (RedHat Enterprise 4) Operating System
 - gcc compiler version 3.4.5 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - glibc 2.3.4
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later
- PC WINDOWS:
 - Microsoft Windows 2000 or XP Operating Systems.
 - Microsoft Visual C++ 6.0 Compiler (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.20 or later (including iconv-1.9.1 and zlib-1.2.3)
- MACOSX (32-bits):
 - Mac OS X version 10.3.9
 - gcc compiler version 3.3 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later

The Earth Explorer CFI software is compatible with Mac OS X 10.4 Xcode release (using gcc 4.0)

- MACOSX (64-bits):
 - Mac OS X version 10.4.9
 - gcc compiler version 4.0.1 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later
- MACOSX on Intel (32-bits):
 - Mac OS X version 10.4.9
 - gcc compiler version 4.0.1 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later
- MACOSX on Intel (64-bits):
 - Mac OS X version 10.4.9
 - gcc compiler version 4.0.1 (for linking the software to a C application)
 - libxml2 version 2.6.22 or later

Note that the distributed binaries have been generated with no debug.

2.3 Installation packages

The CFI libraries are provided in different packaging formats depending on the platform:

- Compressed (gzip) tar files are provided for SOLARIS, SOLARIS 64-bit, LINUX and LINUX 64-bit:
 - EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_SOLARIS.tar.gz
 - EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_SOLARIS64.tar.gz
 - EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_LINUX.tar.gz
 - EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_LINUX64.tar.gz
- WINDOWS installation program: EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_WINDOWS.exe
- MAC OS X PPC installation program: EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_MACOS.dmg
- MAC OS X PPC 64-bit installation program: EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_MACOS64.dmg
- MAC OS X Intel installation program: EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_MACIN.dmg

- MAC OS X Intel 64-bit installation program: EXPLORERCFI_3_7_2_MACIN64.dmg

3 CLOSED SPRS

The following SPR have been solved:

- EXPCFI-SPR-115 (AN-309): The file generation functions do not create a correct reference to the schema.
- EXPCFI-SPR-116 (AN-310): Wrong version number for the executables for the file generation functions.
- EXPCFI-SPR-118 (AN-316): Problem with **xv_station_vis_time_no_file** when AOS elevation > LOS elevation and mask=XV_AOS_LOS or mask=XV_COMBINE.
- EXPCFI-SPR-119 (AN-337): **xp_dem_compute**: DEM target not found in some circumstances.
- EXPCFI-SPR-121 (AN-334): Error in **xl_euler_to_matrix** when the input matrix is quasi orthonormal.
- EXPCFI-SPR-122 (AN-298): Memory for DEM initialisation is not free.
- EXPCFI-SPR-123 (AN-336): **xp_dem_compute**: Wrong altitude when longitude is close to 360.0 degrees..
- EXPCFI-SPR-124 (AN-339): The XML validator function only works with the esa-eop URL in the namespace (xmlns). In USER mode, the namespace has to be get from the schema.
- EXPCFI-SPR-125 (AN-115): DORIS Navigator files. Anotation between packets are not generated by **xo_gen_dnf**.
- EXPCFI-SPR-126 (AN-328): When the propagation mode is "DOUBLE" mode, the osculating keplerian elements are not correctly computed.
- EXPCFI-SPR-127 (AN-331): Zone / Station Id does not need to be exactly 8 characters.
- EXPCFI-SPR-128(AN-342):**xp_sat_nominal_att_init_model** for mode XP_MODEL_GENERIC: The first and second axis enumeration values (model_param[1] and model_param[6]) can take the same value for the targets XP_INERTIAL_TARGET_VEC or XP_EF_TARGET_VEC.
- EXPCFI-SPR-129 (AN-344): Problems with swath position when the MLST drift is different from zero.
- EXPCFI-AN-311: The library integrity checking executable available also for Windows
- EXPCFI-AN-317: **xf_tree_read_string_attribute/xf_tree_read_string_node_value**: Error when reading attribute 'xmlns'. New function created: **xf_tree_get_namespace**
- EXPCFI-AN-324: Doris Navigator: changes in ASCII header of binary file ans associated .HDR file
- EXPCFI-AN-325: **xv_gen_swath / xv_gen_swath_no_file**: The function xd_read sdf is not reading the ASAR parameters
- EXPCFI-AN-343: The field <Creator></Creator> in the Fixed Header shall have the following format <Creator>LIBRARY_NAME:xx_gen_XXX</Creator>

4 NEW REQUIREMENTS

The following new features/requirements have been implemented (see section "Known Problems" at the end of each of the SUMs to check limitations of the current release):

- GENERAL:
 - New Satellite definitions: Sentinel2, Sentinel3 and SeoSat
 - Updated orbit parameters for EarthCARE
 - New Generic satellite with loose orbit tolerances

- EXPLORER_FILE_HANDLING:
 - New function to read the namespace: **xf_tree_get_namespace**
- EXPLORER_DATA_HANDLING:
 - Reading and writing functions for TLE files: **xd_read_tle** and **xd_write_tle**, **xd_free_tle**
 - New fields added to Satellite Configuration file (NORAD data)
 - New file formats supported for the Swath Definition and Swath Template files. The SDF and STF data structures have been modified accordingly.
- EXPLORER_ORBIT:
 - Orbit initialization and propagation with TLE files. New functions **xo_osv_to_tle**, and **xo_gen_tle**
- EXPLORER_POINTING:
 - Support misalignment or configuration matrices at Satellite Attitude Frame level: **xp_sat_att_quat_plus_matrix_init** and **xp_sat_att_quat_plus_angle_init**
 - New functions to set the azimuth/elevation definition at satellite attitude frame level: **xp_set_az_el_definition**
 - New quaternion interpolation algorithm: spherical linear method (SLERP)
 - Aeolus attitude model aligned with SRB 8.1
- EXPLORER_VISIBILITY:
 - New swath types for **xv_zone_vis_time**: area and curve swaths. This functionality requires that new SDF and STF formats are supported. Note that the previous SDF and STF formats are still supported by the visibility functions.
 - Swath Control File format updated (compliant with ESOV NG v1.1)

Note the following:

- Envisat ASCII file format is not supported. Envisat DORIS Navigator files are not supported either.
- As a consequence of the correction of EXPCFI-SPR-059 (V3.4), POFs and ROFs generated using the CFI file generation routines previous to V3.3 will not be accepted by the current CFI SW.
- The explorer_file_handling function xf_error_msg has been removed from the SW since V3.5 (it was not thread-safe, it made use of global variables). The existing routine xf_basic_error_msg shall be used to retrieve the error messages.
- To link correctly the applications with the EE CFI SW, the pthread library has to be added to the list of libraries to link with.

5 KNOWN PROBLEMS

The current version of the CFI has the following limitations:

- Visibility computations are not possible if Orbit ID is initialised using TLE files (EXPCFI-AN-359);
- Propagator ID validity in TLE mode is shorter than expected if the TLE file is composed of more than one entry (EXPCFI-AN-360);
- Initialisation of Propagator ID in TLE mode + AUTO mode fails if the TLE file is composed of more than one entry (EXPCFI-AN-361);
- Using the xo_gen_tle when the orbit file contains more than one OSV per orbit, the output is a TLE file including wrongly formatted entries (EXPCFI-AN-362);
- Schema validation of Predicted and Restituted Orbit files generated with xo_gen_xxx functions fail due to incorrect schema version in the file header (EXPCFI-AN-363);

- Swath Definition File format as described in the User Manual is not correct for the ASAR geometry, it should be either:

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<Narrow_Asar>
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```
  <Slant_Range_Left unit="10-6s">+xxx.xxx</Slant_Range_Left>
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```
</Narrow_Asar>
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or:

```
<Wide_Asar>
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```
  <Slant_Range_Left unit="10-6s">+xxx.xxx</Slant_Range_Left>
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  <Slant_Range_Right unit="10-6s">+xxx.xxx</Slant_Range_Right>
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</Wide_Asar>
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See also section “Known Problems“ at the end of each of the SUMs to check additional limitations of the current release.