

DAS data management: Metadata and data access

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FDSN Web Services

Interfaces for the exchange of time series data, related metadata, event parameter. Namely,

- **Station**: metadata in StationXML and alternate formats.
- **Dataselect**: raw time series data in miniSEED format.
- **Event**: parametric data for events in QuakeML and alternate formats.

General workflow to get data:

1. Station discovery
2. Request metadata
3. Select and download data

FDSN Web Services

Time constraints	Service specific constraints	Channel constraints
Start Time	Level Station (default)	Network AB,C?
End Time	Exclude Restricted Channels ☐	Station ABC,D*
Start Before	Include Data Availability ☐	Location 00
Start After	Update After	Channel BH?
End Before	Match Time Series ☐	
End After		
Channel constraints	Output control	Service specific constraints
Network AB,C?	Format FDSN Station XML (default)	Quality B
Station ABC,D*	Formatted ☐	Minimum Length (s) 0.0
Location 00	No Data 404 ☒	Longest Only ☐
Channel BH?		Authentication ☐
Geographic constraints		Output control
☐ None		Format miniseed
☐ Bounding Box		
☐ Circle		

Station: <http://www.orfeus-eu.org/fdsnws/station/1/builder>

Dataselect: <http://www.orfeus-eu.org/fdsnws/dataselect/1/builder>

FDSN Web Services

`<site>/fdsnws/<servicename>/<majorversion>/`

`<site>`: domain name of the hosting WS (top institutional level),

`<servicename>`: name of the service, as in the previous slide,

`<majorversion>`: first number describing the WS version.

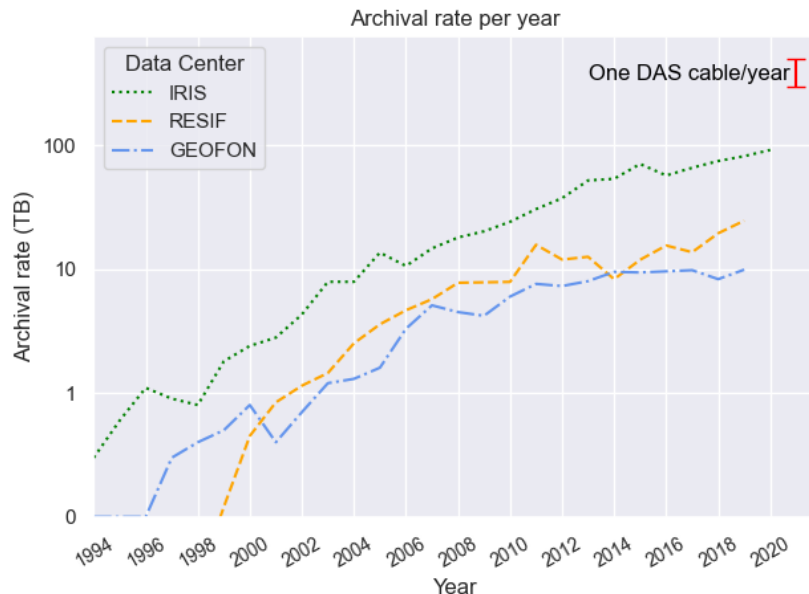
For instance, <https://geofon.gfz.de/fdsnws/dataselect/1/>

Station(?) discovery

<https://geofon.gfz.de/fdsnws/station/1/query?net=3U&format=text>

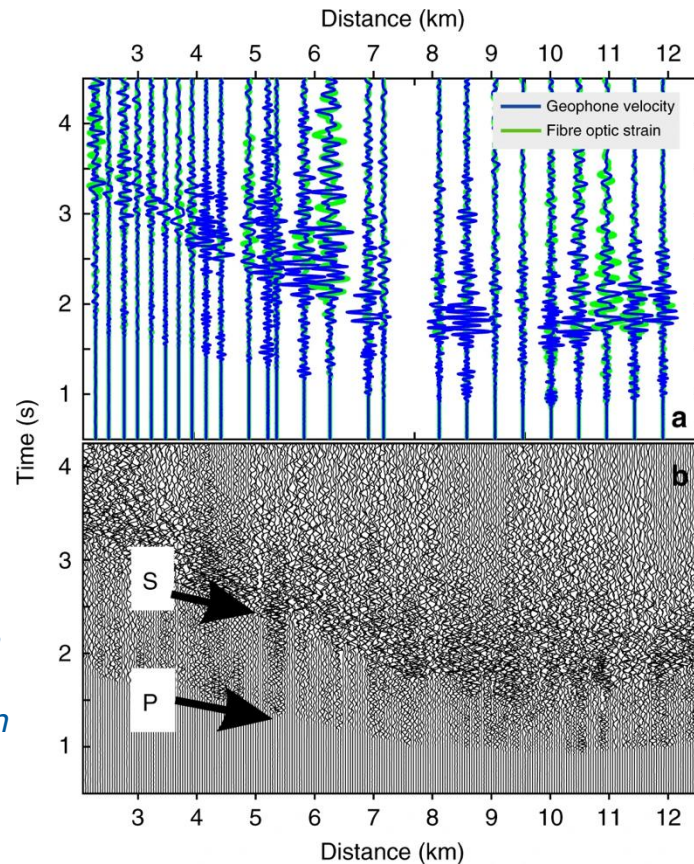
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#Network|Station|Latitude|Longitude|Elevation|SiteName|StartTime|EndTime
3U|A0905|52.38517750|13.01958146|32.0|Station A0905, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0915|52.3852445|13.01930937|32.00612208892051|Station A0915, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0925|52.3853191|13.01904268|32.76337562531175|Station A0925, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0935|52.3853849|13.01877011|33.49665967486104|Station A0935, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0945|52.3853983|13.01848139|32.56618372835495|Station A0945, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0955|52.3854171|13.01818943|32.24139172904475|Station A0955, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0965|52.3854388|13.01789807|32.2381928738347|Station A0965, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0975|52.385461|13.01760691|32.13179102218067|Station A0975, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0985|52.3854839|13.01731568|32.17124585346524|Station A0985, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A0995|52.3854946|13.01702282|32.21960064446748|Station A0995, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A1005|52.3854984|13.01672927|32.205174931704505|Station A1005, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
3U|A1015|52.3854951|13.01643572|32.21736902331234|Station A1015, GER|2023-02-01T00:00:00|2023-02-28T23:59:59
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Roadmap for DAS standardization



Top: A simple DAS experiment can generate more data than the one archived in a whole year at any data centre in the world. Right: Comparison of the resolution between broad band sensors and a DAS interrogator.

Quinteros et al. (SRL, 2021); Jousset et al. (Nature, 2018)



GFZ Helmholtz Centre
for Geosciences

Geo-IN UIRE

Orfeus

EarthScope
Consortium

Roadmap for DAS standardization

- Metadata: community and seismological
- Data format(s)
- Long-term archival
- Data provisioning
- Real-time transmission
- Processing
- Ethical issues, or related to privacy and security

Exploring Approaches for Large Data in Seismology: User and Data Repository Perspectives

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Abstract

New data acquisition techniques are generating data at much finer temporal and spatial resolution, compared to traditional seismic experiments. This is a challenge for data centers and users. As the amount of data potentially flowing into data centers increases by one or two orders of magnitude, data management challenges are found throughout all stages of the data flow.

The Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology—Réseau sismologique et géodésique français and GEOForschungsNetz data centers—carried out a survey and conducted interviews of users working with very large datasets to understand their needs and expectations. One of the conclusions is that existing data formats and ser-

Quinteros et al. (SRL, 2021) doi:10.1785/0220200390

DAS Metadata

Toward a Metadata Standard for Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS) Data Collection

Voon Hui Lai^{*1}, Kathleen M. Hodgkinson², Robert W. Porritt², and Robert Mellors³

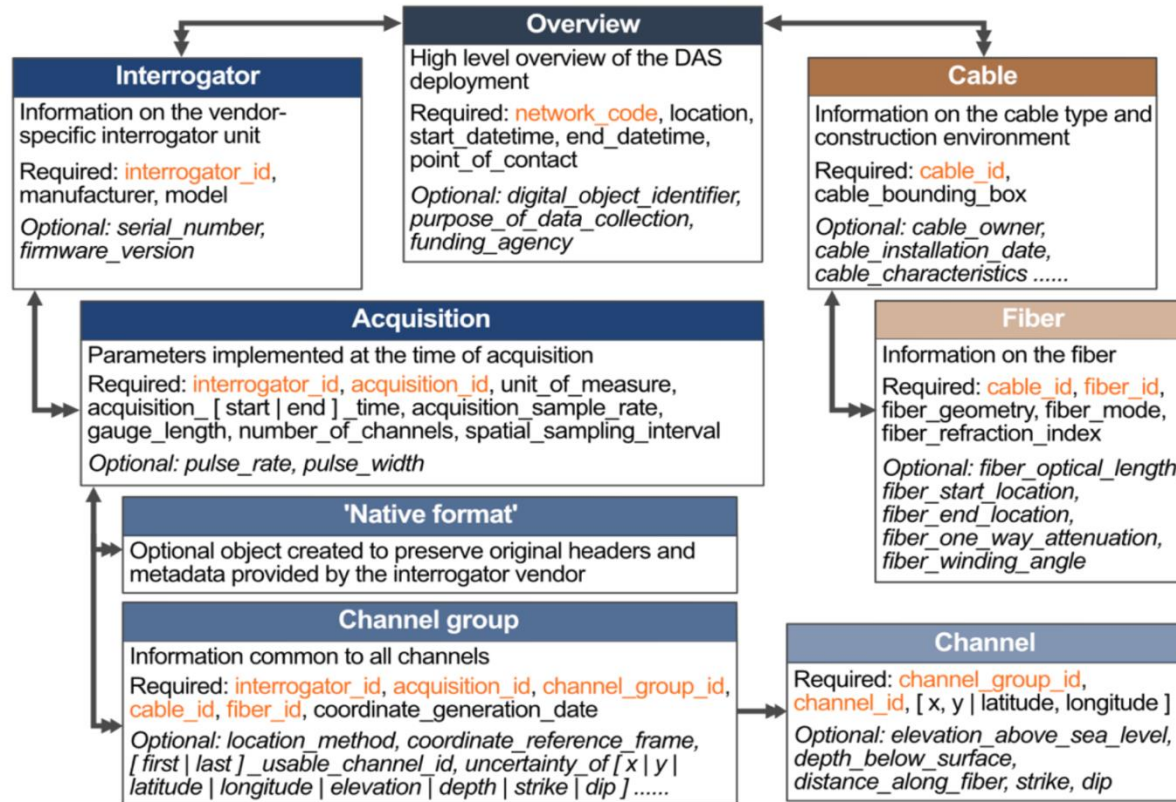
Abstract

With increasing geophysical applications using distributed acoustic sensing (DAS) technology, there is a need to implement a metadata standard specifically for DAS to facilitate the integration of DAS measurements across experiments and increase reusability. We propose a metadata standard intended primarily for the DAS research community, which fully describes the five key components of a DAS experiment: (1) interrogator; (2) data acquisition; (3) channels; (4) cable; and (5) fiber. The proposed metadata schema, which is the overall structure of the metadata, is hierarchical based, with a parent “overview” metadata block describing the experiment, and two main child

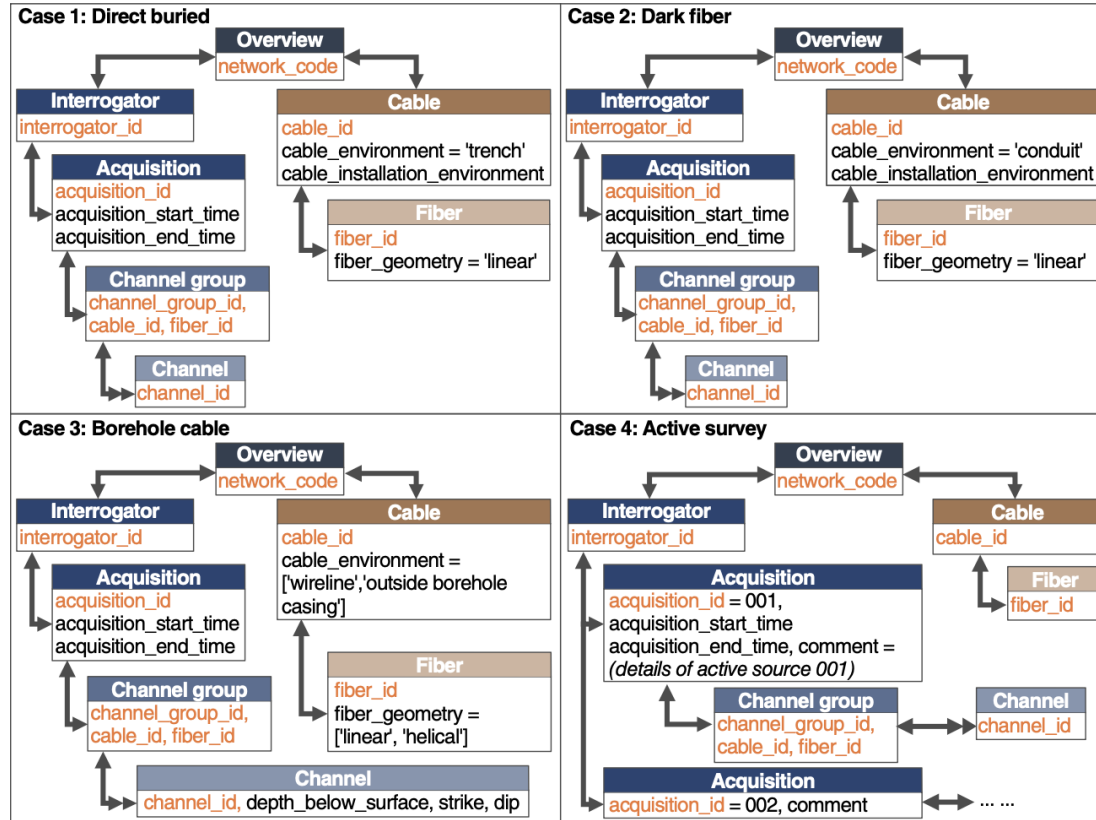
Voon Hui Lai, et al. (2024),
doi:10.1785/0220230325

- DAS-RCN Data Management Working Group proposed a starting point for a common DAS metadata standard for archival purposes and to guide data collection at experiments.
- The specification was published after 2 years of discussion within the community.
- ORFEUS and EarthScope did a first evaluation of the schema and met the authors to prepare a proposal for FDSN evaluation and adoption.

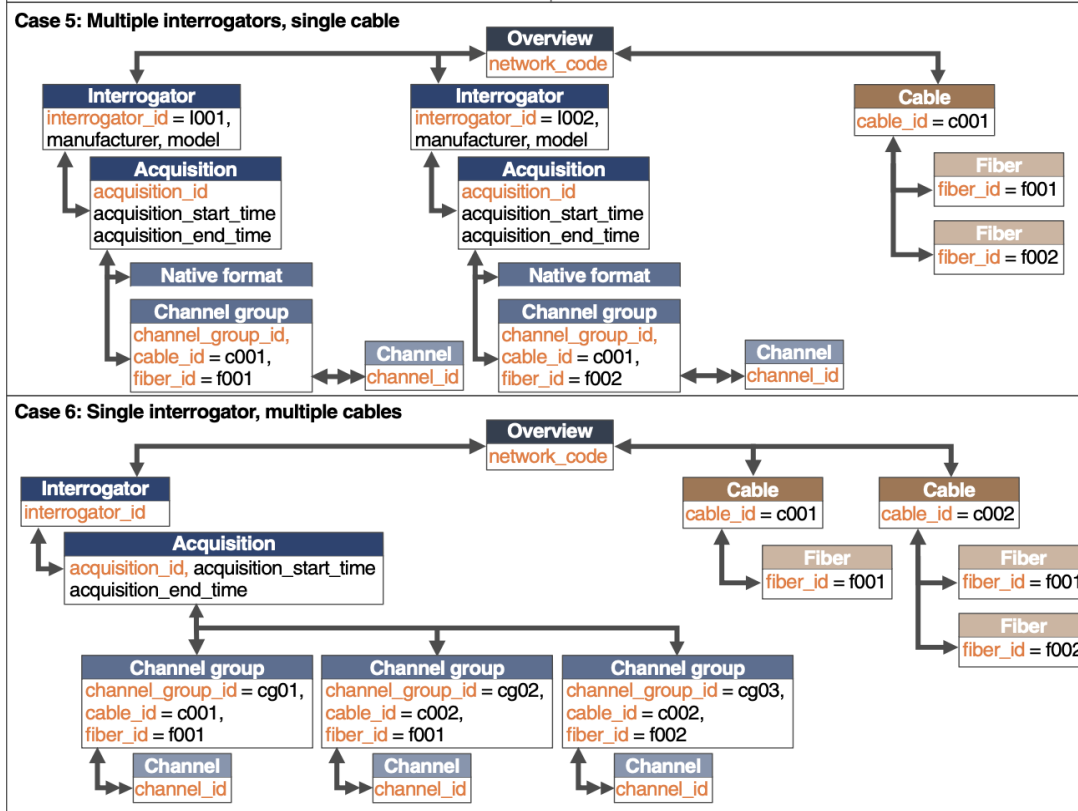
DAS Metadata



DAS Metadata

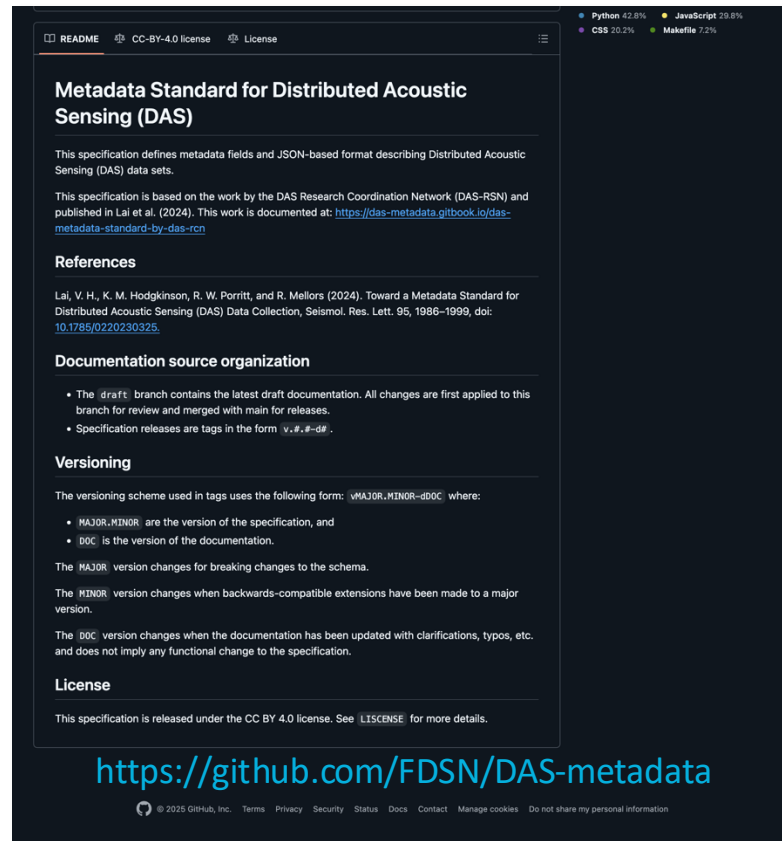


DAS Metadata



Metadata schema as FDSN standard

- DAS-RCN authors, EarthScope, GFZ submitted a FDSN proposal (as presented in the paper), FDSN Github repository ready
- Formal JSON schema included with minor improvements and examples
- Approval by WG2 expected this Summer 2025
- Build (or adapt) our software ecosystem on top of that (started!)



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for 'FDSN/DAS-metadata'. The page has a dark theme. At the top, there are tabs for 'README', 'CC-BY-4.0 license', and 'License'. Below the tabs, the title 'Metadata Standard for Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS)' is displayed. The main content area contains the following sections:

- Introduction:** This specification defines metadata fields and JSON-based format describing Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS) data sets.
- Background:** This specification is based on the work by the DAS Research Coordination Network (DAS-RSN) and published in Lai et al. (2024). This work is documented at: <https://das-metadata.gitbook.io/das-metadata-standard-by-das-rcn>
- References:** Lai, V. H., K. M. Hodgkinson, R. W. Porritt, and R. Mellors (2024). Toward a Metadata Standard for Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS) Data Collection, Seismol. Res. Lett. 95, 1986–1999, doi: [10.1785/0220220325](https://doi.org/10.1785/0220220325).
- Documentation source organization:**
 - The `draft` branch contains the latest draft documentation. All changes are first applied to this branch for review and merged with main for releases.
 - Specification releases are tags in the form `v.#.#-#-dr`.
- Versioning:**

The versioning scheme used in tags uses the following form: `vMAJOR.MINOR-DOC` where:

 - `MAJOR.MINOR` are the version of the specification, and
 - `DOC` is the version of the documentation.

The `MAJOR` version changes for breaking changes to the schema.

The `MINOR` version changes when backwards-compatible extensions have been made to a major version.

The `DOC` version changes when the documentation has been updated with clarifications, typos, etc. and does not imply any functional change to the specification.
- License:** This specification is released under the CC BY 4.0 license. See [LICENSE](#) for more details.

At the bottom of the page, the URL <https://github.com/FDSN/DAS-metadata> is displayed in large blue text. Below the URL, there is a footer with the text '© 2025 GitHub, Inc. Terms Privacy Security Status Docs Contact Manage cookies Do not share my personal information'.

Data Management (in the mean time)

- Until new standards are developed and adopted the community needs a seamless way to integrate the DAS datasets using current seismic standard formats (e.g. miniseed for data, StationXML for metadata)
- Strategy to standardize these datasets by downsampling them and creating a basic standard metadata (StationXML) mapped from raw data and extra information provided by the PI. The result is ready to be archived in a standard way
- Decimated real-time Miniseed derived products already flowing

Guidelines: derived products from DAS data

First version agreed with Geo-I partners

Including the following points:

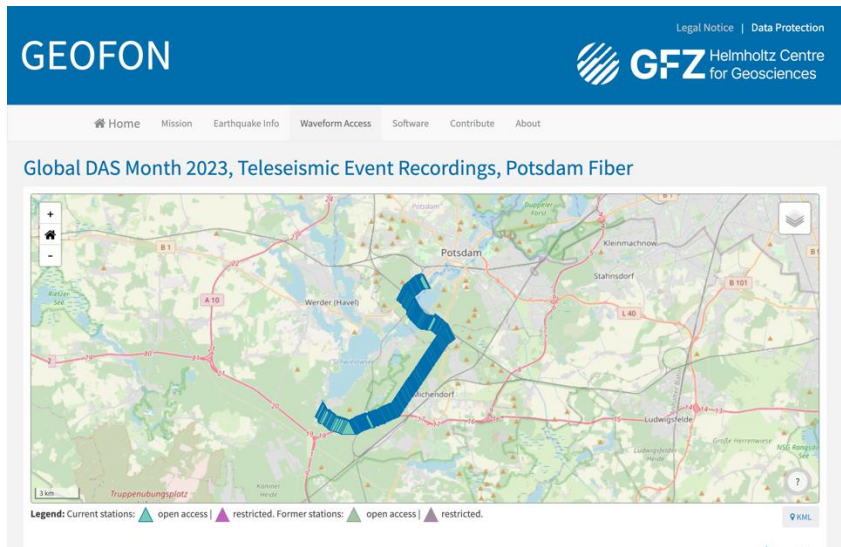
- Data Management
- How to subsample
- Channel Naming
- Miniseed technicalities
- New DAS metadata (Voon Hui Lai et al, 2024)
- DataCite metadata

EIDA Guidelines for the creation of derived products from raw DAS data



Version	Collaborators	
1.0	Javier Quinteros	Angelo Strollo
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Archiving consistently through EIDA



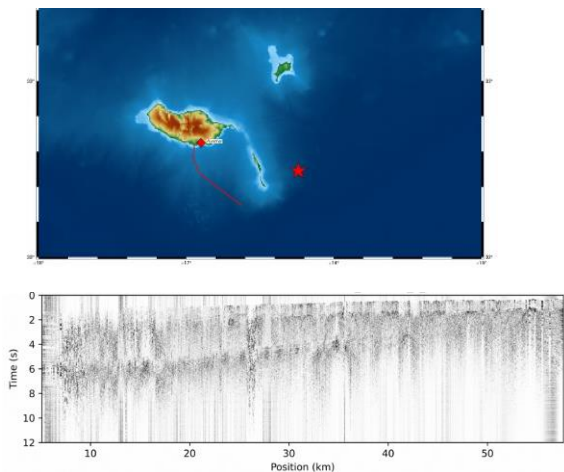
<https://dx.doi.org/10.5880/GFZ.2.2.2023.001>

Cite as	Wollin, Christopher; Ehsaninezhad, Leila; Hart, Johannes; Rodríguez Tribaldos, Verónica; Krawczyk, Charlotte M. (2023): Global DAS Month 2023, Teleseismic Event Recordings, Potsdam Fiber. GFZ Data Services. Dataset/DAS Data. doi:10.5880/GFZ.2.2.2023.001.
Identifier	10.5880/GFZ.2.2.2023.001
FDSN network code	3U
DataCite metadata	HTML JSON XML INSPIRE Local XML source file
Terms/rights	Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International (CC) BY Available since 2023-04-01
Creator(s)	Wollin, Christopher ^a ; Ehsaninezhad, Leila ^a ; Hart, Johannes ^a ; Rodríguez Tribaldos, Verónica ^a ; Krawczyk, Charlotte M. ^a
Description	^a GFZ German Research Centre for Geosciences, Potsdam, Germany (Abstract) The here referenced dataset provides event-based Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS) recordings made with an approximately 22 km long dark telecommunication fiber lying in urban Potsdam and surroundings. For each of 164 M>=5 earthquakes occurring in February 2023 and listed by the USGS, one hour of data is provided starting with the event's origin time. Additionally, the whole day of February 14 is provided in hourly files. The data was recorded in the frame of the global DAS month, an initiative to collaboratively record and share simultaneously recorded DAS data from all over the world (https://www.norsar.no/in-focus/global-das-monitoring-month-february-2023). DAS is an emerging technology increasingly used by seismologists to convert kilometer long optical fibers into seismic sensors.
Title	Global DAS Month 2023, Teleseismic Event Recordings, Potsdam Fiber
Publisher	GFZ Data Services
Publication Year	2023
Resource Type	Dataset / DAS Data
Dates	Collected 2023-02-01/2023-03-01 Accepted 2023-03-01 Created 2023-05-25 Available 2023-04-01
Place(s)	Study area southwest of Potsdam (Germany)
Contributor(s)	Project manager: Wollin, Christopher (GFZ) Project members: Ehsaninezhad, Leila (GFZ); Hart, Johannes (GFZ); Rodríguez Tribaldos, Verónica (GFZ) Project leader: Krawczyk, Charlotte M. (GFZ) Contact person: Wollin, Christopher (GFZ) Hosting institution: Deutsches GeoForschungsZentrum GFZ Data manager: GEOFON Data Centre Sponsor: Geo-Inquire
Subjects	SelData terms: Array DAS Geophysics MiniSEED Strain Temporary GCMD keywords: Solid earth Geophysical stations/networks Other terms: Monitoring system; fibre optics
Funding Reference(s)	1. Helmholtz-Zentrum Potsdam - Deutsches GeoForschungsZentrum GFZ www
Language	en
Sizes	78 GB
Reference(s)	1. Object Storage with raw data and documentation. www 2. Wuestefeld, A.; Spica, Z. J.; Aderhold, K.; Huang, H.; Ma, K.; Lai, V. H.; Miller, M.; Urmantseva, L.; Zapf, D.; Bowden, D. C.; Edme, P.; Kiers, T.; Rinaldi, A. P.; Tuinstra, K.; Jestin, C.; Diaz-Meza, S.; Jousset, P.; Wollin, C.; Ugalde, A.; Ruiz Barajas, S.; Gaite, B.; Currenti, G.; Prestifilippo, M.; and Araki, E.; Toneyagawa, T.; de Ridder, S.; and Nowacki, A.; and Lindner, F.; and Schoenball, M.; Wetter, C.; Zhu, H.; Baird, A. F.; Rørstadbotnen, R. A.; Ajo-Franklin, J.; Ma, Y.; Abbott, R. E.; Hodgkinson, K. M.; Porritt, R. W.; Stanciu, C.; Podrasky, A.; Hill, D.; Blondi, B.; Yuan, S.; Luo, B.; Nikitin, S.; Morten, J. P.; Dumitru, V.; Lienhart, W.; Cunningham, E.; Wang, H. (2023). The Global DAS Month of February 2023. Seismological Research Letters. doi:10.1785/02202230180 DOI 3. GLOBUS Server (DAS): folder overview with raw data (registration required). www

Example of DAS data GeoLab (restricted)

Afonso Loureiro (2024): GeoLab. GFZ Data
Services. Dataset/Seismic Network.

[doi:10.14470/8K802502](https://doi.org/10.14470/8K802502)

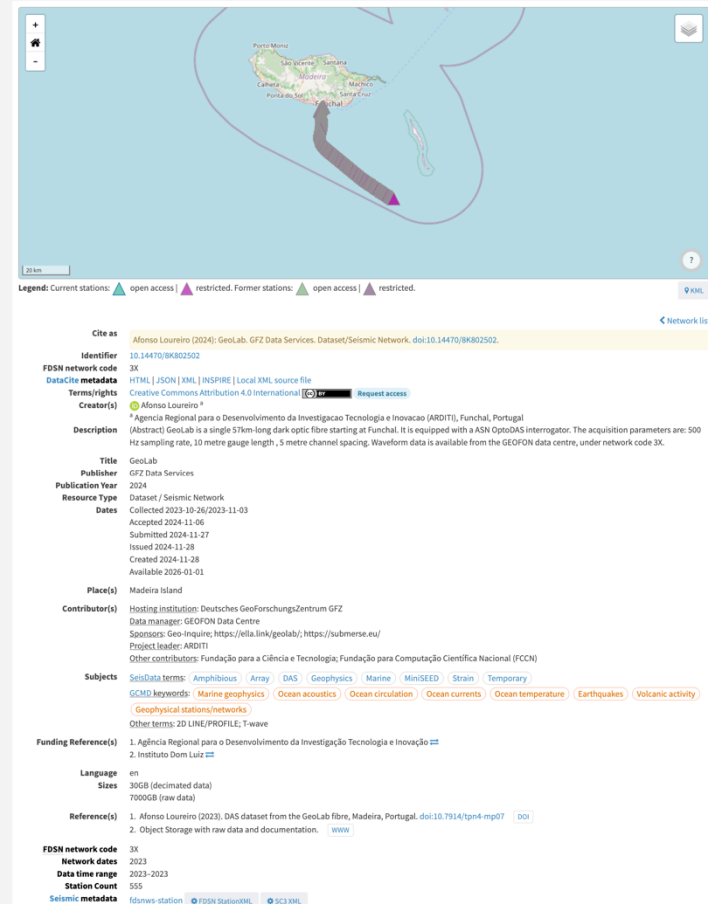


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	Jan Michalek	and others...		

GeoLab



Legend: Current stations: open access | restricted. Former stations: open access | restricted.

Cite as
Alfonso Loureiro (2024): GeoLab. GFZ Data Services. Dataset/Seismic Network. doi:10.14470/8K802502.

Identifier
10.14470/8K802502

FDSN network code
3X

DataCite metadata
HTML | JSON | XML | INSPIRE | Local XML source file

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Creator(s)
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Description
*Agência Regional para o Desenvolvimento da Investigação Tecnologia e Inovação (ARDITI), Funchal, Portugal
(Abstract) GeoLab is a single 57km-long dark optic fibre starting at Funchal. It is equipped with a ASDN OptoDAS interrogator. The acquisition parameters are: 500 Hz sampling rate, 10 metre gauge length, 5 metre channel spacing. Waveform data is available from the GEOFON data centre, under network code 3X.

Title
GeoLab

Publisher
GFZ Data Services

Publication Year
2024

Resource Type
Dataset / Seismic Network

Dates
Collected 2023-10-26/2023-11-03
Accepted 2024-11-06
Submitted 2024-11-27
Issued 2024-11-28
Created 2024-11-28
Available 2026-01-01

Place(s)
Madeira Island

Contributor(s)
Hosting Institution: Deutsches Geoforschungszentrum GFZ
Data manager: GEOFON Data Centre
Sponsors: Geo-Inquire; <https://ella.link/geolab/>; <https://submerse.eu/>
Project leader: ARDITI
Other contributors: Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia; Fundação para Computação Científica Nacional (FCCN)

Subjects
SeiData terms: [Amphibious](#) [Array](#) [DAS](#) [Geophysics](#) [Marine](#) [MiniSEED](#) [Strain](#) [Temporary](#)
ICMD keywords: [Marine geophysics](#) [Ocean acoustics](#) [Ocean circulation](#) [Ocean currents](#) [Ocean temperature](#) [Earthquakes](#) [Volcanic activity](#)
[Geophysical stations/networks](#)
Other terms: 2D LINE/PROFILE; T-wave

Funding Reference(s)
1. Agência Regional para o Desenvolvimento da Investigação Tecnologia e Inovação [↗](#)
2. Instituto Dom Luiz [↗](#)

Language
en

Sizes
30GB (decimated data)
700GB (raw data)

Reference(s)
1. Alfonso Loureiro (2023). DAS dataset from the GeoLab fibre, Madeira, Portugal. doi:10.7914/tpn4-mp07 [DOI](#)
2. Object Storage with raw data and documentation. [↗](#)

FDSN network code
3X

Network dates
2023

Data time range
2023-2023

Station Count
555

Seismic metadata
[fdswvs-station](#) [FDSN StationXML](#) [SC3 XML](#)

Data formats

Proprietary formats

- TDMS (Silixa)
- HDF5 (OptoDAS, Silixa v2, others)

Community:

- Seg-Y (some manufacturers)

Other solutions:

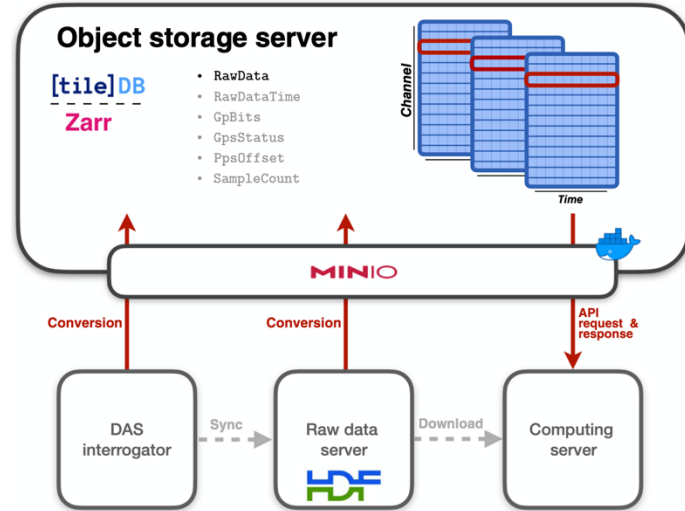
- Ad-hoc user-tailored formats (usually HDF5-based)
- miniSEED

Candidates to be the next 'de-facto' (?) standard:

- Something based on HDF5 
 - Known in the community
 - Not well suited for multithread/multiprocess
- Zarr 
 - RW multithread/multiprocess
 - Cloud is supported
- TileDB 
 - Full multi-threaded implementation
 - Different storage solutions supported natively
 - Versioning

Data formats

- HDF5 can dramatically slow down DAS data sharing in modern distributed computing environments
- Ni et al. show a promising proof-of-concept based on TileDB, S3 and MinIO
- TileDB natively parallelizes I/O
- Parallelize I/O with MPI for TileDB scales very well up to 16 concurrent processes



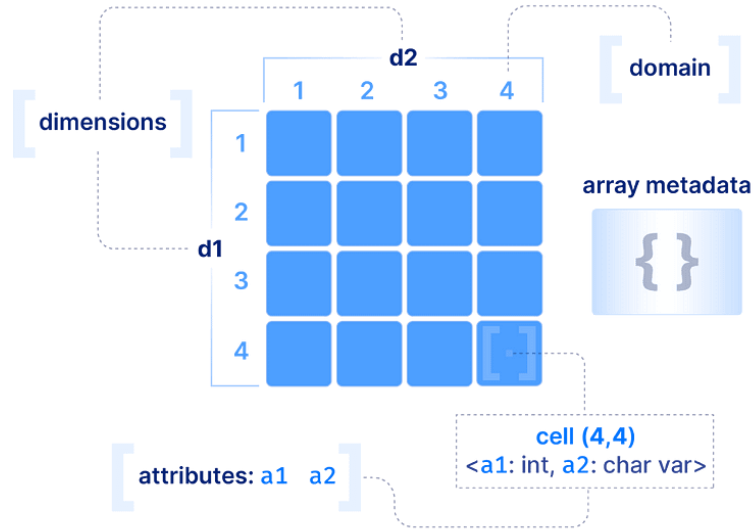
Ni, Y. et al. (2023) SRL, doi:10.1785/0220230172

TileDB

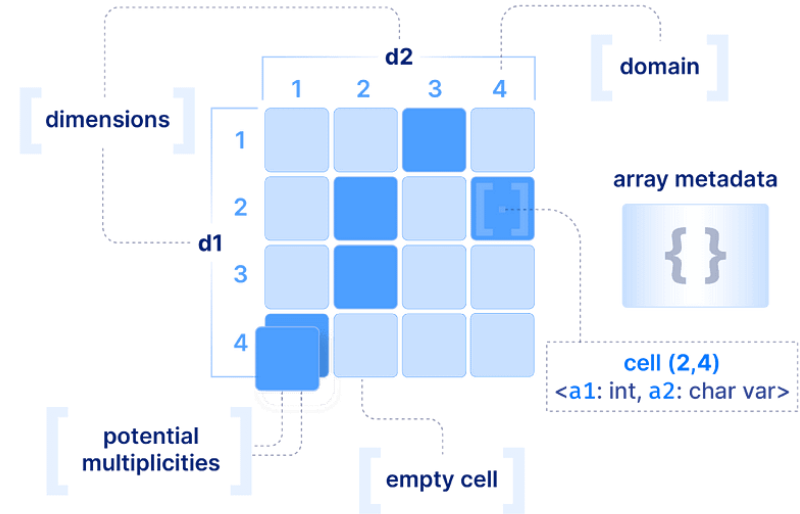
- Support for both dense and sparse arrays
- Support for dataframes and key-value stores
- Optimized for object stores (AWS S3, Google Cloud Storage, Azure Blob Storage)
- Chunked (tiled) arrays
- Tiling and compression
- Parallel IO
- Data versioning (rapid updates, time traveling)
- Groups
- Arbitrary metadata
- APIs from most typical programming languages

TileDB

Dense array



Sparse array

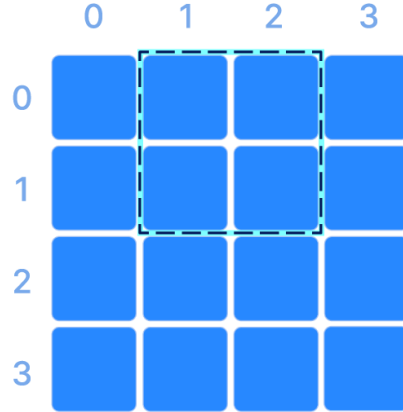


TileDB

Slicing

A [0:2, 1:3]

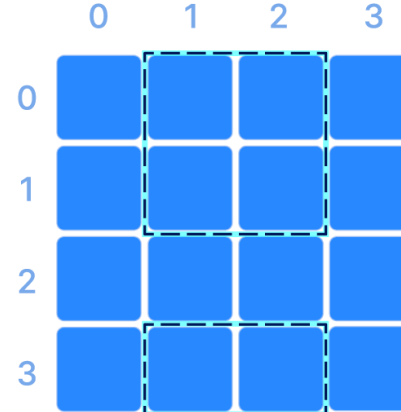
```
SELECT attr FROM A
WHERE d1>=0 AND d1<=1 AND
      d2>=1 AND d2<=2
```



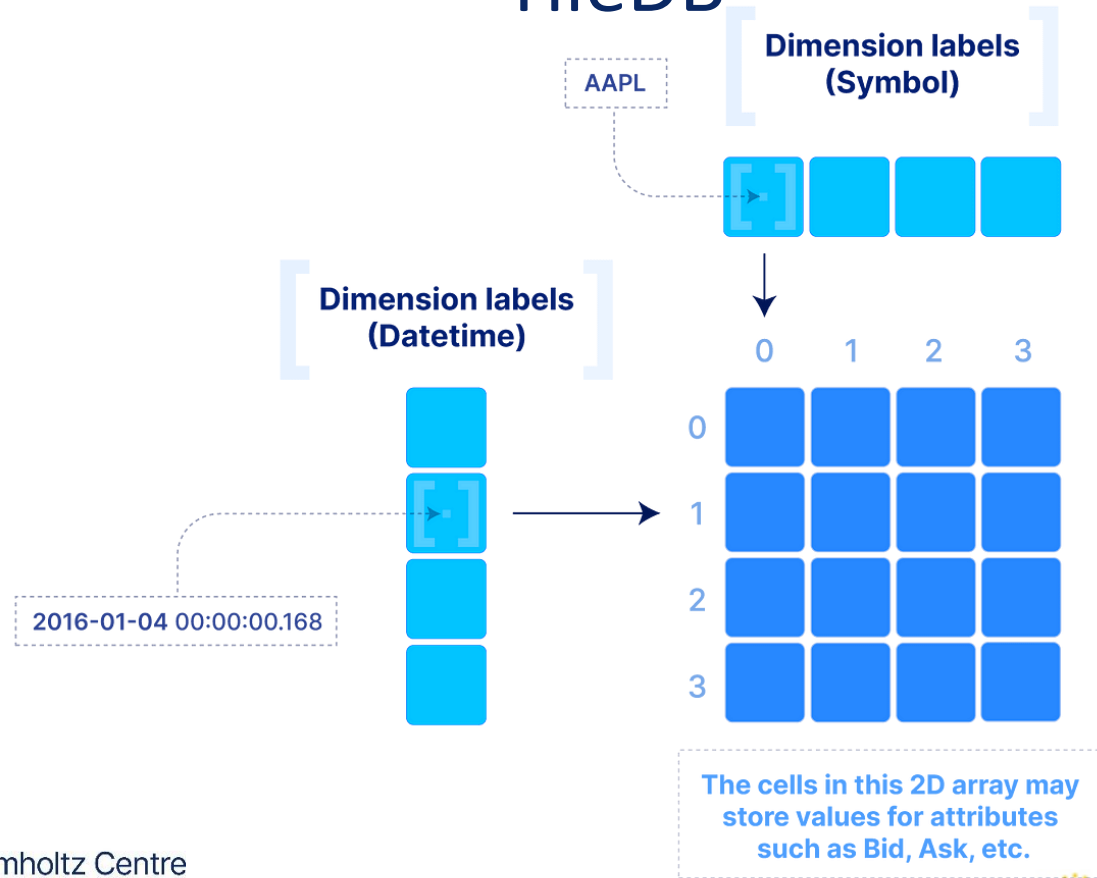
Multi-range Slicing

A [[0,1,3], 1:3]

```
SELECT attr FROM A
WHERE ((d1>=0 AND d1<=1) OR
      d1==3) AND
      d2>=1 AND d2<=2
```



TileDB

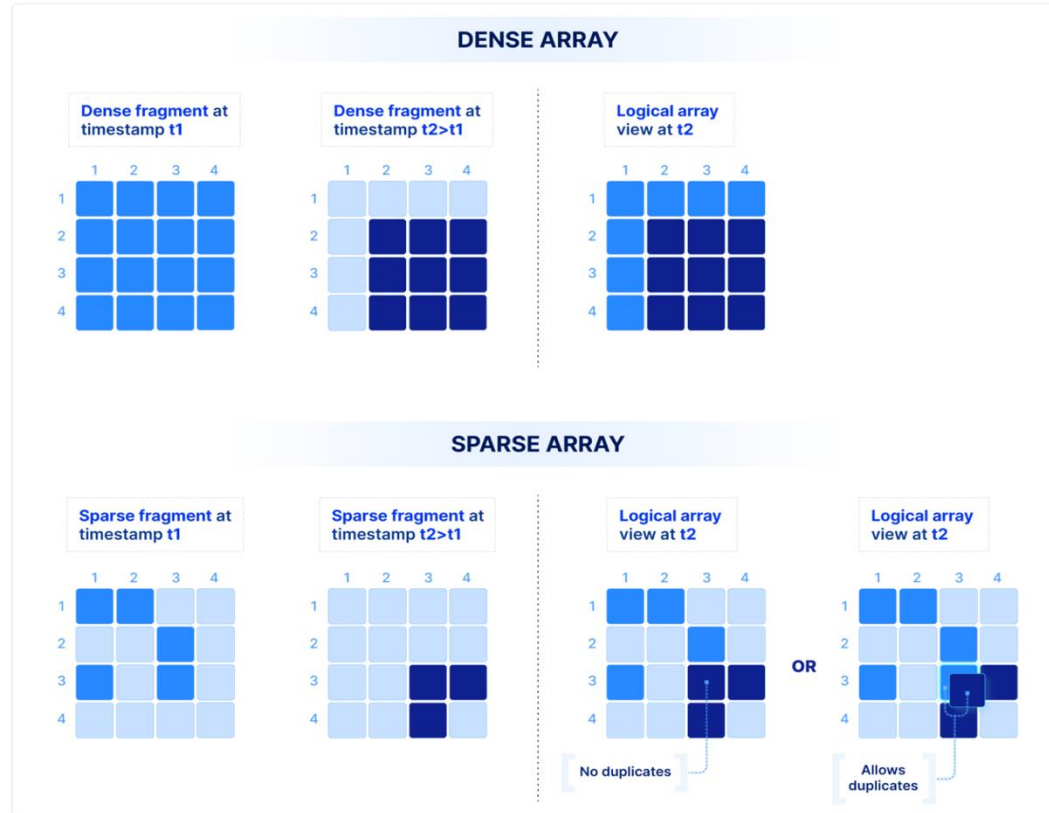


TileDB

```
my_array                                # array directory
├── ...
├── __fragments
│   ├── <timestamped_name>             # fragment directory
│   │   ├── __fragment_metadata.tdb    # fragment metadata
│   │   ├── a0.tdb                    # fixed-sized attribute
│   │   ├── a1.tdb                    # var-sized attribute (offsets)
│   │   ├── a1_var.tdb                # var-sized attribute (values)
│   │   ├── ...
│   │   ├── a2_validity.tdb           # validity of fixed- or var-sized attribute
│   │   ├── ...
│   │   ├── d0.tdb                    # fixed-sized dimension
│   │   ├── d1.tdb                    # var-sized dimension (offsets)
│   │   ├── d1_var.tdb                # var-sized dimension (values)
│   │   └── ...
└── ...
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TileDB



Data distribution (PubDAS)

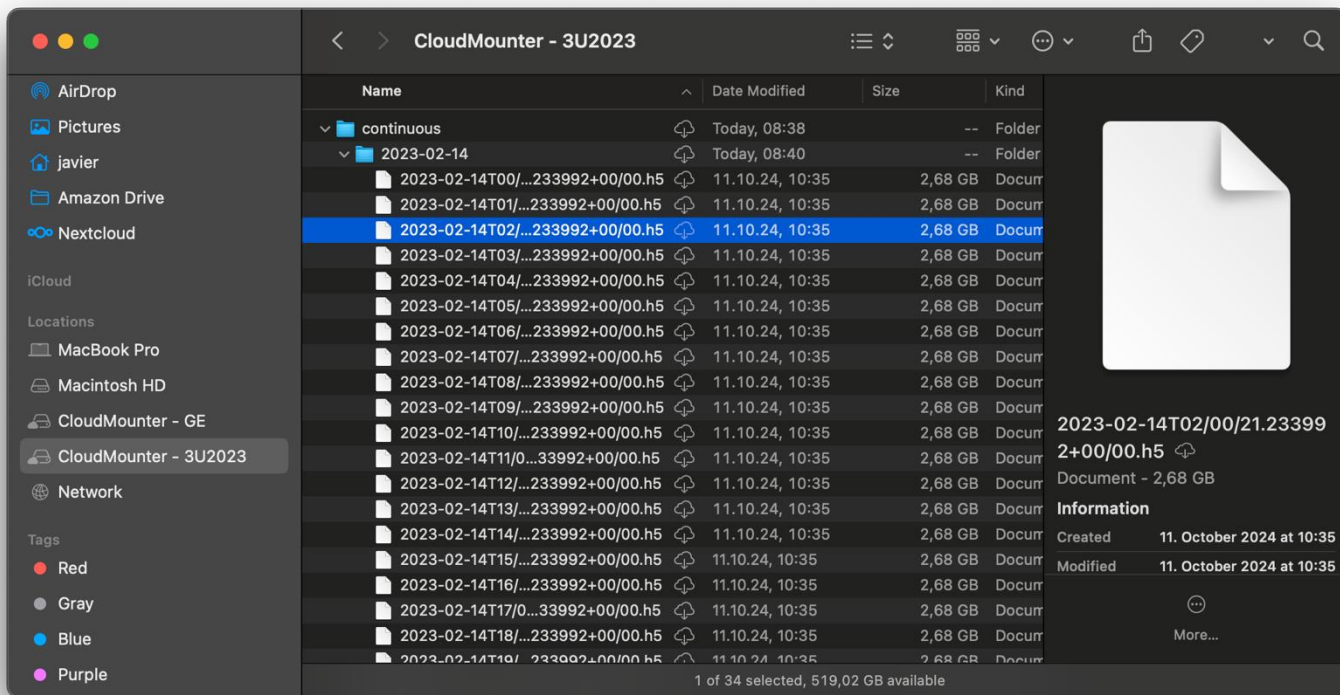
PubDAS was the first rough approach using Globus.

Name	IU	T. span (d)	Format	Sps (hz)	Vol. (Gb)	GL (m)	CL (m)	CS (m)	units
Fairbanks	iDAS	59*	TDSM	1,000	10,441	10	4,000	1	ε
FORESEE	iDAS-v2	365	HDF5	125 [÷]	29,338	10	4,900	2	ε
FOSSA	iDAS-v2	7	TDSM	500	11,680	10	23,300	2	ε
LaFarge	iDAS	2*	SEG-Y	1,000	45	10	1,120	1	ε
Stanford-1	ODH3	940	SEG-Y	50	18,908	7.14	2,500	8.16	ε
Stanford-2	ODH3	14	SEG-Y	250	2,887	20	10,200	8.16	ε
Stanford-3	ODH4	6	SEG-Y	~	92	~	2,500	8.16	ε
Valencia	A1-R	7	HDF5	250 [÷]	3,213	30.4	50,000	16.8	ε

Table 1. List of the data sets currently available on PubDAS and their main characteristics. IU: Interrogator Unit; T. Span: Time span in days; Sps: Samples Per Second in Hertz; Vol.: Volume in Gigabytes; GL: Gauge Length in meters; CL: Cable Length in meters; CS: Channel Spacing in meters; ε: strain rate; ε: strain; A * means data contain active sources. A ~ means that this value may vary; [÷]: means the dataset is downsampled. Name abbreviations are the same as in Fig. 1.

Ni, Y. et al. (2023) SRL, doi:10.1785/0220230172

S3 Bucket with DAS data and metadata



Endpoint: <https://s3.gfz-potsdam.de/> Bucket: gc.3u2023 Size: 468 GB. Objects: 195

AWS client

- The AWS command line client can be installed by the Python pip utility.
- It requires Python 3.9 or a more recent version.
- To do that execute the following command (check if you can do that as a normal user or if you need sudo):

```
$ python3 -m pip install awscli
```

Data distribution

List the objects:

```
$ aws --no-sign-request --endpoint-url https://s3.gfz-potsdam.de s3 ls s3://gc.3u2023
      PRE continuous/
      PRE event_based/
2025-02-24 11:47:40      383235 3u2023.json
2025-02-24 13:40:32       752 README.txt
...
```

Synchronize the bucket:

```
$ aws --no-sign-request --endpoint-url https://s3.gfz-potsdam.de s3 sync s3://bucketname/ .
```

Data distribution

- S3 buckets as the first step.
- To provide the curated raw data (original format, could be non-standard).
- For instance, one (or more) bucket for a full resolution dataset.
- Allow sync/replication of buckets to your S3 provider if needed.
- Your institution to AWS, AWS to Google, and so on.
- We have an example you can try:
 - 3U-2023. Check our landing page of the network.
- One of the main objectives is to provide computation on top of the data.

File Storage System

- Storage of files is a traditional method of saving files.
- Organize data in structured form to make use of files and folders.
- Each file is stored with a specific name and location on a storage device.
- Group data into files and files structured in a directory hierarchy of folders and subfolders.

Object Storage System

- Data is stored independently in structures referred to as objects.
- For each object, it maintains data, metadata, and a unique identifier.
- Rank all objects directly in a flat format for ease of handling large quantities of unstructured data.
- Rich metadata for easier search and retrieval of particular data.
- Objects are identified by a unique ID. Users do not need to know where the object is stored in physical space.
- Access directly through an API.

Object Storage System

- The typical cloud storage is organized in buckets.
- Inside these buckets we store the objects.
- One can attach metadata to objects or buckets.



File vs Object Storage System

	File Storage	Object Storage
Data Structure	Hierarchical file and folder system	Individual objects in a flat structure
Metadata	Limited metadata	Rich metadata
Scalability	Problems as data grows	Infinite scalability for handling large datasets
Accessability	Through network-based file systems	Through API, often used in cloud environments
Performance	Slow down with large workloads or many files	Optimized for large datasets Latency for small tasks

DAS data management activities in progress

Geo-INQUIRE

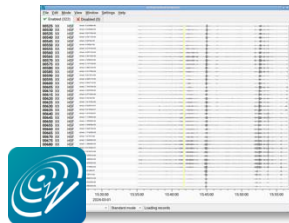
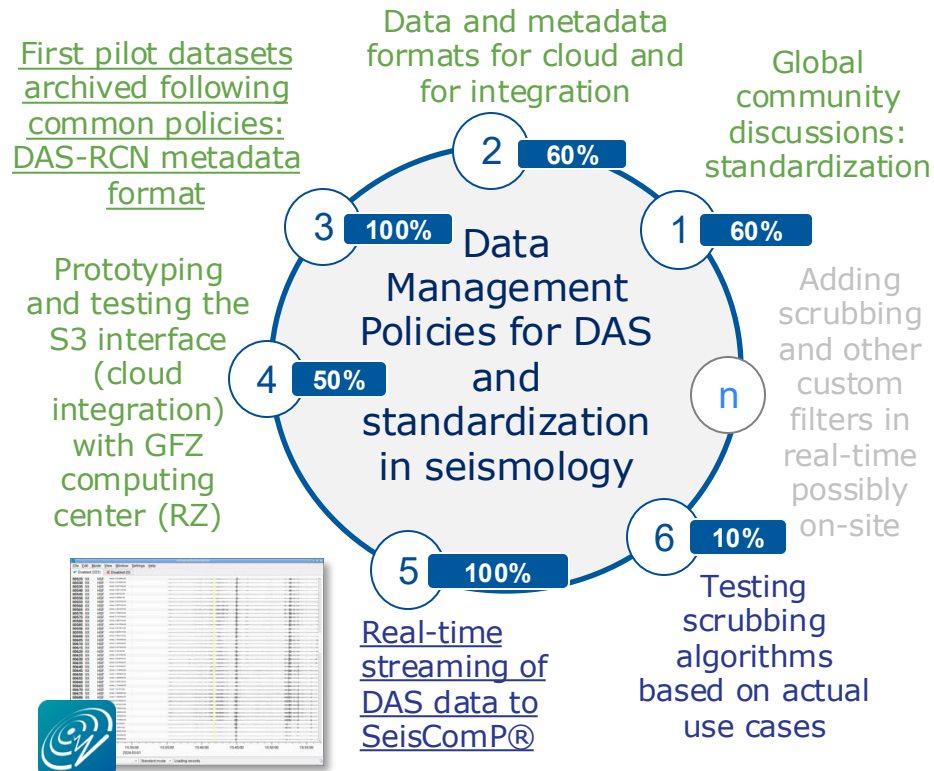


- development of **Data Management Policies**, software, services and tools for DAS data (including proposal, discussion and adoption of standards @FDSN)

SUBMERSE (inheriting part of the **Data Management Policies** from Geo-INQUIRE)



- real-time streaming**
- data scrubbing/vetting
- definition of use cases (earthquakes, volcanoes, tsunamis, biology, etc);
- define and extract observables in real-time where possible



SeedLink in action with OptoDAS

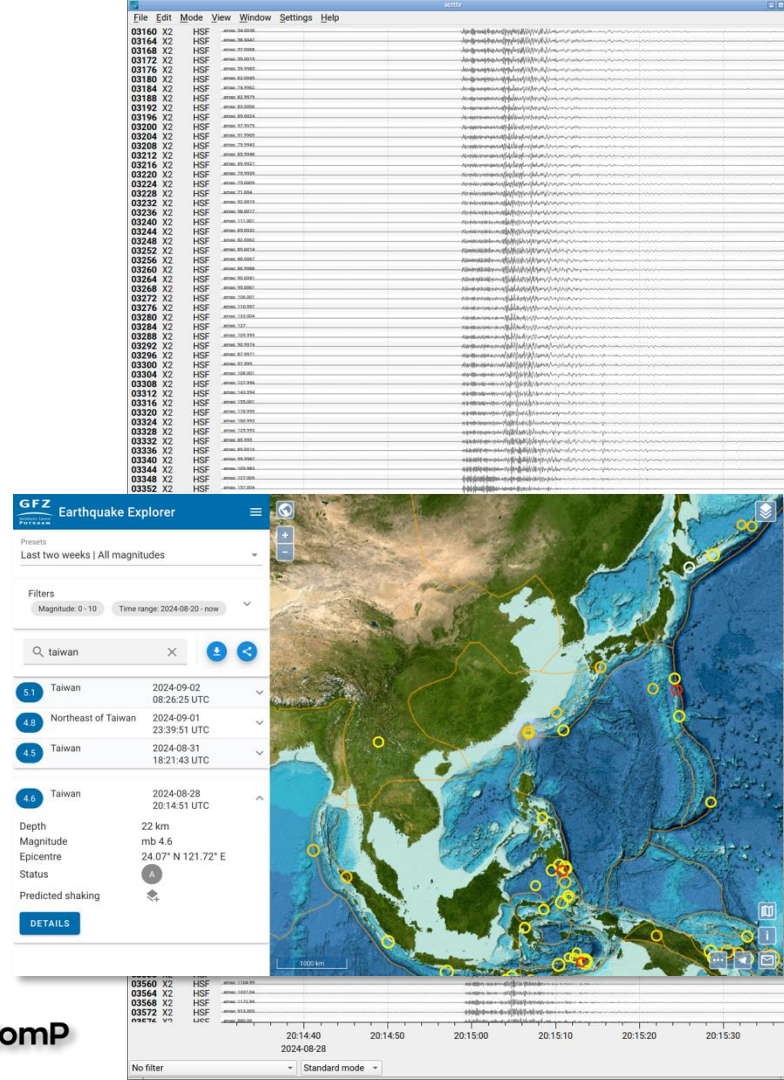
Tested streaming with data from Black Forest Observatory and GFZ campus in Germany (being used in Portugal-Madeira, Preveza-Greece).

Acquired decimated data from Taiwan with SeedLink plugin and server running on the OptoDAS on site (allows to recover gaps)

- Original sample rate 12500 Hz => decimated by 125 to get 100 Hz via SeedLink
- Total number of channels: 7253 ~30 km fiber
- SeedLink channels: 1464 (spacing 4) ~9 GB/day

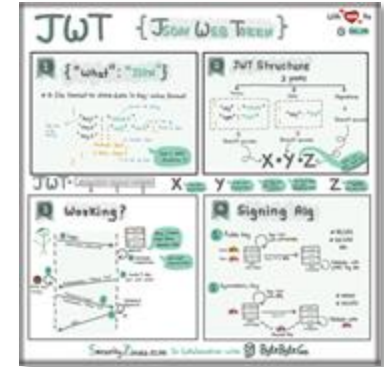
<https://www.seiscomp.de/>

<https://www.seiscomp.de/doc/apps/seedlink.html#seedlink>



Next FDSN standard for AAI

- Adoption of common AAI approach within FDSN federated data centres to seamlessly identify users based on **Json Web Tokens** (<https://jwt.io/>);
- Approach usable by all FDSN standard webservises, including seedlink (real-time streaming protocol)
- EarthScope and EIDA-ORFEUS already using a token based system AAI for the waveform service (for ORFEUS powered by Juelich/GFZ)
- Proposal for standardization @FDSN being finalized





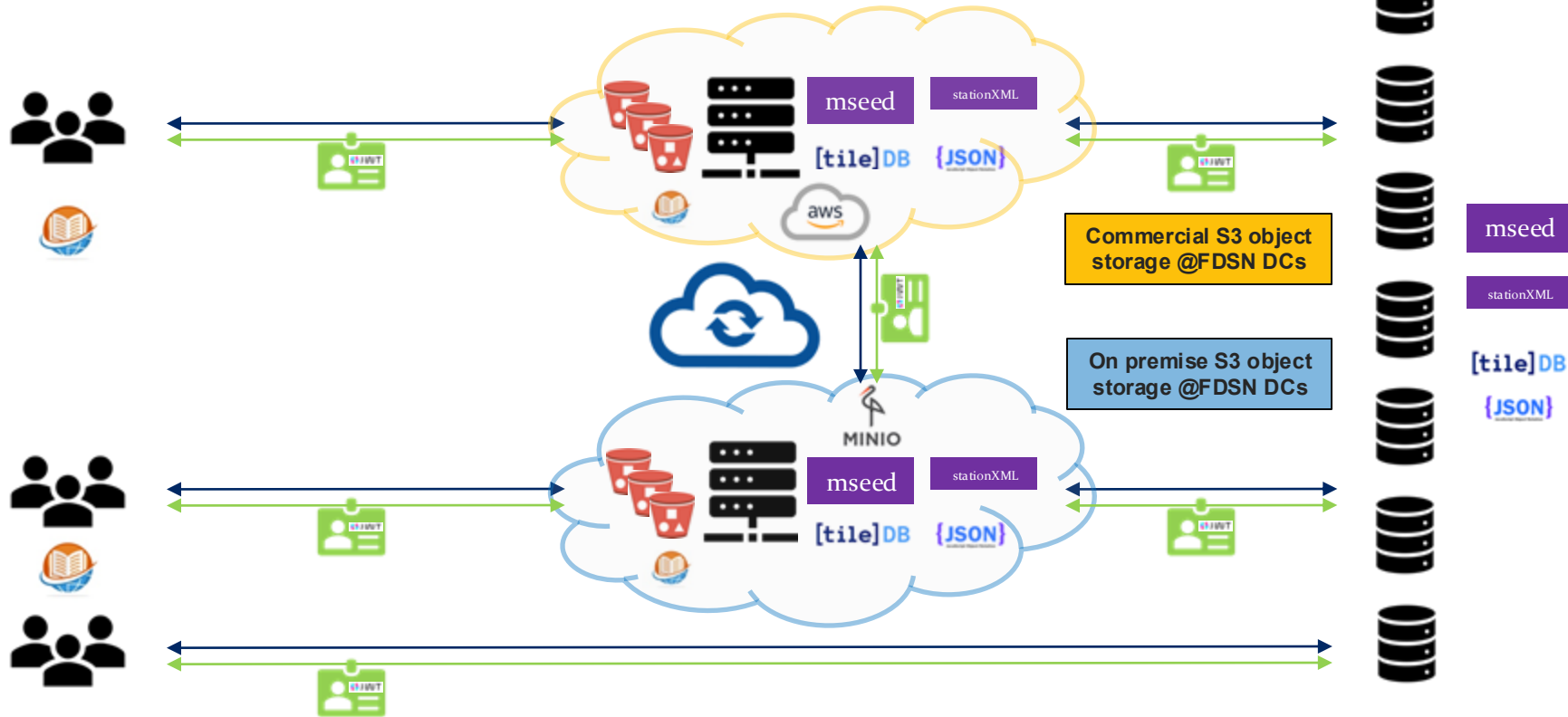
User with JSON
Web Token



S3 buckets (DAS experiment or any
other large TBs assembled data set)



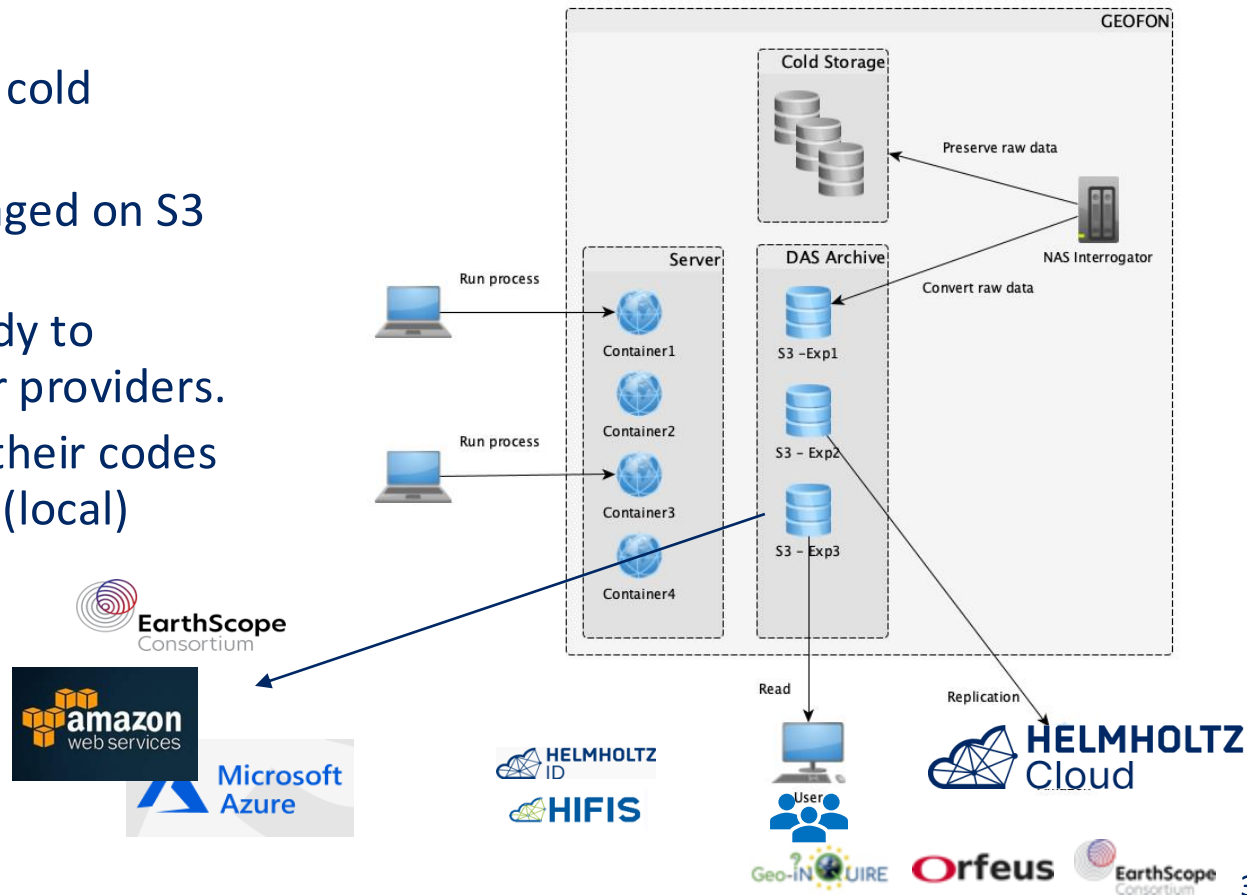
Controlled
vocabularies



FDSN web services end points and archives

Schematic view of a data centre

- Raw data preserved in cold storage (tapes?).
- Full resolution data staged on S3 buckets.
- Open to users and ready to synchronize with other providers.
- Some users could run their codes in containers with fast (local) access to data.



Outlook

- Expecting DAS metadata proposal becoming a standard in 2025
- Open science to co-exist with access control => Common global AAI solution for federated FDSN data centres needed!
- Cable operators, data owners and national authorities should agree on a policy document before they come to us to manage their data
- Possibility to restrict access to metadata (latitude/longitude)
- Proposal for new data format and provisioning via S3 buckets
- Access control on top of S3
- SAFATOR building on top of this towards provision of world class services for DAS, similar data types and use cases

Summary

- Different lines to work on:
 - Metadata format
 - Data format
 - Data provisioning
 - Real-time transmission
- Discussion within FDSN about the "easy" topics:
 - Metadata format
 - Mapping to StationXML. Both will coexist for some time.
 - Channel Naming (Source Identifier?)

Summary

- More complex issues:
 - Standard format for TileDB/Zarr? Or standard interface (API)? This is critical for ML!
 - Abandon the synchronous behavior?
 - Real-time transmission (no Miniseed?)
 - Data provisioning via S3 buckets
 - Computation on top-of-the-data
- If the approach succeeds we can expect a slow migration of standard seismic data to this new solution.

dasmetadata in dastools

- Basic operations to create DAS metadata under different conditions.

```
$ dasmetadata --help
```

```
Usage: dasmetadata [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...
```

Commands:

add-coords	Complete coordinates in the DAS metadata from a CSV or...
add-datacite	Complete the DAS metadata with information from...
create	Create DAS metadata or StationXML for a DAS dataset
json2datacite	Convert JSON metadata to Datacite
json2stationxml	Convert JSON metadata to StationXML
showraw	Show raw metadata from the headers of the raw data

dasmetadata in dastools

```
$ dasmetadata create --help
```

```
Usage: dasmetadata create [OPTIONS]
```

```
Create DAS metadata or StationXML for a DAS dataset
```

Options:

<code>--experiment TEXT</code>	Experiment to read and process
<code>--directory TEXT</code>	Directory where files are located (default: ".")
<code>--start TEXT</code>	Start of the selected time window
<code>--end TEXT</code>	End of the selected time window
<code>--inputfmt [OptoDAS TDMS]</code>	Format of the data files
<code>--outfile FILENAME</code>	Filename to save the output
<code>--outputfmt [json stationxml]</code>	Format of the output
<code>--empty</code>	Create empty metadata in standard format

dasmetadata in dastools

```
$ dasmetadata showraw --help
```

```
Usage: dasmetadata showraw [OPTIONS]
```

Show raw metadata from the headers of the raw data

Options:

<code>--experiment TEXT</code>	Experiment to read and process
<code>--directory DIRECTORY</code>	Directory where files are located (default: ".")
<code>--start TEXT</code>	Start of the selected time window
<code>--end TEXT</code>	End of the selected time window
<code>--inputfmt [OptoDAS TDMS]</code>	Format of the data files
<code>--outfile FILENAME</code>	Filename to save the output

dasmetadata in dastools

```
$ dasmetadata add-datacite --help
```

```
Usage: dasmetadata add-datacite [OPTIONS] DOI
```

Complete the DAS metadata with information from Datacite metadata via a DOI

Options:

--infile FILENAME Input file in JSON format as proposed by the DAS-RCN group.

--outfile FILENAME File where the modified JSON metadata should be saved

--help Show this message and exit.

dasmetadata in dastools

```
$ dasmetadata add-coords --help
```

```
Usage: dasmetadata add-coords [OPTIONS] COORDS
```

Complete coordinates in the DAS metadata from a CSV or KML file

The expected structure of the CSV file is the following: 1) channelID as expected in the output metadata (e.g. A1234, B4321). No more than 5 characters. 2) latitude as a float 3) longitude as a float 4) elevation in meters as a float (optional) 5) distance along fiber in meters as a float (optional)

Options:

```
--infile FILENAME    Input file in JSON format as proposed by the DAS-RCN  
                      group.
```

```
--outfile FILENAME   File where the modified JSON metadata should be saved
```

DAS Metadata Editor

- Offline web page to edit DAS metadata
- You can import existing metadata, complete and validate it

<https://git.gfz-potsdam.de/geofon/DASmetaeditor/>

GFZ Helmholtz Centre for Geosciences
Developer: Heesun Joo | heesun@gfz.de
GitLab: [/DASmetaeditor](#)
Version: 0.1.0

DAS Metadata Editor & Validator

Create Template ▼ Import JSON Validate JSON Export JSON

Overview Cables Fibers Interrogators Acquisitions Channel Groups

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schema:

version:

▼ - cables: +

▼ 0:

▼ cable_bounding_box:

0:

1:

2:

3:

cable_characteristics:

cable_environment:

cable_id:

cable_owner:

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