wis2box

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wis2box is a Python reference implementation of a WMO WIS 2.0 node. The project provides a plug and play toolset to ingest, process, and publish weather/climate/water data using standards-based approaches in alignment with the WIS 2.0 principles. In addition, wis2box also provides access to all data in the WIS 2.0 network, from other wis2box instances and global centres.

wis2box is designed to have a low barrier to entry for data providers, providing enabling infrastructure and services for data discovery, access, and visualization.

### 1.1 Features

- WIS 2.0 compliant: easily register your wis2box to WIS 2.0 infrastructure, conformant to WMO data and metadata standards
- event driven or interactive data ingest/process/publishing pipeline
- visualization of stations/data on interactive maps
- discovery metadata management and publishing
• download/access of data from WIS 2.0 network to your local environment

• standards-based data services and access mechanisms:
  – Data
    * BUFR
  – APIs
    * OGC API
    * MQTT
    * STAC

• robust and extensible plugin framework. Write your own data processing engines and integrate seamlessly into wis2box!

• free and open source (FOSS)

• containerized: use of Docker, enabling easy deployment
Download wis2box and start using Malawi test data:

```bash
git clone https://github.com/wmo-im/wis2box.git
cd wis2box
```

For the purposes of a quickstart, this deployment expects the test environment, which includes data and metadata. This is done by using the test environment file:

```bash
cp tests/test.env dev.env
vi dev.env
```

```bash
# ensure WIS2BOX_HOST_DATADIR is set to a local path on disk for persistent storage
```

**Note:** For more information on deployment, see *Administration* and *Configuration*

Start wis2box with Docker Compose and login to the wis2box container:

```bash
python3 wis2box-ctl.py start
python3 wis2box-ctl.py status --all # The --all flag shows all containers, even ones that are down.
python3 wis2box-ctl.py login
```

Once logged in, create the environment and verify it is correct:

```bash
wis2box environment create
wis2box environment show
```

Setup observation data processing and API publication:

```bash
wis2box data setup --topic-hierarchy data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.$FWCL.landFixed
wis2box api add-collection --topic-hierarchy data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.$FWCL.landFixed $WIS2BOX_DATADIR/metadata/discovery/surface-weather-observations.yml
```

Publish station collection and discovery metadata to the API:

```bash
wis2box metadata station cache $WIS2BOX_DATADIR/metadata/station/station_list.csv
wis2box metadata station publish-collection
wis2box metadata discovery publish $WIS2BOX_DATADIR/metadata/discovery/surface-weather-observations.yml
```

Process data via CLI:
`wis2box` data ingest --topic-hierarchy data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.
  landFixed --path $WIS2BOX_DATADIR/observations/WIGOS_0-454-2-AWSNAMITAMBO_2021-07-07.
  --csv

`wis2box` api add-collection-items --recursive --path $WIS2BOX_DATADIR/data/public

Logout of `wis2box` container:

```
exit
```

Restart the `wis2box` API container:

```
python3 wis2box-ctl.py restart pygeoapi
```

From here, you can run `python3 wis2box-ctl.py status` to confirm that containers are running.

To explore your `wis2box` installation and services, visit `http://localhost:8999` in your web browser.
The WMO Information System is a coordinated global infrastructure responsible for telecommunications and data management functions and is owned and operated by WMO Members.

WIS provides an integrated approach suitable for all WMO Programmes to meet the requirements for routine collection and automated dissemination of observed data and products, as well as data discovery, access, and retrieval services for weather, climate, water, and related data produced by centres and Member countries in the framework of any WMO Programme. It is capable of exchanging large data volumes, such as new ground and satellite-based systems, finer resolutions in numerical weather prediction, and hydrological models and their applications. These data and products must be available to National Hydrological and Meteorological Services (NHMS), but also national disaster authorities for more timely alerts where and when needed.

WIS is a vital data communications backbone for integrating the diverse real-time and non-real-time high priority data sets, regardless of location.

Further documentation on WIS 2.0 can be found at the following links:

- WIS Overview
wis2box is implemented in the spirit of the Twelve-Factor App methodology.

wis2box is a Docker and Python-based platform with the capabilities for centres to integrate their data holdings and publish them to the WMO Information System with a plug and play capability supporting data publishing, discovery and access.

4.1 High level system context

The following diagram provides a high level overview of the main functions of wis2box:

Core wis2box functionality includes the ability to:

- integrate your existing data processing pipeline
- cache station metadata from the OSCAR/Surface station metadata management tool
- process and transform your weather/climate/water data into official WMO data formats
- create and publish discovery metadata of your datasets
- provide your data via OGC and PubSub standards mechanisms to your data, enabling easy access for web applications, desktop GIS tools, mobile applications
- connect your wis2box to the WIS 2.0 network
- make your data and services available to market search engines
- subscribe to and download weather/climate/water data from the WIS 2.0 network

4.2 Docker Compose

wis2box is built as Docker Compose application, allowing for easy install and container management.
4.3 Container workflow

Let’s dive a little deeper. The following diagram provides a view of all wis2box containers:

Container functionality can be described as follows:

- **Data Consumer**: the data entry point of wis2box. Data pipelines and workflow begins here
- **Data Management**: the epicentre of wis2box. Provides core wis2box administration and data/workflow/publishing utilities
- **Storage**: core data persistence
- **API Application**: OGC APIs providing geospatial web services
- **Web Application**: user interface
## 4.4 Technology

wis2box is built on free and open source (FOSS) technology.

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<th>Technology</th>
<th>Standards</th>
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<td>MQTT</td>
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<td>pygeometadata</td>
<td>WCMP (WMO Core Metadata Profile) WMDR (WIGOS Metadata Record)</td>
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<td>API Application</td>
<td>data discovery and access</td>
<td>pygeoapi</td>
<td>OGC API</td>
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<td>Web Application</td>
<td>data discovery and visualization</td>
<td>Vue.js Leaflet</td>
<td>OGC API</td>
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</table>
wis2box is built for easy installation across various operating systems and environments.

5.1 Requirements and dependencies

wis2box requires Python 3 and Docker 1.13+.

Core dependencies are installed as containers in the Docker Compose deployment of wis2box. This is true for the software wis2box itself, which runs as a container orchestrating the necessary data management workflows of a node as part of the WIS 2.0 network.

Once Python and Docker are installed, wis2box needs to be installed.

5.2 ZIP Archive

```
# curl, wget or download from your web browser
curl https://github.com/wmo-im/wis2box/archive/refs/heads/main.zip
cd wis2box-main
```

5.3 GitHub

```
# clone wisebox GitHub repository
git clone https://github.com/wmo-im/wis2box.git
cd wis2box
```

5.4 Summary

Congratulations! Whichever of the abovementioned methods you chose, you have successfully installed wis2box onto your system. From here, you can get started with test data by following the Quickstart, or continue on to Configuration.
CONFIGURATION

Once you have installed wis2box, it is time to setup the configuration. wis2box setup is based on a simple configuration that can be adjusted depending the user’s needs and deployment environment.

6.1 Environment variables

wis2box configuration is driven primarily by a small set of environment variables. The runtime configuration is defined in the Env format in a plain text file named dev.env and docker/default.env.

Any values set in dev.env override the default environment variables in docker/default.env. For further / specialized configuration, see the sections below.

6.1.1 WIS2BOX_HOST_DATADIR

The minimum required setting in dev.env is the WIS2BOX_HOST_DATADIR environment variable. Setting this value is required to map the wis2box data directory from the host system to the containers.

It is recommended to set this value to an absolute path on your system.

6.2 Sections

Note: A reference configuration can always be found in the wis2box GitHub repository. The Quickstart uses a variant of wis2box.env with mappings to the test data, as an example. For complex installations, it is recommended to start configuring wis2box by copying the example wis2box.env file and modifying accordingly.

Wis2box environment variables can be categorized via the following core sections:

- **Data**: locations of where data is stored as well as retention specifications
- **API**: API configuration for provisioning the OGC API capabilities
- **Logging**: logging configuration for wis2box
- **PubSub**: PubSub options
- **Other**: other miscellaneous options

Note: Configuration directives and reference are described below via annotated examples. Changes in configuration require a restart of wis2box to take effect. See the Administration section for information on managing wis2box.
6.2.1 Data

The data configurations provide control of directories on the host machine bound into the Docker volume and wis2box. The default relationship below resembles the directory structure within the wis2box volume.

Note: Make sure to use **absolute paths** instead of relative paths.

```
WIS2BOX_HOST_DATADIR=${PWD}/wis2box-data # wis2box host data directory
WIS2BOX_DATADIR=/data/wis2box   # wis2box data directory
WIS2BOX_DATA_RETENTION_DAYS=7   # wis2box data retention time, in days. Data older than
                                 # this value is # is deleted on a daily basis
```

6.2.2 API

API configurations drive control of the OGC API setup.

```
WIS2BOX_API_TYPE=pygeoapi # server type
WIS2BOX_API_URL=http://localhost:8999/pygeoapi # public landing page endpoint
WIS2BOX_API_CONFIG=${PWD}/docker/pygeoapi/pygeoapi-config.yml # configuration file
WIS2BOX_API_BACKEND_TYPE=Elasticsearch # backend provider type
WIS2BOX_API_BACKEND_URL=http://elasticsearch:9200 # internal backend connection URL
```

6.2.3 Logging

The logging directives control logging level/severity and output.

```
WIS2BOX_LOGGING_LOGLEVEL=ERROR   # the logging level (see https://docs.python.org/3/
                                 # library/logging.html#logging-levels)
WIS2BOX_LOGGING_LOGFILE=stdout   # the full file path to the logfile or `stdout` to
                                 # display on console
```

6.2.4 PubSub

PubSub configuration provides connectivity information for the PubSub broker.

```
WIS2BOX_BROKER=mqtt://wis2box:wis2box@mosquitto/   # RFC 1738 syntax of internal broker
```


### 6.2.5 Other

Additional directives provide various configurations control of configuration options for the deployment of wis2box.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Environment Variable</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>WIS2BOX_OSCAR_API_TOKEN=some_token</td>
<td>OSCAR/Surface API token for OSCAR API interaction</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WIS2BOX_URL=<a href="http://localhost:8999/">http://localhost:8999/</a></td>
<td>public wis2box url</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note:** To access internal containers, URL configurations should point to the named containers as specified in `docker-compose.yml`.

A full configuration example can be found below:

```yaml
# Required
WIS2BOX_HOST_DATADIR=/path/to/local/data/directory

# Optional
# Environment variable overrides

# data paths and retention
WIS2BOX_DATADIR=/data/wis2box
WIS2BOX_DATA_RETENTION_DAYS=7

# API
WIS2BOX_API_TYPE=pygeoapi
WIS2BOX_API_URL=http://localhost:8999/pygeoapi
WIS2BOX_API_CONFIG=/data/wis2box/pygeoapi-config.yml
WIS2BOX_API_BACKEND_TYPE=Elasticsearch
WIS2BOX_API_BACKEND_URL=http://elasticsearch:9200

# logging
WIS2BOX_LOGGING_LOGLEVEL=ERROR
WIS2BOX_LOGGING_LOGFILE=stdout

# PubSub
WIS2BOX_BROKER=mqtt://wis2box:wis2box@mosquitto

# other
WIS2BOX_OSCAR_API_TOKEN=some_token
WIS2BOX_URL=http://localhost:8999

# mappings of topic hierarchy to wis2box data plugins
# optionally override default mappings from wis2box data plugins
# WIS2BOX_DATADIR_DATA_MAPPINGS=${PWD}/wis2box-data-mappings.yml
```
6.3 Docker Compose

The Docker Compose setup is driven from the resulting dev.env file created. For advanced cases and/or power users, updates can also be made to docker-compose.yml or docker-compose.override.yml (for changes to ports).

6.4 Summary

At this point, you have defined the runtime configuration required to administer your wis2box installation.
Wis2box is designed to be built as a network of virtual machines within a virtual network. Once this is built, users login into the main wis2box machine to setup their workflow and configurations for data processing and publishing.

The `wis2box-ctl.py` utility provides a number of tools for managing the wis2box containers.

The following steps provide an example of container management workflow.

```
# build all images
python3 wis2box-ctl.py build

# start system
python3 wis2box-ctl.py start

# stop system
python3 wis2box-ctl.py stop

# view status of all deployed containers
python3 wis2box-ctl.py status
```

**Note:** Run `python3 wis2box-ctl.py --help` for all usage options.

With wis2box now installed and started, it’s time to start up the box and login to the wis2box container:

```
python3 wis2box-ctl.py start
python3 wis2box-ctl.py login
```

Now that you are logged into the wis2box container, it’s now time to manage station metadata, discovery metadata and data processing pipelines.
wis2box workflows can be categorized as design time (interactive) or runtime (automated).

### 8.1 Design time

- environment creation
- topic hierarchy registration
- station metadata caching
- station metadata API publishing
- discovery metadata API publishing

### 8.2 Runtime

- automated data processing and API/PubSub publishing

### 8.3 Running topics

#### 8.3.1 Environment

wis2box requires the environment to be initialized before data processing or publishing.

```
wis2box environment create
```

This command will create all the directories required. You can check the environment at any time with:

```
wis2box environment show
```

For the purposes of documentation, the value `WIS2BOX_DATADIR` represents the base directory for all data managed in wis2box.
8.3.2 Concepts

Let’s clarify a few concepts as part working with wis2box:

- **topic hierarchy**: thesaurus defined by WMO to categorize and classify data, allowing for easy and efficient search
- **discovery metadata**: description of a dataset to be included in the WIS 2.0 global catalogue
- **catalogue**: a collection of discovery metadata records
- **station metadata**: description of the properties of an observing station, which provides observations and measurements
- **data mappings**: the wis2box mechanism to define and associate a topic hierarchy to a processing pipeline

8.3.3 Topic hierarchy

**Note**: The WIS 2.0 topic hierarchies are currently in development. wis2box implementation of the topic hierarchies will change, based on ratifications/updates of the topic hierarchies in WMO technical regulations and publications.

wis2box implements the WIS 2.0 topic hierarchies, which are designed to efficiently categorize and classify data, by implementing directory hierarchies. For example, the below exemplifies a WIS 2.0 topic hierarchy as implemented in wis2box:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>WIS 2.0 topic hierarchy</th>
<th>wis2box directory</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>foo.bar.baz</td>
<td>foo/bar/baz</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

wis2box topic hierarchies are managed **under** the various wis2box directories, and are used as part of both design time and runtime workflow.

To create a wis2box topic hierarchy:

```
wis2box data setup --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz
```

This will create the topic hierarchy under the required wis2box directories in support of automated processing and publishing.

To view a given topic hierarchy setup:

```
wis2box data info --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz
```

8.3.4 Data mappings

Once a topic hierarchy is defined, it needs to be included in the wis2box data mappings configuration. wis2box provides a default data mapping:

```
data:
    data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.landFixed: wis2box.data.observations._ObservationData
```

The format of the `data` property is `key: value`, where:

- **key**: the topic hierarchy defined in the system
• value: the codepath that implements the relevant data processing

The default data mapping can be overridden by user-defined data mappings with the following steps:

• create a YAML file similar to the above to include your topic hierarchy
• set the WIS2BOX_DATA_MAPPINGS environment variable to point to the new file of definitions
• restart wis2box

See Extending wis2box for more information on adding your own data processing pipeline.

### 8.3.5 Station metadata

wis2box is designed to support data ingest and processing of any kind. For observations, processing workflow typically requires station metadata to be present at runtime.

wis2box provides the ability to cache station metadata from the WMO OSCAR/Surface system.

To cache your stations of interest, create a CSV file formatting per below, specifying one line (with station name and WIGOS station identifier [WSI]) per station:

```
station_name,wigos_station_identifier
Balaka,0-454-2-AWSBALAKA
Kayerekeka,0-454-2-AWSKAYEREKERA
Lobi_EPA,0-454-2-AWSLOBI
Malomo_EPA,0-454-2-AWSMALOMO
Namitambo,0-454-2-AWSNAMITAMBO
Nkhoma_University,0-454-2-AWSNKHOMA
Toleza,0-454-2-AWSTOLEZA
```

Use this CSV to cache station metadata:

```
wis2box metadata station cache /path/to/station_list.csv
```

Resulting station metadata files (JSON) are stored in WIS2BOX_DATADIR/data/metadata/station and can be used by wis2box data processing pipelines. These data are required before starting automated processing.

#### 8.3.5.1 Summary

At this point, you have cached the required station metadata for your given dataset(s).

### 8.3.6 Discovery metadata

Discovery metadata describes a given dataset or collection. Data being published through a wis2box requires discovery metadata (describing it) to be created, maintained and published to the wis2box catalogue API.

wis2box supports managing discovery metadata using the WMO Core Metadata Profile (WCMP) 2.0 standard.

**Note:** WCMP 2.0 is currently in development as part of WMO activities.

Creating a discovery metadata record in wis2box is as easy as completing a YAML configuration file. wis2box leverages the pygeometadata project’s metadata control file (MCF) format. Below is an example MCF file.
wi2box:
  retention: P30D
  topic_hierarchy: data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.landFixed
  data_category: observationsSurfaceLand
  country_code: mw
  originator: FWCL
  station_type: landFixed

mcf:
  version: 1.0

metadata:
  identifier: data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.landFixed
  language: en
  language_alternate: fr
  charset: utf8
  hierarchylevel: dataset
  datestamp: 2021-11-29

spatial:
  datatype: vector
  geomtype: point

identification:
  language: en
  charset: utf8
  title:
    en: Surface weather observations (hourly)
  abstract:
    en: Surface weather observations (hourly)
  dates:
    creation: 2021-11-29
    publication: 2021-11-29
  keywords:
    default:
      keywords:
        en:
          - surface weather
          - temperature
          - observations
    wmo:
      keywords:
        en:
          - weatherObservations
      keywords_type: theme
      vocabulary:
        name:
          en: WMO Category Code
    wis2:
      keywords:
        en:
- mw.malawi.weatherObservations.dataset_name
  keywords_type: theme
  vocabulary:
    name:
      en: WMO Core Metadata profile topic hierarchy

topiccategory:
  - climatologyMeteorologyAtmosphere

extents:
  spatial:
    - bbox: [32.6881653175, -16.8012997372, 35.7719047381, -9.23059905359]
      crs: 4326
  temporal:
    - begin: 2021-11-29
      end: null
      resolution: P1H

fees: None
accessconstraints: otherRestrictions
rights:
  en: WMO Unified Policy for the International Exchange of Earth System Data
url: https://example.org/malawi-surface-weather-observations
status: onGoing
maintenancefrequency: continual

contact:
  pointOfContact: &contact_poc
    organization: Department of Climate Change and Meteorological Services (DCCMS)
    url: https://www.metmalawi.gov.mw
    individualname: Firstname Lastname
    positionname: Position Name
    phone: +265-1-822-014
    fax: +265-1-822-215
    address: P.O. Box 1808
    city: Blantyre
    administrativearea: Blantyre District
    postalcode: M3H 5T4
    country: Malawi
    email: you@example.org
    hoursofservice: 0700h - 1500h UTC
    contactinstructions: email

  distributor: &contact_poc

dataquality:
  scope:
    level: dataset
  lineage:
    statement: this data was generated by the csv2bufr tool

Note: There are no conventions to the MCF filename. The filename does not get used/exposed or published. It is up
to the user to determine the best filename, keeping in mind your wis2box system may manage and publish numerous datasets (and MCF files) over time.

### 8.3.6.1 Summary

At this point, you have created discovery metadata for your given dataset(s).

### 8.3.7 Data ingest, processing and publishing

At this point, the system is ready for ingest/processing and publishing.

Data ingest, processing and publishing can be run in automated fashion or via the wis2box CLI. Data is ingested, processed, and published as WMO BUFR data, as well GeoJSON features.

#### 8.3.7.1 Interactive ingest, processing and publishing

The `wis2box` CLI provides a data subsystem to process data interactively. CLI data ingest/processing/publishing can be run with explicit or implicit topic hierarchy routing (which needs to be tied to the pipeline via the `Data mappings`).

**Explicit topic hierarchy workflow**

```
# process a single CSV file
wis2box data ingest --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz -p /path/to/file.csv

# process a directory of CSV files
wis2box data ingest --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz -p /path/to/dir

# process a directory of CSV files recursively
wis2box data ingest --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz -p /path/to/dir -r
```

**Implicit topic hierarchy workflow**

```
# process incoming data; topic hierarchy is inferred from fuzzy filepath equivalent
# wis2box will detect 'foo/bar/baz' as topic hierarchy 'foo.bar.baz'
wis2box data ingest -p /path/to/foo/bar/baz/data/file.csv
```

#### 8.3.7.2 Event driven ingest, processing and publishing

One all metadata, topic hierarchies, and data configurations are setup, event driven workflow will immediately start to listen on files in `WIS2BOX_DATADIR/data/incoming` as they are placed in the appropriate topic hierarchy directory.

**Note:** `wis2box` can make `WIS2BOX/data/incoming` accessible via webdav by enabling `docker/docker-compose.webdav.yml`. 

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8.3.7.3 Summary

Congratulations! At this point, you have successfully setup a wis2box data pipeline. Data should be flowing through the system.

8.3.8 API publishing

At this stage:
- station metadata has been configured
- discovery metadata has been created
- data pipelines are configured and running

Let’s dive into publishing the data and metadata:

wis2box provides an API supporting the OGC API standards using pygeoapi.

8.3.8.1 Station metadata API publishing

The first step is to publish our station metadata to the API. The command below will generate local station collection GeoJSON for pygeoapi publication.

```bash
wis2box metadata station publish-collection
```

8.3.8.2 Discovery metadata API publishing

This step will publish dataset discovery metadata to the API.

```bash
wis2box metadata discovery publish /path/to/discovery-metadata.yml
```

8.3.8.3 Dataset collection API publishing

The below command will add the dataset collection to pygeoapi from the discovery metadata MCF created as described in the Discovery metadata section.

```bash
wis2box api add-collection $WIS2BOX_DATADIR/data/config/foo/bar/baz/discovery-metadata.yml --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz
```

To delete the collection from the API backend and configuration:

```bash
wis2box api delete-collection --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz
```

Note that the data itself is being published to the API backend automatically given the event driven workflow. If manual ingest is needed, the following command can be run in interactive mode:

```bash
wis2box api add-collection-items --topic-hierarchy foo.bar.baz
```
8.3.8.4 API container restart

Any change to API configuration requires a restart of the API container, which can be run via the following:

```sh
code
python3 wis2box-ctl.py restart wis2box
```

8.3.8.5 Summary

At this point, you have successfully published the required data and metadata collections to the API.

8.3.9 Data retention

wis2box is configured to set data retention according to your requirements. Data retention is managed via the `WIS2BOX_DATA_RETENTION_DAYS` environment variable as part of configuring wis2box. Data retention includes cleaning of published data and archiving of incoming/raw data.

8.3.9.1 Cleaning

Cleaning is performed by default daily at 0Z by the system, and can also be run interactively with:

```sh
code
# delete data older than WIS2BOX_DATA_RETENTION_DAYS by default
wis2box data clean

# delete data older than --days (force override)
wis2box data clean --days=$WIS2BOX_DATA_RETENTION_DAYS
```

8.3.9.2 Archiving

Cleaning is performed on incoming data by default daily at 1Z by the system, and can also be run interactively with:

```sh
code
wis2box data archive
```

Data is archived to `WIS2BOX_DATADIR/data/archive`. 
wis2box provides a number of data access services and mechanisms in providing data to users, applications and beyond.

## 9.1 OGC API

wis2box data and metadata are made available via the OGC API - Features and OGC API - Records standards.

The OGC API endpoint is located by default at http://localhost:8999/pygeoapi

TODO: example requests

## 9.2 SpatioTemporal Asset Catalog (STAC)

The wis2box SpatioTemporal Asset Catalog (STAC) endpoint can be found at:

http://localhost:8999/stac

...providing the user with a crawlable catalogue of all data on a wis2box.

## 9.3 Web Accessible Folder (WAF)

The wis2box SpatioTemporal Asset Catalog (STAC) endpoint can be found at:

http://localhost:8999/data/

...providing the user with a crawlable online folder of all data on a wis2box.

## 9.4 MQTT

The wis2box MQTT endpoint can be found at:

mqtt://localhost:1883

...providing a PubSub capability for event driven subscription and access.
CHAPTER
TEN

DATA ACCESS

10.1 Overview

This section provides examples of interacting with wis2box data services as described in Services using a number of common tools and software packages.

10.2 API

10.2.1 Using Python, requests and Pandas

Python is a popular programming language which is heavily used in the data science domains. Python provides high level functionality supporting rapid application development with a large ecosystem of packages to work with weather/climate/water data.

Let’s use the Python requests package to further interact with the wis2box API, and Pandas to run some simple summary statistics.

```
import json

import requests

def pretty_print(input):
    print(json.dumps(input, indent=2))

# define the endpoint of the OGC API
api = 'http://localhost:8999/pygeoapi'

10.2.1.1 Stations

Let’s find all the stations in our wis2box:

```
print('Stations:
')
for station in response['features']:
    print(station['properties']['name'])

Number of stations: 19
Stations:
    BALAKA
    BILIRA
    CHIDOOLE
    CHIKANGAWA
    CHIKWEO
    CHINGALE
    KASIYA AWS
    KASUNGU NATIONAL PARK AWS
    KAWALAZI
    KAYEREKERA
    LENGEWE NATIONAL PARK
    LOBI AWS
    MAKANJIRA
    MALOMO
    MLOMBA
    MTOSA BENGA
    NAMITAMBO
    NKHOMA UNIVERSITY
    TOLEZA

10.2.1.2 Discovery Metadata

Now, let’s find all the dataset that are provided by the above stations. Each dataset is identified by a WIS 2.0 discovery metadata record.

```python
[108]: url = f'{api}/collections/discovery-metadata/items'
response = requests.get(url).json()
print('Datasets:
')
for dataset in response['features']:
    print(f'id: {dataset['properties']['id']}, title: {dataset['properties']['title']}')
```

Datasets:

| id: data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.landFixed, title: Surface weather observations (hourly) |

Let’s find all the data access links associated with the Surface weather observations (hourly) dataset:

```python
[109]: dataset_id = 'data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.landFixed'
url = f'{api}/collections/discovery-metadata/items/{dataset_id}'
response = requests.get(url).json()
```

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Let's inspect some of the data in the API's raw GeoJSON format:

```python
url = f'{dataset_api_link}/items'
query_parameters = {
    'wigos_station_identifier': '0-454-2-AWSCHIDOOLE',
    'limit': 10000
}
response = requests.get(url, params=query_parameters).json()
pretty_print(response['features'][0])
```

```json
{
    "id": "WIGOS_0-454-2-AWSCHIDOOLE_20220119T125500",
    "conformsTo": [
        "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-features-1/1.0/req/geojson",
        "http://www.wmo.int/spec/om-profile-1/-/req/geojson"
    ],
    "type": "Feature",
    "geometry": {
        "type": "Point",
        "coordinates": [34.5,
```

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-15.47,
929.0
],
"properties": {
"identifier": "WIGOS_0-454-2-AWSCHIDOOLE_20220119T125500",
"phenomenonTime": "2022-01-19T12:55:00+00:00",
"resultTime": "2022-02-21T15:27:56+00:00",
"wigos_station_identifier": "0-454-2-AWSCHIDOOLE",
"metadata": [
{
"name": "height_of_station_above_ground_level",
"value": 929.0,
"units": "m"
}
],
"observations": {
"air_pressure": {
"value": 90903.14,
"units": "Pa",
"metadata": [
{
"name": "sensor_height_above_mean_sea_level",
"value": 930.0,
"units": "m"
}
]
},
"pressure_at_mean_sea_level": {
"value": 101623.7,
"units": "Pa",
"metadata": [
{
"name": "sensor_height_above_mean_sea_level",
"value": 930.0,
"units": "m"
}
]
},
"change_of_air_pressure_over_past_3_hours": {
"value": null,
"units": "Pa",
"metadata": [
{
"name": "sensor_height_above_mean_sea_level",
"value": 930.0,
"units": "m"
}
]
},
"characteristic_of_pressure_tendency": {
"value": 4.0,
"units": "CODE TABLE",
"metadata": [
  {
    "name": "sensor_height_above_mean_sea_level",
    "value": 930.0,
    "units": "m"
  }
],
"air_temperature": {
  "value": 24.25,
  "units": "Celsius",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 1.5,
      "units": "m"
    }
  ]
},
"dew_point_temperature": {
  "value": 21.25,
  "units": "Celsius",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 1.5,
      "units": "m"
    }
  ]
},
"relative_humidity": {
  "value": 83.0,
  "units": "%",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 1.5,
      "units": "m"
    }
  ]
},
"duration_of_sunshine_1hr": {
  "value": 0.0,
  "units": "min",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "time_period",
      "value": -1.0,
      "units": "h"
    }
  ]
}
"duration_of_sunshine_24h": {
  "value": 0.0,
  "units": "min",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "time_period",
      "value": -24.0,
      "units": "h"
    }
  ]
},
"precipitation_amount_1h": {
  "value": 0.0,
  "units": "kg m-2",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "time_period",
      "value": -1.0,
      "units": "h"
    },
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 1.5,
      "units": "m"
    }
  ]
},
"air_temperature_maximum": {
  "value": 24.55000000000001,
  "units": "Celsius",
  "metadata": [
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      "name": "cell_methods",
      "description": "maximum"
    },
    {
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      "value": -24.0,
      "units": "h"
    },
    {
      "name": "time_period_end",
      "value": 0.0,
      "units": "h"
    },
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 1.5,
      "units": "m"
    }
  ]
}
"air_temperature_minimum": {
  "value": 23.650000000000034,
  "units": "Celsius",
  "metadata": [
    {
      "name": "cell_methods",
      "description": "minimum"
    },
    {
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      "units": "h"
    },
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      "value": 0.0,
      "units": "h"
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    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 1.5,
      "units": "m"
    }
  ]
},
"wind_from_direction": {
  "value": 104.0,
  "units": "deg",
  "metadata": [
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      "value": 2.0,
      "units": "CODE TABLE"
    },
    {
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      "units": "min"
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    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 2.0,
      "units": "m"
    },
    {
      "name": "wind_sensor_type",
      "value": 0.0,
      "units": "FLAG TABLE"
    }
  ]
},

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"wind_speed": {
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  "units": "m/s",
  "metadata": [
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      "value": 2.0,
      "units": "CODE TABLE"
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    {
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      "units": "min"
    },
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 2.0,
      "units": "m"
    },
    {
      "name": "wind_sensor_type",
      "value": 0.0,
      "units": "FLAG TABLE"
    }
  ]
},
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  "value": 2.64,
  "units": "m/s",
  "metadata": [
    {
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      "value": null,
      "units": "CODE TABLE"
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    {
      "name": "time_period",
      "value": null,
      "units": "min"
    },
    {
      "name": "sensor_height_above_local_ground",
      "value": 2.0,
      "units": "m"
    },
    {
      "name": "wind_sensor_type",
      "value": 0.0,
      "units": "FLAG TABLE"
    }
  ]
}
Let's inspect what's measured at Chidoole:

```
[112]: print('Observed properties:

for key, value in response['features'][0]["properties"]['observations'].items():
    print(f'{key} ({value["units"]})')
```

Observed properties:

- air_pressure (Pa)
- pressure_at_mean_sea_level (Pa)
- change_of_air_pressure_over_past_3_hours (Pa)
- characteristic_of_pressure_tendency (CODE TABLE)
- air_temperature (Celsius)
- dew_point_temperature (Celsius)
- relative_humidity (%)
- duration_of_sunshine_1hr (min)
- duration_of_sunshine_24h (min)
- precipitation_amount_1h (kg m⁻²)
Let's use the GeoJSON to build a more user-friendly table

```python
import pandas as pd

datestamp = [obs['properties']['phenomenonTime'] for obs in response['features']]
air_temperature = [obs['properties']['observations']['air_temperature']['value'] for obs in response['features']]

d = {
    'Date/Time': datestamp,
    'Air temperature (°C)': air_temperature
}

df = pd.DataFrame(data=d)
```

```
      Date/Time  Air temperature (°C)
0  2022-01-19T12:55:00+00:00          24.25
1  2022-01-19T13:55:00+00:00          25.35
2  2022-01-19T14:55:00+00:00          24.55
3  2022-01-19T15:55:00+00:00          23.45
4  2022-01-19T16:55:00+00:00          21.95
...
151  2022-01-29T10:55:00+00:00          27.05
152  2022-01-29T11:55:00+00:00          29.95
153  2022-01-29T12:55:00+00:00          28.55
154  2022-01-29T13:55:00+00:00          27.35
155  2022-01-29T14:55:00+00:00          22.35

[156 rows x 2 columns]
```

```python
print("Time extent")
print(f'Begin: {df["Date/Time"].min()}')
print(f'End: {df["Date/Time"].max()}')

print("Summary statistics")
df[['Air temperature (°C)']].describe()
```

Time extent
10.2.3 Using Python and OWSLib

OWSLib is a Python package which provides Pythonic access to OGC APIs and web services. Let’s see how easy it is to work with wis2box with standards-based tooling:

```python
from owslib.ogcapi.features import Features
import pandas as pd

def pretty_print(input):
    print(json.dumps(input, indent=2))

api = 'http://localhost:8999/pygeoapi'

Let’s load the wis2box API into OWSLib and inspect some data

```python
oafeat = Features(api)
collections = oafeat.collections()
print(f'This OGC API Features endpoint has {len(collections["collections"])} datasets')

for dataset in collections["collections"][
    print(dataset["title"])

malawi_obs = oafeat.collection_items('data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.
landFixed')
malawi_obs_df = pd.DataFrame(malawi_obs["features"])

# then filter by station
namitambo_obs = oafeat.collection_items('data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.FWCL.
landFixed', wigos_station_identifier='0-454-2-AWSNAMITAMBO')
namitambo_obs_df = pd.DataFrame(namitambo_obs["features"])
print(malawi_obs_df.dtypes)
print(malawi_obs_df.head(3))
```
This OGC API Features endpoint has 3 datasets
Surface weather observations (hourly)
Stations
Discovery metadata

id          object
conformsTo  object
type        object
geometry    object
properties  object
dtype: object

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<td>2</td>
<td>{'identifier': 'WIGOS_0-454-2-AWSBALAKA_202201...</td>
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### 10.2.4 R

R is a common programming language for data analysis and visualization. R provides easy access to various statistical analysis libraries. We are going to use the R libraries: `sf` to load features, `dplyr` for data manipulation, and

**Install Requirements**

```r
[ ]: install.packages("sf")
install.packages("dplyr")
```

**Import Requirements**

```r
[1]: library(sf)
library(dplyr)
oapi <- "http://pygeoapi/pygeoapi" # jupyter is run through docker
#oapi = http://localhost:8999/pygeoapi # jupyter is run on host machine
```

Linking to GEOS 3.10.2, GDAL 3.4.1, PROJ 8.2.1; `sf_use_s2()` is TRUE

Attaching package: ‘dplyr’
The following objects are masked from ‘package:stats’:

    filter, lag

The following objects are masked from ‘package:base’:

    intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

### 10.2.4.1 Stations

```r
[2]: stations <- read_sf(paste0(oapi,"/collections/stations/items?f=json"))
print(stations)
```

Simple feature collection with 7 features and 5 fields
Geometry type: POINT
Dimension:  XYZ
z_range: zmin: 618 zmax: 1288
Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
# A tibble: 7 × 6
  wigos_id name       url      status id geometry
  <chr> <chr>       <chr>     <chr> <int> <POINT [°]>
1 0-454-2-AWSLOBI LOBI AWS http... opera... 6 5618 Z (34.07244 -14.39528 12...
2 0-454-2-AWSKAYEREKERA KAYEREKERA http... opera... 9 1840 Z (33.67305 -9.92951 848)
3 0-454-2-AWSMALOMO MALOMO http... opera... 9 1873 Z (33.83727 -13.14202 10...  
4 0-454-2-AWSNKHOMA NKHOMA UNI... http... opera... 9 1875 Z (34.10468 -14.04422 12...  
5 0-454-2-AWSTOLEZA TOLEZA http... opera... 9 1880 Z (34.955 -14.948 764)
6 0-454-2-AWSNAMITAMBO NAMITAMBO http... opera... 9 1885 Z (35.27428 -15.84052 80...  
7 0-454-2-AWSBALAKA BALAKA http... opera... 9 1893 Z (34.96667 -14.98333 61...  
```

### 10.2.4.2 Discovery Metadata

```r
[3]: discovery_metadata <- read_sf(paste0(oapi,"/collections/discovery-metadata/items"))
print(discovery_metadata)
```

Simple feature collection with 1 feature and 13 fields
Geometry type: POLYGON
Dimension:  XY
Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
# A tibble: 1 × 14
  identifier externalId title description themes providers language type extent
  <chr>    <chr>   <chr>     <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>
1 data.core... "[} "sc... Surf... Surface we... "[} "...[} "n... en data... "... 
# ... with 5 more variables: created <date>, rights <chr>,
```
10.2.4.3 Observations

```r
[4]: malawi_obs <- read_sf(paste0(oapi,"/collections/data.core.observations-surface-land.mw.
˓FWCL.landFixed/items"))
print(malawi_obs)
```

Simple feature collection with 10 features and 7 fields
Geometry type: POINT
Dimension: XYZ
Bounding box: xmin: 35.27 ymin: -15.84 xmax: 35.27 ymax: -15.84
z_range: zmin: 806 zmax: 806
Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
# A tibble: 10 × 8
  identifier phenomenonTime resultTime wigos_station_id... metadata
     <chr>      <dttm>      <dttm>  0-454-2-AWSNAMI... <chr>
 1 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 14:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 2 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 15:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 3 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 16:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 4 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 17:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 5 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 18:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 6 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 19:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 7 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 20:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 8 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 21:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
 9 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 22:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:14 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
10 WIGOS_0-45... 2021-07-07 23:55:00 2022-02-21 14:15:15 0-454-2-AWSNAMI... 
# ... with 3 more variables: observations <chr>, id <chr>, geometry <POINT [>]}

10.3 PubSub

10.3.1 Using Python and paho-mqtt

This example will use widely available and used python language and libraries to download some announcements, and then retrieve the corresponding data, using only the paho-mqtt client library, in addition to Python standard libraries.

```python
[13]: import json
    import paho.mqtt.client as mqtt
    import random
    import urllib
    import urllib.request

    host='localhost'
    user='wis2box'
    password='wis2box'
```

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The above imports the required modules. It is also assumed that localhost is set up and is publishing messages. Message queueing protocols provide real-time notification about availability of products.

The standard Python package used to subscribe to messages is paho-mqtt (paho.mqtt.client). The package uses callbacks.

Note that messageCount is used to limit the length of the demonstration (otherwise infinite, as it is a continuous flow). Let’s investigate our callbacks.

```
[14]: def sub_connect(client, userdata, flags, rc, properties=None):
    print("on connection to subscribe: ", mqtt.connack_string(rc))
    for s in ["xpublic/#"]:
        client.subscribe(s, qos=1)
```

The sub_connect callback needed is called when the connection is established, which required to subscribe to topics we are interested in (topics are: xpublic/#, where / is a topic separator and # is a wildcard for any tree of topics. The qos=1 refers to Quality of Service, where 1 establishes reception of messages at least once. qos=1 is recommended.

The next callback is called every time a message is received, and decodes and prints the message. To keep the output short for the demonstration, we limit the subscriber to a few messages.

```
[15]: def sub_message(client, userdata, msg):
    ""
    print messages received. Exit on count received.
    ""

    global messageCount,messageCountMaximum

    m = json.loads(msg.payload.decode('utf-8'))

    print(f"message {messageCount} topic: {msg.topic} received: {m}"
    print(f"message {messageCount} data: {getData(m)}")

    messageCount += 1

    if messageCount > messageCountMaximum:
        client.disconnect()
        client.loop_stop()
```

The message handler above calls the getData() (below). The messages themselves are usually announcements of data availability, but when data is small, they can include the data itself (inline) in the content field. Usually the message refers to the data using a link. Here is a routine to obtain the data given an announcement message:
The calling code then registers the callbacks, connects to the broker, and starts the event loop:

```python
client = mqtt.Client(client_id=clientId, protocol=mqtt.MQTTv5)
client.on_connect = sub_connect
client.connect(host)
client.username_pw_set(user, password)
client.on_message = sub_message
client.on_subscribe = sub_subscribed
client.on_unsubscribe = sub_unsubscribed
client.on_publish = sub_published
client.on_log = log
client.loop_forever()
```

The message received:

```
message 0 topic: xpublic/v03/WIS/us/mobile_rgnl_al/surface/aviation/metar/us received: {
  'mode': '664', 'mtime': '20220224T052208.259097815', 'atime': '20220224T052208.20006G15KT
  10SM OVC006 19/16 A3016 RMK AO2 
  SLP161 T01940161 402830183 
  }
message 1 topic: xpublic/v03/WIS/pr/tjgu/surface/miscellaneous/pr received: {
  'mode': '664', 'mtime': '20220224T052208.259097815', 'atime': '20220224T052208.20006G15KT
  10SM OVC006 19/16 A3016 RMK AO2 
  SLP161 T01940161 402830183 
  }
message 2 topic: xpublic/v03/WIS/ca/canadian_met_centre/upperair/aircraft/airep/north-atlantic received: {
  'mode': '664', 'mtime': '20220224T052208.259097815', 'atime': '20220224T052208.20006G15KT
  10SM OVC006 19/16 A3016 RMK AO2 
  SLP161 T01940161 402830183 
  }
```

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10.4 Running These Examples

To be able to run these examples, one needs to start up a Jupyter Notebook environment. Below is an example of starting a Jupyter session:

```
git clone https://github.com/wmo-im/wis2box.git
cd docs/source/data-access
jupyter notebook --ip=0.0.0.0 --port=8888
```

When Jupyter starts up it may open a browser window for you. If not you would need to point a browser at http://localhost:8888 to see the menu of notebooks available in this directory.

10.5 Summary

The above examples provide a number of ways to utilize the wis2box suite of services.
At its core, wis2box is a plugin architecture orchestrating all the required components of a node in the WIS 2.0 network. Driven by topic hierarchies, wis2box can be used to process and publish any type of geospatial data beyond the requirements of the WIS 2.0 itself.

In this section we will to explore how wis2box can be extended. wis2box plugin development requires knowledge of how to program in Python as well as Python’s packaging and module system.

11.1 Building your own data plugin

The heart of a wis2box data plugin is driven from the `wis2box.data.base` abstract base class (ABC) located in `wis2box/data/base.py`. Any wis2box plugin needs to inherit from `wis2box.data.base.BaseAbstractData`. A minimal example can be found below:

```python
from datetime import datetime
from wis2box.data.base import BaseAbstractData

class MyCoolData(BaseAbstractData):
    '''Observation data'''
    def __init__(self, topic_hierarchy: str) -> None:
        super().__init__(topic_hierarchy)

    def transform(self, input_data: Path) -> bool:
        # transform data
        # populate self.output_data with a dict as per:
        self.output_data = [
            {'_meta': {
                'identifier': 'c123',
                'data_date': datetime_object,
            },
            'bufr4': bytes(12356),
            'geojson': geojson_string
        ]
        return True
```

The key function that plugin needs to implement is the `transform` function. This function should return a `True` or `False` of the result of the processing, as well as populate the `output_data` property.

The `output_data` property should provide a list of objects with the following properties:

- `_meta`: object with identifier and Python `datetime` objects based on the observed datetime of the data
11.2 Packaging

The next step is assembling your plugin using standard Python packaging. All plugin code and configuration files should be made part of the package so that it can operate independently when running in wis2box. For distribution and installation, you have the following options:

- publish to the Python Package Index (PyPI) and install in the wis2node container with `pip3 install wis2box-mypackage`
- `git clone` or download your package, and install via `python3 setup.py install`

See the Python packaging tutorial or Cookiecutter PyPackage for guidance and templates/examples.

Note: It is recommended to name your wis2box packages with the convention `wis2box-MYPLUGIN-NAME`, as well as adding the keywords/topics `wis2box` and `plugin` to help discovery on platforms such as GitHub.

11.3 Integration

Once your package is installed on the wis2box container, the data mappings need to be updated to connect your plugin to a topic hierarchy. See Data mappings for more information.

An example plugin for proof of concept can be found in https://github.com/wmo-cop/wis2box-malawi-observations

11.4 Example plugins

The following plugins provide useful examples of wis2box plugins implemented by downstream applications.

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wis2box is developed as a free and open source project on GitHub. The wis2box codebase can be found at https://github.com/wmo-im/wis2box.

12.1 Testing

12.1.1 Unit testing

TODO

12.1.2 Integration testing

TODO

12.1.3 Functional testing

All commits and pull requests to wis2box trigger continuous integration (CI) testing on GitHub Actions.

12.2 Versioning

wis2box follows the Semantic Versioning Specification (SemVer).

12.3 Code Conventions

Python code follows PEP8 coding conventions.
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