

omatt

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Abstract

The OM task *omatt* converts a source list from OM detector coordinates (x, y) to sky coordinates (RA, DEC), produces a sky-coordinate OM OSW image and also performs sky aspect-correction of the image and sources list, provided a subset of the USNO catalogue subset is specified.

1 Instruments/Modes

Instrument	Mode
OM	FAST
OM	IMAGING

2 Use

pipeline processing	yes
interactive analysis	yes

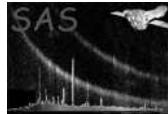
3 Description

This task takes an OM OSW source list, with source positions in pixels, and converts to sky coordinates. The task also produces a sky-rotated image and tries to perform sky aspect-correction of both the image and the source list..

The task requires the user to enter the name of an OSW source list and its corresponding OSW image. The name of the output sky coordinate image must also be passed to the task, along with a tolerance parameter (see below).

The task first reads the binning factors (BINAX1 and BINAX2) from the FITS header, along with the BPE binning flag (TWIXEL) and the *x* and *y* size of the OSW window (in centriod pixels) along with the *x* and *y* offsets of the window. The pixel coordinates of the OSW source list are then converted to the PIXCOORD reference frame (2048 by 2048 centriod pixels).

The OM optics have a small amount of distortion, and the CAL call omDistortion is used to get the offsets of the pixel position from a linear scale. These offsets are then applied to the pixel positions. A



CAL to GetPlateScale is subsequently used to convert from pixels to radians. (The center of the detector, i.e. the position of the OM boresight is pixel 1024.5, 1024.5).

The shift and add process is all performed relative to a reference frame (used to find the tracking stars), so a call to OAL_getAttitude is used, with the time of the reference exposure, to get the spacecraft attitude. The CAL Boresight routine is used to obtain the boresight offset matrix, which is applied to the s/c attitude to get the OM boresight direction, which is then rotated by the roll angle about the s/c boresight direction, as are the tangent plane coordinates. The tangent plane coordinates are then converted to sky coordinates.

The source positions, in RA and DEC, are then written to the source list, along with the positional error (the initial pixel coordinates are retained in the source list).

The second (optional) part of the task employs the USNO catalogue (if available) to correct the RAs and DECs of the sources for any difference between the nominal pointing direction of the satelliet and the true one. The OM pointing vector and field of view are used as parameters to a search of the USNO, which lists all catalog stars in the field of view. The algorithm sets up a grid of offsets in the x and y directions to be used to match up stars in the source list to those in the catalogue. For each set of offsets a maximum likelihood parameter is computed, and the offsets with the maximum parameter value are taken to be the best offsets. If sufficient stars are matched then a least-squares fit is performed, to yield more accurate astrometry. The fit yields more accurate values for the offsets, and also any small rotation bewteen the two coordinate systems. Error for the parameters are computed by Monte Carlo simulations, in which new data sets are generated and the parameters computed. The mean and standard deviations of all the fitted parameters from the simulations are computed, and the standard deviations are used as the errors. Corrected RA and DEC columns are added to the source-list file.

The final section of the code takes the OM OSW image and rotates and rebins it into sky coordinates. From SAS 9.0 onwards, the 16-bit **QUALITY** image is also rotated and added to the output sky-image file. For this image, instead of using an interpolation scheme to set each of its pixels, each pixel is set by checking bits 0 to 10 of the nine pixels of the unrotated-image centred at the interpolation point and setting the corresponding bit if any of those is set.

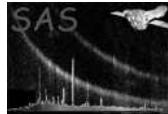
4 Astrometric correction

Because the **RA** and **Dec** of the **OM** pointing direction may not be exactly the same as the coordinates deduced from reference to a catalogue (differences of a few arcsecs in **RA** and **Dec** are typical), **omatt** allows the user to determine these shifts and correct the source positions.

If the task parameter **usecat** is set to true, and the parameter **catfile** is set to the name of the fits catalogue file (or it has the default name usnocolat.fit), **omatt** will attempt to correct the computed source coordinates. The correction is deemed to be a success if the following criteria are met:

- A sufficient number of stars have been matched (if the number of input sources (n) is less than 30, $\max(4, n/4)$, otherwise 10).
- The computed offset errors are no greater than the value of the input parameter **maxradecerr** (arcsecs).
- The computed RMS residual value is no greater than the value of the input parameter **maxrmsres** (arcsecs).

If successful, the columns **RA_CORR** and **DEC_CORR** will contain the corrected RAs and DECs,



respectively, the key-word **POSCOROK** will be set to **true** and the key-words **RAOFFSET**, **RAOFERR**, **DEOFFSET**, **DEOFFERR**, **ROT_CORR**, **ROT_ERR**, **NMATCHES**, **RMSRESID** will contain the computed RA offset, RA offset error, DEC offset, DEC offset error, rotation, rotation error, the number of sources used in the astrometric fit and the root-mean-square residual of the fit, respectively. If the fit was unsuccessful then **POSCORROK** will be set to **false** and the columns **RA_CORR** and **DEC_CORR** will be set equal to the uncorrected values.

The user can use the task parameters **maxradecerr** and **maxrmsres** to change the settings that decide if an astrometric fit is okay (**POSCORROK=true**) or not (**POSCORROK=false**).

Please note that from **SAS 7.2** the astrometric fit does not allow for any rotation between the **OM** and **USNO** coordinate axes, since the computed rotations were never more than a few arc minutes- hence **ROT_CORR** will always be zero.

From **SAS 13.0** the task has a functionality to generate its own USNO subset catalogue, provided the **WCSTOOLS** package is installed on the user's local Linux machine. This functionality is controlled by using the **usecat** and **catfile** parameters: if the parameter **usecat** is set to 'yes' but the parameter **catfile** remains unspecified, then the task will attempt to generate a USNO catalogue subset with its default name **usnocolat.fit**. If this attempt fails (e.g., due to the absence of the **WSCTOLLS** package on the local machine) then the USNO subset is not generated and the aspect-correction routine is skipped, the ODF image and source list remaining uncorrected.

4.1 Catalogue file format

The USNO subset catalogue file could be included into the observation ODF to enable users to re-compute the astrometry correction. Then the name of this subset should be indicated to the task *omatt* in the parameter **catfile**, while the parameter **usecat** should be set to 'yes'. The USNO subset **catalogue** file has to be in the **FITS** file format containing the following columns in the extension named **RAWRES**:

- **CAT_RA** (USNO right ascension coordinate)
- **CAT_DEC** (USNO declination coordinate)
- **CAT_RADEC_ERR** (RMS for the RA and DEC coordinates)
- **BMAG** (B-band magnitudes)
- possibly **RMAG** (R-band magnitudes)

4.2 Astrometric Columns

There are columns for the Right Ascension and declination, position error, **corrected** Right Ascension and Declination, galactic longitude and galactic latitude. The **corrected** (**RA_CORR** and **DEC_CORR**) columns refer to the Right Ascensions and declinations with the astrometric correction applied (if correction successful, **POSCOROK = TRUE**). If the correction wasn't successful (**POSCOROK = FALSE**) then these coordinates will be the same as the uncorrected ones.



5 Modification of Source-axes position angles

The position-angle of the major-axis of each source computed by **omdetect (PA)** is modified by **omatt** so that the angle is measured anti-clockwise from the North Pole.

6 Parameters

This section documents the parameters recognized by this task (if any).

Parameter	Mand	Type	Default	Constraints
set	yes	string	none	

OM image filename (intermediate output product from the previous OM tasks)

sourcelistset	yes	string	none	
OM OSW Source List filename				

ppsoswset	no	string	none	
PPS OM OSW FITS sky image filename				

usecat	no	boolean	F	
Use the USNO-SA 1 catalog				

catfile	no	string	none	
Name of the USNO-catalogue fits file for astrometry correction				

maxradecerr	no	real	1.0	
Maximum allowed RA/dec error in astrometry fit (arcsecs).				

maxrmsres	no	real	1.5	
Maximum allowed rms residual in astrometry fit (arcsecs).				

tolerance	no	real	1.5	0.5:
Tolerance to be used in source-matching (arcsecs).				



rotateimage	no	boolean	T	
Create the rotated sky-image				

7 Errors

This section documents warnings and errors generated by this task (if any). Note that warnings and errors can also be generated in the SAS infrastructure libraries, in which case they would not be documented here. Refer to the index of all errors and warnings available in the HTML version of the SAS documentation.

diffBin (*fatal*)

Different binning in x and y directions

Could not allocate memory for: name (*fatal*)

Memory allocation for the named array failed

Star catalogue not found – no astrometry correction done (*warning*)

Too few sources for astrometry

corrective action:

Need at least 10 stars to do a reliable correction (*warning*)

noCat

corrective action:

No stars in catalogue – catalogue has not been used to correct positions (*warning*)

Cannot do astrometry

corrective action:

No overlap between sources and catalogue stars (*warning*)

Too few guide stars for astrometry correction

corrective action:

Catalogue has not been used to correct positions (*warning*)

Too few sources matched for astrometry

corrective action:

Need at least 10 to do astrometry correction (*warning*)

insuffData

corrective action:

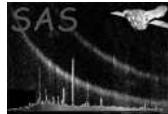
Insufficient number of data for least-squares fit (*warning*)

singularSol

corrective action:

singular solution to astrometric fit (*warning*)

corrective action:



8 Input Files

1. OM OSW source list (as produced by OMDETECT/OMWAVELET)
2. OM OSW FITS image (as produced by OMMODMAP)

9 Output Files

1. OM OSW source list
2. PPS OM OSW FITS sky image.
3. if usecat=true a postscript file will be produced showing the goodness-of-fit of the astrometry correction.

10 Algorithm

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subroutine omatt

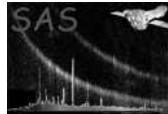
  open output file
  read the OSW window parameters, binning factors from header

  call CAL_GetBoresightMat
  call OAL_GetAttitude (with time of reference frame)

  find OM boresight direction
  rotate by roll angle

  loop over individual source information
    read in individual source information
    extract pixel position
    correct for distortion (CAL_omDistortion)
    call to CAL_omPlatescale to get linear plate-scale
    perform co-ordinate conversion
      (including s/c boresight offset correction and roll angle)
  end loop
  Add columns for the RA and dec of each source to the source-list file.

  if (usecat) then
    read in the catalogue data.
    Set up a grid of offsets deltax and deltay in the x and y directions.
    Sort these offsets into increasing radius order from the origin.
    For each grid shift the stars by deltax and deltay in the x
    and y directions.
    Try to match each star with one in the catalogue by computing the
    distance between it and the selected catalogue stars and regarding
    it as matched if the distance is less than the specified tolerance.
    For each pair of offsets compute a maximum-likelihood parameter and take
    the pair with the maximum value as the best offsets.
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Use these offsets to repeat the star matching, and then perform a least-squares fit to improve the offsets and also determine any small rotation between the two coordinate systems.

Determine errors on the computed parameters by a Monte Carlo procedure which generates artificial data sets from the original, computes the parameters for each simulation, and then at the end computes the mean and standard deviations of all the parameters.

Correct the RAs and Dec of the sources using the computed parameters. Added corrected RA and Dec columns to the source-list file, and also information about the fit.

end if

Rebin, rotate and correct for distortion the image, and write out to a fits file.

Rebin, rotate and correct for distortion the 16-bit QUALITY image, and write out to the same fits

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close OSWSL
close output file
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end subroutine omatt
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11 Comments

- none

12 Future developments

References