

The processing of calibrated AMSU data is achieved by the sequential application of programs which are divided into five logical groups:

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(1) Pre-Processing:
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(1.a) extract_noaa_amsu.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the Specified NOAA polar orbiter 'noaa1', this program loops over the specified range of months and years, and reads the L1B binary files from the specified input directory.
(downloaded from NOAA-CLASS TOVS from from KLM 8.3.1.6.1)
Values of brightness temperature and related data are stored

for each julian day in ASCII files for later use.

USAGE:

For each NOAA orbiter {'noaa15','noaa16','noaa18','noaa19','noaa20'} the user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program to set the orbiter name, the range of days to process, and the input/output paths for the data. The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Polar satellite name
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to Input data
Path to Output data

INPUTS:

AMSU Level 1B files for each {noaa} orbiter should be stored with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath/{noaa}/YYYYMM/NSS.AMAX.SS.Dyyddd.Snnnn.Ennnn.CC

OUTPUTS:

Output ASCII files are stored with the following directory structure and file format:

\$OutPath/{noaa}/YYYY/amsu_{noaa1}_YYYY.DDD_ch5-12.dat

ALGORITHM:

- *Loop over years
- *Loop over months
- *Loop over days in month
 - Construct the set of Input filenames
 - Construct the Output filenames
- *Loop over the input files for this day
 - Open input file
 - Read in header data
- *Loop over records
 - Read in record
 - Skip bad records
- *Loop over 30 scans
 - *Loop over channels(5-12)
 - Calculate Brightness Temperatures
 - *
- Write values to output file
- *
- *
- Close input file
- *

- Construct the Output filenames
- Construct the set of Input filenames
- *Loop over the input files for this day
- Read in AQUA data
- *Loop over scans
- Write values to output file
- *
- *
- Close output file
- *
- *
- *

(1.c) extract_gpsro_profiles.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the specified GPSRO mission, this program loops over the specified range of julian days and years, and reads in all of the WET/ATM profiles for each day. The daily profiles DRY temperatures from 'atmPrf' files and profiles of water vapor from 'wetPrf' files are interpolated to the 100 fixed pressure levels used by the AMSU forward model. Missing data values are replaced using Standard atmosphere values. The resulting interpolated profiles are related values for each Julian day are stored for later use.

USAGE:

For each GPSRO mission {'champ', 'cosmic', 'grace', 'metopa'}, the user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program to set the mission name, the range of days to process and the input/output paths for the data. The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Path to standard atmosphere (Ancillary) data
GPSRO mission name
begining year/Julian day
ending year/Julian day
Path to GPSRO input data
Path to output files

INPUTS:

GPSRO level2 profile files should be stored with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath/{gps}/level2/atmPrf/YYYY.DDD/atmPrf_MMMM.YYYY.DDD.*_nc
\$InPath/{gps}/level2/wetPrf/YYYY.DDD/wetPrf_MMMM.YYYY.DDD.*_nc

** This program requires that matched 'atm' and 'wet' profiles are used. To achieve this, the set of ATM files are read from the \$InPath directory. Then the 2 occurrences of 'atm' in each full file name are replaced with 'wet'. The resulting WET profile must exist to be included. Because of this, the user must be careful not to include 'atm' anywhere in the \$InPath directory name or the program will fail.

OUTPUTS:

Output ASCII files are stored with the following directory structure and file format:

\$OutPath/{gps}/YYYY/Prf_YYYY.DDD.dat'

ALGORITHM:

-Read in Standard Atmosphere data interpolated to AMSU forward model pressures.
*Loop over the years
*Loop over julian days
-Construct the set of ATM input files
*Loop over the number of input files
-Construct the corresponding WET input file name
-Read in data (Temperature) from ATM file
-Interpolate profiles to AMSU forward model pressures
-Read in data (Water Vapor) from WET file
-Interpolate profiles to AMSU forward model pressures
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-Sort profiles by latitude
-Load Standard atmosphere profiles for 5 seasonal latitude bands
-Replace missing profile data using standard atmosphere values
-Open Output file and write profile data for the current day
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(2) AMSU forward model:

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(2.a) amsu_gps.exe

SYNOPSIS:

For the specified GPSRO mission, this program loops over the specified range of julian days and years, and reads in all of the GPSRO profiles for each day. Each profile is passed to an AMSU forward model routine which calculates the brightness temperatures for 15 AMSU channels. The resulting brightness temperatures for

each day are written to an ASCII file for later use.

USAGE:

For each GPSRO mission {'champ', 'cosmic', 'grace', 'metopa'}, the user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program contained in the file 'CONFIG.amsu_gps' to set the mission name, the range of days to process and the input/output paths for the data.

The program is then compiled to generate an executable:

```
bash> make amsu_gps.exe
bash> vi CONFIG.amsu_gps
bash> ./amsu_gps.exe
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RUN PARAMETERS:

Name of GPSRO mission to process
Beginning year/julian day
Ending year/julian day
Path to interpolated GPSRO profiles
Path to output brightness temperature files

INPUTS:

Input ASCII files containing the {gps} profile data should be stored with the following directory structure and file format:

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$InPath/{gps}/YYYY/Prf_YYYY.DDD.dat'
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OUTPUTS:

AMSU brightness temperatures are stored in the files:

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$OutPath/{gps}/YYYY/AMSU_{gps}_atmBt_YYYY.DDD.dat
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ALGORITHM:

- *Loop over years
- *Loop over Julian days
- Open input and output files
- *Loop over input profiles
- Read in GPSRO profiles
- *Loop over 15 AMSU channels
- Calculate brightness temperatures
- Write results to output file
- *
- *
- Close input/output files
- *
- *

(3) Calculate Calibration Coefficients:

(3.a) match_gps_noaa.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the given range of Julian days, read in AMSU data extracted from the specified NOAA dataset and simulated AMSU brightness temperatures from profiles of the specified GPSRO mission.

Find colocated measurements satisfying the matchup criteria and then save the matched values in an ASCII file for later use.

USAGE:

For each combination of GPSRO mission {'champ', 'cosmic', 'grace', 'metopa'} and polar orbiter {'noaa15', 'noaa16', 'noaa18', 'noaa19', 'noaa2'} the user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program to set the GPSRO mission name and polar orbiter name, the range of days to process, and the input/output paths for the data. The user also needs to the criteria for matching coincident values.

The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Name of GPSRO mission to use
Name of NOAA polar orbiter to use
Beginning year/julian day
Ending year/julian day
Path to GPSRO input data
Path to NOAA input data
Path to output file of matched values
Match Criteria: Time
----- Distance
 Scan Angle

INPUTS:

NOAA AMSU data should be stored with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath_noaa/{noaa}/YYYY/amsu_{noaa}_YYYY.DDD_ch5-12.dat

GPSRO simulated AMSU data should be stored in the format:

\$InPath_gps/{gps}/YYYY/AMSU_{gps}_atmBt_YYYY.DDD.dat

OUTPUTS:

Matched AMSU values are stored in ASCII files with the following
directory structure and file format:

\$OutPath/{noaa}_{gps}/YYYY/match_{gps}_{noaa}_YYYY.DDD.dat

ALGORITHM:

*Loop over the years
*Loop over julian days
-Open Output file
-Read in GPSRO data
-Read in NOAA data
*Loop over GPSRO values
-Determine indices of NOAA data that satisfy
the specified match criteria
-Write matched data to output file
*
-Close output file
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(3.b) match_gps_aqua.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the given range of Julian days, read in AMSU data
extracted from the AQUA dataset and simulated
AMSU brightness temperatures from profiles of the
specified GPSRO mission.
Find colocated measurements satisfying the matchup
criteria and then save the matched values in an ASCII
file for later use.

USAGE:

For each GPSRO mission {'champ', 'cosmic', 'grace', 'metopa'},
the user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program
to set the GPSRO mission name, the range of days to process, and
the input/output paths for the data. The user also needs to the
criteria for matching coincident values.
The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Name of GPSRO mission to use
Beginning year/julian day
Ending year/julian day
Path to GPSRO input data
Path to AQUA input data
Path to output file of matched values
Match Criteria: Time

----- Distance
Scan Angle
Brightness Temperature

INPUTS:

AQUA AMSU data should be stored with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath_noaa/aqua/YYYY/amsu_aqua_YYYY.DDD.dat

GPSRO simulated AMSU data should be stored in the format:

\$InPath_gps/{gps}/YYYY/AMSU_{gps}_atmBt_YYYY.DDD.dat

OUTPUTS:

Matched AMSU values are stored in ASCII files with the following directory structure and file format:

\$OutPath/aqua_{gps}/YYYY/match_{gps}_aqua_YYYY.DDD.dat

ALGORITHM:

*Loop over the years
*Loop over julian days
-Open Output file
-Read in GPSRO data
-Read in AQUA data
*Loop over GPSRO values
-Determine indices of NOAA data that satisfy the specified match criteria
-Write matched data to output file
*
-Close output file
*
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(3.c) offset_slope_multigps_noaa_month.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For each month in the specified range, read in the matched AMSU temperatures between the specified polar orbiter and for all specified GPSRO missions. Calculate the linear fit coefficients for each month. Save the resulting monthly values in an ASCII file for later use.

USAGE:

For each NOAA polar orbiter {'noaa15', 'noaa16', 'noaa18', 'noaa19', 'noaa2'} the user needs to edit the RUN parameters

to set the orbiter name, and the set of GPSRO missions to use for calibration. {'champ', 'cosmic', 'grace', 'metopa'}.
The range of days to process, the input/output paths for the data, and the criteria values for matched coincident values also need to be set. [the criteria enable the use to strengthen the requirements that were used in previous steps]
The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Name of NOAA orbiter to use
Set of names for GPSRO missions to use
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to matched NOAA/GPSRO data sets (input)
Path to output file of linear fit coeffs
Match Criteria: Time
----- Distance
 Scan Angle
 Brightness Temperature

INPUTS:

Matched AMSU values are read from the ASCII files with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath/{noaa}_{gps[*]}/YYYY/match_{gps[*]}_{noaa}_YYYY.DDD.dat

OUTPUTS:

Linear fit coefficients are written to the ASCII file:

\$OutPath/timeseries_offset_slope_{noaa}_gpsro.dat

ALGORITHM:

-Open Output file
*Loop over the years
*Loop over months
*Loop over days in the month
*Loop over GPSRO missions
 -Read in colocated GPSRO/NOAA data
 -Accumulate meatch data
 *
 *
-For channel 9 data
 -Get matched data values which satisfy the specified criteria
 -Calculate the linear fit coefficients
 -Write linear fit coeffs to output file
 *
 *
-Close output file

(3.d) offset_slope_multigps_aqua_month.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For each month in the specified range, read in the matched AMSU temperatures between the AQUA polar orbiter and for all specified GPSRO missions. Calculate the linear fit coefficients for each month. Save the resulting monthly values in an ASCII file for later use.

USAGE:

For the AQUA polar orbiter, the user needs to edit the RUN parameters to set the orbiter name, and the set of GPSRO missions to use for calibration. {'champ', 'cosmic', 'grace', 'metopa'}. The range of days to process, the input/output paths for the data, and the criteria values for matched coincident values also need to be set. [the criteria enable the use to strengthen the requirements that were used in previous steps]
The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Set of names for GPSRO missions to use
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to matched AQUA/GPSRO data sets (input)
Path to output file of linear fit coeffs
Match Criteria: Time
----- Distance
 Scan Angle
 Brightness Temperature

INPUTS:

Matched AMSU values are read from the ASCII files with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath/aqua_{gps[*]}/YYYY/match_{gps[*]}_aqua_YYYY.DDD.dat

OUTPUTS:

Linear fit coefficients are written to the ASCII file:

\$OutPath/timeseries_offset_slope_aqua_gpsro.dat

ALGORITHM:

-Open Output file
*Loop over the years
*Loop over months
*Loop over days in the month
*Loop over GPSRO missions

- Read in colocated GPSRO/AQUA data
- Accumulate meatch data
- *
- *
- For channel 9 data
- Get matched data values which satisfy the specified criteria
- Calculate the linear fit coefficients
- Write linear fit coefs to output file
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- *
- Close output file

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 (4) Apply Calibration:
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 (4.a) bin_noaa_monthlymean.pro

SYNOPSIS:

 For the specified polar orbiter and AMSU channel and range of months, AMSU values are averaged on a 2.5 degree grid. Monthly gridded values are written to ASCII files for later use.

USAGE:

 For the each NOAA polar orbiter {'noaa15', 'noaa16', 'noaa18', 'noaa19', 'noaaam2'}, the user needs to edit the RUN parameters to set the orbiter name, the AMSU channel to use, the range of days to process, and the input/output paths for the data. The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

 Name of NOAA orbiter
 AMSU channel number
 Begining year/month
 Ending year/month
 Path to input NOAA data
 Path to output gridded data

INPUTS:

 Daily values of AMSU are read from the files:

\$InPath/{noaa}/YYYY/amsu_{noaa}_YYYY.DDD_ch5-12.dat

OUTPUTS:

 Monthly gridded means are written to the files:

\$OutPath/{noaa}/bin_{noaa}_YYYYMM_chan{chan}.dat

ALGORITHM:

*Loop over years
*Loop over months
*Loop over days in month
-Read in input data for NOAA orbiter
-Accumulate values
*
-Open output file
-Bin data according to lat/lon gridpoints
-Calculate average values at each gridpoint
-Write gridded averages to output file
-Close output file
*
*

(4.b) bin_aqua_monthlymean.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the AQUA polar orbiter and AMSU channel and range of months, AMSU values are averaged on a 2.5 degree grid. Monthly gridded values are written to ASCII files for later use.

USAGE:

For the AQUA polar orbiter, the user needs to edit the RUN parameters to set the AMSU channel to use, the range of days to process, and the input/output paths for the data. The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

AMSU channel number
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to input AQUA data
Path to output gridded data

INPUTS:

Daily values of AMSU are read from the files:

\$InPath/aqua/YYYY/amsu_aqua_YYYY.DDD.dat

OUTPUTS:

Monthly gridded means are written to the files:

\$OutPath/aqua/bin_aqua_YYYYMM_chan{chan}.dat

ALGORITHM:

*Loop over years
*Loop over months
*Loop over days in month
-Read in input data for AQUA orbiter
-Accumulate values
*
-Open output file
-Bin data according to lat/lon gridpoints
-Calculate average values at each gridpoint
-Write gridded averages to output file
-Close output file
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(4.c) convert_amsu_bygps.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the specified AMSU dataset, Read in GPSRO correction coefficients from the specified file, read in gridded AMSU data, apply the correction, and write the converted data to the given output file.

USAGE:

For each polar orbiter {'noaa15', 'noaa16', 'aqua', 'noaa18', 'noaa19', 'noaa2'}, the user needs to edit the RUN parameters to set orbiter name, the path to the offset_slope calibration coefficients, and the input/output paths for the data. The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Name of NOAA or AQUA polar orbiter
Path to linear fit coefficient files
Path to input gridded AMSU data
Path to output converted gridded AMSU data

INPUTS:

Monthly linear fit coeffs between NOAA and GPSRO data are read from:

\$InPath_coef/timeseries_offset_slope_{noaa}_gpsro.dat

Gridded NOAA AMSU values are read from:

\$InPath_noaa/bin_{noaa}_YYYYMM_chan9.dat

OUTPUTS:

Converted NOAA AMSU values are written to the
ASCCI file:

\$OutPath_noaa/bin_{noaa}_YYYYMM_chan9_converted.dat

ALGORITHM:

- Read in linear fit coefficients for specified orbiter
- *Loop over the months in the coefficient file
- Read in gridded orbiter data for the month
- Apply linear correction to each gridpoint
- Save converted gridded AMSU data to output file
- *

(4.d) combine_amsu.pro

SYNOPSIS:

Read in gridded data for the specified set of polar orbiters, combine data by a simple average of the data from each satellite at each gridpoint, and write out the results in an ASCII file.

USAGE:

For each polar orbiter {'noaa15', 'noaa16', 'aqua', 'noaa18', 'noaa19', 'noaam2'},

The user needs to edit the RUN parameters to list the set of polar orbiters to combine {'noaa15', 'noaa16', 'noaa18', 'noaa19', 'noaam2','aqua'}, the path to the individual gridded datasets, and the path for the combined gridded data.

The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

Names of polar orbiter to combine
AMSU channel name
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to monthly gridded data for orbiters (Input)
Path to combined gridded data files

INPUTS:

Gridded polar orbiter data values are read from file with the following directory structure and file format:

\$InPath/bin_{noaa[*]}_YYYYMM_{chan}.dat

OUTPUTS:

Gridded combined polar orbiter data values are written to an ASCII file:

\$OutPath/bin_YYYYMM_{chan}_noaqua.dat

ALGORITHM:

*Loop over years
*Loop over months
*Loop over polar orbiters
-Read in gridded data
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-Open output file
-Average values from each orbiter at each gridpoint
-Sum number of orbiter data values at each gridpoint
-Write averages to output file
-Close output file
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(4.e) generate_climatology_anomaly.pro

SYNOPSIS:

For the given range of months/years, generate a mean monthly climatology and save the results. For an alternate range of months, read in gridded ASCII data for the specified months, subtract the climatological mean for the data and write out anomaly values.

USAGE:

The user needs to edit the RUN parameters to set the path to the combined gridded datasets, the path for the climatology, the path for the monthly anomaly datasets, and the range of months to be used.
The data is then processed by compiling and running the IDL program.

RUN PARAMETERS:

AMSU channel name
Climatology Beginning year/month
Climatology Ending year/month
Anomaly Beginning year/month
Anomaly Ending year/month
Path to combined gridded data files (Input)
Path to climatology
Path to anomaly gridded data files

INPUTS:

Gridded calibrated polar orbiter data values are read from

ASCII files:

\$InPath/bin_YYYYMM_{chan}.dat

OUTPUTS:

Climatological mean values are written to an ASCII file with the structure and file format:

\$CoutPath/\$ClimatologyName

Monthly Anomaly values are written to ASCII files with the structure and file format:

\$AoutPath/tls_anamoly_YYYY_1.0

ALGORITHM:

*Loop over Climatology years

*Loop over Climatology months

-Read in monthly gridded data

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*Loop over months

*Loop over lat/lon

- Calculate mean monthly value

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-Open Climatology output file

*Loop over months

- Write out Climatology values

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-Close Climatology output file

*Loop over Anomaly years

*Loop over Anomaly months

-Read in monthly gridded data

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*Loop over Anomaly months

-Subtract Climatological mean

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-Open Anomaly output file

*Loop over Anomaly months

- Write out Anomaly data

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-Close Anomaly output file

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(5) Write to V4 netCDF files: (./Src_fortran)

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(5.a) gen_netCDF_monthly.exe

SYNOPSIS:

Read in gridded ASCII data for the specified months,
write out desired final results values to netCDF files.

USAGE:

The user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program to
set the AMSU channel data to process, the range of months to process,
and the input/output paths for the data.
The Makefile must have \$(LIBDIRS) and \$(INCDIRS) set to appropriate
values to use the netCDF libraries.
After compiling the program using the Makefile, execute the program.

```
prompt> make
prompt> ./gen_netCDF_monthly.exe
```

RUN PARAMETERS:

AMSU channel name {'chan9', 'chan9_converted'}
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to combined gridded data files
Path to final netCDF data files

INPUTS:

Gridded combined polar orbiter data values are read from
an ASCII file:
 \$InPath/bin_YYYYMM_{chan}.dat

OUTPUTS:

netCDF files are written with the following directory
structure and file format:

 \$OutPath/AMSU_{proc}_{chan}_V1.0_YYYYMM.nc

ALGORITHM:

- Set grid values
- *Loop over years
- *Loop over months
- Read in combined/converted ASCII data
- Convert data into lat/lon format
- Create output netCDF file
- Write averages to output file
- Close output file
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(5.b) gen_netCDF_climatology.exe

SYNOPSIS:

Read in gridded ASCII climatology data and
write out desired final results values to netCDF files.

USAGE:

The user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program to
set the AMSU channel data to process, the range of months to process,
and the input/output paths for the data.
The Makefile must have \$(LIBDIRS) and \$(INCDIRS) set to appropriate
values to use the netCDF libraries.
After compiling the program using the Makefile, execute the program.

```
prompt> make
prompt> ./gen_netCDF_climatology.exe
```

RUN PARAMETERS:

AMSU channel name {'chan9', 'chan9_converted'}
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to combined gridded data files
Path to final netCDF data files

INPUTS:

Gridded combined polar orbiter climatology data values are read from
an ASCII file:
 \$InPath/tls_climatology_1.0

OUTPUTS:

netCDF files are written with the following directory
structure and file format:

 \$OutPath/AMSU_{proc}_{chan}_V1.0_MM.nc

ALGORITHM:

- Set grid values
- *Loop over months
- Read in combined/converted ASCII data
- Create output netCDF file
- Write averages to output file
- Close output file

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(5.c) gen_netCDF_anomaly.exe

SYNOPSIS:

Read in gridded ASCII anomaly data and
write out desired final results values to netCDF files.

USAGE:

The user needs to first edit the RUN parameters for the program to
set the AMSU channel data to process, the range of months to process,
and the input/output paths for the data.
The Makefile must have \$(LIBDIRS) and \$(INCDIRS) set to appropriate
values to use the netCDF libraries.
After compiling the program using the Makefile, execute the program.

```
prompt> make  
prompt> ./gen_netCDF_anomaly.exe
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RUN PARAMETERS:

AMSU channel name {'chan9', 'chan9_converted'}
Beginning year/month
Ending year/month
Path to combined gridded data files
Path to final netCDF data files

INPUTS:

Gridded combined polar orbiter climatology data values are read from
an ASCII file:
 \$InPath/tls_anomaly_YYYY_1.0

OUTPUTS:

netCDF files are written with the following directory
structure and file format:

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    $OutPath/AMSU_{proc}_{chan}_V1.0_YYYYMM.nc
```

ALGORITHM:

-Set grid values
*Loop over years
-Open anomaly file
*Loop over months
-Read in combined/converted ASCII data
-Create output netCDF file
-Write anomaly data to output file
-Close output file
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-Close anomaly file

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(6) Misc. Programs to read netCDF files: (./Src_IDL)
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(a) read_amsu_netCDF_monthly.pro (** template to read results **)

(b) read_amsu_netCDF_anomaly.pro (** template to read results **)

(c) read_amsu_netCDF_climatology.pro (** template to read results **)
