Panoply: a data visualization starter guide

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Software requirements

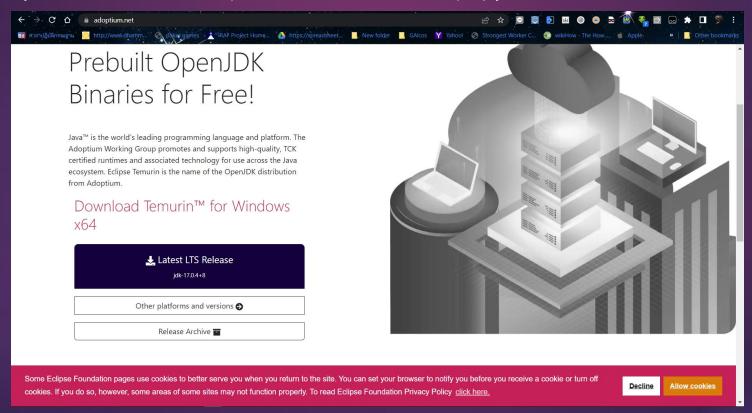
- Java version 11 or later
- Panoply via https://www.giss.nasa.gov/tools/panoply/download
 - Please elect the option that is compatible with your operation system
- Model data via:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1HKvR-XVKe33vPh-n53xAt2RXAlPlzElF?usp=sharing

Download "wrfout_d01_2022-06-23_00_00_00.nc" to you preferred destination

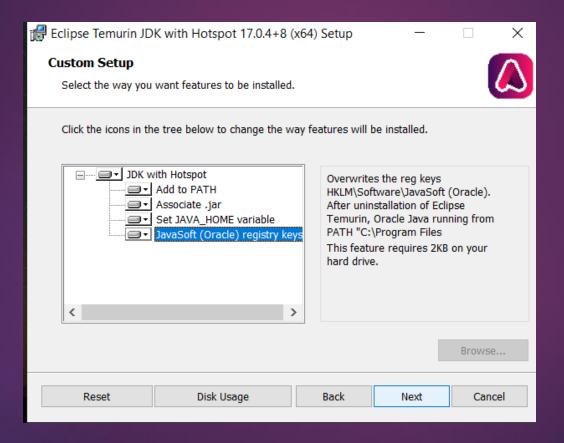
Java installation

- We suggest downloading Java installation from https://adoptium.net
- On the home page, you can directly download the latest version of Java (Java 17 is compatible with Panoply)



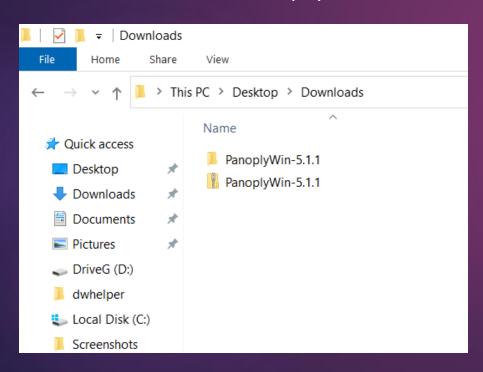
For Window users

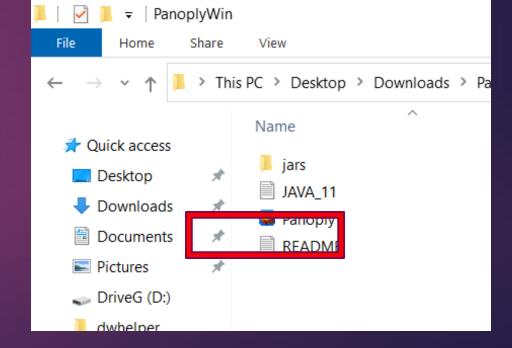
On the installation prompt, please select all the options available.



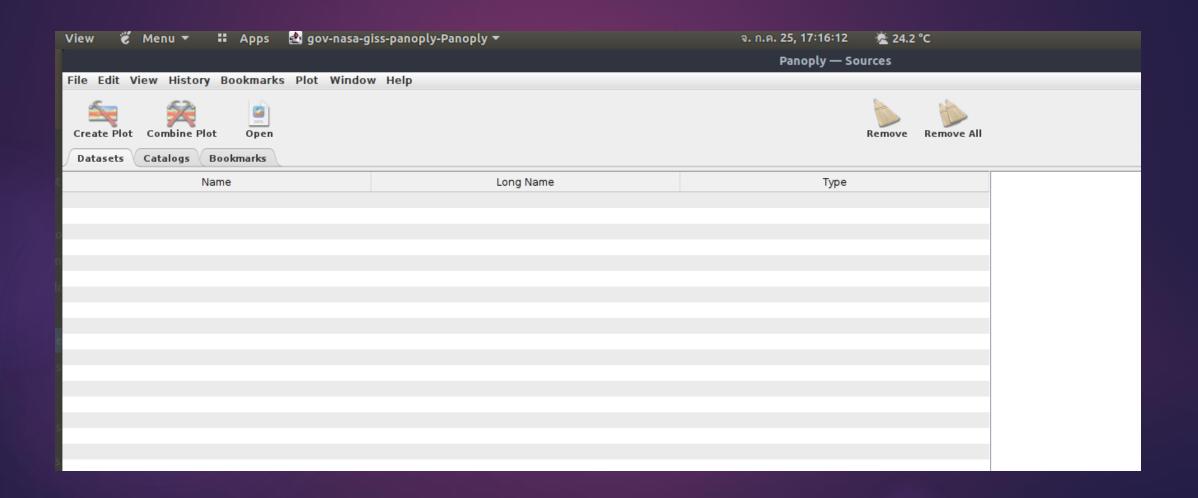
Using Panoply (for Window)

- Extract "PanoplyWin-5.1.1.zip" into your working directory
- Browse the directory "PanoplyWin-5.1.1" then go to "PanoplyWin"
- Run the file "Panoply.exe"



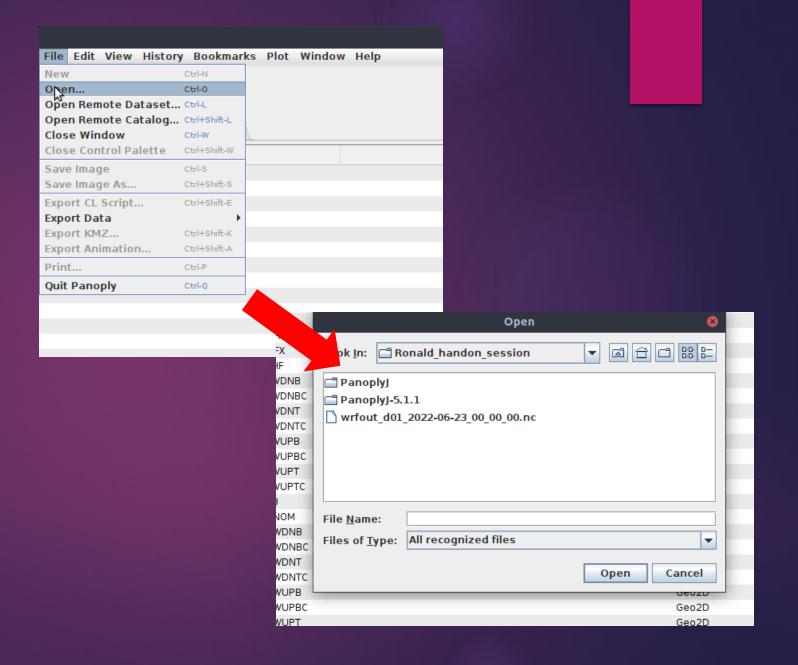


Panoply – prompt window



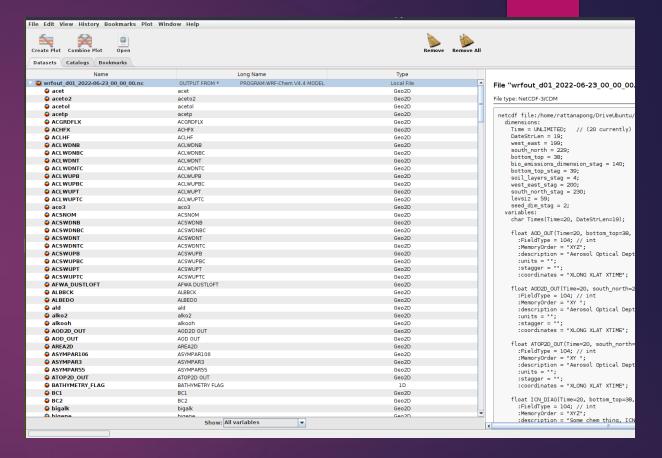
Open file

- Click "File" and select "Open"
- Select "wrfout_d01_2022-06-23_00_00_00.nc" from your download directory



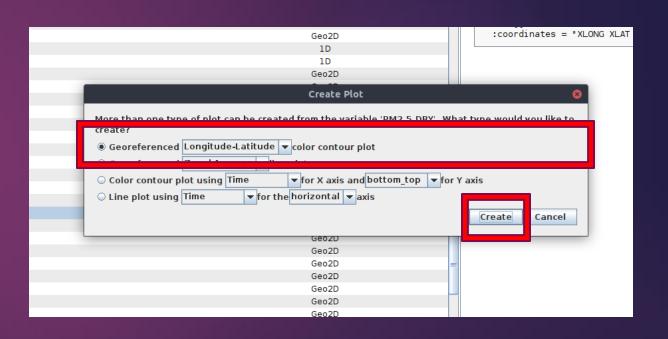
Data tables are presented in the left panel.

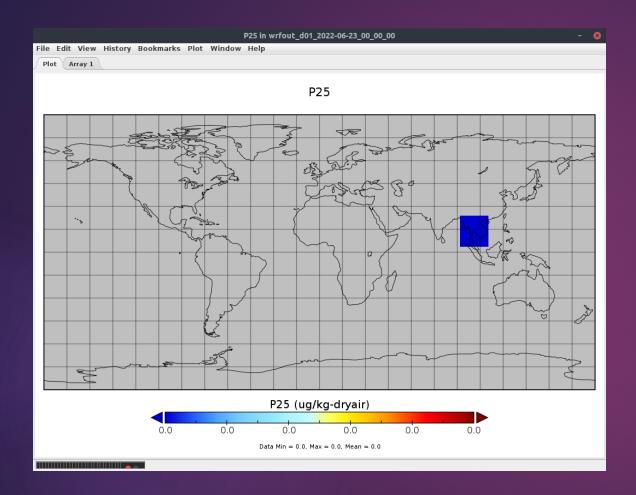
The right panel contains the information of the selected table.



Example: PM 2.5 plot

- In column "Name" search for "P2_5 Dry"
- Create plot by:
 - Double click on "P2_5 Dry" or
 - On menu bar, click "plot" then select "create plot" or
 - Right click on row "P2_5 Dry" then select "create plot"
- On pop-up window select "Georeferenced Longitude-Latitude color contour plot" (The 1st row) then "create"





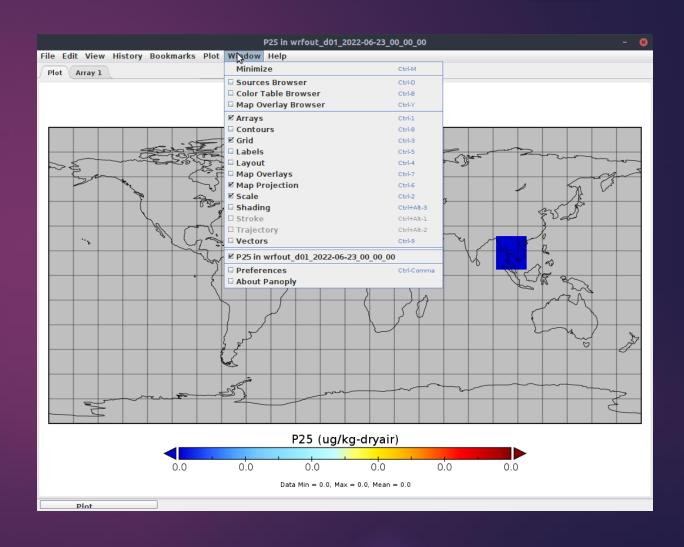
The area in blue is the region of interest

The coordinate; Latitude: 14.10714 N Longitude: 101.1672 E

You can center the plot by input the coordinate into "Map Projection" panel

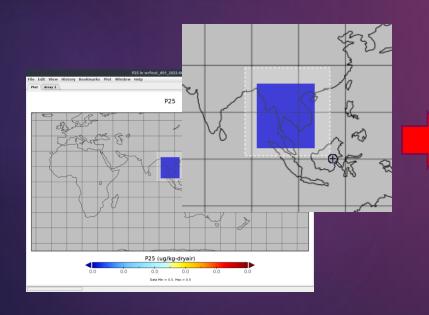
Window menu – plot manipulation

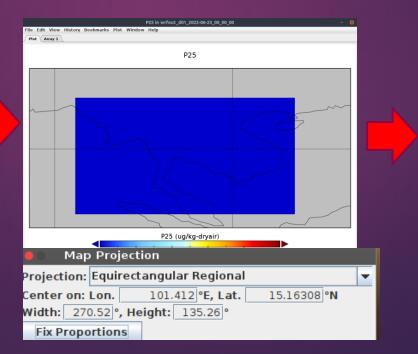
- Selecting options from "Window" tap in the menu bar.
- There are 4 windows in this example
 - Arrays data selection
 - Scale for plot manipulation: color scheme, data limit, tick length, etc.
 - Map projection -- change projection, map center
 - ► Grid manipulate grid size, lines

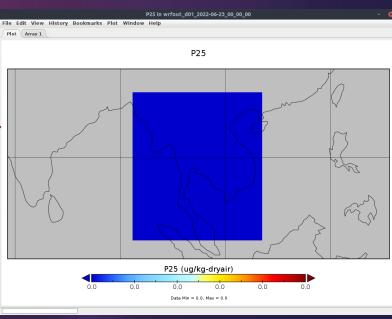


Zoom – in and out

- On the plot window, hold "ctrl" button until the cursor changes into a magnifying glass, drag the mouse to cover an area of interest then release.
- Click "Fix Proportions" on "Map Projection" pop-up to correct image, you put in Latitude and Longitude to center the plot at the region of interest
- ▶ To Zoom-out, hold "ctrl + alt" then press minus key until zoom-out





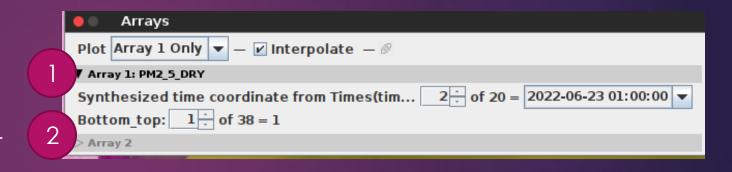


Zoom-in and out -- alternative

- ► Hold "ctrl + alt" keys then press
- "+" key to zoom-in the magnified region will center at the specified coordinate in the "Map Projection" panel
- "-" key to zoom-out, again, the scaled image is centered at the specified coordinate

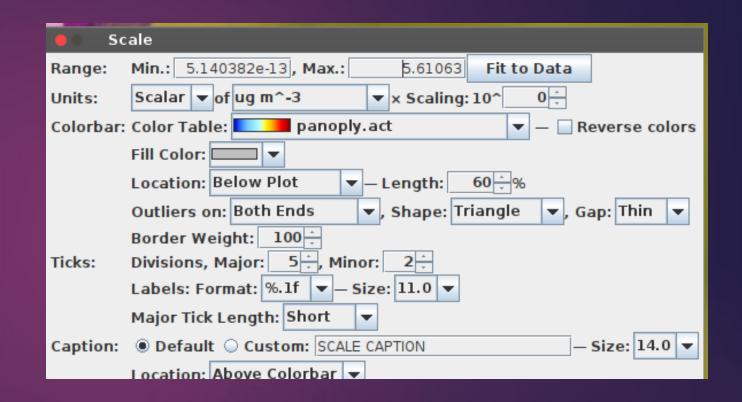
Arrays and Scale panels

- 1. At "Synthesized time coordinate from Times", you can select the data at specific time bin.
- 2. Bottom_top is for selecting data at the nth slice (The data is divided by row into 38 sections)



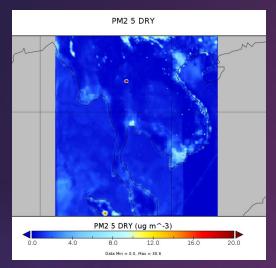
Arrays and Scale panels

- Scale
- Range: adjust min-maxrange for data display. This parameter needs to be adjusted for correct display.
- A quick input is to click "Fit to Data" which will choose min-max value from the specified time-bin and table slice.
- The other options can be changed according to your preferences. Change the values and see the according results.



2022-06-23 01:00:00 -- bin2

Bottom_top: 1 10 20 27



2022-06-23 04:00:00 -- bin5

