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These data contain surface meteorology measurements of the [Integrated Surface Flux System \(ISFS\)](#) during the second Meteor Crater Experiment (METCRAXII), at the Barringer Meteor Crater, Arizona, during October of 2013.

For general information about the operations of the ISFS during METCRAXII see <https://www.eol.ucar.edu/content/isfs-metcraxii>.

The ISFS 30 minute dataset contains means and derived quantities of variables measured by the NCAR ISFS.

See the tables at <https://www.eol.ucar.edu/content/isfs-metcraxii> for information on the sensors that were deployed.

The data are stored in NetCDF files. Information on the NetCDF file format and software is available at <http://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/netcdf/>. Information specific to ISFS NetCDF files is available at <https://www.eol.ucar.edu/content/isfs-netcdf-files>.

### 30 Minute Dataset and Download URL

The dataset is available for download at this URL: <http://data.eol.ucar.edu/codiac/dss/id=386.006>.

The 30 minute dataset contains the following quantities. H, LE and  $u^*$  were computed using tilt-corrected eddy covariances.

Table of 30 minute variables

| Variable Name                                       | Description  |
|---|--|
| H.3m.{far,near,flr}                                 | Sensible heat at 3 meters at far, near and crater floor towers                       |
| LE.3m.{far,near,flr}                                | Latent heat  |
| $u^*$ .3m.{far,near,flr}                            | Friction velocity  |
| T.2m.{far,flr}<br>RH.2m.{far,flr}<br>P.2m.{far,flr} | Mean temperature, relative humidity and pressure at 2 meters at far and crater floor |
| T.3m.near<br>RH.3m.near<br>P.3m.near                | 3 meters at the near tower   |
| rhoDry.2m.{flr,flr}<br>rhoDry.3m.near               | Density of dry air   |
| Rsw.{in,out}.<br>{far,near,flr}                     | Incoming, outgoing short wave radiation  |
| Rlw.{in,out}.<br>{far,near,flr}                     | Incoming, outgoing infrared radiation  |
| Rsw.{global,dfs}.<br>{near,flr}                     | Incoming global and diffuse short wave radiation at near site and crater floor.      |
| Rsum.{far,near,flr}                                 | Net radiation (sum of Rsw and Rlw) at each site,                                     |
| Gsfc.{far,near,flr}                                 | Surface heat flux  |

### Quality Control, Corrections, Derivations

The QC procedure was the same as noted for the 5 minute tilt-corrected dataset. For details, see the documentation for that dataset

### NetCDF File Names

Each NetCDF file contains one week data, from 00:00 UTC of the data contained in the file name. The file names are of the form "isfs\_30min\_YYYYMMDD.nc", where YYYYMMDD is the start year, month and day in UTC.

### Time Representation

The **base\_time** variable contains one value, the time of the start of the file, as a number of POSIX (non-leap) seconds since 1970 Jan 1, 00:00 UTC.

Values for each time-varying measurement will be found in the NetCDF files, as a variable with a **time** dimension. The time dimension will be 336 for a complete file, the number of 30 minute periods in a week.

The **time** variable contains the time to be associated with each sample, in units of seconds since **base\_time**, or 00:00 UTC of the day. Each time value is the middle of the averaging period, and will have values of 900 (00:15:00 UTC), 2700 (00:45:00), etc.

### Dimensions

The NetCDF dimensions in each file are:

| Dimension name | size | description   |
|----------------|------|---|
| time           | 336  | number of 30 minute periods in a week                                 |
| site           | 5    | index for the five ISFS sites at METCRAXII: flr, rim, base, near, far |

### Short Name Attributes

Each measured variable will have a **short\_name** NetCDF attribute. The field before the first period in the **short\_name** is a generic variable name, such as **T** for temperature, or **Rsw** for short wave radiation.

### NetCDF Variable Names

The actual NetCDF variable names will have underscores, '\_', in place of periods and single quotes. Therefore a variable with a **short\_name** attribute **H.3m.near** will have a NetCDF variable name of **H\_3m\_near**.

### Units

Variables have a NetCDF attribute specifying the units of the measurement.

### Missing Data

The missing data value is  $10^{37}$ . A missing value indicates the sensor was not reporting or that one or more of the variables in the derivation is missing at the corresponding time.

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