orbwfproc and dbwfproc - Swiss army knives for continuous waveform processing

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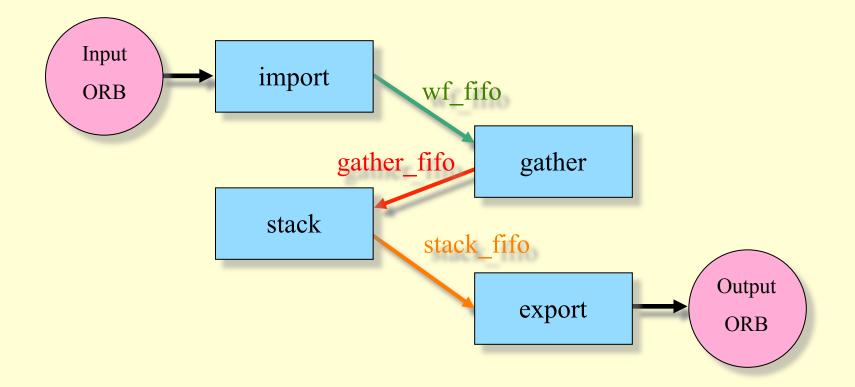


orbwfproc - a generalized waveform processor

- The continuous waveform processing analog to **orbevproc**
- **orbwfproc** runs a set of "tasks" continuously, each task in its own thread
- Tasks communicate with each other via a set of managed FIFO queues (described in **pmtmanagedfifo(3)**)
- Data objects passed between tasks are either task defined or are objects that can be represented by ORB packets, such as PktChannel waveform packets (see **newPktChannel(3)**)
- All tasks are currently written in **c**
- New tasks can be added by users as long as they conform to the task definition described in **orbwfproc(5)**
- Tasks distributed in 5.1 release are import, export, inspector, wftest, wffilter, wfgather, wfstack, wfstats
- Note that the internal representation of data flowing through the **orbwfproc** tasks is packet oriented instead of database oriented, as in **orbevproc**



orbwfproc - array processing example





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- # This is the orbwfproc parameter file
- # This is the list of processing tasks to be run

```
wf_tasks &Tbl{
```

```
#task name class name parameters
                                                         output
                                              input
               import
                                                         wf fifo
   import
                         import params
                                                                     # import raw data from an ORB
              wfgather gather_params
                                                         gather fifo # form a gather
   gather
                                              wf fifo
   stack
               wfstack
                         stack params
                                              gather fifo stack fifo # stack over a grid
                                              stack fifo -
                                                                     # export the stack data to an ORB
               export
                         export params
   export
}
```

These are parameters for each of the processing tasks

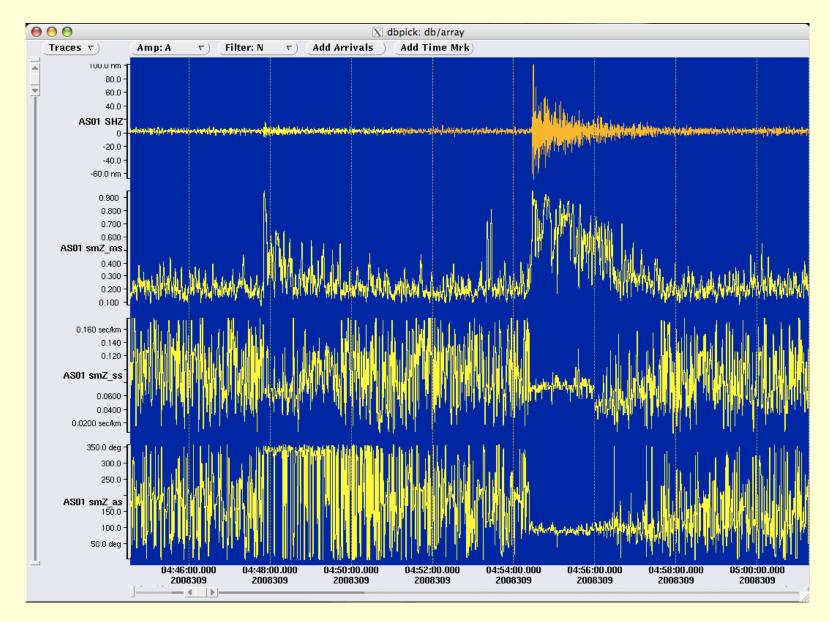
```
import params &Arr{
                                     # parameters for import task
            input
                        orbdata
                                                 # input from orbdata tag in command line
}
                                     # parameters for export task
export params &Arr{
                                                 # output to orbout tag in command line
            output
                        orbout.
                                                 # specify a subcode for the output ORB packet srcnames
            subcode
                        STACK
}
gather params &Arr{
                                    # parameters for gather task
            . . .
}
stack params &Arr{
                                     # parameters for stack task
            . . .
}
```



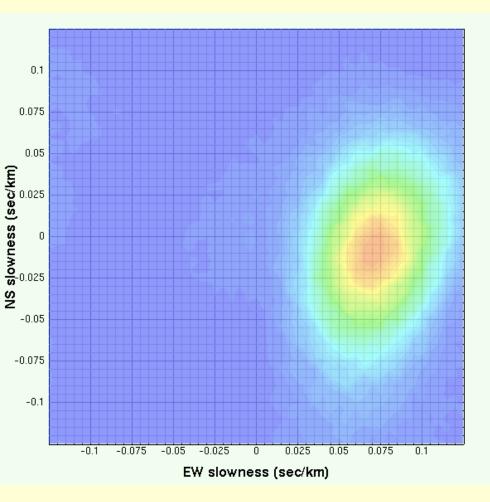
What does this orbwfproc do?

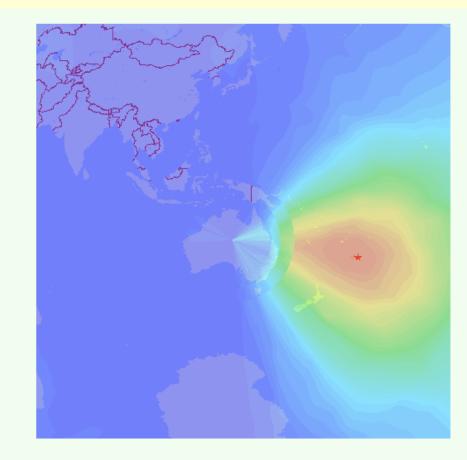
- 1. Import raw waveform data from real-time ORB (import task)
- 2. Form pre-filtered "gathers" of waveform channels for each array into regularized channel-sample grids (gather task)
- 3. Compute beams (stacks) over grids of horizontal vector slowness values assuming planar wavefield characteristics; this is done for each time sample over a grid of slowness values (stack task)
- 4. Also compute power averages for each beam at each time sample (power of the stack) plus power averages for each of the individual array channels plus an average of the individual array channel powers (stack of the powers) (stack task)
- 5. Also compute "semblance" by dividing the beam power averages by the stack of the individual channel power averages (stack task)
- 6. Scan the semblance grids for the slowness vector that corresponds to maximum semblance for each time sample (stack task)
- 7. Compute azimuth and scalar slowness corresponding to maximum semblance (stack task)
- 8. Export beams as waveforms plus maximum semblance, azimuth and scalar slowness as waveforms plus the semblance grids themselves into ORB output packets (export task)













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Database import

- The import task can be configured to read waveform data from a Datascope database
- The Antelope **pktchannel2trace(3)** utility is used to read all waveform data for all channels over fixed time durations specified by the *time_slice_duration* parameter in the import task parameter file
- All of the channels for each time slice are then converted to **PktChannel** structures and put into the output FIFO
- All waveform sample data is represented in the PktChannel structures in floating point
- **dbwfproc** will automatically configure import tasks to read from databases
- **orbwfproc** can configure import tasks to read from databases by setting parameters in the import task parameter files

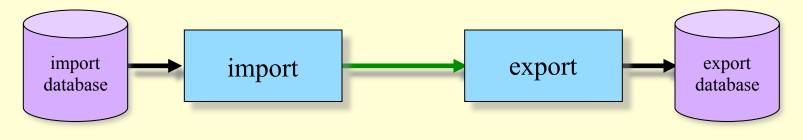


Database export

- The export task can be configured to write waveform data to a Datascope database
- The Antelope **pktchannel2db(3)** utility is used to write all waveform data for all channels into output databases
- The **pktchannel2db(3)** utility operates in a manner similar to **cdorb2db(1)** waveform data is written into regular timing grids in fixed byte-per-sample formats and gaps are represented by special gap sample values
- The **pktchannel2db(3)** utility supports waveform output in both integer and floating formats. The utility also provides adaptive output buffering so that very latent data is heavily buffered to maximize performance whereas low latency data is not buffered at all to preserve minimum processing latency
- Note that export tasks do not support the output of waveform data in miniseed format
- **dbwfproc** will automatically configure export tasks to write to databases
- **orbwfproc** can configure export tasks to write to databases by setting parameters in the export task parameter files



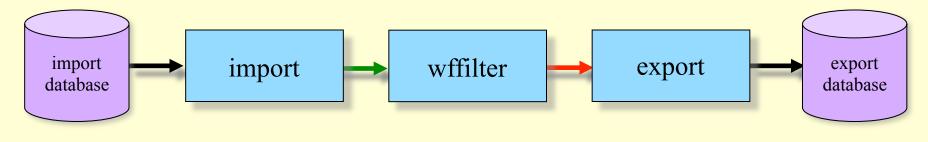
dbwfproc - waveform healing example



- This configuration will heal a highly fragmented import waveform database, with lots of wfdisc rows, data out of time order, overlapping data, gaps, etc., into an export database with one wfdisc row per channel per day.
- This is equivalent to running **dbreplay** into an **orbserver** and **cdorb2db** to produce the output database
- Conversion to miniseed would require running **db2mseed** as a post process, similar to **cdorb2db**



dbwfproc - waveform resampling example



- This configuration can be used to resample waveform data or to filter waveform data in some other way and save the filtered data into an export database.
- The export task can be configured to morph the SEED codes so that the data written to the export database has different SEED codes than the import data



Future developments for orbwfproc

- Systematic way of dealing with restarts from a state file
- Development of a wfdetect task class this will require exporting of nonwaveform data
- Development of importsegment task class used to import waveform segments based upon detections or arrivals
- Continued development of array processing tasks

