

General info on the Euclid DM

Overview of the OU-MER Data Model

What you need to know to work with OU-MER data products

- Current version of the Euclid DM: 10.1.2
- Official DM XML schema: [ST_DataModel](#)
- Official DM FITS definition: [ST_FitsDataModel](#)
- Data Product Description Document: [DPDD](#)
- **DpdMerBksMosaic**: Background-subtracted mosaics, one for each input band
- **DpdMerDetectionMosaic**: Mosaics used to perform the object detection: VIS and NIRSTACK
- **DpdMerSegmentationMap**: Map showing the connected pixels of the objects detected on the corresponding detection mosaics (VIS+NIR)
- **DpdMerFinalCatalog**: Final merged catalogs with photometric and morphological information

The Euclid DataProduct: XML schema

In Euclid a DataProduct (Dpd) is a combination of XML and FITS files:

- the FITS file contains the actual data
- the XML container wraps the FITS file and contains the metadata needed by the Euclid Data Product System (DPS)

Note

The XML schema defines the database table used to store the Dpd in the archive

All the Dpds share a common generic Header and have a specific Data container.

XML Header

All the Euclid products have a common `Header`, containing some metadata:

► Header

Most of this information is useful at SGS level, but the `DataSetRelease`, for instance, is a good way to query the product you need.

```
<DataSetRelease>DR1_R1</DataSetRelease>
```

Note

Usually, the SGS circulate internally the `DataSetRelease`. The latest releases of interest are:

- Q1_R1
- REGREPROC2_R1
- DR1_R1

The Data container

The information related to the specific product is in the `Data` container:

► Data

To query products, some useful `Header` fields are:

```
<DataSetRelease>Q1_R1</DataSetRelease>
<ManualValidationStatus>UNKNOWN</ManualValidationStatus>
```

and dealing with `Data`:

```
<TileIndex>101547135</TileIndex>
<PatchIdList>98</PatchIdList>
<ObservationIdList>4877 ... 4981</ObservationIdList>
<ProcessingMode>DEEP</ProcessingMode>
```

⚠ Warning

Usually it's better to filter out INVALID products:

ManualValidationStatus != INVALID

Each proper FITS table is referenced in the dedicated data container:

MER Final Catalog

```
<DataStorage format="mer.finalCatalog" version="0.10">
    <DataContainer filestatus="PROPOSED" checksumMethod="MD5" checksumValue="44c4dd43d06091a697dc5839abc758f2">
        <FileName>EUC_MER_FINAL-CAT_TILE101547135-D287B9_20250517T074604.847830Z_00.00.fits.gz</FileName>
    </DataContainer>
</DataStorage>
```

MER DEEP bands Catalog

```
<DeepFieldPhotometryCatalogStorage format="mer.deepFieldPhotometryCatalog" version="0.4">
    <DataContainer filestatus="PROPOSED" checksumMethod="MD5" checksumValue="2e0b3a21b5280c4202f7693e2032242a">
        <FileName>EUC_MER_FINAL-DEEP-PHOTO-CAT_TILE101547135-D287B9_20250517T074604.847830Z_00.00.fits.gz</FileName>
    </DataContainer>
</DeepFieldPhotometryCatalogStorage>
```

❗ Important

The DeepFieldPhotometryCatalogStorage is created **only in DEEP mode**

MER Morphology Catalog

```
<MorphologyCatalogStorage format="mer.finalMorphologyCatalog" version="0.4">
    <DataContainer filestatus="PROPOSED" checksumMethod="MD5" checksumValue="e10c1961915247c69eefdcc56e4bc433">
        <FileName>EUC_MER_FINAL-MORPH-CAT_TILE101547135-790AFB_20250517T074603.604694Z_00.00.fits.gz</FileName>
    </DataContainer>
</MorphologyCatalogStorage>
```

MER Cutout Catalog (currently used by SIR only)

```
<CutoutsCatalogStorage format="mer.cutoutsCatalog" version="0.9">
    <DataContainer filestatus="PROPOSED" checksumMethod="MD5" checksumValue="654603cbd9983bf42bd61def90d3d6bb">
        <FileName>EUC_MER_FINAL-CUTOUTS-CAT_TILE101547135-E85516_20250516T162817.927745Z_00.00.fits.gz</FileName>
    </DataContainer>
</CutoutsCatalogStorage>
```

How Euclid DataProducts look like on the DBView

Whoever has access to the DPS can navigate Euclid Dpds via the [DBView](#) web interface.

DBView uses the usual COSMOS credentials (i.e. the username and password used for any EC service)

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ENTER USERNAME & PASSWORD

Username*:

Password*: O

LOGIN

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⚠ Warning

After nearly 24h DBView logs you out!

Always check to be correctly logged in before querying fot data products

The query form related to the MER catalog can be accessed through the Table list:

Tables → MER data products → DpdMerFinalCatalog (Search the Table list)

❗ Important

What the user visualise on DBView reflects the XML schema

▪ CatalogVariant	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ IslandLabel	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ MocOrder	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ProcessingMode	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ TileIndex	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▷ CalblockIdList		
▷ CalblockVariantList		
▷ CatalogDescription		
▷ CutoutsCatalogStorage		
▷ DataStorage		
▷ DeepFieldPhotometryCatalogStorage		
▷ FirstObservationDateTime		
▷ InnerNUNIQIndex		
▷ LastObservationDateTime		
▷ MorphologyCatalogStorage		
▷ ObservationIdList		
▷ PatchIdList		
▷ ProcessingSteps		
▷ QualityParams		
▷ ReferenceObservationDateTime		
▷ SpatialCoverage		
▷ SpectralCoverage		
◀ Header		
▪ AutomatedValidationStatus	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ CreationDate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ Curator	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ DataSetRelease	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ EuclidPipelineSoftwareRelease	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ExpirationDate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ManualValidationStatus	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ PipelineDefinitionId	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ PlanId	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ PPOId	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ PpoStatus	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ProdSDC	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ProductNotifiedToBeChecked	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ProductType	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ Published	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ Purpose	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ SoftwareName	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ SoftwareRelease	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▪ ToBePublished	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
▷ ProductId		
▷ Parameters		
▷ QualityFlags		

Important

The DBS has two different projects for tests and operations

Official data produced in operation (Q1, RR2 and DR1) are in **EUCLID**

Products produced in test runs are in **TEST**

The MER catalog

The [DpdMerFinalCatalog](#) contains 3 (4 in DEEP mode) FITS data containers.

The main MER final catalog (photometry):

- [EUC_MER_FINAL-CAT_TILE<tile_id>-<uuid>_<date-time_stamp>_00.00.fits.gz](#)
 - HDU #1: [EUC_MER__FINAL_CATALOG](#)

The DEEP photometry catalog:

- [EUC_MER_FINAL-DEEP-PHOTO-CAT_TILE<tile_id>-<uuid>_<date-time_stamp>_00.00.fits.gz](#)
 - HDU #1: [EUC_MER__DEEP_FIELD_PHOTOMETRY_CATALOG](#)

The morphology catalog:

- [EUC_MER_FINAL-MORPH-CAT_TILE<tile_id>-<uuid>_<date-time_stamp>_00.00.fits.gz](#)
 - HDU #1: [EUC_MER__FINAL_MORPHOLOGY_CATALOG](#)

The cutout catalog:

- [EUC_MER_FINAL-CUTOUTS-CAT_TILE<tile_id>-<uuid>_<date-time_stamp>_00.00.fits.gz](#)
 - HDU #1: [EUC_MER__CUTOUTS_CORNERS](#)

Note

File names must comply with the EC SGS naming conventions

Important

The Euclid SGS provides its own definition for NULL values:

- I: 32767
- J: 2147483647
- K: 9223372036854775807
- F: NaN
- D: NaN

Photometry

Most valuable columns

In the main (photometry) table we provide:

- [OBJECT_ID](#)
- [RIGHT_ASCENSION](#)
- [DECLINATION](#)
- [SEGMENTATION_MAP_ID](#): the ID that you find in the segmentation map

⚠ Warning

Objects ID are computed starting from RA and DEC.

It is possible to have negative objects IDs.

For each source we provide the total flux within a Kron elliptical aperture:

- `FLUX_DETECTION_TOTAL`

ℹ Note

The total flux is measured on VIS, unless the source is a NIR-only. In that case we measure on a stack of the three NIR bands

In addition to total fluxes, MER measures photometry in three different flavours:

- ▶ PSF-matched aperture photometry (APHOT)
- ▶ Template-fitting photometry (TPHOT)
- ▶ Sersic-fitting photometry (sourceXtractorPP)

❗ Important

The details on how to play with MER photometry are described in the [Photometry Cookbook](#)

ℹ Note

All fotometries come with their relative error: `FLUXERR_[band]_[method]`

Other important quantities in the MER catalog:

- `FLUX_VIS_PSF`: a PSF fitting run done by TPHOT. VIS-only
- `SEGMENTATION_AREA`: segmented area of the source
- `SEMIMAJOR_AXIS`
- `POSITION_ANGLE`
- `ELLIPTICITY`
- `KRON_RADIUS`
- `FWHM`: FWHM (in arcsec) used in APHOT run.
- `GAL_EBV`: estimated galactic E(B-V) at the source centroid according to the reference Planck map

Flags, filters, selections

To filter sources and play with source selections, we provide a set of columns:

- `VIS_DET`: a flag telling if the object has been detected in VIS. `VIS_DET` = 0 means **NIR-only detection**
- `DET_QUALITY_FLAG`: quality flag, see [first table](#) in the Photometry Cookbook
- `SPURIOUS_PROB`: probability between 0 and 1 that the source is spurious
- `POINT_LIKE_PROB`: probability between 0 and 1 that the source is point-like
- `GAIA_ID`: the associated GAIA source id

! Important

The proper Star/Galaxy classification is done by OU-PHZ

Photometry DEEP

i Note

Some EXT bands are fed to MER only in DEEP mode.

We run the same photometry methods on DEEP-only EXT bands.

Columns corresponding to WIDE bands are always present in the MER catalog main FITS table.

Camera	Band
Euclid*	I_E ; Y_E , J_E , H_E + NIR_STACK
DECam*	g, i, r, u, z
MegaCam	r, u
JPCam	g
Pan-STARRS*	i, z
HSC*	g, z
Rubin/LSST	g, i, r, u, z

A second FITS table is produced only in DEEP mode, containing the DEEP-only EXT bands.

Camera	Band
Subaru	19 bands from IA427 to IA586
VISTA	H, J, Y, KS
MegaCam	USTAR, UPRIME
UKIRT	J, H, K
IRAC	CH1, CH2
HSC*	r, r2, i2, Y
GALEX	FUV, NUV

i Note

*: band currently available in Q1 (WIDE only) and DR1 (WIDE+DEEP) releases

Morphology

Most valuable columns

The morphology catalog, provided in a separate FITS table, share with the main photometry catalog the object ID:

- `OBJECT_ID`

MER measures morphology in three different flavours:

- ▶ Non-parametric morphology (CAS)
- ▶ Parametric (Sersic)
- ▶ Machine Learning (zoobot)

Note

The current internal MER selection keeps only a small percentage (< 2%) of the zoobot estimates

Important

More details on how to play with MER morphology are described in the [Morphology Cookbook](#)

Cutouts

Most valuable columns

Note

Currently, the cutout catalog is used only by OU-SIR

The cutout catalog, provided in a separate FITS table, share with the main photometry and morphology catalogs the object ID:

- `OBJECT_ID`

It inherits some basic information from the photometry catalog

- `RIGHT_ASCENSION`
- `DECLINATION`
- `SEMIMAJOR_AXIS`
- `POSITION_ANGLE`
- `FLUX_DETECTION_TOTAL`
- `PARENT_ID`

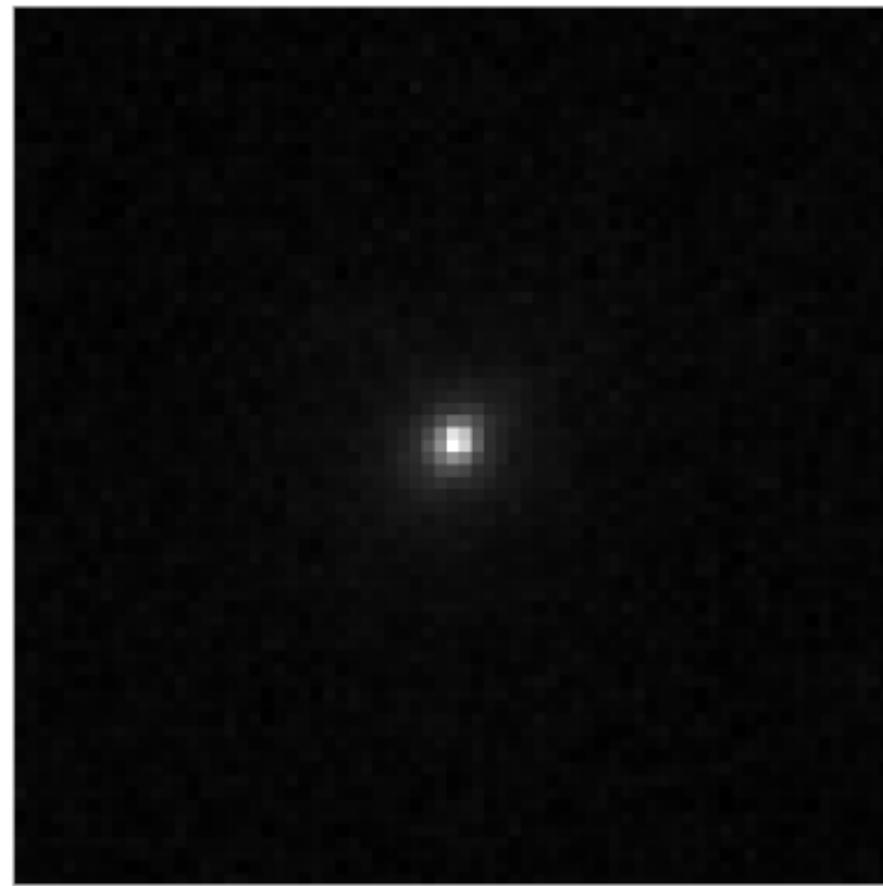
and provides the corner positions of source cutouts:

- ▶ From TPHOT
- ▶ From MER_Deblending

Note that the corners are 0-based indexed, starting from the lower-left corner, counter-clockwise:

CORNER_3

CORNER_2



CORNER_0

CORNER_1

i Note

DBL_CORNER_* are the cutout corners as computed by the MER_Deblending step.

CORNER_* are the cutout output by TPHOT. TPHOT stamps are slightly wider than the ones we get from MER_Deblending (TPHOT dilates the cutouts)

Find MER products on the Science Archive System

Euclid data are distributed to people outside the SGS (with no access to the DPS) via the [Science Archive System \(SAS\)](#).

SAS offers a web interface to query the archive.

Note

A complete description of the SAS features can be found in the [SAS Public User Guide](#)

Retrieving data per observation

Under [OBSERVATIONS](#) the MER products can be queried via:

- Dataset Release
- Patch ID
- Observation ID
- Tile ID

The screenshot shows the SAS interface with several panels:

- Top Navigation:** OBSERVATIONS (selected), CATALOGUES, ADQL FORM, CUTOUT.
- WARNING Message:** *WARNING: if you reload the Archive web page all the results previously found are gone!*
- BASIC SEARCH Panel:** Contains fields for Target Name (text input, SIMBAD dropdown), Radius (5 arcmin), Targets File (button to select file, "Nessun file scelto"), and a Submit button.
- OBSERVATION AND MOSAIC CONSTRAINTS Panel:** Contains dropdowns for Product Type (dpdMerFinalCatalog), Observation ID (3613), Dataset release (Q1_R1), Patch ID (71), and Tile index (empty input).
- CURRENT SEARCH Panel:** Shows search parameters:
 - product_type is 'dpdMerFinalCatalog'
 - CAST(observation_id_list as TEXT) is like '3613'
 - release_name is 'Q1_R1'
 - CAST(patch_id_list as TEXT) is like '71'
- CURRENT RESULTS Panel:** Displays a histogram of results across Level, Mosaic, Frame, Catalog, and MER SegMap categories. The Y-axis ranges from 0k to 5k. Below the histogram, it says "Level 2 Observations", "Science Frame", and "Level 2 Tile Catalog". A green bar indicates "Level 2 Tile Catalog" with a value of 9.

Note

Remember to look for "Level 2 Tile Catalogues"

The result of this query is a list of the MER product per tile:

tile catalog (9)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Tile index list	Download	Observation id list	Patch id list	Product Type
<input type="checkbox"/>	102021497		3607, 3608, 3613	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102021498		3607, 3608, 3613	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102021499		3607, 3613, 3614, 3621	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102021985		3608, 3609, 3612, 3613	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102022478		3609, 3610, 3612, 3613	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102021986		3612, 3613	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102021987		3612, 3613, 3614, 3621	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102022479		3612, 3613, 3621, 3622	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog
<input type="checkbox"/>	102022480		3612, 3613, 3621, 3622	71	dpdMerFinalCatalog

Through the "Download" column, it is possible to download individual catalogs, per tile, as (compressed) FITS files.

Warning

The SAS interface allows the user to look for Dataset Release = Q1_R2.

MER completed its processing during the first processing release of Q1.

It is expected to not have MER data for Q1_R2

Navigate the full SAS table

Under **CATALOGUES** the MER results are queried as a database table.

The structure of the table in the SAS database reflects the definition of the MER **FITS data model**.

In the SAS GUI:

- select **catalogue.mer_catalogue** in the "Euclid Catalogues" field
- Set the condition to implement the query
- Select which columns to be shown

OBSERVATIONS

CATALOGUES

ADQL FORM

CUTOUT

Position **File**

Name Equatorial

Target in Circle Box

Name for Simbad

Radius arc min

Euclid Catalogues catalogue.mer_catalogue

▼ Extra conditions

Add condition Filter: If all conditions

<i>vis_det</i>	= <input type="text"/> 1	<input type="button"/> Remove
<i>point_like_prob</i>	>= <input type="text"/> 0.7	<input type="button"/> Remove

► Display columns

Max. number of results: 500 Reset Form Show Query Submit Query

Once the selection criteria are set, it is possible to show the matching results:

OBSERVATIONS RESULT		CATALOGUE RESULT	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Results <input type="button"/>			
object_id	right_ascension	declination	vis_det
NA	deg	deg	NA
-580096425477843693	58.00964253500096	-47.784360332320914	1
2754651166649601128	275.4651166473167	64.9801205461642	1
2624849242655628369	262.48492420527595	65.56236369192463	1
262738500655632162	262.738500655632162	65.56231621183005	1
2754595876649016205	275.45958764132723	64.9816205845896	1
2625525901655637625	262.5525901655637625	65.56376257198149	1
2629754277855950001	262.9754277359445	65.56500012588762	1
27533381776490177	275.33381776490177	64.98401773411245	1
283036948865588819	283.036948865588819	65.5683318515717	1
27529160944640840285	275.29160944640840285	64.98492858020993	1
2750283639944902795	275.0283639944902795	64.984779953402075	1
2830177022656707097	283.0177022656707097	65.57012901774154	1
2751064278849857688	275.1064278849857688	64.98578888620983	1
-581379194477785177	-58.1379194477785177	-47.778951778403477	1
584757502477789694	58.4757502477789694	-47.77896047327822	1
26250866265571203944	262.50866265571203944	65.57184308198548	1
26247518565722374	262.47518565722374	65.57223743098352	1
-58723809477779794	-58.723809477779794	-47.7777943957897	1
2755619938949876862	275.5619938949876862	64.9876892304919	1
27556319333498878571	275.56319333498878571	64.9878571147866	1
274688967649874053	274.688967649874053	64.98740532489981	1
626306526655746987	62.6306526655746987	65.57469975209497	1
2752568756498559594	275.2568756498559594	64.9885594103263	1
27496230249909382	274.96230249909382	64.99093821409168	1
2751097500849917292	275.1097500849917292	64.99172923128903	1
26312697440595799145	263.12697440595799145	65.57914453595001	1
-5843593854777113013	-58.43593854777113013	-47.7713099933917	1
2755719615649940199	275.5719615649940199	64.9940199673131	1
-584860206477682998	-58.4860206477682998	-47.76829681444628	1
2753982066649977538	275.3982066649977538	64.99775382109964	1
2627599322658585756	262.7599322658585756	65.58837565143916	1
2754678192649988485	275.4678192649988485	64.9984853133563	1
-583134133477682043	-58.3134133477682043	-47.768204371020976	1
-582782084477635377	-58.2782084477635377	-47.76353771151209	1
-582144303477629957	-58.2144303477629957	-47.762995795136995	1
2626369464955956617	262.6369464955956617	65.59566175207246	1
2627454099655970767	262.7454099655970767	65.5970762764377	1
2751723984650035129	275.1723984650035129	65.00351291786154	1
275479198650037199	275.479198650037199	65.003719208479	1
2631296993655991307	263.1296993655991307	65.59813677057065	1
-581408758477596682	-58.1408758477596682	-47.7596682702715	1
2623341817656029093	262.3341817656029093	65.6029063819271	1
2753719002650081672	275.3719002650081672	65.00616727797811	1

or retrieve the proper query (SQL):

```
SELECT TOP 500 mer_catalogue.object_id,mer_catalogue.right_ascension,mer_catalogue.declination,mer_catalogue.segment
FROM catalogue.mer_catalogue
WHERE (catalogue.mer_catalogue.vis_det=1 AND catalogue.mer_catalogue.point_like_prob>=0.7)
```

Warning

At the moment SAS let query on:

- mer_catalogue
- mer_cutouts

MER morphology catalogs and DEEP catalogs are not yet ingested into SAS