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This tutorial guides you to the MapProxy installation process on Unix systems. For Windows refer to Installation on Windows.

This tutorial was created and tested with Debian 5.0/6.0 and Ubuntu 10.04 LTS, if you’re installing MapProxy on a different system you might need to change some package names.

MapProxy is registered at the Python Package Index (PyPI). If you have installed Python setuptools (python-setuptools on Debian) you can install MapProxy with `sudo easy_install MapProxy`.

This is really easy but we recommend to install MapProxy into a virtual Python environment. A virtualenv is a self-contained Python installation where you can install arbitrary Python packages without affecting the system installation. You also don’t need root permissions for the installation.

Read about virtualenv if you want to know more about the benefits.

### 1.1 Create a new virtual environment

`virtualenv` is available as `python-virtualenv` on most Linux systems. You can also download a self-contained version:

`wget https://github.com/pypa/virtualenv/raw/master/virtualenv.py`

To create a new environment with the name `mapproxy` call:

`virtualenv --system-site-packages mapproxy`

# or

`python virtualenv.py --system-site-packages mapproxy`

You should now have a Python installation under `mapproxy/bin/python`.

**Note:** Newer versions of virtualenv will use your Python system packages (like `python-imaging` or `python-yaml`) only when the virtualenv was created with the `--system-site-packages` option. If your (older) version of virtualenv does not have this option, then it will behave that way by default.

You need to either prefix all commands with `mapproxy/bin`, set your `PATH` variable to include the bin directory or activate the virtualenv with:

`sosrc mapproxy/bin/activate`

This will change the `PATH` for you and will last for that terminal session.

### 1.2 Install Dependencies

MapProxy is written in Python, thus you will need a working Python installation. MapProxy works with Python 2.7, 3.3 and 3.4 which should already be installed with most Linux distributions. Python 2.6 should still work, but it is no longer officially supported.
MapProxy has some dependencies, other libraries that are required to run. There are different ways to install each dependency. Read *Dependency details* for a list of all required and optional dependencies.

### 1.2.1 Installation

On a Debian or Ubuntu system, you need to install the following packages:

```bash
sudo aptitude install python-imaging python-yaml libproj0
```

To get all optional packages:

```bash
sudo aptitude install libgeos-dev python-lxml libgdal-dev python-shapely
```

**Note:** Check that the `python-shapely` package is >=1.2, if it is not you need to install it with `pip install Shapely`.

### 1.2.2 Dependency details

**libproj**

MapProxy uses the Proj4 C Library for all coordinate transformation tasks. It is included in most distributions as `libproj0`.

**Pillow**

Pillow, the successor of the Python Image Library (PIL), is used for the image processing and it is included in most distributions as `python-imaging`. Please make sure that you have Pillow installed as MapProxy is no longer compatible with the original PIL. The version of `python-imaging` should be >=2.

You can install a new version of Pillow from source with:

```bash
sudo aptitude install build-essential python-dev libjpeg-dev zlib1g-dev libfreetype6-dev
pip install Pillow
```

**YAML**

MapProxy uses YAML for the configuration parsing. It is available as `python-yaml`, but you can also install it as a Python package with `pip install PyYAML`.

**Shapely and GEOS (optional)**

You will need Shapely to use the *coverage feature* of MapProxy. Shapely offers Python bindings for the GEOS library. You need Shapely (`python-shapely`) and GEOS (`libgeos-dev`). You can install Shapely as a Python package with `pip install Shapely` if your system does not provide a recent (>= 1.2.0) version of Shapely.

**GDAL (optional)**

The *coverage feature* allows you to read geometries from OGR datasources (Shapefiles, PostGIS, etc.). This package is optional and only required for OGR datasource support (BBOX, WKT and GeoJSON coverages are supported natively). OGR is part of GDAL (`libgdal-dev`).
1.3 Install MapProxy

Your virtual environment should already contain pip, a tool to install Python packages. If not, easy_install is enough to get it.

To install you need to call:

```
pip install MapProxy
```

You specify the release version of MapProxy. E.g.:

```
pip install MapProxy==1.8.0
```

or to get the latest 1.8.0 version:

```
pip install "MapProxy>=1.8.0,<=1.8.99"
```

To check if the MapProxy was successfully installed, you can call the `mapproxy-util` command.

```
mapproxy-util --version
```

**Note:** pip and easy_install will download packages from the Python Package Index and therefore they require full internet access. You need to set the http_proxy environment variable if you only have access to the internet via an HTTP proxy. See Access sources through HTTP proxy for more information.

1.4 Create a configuration

To create a new set of configuration files for MapProxy call:

```
mapproxy-util create -t base-config mymapproxy
```

This will create a mymapproxy directory with a minimal example configuration (`mapproxy.yaml` and `seed.yaml`) and two full example configuration files (`full_example.yaml` and `full_seed_example.yaml`).

Refer to the configuration documentation for more information. With the default configuration the cached data will be placed in the cache_data subdirectory.

1.5 Start the test server

To start a test server:

```
cd mymmaproxy
mapproxy-util serve-develop mapproxy.yaml
```

There is already a test layer configured that obtains data from the Omniscale OpenStreetMap WMS. Feel free to use this service for testing.

MapProxy comes with a demo service that lists all configured WMS and TMS layers. You can access that service at http://localhost:8080/demo/
1.6 Upgrade

You can upgrade MapProxy with pip in combination with a version number or with the --upgrade option. Use the --no-deps option to avoid upgrading the dependencies.

To upgrade to version 1.x.y:
```
pip install 'MapProxy==1.x.y'
```

To upgrade to the latest release:
```
pip install --upgrade --no-deps MapProxy
```

To upgrade to the current development version:
```
pip install --upgrade --no-deps https://github.com/mapproxy/mapproxy/tarball/master
```

1.6.1 Changes

New releases of MapProxy are backwards compatible with older configuration files. MapProxy will issue warnings on startup if a behavior will change in the next releases. You are advised to upgrade in single release steps (e.g. 1.2.0 to 1.3.0 to 1.4.0) and to check the output of mapproxy-util serve-develop for any warnings. You should also refer to the Changes Log of each release to see if there is anything to pay attention for.

If you upgrade from 0.8, please read the old migration documentation [http://mapproxy.org/docs/1.5.0/migrate.html]('http://mapproxy.org/docs/1.5.0/migrate.html').
CHAPTER TWO

INSTALLATION ON WINDOWS

At first you need a working Python installation. You can download Python from: https://www.python.org/download/. MapProxy requires Python 2.7, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 or 3.6. Python 2.6 should still work, but it is no longer officially supported. We would recommend the latest 2.7 version available.

2.1 Virtualenv

If you are using your Python installation for other applications as well, then we advise you to install MapProxy into a virtual Python environment to avoid any conflicts with different dependencies. You can skip this if you only use the Python installation for MapProxy. Read about virtualenv if you want to know more about the benefits.

To create a new virtual environment for your MapProxy installation and to activate it go to the command line and call:

C:\Python27\python path\to\virtualenv.py c:\mapproxy_venv
C:\mapproxy_venv\Scripts\activate.bat

Note: The last step is required every time you start working with your MapProxy installation. Alternatively you can always explicitly call \mapproxy_venv\Scripts\<command>.

Note: Apache mod_wsgi does not work well with virtualenv on Windows. If you want to use mod_wsgi for deployment, then you should skip the creation the virtualenv.

After you activated the new environment, you have access to python and pip. To install MapProxy with most dependencies call:

pip install MapProxy

This might take a minute. You can skip the next step.

2.2 PIP

MapProxy and most dependencies can be installed with the pip command. pip is already installed if you are using Python >=2.7.9, or Python >=3.4. Read the pip documentation for more information.

After that you can install MapProxy with:

c:\Python27\Scripts\pip install MapProxy

This might take a minute.
2.3 Dependencies

Read Dependency details for more information about all dependencies.

2.3.1 Pillow and YAML

Pillow and PyYAML are installed automatically by pip.

2.3.2 PyProj

Since libproj4 is generally not available on a Windows system, you will also need to install the Python package pyproj. You need to manually download the pyproj package for your system. See below for Platform dependent packages.

```
pip install path\to\pyproj-xxx.whl
```

2.3.3 Shapely and GEOS (optional)

Shapely can be installed with `pip install Shapely`. This will already include the required `geos.dll`.

2.3.4 GDAL (optional)

MapProxy requires GDAL/OGR for coverage support. MapProxy can either load the `gdal.dll` directly or use the `osgeo.ogr` Python package. You can download and install unofficial Windows binaries of GDAL and the Python package (e.g. `gdal-19-xxxx-code.msi`).

You need to add the installation path to the Windows PATH environment variable in both cases. You can set the variable temporary on the command line (spaces in the filename need no quotes or escaping):

```
set PATH=%PATH%;C:\Program Files (x86)\GDAL
```

Or you can add it to your systems environment variables.

You also need to set GDAL_DRIVER_PATH or OGR_DRIVER_PATH to the gdalplugins directory when you want to use the Oracle plugin (extra download from URL above):

```
set GDAL_DRIVER_PATH=C:\Program Files (x86)\GDAL\gdalplugins
```

2.4 Platform dependent packages

pip downloads all packages from https://pypi.python.org/, but not all platform combinations might be available as a binary package, especially if you run a 64bit version of Python.

If you run into trouble during installation, because it is trying to compile something (e.g. complaining about `vcvarsall.bat`), you should look at Christoph Gohlke’s Unofficial Windows Binaries for Python Extension Packages. This is a reliable site for binary packages for Python. You need to download the right package: The `cpxx` code refers to the Python version (e.g. `cp27` for Python 2.7); `win32` for 32bit Python installations and `amd64` for 64bit.

You can install the `.whl`, `.zip` or `.exe` packages with pip:

```
pip install path\to\package-xxx.whl
```
2.5 Check installation

To check if the MapProxy was successfully installed you can call `mapproxy-util`. You should see the installed version number.

```
mapproxy-util --version
```

Now continue with *Create a configuration* from the installation documentation.
OSGeo4W is a popular package of open-source geospatial tools for Windows systems. Besides packing a lot of GIS tools and a nice installer, it also features a full Python installation, along with some of the packages that MapProxy needs to run.

In order to install MapProxy within an OSGeo4W environment, the first step is to ensure that the needed Python packages are installed. In order to do so:

- Download and run the OSGeo4W installer
- Select advanced installation
- When shown a list of available packages, check (at least) python and python-pil for installation.

Please refer to the OSGeo4W installer FAQ if you've got trouble running it.

At this point, you should see an OSGeo4W shell icon on your desktop and/or start menu. Right-click that, and run as administrator.

In the OSGeo4W window, run:

C:\OSGeo4W> pip install mapproxy

and

C:\OSGeo4W> pip install pyproj

If these last two commands didn't print out any errors, your installation of MapProxy is successful. You can now close the OSGeo4W shell with administrator privileges, as it is no longer needed.

In older versions of OSGeo4W pip may not recognized. In such a case, please follow the instructions for installing pip with get-pip.py and retry the above pip install commands.

3.1 Check installation

To check if the MapProxy was successfully installed, you can launch a regular OSGeo4W shell, and call mapproxy-util. You should see the installed version number:

C:\OSGeo4W> mapproxy-util --version

**Note:** You need to run all MapProxy-related commands from an OSGeo4W shell, and not from a standard command shell.

Now continue with Create a configuration from the installation documentation.
3.2 Unattended OSGeo4W environment

If you need to run unattended commands (like scheduled runs of `mapproxy-seed`), make a copy of `C:\OSGeo4W\OSGeo4W.bat` and modify the last line, to call `cmd` so it runs the MapProxy script you need, e.g.:

```
cmd /c mapproxy-seed -s C:\path\to\seed.yaml -f C:\path\to\mapproxy.yaml
```
This tutorial should give you a quick introduction to the MapProxy configuration.
You should have a working MapProxy installation, if you want to follow this tutorial.

4.1 Configuration format

The configuration of MapProxy uses the YAML format. YAML is a superset of JSON. That means every valid JSON is also valid YAML. MapProxy uses no advanced features of YAML, so you could even use JSON. YAML uses a more readable and user-friendly syntax. We encourage you to use it.

If you are familiar with YAML you can skip to the next section.

The YAML configuration consist of comments, dictionaries, lists, strings, numbers and booleans.

4.1.1 Comments

Everything after a hash character (#) is a comment and will be ignored.

4.1.2 Numbers

Any numerical value like 12, -4, 0, and 3.1415.

4.1.3 Strings

Any string within single or double quotes. You can omit the quotes if the string has no other meaning in YAML syntax. For example:

`'foo'
foo
'43' # with quotes, otherwise it would be numeric
' [string, not a list]'
A string with spaces and punctuation.

4.1.4 Booleans

True or false values:

`yes`
`true`
`True`
`no`
`false`
`False`
4.1.5 List

A list is a collection of other valid objects. There are two formats. The condensed form uses square brackets:

```
[1, 2, 3]
[42, string, [another list with a string]]
```

The block form requires every list item on a separate line, starting with – (dash and a blank):

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 42
- string
- [another list]

4.1.6 Dictionaries

A dictionary maps keys to values. Values itself can be any valid object. There are two formats. The condensed form uses braces:

```
{foo: 3, bar: baz}
```

The block form requires every key value pair on a separate line:

```
foo: 3
bar: baz
```

You can also nest dictionaries. Each nested dictionary needs to be indented by one or more whitespaces. Tabs are not permitted and all keys to the same dictionary need to be indented by the same amount of spaces.

```
baz:
  ham: 2
  spam:
    bam: True
  inside_baz: ‘yepp’
```

4.2 Configuration Layout

The MapProxy configuration is a dictionary, each key configures a different aspect of MapProxy. There are the following keys:

- **services**: This is the place to activate and configure MapProxy’s services like WMS and TMS.
- **layers**: Configure the layers that MapProxy offers. Each layer can consist of multiple sources and caches.
- **sources**: Define where MapProxy can retrieve new data.
- **caches**: Here you can configure the internal caches.
- **grids**: MapProxy aligns all cached images (tiles) to a grid. Here you can define that grid.
- **globals**: Here you can define some internals of MapProxy and default values that are used in the other configuration directives.

The order of the directives is not important, so you can organize it your way.
4.3 Example Configuration

4.3.1 Configuring a Service

At first we need to configure at least one service. To enable a service, you have to include its name as a key in the services dictionary. For example:

```yaml
services:
  tms:
```

Each service is a YAML dictionary, with the service type as the key. The dictionary can be empty, but you need to add the colon so that the configuration parser knows it’s a dictionary.

A service might accept more configuration options. The WMS service, for example, takes a dictionary with metadata. This data is used in the capabilities documents.

Here is an example with some contact information:

```yaml
services:
  wms:
    md:
      title: MapProxy WMS Proxy
      abstract: This is the fantastic MapProxy.
      online_resource: http://mapproxy.org/
      contact:
        person: Your Name Here
        position: Technical Director
        organization:
        address: Fakestreet 123
        city: Somewhere
        postcode: 12345
        country: Germany
        phone: +49(0)000-000000-0
        fax: +49(0)000-000000-0
        email: info@omniscale.de
      access_constraints:
        This service is intended for private and evaluation use only. The data is licensed as Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 2.0 (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.0/)
        fees: 'None'
```

`access_constraints` demonstrates how you can write a string over multiple lines, just indent every line the same way as the first. And remember, YAML does not accept tab characters, you must use space.

For this tutorial we add another service called demo. This is a demo service that lists all configured WMS and TMS layers. You can test each layer with a simple OpenLayers client. So our configuration file should look like:

```yaml
services:
  demo:
    wms:
      [rest of WMS configuration]
```

4.3.2 Adding a Source

Next you need to define the source of your data. Every source has a name and a type. Let’s add a WMS source:

```yaml
sources:
  test_wms:
    type: wms
    req:
```
url: http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service?
layers: osm

In this example test_wms is the name of the source, you need this name later to reference it. Most sources take more parameters – some are optional, some are required. The type wms requires the req parameter that describes the WMS request. You need to define at least a URL and the layer names, but you can add more options like transparent or format.

4.3.3 Adding a Layer

After defining a source we can use it to create a layer for the MapProxy WMS.

A layer requires a title, which will be used in the capabilities documents and a source. For this layer we want to use our test_wms data source:

```
layers:
  - name: cascaded_test
title: Cascaded Test Layer
sources: [test_wms]
```

Now we have setuped MapProxy as cascading WMS. That means MapProxy only redirect requests to the WMS defined in test_wms data source.

4.3.4 Starting the development server

That’s it for the first configuration, you can now start MapProxy:

mapproxy-util serve-develop mapproxy.yaml

You can download the configuration.

When you type localhost:8080/demo/ in the URL of your webbrowser you should see a demo site like shown below.
Here you can see the capabilities of your configured service and watch it in action.

### 4.3.5 Adding a Cache

To speed up the source with MapProxy we *create a cache* for this source.

Each cache needs to know where it can get new data and how it should be cached. We define our `test_wms` as source for the cache. MapProxy splits images in small tiles and these tiles will be aligned to a grid. It also caches images in different resolutions, like an image pyramid. You can define this image pyramid in detail but we start with one of the default grid definitions of MapProxy. `GLOBAL_GEODETIC` defines a grid that covers the whole world. It uses EPSG:4326 as the spatial reference system and aligns with the default grid and resolutions that OpenLayers uses.

Our cache configuration should now look like:

```yaml
 caches:
  test_wms_cache:
    sources: [test_wms]
    grids: [GLOBAL_GEODETIC]
```

### 4.3.6 Adding a cached Layer

We can now use our defined cache as source for a layer. When the layer is requested by a client, MapProxy looks in the cache for the requested data and only if it hasn’t cached the data yet, it requests the `test_wms` data source.

The layer configuration should now look like:

```yaml
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```
layers:
- name: test_wms_cache
title: Cached Test Layer
sources: [test_wms_cache]

You can download the configuration.

### 4.3.7 Defining Resolutions

By default MapProxy caches traditional power-of-two image pyramids with a default number of cached resolutions of 20. The resolutions between each pyramid level doubles. If you want to change this, you can do so by defining your own grid. Fortunately MapProxy grids provide the ability to inherit from another grid. We let our grid inherit from the previously used `GLOBAL_GEODETIC` grid and add five fixed resolutions to it.

The grid configuration should look like:

```yaml
grids:
  res_grid:
    base: GLOBAL_GEODETIC
    res: [1, 0.5, 0.25, 0.125, 0.0625]
```

As you see, we used `base` to inherit from `GLOBAL_GEODETIC` and `res` to define our preferred resolutions. The resolutions are always in the unit of the SRS, in this case in degree per pixel. You can use the MapProxy scales util to convert between scales and resolutions.

Instead of defining fixed resolutions, we can also define a factor that is used to calculate the resolutions. The default value of this factor is 2, but you can set it to each value you want. Just change `res` with `res_factor` and add your preferred factor after it.

A magical value of `res_factor` is `sqrt2`, the square root of two. It doubles the number of cached resolutions, so you have 40 instead of 20 available resolutions. Every second resolution is identical to the power-of-two resolutions, so you can use this layer not only in classic WMS clients with free zooming, but also in tile-based clients like OpenLayers which only request in these resolutions. Look at the configuration examples for vector data for more information.

### 4.3.8 Defining a Grid

In the previous section we saw how to extend a grid to provide self-defined resolutions, but sometimes `GLOBAL_GEODETIC` grid is not useful because it covers the whole world and we want only a part of it. So let's see how to define our own grid.

For this example we define a grid for Germany. We need a spatial reference system (`srs`) that matches the region of Germany and a bounding box (`bbox`) around Germany to limit the requestable area. To make the specification of the `bbox` a little bit easier, we put the `bbox_srs` parameter to the grid configuration. So we can define the `bbox` in EPSG:4326.

The `grids` configuration is a dictionary and each grid configuration is identified by its name. We call our grid `germany` and its configuration should look like:

```yaml
grids:
  germany:
    srs: 'EPSG:25832'
    bbox: [6, 47.3, 15.1, 55]
    bbox_srs: 'EPSG:4326'
```

We have to replace `GLOBAL_GEODETIC` in the cache configuration with our `germany` grid. After that MapProxy caches all data in UTM32.

MapProxy requests the source in the projection of the grid. You can configure the supported SRS for each WMS source and MapProxy takes care of any transformations if the `srs` of our grid is different from the data source.

You can download the configuration.
4.3.9 Merging Multiple Layers

If you have two WMS and want to offer a single layer with data from both server, you can combine these in one cache. MapProxy will combine the images before it stores the tiles on disk. The sources should be defined from bottom to top and all sources except the bottom need to be transparent.

The code below is an example for configure MapProxy to combine two WMS in one cache and one layer:

```yaml
services:
  wms:
    demo:

sources:
  test_wms:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service?
      layers: osm
  roads_wms:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service?
      layers: osm_roads
      transparent: true

caches:
  combined_cache:
    sources: [test_wms, roads_wms]
    grids: [GLOBAL_GEODETIC]

layers:
- name: cached_test_wms_with_roads
  title: Cached Test WMS with Roads
  sources: [combined_cache]
```

You can download the configuration.

4.3.10 Coverages

Sometimes you don’t want to provide the full data of a WMS in a layer. With MapProxy you can define areas where data is available or where data you are interested in is. MapProxy provides three ways to restrict the area of available data: Bounding boxes, polygons and OGR datasource. To keep it simple, we only discuss bounding boxes. For more informations about the other methods take a look at the coverages documentation. To restrict the area with a bounding box, we have to define it in the coverage option of the data source. The listing below restricts the requestable area to Germany:

```yaml
sources:
  test_wms:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service?
      layers: osm
    coverage:
      bbox: [5.5, 47.4, 15.2, 54.8]
      bbox_srs: 'EPSG:4326'
```

As you see notation of a coverage bounding box is similar to the notation in the grid option.
4.3.11 Meta Tiles and Meta Buffer

When you have experience with WMS in tiled clients you should know the problem of labeling issues. MapProxy can help to resolve these issues with two methods called Meta Tiling and Meta Buffering.

There is a chapter on WMS labeling issues that discusses these options.

4.3.12 Seeding

Configuration

MapProxy creates all tiles on demand. That means, only tiles requested once are cached. Fortunately MapProxy comes with a command line script for pre-generating all required tiles called mapproxy-seed. It has its own configuration file called seed.yaml and a couple of options. We now create a config file for mapproxy-seed.

As all MapProxy configuration files it's notated in YAML. The mandatory option is seeds. Here you can create multiple seeding tasks that define what should be seeded. You can specify a list of caches for seeding with caches. The cache names should match the names in your MapProxy configuration. If you have specified multiple grids for one cache in your MapProxy configuration, you can select these caches to seed. They must also comply with the caches in your MapProxy configuration. Furthermore you can limit the levels that should be seeded. If you want to seed only a limited area, you can use the coverages option.

In the example below, we configure mapproxy-seed to seed our previously created cache test_wms_cache from level 6 to level 16. To show a different possibility to define a coverage, we use a polygon file to determine the area we want to seed.

```
seeds:
  test_cache_seed:
    caches: [test_wms_cache]
    levels:
      from: 6
      to: 16
    coverages: [germany]

coverages:
  germany:
    polygons: ./GM.txt
    polygons_srs: EPSG:900913
```

As you see in the coverages section the polygons option point to a text file. This text file contains polygons in Well-Known-Text (WKT) form. The third option tells mapproxy-seed the srs of the WKT polygons.

You can download the configuration and the polygon file.

Start Seeding

Now it’s time to start seeding. mapproxy-seed has a couple of options. We have to use options -s to define our seed.yaml and -f for our MapProxy configuration file. We also use the --dry-run option to see what MapProxy would do, without making any actual requests to our sources. A mis-configured seeding can take days or weeks, so you should keep an eye on the tile numbers the dry-run prints out.

Run mapproxy-seed like:

```
mapproxy-seed -f mapproxy.yaml -s seed.yaml --dry-run
```

If you sure, that seeding works right, remove --dry-run.

4.3.13 What’s next?

You should read the configuration examples to get a few more ideas what MapProxy can do.
MapProxy has lots of small features that might be useful for your projects, so it is a good idea to read the other chapters of the documentation after that.

If you have any questions? We have a [mailing list and IRC channel](#) where you can get support.
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### 5.1 mapproxy.yaml

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- **sources**: Define where MapProxy can retrieve new data.
- **caches**: Configure the internal caches.
- **layers**: Configure the layers that MapProxy offers. Each layer can consist of multiple sources and caches.
- **grids**: Define the grids that MapProxy uses to aligns cached images.

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There is another optional section:

New in version 1.6.0.

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For example:

```yaml
parts:
  coverages:
    mycoverage: &mycoverage
      bbox: [0, 0, 10, 10]
      srs: 'EPSG:4326'

sources:
```

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  coverages:
    mycoverage: &mycoverage
      bbox: [0, 0, 10, 10]
      srs: 'EPSG:4326'

sources:
```
5.1.1 base

You can split a configuration into multiple files with the base option. The base option loads the other files and merges the loaded configuration dictionaries together – it is not a literal include of the other files.

For example:

```
base: [mygrids.yaml, mycaches_sources.yaml]
```

Changed in version 1.4.0: Support for recursive imports and for multiple files.

5.2 services

Here you can configure which services should be started. The configuration for all services is described in the Services documentation.

Here is an example:

```
services:
  tms:
  wms:
    md:
      title: MapProxy Example WMS
      contact:
        # [...]
```

5.3 layers

Here you can define all layers MapProxy should offer. The layer definition is similar to WMS: each layer can have a name and title and you can nest layers to build a layer tree.

Layers should be configured as a list (~ in YAML), where each layer configuration is a dictionary (key: value in YAML)

```
layers:
  - name: layer1
    title: Title of Layer 1
    sources: [cache1, source2]
  - name: layer2
    title: Title of Layer 2
    sources: [cache3]
```

Each layer contains information about the layer and where the data comes from.

Changed in version 1.4.0.

The old syntax to configure each layer as a dictionary with the key as the name is deprecated.
layers:
  mylayer:
    title: My Layer
    source: [mysource]

should become

layers:
  - name: mylayer
    title: My Layer
    source: [mysource]

The mixed format where the layers are a list (-) but each layer is still a dictionary is no longer supported (e.g. -
mylayer: becomes - name: mylayer).

5.3.1 name

The name of the layer. You can omit the name for group layers (e.g. layers with layers), in this case the layer
is not addressable in WMS and used only for grouping.

5.3.2 title

Readable name of the layer, e.g WMS layer title.

5.3.3 layers

Each layer can contain another layers configuration. You can use this to build group layers and to build a nested
layer tree.

For example:

layers:
  - name: root
    title: Root Layer
    layers:
      - name: layer1
        title: Title of Layer 1
        layers:
          - name: layer1a
            title: Title of Layer 1a
            sources: [source1a]
          - name: layer1b
            title: Title of Layer 1b
            sources: [source1b]
      - name: layer2
        title: Title of Layer 2
        sources: [cache2]

root and layer1 is a group layer in this case. The WMS service will render layer1a and layer1b if you request layer1. Note that sources is optional if you supply layers. You can still configure sources for
group layers. In this case the group sources will replace the sources of the child layers.

MapProxy will wrap all layers into an unnamed root layer, if you define multiple layers on the first level.

Note: The old syntax (see name above) is not supported if you use the nested layer configuration format.
5.3.4 **sources**

A list of data sources for this layer. You can use sources defined in the `sources` and `caches` section. MapProxy will merge multiple sources from left (bottom) to right (top).

WMS and Mapserver sources also support tagged names (wms:lyr1, lyr2). See [Tagged source names](#).

5.3.5 **tile_sources**

New in version 1.8.2.

A list of caches for this layer. This list overrides `sources` for WMTS and TMS. `tile_sources` are not merged like `sources`, instead all the caches are added as additional tile (matrix) sets.

5.3.6 **min_res, max_res Or min_scale, max_scale**

Limit the layer to the given min and max resolution or scale. MapProxy will return a blank image for requests outside of these boundaries (min_res is inclusive, max_res exclusive). You can use either the resolution or the scale values, missing values will be interpreted as `unlimited`. Resolutions should be in meters per pixel.

The values will also appear in the capabilities documents (i.e. WMS ScaleHint and Min/MaxScaleDenominator).

Please read [scale vs. resolution](#) for some notes on `scale`.

5.3.7 **legendurl**

Configure a URL to an image that should be returned as the legend for this layer. Local URLs (`file://`) are also supported. MapProxy ignores the legends from the sources of this layer if you configure a `legendurl` here.

5.3.8 **md**

New in version 1.4.0.

Add additional metadata for this layer. This metadata appears in the WMS 1.3.0 capabilities documents. Refer to the OGC 1.3.0 specification for a description of each option.

See also [INSPIRE View Service](#) for configuring additional INSPIRE metadata.

Here is an example layer with extended layer capabilities:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: md_layer
title: WMS layer with extended capabilities
sources: [wms_source]
md:
  abstract: Some abstract
  keyword_list:
  - vocabulary: Name of the vocabulary
    keywords: [keyword1, keyword2]
  - vocabulary: Name of another vocabulary
    keywords: [keyword1, keyword2]
  - keywords: ["keywords without vocabulary"]
  attribution:
    title: My attribution title
    url: http://example.org/
    logo:
      url: http://example.org/logo.jpg
      width: 100
      height: 100
      format: image/jpeg
```
identifier:
  - url: http://example.org/
    name: HKU1234
    value: Some value
metadata:
  - url: http://example.org/metadata2.xml
    type: INSPIRE
    format: application/xml
  - url: http://example.org/metadata2.xml
    type: ISO19115:2003
    format: application/xml
data:
  - url: http://example.org/datasets/test.shp
    format: application/octet-stream
  - url: http://example.org/datasets/test.gml
    format: text/xml; subtype=gml/3.2.1
feature_list:
  - url: http://example.org/datasets/test.pdf
    format: application/pdf

5.3.9 dimensions

New in version 1.6.0.

Note: Dimensions are only supported for uncached WMTS services for now. See WMTS service with dimensions for a working use-case.

Configure the dimensions that this layer supports. Dimensions should be a dictionary with one entry for each dimension. Each dimension is another dictionary with a list of values and an optional default value. When the default value is omitted, the last value will be used.

layers:
  - name: dimension_layer
    title: layer with dimensions
    sources: [cache]
    dimensions:
      time:
        values:
        - "2012-11-12T00:00:00"
        - "2012-11-13T00:00:00"
        - "2012-11-14T00:00:00"
        - "2012-11-15T00:00:00"
        default: "2012-11-15T00:00:00"
elevation:
  values:
  - 0
  - 1000
  - 3000

5.4 caches

Here you can configure which sources should be cached. Available options are:

5.4.1 sources

A list of data sources for this cache. You can use sources defined in the sources and caches section. This parameter is required. MapProxy will merge multiple sources from left (bottom) to right (top) before they are
stored on disk.

caches:
  my_cache:
    sources: [background_wms, overlay_wms]
...

WMS and Mapserver sources also support tagged names (wms:lyr1, lyr2). See Tagged source names.

## Band merging

New in version 1.9.0.

You can also define a list of sources for each color band. The target color bands are specified as r, g, b for RGB images, optionally with a for the alpha band. You can also use l (luminance) to create tiles with a single color band (e.g. grayscale images).

You need to define the source and the band index for each source band. The indices of the source bands are numeric and start from 0.

The following example creates a colored infra-red (false-color) image by using near infra-red for red, red (band 0) for green, and green (band 1) for blue:

caches:
  cir_cache:
    sources:
      r: [[source: nir_cache, band: 0]]
      g: [[source: dop_cache, band: 0]]
      b: [[source: dop_cache, band: 1]]

You can define multiple sources for each target band. The values are summed and clipped at 255. An optional factor allows you to reduce the values. You can use this to mix multiple bands into a single grayscale image:

caches:
  grayscale_cache:
    sources:
      l: [
        {source: dop_cache, band: 0, factor: 0.21},
        {source: dop_cache, band: 1, factor: 0.72},
        {source: dop_cache, band: 2, factor: 0.07},
      ]

## Cache sources

New in version 1.5.0.

You can also use other caches as a source. MapProxy loads tiles directly from that cache if the grid of the target cache is identical or compatible with the grid of the source cache. You have a compatible grid when all tiles in the cache grid are also available in source grid, even if the tile coordinates (X/Y/Z) are different.

When the grids are not compatible, e.g. when they use different projections, then MapProxy will access the source cache as if it is a WMS source and it will use meta-requests and do image reprojection as necessary.

See Using existing caches for more information.

### 5.4.2 format

The internal image format for the cache. Available options are image/png, image/jpeg etc. and mixed. The default is image/png.

New in version 1.5.0.
With the mixed format, MapProxy stores tiles as either PNG or JPEG, depending on the transparency of each tile. Images with transparency will be stored as PNG, fully opaque images as JPEG. You need to set the request_format to image/png when using mixed-mode:

```yaml
caches:
  mixed_mode_cache:
    format: mixed
    request_format: image/png
...```

### 5.4.3 request_format

MapProxy will try to use this format to request new tiles, if it is not set format is used. This option has no effect if the source does not support that format or the format of the source is set explicitly (see supported_format or format for sources).

### 5.4.4 link_single_color_images

If set to true, MapProxy will not store tiles that only contain a single color as a separate file. MapProxy stores these tiles only once and uses symbolic links to this file for every occurrence. This can reduce the size of your tile cache if you have larger areas with no data (e.g. water areas, areas with no roads, etc.).

**Note:** This feature is only available on Unix, since Windows has no support for symbolic links.

### 5.4.5 minimize_meta_requests

If set to true, MapProxy will only issue a single request to the source. This option can reduce the request latency for uncached areas (on demand caching).

By default MapProxy requests all uncached meta-tiles that intersect the requested bbox. With a typical configuration it is not uncommon that a requests will trigger four requests each larger than 2000x2000 pixel. With the minimize_meta_requests option enabled, each request will trigger only one request to the source. That request will be aligned to the next tile boundaries and the tiles will be cached.

### 5.4.6 watermark

Add a watermark right into the cached tiles. The watermark is thus also present in TMS or KML requests.

- **text** The watermark text. Should be short.
- **opacity** The opacity of the watermark (from 0 transparent to 255 full opaque). Use a value between 30 and 100 for unobtrusive watermarks.
- **font_size** Font size of the watermark text.
- **color** Color of the watermark text. Default is grey which works good for vector images. Can be either a list of color values ([255, 255, 255]) or a hex string (#ffffff).
- **spacing** Configure the spacing between repeated watermarks. By default the watermark will be placed on every tile, with wide the watermark will be placed on every second tile.

### 5.4.7 grids

You can configure one or more grids for each cache. MapProxy will create one cache for each grid.

```
grids: ['my_utm_grid', 'GLOBAL_MERCATOR']
```
MapProxy supports on-the-fly transformation of requests with different SRSs. So it is not required to add an extra cache for each supported SRS. For best performance only the SRS most requests are in should be used.

There is some special handling for layers that need geographical and projected coordinate systems. For example, if you set one grid with EPSG:4326 and one with EPSG:3857 then all requests for projected SRS will access the EPSG:3857 cache and requests for geographical SRS will use EPSG:4326.

5.4.8 meta_size and meta_buffer

Change the meta_size and meta_buffer of this cache. See global cache options for more details.

5.4.9 bulk_meta_tiles

Enables meta-tile handling for tiled sources. See global cache options for more details.

5.4.10 image

See below for all image options.

5.4.11 use_direct_from_level and use_direct_from_res

You can limit until which resolution MapProxy should cache data with these two options. Requests below the configured resolution or level will be passed to the underlying source and the results will not be stored. The resolution of use_direct_from_res should use the units of the first configured grid of this cache. This takes only effect when used in WMS services.

5.4.12 disable_storage

If set to true, MapProxy will not store any tiles for this cache. MapProxy will re-request all required tiles for each incoming request, even if the there are matching tiles in the cache. See seed_only if you need an offline mode.

Note: Be careful when using a cache with disabled storage in tile services when the cache uses WMS sources with metatiling.

5.4.13 cache_dir

Directory where MapProxy should store tiles for this cache. Uses the value of globals.cache.base_dir by default. MapProxy will store each cache in a subdirectory named after the cache and the grid SRS (e.g. cachename_EPSG1234). See directory option on how configure a complete path.

5.4.14 cache

New in version 1.2.0.

Configure the type of the background tile cache. You configure the type with the type option. The default type is file and you can leave out the cache option if you want to use the file cache. Read Caches for a detailed list of all available cache backends.
5.4.15 Example caches configuration

```yaml
caches:
  simple:
    source: [mysource]
    grids: [mygrid]
  fullexample:
    source: [mysource, mysecondsource]
    grids: [mygrid, mygrid2]
    meta_size: [8, 8]
    meta_buffer: 256
    watermark:
      text: MapProxy
      request_format: image/tiff
      format: image/jpeg
    cache:
      type: file
      directory_layout: tms
```

5.5 grids

Here you can define the tile grids that MapProxy uses for the internal caching. There are multiple options to define the grid, but beware, not all are required at the same time and some combinations will result in ambiguous results.

There are three pre-defined grids all with global coverage:

- **GLOBAL_GEODETIC**: EPSG:4326, origin south-west, compatible with OpenLayers map in EPSG:4326
- **GLOBAL_MERCATOR**: EPSG:900913, origin south-west, compatible with OpenLayers map in EPSG:900913
- **GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR**: similar to GLOBAL_MERCATOR but uses EPSG:3857 and origin north-west, compatible with OpenStreetMap/etc.

**New in version 1.6.0**: GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR

5.5.1 name

Overwrite the name of the grid used in WMTS URLs. The name is also used in TMS and KML URLs when the use_grid_names option of the services is set to true.

5.5.2 srs

The spatial reference system used for the internal cache, written as EPSG:xxxx.

5.5.3 tile_size

The size of each tile. Defaults to 256x256 pixel.

tile_size: [512, 512]

5.5.4 res

A list with all resolutions that MapProxy should cache.

res: [1000, 500, 200, 100]
5.5.5 res_factor

Here you can define a factor between each resolution. It should be either a number or the term $\sqrt{2}$. $\sqrt{2}$ is a shorthand for a resolution factor of 1.4142, the square root of two. With this factor the resolution doubles every second level. Compared to the default factor 2 you will get another cached level between all standard levels. This is suited for free zooming in vector-based layers where the results might look to blurry/pixelated in some resolutions.

For requests with no matching cached resolution the next best resolution is used and MapProxy will transform the result.

5.5.6 threshold_res

A list with resolutions at which MapProxy should switch from one level to another. MapProxy automatically tries to determine the optimal cache level for each request. You can tweak the behavior with the stretch_factor option (see below).

If you need explicit transitions from one level to another at fixed resolutions, then you can use the threshold_res option to define these resolutions. You only need to define the explicit transitions.

Example: You are caching at 1000, 500 and 200m/px resolutions and you are required to display the 1000m/px level for requests with lower than 700m/px resolutions and the 500m/px level for requests with higher resolutions. You can define that transition as follows:

```
res: [1000, 500, 200]
threshold_res: [700]
```

Requests with 1500, 1000 or 701m/px resolution will use the first level, requests with 700 or 500m/px will use the second level. All other transitions (between 500 and 200m/px in this case) will be calculated automatically with the stretch_factor (about 416m/px in this case with a default configuration).

5.5.7 bbox

The extent of your grid. You can use either a list or a string with the lower left and upper right coordinates. You can set the SRS of the coordinates with the bbox_srs option. If that option is not set the srs of the grid will be used.

MapProxy always expects your BBOX coordinates order to be west, south, east, north regardless of your SRS axis order.

```
bbox: [0, 40, 15, 55]
   or
bbox: "0,40,15,55"
```

5.5.8 bbox_srs

The SRS of the grid bbox. See above.

5.5.9 origin

New in version 1.3.0.

The default origin (x=0, y=0) of the tile grid is the lower left corner, similar to TMS. WMTS defines the tile origin in the upper left corner. MapProxy can translate between services and caches with different tile origins, but there are some limitations for grids with custom BBOX and resolutions that are not of factor 2. You can only use one service in these cases and need to use the matching origin for that service.

The following values are supported:
or sw: If the x=0, y=0 tile is in the lower-left/south-west corner of the tile grid. This is the default.
ul or nw: If the x=0, y=0 tile is in the upper-left/north-west corner of the tile grid.

5.5.10 num_levels

The total number of cached resolution levels. Defaults to 20, except for grids with sqrt2 resolutions. This option has no effect when you set an explicit list of cache resolutions.

5.5.11 min_res and max_res

The the resolutions of the first and the last level.

5.5.12 stretch_factor

MapProxy chooses the optimal cached level for requests that do not exactly match any cached resolution. MapProxy will stretch or shrink images to the requested resolution. The stretch_factor defines the maximum factor MapProxy is allowed to stretch images. Stretched images result in better performance but will look blurry when the value is to large (> 1.2).
Example: Your MapProxy caches 10m and 5m resolutions. Requests with 9m resolution will be generated from the 10m level, requests for 8m from the 5m level.

5.5.13 max_shrink_factor

This factor only applies for the first level and defines the maximum factor that MapProxy will shrink images.
Example: Your MapProxy layer starts with 1km resolution. Requests with 3km resolution will get a result, requests with 5km will get a blank response.

5.5.14 base

With this option, you can base the grid on the options of another grid you already defined.

5.5.15 Defining Resolutions

There are multiple options that influence the resolutions MapProxy will use for caching: res, res_factor, min_res, max_res, num_levels and also bbox and tile_size. We describe the process MapProxy uses to build the list of all cache resolutions.

If you supply a list with resolution values in res then MapProxy will use this list and will ignore all other options.

If min_res is set then this value will be used for the first level, otherwise MapProxy will use the resolution that is needed for a single tile (tile_size) that contains the whole bbox.

If you have max_res and num_levels: The resolutions will be distributed between min_res and max_res, both resolutions included. The resolutions will be logarithmical, so you will get a constant factor between each resolution. With resolutions from 1000 to 10 and 6 levels you would get 1000, 398, 158, 63, 25, 10 (rounded here for readability).

If you have max_res and res_factor: The resolutions will be multiplied by res_factor until larger then max_res.

If you have num_levels and res_factor: The resolutions will be multiplied by res_factor for up to num_levels levels.
5.5.16 Example grids configuration

grids:
  localgrid:
    srs: EPSG:31467
    bbox: [5, 50, 10, 55]
    bbox_srs: EPSG:4326
    min_res: 10000
    res_factor: sqrt2
  localgrid2:
    base: localgrid
    srs: EPSG:25832
    tile_size: [512, 512]

5.6 sources

A sources defines where MapProxy can request new data. Each source has a type and all other options are dependent to this type.

See Sources for the documentation of all available sources.

An example:

sources:
  sourcename:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://localhost:8080/service?
      layers: base
  anthersource:
    type: wms
    # ...

5.7 globals

Here you can define some internals of MapProxy and default values that are used in the other configuration directives.

5.7.1 image

Here you can define some options that affect the way MapProxy generates image results.

resampling_method The resampling method used when results need to be rescaled or transformed. You can use one of nearest, bilinear or bicubic. Nearest is the fastest and bicubic the slowest. The results will look best with bilinear or bicubic. Bicubic enhances the contrast at edges and should be used for vector images.

With bilinear you should get about 2/3 of the nearest performance, with bicubic 1/3.

See the examples below:

nearest:
**paletted** Enable paletted (8bit) PNG images. It defaults to true for backwards compatibility. You should set this to false if you need 24bit PNG files. You can enable 8bit PNGs for single caches with a custom format (colors: 256).

**formats** Modify existing or define new image formats. See below for all image format options.

## 5.7.2 cache

The following options define how tiles are created and stored. Most options can be set individually for each cache as well.

New in version 1.6.0: **tile_lock_dir**

New in version 1.10.0: **bulk_meta_tiles**

**meta_size** MapProxy does not make a single request for every tile it needs, but it will request a large meta-tile that consist of multiple tiles. **meta_size** defines how large a meta-tile is. A meta_size of [4, 4]
will request 16 tiles in one pass. With a tile size of 256x256 this will result in 1024x1024 requests to the source. Tiled sources are still requested tile by tile, but you can configure MapProxy to load multiple tiles in bulk with bulk_meta_tiles.

**bulk_meta_tiles** Enables meta-tile handling for caches with tile sources. If set to `true`, MapProxy will request neighboring tiles from the source even if only one tile is requested from the cache. `meta_size` defines how many tiles should be requested in one step and `concurrent_tile_creators` defines how many requests are made in parallel. This option improves the performance for caches that allow to store multiple tiles with one request, like SQLite/MBTiles but not the file cache.

**meta_buffer** MapProxy will increase the size of each meta-tile request by this number of pixels in each direction. This can solve cases where labels are cut-off at the edge of tiles.

**base_dir** The base directory where all cached tiles will be stored. The path can either be absolute (e.g. `/var/mapproxy/cache`) or relative to the mapproxy.yaml file. Defaults to `./cache_data`.

**lock_dir** MapProxy uses locking to limit multiple request to the same service. See `concurrent_requests`. This option defines where the temporary lock files will be stored. The path can either be absolute (e.g. `/tmp/lock/mapproxy`) or relative to the mapproxy.yaml file. Defaults to `./cache_data/tile_locks`.

**tile_lock_dir** MapProxy uses locking to prevent that the same tile gets created multiple times. This option defines where the temporary lock files will be stored. The path can either be absolute (e.g. `/tmp/lock/mapproxy`) or relative to the mapproxy.yaml file. Defaults to `./cache_data/dir_of_the_cache/tile_locks`.

**concurrent_tile_creators** This limits the number of parallel requests MapProxy will make to a source. This limit is per request for this cache and not for all MapProxy requests. To limit the requests MapProxy makes to a single server use the `concurrent_requests` option.

Example: A request in an uncached region requires MapProxy to fetch four meta-tiles. A `concurrent_tile_creators` value of two allows MapProxy to make two requests to the source WMS request in parallel. The splitting of the meta-tile and the encoding of the new tiles will happen in parallel to.

**link_single_color_images** Enables the link_single_color_images option for all caches if set to `true`. See link_single_color_images.

**max_tile_limit** Maximum number of tiles MapProxy will merge together for a WMS request. This limit is for each layer and defaults to 500 tiles.

### 5.7.3 srs

**proj_data_dir** MapProxy uses Proj4 for all coordinate transformations. If you need custom projections or need to tweak existing definitions (e.g. add towgs parameter set) you can point MapProxy to your own set of proj4 init files. The path should contain an `epsg` file with the EPSG definitions.

The configured path can be absolute or relative to the mapproxy.yaml.

**axis_order_ne and axis_order_en** The axis ordering defines in which order coordinates are given, i.e. lon/lat or lat/lon. The ordering is dependent to the SRS. Most clients and servers did not respected the ordering and everyone used lon/lat ordering. With the WMS 1.3.0 specification the OGC emphasized that the axis ordering of the SRS should be used.

Here you can define the axis ordering of your SRS. This might be required for proper WMS 1.3.0 support if you use any SRS that is not in the default configuration.

By default MapProxy assumes lat/long (north/east) order for all geographic and x/y (east/north) order for all projected SRS.

You need to add the SRS name to the appropriate parameter, if that is not the case for your SRS.:

```yaml
srs:
  # for North-East ordering
  axis_order_ne: ['EPSG:9999', 'EPSG:9998']
```
# for East/North ordering
axis_order_en: ['EPSG:0000', 'EPSG:0001']

If you need to override one of the default values, then you need to define both axis order options, even if one is empty.

## 5.7.4 http

HTTP related options.

### Secure HTTP Connections (HTTPS)

MapProxy supports access to HTTPS servers. Just use `https` instead of `http` when defining the URL of a source.

MapProxy verifies the SSL/TLS connections against your systems “certification authority” (CA) certificates. You can provide your own set of root certificates with the `ssl_ca_certs` option. See the Python SSL documentation for more information about the format.

```
http:
  ssl_ca_certs: /etc/ssl/certs/ca-certificates.crt
```

New in version 1.11.0: MapProxy uses the systems CA files by default, if you use Python >=2.7.9 or >=3.4.

**Note:** You need to supply a CA file that includes the root certificates if you use older MapProxy or older Python versions. Otherwise MapProxy will fail to establish the connection. You can set the `http.ssl_no_cert_checks` options to `true` to disable this verification.

```
ssl_no_cert_checks
```

If you want to use SSL/TLS but do not need certificate verification, then you can disable it with the `ssl_no_cert_checks` option. You can also disable this check on a source level.

```
http:
  ssl_no_cert_checks: true
```

### client_timeout

This defines how long MapProxy should wait for data from source servers. Increase this value if your source servers are slower.

### method

Configure which HTTP method should be used for HTTP requests. By default (AUTO) MapProxy will use GET for most requests, except for requests with a long query string (e.g. WMS requests with `sld_body`) where POST is used instead. You can disable this behavior with either `GET` or `POST`.

```
http:
  method: GET
```

### headers

Add additional HTTP headers to all requests to your sources.

```
http:
  headers:
    My-Header: header value
```
access_control_allow_origin

New in version 1.8.0.

Sets the Access-control-allow-origin header to HTTP responses for Cross-origin resource sharing. This header is required for WebGL or Canvas web clients. Defaults to *. Leave empty to disable the header. This option is only available in globals.

5.7.5 tiles

Configuration options for the TMS/Tile service.

expires_hours The number of hours a Tile is valid. TMS clients like web browsers will cache the tile for this time. Clients will try to refresh the tiles after that time. MapProxy supports the ETag and Last-Modified headers and will respond with the appropriate HTTP ‘304 Not modified’ response if the tile was not changed.

5.7.6 mapserver

Options for the Mapserver source.

binary

The complete path to the mapserv executable. Required if you use the mapserver source.

working_dir

Path where the Mapserver should be executed from. It should be the directory where any relative paths in your mapfile are based on. Defaults to the directory of binary.

5.8 Image Format Options

New in version 1.1.0.

There are a few options that affect how MapProxy encodes and transforms images. You can set these options in the globals section or individually for each source or cache.

5.8.1 Options

Available options are:

format The mime-type of this image format. The format defaults to the name of the image configuration.

mode One of RGB for 24bit images, RGBA 32bit images with alpha, P for paletted images or I for integer images.

colors The number of colors to reduce the image before encoding. Use 0 to disable color reduction (quantizing) for this format and 256 for paletted images. See also globals.image.paletted.

transparent true if the image should have an alpha channel.

resampling_method The resampling method used for scaling or reprojection. One of nearest, bilinear or bicubic.

encoding_options Options that modify the way MapProxy encodes (saves) images. These options are format dependent. See below.
**opacity** Configures the opacity of a layer or cache. This value is used when the source or cache is placed on other layers and it can be used to overlay non-transparent images. It does not alter the image itself, and only effects when multiple layers are merged to one image. The value should be between 0.0 (full transparent) and 1.0 (opaque, i.e. the layers below will not be rendered).

**encoding_options**

The following encoding options are available:

**jpeg_quality** An integer value from 0 to 100 that defines the image quality of JPEG images. Larger values result in slower performance, larger file sizes but better image quality. You should try values between 75 and 90 for good compromise between performance and quality.

**quantizer** The algorithm used to quantize (reduce) the image colors. Quantizing is used for GIF and paletted PNG images. Available quantizers are **mediancut** and **fastoctree**. **fastoctree** is much faster and also supports 8bit PNG with full alpha support, but the image quality can be better with **mediancut** in some cases. The quantizing is done by the Python Image Library (PIL). **fastoctree** is a new quantizer that is only available in Pillow >=2.0. See [installation of PIL](https://pillow.readthedocs.io/en/stable/).

### 5.8.2 Global

You can configure image formats globally with the `image.formats` option. Each format has a name and one or more options from the list above. You can choose any name, but you need to specify a `format` if the name is not a valid mime-type (e.g. `myformat` instead of `image/png`).

Here is an example that defines a custom format:

```yaml
globals:
  image:
    formats:
      my_format:
        format: image/png
        mode: P
        transparent: true
```

You can also modify existing image formats:

```yaml
globals:
  image:
    formats:
      image/png:
        encoding_options:
          quantizer: fastoctree
```

MapProxy will use your image formats when you are using the format name as the `format` of any source or cache.

For example:

```yaml
caches:
  mycache:
    format: my_format
    sources: [source1, source2]
    grids: [my_grid]
```

### 5.8.3 Local

You can change all options individually for each cache or source. You can do this by choosing a base format and changing some options:
caches:
  mycache:
    format: image/jpeg
    image:
      encoding_options:
        jpeg_quality: 80
    sources: [source1, source2]
    grids: [my_grid]

You can also configure the format from scratch:

caches:
  mycache:
    image:
      format: image/jpeg
      resampling_method: nearest
    sources: [source1, source2]
    grids: [my_grid]

5.9 Notes

5.9.1 Scale vs. resolution

Scale is the ratio of a distance on a map and the corresponding distance on the ground. This implies that the map distance and the ground distance are measured in the same unit. For MapProxy a map is just a collection of pixels and the pixels do not have any size/dimension. They do correspond to a ground size but the size on the map is depended of the physical output format. MapProxy can thus only work with resolutions (pixel per ground unit) and not scales.

This applies to all servers and the OGC WMS standard as well. Some neglect this fact and assume a fixed pixel dimension (like 72dpi), the OCG WMS 1.3.0 standard uses a pixel size of 0.28 mm/px (around 91dpi). But you need to understand that a scale will differ if you print a map (200, 300 or more dpi) or if you show it on a computer display (typical 90-120 dpi, but there are mobile devices with more than 300 dpi).

You can convert between scales and resolutions with the mapproxy-util scales tool.

MapProxy will use the OCG value (0.28mm/px) if it’s necessary to use a scale value (e.g. MinScaleDenominator in WMS 1.3.0 capabilities), but you should always use resolutions within MapProxy.

WMS ScaleHint

The WMS ScaleHint is a bit misleading. The parameter is not a scale but the diagonal pixel resolution. It also defines the min as the minimum value not the minimum resolution (e.g. 10m/px is a lower resolution than 5m/px, but 5m/px is the minimum value). MapProxy always uses the term resolutions as the side length in ground units per pixel and minimum resolution is always the higher number (100m/px < 10m/px). Keep that in mind when you use these values.
The following services are available:

- *Web Map Service (OGC WMS)* and *WMS-C*
- *Tiled Map Services (TMS)*
- *Keyhole Markup Language (OGC KML)*
- *Web Map Tile Services (WMTS)*
- *MapProxy Demo Service*

You need to add the service to the `services` section of your MapProxy configuration to enable it. Some services take additional options.

```
services:
  tms:
  kml:
  wms:
    wmsoption1: xxx
    wmsoption2: xxx
```

### 6.1 Web Map Service (OGC WMS)

The WMS server is accessible at `/service`, `/ows` and `/wms` and it supports the WMS versions 1.0.0, 1.1.1 and 1.3.0.

See `INSPIRE View Service` for configuring INSPIRE metadata.

The WMS service will use all configured *layers*.

The service takes the following additional option.

#### 6.1.1 attribution

Adds an attribution (copyright) line to all WMS requests.

**text** The text line of the attribution (e.g. some copyright notice, etc).

#### 6.1.2 md

*md* is for metadata. These fields are used for the WMS `GetCapabilities` responses. See the example below for all supported keys.

*New in version 1.8.1:* `keyword_list`
6.1.3 srs

The srs option defines which SRS the WMS service supports:

srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'CRS:84', 'EPSG:900913']

See axis order for further configuration that might be needed for WMS 1.3.0.

6.1.4 bbox_srs

New in version 1.3.0.

The bbox_srs option controls in which SRS the BBOX is advertised in the capabilities document. It should only contain SRS that are configured in the srs option.

You need to make sure that all layer extents are valid for these SRS. E.g. you can’t choose a local SRS like UTM if you’re using a global grid without limiting all sources with a coverage.

For example, a config with:

```
services:
  wms:
    srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:3857', 'EPSG:31467']
    bbox_srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:3857', 'EPSG:31467']
```

will show the bbox in the capabilities in EPSG:4326, EPSG:3857 and EPSG:31467.

New in version 1.7.0: You can also define an explicit bbox for specific SRS. This bbox will overwrite all layer extents for that SRS.

The following example will show the actual bbox of each layer in EPSG:4326 and EPSG:3857, but always the specified bbox for EPSG:31467:

```
services:
  wms:
    srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:3857', 'EPSG:31467']
    bbox_srs:
      - 'EPSG:4326'
      - 'EPSG:3857'
      - srs: 'EPSG:31467'
        bbox: [2750000, 5000000, 4250000, 6500000]
```

You can use this to offer global datasets with SRS that are only valid in a local region, like UTM zones.

6.1.5 image_formats

A list of image mime types the server should offer.

6.1.6 featureinfo_types

A list of feature info types the server should offer. Available types are text, html, xml and json. The types are advertised in the capabilities with the correct mime type. Defaults to [text, html, xml].

6.1.7 featureinfo_xslt

You can define XSLT scripts to transform outgoing feature information. You can define scripts for different feature info types:

html Define a script for INFO_FORMAT=text/html requests.
xml Define a script for INFO_FORMAT=application/vnd.ogc.gml and INFO_FORMAT=text/xml requests. See FeatureInformation for more information.

6.1.8 strict

Some WMS clients do not send all required parameters in feature info requests, MapProxy ignores these errors unless you set strict to true.

6.1.9 on_source_errors

Configure what MapProxy should do when one or more sources return errors or no response at all (e.g. timeout). The default is notify, which adds a text line in the image response for each erroneous source, but only if at least one source was successful. When on_source_errors is set to raise, MapProxy will return an OGC service exception in any error case.

6.1.10 max_output_pixels

New in version 1.3.0.

The maximum output size for a WMS requests in pixel. MapProxy returns an WMS exception in XML format for requests that are larger. Defaults to [4000, 4000] which will limit the maximum output size to 16 million pixels (i.e. 5000x3000 is still allowed).

See also globals.cache.max_tile_limit for the maximum number of tiles MapProxy will merge together for each layer.

6.1.11 versions

New in version 1.7.0.

A list of WMS version numbers that MapProxy should support. Defaults to ['1.0.0', '1.1.0', '1.1.1', '1.3.0'].

6.1.12 Full example

services:
  wms:
    srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'CRS:83', 'EPSG:900913']
    versions: ['1.1.1']
    image_formats: ['image/png', 'image/jpeg']
    attribution:
      text: "© MyCompany"
  md:
    title: MapProxy WMS Proxy
    abstract: This is the fantastic MapProxy.
    online_resource: http://mapproxy.org/
    contact:
      person: Your Name Here
      position: Technical Director
      organization:
      address: Fakestreet 123
      city: Somewhere
      postcode: 12345
      state: XYZ
      country: Germany
6.1.13 WMS-C

The MapProxy WMS service also supports the WMS Tiling Client Recommendation from OSGeo.

If you add `tiled=true` to the GetCapabilities request, MapProxy will add metadata about the internal tile structure to the WMS capabilities document. Clients that support WMS-C can use this information to request tiles at the exact tile boundaries. MapProxy can return the tile as-it-is for these requests, the performance is on par with the TMS service.

MapProxy will limit the WMS support when `tiled=true` is added to the GetMap requests and it will return WMS service exceptions for requests that do not match the exact tile boundaries or if the requested image size or format differs.

6.2 Tiled Map Services (TMS)

MapProxy supports the Tile Map Service Specification from the OSGeo. The TMS is available at `/tms/1.0.0`. The TMS service will use all configured layers that have a name and single cached source. Any layer grouping will be flattened.

Here is an example TMS request: `/tms/1.0.0/base_EPSG900913/3/1/0.png`. `png` is the internal format of the cached tiles. `base` is the name of the layer and `EPSG900913` is the SRS of the layer. The tiles are also available under the layer name `base_EPSG900913` when `use_grid_names` is false or unset.

A request to `/tms/1.0.0` will return the TMS metadata as XML. `/tms/1.0.0/layername` will return information about the bounding box, resolutions and tile size of this specific layer.

6.2.1 use_grid_names

New in version 1.5.0.

When set to `true`, MapProxy uses the actual name of the grid as the grid identifier instead of the SRS code. Tiles will then be available under `/tms/1.0.0/mylayer/mygrid/` instead of `/tms/1.0.0/mylayer_EPSG1234/` or `/tms/1.0.0/mylayer_EPSG1234/`.

6.2.2 Example

```
services:
  tms:
    use_grid_names: true
```

6.2.3 OpenLayers

When you create a map in OpenLayers with an explicit `mapExtent`, it will request only a single tile for the first (z=0) level. TMS begins with two or four tiles by default, depending on the SRS. MapProxy supports a different
TMS mode to support this use-case. MapProxy will start with a single-tile level if you request /tiles instead of /tms.

Alternatively, you can use the OpenLayers TMS option zoomOffset to compensate the difference. The option is available since OpenLayers 2.10.

There is an example available at the configuration-examples section, which shows the use of OpenLayers in combination with an overlay of tiles on top of OpenStreetMap tiles.

6.2.4 Google Maps

The TMS standard counts tiles starting from the lower left corner of the tile grid, while Google Maps and compatible services start at the upper left corner. The /tiles service accepts an origin parameter that flips the y-axis accordingly. You can set it to either sw (south-west), the default, or to nw (north-west), required for Google Maps.

Example:
http://localhost:8080/tiles/osm_EPSG900913/1/0/1.png?origin=nw

New in version 1.5.0: You can use the origin option of the TMS service to change the default origin of the tiles service. If you set it to nw then you can leave the ?origin=nw parameter from the URL. This only works for the tiles service at /tiles, not for the TMS at /tms/1.0.0/.

Example:
services:
  tms:
    origin: 'nw'

6.3 Keyhole Markup Language (OGC KML)

MapProxy supports KML version 2.2 for integration into Google Earth. Each layer is available as a Super Overlay – image tiles are loaded on demand when the user zooms to a specific region. The initial KML file is available at /kml/layername/EPG1234/0/0/0.kml. The tiles are also available under the layer name layername_EPSG1234 when use_grid_names is false or unset.

New in version 1.5.0: The initial KML is also available at /kml/layername_EPSG1234 and /kml/layername/EPG1234.

6.3.1 use_grid_names

New in version 1.5.0.

When set to true, MapProxy uses the actual name of the grid as the grid identifier instead of the SRS code. Tiles will then be available under /kml/mylayer/mygrid/ instead of /kml/mylayer/EPG1234/.

6.3.2 Example

services:
  kml:
    use_grid_names: true

6.4 Web Map Tile Services (WMTS)

New in version 1.1.0.
MapProxy supports the OGC WMTS 1.0.0 specification.

The WMTS service is similar to the TMS service and will use all configured layers that have a name and single cached source. Any layer grouping will be flattened.

There are some limitations depending on the grid configuration you use. Please refer to grid.origin for more information.

The metadata (ServiceContact, etc.) of this service is taken from the WMS configuration. You can add md to the wmts configuration to replace the WMS metadata. See WMS metadata.

WMTS defines different access methods and MapProxy supports KVP and RESTful access. Both are enabled by default.

### 6.4.1 KVP

MapProxy supports GetCapabilities and GetTile KVP requests. The KVP service is available at /service and /ows.

You can enable or disable the KVP service with the kvp option. It is enabled by default and you need to enable restful if you disable this one.

```yaml
services:
  wmts:
    kvp: false
    restful: true
```

### 6.4.2 RESTful

New in version 1.3.0.

MapProxy supports RESTful WMTS requests with custom URL templates. The RESTful service capabilities are available at /wmts/1.0.0/WMTSCapabilities.xml.

You can enable or disable the RESTful service with the restful option. It is enabled by default and you need to enable kvp if you disable this one.

```yaml
services:
  wmts:
    restful: false
    kvp: true
```

### URL Template

WMTS RESTful services supports custom tile URLs. You can configure your own URL template with the restful_template option.

The default template is /{Layer}/{TileMatrixSet}/{TileMatrix}/{TileCol}/{TileRow}.{Format}

The template variables are identical with the WMTS specification. TileMatrixSet is the grid name, TileMatrix is the zoom level, TileCol and TileRow are the x and y of the tile.

You can access the tile x=3, y=9, z=4 at http://example.org//1.0.0/mylayer-mygrid/4-3-9/tile with the following configuration:

```yaml
services:
  wmts:
    restful: true
    restful_template: '/1.0.0/{Layer}-{TileMatrixSet}/{TileMatrix}-{TileCol}-{TileRow}/tile'
```
6.5 MapProxy Demo Service

MapProxy comes with a demo service that lists all configured WMS and TMS layers. You can test each layer with a simple OpenLayers client.

The service is available at /demo/.

This service takes no further options:

```yaml
services:
  demo:
```
MapProxy supports the following sources:

- **WMS**
- **ArcGIS REST API**
- **Tiles**
- **Mapserver**
- **Mapnik**
- **Debug**

You need to choose a unique name for each configured source. This name will be used to reference the source in the `caches` and `layers` configuration.

The sources section looks like:

```yaml
sources:
  mysource1:
    type: xxx
    type_dependend_option1: a
    type_dependend_option2: b
  mysource2:
    type: yyy
    type_dependend_option3: c
```

See below for a detailed description of each service.

### 7.1 WMS

Use the type `wms` to for WMS servers.

#### 7.1.1 req

This describes the WMS source. The only required options are `url` and `layers`. You need to set `transparent` to `true` if you want to use this source as an overlay.

```yaml
req:
  url: http://example.org/service?
  layers: base,roads
  transparent: true
```

All other options are added to the query string of the request.

```yaml
req:
  url: http://example.org/service?
  layers: roads
```
You can also configure `sld` or `sld_body` parameters, in this case you can omit `layers`. `sld` can also point to a file://URL. MapProxy will read this file and use the content as the `sld_body`. See sources with SLD for more information.

You can omit layers if you use Tagged source names.

### 7.1.2 wms_opts

This option affects what request MapProxy sends to the source WMS server.

- **version** The WMS version number used for requests (supported: 1.0.0, 1.1.0, 1.1.1, 1.3.0). Defaults to 1.1.1.
- **legendgraphic** If this is set to `true`, MapProxy will request legend graphics from this source. Each MapProxy WMS layer that contains one or more sources with legend graphics will then have a LegendURL.
- **legendurl** Configure a URL to an image that should be returned as the legend for this source. Local URLs (file://) are also supported.
- **map** If this is set to `false`, MapProxy will not request images from this source. You can use this option in combination with `featureinfo: true` to create a source that is only used for feature info requests.
- **featureinfo** If this is set to `true`, MapProxy will mark the layer as queryable and incoming GetFeatureInfo requests will be forwarded to the source server.
- **featureinfo_xslt** Path to an XSLT script that should be used to transform incoming feature information.
- **featureinfo_format** The INFO_FORMAT for FeatureInfo requests. By default MapProxy will use the same format as requested by the client.

See FeatureInformation for more information.

### 7.1.3 coverage

Define the covered area of the source. The source will only be requested if there is an intersection between the requested data and the coverage. See coverages for more information about the configuration. The intersection is calculated for meta-tiles and not the actual client request, so you should expect more visible data at the coverage boundaries.

### 7.1.4 seed_only

Disable this source in regular mode. If set to `true`, this source will always return a blank/transparent image. The source will only be requested during the seeding process. You can use this option to run MapProxy in an offline mode.

### 7.1.5 min_res, max_res OR min_scale, max_scale

Limit the source to the given min and max resolution or scale. MapProxy will return a blank image for requests outside of these boundaries (min_res is inclusive, max_res exclusive). You can use either the resolution or the scale values, missing values will be interpreted as unlimited. Resolutions should be in meters per pixel.

The values will also appear in the capabilities documents (i.e. WMS ScaleHint and Min/MaxScaleDenominator). The boundaries will be regarded for each source, but the values in the capabilities might differ if you combine multiple sources or if the MapProxy layer already has a min/max_res configuration.

Please read scale vs. resolution for some notes on scale.
7.1.6 supported_srs

A list with SRSs that the WMS source supports. MapProxy will only query the source in these SRSs. It will reproject data if it needs to get data from this layer in any other SRS.

You don’t need to configure this if you only use this WMS as a cache source and the WMS supports all SRS of the cache.

If MapProxy needs to reproject and the source has multiple supported_srs, then it will use the first projected SRS for requests in a projected SRS, or the first geographic SRS for requests in a geographic SRS. E.g when supported_srs is ['EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:31467'] caches with EPSG:3857 (projected, meter) will use EPSG:31467 (projected, meter) and not EPSG:4326 (geographic, lat/long).

7.1.7 forward_req_params

New in version 1.5.0.

A list with request parameters that will be forwarded to the source server (if available in the original request). A typical use case of this feature would be to forward the TIME parameter when working with a WMS-T server.

This feature only works with uncached sources.

7.1.8 supported_formats

Use this option to specify which image formats your source WMS supports. MapProxy only requests images in one of these formats, and will convert any image if it needs another format. If you do not supply this options, MapProxy assumes that the source supports all formats.

7.1.9 image

See Image Format Options for other options.

transparent_color

Specify a color that should be converted to full transparency. Can be either a list of color values ([255, 255, 255]) or a hex string (#ffffff).

transparent_color_tolerance

Tolerance for the transparent_color substitution. The value defines the tolerance in each direction. E.g. a tolerance of 5 and a color value of 100 will convert colors in the range of 95 to 105.

image:
  transparent_color: '#ffffff'
  transparent_color_tolerance: 20

7.1.10 concurrent_requests

This limits the number of parallel requests MapProxy will issue to the source server. It even works across multiple WMS sources as long as all have the same concurrent_requests value and all req.url parameters point to the same host. Defaults to 0, which means no limitation.
### 7.1.11 http

You can configure the following HTTP related options for this source:

- method
- headers
- client_timeout
- ssl_ca_certs
- ssl_no_cert_checks

See [HTTP Options](#) for detailed documentation.

### 7.1.12 Tagged source names

New in version 1.1.0.

MapProxy supports tagged source names for most sources. This allows you to define the layers of a source in the caches or (WMS)-layers configuration.

Instead of referring to a source by the name alone, you can add a list of comma delimited layers: `sourcename:lyr1,lyr2`. You need to use quotes for tagged source names.

This works for layers and caches:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: test
    title: Test Layer
    sources: ['wms1:lyr1,lyr2']

sources:
  wms1:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://example.org/service?
```

You can either omit the `layers` in the `req` parameter, or you can use them to limit the tagged layers. In this case MapProxy will raise an error if you configure `layers: lyr1,lyr2` and then try to access `wms:lyr2,lyr3` for example.

### 7.1.13 Example configuration

Minimal example:

```yaml
my_minimal_wmssource:
  type: wms
  req:
    url: http://localhost:8080/service?
    layers: base
```

Full example:

```yaml
my_wmssource:
  type: wms
  wms_opts:
    version: 1.0.0
```
featureinfo: True
supported_srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:31467']
image:
  transparent_color: '#ffffff'
  transparent_color_tolerance: 0
coverage:
  polygons: GM.txt
  polygons_srs: EPSG:900913
forward_req_params: ['TIME', 'CUSTOM']
req:
  url: http://localhost:8080/service?mycustomparam=foo
  layers: roads
  another_param: bar
  transparent: true

7.2 ArcGIS REST API

Use the type arcgis for ArcGIS MapServer and ImageServer REST server endpoints. This source is based on the WMS source and most WMS options apply to the ArcGIS source too.

7.2.1 req

This describes the ArcGIS source. The only required option is url. You need to set transparent to true if you want to use this source as an overlay. You can also add ArcGIS specific parameters to req, for example to set the interpolation method for ImageServers.

7.2.2 opts

New in version 1.10.0.

New in version 1.11.0: map option

This option affects what request MapProxy sends to the source ArcGIS server.

featureinfo If this is set to true, MapProxy will mark the layer as queryable and incoming GetFeatureInfo requests will be forwarded as identify requests to the source server. ArcGIS REST server support only HTML and JSON format. You need to enable support for JSON featureinfo_types.

featureinfo_return_geometries Whether the source should include the feature geometries.

featureinfo_tolerance Tolerance in pixel within the ArcGIS server should identify features.

map If this is set to false, MapProxy will not request images from this source. You can use this option in combination with featureinfo: true to create a source that is only used for feature info requests.

7.2.3 seed_only

New in version 1.11.0.

See seed_only

7.2.4 Example configuration

MapServer example:
my_minimal_arcgissource:
  type: arcgis
  req:
    layers: show: 0,1
    url: http://example.org/ArcGIS/rest/services/Imagery/MapService
    transparent: true

ImageServer example:

my_arcgissource:
  type: arcgis
  coverage:
    polygons: GM.txt
    srs: EPSG:3857
  req:
    url: http://example.org/ArcGIS/rest/services/World/MODIS/ImageServer
    interpolation: RSP_CubicConvolution
    bandIds: 2,0,1

7.3 Tiles

Use the type tile to request data from existing tile servers like TileCache and GeoWebCache. You can also use this source cascade MapProxy installations.

7.3.1 url

This source takes a url option that contains a URL template. The template format is \%(key_name)s. MapProxy supports the following named variables in the URL:

- **x**, **y**, **z** The tile coordinate.
- **format** The format of the tile.
- **quadkey** Quadkey for the tile as described in http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb259689.aspx
- **tc_path** TileCache path like 09/000/000/264/000/000/345. Note that it does not contain any format extension.
- **tms_path** TMS path like 5/12/9. Note that it does not contain the version, the layername or the format extension.
- **arcgiscache_path** ArcGIS cache path like L05/R00000123/C00000abc. Note that it does not contain any format extension.
- **bbox** Bounding box of the tile. For WMS-C servers that expect a fixed parameter order.

New in version 1.1.0: arcgiscache_path and bbox parameter.

7.3.2 origin

Deprecated since version 1.3.0: Use grid with the origin option.

The origin of the tile grid (i.e. the location of the 0,0 tile). Supported values are **sw** for south-west (lower-left) origin or **nw** for north-west (upper-left) origin. **sw** is the default.

7.3.3 grid

The grid of the tile source. Defaults to GLOBAL_MERCATOR, a grid that is compatible with popular web mapping applications.
7.3.4 coverage

Define the covered area of the source. The source will only be requested if there is an intersection between the incoming request and the coverage. See coverages for more information.

7.3.5 transparent

You need to set this to true if you want to use this source as an overlay.

7.3.6 http

You can configure the following HTTP related options for this source:

- headers
- client_timeout
- ssl_ca_certs
- ssl_no_cert_checks

See HTTP Options for detailed documentation.

7.3.7 seed_only

See seed_only

7.3.8 min_res, max_res or min_scale, max_scale

New in version 1.5.0.

See min_res, max_res or min_scale, max_scale.

7.3.9 on_error

New in version 1.4.0.

You can configure what MapProxy should do when the tile service returns an error. Instead of raising an error, MapProxy can generate a single color tile. You can configure if MapProxy should cache this tile, or if it should use it only to generate a tile or WMS response.

You can configure multiple status codes within the on_error option. You can also use the catch-all value other. This will not only catch all other HTTP status codes, but also source errors like HTTP timeouts or non-image responses.

Each status code takes the following options:

response

Specify the color of the tile that should be returned in case of this error. Can be either a list of color values ([(255, 255, 255), (255, 255, 255, 0)]) or a hex string ('#ffffff', '#fa1fbb00') with RGBA values, or the string transparent.

cache

Set this to True if MapProxy should cache the single color tile. Otherwise (False) MapProxy will use this generated tile only for this request. This is the default.

You need to enable transparent for your source, if you use on_error responses with transparency.
my_tile_source:
  type: tile
  url: http://localhost:8080/tiles/\(tms\_path)s.png
  transparent: true
  on_error:
    204:
      response: transparent
      cache: True
    502:
      response: '\#ede9e3'
      cache: False
    other:
      response: '\#ff0000'
      cache: False

### 7.3.10 Example configuration

my_tile_source:
  type: tile
  grid: mygrid
  url: http://localhost:8080/tile?x=%(x)s&y=%(y)s&z=%(z)s&format=%(format)s

### 7.4 Mapserver

New in version 1.1.0.

Use the type `mapserver` to directly call the Mapserver CGI executable. This source is based on the WMS source and most options apply to the Mapserver source too.

The only differences are that it does not support the `http` option and the `req.url` parameter is ignored. The `req.map` should point to your Mapserver mapfile.

The mapfile used must have a WMS server enabled, e.g. with `wms_enable_request` or `ows_enable_request` in the mapfile.

#### 7.4.1 mapserver

You can also set these options in the `globals` section.

- `binary`:
  The complete path to the `mapserv` executable.

- `working_dir`:
  Path where the Mapserver should be executed from. It should be the directory where any relative paths in your mapfile are based on.

New in version 1.11.0: The `mapserv` binary is searched in all directories of the `PATH` environment, if `binary` is not set.

#### 7.4.2 Example configuration

my_ms_source:
  type: mapserver
  req:
    layers: base
    map: /path/to/my.map
mapserver:
    binary: /usr/cgi-bin/mapserv
    working_dir: /path/to

7.5 Mapnik

New in version 1.1.0.

Changed in version 1.2.0: New layers option and support for tagged sources.

Use the type mapnik to directly call Mapnik without any WMS service. It uses the Mapnik Python API and you need to have a working Mapnik installation that is accessible by the Python installation that runs MapProxy. A call of `python -c 'import mapnik'` should return no error.

7.5.1 mapfile

The filename of your Mapnik XML mapfile.

7.5.2 layers

A list of layer names you want to render. MapProxy disables each layer that is not included in this list. It does not reorder the layers and unnamed layers (Unknown) are always rendered.

7.5.3 use_mapnik2

New in version 1.3.0.

Use Mapnik 2 if set to true. This option is now deprecated and only required for Mapnik 2.0.0. Mapnik 2.0.1 and newer are available as mapnik package.

7.5.4 transparent

Set to true to render from mapnik sources with background-color="transparent", false (default) will force a black background color.

7.5.5 scale_factor

New in version 1.8.0.

Set the Mapnik scale_factor option. Mapnik scales most style options like the width of lines and font sizes by this factor. See also HQ/Retina tiles.

7.5.6 Other options

The Mapnik source also supports the min_res/max_res/min_scale/max_scale, concurrent_requests, seed_only and coverage options. See WMS.

7.5.7 Example configuration

my_mapnik_source:
    type: mapnik
    mapfile: /path/to/mapnik.xml
7.6 Debug

 Adds information like resolution and BBOX to the response image. This is useful to determine a fixed set of resolutions for the res-parameter. It takes no options.

Example:

download_source:
  type: debug
New in version 1.2.0.

MapProxy supports multiple backends to store the internal tiles. The default backend is file based and does not require any further configuration.

### 8.1 Configuration

You can configure a backend for each cache with the `cache` option. Each backend has a `type` and one or more options.

```yaml
 caches:
  mycache:
    sources: [...]
    grids: [...]
    cache:
      type: backendtype
      backendoption1: value
      backendoption2: value
```

The following backend types are available.

- `file`
- `mbtiles`
- `sqlite`
- `geopackage`
- `couchdb`
- `riak`
- `redis`
- `s3`
- `compact`

### 8.2 file

This is the default cache type and it uses a single file for each tile. Available options are:

**directory_layout:** The directory layout MapProxy uses to store tiles on disk. Defaults to `tc` which uses a TileCache compatible directory layout (`zz/xxx/xxx/xxx/yyyy/yyyy/YYYY.format`), `mp` uses a directory layout with less nesting (`zz/xxxx/xxxx/yyyy/yyyy/YYYY.format`), `tms` uses TMS compatible directories (`zz/xxxx/yyyy/YYYY.format`), `quadkey` uses Microsoft Virtual Earth or quadkey compatible directories (see [http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb259689.aspx](http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb259689.aspx)), `arcgis` uses a direc-
tory layout with hexadecimal row and column numbers that is compatible to ArcGIS exploded caches (Lzz/Rxxxxxxxx/Cyyyyyyyy.format).

**Note:** tms, quadkey and arcgis layout are not suited for large caches, since it will create directories with thousands of files, which most file systems do not handle well.

**use_grid_names:** When true MapProxy will use the actual grid name in the path instead of the SRS code. E.g. tiles will be stored in .cache_data/mylayer/mygrid/ instead of .cache_data/mylayer/EPSG1234/.

New in version 1.5.0.

**directory:** Directory where MapProxy should directly store the tiles. This will not add the cache name or grid name (use_grid_name) to the path. You can use this option to point MapProxy to an existing tile collection (created with gdal2tiles for example).

New in version 1.5.0.

**tile_lock_dir:** Directory where MapProxy should write lock files when it creates new tiles for this cache. Defaults to cache_data/tile_locks.

New in version 1.6.0.

### 8.3 mbtiles

Use a single SQLite file for this cache. It uses the MBTile specification.

Available options:

**filename:** The path to the MBTiles file. Defaults to cachename.mbtiles.

**tile_lock_dir:** Directory where MapProxy should write lock files when it creates new tiles for this cache. Defaults to cache_data/tile_locks.

New in version 1.6.0.

You can set the sources to an empty list, if you use an existing MBTiles file and do not have a source.

```json
caches:
  mbtiles_cache:
    sources: []
    grids: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]
    cache:
      type: mbtiles
      filename: /path/to/bluemarble.mbtiles
```

**Note:** The MBTiles format specification does not include any timestamps for each tile and the seeding function is limited therefore. If you include any refresh_before time in a seed task, all tiles will be recreated regardless of the value. The cleanup process does not support any remove_before times for MBTiles and it always removes all tiles. Use the --summary option of the mapproxy-seed tool.

The note about bulk_meta_tiles for SQLite below applies to MBtiles as well.

### 8.4 sqlite

New in version 1.6.0.

Use SQLite databases to store the tiles, similar to mbtiles cache. The difference to mbtiles cache is that the sqlite cache stores each level into a separate database. This makes it easy to remove complete levels during mapproxy-seed cleanup processes. The sqlite cache also stores the timestamp of each tile.
Available options:

**dirname**: The directory where the level databases will be stored.

**tile_lock_dir**: Directory where MapProxy should write lock files when it creates new tiles for this cache. Defaults to `cache_data/tile_locks`.
   
   New in version 1.6.0.

**caches**:  
  *sqlite_cache*:  
  **sources**: [mywms]  
  **grids**: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]  
  **cache**:  
    **type**: sqlite  
    **directory**: /path/to/cache

**Note**: New in version 1.10.0.  
All tiles from a meta tile request are stored in one transaction into the SQLite file to increase performance. You need to activate the `bulk_meta_tiles` option to get the same benefit when you are using tiled sources.

**caches**:  
  *sqlite_cache*:  
  **sources**: [mytilesource]  
  **bulk_meta_tiles**: true  
  **grids**: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]  
  **cache**:  
    **type**: sqlite  
    **directory**: /path/to/cache

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### 8.5 couchdb

New in version 1.3.0.

Store tiles inside a CouchDB. MapProxy creates a JSON document for each tile. This document contains metadata, like timestamps, and the tile image itself as an attachment.

#### 8.5.1 Requirements

Besides a running CouchDB you will need the Python `requests` package. You can install it the usual way, for example `pip install requests`.

#### 8.5.2 Configuration

You can configure the database and database name and the tile ID and additional metadata.

Available options:


**db_name**: The name of the database MapProxy uses for this cache. Defaults to the name of the cache.

**tile_lock_dir**: Directory where MapProxy should write lock files when it creates new tiles for this cache. Defaults to `cache_data/tile_locks`.
   
   New in version 1.6.0.

**tile_id**: Each tile document needs a unique ID. You can change the format with a Python format string that expects the following keys:
x, y, z: The tile coordinate.

grid_name: The name of the grid.

The default ID uses the following format:

%(grid_name)s-%(z)d-%(x)d-%(y)d

Note: You can’t use slashes (/) in CouchDB IDs.

tile_metadata: MapProxy stores a JSON document for each tile in CouchDB and you can add additional key-value pairs with metadata to each document. There are a few predefined values that MapProxy will replace with tile-depended values, all other values will be added as they are.

Predefined values:

{{x}}, {{y}}, {{z}}: The tile coordinate.

{{timestamp}}: The creation time of the tile as seconds since epoch. MapProxy will add a timestamp key for you, if you don’t provide a custom timestamp key.

{{utc_iso}}: The creation time of the tile in UTC in ISO format. For example: 2011-12-31T23:59:59Z.

{{tile_centroid}}: The center coordinate of the tile in the cache’s coordinate system as a list of long/lat or x/y values.

{{wgs_tile_centroid}}: The center coordinate of the tile in WGS 84 as a list of long/lat values.

8.5.3 Example

caches:

mycouchdbcache:
  sources: [mywms]
  grids: [mygrid]
  cache:
    type: couchdb
    url: http://localhost:9999
    db_name: mywms_tiles
    tile_metadata:
      mydata: myvalue
      tile_col: '{{x}}'
      tile_row: '{{y}}'
      tile_level: '{{z}}'
      created_ts: '{{timestamp}}'
      created: '{{utc_iso}}'
      center: '{{wgs_tile_centroid}}'

MapProxy will place the JSON document for tile z=3, x=1, y=2 at http://localhost:9999/mywms_tiles/mygrid-3-1-2. The document will look like:

```json
{
  "_attachments": {
    "tile": {
      "content_type": "image/png",
      "digest": "md5-ch4j5Piov6a5F1AZtwPvhQ==",
      "length": 921,
      "revpos": 2,
      "stub": true
    }
  },
  "_id": "mygrid-3-1-2",
  "_rev": "2-9932acaf0d60e10bc0db23231574f933",
  "center": [
```
The _attachments-part is the internal structure of CouchDB where the tile itself is stored. You can access the tile directly at: http://localhost:9999/mywms_tiles/mygrid-3-1-2/tile.

### 8.6 riak

New in version 1.6.0.

Store tiles in a Riak cluster. MapProxy creates keys with binary data as value and timestamps as user defined metadata. This backend is good for very large caches which can be distributed over many nodes. Data can be distributed over multiple nodes providing a fault-tolerant and high-available storage. A Riak cluster is masterless and each node can handle read and write requests.

#### 8.6.1 Requirements

You will need the Python Riak client version 2.4.2 or older. You can install it in the usual way, for example with `pip install riak==2.4.2`. Environments with older version must be upgraded with `pip install -U riak==2.4.2`. Python library depends on packages `python-dev`, `libffi-dev` and `libssl-dev`.

#### 8.6.2 Configuration

Available options:

- **nodes**: A list of riak nodes. Each node needs a `host` and optionally a `pb_port` and an `http_port` if the ports differ from the default. Defaults to single localhost node.
- **protocol**: Communication protocol. Allowed options is `http`, `https` and `pbc`. Defaults to `pbc`.
- **bucket**: The name of the bucket MapProxy uses for this cache. The bucket is the namespace for the tiles and must be unique for each cache. Defaults to cache name suffixed with grid name (e.g. `mycache_webmercator`).
- **default_ports**: Default pb and http ports for `pbc` and http protocols. Will be used as the default for each defined node.
- **secondary_index**: If true enables secondary index for tiles. This improves seed cleanup performance but requires that Riak uses LevelDB as the backend. Refer to the Riak documentation. Defaults to `false`.

#### 8.6.3 Example

```
myriakcache:
  sources: [mywms]
  grids: [mygrid]
  cache:
    type: riak
    nodes:
      - host: 1.example.org
        pb_port: 9999
```
8.7 redis

New in version 1.10.0.

Store tiles in a Redis in-memory database. This backend is useful for short-term caching. Typical use-case is a small Redis cache that allows you to benefit from meta-tiling.

Your Redis database should be configured with maxmemory and maxmemory-policy options to limit the memory usage. For example:

```bash
maxmemory 256mb
maxmemory-policy volatile-ttl
```

8.7.1 Requirements

You will need the Python Redis client. You can install it in the usual way, for example with `pip install redis`.

8.7.2 Configuration

Available options:

- **host**: Host name of the Redis server. Defaults to `127.0.0.1`.
- **port**: Port of the Redis server. Defaults to `6379`.
- **db**: Number of the Redis database. Please refer to the Redis documentation. Defaults to `0`.
- **prefix**: The prefix added to each tile-key in the Redis cache. Used to distinguish tiles from different caches and grids. Defaults to `cache-name_grid-name`.
- **default_ttl**: The default Time-To-Live of each tile in the Redis cache in seconds. Defaults to 3600 seconds (1 hour).

8.7.3 Example

```yaml
redis_cache:
  sources: [mywms]
  grids: [mygrid]
  cache:
    type: redis
    default_ttl: 600
```

8.8 geopackage

New in version 1.10.0.

Store tiles in a geopackage database. MapProxy creates a tile table if one isn’t defined and populates the required meta data fields. This backend is good for datasets that require portability. Available options:
**filename:** The path to the geopackage file. Defaults to `cachename.gpkg`.

**table_name:** The name of the table where the tiles should be stored (or retrieved if using an existing cache). Defaults to the `cachename_gridname`.

**levels:** Set this to true to cache to a directory where each level is stored in a separate geopackage. Defaults to `false`. If set to true, `filename` is ignored.

**directory:** If levels is true use this to specify the directory to store geopackage files. You can set the `sources` to an empty list, if you use an existing geopackage file and do not have a source.

```json

   "caches":
       "geopackage_cache":
           "sources": [],
           "grids": [GLOBAL_MERCATOR],
           "cache":
               "type": "geopackage",
               "filename": "/path/to/bluemarble.gpkg",
               "table_name": "bluemarble_tiles"
```

**Note:** The geopackage format specification does not include any timestamps for each tile and the seeding function is limited therefore. If you include any `refresh_before` time in a seed task, all tiles will be recreated regardless of the value. The cleanup process does not support any `remove_before` times for geopackage and it always removes all tiles. Use the `--summary` option of the `mapproxy-seed` tool.

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### 8.9 s3

New in version 1.10.0.

Store tiles in a Amazon Simple Storage Service (S3).

#### 8.9.1 Requirements

You will need the Python `boto3` package. You can install it in the usual way, for example with `pip install boto3`.

#### 8.9.2 Configuration

Available options:

**bucket_name:** The bucket used for this cache. You can set the default bucket with `globals.cache.s3.bucket_name`.

**profile_name:** Optional profile name for shared credentials for this cache. Alternative methods of authentication are using the `AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID` and `AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY` environmental variables, or by using an IAM role when using an Amazon EC2 instance. You can set the default profile with `globals.cache.s3.profile_name`.

**directory:** Base directory (path) where all tiles are stored.

**directory_layout:** Defines the directory layout for the tiles (12/12345/67890.png, L12/R0010932/C00003039.png, etc.). See file for available options. Defaults to tms (e.g. 12/12345/67890.png). This cache cache also supports `reverse_tms` where tiles are stored as `y/x/z.format`. See note below.

**Note:** The hierarchical `directory_layout` can hit limitations of S3 “if you are routinely processing 100 or more requests per second”. `directory_layout: reverse_tms` can work around this limitation. Please read S3 Request Rate and Performance Considerations for more information on this issue.
8.9.3 Example

cache:
  my_layer_20110501_epsg_4326_cache_out:
    sources: [my_layer_20110501_cache]
  cache:
    type: s3
    directory: /1.0.0/my_layer/default/20110501/4326/
    bucket_name: my-s3-tiles-cache

globals:
  cache:
    s3:
      profile_name: default

8.10 compact

New in version 1.10.0: Support for format version 1
New in version 1.11.0: Support for format version 2

Store tiles in ArcGIS compatible compact cache files. A single compact cache .bundle file stores up to about 16,000 tiles.

Version 1 of the compact cache format is compatible with ArcGIS 10.0 and the default version of ArcGIS 10.0-10.2. Version 2 is supported by ArcGIS 10.3 or higher. Version 1 stores is one additional .bundlx index file for each .bundle data file.

Available options:

**directory:** Directory where MapProxy should store the level directories. This will not add the cache name or grid name to the path. You can use this option to point MapProxy to an existing compact cache.

**version:** The version of the ArcGIS compact cache format. This option is required. Either 1 or 2.

You can set the sources to an empty list, if you use an existing compact cache files and do not have a source.

The following configuration will load tiles from /path/to/cache/L00/R0000C0000.bundle, etc.

caches:
  compact_cache:
    sources: []
  grids: [webmercator]
  cache:
    type: compact
    version: 2
    directory: /path/to/cache

**Note:** MapProxy does not support reading and writitng of the conf.cdi and conf.xml files. You need to configure a compatible MapProxy grid when you want to reuse existing ArcGIS compact caches in MapProxy. You need to create or modify existing conf.cdi and conf.xml files when you want to use compact caches created with MapProxy in ArcGIS.

**Note:** The compact cache format does not include any timestamps for each tile and the seeding function is limited therefore. If you include any refresh before time in a seed task, all tiles will be recreated regardless of the value. The cleanup process does not support any remove before times for compact caches and it always removes all tiles. Use the --summary option of the mapproxy-seed tool.

**Note:** The compact cache format is append-only to allow parallel read and write operations. Removing or refreshing tiles with mapproxy-seed does not reduce the size of the cache files. You can use the defrag-compact-cache util to reduce the file size of existing bundle files.
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SEEDING  

The MapProxy creates all tiles on demand. To improve the performance for commonly requested views it is possible to pre-generate these tiles. The mapproxy-seed script does this task.

The tool can seed one or more polygon or BBOX areas for each cached layer.

MapProxy does not seed the tile pyramid level by level, but traverses the tile pyramid depth-first, from bottom to top. This is optimized to work with the caches of your operating system and geospatial database, and not against.

9.1 mapproxy-seed

The command line script expects a seed configuration that describes which tiles from which layer should be generated. See configuration for the format of the file.

9.1.1 Options

-s <seed.yaml>, --seed-conf=<seed.yaml>  
The seed configuration. You can also pass the configuration as the last argument to mapproxy-seed

-f <mapproxy.yaml>, --proxy-conf=<mapproxy.yaml>  
The MapProxy configuration to use. This file should describe all caches and grids that the seed configuration references.

-c N, --concurrency N  
The number of concurrent seed worker. Some parts of the seed tool are CPU intensive (image splitting and encoding), use this option to distribute that load across multiple CPUs. To limit the concurrent requests to the source WMS see concurrent_requests

-n, --dry-run  
This will simulate the seed/cleanup process without requesting, creating or removing any tiles.

--summary  
Print a summary of all seeding and cleanup tasks and exit.

-i, --interactive  
Print a summary of each seeding and cleanup task and ask if mapproxy-seed should seed/cleanup that task. It will query for each task before it starts.

--seed=<task1,task2,..>  
Only seed the named seeding tasks. You can select multiple tasks with a list of comma seperated names, or you can use the --seed option multiple times. You can use ALL to select all tasks. This disables all cleanup tasks unless you also use the --cleanup option.

--cleanup=<task1,task2,..>  
Only cleanup the named tasks. You can select multiple tasks with a list of comma seperated names, or you can use the --cleanup option multiple times. You can use ALL to select all tasks. This disables all seeding tasks unless you also use the --seed option.
--continue
Continue an interrupted seed progress. MapProxy will start the seeding progress at the beginning if the progress file (--progress-file) was not found. MapProxy can only continue if the previous seed was started with the --progress-file or --continue option.

--progress-file
Filename where MapProxy stores the seeding progress for the --continue option. Defaults to .mapproxy_seed_progress in the current working directory. MapProxy will remove that file after a successful seed.

--duration
Stop seeding process after this duration. This option accepts duration in the following format: 120s, 15m, 4h, 0.5d Use this option in combination with --continue to be able to resume the seeding. By default,

--reseed-file
File created by mapproxy-seed at the start of a new seeding.

--reseed-interval
Only start seeding if --reseed-file is older than this duration. This option accepts duration in the following format: 120s, 15m, 4h, 0.5d Use this option in combination with --continue to be able to resume the seeding. By default,

--use-cache-lock
Lock each cache to prevent multiple parallel mapproxy-seed calls to work on the same cache. It does not lock normal operation of MapProxy.

--log-config
The logging configuration file to use.

New in version 1.5.0: --continue and --progress-file option
New in version 1.7.0: --log-config option
New in version 1.10.0: --duration, --reseed-file and --reseed-interval option

9.1.2 Examples

Seed with concurrency of 4:

mapproxy-seed -f mapproxy.yaml -c 4 seed.yaml

Print summary of all seed tasks and exit:

mapproxy-seed -f mapproxy.yaml -s seed.yaml --summary --seed ALL

Interactively select which tasks should be seeded:

mapproxy-seed -f mapproxy.yaml -s seed.yaml -i

Seed task1 and task2 and cleanup task3 with concurrency of 2:

mapproxy-seed -f mapproxy.yaml -s seed.yaml -c 2 --seed task1,task2 \ --cleanup task3

9.2 Configuration

Note: The configuration changed with MapProxy 1.0.0, the old format with seeds and views is still supported but will be deprecated in the future. See below for information about the old format.

The configuration is a YAML file with three sections:

seeds Configure seeding tasks.
**cleanups** Configure cleanup tasks.

**coverages** Configure coverages for seeding and cleanup tasks.

### 9.2.1 Example

```yaml
seeds:
  myseed1:
    [...]  
  myseed2
    [...]  

cleanups:
  mycleanup1:
    [...]  
  mycleanup2:
    [...]  

coverages:
  mycoverage1:
    [...]  
  mycoverage2:
    [...]  
```

### 9.3 seeds

Here you can define multiple seeding tasks. A task defines *what* should be seeded. Each task is configured as a dictionary with the name of the task as the key. You can use the names to select single tasks on the command line of `mapproxy-seed`.

`mapproxy-seed` will always process one tile pyramid after the other. Each tile pyramid is defined by a cache and a corresponding grid. A cache with multiple grids consists of multiple tile pyramids. You can configure which tile pyramid you want to seed with the `caches` and `grids` options.

You can further limit the part of the tile pyramid with the `levels` and `coverages` options.

Each seed task takes the following options:

#### 9.3.1 caches

A list with the caches that should be seeded for this task. The names should match the cache names in your MapProxy configuration.

#### 9.3.2 grids

A list with the grid names that should be seeded for the `caches`. The names should match the grid names in your mapproxy configuration. All caches of this tasks need to support the grids you specify here. By default, the grids that are common to all configured caches will be seeded.

#### 9.3.3 levels

Either a list of levels that should be seeded, or a dictionary with `from` and `to` that define a range of levels. You can omit `from` to start at level 0, or you can omit `to` to seed till the last level. By default, all levels will be seeded.

Examples:
# seed multiple levels
levels: [2, 3, 4, 8, 9]

# seed a single level
levels: [3]

# seed from level 0 to 10 (including level 10)
levels:
  to: 10

# seed from level 3 to 6 (including level 3 and 6)
levels:
  from: 3
  to: 6

## 9.3.4 coverages

A list with coverage names. Limits the seed area to the coverages. By default, the whole coverage of the grids will be seeded.

## 9.3.5 refresh_before

Regenerate all tiles that are older than the given date. The date can either be absolute or relative. By default, existing tiles will not be refreshed.

MapProxy can also use the last modification time of a file. File paths should be relative to the proxy configuration or absolute.

Examples:

# absolute as ISO time
refresh_before:
  time: 2010-10-21T12:35:00

# relative from the start time of the seed process
refresh_before:
  weeks: 1
  days: 7
  hours: 4
  minutes: 15

# modification time of a given file
refresh_before:
  mtime: path/to/file

### 9.3.6 Example

seeds:
  myseed1:
    caches: [osm_cache]
    coverages: [germany]
    grids: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]
    levels:
      to: 10

  myseed2
    caches: [osm_cache]
    coverages: [niedersachsen, bremen, hamburg]
    grids: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]
refresh_before:
    weeks: 3
levels:
    from: 11
to: 15

9.4 cleanups

Here you can define multiple cleanup tasks. Each task is configured as a dictionary with the name of the task as the key. You can use the names to select single tasks on the command line of `mapproxy-seed`.

9.4.1 caches

A list with the caches where you want to cleanup old tiles. The names should match the cache names in your mapproxy configuration.

9.4.2 grids

A list with the grid names for the caches where you want to cleanup. The names should match the grid names in your mapproxy configuration. All caches of this tasks need to support the grids you specify here. By default, the grids that are common to all configured caches will be used.

9.4.3 levels

Either a list of levels that should be cleaned up, or a dictionary with `from` and `to` that define a range of levels. You can omit `from` to start at level 0, or you can omit `to` to cleanup till the last level. By default, all levels will be cleaned up.

Examples:

# cleanup multiple levels
levels: [2, 3, 4, 8, 9]

# cleanup a single level
levels: [3]

# cleanup from level 0 to 10 (including level 10)
levels:
    to: 10

# cleanup from level 3 to 6 (including level 3 and 6)
levels:
    from: 3
to: 6

9.4.4 coverages

A list with coverage names. Limits the cleanup area to the coverages. By default, the whole coverage of the grids will be cleaned up.

**Note:** Be careful when cleaning up caches with large coverages and levels with lots of tiles (>14). Without coverages, the seed tool works on the file system level and it only needs to check for existing tiles if they should be removed. With coverages, the seed tool traverses the whole tile pyramid and needs to check every possible tile if it exists and if it should be removed. This is much slower.
9.4.5 remove_all

When set to true, remove all tiles regardless of the time they were created. You still limit the tiles with the levels and coverage options. MapProxy will try to remove tiles in a more efficient way with this option. For example: It will remove complete level directories for file caches instead of comparing each tile with a timestamp.

9.4.6 remove_before

Remove all tiles that are older than the given date. The date can either be absolute or relative. remove_before defaults to the start time of the seed process, so that newly created tile will not be removed.

MapProxy can also use the last modification time of a file. File paths should be relative to the proxy configuration or absolute.

Examples:

# absolute as ISO time
remove_before:
  time: 2010-10-21T12:35:00

# relative from the start time of the seed process
remove_before:
  weeks: 1
  days: 7
  hours: 4
  minutes: 15

# modification time of a given file
remove_before:
  mtime: path/to/file

9.4.7 Example

cleanups:
  highres:
    caches: [osm_cache]
    grids: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR, GLOBAL_SPERICAL]
    remove_before:
      days: 14
    levels:
      from: 16
  old_project:
    caches: [osm_cache]
    grids: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]
    coverages: [mypolygon]
    levels:
      from: 14
      to: 18

9.5 coverages

There are three different ways to describe the extent of a seeding or cleanup task.

- a simple rectangular bounding box,
- a text file with one or more polygons in WKT format,
- polygons from any data source readable with OGR (e.g. Shapefile, GeoJSON, PostGIS)
Note: You will need to install additional dependencies, if you want to use polygons to define your geographical extent of the seeding area, instead of simple bounding boxes. See coverage documentation.

Each coverage has a name that is used in the seed and cleanup task configuration. If you don’t specify a coverage for a task, then the BBOX of the grid will be used.

**9.5.1 Example**

```yaml
coverages:
    germany:
        datasource: 'shps/world_boundaries_m.shp'
        where: 'CNTRY_NAME = "Germany"'
        srs: 'EPSG:900913'
    switzerland:
        datasource: 'polygons/SZ.txt'
        srs: 'EPSG:900913'
    austria:
        bbox: [9.36, 46.33, 17.28, 49.09]
        srs: 'EPSG:4326'
```

**9.6 Example: Background seeding**

New in version 1.10.0.

The `--duration` option allows you run MapProxy seeding for a limited time. In combination with the `--continue` option, you can resume the seeding process at a later time. You can use this to call `mapproxy-seed` with `cron` to seed in the off-hours.

However, this will restart the seeding process from the beginning every time the seeding is completed. You can prevent this with the `--reseed-interval` and `--reseed-file` option. The following example starts seeding for six hours. It will seed for another six hours, every time you call this command again. Once all seed and cleanup tasks were processed the command will exit immediately every time you call it within 14 days after the first call. After 14 days, the modification time of the `reseed.time` file will be updated and the re-seeding process starts again.

```bash
mapproxy-seed -f mapproxy.yaml -s seed.yaml \
    --reseed-interval 14d --duration 6h --reseed-file reseed.time \
    --continue --progress-file .mapproxy_seed_progress
```

You can use the `--reseed-file` as a `refresh_before` and `remove_before mtime-file`.

**9.7 Old Configuration**

Note: The following description is for the old seed configuration.

The configuration contains two keys: `views` and `seeds`. `views` describes the geographical extents that should be seeded. `seeds` links actual layers with those `views`.

**9.7.1 Seeds**

Contains a dictionary with layer/view mapping:
seeds:
  cache1:
    views: ['world', 'germany', 'oldb']
  cache2:
    views: ['world', 'germany']
    remove_before:
      time: '2009-04-01T14:45:00'
      # or
      minutes: 15
      hours: 4
      days: 9
      weeks: 8

remove_before: If present, recreate tiles if they are older than the date or time delta. At the end of the seeding process all tiles that are older will be removed.

You can either define a fixed time or a time delta. The time is a ISO-like date string (no time-zones, no abbreviations). To define time delta use one or more seconds, minutes, hours, days or weeks entries.

9.7.2 Views

Contains a dictionary with all views. Each view describes a coverage/geographical extent and the levels that should be seeded.

Coverages

Note: You will need to install additional dependencies, if you want to use polygons to define your geographical extent of the seeding area, instead of simple bounding boxes. See coverage documentation.

There are three different ways to describe the extent of the seed view.

• a simple rectangular bounding box,
• a text file with one or more polygons in WKT format,
• polygons from any data source readable with OGR (e.g. Shapefile, PostGIS)

Read the coverage documentation for more information.

9.7.3 Other options

srs: A list with SRSs. If the layer contains caches for multiple SRS, only the caches that match one of the SRS in this list will be seeded.

res: Seed until this resolution is cached.

or

level: A number until which this layer is cached, or a tuple with a range of levels that should be cached.

Example configuration

views:
  germany:
    datasource: 'shps/world_boundaries_m.shp'
    where: 'CNTRY_NAME = "Germany"'
    srs: 'EPSG:900913'
    level: [0, 14]
    srs: ['EPSG:900913', 'EPSG:4326']
switzerland:
    datasource: 'polygons/SZ.txt'
    srs: EPSG:900913
    level: [0, 14]
    srs: ['EPSG:900913']

austria:
    bbox: [9.36, 46.33, 17.28, 49.09]
    srs: EPSG:4326
    level: [0, 14]
    srs: ['EPSG:900913']

seeds:
  osm:
    views: ['germany', 'switzerland', 'austria']
    remove_before:
      time: '2010-02-20T16:00:00'
  osm_roads:
    views: ['germany']
    remove_before:
      days: 30
With coverages you can define areas where data is available or where data you are interested in is. MapProxy supports coverages for sources and in the mapproxy-seed tool. Refer to the corresponding section in the documentation.

There are five different ways to describe a coverage:

- a simple rectangular bounding box,
- a text file with one or more (multi)polygons in WKT format,
- a GeoJSON file with (multi)polygons features,
- (multi)polygons from any data source readable with OGR (e.g. Shapefile, GeoJSON, PostGIS),
- a file with webmercator tile coordinates.

New in version 1.10.

You can also build intersections, unions and differences between multiple coverages.

### 10.1 Requirements

If you want to use polygons to define a coverage, instead of simple bounding boxes, you will also need Shapely and GEOS. For loading polygons from shapefiles you’ll also need GDAL/OGR.

MapProxy requires Shapely 1.2.0 or later and GEOS 3.1.0 or later.

On Debian:
```bash
sudo aptitude install libgeos-dev libgdal-dev
pip install Shapely
```

### 10.2 Configuration

All coverages are configured by defining the source of the coverage and the SRS. The configuration of the coverage depends on the type. The SRS can always be configured with the `srs` option.

New in version 1.5.0: MapProxy can autodetect the type of the coverage. You can now use `coverage` instead of the `bbox`, `polygons` or `ogr_datasource` option. The old options are still supported.

### 10.3 Coverage Types

#### 10.3.1 Bounding box

For simple box coverages.
bbox or datasource: A simple BBOX as a list of minx, miny, maxx, maxy, e.g: [4, -30, 10, -28] or as a string 4,-30,10,-28.

10.3.2 Polygon file

Text files with one WKT polygon or multi-polygon per line. You can create your own files or use one of the files we provide for every country. Read the index to find your country.

datasource: The path to the polygon file. Should be relative to the proxy configuration or absolute.

10.3.3 GeoJSON

New in version 1.10: Previous versions required OGR/GDAL for reading GeoJSON.

You can use GeoJSON files with Polygon and MultiPolygons geometries. FeatureCollections and Features of these geometries are supported as well. MapProxy uses OGR to read GeoJSON files if you define a where filter.

datasource: The path to the GeoJSON file. Should be relative to the proxy configuration or absolute.

10.3.4 OGR datasource

Any polygon datasource that is supported by OGR (e.g. Shapefile, GeoJSON, PostGIS).

 datasource: The name of the datasource. Refer to the OGR format page for a list of all supported datasources. File paths should be relative to the proxy configuration or absolute.

 where: Restrict which polygons should be loaded from the datasource. Either a simple where statement (e.g. ‘CNTRY_NAME="Germany"’) or a full select statement. Refer to the OGR SQL support documentation. If this option is unset, the first layer from the datasource will be used.

10.3.5 Expire tiles

New in version 1.10.

Text file with webmercator tile coordinates. The tiles should be in z/x/y format (e.g. 14/1283/6201), with one tile coordinate per line. Only tiles in the webmercator grid are supported (origin is always nw).

 expire_tiles: File or directory with expire tile files. Directories are loaded recursive.

10.3.6 Union

New in version 1.10.

A union coverage contains the combined coverage of one or more sub-coverages. This can be used to combine multiple coverages a single source. Each sub-coverage can be of any supported type and SRS.

 union: A list of multiple coverages.

10.3.7 Difference

New in version 1.10.

A difference coverage subtracts the coverage of other sub-coverages from the first coverage. This can be used to exclude parts from a coverage. Each sub-coverage can be of any supported type and SRS.

difference: A list of multiple coverages.
10.3.8 Intersection

New in version 1.10.

An intersection coverage contains only areas that are covered by all sub-coverages. This can be used to limit a larger coverage to a smaller area. Each sub-coverage can be of any supported type and SRS.

difference: A list of multiple coverages.

10.4 Clipping

New in version 1.10.0.

By default MapProxy tries to get and serve full source image even if a coverage only touches it. Clipping by coverage can be enabled by setting clip: true. If enabled, all areas outside the coverage will be converted to transparent pixels.

The clip option is only active for source coverages and not for seeding coverages.

10.5 Examples

10.5.1 sources

Use the coverage option to define a coverage for a WMS or tile source.

sources:
  mywms:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://example.com/service?
      layers: base
      coverage:
        bbox: [5, 50, 10, 55]
        srs: 'EPSG:4326'

Example of an intersection coverage with clipping:

covers:
  mywms:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://example.com/service?
      layers: base
      coverage:
        clip: true
        intersection:
          bbox: [5, 50, 10, 55]
          srs: 'EPSG:4326'
          datasource: coverage.geojson
          srs: 'EPSG:4326'

10.5.2 mapproxy-seed

To define a seed-area in the seed.yaml, add the coverage directly to the view.

covers:
  germany:
    datasource: 'shps/world_boundaries_m.shp'
Here is the same example with a PostGIS source:

```
coverages:
  germany:
    datasource: "PG: dbname='db' host='host' user='user'
               password='password'"
    where: "select * from coverages where country='germany'"
    srs: 'EPSG:900913'
```

And here is an example with a GeoJSON source:

```
coverages:
  germany:
    datasource: 'boundary.geojson'
    srs: 'EPSG:4326'
```

See the OGR driver list for all supported formats.
The commandline tool `mapproxy-util` provides sub-commands that are helpful when working with MapProxy.

To get a list of all sub-commands call:

```
mapproxy-util
```

To call a sub-command:

```
mapproxy-util subcommand
```

Each sub-command provides additional information:

```
mapproxy-util subcommand --help
```

The current sub-commands are:

- `create`
- `serve-develop`
- `serve-multiapp-develop`
- `scales`
- `wms-capabilities`
- `grids`
- `export`
- `defrag-compact-cache`
- `autoconfig` (see `mapproxy-util autoconfig`)

### 11.1 create

This sub-command creates example configurations for you. There are templates for each configuration file.

- `-l, --list-templates`
  List names of all available configuration templates.

- `-t <name>, --template <name>`
  Create a configuration with the named template.

- `-f <mapproxy.yaml>, --mapproxy-conf <mapproxy.yaml>`
  The path of the MapProxy configuration. Required for some templates.

- `--force`
  Overwrite any existing configuration with the same output filename.
11.1.1 Configuration templates

Available templates are:

**base-config**: Creates an example mapproxy.yaml and seed.yaml file. You need to pass the destination
directory to the command.

**log-ini**: Creates an example logging configuration. You need to pass the target filename to the command.

**wsgi-app**: Creates an example server script for the given MapProxy configuration (`-f/--mapproxy-conf`)
. You need to pass the target filename to the command.

11.1.2 Example

```
mapproxy-util create -t base-config ./
```

11.2 serve-develop

This sub-command starts a MapProxy instance of your configuration as a stand-alone server.

You need to pass the MapProxy configuration as an argument. The server will automatically reload if you change
the configuration or any of the MapProxy source code.

```
--bind <address>, -b <address>
```
The server address where the HTTP server should listen for incoming connections. Can be a port
(`:8080`), a host (`localhost`) or both (`localhost:8081`). The default is `localhost:8080`. You
need to use `0.0.0.0` to be able to connect to the server from external clients.

11.2.1 Example

```
mapproxy-util serve-develop ./mapproxy.yaml
```

11.3 serve-multiapp-develop

New in version 1.3.0.

This sub-command is similar to `serve-develop` but it starts a *MultiMapProxy* instance.

You need to pass a directory of your MapProxy configurations as an argument. The server will automatically
reload if you change any configuration or any of the MapProxy source code.

```
--bind <address>, -b <address>
```
The server address where the HTTP server should listen for incoming connections. Can be a port
(`:8080`), a host (`localhost`) or both (`localhost:8081`). The default is `localhost:8080`. You
need to use `0.0.0.0` to be able to connect to the server from external clients.

11.3.1 Example

```
mapproxy-util serve-multiapp-develop my_projects/
```
11.4 scales

New in version 1.2.0.

This sub-command helps to convert between scales and resolutions.

Scales are ambiguous when the resolution of the output device (LCD, printer, mobile, etc) is unknown and therefore MapProxy only uses resolutions for configuration (see Scale vs. resolution). You can use the scales sub-command to calculate between known scale values and resolutions.

The command takes a list with one or more scale values and returns the corresponding resolution value.

--unit <m|d>
Return resolutions in this unit per pixel (default meter per pixel).

--levels <n>
Calculate resolutions for n levels. This will double the resolution of the last scale value if n is larger than the number of the provided scales.

--dpi <dpi>
The resolution of the output display to use for the calculation. You need to set this to the same value of the client/server software you are using. Common values are 72 and 96. The default value is the equivalent of a pixel size of .28mm, which is around 91 DPI. This is the value the OGC uses since the WMS 1.3.0 specification.

--as-res-config
Format the output so that it can be pasted into a MapProxy grid configuration.

--res-to-scale
Calculate from resolutions to scale.

11.4.1 Example

For multiple levels as MapProxy configuration snippet:

```bash
mapproxy-util scales -l 4 --as-res-config 100000
```

```bash
res: [
  # res level scale
  28.0000000000, # 0 100000.00000000
  14.0000000000, # 1 50000.00000000
  7.0000000000, # 2 25000.00000000
  3.5000000000, # 3 12500.00000000
]
```

With multiple scale values and custom DPI:

```bash
mapproxy-util scales --dpi 96 --as-res-config 100000 50000 25000 10000
```

```bash
res: [
  # res level scale
  26.4583333333, # 0 100000.00000000
  13.2291666667, # 1 50000.00000000
  6.6145833333, # 2 25000.00000000
  2.6458333333, # 3 10000.00000000
]
```

11.5 wms-capabilities

New in version 1.5.0.
This sub-command parses a valid capabilities document from a URL and displays all available layers.

This tool does not create a MapProxy configuration, but the output should help you to set up or modify your MapProxy configuration.

The command takes a valid URL GetCapabilities URL.

```
--host <URL>
```

Display all available Layers for this service. Each new layer will be marked with a hyphen and all sublayers are indented.

```
--version <versionnumber>
```

Parse the Capabilities-document for the given version. Only version 1.1.1 and 1.3.0 are supported. The default value is 1.1.1

### 11.5.1 Example

With the following MapProxy layer configuration:

```json
layers:
- name: osm
title: Omniscale OSM WMS - osm.omniscale.net
  sources: [osm_cache]
- name: foo
title: Group Layer
  layers:
  - name: layer1
    title: Title of Layer 1a
    sources: [osm_cache]
  - name: layer1b
    title: Title of Layer 1b
    sources: [osm_cache]
```

Parsed capabilities document:

```
mapproxy-util wms-capabilities http://127.0.0.1:8080/service?REQUEST=GetCapabilities

Capabilities Document Version 1.1.1
Root-Layer:
  - title: MapProxy WMS Proxy
    url: http://127.0.0.1:8080/service?
    opaque: False
      'EPSG:25832', 'EPSG:31468', 'EPSG:900913', 'CRS:84', 'EPSG:4258']
    bbox:
      EPSG:900913: [-20037508.3428, -20037508.3428, 20037508.3428, 20037508.3428]
      EPSG:4326: [-180.0, -85.0511287798, 180.0, 85.0511287798]
    queryable: False
    llbbox: [-180.0, -85.0511287798, 180.0, 85.0511287798]
  layers:
    - name: osm
      title: Omniscale OSM WMS - osm.omniscale.net
      url: http://127.0.0.1:8080/service?
      opaque: False
        'EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:31468', 'EPSG:900913', 'CRS:84', 'EPSG:4258']
      bbox:
        EPSG:900913: [-20037508.3428, -20037508.3428, 20037508.3428, 20037508.3428]
        EPSG:4326: [-180.0, -85.0511287798, 180.0, 85.0511287798]
    - name: foobar
      title: Group Layer
```

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11.6 grids

New in version 1.5.0.

This sub-command displays information about configured grids.

The command takes a MapProxy configuration file and returns all configured grids.

Furthermore, default values for each grid will be displayed if they are not defined explicitly. All default values are marked with an asterisk in the output.

- `--mapproxy-config <path/to/config>`
  Display all configured grids for this MapProxy configuration with detailed information. If this option is not set, the sub-command will try to use the last argument as the mapproxy config.

- `--list`
  Display only the names of the grids for the given configuration, which are used by any grid.

- `--all`
  Show also grids that are not referenced by any cache.

- `--grid <grid_name>`
  Display information only for a single grid. The tool will exit, if the grid name is not found.

- `--coverage <coverage name>`
  Display an approximation of the number of tiles for each level that which are within this coverage. The coverage must be defined in Seed configuration.

- `--seed-conf <seed.yaml>`
  This option loads the seed configuration and is needed if you use the --coverage option.
11.6.1 Example

With the following MapProxy grid configuration:

grids:
  localgrid:
    srs: EPSG:31467
    bbox: [5,50,10,55]
    bbox_srs: EPSG:4326
    min_res: 10000
  localgrid2:
    base: localgrid
    srs: EPSG:25832
    res_factor: sqrt2
    tile_size: [512, 512]

List all configured grids:

mapproxy-util grids --list --mapproxy-config /path/to/mapproxy.yaml

GLOBAL_GEODETIC
GLOBAL_MERCATOR
localgrid
localgrid2

Display detailed information for one specific grid:

mapproxy-util grids --grid localgrid --mapproxy-conf /path/to/mapproxy.yaml

localgrid:
  Configuration:
    bbox: [5, 50, 10, 55]
    bbox_srs: 'EPSG:4326'
    min_res: 10000
    origin*: 'sw'
    srs: 'EPSG:31467'
    tile_size*: [256, 256]
  Levels: Resolutions, # x * y = total tiles
  00: 10000, # 1 * 1 = 1
  01: 5000.0, # 1 * 1 = 1
  02: 2500.0, # 1 * 1 = 1
  03: 1250.0, # 2 * 2 = 4
  04: 625.0, # 3 * 4 = 12
  05: 312.5, # 5 * 8 = 40
  06: 156.25, # 9 * 15 = 135
  07: 78.125, # 18 * 29 = 522
  08: 39.0625, # 36 * 57 = 2.052K
  09: 19.53125, # 72 * 113 = 8.136K
  10: 9.765625, # 144 * 226 = 32.544K
  11: 4.8828125, # 287 * 451 = 129.437K
  12: 2.44140625, # 574 * 902 = 517.748K
  13: 1.220703125, # 1148 * 1804 = 2.071M
  14: 0.6103515625, # 2295 * 3607 = 8.278M
  15: 0.30517578125, # 4589 * 7213 = 529.560M
  16: 0.152587890625, # 9178 * 14426 = 33.100M
  17: 0.0762939453125, # 18355 * 28851 = 8.472G
  18: 0.03814697265625, # 36709 * 57701 = 2.118G
  19: 0.019073486328125, # 73417 * 115402 = 8.472G
11.7 export

This sub-command exports tiles from one cache to another. This is similar to the seed tool, but you don’t need to edit the configuration. The destination cache, grid and the coverage can be defined on the command line.

Required arguments:

- `--mapproxy-conf` The path of the MapProxy configuration of the source cache.
- `--source` Name of the source or cache to export.
- `--levels` Comma separated list of levels to export. You can also define a range of levels. For example ‘1,2,3,4,5’, ‘1..10’ or ‘1,3,4,6..8’.
- `--grid` The tile grid for the export. The option can either be the name of the grid as defined in the in the MapProxy configuration, or it can be the grid definition itself. You can define a grid as a single string of the key-value pairs. The grid definition supports all grid parameters. See below for examples.
- `--dest` Destination of the export. Can be a filename, directory or URL, depending on the export `--type`.
- `--type` Choose the export type. See below for a list of all options.

Other options:

- `--fetch-missing-tiles` If MapProxy should request missing tiles from the source. By default, the export tool will only existing tiles.
- `--coverage, --srs, --where` Limit the export to this coverage. You can use a BBOX, WKT files or OGR datasources. See Coverages.
- `--concurrency` N The number of concurrent export processes.

11.7.1 Export types

- `tms`: Export tiles in a TMS like directory structure.
- `mapproxy or tc`: Export tiles like the internal cache directory structure. This is compatible with TileCache.
- `mbtile`: Export tiles into a MBTile file.
- `sqlite`: Export tiles into SQLite level files.
- `geopackage`: Export tiles into a GeoPackage file.
- `arcgis`: Export tiles in an ArcGIS exploded cache directory structure.
- `compact-v1`: Export tiles as ArcGIS compact cache bundle files (version 1).

11.7.2 Examples

Export tiles into a TMS directory structure under ./cache/. Limit export to the BBOX and levels 0 to 6.

```
mapproxy-util export -f mapproxy.yaml --grid osm_grid \
   --source osm_cache --dest ./cache/ \
   --levels 1..6 --coverage 5,50,10,60 --srs 4326
```

Export tiles into an MBTiles file. Limit export to a shape coverage.
mapproxy-util export -f mapproxy.yaml --grid osm_grid \
--source osm_cache --dest osm.mbtiles --type mbtile \
--levels 1..6 --coverage boundaries.shp \
--where 'CNTRY_NAME = "Germany"' --srs 3857

Export tiles into an MBTiles file using a custom grid definition.

mapproxy-util export -f mapproxy.yaml --levels 1..6 \
--grid "srs='EPSG:4326' bbox=[5,50,10,60] tile_size=[512,512]" \
--source osm_cache --dest osm.mbtiles --type mbtile \

11.8 defrag-compact-cache

The ArcGIS compact cache format version 1 and 2 are append only. Updating existing tiles will increase the file size. Bundle files become larger and fragmented with time. The defrag-compact-cache sub-command compacts existing bundle files by rewriting and reorganizing each bundle file.

Required arguments:

-f, --mapproxy-conf
   The path of the MapProxy configuration with the configured compact caches.

Optional arguments:

--caches
   Comma separated list of caches to defragment. By default all configured compact caches will be defragmented.

--min-percent, --min-mb
   Bundle files with only a minimal fragmentation are skipped. You can define this threshold with --min-percent as the required minimal percentage of unused space and --min-mb as the minimal required unused space in megabytes. Both thresholds must be exceeded. Defaults to 10% and 1MB.

-n, --dry-run
   This will simulate the defragmentation process.

11.8.1 Examples

Defragment bundle files from map1_cache and map2_cache when they have more than 20% and 5MB of unused space. E.g. a 20 MB bundle file only gets rewritten if it becomes smaller then 15MB after defragmentation; a 500MB bundle file only gets rewritten if it becomes smaller then 400MB after defragmentation.

mapproxy-util defrag-compact-cache -f mapproxy.yaml \
   --min-percent 20 \
   --min-mb 5 \
   --caches map1_cache,map2_cache
The **autoconfig** sub-command of `mapproxy-util` creates MapProxy and MapProxy-seeding configurations based on existing WMS capabilities documents.

It creates a **source** for each available layer. The source will include a BBOX coverage from the layer extent, **legendurl** for legend graphics, **featureinfo** for querlyable layers, scale hints and all detected **supported_srs**. It will duplicate the layer tree to the **layers** section of the MapProxy configuration, including the name, title and abstract.

The tool will create a cache for each source layer and **supported_srs** if there is a grid configured in your **--base** configuration for that SRS.

The MapProxy layers will use the caches when available, otherwise they will use the source directly (cascaded WMS).

**Note:** The tool can help you to create new configurations, but it can’t predict how you will use the MapProxy services. The generated configuration can be highly inefficient, especially when multiple layers with separate caches are requested at once. Please make sure you understand the configuration and check the documentation for more options that are useful for your use-cases.

### 12.1 Options

**--capabilities** `<url|filename>`
URL or filename of the WMS capabilities document. The tool will add `REQUEST` and `SERVICE` parameters to the URL as necessary.

**--output** `<filename>`
Filename for the created MapProxy configuration.

**--output-seed** `<filename>`
Filename for the created MapProxy-seeding configuration.

**--force**
Overwrite any existing configuration with the same output filename.

**--base** `<filename>`
Base configuration that should be included in the **--output** file with the **base** option.

**--overwrite** `<filename>`
**--overwrite-seed** `<filename>`
YAML configuration that overwrites configuration options before the generated configuration is written to **--output/** **--output-seed**.

### 12.1.1 Example

Print configuration on console:
mapproxy-util autoconfig \
  --capabilities http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service

Write MapProxy and MapProxy-seeding configuration to files:

mapproxy-util autoconfig \
  --capabilities http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service \ 
  --output mapproxy.yaml \ 
  --output-seed seed.yaml

Write MapProxy configuration with caches for grids from base.yaml:

mapproxy-util autoconfig \
  --capabilities http://osm.omniscale.net/proxy/service \ 
  --output mapproxy.yaml \ 
  --base base.yaml

12.2 Overwrites

It’s likely that you need to tweak the created configuration – e.g. to define another coverage, disable featureinfo, etc. You can do this by editing the output file of course, or you can modify the output by defining all changes to an overwrite file. Overwrite files are applied everytime you call mapproxy-util autoconfig.

Overwrites are YAML files that will be merged with the created configuration file.

The overwrites are applied independently for each services, sources, caches and layers section. That means, for example, that you can modify the supported_srs of a source and the tool will use the updated SRS list to decide which caches will be configured for that source.

12.2.1 Example

Created configuration:

```yaml
sources:
  mysource_wms:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://example.org
      layers: a
```

Overwrite file:

```yaml
sources:
  mysource_wms:
    supported_srs: ['EPSG:4326'] # add new value for mysource_wms
    req:
      layers: a,b  # overwrite existing value
      custom_param: 42  # new value
```

Actual configuration written to --output:

```yaml
sources:
  mysource_wms:
    type: wms
    supported_srs: ['EPSG:4326']
    req:
      url: http://example.org
      layers: a,b
      custom_param: 42
```
12.2.2 Special keys

There are a few special keys that you can use in your overwrite file.

All

The value of the __all__ key will be merged into all dictionaries. The following overwrite will add sessionid to the req options of all sources:

```
sources:
  __all__:
    req:
      sessionid: 123456789
```

Extend

The values of keys ending with __extend__ will be added to existing lists.

To add another SRS for one source:

```
sources:
  my_wms:
    supported_srs__extend__: ['EPSG:31467']
```

Wildcard

The values of keys starting or ending with three underscores (_) will be merged with values where the key matches the suffix or prefix.

For example, to set levels for osm_webmercator and aerial_webmercator and to set refresh_before for osm_webmercator and osm_utm32:

```
seeds:
  ___webmercator:
    levels:
      from: 0
      to: 12

  osm__:
    refresh_before:
      days: 5
```
MapProxy implements the Web Server Gateway Interface (WSGI) which is for Python what the Servlet API is for Java. There are different ways to deploy WSGI web applications.

MapProxy comes with a simple HTTP server that is easy to start and sufficient for local testing, see Testing. For production and load testing it is recommended to choose one of the production setups.

### 13.1 Testing

The serve-develop subcommand of mapproxy-util starts an HTTP server for local testing. It takes an existing MapProxy configuration file as an argument:

```
mapproxy-util serve-develop mapproxy.yaml
```

The server automatically reloads if the configuration or any code of MapProxy changes.

```
--bind, -b
    Set the socket MapProxy should listen. Defaults to localhost:8080. Accepts either a port number or hostname:portnumber.

--debug
    Start MapProxy in debug mode. If you have installed Werkzeug (recommended) or Paste, you will get an interactive traceback in the web browser on any unhandled exception (internal error).
```

**Note:** This server is sufficient for local testing of the configuration, but it is not stable for production or load testing.

The serve-multiapp-develop subcommand of mapproxy-util works similar to serve-develop but takes a directory of MapProxy configurations. See MultiMapProxy.

### 13.2 Production

There are two common ways to deploy MapProxy in production.

**Embedded in HTTP server** You can directly integrate MapProxy into your web server. Apache can integrate Python web services with the mod_wsgi extension for example.

**Behind an HTTP server or proxy** You can run MapProxy as a separate local HTTP server behind an existing web server (nginx, Apache, etc.) or an HTTP proxy (Varnish, squid, etc).

Both approaches require a configuration that maps your MapProxy configuration with the MapProxy application. You can write a small script file for that.

Running MapProxy as a FastCGI server behind HTTP server, a third option, is no longer advised for new setups since the FastCGI package (flup) is no longer maintained and the Python HTTP server improved significantly.
13.2.1 Server script

You need a script that makes the configured MapProxy available for the Python WSGI servers.

You can create a basic script with `mapproxy-util`:

```
mapproxy-util create -t wsgi-app -f mapproxy.yaml config.py
```

The script contains the following lines and makes the configured MapProxy available as application:

```
from mapproxy.wsgiapp import make_wsgi_app
application = make_wsgi_app('examples/minimal/etc/mapproxy.yaml')
```

This is sufficient for embedding MapProxy with `mod_wsgi` or for starting it with Python HTTP servers like `gunicorn` (see further below). You can extend this script to setup logging or to set environment variables.

You can enable MapProxy to automatically reload the configuration if it changes:

```
from mapproxy.wsgiapp import make_wsgi_app
application = make_wsgi_app('examples/minimal/etc/mapproxy.yaml', reloader=True)
```

13.3 Apache mod_wsgi

The Apache HTTP server can directly integrate Python application with the `mod_wsgi` extension. The benefit is that you don’t have to start another server. Read `mod_wsgi` installation for detailed instructions.

`mod_wsgi` requires a server script that defines the configured WSGI function as `application`. See above.

You need to modify your Apache `httpd.conf` as follows:

```
# if not loaded elsewhere
LoadModule wsgi_module modules/mod_wsgi.so

WSGIScriptAlias /mapproxy /path/to/mapproxy/config.py

<Directory /path/to/mapproxy/>
    Order deny,allow
    Allow from all
</Directory>
```

`mod_wsgi` has a lot of options for more fine tuning. `WSGIPythonHome` or `WSGIPythonPath` lets you configure your virtualenv and `WSGIDaemonProcess/WSGIProcessGroup` allows you to start multiple processes. See the `mod_wsgi` configuration directives documentation. Using Mapnik also requires the `WSGIApplicationGroup` option.

**Note:** On Windows only the `WSGIPythonPath` option is supported. Linux/Unix supports `WSGIPythonPath` and `WSGIPythonHome`. See also the `mod_wsgi` documentation for virtualenv for detailed information when using multiple virtualenvs.

A more complete configuration might look like:

```
# if not loaded elsewhere
LoadModule wsgi_module modules/mod_wsgi.so

WSGIScriptAlias /mapproxy /path/to/mapproxy/config.py
WSGIDaemonProcess mapproxy user=mapproxy group=mapproxy processes=8 threads=25
WSGIProcessGroup mapproxy
# WSGIPythonHome should contain the bin and lib dir of your virtualenv
WSGIPythonHome /path/to/mapproxy/venv
WSGIApplicationGroup %{GLOBAL}

<Directory /path/to/mapproxy/>
```

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Order deny, allow
# For Apache 2.4:
Require all granted
# For Apache 2.2:
# Allow from all
</Directory>

13.4 Behind HTTP server or proxy

There are Python HTTP servers available that can directly run MapProxy. Most of them are robust and efficient, but there are some odd HTTP clients out there that (mis)interpret the HTTP standard in various ways. It is therefore recommended to put a HTTP server or proxy in front that is mature and widely deployed (like Apache, Nginx, etc.).

13.4.1 Python HTTP Server

You need start these servers in the background on start up. It is recommended to create an init script for that or to use tools like upstart or supervisord.

Gunicorn

**Gunicorn** is a Python WSGI HTTP server for UNIX. Gunicorn use multiple processes but the process number is fixed. The default worker is synchronous, meaning that a process is blocked while it requests data from another server for example. You need to choose an asynchronous worker like eventlet.

You need a server script that creates the MapProxy application (see above). The script needs to be in the directory from where you start gunicorn and it needs to end with .py.

To start MapProxy with the Gunicorn web server with four processes, the eventlet worker and our server script (without .py):

```bash
cd /path/of/config.py/
gunicorn -k eventlet -w 4 -b :8080 config:application --no-sendfile
```

An example upstart script (/etc/init/mapproxy.conf) might look like:

```bash
start on runlevel [2345]
stop on runlevel ![2345]

respawn
setuid mapproxy
setgid mapproxy

chdir /etc/opt/mapproxy
exec /opt/mapproxy/bin/gunicorn -k eventlet -w 8 -b :8080 \ 
--no-sendfile \ 
application \ 
>>/var/log/mapproxy/gunicorn.log 2>&1
```

Spawning

**Spawning** is another Python WSGI HTTP server for UNIX that supports multiple processes and multiple threads.

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cd /path/of/config.py/
spawning config.application --threads=8 --processes=4 \
   --port=8080

13.4.2 HTTP Proxy

You can either use a dedicated HTTP proxy like Varnish or a general HTTP web server with proxy capabilities like Apache with mod_proxy in front of MapProxy.

You need to set some HTTP headers so that MapProxy can generate capability documents with the URL of the proxy, instead of the local URL of the MapProxy application.

- **Host** – is the hostname that clients use to access MapProxy (i.e. the proxy)
- **X-Script-Name** – path of MapProxy when the URL is not / (e.g. /mapproxy)
- **X-Forwarded-Host** – alternative to HOST
- **X-Forwarded-Proto** – should be https when the client connects with HTTPS

Nginx

Here is an example for the Nginx webserver with the included proxy module. It forwards all requests to example.org/mapproxy to localhost:8181:

```nginx
server {
    server_name example.org;
    location /mapproxy {
        proxy_pass http://localhost:8181;
        proxy_set_header Host $http_host;
        proxy_set_header X-Script-Name /mapproxy;
    }
}
```

Apache

Here is an example for the Apache webserver with the included mod_proxy and mod_headers modules. It forwards all requests to example.org/mapproxy to localhost:8181:

```apache
<IfModule mod_proxy.c>
    <IfModule mod_headers.c>
        <Location /mapproxy>
            ProxyPass http://localhost:8181
            ProxyPassReverse http://localhost:8181
            RequestHeader add X-Script-Name "/mapproxy"
        </Location>
    </IfModule>
</IfModule>
```

You need to make sure that both modules are loaded. The Host is already set to the right value by default.

13.5 Other deployment options

Refer to http://wsgi.readthedocs.org/en/latest/servers.html for a list of some available WSGI servers.
13.5.1 FastCGI

**Note:** Running MapProxy as a FastCGI server behind HTTP server is no longer advised for new setups since the used Python package (flup) is no longer maintained. Please refer to the MapProxy 1.5.0 deployment documentation for more information on FastCGI.

13.6 Performance

Because of the way Python handles threads in computing heavy applications (like MapProxy WMS is), you should choose a server that uses multiple processes (pre-forking based) for best performance.

The examples above are all minimal and you should read the documentation of your components to get the best performance with your setup.

13.7 Load Balancing and High Availability

You can easily run multiple MapProxy instances in parallel and use a load balancer to distribute requests across all instances, but there are a few things to consider when the instances share the same tile cache with NFS or other network filesystems.

MapProxy uses file locks to prevent that multiple processes will request the same image twice from a source. This would typically happen when two or more requests for missing tiles are processed in parallel by MapProxy and these tiles belong to the same meta tile. Without locking MapProxy would request the meta tile for each request. With locking, only the first process will get the lock and request the meta tile. The other processes will wait till the first process releases the lock and will then use the new created tile.

Since file locking doesn’t work well on most network filesystems you are likely to get errors when MapProxy writes these files on network filesystems. You should configure MapProxy to write all lock files on a local filesystem to prevent this. See globals.cache.lock_dir and globals.cache.tile_lock_dir.

With this setup the locking will only be effective when parallel requests for tiles of the same meta tile go to the same MapProxy instance. Since these requests are typically made from the same client you should enable sticky sessions in your load balancer when you offer tiled services (WMTS/TMS/KML).

13.8 Logging

MapProxy uses the Python logging library for the reporting of runtime information, errors and warnings. You can configure the logging with Python code or with an ini-style configuration. Read the logging documentation for more information.

13.8.1 Loggers

MapProxy uses multiple loggers for different parts of the system. The loggers build a hierarchy and are named in dotted-notation. mapproxy is the logger for everything, mapproxy.source is the logger for all sources, mapproxy.source.wms is the logger for all WMS sources, etc. If you configure on logger (e.g. mapproxy) then all sub-loggers will also use this configuration.

Here are the most important loggers:

- **mapproxy.system**  Logs information about the system and the installation (e.g. used projection library).
- **mapproxy.config**  Logs information about the configuration.
- **mapproxy.source.XXX**  Logs errors and warnings for service XXX.
mapproxy.source.request: Logs all requests to sources with URL, size in kB and duration in milliseconds. The duration is the time it took to receive the header of the response. The actual request duration might be longer, especially for larger images or when the network bandwidth is limited.

13.8.2 Enabling logging

The test server is already configured to log all messages to the console (stdout). The other deployment options require a logging configuration.

Server Script

You can use the Python logging API or load an .ini configuration if you have a server script for deployment. The example script created with mapproxy-util create -t wsgi-app already contains code to load an .ini file. You just need to uncomment these lines and create a log.ini file. You can create an example log.ini with:

mapproxy-util create -t log-ini log.ini

13.9 MultiMapProxy

New in version 1.2.0.

You can run multiple MapProxy instances (configurations) within one process with the MultiMapProxy application.

MultiMapProxy can dynamically load configurations. You can put all configurations into one directory and MapProxy maps each file to a URL: conf/proj1.yaml is available at http://hostname/proj1/.

Each configuration will be loaded on demand and MapProxy caches each loaded instance. The configuration will be reloaded if the file changes.

MultiMapProxy as the following options:

config_dir The directory where MapProxy should look for configurations.

allow_listing If set to true, MapProxy will list all available configurations at the root URL of your MapProxy. Defaults to false.

13.9.1 Server Script

There is a make_wsgi_app function in the mapproxy.multiapp package that creates configured MultiMapProxy WSGI application. Replace the application definition in your script as follows:

from mapproxy.multiapp import make_wsgi_app
application = make_wsgi_app('/path/to/projects', allow_listing=True)
This document will show you some usage scenarios of MapProxy and will explain some combinations of configuration options that might be useful for you.

### 14.1 Merge multiple layers

You have two WMS and want to offer a single layer with data from both servers. Each MapProxy cache can have more than one data source. MapProxy will combine the results from the sources before it stores the tiles on disk. These combined layers can also be requested via tiled services.

The sources should be defined from bottom to top. All sources except the bottom source needs to be transparent.

Example:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: combined_layer
    title: Aerial image + roads overlay
    sources: [combined_cache]

sources:
  base:
    type: wms
    wms_opts:
      featureinfo: True
      version: 1.1.1
    req:
      url: http://one.example.org/mapserv/?map=/home/map/roads.map
      layers: roads
      transparent: true
  aerial:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://two.example.org/service?
      layers: aerial

Note: If the layers come from the same WMS server, then you can add them direct to the layers parameter. E.g. layers: water,railroads,roads.

### 14.1.1 Merge tile sources

You can also merge multiple tile sources. You need to tell MapProxy that all overlay sources are transparent:

```
14.2 Access local servers

By default MapProxy will request data in the same format it uses to cache the data, if you cache files in PNG MapProxy will request all images from the source WMS in PNG. This encoding is quite CPU intensive for your WMS server but reduces the amount of data than needs to be transfered between you WMS and MapProxy. You can use uncompressed TIFF as the request format, if both servers are on the same host or if they are connected with high bandwidth.

Example:

```
sources:
  fast_source:
    type: cache_wms
    req:
      url: http://localhost/mapserv/?map=/home/map/roads.map
      layers: roads
      format: image/tiff
      transparent: true
```

14.3 Create WMS from existing tile server

You can use MapProxy to create a WMS server with data from an existing tile server. That tile server could be a WMTS, TMS or any other tile service where you can access tiles by simple HTTP requests. You always need to configure a cache in MapProxy to get a WMS from a tile source, since the cache is the part that does the tile stitching and reprojection.

Here is a minimal example:

```
layers:
  - name: my_layer
    title: WMS layer from tiles
    sources: [mycache]

caches:
  mycache:
    grids: [GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR]
    sources: [my_tile_source]

sources:
  my_tile_source:
    type: tile
    url: http://tileserver/%(tms_path)s.png
```

You need to modify the `url` template parameter to match the URLs of your server. You can use $x$, $y$, $z$ variables in the template, but MapProxy also supports the `quadkey` variable for Bing compatible tile service and `bbox` for WMS-C services. See the tile source documentation for all possible template values.

Here is an example of a WMTS source:

```
sources:
  my_tile_source:
    type: tile
    url: http://tileserver/wmts?SERVICE=WMTS&REQUEST=GetTile&
Note: You need to escape percent signs (%) in the URL by repeating them (%%).

You can use the GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR grid for OpenStreetMap or Google Maps compatible sources. Most TMS services should be compatible with the GLOBAL_MERCATOR definition that is similar to GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR but uses a different origin (south west (TMS) instead of north west (OSM/WMTS/Google Maps/etc.)). Other tile services might use different SRS, bounding boxes or resolutions. You need to check the capabilities of your service and configure a compatible grid.

You also need to create your own grid when you want to change the name of it, which will appear in the WMTS or TMS URL.

Example configuration for an OpenStreetMap tile service:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: my_layer
    title: WMS layer from tiles
    sources: [my_cache]

caches:
  mycache:
    grids: [webmercator]
    sources: [my_tile_source]

sources:
  my_tile_source:
    type: tile
    grid: GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR
    url: http://a.tile.openstreetmap.org/%(z)s/%(x)s/%(y)s.png

grids:
  webmercator:
    base: GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR
```

Note: Please make sure you are allowed to access the tile service. Commercial tile provider often prohibit the direct access to tiles. The tile service from OpenStreetMap has a strict Tile Usage Policy.

14.4 Overlay tiles with OpenStreetMap or Google Maps in OpenLayers

You need to take care of a few options when you want to overlay your MapProxy tiles in OpenLayers with existing OpenStreetMap or Google Maps tiles.

The basic configuration for this use-case with MapProxy may look like this:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: street_layer
    title: TMS layer with street data
    sources: [street_cache]

caches:
  street_cache:
    sources: [street_tile_source]

sources:
  street_tile_source:
    type: tile
```
All you need to do now is to configure your OpenLayers client. The first example creates a simple OpenLayers map in webmercator projection, adds an OSM base layer and a TMS overlay layer with our MapProxy tile service:

```html
<script src="http://openlayers.org/api/OpenLayers.js"></script>
<script type="text/javascript">
var map;
function init(){

    var base_layer = new OpenLayers.Layer.OSM();
    var overlay_layer = new OpenLayers.Layer.TMS('TMS street_layer', 'http://127.0.0.1:8080/tiles/', {layername: 'street_layer_EPSG900913', type: 'png', isBaseLayer: false});
    map.addLayer(base_layer);
    map.addLayer(overlay_layer);
    map.zoomToMaxExtent();
}
</script>
```

Note that we used the `/tiles` service instead of `/tms` here. See the tile service documentation for more information.

Also remember that OpenStreetMap and Google Maps tiles have the origin in the upper left corner of the map, instead of the lower left corner as TMS does. Have a look at the example configuration for OpenStreetMap tiles for more information on that topic. The OpenLayers TMS and OSM layers already handle the difference.

You can change how MapProxy calculates the origin of the tile coordinates, if you want to use your MapProxy tile service with the OpenLayers OSM layer class or if you want to use a client that does not have a TMS layer.

The following example uses the class OpenLayers.Layer.OSM:

```html
var overlay_layer = new OpenLayers.Layer.OSM("OSM osm_layer", "http://x.osm.omniscale.net/proxy/tiles/ \
    osm_roads_EPSG900913/${z}/${x}/${y}.png?origin=nw", {isBaseLayer: false, tileOptions: {crossOriginKeyword: null}});
```

The origin parameter at the end of the URL tells MapProxy that the client expects the origin in the upper left corner (north/west). You can change the default origin of all MapProxy tile layers by using the `origin` option of the `tms` service. See the TMS standard tile origin for more informations.

## 14.5 Using existing caches

New in version 1.5.0.

In some special use-cases you might want to use a cache as the source of another cache. For example, you might need to change the grid of an existing cache to cover a larger bounding box, or to support tile clients that expect a different grid, but you don’t want to seed the data again.

Here is an example of a cache in UTM that uses data from an existing cache in web-mercator projection.
layers:
  - name: lyr1
    title: Layer using data from existing_cache
    sources: [new_cache]

caches:
  new_cache:
    grids: [utm32n]
    sources: [existing_cache]

existing_cache:
  grids: [GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR]
  sources: [my_source]

grids:
  utm32n:
    srs: 'EPSG:25832'
    bbox: [4, 46, 16, 56]
    bbox_srs: 'EPSG:4326'
    origin: 'nw'
    min_res: 5700

14.6 Reprojecting Tiles

New in version 1.5.0.

When you need to access tiles in a projection that is different from your source tile server, then you can use the cache as cache source feature from above. Here is an example that uses OSM tiles as a source and offers them in UTM projection. The disable_storage option prevents MapProxy from building up two caches. The meta_size makes MapProxy to reproject multiple tiles at once.

Here is an example that makes OSM tiles available as tiles in UTM. Note that reprojecting vector data results in quality loss. For better results you need to find similar resolutions between both grids.

layers:
  - name: osm
    title: OSM in UTM
    sources: [osm_cache]

caches:
  osm_cache:
    grids: [utm32n]
    meta_size: [4, 4]
    sources: [osm_cache_in]

  osm_cache_in:
    grids: [GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR]
    disable_storage: true
    sources: [osm_source]

sources:
  osm_source:
    type: tile
    grid: GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR
    url: http://a.tile.openstreetmap.org/%(z)s/%(x)s/%(y)s.png

grid:
  utm32n:
    srs: 'EPSG:25832'
    bbox: [4, 46, 16, 56]
    bbox_srs: 'EPSG:4326'
14.7 Create grayscale images

New in version 1.9.0.

You can create a grayscale layer from an existing source by creating a cache that merges multiple bands into a single band. The band sources can come from caches, but also from any direct source. You can disable_storage to make this conversion on-the-fly. The following example mixes the RGB bands of a source with factors that matches the intensity perception of most humans:

```
caches:
  grayscale_cache:
    disable_storage: true
    sources:
      l: [
        {source: dop, band: 0, factor: 0.21},
        {source: dop, band: 1, factor: 0.72},
        {source: dop, band: 2, factor: 0.07},
      ]
```

14.8 Cache raster data

You have a WMS server that offers raster data like aerial images. By default MapProxy uses PNG images as the caching format. The encoding process for PNG files is very CPU intensive and thus the caching process itself takes longer. For aerial images the quality of loss-less image formats like PNG is often not required. For best performance you should use JPEG as the cache format.

By default MapProxy uses bicubic resampling. This resampling method also sharpens the image which is important for vector images. Aerial images do not need this, so you can use bilinear or even Nearest Neighbor (nearest) resampling.

```
caches:
  aerial_images_cache:
    format: image/jpeg
    image:
      resampling_method: nearest
    sources: [aerial_images]
```

You might also want to experiment with different compression levels of JPEG. A higher value of jpeg_quality results in better image quality at the cost of slower encoding and larger file sizes. See `mapproxy.yaml configuration`.

```
globals:
  jpeg_quality: 80
```

14.8.1 Mixed mode

You need to store images with transparency when you want to overlay them over other images, e.g. at the boundaries of your aerial image coverage. PNG supports transparency but it is not efficient with aerial images, while JPEG is efficient for aerial images but doesn’t support transparency.

MapProxy has a mixed image format for this case. With the mixed format, MapProxy stores tiles as either PNG or JPEG, depending on the transparency of each tile. Images with transparency will be stored as PNG, fully opaque images as JPEG.

**Note:** The source of your cache must support transparent images and you need to set the corresponding options.
You can now use the cache in all MapProxy services. WMS GetMap requests will return the image with the requested format. With TMS or WMTS you can only request PNG tiles, but the actual response image is either PNG or JPEG. The HTTP content-type header is set accordingly. This is supported by all web browsers.

14.9 Cache vector data

You have a WMS server that renders vector data like road maps.

14.9.1 Cache resolutions

By default MapProxy caches traditional power-of-two image pyramids, the resolutions between each pyramid level doubles. For example if the first level has a resolution of 10km, it would also cache resolutions of 5km, 2.5km, 1.25km etc. Requests with a resolution of 7km would be generated from cached data with a resolution of 10km. The problem with this approach is, that everything needs to be scaled down, lines will get thin and text labels will become unreadable. The solution is simple: Just add more levels to the pyramid. There are three options to do this.

You can set every cache resolution in the res option of a layer.

```yaml
caches:
  mixed_cache:
    format: mixed
    sources: [wms_source]
    request_format: image/png

sources:
  wms_source:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://localhost:42423/service
      layers: aerial
      transparent: true
```

The third options is a convenient variation of the previous option. A factor of 1.41421, the square root of two, would get resolutions of 10, 7.07, 5, 3.54, 2.5,... Notice that every second resolution is identical to the power-of-two resolutions. This comes in handy if you use the layer not only in classic WMS clients but also want to use it in tile-based clients like OpenLayers, which only request in these resolutions.

```yaml
caches:
  custom_res_cache:
    grids: [custom_res]
    sources: [vector_source]

grids:
  custom_res_cache:
    srs: 'EPSG:31467'
    res: [10000, 7500, 5000, 3500, 2500]
```

You can specify a different factor that is used to calculate the resolutions. By default a factor of 2 is used (10, 5, 2.5,...) but you can set smaller values like 1.6 (10, 6.25, 3.9,...):

```yaml
caches:
  custom_factor:
    res_factor: 1.6
```

```yaml
caches:
  sqrt2:
    res_factor: sqrt2
```

14.9. Cache vector data
Note: This does not improve the quality of aerial images or scanned maps, so you should avoid it for these images.

14.9.2 Resampling method

You can configure the method MapProxy uses for resampling when it scales or transforms data. For best results with vector data – from a viewers perspective – you should use bicubic resampling. You can configure this for each cache or in the globals section:

```yaml
caches:
  vector_cache:
    image:
      resampling: bicubic
# [...]  
```

# or

globals:
  image:
    resampling: bicubic

14.10 WMS Sources with Styled Layer Description (SLD)

You can configure SLDs for your WMS sources.

```yaml
sources:
  sld_example:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://example.org/service?
      sld: http://example.net/mysld.xml
```

MapProxy also supports local file URLs. MapProxy will use the content of the file as the `sld_body`. The path can either be absolute (e.g. `file:///path/to/sld.xml`) or relative (`file://path/to/sld.xml`) to the `mapproxy.yaml` file. The file should be UTF-8 encoded.

You can also configure the raw SLD with the `sld_body` option. You need to indent whole SLD string.

```yaml
sources:
  sld_example:
    type: wms
    req:
      url: http://example.org/service?
      sld_body:
        <sld:StyledLayerDescriptor version="1.0.0"
        [...]
```

MapProxy will use HTTP POST requests in this case. You can change `http.method`, if you want to force GET requests.

14.11 Add highly dynamic layers

You have dynamic layers that change constantly and you do not want to cache these. You can use a direct source. See next example.
14.12 Reproject WMS layers

If you do not want to cache data but still want to use MapProxy’s ability to reproject WMS layers on the fly, you can use a direct layer. Add your source directly to your layer instead of a cache.

You should explicitly define the SRS the source WMS supports. Requests in other SRS will be reprojected. You should specify at least one geographic and one projected SRS to limit the distortions from reprojection.

```
layers:  
  - name: direct_layer  
    sources: [direct_wms]

sources: 
  direct_wms:  
    type: wms  
    supported_srs: ['EPSG:4326', 'EPSG:25832']  
    req:  
      url: http://wms.example.org/service?  
      layers: layer0,layer1
```

14.13 FeatureInformation

MapProxy can pass-through FeatureInformation requests to your WMS sources. You need to enable each source:

```
sources: 
  fi_source:  
    type: wms  
    wms_opts:  
      featureinfo: true  
    req:  
      url: http://example.org/service?  
      layers: layer0
```

MapProxy will mark all layers that use this source as queryable. It also works for sources that are used with caching.

**Note:** The more advanced features require the lxml library.

14.13.1 Concatenation

Feature information from different sources are concatenated as plain text, that means that XML documents may become invalid. But MapProxy can also do content-aware concatenation when lxml is available.

**HTML**

Multiple HTML documents are put into the HTML body of the first document. MapProxy creates the HTML skeleton if it is missing.

```
<p>FI1</p>

and

<p>FI2</p>
```

will result in:
XML

Multiple XML documents are put in the root of the first document.

```xml
<root>
  <a>FI1</a>
</root>
```

and

```xml
<other_root>
  <b>FI2</b>
</other_root>
```

will result in:

```xml
<root>
  <a>FI1</a>
  <b>FI2</b>
</root>
```

### 14.13.2 XSL Transformations

MapProxy supports XSL transformations for more control over feature information. This also requires lxml. You can add an XSLT script for each WMS source (incoming) and for the WMS service (outgoing).

You can use XSLT for sources to convert all incoming documents to a single, uniform format and then use outgoing XSLT scripts to transform this format to either HTML or XML/GML output.

**Example**

Let’s assume we have two WMS sources where we have no control over the format of the feature info responses.

One source only offers HTML feature information. The XSLT script extracts data from a table. We force the INFO_FORMAT to HTML, so that MapProxy will not query another format.

```yaml
fi_source:
  type: wms
  wms_opts:
    featureinfo: true
    featureinfo_xslt: ./html_in.xslt
    featureinfo_format: text/html
  req: [...]
```

The second source supports XML feature information. The script converts the XML data to the same format as the HTML script. This service uses WMS 1.3.0 and the format is text/xml.

```yaml
fi_source:
  type: wms
  wms_opts:
    version: 1.3.0
    featureinfo: true
    featureinfo_xslt: ./xml_in.xslt
```
We then define two outgoing XSLT scripts that transform our intermediate format to the final result. We can define scripts for different formats. MapProxy chooses the right script depending on the WMS version and the INFO_FORMAT of the request.

```plaintext
wms:
  featureinfo_xslt:
    html: ./html_out.xslt
    xml: ./xml_out.xslt
```

### 14.14 WMTS service with dimensions

New in version 1.6.0.

The dimension support in MapProxy is still limited, but you can use it to create a WMTS front-end for a multi-dimensional WMS service.

First you need to add the WMS source and configure all dimensions that MapProxy should forward to the service:

```plaintext
temperature_source:
  type: wms
  req:
    url: http://example.org/service?
    layers: temperature
    forward_req_params: ['time', 'elevation']
```

We need to create a cache since we want to access the source from a tiled service (WMTS). Actual caching is not possible at the moment, so it is necessary to disable it with `disable_storage: true`.

```plaintext
caches:
  temperature:
    grids: [GLOBAL_MERCATOR]
    sources: [temperature_source]
    disable_storage: true
    meta_size: [1, 1]
    meta_buffer: 0
```

Then we can add a layer with all available dimensions:

```plaintext
layers:
  - name: temperature
    title: Temperature
    sources: [temperature]
    dimensions:
      time:
        values:
          - "2012-11-12T00:00:00"
          - "2012-11-13T00:00:00"
          - "2012-11-14T00:00:00"
          - "2012-11-15T00:00:00"
      elevation:
        values:
          - 0
          - 1000
          - 3000
        default: 0
```

You can now access this layer with the elevation and time dimensions via the WMTS KVP service. The RESTful service requires a custom URL template that contains the dimensions. For example:
services:
  wmts:
    restful_template: '/{Layer}/(Time)/{Elevation}/(TileMatrixSet)/{TileMatrix}/(TileCol)/{TileRow}.{Format}'

Tiles are then available at /wmts/temperature/GLOBAL_MERCATOR/1000/2012-11-12T00:00Z/6/33/22.png.
You can use default for missing dimensions, e.g. /wmts/map/GLOBAL_MERCATOR/default/default/6/33/22.png.

14.15 WMS layers with HTTP Authentication

You have a WMS source that requires authentication. MapProxy has support for HTTP Basic Authentication and HTTP Digest Authentication. You just need to add the username and password to the URL. Since the Basic and Digest authentication are not really secure, you should use this feature in combination with HTTPS. You need to configure the SSL certificates to allow MapProxy to verify the HTTPS connection. See HTTPS configuration for more information.

secure_source:
  type: wms
  req:
    url: https://username:mypassword@example.org/service?
    layers: securelayer

MapProxy removes the username and password before the URL gets logged or inserted into service exceptions.

You can disable the certificate verification if you don’t need it.

secure_source:
  type: wms
  http:
    ssl_no_cert_checks: True
  req:
    url: https://username:mypassword@example.org/service?
    layers: securelayer

14.16 Access sources through HTTP proxy

MapProxy can use an HTTP proxy to make requests to your sources, if your system does not allow direct access to the source. You need to set the http_proxy environment variable to the proxy URL. This also applies if you install MapProxy with pip or easy_install.

On Linux/Unix:

$ export http_proxy="http://example.com:3128"
$ mapproxy-util serve-develop mapproxy.yaml

On Windows:

c:\> set http_proxy="http://example.com:3128"
c:\> mapproxy-util serve-develop mapproxy.yaml

You can also set this in your server script:

import os
os.environ["http_proxy"] = "http://example.com:3128"

Add a username and password to the URL if your HTTP proxy requires authentication. For example http://username:password@example.com:3128.

You can use the no_proxy environment variable if you need to bypass the proxy for some hosts:
no_proxy is available since Python 2.6.3.

14.17 Serve multiple MapProxy instances

It is possible to load multiple MapProxy instances into a single process. Each MapProxy can have a different global configuration and different services and caches. You can use MultiMapProxy to load multiple MapProxy configurations on-demand.

Example config.py:

```python
from mapproxy.multiapp import make_wsgi_app
application = make_wsgi_app('/path/to/projects', allow_listing=True)
```

The MapProxy configuration from /path/to/projects/app.yaml is then available at /app.

You can reuse parts of the MapProxy configuration with the base option. You can put all common options into a single base configuration and reference that file in the actual configuration:

```yaml
base: mapproxy.yaml
layers:
  [...]```

14.18 Generate static quadkey / virtual earth cache for use on Multitouch table

Some software running on Microsoft multitouch tables need a static quadkey generated cache. Mapproxy understands quadkey both as a client and as a cache option.

Example part of mapproxy.yaml to generate a quadkey cache:

```yaml
caches:
  osm_cache:
    grids: [GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR]
    sources: [osm_wms]
    cache:
      type: file
      directory_layout: quadkey```

14.19 HQ/Retina tiles

MapProxy has no native support for delivering high-resolution tiles, but you can create a second tile layer with HQ tiles, if your source supports rendering with different scale-factor or DPI.

At first you need two grids. One regular grid and one with half the resolution but twice the tile size. The following example configures two webmercator compatible grids:

```yaml
grids:
  webmercator:
    srs: "EPSG:3857"
    origin: nw
    min_res: 156543.03392804097
  webmercator_hq:
    srs: "EPSG:3857"
```

---

1 This does not apply to `srs.proj_data_dir` because it affects the proj4 library directly.
Then you need two layers and two caches:

layers:
- name: map
  title: Regular map
  sources: [map_cache]
- name: map_hq
  title: HQ map
  sources: [map_hq_cache]

caches:
  map_cache:
    grids: [webmercator]
    sources: [map_source]
  map_hq_cache:
    grids: [webmercator_hq]
    sources: [map_hq_source]

And finally two sources. The source for the HQ tiles needs to render images with a higher scale/DPI setting. The mapnik source supports this with the scale_factor option. MapServer for example supports a map_resolution request parameter.

sources:
  map_source:
    type: mapnik
    mapfile: ./mapnik.xml
    transparent: true
  map_hq_source:
    type: mapnik
    mapfile: ./mapnik.xml
    transparent: true
    scale_factor: 2

With that configuration /wmts/mapnik/webmercator/0/0/0.png returns a regular webmercator tile:
14.20 Serve multiple caches for a single layer

New in version 1.8.2.
You have a data set that you need to serve with different grids (i.e. WMTS tile matrix sets).
You can create a cache with multiple grids and use this as a layers source:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: map
    title: Layer with multiple grids
    sources: [cache]

caches:
  cache:
    grids: [full_grid, sub_grid]
    sources: [source]
```

This *map* layer is available in WMS and in tile services. The grids are available as separate tile matrix sets in the
WMTS. However, this is limited to a single cache for each layer. You can’t reuse the tiles from the `full_grid` for the `sub_grid`.

You need to use `tile_sources` to make multiple caches available as a single layer. `tile_sources` allows you to override `sources` for tile services. This allows you to use caches that build up on other caches.

For example:

```yaml
layers:
  - name: map
    title: Layer with sources for tile services and for WMS
    tile_sources: [full_cache, inspire_cache]
    sources: [full_cache]

caches:
  full_cache:
    grids: [full_grid]
    sources: [source]
  inspire_cache:
    grids: [sub_grid]
    sources: [full_cache]
    disable_storage: true
```
MapProxy can act as an INSPIRE View Service. A View Service is a WMS 1.3.0 with an extended capabilities document.

New in version 1.8.1.

15.1 INSPIRE Metadata

A View Service can either link to an existing metadata document or it can embed the service and layer metadata. These two options are described as Scenario 1 and 2 in the Technical Guidance document.

15.1.1 Linked Metadata

Scenario 1 uses links to existing INSPIRE Discovery Services (CSW). You can link to metadata documents for the service and each layer.

For services you need to use the `inspire_md` block inside `services.wms` with `type: linked`. For example:

```json
services:
  wms:
    md:
      title: Example INSPIRE View Service
      inspire_md:
        type: linked
        metadata_url:
          media_type: application/vnd.iso.19139+xml
          url: http://example.org/csw/doc
        languages:
          default: eng
```

The View Services specification uses the WMS 1.3.0 extended capabilities for the layers metadata. Refer to the `layers metadata documentation`.

For example:

```json
layers:
  - name: example_layer
    title: Example Layer
    md:
      metadata:
        - url: http://example.org/csw/layerdoc
          type: ISO19115:2003
          format: text/xml
```
15.1.2 Embedded Metadata

Scenario 2 embeds the metadata directly into the capabilities document. Some metadata elements are mapped to an equivalent element in the WMS capabilities. The Resource Title is set with the normal title option for example. Other elements need to be configured inside the inspire_md block with type: embedded.

Here is a full example:

```json
services:
  wms:
    md:
      title: Example INSPIRE View Service
      abstract: This is an example service with embedded INSPIRE metadata.
      online_resource: http://example.org/
      contact:
        person: Your Name Here
        position: Technical Director
        organization: Acme Inc.
        address: Fakestreet 123
        city: Somewhere
        postcode: 12345
        country: Germany
        phone: +49(0)000-000000-0
        fax: +49(0)000-000000-0
        email: info@example.org
      access_constraints: constraints
      fees: 'None'
      keyword_list:
        - vocabulary: GEMET
          keywords: [Orthoimagery]
      inspire_md:
        type: embedded
        resource_locators:
          - url: http://example.org/metadata
            media_type: application/vnd.iso.19139+xml
        temporal_reference:
          date_of_creation: 2015-05-01
        metadata_points_of_contact:
          - organisation_name: Acme Inc.
            email: acme@example.org
        conformities:
          - title:
              date_of_publication: 2010-12-08
              uris:
            resource_locators:
                media_type: application/pdf
              degree: notEvaluated
          mandatory_keywords:
            - infoMapAccessService
            - humanGeographicViewer
          keywords:
            - title: GEMET - INSPIRE themes
              date_of_last_revision: 2008-06-01
              keyword_value: Orthoimagery
            metadata_date: 2015-07-23
            metadata_url:
              media_type: application/vnd.iso.19139+xml
              url: http://example.org/csw/doc
```

You can express all dates as either date_of_creation, date_of_publication or
The View Services specification uses the WMS 1.3.0 extended capabilities for the layers metadata. Refer to the
layers metadata documentation for all available options.

For example:

```
layers:
  - name: example_layer
    title: Example Layer
    legendurl: http://example.org/example_legend.png
    md:
      abstract: Some abstract
      keyword_list:
        - vocabulary: GEMET
          keywords: [Orthoimagery]
      metadata:
        - url: http://example.org/csw/layerdoc
          type: ISO19115:2003
          format: text/xml
        identifier:
          - url: http://www.example.org
          name: example.org
          value: "http://www.example.org#cf3c8572-601f-4f47-a922-6c67d388d220"
```

### 15.2 Languages

A View Service always needs to indicate the language of the layer names, abstracts, map labels, etc. You can only configure a single language as MapProxy does not support multi-lingual configurations. You need to set the default language as a ISO 639-2/alpha-3 code:

```
inspire_md:
  languages:
    default: eng
```

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The tiling of rendered vector maps often results in issues with truncated or repeated labels. Some of these issues can be reduced with a proper configuration of MapProxy, but some require changes to the configuration of the source WMS server.

This document describes settings for MapProxy and MapServer, but the problems and solutions are also valid for other WMS servers. Refer to their documentations on how to configure these settings.

16.1 The Problem

MapProxy always uses small tiles for caching. MapProxy does not pass through incoming requests to the source WMS, but it always requests images/tiles that are aligned to the internal grid. MapProxy combines, scales and reprojects these tiles for WMS requests and for tiled requests (TMS/KML) the tiles are combined by the client (OpenLayers, etc).

When tiles are combined, the text labels at the boundaries need to be present at both tiles and need to be placed at the exact same (geographic) location.

There are three common problems here.

16.1.1 No placement outside the BBOX

WMS servers do not draw features that are outside of the map bounds. For example, a city label that extends into the neighboring map tile will not be drawn in that other tile, because the geographic feature of the city (a single point) is only present in one tile.

16.1.2 Dynamic label placement

WMS servers can adjust the position of labels so that more labels can fit on a map. For example, a city label is not always displayed at the same geographic location, but moved around to fit in the requested map or to make space for other labels.

\[1\] Except for uncached, cascaded WMS requests.
16.1.3 Repeated labels

WMS servers render labels for polygon areas in each request. Labels for large areas will appear multiple times, once in each tile.

16.2 MapProxy Options

There are two options that help with these issues.

16.2.1 Meta Tiles

You can use meta tiles to reduce the labeling issues. A meta tile is a collection of multiple tiles. Instead of requesting each tile with a single request, MapProxy requests a single image that covers the area of multiple tiles and then splits that response into the actual tiles.

The following image demonstrates that:

The thin lines represent the tiles. The WMS request (inner box) consists of 20 tiles and without metatiling each tile results in a request to the WMS source. With a meta tile size of 4x4, only two larger requests to the source WMS are required (thick black box).

Because you are requesting less images, you have less boundaries where labeling issues can appear. In this case it reduces the number of tile/image boundaries from 31 to only one.

But, it only reduces the problem and does not solve it. Nonetheless, it should be used because it also reduces the load on the source WMS server.

You can configure the meta tile size in the `globals.cache` section and for each `cache`. It defaults to `[4, 4]`. 
globals:
  cache:
    meta_size: [6, 6]
caches:
  mycache:
    sources: [...]
    grids: [...]
    meta_size: [8, 8]

This does also work for tiles services. When a client like OpenLayers requests the 20 tiles from the example above in parallel, MapProxy will still requests the two meta tiles. Locking ensures that each meta tile will be requested only once.

16.2.2 Meta Buffer

In addition to meta tiles, MapProxy implements a meta buffer. The meta buffer adds extra space at the edges of the requested area. With this buffer, you can solve the first issue: no placement outside the BBOX.

You can combine meta tiling and meta buffer. MapProxy then extends the whole meta tile with the configured buffer.

A meta buffer of 100 will add 100 pixels at each edge of the request. With a meta size of 4x4 and a tile size of 256x256, the requested image is extended from 1024x1024 to 1224x1224. The BBOX is also extended to match the new geographical extent.

To solve the first issue, the value should be at least half of your longest labels: If you have text labels that are up to 200 pixels wide, than you should use a meta buffer of around 120 pixels.

You can configure the size of the meta buffer in the `globals.cache` section and for each `cache`. It defaults to 80.

globals:
  cache:
    meta_buffer: 100
caches:
  mycache:
    sources: [...]
    grids: [...]
    meta_buffer: 150
16.3 WMS Server Options

You can reduce some of the labeling issues with meta tiling, and solve the first issue with the meta buffer. The issues with dynamic and repeated labeling requires some changes to your WMS server.

In general, you need to disable the dynamic position of labels and you need to allow the rendering of partial labels.

16.4 MapServer Options

MapServer has lots of settings that affect the rendering. The two most important settings are

`PROCESSING "LABEL_NO_CLIP=ON" from the LAYER configuration.`

With this option the labels are fixed to the whole feature and not only the part of the feature that is visible in the current map request. Default is off.

and

`PARTIALS from the LABEL configuration.`

If this option is true, then labels are rendered beyond the boundaries of the map request. Default is true.

16.4.1 PARTIAL FALSE

The easiest option to solve all issues is `PARTIAL FALSE` with a meta buffer of 0. This prevents any label from truncation, but it comes with a large downside: Since no labels are rendered at the boundaries of the meta tiles, you will have areas with no labels at all. These areas form a noticeable grid pattern on your maps.

The following images demonstrates a WMS request with a meta tile boundary in the center.

You can improve that with the right set of configuration options for each type of geometry.

16.4.2 Points

As described above, you can use a meta buffer to prevent missing labels. You need to set `PARTIALS TRUE` (which is the default), and configure a large enough meta buffer. The labels need to be placed at the same position with each request. You can configure that with the `POSITION` options. The default is `auto` and you should set this to an explicit value, `cc` or `uc` for example.

`example.map`:

```
LABEL
  [...]
  POSITION cc
  PARTIALS TRUE
END
```

`mapproxy.yaml`:

```
caches:
  mycache:
    meta_buffer: 150
    [...]
```
16.4.3 Polygons

Meta tiling reduces the number of repeated labels, but they can still appear at the border of meta tiles.

You can use the `PROCESSING "LABEL_NO_CLIP=ON"` option to fix this problem. With this option, MapServer places the label always at a fixed position, even if that position is outside the current map request.

If the `LABEL_NO_CLIP` option is used, `PARTIALS` should be `TRUE`. Otherwise label would not be rendered if they overlap the map boundary. This options also requires a meta buffer.

```map
LAYER
    TYPE POLYGON
    PROCESSING "LABEL_NO_CLIP=ON"
    [...]
LABEL
    [...]
    POSITION cc
    PARTIALS TRUE
END
END
```

16.4.4 Lines

By default, labels are repeated on longer line strings. Where these labels are repeated depends on the current view of that line. That placement might differ in two neighboring image requests for long lines.

Most of the time, the labels will match at the boundaries of the meta tiles, when you use `PARTIALS TRUE` and a meta buffer. But, you might notice truncated labels on long line strings. In practice these issues are rare, though.

```map
LAYER
    TYPE LINE
    [...] 
LABEL
    [...] 
    PARTIALS TRUE 
END 
END 
```

```yaml
mapproxy.yaml:
caches:
    mycache:
        meta_buffer: 150
        [...]
```
You can disable repeated labels with `PROCESSING LABEL_NO_CLIP="ON"`, if don’t want to have any truncated labels. Like with polygons, you need set `PARTIALS TRUE` and use a meta buffer. The downside of this is that each lines will only have one label in the center of that line.

**example.map:**

```
LAYER
  TYPE LINE
  PROCESSING "LABEL_NO_CLIP=ON"
  [...]  
  LABEL
  [...]  
  PARTIALS TRUE
  END
END
```

**mapproxy.yaml:**

```
caches:
  mycache:
    meta_buffer: 150
    [...]  
```

There is a third option. If you want repeated labels but don’t want any truncated labels, you can set `PARTIALS FALSE`. Remember that you will get the same grid pattern as mentioned above, but it might not be noted if you mix this layer with other point and polygon layers where `PARTIALS` is enabled.

You need to compensate the meta buffer when you use `PARTIALS FALSE` in combination with other layers that require a meta buffer. You need to set the option `LABELCACHE_MAP_EDGE_BUFFER` to the negative value of your meta buffer.

**WEB:**

```
[...]
METADATA
  LABELCACHE_MAP_EDGE_BUFFER "-100"
  END
END
```

```
LAYER
  TYPE LINE
  [...]  
  LABEL
  [...]  
  PARTIALS FALSE
  END
END
```

**mapproxy.yaml:**

```
caches:
  mycache:
    meta_buffer: 100
    [...]  
```

### 16.5 Other WMS Servers

The most important step for all WMS servers is to disable to dynamic placement of labels. Look into the documentation how to do this for you WMS server.

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AUTHENTICATION AND AUTHORIZATION

Authentication is the process of mapping a request to a user. There are different ways to do this, from simple HTTP Basic Authentication to cookies or token based systems.

Authorization is the process that defines what an authenticated user is allowed to do. A datastore is required to store this authorization information for everything but trivial systems. These datastores can range from really simple text files (all users in this text file are allowed to do everything) to complex schemas with relational databases (user A is allowed to do B but not C, etc.).

As you can see, the options to choose when implementing a system for authentication and authorization are diverse. Developers (of SDIs, not the software itself) often have specific constraints, like existing user data in a database or an existing login page on a website for a Web-GIS. So it is hard to offer a one-size-fits-all solution.

Therefore, MapProxy does not come with any embedded authentication or authorization. But it comes with a flexible authorization interface that allows you (the SDI developer) to implement custom tailored systems.

Luckily, there are lots of existing toolkits that can be used to build systems that match your requirements. For authentication there is the repoze.who package with plugins for HTTP Basic Authentication, HTTP cookies, etc. For authorization there is the repoze.what package with plugins for SQL datastores, etc.

Note: Developing custom authentication and authorization system requires a bit Python programming and knowledge of WSGI and WSGI middleware.

17.1 Authentication/Authorization Middleware

Your auth system should be implemented as a WSGI middleware. The middleware sits between your web server and the MapProxy.

17.1.1 WSGI Filter Middleware

A simple middleware that authorizes random requests might look like:

```python
class RandomAuthFilter(object):
    def __init__(self, app, global_conf):
        self.app = app

    def __call__(self, environ, start_response):
        if random.randint(0, 1) == 1:
            return self.app(environ, start_response)
        else:
            start_response('403 Forbidden', [('content-type', 'text/plain')])
            return ['no luck today']
```

You need to wrap the MapProxy application with your custom auth middleware. For deployment scripts it might look like:
For PasteDeploy you can use the filter-with option. The config.ini looks like:

```ini
[app:mapproxy]
use = egg:MapProxy#app
mapproxy_conf = %(here)s/mapproxy.yaml
filter-with = auth

[filter:auth]
paste.filter_app_factory = myauthmodule:RandomAuthFilter

[server:main]
...
```

You can implement simple authentication systems with that method, but you should look at repoze.who before reinventing the wheel.

17.1.2 Authorization Callback

Authorization is a bit more complex, because your middleware would need to interpret the request to get information required for the authorization (e.g. layer names for WMS GetMap requests). Limiting the GetCapabilities response to certain layers would even require the middleware to manipulate the XML document. So it’s obvious that some parts of the authorization should be handled by MapProxy.

MapProxy can call the middleware back for authorization as soon as it knows what to ask for (e.g. the layer names of a WMS GetMap request). You have to pass a callback function to the environment so that MapProxy knows what to call.

Here is a more elaborate example that denies requests to all layers that start with a specific prefix. These layers are also hidden from capability documents.

```python
class SimpleAuthFilter(object):
    ""
    Simple MapProxy authorization middleware.
    It authorizes WMS requests for layers where the name does not start with 'prefix'.
    ""
    def __init__(self, app, prefix='secure'):
        self.app = app
        self.prefix = prefix

    def __call__(self, environ, start_response):
        # put authorize callback function into environment
        environ['mapproxy.authorize'] = self.authorize
        return self.app(environ, start_response)

    def authorize(self, service, layers=[], environ=None, **kw):
        allowed = denied = False
        if service.startswith('wms. '):
            auth_layers = {}
            for layer in layers:
                if layer.startswith(self.prefix):
                    auth_layers[layer] = {}
                    denied = True
                else:
                    auth_layers[layer] = {
                        'map': True,
                        'featureinfo': True,
                        'legendgraphic': True,
```
allowed = True
else:  # other services are denied
    return {'authorized': 'none'}

if allowed and not denied:
    return {'authorized': 'full'}
if denied and not allowed:
    return {'authorized': 'none'}
return {'authorized': 'partial', 'layers': auth_layers}

And here is the part of the config.py where we define the filter and pass custom options:

application = make_wsgi_app('./mapproxy.yaml')
application = SimpleAuthFilter(application, prefix='secure')

### 17.2 MapProxy Authorization API

MapProxy looks in the request environment for a mapproxy.authorize entry. This entry should contain a callable (function or method). If it does not find any callable, then MapProxy assumes that authorization is not enabled and that all requests are allowed.

The signature of the authorization function:

```
authorize(service, layers=[], environ=None, **kw)
```

**Parameters**

- `service` – service that should be authorized
- `layers` – list of layer names that should be authorized
- `environ` – the request environ

**Return type** dictionary with authorization information

The arguments might get extended in future versions of MapProxy. Therefore you should collect further arguments in a catch-all keyword argument (i.e. `**kw`).

**Note:** The actual name of the callable is insignificant, only the environment key `mapproxy.authorize` is important.

The `service` parameter is a string and the content depends on the service that calls the authorize function. Generally, it is the lower-case name of the service (e.g. `tms` for TMS service), but it can be different to further control the service (e.g. `wms.map`).

The function should return a dictionary with the authorization information. The expected content of that dictionary can vary with each service. Only the `authorized` key is consistent with all services.

The `authorized` entry can have four values.

- **full** The request for the given `service` and `layers` is fully authorized. MapProxy handles the request as if there is no authorization.

- **partial** Only parts of the request are allowed. The dictionary should contains more information on what parts of the request are allowed and what parts are denied. Depending on the service, MapProxy can then filter the request based on that information, e.g. return WMS Capabilities with permitted layers only.

- **none** The request is denied and MapProxy returns an HTTP 403 (Forbidden) response.

- **unauthenticated** The request(er) was not authenticated and MapProxy returns an HTTP 401 response. Your middleware can capture this and ask the requester for authentication. repoze.who’s PluggableAuthenticationMiddleware will do this for example.
New in version 1.1.0: The environment parameter and support for authorized: unauthenticated results.

17.2.1 limited_to

You can restrict the geographical area for each request. MapProxy will clip each request to the provided geometry – areas outside of the permitted area become transparent.

Depending on the service, MapProxy supports this clipping for the whole request or for each layer. You need to provide a dictionary with bbox or geometry and the srs of the geometry. The following geometry values are supported:

BBOX: Bounding box as a list of minx, miny, maxx, maxy.

WKT polygons: String with one or more polygons and multipolygons as WKT. Multiple WKTs must be delimited by a new line character. Return this type if you are getting the geometries from a spatial database.

Shapely geometry: Shapely geometry object. Return this type if you already processing the geometries in your Python code with Shapely.

Here is an example callback result for a WMS GetMap request with all three geometry types. See below for examples for other services:

```json
{
    'authorized': 'partial',
    'layers': {
        'layer1': {
            'map': True,
            'limited_to': {
                'geometry': [-10, 0, 30, 50],
                'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
            },
        },
        'layer2': {
            'map': True,
            'limited_to': {
                'geometry': 'POLYGON((...))',
                'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
            },
        },
        'layer3': {
            'map': True,
            'limited_to': {
                'geometry': shapely.geometry.Polygon([(-10, 0), (30, -5), (30, 50), (20, 50)]),
                'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Performance

The clipping is quite fast, but if you notice that the overhead is to large, you should reduce the complexity of the geometries returned by your authorization callback. You can improve the performance by returning the geometry in the projection from query_extent, by limiting it to the query_extent and by simplifying the geometry. Refer to the ST_Transform, ST_Intersection and ST_SimplifyPreserveTopology functions when you query the geometries from PostGIS.
17.3 WMS Service

The WMS service expects a `layers` entry in the authorization dictionary for partial results. `layers` itself should be a dictionary with all layers. All missing layers are interpreted as denied layers.

Each layer contains the information about the permitted features. A missing feature is interpreted as a denied feature.

Here is an example result of a call to the authorize function:

```json
{
  'authorized': 'partial',
  'layers': {
    'layer1': {
      'map': True,
      'featureinfo': False,
    },
    'layer2': {
      'map': True,
      'featureinfo': True,
    }
  }
}
```

17.3.1 limited_to

New in version 1.4.0.

The WMS service supports `limited_to` for GetCapabilities, GetMap and GetFeatureInfo requests. MapProxy will modify the bounding box of each restricted layer for GetCapabilities requests. GetFeatureInfo requests will only return data if the info coordinate is inside the permitted area. For GetMap requests, MapProxy will clip each layer to the provided geometry – areas outside of the permitted area become transparent or colored in the `bgcolor` of the WMS request.

You can provide the geometry for each layer or for the whole request.

See `limited_to` for more details.

Here is an example callback result with two limited layers and one unlimited layer:

```json
{
  'authorized': 'partial',
  'layers': {
    'layer1': {
      'map': True,
      'limited_to': {
        'geometry': [-10, 0, 30, 50],
        'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
      },
    },
    'layer2': {
      'map': True,
      'limited_to': {
        'geometry': 'POLYGON((...))',
        'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
      },
    },
    'layer3': {
      'map': True,
    }
  }
}
```
Here is an example callback result where the complete request is limited:

```json
{
    'authorized': 'partial',
    'limited_to': {
        'geometry': shapely.geometry.Polygon(
            [(-10, 0), (30, -5), (30, 50), (20, 50)]),
        'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
    },
    'layers': {
        'layer1': {'map': True},
    },
}
```

17.3.2 Service types

The WMS service uses the following service strings:

- **wms.map**
  - This is called for WMS GetMap requests. `layers` is a list with the actual layers to render, that means that group layers are resolved. The `map` feature needs to be set to `True` for each permitted layer. The whole request is rejected if any requested layer is not permitted. Resolved layers (i.e. sub layers of a requested group layer) are filtered out if they are not permitted.
  - New in version 1.1.0: The `authorize` function gets called with an additional `query_extent` argument:

```python
authorize(service, environ, layers, query_extent, **kw)
```
  - **Parameters** `query_extent` – a tuple of the SRS (e.g. EPSG:4326) and the BBOX of the request to authorize.

**Example**

With a layer tree like:

- name: layer1
  layers:
    - name: layer1a
      sources: [l1a]
    - name: layer1b
      sources: [l1b]

An authorize result of:

```json
{
    'authorized': 'partial',
    'layers': {
        'layer1': {'map': True},
        'layer1a': {'map': True}
    }
}
```

Results in the following:

- A request for `layer1` renders `layer1a, layer1b` gets filtered out.
- A request for `layer1a` renders `layer1a`.
- A request for `layer1b` is rejected.
• A request for \texttt{layer1a} and \texttt{layer1b} is rejected.

\texttt{wms.featureinfo}

This is called for WMS GetFeatureInfo requests and the behavior is similar to \texttt{wms.map}.

\texttt{wms.capabilities}

This is called for WMS GetCapabilities requests. \texttt{layers} is a list with all named layers of the WMS service. Only layers with the \texttt{map} feature set to \texttt{True} are included in the capabilities document. Missing layers are not included.

Sub layers are only included when the parent layer is included, since authorization interface is not able to reorder the layer tree. Note, that you are still able to request these sub layers (see \texttt{wms.map} above).

Layers that are queryable and only marked so in the capabilities if the \texttt{featureinfo} feature set to \texttt{True}.

With a layer tree like:

\begin{verbatim}
- name: layer1
  layers:
  - name: layer1a
    sources: [l1a]
  - name: layer1b
    sources: [l1b]
  - name: layer1c
    sources: [l1c]
\end{verbatim}

An authorize result of:

\begin{verbatim}
{
  'authorized': 'partial',
  'layers': {
    'layer1': {'map': True, 'feature': True},
    'layer1a': {'map': True, 'feature': True},
    'layer1b': {'map': True},
    'layer1c': {'map': True},
  }
}
\end{verbatim}

Results in the following abbreviated capabilities:

\begin{verbatim}
<Layer queryable="1">
 <Name>layer1</Name>
 <Layer queryable="1"><Name>layer1a</Name></Layer>
 <Layer><Name>layer1b</Name></Layer>
</Layer>
\end{verbatim}

\section*{17.4 TMS/Tile Service}

The TMS service expects a \texttt{layers} entry in the authorization dictionary for \texttt{partial} results. \texttt{layers} itself should be a dictionary with all layers. All missing layers are interpreted as denied layers.

Each layer contains the information about the permitted features. The TMS service only supports the \texttt{tile} feature. A missing feature is interpreted as a denied feature.

Here is an example result of a call to the authorize function:

\begin{verbatim}
{
  'authorized': 'partial',
  'layers': {
\end{verbatim}
The TMS service uses `tms` as the service string for all authorization requests. Only layers with the `tile` feature set to `True` are included in the TMS capabilities document (`/tms/1.0.0`). Missing layers are not included.

The `authorize` function gets called with an additional `query_extent` argument for all tile requests:

```python
authorize(service, environ, layers, query_extent=None, **kw)
```

**Parameters**
- `query_extent` – a tuple of the SRS (e.g. EPSG:4326) and the BBOX of the request to authorize, or `None` for capabilities requests.

### 17.4.1 limited_to

New in version 1.5.0.

MapProxy will clip each tile to the provided geometry – areas outside of the permitted area become transparent. MapProxy will return PNG images in this case.

Here is an example callback result where the tile request is limited:

```json
{
    'authorized': 'partial',
    'limited_to': {
        'geometry': shapely.geometry.Polygon((-10, 0), (30, -5), (30, 50), (20, 50)),
        'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
    },
    'layers': {
        'layer1': {
            'tile': True,
        },
    }
}
```

New in version 1.5.1.

You can also add the limit to the layer and mix it with properties used for the other services:

```json
{
    'authorized': 'partial',
    'layers': {
        'layer1': {
            'tile': True,
            'map': True,
            'limited_to': {
                'geometry': shapely.geometry.Polygon((-10, 0), (30, -5), (30, 50), (20, 50)),
                'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
            },
        },
        'layer2': {
            'tile': True,
            'map': False,
            'featureinfo': True,
            'limited_to': {
                'geometry': shapely.geometry.Polygon((0, 0), (20, -5), (30, 50), (20, 50)),
                'srs': 'EPSG:4326',
            },
        },
    }
}
```
17.5 KML Service

The KML authorization is similar to the TMS authorization, including the limited_to option. The KML service uses kml as the service string for all authorization requests.

17.6 WMTS Service

The WMTS authorization is similar to the TMS authorization, including the limited_to option. The WMTS service uses wmts as the service string for all authorization requests.

17.7 Demo Service

The demo service only supports full or none authorization. layers is always an empty list. The demo service does not authorize the services and layers that are listed in the overview page. If you permit a user to access the demo service, then he can see all services and layers names. However, access to these services is still restricted to the according authorization.

The service string is demo.

17.8 MultiMapProxy

The MultiMapProxy application stores the instance name in the environment as mapproxy.instance_name. This information in not available when your middleware gets called, but you can use it in your authorization function.

Example that rejects MapProxy instances where the name starts with secure.

```python
class MultiMapProxyAuthFilter(object):
    def __init__(self, app, global_conf):
        self.app = app

    def __call__(self, environ, start_response):
        environ['mapproxy.authorize'] = self.authorize
        return self.app(environ, start_response)

    def authorize(self, service, layers=[]):
        instance_name = environ.get('mapproxy.instance_name', '')
        if instance_name.startswith('secure'):
            return {'authorized': 'none'}
        else:
            return {'authorized': 'full'}
```
MapProxy provides the ability to update the image produced in response to a WMS GetMap or Tile request prior to it being sent to the client. This can be used to decorate the image in some way such as applying an image watermark or applying an effect.

**Note:** Some Python programming and knowledge of WSGI and WSGI middleware is required to take advantage of this feature.

### 18.1 Decorate Image Middleware

The ability to decorate the response image is implemented as WSGI middleware in a similar fashion to how authorization is handled. You must write a WSGI filter which wraps the MapProxy application in order to register a callback which accepts the ImageSource to be decorated.

The callback is registered by assigning a function to the key `decorate_img` in the WSGI environment. Prior to the image being sent in the response MapProxy checks the environment and calls the callback passing the ImageSource and a number of other parameters related to the current request. The callback must then return a valid ImageSource instance which will be sent in the response.

#### 18.1.1 WSGI Filter Middleware

A simple middleware that annotates each image with information about the request might look like:

```python
def annotate_img(image, service, layers, environ, query_extent, **kw):
    # Get the PIL image and convert to RGBA to ensure we can use black
    # for the text
    img = image.as_image().convert('RGBA')

    text = ['service: %s' % service]
    text.append('layers: %s ' % ', '.join(layers))
    text.append('srs: %s ' % query_extent[0])
    for coord in query_extent[1]:
        text.append(' %s' % coord)

    draw = ImageDraw.Draw(img)
    font = ImageFont.load_default()
    fill = ImageColor.getrgb('black')

    line_y = 10
    for line in text:
        draw.text((0, line_y), line, fill=fill, font=font)
        line_y += 10
```
line_w, line_h = font.getsize(line)
draw.text((10, line_y), line, font=font, fill=fill)
line_y = line_y + line_h

# Return a new ImageSource specifying the updated PIL image and
# the image options from the original ImageSource
return ImageSource(img, image.image_opts)

class RequestInfoFilter(object):
    
    Simple MapProxy decorate_img middleware.
    Annotates map images with information about the request.
    
    def __init__(self, app, global_conf):
        self.app = app

    def __call__(self, environ, start_response):
        # Add the callback to the WSGI environment
        environ['mapproxy.decorate_img'] = annotate_img

        return self.app(environ, start_response)

You need to wrap the MapProxy application with your custom decorate_img middleware. For deployment scripts it might look like:

application = make_wsgi_app('./mapproxy.yaml')
application = RequestInfoFilter(application)

For PasteDeploy you can use the filter-with option. The config.ini looks like:

[app:mapproxy]
use = egg:MapProxy#app
mapproxy_conf = %(here)s/mapproxy.yaml
filter-with = requestinfo

[filter:requestinfo]
paste.filter_app_factory = mydecoratemodule:RequestInfoFilter

[server:main]
...

18.2 MapProxy Decorate Image API

The signature of the decorate_img function:

\texttt{decorate\_img}(image, service, layers=[], environ=\texttt{None}, query\_extent=\texttt{None}, **kw)

Parameters

- \texttt{image} – ImageSource instance to be decorated
- \texttt{service} – service associated with the current request (e.g. wms\_map, tms or wmts)
- \texttt{layers} – list of layer names specified in the request
- \texttt{environ} – the request WSGI environment
- \texttt{query\_extent} – a tuple of the SRS (e.g. EPSG:4326) and the BBOX of the request

Return type ImageSource
The `environ` and `query_extent` parameters are optional and can be ignored by the callback. The arguments might get extended in future versions of MapProxy. Therefore you should collect further arguments in a catch-all keyword argument (i.e. `**kw`).

**Note:** The actual name of the callable is insignificant, only the environment key `mapproxy.decorate_img` is important.

The function should return a valid ImageSource instance, either the one passed or a new instance depending the implementation.
You want to improve MapProxy, found a bug and want to fix it? Great! This document points you to some helpful information.

19.1 Source

Releases are available from the PyPI project page of MapProxy. There is also an archive of all releases.

MapProxy uses Git as a source control management tool. If you are new to distributed SCMs or Git we recommend to read Pro Git.

The main (authoritative) repository is hosted at http://github.com/mapproxy/mapproxy

To get a copy of the repository call:

git clone https://github.com/mapproxy/mapproxy

If you want to contribute a patch, please consider creating a “fork” instead. This makes life easier for all of us.

19.2 Documentation

This is the documentation you are reading right now. The raw files can be found in doc/.

The HTML version user documentation is build with Sphinx. To rebuild this documentation install Sphinx with pip install sphinx sphinx-bootstrap-theme and call python setup.py build_sphinx. The output appears in build/sphinx/html. The latest documentation can be found at http://mapproxy.org/docs/latest/.

19.3 Issue Tracker

We are using the issue tracker at GitHub to manage all bug reports, enhancements and new feature requests for MapProxy. Go ahead and create new tickets. Feel free to post to the mailing list first, if you are not sure if you really found a bug or if a feature request is in the scope of MapProxy.

19.4 Tests

MapProxy contains lots of automatic tests. If you don’t count in the mapproxy-seed-tool and the WSGI application, the test coverage is around 95%. We want to keep this number high, so all new developments should include some tests.

MapProxy uses Nose as a test loader and runner. To install Nose and all further test dependencies call:
pip install -r requirements-tests.txt

To run the actual tests call:

nose
tests

19.4.1 Available tests

We distinguish between doctests, unit, system tests.

Doctests

Doctests are embedded into the source documentation and are great for documenting small independent functions or methods. You will find lots of doctests in the mapproxy.core.srs module.

Unit tests

Tests that are a little bit more complex, e.g. that need some setup or state, are put into mapproxy.tests.unit. To be recognized as a test all functions and classes should be prefixed with test_ or Test. Refer to the existing tests for examples.

System tests

We have some tests that will start the whole MapProxy application, issues requests and does some assertions on the responses. All XML responses will be validated against the schemas in this tests. These test are located in mapproxy.tests.system.

19.5 Communication

19.5.1 Mailing list

The preferred medium for all MapProxy related discussions is our mailing list mapproxy@lists.osgeo.org You must subscribe to the list before you can write. The archive is available here.

19.5.2 IRC

There is also a channel on Freenode: #mapproxy. It is a quiet place but you might find someone during business hours (central european time).

19.6 Tips on development

You are using virtualenv as described in Installation, right?

Before you start hacking on MapProxy you should install it in development-mode. In the root directory of MapProxy call pip install -e ./ . Instead of installing and thus copying MapProxy into your virtualenv, this will just link to your source directory. If you now start MapProxy, the source from your MapProxy directory will be used. Any change you do in the code will be available if you restart MapProxy. If you use the mapproxy-util serve-develop command, any change in the source will issue a reload of the MapProxy server.
19.7 Coding Style Guide

MapProxy generally follows the Style Guide for Python Code. With the only exception that we permit a line width of about 90 characters.
MapProxy will change a few defaults in the configuration between 1.8 and 2.0. You might need to adapt your configuration to have MapProxy 2.0 work the same as MapProxy 1.8 or 1.7.

Most changes are made to make things more consistent, to make it easier for new users and to discourage a few deprecated things.

**Warning:** Please read this document carefully. Also check all warnings that the latest 1.8 version of mapproxy-util serve-develop will generate with your configuration before upgrading to 2.0.

### 20.1 Grids

#### 20.1.1 New default tile grid

MapProxy now uses GLOBAL_WEBMERCATOR as the default grid, when no grids are configured for a cache or a tile source. This grid is compatible with Google Maps and OpenStreetMap, and uses the same tile origin as the WMTS standard.

The old default GLOBAL_MERCATOR uses a different tile origin (lower-left instead of upper-left) and you need to set this grid if you upgrade from MapProxy 1 and have caches or tile sources without an explicit grid configured.

MapProxy used the lower-left tile in a tile grid as the origin. This is the same origin as the TMS standard uses. Google Maps, OpenStreetMap and now also WMTS are counting tiles from the upper-left tile. MapProxy changes

#### 20.1.2 Default origin

The default origin changes from ‘ll’ (lower-left) to ‘ul’ (upper-left). You need to set the origin explicitly if you use custom grids. The origin will stay the same if your custom grid is based on the ‘GLOBAL_*’ grids.

### 20.2 WMS

#### 20.2.1 SRS

The WMS does not support EPSG:900913 by default anymore to discourage the use of this deprecated EPSG code. Please use EPSG:3857 instead or add it back to the WMS configuration (see `srs`).

#### 20.2.2 Image formats

PNG and JPEG are the right image formats for almost all use cases. GIF and TIFF are therefore no longer enabled by default. You can enable them back in the WMS configuration if you need them (`image_formats`)
20.3 Other

This document will be extended.
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