

# wis2box configuration: datasets and stations

# Datasets and stations in wis2box

Two types of data needs to be configured in wis2box by the user:

- ***Datasets***: defining the **discovery metadata** and **data plugins** used to **transform** and **publish** the data
- ***Station metadata***: used by data plugins transforming data to BUFR

Datasets are stored in the pygeoapi 'discovery-metadata' collection  
see: <http://<wis2box-url>/oapi/collections/discovery-metadata/items?f=json>

Station metadata is stored in the pygeoapi 'stations' collection  
see: <http://<wis2box-url>/oapi/collections/stations/items?f=json>

# Datasets in the wis2box

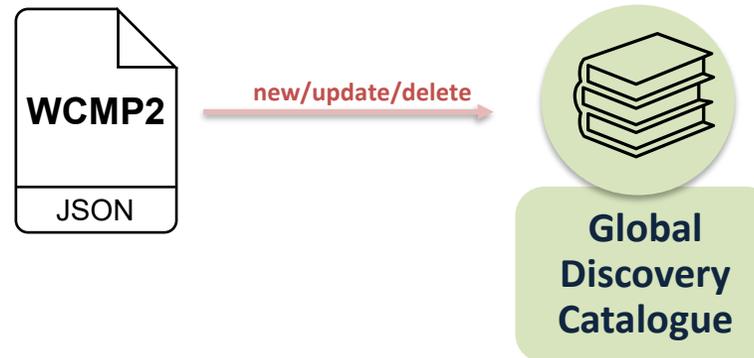
## Two ways to configure a new dataset in the wis2box:

- Use the **dataset-editor** in the wis2box-webapp
- ... or share an MCF file with the wis2box-management container and execute '**wis2box dataset publish <file-path>**'

***new*** WCMP2 notification on origin/a/wis2/<centre-id>/metadata  
**for every new dataset published**

***update*** WCMP2 notification on origin/a/wis2/<centre-id>/metadata  
**for every updated dataset published**

***delete*** WCMP2 notification on origin/a/wis2/<centre-id>/metadata  
**whenever a dataset is unpublished**



# centre identifier (centre-id)

To define a dataset you have to provide a centre-id for your WIS centre

*“The centre identifier (centre-id) is an acronym as proposed by the Member and endorsed by the WMO Secretariat. It is a single identifier comprised of a Top Level Domain (TLD) and centre-name, and represents the Data Publisher, distributor or issuing centre of a given Dataset or data product/granule”*

token 1: the TLD (lowercase)

**uk-metoffice**

**br-inmet**

**cn-cma**

**id-bmkg**

token 2: a descriptive name for the centre (lowercase), may include dashes

# Dataset Editor in wis2box-webapp

You will be asked to provide a “*Centre ID*” which will define the metadata-id and centre-id in topic

You will be asked to provide a “*Template*”:

Select a **template** to initialize the dataset with a fixed topic and pre-defined values for keywords and data mappings

Select ‘**other**’ for any other types of data you wish to publish, and you will select a topic based on the WIS2 Topic Hierarchy

New dataset: Initial Information ?

Centre ID  
int-wmo-example

Template  
other

- climate/surface-based-observations/daily
- ocean/surface-based-observations/drifting-buoys
- weather/surface-based-observations/ship
- weather/surface-based-observations/synop
- weather/surface-based-observations/temp
- other

# Dataset Editor in wis2box-webapp

Data Type = *weather/surface-based-observation/synop*

The Topic Hierarchy is fixed to *.../weather/surface-based-observations/synop*

Please enter some initial information 

Centre ID

Data Type

[RETURN HOME](#) [CONTINUE TO F](#)

Centre ID

WMO Data Policy

Discipline topic

Sub-discipline topics (choose one)

experimental (free-text topic)

Topic Hierarchy



# Dataset Editor in wis2box-webapp

Data Type = *other*

The user defines the topic using a dropdown selection

Please enter some initial information 

Centre ID

Data Type

prediction/analysis/medium-range/probabilistic/global

prediction/analysis/medium-range/probabilistic/limited-area

prediction/analysis/nowcasting/deterministic/global

prediction/analysis/nowcasting/deterministic/limited-area

prediction/analysis/nowcasting/probabilistic/global

prediction/analysis/nowcasting/probabilistic/limited-area

Sub-discipline topics (choose one)

Discipline topic

experimental (free-text topic)

Topic Hierarchy



# Dataset Editor in wis2box-webapp

### Dataset Editor Form

Please choose a dataset Dataset

Dataset loaded successfully.

#### Metadata Editor

##### Dataset Identification

Title: Hourly synoptic observations from fixed-land stations (SYNOP) (br-inmet)

Description: Observation data from automatic weather stations

Identifier: urn:wmo.md:br-inmet:surface-based-observations.synop

Centre ID: br-inmet | WMO Data Policy: core | Topic Hierarchy: br-inmet/data/core/weather/surface-based-observations/synop

Earth System Disciplines: Weather

Keywords (3 minimum): observations, temperature, visibility, precipitation, pressure, clouds, snow depth, evaporation, radiation, wind, total sunshine, humidity

##### Temporal Properties

2024-06-05 | End Date in UTC |  Dataset ongoing | Resolution: 1 | Unit: hour(s)

##### Spatial Properties

Choose an automatic bounding box (optional): Brazil

Your country may not have an automatic bounding box

North Latitude: 5.24448639 | West Longitude: -73.9872354 | East Longitude: -34.7299934 | South Latitude: -33.7683777



- Step 1. Define metadata and validate form
- Step 2. Define data plugins
- Step 3. Submit the dataset for publication

##### Contact Information of the Data Provider

Organization Name: WMO | URL: https://wmo.int | Country: Switzerland

Email: wis2-support@wmo.int | Phone number (optional):

[RESET FORM](#) [VALIDATE FORM](#)

##### Dataset Mappings Editor

Plugins in use	File extension	File pattern	UPDATE	DELETE
BUFR data converted to BUFR	bin	^.*\.bin\$	<a href="#">UPDATE</a>	<a href="#">DELETE</a>
FM-12 data converted to BUFR	txt	^.*_(\d{4})_(\d{2}).*\.txt\$	<a href="#">UPDATE</a>	<a href="#">DELETE</a>
BUFR data converted to BUFR	b	^.*\.b\$	<a href="#">UPDATE</a>	<a href="#">DELETE</a>
CSV data converted to BUFR	csv	^.*\.csv\$	<a href="#">UPDATE</a>	<a href="#">DELETE</a>
BUFR data converted to GeoJSON	bufr4	^WIGOS_(\d+)(\d+)(\d+)_.*\.bufr4\$	<a href="#">UPDATE</a>	<a href="#">DELETE</a>

[ADD A PLUGIN](#)

##### Authentication Token

wis2box auth token for processes/wis2box: .....

[EXPORT AS JSON](#) [SUBMIT](#)

# Datasets using YAML and the command line

Dataset records in wis2box can also be defined by a completing a YAML configuration file.

Using the `pygeometa` project `metadata control file (MCF)` format:

```
mcf:
  version: 1.0

metadata:
  identifier: urn:wmo:md:cd-brazza_met_centre:surface-weather-observations
  hierarchylevel: dataset

identification:
  title: Surface weather observations from Republic of Congo
  abstract: Surface weather observations from Republic of Congo
  dates:
    creation: 2023-03-26
  keywords:
    default:
      - surface weather
      - temperature
      - observations
    wmo:
      keywords:
        - weather
      keywords_type: theme
      vocabulary:
        name: Earth system disciplines as defined by the WMO Unified Data Policy, Resolution 1 (Cg-Ext(2021), Annex 1.
        url: https://codes.wmo.int/topic-hierarchy/earth-system-discipline
  extents:
    spatial:
      bbox: [11.0937728207,-5.03798674888,18.4530652198,3.72819651938]
      crs: 4326
    temporal:
      begin: 2023-03-26
      end: null
      resolution: P1H
  url: https://example.org/malawi-surface-weather-observations
  wmo_data_policy: core
```

```
contact:
  host:
    organization: Congo National Meteorological Service (DMN)
    url: https://www.dirmet.cg
  individualname: Firstname Lastname
  positionname: Position Name
  address: P.O. Box 208
  city: Brazzaville
  administrativearea: null
  postalcode: null
  country: Republic of Congo
  email: you@example.com
```

```
wis2box:
  retention: P30D
  topic_hierarchy: dz-alger_met_centre/data/core/weather/surface-based-observations/synop
  country: dza
  centre_id: dz-alger_met_centre
  data_mappings:
    plugins:
      bufr4:
        - plugin: wis2box.data.bufr4.ObservationDataBUFR
          notify: true
          buckets:
            - ${WIS2BOX_STORAGE_INCOMING}
            - file-pattern: '^.*\.bufr4$'
        - plugin: wis2box.data.bufr2geojson.ObservationDataBUFR2GeoJSON
          buckets:
            - ${WIS2BOX_STORAGE_PUBLIC}
            - file-pattern: '^WIGOS_(\d-\d+-\d+-\d+)_.*\.bufr4$'
```

MCF can be published using the 'wis2box dataset publish' command available in the wis2box-management container:  
`wis2box dataset publish /data/wis2box/metadata-MCF.yml`

When using MCF, the user is responsible to ensure all required fields are present and contain valid entries

# wis2box data plugins



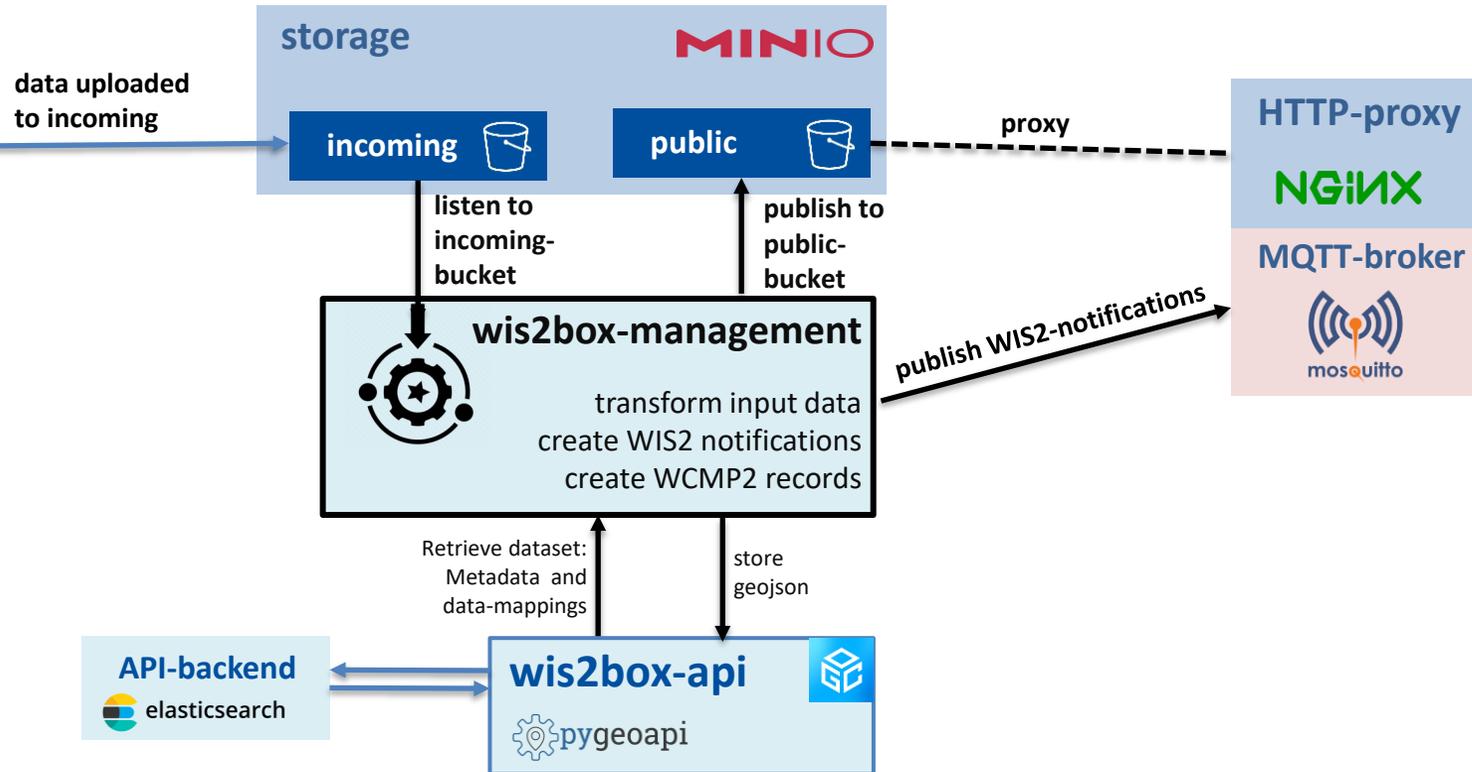
**Data Mappings** map a specific dataset to a set of data plugins

Data plugins use an abstract model/approach to enable extensibility and reuse

A data plugin defines the actions taken to **transform** and **publish** the data

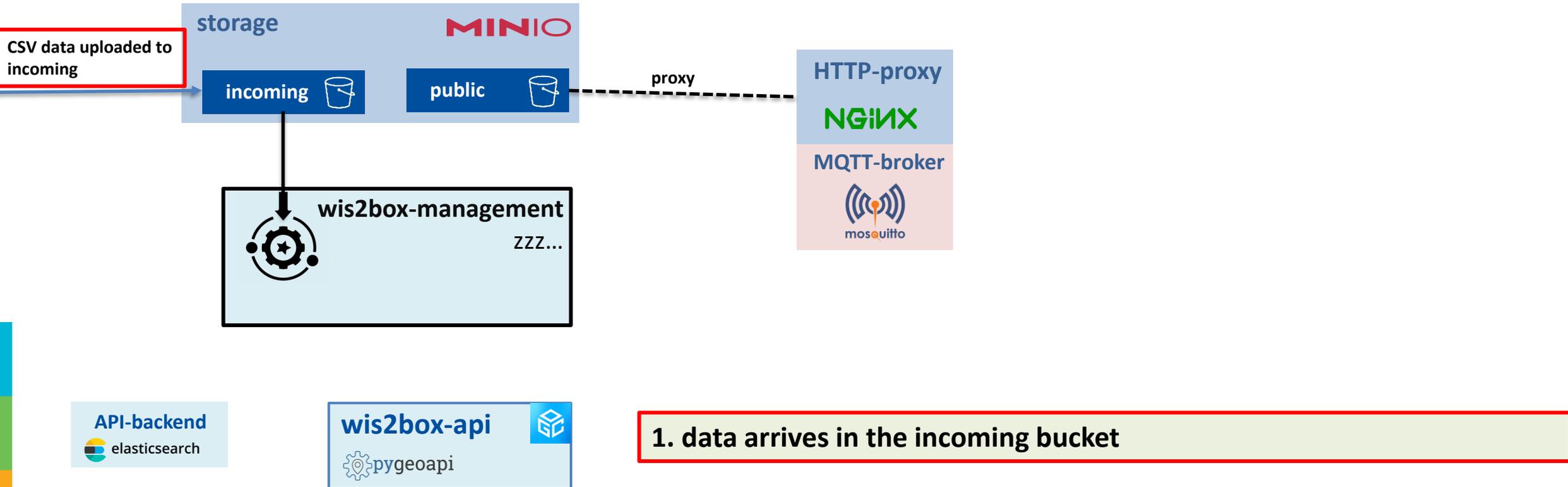
See [github.com/wmo-im/wis2box/tree/main/wis2box-management/wis2box/data](https://github.com/wmo-im/wis2box/tree/main/wis2box-management/wis2box/data)

# Dataset driven approach

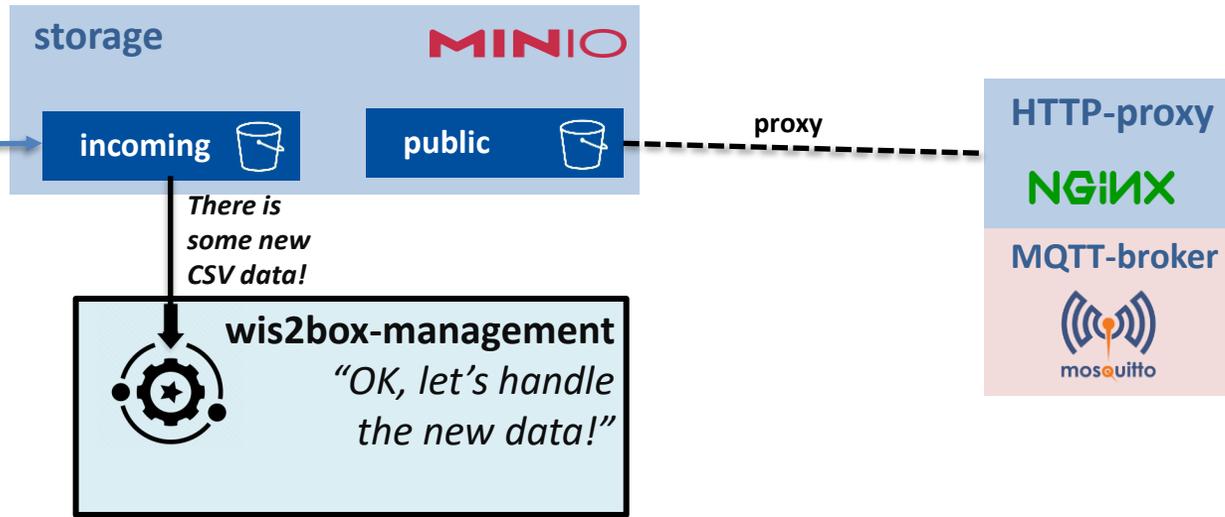


Data plugins defined in the wis2box-datasets determine the actions taken whenever a file is uploaded MinIO (see next slides)

# Dataset driven approach: step-by-step



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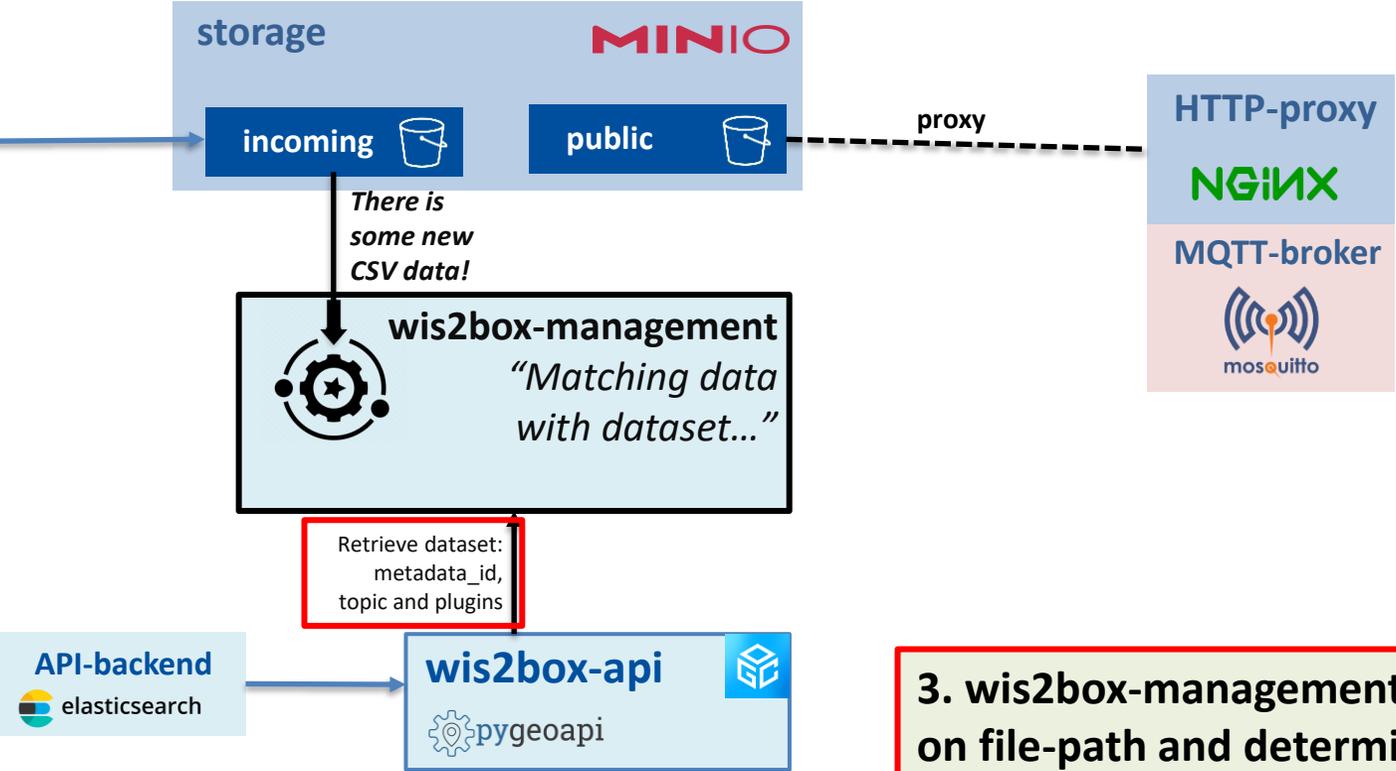


API-backend  
elasticsearch

wis2box-api  
pygeoapi

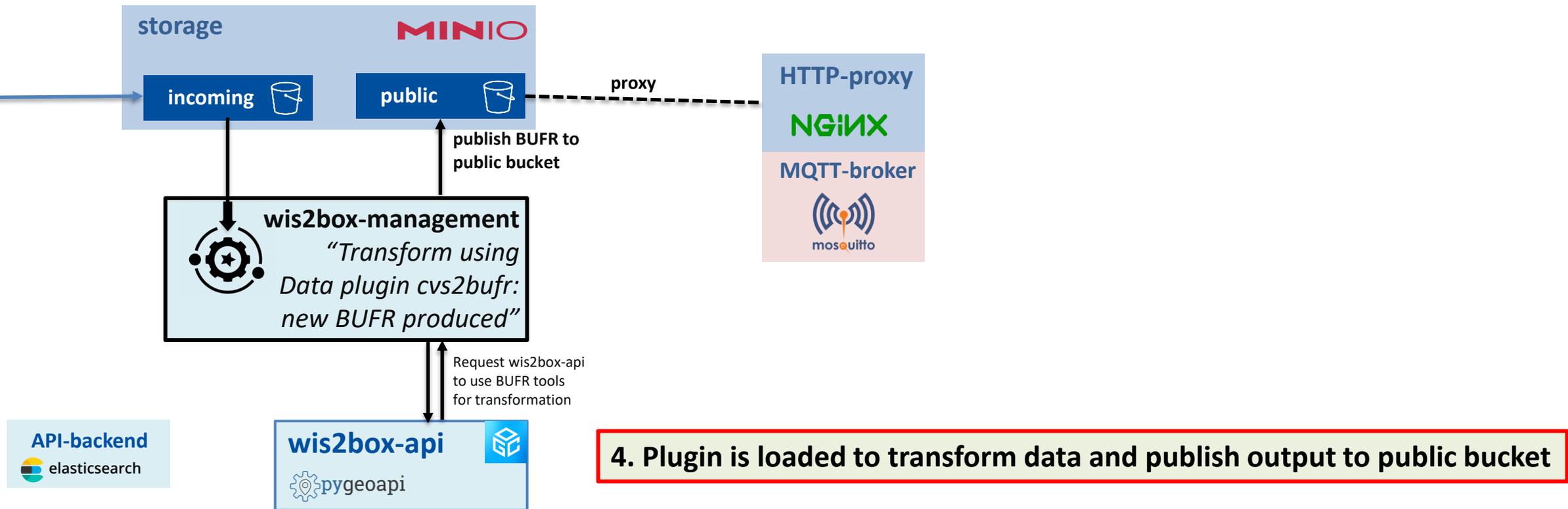
2. MinIO informs wis2box-management new data arrived

# Dataset driven approach: step-by-step

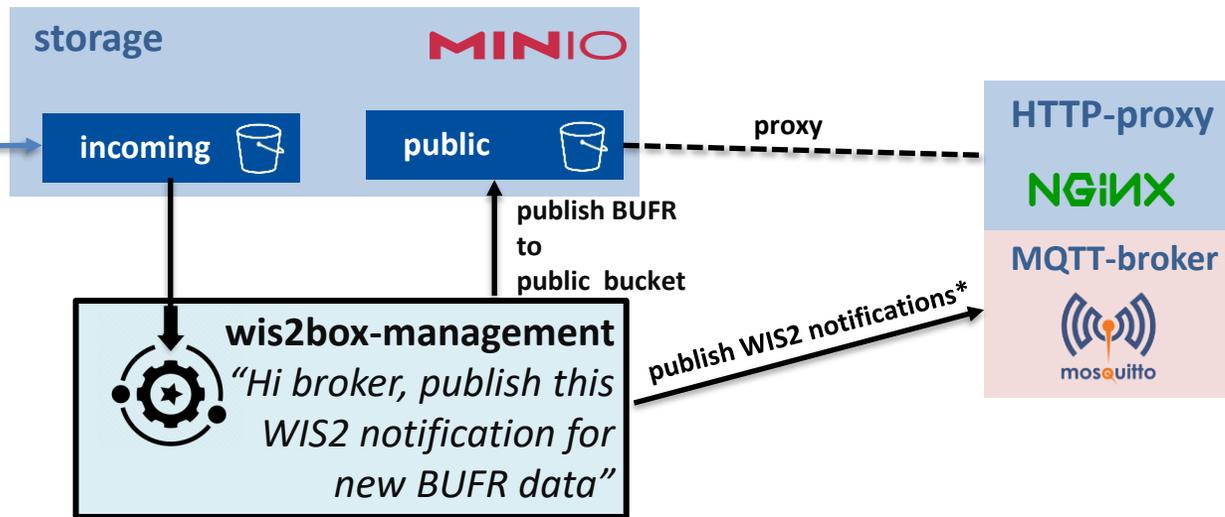


**3. wis2box-management matches the incoming data to a dataset based on file-path and determines data plugin to apply**

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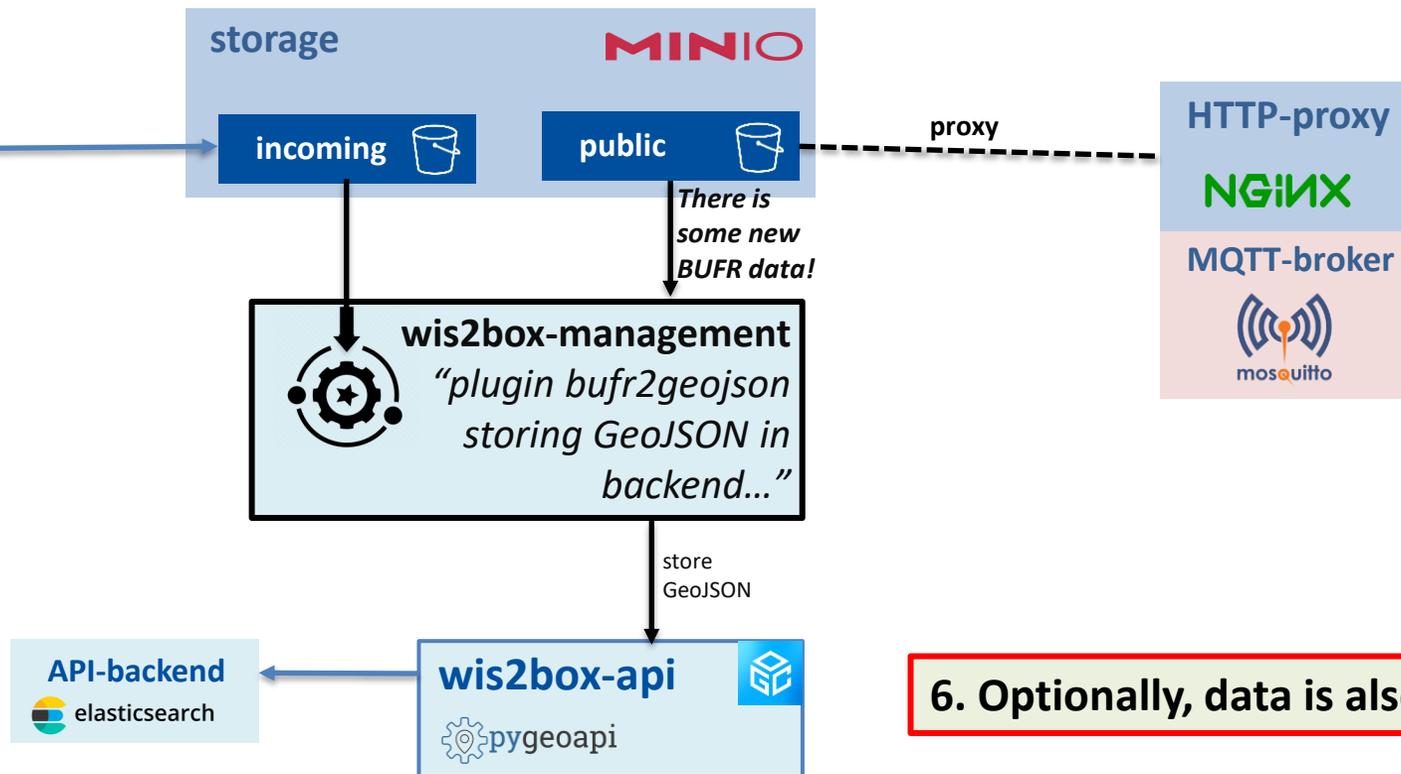
API-backend  
elasticsearch

wis2box-api  
pygeoapi

5. wis2box-management publishes data notification on associated topic

\* Since the HTTP-proxy exposes wis2box-public bucket as '/data', WIS2 Notifications will use href="[\\$WIS2BOX\\_URL/data/...](#)"

# Dataset driven approach: step-by-step



6. Optionally, data is also stored as GeoJSON in the backend

# wis2box data plugins

## wis2box contains the following built-in data plugins:

- wis2box.data.universal.UniversalData
- wis2box.data.cap\_message.CAPMessageData
- wis2box.data.bufr4.ObservationDataBUFR
- wis2box.data.synop2bufr.ObservationDataSYNOP2BUFR
- wis2box.data.csv2bufr.ObservationDataCSV2BUFR
- wis2box.data.bufr2geojson.ObservationDataBUFR2GeoJSON

Plugin Configuration

Plugin Name

File Extension

ets

Notify

Universal data without conversion

BUFR data converted to BUFR

FM-12 data converted to BUFR

CSV data converted to BUFR

BUFR data converted to GeoJSON

CAP messages

*Developers are encouraged to contribute new data plugins to wis2box!*

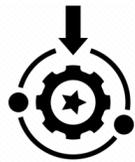
# wis2box data plugins: synop2bufr

File containing SYNOP messages (FM-12)

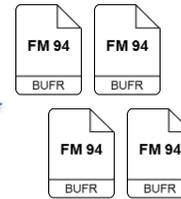


Station list

synop2bufr



One or more BUFR files



bufr2geojson



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GeoJSON

Plugin Name

Universal data without conversion

BUFR data converted to BUFR

FM-12 data converted to BUFR

CSV data converted to BUFR

BUFR data converted to GeoJSON

CAP messages

## plugins:

txt:

- plugin: wis2box.data.synop2bufr.ObservationDataSYNOPSIS2BUFR
- notify: true
- file-pattern: '^\*(\d{4})(\d{2}).\*\.txt\$'

bufr4:

- plugin: wis2box.data.bufr2geojson.ObservationDataBUFR2GeoJSON
- file-pattern: '^WIGOS\_(\d-\d+-\d+-\w+)\_.\*\bufr4\$'

# wis2box data plugins: csv2bufr

Tabulated CSV data from observing station, including location

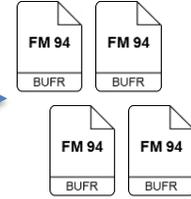


Station list

csv2bufr



One or more BUFR files



bufr2geojson



mapping template



GeoJSON

Plugin Name

Universal data without conversion

BUFR data converted to BUFR

FM-12 data converted to BUFR

CSV data converted to BUFR

BUFR data converted to GeoJSON

CAP messages

## plugins:

### csv:

- plugin: wis2box.data.csv2bufr.ObservationDataCSV2BUFR
- template: aws-template.json
- notify: true
- file-pattern: '^.\*\.csv\$'

### bufr4:

- plugin: wis2box.data.bufr2geojson.ObservationDataBUFR2GeoJSON
- file-pattern: '^WIGOS\_(\d-\d+-\d+-\w+).\*\.\bufr4\$'

# wis2box data plugins: bufr2bufr

File containing one or more  
BUFR subsets

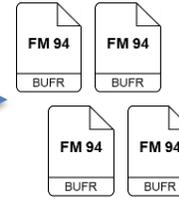


Station list

BUFR processing  
(extraction of subsets)



One or more  
BUFR files



bufr2geojson



GeoJSON

Plugin Name

Universal data without conversion

**BUFR data converted to BUFR**

FM-12 data converted to BUFR

CSV data converted to BUFR

BUFR data converted to GeoJSON

CAP messages

plugins:

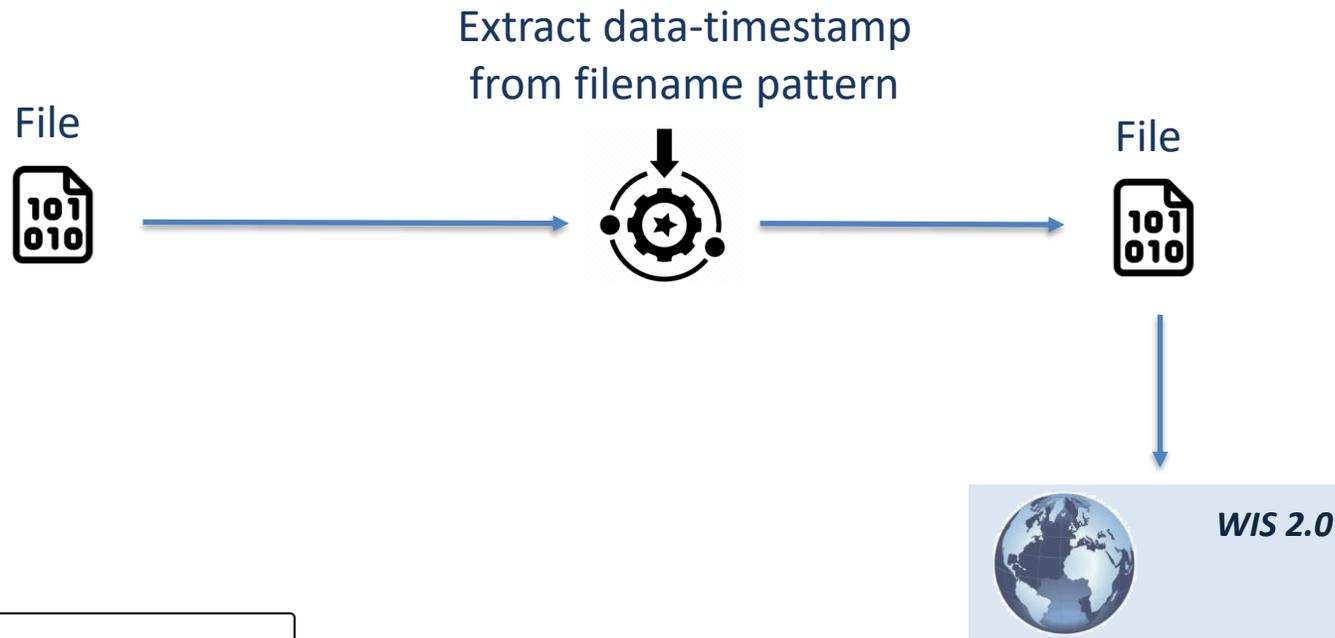
bin:

- plugin: wis2box.data.bufr4.ObservationDataBUFR
- notify: true
- file-pattern: '^.\*\.bin\$'

bufr4:

- plugin: wis2box.data.bufr2geojson.ObservationDataBUFR2GeoJSON
- file-pattern: '^WIGOS\_(\d-\d+-\d+-\w+)\_.\*\.bufr4\$'

# wis2box data plugins: universal/passthrough



Plugin Name

- Universal data without conversion
- BUFR data converted to BUFR
- FM-12 data converted to BUFR
- CSV data converted to BUFR
- BUFR data converted to GeoJSON
- CAP messages

## plugins:

### **grib2:**

- **plugin:** wis2box.data.universal.UniversalData

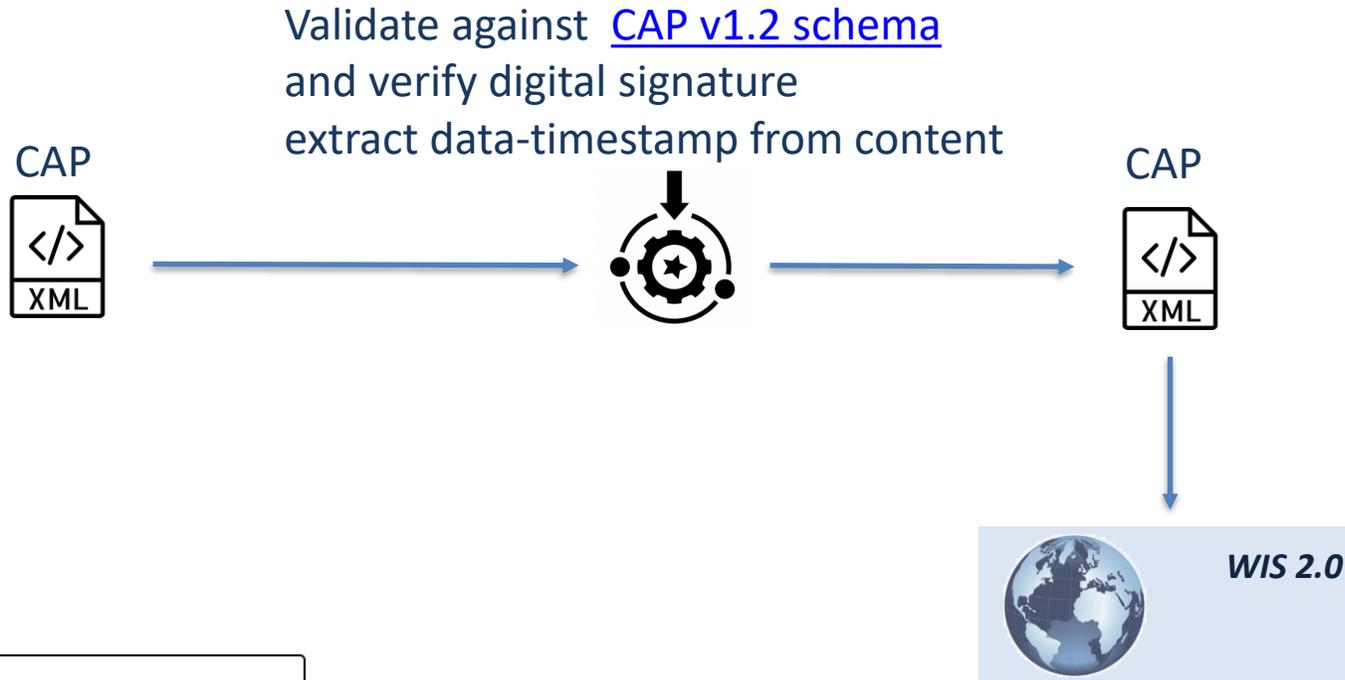
**notify:** true

**buckets:**

- `{WIS2BOX_STORAGE_INCOMING}`

**file-pattern:** '^.\*\_(\d{8})\d{2}.\*\grib2\$'

# wis2box data plugins: Common Alerting Protocol (CAP)



Plugin Name

- Universal data without conversion
- BUFR data converted to BUFR
- FM-12 data converted to BUFR
- CSV data converted to BUFR
- BUFR data converted to GeoJSON
- CAP messages**

```
plugins:  
  xml:  
    - plugin: wis2box.data.cap_message.CAPMessageData  
      notify: true  
      buckets:  
        - ${WIS2BOX_STORAGE_INCOMING}  
      file-pattern: '^.*\.xml$'
```

# Data Plugins and wis2box station metadata

## Data plugins transforming data to BUFR rely on wis2box station metadata:

- Prevent publishing data for stations not pre-configured by the wis2box administrator
- Ensure WIGOS-station-identifier is encoded in all published data
- Add missing data and/or validate location for certain cases

## The “Universal” and “CAP-Alert” plugin do not require station metadata

- No need to configure stations in wis2box if only these plugins are in use

# Station metadata used in transformation to BUFR

## FM-12 to BUFR (synop2bufr):

- **Add the WIGOS-station-ID**, derived by matching with traditional station identifier in FM-12 input
- **Add the latitude, longitude**, altitude and barometer height above sea-level in the BUFR content

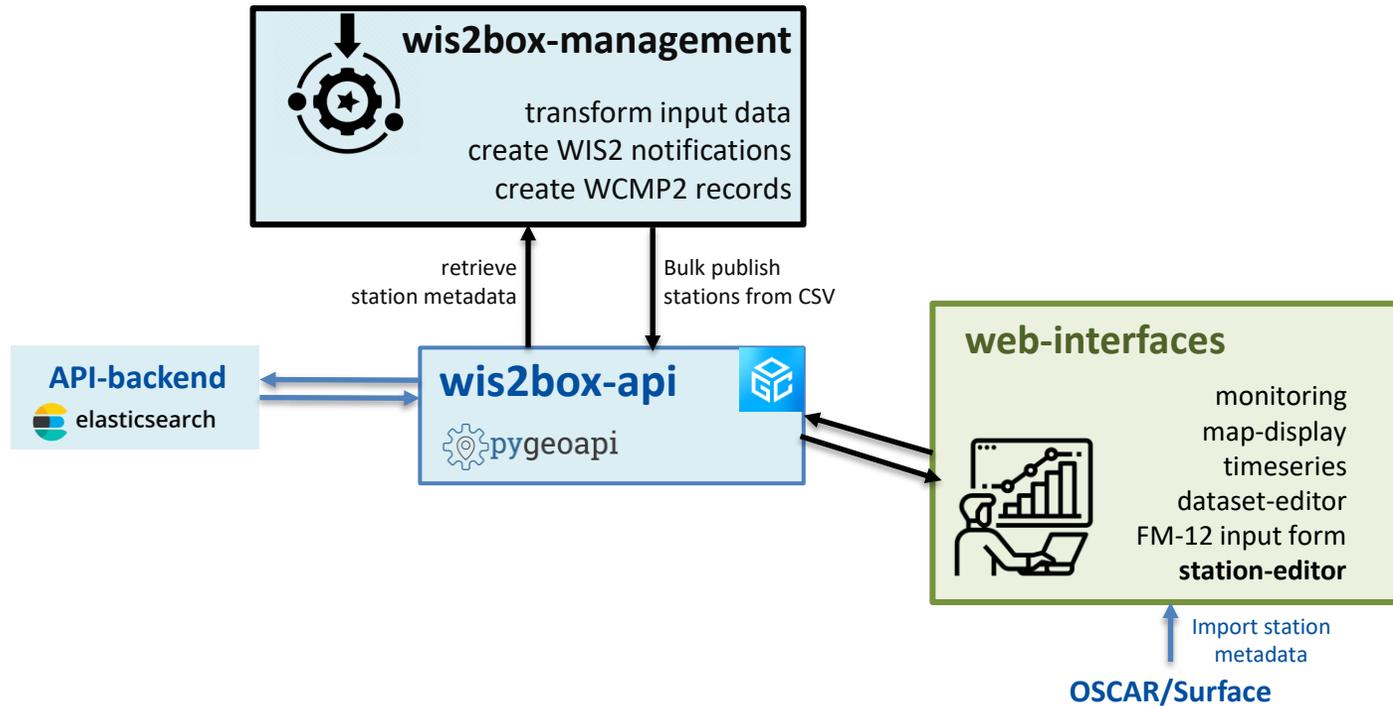
## CSV to BUFR (csv2bufr):

- Check **WIGOS-station-ID** in input data is in station-list for associated topic
- For fixed land stations: check input-data-location is less than 1km from station metadata location

## BUFR to BUFR (bufr2bufr):

- Splits by bulletin and **check WIGOS-station-ID** in station-list for associated topic
- If WIGOS-station-ID missing add it (by matching with traditional station identifier)
- if the location or station elevation are missing in the input BUFR use values from station metadata

# Station metadata in the wis2box



**“stations” collection in wis2box-api can be populated in multiple ways:**

- Provide station list as CSV and use command line inside wis2box-management container
- Interactively using the station editor inside the wis2box-webapp

# Station editor in wis2box webapp

You can update the wis2box station-list using the station editor in the wis2box webapp, importing data from OSCAR  
<http://<wis2box-host-url>/wis2box-webapp/station>

### Import station from OSCAR/Surface

WIGOS Station Identifier  
0-20000-0-15015

Enter WIGOS Station Identifier

**SEARCH**

Station name  
OCNA SUGATAG

Enter name of station

WIGOS station identifier  
0-20000-0-15015

Enter the WIGOS station identifier

Traditional station identifier  
15015

Enter the traditional (5 or 7 digit) station identifier

Longitude (decimal degrees E), -180 to 180  
23.9404602638

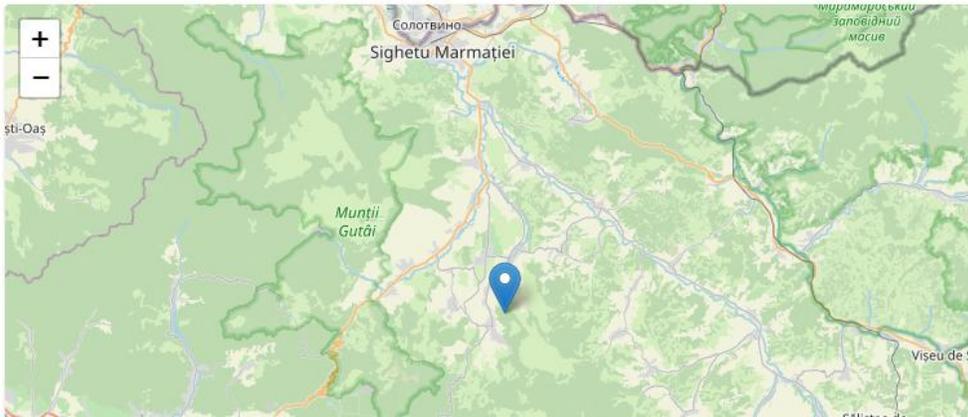
Enter the station longitude (degrees E)

Latitude (decimal degrees N), -90 to 90  
47.7770616258

Enter the station latitude (degrees N)

Station elevation above sea level (metres)  
503

Station elevation above sea level (metres)



# Importing stations from the command line

Bulk-import stations from CSV to quickly configure a large number of stations:

<https://docs.wis2box.wis.wmo.int/en/latest/user/setup.html#bulk-inserting-stations-from-csv>

Edit `metadata/station/station_list.csv` in `$WIS2BOX_HOST_DATADIR`

Specify one line per station:

```
station_name,wigos_station_identifier,traditional_station_identifier,facility_type,latitude,longitude,elevation,barometer_height
,territory_name,wmo_region
BALAKA,0-454-2-AWSBALAKA,AWSBALAKA,landFixed,-14.983333,34.966666,618,,MWI,africa
MALOMO,0-454-2-AWSMALOMO,AWSMALOMO,landFixed,-13.14202,33.83727,1088,,MWI,africa
BENI-ABBES,0-20000-0-60602,60602,landFixed,30.12846,-2.14953,510,505.0,DZA,africa
IN-GUEZZAM,0-20000-0-60690,60690,landFixed,19.56388,5.74887,399,403.0,DZA,africa
```

Then login to the `wis2box`-container and run the command:

```
wis2box metadata station publish-collection --path /data/wis2box/metadata/station/station_list.csv
```

# Summary: wis2box configuration

**Datasets** in wis2box to define the content of the **WCMP2** record for the Global Discovery Catalogue and **data plugins** that define the actions to **transform** and **publish** the data

**Datasets** are stored in the **'discovery-metadata'-collection** accessible via the wis2box-api :

- Can be configured using the **dataset-editor in wis2box-webapp**
- ...or using **MCF** files and the command line in wis2box-management

**Station metadata** are used in wis2box by plugins **transforming data to BUFR**

**Station metadata** are stored in the **'station'-collection** accessible via the wis2box-api :

- Data can be imported via **OSCAR/Surface** in the wis2box-webapp station editor
- ..or imported from a **CSV** via the command line

# Practical exercises: create datasets and add a station

## PRACTICAL EXERCISES:

Create two datasets: using Template='weather/surface-based-observations/synop' and Template='other', using **Centre ID** as specified in the table

<https://training.wis2box.wis.wmo.int/practical-sessions/configuring-wis2box-datasets/>

Add at least one station to the 'weather/surface-based-observations/synop'-dataset:

<https://training.wis2box.wis.wmo.int/practical-sessions/configuring-station-metadata/>

Participant's Name	Centre ID
Jaafar Omidi	<b>ir-irimo-jomidi</b>
Mohammadbagher Iraj	<b>ir-irimo-mbiraji</b>
Mahtab Hatami	<b>ir-irimo-mhatami</b>
Mahdi Rashidzad	<b>ir-irimo-mrashidzad</b>
Ramin Abediasl	<b>ir-irimo-rabediasl</b>
Sepideh Hemmati	<b>ir-irimo-shemmati</b>
Zeinab Zakeri	<b>ir-irimo-zzakeri</b>
Xiaoxia Chen (WMO)	<b>int-wmo-xchen</b>
Maaike Limper (WMO)	<b>int-wmo-maaike</b>

# Thank you

wmo.int