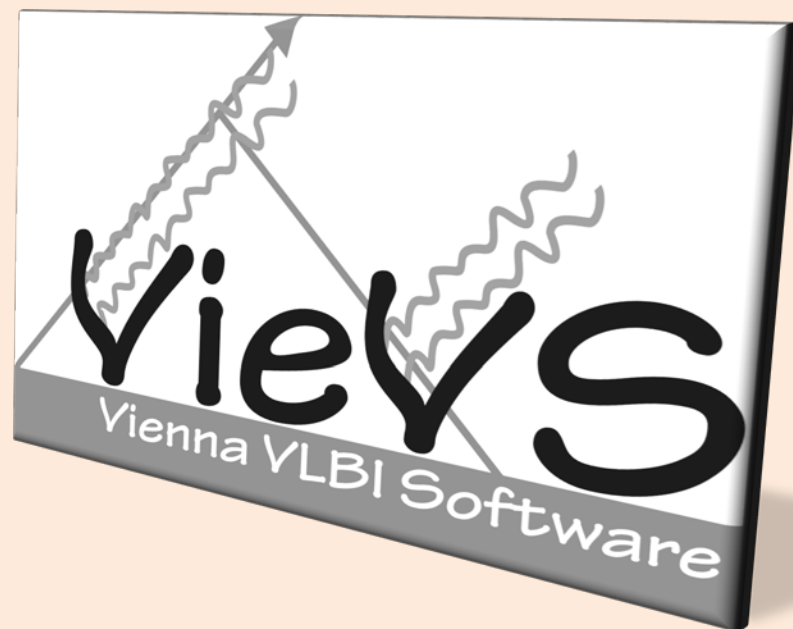
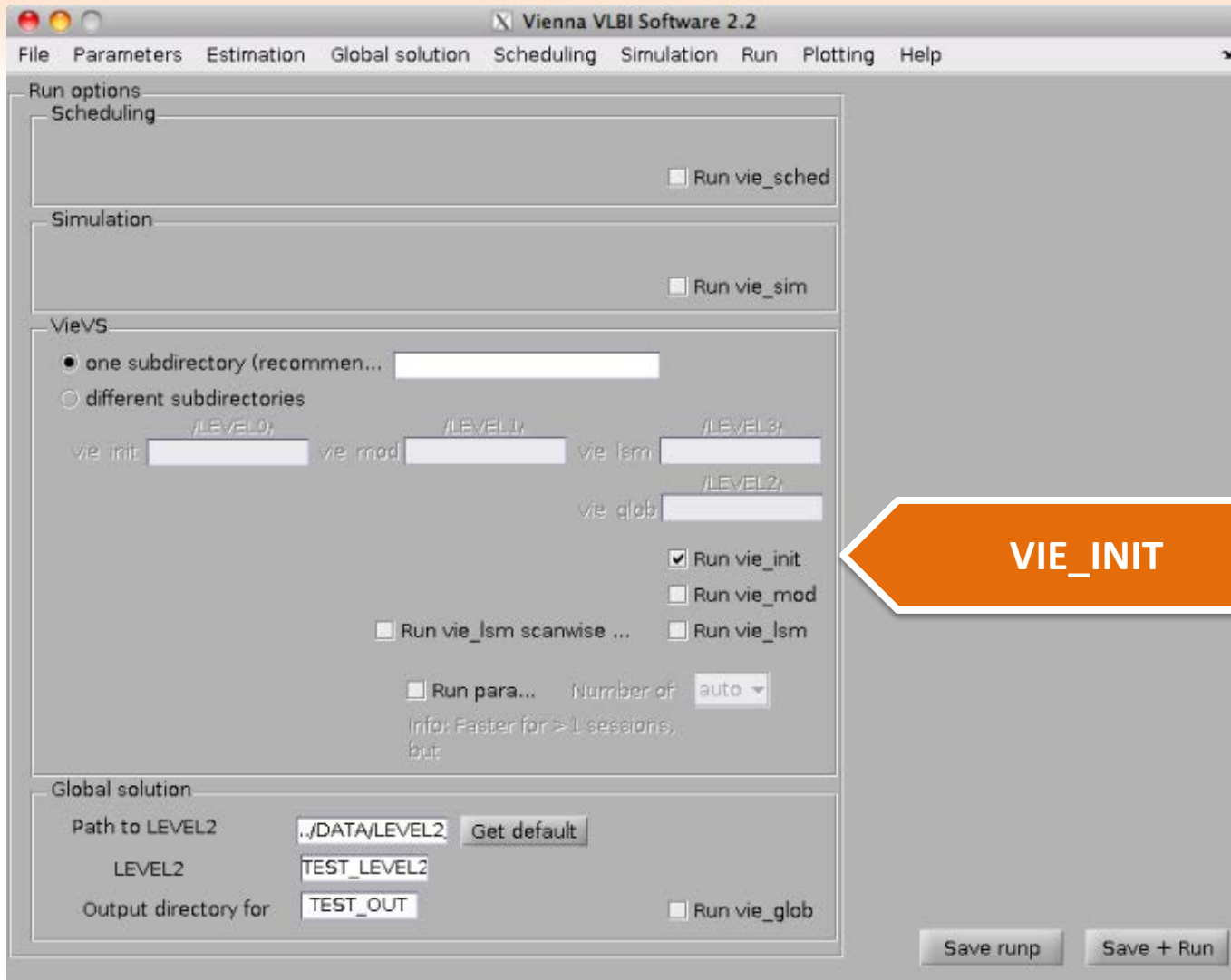


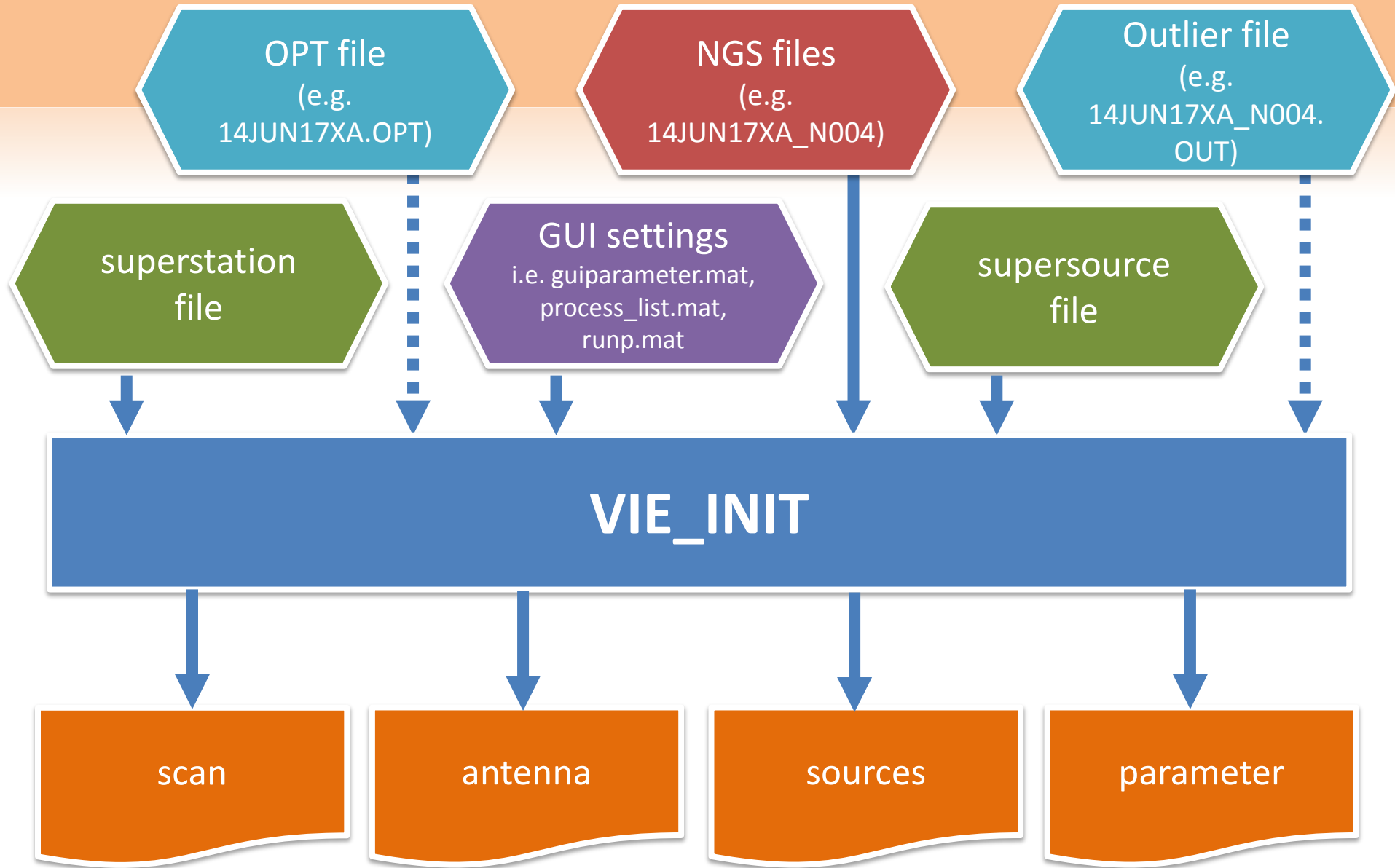
VIE_INIT_V22

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VIE_INIT





VIE_INIT

- Reads basic files
 - Reads observations from the **NGS** file
 - Reads station coordinates and velocities from the ***superstations*** file
 - Read source coordinates from ***supersource*** file
- Sets exceptions
 - Removes outliers (specified in an outlier file)
 - Excludes stations, sources, baselines (specified in OPT-file)
 - Introduces an elevation cut-off angle

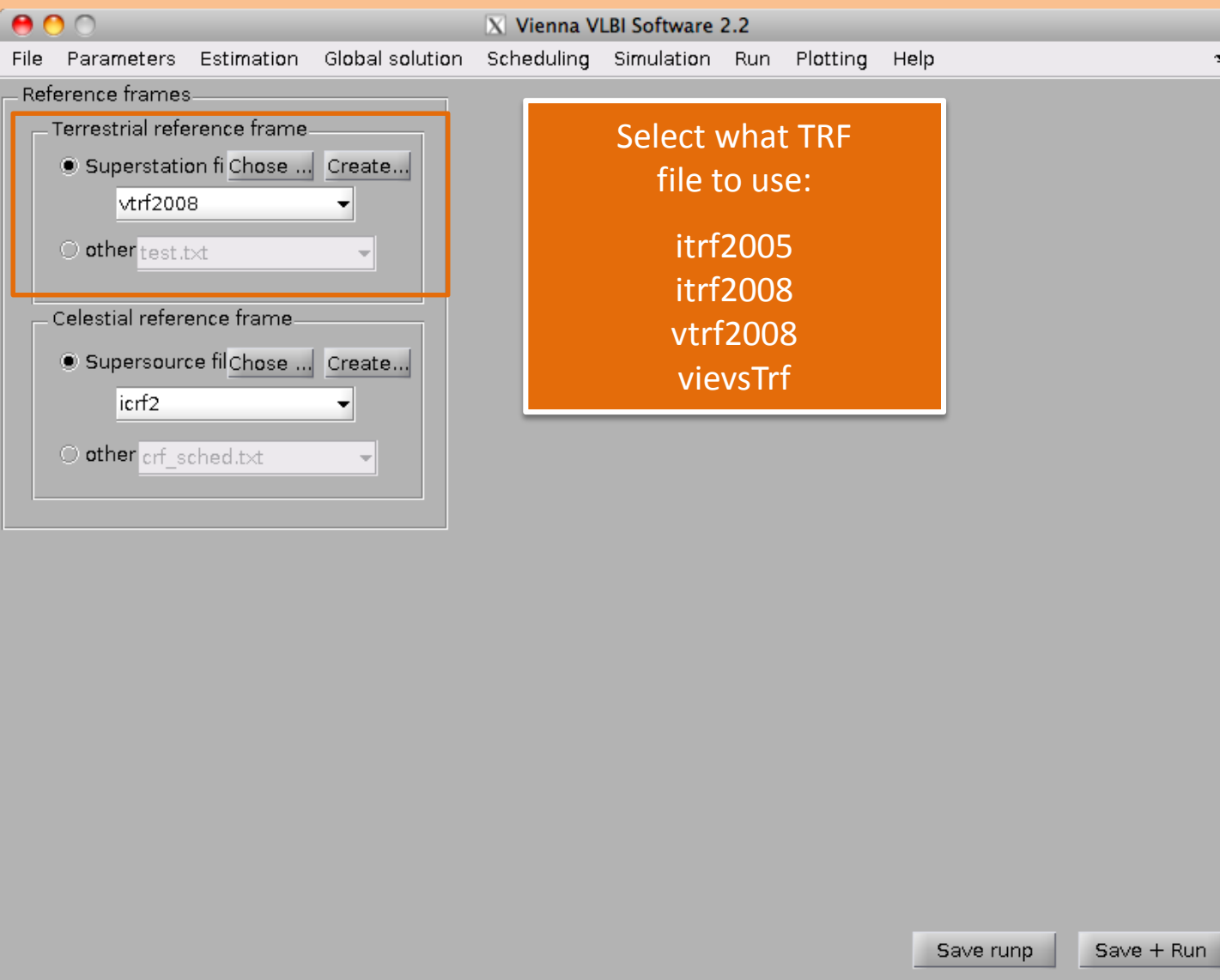
VIE_INIT options

The screenshot shows the 'Set input files' dialog box in Vienna VLBI Software 2.2. The dialog has a menu bar (File, Parameters, Estimation, Global solution, Scheduling, Simulation, Run, Plotting, Help) and a title bar. The main area is divided into three sections, each highlighted with an orange box and annotated with an orange callout box:

- Process list:** A list box containing '2014/14JUN17XA_N004'. To its right are buttons: 'Browse for sessions', 'Browse for process_...', 'Add previous', and 'Clear selected'.
 - Annotation: 'Choose the sessions you want to analyze' (orange box)
 - Path: *DATA/NGS/*
- OPT file:** A section with 'OPT' and a dropdown menu showing 'VIENNA'.
 - Annotation: 'Choose directory with OPT-files' (orange box)
 - Path: *DATA/OPT/*
- Outlier file:** A section with 'Outlier' and a dropdown menu, and a checkbox labeled 'Eliminate outliers'.
 - Annotation: 'Choose directory with outliers Eliminate outliers or not (check box)' (orange box)
 - Path: *DATA/OUTLIER/*

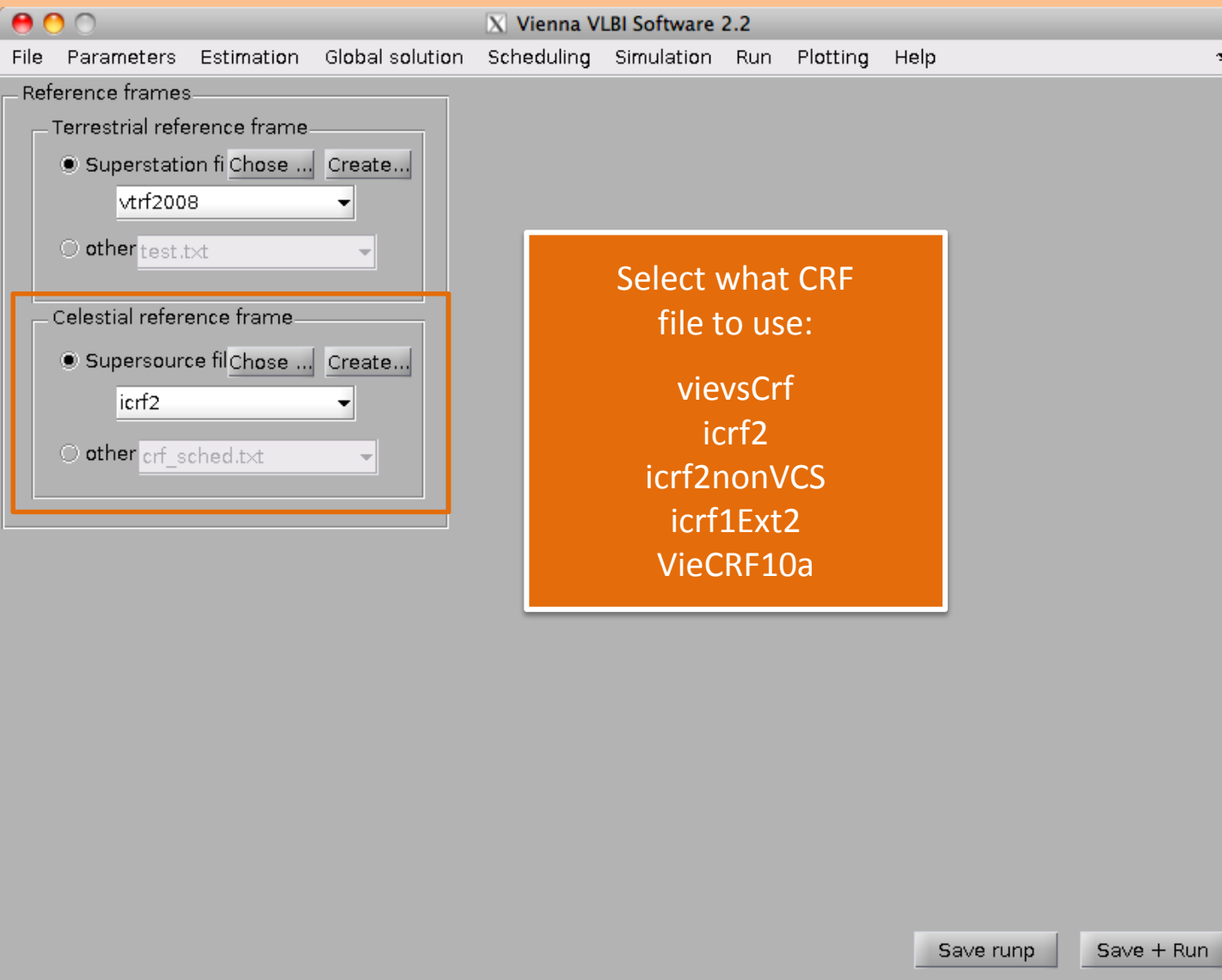
At the bottom right of the dialog are two buttons: 'Save runp' and 'Save + Run'.

VIE_INIT options



Parameters >
Reference frames

VIE_INIT options



Parameters >
Reference frames

Select what CRF
file to use:

viewsCrf
icrf2
icrf2nonVCS
icrf1Ext2
VieCRF10a

VIE_INIT options

The screenshot shows the 'Vienna VLBI Software 2.2' window. The 'Parameters' menu is open, and the 'Observation restrictions' sub-menu is selected. The 'Quality code limit' is set to 0. An orange box highlights the 'Quality code limit' field. A large orange text box explains the quality code limit: 'Quality code limit: Only observations with a quality flag less or equal to this limit are used. Higher quality code → worse quality of observation. Quality code 0: good quality. Quality code > 0: bad quality. Normally use quality code limit 0'. At the bottom right, there are 'Save runp' and 'Save + Run' buttons.

Vienna VLBI Software 2.2

File Parameters Estimation Global solution Scheduling Simulation Run Plotting Help

Observation restrictions

Quality code limit	0
Cut-off elevation	0
Jet angle [none, 0-90]	none

Quality code limit

Only observations with a quality flag less or equal to this limit are used

Higher quality code → worse quality of observation

Quality code 0: good quality

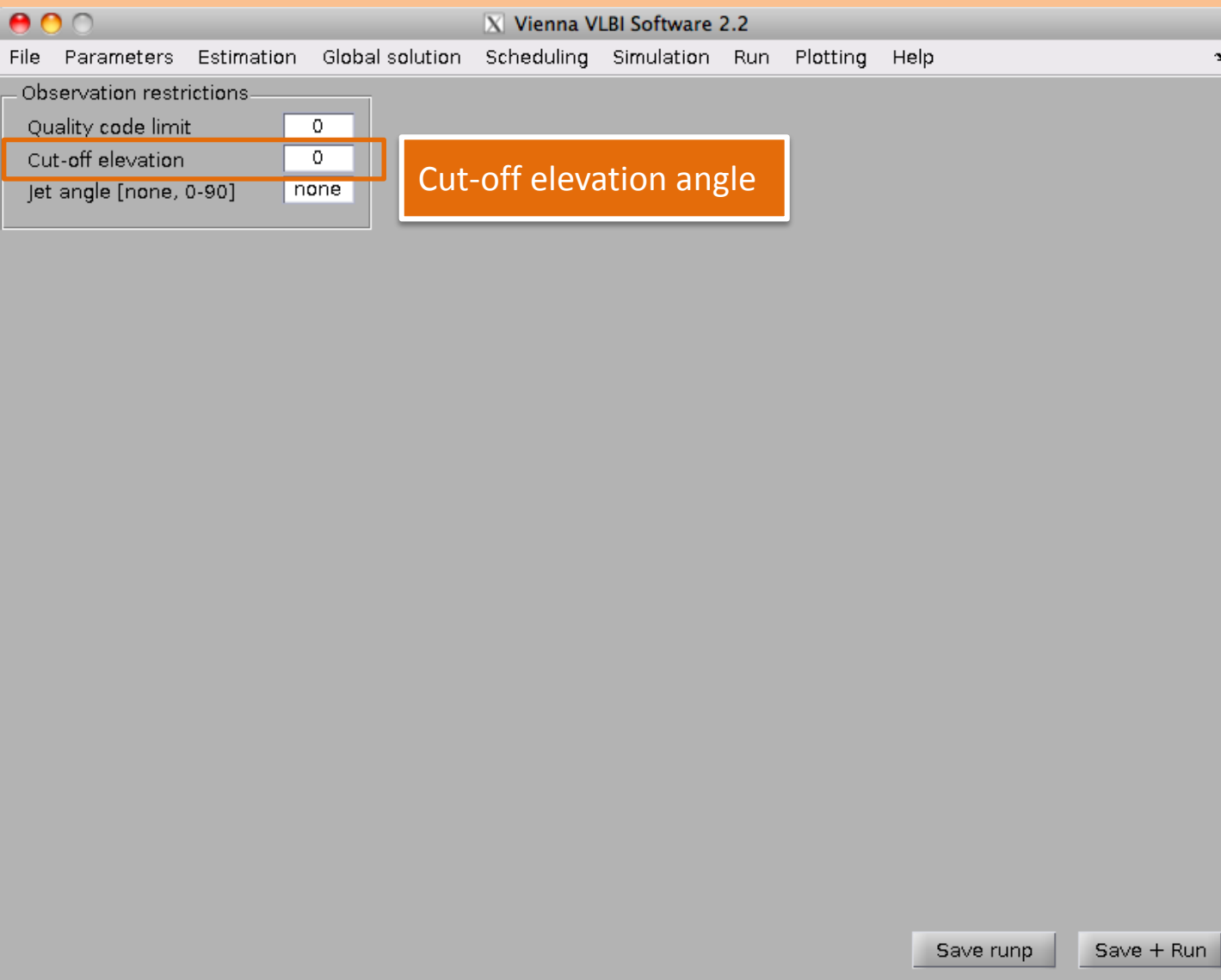
Quality code > 0: bad quality

Normally use quality code limit 0

Save runp Save + Run

Parameters >
Observation
Restrictions

VIE_INIT options

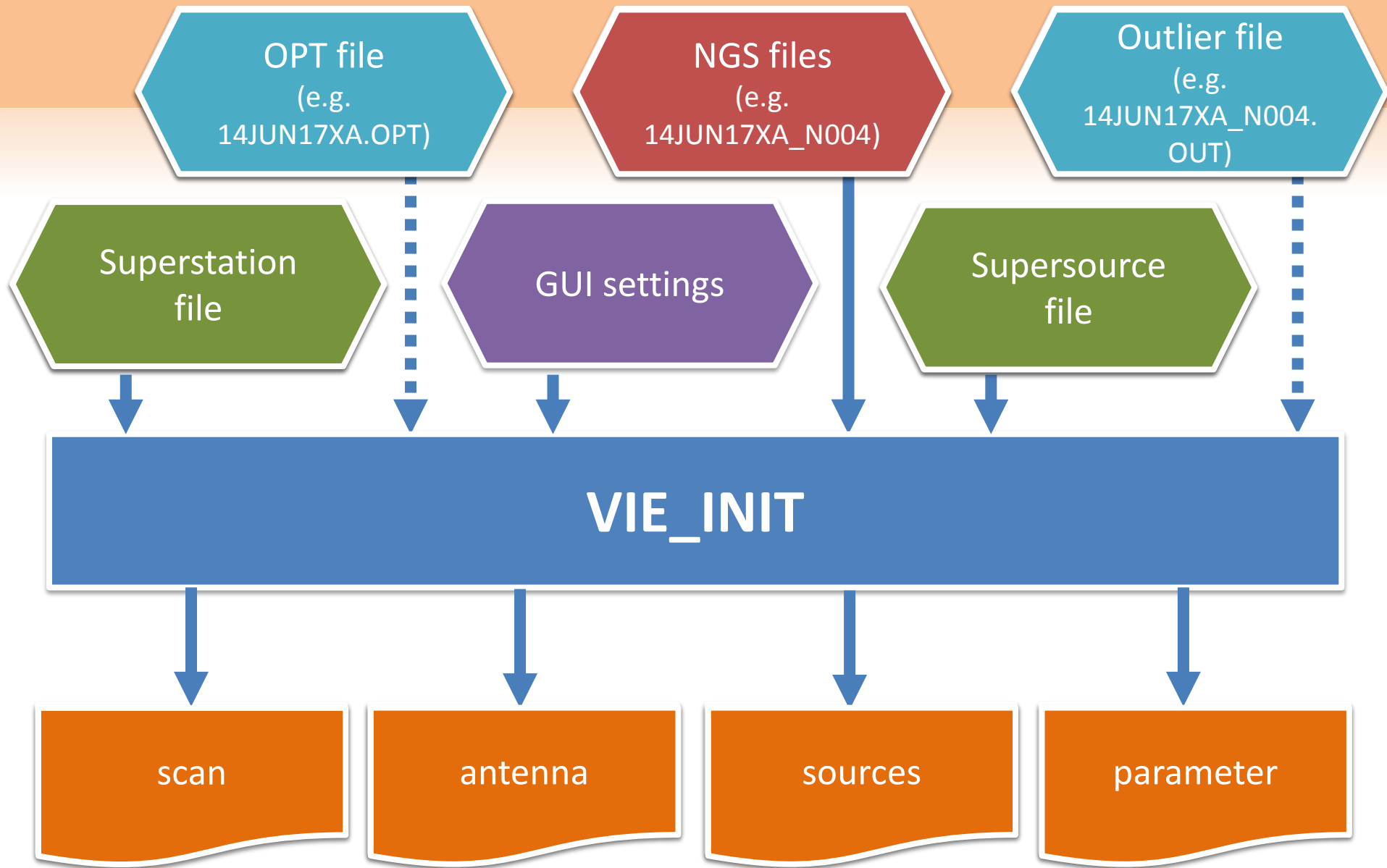


Parameters >
Observation
Restrictions

GUI Settings

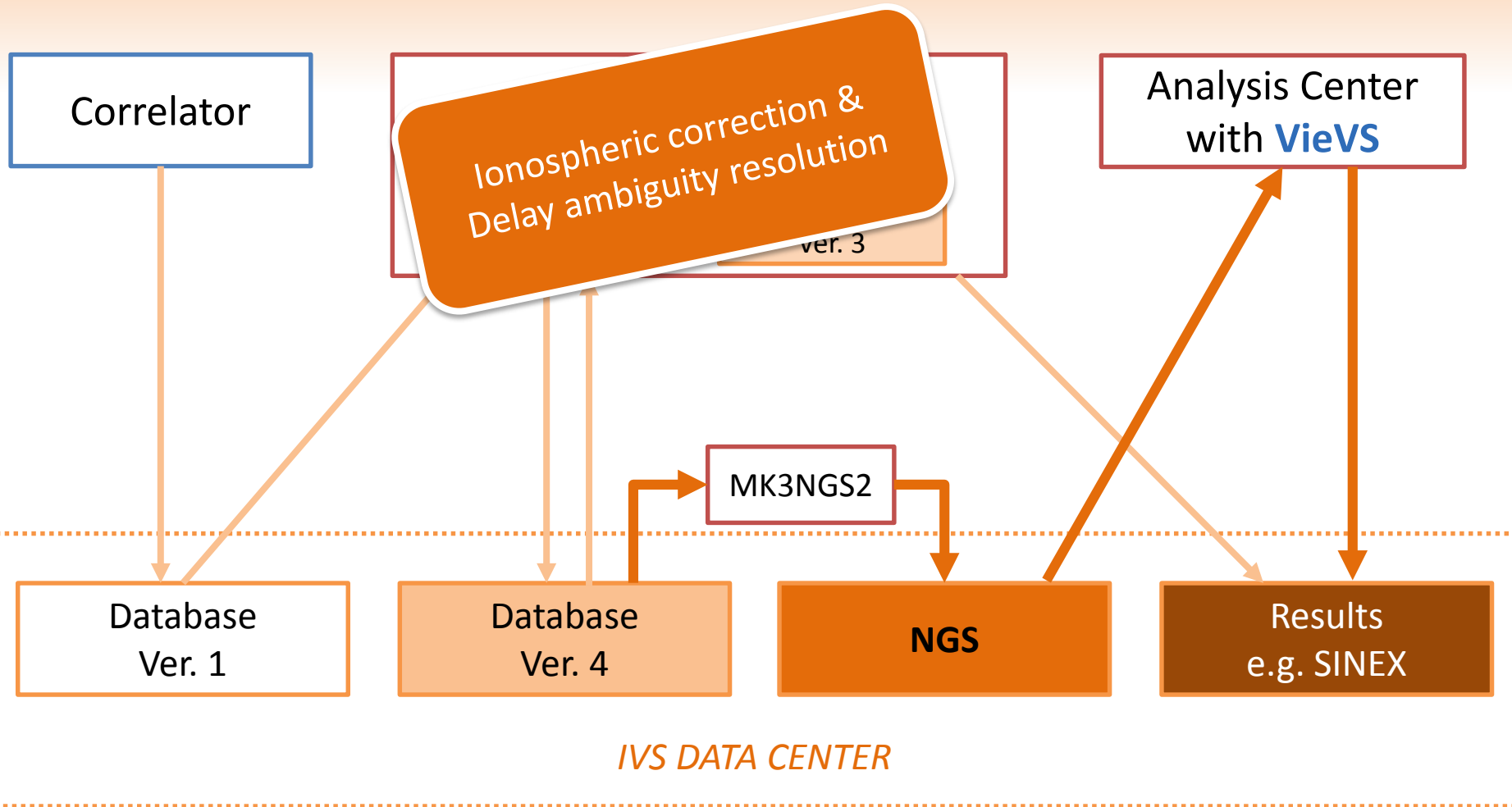
WORK/
DATA/LEVEL0/

- Created by GUI (VIE_SETUP)
 - `guiparameter.mat`
 - `session_list.mat`
 - `runp.mat`
- Contain the options for VIE_INIT
(and the other parts of VieVS)
- The parameter file used in VIE_INIT is stored in the ***WORK/*** and copied to ***DATA/LEVEL0/*** directory



NGS file

DATA/NGS/



NGS file

DATA/NGS/

An NGS file (version >3 or 4) contain:

- Observed delay (and delay rate).
- Ambiguities already resolved
- Ionospheric delay (and rate)
- Additional measurements,
e.g. temperature, pressure, cable wrap, quality code

NGS file example

DATA IN NGS FORMAT FROM DATABASE 14JUN17XA_V004

Observed delays and rates in card #2, modified errors in card #9

```

NYALES20      1202462.52700    252734.52100    6237766.20500  AZEL      .52050
WETTZELL      4075539.63200    931735.53700    4801629.52900  AZEL      .00000
    
```

...

\$END

```

OJ287         8 54      48.874927    20 6      30.640890
1954-388     19 57      59.819275   -38 45     6.355760
    
```

...

\$END

.8 **Baseline** 0D+0 **Source** GR PH **Time**

\$END

Station	Delay	Formal error	Cable	Temperature, pressure, humidity	Quality code (0=good)
NYALES20	-5499609.16960164	.00209	0.00000	21.0000000000	0
WETTZELL	.00000	0.00000	0.00000	2.282089902332018	0
OJ287	.0	.00000	.00000	.0	0
	.01226	-.00126	.00000	.00000	0
	1.921	17.381	1003.300	946.800	92.420
	-2.8661048048	.00387	0.00000	62.828	0 0
					0
H	15410620.78242612	.01309	-111567.0006381021	.04170	0
	.00098	.00000	.00000	4.468080169360745	0.
	.00	.0	.00	.0	.00
	.00000	-.00477	.00000	.00000	.00000
	11.695	21.020	1016.500	1002.600	75.700

TRF files

TRF/

- Superstation file (`superstation.mat`)
 - Can be created/updated using the GUI
 - **Contain station coordinates, velocities, and additional antenna info (mount, axis offset, eccentricity, etc.)**
 - `itr2005`, `itr2008`, `vtrf2008`, `viewsTrf`, ...
 - If a station is not found in the chosen `trf`, the coordinates from `viewsTrf` are used



afternoon
session!

CRF files

CRF/


- Supersource file (`supersource.mat`)
 - Can be created/updated using the GUI
 - **Contain source coordinates**
 - `icrf2`, `icrf2nonVCS`, `icrf1Ext2`, `VieCRF10a`, `viewsCrf`, ...
 - If a source is not found in the chosen catalogue, the `viewsCrf` coordinates are used.



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session!

OPT file

DATA/OPT/

- Contains information of clock breaks (not used in VIE_INIT), stations to be excluded, sources to be excluded etc.
- See separate presentation 

Outlier file

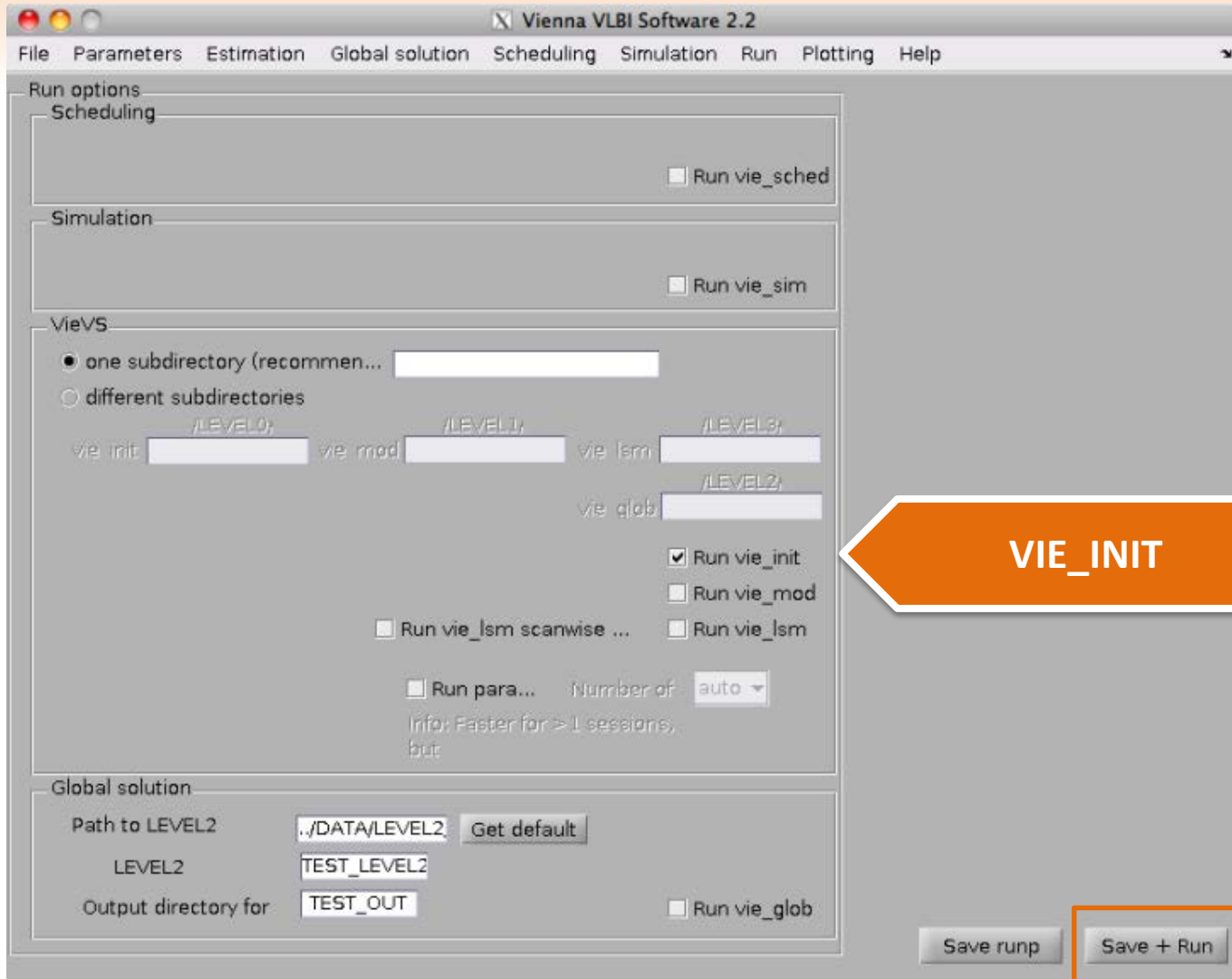
DATA/OUTLIER/

- Contains list of outliers for the session
- Created in VIE_LSM
- **Outliers are removed in VIE_INIT.**

To detect and remove outliers you need to run VieVS twice:

- In the first run, outliers are detected in VIE_LSM and saved it in an outlier file
- In the second run, this file run is used in VIE_INIT for removing the outliers

Processing example



Processing example

```
Command Window
session 1 of 1
Current file: ../DATA/LEVEL0//14JUN17XA_N004
-----
|                welcome to VIE_INIT!!!!    |
-----
No OPT file was found
Stations to be excluded: 0
Stations to be down-weighted: 0
Sources to be excluded: 0
Baselines to be excluded: 0

Start reading 2014/14JUN17XA_N004
[antenna.sources.scan]=read_ngs(ngs1, ..pt, tp, trf, crt)
No vtrf2008 coordinates for HOBART12 in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
No vtrf2008 coordinates for TSUKUB32 in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
No vtrf2008 coordinates for HART15M in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
No vtrf2008 coordinates for YARRA12M in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
Done reading the file:
A total of 7 stations, 56 sources and 1035 scans were found
The following stations were found:
NYALES20
WETTZELL
HOBART12
TSUKUB32
FORTLEZA
HART15M
YARRA12M
VIE_INIT finished!!! You can now continue with VIE_MOD
fx >>
```

No OPT file was found
Stations to be excluded: 0
Stations to be down-weighted: 0
Sources to be excluded: 0
Baselines to be excluded: 0

Excluded or down-weighted according OPT file

Stations not in the designated TRF

Start reading 2014/14JUN17XA_N004

Name of the NGS file

No vtrf2008 coordinates for HOBART12 in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
No vtrf2008 coordinates for TSUKUB32 in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
No vtrf2008 coordinates for HART15M in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates
No vtrf2008 coordinates for YARRA12M in ../TRF/superstation.mat ... get viewsTrf coordinates

A total of 7 stations, 56 sources and 1035 scans were found

Numbers of stations, sources and scans

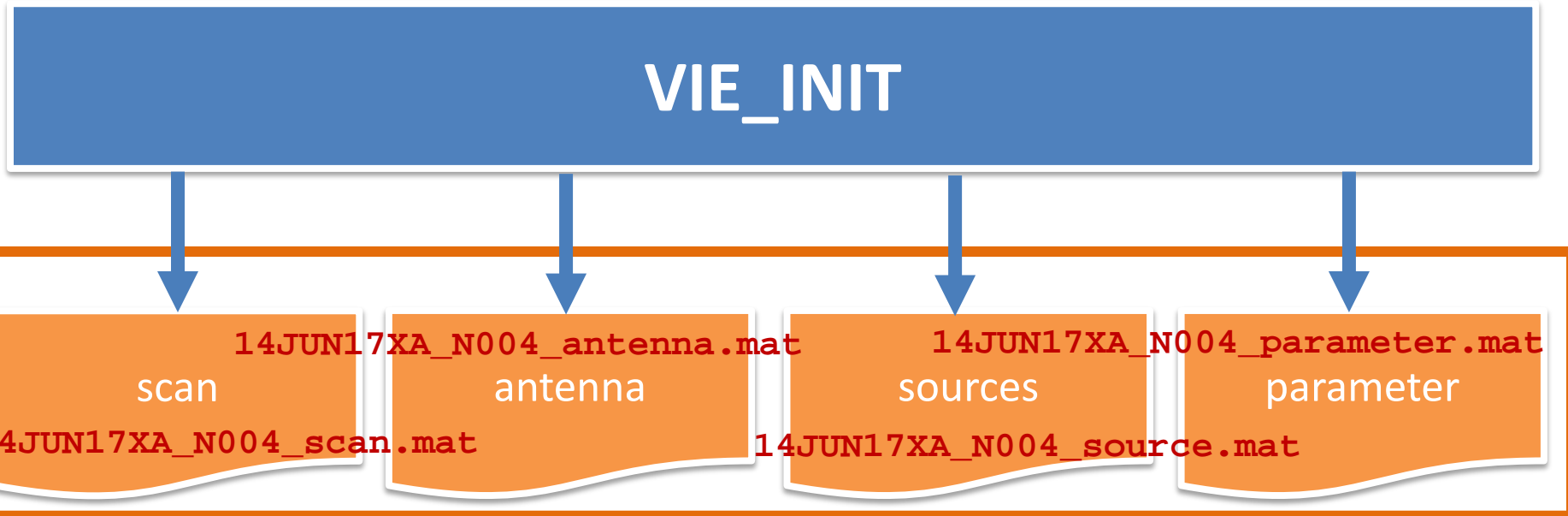
NYALES20
WETTZELL
HOBART12
TSUKUB32
FORTLEZA
HART15M
YARRA12M

Names of the stations

Output of VIE_INIT

- Matlab structure arrays: scan, antenna, sources and parameters
- Saved in ***DATA/LEVEL0/***

file names: *NGSFILENAME_output.mat*



For detailed description, see [DOC/structures.xls](#) & [DOC/VieVS_variables.pdf](#)

The *scan* structure array

Contains the information for all usable scans

- Observed delays (and sigmas), corrected for ionosphere and cable wrap (*scan.obs.obs*)
- All observations in the NGS file with quality code below or equal to the limit, above minimum elevation angle, not in list of outliers, stations not excluded etc.
- Also contains additional measurements, like pressure and temperature
- More quantities added in VIE_MOD

The *antenna* structure array

Contains information for all stations which is participating in at least one scan in the *scan* structure array

- Station positions and velocities
- Additional information, e.g. antenna mount, eccentricities, axis offset

The *sources* structure array

- Information about the sources. Contains all sources observed in at least one scan in the scan structure array
- Contains the source positions

Things that can be good to know

- If station/source *n* is not in the TRF/CRF, the field: `antenna(n).in_trf/sources(n).in_crf` will be zero (otherwise one)
- If the pressure and the temperature for station *n* are missing in the NGS file, this will be calculated from GPT2 (Global Pressure and Temperature model 2).

Thank you!

Now we continue with VIE_MOD