

Section:	Internals/Trigger
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This section describes the trigger merger included in OMNI.

The trigger merger works on network. Two lists of stations are defined for each network : the first defines the pool of station that provide individual trigger files ; the second defines the pool of stations that provide data. The lists are not necessarily related. For each array, a directory must be created in the Trigger/ directory. The only file of the array directory that should be modified is 'config'. Here is a sample file (comments start with '#') :

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#####  
# list of stations used for the input trigger files  
STATIONS="PLN STD0 LML RIEUX"  
# list of station of the array  
ARRAY="PLN STD0 LML RIEUX"  
# number of triggers within the window  
MINSTATIONS=3  
# length of the moving window  
WINDOWLENGTH=40  
# how long should triggers be ignored after a valid trigger  
IGNORELENGTH=30  
# Pre event  
PREEVENT=120  
# Post event  
POSTEVENT=300  
#####
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- STATIONS defines the first list (the stations providing their trigger list)
- ARRAY defines the second list (the pool of stations providing data)
- MINSTATIONS is the minimum number of simultaneously triggering in a given time window
- WINDOWLENGTH is the length of the time window mentioned above
- IGNORELENGTH avoids repeated triggers, it should be smaller than WINDOWLENGTH
- PREEVENT and POSTEVENT define the data request after a positive trigger

The other files all begin with “trig.” so after so change, they can be easily removed.

When a positive trigger is detected, a data request is built after the name of the network and the trigger time. Then the request is processed as regular requests.