
Subject: Scientific Programmer (NOAA) Position
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Sorry to eat up bandwidth but if anybody is looking to move to Boulder... Another benefit is that if someone who knows IDL applies I won't have to post so many questions ;).

See <http://www.aesmry.com/esg> for more details.

Scientific Programmer Position for NGDC

Generator Program which resides in the Solar-Terrestrial Physics Division (STPD) of the National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC), 3100 Marine Street, Boulder, CO. Contact Eric Kihn 303-497-6346, ekihn@ngdc.noaa.gov

Background: The Environmental Scenario Generator (ESG) is a distributed software system designed to allow a modeling and simulation customer to intelligently access distributed environmental data archives for inclusion and integration with model runs. The ESG provides access to an intelligent

retrieved and visualized but, in addition, user defined conditions can be searched for and discovered. The ESG can retrieve data from across the network, reformat it for ingest, regrid or resample it to fit the simulation parameters, and then incorporate it in model runs.

The ESG is Java based with access to both data mining and database creation capabilities on a network distributed parallel computer cluster with the ability to perform fuzzy logic based searching on an global array of environmental parameters. The system is designed to allow the user to specify the desired spatial, temporal, and parameter conditions in fuzzy linguistic and/or numeric terms and to receive a ranked list of events best matching the desired conditions in the historical archive. Once

discovered
the client application can request temporal and spatial visualization products from the data, browse the climatology of the particular region and parameters selected, and request delivery of the data formatted for inclusion model runs. By providing intelligent instantaneous access to real data it ensures that the modeler is able to include realistic, reliable and detailed environments in their simulation applications.

This position will support the development of data-mining, visualization, and domain integration tools developed in a network distributed fashion and applied to environmental modeling.

Duties and Responsibilities: The principle duties and responsibilities of this position are to design, develop and extend ESG scientific software and systems to meet ESG program goals. This includes investigation of environmental databases, advanced mathematically based data mining techniques, and current software methodologies and techniques. The position will require supporting the ESG process from the loading of data to the publication of scientific papers. Specifically independent work will need to be done in the areas of data access, visualization, data analysis and environmental modeling.

computer science is required. A basic understanding of Fuzzy Set Theory is appropriate.

Experience: At least 3 years experience with a modern programming language, such as C, IDL, Java or PERL. At least 2 years experience using a Linux/Unix operating system is required. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in both mathematics and Object Oriented programming languages. Candidates not already skilled in Java should be willing to learn both through formal classes and self-study.

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