
Subject: Re: I have the craziest idea...

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> So how would you enable it to read netCDF and HDF data files and all their associated

> attributes? Would that be a simple addition? I have a netCDF reader function, that returns

This brings up a good point. I tried to put this together so it is easily enhanced. If you have code that already reads a type of data, then all that needs to be done is to insert your call in the proper place. If you need more fields than the present return data structure allows, just add a new field. I don't care, just as long as people don't start haphazardly adding fields that aren't necessary so that it becomes unwieldy. But, I had thought about HDF and netCDF and thought they'd be prime candidates for possibly more fields. I just don't really know much about those formats. Never used them so I couldn't 'pre-plan' for them. I was hoping someone with netCDF/HDF knowledge would help out.

> Your snippet of code under the EXAMPLE: heading scared me away. I would pare it down to:

wimp. ;) I know, it's a bit outta hand, but I'm trying to emphasize to contributors that they need to think about how their data will be used on return.

Thanks for the input,
Todd
