
Subject: Re: *.cdf files

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"Reimar Bauer" <r.bauer@fz-juelich.de> wrote in message
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> Martin Leitner wrote:

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>> Hello

>> Does anyone know good literature or good web sides about how to work on

>> cdf files with IDL?

>> greetings

>> Martin Leitner

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> Dear Martin,

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> I have written a publication how we use the cdf format netCDF.

Yes, but netCDF and CDF are not the same thing. They *are* kind of similar
(in that they're binary data formats intended for storing array data) but
there are lots of differences, notably in the way dimensions are handled.

I haven't use CDF for several years, but I imagine the best source of
information is still the WWW site:

<http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/cdf/>

Warning: One of the reasons I quit using CDF was that on IDL for Windows
there was a nasty (and utterly unnecessary) 64 kB limit on the size of data
retrievals. I think it may still be there.

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