
Subject: Re: catching netcdf error codes

Posted by [Mark Hadfield](#) on Tue, 30 Mar 2004 05:27:58 GMT

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Reimar Bauer wrote:

> Mark Hadfield wrote:

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>> Reimar Bauer wrote:

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>>> You need only to check the first three bytes of the file. If it is 'CDF'
>>> then it is a netCDF file.

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>> Or possibly some other sort of file with 'CDF' in the first three bytes!

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> Yes if you have one other. Do you have an example.

No.

> It works since a while for us.

I'm just worried that it will fail to work when you least expect it.

I like the idea of trying to open the file with NCDF_OPEN and catching any errors, because that directly answers the question: "can I open this file as netCDF?".

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