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Subject: Re: Dimensions in NetCDF files created by IDL  
Posted by [Kenneth P. Bowman](#) on Tue, 11 Mar 2008 13:36:11 GMT  
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In article

<6cb856a8-f604-468e-8129-602f96094175@b1g2000hsg.googlegroups.com>,  
Tolly <gua@dmil.dk> wrote:

> Hello,  
> I have created NetCDF file for variable with  
> dimension (t,x,y,mon) using following code,  
> but the problem is that when looking at the file with  
> ncdump the dimensions of the variable have the  
> the opposite order, (mon,y,x,t)  
> Does anyone have an idea what the problem is  
> when writing the variable?  
> cheers,  
> Tolly

Ncdump uses the C convention to write array dimensions (least-rapidly-varying dimension first). This is the opposite to IDL's convention (most-rapidly-varying dimension first). Your arrays are OK, it is just that ncdump lists them in the "backwards" order.

Ken Bowman

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