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Subject: Re: How does IDL locate netCDF?

Posted by [David Green](#) on Wed, 05 Nov 2008 15:31:55 GMT

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On Nov 4, 5:40 pm, David Green <david.lindsay.gr...@gmail.com> wrote:

- > Hi all, I would like to use IDL to read some netCDF data files.
- > However, I cannot seem to get IDL to recognise that I have the netCDF
- > libraries installed on my system. If someone could tell me how IDL
- > decides if netCDF is supported, or how to get `ncdf_exists()` to return
- > true that would be great since right now it returns false. Is there
- > and environment variable I need to set, or does the netCDF lib have to
- > be in a particular place, I have been unable to find documentation on
- > this issue. I'm running IDL 6.4 on linux (32bit).
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- > Thanks,
- > David.

Yes, no need to worry about this any more, turns out the `dln` path had been reset to include some user made `dlns` and the default `idl dln` path had been left out so it was not searching the appropriate `idl/bin/bin.linux.x86` for the `dln` files.

Thanks.

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