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Subject: Re: How to extract latitude and longitude information from HDF file?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 29 May 2009 20:12:36 GMT

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Hu writes:

- > I want to get location information (latitude and longitude) from
- > Hierarchical Data Format file, it is very easy in ENVI, but how
- > can I do this in IDL? which function or procedure should I employ?

My first stop with a new HDF file is to see if I can read it in my ncdf\_browser.

[http://www.dfanning.com/ncdf\\_browser.zip](http://www.dfanning.com/ncdf_browser.zip)

If I can, then I can just read the variables out to the IDL command line from the browser, or I can use the software to read the variables programmatically.

If I need something fancier than that, I usually go get Liam Gumley's HDF tools:

[http://www.gumley.com/PIP/Free\\_Software.html](http://www.gumley.com/PIP/Free_Software.html)

They almost always work. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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