
Subject: Re: IDL and OPENDAP

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 09 Jul 2010 20:37:10 GMT

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Kenneth P. Bowman writes:

- > To be more political about this, OPENDAP sounds like a good
- > way for the data aristocrats to distribute data to the
- > yearning masses.

I think this is **exactly** the point of it. But, and I think this is the best part (at least as it was described to me a couple of days ago), the data user doesn't have to download the entire netCDF file. They can actually go into a file and get just that portion of the file they are particularly interested in. For example, you could get just a particular time slice in an image cube.

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thos speakest truth.")
