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Subject: Re: Contour dimension problem  
Posted by [Mat](#) on Fri, 25 Nov 2011 22:18:38 GMT  
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On Nov 26, 5:02 am, "Kenneth P. Bowman" <k-bow...@null.edu> wrote:  
> In article <cca14042-fbbd-40da-a693-70828da8c...@s17g2000pra.googlegroup s.com >,  
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> Mat <m...@waikato.ac.nz> wrote:  
>> I'm trying to create a contour plot of temperature, depth and time.  
>> Right now I have the temperature at 13 depths and 30169 date/times as  
>> "temp" FLOAT [13, 30169], "depths" Int[13], and "time" FLOAT[30169].  
>  
>> I don't have my dimensions right for the following command:  
>  
>> IDL> contour, temp, time, depths  
>> % CONTOUR: Array must have 2 dimensions: TEMP.  
>> % Execution halted at: \$MAIN\$  
>  
>> Does anyone know the command to contour this data with one degree  
>> contours?  
>  
>> Thanks for your help  
>  
> Try  
>  
> HELP, temp, time, depths  
>  
> If temp = temp(depth, time)  
>  
> Then you should call  
>  
> CONTOUR, temp, depth, time  
>  
> I hope your data is very smooth in the time dimension.  
>  
> Ken Bowman

Hi Ken,

Thanks for your help. My data is in 15 min intervals. I would think a matrix is 2d but it still gives me the same error when I create a matrix of temperature and depth! Is there an ideal way to format the data to make this easier. What if I put all the data into a matrix of time, depth, temp. OR separate into 3 vectors?

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