
Subject: Re: shell code+ nearest point question
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On Jun 14, 4:56 pm, Mats Löfdahl <mats.lofd...@gmail.com> wrote:
> Den torsdagen den 14:e juni 2012 kl. 15:18:43 UTC+2 skrev anil:

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>> Hi

>> I do have a single data file namely 'lonlat.dat' , which contains

>> longitude,latitude and filename data, like:

>> (longitude latitude filename)

>> 30.4000 42.2900 2002252.s04d1pfv50-sst.hdf

>> 30.5300 42.3300 2002260.s04d1pfv50-sst.hdf

>> and so on... I do have some hdf files which are named just like in

>> column 3 of this lonlat.dat file.

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>> What i want to do is to open every file listed in this 3rd column. and

>> for this file, i want to find the closest /nearest point to my

>> longitude and latitude (column1&2) and read the corresponding value of

>> my desired variable(sst, sea surface temperature for this case.) I can

>> read hdf data files like this :

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>> files=findfile('*.hdf',count=numfiles)

>> for k=0,numfiles-1 do begin

>> file=hdf_sd_start(files(k))

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>> indexa=hdf_sd_nametoindex(file,'lon')

>> indexb=hdf_sd_nametoindex(file,'lat')

>> indexc=hdf_sd_nametoindex(file,'sst')

>> varida=hdf_sd_select(file,indexa)

>> varidb=hdf_sd_select(file,indexb)

>> varidc=hdf_sd_select(file,indexc)

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>> hdf_sd_getdata,varida,loni

>> hdf_sd_getdata,varidb,lati

>> hdf_sd_getdata,varidc,ssti

>> hdf_sd_endaccess,varida

>> hdf_sd_endaccess,varidb

>> hdf_sd_endaccess,varidc

>> hdf_sd_end,file

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>> endfor
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>> I could not read the 'lonlat.dat' file into idl as variables, so i
>> wanted to write a short shell script to read in this 'lonlat.dat' file
>> and run idl within this script. below is this script. it may be wrong,
>> but here is what i do. i just could not figure out, how to read these
>> variables into IDL. I have to read in the 3rd column and assign it as
>> the filenames of the files to be opened and read. 1st and 2nd columns
>> as the desired longitudes and latitudes.
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>> while read line
>> do
>> lon=`echo $line |awk '{print $1}'`
>> lat=`echo $line |awk '{print $2}'`
>> filename=`echo $line |awk '{print $3}'`
>
>> echo $lon $lat $filename
>> idl <<EOF
>> .r nearest.pro $filename $lon $lat
>> exit
>> EOF
>> done <lonlat.dat
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>> So i should somehow read this $filename into idl and use it to read
>> the files.
>> And use the $lon and $lat to find the closest point to them within
>> that hdf file and read the corresponding sst.
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>> My 2nd question is how to find the closest point to my lat and lon?
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>> I hope it is clear. need help ,urgently
>
> Here is a useful routine for reading tabulated data from a text
file:http://www.astro.washington.edu/docs/idl/cgi-bin/getpro/library32.htm...
>
> With lonlat.data containing the two lines of data you posted, you can do this:
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> IDL> data=rd_tfile('lonlat.dat',/auto)
> IDL> print,data
> 30.4000 42.2900 2002252.s04d1pfv50-sst.hdf
> 30.5300 42.3300 2002260.s04d1pfv50-sst.hdf
> IDL> help,data
> DATA      STRING   = Array[3, 2]
>
> The longitudes and latitudes are then available as float(data[0:1,*]) and the file names as
data[2,*].

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Thank you.It seems useful but did not work on my computer :(.
