Subject: locating the closest values? Posted by anil on Tue, 26 Jun 2012 20:55:34 GMT

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Hi,

I have two datasets/files. 1st one contains the values i want to find (latitudes and longitudes) and the second file contains 3 columns as longitude latitude and depth.

What i want to do is to read my desired values from file 1 and find the closest values in file 2 and the corresponding 3rd column(depth) from file 2, here is what i did:

1st file:

42.25 30.57 41.17 32.58

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2nd file

42.55 34.42 1000

41.54 33.21 1500

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what i did is:

difference1=abs(lon-desiredlon) a1=min(difference1,index1)

difference2=abs(lat-desiredlat) a2=min(difference2,index2)

in this case, lon(index1) and lat(index2) become my desired values. no problem with that. but how do i get the 3rd column. i could not match index1 and index2 with where function. what am i missing here?