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Subject: Re: Reading part of a netcdf file?

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rjp23@le.ac.uk writes:

> I have a very large (22GB) netcdf file and I was hoping there was some way to read part of it at a time into IDL but I can't figure out how.

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> For example, I have this variable:

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> Var            FLOAT    = Array[144, 72, 17, 32161]

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> The 4th dimension is time, i.e. there are 32161 timesteps.

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> Is it possible to read only the first X in one go, then read the next X, etc meaning that less is stored in memory at once?

You might find the tools I have developed to browse, read, and write netCDF files helpful:

[http://www.idlcoyote.com/fileio\\_tips/ncdf\\_browser.html](http://www.idlcoyote.com/fileio_tips/ncdf_browser.html)

Cheers,

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

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

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