Subject: Re: Time conversion for .nc file
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Le mercredi 13 novembre 2013 16:44:01 UTC+1, David Fanning a écrit :
> Madhavan Bomidi writes:
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>> I have date & UTC time in tow columns as [YYYYMMDD HRMISE], where YYYY - Year, MM - Month, DD - day, HR - Hours, MI - Minutes, SE - Seconds. Now, I wanted to convert to the "time" variable according to NetCDF convention. I mean to say that I wanted to convert my date & UTC time values to "time" in seconds since 1970-01-01 00:00:00 (in UTC). Can anyone help me how I can use SYSTIME function available in IDL?
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> I wouldn't use the SYSTIME function. I would use the JULDAY function. I
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> would read the two columns of data as a single string array. Then, I
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> would do something like this (using a scalar string as an example, but
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> this will work for a string array, too):
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> str = '20131113 083122'
>
> year = Fix(StrMid(str,0,4))
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> mon = Fix(StrMid(str,4,2))
>
> day = Fix(StrMid(str,6,2))
>
> hour = Fix(StrMid(str,9,2))
>
> min = Fix(StrMid(str,11,2))
>
> sec = Fix(StrMid(str,13,2))
>
> jultime = JulDay(mon,day,year,hour min,sec) - JulDay(1,1,1970,0,0,0)
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> ncdfTime = jultime * 24 * 60 * 60
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> print, ncdfTime
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: http://www.idlcoyote.com/
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> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

You might also use string C format:

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jd = 0d0
reads, '20131113 083122', jd, FORMAT='(C(CYI4,CMOI2,CDI2,1x,CHI2,CMI2,CSI2))'
jd -= Julday(1,1,1970,0,0,0)
jd *= 86400d0
ncdfTime = jd
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Date string arrays can be handled in the same way.
alx.