
Subject: Finding pixel values of NETCDF image based on lat/lon

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Hi all,

I am just introducing myself to NETCDF format and I have been able to read and access the data but Now I need to extract a time-serie of the values for a point location (lat/lon) and I do not know how to do it.

This is my piece of bad coding :):

```
filename='C:\UserData\yebam\GPP\2014516145028EnsembleGPP_GL .nc'  
file_sites='C:\UserData\yebam\GPP\Sites_locations.csv'
```

```
;1. Open the file and assign it a file ID
```

```
NCDF_Id = ncdf_open(filename)
```

;When you are completely through with the file you should close it using the ncdf_close, fileID command.

;2. Find the number of file attributes and datasets (or variables). The information will be contained in the structure variable that we have named 'fileinq_struct',
;but you may give it any name you wish so long as you use the proper record names.

```
fileinq_struct=ncdf_inquire(NCDF_Id)
```

```
Ndims=fileinq_struct.Ndims ;The number of dimensions defined for this NetCDF file.
```

```
nvars = fileinq_struct.nvars ;The number of variables defined for this NetCDF file.
```

```
ngatts = fileinq_struct.ngatts ;The number of global attributes defined for this NetCDF file
```

```
RecDim=fileinq_struct.RecDim; The ID of the unlimited dimension, if there is one, for this  
NetCDF file. If there is no unlimited dimension, RecDim is set to -1.
```

```
; retrieve GPP data
```

```
; units = "kg m-2 s-1";
```

```
; _FillValue = -9999.0f; // float
```

```
; float gpp(time=360, lat=360, lon=720);
```

```
nameGPP='gpp'
```

```
NCDF_VARID_GPP = NCDF_VARID(NCDF_Id, nameGPP)
```

```
NCDF_VARGET, NCDF_Id, NCDF_VARID_GPP, GPP
```

```
GPP[where(GPP eq -9999)] = !VALUES.F_NAN
```

```
; retrieve long data
```

```
; units = "degrees_east";
```

```
nameLon='lon'
```

```
NCDF_VARID_lon = NCDF_VARID(NCDF_Id, nameLon)
```

```
NCDF_VARGET, NCDF_Id, NCDF_VARID_lon, Lon  
Lon[where(Lon eq -9999)] = !VALUES.F_NAN
```

```
; retrieve lat data  
; units = "degrees_north";  
nameLat='lat'  
NCDF_VARID_lat = NCDF_VARID(NCDF_Id, nameLat)  
NCDF_VARGET, NCDF_Id, NCDF_VARID_lat, lat  
lat[where(lat eq -9999)] = !VALUES.F_NAN
```

```
; retrieve time data  
; units = "days since 1582-10-14 00:00:00";  
; calendar = "standard";
```

```
nameTime='time'  
NCDF_VARID_Time = NCDF_VARID(NCDF_Id, nameTime)  
NCDF_VARGET, NCDF_Id, NCDF_VARID_Time, Time  
Time[where(Time eq -9999)] = !VALUES.F_NAN
```

```
;open file with coordinates for teh sites
```

```
my_data=read_csvok(file_sites)
```

```
sites=my_data.Name_site  
Lat_sites=my_data.Lat  
Lon_sites=my_data.Lon
```

```
find_lon=where(Lon EQ Lon_sites, countlon)  
find_lat=where(Lat EQ Lat_sites, countLat)
```

but this cannot find anything since my coordinate is for example 41.160000 and that value is not in the NETCDF.

How can I select the pixel that contains my point?

Your help is very much appreciate.

Kind regards,

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