

LAB 3 : Data Resources netCDF

(Network Common Data Form)

What is netCDF?

- ❑ **NetCDF** (network Common Data Form) is an interface for array-oriented data access and a library that provides an implementation of the interface. The **NetCDF** library also defines a machine-independent format for representing scientific data. Together, the interface, library, and format support the creation, access, and sharing of scientific data.
- ❑ **NetCDF** maintains a collection of **reanalysis datasets** for use in climate diagnostics and attribution.

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- ❑ **Reanalysis datasets** are created by assimilating ("inputting") climate **observations** using the same **climate model** throughout the entire **reanalysis period** in order to **reduce** the affects of modeling changes on climate statistics. **Observations** are from many different sources including **ships**, **satellites**, **ground stations**, **RAOBS**, and **radar**.
- ❑ Currently, **PSD** makes available these reanalysis datasets to the public in our standard **NetCDF format**.
- ❑ **PSD** is **Physical Sciences Division** in **ESRL Earth System Research Laboratory** of **NOAA NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION**

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❑ NetCDF (Network Common Data Form)

Topics Covered:

1. The **ncdisp** command : Open NetCDF File
2. The **ncinfo** command : Get Information About NetCDF File
3. The **ncread** command : Read Data from NetCDF File

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❑ A quick guide on how to use Matlab netCDF functions

A **netCDF** file contains two parts:

- A "**header**" that describes the **names**, **dimensions**, etc., of the **variables** stored in the file.
- And the **main body** that contains the **real data**.

- ❑ To process a **netCDF** file, we need to **first** extract the **information** in the **header** and **determine** what **portion/segment** of the **data** we want to use.
- ❖ This is usually done by using a **set** of **stand-alone tools**. we will discuss in **Part (A)**.
- ❖ Once the content of a **netCDF** file is known, it is rather straight forward to **read** the **data** as will be discussed in **Part (B)**.

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Type of level

- Model levels
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- Surface**

ERA Interim Fields

- Daily
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- Monthly Means of Daily Forecast Accumulations

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ERA Interim, Monthly Means of Daily Means

Please note that the fields shown on this interface are a subset of the ERA Interim dataset. The complete dataset (including wave fields) is available via the batch access. The full list of fields can be found [here](#).

Select a year

☐ 1979	☐ 1980	☐ 1981	☐ 1982	☐ 1983	☐ 1984	☐ 1985	☐ 1986	☐ 1987	☐ 1988	☐ 1989	
☐ 1990	☐ 1991	☐ 1992	☐ 1993	☐ 1994	☐ 1995	☐ 1996	☐ 1997	☐ 1998	☐ 1999	☐ 2000	
☐ 2001	☐ 2002	☐ 2003	☐ 2004	☐ 2005	☐ 2006	☐ 2007	☐ 2008	☐ 2009	☐ 2010	☐ 2011	
☐ 2012	☐ 2013	☐ 2014	☐ 2015	☐ 2016	☒ 2017						

Select parameter

☐ 2 metre dewpoint temperature	☐ 2 metre temperature
☐ 10 metre U wind component	☐ 10 metre V wind component
☐ 10 metre wind speed	☐ Albedo
☐ Boundary layer height	☐ Charnock
☐ Convective available potential energy	☐ Forecast albedo
☐ Forecast logarithm of surface roughness for heat	☐ Forecast surface roughness
☐ High cloud cover	☐ Ice temperature layer 1
☐ Ice temperature layer 2	☐ Ice temperature layer 3
☐ Ice temperature layer 4	☐ Instantaneous eastward turbulent surface stress
☐ Instantaneous moisture flux	☐ Instantaneous northward turbulent surface stress
☐ Instantaneous surface sensible heat flux	☐ Logarithm of surface roughness length for heat
☐ Low cloud cover	☐ Mean sea level pressure
☐ Medium cloud cover	☐ Sea surface temperature
☐ Sea-ice cover	☐ Skin reservoir content

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Select time

☒ 00:00:00 ☒ 06:00:00 ☒ 12:00:00 ☒ 18:00:00

[Select All](#) [Clear](#)

Select step

☒ 0 ☒ 3 ☒ 6 ☒ 9 ☒ 12

[Select All](#) [Clear](#)

Select parameter

☐ 2 metre dewpoint temperature	☐ 2 metre temperature
☐ 10 metre U wind component	☐ 10 metre V wind component
☐ 10 metre wind gust since previous post-processing	☐ Albedo
☐ Boundary layer dissipation	☐ Boundary layer height
☐ Charnock	☐ Clear sky surface photosynthetically active radiation
☐ Convective available potential energy	☐ Convective precipitation
☐ Convective snowfall	☐ Downward UV radiation at the surface
☐ Eastward gravity wave surface stress	☐ Eastward turbulent surface stress
☐ Evaporation	☐ Forecast albedo
☐ Forecast logarithm of surface roughness for heat	☐ Forecast surface roughness
☐ Gravity wave dissipation	☐ High cloud cover
☐ Ice temperature layer 1	☐ Ice temperature layer 2
☐ Ice temperature layer 3	☐ Ice temperature layer 4
☐ Instantaneous eastward turbulent surface stress	☐ Instantaneous moisture flux
☐ Instantaneous northward turbulent surface stress	☐ Instantaneous surface sensible heat flux
☐ Large-scale precipitation	☐ Large-scale precipitation fraction
☐ Large-scale snowfall	☐ Logarithm of surface roughness length for heat
☐ Low cloud cover	☐ Maximum temperature at 2 metres since previous post-processing
☒ Mean sea level pressure	☐ Mean wave direction
☐ Mean wave period	☐ Medium cloud cover

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apps.ecmwf.int/datasets/data/interim-full-daily/levtype=sfc

☐ Total column ice water	☐ Total column liquid water
☐ Total column ozone	☐ Total column water
☐ Total column water vapour	☐ Total precipitation
☐ Vertical integral of cloud frozen water	☐ Vertical integral of cloud liquid water
☐ Vertical integral of divergence of cloud frozen water flux	☐ Vertical integral of divergence of cloud liquid water flux
☐ Vertical integral of divergence of geopotential flux	☐ Vertical integral of divergence of kinetic energy flux
☐ Vertical integral of divergence of mass flux	☐ Vertical integral of divergence of moisture flux
☐ Vertical integral of divergence of ozone flux	☐ Vertical integral of divergence of thermal energy flux
☐ Vertical integral of divergence of total energy flux	☐ Vertical integral of eastward cloud frozen water flux
☐ Vertical integral of eastward cloud liquid water flux	☐ Vertical integral of eastward geopotential flux
☐ Vertical integral of eastward heat flux	☐ Vertical integral of eastward kinetic energy flux
☐ Vertical integral of eastward mass flux	☐ Vertical integral of eastward ozone flux
☐ Vertical integral of eastward total energy flux	☐ Vertical integral of eastward water vapour flux
☐ Vertical integral of energy conversion	☐ Vertical integral of kinetic energy
☐ Vertical integral of mass of atmosphere	☐ Vertical integral of mass tendency
☐ Vertical integral of northward cloud frozen water flux	☐ Vertical integral of northward cloud liquid water flux
☐ Vertical integral of northward geopotential flux	☐ Vertical integral of northward heat flux
☐ Vertical integral of northward kinetic energy flux	☐ Vertical integral of northward mass flux
☐ Vertical integral of northward ozone flux	☐ Vertical integral of northward total energy flux
☐ Vertical integral of northward water vapour flux	☐ Vertical integral of ozone
☐ Vertical integral of potential+internal energy	☐ Vertical integral of potential+internal+latent energy
☐ Vertical integral of temperature	☐ Vertical integral of thermal energy
☐ Vertical integral of total energy	☐ Vertical integral of water vapour
☐ Volumetric soil water layer 1	☐ Volumetric soil water layer 2
☐ Volumetric soil water layer 3	☐ Volumetric soil water layer 4

Select All or Clear

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Additional filtering

Stream: Atmospheric model

Parameter: Mean sea level pressure

Dataset: interim_daily

Type of level: Surface

Step: 0

Version: 1

Time: 00:00:00, 06:00:00, 12:00:00, 18:00:00

Date: 20150901 to 20150930

Type: Analysis

Class: ERA Interim

The request will be done using the following attributes:

Area: Default (as archive) (change)

Grid: 0.75x0.75 (change)

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Parameter: Mean sea level pressure
 Class: ERA Interim
 Step: 0
 Type: Analysis
 Time: 00:00:00, 06:00:00, 12:00:00, 18:00:00
 Step: 3 to 12 by 3
 Type: Forecast
 Time: 00:00:00, 12:00:00

The request will be done using the following attributes:

Area: Custom [\(change\)](#)

- ☐ Default (as archived)
- ☐ South Asia
- ☐ Inter-tropical band
- ☐ Northern Hemisphere
- ☐ Southern Hemisphere
- ☐ Tropical Pacific
- ☐ Europe
- ☐ North America
- ☐ Indonesia
- ☒ Custom: N W S E **IRAQ Coordinates**

Grid: 0.125x0.125 [\(change\)](#)

NetCDF Options [\(help\)](#): None selected [\(change\)](#)

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Area: Custom [\(change\)](#)

- ☐ Default (as archived)
- ☐ South Asia
- ☐ Inter-tropical band
- ☐ Northern Hemisphere
- ☐ Southern Hemisphere
- ☐ Tropical Pacific
- ☐ Europe
- ☐ North America
- ☐ Indonesia
- ☒ Custom: N W S E

Grid: 1x1 [\(change\)](#)

- ☐ 0.125x0.125
- ☐ 0.25x0.25
- ☐ 0.4x0.4
- ☐ 0.5x0.5
- ☐ 0.75x0.75
- ☒ 1x1
- ☐ 1.125x1.125
- ☐ 1.5x1.5
- ☐ 2x2
- ☐ 2.5x2.5
- ☐ 3x3

NetCDF Options [\(help\)](#): None selected [\(change\)](#)

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Area: Custom [\(change\)](#)

- ☐ Default (as archived)
- ☐ South Asia
- ☐ Inter-tropical band
- ☐ Northern Hemisphere
- ☐ Southern Hemisphere
- ☐ Tropical Pacific
- ☐ Europe
- ☐ North America
- ☐ Indonesia
- ☒ Custom: N **33.375** W **44.375** S **33.375** E **44.375** **BAGHDAD Coordinates**

Grid: 0.125x0.125 [\(change\)](#)

- ☒ 0.125x0.125
- ☐ 0.25x0.25
- ☐ 0.4x0.4
- ☐ 0.5x0.5
- ☐ 0.75x0.75
- ☐ 1x1
- ☐ 1.125x1.125
- ☐ 1.5x1.5
- ☐ 2x2
- ☐ 2.5x2.5
- ☐ 3x3

NetCDF Options [\(help\)](#): None selected [\(change\)](#)

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Final request

Stream: Atmospheric model

Area: 28.0°N 38.5°E 38.0°N 48.5°E

Dataset: interim_daily

Version: 1

Type of level: Surface

Date: 20090901 to 20090930

[See full request](#)

The status of the request is: **active**

Request output:

```

STREAM = OPER,
EXPVER = 0001,
REPRES = SH,
LEVTYPE = SFC,
PARAM = 151.128,
TIME = 0000/1200,
STEP = 3/6/9/12,
DOMAIN = G,
RESOL = AUTO,
AREA = 38/38/28/49,
GRID = 1.0/1.0,
PACKING = 0,
EXPECT = ANY,
DATE = 20090901/20090902/20090903/20090904/20090905/20090906/20090907/20090908/20090909/20090910/20090911/20090912/20090913/20090914/20090915/20090916/20090917/20090918/20090919/20090920/20090921/20090922/20090923/20090924/20090925/20090926/20090927/20090928/20090929/20090930
mars - INFO - 20171209.095757 - Requesting any number of fields (request describes 240)
mars - INFO - 20171209.095757 - Calling mars on 'mars', callback on 40156
mars - INFO - 20171209.095758 - Server task is 986 [mars]
mars - INFO - 20171209.095758 - Request cost: 240 fields, 40.8887 Mbytes online, nodes: mvr02 [mars]

```

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The screenshot shows the ECMWF (European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts) netcdf web interface. The page has a navigation menu on the left with links like Home, Public Datasets, Web-API Activity, and Job list. The main content area displays details for a specific NetCDF request, including the stream (Atmospheric model), area (28.0°N 38.5°E 38.0°N 48.5°E), dataset (interim_daily), and version (1). The date range is 20090901 to 20090930. The status of the request is 'complete', and a 'Download (0.1Mb)' button is highlighted with a red circle. Below this, the 'Request output' is shown as a terminal log, detailing the process of downloading and processing the data, including file paths and timestamps.

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

1.The **ncdisp** command

Display contents of NetCDF data source in Command Window

Syntax

1- **ncdisp(source)**

Displays as **text** in the Command Window ,**all the group** ,**dimensions** , **variable definitions** , and **all attributes** in the **NetCDF** data source

2- **ncdisp(source,location)**

Displays information about the **variable** or **group** specified by location in source.

3- **ncdisp(source,location,modestr)**

Displays the contents of the location in source according to the **value** of modestr.

LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

It is strongly recommended that the **information** in the **header** be examined before one uses the **data** in a **netCDF** file.

1- **ncdisp(source)**

1- **ncdisp(source)** **source** — Name of NetCDF file

Displays all the **groups**, **dimensions**, **variable definitions**, and **all attributes** in the **NetCDF** data source, as **text** in the **Command Window**.

Example:

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

1- **ncdisp(source)**

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

Global Attributes:

history = '2017-12-09 09:58:01 GMT by grib_to_netcdf-2.5.0:'

Dimensions:

longitude = 12

latitude = 11

time = 241 (UNLIMITED)

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

1- `ncdisp(source)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

Variables:

longitude

Size: 12x1

Dimensions: longitude

Datatype: single

Attributes:

units = 'degrees_east'

long_name = 'longitude'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

1- `ncdisp(source)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

latitude

Size: 11x1

Dimensions: latitude

Datatype: single

Attributes:

units = 'degrees_north'

long_name = 'latitude'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

1- `ncdisp(source)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

time

Size: 241x1

Dimensions: time

Datatype: int32

Attributes:

units = 'hours since 1900-01-01 00:00:0.0'

long_name = 'time'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

1- `ncdisp(source)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

msl

Size: 12x11x241

Dimensions: longitude,latitude,time

Datatype: int16

Attributes:

units = 'Pa'

long_name = 'Mean sea level pressure'

standard_name = 'air_pressure_at_sea_level'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

2- `ncdisp(source,location)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc','longitude')
```

Dimensions:

longitude = 12

Variables:

longitude

Size: 12x1

Dimensions: longitude

Datatype: single

Attributes:

units = 'degrees_east'

long_name = 'longitude'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

2- `ncdisp(source,location)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc','latitude')
```

Dimensions:

latitude = 11

Variables:

latitude

Size: 11x1

Dimensions: latitude

Datatype: single

Attributes:

units = 'degrees_north'

long_name = 'latitude'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

2- `ncdisp(source,location)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc','time')
```

Dimensions:

time = 241

Variables:

time

Size: 241x1

Dimensions: time

Datatype: int32

Attributes:

units = 'hours since 1900-01-01 00:00:0.0'

long_name = 'time'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

2- `ncdisp(source,location)`

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc','msl')
```

Dimensions:

longitude = 12

latitude = 11

time = 241 (UNLIMITED)

Variables:

msl

Size: 12x11x241

Dimensions: longitude,latitude,time

Datatype: int16

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

2- ncdisp(source,location)

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc','msl')
```

Attributes:

units = 'Pa'

long_name = 'Mean sea level pressure'

standard_name = 'air_pressure_at_sea_level'

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

Step 0: Display/check the header of the netCDF file

3- ncdisp(source,location,modestr)

source Text string specifying the **name** of the **NetCDF** file

location Text string specifying the **location** of the **variable** or **group** in the **NetCDF** file .

Set location to / (forward slash) to **display** the **entire contents** of the file.

Default: /

modestr specifies the type of display .

'min' Display group hierarchy and **variables** definitions.

'full' Display group hierarchy with **dimensions**, **attributes**, and **variable definitions**.

Default :full

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

3- **ncdisp**(source,location,modestr)

```
>> ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc', '/', 'min')
```

Source: D:\MATLAB\PRESSURE_9.nc

Format: 64bit

Variables:

longitude

Size: 12x1

Dimensions: longitude

Datatype: single

time

Size: 241x1

Dimensions: time

Datatype: int32

latitude

Size: 11x1

Dimensions: latitude

Datatype: single

msl

Size: 12x11x241

Dimensions: longitude,latitude,time

Datatype: int16

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

3- **ncdisp**(source,location,modestr)

```
>> ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc', '/', 'full')
```

Is the same command

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

```
>>ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc', 'msl', 'min')
```

Source:

D:\MATLAB\PRESSURE_9.nc

Format: 64bit

Variables:

msl

Size: 12x11x241

Dimensions: longitude,latitude,time

Datatype: int16

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LAB 3 : Part(A) NetCDF Data Model(Header)

2.The **ncinfo** command Return information about NetCDF data source

Syntax

```
finfo = ncinfo(source)
```

```
vinfo = ncinfo(source,varname)
```

```
ginfo = ncinfo(source,groupname)
```

```
>> finfo=ncinfo('PRESSURE_9.nc')
```

```
>> finfo_msl=ncinfo('PRESSURE_9.nc','msl')
```

finfo =

Filename: 'D:\MATLAB\PRESSURE_9.nc'

Name: '/'

Dimensions: [1x3 struct]

Variables: [1x4 struct]

Attributes: [1x2 struct]

Groups: []

Format: '64bit'

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LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

1.The **ncread** command

A NetCDF dataset contains :

☐ Dimensions

☐ Variables

☐ Attributes

☐ Dimensions

➤ Longitude

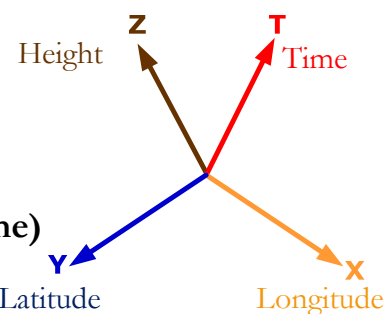
➤ Latitude

➤ Time

☐ Variables(long , lat ,time)

	Variables	
	long	
lat	10	11
	12	13

For each location **one** value so for this **ex.**
we have **four** locations .



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LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

A NetCDF dataset contains :

- ☐ Dimensions
- ☐ Variables
- ☐ Attributes

☐ Dimensions

- Longitude
- Latitude
- Time

☐ Variables(long , lat ,time)

Variables	
long	
lat	
10	11
12	13

		long	
↓	9	9.1	←
	9	9.1	
		long	
↓	42	42	lat
	41.9	41.9	

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LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

A NetCDF dataset contains :

- ☐ Dimensions
- ☐ Variables
- ☐ Attributes

☐ Dimensions

- Longitude
- Latitude
- Time

☐ Variables(long , lat ,time)

Variables	
long	
lat	
42	9
41.9	9.1

$V(9,42)$ $V(9.1,42)$
 $V(9,41.9)$ $V(9.1,41.9)$

		long	
↓	9	9.1	←
	9	9.1	
		long	
↓	42	42	←
	41.9	41.9	
		lat	

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LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

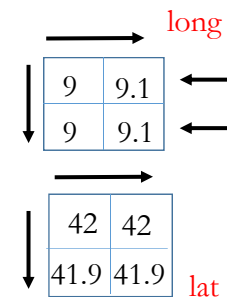
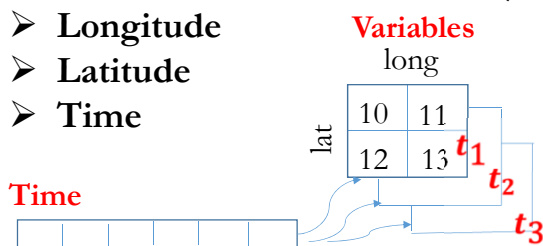
A NetCDF dataset contains :

- ☐ Dimensions
- ☐ Variables
- ☐ Attributes

☐ Dimensions

- Longitude
- Latitude
- Time

☐ Variables(long , lat ,time)



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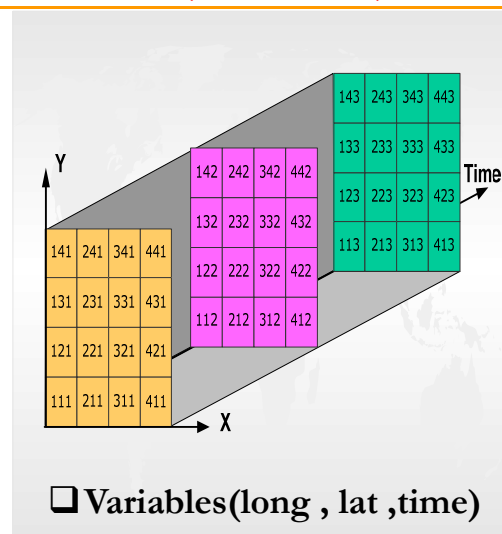
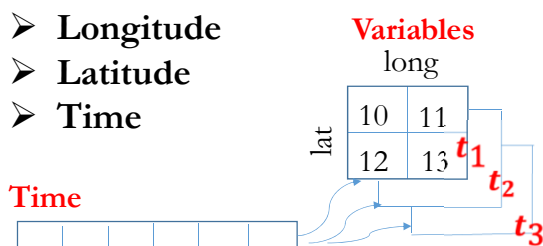
LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

A NetCDF dataset contains :

- ☐ Dimensions
- ☐ Variables
- ☐ Attributes

☐ Dimensions

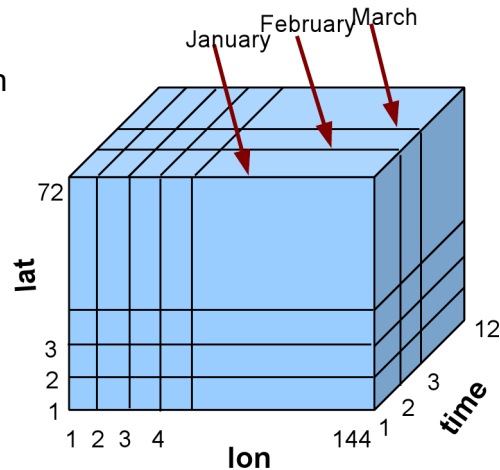
- Longitude
- Latitude
- Time



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LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

- Here, we use the "normal" convention with each of the **indices**, **i**, **j**, and **k**, starting from **1**.



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LAB 3 : NetCDF Data Model

1. Dimensions (for example, time, latitude, longitude, or height.)

A **dimension** may be used to represent a real physical dimension, for example, **time**, **latitude**, **longitude**, or **height**. A **dimension** might also be used to **index** other quantities, for example station or model-run-number.

A **netCDF dimension** has both a **name** and a **length**.

2. Variables (represents an array of values of the same type, which store the bulk data.)

Variables are used to store the bulk of the data in a **netCDF** dataset. A **variable** represents an array of values of the same type. A scalar value is treated as a 0-dimensional array. A **variable** has a **name**, a **data type**, and a shape described by its list of dimensions specified when the variable is created. A **variable** may also have associated **attributes**, which may be added, deleted or changed after the **variable** is created.

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3. Attributes (are used to store data about the data ,ancillary data or metadata).

NetCDF attributes are used to store data about the data (ancillary data or metadata), similar in many ways to the information stored in data dictionaries and schema in conventional database systems. Most **attributes** provide information about a specific **variable**. These are identified by the **name** (or ID) of that **variable**, together with the name of the **attribute**.

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LAB 3 : Part(B) NetCDF Data Model(Contains)

3.The ncread command Read data from **variable** in **NetCDF** data source

Syntax

vardata = ncread(source,varname)

- ❖ **source** **Text** string specifying the **name** of the **NetCDF** file
- ❖ **Varname** **Text** string specifying the **name** of a **variable** in the **NetCDF** file
- ❖ **Vardata** The data in the **variable**, **ncread** uses the MATLAB datatype that is the closest type to the corresponding **NetCDF** datatype .

Example:

```
>> ncdisp('PRESSURE_9.nc', '/', 'min' )
```

```
>>long=ncread('PRESSURE_9.nc', 'longitude' )
```

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3.The **ncread** command

vardata = ncread(source,varname)

Example:

```
>> ncdisp( 'PRESSURE_9.nc', '/', 'min')
>> long=ncread( 'PRESSURE_9.nc' , 'longitude')
>> lat=ncread( 'PRESSURE_9.nc' , 'latitude')
>> time=ncread( 'PRESSURE_9.nc' , 'time')
>> msl=ncread( 'PRESSURE_9.nc' , 'msl')
```

Example(1) :-

Retrieve data from nc-file (PRESSURE_9.nc) to read again in excel sheet for Iraq region .

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LAB 3 : NetCDF Data Model

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% Example 1: This is program to transfer data from
% netCDF source file to excel sheet
% Retrieve data for All grid
clc , clear all
format longE
% Step 1 : Display all varaibles in nc file using
% command: ncdisp
filename='PRESSURE_9.nc';
ncdisp( filename, '/', 'min')
%%%%%%%%%
```

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```
% Step 2 : Read variables from nc file by command: ncread
variable=input('write your main variable=','s');
msl=ncread(filename,variable);
long=ncread(filename,'longitude');
lat=ncread(filename,'latitude');
time=ncread(filename,'time');
msl=0.01*msl;      % lmb=0.01*Pa
```

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% Step 3 : Read all longitude and latitude for all grid
% in 2-D (2 dimensional) of array
m=numel(long); % m:number of element of longitude
n=numel(lat); % n:number of element of latitude
h=0;g=0;
for i=1:n
    for j=1:m
        h=h+1;
        latt(h)=lat(i);
        longg(h)=long(j);
    end
end
latt1=[longg ; latt];
```

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% Step 4 :Convert 3-D array to 2-D array for all
% stations
mm=length(time);
for i=1:n
    for j=1:m
        g=g+1;
        MSL(:,g)=msl(j,i,:);
    end
end
```

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```
% Step 5 :Convert time from netCDF format to MATLAB
% format using its units and sort data in nc file
time=double(time);
A=time./24+datenum('1900-01-01 0:0:0');
[time,I] = sort(A);
MSL=MSL(I,:);
yy=year(time);mm=month(time);dd=day(time);hh=hour(time);
Date=[yy mm dd hh];
% Step 6:Display data in excel sheet or save data in .mat
% file
C={'LOCATION:IRAQ','FROM','TO','Longitude';'DATE','1/9/200
9','30/9/2009','Latitude'};
DD={'Year','Month','Day','Hour'};
```

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```

for i=1:n*m
    X(i)={'Pressure (mb)'};
end
fileName='PRESSURE_9.xlsx';
sheet =1 ;
xlswrite(fileName,C,sheet,'A1')
xlswrite(fileName,DD,sheet,'A3')
xlswrite(fileName,latt1,sheet,'E1')
xlswrite(fileName,X,sheet,'E3')
xlswrite(fileName,Date,sheet,'A4')
xlswrite(fileName,MSL,sheet,'E4')
save PRESSURE_9

```

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```
>> NC_FILE
```

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Variables:
  longitude
    Size:   12x1
    Dimensions: longitude
  latitude
    Size:   11x1
    Dimensions: latitude
  time
    Size:   241x1
    Dimensions: time
  msl
    Size:   12x11x241
    Dimensions: longitude,latitude,time
write your main variable=msl

```

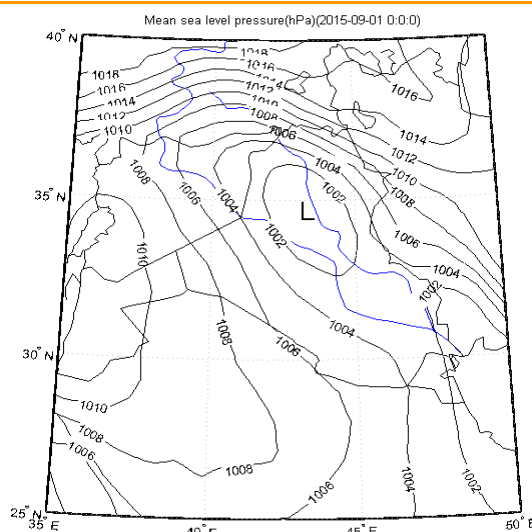
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Example(1) :- Retrieve data from nc-file to read again in excel sheet for all location

1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
2	LOCATION:IRAQ	FROM	TO	Longitude	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	
3	DATE	01/09/2009	30/09/2009	Latitude	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	
4	Year	Month	Day	Hour	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)	Pressure (mb)
5	2009	9	1	0	1011.195727	1008.988508	1007.183011	1006.616669	1008.339856	1012.477471	1015.979128	1015.281745	1015.66644	1017
6	2009	9	1	3	1011.818581	1009.884909	1008.081869	1007.519213	1009.23421	1013.423012	1016.821475	1016.478312	1016.968896	1018
7	2009	9	1	6	1012.115061	1010.471727	1008.809146	1008.370159	1009.943468	1013.48239	1016.758412	1016.780934	1016.519262	1017
8	2009	9	1	9	1010.300555	1008.717417	1007.358278	1007.112986	1008.529046	1011.495483	1014.368554	1014.117938	1013.616707	1015
9	2009	9	1	12	1008.049109	1006.445906	1005.403312	1005.395941	1006.825925	1010.260833	1013.465191	1012.006543	1011.443886	1013
10	2009	9	1	15	1006.832067	1005.13386	1004.3599	1004.587583	1006.344759	1010.086794	1013.407451	1012.14864	1012.503269	1015
11	2009	9	1	18	1008.195711	1006.093324	1005.276367	1005.736648	1007.818559	1012.052407	1015.497143	1014.727278	1015.599519	1018
12	2009	9	1	21	1009.122416	1006.768594	1005.614616	1006.031489	1008.267374	1012.425464	1015.893132	1015.822698	1016.50452	1018
13	2009	9	2	0	1009.607267	1007.377934	1006.098238	1006.351721	1008.46844	1012.524973	1016.104436	1016.302226	1016.618771	1018
14	2009	9	2	3	1010.47705	1008.224376	1006.731739	1006.801764	1008.641659	1012.33824	1015.770282	1015.989366	1016.289121	1017
15	2009	9	2	6	1011.380413	1009.421352	1007.90865	1007.697346	1009.033144	1012.212113	1015.392311	1015.556931	1015.339894	1016
16	2009	9	2	9	1009.871396	1008.159265	1006.741158	1006.431164	1007.649844	1010.090889	1012.599503	1012.544629	1012.136765	1013
17	2009	9	2	12	1007.954923	1006.326741	1005.111747	1005.015513	1006.289067	1008.502838	1010.386141	1009.428314	1009.119549	1011
18	2009	9	2	15	1007.767781	1006.144922	1004.939755	1004.849665	1006.330426	1008.648211	1010.173609	1008.368931	1008.636336	1011
19	2009	9	2	18	1009.321434	1007.715364	1006.489723	1006.17072	1007.624455	1010.239539	1012.15683	1010.716609	1011.540119	1014
20	2009	9	2	21	1009.882862	1008.278431	1006.970479	1006.523712	1007.806683	1010.448795	1012.676489	1012.136765	1012.766989	1014
21	2009	9	3	0	1010.038882	1008.533551	1007.283749	1006.874655	1008.024948	1010.692039	1013.217852	1013.098686	1013.344797	1014
22	2009	9	3	3	1010.595806	1009.03642	1007.893498	1007.750172	1009.074094	1011.984839	1014.638416	1014.393943	1014.472977	1015
23	2009	9	3	6	1011.585164	1010.224797	1009.134701	1009.001612	1010.217835	1012.995492	1015.51639	1014.950457	1014.391896	1015
24	2009	9	3	9	1010.115459	1008.895142	1007.887765	1007.630597	1008.699809	1011.010632	1013.140865	1012.525792	1011.858303	101
25	2009	9	3	12	1008.338218	1007.176049	1006.341073	1006.246478	1007.436493	1009.635522	1011.346424	1010.32103	1009.863615	101

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LAB 3 : NetCDF Data Model**>> load pressure_9****>> map_pressure(MSL,longg,latt,time)****input hour=9****input day=9****input month=9****input year=2009**

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LAB 3 : NetCDF Data Model

>> NC_FILE

Variables:

longitude

Size: 12x1

Dimensions: longitude

latitude

Size: 11x1

Dimensions: latitude

time

Size: 241x1

Dimensions: time

msl

Size: 12x11x241

Dimensions: longitude,latitude,time

write your main variable=msl

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	LOCATION:IRAQ	FROM	TO	Longitude	44.375		
2	DATE	01/09/2009	30/09/2009	Latitude	33.375		
3	Year	Month	Day	Hour	Pressure (mb)		
4	2009	9	1	0	1002.919		
5	2009	9	1	3	1003.381		
6	2009	9	1	6	1004.433		
7	2009	9	1	9	1003.442		
8	2009	9	1	12	1001.978		
9	2009	9	1	15	1002.047		
10	2009	9	1	18	1003.093		
11	2009	9	1	21	1003.003		
12	2009	9	2	0	1002.876		
13	2009	9	2	3	1004.017		
14	2009	9	2	6	1005.26		
15	2009	9	2	9	1004.522		
16	2009	9	2	12	1002.861		
17	2009	9	2	15	1002.797		
18	2009	9	2	18	1003.614		
19	2009	9	2	21	1003.116		
20	2009	9	3	0	1002.611		
21	2009	9	3	3	1003.529		
22	2009	9	3	6	1005.149		
23	2009	9	3	9	1004.225		
24	2009	9	3	12	1002.602		

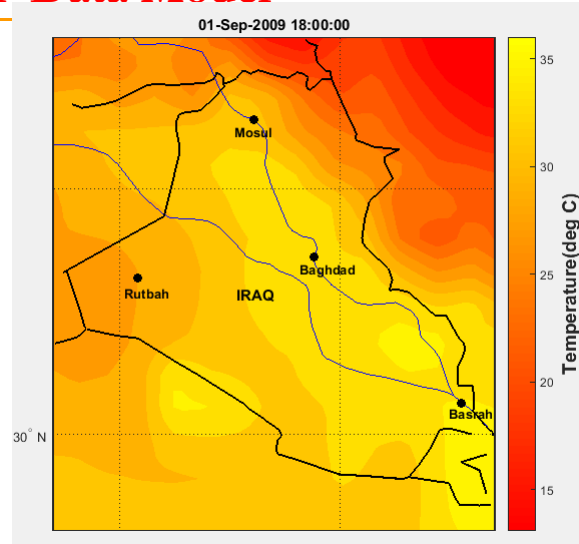
Example(2) :-

Retrieve data from nc-file to read again in excel sheet for Baghdad only .

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LAB 3 : NetCDF Data Model

```
>> load temp_9
>> map(MSL,longg,latt,time)
input hour=18
input day=1
input month=9
input year=2009
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☐ Forecast surface roughness	☐ GEMS Total column ozone
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☐ Ice temperature layer 1	☐ Ice temperature layer 2
☐ Ice temperature layer 3	☐ Ice temperature layer 4
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☐ Minimum temperature at 2 metres since previous post-processing	☐ Near IR albedo for diffuse radiation
☐ Near IR albedo for direct radiation	☐ Northward gravity wave surface stress
☐ Northward turbulent surface stress	☐ Organic Matter Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm
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☐ Snow depth	☐ Snow evaporation
☐ Snowfall	☐ Snowmelt
☐ Soil clay content	☐ Soil temperature level 1
☐ Soil temperature level 2	☐ Soil temperature level 3
☐ Soil temperature level 4	☐ Soil type
☐ Standard deviation of filtered subgrid orography	☐ Standard deviation of orography
☐ Sulphate Aerosol Optical Depth at 550nm	☐ Sunshine duration
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☐ Surface net thermal radiation, clear sky	☐ Surface roughness
☐ Surface sensible heat flux	☐ Surface solar radiation downwards
☐ Surface thermal radiation downwards	☐ Temperature of snow layer
☐ Top net solar radiation	☐ Top net solar radiation, clear sky
☐ Top net thermal radiation	☐ Top net thermal radiation, clear sky
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☐ Total Aerosol Optical Depth at 670nm	☐ Total Aerosol Optical Depth at 865nm
☐ Total Aerosol Optical Depth at 1240nm	☐ Total Column Nitrogen Oxides
☐ Total cloud cover	☐ Total column Carbon monoxide
☐ Total column Formaldehyde	☐ Total column Methane
☐ Total column Sulphur dioxide	☐ Total column ice water
☐ Total column liquid water	☐ Total column water
☐ Total column water vapour	☐ Type of high vegetation
☐ Type of low vegetation	☐ UV visible albedo for diffuse radiation
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