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# Preface

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This document is a Users Guide for HDF-EOS (Hierarchical Data Format - Earth Observing System) library tools. HDF is the scientific data format standard selected by NASA as the baseline standard for EOS. This Users Guide accompanies Version 2 software, which is available to the user community on the EDHS1 server. These library is aimed at EOS data producers and consumers, who will develop their data into increasingly higher order products. These products range from calibrated Level 1 to Level 4 model data. The primary use of the HDF-EOS library will be to create structures for associating geolocation data with their associated science data. This association is specified by producers through use of the supplied library. Most EOS data products which have been identified, fall into categories of grid, point or swath structures, which are implemented in the current version of the library. Services based on geolocation information will be built on HDF-EOS structures. Producers of products not covered by these structures, e.g. non-geolocated data, can use the standard HDF libraries.

In the ECS (EOS Core System) production system, the HDF-EOS library will be used in conjunction with SDP (Science Data Processing) Toolkit software. The primary tools used in conjunction with HDF-EOS library will be those for metadata handling, process control and status message handling. Metadata tools will be used to write ECS inventory and granule specific metadata into HDF-EOS files, while the process control tools will be used to access physical file handles used by the HDF tools. (*SDP Toolkit Users Guide for the ECS Project, October, 2003, 333-CD-605*).

HDF-EOS is an extension of NCSA (National Center for Supercomputing Applications) HDF and uses HDF library calls as an underlying basis. Version 4.1r5 of HDF is used. The library tools are written in the C language and a Fortran interface is provided. The current version contains software for creating, accessing and manipulating Grid, Point and Swath structures. This document includes overviews of the interfaces, and code examples. EOSView, the HDF-EOS viewing tool, has been revised to accommodate the current version of the library.

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# Abstract

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This document will serve as the user's guide to the HDF-EOS file access library. HDF refers to the scientific data format standard selected by NASA as the baseline standard for EOS, and HDF-EOS refers to EOS conventions for using HDF. This document will provide information on the use of the three interfaces included in HDF-EOS - Point, Swath, and Grid - including overviews of the interfaces, and code examples. This document should be suitable for use by data producers and data users alike.

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### **Abbreviations and Acronyms**

# 1. Introduction

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## 1.1 Purpose

The *HDF-EOS Software Reference Guide for the ECS Project* was prepared under the Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Core System (ECS), Contract (NAS5-60000).

This software reference guide is intended for use by anyone who wishes to use the HDF-EOS library to create or read EOS data products. Users of this document will include EOS instrument team science software developers and data product designers, DAAC personnel, and end users of EOS data products such as scientists and researchers.

## 1.2 Organization

This paper is organized as follows:

- Section 1 Introduction - Presents Scope and Purpose of this document
- Section 2 Function Reference
- Abbreviations and Acronyms

## 1.3 Point Data

The PT (*Point*) interface consists of routines for storing, retrieving, and manipulating data in point data sets. This interface is designed to support data that has associated geolocation information, but is not organized in any well defined spatial or temporal way. See the Users' Guide, Volume 1 that accompanies this document for more information.

### 1.3.1 PT API Routines

All C routine names in the point data interface have the prefix "PT" and the equivalent FORTRAN routine names are prefixed by "pt." The PT routines are classified into the following categories:

- **Access routines** initialize and terminate access to the PT interface and point data sets (including opening and closing files).
- **Definition** routines allow the user to set key features of a point data set.
- **Basic I/O** routines read and write data and metadata to a point data set.
- **Index I/O** routines read and write information which links two tables in a point data set.
- **Inquiry** routines return information about data contained in a point data set.
- **Subset** routines allow reading of data from a specified geographic region.

### 1.3.2 List of PT API Routines

The PT function calls are listed below in Table 1-1 and are described in detail in Section 2 of this document. The listing in Section 2 is in alphabetical order.

**Table 1-1. Summary of the Point Interface**

Category	Routine Name		Description	Page Nos.
	C	FORTRAN		
Access	PTopen	ptopen	creates a new file or opens an existing one	2-29
	PTcreate	ptcreate	creates a new point data set and returns a handle	2-6
	PTattach	ptattach	attaches to an existing point data set	2-2
	PTdetach	ptdetach	releases a point data set and frees memory	2-15
	PTclose	ptclose	closes the HDF-EOS file and deactivates the point interface	2-5
Definition	PTdeflevel	ptdeflev	defines a level within the point data set	2-8
	PTdeflinkage	ptdeflink	defines link field to use between two levels	2-10
	PTdefvrtregion	ptdefvrtreg	defines a vertical subset region	2-13
Basic I/O	Ptwritelevel	ptwrlv	writes (appends) full records to a level	2-42
	Ptreadlevel	ptrdlev	reads data from the specified fields and records of a level	2-33
	Ptupdatelevel	ptuplev	updates the specified fields and records of a level	2-38
	Ptwriteattr	ptwrattr	creates or updates an attribute of the point data set	2-40
	Ptreadattr	ptrdatr	reads existing attribute of point data set	2-32
Inquiry	Ptnlevels	ptnlevs	returns the number of levels in a point data set	2-27
	Ptnrecs	ptnrecs	returns the number of records in a level	2-28
	Ptnfields	ptnfls	returns number of fields defined in a level	2-26
	Ptlevelinfo	ptlevinfo	returns information about a given level	2-25
	Ptlevelindx	ptlevidx	returns index number for a named level	2-24
	Ptbcklinkinfo	ptblinkinfo	returns link field to previous level	2-4
	Ptfwdlinkinfo	ptflinkinfo	returns link field to following level	2-18
	Ptgetlevelname	ptgetlevname	returns level name given level number	2-19
	Ptsizeof	ptsizeof	returns size in bytes for specified fields in a point	2-37
	Ptattrinfo	ptattrinfo	returns information about point attributes	2-3
	Ptinqattr	ptinqattr	retrieves number and names of attributes defined	2-22
	Ptinqpoint	ptinqpoint	retrieves number and names of points in file	2-23
Utility	Ptgetrecnums	ptgetrecnums	returns corresponding record numbers in a related level	2-20
Subset	Ptdefboxregion	ptdefboxreg	define region of interest by latitude/longitude	2-7
	Ptregioninfo	ptreginfo	returns information about defined region	2-35
	Ptregionrecs	ptregrecs	returns # of records and record #s within region	2-36
	Ptextractregion	ptextreg	read a region of interest from a set of fields in a single level	2-17
	PTdeftimeperiod	ptdeftmeper	define time period of interest	2-11
	PTperiodinfo	ptperinfo	returns information about defined time period	2-30
	PTperiodrecs	ptperrecs	returns # of records and record #s within time period	2-31
	PTextractperiod	ptextper	read a time period from a set of fields in a single level	2-16

## 1.4 Swath Data

The SW (*Swath*) interface consists of routines for storing, retrieving, and manipulating data in swath data sets. This interface is tailored to support time-ordered data such as satellite swaths (which consist of a time-ordered series of scanlines), or profilers (which consist of a time-ordered series of profiles). See the Users' Guide, Volume 1 that accompanies this document for more information.

### 1.4.1 The Swath Data Interface

All C routine names in the swath data interface have the prefix “SW” and the equivalent FORTRAN routine names are prefixed by “sw.” The SW routines are classified into the following categories:

- *Access routines* initialize and terminate access to the SW interface and swath data sets (including opening and closing files).
- *Definition* routines allow the user to set key features of a swath data set.
- *Basic I/O* routines read and write data and metadata to a swath data set.
- *Inquiry* routines return information about data contained in a swath data set.
- *Subset* routines allow reading of data from a specified geographic region.

### 1.4.2 List of SW API Routines

The SW function calls are listed below in Table 1-2 and are described in detail in Section 2 of this document. The listing in Section 2 is in alphabetical order.

**Table 1-2. Summary of the Swath Interface (1 of 2)**

Category	Routine Name		Description	Page Nos.
	C	FORTRAN		
Access	SWopen	swopen	opens or creates HDF file in order to create, read, or write a swath	2-86
	SWcreate	swcreate	creates a swath within the file	2-47
	SWattach	swattach	attaches to an existing swath within the file	2-43
	SWdetach	swdetach	detaches from swath interface	2-67
	SWclose	swclose	closes file	2-45
Definition	SWdefdim	swdefdim	defines a new dimension within the swath	2-54
	SWdefdimmap	swdefmap	defines the mapping between the geolocation and data dimensions	2-56
	SWdefidxmap	swdefimap	defines a non-regular mapping between the geolocation and data dimension	2-60
	SWdefgeofield	swdefgfld	defines a new geolocation field within the swath	2-58
	SWdefdatafield	swdefdfld	defines a new data field within the swath	2-52
	SWdefcomp	swdefcomp	defines a field compression scheme	2-50
	SWwritegeometa	swwrgmeta	writes field metadata for an existing swath geolocation field	2-105
Basic I/O	SWwritedatameta	swwrdmeta	writes field metadata for an existing swath data field	2-101
	SWwritefield	swwrfld	writes data to a swath field	2-102
	SWreadfield	swrdfld	reads data from a swath field.	2-90
	SWwriteattr	swwrattr	writes/updates attribute in a swath	2-99
	SWreadattr	swrdattr	reads attribute from a swath	2-89
	SWsetfillvalue	swsetfill	sets fill value for the specified field	2-96
	SWgetfillvalue	swgetfill	retrieves fill value for the specified field	2-74
Inquiry	SWinqdims	swinqdims	retrieves information about dimensions defined in swath	2-79
	SWinqmaps	swinqmaps	retrieves information about the geolocation relations defined	2-82
	SWinqidxmaps	swinqimaps	retrieves information about the indexed geolocation/data mappings defined	2-81
	SWinqgeofields	swinqgflds	retrieves information about the geolocation fields defined	2-80
	SWinqdatafields	swinqdflds	retrieves information about the data fields defined	2-78
	SWinqattrs	swinqattr	retrieves number and names of attributes defined	2-77
	SWnentries	swnentries	returns number of entries and descriptive string buffer size for a specified entity	2-85
	SWdiminfo	swdiminfo	retrieve size of specified dimension	2-68
	SWmapinfo	swmapinfo	retrieve offset and increment of specified geolocation mapping	2-84
	SWidxmapinfo	swimapinfo	retrieve offset and increment of specified geolocation mapping	2-76
	SWattrinfo	swattrinfo	returns information about swath attributes	2-44
	SWfieldinfo	swfldinfo	retrieve information about a specific geolocation or data field	2-72
	SWcompinfo	swcompinfo	retrieve compression information about a field	2-46
	SWinqswath	swinqswath	retrieves number and names of swaths in file	2-83
	SWregionindex	swregidx	Returns information about the swath region ID	2-92
	SWupdateidxmap	swupimap	update map index for a specified region	2-97

**Table 1-2. Summary of the Swath Interface (2 of 2)**

Category	Routine Name		Description	Page Nos.
	C	FORTRAN		
Subset	SWgeomapinfo	swgmapinfo	Retrieve type of dimension mapping for a dimension	2-75
	SWdefboxregion	swdefboxreg	define region of interest by latitude/longitude	2-48
	SWregioninfo	swreginfo	returns information about defined region	2-94
	SWextractregion	swextreg	read a region of interest from a field	2-71
	SWdeftimeperiod	swdeftmepreg	define a time period of interest	2-62
	SWperiodinfo	swperinfo	returns information about a defined time period	2-87
	SWextractperiod	swextper	extract a defined time period	2-70
	SWdefvrtregion	swdefvrtreg	define a region of interest by vertical field	2-64
	SWdupregion	swdupreg	duplicate a region or time period	2-69

## 1.5 Grid Data

The GD (*Grid*) interface consists of routines for storing, retrieving, and manipulating data in grid data sets. This interface is designed to support data that has been stored in a rectilinear array based on a well defined and explicitly supported projection. See the Users' Guide, Volume 1 that accompanies this document for more details.

### 1.5.1 The Grid Data Interface

All C routine names in the grid data interface have the prefix "GD" and the equivalent FORTRAN routine names are prefixed by "gd." The GD routines are classified into the following categories:

- **Access routines** initialize and terminate access to the GD interface and grid data sets (including opening and closing files).
- **Definition** routines allow the user to set key features of a grid data set.
- **Basic I/O** routines read and write data and metadata to a grid data set.
- **Inquiry** routines return information about data contained in a grid data set.
- **Subset** routines allow reading of data from a specified geographic region.

### 1.5.2 List of Grid API ROUTINES

The GD function calls are listed below in Table 1-3 and are described in detail in Section 2 of this document. The listing in Section 2 is in alphabetical order.

**Table 1-3. Summary of the Grid Interface (1 of 2)**

Category	Routine Name		Description	Page Nos.
	C	FORTRAN		
Access	GDopen	gdopen	creates a new file or opens an existing one	2-151
	GDcreate	gdcreate	creates a new grid in the file	2-113
	GDattach	gdattach	attaches to a grid	2-107
	GDdetach	gddetach	detaches from grid interface	2-132
	GDclose	gdclose	closes file	2-111
Definition	GDdeforigin	gddeforigin	defines origin of grid	2-122
	GDdefdim	gddefdim	defines dimensions for a grid	2-119
	GDdefproj	gddefproj	defines projection of grid	2-124
	GDdefpixreg	gddefpixreg	defines pixel registration within grid cell	2-123
	GDdeffield	gddeffld	defines data fields to be stored in a grid	2-120
	GDdefcomp	gddefcomp	defines a field compression scheme	2-117
	GDblkSOMoffset	none	This is a special function for SOM MISR data. Write block SOM offset values.	2-109
	GDsettilecomp	none	This routine was added as a fix to a bug in HDF-EOS. The current method of implementation didn't allow the user to have a field with fill values and use tiling and compression. This function allows the user to access all of these features.	2-163
Basic I/O	GDwritefieldmeta	gdwrmeta	writes metadata for field already existing in file	2-169
	GDwritefield	gdwrfld	writes data to a grid field.	2-167
	GDreadfield	gdrfld	reads data from a grid field	2-156
	GDwriteattr	gdwrattr	writes/updates attribute in a grid.	2-165
	GDreadattr	gdrdatr	reads attribute from a grid	2-155
	GDsetfillvalue	gdsetfill	sets fill value for the specified field	2-161
	GDgetfillvalue	gdgetfill	retrieves fill value for the specified field	2-138
Inquiry	GDinqdims	gdinqdims	retrieves information about dimensions defined in grid	2-145
	GDinqfields	gdinqflds	retrieves information about the data fields defined in grid	2-146
	GDinqattrs	gdinqattr	retrieves number and names of attributes defined	2-144
	GDnentries	gdnentries	returns number of entries and descriptive string buffer size for a specified entity	2-150
	GDgridinfo	gdgridinfo	returns dimensions of grid and X-Y coordinates of corners	2-143
	GDprojinfo	gdprojinfo	returns all GCTP projection information	2-154
	GDdiminfo	gddiminfo	retrieves size of specified dimension.	2-133
	GDcompinfo	gdcompinfo	retrieve compression information about a field	2-112
	GDfieldinfo	gdfldinfo	retrieves information about a specific geolocation or data field in the grid	2-136
	GDinqgrid	gdinqgrid	retrieves number and names of grids in file	2-147
	GDattrinfo	gdattrinfo	returns information about grid attributes	2-108
	GDorigininfo	gdorigininfo	return information about grid origin	2-152
	GDpixreginfo	gdpreginfo	return pixel registration information for given grid	2-153
	GDdefboxregion	gddefboxreg	define region of interest by latitude/longitude	2-116
	GDregioninfo	gdregioninfo	returns information about a defined region	2-159

**Table 1-3. Summary of the Grid Interface (2 of 2)**

Category	Routine Name		Description	Page
	C	FORTRAN		Nos.
Subset	GDextractregion	gdextrreg	read a region of interest from a field	2-135
	GDdeftimeperiod	gddeftmeper	define a time period of interest	2-128
	GDdefvrtregion	gddefvrtreg	define a region of interest by vertical field	2-130
	GDgetpixels	gdgetpix	get row/columns for lon/lat pairs	2-139
	GDgetpixvalues	gdgetpixval	get field values for specified pixels	2-141
	GDinterpolate	gdinterpolate	perform bilinear interpolation on a grid field	2-148
	GDdupregion	gdDupreg	duplicate a region or time period	2-134
Tiling	GDdeftile	gddeftle	define a tiling scheme	2-126
	GDtileinfo	gdtleinfo	returns information about tiling for a field	2-164
	GDsettilecache	gdsettleche	set tiling cache parameters	2-162
	GDreadtile	gdrdtle	read data from a single tile	2-158
	GDwritetile	gdwrtile	write data to a single tile	2-170
Utility	GDrs2ll	gdrs2ll	convert (r,s) coordinates to (lon,lat) for EASE grid	2-176

## 1.6 GCTP Usage

The HDF-EOS Grid API uses the U.S. Geological Survey General Cartographic Transformation Package (GCTP) to define and subset grid structures. This section described codes used by the package.

### 1.6.1 GCTP Projection Codes

The following GCTP projection codes are used in the grid API described in Section 7 below:

GCTP_GEO	(0)	Geographic
GCTP_UTM	(1)	Universal Transverse Mercator
GCTP_LAMCC	(4)	Lambert Conformal Conic
GCTP_PS	(6)	Polar Stereographic
GCTP_POLYC	(7)	Polyconic
GCTP_TM	(9)	Transverse Mercator
GCTP_LAMAZ	(11)	Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area
GCTP_HOM	(20)	Hotine Oblique Mercator
GCTP_SOM	(22)	Space Oblique Mercator
GCTP_GOOD	(24)	Interrupted Goode Homolosine
GCTP_ISINUS1	(31)	Integerized Sinusoidal Projection*
GCTP_ISINUS	(99)	Intergerized Sinusoidal Projection*
GCTP_CEA	(97)	Cylindrical Equal-Area (for EASE grid with gris corners in meters)**
GCTP_BCEA	(98)	Cylindrical Equal-Area (for EASE grid with grid corners in packed degrees, DMS)**

\* The Intergerized Sinusoidal Projection is not part of the original GCTP package. It has been added by ECS. See *Level-3 SeaWiFS Data Products: Spatial and Temporal Binning Algorithms*. Additional references are provided in Section 2.

\*\* The Cylindrical Equal-Area Projection was not part of the original GCTP package. It has been added by ECS. See Notes for section 1.6.4.

Note that other projections supported by GCTP will be adapted for HDF-EOS Version 2.9 as new user requirements are surfaced. For further details on the GCTP projection package, please refer to Section 6.3.4 and Appendix G of the SDP Toolkit Users Guide for the ECS Project, March, 2002, (333-CD-605).

### 1.6.2 UTM Zone Codes

The Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) Coordinate System uses zone codes instead of specific projection parameters. The table that follows lists UTM zone codes as used by GCTP Projection Transformation Package. C.M. is Central Meridian

<u>Zone</u>	<u>C.M.</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Zone</u>	<u>C.M.</u>	<u>Range</u>
01	177W	180W-174W	31	003E	000E-006E
02	171W	174W-168W	32	009E	006E-012E
03	165W	168W-162W	33	015E	012E-018E
04	159W	162W-156W	34	021E	018E-024E
05	153W	156W-150W	35	027E	024E-030E
06	147W	150W-144W	36	033E	030E-036E
07	141W	144W-138W	37	039E	036E-042E
08	135W	138W-132W	38	045E	042E-048E
09	129W	132W-126W	39	051E	048E-054E
10	123W	126W-120W	40	057E	054E-060E
11	117W	120W-114W	41	063E	060E-066E
12	111W	114W-108W	42	069E	066E-072E
13	105W	108W-102W	43	075E	072E-078E
14	099W	102W-096W	44	081E	078E-084E
15	093W	096W-090W	45	087E	084E-090E
16	087W	090W-084W	46	093E	090E-096E
17	081W	084W-078W	47	099E	096E-102E
18	075W	078W-072W	48	105E	102E-108E
19	069W	072W-066W	49	111E	108E-114E
20	063W	066W-060W	50	117E	114E-120E
21	057W	060W-054W	51	123E	120E-126E
22	051W	054W-048W	52	129E	126E-132E
23	045W	048W-042W	53	135E	132E-138E
24	039W	042W-036W	54	141E	138E-144E
25	033W	036W-030W	55	147E	144E-150E
26	027W	030W-024W	56	153E	150E-156E
27	021W	024W-018W	57	159E	156E-162E
28	015W	018W-012W	58	165E	162E-168E
29	009W	012W-006W	59	171E	168E-174E
30	003W	006W-000E	60	177E	174E-180W

### 1.6.3 GCTP Spheroid Codes

Clarke 1866 (default)	(0)
Clarke 1880	(1)
Bessel	(2)
International 1967	(3)
International 1909	(4)
WGS 72	(5)

Everest	(6)
WGS 66	(7)
GRS 1980	(8)
Airy	(9)
Modified Airy	(10)
Modified Everest	(11)
WGS 84	(12)
Southeast Asia	(13)
Australian National	(14)
Krassovsky	(15)
Hough	(16)
Mercury 1960	(17)
Modified Mercury 1968	(18)
Sphere of Radius 6370997m	(19)
Sphere of Radius 6371228m	(20)

#### 1.6.4 GCTP Projection Parameters

**Table 1-4. Projection Transformation Package Projection Parameters (1 of 2)**

Code & Projection Id	Array Element							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0 Geographic								
1 U T M	Lon/Z	Lat/Z						
4 Lambert Conformal C	Smajor	Sminor	STDPR1	STDPR2	CentMer	OriginLat	FE	FN
6 Polar Stereographic	Smajor	Sminor			LongPol	TrueScale	FE	FN
7 Polyconic	Smajor	Sminor			CentMer	OriginLat	FE	FN
9 Transverse Mercator	Smajor	Sminor	Factor		CentMer	OriginLat	FE	FN
11 Lambert Azimuthal	Sphere				CentLon	CenterLat	FE	FN
20 Hotin Oblique Merc A	Smajor	Sminor	Factor			OriginLat	FE	FN
20 Hotin Oblique Merc B	Smajor	Sminor	Factor	AziAng	AzmthPt	OriginLat	FE	FN
22 Space Oblique Merc A	Smajor	Sminor		IncAng	AscLong		FE	FN
22 Space Oblique Merc B	Smajor	Sminor	Satnum	Path			FE	FN
24 Interrupted Goode	Sphere							
31 & 99 Integerized Sinusoidal	Sphere				CentMer		FE	FN
97 CEA Utilized by EASE Grid (see Notes)	Smajor	Sminor			CentMer	TrueScale	FE	FN
98 BCEA Utilized by EASE Grid (see Notes)	Smajor	Sminor			CentMer	TrueScale	FE	FN

**Table 1-4. Projection Transformation Package Projection Parameters (2 of 2)**

Code & Projection Id	Array Element				
	9	10	11	12	13
0 Geographic					
1 U T M					
4 Lambert Conformal C					
6 Polar Stereographic					
7 Polyconic					
9 Transverse Mercator					
11 Lambert Azimuthal					
20 Hotin Oblique Merc A	Long1	Lat1	Long2	Lat2	Zero
20 Hotin Oblique Merc B					one
22 Space Oblique Merc A	PSRev	SRat	PFlag	HDF-EOS	Zero
22 Space Oblique Merc B				HDF-EOS	one
24 Interrupted Goode					
31 & 99 Integerized Sinusoidal	NZone		RFlag		
97 CEA Utilized by EASE Grid (see Notes)					
98 BCEA Utilized by EASE Grid (see Notes)					

Where,

Lon/Z Longitude of any point in the UTM zone or zero. If zero, a zone code must be specified.

Lat/Z Latitude of any point in the UTM zone or zero. If zero, a zone code must be specified.

Smajor Semi-major axis of ellipsoid. If zero, Clarke 1866 in meters is assumed.

Sminor Eccentricity squared of the ellipsoid if less than one, if zero, a spherical form is assumed, or if greater than one, the semi-minor axis of ellipsoid. It should be noted that a negative sphere code should be used in order to have user specified Smajor and Sminor be accepted by GCTP, otherwise default ellipsoid Smajor and Sminor will be used.

Sphere Radius of reference sphere. If zero, 6370997 meters is used.

STDPR1 Latitude of the first standard parallel

STDPR2	Latitude of the second standard parallel
CentMer	Longitude of the central meridian
OriginLat	Latitude of the projection origin
FE	False easting in the same units as the semi-major axis
FN	False northing in the same units as the semi-major axis
TrueScale	Latitude of true scale
LongPol	Longitude down below pole of map
Factor	Scale factor at central meridian (Transverse Mercator) or center of projection (Hotine Oblique Mercator)
CentLon	Longitude of center of projection
CenterLat	Latitude of center of projection
Long1	Longitude of first point on center line (Hotine Oblique Mercator, format A)
Long2	Longitude of second point on center line (Hotine Oblique Mercator, format A)
Lat1	Latitude of first point on center line (Hotine Oblique Mercator, format A)
Lat2	Latitude of second point on center line (Hotine Oblique Mercator, format A)
AziAng	Azimuth angle east of north of center line (Hotine Oblique Mercator, format B)
AzmthPt	Longitude of point on central meridian where azimuth occurs (Hotine Oblique Mercator, format B)
IncAng	Inclination of orbit at ascending node, counter-clockwise from equator (SOM, format A)
AscLong	Longitude of ascending orbit at equator (SOM, format A)
PSRev	Period of satellite revolution in minutes (SOM, format A)
SRat	Satellite ratio to specify the start and end point of x,y values on earth surface (SOM, format A -- for Landsat use 0.5201613)
PFlag	End of path flag for Landsat: 0 = start of path, 1 = end of path (SOM, format A)
Satnum	Landsat Satellite Number (SOM, format B)
Path	Landsat Path Number (Use WRS-1 for Landsat 1, 2 and 3 and WRS-2 for Landsat 4 and 5.) (SOM, format B)
Nzone	Number of equally spaced latitudinal zones (rows); must be two or larger and even
Rflag	Right justify columns flag is used to indicate what to do in zones with an odd number of columns. If it has a value of 0 or 1, it indicates the extra column is on the right (zero) or left (one) of the projection Y-axis. If the flag is set to 2 (two), the number of columns are calculated so there are always an even number of columns in each zone.

Notes:

- Array elements 14 and 15 are set to zero.
- All array elements with blank fields are set to zero.

All angles (latitudes, longitudes, azimuths, etc.) are entered in packed degrees/ minutes/ seconds (DDDMMMSSS.SS) format.

The following notes apply to the Space Oblique Mercator A projection:

- A portion of Landsat rows 1 and 2 may also be seen as parts of rows 246 or 247. To place these locations at rows 246 or 247, set the end of path flag (parameter 11) to 1--end of path. This flag defaults to zero.

- When Landsat-1,2,3 orbits are being used, use the following values for the specified parameters:
  - Parameter 4 099005031.2
  - Parameter 5 128.87 degrees - (360/251 \* path number) in packed DMS format
  - Parameter 9 103.2669323
  - Parameter 10 0.5201613
- When Landsat-4,5 orbits are being used, use the following values for the specified parameters:
  - Parameter 4 098012000.0
  - Parameter 5 129.30 degrees - (360/233 \* path number) in packed DMS format
  - Parameter 9 98.884119
  - Parameter 10 0.5201613

The following notes apply for **BCEA projection** and **EASE grid**:

**HDFEOS 2.7 and 2.8:** Behrmann Cylindrical Equal-Area (BCEA) projection was used for 25 km global EASE grid. For this projection the Earth radius is set to 6371228.0m and latitude of true scale is 30 degrees. For 25 km global EASE grid the following apply:

```

Grid Dimensions
  Width 1383
  Height 586Map
Origin:
  Column (r0) 691.0
  Row (S0) 292.5
  Latitude 0.0
  Longitude 0.0
Grid Extent:
  Minimum Latitude 86.72S
  Maximum Latitude 86.72N
  Minimum Longitude 180.00W
  Maximum Longitude 180.00E
  Actual grid cell size 25.067525km

```

Grid coordinates (r,s) start in the upper left corner at cell (0,0), with r increasing to the right and s increasing downward.

**HDFEOS 2.8.1 and later:** Although the projection code and name kept the same, BCEA projection was generalized to accept Latitude of True Scales other than 30 degrees, Central Meridian other than zero, and ellipsoid earth model besides the spherical one with user supplied radius. This generalization along with the removal of hard coded grid parameters will allow users not only subsetting, but also creating other grids besides the 25 km global EASE grid and having freedom to use different appropriate projection parameters. With the current version one can create the above mentioned 25 km global EASE grid of previous versions using:

```

Grid Dimensions:
  Width 1383
  Height 586
Grid Extent:
  UpLeft Latitude 86.72
  LowRight Latitude -86.72
  UpLeft Longitude -180.00
  LowRight Longitude 180.00

```

Projection Parameters:

- 1)  $6371.2280/25.067525 = 254.16263$
- 2)  $6371.2280/25.067525 = 254.16263$
- 5) 0.0
- 6) 30000000.0
- 7) 691.0
- 8) -292.5

Also one may create **12.5 km global EASE grid** using:

Grid Dimensions:

Width 2766  
Height 1171

Grid Extent:

UpLeft Latitude 85.95  
LowRight Latitude -85.95  
UpLeft Longitude -179.93  
LowRight Longitude 180.07

Projection Parameters:

- 1)  $6371.2280/(25.067525/2) = 508.325253$
- 2)  $6371.2280/(25.067525/2) = 508.325253$
- 5) 0.0
- 6) 30000000.0
- 7) 1382.0
- 8) -585.0

Any other grids (normalized pixels or not) with generalized BCEA projection can be created using appropriate grid corners, dimension sizes, and projection parameters. Please note that like other projections Semi-major and Semi-minor axes will default to Clarke 1866 values (in meters) if they are set to zero.

**HDFEOS 2.10 and later:** A new projection CEA (97) was added to GCTP. This projection is the same as the generalized BCEA, except that the EASE grid produced will have its corners in meters rather than packed degrees, which is the case with EASE grid produced by BCEA.

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## 2. Function Reference

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### 2.1 Format

This section contains a function-by-function reference for each interface in the HDF-EOS library. Each function has a separate page describing it (in some cases there are multiple pages). Each page contains the following information (in order):

- Function name as used in C
- Function declaration in ANSI C format
- Description of each argument
- Purpose of routine
- Description of returned value
- Description of the operation of the routine
- A short example of how to use the routine in C
- The FORTRAN declaration of the function and arguments
- An equivalent FORTRAN example

#### 2.1.1 Point Interface Functions

This section contains an alphabetical listing of all the functions in the Point interface. The functions are alphabetized based on their C-language names.

# Attach to an Existing Point Structure

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## PTattach

int PTattach(int *fid*, char *\*pointname*)

*fid*            IN:    Point file id returned by PTopen

*pointname*    IN:    Name of point to be attached

*Purpose*        Attaches to an existing point within the file.

*Return value* Returns the point handle (*pointID*) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point file id or point name.

*Description* This routine attaches to the point using the *pointname* parameter as the identifier.

*Example*      In this example, we attach to the previously created point, "ExamplePoint", within the HDF file, PointFile.hdf, referred to by the handle, *fid*:

```
pointID = PTattach(fid, "ExamplePoint");
```

The point can then be referenced by subsequent routines using the handle, *pointID*.

*FORTRAN*     integer function ptattach(fid,pointname)

integer        fid

character\*(\*) pointname

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
status = ptattach(fid, "ExamplePoint")
```

## Return Information About a Point Attribute

---

### PTattrinfo

int PTattrinfo(int *pointID*, char \**attrname*, int \* *numbertype*, hsize\_t \**count*)

*pointID*        *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*attrname*     *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*numbertype*   *OUT:* *Number type of attribute*

*count*        *OUT:* *Number of total bytes in attribute*

*Purpose*        *Returns information about a point attribute*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns number type and number of elements (count) of a point attribute.*

*Example*      *In this example, we return information about the ScalarFloat attribute.*

```
status = PTattrinfo(pointID, "ScalarFloat",&nt,&count);
```

*The nt variable will have the value 5 and count will have the value 4.*

*FORTRAN*     *integer function ptattrinfo(pointid, attrname, ntype, count,)*

*Integer*        *pointid*

*character\*(\*)* *attrname*

*integer*        *ntype*

*integer*        *count*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
status = ptattrinfo(pointid, "ScalarFloat",nt,count)
```

## Return Linkage Field to Previous Level

---

### PTbcklinkinfo

int PTbcklinkinfo(int *pointID*, int *level*, char \**linkfield*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*level*        *IN:*    *Point level (0-based)*

*linkfield*    *OUT:* *Link field*

*Purpose*       *Returns the linkfield to the previous level.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns the linkfield to the previous level.*

*Example*     *In this example, we return the linkfield connecting the Observations level to the previous Desc-Loc level. (This levels are defined in the PTdeflevel routine.)*

```
status = PTbcklinkinfo(pointID2, 1, linkfield);
```

*The linkfield will contain the string: ID.*

*FORTRAN*    *integer ptblinkinfo(pointid, level, linkfield)*

*integer*                    *pointid*

*integer*                    *level*

*character\*(\*)*            *linkfield*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptblinkinfo(pointid2, 0, linkfield)
```

# Close an HDF-EOS File

---

## **PTclose**

intn PTclose(int32 *fid*)

*fid*            *IN:*    *Point file id returned by PTopen*

*Purpose*        *Closes file.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine closes the HDF point file.*

*Example*

```
status = PTclose(fid);
```

*FORTRAN*     *integer ptclose(fid)*

```
integer*4     fid
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptclose(fid)
```

# Create a New Point Structure

---

## PTcreate

int32 PTcreate(int32 *fid*, char \**pointname*)

*fid*            IN:    Point file id returned by PTopen

*pointname*    IN:    Name of point to be created

*Purpose*        Creates a point within the file.

*Return value* Returns the point handle (pointID) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The point is created as a Vgroup within the HDF file with the name *pointname* and class POINT.

*Example*      In this example, we create a new point structure, ExamplePoint, in the previously created file, PointFile.hdf.

```
pointID = PTcreate(fid, "ExamplePoint");
```

The point structure is then referenced by subsequent routines using the handle, pointID.

*FORTRAN*     integer\*4 function ptcreate(fid,pointname)

```
integer*4     fid
```

```
character*(*) pointname
```

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
pointid = ptcreate(fid, "ExamplePoint");
```

# Define Region of Interest by Latitude/Longitude

---

## PTdefboxregion

int32 PTdefboxregion(int32pointID, float64 cornerlon[], float64 cornerlat[])

pointID *IN:* Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

cornerlon *IN:* Longitude in decimal degrees of box corners

cornerlat *IN:* Latitude in decimal degrees of box corners

*Purpose* Defines a longitude-latitude box region for a point.

*Return value* Returns the point regionID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine defines an area of interest for a point. It returns a point region ID which is used by the PTexttractregion routine to read the fields from a level for those records within the area of interest. The point structure must have a level with both a Longitude and Latitude (or Colatitude) field defined

*Example* In this example, we define an area of interest with (opposite) corners at -145 degrees longitude, -15 degrees latitude and -135 degrees longitude, -8 degrees latitude.

```
cornerlon[0] = -145.;
cornerlat[0] = -15.;
cornerlon[1] = -135.;
cornerlat[1] = -8.;
regionID = PTdefboxregion(pointID, cornerlon, cornerlat);
```

*FORTTRAN* integer\*4 function ptdefboxreg(pointid, cornerlon, cornerlat)

integer\*4 pointid

real\*8 cornerlon

real\*8 cornerlat

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
cornerlon(1) = -145.
cornerlat(1) = -15.
cornerlon(2) = -135.
cornerlat(2) = -8.
regionid = ptdefboxreg(pointid, cornerlon, cornerlat)
```

# Define a New Level Within a Point

---

## PTdeflevel

intn PTdeflevel(int32 pointID, char \*levelname, char \*fieldlist, int32 fieldtype[], int32 fieldorder[])

pointID *IN: Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

levelname *IN: Name of level to be defined*

fieldlist *IN: List of fields in level*

fieldtype *IN: Array containing field type of each field within level*

fieldorder *IN: Array containing order of each field within level*

*Purpose* Defines a new level within the point.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine defines a level within the point. A simple point consists of a single level. A point where there is common data for a number of records can be more efficiently stored with multiple levels. The order in which the levels are defined determines the (0-based) level index.

*Example* Simple Point

*In this example, we define a simple single level point, with levelname, Sensor. The levelname should not contain any slashes ("/"). It consists of six fields, ID, Time, Longitude, Latitude, Temperature, and Mode defined in the field list. The fieldtype and fieldorder parameters are arrays consisting of the HDF number type codes and field orders, respectively. The Temperature is an array field of dimension 4 and the Mode field a character string of size 4. All other fields are scalars. Note that the order for numerical scalar variables can be either 0 or 1.*

```
int32 fieldtype[6] = {DFNT_INT16, DFNT_INT16,
                    DFNT_FLOAT32,DFNT_FLOAT32, DFNT_FLOAT32,DFNT_CHAR8};
int32 fieldorder[6] = {0,0,0,0,4,4};
char8 *fldlist =
    "ID,Time,Longitude,Latitude,Temperature,Mode";
status = PTdeflevel(pointID1, "Sensor", fldlist, fieldtype,
                    fieldorder);
```

### *Multi-Level Point*

*In this example, we define a two-level point that describes data from a network of fixed buoys. The first level contains information about each buoy and includes the name (label) of the buoy, its (fixed) longitude and latitude, its deployment date, and an ID that is used to link it to the following level. (The link field is defined in the PTdeflinkage routine described later.) The entries within this ID field must be unique. The second level contains the actual measurements from the buoys (rainfall and temperature values) plus the observation time and the ID which relates a given measurement to a particular buoy entry in the previous level. There can be many records in this level with the same ID since there can be multiple measurements from a single buoy. It is advantageous, although not mandatory, to store all records for a particular buoy (ID) contiguously.*

#### Level 0

```
int32 fieldtype0[5] = {DFNT_CHAR8, DFNT_FLOAT64,
                      DFNT_FLOAT64, DFNT_INT32, DFNT_CHAR8};
int32 fieldorder0[5] = {8,0,0,0,1};
char8 *fldlist0 = "Label,Longitude,Latitude,DeployDate,ID";
status = PTdeflevel(pointID2, "Desc-Loc", fldlist0, fieldtype0,
                    fieldorder0);
```

#### Level 1

```
int32 fieldtype1[4] = {DFNT_FLOAT64, DFNT_FLOAT32,
                      DFNT_FLOAT32, DFNT_CHAR8};
int32 fieldorder1[4] = {0,0,0,1};
char8 *fldlist1 = "Time,Rainfall,Temperature,ID";
status = PTdeflevel(pointID2, "Observations", fldlist1,
                    fieldtype1, fieldorder1);
```

*FORTRAN integer function ptdeflev(pointid, levelname, fieldlist, fieldtype, fieldorder)*

*integer\*4 pointid*

*character\*(\*) levelname*

*character\*(\*) fieldlist*

*integer\*4 fieldtype (\*)*

*integer\*4 fieldorder (\*)*

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the first example above is:

```
status = PTdeflevel(pointID1, "Sensor", fldlist, fieldtype,
                    fieldorder)
```

## Define Linkage Field Between Two Levels

---

### PTdeflinkage

intn PTdeflinkage(int32 pointID, char \*parent, char \*child, char \*linkfield)

pointID      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

parent        *IN:*    *Name of parent level*

child         *IN:*    *Name of child level*

linkfield     *IN:*    *Name of (common) linkfield*

*Purpose*        *Defines a linkfield between two (adjacent) levels.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine defines the linkfield between two levels. This field must be defined in both levels.*

*Example*      *In this example we define the ID field as the link between the two levels defined previously in the PTdeflevel routine.*

```
status = PTdeflinkage(pointID2, "Desc-Loc", "Observations",  
"ID");
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function ptdeflink(pointid, parent, child ,linkfield )*

*integer\*4*      *pointid*

*character\*(\*)* *parent*

*character\*(\*)* *child*

*character\*(\*)* *linkfield*

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
status = ptdeflink(pointid2, "Desc-Loc", "Observations",  
"ID")
```

# Define Time Period of Interest

---

## PTdeftimeperiod

int32 PTdeftimeperiod(int32pointID, float64 starttime, float64 stoptime)

*pointID* IN: *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*starttime* IN: *Start time of period*

*stoptime* IN: *Stop time of period*

*Purpose* *Defines a time period for a point.*

*Return value* *Returns the point periodID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine defines time period for a point. It returns a point period ID which is used by the PTextextractperiod routine to read the fields from a level for those records within the time period. The point structure must have a level with theTime field defined*

*Example* *In this example, we define a time period with a start time of 35208757.6 and a stop time of 35984639.2*

```
starttime = 35208757.6;
```

```
stoptime = 35984639.2;
```

```
periodID = PTdeftimeperiod(pointID, starttime, stoptime);
```

*FORTTRAN* *integer\*4 function ptdeftmeper(pointid, starttime,stoptime)*

```
integer*4 pointid
```

```
real*8 starttime
```

```
real*8 stoptime
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
starttime = 35208757.6
```

```
stoptime = 35984639.2
```

```
periodid = ptdeftmeper(pointid, starttime, stoptime)
```

*Note:*

*This function determines whether a record in the point data is within the specified time interval by doing a simple boolean comparison of the “Time” value and the “starttime” and “stoptime”. This simple boolean comparison does not take into account the precisions of the values being compared. As a result, the first and last records in the subset can be erroneously determined to be outside the interval simply because they are not defined to the maximum precision of a float 64 value. It is the responsibility of the user to subtract a tolerance from the starttime and add it to the stoptime before calling the function.*

## Define a Vertical Subset Region

---

### PTdefvrtregion

int32 PTdefvrtregion(int32 *pointID*, int32 *regionID*, char *\*fieldname*, float64 *range[]*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*regionID*     *IN:*    *Region (or period ) id from previous subset call*

*fieldname*   *IN:*    *Dimension or field to subset by*

*range*        *IN:*    *Minimum and maximum range for subset*

*Purpose*        *Selects records within a given range for the given field.*

*Return value* *Returns the point region ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine allows the user to select those records within a point whose field values are within a given range. (For the current version of this routine, the field must have one of the following number types: INT16, INT32, FLOAT32, FLOAT64.) This routine may be called after PTdefboxregion or PTdeftimeperiod to provide both geographic or time and “vertical” subsetting. In this case the user provides the id from the previous subset call. (This same id is then returned by the function.) This routine may also be called “stand-alone” by setting the input id to HDFE\_NOPREVSUB (-1).*

*This routine may be called as many times as desired for a single region. In this way a region can be subsetted using a number of field ranges. The PTregioninfo and PTextractregion routines work in the usual manner.*

*Example*      *Suppose we wish to find those records within a point whose Rainfall values fall between 1 and 2. We wish to search all the records within the point so we set the input region ID to HDFE\_NOPREVSUB (-1).*

```
range[0] = 1.;
range[1] = 2.;

regionID = PTdefvrtregion(pointID, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "Rainfall",
range);
```

*We now wish to subset further using the Temperature field.*

```
range[0] = 22.;
range[1] = 24.;

regionID = PTdefvrtregion(pointID, regionID, "Temperature",
range);
```

*The subsetted region referred to by regionID will now contain those records whose Rainfall field are between 1 and 2 **and** whose Temperature field are between 22 and 24.:*

*FORTRAN*    *integer\*4 function ptdefvrtreg(pointid, regionid, fieldname, range)*  
              *integer\*4*    pointid  
              *integer\*4*    regionid  
*character\*(\*)* fieldname  
              *real\*8*        range

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the examples above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_NOPREVSUB=-1)
range(1) = 1.
range(2) = 2.
regionid = ptdefvrtreg(pointid, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, 'Rainfall',
range)
range(1) = 22.        ! Note 1-based element numbers
range(2) = 24.
regionid = ptdefvrtreg(pointid, regionid, 'Temperature', range)
```

# Detach from Point Structure

---

## PTdetach

intn PTdetach(int32 *pointID*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*Purpose*        *Detaches from point data set.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine should be run before exiting from the point file for every point opened by PTcreate or PTattach.*

*Example*      *In this example, we detach the point structure, ExamplePoint:*

```
status = PTdetach(pointID);
```

*FORTTRAN*    *integer ptdetach(pointid)*

```
integer*4    pointid
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptdetach(pointid)
```

# Reads Point Records for a Specified Time Period

---

## PTextextractperiod

intn PTextextractperiod(int32 *pointID*, int32 *periodID*, int32 *level*, char \**fieldlist*,  
VOIDP *buffer*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id*

*periodID*    *IN:*    *Period id returned by PTdeftimeperiod*

*level*        *IN:*    *Point level (0-based)*

*fieldlist*    *IN:*    *List of fields to extract*

*buffer*       *OUT:* *Data buffer*

*Purpose*        *Extracts (reads) from subsetted time period.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine reads data from the designated level fields into the data buffer from the subsetted time period.*

*Example*      *In this example, we read data within the subsetted time period defined in Ptdeftimeperiod from theTime field.*

```
/* Read subsetted data into buffer */
```

```
status = PTextextractperiod(pointID, periodID, 0, "Time",  
datbuf);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function ptextper(pointid,periodid,level,fieldlist,buffer)*

*integer\*4*            *pointid*

*integer\*4*            *periodid*

*integer\*4*            *level*

*character\*(\*)*        *fieldlist*

*<valid type>*        *buffer(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptextper(pointid,periodid,0,"Time",datbuf)
```

# Reads Point Records for a Specified Geographic Region

---

## **PTextextractregion**

intn PTextextractregion(int32 *pointID*, int32 *regionID*, int32 *level*, char *\*fieldlist*,  
VOIDP *buffer*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id*

*regionID*    *IN:*    *Region id returned by PTdefboxregion*

*level*        *IN:*    *Point level (0-based)*

*fieldlist*    *IN:*    *List of fields to extract*

*buffer*       *OUT:*   *Data buffer*

*Purpose*        *Extracts (reads) from subsetted area of interest.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine reads data from the designated level fields into the data buffer from the subsetted area of interest.*

*Example*      *In this example, we read data within the subsetted area of interest defined in PTdefboxregion from the Longitude and Latitude fields.*

```
/* Read subsetted data into buffer */
```

```
status = PTextextractregion(pointID, regionID, 0,  
"Longitude, Latitude", datbuf);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function ptextreg(pointid, regionid, level, fieldlist, buffer)*

*integer\*4*            *pointid*

*integer\*4*            *regionid*

*integer\*4*            *level*

*character\*(\*)*        *fieldlist*

*<valid type>*        *buffer(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status =  
ptextreg(pointid, regionid, 0, "Longitude, Latitude", datbuf)
```

## Return Linkage Field to Following Level

---

### PTfwdlinkinfo

intn PTfwdlinkinfo(int32 *pointID*, int32 *level*, char *\*linkfield*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*level*        *IN:*    *Point level (0-based)*

*linkfield*    *OUT:* *Link field*

*Purpose*       *Returns the linkfield to the following level.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns the linkfield to the following level.*

*Example*     *In this example, we return the linkfield connecting the Desc-Loc level to the following Observations level. (These levels are defined in the PTdeflevel routine.)*

```
status = PTfwdlinkinfo(pointID2, 1, linkfield);
```

*The linkfield will contain the string: ID.*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer ptflinkinfo(pointid, level, linkfield)*

*integer\*4*            *pointid*

*integer\*4*            *level*

*character\*(\*)*        *linkfield*

*The equivalent FORTTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptflinkinfo(pointid2, 1, linkfield)
```

# Return Level Name

---

## PTgetlevelname

intn PTgetlevelname(int32 pointID,int32 level, char \*levelname, int32 \*strbufsize)

pointID      *IN:*    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

level        *IN:*    Point level (0-based)

levelname    *OUT:*   Level name

strbufsize   *OUT:*   String length of level name

*Purpose*       Returns the name of a level given the level number.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine returns the name of a level given the level number (0-based). If the user passes NULL for the levelname, the routine will return just the string length of the level name (not counting the null terminator).

*Example*     In this example, we return the level name of the 0<sup>th</sup> level of the second point defined in the PTdeflevel section:

```
status = PTgetlevelname(pointID2, 0, levelname, &strbufsize);
```

The levelname will contain the string: Desc-Loc and the strbufsize variable will be set to 8.

*FORTTRAN*    integer ptgetlevname(pointid, level, levelname,strbufsize)

integer\*4            pointid

integer\*4            level

character\*(\*)        levelname

integer\*4            strbufsize

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
status = ptgetlevname(pointid2, 0, levelname, strbufsize)
```

## Return Record Numbers Related to Level

---

### PTgetrecnums

intn PTgetrecnums(int32 pointID, int32 inlevel, int32 outlevel, int32 inNrec, int32 inRecs[],  
int32 \*outNrec, int32 outRecs[])

pointID *IN:* Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

inlevel *IN:* Level number of input records(0-based)

outlevel *IN:* Level number of output records(0-based)

inNrec *IN:* Number of records in the inRecs array

inRecs *IN:* Array containing the input record numbers.

outNrec *OUT:* Number of records in the outRecs array

outRecs *OUT* Array containing the output record numbers.

*Purpose* Returns the record numbers in one level corresponding to a group of records in a different level.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The records in one level are related to those in another through the link field. These in turn are related to the next. In this way each record in any level is related to others in all the levels of the point structure. The purpose of PTgetrecnums is to return the record numbers in one level that are connected to a given set of records in a different level. Note that the two levels need not be adjacent.

*Example* In this example, we get the record number in the second level that are related to the first record in the first level.

```
nrec = 1;  
  
recs[0] = 0;  
  
inLevel = 0;  
  
outLevel = 1;  
  
status = PTgetrecnums(pointID2, inLevel, outLevel, nrec, recs,  
&outNrec, outRecs);
```

*FORTRAN integer*  
*ptgetrecrenum(pointID,inlevel,outlevel,innrec,inrecs,outnrec,outrecs)*

<i>integer*4</i>	pointid
<i>integer*4</i>	inlevel
<i>integer*4</i>	outlevel
<i>integer*4</i>	innrec
<i>integer*4</i>	inrecs
<i>integer*4</i>	outnrec
<i>integer*4</i>	outnrecs

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status=ptgetrecrenums(pointid2,inlevel,outlevel,nrec,recs,outn
rec,outrecs)
```

# Retrieve Information About Point Attributes

---

## PTinqattr

int32 PTinqattr(int32 pointID, char \*attrlist, int32 \*strbufsize)

pointID      *IN:*    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

attrlist      *OUT:*   Attribute list (entries separated by commas)

strbufsize    *OUT:*   String length of attribute list

*Purpose*       Retrieve information about attributes defined in point.

*Return value* Number of attributes found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The attribute list is returned as a string with each attribute name separated by commas. If attrlist is set to NULL, then the routine will return just the string buffer size, strbufsize. This variable does not count the null string terminator.

*Example*      In this example, we retrieve information about the attributes defined in a point structure. We assume that there are two attributes stored, attrOne and attr\_2:

```
nattr = PTinqattr(pointID, NULL, strbufsize);
```

The parameter, nattr, will have the value 2 and strbufsize will have value 14.

```
nattr = PTinqattr(pointID, attrlist, strbufsize);
```

The variable, attrlist, will be set to:

"attrOne,attr\_2".

*FORTTRAN*    integer\*4 function ptinqattr(pointid,attrlist,strbufsize)

integer\*4     pointid

character\*(\*) attrlist

integer\*4     strbufsize

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nattr = ptinqattr(pointid, attrlist, strbufsize)
```

# Retrieve Point Structures Defined in HDF-EOS File

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## PTinqpoint

int32 PTinqpoint(char \* filename, char \*pointlist, int32 \*strbufsize)

filename     *IN: HDF-EOS filename*

pointlist    *OUT: Point list (entries separated by commas)*

strbufsize    *OUT: String length of point list*

*Purpose*       Retrieves number and names of points defined in HDF-EOS file.

*Return value* Number of points found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The point list is returned as a string with each point name separated by commas. If pointlist is set to NULL, then the routine will return just the string buffer size, strbufsize. If strbufsize is also set to NULL, the routine returns just the number of points. Note that strbufsize does not count the null string terminator.

*Example*     In this example, we retrieve information about the points defined in an HDF-EOS file, HDFEOS.hdf. We assume that there are two points stored, PointOne and Point\_2:

```
npoint = PTinqpoint("HDFEOS.hdf", NULL, strbufsize);
```

*The parameter, npoint, will have the value 2 and strbufsize will have value 16.*

```
npoint = PTinqpoint("HDFEOS.hdf", pointlist, strbufsize);
```

*The variable, pointlist, will be set to:*

*“PointOne,Point\_2”.*

*FORTTRAN*    integer\*4 function ptinqpoint(filename,pointlist,strbufsize)

          character\*(\*) filename

          character\*(\*) pointlist

integer\*4     strbufsize

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
npoint = ptinqpoint("HDFEOS.hdf", pointlist, strbufsize)
```

# Return Index Number of a Named Level

---

## PTlevelindx

int32 PTlevelindx(int32 *pointID*, char *\*levelname*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*levelname*    *IN:*    *Level Name*

*Purpose*        *Returns the level index (0-based) for a given (named) level.*

*Return value* *Returns the level index if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns the level index for a give level specified by name.*

*Example*      *In this example, we return the level index of the Observations level in the multilevel point structure defined in PTdeflevel.*

```
levindx = PTlevelindx(pointID2, "Observations");
```

*The levindx variable will have the value 1.*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 ptlevidx (pointid) levelname)*

*integer\*4*     *pointid*

*character\*(\*)* *levelname*

*The equivalent FORTTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
levindx = ptlevidx(pointid2, "Observations")
```

## Return Information on Fields in a Given Level

---

### PTlevelinfo

int32 PTlevelinfo(int32 pointID, int32 level, char \*fieldlist, int32 fldtype[], int32 fldorder[])

pointID      *IN:*    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

level        *IN:*    Point level (0-based)

fieldlist    *OUT:*   Field names in level

fldtype     *OUT:*   Number type of each field

fldorder    *OUT:*   Order of each field

*Purpose*      Returns information on fields in a given level.

*Return value* Returns number of fields if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or level number.

*Description* This routine returns information about the fields in a given level.

*Example*     In this example we return information about the Desc-Loc (1st) level defined previously.

```
nflds = PTlevelinfo(pointID2, 0, fldlist, fldtype, fldorder);
```

The fldlist variable will be set to:

*"Time,Longitude,Latitude,Channel,Value".*

The nflds = 5, the fldtype array = {22,5,5,22,5}, the fldorder array = {0,0,0,0,0}.

FORTTRAN     integer\*4 function ptleinfo(pointID, level, fieldlist, fldtype, fldorder)

integer\*4     pointid

integer\*4     level

character\*(\*) fieldlist

integer\*4     fldtype (\*)

integer\*4     fldorder (\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
nflds = ptleinfo(pointid2, 0, fldlist, fldtype, fldorder)
```

Unlike the C language example, all output parameters must be supplied in the call.

# Return Number of Fields Defined in a Level

---

## PTnfields

int32 PTnfields(int32 *pointID*, int32 *level*, int32 \**strbufsize*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*level*        *IN:*    *Level number (0-based)*

*strbufsize*    *OUT:*   *Size in bytes of fieldlist for level*

*Purpose*        *Returns number of fields in a level and the size of the fieldlist.*

*Return value* *Returns number of fields if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*   *This routine returns the number of fields in a level and the size of the comma-separated fieldlist. This value does NOT count the null character at the end of the string.*

*Example*        *In this example we retrieve the number of levels in the 2nd point defined previously:*

```
nflds = PTnfields(pointID2, 0, strbufsize);
```

*The nfldsvariable will be 5 and the strbufsize variable equal to 38.*

*FORTTRAN*      *integer\*4 function ptnflds(pointid), level, strbufsize*

*integer\*4*      *pointid*

*integer\*4*      *level*

*integer\*4*      *strbufsize*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
nflds = ptnflds(pointid2, 0, strbufsize)
```

# Return Number of Levels in a Point Structure

---

## PTnlevels

int32 PTnlevels(int32 *pointID*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*Purpose*        *Returns number of levels in a point.*

*Return value* *Returns number of levels if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id.*

*Description* *This routine returns the number of levels in a point.*

*Example*      *In this example we retrieve the number of levels in the 2nd point defined previously:*

```
nlevels = PTnlevels(pointID2);
```

*The nlevels variable will be 2.*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 function ptnlevs(pointid)*

*integer\*4*     *pointid*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
nlevels = ptnlevs(pointid2)
```

# Return Number of Records in a Given Level

---

## PTnrecs

int32 PTnrecs(int32 *pointID*, int32 *level*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*level*        *IN:*    *Level number (0-based)*

*Purpose*       *Returns number of records in a given level.*

*Return value* *Returns number of records in a given level if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or level number.*

*Description* *This routine returns the number of records in a given level.*

*Example*      *In this example we retrieve the number of records in the first level of the 2nd point defined previously:*

```
nrecs = PTnrecs(pointID2, 0);
```

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 function ptnrecs(pointid,level)*

```
integer*4            pointid
```

```
integer*4            level
```

*The equivalent FORTTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
nrecs = ptnrecs(pointid2, 0)
```

# Open HDF-EOS File

---

## PTopen

int32 PTopen(char \*filename, intn access)

filename     IN:     Complete path and filename for the file to be opened

access       IN:     DFACC\_READ, DFACC\_RDWR or DFACC\_CREATE

*Purpose*       Opens or creates HDF file in order to create, read, or write a point.

*Return value* Returns the point file id handle (fid) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine creates a new file or opens an existing one, depending on the access parameter.

*Access codes:*

DFACC\_READ     Open for read only. If file does not exist, error

DFACC\_RDWR    Open for read/write. If file does not exist, create it

DFACC\_CREATE   If file exist, delete it, then open a new file for read/write

*Example*       In this example, we create a new point file named, PointFile.hdf. It returns the file handle, fid.

```
fid = PTopen("PointFile.hdf", DFACC_CREATE);
```

*FORTTRAN*     integer\*4 function ptopen(filename, access)

character\*(\*) filename

integer        access

The access codes should be defined as parameters:

parameter (DFACC\_READ=1)

parameter (DFACC\_RDWR=3)

parameter (DFACC\_CREATE=4)

The equivalent *FORTTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
fid = ptopen("PointFile.hdf", DFACC_CREATE)
```

*Note to users of the SDP Toolkit:* Please refer to the Release 6A.07 SDP Toolkit User Guide for the ECS Project (333-CD-605-003), Section 6.2.1.2, for information on how to obtain a file name (referred to as a “physical file handle”) from within a PGE. See also Section 9 of this document for code examples.

## Returns Information About a Time Period

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### PTperiodinfo

intn PTperiodinfo(int32 *pointID*, int32 *periodID*, int32 *level*, char *\*fieldlist*,  
int32 *\*size*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id*

*periodID*     *IN:*    *Period id returned by PTdeftimeperiod*

*level*        *IN:*    *Point level (0-based)*

*fieldlist*    *IN:*    *List of fields to extract*

*size*         *OUT:*   *Size in bytes of subset period*

*Purpose*       *Retrieves information about the subsetted period.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns information about a subsetted time period for a particular fieldlist. It is useful when allocating space for a data buffer for the subset.*

*Example*     *In this example, we get the size of the subsetted time period defined in PTdeftimeperiod for the Time field.*

```
status = PTperiodinfo(pointID, periodID, 0, "Time", &size);
```

*FORTTRAN*   *integer function ptperinfor(pointid,periodid,level,fieldlist,size)*

*integer\*4*        *pointid*

*integer\*4*        *periodid*

*integer\*4*        *level*

*character\*(\*)*    *fieldlist*

*integer\*4*        *size*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptperinfor(pointid,periodid,0,"Time",size)
```

## Returns Record Numbers within a Time Period

---

### PTperiodrecs

intn PTperiodrecs(int32 pointID, int32 periodID, int32 level, int32 \*nrec, int32 recs[])

pointID     IN:    Point id

periodID    IN:    Period id returned by PTdeftimeperiod

level       IN:    Point level (0-based)

nrec        OUT:   Number of records within time period in level

recs        OUT:   Record numbers of subsetted records in level

*Purpose*     Retrieves record numbers within time period.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine returns the record numbers within a subsetted time period for a particular level. If the recs array is set to NULL, then the routine simply returns the number of records.

*Example*    In this example, we get the number of records and record numbers within the subsetted area of interest defined in PTdeftimeperiod for the 0<sup>th</sup> level.

```
status = PTperiodrecs(pointID, periodID, 0, &nrec, recs);
```

*FORTTRAN*   integer function ptperrrecs(pointid,periodid,level,nrec,recs)

integer\*4           pointid

integer\*4           periodid

integer\*4           level

integer\*4           nrec

integer\*4           recs(\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptperrrecs(pointid,periodid,0,nrec,recs)
```

# Read Point Attribute

---

## PTreadattr

intn PTreadattr(int32 *pointID*, char \**attrname*, VOIDP *datbuf*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*attrname*    *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*datbuf*      *IN:*    *Buffer allocated to hold attribute values*

*Purpose*      *Reads attribute from a point.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or number type or incorrect attribute name.*

*Description* *The attribute is passed by reference rather than value in order that a single routine suffice for all numerical types.*

*Example*     *In this example, we read a single precision (32 bit) floating point attribute with the name "ScalarFloat":*

```
status = PTreadattr(pointID, "ScalarFloat", &f32);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer function ptrdattr(pointid, attrname, datbuf)*

```
integer*4     pointid
```

```
character*(*) attrname
```

```
<valid type> datbuf(*)
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptrdattr(pointid, "ScalarFloat", f32)
```

# Read Records From a Point Level

---

## PTreadlevel

intn PTreadlevel(int32 *pointID*, int32 *level*, char *fieldlist*, int32 *nrec*, int32 *recs*[], VOIDP *buffer*)

*pointID*     IN:    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach  
*level*       IN:    Level to read (0-based)  
*fieldlist*   IN:    List of fields to read  
*nrec*        IN:    Number of records to read  
*recs*        IN:    Record number of records to read (0 - based)  
*buffer*      OUT:   Buffer to store data

*Purpose*        Reads data from a point level.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or unknown fieldname.

*Description* This routine reads data from the specified fields and records of a single level in a point. Sufficient space in the read buffer must be allocated by the user.

*Example*      In this example we read records 0, 2, and 3 from the Temperature and Mode fields in the first level in the point referred to by the point id, *pointID1*.

```
int32 recs[3] = {0,2,3};  
status = PTreadlevel(pointID1, 0, "Temperature,Mode", 3,  
                      recs, buffer);
```

*FORTTRAN*     integer function

*ptrdlev*(*pointid*,*level*,*fieldlist*,*nrec*,*recs*,*buffer*)

*integer\*4*     *pointid*

*integer\*4*     *level*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldlist*

*integer\*4*     *nrec*

*integer\*4*     *recs*(\*)

<valid type> *buffer*(\*)

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
integer*4 recs(10)
recs(1) = 0
recs(2) = 2
recs(3) = 3
status = ptrdlev(pointid1, 1, "Temperature,Mode", 3, recs,
    buffer)
```

## Returns Information About a Geographic Region

---

### PTregioninfo

intn PTregioninfo(int32 *pointID*, int32 *regionID*, int32 *level*, char *\*fieldlist*,  
int32 *\*size*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by Pcreate or PTattach*

*regionID*    *IN:*    *Region id returned by PTdefboxregion*

*level*        *IN:*    *Point level (0-based)*

*fieldlist*    *IN:*    *List of fields to extract*

*size*         *OUT:*   *Size in bytes of subset region*

*Purpose*       *Retrieves information about the subsetted region.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns information about a subsetted area of interest for a particular fieldlist. It is useful when allocating space for a data buffer for the subset.*

*Example*     *In this example, we get the size of the subsetted area of interest defined in PTdefboxregion from the Longitude and Latitude fields.*

```
status = PTregioninfo(pointID, regionID, 0,  
"Longitude, Latitude", &size);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer function ptreinfo(pointid,regionid,level,fieldlist,size)*

*integer\*4*            *pointid*

*integer\*4*            *regionid*

*integer\*4*            *level*

*character\*(\*)*        *fieldlist*

*integer\*4*            *size*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status =  
ptreinfo(pointid,regionid,0,"Longitude, Latitude",size)
```

# Returns Record Numbers within a Geographic Region

---

## PTregionrecs

intn PTregionrecs(int32 pointID, int32 regionID, int32 level, int32 \*nrec, int32 recs[])

pointID     IN:    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

regionID    IN:    Region id returned by PTdefboxregion

level       IN:    Point level (0-based)

nrec        OUT:   Number of records within geographic region in level

recs        OUT:   Record numbers of subsetted records in level

*Purpose*     Retrieves record numbers within geographic region.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine returns the record numbers within a subsetted geographic region for a particular level. If the recs array is set to NULL, then the routine simply returns the number of records.

*Example*    In this example, we get the number of records and record numbers within the subsetted area of interest defined in PTdefboxregion for the 0<sup>th</sup> level.

```
status = PTregionrecs(pointID, regionID, 0, &nrec, recs);
```

*FORTTRAN*   integer function ptregrecs(pointid,regionid,level,nrec,recs)

integer\*4            pointid

integer\*4            regionid

integer\*4            level

integer\*4            nrec

integer\*4            recs(\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = ptregrecs(pointid,regionid,0,nrec,recs)
```

## Return Information About Fields in a Point

---

### PTsizeof

int32 PTsizeof(int32 pointID, char \*fieldlist, int32 fldlevel[])

pointID      *IN:*    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

fieldlist     *IN:*    Field names

fldlevel      *OUT:*   Level number of each field

*Purpose*       Returns information on specified fields in point.

*Return value* Returns size in bytes of specified fields if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or field names.

*Description* This routine returns information about specified fields in a point regardless of level.

*Example*      In this example we return the size in bytes of the Label and Rainfall fields in the 2nd point defined in the PTdeflevel routine.

```
size = PTsizeof(pointID2, "Label,Rainfall", fldlevel);
```

The size variable will be 8 and the fldlevel = {1,2}.

FORTRAN

```
integer*4 function ptsizeof(pointID, fieldlist, fldlevel)
```

```
integer*4     pointid
```

```
character*(*) fieldlist
```

```
integer*4     fldlevel (*)
```

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
size = ptsizeof(pointid2, "Label,Rainfall", fldlevel)
```

# Update Records in a Point Structure

---

## PTupdatelevel

intn PTupdatelevel(int32 *pointID*, int32 *level*, char *fieldlist*, int32 *nrec*, int32 *recs*[], VOIDP *data*)

*pointID*     *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*level*       *IN:*    *Level to update (0-based)*

*fieldlist*   *IN:*    *List of fields to update*

*nrec*        *IN:*    *Number of records to update*

*recs*        *IN:*    *Record number of records to update (0 - based)*

*data*        *IN:*    *Values to be written to the fields*

*Purpose*        *Updates (corrects) data to a point level.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or unknown fieldname.*

*Description* *This routine updates the specified fields and records of a single level.*

*Example*      *In this example we update records 0, 2, and 3 in the Temperature and Mode fields in the first level in the point referred to by the point id, pointID1.*

```
int32 recs[3] = {0,2,3};  
  
/* Fill Data Buffer */  
  
status = PTupdatelevel(pointID1, 0, "Temperature,Mode", 3,  
                      recs, datbuf);
```

*The user may update a single record or all records in precisely the same manner as that used in the PTreadlevel examples.*

*FORTTRAN*     *integer function*

*ptuplev(pointid,level,fieldlist,nrec,recs,buffer)*

*integer\*4*     *pointid*

*integer\*4*     *level*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldlist*

*integer\*4*     *nrec*

*integer\*4*     *recs(\*)*

*<valid type>* *buffer(\*)*

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
integer*4 recs(10)

recs(1) = 0

recs(2) = 2

recs(3) = 3

status = ptuplev(pointid1, 1, "Temperature,Mode", 3, recs,
                 datbuf)
```

# Write/Update Point Attribute

---

## PTwriteattr

intn PTwriteattr(int32 *pointID*, char \**attrname*, int32 *n*type, int32 *count*, VOIDP *datbuf*)

*pointID*      *IN:*    *Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach*

*attrname*    *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*n*type        *IN:*    *Number type of attribute*

*count*       *IN:*    *Number of values to store in attribute*

*datbuf*      *IN:*    *Attribute values*

*Purpose*       *Writes/Updates attribute in a point.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or number type.*

*Description* *If the attribute does not exist, it is created. If it does exist, then the value(s) is (are) updated. The attribute is passed by reference rather than value in order that a single routine suffice for all numerical types. Because of this a literal numerical expression should not be used in the call.*

*Example*      *In this example, we write a single precision (32 bit) floating point number with the name "ScalarFloat" and the value 3.14:*

```
f32 = 3.14;  
  
status = PTwriteattr(pointid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32,  
1, &f32);
```

*We can update this value by simply calling the routine again with the new value:*

```
f32 = 3.14159;  
  
status = PTwriteattr(pointid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32,  
1, &f32);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer function ptwrattr(pointid, attrname,  
                  ntype, count, datbuf)*  
*integer\*4*    *pointid*  
*character\*(\*)* *attrname*  
*integer\*4*    *ntype*  
*integer\*4*    *count*  
*<valid type>* *datbuf(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)  
  
f32 = 3.14  
  
status = ptwrattr(pointid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32, 1,  
                  f32)
```

# Write New Records to a Point Level

---

## PTwritelevel

intn PTwritelevel(int32 pointID, int32 level, int32 nrec, VOIDP data)

pointID      *IN:*    Point id returned by PTcreate or PTattach

level         *IN:*    Level to write (0-based)

nrec          *IN:*    Number of records to write

data          *IN:*    Values to be written to the field

*Purpose*       Writes (appends) new records to a point level.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper point id or level number.

*Description* This routine writes (appends) full records to a level. The data in each record must be packed. Please refer to the section on Vdatas in the HDF documentation. The input data buffer must be sufficient to fill the number of records designated.

*Example*      In this example we write 5 records to the first level in the point referred to by the point id, pointID1.

```
;'/* Fill Data Buffer */  
status = PTwritelevel(pointID1, 0, 5, datbuf);
```

*FORTTRAN*     integer function  
ptwrlev(pointid,level,nrec,data)

integer\*4     pointid

integer\*4     level

integer\*4     nrec

<valid type> data(\*)

The equivalent *FORTTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
status = ptwrlev(pointid1, 0, 5, datbuf)
```

## 2.1.2 Swath Interface Functions

This section contains an alphabetical listing of all the functions in the Swath interface. The functions are alphabetized based on their C-language names.

# Attach to an Existing Swath Structure

---

## SWattach

int32 SWattach(int32 *fid*, char \**swathname*)

*fid*            IN:    *Swath file id returned by SWopen*

*swathname*    IN:    *Name of swath to be attached*

*Purpose*        *Attaches to an existing swath within the file.*

*Return value* *Returns the swath handle (swathID) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper swath file id or swath name.*

*Description* *This routine attaches to the swath using the swathname parameter as the identifier.*

*Example*       *In this example, we attach to the previously created swath, "ExampleSwath", within the HDF file, SwathFile.hdf, referred to by the handle, fid:*

```
swathID = SWattach(fid, "ExampleSwath");
```

*The swath can then be referenced by subsequent routines using the handle, swathID.*

*FORTRAN*       *integer\*4 function swattach(fid,swathname)*

```
integer*4     fid
```

```
character*(*) swathname
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
swathid = swattach(fid, "ExampleSwath")
```

## Return Information About a Swath Attribute

---

### SWattrinfo

intn SWattrinfo(int32 swathID, char \*attrname, int32 \* numbertype, int32 \*count)

swathID     IN:     Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

attrname    IN:     Attribute name

numbertype  OUT:    Number type of attribute

count       OUT:    Number of total bytes in attribute

*Purpose*     Returns information about a swath attribute

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine returns number type and number of elements (count) of a swath attribute.

*Example*    In this example, we return information about the ScalarFloat attribute.

```
status = SWattrinfo(swathID, "ScalarFloat", &nt, &count);
```

The nt variable will have the value 5 and count will have the value 4.

*FORTRAN*    integer function swattrinfo(swathid, attrname, ntype, count,)

```
integer*4     swathid
```

```
character*(*) attrname
```

```
integer*4     ntype
```

```
integer*4     count
```

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:

```
status = swattrinfo(swathid, "ScalarFloat", ntype, count)
```

# Close an HDF-EOS File

---

## SWclose

intn SWclose(int32 fid)

fid            *IN:*    Swath file id returned by SWopen

*Purpose*        Closes file.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine closes the HDF swath file.

*Example*

```
status = swclose(fid);
```

*FORTRAN*    integer function swclose(fid)

```
integer*4    fid
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swclose(fid)
```

# Retrieve Compression Information for Field

---

## SWcompinfo

intn SWcompinfo(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 \**compcode*, intn *compparm*[])

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Fieldname*

*compcode*     *OUT:* *HDF compression code*

*compparm*     *OUT:* *Compression parameters*

*Purpose*        *Retrieves compression information about a field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns the compression code and compression parameters for a given field.*

*Example*       *To retrieve the compression information about the Opacity field defined in the SWdefcomp section:*

```
status = SWcompinfo(swathID, "Opacity", &compcode, compparm);
```

*The compcode parameter will be set to 4 and compparm[0] to 5.*

*FORTTRAN*     *integer function swcompinfo(gridid,fieldname compcode, compparm)*

*integer\*4*      *swathid*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldname*

*integer\*4*      *compcode*

*integer*        *compparm*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swcompinfo(swathid, 'Opacity', compcode, compparm)
```

*The compcode parameter will be set to 4 and compparm(1) to 5.*

## Create a New Swath Structure

---

### SWcreate

int32 SWcreate(int32 *fid*, char \**swathname*)

*fid*            IN:    *Swath file id returned by SWopen*

*swathname*    IN:    *Name of swath to be created*

*Purpose*        *Creates a swath within the file.*

*Return value* *Returns the swath handle (swathID) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *The swath is created as a Vgroup within the HDF file with the name swathname and class SWATH.*

*Example*       *In this example, we create a new swath structure, ExampleSwath, in the previously created file, SwathFile.hdf.*

```
swathID = SWcreate(fid, "ExampleSwath");
```

*The swath structure is referenced by subsequent routines using the handle, swathID.*

*FORTRAN*       *integer\*4 function swcreate(fid,swathname)*

```
integer*4        fid
```

```
character*(*)    swathname
```

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
swathid = swcreate(fid, "ExampleSwath")
```

# Define a Longitude-Latitude Box Region for a Swath

---

## SWdefboxregion

int32 SWdefboxregion(int32 *swathID*, float64 *cornerlon*[], float64 *cornerlat*[], int32 *mode*)

*swathID*      *IN:*      *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*cornerlon*    *IN:*      *Longitude in decimal degrees of box corners*

*cornerlat*    *IN:*      *Latitude in decimal degrees of box corners*

*mode*          *IN:*      *Cross Track inclusion mode*

*Purpose*        *Defines a longitude-latitude box region for a swath.*

*Return value* *Returns the swath region ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*    *This routine defines a longitude-latitude box region for a swath. It returns a swath region ID which is used by the SWextractregion routine to read all the entries of a data field within the region. A cross track is within a region if 1) its midpoint is within the longitude-latitude "box" (HDFE\_MIDPOINT), or 2) either of its endpoints is within the longitude-latitude "box" (HDFE\_ENDPOINT), or 3) any point of the cross track is within the longitude-latitude "box" (HDFE\_ANYPOINT), depending on the inclusion mode designated by the user. All elements within an included cross track are considered to be within the region even though a particular element of the cross track might be outside the region. The swath structure must have both Longitude and Latitude (or Colatitude) fields defined*

*Note: Users who are defining subset regions involving scenes with overlaps should add a call to the routine in SWupdatescene after calling this routine in order to get correctly defined region.*

*Example*        *In this example, we define a region bounded by the 3 degrees longitude, 5 degrees latitude and 7 degrees longitude, 12 degrees latitude. We will consider a cross track to be within the region if its midpoint is within the region.*

```
cornerlon[0] = 3.;
```

```
cornerlat[0] = 5.;
```

```
cornerlon[1] = 7.;
```

```
cornerlat[1] = 12.;
```

```
regionID = SWdefboxregion(swathID, cornerlon, cornerlat,  
                           HDFE_MIDPOINT);
```

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 function swdefboxreg(swathid, cornerlon, cornerlat, mode)*  
*integer\*4*    *swathid*  
*real\*8*        *cornerlon*  
*real\*8*        *cornerlat*  
*integer\*4*    *mode*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_MIDPOINT=0)
cornerlon(1) = 3.
cornerlat(1) = 5.
cornerlon(2) = 7.
cornerlat(2) = 12.
regionid = swdefboxreg(swathid, cornerlon, cornerlat,
                      HDFE_MIDPOINT)
```

# Set Swath Field Compression

---

## SWdefcomp

intn SWdefcomp(int32 *swathID*, int32 *comPCODE*, intn *compparm*[])

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*comPCODE*    *IN:*    *HDF compression code*

*compparm*    *IN:*    *Compression parameters (if applicable)*

*Purpose*        *Sets the field compression for all subsequent field definitions.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description*    *This routine sets the HDF field compression for subsequent swath field definitions. The compression does not apply to one-dimensional fields. The compression schemes currently supported are: run length encoding (HDFE\_COMP\_RLE = 1), skipping Huffman (HDFE\_COMP\_SKPHUFF = 3), deflate (gzip) (HDFE\_COMP\_DEFLATE=4) and no compression (HDFE\_COMP\_NONE = 0, the default). Deflate compression requires a single integer compression parameter in the range of one to nine with higher values corresponding to greater compression. Compressed fields are written using the standard SWwritefield routine, however, the entire field must be written in a single call. Any portion of a compressed field can then be accessed with the SWreadfield routine. Compression takes precedence over merging so that multi-dimensional fields that are compressed are not merged. The user should refer to the HDF Reference Manual for a fuller explanation of the compression schemes and parameters.*

*Example*        *Suppose we wish to compress the Pressure using run length encoding, the Opacity field using deflate compression, the Spectra field with skipping Huffman compression, and use no compression for the Temperature field.*

```
status = SWdefcomp(swathID, HDFE_COMP_RLE, NULL);  
  
status = SWdefdatafield(swathID, "Pressure", "Track,Xtrack",  
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);  
  
compparm[0] = 5;  
  
status = SWdefcomp(swathID, HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE, compparm);  
  
status = SWdefdatafield(swathID, "Opacity", "Track,Xtrack",  
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);  
  
status = SWdefcomp(swathID, HDFE_COMP_SKPHUFF, NULL);
```

```

status = SWdefdatafield(swathID, "Spectra",
"Bands,Track,Xtrack", DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);

status = SWdefcomp(swathID, HDFE_COMP_NONE, NULL);

status = SWdefdatafield(swathID, "Temperature", "Track,Xtrack",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE);

```

*Note that the HDFE\_AUTOMERGE parameter will be ignored in the Temperature field definition.*

*FORTRAN integer function swdefcomp(swathid, compcode, compparm)*

*integer\*4 swathid*  
*integer compcode*

*integer compparm*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```

parameter (HDFE_COMP_NONE=0)

parameter (HDFE_COMP_RLE=1)

parameter (HDFE_COMP_SKPHUFF=3)

parameter (HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE=4)

integer compparm(5)

status = swdefcomp(swathid, HDFE_COMP_RLE, compparm)

status = swdefdfld(swathid, "Pressure", "Track,Xtrack",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)

compparm(1) = 5

status = swdefcomp(swathid, HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE, compparm)

status = swdefdfld(swathid, "Opacity", "Track,Xtrack",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)

status = swdefcomp(swathid, HDFE_COMP_SKPHUFF, compparm)

status = swdefdfld(swathid, "Spectra", "Bands,Track,Xtrack",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)

status = swdefcomp(swathid, HDFE_COMP_NONE, compparm)

status = swdefdfld(swathid, "Temperature", "Track,Xtrack",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE)

```

## Define a New Data Field Within a Swath

---

### SWdefdatafield

intn SWdefdatafield(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, char \**dimlist*, int32 *numbertype*, int32 *merge*)

*swathID* IN: Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

*fieldname* IN: Name of field to be defined

*dimlist* IN: The list of data dimensions defining the field

*numbertype* IN: The number type of the data stored in the field

*merge* IN: Merge code (HDFE\_NOMERGE (0) - no merge, HDFE\_AUTOMERGE (1) -merge)

*Note:* Illegal characters are: “/” “;” “,”

*Purpose* Defines a new data field within the swath.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is unknown dimension in the dimension list.

*Description* This routine defines geolocation fields to be stored in the swath. The dimensions are entered as a string consisting of geolocation dimensions separated by commas. They are entered in C order, that is, the last dimension is incremented first. The API will attempt to merge into a single object those fields that share dimensions and in case of multidimensional fields, *numbertype*. Two and three dimensional fields will be merged into a single three-dimensional object if the last two dimensions (in C order) are equal. If the merge code for a field is set to HDF\_NOMERGE (0) , the API will not attempt to merge it with other fields. Because merging breaks the one-to-one correspondence between HDF-EOS fields and HDF SDS arrays, it should not be set if the user wishes to access the HDF-EOS field directly using HDF routines or, for example, to create an HDF attribute corresponding to the field.

*Example* In this example, we define a three dimensional data field named Spectra with dimensions Bands, DataTrack, and DataXtrack:

```
status = SWdefdatafield(swathID, "Spectra",  
                        "Bands,DataTrack,DataXtrack", DFNT_FLOAT32,  
                        HDFE_AUTOMERGE);
```

*Note:* To assure that the fields defined by SWdefdatafield are properly established in the file, the swath should be detached (and then reattached) before writing to any fields.

*FORTRAN integer function swdefdfld(swathid, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype, merge)*

*integer\*4 swathid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*character\*(\*) dimlist*

*integer\*4 numbertype*

*integer\*4 merge*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)
```

```
parameter (HDFE_AUTOMERGE=1)
```

```
status = swdefdfld(swathid, "Spectra",  
                  "DataXtrack,DataTrack,Bands", DFNT_FLOAT32,  
                  HDFE_AUTOMERGE)
```

# Define a New Dimension Within a Swath

---

## SWdefdim

intn SWdefdim(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *dim*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *swath* returned by *SWcreate* or *SWattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Name of dimension to be defined*

*dim*            *IN:*    *The size of the dimension*

*Purpose*        *Defines a new dimension within the swath.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is an improper swath id.*

*Note:*         *Illegal characters are: “/” “;” “,”*

*Description* *This routine defines dimensions that are used by the field definition routines (described subsequently) to establish the size of the field.*

*Example*       *In this example, we define a track geolocation dimension, GeoTrack, of size 2000, a cross track dimension, GeoXtrack, of size 1000 and two corresponding data dimensions with twice the resolution of the geolocation dimensions:*

```
status = SWdefdim(swathID, "GeoTrack", 2000);
status = SWdefdim(swathID, "GeoXtrack", 1000);
status = SWdefdim(swathID, "DataTrack", 4000);
status = SWdefdim(swathID, "DataXtrack", 2000);
status = SWdefdim(swathID, "Bands", 5);
```

*To specify an unlimited dimension which can be used to define an appendable array, the dimension value should be set to zero or equivalently, SD\_UNLIMITED:*

```
status = SWdefdim(swathID, "Unlim", SD_UNLIMITED);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function swdefdim(swathid,fieldname,dim)*

*integer\*4*      *swathid*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldname*

*integer\*4*      *dim*

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the first example above is:

```
status = swdefdim(swathid, "GeoTrack", 2000)
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the unlimited dimension example above is:*

```
parameter (SD_UNLIMITED=0)  
status = swdefdim(swathid, "Unlim", SD_UNLIMITED)
```

# Define Mapping Between Geolocation and Data Dimensions

---

## SWdefdimmap

intn SWdefdimmap(int32 *swathID*, char \**geodim*, char \**datadim*, int32 *offset*, int32 *increment*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*geodim*      *IN:*    *Geolocation dimension name*

*datadim*     *IN:*    *Data dimension name*

*offset*      *IN:*    *The offset of the geolocation dimension with respect to the data dimension*

*increment*   *IN:*    *The increment of the geolocation dimension with respect to the data dimension*

*Purpose*      *Defines monotonic mapping between the geolocation and data dimensions.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is incorrect geolocation or data dimension name.*

*Description* *Typically the geolocation and data dimensions are of different size (resolution). This routine established the relation between the two where the offset gives the index of the data element (0-based) corresponding to the first geolocation element and the increment gives the number of data elements to skip for each geolocation element. If the geolocation dimension begins "before" the data dimension, then the offset is negative. Similarly, if the geolocation dimension has higher resolution than the data dimension, then the increment is negative.*

*Example*     *In this example, we establish that (1) the first element of the GeoTrack dimension corresponds to the first element of the DataTrack dimension and the data dimension has twice the resolution as the geolocation dimension, and (2) the first element of the GeoXtrack dimension corresponds to the second element of the DataTrack dimension and the data dimension has twice the resolution as the geolocation dimension:*

```
status = SWdefdimmap(swathID, "GeoTrack", "DataTrack", 0,
2);

status = SWdefdimmap(swathID, "GeoXtrack", "DataXtrack", 1,
2);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer function*  
*swdefmap(swathid,geodim,datadim,offset,increment)*

*integer\*4*    swathid  
*character\*(\*)* geodim  
*character\*(\*)* datadim  
*integer\*4*    offset  
*integer\*4*    increment

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the second example above is:

```
status = swdefmap(swathid, "GeoTrack", "DataTrack", 0, 2)  
status = swdefmap(swathid, "GeoXtrack", "DataXtrack", 1, 2)
```

# Define a New Geolocation Field Within a Swath

---

## SWdefgeofield

intn SWdefgeofield(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, char \**dimlist*, int32 *numbertype*, int32 *merge*)

*swathID*     *IN:*     *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*fieldname*     *IN:*     *Name of field to be defined*

*dimlist*     *IN:*     *The list of geolocation dimensions defining the field*

*numbertype*     *IN:*     *The number type of the data stored in the field*

*merge*     *IN:*     *Merge code (HDFE\_NOMERGE (0) - no merge, HDFE\_AUTOMERGE (1) -merge)*

*Purpose*     *Defines a new geolocation field within the swath.*

*Return value*     *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is unknown dimension in the dimension list.*

*Description*     *This routine defines geolocation fields to be stored in the swath. The dimensions are entered as a string consisting of geolocation dimensions separated by commas. They are entered in C order, that is, the last dimension is incremented first. The API will attempt to merge into a single object those fields that share dimensions and in case of multidimensional fields, numbertype. Two and three dimensional fields will be merged into a single three-dimensional object if the last two dimensions (in C order are equal). If the merge code for a field is set to 0, the API will not attempt to merge it with other fields. Fields using the unlimited dimension will not be merged. Because merging breaks the one-to-one correspondence between HDF-EOS fields and HDF SDS arrays, it should not be set if the user wishes to access the HDF-EOS field directly using HDF routines or, for example, to create an HDF attribute corresponding to the field.*

*Example*     *In this example, we define the geolocation fields, Longitude and Latitude with dimensions GeoTrack and GeoXtrack and containing 4 byte floating point numbers. We allow these fields to be merged into a single object:*

```
status = SWdefgeofield(swathID, "Longitude",  
                      "GeoTrack,GeoXtrack", DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE);  
  
status = SWdefgeofield(swathID, "Latitude",  
                      "GeoTrack,GeoXtrack", DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE);
```

*Note: To assure that the fields defined by SWdefgeofield are properly established in the file, the swath should be detached (and then reattached) before writing to any fields.*

*FORTRAN integer function swdefgfld(swathid, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype, merge)*

*integer\*4 swathid*  
*character\*(\*) fieldname*  
*character\*(\*) dimlist*  
*integer\*4 numbertype*  
*integer\*4 merge*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)
parameter (HDFE_AUTOMERGE=1)

status = SWdefgeofield(swathID, "Longitude",
                      "Geotrack,GeoXtrack", DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE)
```

*The dimensions are entered in FORTRAN order with the first dimension incremented first.*

# Define Indexed Mapping Between Geolocation and Data Dimension

---

## SWdefidxmap

intn SWdefidxmap(int32 swathID, char \*geodim, char \*datadim, int32 index[]),

swathID     IN:     Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach  
geodim       IN:     Geolocation dimension name  
datadim      IN:     Data dimension name  
index        IN:     The array containing the indices of the data dimension to which  
                  each geolocation element corresponds.

*Purpose*        Defines a non-regular mapping between the geolocation and data dimension.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is incorrect geolocation or data dimension name.

*Description* If there does not exist a regular (linear) mapping between a geolocation and data dimension, then the mapping must be made explicit. Each element of the index array, whose dimension is given by the geolocation size, contains the element number (0-based) of the corresponding data dimension.

*Example*       In this example, we consider the (simple) case of a geolocation dimension, IdxGeo of size 5 and a data dimension IdxData of size 8.

```
int32 index[5] = {0,2,3,6,7};
```

```
status = SWdefidxmap(swathID, "IdxGeo", "IdxData", index);
```

*In this case the 0th element of IdxGeo will correspond to the 0th element of IdxData, the 1st element of IdxGeo to the 2nd element of IdxData, etc.*

*FORTTRAN*     integer function

```
swdefimap(swathid, geodim, datadim, index)
```

```
integer*4     swathid
```

```
character*(*) geodim
```

```
character*(*) datadim
```

```
integer*4     index (*)
```

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
int32 index[5] = {0,2,3,6,7};  
status = swidefmap(swathid, "IdxGeo", "IdxData", index)
```

*Note: The index array should be 0-based.*

## Define a Time Period of Interest

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### SWdeftimeperiod

int32 SWdeftimeperiod(int32swathID, float64 starttime , float64 stoptime  
int32 mode)

swathID      *IN:*      *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

starttime    *IN:*      *Start time of period*

stoptime     *IN:*      *Stop time of period*

mode         *IN:*      *Cross Track inclusion mode*

*Purpose*       *Defines a time period for a swath.*

*Return value* *Returns the swath period ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine defines a time period for a swath. It returns a swath period ID which is used by the SWextractperiod routine to read all the entries of a data field within the time period. A cross track is within a time period if 1) its midpoint is within the time period "box", or 2) either of its endpoints is within the time period "box", or 3) any point of the cross track is within the time period "box", depending on the inclusion mode designated by the user. All elements within an included cross track are considered to be within the time period even though a particular element of the cross track might be outside the time period. The swath structure must have the Time field defined*

*Example*      *In this example, we define a time period with a start time of 35232487.2 and a stop time of 36609898.1. We will consider a cross track to be within the time period if either one of the time values at the endpoints of a cross track are within the time period.*

```
starttime = 35232487.2;
```

```
stoptime = 36609898.1;
```

```
periodID = SWdeftimeperiod(swathID, starttime, stoptime,  
                              HDFE_ENDPOINT);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer\*4 function swdeftmeper(swathid, starttime, stoptime, mode)*  
*integer\*4*    *swathid*  
*real\*8*        *starttime*  
*real\*8*        *stoptime*  
*integer\*4*    *mode*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_ENDPOINT=1)  
starttime = 35232487.2  
stoptime = 36609898.1
```

*periodID = swdeftmeper(swathID, starttime, stoptime, HDFE\_ENDPOINT)*

## Define a Vertical Subset Region

---

### SWdefvrtregion

int32 SWdefvrtregion(int32 *swathID*, int32 *regionID*, char \**vertObj*, float64 *range*[])

*swathID*      *IN:*      *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*regionID*    *IN:*      *Region (or period ) id from previous subset call*

*vertObj*      *IN:*      *Dimension or field to subset by*

*range*        *IN:*      *Minimum and maximum range for subset*

*Purpose*        *Subsets on a **monotonic** field or contiguous elements of a dimension.*

*Return value* *Returns the swath region ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *Whereas the SWdefboxregion and SWdeftimeperiod routines perform subsetting along the “Track” dimension, this routine allows the user to subset along any dimension. The region is specified by a set of minimum and maximum values and can represent either a dimension index (case 1) or field value range(case 2) . In the second case, the field must be one-dimensional and the values must be **monotonic** (strictly increasing or decreasing) in order that the resulting dimension index range be contiguous. (For the current version of this routine, the second option is restricted to fields with number type: INT16, INT32, FLOAT32, FLOAT64.) This routine may be called after SWdefboxregion or SWdeftimeperiod to provide both geographic or time and “vertical” subsetting . In this case the user provides the id from the previous subset call. (This same id is then returned by the function.) This routine may also be called “stand-alone” by setting the region ID to HDFE\_NOPREVSUB (-1).*

*This routine may be called up to eight times with the same region ID. It this way a region can be subsetted along a number of dimensions.*

*The SWregioninfo and SWextractregion routines work as before, however because there is no mapping performed between geolocation dimensions and data dimensions the field to be subsetted, (the field specified in the call to SWregioninfo and SWextractregion) must contain the dimension used explicitly in the call to SWdefvrtregion (case 1) or the dimension of the one-dimensional field (case 2).*

*Example*      *Suppose we have a field called Pressure of dimension Height (= 10) whose values increase from 100 to 1000. If we desire all the elements with values between 500 and 800, we make the call:*

```
range[0] = 500.;
range[1] = 800.;
regionID = SWdefvrtregion(swathID, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "Pressure",
range);
```

*The routine determines the elements in the Height dimension which correspond to the values of the Pressure field between 500 and 800.*

*If we wish to specify the subset as elements 2 through 5 (0 - based) of the Height dimension, the call would be:*

```
range[0] = 2;
range[1] = 5;
regionID = SWdefvrtregion(swathID, HDFE_NOPREVSUB,
"DIM:Height", range);
```

*The "DIM:" prefix tells the routine that the range corresponds to elements of a dimension rather than values of a field.*

*In this example, any field to be subsetted must contain the Height dimension.*

*If a previous subset region or period was defined with id, subsetID, that we wish to refine further with the vertical subsetting defined above we make the call:*

```
regionID = SWdefvrtregion(swathID, subsetID, "Pressure",
range);
```

*The return value, regionID is set equal to subsetID. That is, the subset region is modified rather than a new one created.*

*We can further refine the subset region with another call to the routine:*

```
freq[0] = 1540.3;
freq[1] = 1652.8;
regionID = SWdefvrtregion(swathID, regionID, "FreqRange",
freq);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer\*4 function swdefvrtreg(swathid, regionid, vertobj, range)*

*integer\*4*      *swathid*

*integer\*4*      *regionid*

*character\*(\*)* *vertobj*

*real\*8*          *range*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the examples above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_NOPREVSUB=-1)
```

```
range(1) = 500.  
range(2) = 800.  
regionid = swdefvrtreg(swathid, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "Pressure",  
range)  
range(1) = 3 ! Note 1-based element numbers  
range(2) = 6  
regionid = swdefvrtreg(swathid, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "DIM:Height",  
range)  
regionid = swdefvrtreg(swathid, subsetid, "Pressure", range)  
regionid = swdefvrtreg(swathid, regionid, "FreqRange", freq)
```

# Detach from a Swath Structure

---

## SWdetach

intn SWdetach(int32 *swathID*)

*swathID*      *IN:*      *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*Purpose*      *Detaches from swath interface.*

*Return value*      *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*      *This routine should be run before exiting from the swath file for every swath opened by SWcreate or SWattach.*

*Example*      *In this example, we detach the swath structure, ExampleSwath:*

```
status = SWdetach(swathID);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function swdetach(*swathid*)*

```
integer*4      swathid
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swdetach(swathid)
```

## Retrieve Size of Specified Dimension

---

### SWdiminfo

int32 SWdiminfo(int32 *swathID*, char \**dimname*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*dimname*     *IN:*    *Dimension name*

*Purpose*        *Retrieve size of specified dimension.*

*Return value* *Size of dimension if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. If -1, could signify an improper swath id or dimension name.*

*Description* *This routine retrieves the size of specified dimension.*

*Example*      *In this example, we retrieve information about the dimension, "GeoTrack":*

```
dimsize = SWdiminfo(swathID, "GeoTrack");
```

*The return value, dimsize, will be equal to 2000.*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 function swdiminfo(swathid,dimname)*

```
integer*4     swathid
```

```
character*(*) dimname
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
dimsize = swdiminfo(swathid, "GeoTrack")
```

# Duplicate a Region or Period

---

## SWdupregion

int32 SWdupregion(int32 regionID)

regionID     *IN:*     Region or period id returned by SWdefboxregion, SWdeftimeperiod, or SWdefvrtregion.

*Purpose*         Duplicates a region.

*Return value*   Returns new region or period ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description*    This routine copies the information stored in a current region or period to a new region or period and generates a new id. It is usefully when the user wishes to further subset a region (period) in multiple ways.

*Example*         In this example, we first subset a swath with SWdefboxregion, duplicate the region creating a new region ID, regionID2, and then perform two different vertical subsets of these (identical) geographic subset regions:

```
regionID = SWdefboxregion(swathID, cornerlon, cornerlat,
                          HDFE_MIDPOINT);

regionID2 = SWdupregion(regionID);

regionID = SWdefvrtregion(swathID, regionID, "Pressure",
                          rangePres);

regionID2 = SWdefvrtregion(swathID, regionID2, "Temperature",
                          rangeTemp);
```

*FORTTRAN*     integer\*4 swdupreg(regionid)

integer\*4     regionid

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_MIDPOINT=0)

regionid = swdefboxreg(swathid, cornerlon, cornerlat,
                      HDFE_MIDPOINT)

regionid2 = swdupreg(regionid)

regionid = swdefvrtreg(swathid, regionid, 'Pressure',
                      rangePres)

regionid2 = swdefvrtreg(swathid, regionid2, 'Temperature',
                      rangeTemp)
```

## Read Data from a Defined Time Period

---

### SWextractperiod

intn SWextractperiod(int32 *swathID*, int32 *periodID*, char \* *fieldname*, int32 *external\_mode*, VOIDP *buffer*)

*swathID*                    *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*periodID*                   *IN:*    *Period id returned by SWdeftimeperiod*

*fieldname*                *IN:*    *Field to subset*

*external\_mode*            *IN:*    *External geolocation mode*

*buffer*                    *OUT:* *Data buffer*

*Purpose*                    *Extracts (reads) from subsetted time period.*

*Return value*            *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*            *This routine reads data into the data buffer from the subsetted time period. Only complete crosstracks are extracted. If the external\_mode flag is set to HDFE\_EXTERNAL (1) then the geolocation fields and the data field can be in different swaths. If set to HDFE\_INTERNAL (0), then these fields must be in the same swath structure.*

*Example*                 *In this example, we read data within the subsetted time period defined in SWdeftimeperiod from the Spectra field. Both the geolocation fields and the Spectra data field are in the same swath.*

```
status = SWextractperiod(SWid, periodID, "Spectra",  
                          HDFE_INTERNAL, datbuf);
```

*FORTRAN*                *integer function swextper(periodid, fieldname, external\_mode, buffer)*

*integer\*4*                *periodid*

*character\*(\*)*           *fieldname*

*integer\*4*                *external\_mode*

*<valid type>*            *buffer(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_INTERNAL=0)  
status = swextper(periodid, "Spectra", HDFE_INTERNAL, datbuf)
```

# Read Data from a Geographic Region

---

## SWextractregion

intn SWextractregion(int32 *swathID*, int32 *regionID*, char \* *fieldname*, int32 *external\_mode*,  
VOIDP *buffer*)

*swathID*            *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*regionID*           *IN:*    *Region id returned by SWdefboxregion*

*fieldname*           *IN:*    *Field to subset*

*external\_mode*       *IN:*    *External geolocation mode*

*buffer*               *OUT:*   *Data buffer*

*Purpose*               *Extracts (reads) from subsetted region.*

*Return value*       *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*       *This routine reads data into the data buffer from the subsetted region. Only complete crosstracks are extracted. If the external\_mode flag is set to HDFE\_EXTERNAL (1) then the geolocation fields and the data field can be in different swaths. If set to HDFE\_INTERNAL (0), then these fields must be in the same swath structure.*

*Example*             *In this example, we read data within the subsetted region defined in SWdefboxregion from the Spectra field. Both the geolocation fields and the Spectra data field are in the same swath.*

```
status = SWextractregion(SWid, regionID, "Spectra",  
                          HDFE_INTERNAL, datbuf);
```

*FORTRAN*             *integer function swextreg(swathid, regionid, fieldname, external\_mode,  
                          buffer)*

*integer\*4*            *swathid*

*integer\*4*            *regionid*

*character\*(\*)*       *fieldname*

*integer\*4*            *external\_mode*

*<valid type>*       *buffer(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_INTERNAL=0)
```

```
status = swextreg(swathid, regionid, "Spectra",  
                  HDFE_INTERNAL, datbuf)
```

## Retrieve Information About a Swath Field

---

### SWfieldinfo

intn SWfieldinfo(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 \**rank*, int32 *dims*[], int32 \**numbertype*, char \**dimlist*)

*swathID*     *IN:*     *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*fieldname*   *IN:*     *Fieldname*

*rank*        *OUT:*    *Rank of field*

*dims*        *OUT:*    *Array containing the dimension sizes of the field*

*numbertype*   *OUT:*    *Pointer to the numbertype of the field*

*dimlist*     *OUT:*    *List of dimensions in field*

*Purpose*       *Retrieve information about a specific geolocation or data field in the swath.*

*Return value*   *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is the specified field does not exist.*

*Description*   *This routine retrieves information on a specific data field.*

*Example*       *In this example, we retrieve information about the Spectra data fields:*

```
status = SWfieldinfo(swathID, "Spectra", &rank, dims,
                    numbertype, dimlist);
```

*The return parameters will have the following values:*

*rank=3, numbertype=5, dims[3]={5,4000,2000} and dimlist="Bands, DataTrack, DataXtrack"*

*If one of the dimensions in the field is appendable, then the current value for that dimension will be returned in the dims array.*

*FORTRAN integer function swfldinfo(swathid, fieldname, rank, dims, numbertype, dimlist)*

*integer\*4 swathid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*integer\*4 rank*

*integer\*4 dims(\*)*

*integer\*4 numbertype*

*integer\*4 dimlist*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swfldinfo(swathid, "Spectra", rank, dims, numbertype,  
dimlist)
```

*The return parameters will have the following values:*

*rank=3, numbertype=5, dims[3]={2000,4000,5} and  
dimlist="DataXtrack, DataTrack,Bands"*

*Note that the dimensions array and dimension list are in FORTRAN order.*

# Get Fill Value for a Specified Field

---

## SWgetfillvalue

intn SWgetfillvalue(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, VOIDP *fillvalue*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Fieldname*

*fillvalue*     *OUT:*   *Space allocated to store the fill value*

*Purpose*        *Retrieves fill value for the specified field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper swath id or number type.*

*Description* *It is assumed the number type of the fill value is the same as the field.*

*Example*      *In this example, we get the fill value for the "Temperature" field:*

```
status = SWgetfillvalue(swathID, "Temperature", &tempfill);
```

*FORTRAN*     *integer function*

```
swgetfill(swathid,fieldname,fillvalue)
```

```
integer*4      swathid
```

```
character*(*) fieldname
```

```
<valid type> fillvalue(*)
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swgetfill(swathid, "Temperature", tempfill)
```

# Retrieve Type of Dimension Mapping when First Dimension is geodim

---

## SWgeomapinfo

intn SWgeomapinfo(int32 *swathID*, char \**geodim*)

*swathID*      *IN:*      *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*geodim*        *IN:*      *Dimension name*

*Purpose*        *Retrieve type of dimension mapping for a dimension.*

*Return value* *Returns (2) for indexed mapping, (1) for regular mapping, (0) if dimension is not mapped, or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine checks the type of mapping (regular or indexed).*

*Example*       *In this example, we retrieve information about the type of mapping between the “IdxGeo” and “IdxData” dimensions, defined by Swdefidxmap.*

```
Regmap = SWgeomapinfo(swathID, geodim);
```

*We will have regmap = 2 for indexed mapping between the “IdxGeo” and “IdxData” dimensions.*

*NOTE: If the dimension has been mapped regular and indexed, the function will return a value of 3.*

*FORTTRAN*      *integer function swgmapinfo(swathid,geodim)*

*integer\*4*      *swathid*

*character\*(\*)* *geodim*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swgmapinfo(swathid, geodim)
```

# Retrieve Indexed Geolocation Mapping

---

## SWidxmapinfo

int32 SWidxmapinfo(int32 swathID, char \*geodim, char \*datadim, int32 index[])

swathID      *IN:*    Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

geodim       *IN:*    Indexed Geolocation dimension name

datadim      *IN:*    Indexed Data dimension name

index        *OUT:*   Index mapping array

*Purpose*       Retrieve indexed array of specified geolocation mapping.

*Return value* Returns size of indexed array if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is the specified mapping does not exist.

*Description* This routine retrieves the size of the indexed array and the array of indexed elements of the specified geolocation mapping.

*Example*     In this example, we retrieve information about the indexed mapping between the "IdxGeo" and "IdxData" dimensions:

```
idxsz = SWidxmapinfo(swathID, "IdxGeo", "IdxData", index);
```

The variable, idxsz, will be equal to 5 and index[5] = {0,2,3,6,7}.

*FORTTRAN*    integer\*4 function swimapinfo(swathid, geodim, datadim, index)

integer\*4      swathid

character\*(\*) geodim

character\*(\*) datadim

integer\*4      index(\*)

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
status = swimapinfo(swathid, "IdxGeo", "IdxData", index)
```

# Retrieve Information Swath Attributes

---

## SWinqattrs

int32 SWinqattrs(int32 *swathID*, char \**attrlist*, int32 \**strbufsize*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    Swath id returned by *SWcreate* or *SWattach*

*attrlist*     *OUT:*    Attribute list (entries separated by commas)

*strbufsize*   *OUT:*    String length of attribute list

*Purpose*        Retrieve information about attributes defined in swath.

*Return value* Number of attributes found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The attribute list is returned as a string with each attribute name separated by commas. If *attrlist* is set to NULL, then the routine will return just the string buffer size, *strbufsize*. This variable does not count the null string terminator.

*Example*      In this example, we retrieve information about the attributes defined in a swath structure. We assume that there are two attributes stored, *attrOne* and *attr\_2*:

```
nattr = SWinqattrs(swathID, NULL, &strbufsize);
```

The parameter, *nattr*, will have the value 2 and *strbufsize* will have value 14.

```
nattr = SWinqattrs(swathID, attrlist, &strbufsize);
```

The variable, *attrlist*, will be set to:

"*attrOne,attr\_2*".

*FORTRAN*      integer\*4 function *swinqattrs*(*swathid*,*attrlist*,*strbufsize*)

integer\*4      *swathid*

character\*(\*) *attrlist*

integer\*4      *strbufsize*

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nattr = SWinqattrs(swathID, attrlist, &strbufsize)
```

# Retrieve Information About Data Fields Defined in Swath

---

## **SWinqdatafields**

int32 SWinqdatafields(int32 swathID, char \*fieldlist, int32 rank[], int32 numbertype[])

swathID     *IN:*     Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

fieldlist    *OUT:*   Listing of data fields (entries separated by commas)

rank         *OUT:*     Array containing the rank of each data field

numbertype   *OUT:*     Array containing the numbertype of each data field

*Purpose*       Retrieve information about all of the data fields defined in swath.

*Return value*   Number of data fields found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper swath id.

*Description*   The field list is returned as a string with each data field separated by commas. The rank and numbertype arrays will have an entry for each field. Output parameters set to NULL will not be returned.

*Example*        In this example we retrieve information about the data fields:

```
nflds = SWinqdatafields(swathID, fieldlist, rank, numbertype);
```

*The parameter, fieldlist, will have the value:*

*"Spectra" with ndim = 1, rank[1]={3}, numbertype[1]={5}*

*FORTTRAN*     integer\*4 function swinqdflds(swathid, fieldlist, rank, numbertype)

integer\*4     swathid

character\*(\*) fieldlist

integer\*4     rank(\*)

integer\*4     numbertype(\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
nflds = swinqdflds(swathid, fieldlist, rank, numbertype)
```

# Retrieve Information About Dimensions Defined in Swath

---

## SWinqdims

int32 SWinqdims(int32 swathID, char \*dimname, int32 dims[])

swathID     *IN:*     Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

dimname     *OUT:*     Dimension list (entries separated by commas)

dims         *OUT:*     Array containing size of each dimension

*Purpose*         Retrieve information about all of the dimensions defined in swath.

*Return value*   Number of dimension entries found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper swath id.

*Description*    The dimension list is returned as a string with each dimension name separated by commas. Output parameters set to NULL will not be returned.

*Example*         In this example, we retrieve information about the dimensions defined in the ExampleSwath structure:

```
ndims = SWinqdims(swathID, dimname, dims);
```

The parameter, *dimname*, will have the value:

```
"GeoTrack,GeoXtrack,DataTrack,DataXtrack,Bands,Unlim"
```

```
with ndims = 5, dims[5]={2000,1000,4000,2000,5,0}
```

*FORTRAN*         integer\*4 function swinqdims(swathid,dimname,dims)

```
integer*4     swathid
```

```
character*(*) dimname
```

```
integer*4     dims(*)
```

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
ndims = swinqdims(swathid, dimname, dims)
```

# Retrieve Information About Geolocation Fields Defined in Swath

---

## SWinqgeofields

int32 SWinqgeofields(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldlist*, int32 *rank*[], int32 *numbertype*[])

*swathID*      *IN:*    Swath id returned by *SWcreate* or *SWattach*  
*fieldlist*    *OUT:*   Listing of geolocation fields (entries separated by commas)  
*rank*        *OUT:*    Array containing the rank of each geolocation field  
*numbertype* *OUT:*    Array containing the numbertype of each geolocation field

*Purpose*      Retrieve information about all of the geolocation fields defined in swath.

*Return value*    Number of geolocation fields found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper swath id.

*Description*    The field list is returned as a string with each geolocation field separated by commas. The rank and numbertype arrays will have an entry for each field. Output parameters set to NULL will not be returned.

*Example*        In this example, we retrieve information about the geolocation fields:

```
nflds = SWinqgeofields(swathID, fieldlist, rank, numbertype);
```

The parameter, *fieldlist*, will have the value: "Longitude,Latitude" with  
*nflds* = 2, *rank*[2]={2,2}, *numbertype*[2]={5,5}

*FORTTRAN*      integer\*4 function swinqgflds(*swathid*, *fieldlist*, *rank*, *numbertype*)

```
integer*4      swathid  
character*(*) fieldlist  
integer*4      rank(*)  
integer*4      numbertype(*)
```

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nflds = swinqgflds(swathid, fieldlist, rank, numbertype)
```

# Retrieve Information About Indexed Mappings Defined in Swath

---

## SWinqidxmaps

int32 SWinqidxmaps(int32 swathID, char \*idxmap, int32 idxsizes[])

swathID *IN:* Swath id returned by *SWcreate* or *SWattach*

idxmap *OUT:* Indexed Dimension mapping list (entries separated by commas)

idxsizes *OUT:* Array containing the sizes of the corresponding index arrays.

*Purpose* Retrieve information about all of the indexed geolocation/data mappings defined in swath.

*Return value* Number of indexed mapping relations found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper swath id.

*Description* The dimension mapping list is returned as a string with each mapping separated by commas. The two dimensions in each mapping are separated by a slash (/). Output parameters set to NULL, will not be returned.

*Example* In this example, we retrieve information about the indexed dimension mappings:

```
nidxmaps = SWinqidxmaps(swathID, idxmap, idxsizes);
```

The variable, *idxmap*, will contain the string:

"IdxGeo/IdxData" with *nidxmaps* = 1 and *idxsizes*[1]={5}.

*FORTRAN* integer\*4 function

```
swinqimaps(swathid,dimmap,idxsizes)
```

```
integer*4    swathid
```

```
character*(*) dimmap
```

```
integer*4    idxsizes(*)
```

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nidxmaps = swinqimaps(swathid, dimmap, idxsizes)
```

# Retrieve Information About Dimension Mappings Defined in Swath

---

## SWinqmaps

int32 SWinqmaps(int32 swathID, char \*dimmap, int32 offset[], int32 increment[])

swathID     *IN:*     Swath id returned by *SWcreate* or *SWattach*  
dimmap       *OUT:*    Dimension mapping list (entries separated by commas)  
offset        *OUT:*    Array containing the offset of each geolocation relation  
increment     *OUT:*    Array containing the increment of each geolocation relation  
*Purpose*        Retrieve information about all of the (non-indexed) geolocation relations defined in swath.

*Return value*   Number of geolocation relation entries found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper swath id.

*Description*   The dimension mapping list is returned as a string with each mapping separated by commas. The two dimensions in each mapping are separated by a slash (/). Output parameters set to NULL will not be returned.

*Example*        In this example, we retrieve information about the dimension mappings in the ExampleSwath structure:

```
nmaps = SWinqmaps(swathID, dimmap, offset, increment);
```

The variable, *dimmap*, will contain the string:  
"GeoTrack/DataTrack,GeoXtrack/DataXtrack" with *nmaps* = 2,  
*offset*[2]={0,1} and *increment*[2]={2,2}.

*FORTTRAN*     integer\*4 function

```
swinqmaps(swathid,dimmap,offset,increment)
```

```
integer*4     swathid
```

```
character*(*) dimmap
```

```
integer*4     offset(*)
```

```
integer*4     increment(*)
```

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nmaps = swinqmaps(swathid, dimmap, offset, increment)
```

# Retrieve Swath Structures Defined in HDF-EOS File

---

## SWinqswath

int32 SWinqswath(char \* filename, char \*swathlist, int32 \*strbufsize)

filename     *IN: HDF-EOS filename*

swathlist    *OUT: Swath list (entries separated by commas)*

strbufsize   *OUT: String length of swath list*

*Purpose*       Retrieves number and names of swaths defined in HDF-EOS file.

*Return value* Number of swaths found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The swath list is returned as a string with each swath name separated by commas. If swathlist is set to NULL, then the routine will return just the string buffer size, strbufsize. If strbufsize is also set to NULL, the routine returns just the number of swaths. Note that strbufsize does not count the null string terminator.

*Example*     In this example, we retrieve information about the swaths defined in an HDF-EOS file, HDFEOS.hdf. We assume that there are two swaths stored, SwathOne and Swath\_2:

```
nswath = SWinqswath("HDFEOS.hdf", NULL, &strbufsize);
```

The parameter, nswath, will have the value 2 and strbufsize will have value 16.

```
nswath = SWinqswath("HDFEOS.hdf", swathlist, &strbufsize);
```

The variable, swathlist, will be set to:

“SwathOne,Swath\_2”.

*FORTTRAN*    integer\*4 function swinqswath(filename,swathlist,strbufsize)

          character\*(\*) filename

          character\*(\*) swathlist

          integer\*4 strbufsize

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nswath = SWinqswath("HDFEOS.hdf", swathlist, &strbufsize)
```

# Retrieve Offset and Increment of Specific Dimension Mapping

---

## SWmapinfo

intn SWmapinfo(int32 swathID, char \*geodim, char \*datadim, int32 offset, int32 increment)

swathID     *IN: Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

geodim     *IN: Geolocation dimension name*

datadim     *IN: Data dimension name*

offset     *OUT: Mapping offset*

increment   *OUT: Mapping increment*

*Purpose*     Retrieve offset and increment of specific monotonic geolocation mapping.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is the specified mapping does not exist.

*Description* This routine retrieves offset and increment of the specified geolocation mapping.

*Example*    In this example, we retrieve information about the mapping between the GeoTrack and DataTrack dimensions:

```
status = SWmapinfo(swathID, "GeoTrack", "DataTrack",
                  &offset, &increment);
```

*The variable offset will be 0 and increment 2.*

*FORTTRAN*   integer function swmapinfo(swathid, geodim, datadim, offset, increment)

*integer\*4*    swathid

*character\*(\*)* geodim

*character\*(\*)* datadim

*integer\*4*    offset

*integer\*4*    increment

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swmapinfo(swathid, "GeoTrack", "DataTrack",
                  offset, increment)
```

# Return Number of Specified Objects in a Swath

---

## SWnentries

int32 SWnentries(int32 *swathID*, int32 *entrycode*, int32 *\*strbufsize*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*entrycode*    *IN:*    *Entrycode*

*strbufsize*    *OUT:*    *String buffer size*

*Purpose*        *Returns number of entries and descriptive string buffer size for a specified entity.*

*Return value* *Number of entries if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper swath id or entry code.*

*Description* *This routine can be called before an inquiry routines in order to determine the sizes of the output arrays and descriptive strings. The string length does not include the NULL terminator.*

*The entry codes are:*

*HDFE\_NENTDIM (0) - Dimensions*

*HDFE\_NENTMAP (1) - Dimension Mappings*

*HDFE\_NENTIMAP (2) - Indexed Dimension Mappings*

*HDFE\_NENTGFLD (3) - Geolocation Fields*

*HDFE\_NENTDFLD (4) - Data Fields*

*Example*      *In this example, we determine the number of dimension mapping entries and the size of the map list string.*

```
nmaps = SWnentries(swathID, HDFE_NENTMAP, &bufsz);
```

*The return value, nmaps, will be equal to 2 and bufsz = 39*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 function swnentries(swathid, entrycode, bufsize)*

*integer\*4*      *swathid*

*integer\*4*      *entrycode*

*integer\*4*      *bufsize*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_NENTMAP=1)
```

```
nmaps = swnentries(swathid, HDFE_NENTMAP, bufsz)
```

# Open HDF-EOS File

---

## SWopen

int32 SWopen(char \*filename, intn access)

filename     *IN:*     Complete path and filename for the file to be opened

access       *IN:*     DFACC\_READ, DFACC\_RDWR or DFACC\_CREATE

*Purpose*       Opens or creates HDF file in order to create, read, or write a swath.

*Return value* Returns the swath file id handle (fid) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine creates a new file or opens an existing one, depending on the access parameter.

*Access codes:*

DFACC\_READ     Open for read only. If file does not exist, error

DFACC\_RDWR     Open for read/write. If file does not exist, create it

DFACC\_CREATE   If file exist, delete it, then open a new file for read/write

*Example*       In this example, we create a new swath file named, SwathFile.hdf. It returns the file handle, fid.

```
fid = SWopen("SwathFile.hdf", DFACC_CREATE);
```

*FORTRAN*       integer\*4 function swopen(filename, access)

          character\*(\*) filename

          integer access

The access codes should be defined as parameters:

```
parameter (DFACC_READ=1)
```

```
parameter (DFACC_RDWR=3)
```

```
parameter (DFACC_CREATE=4)
```

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
fid = swopen("SwathFile.hdf", DFACC_CREATE)
```

*Note to users of the SDP Toolkit:* Please refer to the *Release 6A.07 SDP Toolkit User Guide for the ECS Project (333-CD-605-003)*, Section 6.2.1.2, for information on how to obtain a file name (referred to as a “physical file handle”) from within a PGE. See also Section 9 of this document for code examples.

# Return Information About a Defined Time Period

---

## SWperiodinfo

intn SWperiodinfo(int32 *swathID*, int32 *periodID*, char \* *fieldname*, int32  
\**ntype*, int32 \**rank*, int32 *dims*[], int32 \**size*)

*swathID*     *IN:*     *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*periodID*    *IN:*     *Period id returned by SWdeftimeperiod*

*fieldname*   *IN:*     *Field to subset*

*ntype*        *OUT:*    *Number type of field*

*rank*         *OUT:*    *Rank of field*

*dims*         *OUT:*    *Dimensions of subset period*

*size*         *OUT:*    *Size in bytes of subset period*

*Purpose*        *Retrieves information about the subsetted period.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns information about a subsetted time period for a particular field. It is useful when allocating space for a data buffer for the subset. Because of differences in number type and geolocation mapping, a given time period will give different values for the dimensions and size for various fields.*

*Example*       *In this example, we retrieve information about the time period defined in SWdeftimeperiod for the Spectra field. We use this to allocate space for data in the subsetted time period.*

```
/* Get size in bytes of time period for "Spectra" field*/
status = SWperiodinfo(Swid, periodID, "Spectra", &ntype,
                      &rank, dims, &size);

/* Allocate space */
datbuf = (float64 *) malloc(size);
```

*FORTTRAN*     *integer function swperinfo(swathid, periodid, fieldname, ntype, rank,*  
*dims, size)*

*integer\*4*        *swathid*

*integer\*4*        *periodid*

*character\*(\*)*    *fieldname*

*integer\*4*        *ntype*

<i>integer*4</i>	rank
<i>integer*4</i>	dims(*)
<i>integer*4</i>	size

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swperinfo(swid, periodid, "Spectra", ntype, rank, dims, size)
```

# Read Swath Attribute

---

## SWreadattr

intn SWreadattr(int32 *swathID*, char \**attrname*, VOIDP *datbuf*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*attrname*     *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*datbuf*       *OUT:* *Buffer allocated to hold attribute values*

*Purpose*       *Reads attribute from a swath.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper swath id or number type or incorrect attribute name.*

*Description* *The attribute is passed by reference rather than value in order that a single routine suffice for all numerical types.*

*Example*      *In this example, we read a single precision (32 bit) floating point attribute with the name "ScalarFloat":*

```
status = SWreadattr(swathID, "ScalarFloat", &f32);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function swrdattr(swathid,attrname,datbuf)*

```
integer*4      swathid
```

```
character*(*) attrname
```

```
<valid type> datbuf(*)
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)
```

```
status = swrdattr(swathid, "ScalarFloat", f32)
```

# Read Data From a Swath Field

---

## SWreadfield

intn SWreadfield(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *start*[], int32 *stride*[], int32 *edge*[], VOIDP *buffer*)

*swathID*     *IN:*     *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*  
*fieldname*   *IN:*     *Name of field to read*  
*start*        *IN:*     *Array specifying the starting location within each dimension*  
*stride*       *IN:*     *Array specifying the number of values to skip along each dimension*  
*edge*         *IN:*     *Array specifying the number of values to read along each dimension*  
*buffer*        *OUT:*    *Buffer to store the data read from the field*

*Purpose*        *Reads data from a swath field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are improper swath id or unknown fieldname.*

*Description* *The values within start, stride, and edge arrays refer to the swath field (input) dimensions. The output data in buffer is written to contiguously. The default values for start and stride are 0 and 1 respectively and are used if these parameters are set to NULL. The default values for edge are (dim - start) / stride where dim refers is the size of the dimension.*

*Example*      *In this example, we read data from the 10th track (0-based) of the Longitude field.*

```
float32 track[1000];  
  
int32 start[2]={10,1}, edge[2]={1,1000};  
  
status = SWreadfield(swathID, "Longitude", start, NULL, edge,  
track);
```

*FORTRAN integer function*

*swordfld(swathid, fieldname, start, stride, edge,buffer)*

*integer\*4 swathid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*integer\*4 start(\*)*

*integer\*4 stride(\*)*

*integer\*4 edge(\*)*

*<valid type> buffer(\*)*

The *start*, *stride*, and *edge* arrays must be defined explicitly, with the *start* array being 0-based.

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
real*4 track(1000)
```

```
integer*4 start(2), stride(2), edge(2)
```

```
start(1) = 0
```

```
start(2) = 10
```

```
stride(1) = 1
```

```
stride(2) = 1
```

```
edge(1) = 1000
```

```
edge(2) = 1
```

```
status = swordfld(swathid, "Longitude", start, stride, edge,  
                 track)
```

# Define a Longitude-Latitude Box Region for a Swath

---

## SWregionindex

int32 SWregionindex(int32 *swathID*, float64 *cornerlon*[], float64 *cornerlat*[],  
int32 *mode*, char *\*geodim*, int32 *idxrange*[])

*swathID* IN: Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

*cornerlon* IN: Longitude in decimal degrees of box corners

*cornerlat* IN: Latitude in decimal degrees of box corners

*mode* IN: Cross Track inclusion mode

*geodim* OUT: Geolocation track dimension

*idxrange* OUT: The indices of the region in the geolocation track dimension.

*Purpose* Defines a longitude-latitude box region for a swath.

*Return value* Returns the swath region ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The difference between this routine and SWdefboxregion is the geolocation track dimension name and the range of that dimension are returned in addition to a regionID. Other than that difference they are the same function and this function is used just like SWdefboxregion. This routine defines a longitude-latitude box region for a swath. It returns a swath region ID which is used by the SWextractregion routine to read all the entries of a data field within the region. A cross track is within a region if 1) its midpoint is within the longitude-latitude "box" (HDFE\_MIDPOINT), or 2) either of its endpoints is within the longitude-latitude "box" (HDFE\_ENDPOINT), or 3) any point of the cross track is within the longitude-latitude "box" (HDFE\_ANYPOINT), depending on the inclusion mode designated by the user. All elements within an included cross track are considered to be within the region even though a particular element of the cross track might be outside the region. The swath structure must have both Longitude and Latitude (or Colatitude) fields defined

*Example* In this example, we define a region bounded by the 3 degrees longitude, 5 degrees latitude and 7 degrees longitude, 12 degrees latitude. We will consider a cross track to be within the region if its midpoint is within the region.

```
cornerlon[0] = 3.;
```

```
cornerlat[0] = 5.;
```

```

cornerlon[1] = 7.;
cornerlat[1] = 12.;
regionID = SWregionindex(swathID, cornerlon, cornerlat,
    HDFE_MIDPOINT, geodim, idxrange);

```

*FORTRAN integer\*4 function swregidx(swathid, cornerlon, cornerlat, mode, geodim, idxrange)*

```

integer*4    swathid
real*8       cornerlon
real*8       cornerlat
integer*4    mode
character*(*) geodim
integer*4    idxrange

```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```

parameter (HDFE_MIDPOINT=0)
cornerlon(1) = 3.
cornerlat(1) = 5.
cornerlon(2) = 7.
cornerlat(2) = 12.
regionid = swregidx(swathid, cornerlon, cornerlat,
    HDFE_MIDPOINT, geodim, idxrange)

```

## Return Information About a Defined Region

---

### SWregioninfo

intn SWregioninfo(int32 *swathID*, int32 *regionID*, char \* *fieldname*, int32  
\**n*type, int32 \**rank*, int32 *dims*[], int32 \**size*)

*swathID*     *IN:*     *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*regionID*   *IN:*     *Region id returned by SWdefboxregion*

*fieldname*   *IN:*     *Field to subset*

*n*type        *OUT:*    *Number type of field*

*rank*         *OUT:*    *Rank of field*

*dims*         *OUT:*    *Dimensions of subset region*

*size*         *OUT:*    *Size in bytes of subset region*

*Purpose*        *Retrieves information about the subsetted region.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns information about a subsetted region for a particular field. It is useful when allocating space for a data buffer for the region. Because of differences in number type and geolocation mapping, a given region will give different values for the dimensions and size for various fields.*

*Example*       *In this example, we retrieve information about the region defined in SWdefboxregion for the Spectra field. We use this to allocate space for data in the subsetted region.*

```
/* Get size in bytes of region for "Spectra" field*/
status = SWregioninfo(SWid, regionID, "Spectra", &ntype,
                      &rank, dims, &size);

/* Allocate space */
datbuf = (float64 *) malloc(size);
```

*FORTRAN integer function swreginfo(swathid, regionid, fieldname, ntype, rank, dims, size)*

<i>integer*4</i>	swathid
<i>integer*4</i>	regionid
<i>character*(*)</i>	fieldname
<i>integer*4</i>	ntype
<i>integer*4</i>	rank
<i>integer*4</i>	dims(*)
<i>integer*4</i>	size

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swreginfo(swid, regionid, "Spectra", ntype, rank,  
                  dims, size)
```

## Set Fill Value for a Specified Field

---

### SWsetfillvalue

intn SWsetfillvalue(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, VOIDP *fillvalue*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Fieldname*

*fillvalue*    *IN:*    *Pointer to the fill value to be used*

*Purpose*        *Sets fill value for the specified field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper swath id or number type.*

*Description* *The fill value is placed in all elements of the field which have not been explicitly defined. The field must have 2 or more dimensions.*

*Example*      *In this example, we set a fill value for the "Temperature" field:*

```
tempfill = -999.0;
```

```
status = SWsetfillvalue(swathID, "Temperature", &tempfill);
```

*FORTTRAN*    *integer function*

```
swsetfill(swathid,fieldname,fillvalue)
```

```
integer*4    swathid
```

```
character*(*) fieldname
```

```
<valid type> fillvalue(*)
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
tempfill = -999.0;
```

```
status = swsetfill(swathid, "Temperature", -999.0)
```

# Update Map Index for a Specified Region

---

## SWupdateidxmap

int32 SWupdateidxmap(int32 swathID, int32 regionID, int32 indexin[], int32 indexout[], int32 indices[z])

swathID *IN:* Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach.

regionID *IN:* Region id returned by Swdefboxregion.

indexin *IN:* The array containing the indices of the data dimension to which each geolocation element corresponds.

indexout *OUT:* The array containing the indices of the data dimension to which each geolocation corresponds in the subsetted region. The indexout set to NULL, will not be returned.

indices *OUT:* The array containing the indices for start and stop of region.

*Purpose* Retrieve indexed array of specified geolocation mapping for a specified region.

*Return value* Returns size of updated indexed array if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is the specified mapping does not exist.

*Description* This routine retrieves the size of the indexed array and the array of indexed elements of the specified geolocation mapping for the specified region.

*Example* In this example, we retrieve information about the indexed mapping between the "IdxGeo" and "IdxData" dimensions, defined by Swdefboxregion:

```
/* Get size of index_region array */
idxsz = SWupdateidxmap(swathID, regionID, index, NULL, indices);
/* Allocate memory for index_region */
index_region = (int32*)malloc(sizeof(int32) * idxsz);
/* Get the array index_region */
idxsz = Swupdateidxmap(swathID, regionID, index, index_region,
indices);
```

*FORTTRAN* integer\*4 function swupimap(swathid, regionid, indexin, indexout)  
integer\*4 swathid  
integer\*4 regionid

*integer\*4 indexin(\*)*

*integer\*4 indexout(\*)*

*integer\*4 indices(2)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:                   status =  
swupdateidxmap(swathid, regionid, index, index\_region, indices)*

*Note: The indexed arrays should be 0-based.*

## Write/Update Swath Attribute

---

### SWwriteattr

intn SWwriteattr(int32 *swathID*, char \**attrname*, int32 *ntype*, int32 *count*, VOIDP *datbuf*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*attrname*    *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*ntype*        *IN:*    *Number type of attribute*

*count*        *IN:*    *Number of values to store in attribute*

*datbuf*       *IN:*    *Attribute values*

*Purpose*        *Writes/Updates attribute in a swath.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper swath id or number type.*

*Description* *If the attribute does not exist, it is created. If it does exist, then the value(s) is (are) updated. The attribute is passed by reference rather than value in order that a single routine suffice for all numerical types. Because of this a literal numerical expression should not be used in the call.*

*Example*       *In this example, we write a single precision (32 bit) floating point number with the name "ScalarFloat" and the value 3.14:*

```
f32 = 3.14;  
  
status = SWwriteattr(swathid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32,  
                    1, &f32);
```

*We can update this value by simply calling the routine again with the new value:*

```
f32 = 3.14159;  
  
status = SWwriteattr(swathid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32,  
                    1, &f32);
```

*FORTRAN integer function swwrattr(swathid, attrname, ntype, count, datbuf)*

*integer\*4 swathid*

*character\*(\*) attrname*

*integer\*4 ntype*

*integer\*4 count*

*<valid type> datbuf(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)
```

```
f32 = 3.14
```

```
status = swwrattr(swathid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32, 1, f32)
```

# Write Field Metadata for an Existing Swath Data Field

---

## SWwritadatameta

intn SWwritadatameta(int32 *swathID*, char *\*fieldname*, char *\*dimlist*, int32 *numbertype*)

*swathID*      *IN:*    *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Name of field*

*dimlist*      *IN:*    *The list of data dimensions defining the field*

*numbertype*   *IN:*    *The number type of the data stored in the field*

*Purpose*        *Writes field metadata for an existing swath data field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is unknown dimension in the dimension list.*

*Description* *This routine writes field metadata for an existing data field. This is useful when the data field was defined without using the swath API. Note that any entries in the dimension list must be defined through the SWdefdim routine before this routine is called.*

*Example*      *In this example we write the metadata for the "Band\_1" data field used in the swath.*

```
status = SWwritadatameta(swathID, "Band_1", "GeoTrack,  
                          GeoXtrack", DFNT_FLOAT32);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function*

```
swwrmeta(swathid,fieldname,dimlist,numbertype)
```

```
integer*4      swathid
```

```
character*(*) fieldname
```

```
character*(*) dimlist
```

```
integer*4      numbertype
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swwrmeta(swathID, "Band_1", "GeoXtrack, GeoTrack",  
                          DFNT_FLOAT32)
```

*The dimensions are entered in FORTRAN order with the first dimension being incremented first.*

# Write Data to a Swath Field

---

## SWwritefield

intn SWwritefield(int32 *swathID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *start*[], int32 *stride*[], int32 *edge*[], VOIDP *data*)

*swathID*     *IN:*     *Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach*  
*fieldname*   *IN:*     *Name of field to write*  
*start*        *IN:*     *Array specifying the starting location within each dimension (0-based)*  
*stride*       *IN:*     *Array specifying the number of values to skip along each dimension*  
*edge*         *IN:*     *Array specifying the number of values to write along each dimension*  
*data*         *IN:*     *Values to be written to the field*

*Purpose*        *Writes data to a swath field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper swath id or unknown fieldname.*

*Description* *The values within start, stride, and edge arrays refer to the swath field (output) dimensions. The input data in the data buffer is read from contiguously. The default values for start and stride are 0 and 1 respectively and are used if these parameters are set to NULL. The default values for edge are (dim - start) / stride where dim refers is the size of the dimension. It is the users responsibility to make sure the data buffer contains sufficient entries to write to the field. Note that the data buffer for a compressed field must be the size of the entire field as incremental writes are not supported by the underlying HDF routines.*

*Example*       *In this example, we write data to the Longitude field.*

```
float32 longitude [2000][1000];  
  
/* Define elements of longitude array */  
  
status = SWwritefield(swathID, "Longitude", NULL, NULL, NULL,  
longitude);
```

*We now update Track 10 (0 - based) in this field:*

```
float32 newtrack[1000];  
int32 start[2]={10,0}, edge[2]={1,1000};  
/* Define elements of newtrack array */  
status = SWwritefield(swathID, "Longitude", start, NULL,  
edge, newtrack);
```

*FORTRAN*

*integer function*

*swwrfld(swathid,fieldname,start,stride,edge,data)*

*integer\*4 swathid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*integer\*4 start(\*)*

*integer\*4 stride(\*)*

*integer\*4 edge(\*)*

*<valid type> data(\*)*

*The start, stride, and edge arrays must be defined explicitly, with the start array being 0-based.*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
real*4 longitude(1000,2000)  
integer*4 start(2), stride(2), edge(2)  
start(1) = 0  
start(2) = 10  
stride(1) = 1  
stride(2) = 1  
edge(1) = 1000  
edge(2) = 2000  
status = swwrfld(swathid, "Longitude", start, stride, edge,  
longitude)
```

*We now update Track 10 (0 - based) in this field:*

```
real*4 newtrack(1000)  
integer*4 start(2), stride(2), edge(2)  
start(1) = 10
```

```
start(2) = 0
stride(1) = 1
stride(2) = 1
edge(1) = 1000
edge(2) = 1
status = swwrfld(swathid, "Longitude", start, stride, edge,
newtrack)
```

# Write Field Metadata to an Existing Swath Geolocation Field

---

## SWwritegeometa

intn SWwritegeometa(int32 swathID, char \*fieldname, char \*dimlist, int32 numbertype)

swathID     IN:     Swath id returned by SWcreate or SWattach

fieldname   IN:     Name of field

dimlist     IN:     The list of geolocation dimensions defining the field

numbertype   IN:     The number type of the data stored in the field

*Purpose*     Writes field metadata for an existing swath geolocation field.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is unknown dimension in the dimension list.

*Description* This routine writes field metadata for an existing geolocation field. This is useful when the data field was defined without using the swath API. Note that any entries in the dimension list must be defined through the SWdefdim routine before this routine is called.

*Example*     In this example we write the metadata for the "Latitude" geolocation field used in the swath.

```
status = SWwritegeometa(swathID, "Latitude",  
                        "GeoTrack,GeoXtrack",DFNT_FLOAT32);
```

*FORTRAN*     integer function

*swwrgmeta*(swathid,fieldname,dimlist,numbertype)

integer\*4     swathid

character\*(\*) fieldname

character\*(\*) dimlist

integer\*4     numbertype

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = swwrgmeta(swathID, "Latitude",  
                  "GeoXtrack,GeoTrack",DFNT_FLOAT32)
```

*The dimensions are entered in FORTRAN order with the first dimension being incremented first.*

### **2.1.3 Grid Interface Functions**

This section contains an alphabetical listing of all the functions in the Grid interface. The functions are alphabetized based on their C-language names.

# Attach to an Existing Grid Structure

---

## GDattach

int32 GDattach(int32 *fid*, char \**gridname*)

*fid*            IN:    Grid file id returned by GDopen

*gridname*     IN:    Name of grid to be attached

*Purpose*        Attaches to an existing grid within the file.

*Return value* Returns the grid handle(*gridID*) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.  
Typical reasons for failure are improper grid file id or grid name.

*Description* This routine attaches to the grid using the *gridname* parameter as the identifier.

*Example*      In this example, we attach to the previously created grid, "ExampleGrid", within the HDF file, GridFile.hdf, referred to by the handle, *fid*:

```
gridID = GDattach(fid, "ExampleGrid");
```

The grid can then be referenced by subsequent routines using the handle, *gridID*.

*FORTTRAN*     integer\*4 function gdattach(fid, gridname)

```
integer*4     fid
```

```
character*(*) gridname
```

The equivalent *FORTTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
gridid = gdattach(fid, "ExampleGrid")
```

## Return Information About a Grid Attribute

---

### **GDattrinfo**

intn GDattrinfo(int32 *gridID*, char \**attrname*, int32 \* *numbertype*, int32 \**count*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*attrname*    *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*numbertype* *OUT:* *Number type of attribute*

*count*        *OUT:* *Number of total bytes in attribute*

*Purpose*        *Returns information about a grid attribute*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine returns number type and number of elements (count) of a grid attribute.*

*Example*        *In this example, we return information about the ScalarFloat attribute.*

```
status = GDattrinfo(pointID, "ScalarFloat",&nt,&count);
```

*The nt variable will have the value 5 and count will have the value 4.*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer function gdattrinfo(gridid, attrname, ntype, count,)*

```
integer*4    gridid
```

```
character*(*) attrname
```

```
integer*4    ntype
```

```
integer*4    count
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
status = gdattrinfo(pointid, "ScalarFloat",nt,count)
```

# Write Block SOM Offset

---

## GDbkSOMoffset

intn GDbkSOMoffset(int32 *gridID*, int32 *offset[]*, int32 *count*, char \**code*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*offset*        *IN:*    *Offset values for SOM Projection data*

*count*        *IN:*    *Number of offset values to write*

*code*         *IN:*    *Write/Read code*

*Purpose*        *Write block SOM offset values.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *The routine supports structures that contain data which has been written in the Solar Oblique Mercator (SOM) projection. The structure can contain one to many blocks, each with corner points defined by latitude and longitude. The routine can only be used by grids that use the SOM projection. The routine writes the offset values, in pixels, from a standard SOM projection. There is an offset value for every block in the grid except for the first block. The count parameter is used as a check for the number of offset values. This routine will also return the offset values, but the user must know how large the offset array needs to be before calling the function, in that case the code value would be "r" and the count parameter has to be provided also.*

*Example*      *In this example, we first show how the SOM projection is defined using GDdefproj, then we show how the SOM projection is modified using GDbkSOMoffset:*

*The first parameter is the Grid id, the second is the projection code for the SOM projection, the third is the zone code, not needed for the SOM projection and the last parameter is the projection parameter array. Each projection supported by the Grid interface has a unique set of variables that are used by the GCTP library and they are passed to the GCTP library through this array. As you can see below, the twelfth parameter is set to a non-zero value, it is set to the size of the number of blocks in the data field. This is required if the function GDbkSOMoffset is going to be called. The GCTP library doesn't use this parameter for the SOM projection so that is used by the HDF-EOS library only. The GDbkSOMoffset function checks that parameter first before anything else is done.*

```

projparm[0] = 6378137.0;
projparm[1] = 0.006694348;
projparm[3] = EHconvAng(98.161, HDFE_DEG_DMS);
projparm[4] = EHconvAng(87.11516945924, HDFE_DEG_DMS);
projparm[8] = 0.068585416 * 1440;
projparm[9] = 0.0;
projparm[11] = 6;
status = GDdefproj(GDId_som, GCTP_SOM, NULL, NULL, projparm);
Now that the projection has been defined, GDbkSOMoffset can be called:
offset[5] = {5, 10, 12, 8, 2};
count = 5;
code = "w";

status = GDbkSOMoffset(gridID, offset, count, code);

```

*This set the offset for the second block to 5 pixels, the third block to 10 pixels, fourth block to 12 pixels, fifth to 8 pixels and the sixth block to 2 pixels.*

*NOTE: This routine is currently implemented in "C" only. If the need arises, a FORTRAN function will be added.*

*Interblock subsetting is not currently supported by the ECS Science Data Server, at this time. That is, a response to a request to return data contained within a specified latitude/longitude box, will be in an integral number of blocks.*

#### *Related Documents*

*An Album of Map Projections, USGS Professional Paper 1453, Snyder and Voxland, 1989*

*Map Projections - A Working Manual, USGS Professional Paper 1395, Snyder, 1987*

# Close an HDF-EOS File

---

## **GDclose**

intn GDclose(int32 fid)

fid            *IN:*    Grid file id returned by GDopen

*Purpose*        Closes file.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine closes the HDF grid file.

*Example*

```
status = GDclose(fid);
```

*FORTRAN*    integer function gdclose(int32 fid)

```
integer*4    fid
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdclose(fid)
```

# Retrieve Compression Information for Field

---

## GDcompinfo

intn GDcompinfo(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 \**compcode*, intn *compparm*[])

*gridID*        IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*fieldname*    IN:    Fieldname

*compcode*     OUT:  HDF compression code

*compparm*     OUT:  Compression parameters

*Purpose*        Retrieves compression information about a field.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine returns the compression code and compression parameters for a given field.

*Example*      To retrieve the compression information about the Opacity field defined in the GDdefcomp section:

```
status = GDcompinfo(gridID, "Opacity", compcode, compparm);
```

The *compcode* parameter will be set to 4 and *compparm*[0] to 5.

*FORTTRAN*    integer function gdcompinfo(gridid,fieldname compcode, compparm)

          integer\*4    gridid

          character\*(\*) fieldname

          integer\*4    compcode

          integer       compparm

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
status = gdcompinfo(gridid, 'Opacity', compcode, compparm)
```

The *compcode* parameter will be set to 4 and *compparm*(1) to 5.

# Create a New Grid Structure

---

## GDcreate

int32 GDcreate(int32 *fid*, char \**gridname*, int32 *xdimsize*, int32 *ydimsize*, float64 *upleftpt*[], float64 *lowrightpt*[])

*fid* IN: Grid file id returned by GDopen

*gridname* IN: Name of grid to be created

*xdimsize* IN: Number of columns in grid

*ydimsize* IN: Number of rows in grid

*upleftpt* IN: Location, of upper left corner of the upper left pixel

*lowrightpt* IN: Location, of lower right corner of the lower right pixel

*Purpose* Creates a grid within the file.

*Return value* Returns the grid handle(gridID) or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* The grid is created as a Vgroup within the HDF file with the name *gridname* and class GRID. This routine establishes the resolution of the grid, ie, the number of rows and columns, and it's location within the complete global projection through the *upleftpt* and *lowrightpt* arrays. These arrays should be in meters for all GCTP projections other than the Geographic Projection and EASE grid, which should be in packed degree format. q.v. below.

*Example* In this example, we create a UTM grid bounded by 54 E to 60 E longitude and 20 N to 30 N latitude. We divide it into 120 bins along the x-axis and 200 bins along the y-axis

```
upleft[0]=210584.50041;
```

```
upleft[1]=3322395.95445;
```

```
lowrgt[0]=813931.10959;
```

```
lowrgt[1]=2214162.53278;
```

```
xdim=120;
```

```
ydim=200;
```

```
gridID = GDcreate(fid, "UTMGrid", xdim, ydim, uplft, lowrgt);
```

The grid structure is then referenced by subsequent routines using the handle, *gridID*.

The *x*dim and *y*dim values are referenced in the field definition routines by the reserved dimensions: XDim and YDim.

For the Polar Stereographic, Goode Homolosine and Lambert Azimuthal projections, we have established default values in the case of an entire hemisphere for the first projection, the entire globe for the second and the entire polar or equatorial projection for the third. Thus, if we have a Polar Stereographic projection of the Northern Hemisphere then the *uplft* and *lowrgt* arrays can be replaced by NULL in the function call.

In the case of the Geographic projection (linear scale in both longitude latitude), and EASE grid (i.e., BCEA projection) the *upleftpt* and *lowrightpt* arrays contain the longitude and latitude of these points in packed degree format (DDDMMMSSS.SS).

Note:

**upleftpt** - Array that contains the X-Y coordinates of the upper left corner of the upper left pixel of the grid. First and second elements of the array contain the X and Y coordinates respectively. The upper left X coordinate value should be the lowest X value of the grid. The upper left Y coordinate value should be the highest Y value of the grid.

**lowrightpt** - Array that contains the X-Y coordinates of the lower right corner of the lower right pixel of the grid. First and second elements of the array contain the X and Y coordinates respectively. The lower right X coordinate value should be the highest X value of the grid. The lower right Y coordinate value should be the lowest Y value of the grid.

If the projection id geographic (i.e., *projcode*=0) or Behrmann Cylindrical equal Area (i.e., *projcode* = GCTP\_BCEA = 98) then the X-Y coordinates should be specified in degrees/minutes/seconds (DDDMMMSSS.SS) format. The first element of the array holds the longitude and the second element holds the latitude. For geographic latitudes are from -90 to +90 and longitudes are from -180 to +180 (west is negative). For EASE grid latitudes are from -86.72 to +86.72 and longitudes are from -180 to +180.

For all other projection types the X-Y coordinates should be in **meters** in double precision. These coordinates have to be computed using the **GCTP** software with the same projection parameters that have been specified in the **projparm** array. For UTM projections use the same zone code and its sign (positive or negative) while computing both upper left and lower right corner X-Y coordinates irrespective of the hemisphere.

To convert lat/long to x-y coordinates, it is also possible to use SDP Toolkit routines: *PGS\_GCT\_Init()* or *PGS\_GCT\_Proj()*. More information is contained in the SDP Toolkit Users Guide for the ECS Project

*FORTRAN*    *integer\*4 function gdcreate(fid, gridname, xdimsize, ydimsize, upleftpt, lowrightpt)*  
*integer\*4*    *fid*  
*character\*(\*)* *gridname*  
*integer\*4*    *xdimsize*  
*integer\*4*    *ydimsize*  
*real\*8*        *upleftpt*  
*real\*8*        *lowrightpt*

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
gridid = gdcreate(fid, "UTMGrid", xdim, ydim, uplft,  
                  lowrgt)
```

*The default values for the Polar Stereographic and Goode Homolosine can be designated by setting all elements in the uplft and lowrgt arrays to 0.*

# Define Region of Interest by Latitude/Longitude

---

## GDdefboxregion

*int32 GDdefboxregion(int32 gridID, float64 cornerlon[], float64 cornerlat[])*

*gridID*      *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*cornerlon*    *IN:*    *Longitude in decimal degrees of box corners*

*cornerlat*    *IN:*    *Latitude in decimal degrees of box corners*

*Purpose*        *Defines a longitude-latitude box region for a grid.*

*Return value* *Returns the grid region ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine defines a longitude-latitude box region for a grid. It returns a grid region ID which is used by the GDextractregion routine to read all the entries of a data field within the region.*

*Example*       *In this example, we define the region to be the first quadrant of the Northern hemisphere.*

```
cornerlon[0] = 0.;
```

```
cornerlat[0] = 90.;
```

```
cornerlon[1] = 90.;
```

```
cornerlat[1] = 0.;
```

```
regionID = GDdefboxregion(GDdid, cornerlon, cornerlat);
```

*FORTTRAN*    *integer\*4 function gddefboxreg(gridid, cornerlon, cornerlat)*

```
integer*4    gridid
```

```
real*8      cornerlon
```

```
real*8      cornerlat
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
cornerlon(1) = 0.
```

```
cornerlat(1) = 90.
```

```
cornerlon(2) = 90.
```

```
cornerlat(2) = 0.
```

```
regionid = gddefboxreg(gridid, cornerlon,cornerlat)
```

# Set Grid Field Compression

---

## GDdefcomp

intn GDdefcomp(int32 *gridID*, int32 *comPCODE*, intn *compparm*[])

*gridID*        IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*comPCODE*     IN:    HDF compression code

*compparm*     IN:    Compression parameters (if applicable)

*Purpose*        Sets the field compression for all subsequent field definitions.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine sets the HDF field compression for subsequent grid field definitions. The compression does not apply to one-dimensional fields. The compression schemes currently supported are: run length encoding (HDFE\_COMP\_RLE = 1), skipping Huffman (HDFE\_COMP\_SKPHUFF = 3), deflate (gzip) (HDFE\_COMP\_DEFLATE=4) and no compression (HDFE\_COMP\_NONE = 0, the default). Deflate compression requires a single integer compression parameter in the range of one to nine with higher values corresponding to greater compression. Compressed fields are written using the standard GDwritefield routine, however, the entire field must be written in a single call. If this is not possible, the user should consider tiling. See GDdefile for further information. Any portion of a compressed field can then be accessed with the GDreadfield routine. Compression takes precedence over merging so that multi-dimensional fields that are compressed are not merged. The user should refer to the HDF Reference Manual for a fuller explanation of the compression schemes and parameters.

*Example*        Suppose we wish to compress the Pressure using run length encoding, the Opacity field using deflate compression, the Spectra field with skipping Huffman compression, and use no compression for the Temperature field.

```
status = GDdefcomp(gridID, HDFE_COMP_RLE, NULL);

status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Pressure", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);

compparm[0] = 5;

status = GDdefcomp(gridID, HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE, compparm);

status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Opacity", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);

status = GDdefcomp(gridID, HDFE_COMP_SKPHUFF, NULL);
```

```

status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Spectra", "Bands,YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);

status = GDdefcomp(gridID, HDFE_COMP_NONE, NULL);

status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Temperature", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE);

```

*Note that the HDFE\_AUTOMERGE parameter will be ignored in the Temperature field definition.*

*FORTRAN integer function gdefcomp(gridid, compcode, compparm)*

```

integer*4    gridid
integer      compcode
integer      compparm

```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```

parameter (HDFE_COMP_NONE=0)
parameter (HDFE_COMP_RLE=1)
parameter (HDFE_COMP_SKPHUFF=3)
parameter (HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE=4)
integer    compparm(5)
status = gdefcomp(gridid, HDFE_COMP_RLE, compparm)
status = gdeffld(gridid, "Pressure", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)
compparm(1) = 5
status = gdefcomp(gridid, HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE, compparm)
status = gdeffld(gridid, "Opacity", "YDim,XDim", DFNT_FLOAT32,
HDFE_NOMERGE)
status = gdefcomp(gridid, HDFE_COMP_SKPHUFF, compparm)
status = gdeffld(gridid, "Spectra", "Bands,YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)
status = gdefcomp(gridid, HDFE_COMP_NONE, compparm)
status = gdeffld(gridid, "Temperature", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE)

```

# Define a New Dimension Within a Grid

---

## GDdefdim

intn GDdefdim(int32 *gridID*, char \**dimname*, int32 *dim*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*dimname*     *IN:*    *Name of dimension to be defined*

*dim*         *IN:*    *The size of the dimension*

*Purpose*       *Defines a new dimension within the grid.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is an improper grid id.*

*Description* *This routine defines dimensions that are used by the field definition routines (described subsequently) to establish the size of the field.*

*Example*      *In this example, we define a dimension, Band, with size 15.*

```
status = GDdefdim(gridID, "Band", 15)
```

*To specify an unlimited dimension which can be used to define an appendable array, the dimension value should be set to zero or equivalently, SD\_UNLIMITED:*

```
status = GDdefdim(gridID, "Unlim", SD_UNLIMITED);
```

*FORTRAN*     *integer function gddefdim(gridid, fieldname, dim)*

```
integer*4     gridid
```

```
character*(*) fieldname
```

```
integer*4     dim
```

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
parameter (SD_UNLIMITED=0)
```

```
status = gddefdim(gridid, "Band", 15)
```

```
status = gddefdim(gridid, "Unlim", SD_UNLIMITED)
```

## Define a New Data Field Within a Grid

---

### GDdeffield

intn GDdeffield(int32 gridID, char \*fieldname, char \*dimlist, int32 numbertype, int32 merge)

gridID        IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach  
fieldname     IN:    Name of field to be defined  
dimlist       IN:    The list of data dimensions defining the field  
numbertype    IN:    The number type of the data stored in the field  
merge         IN:    Merge code (HDFE-NOMERGE (0) - no merge,  
                  HDFE\_AUTOMERGE (1) -merge)

*Purpose*        Defines a new data field within the grid.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reason for failure is an unknown dimension in the dimension list.

*Description* This routine defines data fields to be stored in the grid. The dimensions are entered as a string consisting of geolocation dimensions separated by commas. They are entered in C order, that is, the last dimension is incremented first. The API will attempt to merge into a single object those fields that share dimensions and in case of multidimensional fields, numbertype. Two and three dimensional fields will be merged into a single three-dimensional object if the last two dimensions (in C order) are equal. If the merge code for a field is set to 0, the API will not attempt to merge it with other fields. Fields using the unlimited dimension will not be merged. Because merging breaks the one-to-one correspondence between HDF-EOS fields and HDF SDS arrays, it should not be set if the user wishes to access the HDF-EOS field directly using HDF routines or, for example, to create an HDF attribute corresponding to the field.

*Example*        In this example, we define a grid field, Temperature with dimensions XDim and YDim (as established by the GDcreate routine) containing 4-byte floating point numbers and a field, Spectra, with dimensions XDim, YDim, and Bands:

```
status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Temperature", "YDim,XDim",  
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE);  
  
status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Spectra", "Bands,YDim,XDim",  
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);
```

*FORTRAN integer function gddeffld(gridid, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype, merge)*

*integer\*4 gridid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*character\*(\*) dimlist*

*integer\*4 numbertype*

*integer\*4 merge*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)
```

```
parameter (HDFE_NOMERGE=0)
```

```
parameter (HDFE_AUTOMERGE=1)
```

```
status = gddeffld(gridid, "Temperature", "XDim,YDim",  
DFNT_FLOAT32, DFE_AUTOMERGE)
```

```
status = gddeffld(gridid, "Spectra", "XDim,YDim,Bands",  
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)
```

*The dimensions are entered in FORTRAN order with the first dimension incremented first.*

## Define the Origin of the Grid Data

---

### GDdeforigin

intn GDdeforigin(int32 *gridID*, int32 *origincode*)

*gridID*            IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*origincode*       IN:    Location of the origin of the grid data

*Purpose*            Defines the origin of the grid data

*Return Value*    Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise

*Description*     The routine is used to define the origin of the grid data. This allows the user to select any corner of the grid as the origin.

*Origin Codes:*

*HDFE\_GD\_UL(Default)(0)*   Upper Left corner of grid

*HDFE\_GD\_UR(1)*            Upper Right corner of grid

*HDFE\_GD\_LL(2)*            Lower Left corner of grid

*HDFE\_GD\_LR(3)*            Lower Right corner of grid

*Example*          In this example we define the origin of the grid to be the Lower Right corner:

```
status = GDdeforigin(gridID, HDFE_GD_LR);
```

*FORTTRAN*        integer function gddeforg(gridid, origincode)

```
integer*4        gridid
```

```
integer*4        origincode
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the above example is :*

```
parameter (HDFE_GD_LR=3)
```

```
status = gddeforg(gridid, HDFE_GD_LR)
```

# Define a Pixel Registration Within a Grid

---

## GDdefpixreg

intn GDdefpixreg(int32 *gridID*, int32 *pixreg*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*pixreg*        *IN:*    *Pixel registration*

*Purpose*        *Defines pixel registration within grid cell*

*Return Value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine is used to define whether the pixel center or pixel corner (as defined by the GDdeforigin routine) is used when requesting the location (longitude and latitude) of a given pixel.*

*Registration Codes:*

*HDFE\_CENTER (0) (Default) Center of pixel cell*

*HDFE\_CORNER (1) Corner of a pixel cell*

*Example*        *In this example, we define the pixel registration to be the corner of the pixel cell:*

```
status = GDdefpixreg(gridID, HDFE_CORNER);
```

*FORTRAN*        *integer function gddefpixreg(gridid, pixreg)*

```
integer*4        gridid
```

```
integer*4        pixreg
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_CORNER=1)
```

```
status = gddefpixreg(gridid, HDFE_CORNER)
```

# Define Grid Projection

---

## GDdefproj

intn GDdefproj(int32 *gridID*, int32 *projcode*, int32 *zonecode*, int32 *spherecode*, float64 *projparm*[])

*gridID* IN: Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*projcode* IN: GCTP projection code

*zonecode* IN: GCTP zone code used by UTM projection

*spherecode* IN: GCTP spheroid code

*projparm* IN: GCTP projection parameter array

*Purpose* Defines projection of grid

*Return Value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise

*Description* Defines the GCTP projection and projection parameters of the grid.

*Example* In this example, we define a Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) grid bounded by 54 E - 60 E longitude and 20 N - 30 N latitude – UTM zonecode 40, using default spheroid (Clarke 1866), spherecode = 0

```
spherecode = 0;
zonecode = 40;
status = GDdefproj(gridID, GCTP_UTM, zonecode, spherecode,
    NULL);
```

In this next example we define a Polar Stereographic projection of the Northern Hemisphere (True scale at 90 N, 0 Longitude below pole) using the International 1967 spheroid.

```
spherecode = 3;
for (i = 0; i < 13; i++) projparm[i] = 0;
/* Set Long below pole & true scale in DDDMMMSS.SSS form */
projparm[5] = 90000000.00;
status = GDdefproj(gridID, GCTP_PS, NULL, spherecode,
    projparm);
```

Finally we define a Geographic projection. In this case neither the zone code, sphere code or the projection parameters are used.

```
status = GDdefproj(gridID, GCTP_GEO, NULL, NULL, NULL)
```

*FORTRAN integer function gddefproj(gridid, projcode, zonecode, spherecode, projparm)*

*integer\*4 gridid*  
*integer\*4 projcode*  
*integer\*4 zonecode*  
*integer\*4 spherecode*  
*real\*8 projparm(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the examples above is:*

```
parameter (GCTP_UTM=1)
spherecode = 0
zonecode = 40
status = gddefproj(gridid, GCTP_UTM, zonecode, spherecode,
dummy)
parameter (GCTP_PS=6)
spherecode = 6
do i=1,13
    projparm(i) = 0
enddo
projparm(6) = 90000000.00
status = gddefproj(gridid, GCTP_PS, dummy, spherecode,
projparm)
parameter (GCTP_GEO=0)
status = gddefproj(gridid, GCTP_GEO, dummy, dummy, dummy)
```

*Note: projcode, zonecode, spherecode and projection parameter information are listed in Section 1.6, GCTP Usage.*

# Define Tiling Parameters

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## GDdeftile

intn GDdeftile(int32 *gridID*, int32 *tilecode*, int32 *tilerank*, int32 *tiledims*[])

*gridID*        IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach  
*tilecode*     IN:    Tile code: HDF\_TILE, HDF\_NOTILE (default)  
*tilerank*     IN:    The number of tile dimensions  
*tiledims*     IN:    Tile dimensions

*Purpose*        Defines tiling dimensions for subsequent field definitions

*Return Value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise

*Description* This routine defines the tiling dimensions for fields defined following this function call, analogous to the procedure for setting the field compression scheme using GDdefcomp. The number of tile dimensions and subsequent field dimensions must be the same and the tile dimensions must be integral divisors of the corresponding field dimensions. A tile dimension set to 0 will be equivalent to 1.

*Example*       We will define four fields in a grid, two two-dimensional fields of the same size with the same tiling, a three-dimensional field with a different tiling scheme, and a fourth with no tiling. We assume that XDim is 200 and YDim is 300.

```
tiledims[0] = 100;
tiledims[1] = 200;
status = GDdeftile(gridID, HDFE_TILE, 2, tiledims);
status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Pressure", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_INT16, HDFE_NOMERGE);
status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Temperature", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);
tiledims[0] = 1;
tiledims[1] = 150;
tiledims[2] = 100;
status = GDdeftile(gridID, HDFE_TILE, 3, tiledims);
status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Spectra", "Bands,YDim,XDim",
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE);
```

```

status = GDdeftile(gridID, HDFE_NOTILE, 0, NULL);

status = GDdeffield(gridID, "Communities", "YDim,XDim",
DFNT_INT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE);

```

*FORTRAN integer function gdeftile(gridid, tilecode,tilerank,tiledims)*

```

integer*4    gridid
integer*4    tilecode
integer*4    tilerank
integer*4    tiledims(*)

```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```

parameter (HDFE_NOTILE=0)

parameter (HDFE_TILE=1)

tiledims(1) = 200

tiledims(2) = 100

status = gdeftile(gridid, HDFE_TILE, 2, tiledims)

status = gddeffld(gridid, 'Pressure', 'XDim,YDim', DFNT_INT16,
HDFE_NOMERGE)

status = gddeffld(gridid, 'Temperature', 'XDim,YDim',
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)

tiledims[1] = 100

tiledims[2] = 150

tiledims[3] = 1

status = gdeftile(gridid, HDFE_TILE, 3, tiledims)

status = gddeffld(gridid, 'Spectra', 'XDim,YDim,Bands',
DFNT_FLOAT32, HDFE_NOMERGE)

status = gdeftile(gridid, HDFE_NOTILE, 0, tiledims);

status = gddeffld(gridid, 'Communities', 'XDim,YDim',
DFNT_INT32, HDFE_AUTOMERGE)

```

## Define a Time Period of Interest

---

### GDdeftimeperiod

int32 GDdeftimeperiod(int32 *gridID*, int32 *periodID*, float64 *starttime*, float64 *stoptime*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*periodID*    *IN:*    *Period (or region) id from previous subset call*

*starttime*   *IN:*    *Start time of period*

*stoptime*    *IN:*    *Stop time of period*

*Purpose*        *Defines a time period for a grid.*

*Return value* *Returns the grid period ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine defines a time period for a grid. It returns a grid period ID which is used by the GDextractperiod routine to read all the entries of a data field within the time period.. The grid structure must have the Time field defined. This routine may be called after GDdefboxregion to provide both geographic and time subsetting . In this case the user provides the id from the previous subset call. (This same id is then returned by the function.) Furthermore it can be called before or after GDdefvrtregion to further refine a region. This routine may also be called “stand-alone” by setting the input id to HDFE\_NOPREVSUB (-1).*

*Example*        *In this example, we define a time period with a start time of 35232487.2 and a stop time of 36609898.1.*

```
starttime = 35232487.2;
stoptime = 36609898.1;

periodID = GDdeftimeperiod(gridID, HDFE_NOPREVSUB
starttime, stoptime);
```

*If we had previously performed a geographic subset with id, regionID, then we could further time subset this region with the call:*

```
periodID = GDdeftimeperiod(gridID, regionID, starttime,
stoptime);
```

*Note that periodID will have the same value as regionID.*

*FORTRAN*    *integer\*4 function gddeftmeper(gridid, periodID, starttime, stoptime)*

*integer\*4*    *gridid*

*integer\*4*    *periodid*

*real\*8            starttime*

*real\*8            stoptime*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the examples above are:*

```
parameter (HDFE_NOPREVSUB=-1)
```

```
starttime = 35232487.2
```

```
stoptime = 36609898.1
```

```
periodid = gddefmper(swathid, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, starttime,  
stoptime)
```

```
periodid = gddefmper(swathid, regionid, starttime,  
stoptime)
```

## Define a Vertical Subset Region

---

### GDdefvrtregion

int32 GDdefvrtregion(int32 *gridID*, int32 *regionID*, char \**vertObj*, float64 *range*[])

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*regionID*     *IN:*    *Region (or period ) id from previous subset call*

*vertObj*       *IN:*    *Dimension or field to subset*

*range*         *IN:*    *Minimum and maximum range for subset*

*Purpose*         *Subsets on a **monotonic** field or contiguous elements of a dimension.*

*Return value* *Returns the grid region ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*   *Whereas the GDdefboxregion routine subsets along the XDim and YDim dimensions, this routine allows the user to subset along any other dimension. The region is specified by a set of minimum and maximum values and can represent either a dimension index (case 1) or field value range(case 2) . In the second case, the field must be one-dimensional and the values must be **monotonic** (strictly increasing or decreasing) in order that the resulting dimension index range be contiguous. (For the current version of this routine, the second option is restricted to fields with number type: INT16, INT32, FLOAT32, FLOAT64.) This routine may be called after GDdefboxregion to provide both geographic and “vertical” subsetting . In this case the user provides the id from the previous subset call. (This same id is then returned by the function.) This routine may also be called “stand-alone” by setting the input id to HDFE\_NOPREVSUB (-1).*

*This routine may be called up to eight times with the same region ID. It this way a region can be subsetted along a number of dimensions.*

*The GDregioninfo and GDextractregion routines work as before, however the field to be subsetted, (the field specified in the call to GDregioninfo and GDextractregion) must contain the dimension used explicitly in the call to GDdefvrtregion (case 1) or the dimension of the one-dimensional field (case 2).*

*Example*        *Suppose we have a field called Pressure of dimension Height (= 10) whose values increase from 100 to1000. If we desire all the elements with values between 500 and 800, we make the call:*

```
range[0] = 500.;
```

```
range[1] = 800.;
```

```
regionID = GDdefvrtregion(gridID, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "Pressure",
range);
```

*The routine determines the elements in the Height dimension which correspond to the values of the Pressure field between 500 and 800.*

*If we wish to specify the subset as elements 2 through 5 (0 - based) of the Height dimension, the call would be:*

```
range[0] = 2;
range[1] = 5;
regionID = GDdefvrtregion(gridID, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "DIM:Height",
range);
```

*The "DIM:" prefix tells the routine that the range corresponds to elements of a dimension rather than values of a field.*

*If a previous subset region or period was defined with id, subsetID, that we wish to refine further with the vertical subsetting defined above we make the call:*

```
regionID = GDdefvrtregion(gridID, subsetID, "Pressure", range);
```

*The return value, regionID is set equal to subsetID. That is, the subset region is modified rather than a new one created.*

*In this example, any field to be subsetted must contain the Height dimension.*

*FORTRAN integer\*4 function gddefvrtreg(gridid, regionid, vertobj, range)*

*integer\*4 gridid*

*integer\*4 regionid*

*character\*(\*) vertobj*

*real\*8 range*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the examples above is:*

```
parameter (HDFE_NOPREVSUB=-1)
range(1) = 500.
range(2) = 800.
regionid = gddefvrtreg(gridid, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "Pressure",
range)
range(1) = 3 ! Note 1-based element numbers
range(2) = 6
regionid = gddefvrtreg(gridid, HDFE_NOPREVSUB, "DIM:Height",
range)
regionid = gddefvrtreg(gridid, subsetid, "Pressure", range)
```

# Detach from Grid Structure

---

## GDdetach

intn GDdetach(int32 *gridID*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*Purpose*        *Detaches from grid interface.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine should be run before exiting from the grid file for every grid opened by GDcreate or GDattach.*

*Example*       *In this example, we detach the grid structure, ExampleGrid:*

```
status = GDdetach(gridID);
```

*FORTRAN*       *integer function gddetach(gridid)*

```
integer*4       gridid
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gddetach(gridid)
```

# Retrieve Size of Specified Dimension

---

## GDdiminfo

int32 GDdiminfo(int32 *gridID*, char \**dimname*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*dimname*     *IN:*    *Dimension name*

*Purpose*        *Retrieve size of specified dimension.*

*Return value* *Size of dimension if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper grid id or dimension name.*

*Description* *This routine retrieves the size of specified dimension.*

*Example*       *In this example, we retrieve information about the dimension, "Bands":*

```
dimsize = GDdiminfo(gridID, "Bands");
```

*The return value, dimsize, will be equal to 15*

*FORTRAN*     *integer\*4 function gddiminfo(gridid,dimname)*

```
integer*4     gridid
```

```
character*(*) dimname
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
dimsize = gddiminfo(gridid, "Bands")
```

# Duplicate a Region or Period

---

## GDdupregion

int32 GDdupregion(int32 regionID)

regionID *IN:* Region or period id returned by GDdefboxregion, GDdeftimeperiod, or GDdefvrtregion.

*Purpose* Duplicates a region.

*Return value* Returns new region or period ID if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine copies the information stored in a current region or period to a new region or period and generates a new id. It is usefully when the user wishes to further subset a region (period) in multiple ways.

*Example* In this example, we first subset a grid with GDdefboxregion, duplicate the region creating a new region ID, regionID2, and then perform two different vertical subsets of these (identical) geographic subset regions:

```
regionID = GDdefboxregion(gridID, cornerlon, cornerlat);  
regionID2 = GDdupregion(regionID);  
  
regionID = GDdefvrtregion(gridID, regionID, "Pressure",  
rangePres);  
  
regionID2 = GDdefvrtregion(gridID, regionID2, "Temperature",  
rangeTemp);
```

*FORTTRAN* integer\*4 function gddupreg(regionid)

integer\*4 regionid

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
regionid = gddefboxreg(gridid, cornerlon, cornerlat)  
regionid2 = gddupreg(regionid)  
  
regionid = gddefvrtreg(gridid, regionid, 'Pressure',  
rangePres)  
  
regionid2 = gddefvrtreg(gridid, regionid2, 'Temperature',  
rangeTemp)
```

## Read a Region of Interest from a Field

---

### GDextractregion

intn GDextractregion(int32 *gridID*, int32 *regionID*, char *\*fieldname*, VOIDP *buffer*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*regionID*     *IN:*    *Region (period) id returned by GDdefboxregion  
(GDdeftimeperiod)*

*fieldname*   *IN:*    *Field to subset*

*buffer*        *OUT:*   *Data Buffer*

*Purpose*        *Extracts (reads) from subsetted region.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine reads data into the data buffer from a subsetted region as defined by GDdefboxregion.*

*Example*      *In this example, we extract data from the "Temperature" field from the region defined in GDdefboxregion. We first allocate space for the data buffer. The size of the subsetted region for the field is given by the Gdregioninfo routine.*

```
datbuf = (float32) calloc(size, 4);
```

```
status = GDextractregion(GDdid, regionID, "Temperature",  
datbuf32);
```

*FORTTRAN*     *integer\*4 function gdextreg(gridid, regionid, fieldname, datbuf)*

*integer\*4*     *gridid*

*integer\*4*     *regionid*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldname*

*<valid type>* *buffer(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdextreg(gridid, regionid, "Temperature", datbuf)
```

# Retrieve Information About Data Field in a Grid

---

## GDfieldinfo

intn GDfieldinfo(int32 gridID, char \*fieldname, int32 rank, int32 dims[], int32 \*numbertype, char \*dimlist)

gridID      *IN: Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

fieldname   *IN: Fieldname*

rank        *OUT: Pointer to rank of the field*

dims        *OUT: Array containing the dimension sizes of the field*

numbertype   *OUT: Pointer to the numbertype of the field*

dimlist     *OUT: Dimension list*

*Purpose*      Retrieve information about a specific geolocation or data field in the grid.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is the specified field does not exist.

*Description* This routine retrieves information on a specific data field.

*Example*     In this example, we retrieve information about the Spectra data fields:

```
status = GDfieldinfo(gridID, "Spectra", &rank, dims,
                    &numbertype, dimlist);
```

The return parameters will have the following values:

rank=3, numbertype=5, dims[3]={15,200,120} and  
dimlist="Bands,YDim,XDim"

*FORTTRAN*   integer function gdfldinfo (gridid, fieldname, rank, dims, numbertype, dimlist)

integer\*4    gridid

character\*(\*) fieldname

integer\*32   rank

integer\*4    dims(\*)

integer\*4    numbertype

character\*(\*) dimlist

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdfldinfo(gridid, "Spectra", dims, rank, numbertype,  
dimlist)
```

The return parameters will have the following values:

*rank=3, numbertype=5, dims[3]={120,200,15} and*

*dimlist="XDim,YDim,Bands"*

*Note that the dimensions array and the dimension list are in FORTRAN order.*

## Get Fill Value for Specified Field

---

### GDgetfillvalue

intn GDgetfillvalue(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, VOIDP *fillvalue*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Fieldname*

*fillvalue*     *OUT:*    *Space allocated to store the fill value*

*Purpose*        *Retrieves fill value for the specified field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper grid id or number type or incorrect fill value.*

*Description* *It is assumed the number type of the fill value is the same as the field.*

*Example*       *In this example, we get the fill value for the "Temperature" field:*

```
status = GDgetfillvalue(gridID, "Temperature", &tempfill);
```

*FORTTRAN*     *integer function gdgetfill(gridid,fieldname,fillvalue)*

*integer\*4*     *gridid*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldname*

*<valid type>* *fillvalue(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdgetfill(gridid, "Temperature", tempfill)
```

# Get Row/Columns for Specified Longitude/Latitude Pairs

---

## GDgetpixels

intn GDgetpixels(int32 *gridID*, int32 *nLonLat*, float64 *lonVal*[], float64 *latVal*[], int32 *pixRow*[], int32 *pixCol*[])

*gridID*      *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*nLonLat*    *IN:*    *Number of longitude/latitude pairs*

*lonVal*      *IN:*    *Longitude values in degrees*

*latVal*      *IN:*    *Latitude values in degrees*

*pixRow*      *OUT:* *Pixel Rows*

*pixCol*      *OUT:* *Pixel Columns*

*Purpose*      *Returns the pixel rows and columns for specified longitude/latitude pairs.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine converts longitude/latitude pairs into (0 - based) pixel rows and columns. The origin is the upper left-hand corner of the grid. This routine is the pixel subsetting equivalent of GDdefboxregion.*

*Example*     *To convert two pairs of longitude/latitude values to rows and columns, make the following call:*

```
lonArr[0] = 134.2;
```

```
latArr[0] = -20.8;
```

```
lonArr[1] = 15.8;
```

```
latArr[1] = 84.6;
```

```
status = GDgetpixels(gridID, 2, lonArr, latArr, rowArr,  
colArr);
```

The row and column of the two pairs will be returned in the *rowArr* and *colArr* arrays.

*FORTRAN*    *integer function gdgetpix(gridid, nlonlat, lonval, latval, pixrow, pixcol)*  
              *integer\*4*    gridid  
              *integer\*4*    nlonlat  
*real\*8*        lonval  
*real\*8*        latval  
*integer\*4*     pixrow  
*integer\*4*     pixcol

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
lonarr(1) = 134.2  
latarr(1) = -20.8  
lonarr(2) = 15.8  
latarr(2) = 84.6  
  
status = gdgetpix(gridid, 2, lonarr, latarr, rowarr, colarr)
```

Note that the row and columns values will be 1 - based.

# Get Field Values for Specified Row/Columns

---

## GDgetpixvalues

int32 GDgetpixvalues(int32 *gridID*, int32 *nPixels*, int32 *pixRow[]*, int32 *pixCol[]*, char *\*fieldname*, VOIDP *buffer*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*nPixels*      *IN:*    *Number of pixels*

*pixRow*       *IN:*    *Pixel Rows*

*pixCol*       *IN:*    *Pixel Columns*

*fieldname*   *IN:*    *Field from which to extract data values*

*buffer*       *OUT:*   *Buffer for data values*

*Purpose*        *Read field data values for specified pixels.*

*Return value* *Returns size of data buffer if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine reads data from a data field for the specified pixels. It is the pixel subsetting equivalent of GDextractregion. All entries along the non-geographic dimensions (ie, NOT XDim and YDim) are returned. If the buffer is set to NULL, no data is returned but the data buffer size can be determined from the function return value.*

*Example*      *To read values from the Spectra field with dimensions, Bands, YDim, and XDim, make the following call:*

```
float64        *datbuf;

bufsiz = GDgetpixvalues(gridID, 2, rowArr, colArr, "Spectra",
NULL);

/* bufsiz will be equal to 2 * NBANDS * 8 where NBANDS is
the value for the Bands dimension */

datbuf = (float64 *) malloc(bufsiz);

bufsiz = GDgetpixvalues(gridID, 2, rowArr, colArr, "Spectra",
datbuf);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer\*4 function gdgetpixval(gridid, npixels, pixrow, pixcol, fieldname, buffer)*

*integer\*4*    gridid

*integer\*4*    nlonlat

*integer\*4*    pixrow

*integer\*4*    pixcol

*character\*(\*)* fieldname

              <valid type> buffer(\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
real*8 datbuf(2,NBANDS)

bufsiz = gdgetpixval(gridid, 2, rowarr, colarr, "Spectra",
datbuf)
```

## Return Information About a Grid Structure

---

### GDgridinfo

intn GDgridinfo(int32 *gridID*, int32 \**xdimsize*, int32 \**ydimsize*, float64 *upleft*[*z*], float64 *lowright*[*z*])

*gridID*      *IN:*    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*xdimsize*    *OUT:*    Number of columns in grid

*ydimsize*    *OUT:*    Number of rows in grid

*upleft*      *OUT:*    Location, in meters, of upper left corner

*lowright*    *OUT:*    Location, in meters, of lower right corner

*Purpose*      Returns position and size of grid

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise

*Description* This routine returns the number of rows, columns and the location, in meters, of the upper left and lower right corners of the grid image.

*Example*     In this example, we retrieve information from a previously created grid with a call to GDattach:

```
status = GDgridinfo(gridID, &xdimsize, &ydimsize, upleft,  
                    lowrgt);
```

*FORTRAN*    integer function gdgridinfo(gridid, xdimsize, ydimsize, upleft, lowright)

*integer\*4*    gridid

*integer\*4*    xdimsize

*integer\*4*    ydimsize

*real\*8*      upleft(z)

*real\*8*      lowright(z)

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
status = gdgridinfo(gridid, xdimsize, ydimsize, upleft,  
                    lowrgt);
```

## Retrieve Information About Grid Attributes

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### GDinqattrs

int32 GDinqattrs(int32 *gridID*, char \**attrlist*, int32 \**strbufsize*)

*gridID*            *IN:*    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*attrlist*        *OUT:*   Attribute list (entries separated by commas)

*strbufsize*      *OUT:*   String length of attribute list

*Purpose*           *Retrieve information about attributes defined in grid.*

*Return value*   *Number of attributes found if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*   *The attribute list is returned as a string with each attribute name separated by commas. If attrlist is set to NULL, then the routine will return just the string buffer size, strbufsize. This variable does not count the null string terminator.*

*Example*        *In this example, we retrieve information about the attributes defined in a grid structure. We assume that there are two attributes stored, attrOne and attr\_2:*

```
nattr = GDinqattrs(gridID, NULL, strbufsize);
```

*The parameter, nattr, will have the value 2 and strbufsize will have value 14.*

```
nattr = GDinqattrs(gridID, attrlist, strbufsize);
```

*The variable, attrlist, will be set to:*

*"attrOne,attr\_2".*

*FORTTRAN*      *integer\*4 function gdingattrs(gridid,attrlist,strbufsize)*

*integer\*4*      *gridid*

*character\*(\*)* *attrlist*

*integer\*4*      *strbufsize*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
nattr = gdingattrs(gridid, attrlist, strbufsize)
```

# Retrieve Information About Dimensions Defined in Grid

---

## GDinqdims

int32 GDinqdims(int32 gridID, char \*dimname, int32 dims[])

gridID      *IN:*    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

dimname     *OUT:*    Dimension list (entries separated by commas)

dims        *OUT:*    Array containing size of each dimension

*Purpose*     Retrieve information about dimensions defined in grid.

*Return value*    Number of dimension entries found if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper grid id.

*Description*    The dimension list is returned as a string with each dimension name separated by commas. Output parameters set to NULL will not be returned.

*Example*        To retrieve information about the dimensions, use the following statement:

```
ndim = GDinqdims(gridID, dimname, dims);
```

The parameter, *dimname*, will have the value: "Xgrid,Ygrid,Bands"

with *dims[3]={120,200,15}*

*FORTTRAN*     integer\*4 function gdingdims(gridid,dimname,dims)

integer\*4      gridid

character\*(\*) dimname

integer\*4      dims(\*)

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
ndim = gdingdims(gridid, dimname, dims)
```

# Retrieve Information About Data Fields Defined in Grid

---

## GDinqfields

int32 GDinqfields(int32 gridID, char \*fieldlist, int32 rank[], int32 numbertype[])

gridID        *IN:*    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

fieldlist     *OUT:*   Listing of data fields (entries separated by commas)

rank          *OUT:*    Array containing the rank of each data field

numbertype   *OUT:*    Array containing the numbertype of each data field

*Purpose*       Retrieve information about the data fields defined in grid.

*Return value* Number of data fields found if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. A typical reason is an improper grid id.

*Description* The field list is returned as a string with each data field separated by commas. The rank and numbertype arrays will have an entry for each field. Output parameters set to NULL will not be returned.

*Example*      To retrieve information about the data fields, use the following statement:

```
nfld = GDinqfields(gridID, fieldlist, rank, numbertype);
```

The parameter, *fieldlist*, will have the value: "Temperature,Spectra"  
with rank[2]={2,3}, numbertype[2]={5,5}

*FORTTRAN*    integer\*4 function gdingflds(gridid, fieldlist, rank, numbertype)

integer\*4     gridid

character\*(\*) fieldlist

integer\*4     rank(\*)

integer\*4     numbertype(\*)

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
nfld = gdingflds(gridID, fieldlist, rank, numbertype)
```

The parameter, *fieldlist*, will have the value: "Spectra,Temperature"  
with rank[2]={3,2}, numbertype[2]={5,5}

# Retrieve Grid Structures Defined in HDF-EOS File

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## GDinqgrid

int32 GDinqgrid(char \* filename, char \*gridlist, int32 \*strbufsize)

filename *IN: HDF-EOS filename*

gridlist *OUT: Grid list (entries separated by commas)*

strbufsize *OUT: String length of grid list*

*Purpose* Retrieves number and names of grids defined in HDF-EOS file.

*Return value* Number of grids found of successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.

*Description* The grid list is returned as a string with each grid name separated by commas. If gridlist is set to NULL, then the routine will return just the string buffer size, strbufsize. If strbufsize is also set to NULL, the routine returns just the number of grids. Note that strbufsize does not count the null string terminator.

*Example* In this example, we retrieve information about the grids defined in an HDF-EOS file, HDFEOS.hdf. We assume that there are two grids stored, GridOne and Grid\_2:

```
ngrid = GDinqgrid("HDFEOS.hdf", NULL, strbufsize);
```

*The parameter, ngrid, will have the value 2 and strbufsize will have value 16.*

```
ngrid = GDinqgrid("HDFEOS.hdf", gridlist, strbufsize);
```

*The variable, gridlist, will be set to:*

*“GridOne,Grid\_2”.*

*FORTTRAN* integer\*4 function gdingqgrid(filename,gridlist,strbufsize)

character\*(\*) filename

character\*(\*) gridlist

integer\*4 strbufsize

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
ngrid = gdingqgrid('HDFEOS.hdf', gridlist, strbufsize)
```

# Perform Bilinear Interpolation on Grid Field

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## GDinterpolate

int32 GDinterpolate(int32 *gridID*, int32 *nInterp*, float64 *lonVal*[], float64 *latVal*[], char *\*fieldname*, float64 *interpVal*[])

*gridID*      *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*nInterp*    *IN:*    *Number of interpolation points*

*lonVal*     *IN:*    *Longitude of interpolation points*

*latVal*     *IN:*    *Latitude of interpolation points*

*fieldname*   *OUT:* *Field from which to interpolate data values*

*interpVal*   *OUT:* *Buffer for interpolated data values*

*Purpose*       *Performs bilinear interpolation on a grid field.*

*Return value* *Returns size in bytes of interpolated data values if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description*   *This routine performs bilinear interpolation on a grid field. It assumes that the pixel data values are uniformly spaced which is strictly true only for an infinitesimally small region of the globe but is a good approximation for a sufficiently small region. The default position of the pixel value is pixel center, however if the pixel registration has been set to HDFE\_CORNER (with the GDdefpixreg routine) then the value is located at one of the four corners (HDFE\_GD\_UL, \_UR, \_LL, \_LR) specified by the GDdeforigin routine. All entries along the non-geographic dimensions (ie, NOT XDim and YDim) are interpolated and all interpolated values are returned as FLOAT64. The data buffer size can be determined by setting the interpVal parameter to NULL. The reference for the interpolation algorithm is Numerical Recipes in C (2<sup>nd</sup> ed). (Note for the current version of this routine, the number type of the field to be interpolated is restricted to INT16, INT32, FLOAT32, FLOAT64.)*

*Example*        *To interpolate the Spectra field at two geographic data points:*

```
lonVal[0] = 134.2;  
latVal[0] = -20.8;  
  
lonVal[1] = 15.8;  
latVal[1] = 84.6;  
  
float64        *interpVal;
```

```

bufsiz = GDinterpolate(gridID, 2, lonVal, latVal, "Spectra",
NULL);

/* bufsiz will be equal to 2 * NBANDS * 8 where NBANDS is the
value for the Bands dimension */

interpVal = (float64 *) malloc(bufsiz);

bufsiz = GDinterpolate(gridID, 2, lonVal, latVal, "Spectra",
interpVal);

```

*FORTRAN integer\*4 function gdinterpolate(gridid, ninterp, lonval, latval, fieldname, interpval)*

```

integer*4    gridid
integer*4    ninterp

```

*real\*8 lonval*

*real\*8 latval*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

```

real*8      interpval

```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```

real*8      interpval(NBANDS, 2)

bufsiz = gdinterpolate(gridid, 2, lonval, latval, "Spectra",
interpval)

```

# Return Number of Specified Objects in a Grid

---

## GDnentries

int32 GDnentries(int32 *gridID*, int32 *entrycode*, int32 \**strbufsize*)

*gridID*            *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*entrycode*        *IN:*    *Entrycode*

*strbufsize*        *OUT:*   *String buffer size*

*Purpose*            *Returns number of entries and descriptive string buffer size for a specified entity.*

*Return value*    *Number of entries if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. A typical reason for failure is an improper grid id or entry code.*

*Description*     *This routine can be called before using the inquiry routines in order to determine the sizes of the output arrays and descriptive strings. The string length does not include the NULL terminator.*

*The entry codes are:    HDFE\_NENTDIM (0) - Dimensions*

*HDFE\_NENTDFLD (4) - Data Fields*

*Example*          *In this example, we determine the number of data field entries and the size of the field list string.*

```
ndims = GDnentries(gridID, HDFE_NENTDFLD, &bufsz);
```

*FORTTRAN*        *integer\*4 function gdnentries(gridid,entrycode, bufsize)*

*integer\*4*            *gridid*

*integer\*4*            *entrycode*

*integer\*4*            *bufsize*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
ndims = gdnentries(gridid, 4, bufsz)
```

# Open HDF-EOS File

---

## GDopen

int32 GDopen(char \*filename, intn access)

filename     IN:     Complete path and filename for the file to be opened

access       IN:     DFACC\_READ, DFACC\_RDWR or DFACC\_CREATE

*Purpose*       Opens or creates HDF file in order to create, read, or write a grid.

*Return value* Returns the grid file id handle(fid) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine creates a new file or opens an existing one, depending on the access parameter.

*Access codes:*

*DFACC\_READ*     Open for read only. If file does not exist, error

*DFACC\_RDWR*    Open for read/write. If file does not exist, create it

*DFACC\_CREATE*  If file exist, delete it, then open a new file for read/write

*Example*       In this example, we create a new grid file named, GridFile.hdf. It returns the file handle, fid.

```
fid = GDopen("GridFile.hdf", DFACC_CREATE);
```

*FORTRAN*       integer\*4 function gdopen(filename, access)

          character\*(\*) filename

          integer access

The access codes should be defined as parameters:

*parameter (DFACC\_READ=1)*

*parameter (DFACC\_RDWR=3)*

*parameter (DFACC\_CREATE=4)*

The equivalent *FORTRAN* code for the example above is:

```
fid = gdopen("GridFile.hdf", DFACC_CREATE)
```

*Note to users of the SDP Toolkit:* Please refer to the *Release 6A.07 SDP Toolkit User Guide for the ECS Project (333-CD-605-003)*, Section 6.2.1.2 for information on how to obtain a file name (referred to as a "physical file handle") from within a PGE. See also Section 9 of this document for code examples.

# Return Grid Origin Information

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## **GDorigininfo**

intn GDorigininfo(int32 *gridID*, int32 *\*origincode*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*origincode*   *IN:*    *Origin code*

*Purpose*        *Retrieve origin code.*

*Return value* *Origin code if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine retrieves the origin code.*

*Example*       *In this example, we retrieve the origin code defined in GDdeforigin.*

```
status = GDorigininfo(gridID, &origincode);
```

*The return value, origincode, will be equal to 3*

*FORTTRAN*     *integer function gdorginfo(gridid,origincode)*

*integer\*4*     *gridid*

*integer\*4*     *origincode*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the above example is :*

```
status = gdorginfo(gridid, origincode)
```

# Return Pixel Registration Information

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## GDpixreginfo

intn GDpixreginfo(int32 *gridID*, int32 \**pixregcode*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*pixregcode*   *IN:*    *Pixel registration code*

*Purpose*        *Retrieve pixel registration code.*

*Return value* *Pixel registration code if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine retrieves the pixel registration code.*

*Example*      *In this example, we retrieve the pixel registration code defined in GDdefpixreg.*

```
status = GDpixreginfo(gridID, &pixregcode);
```

*The return value, pixregcode, will be equal to 1*

*FORTTRAN*    *integer function gdpreginfo(gridid,pixregcode)*

```
integer*4    gridid
```

```
integer*4    pixregcode
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the above example is :*

```
status = gdpreginfo(gridid, pixregcode)
```

## Retrieve Grid Projection Information

---

### GDprojinfo

intn GDprojinfo(int32 *gridID*, int32 \**projcode*, int32 \**zonecode*, int32 \**spherecode*, float64 *projparm*[])

*gridID*      *IN:*    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*projcode*    *OUT:*    GCTP projection code

*zonecode*    *OUT:*    GCTP zone code used by UTM projection

*spherecode* *OUT:*    GCTP spheroid code

*projparm*    *OUT:*    GCTP projection parameter array

*Purpose*      *Retrieves projection information of grid*

*Return Value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise*

*Description* *Retrieves the GCTP projection code, zone code, spheroid code and the projection parameters of the grid*

*Example*     *In this example, we are retrieving the projection information from a grid attached to with GDattached:*

```
status = GDprojinfo(gridID, &projcode, &zonecode, &spherecode,
projparm);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer function gdprojinfo(gridid, projcode, zonecode, spherecode, projparm)*

*integer\*4*    *gridid*

*integer\*4*    *projcode*

*integer\*4*    *zonecode*

*integer\*4*    *spherecode*

*real\*8*       *projparm(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdprojinfo(gridid, projcode, zonecode, spherecode,
projparm)
```

# Read Grid Attribute

---

## GDreadattr

intn GDreadattr(int32 *gridID*, char \**attrname*, VOIDP *datbuf*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*attrname*     *IN:*    *Attribute name*

*datbuf*        *OUT:*   *Buffer allocated to hold attribute values*

*Purpose*        *Reads attribute from a grid.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper grid id or number type or incorrect attribute name.*

*Description* *The attribute is passed by reference rather than value in order that a single routine suffice for all numerical types.*

*Example*      *In this example, we read a single precision (32 bit) floating point attribute with the name "ScalarFloat":*

```
status = GDreadattr(gridID, "ScalarFloat", &f32);
```

*FORTTRAN*     *integer function gdrdatr(gridid, attrname,datbuf)*

```
integer*4     gridid
```

```
character*(*) attrname
```

```
<valid type> datbuf(*)
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdrdatr(gridid, "ScalarFloat", f32)
```

## Read Data From a Grid Field

---

### GDreadfield

intn GDreadfield(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *start*[], int32 *stride*[], int32 *edge*[], VOIDP *buffer*)

*gridID*      *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*  
*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Name of field to read*  
*start*        *IN:*    *Array specifying the starting location within each dimension*  
*stride*       *IN:*    *Array specifying the number of values to skip along each dimension*  
*edge*        *IN:*    *Array specifying the number of values to write along each dimension*  
*buffer*       *IN:*    *Buffer to store the data read from the field*

*Purpose*        *Reads data from a grid field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are improper grid id or unknown fieldname.*

*Description* *The values within start, stride, and edge arrays refer to the grid field (input) dimensions. The output data in buffer is written to contiguously. The default values for start and stride are 0 and 1 respectively and are used if these parameters are set to NULL. The default values for edge are (dim - start) / stride where dim refers to the size of the dimension.*

*Example*      *In this example, we read data from the 10th row (0-based) of the Temperature field.*

```
float32 row[120];  
  
int32 start[2]={10,1}, edge[2]={1,120};  
  
status = GDreadfield(gridID, "Temperature", start, NULL, edge,  
row);
```

*FORTRAN integer function*  
*gdrdfld(gridid,fieldname,start,stride,edge,buffer)*  
*integer\*4 gridid*  
*character\*(\*) fieldname*  
*integer\*4 start(\*)*  
*integer\*4 stride(\*)*  
*integer\*4 edge(\*)*  
*<valid type> buffer(\*)*

The *start*, *stride*, and *edge* arrays must be defined explicitly, with the *start* array being 0-based.

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
real*4 row(2000)

integer*4 start(2), stride(2), edge(2)

start(1) = 10
start(2) = 0
stride(1) = 1
stride(2) = 1
edge(1) = 2000
edge(2) = 1

status = gdrdfld(gridid, "Temperature", start, stride, edge,
row)
```

# Read from Tile within Field

---

## GDreadtile

intn GDreadtile(int32 gridID, char \*fieldname, int32 tilecoords[], VOIDP buffer)

gridID        *IN:*    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

fieldname    *IN:*    Fieldname

tilecoords   *IN:*    Array of tile coordinates

buffer        *OUT:*    Data to be written to tile

*Purpose*       Reads from tile within field.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine reads a single tile of data from a field. If the data is to be read tile by tile, this routine is more efficient than GDreadfield. In all other cases, the later routine should be used. GDreadtile does not work on non-tiled fields. Note that the coordinates in terms of tiles, not data elements.

*Example*      In this example, we read one tile from the Temperature field (see GDdefile example) located at the second column of the first row of tiles. Buffer should contain space for  $200 * 100 * 4 = 80000$  bytes.

```
tilecoords[0] = 0;
tilecoords[1] = 1;
status = GDreadtile(gridid, "Temperature", tilecoords, buffer);
```

*FORTRAN*      integer function gdrdtle(gridid, fieldname, tilecoords, buffer)

integer\*4      gridid

character\*(\*) fieldname

integer\*4      tilecoords(\*)

<valid type>   buffer(\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
tilecoords(1) = 1;
tilecoords(2) = 0;
status = gdrdtle(gridid, "Temperature", tilecoords, buffer)
```

*Note that tilecoords for FORTRAN are reversed from the C language example but the values are still 0-based.*

## Return Information About a Region

---

### GDregioninfo

intn GDregioninfo(int32 *gridID*, int32 *regionID*, char \* *fieldname*, int32 \**ntype*, int32 \**rank*, int32 *dims*[], int32 \**size*, float64 *upleftpt*[], float64 *lowrightpt*[])

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*regionID*     *IN:*    *Region (period) id returned by GDdefboxregion (GDdeftimeperiod)*

*fieldname*   *IN:*    *Field to subset*

*ntype*        *OUT:*   *Number type of field*

*rank*         *OUT:*   *Rank of field*

*dims*         *OUT:*   *Dimensions of subset region*

*size*         *OUT:*   *Size in bytes of subset region*

*upleftpt*     *OUT:*   *Upper left point of subset region*

*lowrightpt*   *OUT:*   *Lower right point of subset region*

*Purpose*        *Retrieves information about the subsetted region.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED (0) if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description*   *This routine returns information about a subsetted region for a particular field. It is useful when allocating space for a data buffer for the region. Because of differences in number type and geolocation mapping, a given region will give different values for the dimensions and size for various fields. The upleftpt and lowrightpt arrays can be used when creating a new grid from the subsetted region.*

*Example*        *In this example, we retrieve information about the region defined in GDdefboxregion for the Temperature field. We use this to allocate space for data in the subsetted region.*

```
status = GDregioninfo(GDdid, regionID, "Temperature", &ntype,
                    &rank, dims, &size, upleft, lowright);
```

*FORTRAN integer function gdreginfo(gridid, regionid, fieldname, ntype, rank, dims, size, upleftpt, lowrightpt)*

*integer\*4 gridid*

*integer\*4 gridid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*integer\*4 ntype*

*integer\*4 rank*

*integer\*4 dims(\*)*

*integer\*4 size*

*real\*8 upleftpt*

*real\*8 lowrightpt*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdreginfo(gridid, regid, "Spectra", ntype, rank, dims,  
size, upleftpt, lowrightpt)
```

## Set Fill Value for a Specified Field

---

### GDsetfillvalue

intn GDsetfillvalue(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, VOIDP *fillvalue*)

*gridID*        IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*fieldname*    IN:    Fieldname

*fillvalue*    IN:    Pointer to the fill value to be used

*Purpose*        Sets fill value for the specified field.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper grid id or number type.

*Description*  The fill value is placed in all elements of the field which have not been explicitly defined.

*Example*       In this example, we set a fill value for the "Temperature" field:

```
tempfill = -999.0;
status = GDsetfillvalue(gridID, "Temperature", &tempfill);
```

*FORTTRAN*     integer function  
                gdsetfill(gridid,fieldname,fillvalue)

*integer\*4*     gridid

*character\*(\*)* fieldname

*<valid type>* fillvalue(\*)

*The equivalent FORTTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdsetfill(gridid, "Temperature", -999.0)
```

# Set Tile Cache Parameters

---

## GDsettilecache

intn GDsettilecache(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *maxcache*, int32 *cachecode*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Fieldname*

*maxcache*     *IN:*    *Maximum number of tiles to cache in memory*

*cachecode*    *IN:*    *Currently must be set to 0*

*Purpose*        *Sets tile cache parameters*

*Return Value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise*

*Description* *This routine sets the maximum cache for tiling. If the cache is set for a fewer number of tiles than needed for a particular subset of the field, there can be serious efficiency problems. Therefore it is recommended that this routine not be used unless one is aware for each field, the expected size of a particular subset and its position relative to the tiles. The maxcache value should be set to the number of tiles which fit along the fastest varying dimension.*

*Example*      *In this example, we set maxcache to 10 tiles. The particular subsetting envisioned for the Spectra field (defined in the GDdefile example) would never cross more than 10 tiles along the field's fastest varying dimension, ie, XDim..*

```
status = GDsettilecache(gridID, "Spectra", 10, 0);
```

*FORTRAN*     *integer function gdsettleche(gridid, fieldname,maxcache,cachecode)*

```
integer*4     gridid
```

```
character*(*) fieldname
```

```
integer*4     maxcache
```

```
integer*4     cachecode
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdsettleche(gridid, 'Spectra', 10, 0)
```

# Set Tiling/Compression Parameters

---

## GDsettilecomp

intn GDsettilecomp(int32 *gridID*, char *fieldname*, int32 *tilerank*, int32 *tiledims*, int32 *compcode*,  
intn *\*compparm*)

*gridID*      *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Field name*

*tilerank*      *IN:*    *The number of tile dimensions*

*tiledims*     *IN:*    *Tile dimensions*

*compcode*     *IN:*    *HDF compression code*

*compparm*     *IN:*    *Compression parameters(if applicable)*

*Purpose*        *Set tiling and compression parameters for a field that has fill values.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine was added as a fix to a bug in HDF-EOS. The current method of implementation didn't allow the user to have a field with fill values and use tiling and compression. This function allows the user to access all of these features. This function must be called in a particular order.*

*Example*      *This function must be used in a particular sequence with other HDF\_EOS Grid functions.*

*(1) GDdefield – Define field*

*(2) GDsetfillvalue – Set fill value for field*

*(3) GDsettilecomp – Set tiling(chunking) and compression parameters for field*

```
tile_dim[0] = 1;
```

```
tile_dim[1] = 128;
```

```
tile_dim[2] = 512;
```

```
compparm[1] = 5;
```

```
status = GDsettilecomp(gridID, "AveSceneElev", 3, tile_dim,  
HDFE_COMP_DEFLATE, compparm);
```

**NOTE:**        This routine is currently implemented in "C" only. If the need arises, a FORTRAN function will be added.

# Retrieve Tiling Information for Field

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## GDtileinfo

intn GDtileinfo(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 \**tilecode*, int32 \**tilerank*, int32 *tiledims*[])

*gridID*            IN:    Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

*fieldname*       IN:    Fieldname

*tilecode*         OUT:  Tile code: HDF\_TILE, HDF\_NOTILE

*tilerank*         OUT:  The number of tile dimensions

*tiledims*         OUT:  Tile dimensions

*Purpose*            Retrieves tiling information about a field.

*Return value*    Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description*     This routine returns the tiling code, tiling rank, and tiling dimensions for a given field.

*Example*          To retrieve the tiling information about the Pressure field defined in the GDdefile section:

```
status = GDtileinfo(gridID, "Pressure", &tilecode, &tilerank,
tiledims);
```

The *tilecode* parameter will be set to 1, the *tilerank* to 2, and *tiledims* to {100,200}.

*FORTRAN*    integer function gdtileinfo(gridid,fieldname tilecode,tilerank,tiledims)

          integer\*4    gridid

          character\*(\*) fieldname

          integer\*4    tilecode

          integer\*4    tilerank

          integer\*4    tiledims(\*)

The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```
status = gdtileinfo(gridid, 'Pressure', tilecode, tilerank,
tiledims)
```

The *tilecode* parameter will be set to 1, the *tilerank* to 2, and *tiledims* to {200,100}.

## Write/Update Grid Attribute

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### GDwriteattr

intn GDwriteattr(int32 gridID, char \*attrname, int32 ntype, int32 count, VOIDP datbuf)

gridID      IN:     Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach

attrname     IN:     Attribute name

ntype        IN:     Number type of attribute

count        IN:     Number of values to store in attribute

datbuf       IN:     Attribute values

*Purpose*       Writes/Updates attribute in a grid.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper grid id or number type.

*Description* If the attribute does not exist, it is created. If it does exist, then the value(s) is (are) updated. The attribute is passed by reference rather than value in order that a single routine suffice for all numerical types. Because of this a literal numerical expression should not be used in the call.

*Example*       In this example. we write a single precision (32 bit) floating point number with the name "ScalarFloat" and the value 3.14:

```
f32 = 3.14;
status = GDwriteattr(gridid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32, 1,
                    &f32);
```

*We can update this value by simply calling the routine again with the new value:*

```
f32 = 3.14159;
status = GDwriteattr(gridid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32, 1,
                    &f32);
```

*FORTRAN*       integer function gdwrattr(gridid, attrname,  
                  ntype, count, datbuf)

integer\*4     gridid

character\*(\*) attrname

integer\*4     ntype

integer\*4     count

<valid type> datbuf(\*)

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
parameter (DFNT_FLOAT32=5)
f32 = 3.14
status = gdwrattr(gridid, "ScalarFloat", DFNT_FLOAT32, 1,
                 f32)
```

# Write Data to a Grid Field

---

## GDwritefield

intn GDwritefield(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *start*[], int32 *stride*[], int32 *edge*[], VOIDP *data*)

*gridID*      *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*  
*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Name of field to write*  
*start*        *IN:*    *Array specifying the starting location within each dimension (0-based)*  
*stride*       *IN:*    *Array specifying the number of values to skip along each dimension*  
*edge*        *IN:*    *Array specifying the number of values to write along each dimension*  
*data*        *IN:*    *Values to be written to the field*

*Purpose*        *Writes data to a grid field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *The values within start, stride, and edge arrays refer to the grid field (output) dimensions. The input data in the data buffer is read from contiguously. The default values for start and stride are 0 and 1 respectively and are used if these parameters are set to NULL. The default values for edge are (dim - start) / stride where dim refers to the size of the dimension. Note that the data buffer for a compressed field must be the size of the entire field as incremental writes are not supported by the underlying HDF routines. If this is not possible due to, for example, memory limitations, then the user should consider tiling. See GDdefile for further information.*

*Example*      *In this example, we write data to the Temperature field.*

```
float32 temperature [200][120];
/* Define elements of temperature array */
status = GDwritefield(gridID, "Temperature", NULL, NULL,
                      NULL, temperature);
```

*We now update Row 10 (0 - based) in this field:*

```
float32 newrow[2000];
int32 start[2]={0,10}, edge[2]={2000,1};
/* Define elements of newrow array */
status = GDwritefield(gridID, "Temperature", start, NULL,
                      edge, newrow);
```

*FORTRAN integer function*

*gdwrfld(gridid,fieldname,start,stride,edge,data)*

*integer\*4 gridid*

*character\*(\*) fieldname*

*integer\*4 start(\*)*

*integer\*4 stride(\*)*

*integer\*4 edge(\*)*

*<valid type> data(\*)*

*The start, stride, and edge arrays must be defined explicitly, with the start array being 0-based.*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
real*4 temperature(2000,1000)
integer*4 start(2), stride(2), edge(2)
start(1) = 0
start(2) = 0
stride(1) = 1
stride(2) = 1
edge(1) = 2000
edge(2) = 1000
status = gdwrfld(gridid, "Temperature", start, stride, edge,
                 temperature)
```

*We now update Row 10 (0 - based) in this field:*

```
real*4 newrow(2000)
integer*4 start(2), stride(2), edge(2)
start(1) = 10
start(2) = 0
stride(1) = 1
stride(2) = 1
edge(1) = 2000
edge(2) = 1
status = gdwrfld(gridid, "Temperature", start, stride, edge,
                 newrow)
```

# Write Field Metadata for an Existing Field Not Defined With the Grid API

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## GDwritefieldmeta

intn GDwritefieldmeta(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, char \**dimlist*, int32 *numbertype*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Name of field that metadata information is to be written*

*dimlist*       *IN:*    *Dimension list of field*

*numbertype*   *IN:*    *Number type of data in field*

*Purpose*        *Writes field metadata for an existing grid field not defined with the Grid API*

*Return Value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise*

*Description* *This routine writes the field metadata for a grid field not defined by the Grid API*

### *Example*

```
status = GDwritefieldmeta(gridID, "ExternField",  
"Ydim,Xdim", DFNT_FLOAT32);
```

*FORTRAN*    *integer function gdwrmeta(gridid, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype)*

*integer\*4*    *gridid*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldname*

*character\*(\*)* *dimlist*

*integer\*4*    *numbertype*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
status = gdwrmeta(gridid, "ExternField", "Xdim,Ydim",  
DFNT_FLOAT32)
```

# Write to Tile within Field

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## GDwritetile

intn GDwritetile(int32 *gridID*, char \**fieldname*, int32 *tilecoords*[], VOIDP *data*)

*gridID*        *IN:*    *Grid id returned by GDcreate or GDattach*

*fieldname*    *IN:*    *Fieldname*

*tilecoords*    *IN:*    *Array of tile coordinates*

*data*         *IN:*    *Data to be written to tile*

*Purpose*        *Writes to tile within field.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise. Typical reasons for failure are an improper grid id or number type.*

*Description* *This routine writes a single tile of data to a field. If the data to be written to a field can be arranged tile by tile, this routine is more efficient than GDwritefield. In all other cases, the later routine should be used. GDwritetile does not work on non-tiled fields. Note that the coordinates in terms of tiles, not data elements.*

*Example*      *In this example. we write one tile to the Temperature field (see GDdefile example) at the second column of the first row of tiles. Note that there are  $200 * 100 * 4 = 80000$  bytes in data:*

```
tilecoords[0] = 0;
tilecoords[1] = 1;
status = GDwritetile(gridid, "Temperature", tilecoords, data);
```

*FORTRAN*      *integer function gdwrtle(gridid, fieldname, tilecoords, data)*

*integer\*4*      *gridid*

*character\*(\*)* *fieldname*

*integer\*4*      *tilecoords(\*)*

*<valid type>* *data(\*)*

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the first example above is:*

```
tilecoords(1) = 1
tilecoords(2) = 0
status = gdwrtle(gridid, "Temperature", tilecoords, data)
```

*Note that tilecoords for FORTRAN are reversed from the C language example but the values are still 0-based.*

## 2.1.4 HDF-EOS Utility Routines

This section contains an alphabetical listing of the HDF-EOS utility routines.

# Convert Among Angular Units

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## **EHconvAng**

float64 EHconvAng(float64 *inAngle*, intn *code*)

*inAngle*      *IN:*    *Input angle*

*code*          *IN:*    *Conversion code*

*Purpose*        *Convert among various angular units.*

*Return value* *Returns angle in desired units if successful or FAIL (-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine converts angles between three units, decimal degrees, radians, and packed degrees-minutes-seconds. In the later unit, an angle is expressed as a integral number of degrees and minutes and a float point value of seconds packed as a single float64 number as follows: DDDMMMSS.SS. The six conversion codes are: HDFE\_RAD\_DEG (0), HDFE\_DEG\_RAD (1), HDFE\_DMS\_DEG (2), HDFE\_DEG\_DMS (3), HDFE\_RAD\_DMS (0), and HDFE\_DMS\_RAD (1), where the first three letter code (RAD - radians, DEG - decimal degrees, DMS - packed degrees-minutes-seconds) corresponds to the input angle and the second to the desired output angular unit.*

*Example*      *To convert 27.5 degrees to packed format:*

```
inAng = 27.5;
```

```
outAng = EHconvAng(inAng, HDFE_DEG_DMS);
```

*“outAng” will contain the value: 27030000.00.*

*FORTTRAN*    *real\*8 function ehconvang(inangle,code)*

```
real*8          inangle
```

```
integer         code
```

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
inangle = 27.5
```

```
outangle = ehconvang(inangle,3)
```

# Get HDF-EOS Version String

---

## **EHgetversion**

intn EHgetversion(int32 fid, char \*version)

fid            IN:    File id returned by SWopen, GDopen, or PTopen.

version        OUT:  HDF-EOS version string

*Purpose*        Get HDF-EOS version string.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description* This routine returns the HDF-EOS version string of an HDF-EOS file. This designates the version of HFD-EOS that was used to create the file. This string is of the form: "HDFEOS\_Vmaj.min" where maj is the major version and min is the minor version.

*Example*      To get the HDF-EOS version (assumed to be 2.7) used to create the HDF-EOS file: "SwathFile.hdf":

```
char version[16];  
  
fid = SWopen("SwathFile.hdf", DFACC_READ);  
  
status = EHgetversion(fid, version);  
  
"version" will contain the string: "HDFEOS_V2.7".
```

*FORTTRAN*     integer function ehgetver(fid,version)

integer\*4     fid

character\*(\*) version

*The equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:*

```
character*16 version  
fid = swopen("SwathFile.hdf",1)  
status = ehgetver(fid, version)
```

# Get HDF File ids

---

## **EHidinfo**

intn EHidinfo(int32 fid, int32 \*HDFfid, int32 \*sdInterfaceID)

fid            *IN:*    File id returned by SWopen, GDopen, or PTopen.

HDFfid         *OUT:*  HDF file ID (returned by Hopen)

sdInterfaceID *OUT:*  SD interface ID (returned by SDstart)

*Purpose*        Get HDF file IDs.

*Return value* Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.

*Description*  This routine returns the HDF file ids corresponding to the HDF-EOS file id returned by SWopen, GDopen, or PTopen. These ids can then be used to create or access native HDF structure such as SDS arrays, Vdatas, or HDF attributes within an HDF-EOS file.

*Example*      To create a vdata within an existing HDF-EOS file:

```
char version[16];

fid = SWopen("SwathFile.hdf", DFACC_RDWR);

status = EHgetid(fid, &HDFfid, &sdInterfaceID);

vdata_id = VSattach(HDFfid, -1, "w");

[Define vdata fields]

VSdetach(vdata_id);

SWclose(fid);
```

*Note that the file is opened and closed using the HDF-EOS open and close routines.*

*To access the SDS id of an HDF-EOS (unmerged) grid field:*

```
fid = SWopen("GridFile.hdf", DFACC_RDWR);

status = EHgetid(fid, &HDFfid, &sdInterfaceID);

idx = SDnametoindex(sdInterfaceID, "GridField");

sdsID = SDselect(sdInterfaceID, idx);
```

*The user can now apply the HDF SD interface directly to the field.*

*FORTRAN*    *integer function ehidinfo(fid,hdffid,sdid)*  
              *integer\*4*    fid  
              *integer\*4*    hdffid  
*integer\*4*    sdid

# Convert EASE grid coordintes (r,s) to (longitude, latitude)

---

## GDrs2ll

intn GDrs2ll(int32 projcode, float64 projparm[], int32 xdimsize, int32 ydimsize, float64 upleft[], float64 lowright[], int32 npnts, float64 r[], float64 s[], float64 longitude[], float64 latitude[], int32 pixcen, int32 pixcnr)

*projcode*     *IN:*     *GCTP projection code (GCTP\_BCEA)*

*projparm*     *IN:*     *Projection parameters*

*xdimsize*     *IN:*     *xdimsize from GDgridinfo()*

*ydimsize*     *IN:*     *ydimsize from Gdgridinfo()*

*upleft*       *IN:*     *Upper left corner lon/lat of the grid in DMS format, values from GDgridinfo()*

*lowright*     *IN:*     *Lower right corner lon/lat of the grid in DMS format, values from GDgridinfo()*

*npnts*        *IN:*     *number of lon-lat points*

*r*             *IN:*     *array of EASE grid's r coordinate*

*s*             *IN:*     *array of EASE grid's s coordinate*

*pixcen*       *IN:*     *Code from Gdpixreginfo*

*pixcnr*       *IN:*     *Code from GDorigininfo*

*longitude*     *OUT:*    *longitude array (decimal degrees)*

*latitude*      *OUT:*    *latitude array (decimal degrees)*

*Purpose*        *Converts EASE grid's (r,s) coordinates to longitude and latitude.*

*Return value* *Returns SUCCEED(0) if successful or FAIL(-1) otherwise.*

*Description* *This routine converts EASE grid's (r,s) coordinates to longitude and latitude in decimal degrees.*

### Example

```
int32            gridid, npnts = 2;
int32            projcode, origincode, pixregcode;
float64          upleft[2], lowright[2];
float64          projparm[13];
```

```

float64      rcord[2], scord[2], lon[2], lat[2];
int32        xdimsz, ydimsz;
rcord[0]= 0.;
scord[0]= 0.;
rcord[1]= 691.5;
scord[1]= 293.;
status = GDprojinfo(gridid, GCTP_BCEA, 0, 0, projparm);
status = GDgridinfo(gridid, xdimsz, ydimsz, upleft, lowright);
status = GDbxreginfo(gridid, &pixregcode);
status = GDorigininfo(gridid, &origincode);
status = GDrs2ll(GCTP_BCEA, projparm, xdimsz, ydimsz, upleft,
lowright, npnts, rcord, scord, lon, lat, pixregcode, origincode);
FORTRAN integer function gdrs2ll( projcode, projparm, xdimsz, ydimsz, upleft,
lowright, npnts, r, s, longitude, latitude, pixregcode, origincode)
integer*4    projcode, pixregcode, origincode
real*8       projparm(*)
integer*4    xdimsz, ydimsz, npnts
real*8       r(*), s(*), longitude(*), latitude(*)
real*8       upleft(2), lowright(2)

```

The Equivalent FORTRAN code for the example above is:

```

parameter (GCTP_BCEA = 98)
npnts = 2
rcord(1)= 0.
scord(1)= 0.
rcord(2)= 691.5
scord(2)= 293.
status = gdprojinfo(gridid, GCTP_BCEA, 0, 0, projparm)
status = gdgridinfo(gridid, xdimsz, ydimsz, upleft, lowright)
status = gdbxreginfo(gridid, pixregcode)
status = gdorigininfo(gridid, origincode)
status = gdrs2ll(GCTP_BCEA, projparm, xdimsz, ydimsz, upleft,
& lowright, npnts, rcord, scord, longitude, latitude, pixregcode, origincode)

```

# Abbreviations and Acronyms

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AI&T	Algorithm Integration & Test
AIRS	Atmospheric Infrared Sounder
API	application program interface
ASTER	Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer
CCSDS	Consultative Committee on Space Data Systems
CDRL	Contract Data Requirements List
CDS	CCSDS day segmented time code
CERES	Clouds and Earth Radiant Energy System
CM	configuration management
COTS	commercial off-the-shelf software
CUC	constant and unit conversions
CUC	CCSDS unsegmented time code
DAAC	distributed active archive center
DBMS	database management system
DCE	distributed computing environment
DCW	Digital Chart of the World
DEM	digital elevation model
DTM	digital terrain model
ECR	Earth centered rotating
ECS	EOSDIS Core System
EDC	Earth Resources Observation Systems (EROS) Data Center
EDHS	ECS Data Handling System
EDOS	EOSDIS Data and Operations System
EOS	Earth Observing System
EOSAM	EOS AM Project (morning spacecraft series)
EOSDIS	Earth Observing System Data and Information System
EOSPM	EOS PM Project (afternoon spacecraft series)

ESDIS	Earth Science Data and Information System (GSFC Code 505)
FDf	flight dynamics facility
FOV	field of view
ftp	file transfer protocol
GCT	geo-coordinate transformation
GCTP	general cartographic transformation package
GD	grid
GPS	Global Positioning System
GSFC	Goddard Space Flight Center
HDF	hierarchical data format
HITC	Hughes Information Technology Corporation
http	hypertext transport protocol
I&T	integration & test
ICD	interface control document
IDL	interactive data language
IP	Internet protocol
IWG	Investigator Working Group
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
LaRC	Langley Research Center
LIS	Lightening Imaging Sensor
M&O	maintenance and operations
MCF	metadata configuration file
MET	metadata
MODIS	Moderate-Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer
MSFC	Marshall Space Flight Center
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NCSA	National Center for Supercomputer Applications
netCDF	network common data format
NGDC	National Geophysical Data Center
NMC	National Meteorological Center (NOAA)

ODL	object description language
PC	process control
PCF	process control file
PDPS	planning & data production system
PGE	product generation executive (formerly product generation executable)
POSIX	Portable Operating System Interface for Computer Environments
PT	point
QA	quality assurance
RDBMS	relational data base management system
RPC	remote procedure call
RRDB	recommended requirements database
SCF	Science Computing Facility
SDP	science data production
SDPF	science data processing facility
SGI	Silicon Graphics Incorporated
SMF	status message file
SMP	Symmetric Multi-Processing
SOM	Space Oblique Mercator
SPSO	Science Processing Support Office
SSM/I	Special Sensor for Microwave/Imaging
SW	swath
TAI	International Atomic Time
TBD	to be determined
TDRSS	Tracking and Data Relay Satellite System
TRMM	Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission (joint US – Japan)
UARS	Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite
UCAR	University Corporation for Atmospheric Research
URL	universal reference locator
USNO	United States Naval Observatory
UT	universal time

UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
UTCf	universal time correlation factor
UTM	universal transverse mercator
VPF	vector product format
WWW	World Wide Web