

DFSDadddata/dsadata

```
intn DFSDadddata(char *filename, intn rank, int32 dimsizes[], VOIDP data)
```

<i>filename</i>	IN: Name of the HDF file
<i>rank</i>	IN: Number of dimensions in the data array to be written
<i>dimsizes</i>	IN: Array containing the size of each dimension
<i>data</i>	IN: Array containing the data to be stored

Purpose Appends a scientific dataset in its entirety to an existing HDF file if the file exists. If not, a new file is created.

Return value Returns `SUCCESS` (or 0) if successful and `FAIL` (or -1) otherwise.

Description In addition to appending a multidimensional array of data to an HDF file, **DFSDadddata** automatically stores any information pertinent to the dataset. It will not overwrite existing data in the file. The array data can be of any valid type. However, if no data type has been set by **DFSDsetNT**, it is assumed that the data is of type `float32`.

Calling **DFSDadddata** will write the scientific dataset and all associated information. That is, when **DFSDadddata** is called, any information set by a **DFSDset*** call is written to the file, along with the data array itself.

Example This example stores a three-dimensional array of type `float32` in a scientific dataset. The scientific dataset is added to a file called 'myfile.hdf', with no other attribute information.

```
#include "hdf.h"
float32 points[5][20][5000];
int dims[3];
...

dims[0] = 5;
dims[1] = 20;
dims[2] = 5000;

DFSDadddata("myfile.hdf", 3, dims, points);
```

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dsadata(filename, rank, dimsizes, data)

character* (*) filename
integer rank
integer dimsizes(*), data(*)
```

DFSDclear/dsclear

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intn DFSDclear()

Purpose	Clears all values set by DFSDset* routines.
Return value	Returns <code>SUCCEED</code> (or 0) if successful and <code>FAIL</code> (or -1) otherwise.
Description	After a call to DFSDclear , values set by any DFSDset* call will not be written unless they have been set again.
FORTRAN	<code>integer function dsclear()</code>

DFSDeendslab/dseslab

intn DFSDeendslab()

Purpose	Terminates a sequence of slab calls started by DFSDeendslab by closing the file.
Return value	Returns <code>SUCCESS</code> (or 0) if successful and <code>FAILURE</code> (or -1) otherwise.
FORTTRAN	<code>integer function dseslab()</code>

DFSDendslice/dseslc

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intn DFSDendslice()

Purpose	Terminates the write operation after storing a slice of data in a scientific dataset.
Return value	Returns <code>SUCCEED</code> (or 0) if successful and <code>FAIL</code> (or -1) otherwise.
Description	DFSDendslice must be called after all the slices are written. It checks to ensure that the entire dataset has been written, and if it has not, returns an error code. DFSDendslice is obsolete in favor of DFSDendslab . DFSDendslab is the recommended function call to use when terminating hyperslab (previously known as data slices) operations. HDF will continue to support DFSDendslice only to maintain backward compatibility with earlier versions of the library.
FORTTRAN	<code>integer function dseslc()</code>

DFSDgetcal/dsgcal

```
int32 DFSDgetcal(float64 *cal, float64 *cal_err, float64 *offset, float64 *offset_err, int32
                *data_type)
```

<i>cal</i>	OUT: Calibration factor
<i>cal_err</i>	OUT: Calibration error
<i>offset</i>	OUT: Uncalibrated offset
<i>offset_err</i>	OUT: Uncalibrated offset error
<i>data_type</i>	OUT: Data type of uncalibrated data

Purpose Retrieves the calibration record, if there is one, attached to a scientific dataset.

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

Description A calibration record contains four 64-bit floating point values followed by a 32-bit integer.

The relationship between a value *iy* stored in a dataset and the actual value *y* is defined as:

$$y = cal * (iy - offset)$$

The variable *offset_err* contains a potential error of *offset*, and *cal_err* contains a potential error of *cal*. Currently the calibration record is provided for information only. The SD interface performs no operations on the data based on the calibration tag.

Example Suppose the values in the calibrated dataset *iy[]* are the following integers:

```
iy[6] = {2, 4, 5, 11, 26, 81}
```

By defining *cal* = 0.5 and *offset* = -200, and applying the calibration formula, the calibrated dataset *iy[]* returns to its original form as a floating point array:

```
y[6] = {1001.0, 1002.0, 1002.5, 1005.5,
        1013.0, 1040.5}
```

FORTRAN

```
integer function dsgcal(cal, cal_err, offset, offset_err,
                      data_type)

real cal, cal_err, offset, offset_err
integer data_type
```

DFSDgetdata/dsgdata

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intn DFSDgetdata(char **filename*, intn *rank*, int32 *dimsizes*[], VOIDP *data*)

<i>filename</i>	IN: Name of the file
<i>rank</i>	IN: Number of dimensions
<i>dimsizes</i>	IN: Dimensions of the <i>data</i> buffer
<i>data</i>	OUT: Buffer for the data

Purpose Reads the next dataset in the file.

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

Description If the values of *rank* or *dimsizes* aren't known, **DFSDgetdims** must be called to retrieve them and then use them to determine the buffer space needed for the array data. If the data type of the data in a scientific dataset isn't known, **DFSDgetNT** must be called to retrieve it. Subsequent calls to **DFSDgetdata** (or to **DFSDgetdims** and **DFSDgetdata**) will sequentially read scientific datasets from the file. For example, if **DFSDgetdata** is called three times in succession, the third call reads data from the third scientific dataset in the file.

If **DFSDgetdims** or **DFSDgetdata** is called and there are no more scientific datasets left in the file, an error code is returned and nothing is read. **DFS-Drestart** can be used to override this convention.

Example The following code reads an array whose dimensions are known to be 100 x 200, and whose data type is known to be `int16`

```
#include "hdf.h"
unit16 density[100][200];
int32 sizes[2], ret;

sizes[0] = 100;
sizes[1] = 200;
ret = DFSDgetdata ("myfile.hdf", 2, sizes, density);
```

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dsgdata(filename, rank, dimsizes, data)

character* (*) filename
integer rank
integer dimsizes(*), data(*)
```

DFSDgetdatalen/dsgdaln

intn DFSDgetdatalen(intn **label_len*, intn **unit_len*, intn **format_len*, intn **coords_len*)

<i>label_len</i>	OUT: Maximum length of the label string
<i>unit_len</i>	OUT: Maximum length of the unit string
<i>format_len</i>	OUT: Maximum length of the format string
<i>coords_len</i>	OUT: Maximum length of the coordinate system string

Purpose Retrieves the lengths of the label, unit, format, and coordinate system strings.

Return value Returns `SUCCESS` (or 0) if successful and `FAIL` (or -1) otherwise.

Description The space allocated for the label, unit, format, and coordinate system strings must be at least one byte larger than the actual length of the string to account for the null termination.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dsgdaln(label_len, unit_len, format_len,  
                        coords_len)  
  
integer label_len, unit_len, format_len, coords_len
```

DFSDgetdatastrs/dsgdast

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intn DFSDgetdatastrs(char **label*, char **unit*, char **format*, char **coordsys*)

<i>label</i>	OUT: Label describing the data
<i>unit</i>	OUT: Unit to be used with the data
<i>format</i>	OUT: Format to be used in displaying data
<i>coordsys</i>	OUT: Coordinate system

Purpose Retrieves information about the the label, unit, and format attribute strings associated with the data.

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

Description The parameter *coordsys* gives the coordinate system that is to be used for interpreting the dimension information.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dsgdast(label, unit, format, coordsys)  
  
character* (*) label, unit, format, coordsys
```


DFSDgetdimlen/dsgdiln

intn DFSDgetdimlen (intn *dim*, intn **label_len*, intn **unit_len*, intn **format_len*)

dim IN: Dimension the label, unit, and format refer to

label_len OUT: Length of the label

unit_len OUT: Length of the unit

format_len OUT: Length of the format

Purpose Retrieves the length of the label, unit, and format attribute strings associated with the specified dimension.

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

Description The space allocated to hold the label, unit, and format strings must be at least one byte larger than the actual length of the string, to account for the null termination.

FORTTRAN integer function dsgdiln(dim, label_len, unit_len, format_len)

 integer dim, label_len, unit_len, format_len

DFSDgetdims/dsgdims

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intn DFSDgetdims(char *filename, intn *rank, int32 *dimsizes*[], intn maxrank)

<i>filename</i>	IN: Name of the HDF file
<i>rank</i>	OUT: Number of dimensions
<i>dimsizes</i>	OUT: Buffer for the returned dimensions
<i>maxrank</i>	IN: Size of the storage buffer <i>dimsizes</i>

Purpose Retrieves the number of dimensions (*rank*) of the dataset and the sizes of the dimensions (*dimsizes*) for the next scientific dataset in the file.

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

Description The *maxrank* parameter tells **DFSDgetdims** the size of the array that is allocated for storing the *dimsizes* array. The value of *rank* must not exceed the value of *maxrank*.

The allocation of a buffer for the scientific dataset data should correspond to the values retrieved by **DFSDgetdims**. The first value in the array *dimsizes* should equal the first dimension of the array that is allocated to hold the dataset; the second value in *dimsizes* should equal the second dimension of the dataset, and so forth.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dsgdims(filename, rank, dimsizes, maxrank)

character* (*) filename
integer rank, maxrank
integer dimsizes(*)
```

DFSDgetdimscale/dsgdisc

intn DFSDgetdimscale(intn *dim*, int32 *size*, VOIDP *scale*)

<i>dim</i>	IN: Dimension this scale corresponds to
<i>size</i>	IN: Size of the <i>scale</i> buffer
<i>scale</i>	OUT: Array of values defining reference points along a specified dimension

Purpose Gets the scale corresponding to the specified dimension.

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

Description The DFSD interface requires the dimension scales to be of the same data type as the corresponding data. To store dimension scales of a different data type than the corresponding data, use the multifile SD interface.

Example In this example an 800 x 500 data array is read from 'myfile.hdf', together with a scale for each dimension. The scales are assumed to be of type float32

```
intn rank;
int32 dimsizes[2];
float32 yscale[800], xscale[500];
float32 pressure[800][500];

DFSDgetdims ("SDex2.hdf", rank, dimsizes, 2);
DFSDgetdata ("SDex2.hdf", rank, dimsizes, pressure);
DFSDgetdimscale (1, dimsizes[0], yscale);
DFSDgetdimscale (2, dimsizes[1], xscale);
```

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dsgdisc(dim, size, scale)

integer dim, size
integer scale(*)
```

DFSDgetdimstrs/dsgdist

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intn DFSDgetdimstrs(intn *dim*, char **label*, char **unit*, char **format*)

<i>dim</i>	IN: Dimension this label, unit and format refer to
<i>label</i>	OUT: Label that describes this dimension
<i>unit</i>	OUT: Unit to be used with this dimension
<i>format</i>	OUT: Format to be used in displaying scale for this dimension

Purpose Retrieves the label, unit, and format attribute strings corresponding to the specified dimension.

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

Description The space allocated for the label, unit, and format string must be at least one byte larger than the length of the string to accomodate the null termination . If the length is unknown when the program is written, declare the array size as `1+maxlen_label,maxlen_unit` or `maxlen_format` after they are set by **DFSDsetlengths**. The maximum default string length is 255.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dsgdist(dim, label, unit, format)

integer dim
character* (*) label, unit, format
```

DFSDgetfillvalue/dsgfill

intn DFSDgetfillvalue(VOIDP *fill_value*)

fill_value OUT: Fill value

Purpose	Retrieves the fill value of a DFSD scientific dataset.
Return value	Returns SUCCEED (or 0) if successful and FAIL (or -1) otherwise.
Description	The fill value is set by DFSDsetfillvalue and returned in the variable <i>fill_value</i> . Note that DFSDgetfillvalue does not take a file name as an argument. As a result, a DFSD call to initialize the file information structures is required before calling DFSDgetfillvalue . One such call is DFSDgetdims .
FORTTRAN	<pre>integer function dsgfill(fill_value) character* (*) fill_value</pre>

DFSDgetNT/dsgnt

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intn DFSDgetNT(int32 **data_type*)

data_type OUT: Data type of data in the scientific dataset

Purpose Retrieves the data type of the next dataset to be read.

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

Description Note that **DFSDgetNT** does not take a file name as an argument. As a result, a DFSD call to initialize the file information structures is required before calling **DFSDgetNT**. One such call is **DFSDgetdims**.

Valid values for *data_type* are of the general form DFNT_*. The following are valid symbolic names and their data types:

32-bit float	DFNT_FLOAT32	5
64-bit float	DFNT_FLOAT64	6
8-bit signed int	DFNT_INT8	20
8-bit unsigned int	DFNT_UINT8	21
16-bit signed int	DFNT_INT16	22
16-bit unsigned int	DFNT_UINT16	23
32-bit signed int	DFNT_INT32	24
32-bit unsigned int	DFNT_UINT32	25
8-bit character	DFNT_CHAR8	4

FORTRAN integer function dsgnt(num_type)

integer num_type

DFSDgetrange/dsgrang

```
intn DFSDgetrange(VOIDP max, VOIDP min)
```

max OUT: Maximum value stored with the scientific dataset

min OUT: Maximum value stored with the scientific dataset

Purpose Retrieves the maximum and minimum values stored with the scientific dataset.

Return value Returns `SUCCESS` (or 0) if successful and `FAIL` (or -1) otherwise.

Description The *max* and *min* values are set via a call to **DFSDsetrange**. They are not automatically stored when a dataset is written to a file. The data type of these values is the data type of the dataset array. One implication of this is that in the C version of **DFSDgetrange** the arguments are pointers, rather than simple variables, whereas in the Fortran-77 version they are simple variables of the same type as the data array.

Neither **DFSDgetrange** nor **DFSDgetdata** compare the *max* and *min* values stored with the dataset to the actual values in the dataset; they merely retrieve the data. As a result, the maximum and minimum values may not always reflect the actual maximum and minimum values in the dataset. In some cases the *max* and *min* values may actually lie outside the range of values in the dataset.

Example In this example 16-bit data is read from an HDF file.

```
int16 max, min, data[100][100];
...
DFSDgetrange(&max, &min);
DFSDgetdata("myfile.hdf", rank, dims, data);
```

FORTTRAN integer function dsgrang(max, min)

 character* (*) max, min

DFSDgetslice/dsgslc

intn DFSDgetslice(char *filename, int32 winst[], int32 windims[], VOIDP data, int32 dims[])

<i>filename</i>	IN: Name of HDF file
<i>winst</i>	IN: Array containing the coordinates for the start of the slice
<i>windim</i>	IN: Array containing the dimensions of the slice
<i>data</i>	OUT: Array for returning slice
<i>dims</i>	OUT: Dimensions of array data

Purpose Reads part of a scientific dataset from a file.

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

Description **DFSDgetslice** accesses the dataset last accessed by **DFSDgetdims**. If **DFSDgetdims** has not been called for the named file, **DFSDgetslice** gets a slice from the next dataset in the file. Array *winst* specifies the coordinates of the start of the slice. Array *windims* gives the size of the slice. The number of elements in *winst* and *windims* must be equal to the rank of the dataset. For example, if the file contains a three-dimensional dataset, *winst* may contain the values {2, 4, 3}, while *windims* contains the values {3, 1, 4} and the *dims* should be at least {3, 1, 4}, the same size as the slice. This will extract a 3 x 4, two-dimensional slice, containing the elements between (2, 4, 3) and (4, 4, 6) from the original dataset.

The *data* array is the array into which the slice is read. It must be at least as big as the desired slice. The *dims* array is the array containing the actual dimensions of the array *data*. The user assigns values to *dims* before calling **DFSDgetslice**.

All parameters assume Fortran-77-style one-based arrays.

DFSDgetslice is obsolete in favor of **DFSDreadslab**. **DFSDreadslab** is the recommended function call to use when reading hyperslabs (previously known as data slices). HDF will continue to support **DFSDgetslice** only to maintain backward compatibility with HDF applications built on earlier versions of the library.

Example Reading two slices.

```
#include "hdf.h"
main c {
int i, rank;
int32 dimsizes[2];

DFSDgetdims("my_file", &rank, dimsizes, 2);
```



```
/* Starting at (3,4) read 4 x 6 window. Use (3,4)
   rather than (2,3) because FORTRAN-style indexing is used.*/

getit("myfile", 3,4,4,6);

/* starting at (1,10) read 10 x 2 window */
getit("myfile", 1,10,10,2);
}

getit(filename, st0, st1, rows, cols)
int st0, st1, rows, cols;
char *filename;
{ int i, j;
  int32 winst[2], windims[2], dims[2];
  float32 data[500];

  winst[0]=st0;
  winst[1]=st1;
  dims[0] = windims[0] = rows;
  dims[1] = windims[1] = cols;
  DFSDgetslice(filename, winst, windims, data, dims);

  for (i=0; i < rows; i++) {
    printf("\n");
    for (j=0; j < cols; j++) {
      printf("%5.0f%c",data[i*cols+j], ' ');
    }
    printf("\n");
  }
}
```

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dsgslc(filename, winst, windims, data, dims)

character* (*) filename, data
integer winst(*), windims(*), dims(*)
```

DFSlastref/dslref

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intn DFSlastref()

Purpose	Retrieves the most recent reference number used in writing or reading a scientific dataset.
Return value	Returns the reference number for the last accessed scientific dataset if successful and <code>FAIL</code> (or <code>-1</code>) otherwise.
Description	DFSlastref returns the value of the last reference number of a scientific dataset read from or written to the file.
FORTRAN	<code>integer function dslref()</code>

DFSDndatasets/dsnum

intn DFSDndatasets(char **filename*)

filename IN: Name of the HDF file

Purpose Returns the number of scientific datasets in the file.

Return value Returns the number of datasets if successful and `FAIL` (or `-1`) otherwise.

Description In HDF version 3.3, **DFSDndatasets** replaced **DFSDnumber**. In order to maintain backward compatibility with existing HDF applications, HDF will continue to support **DFSDnumber**. However, it is recommended that all new applications use **DFSDndatasets** instead of **DFSDnumber**.

FORTTRAN integer function dsnum(filename)

 character* (*) filename

DFSDpre32sdg/dsp32sd

DFSDpre32sdg/dsp32sd

intn DFSDpre32sdg(char **filename*, uint16 *ref*, intn **ispre32*)

filename IN: The name of the HDF file containing the scientific dataset

ref IN: Reference number of SDG

ispre32 OUT: Pointer to results of the pre-HDF version 3.2 inquiry

Purpose Tests if the scientific dataset with the specified reference number was created by an HDF library earlier than version 3.2.

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

Description If the scientific dataset was created with a version of HDF prior to version 3.2, *ispre32* will be set to 1, otherwise it will be set to 0. Based on this information, programmers can decide whether or not to transpose the corresponding array.

FORTRAN integer function dsp32sd(filename, ref, ispre32)

character* (*) filename

integer ref, ispre32

DFSDputdata/dspdata

intn DFSDputdata(char **filename*, intn *rank*, int32 *dimsizes*[], VOIDP *data*)

<i>filename</i>	IN:	Name of the HDF file
<i>rank</i>	IN:	Number of dimensions of data array to be stored
<i>dimsizes</i>	IN:	Buffer for the dimension sizes
<i>data</i>	IN:	Buffer for the data to be stored

Purpose Writes a scientific data and related information to an HDF file.

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

Description **DFSDputdata** will write data to an existing file by destroying the contents of the original file. Use it with caution. If a new filename is used, **DFSDputdata** functions exactly like **DFSDadddata**.

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dspdata(filename, rank, dimsizes, data)

character* (*) filename, data
integer rank
integer dimsizes(*)
```

DFSDputslice/dspslc

intn DFSDputslice(int32 *windims*[], VOIDP *source*, int32 *dims*[])

<i>windims</i>	IN: Window dimensions specifying the size of the slice to be written
<i>source</i>	IN: Buffer for the slice
<i>dims</i>	IN: Dimensions of the <i>source</i> array

Purpose Writes part of a scientific dataset to a file.

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

Description **DFSDputslice** read a subset of an array in memory and stores it as part of the scientific dataset array last specified by **DFSDsetdims**. Slices must be stored contiguously.

Array *windims* ("window dimensions") specifies the size of the slice to be written. The *windims* array must contain as many elements as there are dimensions in the entire scientific dataset array. The *source* argument is an array in memory containing the slice and *dims* is an array containing the dimensions of the array source.

Notice that *windims* and *dims* need not be the same. The *windims* argument could refer to a sub-array of *source*, in which case only a portion of *source* is written to the scientific data array.

All parameters assume Fortran-77-style one-based arrays.

DFSDputslice is obsolete in favor of **DFSDwriteslab**. **DFSDwriteslab** is the recommended function call to use when writing hyperslabs (previously known as data slices). HDF will continue to support **DFSDputslice** only to maintain backward compatibility with earlier versions of the library.

Example Suppose we want to create a 7 x 12 scientific dataset array, and we want to write it using slices. Suppose also that the array from which we get our data is a 10 x 12 array in memory called *source*, and we want to write the 7 x 12 "window" from top of that array. The following example will do this.

```
intn rank;
int SDSdims[2], sourcedims[2], windims[2];
float data[10][12];

/*code that builds the array source goes here */
...

SDSdims[0]=7;
SDSdims[1]=12;
sourcedims[0]=10;
sourcedims[1]=12;
```

```
DFSDsetdims(2, SDSdims);

/*write out scientific dataset in slices */

DFSDstartslice(filename);

windims[0]=2;
windims[1]=12; /* {(1,1) to (2,12)} */
DFSDputslice(windims, &data[0][0], sourcedims);

windims[0]=4;
windims[1]=12; /* {(3,1) to (6,12)} */
DFSDputslice(windims, &data[2][0], sourcedims);

windims[0]=1;
windims[1]=4; /* {(7,1) to (7,4)} */
DFSDputslice(windims, &data[6][0], sourcedims);

windims[0]=1;
windims[1]=8; /* {(7,5) to (7,12)} */
DFSDputslice(windims, &data[6][4], sourcedims);

windims[0]=3;
windims[1]=12; /* {(8,1) to (10,12)} */
DFSDputslice(windims, &data[7][0], sourcedims);

DFSDendslice();
```

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dspslc(windims, source, dims)

integer windims(*), dims(*), source(*)
```

DFSDreadref/dsrref

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intn DFSDreadref(char **filename*, uint16 *ref*)

<i>filename</i>	IN: Name of the HDF file
<i>ref</i>	IN: Reference number for next DFSDgetdata call

Purpose	Specifies the reference number for the dataset to be read during the next read operation.
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Return value	Returns <code>SUCCEED</code> (or 0) if successful and <code>FAIL</code> (or -1) otherwise.
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Description	This routine is commonly used in conjunction with DFANgetlablist , which returns a list of labels for a given tag together with their reference numbers. It provides a sort of random access to scientific datasets.
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There is no guarantee that reference numbers appear in sequence in an HDF file, so it is not generally safe to assume that a reference number is an index number of a scientific dataset.

FORTRAN	<pre>integer function dsrref(filename, ref) character* (*) filename integer ref</pre>
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DFSDreadslab/dsrslab

```
intn DFSDreadslab(char *filename, int32 start[], int32 slab_size[], int32 stride[], VOIDP buffer,
int32 buffer_size[])
```

<i>filename</i>	IN:	Name of the HDF file
<i>start</i>	IN:	Buffer of size <i>rank</i> containing the coordinates for the start of the slab
<i>slab_size</i>	IN:	Buffer of size <i>rank</i> containing the size of each dimension in the slab
<i>stride</i>	IN:	Subsampling (not yet implemented)
<i>buffer</i>	OUT:	\Buffer for the returned slab
<i>buffer_size</i>	OUT:	Dimensions of the <i>buffer</i> buffer

Purpose Reads a slab of data from any scientific dataset.

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

Description **DFSDreadslab** will access to the scientific dataset following the current one if **DFSDgetdims** or **DFSDgetdata** are not called earlier. The *start* array indices are one-based. The rank of *start* must be the same as the number of dimensions of the specified variable. The elements of *slab_size* must be no larger than the dimensions of the scientific dataset in order. The stride feature is not currently implemented. For now just pass the *start* array as the argument for *stride* where it will be ignored.

To extract a slab of lower dimension than that of the dataset, enter 1 in the *slab_size* array for each omitted dimension. For example, to extract a two-dimensional slab from a three-dimensional dataset, specify the beginning coordinates in three dimensions and enter a 1 for the missing dimension in the *slab_size* array. More specifically, to extract a 3 x 4 slab containing the elements (6, 7, 8) through (8, 7, 11) specify the beginning coordinates as {6, 7, 8} and the slab size as {3, 1, 4}.

```
FORTRAN
integer function dsrslab(filename, start, slab_size, stride,
buffer, buffersize)

character* (*) filename, buffer
integer start(*), slab_size(*),
integer stride(*), buffer_size(*)
```

DFSDrestart/dsfirst

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intn DFSDrestart()

Purpose Causes the next read command to be read from the first scientific dataset in the file, rather than the scientific dataset following the one that was most recently read.

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

FORTRAN `integer function dsfirst()`

DFSDsetcal/dsscal

```
intn DFSDsetcal(float64 cal, float64 cal_err, float64 offset, float64 offset_err, int32 data_type)
```

<i>cal</i>	IN:	Calibration factor
<i>cal_err</i>	IN:	Calibration error
<i>offset</i>	IN:	Uncalibrated offset
<i>offset_err</i>	IN:	Uncalibrated offset error
<i>data_type</i>	IN:	Data type of uncalibrated data

Purpose Sets the calibration information associated with data

Return value Returns `SUCCESS` (or 0) if successful and `FAIL` (or -1) otherwise.

Description This routine sets the calibration record associated with a dataset. A calibration record contains four 64-bit floating point values followed by a 32-bit integer, to be interpreted as follows:

<i>cal</i>	calibration factor
<i>cal_err</i>	calibration error
<i>offset</i>	uncalibrated offset
<i>offset_err</i>	uncalibrated offset error
<i>data_type</i>	data type of uncalibrated data

The relationship between a value *iy* stored in a dataset and the actual value *y* is defined as:

$$y = cal * (iy - offset)$$

The variable *offset_err* contains a potential error of *offset* and *cal_err* contains a potential error of *cal*. Currently the calibration record is provided for information only. The SD interface performs no operations on the data based on the calibration tag.

DFSDsetcal works like other **DFSDset*** routines, with one exception: the calibration information is automatically cleared after a call to **DFSDputdata** or **DFSDadddata**. Hence, **DFSDsetcal** must be called again for each dataset that is to be written.

Example Suppose the values in a dataset *y[]* are as follows:

```
y[6]={1001.0, 1002.0, 1002.5, 1005.5,
      1013.0, 1040.5}
```

DFSDsetcal/dsscal

By defining `cal = 0.5` and `offset = -200.` and applying the calibration formula, the calibrated dataset `iy[]` becomes as follows:

`iy[6]={2, 4, 5, 11, 26, 81}`

The array `iy[]` can then be stored as integers.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dsscal(cal, cal_err, offset, offset_err,  
    data_type)
```

```
real cal, cal_err, offset, offset_err  
integer data_type
```

DFSDsetdatastrs/dssdast

```
intn DFSDsetdatastrs(char *label, char *unit, char *format, char *coordsys)
```

<i>label</i>	IN: Label describing the data
<i>unit</i>	IN: Unit to be used with the data
<i>format</i>	IN: Format to be used in displaying the data
<i>coordsys</i>	IN: Coordinate system of the data

Purpose Sets the label, unit, format, and coordinate system for the next dataset written to file.

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

Example In this example a 200 x 300 data array is written to a file called 'myfile.hdf', together with label, unit, and format information about the data. In this example we assume that the coordsys parameter is of no interest to the user, so the empty string (" ") is given as the fourth parameter to **DFSDsetdatastrs**.

```
float32 press1[200][300];
int dims[2];
...
dims[0] = 200;
dims[1] = 300;

DFSDsetdims(2, dims);
DFSDsetdatastrs ("pressure 1", "Pascals", "E15.9", " ");
DFSDadddata("myfile.hdf", 2, dims, press1);
```

FORTRAN

```
integer function dssdast(label, unit, format, coordsys)

character* (*) label, unit, format, coordsys
```

DFSDsetdims/dssdims

DFSDsetdims/dssdims

intn DFSDsetdims (intn *rank*, int32 *dimsizes*[])

rank IN: Number of dimensions

dimsizes IN: Dimensions of the scientific dataset

Purpose Sets the rank and dimension sizes for all subsequent scientific datasets written to the file.

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

Description This routine must be called before calling either **DFSDsetdimstrs** or **DFSDsetdimscale**. **DFSDsetdims** need not be called if other set routines are not called and the correct dimensions are supplied in **DFSDputdata** or **DFS-Dadddata**.

If the rank or dimension sizes change, all previous set calls are cleared, except for the data type, which is set by calling **DFSDsetNT**.

FORTTRAN integer function dssdims(rank, dimsizes)

integer rank
integer dimsizes(*)

DFSDsetdimscale/dssdisc

intn DFSDsetdimscale (intn *dim*, int32 *dimsize*, VOIDP *scale*)

<i>dim</i>	IN:	Dimension this scale corresponds to
<i>dimsize</i>	IN:	Size of the <i>scale</i> buffer
<i>scale</i>	IN:	Buffer for the scale values

Purpose Defines the scale for a dimension.

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

Description A scale is a one-dimensional array whose values describe reference points along one dimension of the dataset. For example, a two-dimensional dataset representing points on a map could have two scales, one representing points of latitude, and the other points of longitude.

Example In this example a 200 x 300 data array is written to a file called "myfile.hdf", together with scales for each dimension. It is assumed that the arrays `latscale` and `longscale` have been assigned values that define the corresponding scales.

```
float32 press1[200][300];
float32 latscale[200], longscale[300];
int dims[2];
...
dims[0] = 200;
dims[1] = 300;

DFSDsetdims(2, dims);
DFSDsetdimscale(1, dims[0], latscale);
DFSDsetdimscale(2, dims[1], longscale);
DFSDadddata("myfile.hdf", 2, dims, press1);
```

FORTRAN

```
integer function dssdisc (dim, dimsize, scale)

integer dim
integer dimsize(*), scale(*)
```

DFSDsetdimstrs/dssdist

DFSDsetdimstrs/dssdist

intn DFSDsetdimstrs(intn *dim*, char **label*, char **unit*, char **format*)

<i>dim</i>	IN: Dimension this label, unit and format refer to
<i>label</i>	IN: Label that describes this dimension
<i>unit</i>	IN: Unit to be used with this dimension
<i>format</i>	IN: Format to be used to display scale

Purpose Sets the label, unit, and format strings corresponding to the specified dimension.

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

Description In both Fortran-77 and C programs, *dim* = 1 for the first dimension, and *dim* = 2 for the second dimension. If the user is not interested in one or more strings, empty strings can be used as parameters for the **DFSDsetdimstrs** call. For example, **DFSDsetdimstrs**(1, "vertical", " ", " ") will set the label for the first dimension to "vertical" and set the unit and format to empty strings.

Example In this example a 200 x 300 data array is written to a file called 'myfile.hdf', together with label, unit, and format information about each dimension.

```
float32 press1[200][300];
int dims[0], dims[2];
...
dims[0] = 200;
dims[1] = 300;

DFSDsetdims(2, dims);
DFSDsetdimstrs(1, "vertical", "cm", "F10.2");
DFSDsetdimstrs(2, "horizontal", "m", "F10.3");
DFSDadddata(myfile.hdf', 2, dims, press1);
```

FORTTRAN

```
integer function dssdist(dim, label, unit, format)

integer dim
character* (*) label, unit, format
```


DFSDsetfillvalue/dssfill

```
intn DFSDsetfillvalue(VOIDP fill_value)
```

fill_value IN: Fill value

Purpose	Set the value used to fill in any unwritten location in a scientific dataset.
Return value	Returns <code>SUCCESS</code> (or 0) if successful and <code>FAIL</code> (or -1) otherwise.
Description	<p>It is assumed that the fill value has the same data type as the dataset. Once the fill value is set for a particular SDS, it cannot be changed.</p> <p>If DFSDsetfillvalue is called before the first call to DFSDstartslab, DFSDstartslab will set the fill value tag attribute to the value specified in the DFSDsetfillvalue call, but will not actually write out the fill value when DFSDwritesslab is called. However, if DFSDsetfillvalue is called after the first call the DFSDstartslab, the fill value tag attribute will be set by DFSDsetfillvalue and the fill value will be written to the slab during the DFSDwritesslab call. This is shown in the following C example.</p>
Example	<p>In this example a 200 x 300 data array is written to a file called 'myfile.hdf', together with label, unit, and format information about each dimension.</p> <pre> int16 data[5] = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4}; int dims[1] = {5}; int32 start[1] = {1}; int 32 count[1] = {2}; int16 fillv = -9999; main() { int stat; /* Set the fill value only; don't write. */ stat = DFSDsetdims(1, dims); stat = DFSDsetNT(DFNT_INT16); stat = DFSDwritesslab("File.hdf"); stat = DFSDsetfillvalue((VOIDP)&fillv); stat = DFSDwritesslab(start, start, count, (VOIDP)data); stat = DFSDendslab(); /* Set the fill value and write it. */ stat = DFSDsetdims(1, dims); stat = DFSDsetNT(DFNT_INT16); stat = DFSDsetfillvalue((VOIDP)&fillv); stat = DFSDstartslab("File.hdf"); stat = DFSDwritesslab(start, start, count, (VOIDP)data); stat = DFSDendslab(); } </pre>

FORTTRAN integer function dssfill(fill_value)

DFSDsetfillvalue/dssfill

character* (*) fill_value

```
intn DFSDsetlengths(intn label_len, intn unit_len, intn format_len, intn coords_len)
```

Purpose	Sets the maximum lengths for the strings that will hold labels, units, formats, and the name of the coordinate system.
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Description	The lengths set by this routine are used by the routines DFSDgetdimstrs and DFSDgetdatastrs to determine the maximum lengths of strings that they get from the file.
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Normally, **DFSDsetlengths** is not needed. If it is not called, default maximum lengths of 255 are used for all strings.

```

FORTRAN      integer function dsslens(label_len, unit_len, format_len,
              coords_len)

              integer label_len, unit_len, format_len, coords_len

```

DFSDsetNT/dssnt

intn DFSDsetNT(int32 *data_type*)

data_type IN: Data type

Purpose Sets the data type of the data to be written in the next write operation.

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

Description **DFSDsetNT** must be called if a data type other than `float32` is to be stored. **DFSDsetNT** and **DFSDsetdims** can be called in any order, but they should be called before any other **DFSDset*** functions and before **DFSDputdata** or **DFSDadddata**.

The following symbolic names can be used as the value of *data_type*:

32-bit float	DFNT_FLOAT32	5
64-bit float	DFNT_FLOAT64	6
8-bit signed int	DFNT_INT8	20
8-bit unsigned int	DFNT_UINT8	21
16-bit signed int	DFNT_INT16	22
16-bit unsigned int	DFNT_UINT16	23
32-bit signed int	DFNT_INT32	24
32-bit unsigned int	DFNT_UINT32	25
8-bit character	DFNT_CHAR8	4

Example Assuming that `DFNT_INT8` has been defined and `i8data` is an array with 8-bit integer data, the following code fragments write out 8-bit integers to a scientific dataset.

```
DFSDsetNT(DFNT_INT8);
DFSDadddata("myfile.hdf", rank, dims, i8data);
```

FORTRAN integer function dssnt(num_type)
 integer num_type

DFSDsetrange/dssrang

```
intn DFSDsetrange(VOIDP max, VOIDP min)
```

max IN: Highest value in the range

min IN: Lowest value in the range

Purpose Stores the specified maximum and minimum data values.

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

Description It is assumed that the data type of *max* and *min* is the same as the type of the data. One implication of this is that in the C version of **DFSDsetrange** the arguments are pointers, rather than simple variables, whereas in the Fortran-77 version they are simple variables of the same type as the data array.

This routine does not compute the maximum and minimum values; it merely stores the values it is given. As a result, the maximum and minimum values may not always reflect the actual maximum and minimum values in the data array.

When the maximum and minimum values are written to a file, the HDF element that holds these values is cleared, because it is assumed that subsequent datasets will have different values for max and min.

Example In this example 16-bit data is written to an HDF file. Notice that *max* and *min* must be the same data type as the scientific dataset array data.

```
int16 max, min, data[100][100];

...

DFSDsetrange(&max, &min);
DFSDadddata("myfile.hdf", rank, dims, data);
```

FORTTRAN integer function dssrang(max, min)
 character* (*) max, min

DFSDstartslab/dssslab

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intn DFSDstartslab(char **filename*)

filename IN: Name of the HDF file

Purpose Prepares the DFSD interface to write a slab of data to a scientific dataset.

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

Description **DFSDsetdims** must be called before calling **DFSDstartslab**. No call which involves a file open may be made after a **DFSDstartslab** call until **DFS-Dendslab** is called. This routine will write out the fill values if **DFSDset-fillvalue** is called before this routine.

FORTTRAN integer function dssslab(filename)

 character* (*) filename

DFSDstartslice/dssslc

intn DFSDstartslice(char *filename)

filename IN: Name of the HDF file

Purpose Prepares the interface to write a data slice to the specified file.

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

Description Before calling **DFSDstartslice**, **DFSDsetdims** must be called to specify the dimensions of the dataset to be written to the file. **DFSDstartslice** always appends a new dataset to an existing file.

Also, **DFSDstartslice** must be called before **DFSDputslice** or **DFSDendslice**.

DFSDstartslice is obsolete in favor of **DFSDstartslab**. **DFSDstartslab** is the recommended function call to use when beginning hyperslab operations. HDF will continue to support **DFSDstartslice** only to maintain backward compatibility earlier versions of the library.

FORTRAN integer function dssslc(filename)

 character* (*) filename

DFSDwriteref/dswref

DFSDwriteref/dswref

intn DFSDwriteref(char **filename*, uint16 *ref*)

<i>filename</i>	IN: Name of the HDF file
<i>ref</i>	IN: Reference number for next add or put operation

Purpose **DFSDwriteref** determines the reference number of the dataset to overwritten next by **DFSDputdata** or **DFSDadddata**, after checking for its existence.

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

Description If a non-existent reference number is specified, an error code will be returned.

As this routine alters data in a destructive manner, **DFSDwriteref** should be used with caution.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dswref(filename, ref)

character* (*) filename
integer ref
```


DFSDwriteslab/dswslab

```
intn DFSDwriteslab(int32 start[], int32 stride[], int32 count[], VOIDP data)
```

<i>start</i>	IN: Array containing the starting coordinates of the slab
<i>stride</i>	IN: Array containing the dimensions for subsampling
<i>count</i>	IN: Array containing the size of the slab
<i>data</i>	IN: Array to hold the floating point data to be written

Purpose Writes a slab of data to a scientific dataset.

Return value Returns `SUCCESS` (or 0) if successful and `FAIL` (or -1) otherwise.

Description The *start* indices are relative to 1. The rank of *start* must be the same as the number of dimensions of the specified variable. The elements of *start* must be no larger than the scientific dataset's dimensions in order. The stride feature is not currently implemented. For now just pass the *start* array as the argument for the *stride* parameter, where it will be ignored.

The rank of *count* must be the same as the number of dimensions of the specified variable. The elements of *count* must be no larger than the scientific dataset's dimensions in order. The order in which the data will be written into the specified hyperslab is with the last dimension varying fastest. The data should be of the appropriate type for the dataset. Note that neither the compiler nor HDF software can detect if the wrong type of data is used.

FORTRAN

```
integer function dswslab(start, stride, count, data)

integer start(*), stride(*), count(*)
character* (*) data
```