

**ANannlen/afannlen**

int32 ANannlen(int32 *ann\_id*)

*ann\_id*            IN:     Annotation identifier returned by **ANcreate**, **ANcreatf**, or **ANselect**

**Purpose**            Returns the length of an annotation.

**Return value**     Returns the length of the annotation or `FAIL` (or `-1`) otherwise.

**Description**     **ANannlen** returns the number of characters contained in the annotation specified by the parameter *ann\_id*. This function is commonly used to determine the size of a buffer to store the annotation upon reading.

**FORTRAN**            `integer function afannlen(ann_id)`

`integer ann_id`

## ANannlist/afannlist

intn ANannlist(int32 *an\_id*, ann\_type *annot\_type*, uint16 *obj\_tag*, uint16 *obj\_ref*, int32 \**ann\_list*)

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>annot_type</i>	IN:	Type of the annotation
<i>obj_tag</i>	IN:	Tag of the object
<i>obj_ref</i>	IN:	Reference number of the object
<i>ann_list</i>	OUT:	Buffer for the annotation identifiers

**Purpose** Retrieves the annotation identifiers of an object.

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

**Description** **ANannlist** obtains a list of identifiers of the annotations that are of the type specified by the parameter *annot\_type* and are attached to the object identified by its tag, *obj\_tag*, and its reference number, *obj\_ref*.

Since this routine is implemented only to obtain the identifiers of data annotations and not file annotations, the valid values of *annot\_type* are AN\_DATA\_LABEL (or 0) and AN\_DATA\_DESC (or 1). To obtain file annotation identifiers, use **ANfileinfo** to determine the number of file labels and descriptions, and then use **ANselect** to obtain each file annotation identifier.

Sufficient space must be allocated for *ann\_list* to hold the list of annotation identifiers. This can be done by using **ANnumann** to obtain the number of annotation identifiers to be retrieved, and then allocating memory for *ann\_list* using this number.

```
FORTRAN      integer function afannlist(an_id, annot_type, obj_tag, obj_ref,
                                ann_list)

                                integer ann_list(*)
                                integer an_id, obj_tag, obj_ref, annot_type
```

**ANatype2tag/afatypetag**

uint16 ANatype2tag(*ann\_type* \**annot\_type*)

*annot\_type* IN: Type of the annotation

**Purpose** Returns the annotation tag corresponding to an annotation type.

**Return value** Returns the annotation tag (*ann\_tag*) if successful, and DFTAG\_NULL (or 0) otherwise.

**Description** ANatype2tag returns the tag that corresponds to the annotation type specified by the parameter *annot\_type*.

The following table lists the valid values of *annot\_type* in the left column and the corresponding values for the returned annotation tag on the right.

Annotation Type	Annotation Tag
AN_DATA_LABEL (or 0)	DFTAG_DIL (or 104)
AN_DATA_DESC (or 1)	DFTAG_DIA (or 105)
AN_FILE_LABEL (or 2)	DFTAG_FID (or 100)
AN_FILE_DESC (or 3)	DFTAG_FD (or 101)

FORTRAN integer function afatypetag(*annot\_type*)

integer *annot\_type*

## ANcreate/afcreate

int32 ANcreate(int32 *an\_id*, uint16 *obj\_tag*, uint16 *obj\_ref*, ann\_type *annot\_type*)

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>obj_tag</i>	IN:	Tag of the object to be annotated
<i>obj_ref</i>	IN:	Reference number of the object to be annotated
<i>annot_type</i>	IN:	Type of the data annotation

**Purpose** Creates a data annotation for an object.

**Return value** Returns the data annotation identifier (*ann\_id*) if successful and `FAIL` (or `-1`) otherwise.

**Description** **ANcreate** creates a data annotation of type *annot\_type* for the object specified by its tag, *obj\_tag*, and its reference number, *obj\_ref*. The returned data annotation identifier can represent either a data label or a data description.

Valid values for *annot\_type* are `AN_DATA_LABEL` (or `0`) or `AN_DATA_DESC` (or `1`).

Use **ANcreatf** to create a file annotation.

Currently, the user must write to a newly-created annotation before creating another annotation of the same type. Creating two consecutive annotations of the same type causes the second call to **ANcreate** to return `FAIL` (or `-1`).

FORTRAN `integer function afcreate(an_id, obj_tag, obj_ref, annot_type)`

`integer an_id, obj_tag, obj_ref, annot_type`

**ANcreatef/affcreate**

int32 ANcreatef(int32 *an\_id*, ann\_type *annot\_type*)

*an\_id* IN: AN interface identifier returned by **ANstart**

*annot\_type* IN: Type of the file annotation

**Purpose** Creates a file annotation.

**Return value** Returns the file annotation identifier (*ann\_id*) if successful and FAIL (or -1) otherwise.

**Description** **ANcreatef** creates a file annotation of the type specified by the parameter *annot\_type*. The file annotation identifier returned can either represent a file label or a file description.

Valid values for *annot\_type* are AN\_FILE\_LABEL (or 2) and AN\_FILE\_DESC (or 3).

Use **ANcreate** to create a data annotation.

Currently, the user must write to a newly-created annotation before creating another annotation of the same type. Creating two consecutive annotations of the same type causes the second call to **ANcreate** to return FAIL (or -1).

**FORTRAN** integer function affcreate(an\_id, annot\_type)

integer an\_id, annot\_type

## ANend/afend

int32 ANend(int32 *an\_id*)

*an\_id*            IN:        AN interface identifier returned by **ANstart**

**Purpose**            Terminates access to an AN interface.

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

**Description**        **ANend** terminates access to the AN interface identified by *an\_id*, which is previously initialized by a call to **ANstart**. Note that there must be one call to **ANend** for each call to **ANstart**.

FORTTRAN            `integer function afend(an_id)`

`integer an_id`

**ANendaccess/afendaccess**

intn ANendaccess(int32 *ann\_id*)

*ann\_id*            IN:        Annotation identifier returned by **ANcreate**, **ANcreatf** or **ANselect**

**Purpose**            Terminates access to an annotation.

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

**Description**     **ANendaccess** terminates access to the annotation identified by the parameter *ann\_id*. Note that there must be one call to **ANendaccess** for every call to **ANselect**, **ANcreate** or **ANcreatf**.

FORTRAN            integer function afendaccess(ann\_id)

                    integer ann\_id

## ANfileinfo/affileinfo

```
intn ANfileinfo(int32 an_id, int32 *n_file_labels, int32 *n_file_descs, int32 *n_data_labels, int32 *n_data_descs)
```

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>n_file_labels</i>	OUT:	Number of file labels
<i>n_file_descs</i>	OUT:	Number of file descriptions
<i>n_data_labels</i>	OUT:	Number of data labels
<i>n_data_descs</i>	OUT:	Number of data descriptions

**Purpose** Retrieves the number of annotations of each type in a file.

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

**Description** **ANfileinfo** retrieves the total number of the four kinds of annotations and stores them in the appropriate parameters. The total number of data labels of all data objects in the file is stored in *n\_data\_labels*. The total number of data descriptions of all data objects in the file is stored in *n\_data\_descs*. The total number of file labels is stored in *n\_file\_labels* and the total number of file descriptions in *n\_file\_descs*.

Note that the numbers of data labels and descriptions refer to the total number of data labels and data descriptions in the file, not for a specific object. Use **ANnumann** to determine these numbers for a specific object.

This routine is generally used to find the range of acceptable indices for **ANselect** calls.

```
FORTRAN integer function affileinfo(an_id, n_file_labels, n_file_descs,  
                                n_data_labels, n_data_descs)
```

```
integer an_id, n_file_labels, n_file_descs
```

```
integer n_data_labels, n_data_descs
```



**ANget\_tagref/afgettagref**

int32 ANget\_tagref(int32 *an\_id*, int32 *index*, ann\_type *annot\_type*, uint16 \**ann\_tag*, uint16 \**ann\_ref*)

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>index</i>	IN:	Index of the annotation
<i>annot_type</i>	IN:	Type of the annotation
<i>ann_tag</i>	OUT:	Tag of the annotation
<i>ann_ref</i>	OUT:	Reference number of the annotation

**Purpose** Retrieves the tag/reference number pair of an annotation given its index and type.

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

**Description** **ANget\_tagref** retrieves the tag and reference number of the annotation identified by its index, the parameter *index*, and by its annotation type, the parameter *annot\_type*. The tag is stored in the parameter *ann\_tag* and the reference number is stored in the parameter *ann\_ref*.

The parameter *index* is a nonnegative integer and is less than the total number of annotations of type *annot\_type* in the file. Use **ANfileinfo** to obtain the total number of annotations of each type in the file.

The following table lists the valid values of the parameter *annot\_type* in the left column, and the corresponding values of the parameter *ann\_tag* in the right column.

Annotation Type	Annotation Tag
<code>AN_DATA_LABEL</code> (or 0)	<code>DFTAG_DIL</code> (or 104)
<code>AN_DATA_DESC</code> (or 1)	<code>DFTAG_DIA</code> (or 105)
<code>AN_FILE_LABEL</code> (or 2)	<code>DFTAG_FID</code> (or 100)
<code>AN_FILE_DESC</code> (or 3)	<code>DFTAG_FD</code> (or 101)

**FORTRAN** integer function afgettagref(*an\_id*, *index*, *annot\_type*, *ann\_tag*,  
ann\_ref)

integer *an\_id*, *index*, *annot\_type*

integer *ann\_tag*, *ann\_ref*

## ANid2tagref/afidtagref

int32 ANid2tagref(int32 *ann\_id*, uint16 \**ann\_tag*, uint16 \**ann\_ref*)

<i>ann_id</i>	IN:	Annotation identifier returned by <b>ANselect</b> , <b>ANcreate</b> or <b>ANcreatf</b>
<i>ann_tag</i>	OUT:	Tag of the annotation
<i>ann_ref</i>	OUT:	Reference number of the annotation

**Purpose** Retrieves the tag/reference number pair of an annotation given its identifier.

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

**Description** **ANid2tagref** retrieves the tag/reference number pair of the annotation identified by the parameter *ann\_id*. The tag is stored in the parameter *ann\_tag* and the reference number is stored in the parameter *ann\_ref*.

Possible values returned in *ann\_tag* are `DFTAG_DIL` (or 104) for a data label, `DFTAG_DIA` (or 105) for a data description, `DFTAG_FID` (or 100) for a file label and `DFTAG_FD` (or 101) for a file description.

FORTRAN `integer function afidtagref(ann_id, ann_tag, ann_ref)`

`integer ann_id, ann_tag, ann_ref`

**ANnumann/afnumann**

intn ANnumann(int32 *an\_id*, ann\_type *annot\_type*, uint16 *obj\_tag*, uint16 *obj\_ref*)

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>annot_type</i>	IN:	Type of the annotation
<i>obj_tag</i>	IN:	Tag of the object
<i>obj_ref</i>	IN:	Reference number of the object

**Purpose** Returns the number of annotations of a given type attached to an object.

**Return value** Returns the number of annotations or FAIL (or -1) otherwise.

**Description** **ANnumann** returns the total number of annotations that are of type *annot\_type* and that are attached to the object identified by its tag, *obj\_tag*, and its reference number, *obj\_ref*.

Since this routine is implemented only to obtain the total number of data annotations and not file annotations, the valid values of *annot\_type* are AN\_DATA\_LABEL (or 0) and AN\_DATA\_DESC (or 1). To obtain the total number of file annotations or all data annotations, use **ANfileinfo**.

**FORTRAN** integer function afnumann(*an\_id*, *annot\_type*, *obj\_tag*, *obj\_ref*)

integer *an\_id*, *obj\_tag*, *obj\_ref*, *annot\_type*

## ANreadann/afreadann

int32 ANreadann(int32 *ann\_id*, char\* *ann\_buf*, int32 *ann\_length*)

<i>ann_id</i>	IN:	Annotation identifier returned by <b>ANcreate</b> , <b>ANcreatef</b> or <b>ANselect</b>
<i>ann_buf</i>	OUT:	Buffer for the annotation
<i>ann_length</i>	IN:	Length of the buffer <i>ann_buf</i>

**Purpose** Reads an annotation.

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

**Description** **ANreadann** reads the annotation identified by the parameter *ann\_id* and stores the annotation in the parameter *ann\_buf*.

The parameter *ann\_length* specifies the size of the buffer *ann\_buf*. If the length of the file or data label to be read is greater than or equal to *ann\_length*, the label will be truncated to *ann\_length* - 1 characters. If the length of the file or data description is greater than *ann\_length*, the description will be truncated to *ann\_length* characters. The HDF library adds a `NULL` character to the retrieved label but not to the retrieved description. The user must add a `NULL` character to the retrieved description if the C library string functions are to operate on this description.

FORTRAN

```
integer function afreadann(ann_id, ann_buf, ann_length)

integer ann_id, ann_length

character*(*) ann_buf
```

**ANselect/afselect**

int32 ANselect(int32 *an\_id*, int32 *index*, ann\_type *annot\_type*)

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>index</i>	IN:	Location of the annotation in the file
<i>annot_type</i>	IN:	Type of the annotation

**Purpose** Obtains an existing annotation.

**Return value** Returns the annotation identifier (*ann\_id*) if successful or `FAIL` (or `-1`) otherwise.

**Description** **ANselect** obtains the identifier of the annotation specified by its index, *index*, and by its annotation type, *annot\_type*.

The parameter *index* is a nonnegative integer and is less than the total number of annotations of type *annot\_type* in the file. Use **ANfileinfo** to obtain the total number of annotations of each type in the file.

Valid values of *annot\_type* are `AN_DATA_LABEL` (or 0), `AN_DATA_DESC` (or 1), `AN_FILE_LABEL` (or 2), and `AN_FILE_DESC` (or 3).

**FORTRAN** integer function afselect(*an\_id*, *index*, *annot\_type*)

integer *an\_id*, *index*

integer *annot\_type*

## ANstart/afstart

int32 ANstart(int32 *file\_id*)

*file\_id*            IN:        File identifier returned by **Hopen**

**Purpose**            Initializes the AN interface.

**Return value**    Returns the AN interface identifier (*an\_id*) if successful and `FAIL` (or `-1`) otherwise.

**Description**     **ANstart** initializes the AN interface for the file identified by the parameter *file\_id*. A call to **ANstart** is required before any AN functions can be invoked. **ANstart** is used with the **ANend** function to define the extent of AN interface session. A call to **ANend** is required for each call to **ANstart**.

FORTRAN            integer function afstart(file\_id)

                    integer file\_id

**ANtag2atype/aftagatype**

ann\_type ANtag2atype(uint16 ann\_tag)

*ann\_tag* IN: Tag of the annotation

**Purpose** Returns the annotation type corresponding to an annotation tag.

**Return value** Returns the annotation type if successful or AN\_UNDEF (or -1) otherwise.

**Description** **ANtag2atype** returns the annotation type that corresponds to the annotation tag specified by the parameter *ann\_tag*.

The following table lists the valid values of *ann\_tag* in the left column and the corresponding values of the returned annotation type in the right column.

Annotation Tag	Annotation Type
DFTAG_DIL (or 104)	AN_DATA_LABEL (or 0)
DFTAG_DIA (or 105)	AN_DATA_DESC (or 1)
DFTAG_FID (or 100)	AN_FILE_LABEL (or 2)
DFTAG_FD (or 101)	AN_FILE_DESC (or 3)

FORTRAN integer function aftagatype(ann\_tag)

integer ann\_tag

## ANtagref2id/aftagrefid

int32 ANtagref2id(int32 *an\_id*, uint16 *ann\_tag*, uint16 *ann\_ref*)

<i>an_id</i>	IN:	AN interface identifier returned by <b>ANstart</b>
<i>ann_tag</i>	IN:	Tag of the annotation
<i>ann_ref</i>	IN:	Reference number of the annotation

**Purpose** Returns the identifier of an annotation given its tag/reference number pair.

**Return value** Returns the annotation identifier (*ann\_id*) if successful and `FAIL` (or `-1`) otherwise.

**Description** **ANtagref2id** returns the identifier of the annotation specified by its tag, *ann\_tag*, and its reference number, *ann\_ref*.

Valid values of *ann\_tag* are `DFTAG_DIL` (or 104) for a data label, `DFTAG_DIA` (or 105) for a data description, `DFTAG_FID` (or 100) for a file label, and `DFTAG_FD` (or 101) for a file description.

**FORTRAN** `integer function aftagrefid(an_id, ann_tag, ann_ref)`

`integer an_id, ann_tag, ann_ref`



**ANwriteann/afwriteann**

int32 ANwriteann(int32 *ann\_id*, char\* *ann*, int32 *ann\_length*)

<i>ann_id</i>	IN:	Annotation identifier returned by <b>ANcreate</b> , <b>ANcreatef</b> , or <b>ANselect</b>
<i>ann</i>	IN:	Text to be written to the annotation
<i>ann_length</i>	IN:	Length of the annotation text

**Purpose** Writes an annotation.

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

**Description** **ANwriteann** writes the annotation text provided in the parameter *ann* to the annotation specified by the parameter *ann\_id*. The parameter *ann\_length* specifies the number of characters in the annotation text.

If the annotation has already been written with text, **ANwriteann** will overwrite the current text.

**FORTRAN** `integer function afwriteann(ann_id, ann, ann_length)`

`integer ann_id, ann_length`

`character*(*) ann`

