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Chapter 1

Compiling

Each program, subroutine, or function that calls the CDF library or references CDF parameters must include one or more CDF include files. On VMS systems a logical name, CDFSINC, that specifies the location of the CDF include files is defined in the definitions files, DEFINITIONS.COM, provided with the CDF distribution. On UNIX systems an environment variable, CDF INC, that serves the same purpose is defined in the definitions files definitions.<shell-type> where <shell-type> is the type of shell being used: C for the C-shell (csh and tcsh), K for the Korn (ksh), BASH, and POSIX shells, and B for the Bourne shell (sh). This section assumes that you are using the appropriate definitions files on those systems. On MS-DOS and Macintosh (MacOS) systems, definitions files are not available. The location of cdf.inc is specified as described in the appropriate sections for those systems.

On VMS and UNIX systems the following line would be included at/near the top of each routine:

```
INCLUDE '<inc-path>cdf.inc'
```

where <inc-path> is the files name of the directory containing cdf.inc. On VMS systems CDFSINC: may be used for <inc-path>. On UNIX systems <inc-path> must be a relative or absolute files name. (An environment variable may not be used.) Another option would be to create a symbolic link to cdf.inc (using ln -s) making cdf.inc appear to be in the same directory as the source files to be compiled. In that case specifying <inc-path> would not be necessary. On UNIX systems you will need to know where on your system cdf.inc has been installed.

The cdf.inc include files declares the FUNCTIONs available in the CDF library (CDF var num, CDF lib, etc.). Some Fortran compilers will display warning messages about unused variables if these functions are not used in a routine (because they will be assumed to be variables not function declarations). Most of these Fortran compilers have a command line option (e.g., -nounused) that will suppress these warning messages. If a suitable command line option is not available (and the messages are too annoying to ignore), the function declarations could be removed from cdf.inc but be sure to declare each CDF function that a routine uses.¹

**Microsoft Fortran**

On MS-DOS systems using Microsoft Fortran the following lines would be included at/near the top of each routine/source files:

```
INCLUDE 'cdfmsf.inc'
```

¹ Removing the function declarations from cdf.inc should be avoided if possible.
INCLUDE 'cdf.inc'

The include files cdfmsf.inc contains an INTERFACE statement for each subroutine/function in the CDF library. Including this files is absolutely essential if you are using the Internal Interface (CDF lib). cdfmsf.inc is located in the same directory as cdf.inc.

**NOTE:** There are limitations on where cdfmsf.inc can be included. It must generally be included before the PROGRAM, SUBROUTINE, or FUNCTION statement of a routine. If a source files contains multiple routines, cdfmsf.inc only needs to be included once (at the very top of the source files). cdf.inc, however, may need to be included inside each routine.

**Digital Visual Fortran**

On Windows NT/95/98 systems using Digital Visual Fortran, the following lines would be included at the top of each routine/source files:

```
.  (PROGRAM, SUBROUTINE, or FUNCTION statement)
.
  INCLUDE 'cdfdvf.inc'
  INCLUDE 'cdfdf.inc'
```

The include files cdfdvf.inc contains an INTERFACE statement for each subroutine/function in the CDF library. Including this files is absolutely essential no matter if you are using the Internal Interface (CDF lib) or Standard Interface (e.g., CDF create, etc.) cdfdvf.inc is located in the same directory as cdf.inc. The include file cdfdf.inc is similar to cdfdvf.inc, with some statements commented out for Digital Visual Fortran compiler.

On Macintosh systems using Macintosh Programmer's Workshop (MPW) Fortran the following line would be included at/near the top of each routine:

```
  INCLUDE 'cdf.inc'
```

The location of cdf.inc will be made known to MPW Fortran when the routine is compiled.

### 1.1 VMS/OpenVMS Systems

An example of the command to compile a source file on VMS/OpenVMS systems would be as follows:

```
$ FORTRAN <source-name>
```

where `<source-name>` is the name of the source file being compiled. (The .FOR extension is not necessary.) The object module created will be named `<source-name>.OBJ`.

**NOTE:** If you are running OpenVMS on a DEC Alpha and are using a CDF distribution built for a default double-precision floating-point representation of D_FLOAT, you will also have to specify /FLOAT=D_FLOAT on the CC command line in order to correctly process double-precision floating-point values.
1.2 UNIX Systems

An example of the command to compile a source file on UNIX flavored systems would be as follows:\(^2\)

\[
\% \ f77 \ -c \ <\text{source-name}>.f
\]

where \(<\text{source-file}>.f\) is the name of the source file being compiled. (The .f extension is required.)

The -c option specifies that only an object module is to be produced. (The link step is described in Chapter 2.) The object module created will be named \(<\text{source-name}>.o\).

1.3 MS-DOS Systems, Microsoft Fortran

**NOTE:** Even though your application is written in Fortran and compiled with a Fortran compiler, compatible C run-time system libraries will be necessary to successfully link your application. This is because the CDF library is written in C and calls C run-time system functions.

An example of the command to compile a source file on MS-DOS systems using Microsoft Fortran would be as follows:\(^3\)

\[
> \ FL \ /c \ /AL \ /F Pi \ /I<\text{inc-path}> <\text{source-name}>.for
\]

where \(<\text{source-name}>.for\) is the name of the source file being compiled (the .for extension is required) and \(<\text{inc-path}>\) is the file name of the directory containing cdfmsf.inc and cdf.inc. You will need to know where on your system cdfmsf.inc and cdf.inc have been installed. \(<\text{inc-path}>\) may be either an absolute or relative file name.

The /c option specifies that only an object module is to be produced. (The link step is described in Chapter 2.) The object module will be named \(<\text{source-name}>.obj\).

The /AL option specifies that the object module is to be compiled using the large memory model. The CDF library for Microsoft Fortran supplied with the CDF distribution is compiled using the large memory model. If you need to use the huge memory model for your application, you will also need to rebuild the CDF library for the huge memory model.

The /F Pi option specifies how floating-point operations will be handled at run-time. With this option a math coprocessor will be used if it exists; otherwise, the emulation library will be called. Using this option allows your program to run on any MS-DOS system regardless of whether or not a math coprocessor exists. If you know that a math coprocessor exists, you may want to use a floating-point option that provides better performance.

You may instead want to use the Microsoft Programmer's Workbench (PWB) development environment to compile/link your applications. The options shown above for the command line compiler are specified in the development environment. Consult the documentation for the PWB for the steps necessary to compile/link your application.

**NOTE:** The CDF library is written in C. The Fortran compiler used to compile your applications must be compatible with the C compiler used to build the CDF library. (Microsoft C and Microsoft Fortran have been shown in the

\[^2\] The name of the Fortran compiler may be different depending on the favor of UNIX being used.

\[^3\] This example assumes you have properly set the MS-DOS environment variables used by the Microsoft Fortran compiler and linker. It is also assumed that the environment variables are set such that the linker will be able to find both the Fortran and C run-time system libraries that are needed.
examples in this document.) The linker used must also be configured to allow a Fortran application to call C routines (in the CDF library). Your Fortran applications, however, should not be concerned with calling functions written in C. (They can assume that they are calling Fortran.) The CDF library is written to handle the default Fortran calling conventions.

### 1.4 Windows NT/95/98 Systems, Digital Visual Fortran

An example of the command to compile a source file on Windows NT/95/98 systems using Digital Visual Fortran would be as follows:

```bash
> DF /c /iface:nomixed_strfilesn_arg /nowarn /optimize:0 /I<inc-path> <source-name>.f
```

where `<source-name>.f` is the name of the source file being compiled (the `.f` extension is required) and `<inc-path>` is the file name of the directory containing `cdfdvf.inc` and `cdfdf.inc`. You will need to know where on your system `cdfdvf.inc` and `cdfdf.inc` have been installed. `<inc-path>` may be either an absolute or relative file name.

The `/c` option specifies that only an object module is to be produced. (The link step is described in Chapter 2.) The object module will be named `<source-name>.obj`.

The `/iface:nomixed` string length argument option specifies that Fortran string arguments will have their string lengths appended to the end of the argument list by the compiler.

The `/optimize:0` option specifies that no code optimization is done. We had a problem using the default optimization.

The `/nowarn` option specifies that no warning messages will be given.

You can run the batch files, DFVARS.BAT, came with the Digital Visual Fortran, to set them up.

### 1.5 Macintosh Systems, MPW Fortran

Macintosh Programmer's Workshop (MPW) Fortran uses a command line instruction to compile source files. This command may be entered either on the MPW Worksheet or in an MPW makefile. An example of the command to compile a source file using MPW Fortran would be as follows:

```bash
Fortran -i <inc-path> <source-name>.f
```

where `<source-name>.f` is the name of the source file being compiled and `<inc-path>` is an absolute or relative file name of the folder containing `cdf.inc`. You will need to know where on your system `cdf.inc` has been installed. File names on a Macintosh are constructed by separating volume/folder names with colons and terminating the file name with a colon if it is a folder rather than a file (e.g., `Disk1:cdf27-dist:include:`). The name of the object module produced will be `<source-name>.f.o` in the current directory. Note that this example also assumes that `<source-name>.f` is in the current directory.

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4 This example assumes you have properly set the MS-DOS environment variables used by the Digital Visual Fortran compiler.
Chapter 2

Linking

Your applications must be linked with the CDF library.¹ Both the Standard and Internal interfaces for C applications are built into the CDF library. On VMS systems a logical name, CDFS$LIB, which specifies the location of the CDF library, is defined in the definitions file, DEFINITIONS.COM, provided with the CDF distribution. On UNIX systems an environment variable, CDF_LIB, which serves the same purpose, is defined in the definitions file definitions.<shell-type> where <shell-type> is the type of shell being used: C for the C-shell (csh and tcsh), K for the Korn (ksh), BASH, and POSIX shells, and B for the Bourne shell (sh). This section assumes that you are using the appropriate definitions file on those systems. On MS-DOS and Macintosh (MacOS) systems, definitions files are not available. The location of the CDF library is specified as described in the appropriate sections for those systems.

2.1 VAX/VMS & VAX/OpenVMS Systems

An example of the command to link your application with the CDF library (LIBCDF.OLB) on VAX/VMS and VAX/OpenVMS systems would be as follows:

$ LINK <object-file(s)>, CDFS$LIB:LIBCDF/LIBRARY

where <object-file(s)> is your application's object module(s). (The .OBJ extension is not necessary.) The name of the executable created will be the name part of the first object file listed with .EXE appended. A different executable name may be specified by using the /EXECUTABLE qualifier.

It may also be necessary to specify SYSSLIBRARY:VAXCRTL/LIBRARY at the end of the LINK command if your system does not properly define LNKSLIBRARY (or LNKSLIBRARY_1, etc.).

2.2 DEC Alpha/OpenVMS Systems

¹ A shareable version of the CDF library is also available on VMS and some flavors of UNIX. Its use is described in Chapter 3. A dynamic link library (DLL), LIBCDF.DLL, is available on MS-DOS systems for Microsoft and Borland Windows applications. Consult the Microsoft and Borland documentation for details on using a DLL. Note that the DLL for Microsoft is created using Microsoft C 7.00.
An example of the command to link your application with the CDF library (LIBCDF.OLB) on DEC Alpha/OpenVMS systems would be as follows:

```
$ LINK <object-file(s)>, CDF$LIB:LIBCDF/LIBRARY, SYS$LIBRARY:<crtl>/LIBRARY
```

where `<object-file(s)>` is your application's object module(s) (the .OBJ extension is not necessary) and `<crtl>` is VAXCRTL if your CDF distribution is built for a default double-precision floating-point representation of G_FLOAT or VAXCRTL D for a default of D_FLOAT. (You must specify a VAX C run-time library because the CDF library is written in C.) The name of the executable created will be the name part of the first object file listed with .EXE appended. A different executable name may be specified by using the /EXECUTABLE qualifier.

## 2.3 UNIX Systems

An example of the command to link your application with the CDF library (libcdf.a) on UNIX flavored systems would be as follows:

```
% f77 <object-file(s)>.o ${CDF_LIB}/ libcdf.a
```

where `<object-file(s)>.o` is your application's object module(s). (The .o extension is required.) The name of the executable created will be a.out by default. It may also be explicitly specified using the `–o` option. Some UNIX systems may also require that `-lc` (the C run-time library), `-lm` (the math library), and/or `-ldl` (the dynamic linker library) be specified at the end of the command line. This may depend on the particular release of the operating system being used. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.

### 2.3.1 Combining the Compile and Link

On UNIX systems the compile and link may be combined into one step as follows:

```
% f77 <source-file(s)>.f ${CDF_LIB}/ libcdf.a
```

where `<source-file(s)>.f` is the name of the source file(s) being compiled/linked. (The .f extension is required.) Some UNIX systems may also require that `-lc`, `-lm`, and/or `-ldl` be specified at the end of the command line. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.

## 2.4 MS-DOS Systems, Microsoft Fortran

**NOTE:** Even though your application is written in Fortran and compiled with a Fortran compiler, compatible C run-time system libraries (as supplied with Microsoft C) will be necessary to successfully link your application. This is because the CDF library is written in C and calls C run-time system functions.

An example of the command used to link an application to the CDF library (LIBCDF.LIB) on MS-DOS systems using Microsoft Fortran and Microsoft C would be as follows:\(^2\)

\(^2\) This example assumes you have properly set the MS-DOS environment variables (e.g., INCLUDE and LIB) used by the Microsoft Fortran (and Microsoft C) compiler and linker. Note that there are some differences between the Microsoft C 6.00 and Microsoft C 7.00 run-time libraries (regarding system function names). The CDF distribution for
where <objs> is your application's object module(s) (the .obj extension is not necessary); <exe> is the name of the executable file to be created (.exe will be appended by default); and <lib-path> is the file name of the directory containing LIBCDF.LIB. You will need to know where on your system LIBCDF.LIB has been installed. <lib-path> may be either an absolute or relative file name.

A map file is created by default unless the special name nul.map is used (as shown). If a map file is desired, the map file parameter should be omitted (in which case the name of the map file will be the name part of the executable file with .map appended), or a map file should be explicitly specified.

The /NOE option specifies that the linker should not search extended dictionaries of library symbols. This is necessary to suppress errors that would be generated because of multiply defined symbols between the Microsoft Fortran and Microsoft C system libraries.

The /NOI option specifies that function names are to remain case-sensitive. The /NOD option specifies that the default libraries (named in object files) should not be used. The needed libraries must instead be named in the link command. The C run-time library shown, LLIBCCE, and the Fortran run-time library shown, LLIBFORE, assume the large memory model and emulated floating-point operations if a coprocessor does not exist at run-time. If Microsoft C 7.00 is being used with the CDF library built for Microsoft C 6.00, the library named OLDNAMES must also be specified (immediately after LLIBCCE) to handle the function naming differences between the Microsoft C 6.00 and Microsoft C 7.00 run-time libraries. **NOTE:** Specify the libraries in the order shown or errors involving multiply defined symbols may result.

**NOTE:** The same memory model must have been used to compile your application's source files and the CDF library. The CDF library for Microsoft Fortran supplied with the CDF distribution is compiled using the large memory model. If you need to use the huge memory model for your application, you will also have to rebuild the CDF library for the huge memory model.

You may instead want to use the Microsoft Programmer's Workbench (PWB) development environment to compile/link your applications. The options shown above for the command line linker are specified in the development environment. Consult the documentation for the PWB for the steps necessary to compile/link your application.

### 2.5 Windows NT/95/98 Systems, Digital Visual Fortran

**NOTE:** Even though your application is written in Fortran and compiled with a Fortran compiler, compatible C run-time system libraries (as supplied with Microsoft Visual C++) will be necessary to successfully link your application. This is because the CDF library is written in C and calls C run-time system functions.

An example of the command used to link an application to the CDF library (LIBCDF.LIB) on Windows NT/95/98 systems using Digital Visual Fortran and Microsoft Visual C++ would be as follows:

```plaintext
> LINK <objs> <lib-path>libcdf.lib /out:<name.exe> /nodefaultlib:libcd
```

MS-DOS is supplied with CDF libraries built for both Microsoft C 6.00 and Microsoft C 7.00. It is also assumed that the appropriate CDF library was renamed to LIBCDF.LIB.

3 This example assumes you have properly set the MS-DOS environment variables (e.g., LIB should be set to include directories that contain C's LIBC.LIB and Fortran's DFOR.LIB.)
where <objs> is your application's object module(s) (the .obj extension is necessary); <name.exe> is the name of the executable file to be created and <lib-path> is the file name of the directory containing LIBCDF.LIB. You will need to know where on your system LIBCDF.LIB has been installed.  <lib-path> may be either an absolute or relative file name.

The /nodefaultlib:libcd option specifies that the LIBCD.LIB is to be ignored during the library search for resolving references.

2.6 Macintosh Systems, MPW

Macintosh Programmer's Workshop (MPW) uses a command line instruction to link an application. This command may be entered either on the MPW Worksheet or in an MPW makefile. An example of the command to link an application with the CDF library (libcdf.o) using MPW would be as follows:

```
Link -t APPL -c '????' -model far δ
<object-file>.f.o <object-file>.f.o ... <object-file>.f.o δ
<lib-path>libcdf.o δ
"{FLibraries}"FORTRANlibo δ
"{CLibraries}"<c-lib> "{CLibraries}"<c-lib> δ
"{Libraries}"<mac-lib> "{Libraries}"<mac-lib> ... "{Libraries}"<mac-lib> δ
-o <appl-path>
```

where <object-file>.cf.o is the name of one or more object modules being linked; <lib-path> is an absolute or relative file name of the folder containing libcdf.o; <c-lib> is the name of one or more needed C libraries; <mac-lib> is the name of one or more needed Macintosh libraries; and <appl-path> is the file name of the application being linked. You will need to know where on your system libcdf.o has been installed. File names on a Macintosh are constructed by separating volume/folder names with colons and terminating the file name with a colon if it is a folder rather than a file (e.g., Disk1:cdf27-dist:lib:). Note that this example assumes that <object-file>.f.o is in the current directory.

The C libraries that may be needed for the link are StdCLib.o, Math.o, and CSANELib.o. The Macintosh libraries that may be needed are Runtime.o and Interface.o. Note that "{FLibraries}", "{CLibraries}", and "{Libraries}" are predefined by MPW.

The -model far option indicates that the 32K restrictions on the size of code segments, the jump table, and the global data area are to be removed. This option is necessary in order to successfully link to the CDF library provided for MPW applications.

The CDF library does not use Macintosh resources. If your application uses resources, they must be compiled/linked as described in the MPW documentation.
Chapter 3

Linking Shared CDF Library

A shareable version of the CDF library is also available on VMS systems, some flavors of UNIX, Windows NT/95/98 and Macintosh. The shared version is put in the same directory as the non-shared version and is named as follows:

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<td>VAX (VMS &amp; OpenVMS)</td>
<td>LIBCDF.EXE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DEC Alpha (OpenVMS)</td>
<td>LIBCDF.EXE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sun (SunOS)</td>
<td>libcdf.so</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sun (SOLARIS)</td>
<td>libcdf.so</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HP 9000 (HP-UX)</td>
<td>libcdf.sl</td>
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<tr>
<td>IBM RS6000 (AIX)</td>
<td>libcdf.sl</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DEC Alpha (OSF/1)</td>
<td>libcdf.so</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SGI (IRIX 5.x &amp; 6.x)</td>
<td>libcdf.so</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linux (PC &amp; Power PC)</td>
<td>libcdf.so</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Windows NT/95/98</td>
<td>dllcdf.dll</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Macintosh (MacOS)</td>
<td>dllcdf.(ppc) &amp; dllcdf.(68k)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The commands necessary to link to a shareable library vary among operating systems. Examples are shown in the following sections.

3.1 VAX (VMS & OpenVMS)

```
$ ASSIGN CDF$LIB:LIBCDF.EXE CDF$LIBCDFEXE
$ LINK <object-file(s)>, SYS$INPUT:/OPTIONS
   CDF$LIBCDFEXE/SHAREABLE
   SYS$SHARE:VAXCRTL/SHAREABLE
   <Control-Z>
$ DEASSIGN CDF$LIBCDFEXE
```

1 On UNIX systems, when executing a program linked to the shared CDF library, the environment variable LD_LIBRARY_PATH must be set to include the directory containing libcdf.so or libcdf.sl.

2 When executing a program linked to the dynamically linked CDF library (DLL), the environment variable PATH must be set to include the directory containing dllcdf.dll.

3 On Mac systems, when executing a program linked to the shared CDF library, dllcdf.ppc or dllcdf.68k must be copied into System’s Extension folder.
where <object-file(s)> is your application's object module(s). (The .OBJ extension is not necessary.) The name of the executable created will be the name part of the first object file listed with .EXE appended. A different executable name may be specified by using the /EXECUTABLE qualifier.

NOTE: on VAX/VMS and VAX/OpenVMS systems the shareable CDF library may also be installed in SYS$SHARE. If that is the case, the link command would be as follows:

```bash
$ LINK <object-file(s)>, SYS$INPUT:/OPTIONS
  SYS$SHARE:LIBCDF/SHAREABLE
  SYS$SHARE:VAXCRTL/SHAREABLE
  <Control-Z>
```

3.2 DEC Alpha (OpenVMS)

```bash
$ ASSIGN CDF$LIB:LIBCDF.EXE CDF$LIBCDFEXE
$ LINK <object-file(s)>, SYS$INPUT:/OPTIONS
  CDF$LIBCDFEXE/SHAREABLE
  SYS$LIBRARY:<crtl>/LIBRARY
  <Control-Z>
$ DEASSIGN CDF$LIBCDFEXE
```

where <object-file(s)> is your application's object module(s) (the .OBJ extension is not necessary) and <crtl> is VAXCRTL if your CDF distribution is built for a default double-precision floating-point representation of G_FLOAT or VAXCRTLD for a default of D_FLOAT or VAXCRTLTF for a default of IEEE_FLOAT. (You must specify a VAX C run-time library [RTL] because the CDF library is written in C.) The name of the executable created will be the name part of the first object file listed with .EXE appended. A different executable name may be specified by using the /EXECUTABLE qualifier.

NOTE: on DEC Alpha/OpenVMS systems the shareable CDF library may also be installed in SYS$SHARE. If that is the case, the link command would be as follows:

```bash
$ LINK <object-file(s)>, SYS$INPUT:/OPTIONS
  SYS$SHARE:LIBCDF/SHAREABLE
  SYS$SHARE:VAXCRTL/SHAREABLE
  <Control-Z>
```

3.3 Sun (SunOS)

```bash
% f77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s)>.o ${CDF_LIB}/libcdf.so -lm -ldl
```

where <object-file(s)>.o is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required), and <exe-file> is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a "makefile" where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}. Also, -ldl may not be necessary on some SunOS systems.

3.4 SUN (SOLARIS)

```bash
% f77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s)>.o ${CDF_LIB}/libcdf.so -lc -lm
```
where <object-file(s)>..o is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required) and <exe-file> is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.

3.5 HP 9000 (HP-UX)

% f77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s)>..o ${CDF_LIB}/libcdf.sl -lc -lm

where <object-file(s)>..o is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required) and <exe-file> is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.

3.6 IBM RS6000 (AIX)

% f77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s)>..o -L${CDF_LIB} $(CDF_LIB)/libcdf.o -lc -lm

where <object-file(s)>..o is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required) and <exe-file> is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.

3.7 DEC Alpha (OSF/1)

% f77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s)>..o ${CDF_LIB}/libcdf.so -lm -lc

where <object-file(s)>..o is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required) and <exe-file> is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.

3.8 SGi (IRIX 5.x & 6.x)

% f77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s)>..o $(CDF_LIB)/libcdf.so -lm -lc

where <object-file(s)>..o is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required) and <exe-file> is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a “makefile” where CDF_LIB is imported, $(CDF_LIB) would be specified instead of ${CDF_LIB}.
3.9 Linux (PC & Power PC)

```bash
% g77 -o <exe-file> <object-file(s>).o ${CDF_LIB}/libcdf.so -lm -lc
```

where `<object-file(s)>.o` is your application's object module(s) (the .o extension is required) and `<exe-file>` is the name of the executable file created. Note that in a “makefile” where `CDF_LIB` is imported, `$(CDF_LIB)` would be specified instead of `${CDF_LIB}`.

3.10 Windows (NT/95/98)

```bash
% link /out:<exe-file>.exe <object-file(s)>.obj <lib-path>dllcdf.lib /nodefaultlib:libcd
```

where `<object-file(s)>.obj` is your application's object module(s) (the .obj extension is required) and `<exe-file>.exe` is the name of the executable file created, and `<lib-path>` may be either an absolute or relative directory name that has dllcdf.lib. The environment variable LIB has to set to the directory that contains LIBC.LIB. Your PATH environment variable needs to be set to include the directory that contains dllcdf.dll when the executable is run.

3.11 Macintosh (MacOS)

Two versions of dynamic link libraries are included in the distribution. One, dllcdf.PPC, is for the Power PC and the other, dllcdf.68K, is for the 68K box. Copy the proper one to your System's Extension folder.
Chapter 4

Programming Interface

The following sections describe various aspects of the Fortran programming interface for CDF applications. These include constants and types defined for use by all CDF application programs written in Fortran. These constants and types are defined in cdf.inc. The file cdf.inc should be INCLUDEd in all application source files referencing CDF routines/parameters.

4.1 Argument Passing

The CDF library is written entirely in C. Most computer systems have Fortran and C compilers that allow a Fortran application to call a C function without being concerned that different programming languages are involved. The CDF library takes advantage of the mechanisms provided by these compilers so that your Fortran application can appear to be calling another Fortran subroutine/function (in actuality the CDF library written in C). Pass all arguments exactly as shown in the description of each CDF function. This includes character strings (i.e., %REF(...) is not required). Be aware, however, that trailing blanks on variable and attribute names will be considered as part of the name. If the trailing blanks are not desired, pass only the part of the character string containing the name (e.g., VAR NAME(1:8)).

NOTE: Unfortunately, the Microsoft C and Microsoft Fortran compilers on the IBM PC and the C and Fortran compilers on the NeXT computer do not provide the needed mechanism to pass character strings from Fortran to C without explicitly NUL terminating the strings. Your Fortran application must place an ASCII NUL character after the last character of a CDF, variable, or attribute name. An example of this follows:

```
CHARACTER ATTR_NAME*9 ! Attribute name

ATTR_NAME(1:8) = 'VALIDMIN' ! Actual attribute name
ATTR_NAME(9:9) = CHAR(0) ! ASCII NUL character
```

CHAR(0) is an intrinsic Fortran function that returns the ASCII character for the numerical value passed in (0 is the numerical value for an ASCII NUL character). ATTR_NAME could then be passed to one of the CDF library functions.

When the CDF library passes out a character string on an IBM PC (using the Microsoft compilers) or on a NeXT
computer, the number of characters written will be exactly as shown in the description of the function called. You must declare your Fortran variable to be exactly that size.

4.2 Item Referencing

For Fortran applications all items are referenced starting at one (1). These include variable, attribute, and attribute entry numbers, record numbers, dimensions, and dimension indices. Note that both rVariables and zVariables are numbered starting at one (1).

4.3 Status Code Constants

These constants are of type INTEGER*4:

CDF_OK A status code indicating the normal completion of a CDF function.

CDF_WARN Threshold constant for testing severity of non-normal CDF status codes.

Chapter 7 describes how to use these constants to interpret status codes.

4.4 CDF Formats

SINGLE_FILE The CDF consists of only one file. This is the default file format.

MULTI_FILE The CDF consists of one header file for control and attribute data and one additional file for each variable in the CDF.

4.5 CDF Data Types

One of the following constants must be used when specifying a CDF data type for an attribute entry or variable.

CDF_BYTE 1-byte, signed integer.

CDF_CHAR 1-byte, signed character.

CDF_INT1 1-byte, signed integer.

CDF_UCHAR 1-byte, unsigned character.

CDF_UINT1 1-byte, unsigned integer.

CDF_INT2 2-byte, signed integer.
CDF_UINT2 2-byte, unsigned integer.
CDF_INT4 4-byte, signed integer.
CDF_UINT4 4-byte, unsigned integer.
CDF_REAL4 4-byte, floating point.
CDF_FLOAT 4-byte, floating point.
CDF_REAL8 8-byte, floating point.
CDF_DOUBLE 8-byte, floating point.
CDF_EPOCH 8-byte, floating point.

CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR are considered character data types. These are significant because only variables of these data types may have more than one element per value (where each element is a character).

**NOTE:** When using a DEC Alpha running OSF/1 keep in mind that a long is 8 bytes and that an int is 4 bytes. Use int C variables with the CDF data types CDF_INT4 and CDF_UINT4 rather than long C variables.

**NOTE:** When using an PC (MS-DOS) keep in mind that an int is 2 bytes and that a long is 4 bytes. Use long C variables with the CDF data types CDF_INT4 and CDF_UINT4 rather than int C variables.

### 4.6 Data Encodings

A CDF's data encoding affects how its attribute entry and variable data values are stored (on disk). Attribute entry and variable values passed into the CDF library (to be written to a CDF) should always be in the host machine's native encoding. Attribute entry and variable values read from a CDF by the CDF library and passed out to an application will be in the currently selected decoding for that CDF (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide).

- **HOST_ENCODING** Indicates host machine data representation (native). This is the default encoding, and it will provide the greatest performance when reading/writing on a machine of the same type.
- **NETWORK_ENCODING** Indicates network transportable data representation (XDR).
- **VAX_ENCODING** Indicates VAX data representation. Double-precision floating-point values are encoded in Digital's D_FLOAT representation.
- **ALPHAVMSd_ENCODING** Indicates DEC Alpha running OpenVMS data representation. Double-precision floating-point values are encoded in Digital's D_FLOAT representation.
- **ALPHAVMSg_ENCODING** Indicates DEC Alpha running OpenVMS data representation. Double-precision floating-point values are encoded in Digital's G_FLOAT representation.
- **ALPHAVMSi_ENCODING** Indicates DEC Alpha running OpenVMS data representation. Double-precision floating-point values are encoded in IEEE representation.
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<tr>
<td>SUN_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates SUN data representation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SGI_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates Silicon Graphics Iris and Power Series data representation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>DECSTATION_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates DECstation data representation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>IBMRS_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates IBMRS data representation (IBM RS6000 series).</td>
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<tr>
<td>HP_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates HP data representation (HP 9000 series).</td>
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<tr>
<td>PC_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates PC data representation.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NeXT_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates NeXT data representation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MAC_ENCODING</td>
<td>Indicates Macintosh data representation.</td>
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</table>

When creating a CDF (via the Standard interface) or respecifying a CDF's encoding (via the Internal Interface), you may specify any of the encodings listed above. Specifying the host machine's encoding explicitly has the same effect as specifying HOST_ENCODING.

When inquiring the encoding of a CDF, either NETWORK_ENCODING or a specific machine encoding will be returned. (HOST_ENCODING is never returned.)

### 4.7 Data Decodings

A CDF's decoding affects how its attribute entry and variable data values are passed out to a calling application. The decoding for a CDF may be selected and reselected any number of times while the CDF is open. Selecting a decoding does not affect how the values are stored in the CDF file(s) - only how the values are decoded by the CDF library. Any decoding may be used with any of the supported encodings. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes a CDF's decoding in more detail.

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ALPHAVMSi_DECODING Indicates DEC Alpha running OpenVMS data representation. Double-precision floating-point values will be in IEEE representation.

ALPHAOSF1_DECODING Indicates DEC Alpha running OSF/1 data representation.

SUN_DECODING Indicates SUN data representation.

SGi_DECODING Indicates Silicon Graphics Iris and Power Series data representation.

DECSTATION_DECODING Indicates DECstation data representation.

IBMRS_DECODING Indicates IBMRS data representation (IBM RS6000 series).

HP_DECODING Indicates HP data representation (HP 9000 series).

PC_DECODING Indicates PC data representation.

NeXT_DECODING Indicates NeXT data representation.

MAC_DECODING Indicates Macintosh data representation.

The default decoding is HOST_DECODING. The other decodings may be selected via the Internal Interface with the \(<SELECT_\_CDF\_DECODING_>_\) operation. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes those situations in which a decoding other than HOST_DECODING may be desired.

### 4.8. Variable Majorities

A CDF's variable majority determines the order in which variable values (within the variable arrays) are stored in the CDF file(s). The majority is the same for rVariable and zVariables.

**ROW_MAJOR** C-like array ordering for variable storage. The first dimension in each variable array varies the slowest. This is the default majority.

**COLUMN_MAJOR** Fortran-like array ordering for variable storage. The first dimension in each variable array varies the fastest.

Knowing the majority of a CDF's variables is necessary when performing hyper reads and writes. During a hyper read the CDF library will place the variable data values into the memory buffer in the same majority as that of the variables. The buffer must then be processed according to that majority. Likewise, during a hyper write, the CDF library will expect to find the variable data values in the memory buffer in the same majority as that of the variables.

The majority must also be considered when performing sequential reads and writes. When sequentially reading a variable, the values passed out by the CDF library will be ordered according to the majority. When sequentially writing a variable, the values passed into the CDF library are assumed (by the CDF library) to be ordered according to the majority.

As with hyper reads and writes, the majority of a CDF's variables affects multiple variable reads and writes. When performing a multiple variable write, the full-physical records in the buffer passed to the CDF library must have the CDF's variable majority. Likewise, the full-physical records placed in the buffer by the CDF library during a multiple variable read will be in the CDF's variable majority.
For Fortran applications the compiler defined majority for arrays is column major. The first dimension of multi-dimensional arrays varies the fastest in memory.

4.9 Record/Dimension Variances

Record and dimension variances affect how variable data values are physically stored.

VARY True record or dimension variance.

NOVARY False record or dimension variance.

If a variable has a record variance of VARY, then each record for that variable is physically stored. If the record variance is NOVARY, then only one record is physically stored. (All of the other records are virtual and contain the same values.)

If a variable has a dimension variance of VARY, then each value/subarray along that dimension is physically stored. If the dimension variance is NOVARY, then only one value/subarray along that dimension is physically stored. (All other values/subarrays along that dimension are virtual and contain the same values.)

4.10 Compressions

The following types of compression for CDFs and variables are supported. For each, the required parameters are also listed. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes how to select the best compression type/parameters for a particular data set.

NO_COMPRESSION No compression.

RLE_COMPRESSION Run-length encoding compression. There is one parameter.

1. The style of run-length encoding. Currently, only the run-length encoding of zeros is supported. This parameter must be set to RLE_OF_ZEROS.

HUFF_COMPRESSION Huffman compression. There is one parameter.

1. The style of Huffman encoding. Currently, only optimal encoding trees are supported. An optimal encoding tree is determined for each block of bytes being compressed. This parameter must be set to OPTIMAL_ENCODING_TREES.

AHUFF_COMPRESSION Adaptive Huffman compression. There is one parameter.

1. The style of adaptive Huffman encoding. Currently, only optimal encoding trees are supported. An optimal encoding tree is determined for each block of bytes being compressed. This parameter must be set to OPTIMAL_ENCODING_TREES.
GZIP_COMPRESSION  Gnu's “zip” compression.¹ There is one parameter.

1. The level of compression. This may range from 1 to 9. 1 provides the least compression and requires less execution time. 9 provides the most compression but requires the most execution time. Values in-between provide varying compromises of these two extremes.

4.11  Sparseness

4.11.1  Sparse Records

The following types of sparse records for variables are supported.

NO_SPARSERECORDS  No sparse records.

PAD_SPARSERECORDS  Sparse records - the variable's pad value is used when reading values from a missing record.

PREV_SPARSERECORDS  Sparse records - values from the previous existing record are used when reading values from a missing record. If there is no previous existing record the variable's pad value is used.

4.11.2  Sparse Arrays

The following types of sparse arrays for variables are supported.²

NO_SPARSEARRAYS  No sparse arrays.

4.12  Attribute Scopes

Attribute scopes are simply a way to explicitly declare the intended use of an attribute by user applications (and the CDF toolkit).

GLOBAL_SCOPE  Indicates that an attribute's scope is global (applies to the CDF as a whole).

VARIABLE_SCOPE  Indicates that an attribute's scope is by-variable. (Each rEntry or zEntry corresponds to an rVariable or zVariable, respectively.)

¹ Disabled for PC running 16-bit DOS/Windows 3.x.
² Obviously, sparse arrays are not yet supported.
4.13  Read-Only Modes

Once a CDF has been opened, it may be placed into a read-only mode to prevent accidental modification (such as when the CDF is simply being browsed). Read-only mode is selected via the Internal Interface using the <SELECT_CDF_READONLY_MODE_> operation.

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<td>READONLYon</td>
<td>Turns on read-only mode.</td>
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<tr>
<td>READONLYoff</td>
<td>Turns off read-only mode.</td>
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4.14  zModes

Once a CDF has been opened, it may be placed into one of two variations of zMode. zMode is fully explained in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide. A zMode is selected for a CDF via the Internal Interface using the <SELECT_CDF_zMODE_> operation.

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<td>zMODEoff</td>
<td>Turns off zMode.</td>
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<tr>
<td>zMODEon1</td>
<td>Turns on zMode/1.</td>
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<tr>
<td>zMODEon2</td>
<td>Turns on zMode/2.</td>
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4.15  -0.0 to 0.0 Modes

Once a CDF has been opened, the CDF library may be told to convert -0.0 to 0.0 when read from or written to that CDF. This mode is selected via the Internal Interface using the <SELECT_CDF_NEGtoPOSfp0_MODE_> operation.

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<td>NEGtoPOSfp0on</td>
<td>Convert -0.0 to 0.0 when read from or written to a CDF.</td>
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<tr>
<td>NEGtoPOSfp0off</td>
<td>Do not convert -0.0 to 0.0 when read from or written to a CDF.</td>
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4.16  Operational Limits

These are limits within the CDF library. If you reach one of these limits, please contact CDF User Support.

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<td>CDF_MAX_DIMS</td>
<td>Maximum number of dimensions for the rVariables or a zVariable.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CDF_MAX_PARMS</td>
<td>Maximum number of compression or sparseness parameters.</td>
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The CDF library imposes no limit on the number of variables, attributes, or attribute entries that a CDF may have. On the PC, however, the number of rVariables and zVariables will be limited to 100 of each in a multi-file CDF because of the 8.3 naming convention imposed by MS-DOS.
4.17 Limits of Names and Other Character Strings

CDF_PATHNAME_LEN  Maximum length of a CDF file name (excluding the .cdf or .vnn appended by the CDF library to construct file names). A CDF file name may contain disk and directory specifications that conform to the conventions of the operating systems being used (including logical names on VMS systems and environment variables on UNIX systems).

CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN   Maximum length of a variable name.

CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN  Maximum length of an attribute name.

CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN  Maximum length of the CDF copyright text.

CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN Maximum length of the explanation text for a status code.
Chapter 5

Standard Interface

The following sections describe the Standard Interface routines callable from Fortran applications. Most functions return a status code of type INTEGER*4 (see Chapter 7). The Internal Interface is described in Chapter 6. An application can use both interfaces when necessary. Note that zVariables and vAttribute zEntries are only accessible via the Internal Interface.

5.1 CDF_create

SUBROUTINE CDF_create (CHARACTER CDF_name(*), INTEGER*4 num_dims, INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(*), INTEGER*4 encoding, INTEGER*4 majority, INTEGER*4 id, INTEGER*4 status)

CDF_create creates a CDF as defined by the arguments. A CDF cannot be created if it already exists. (The existing CDF will not be overwritten.) If you want to overwrite an existing CDF, you must first open it with CDF_open, delete it with CDF_delete, and then recreate it with CDF_create. If the existing CDF is corrupted, the call to CDF_open will fail. (An error code will be returned.) In this case you must delete the CDF at the command line. Delete the dotCDF file (having an extension of .cdf), and if the CDF has the multi-file format, delete all of the variable files (having extensions of .v0,.v1,. . . and .z0,.z1,. . ).

The arguments to CDF_create are defined as follows:

CDF_name
   The file name of the CDF to create. (Do not specify an extension.) This may be at most CDF_PATHNAME_LEN characters. A CDF file name may contain disk and directory specifications that conform to the conventions of the operating system being used (including logical names on VMS systems and environment variables on UNIX systems).

UNIX: File names are case-sensitive.

num_dims
   Number of dimensions the rVariables in the CDF are to have. This may be as few as zero (0) and at most CDF_MAX_DIMS.
dim_sizes        The size of each dimension. Each element of dim_sizes specifies the corresponding dimension size. Each size must be greater than zero (0). For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

encoding        The encoding for variable data and attribute entry data. Specify one of the encodings described in Section 4.6.

majority        The majority for variable data. Specify one of the majorities described in Section 4.8.

id              The identifier for the created CDF. This identifier must be used in all subsequent operations on the CDF.

status          The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

When a CDF is created, both read and write access are allowed. The default format for a CDF created with CDF_create is specified in the configuration file of your CDF distribution. Consult your system manager for this default. The CDF_lib function (Internal Interface) may be used to change a CDF's format.

NOTE: CDF_close must be used to close the CDF before your application exits to ensure that the CDF will be correctly written to disk (see Section 5.5).

5.1.1    Example(s)

The following example will create a CDF named test1 with network encoding and row majority.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id             ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status         ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 num_dims       ! Number of dimensions, rVariables.
INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(3)   ! Dimension sizes, rVariables.
INTEGER*4 majority       ! Variable majority.

DATA num_dims/3/, dim_sizes/180,360,10/, majority/ROW_MAJOR/

CALL CDF_create ('test1', num_dims, dim_sizes, NETWORK_ENCODING, 1 majority, id, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

ROW_MAJOR and NETWORK_ENCODING are defined in cdf.inc.
5.2 CDF_open

SUBROUTINE CDF_open (CHARACTER CDF_name*,(*)!, in -- CDF file name.
INTEGER*4 id,  ! out -- CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status) ! out -- Completion status

CDF_open opens an existing CDF. The CDF is initially opened with only read access. This allows multiple applications to read the same CDF simultaneously. When an attempt to modify the CDF is made, it is automatically closed and reopened with read/write access. (The function will fail if the application does not have or cannot get write access to the CDF.)

The arguments to CDF_open are defined as follows:

CDF_name The file name of the CDF to open. (Do not specify an extension.) This may be at most CDF_PATHNAME_LEN characters. A CDF file name may contain disk and directory specifications that conform to the conventions of the operating system being used (including logical names on VMS systems and environment variables on UNIX systems).

UNIX: File names are case-sensitive.

id The identifier for the opened CDF. This identifier must be used in all subsequent operations on the CDF.

status The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

NOTE: CDF_close must be used to close the CDF before your application exits to ensure that the CDF will be correctly written to disk (see Section 5.5).

5.2.1 Example(s)

The following example will open a CDF named NOAA1.

INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id  ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
CHARACTER CDF_name*(CDF_PATHNAME_LEN) ! File name of CDF.

DATA CDF_name/'NOAA1'/

CALL CDF_open (CDF_name, id, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

.
5.3 CDF_doc

SUBROUTINE CDF_doc (  
  INTEGER*4 id,  ! in -- CDF identifier.
  INTEGER*4 version,  ! out -- Version number.
  INTEGER*4 release,  ! out -- Release number.
  CHARACTER copy_right*(CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN),  ! out -- Copyright.
  INTEGER*4 status)  ! out -- Completion status

CDF_doc is used to inquire general documentation about a CDF. The version/release of the CDF library that created the CDF is provided (e.g., CDF V2.4 is version 2, release 4) along with the CDF copyright notice.

The arguments to CDF_doc are defined as follows:

- **id**: The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **version**: The version number of the CDF library that created the CDF.
- **release**: The release number of the CDF library that created the CDF.
- **copy_right**: The copyright notice of the CDF library that created the CDF. This character string must be large enough to hold CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN characters and will be blank padded if necessary. This string will contain a newline character after each line of the copyright notice.
- **status**: The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

The copyright notice is formatted for printing without modification. The version and release are used together (e.g., CDF V2.4 is version 2, release 4).

5.3.1 Example(s)

The following example will inquire and display the version/release and copyright notice.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id  ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status  ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 version  ! CDF version number.
INTEGER*4 release  ! CDF release number.
CHARACTER copyright*(CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN)  ! Copyright notice.
INTEGER*4 last_char  ! Last character position actually used in the copyright.
INTEGER*4 start_char  ! Starting character position in a line of the copyright.
CHARACTER lf*1  ! Linefeed character.
```
CALL CDF_doc (id, version, release, copyright, status)
IF (status .LT. CDF_OK) THEN
  ! INFO status codes ignored
  CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
ELSE
  WRITE (6,101) version, release
  101 FORMAT (' ','Version: ',I3,' Release:',I3)
  last_CHARACTER= CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN
  DO WHILE (copyright(last_char:last_char) .EQ. ' ')
    last_CHARACTER= last_CHARACTER- 1
  END DO
  lf = CHAR(10)
  start_CHARACTER= 1
  DO i = 1, last_char
    IF (copyright(i:i) .EQ. lf) THEN
      WRITE (6,301) copyright(start_char:i-1)
      301 FORMAT (' ',A)
      start_CHARACTER= i + 1
    END IF
  END DO
END IF
.
.

5.4  CDF_inquire

SUBROUTINE CDF_inquire(

INTEGER*4 id, ! in -- CDF identifier
INTEGER*4 num_dims, ! out -- Number of dimensions, rVariables.
INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(CDF_MAX_DIMS), ! out -- Dimension sizes, rVariables.
INTEGER*4 encoding, ! out -- Data encoding.
INTEGER*4 majority, ! out -- Variable majority.
INTEGER*4 max_rec, ! out -- Maximum record number in the CDF, rVariables.
INTEGER*4 num_vars, ! out -- Number of rVariables in the CDF.
INTEGER*4 num_attrs, ! out -- Number of attributes in the CDF.
INTEGER*4 status) ! out -- Completion status

CDF_inquire inquires the basic characteristics of a CDF. An application needs to know the number of rVariable dimensions and their sizes before it can access rVariable data. Knowing the variable majority can be used to optimize performance and is necessary to properly use the variable hyper functions (for both rVariables and zVariables).

The arguments to CDF_inquire are defined as follows:

id  The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
num_dims The number of dimensions for the rVariables in the CDF.
dim_sizes The dimension sizes of the rVariables in the CDF. dim_sizes is a 1-dimensional array containing one element per dimension. Each element of dim_sizes receives the
corresponding dimension size. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

encoding The encoding of the variable data and attribute entry data. The encodings are defined in Section 4.6.

majority The majority of the variable data. The majorities are defined in Section 4.8.

max_rec The maximum record number written to an rVariable in the CDF. Note that the maximum record number written is also kept separately for each rVariable in the CDF. The value of max_rec is the largest of these. Some rVariables may have fewer records actually written. CDF_lib (Internal Interface) may be used to inquire the maximum record written for an individual rVariable (see Section 6).

num_vars The number of rVariables in the CDF.

num_attrs The number of attributes in the CDF.

status The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.4.1 Example(s)

The following example will inquire the basic information about a CDF.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 num_dims ! Number of dimensions, rVariables.
INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! Dimension sizes, rVariables
   ! (allocate to allow the maximum
   ! number of dimensions).
INTEGER*4 encoding ! Data encoding.
INTEGER*4 majority ! Variable majority.
INTEGER*4 max_rec ! Maximum record number.
INTEGER*4 num_vars ! Number of rVariables in CDF.
INTEGER*4 num_attrs ! Number of attributes in CDF.

CALL CDF_inquire (id, num_dims, dim_sizes, encoding, majority,
   max_rec, num_vars, num_attrs, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

5.5 CDF_close

SUBROUTINE CDF_close ( .
INTEGER*4 id,         ! in -- CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status)    ! out -- Completion status

CDF_close closes the specified CDF. The CDF's cache buffers are used; the CDF's open file is closed (or files in the case of a multi-file CDF); and the CDF identifier is made available for reuse.

**NOTE:** You must close a CDF with CDF_close to guarantee that all modifications you have made will actually be written to the CDF's file(s). If your program exits, normally or otherwise, without a successful call to CDF_close, the CDF's cache buffers are left unused.

The arguments to CDF_close are defined as follows:

- **id** The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **status** The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

### 5.5.1 Example(s)

The following example will close an open CDF.

```fortran
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id           ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status       ! Returned status code.

CALL CDF_close (id, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

### 5.6 CDF_delete

SUBROUTINE CDF_delete (  
  INTEGER*4 id,         ! in -- CDF identifier.
  INTEGER*4 status)    ! out -- Completion status

CDF_delete deletes the specified CDF. The CDF files deleted include the dotCDF file (having an extension of .cdf), and if a multi-file CDF, the variable files (having extensions of .v0,.v1,.. and .z0,.z1,..).

You must open a CDF before you are allowed to delete it. If you have no privilege to delete the CDF files, they will not be deleted. If the CDF is corrupted and cannot be opened, the CDF file(s) must be deleted at the command line.

The arguments to CDF_delete are defined as follows:
id        The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

status    The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.6.1     Example(s)

The following example will open and then delete an existing CDF.

include '<path>cdf.inc'

integer*4 id             ! CDF identifier.
integer*4 status         ! Returned status code.

call cdf_open ('test2', id, status)
if (status .lt. cdf_ok) then          ! INFO status codes ignored.
call userstatushandler (status)
else
    call cdf_delete (id, status)
    if (status .ne. cdf_ok) call userstatushandler (status)
end if

5.7      CDF_error

Subroutine CDF_error (  

integer*4 status,               ! in -- Status code.
character message*(cdf_statustext_len))  ! out -- Explanation text for the status code.

CDF_error is used to inquire the explanation of a given status code (not just error codes). Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes and Appendix A lists all of the possible status codes.

The arguments to CDF_error are defined as follows:

status    The status code to check.

message   The explanation of the status code. This character string must be large enough to hold CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN characters and will be blank padded if necessary.

5.7.1     Example(s)

The following example displays the explanation text if an error code is returned from a call to CDF_open.
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
CHARACTER text*(CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN) ! Explanation text.
INTEGER*4 last_char ! Last character position
! actually used in the copyright.

CALL CDF_open ('giss_wetl', id, status)
IF (status .LT. CDF_WARN) THEN ! INFO and WARNING codes ignored.
   CALL CDF_error (status, text)
   last_CHARACTER= CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN
   DO WHILE (text(last_char:last_char) .EQ. ' ')
      last_CHARACTER= last_CHARACTER- 1
   END DO
   WRITE (6,101) text(1:last_char)
101   FORMAT ('ERROR> ',A)
ENDIF

5.8  CDF_attr_create

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_create (  
   INTEGER*4 id, // in -- CDF identifier.  
   CHARACTER attr_name*, // in -- Attribute name.  
   INTEGER*4 attr_scope, // in -- Scope of attribute.  
   INTEGER*4 attr_num, // out -- Attribute number.  
   INTEGER*4 status) // out -- Completion status

CDF_attr_create creates an attribute in the specified CDF. An attribute with the same name must not already exist in the CDF.

The arguments to CDF_attr_create are defined as follows:

id The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

attr_name The name of the attribute to create. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters. Attribute names are case-sensitive.

attr_scope The scope of the new attribute. Specify one of the scopes described in Section 4.12.

attr_num The number assigned to the new attribute. This number must be used in subsequent CDF function calls when referring to this attribute. An existing attribute's number may be determined with the CDF_attr_num function.

status The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.
5.8.1 Example(s)

The following example creates two attributes. The TITLE attribute is created with global scope - it applies to the entire CDF (most likely the title of the data set stored in the CDF). The Units attribute is created with variable scope - each entry describes some property of the corresponding variable (in this case the units for the data).

```
...
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'
...
INTEGER*4 id          ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status      ! Returned status code.
CHARACTER UNITS_attr_name*5 ! Name of "Units" attribute.
INTEGER*4 UNITS_attr_num  ! "Units" attribute number.
INTEGER*4 TITLE_attr_num  ! "TITLE" attribute number.
INTEGER*4 TITLE_attr_scope  ! "TITLE" attribute scope.
DATA UNITS_attr_name/'Units'/, TITLE_attr_scope/GLOBAL_SCOPE/
...
CALL CDF_attr_create (id, 'TITLE', TITLE_attr_scope, TITLE_attr_num, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
CALL CDF_attr_create (id, UNITS_attr_name, VARIABLE_SCOPE, UNITS_attr_num, 1, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
...
```

5.9 CDF_attr_num

INTEGER*4 FUNCTION CDF_attr_num (   
   INTEGER*4 id,                    ! in-- CDF id
   CHARACTER attr_name*(*));        ! in-- attribute name

CDF_attr_num is used to determine the attribute number associated with a given attribute name. If the attribute is found, CDF_attr_num returns its number - which will be equal to or greater than one (1). If an error occurs (e.g., the attribute name does not exist in the CDF), an error code (of type INTEGER*4) is returned. Error codes are less than zero (0).

The arguments to CDF_attr_num are defined as follows:

- **id**: The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **attr_name**: The name of the attribute for which to search. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters. Attribute names are case-sensitive.
CDF_attr_num may be used as an embedded function call when an attribute number is needed. CDF_attr_num is declared in cdf.inc. (Fortran functions must be declared so that the returned value is interpreted correctly.)

5.9.1 Example(s)

In the following example the attribute named pressure will be renamed to PRESSURE with CDF_attr_num being used as an embedded function call. Note that if the attribute pressure did not exist in the CDF, the call to CDF_attr_num would have returned an error code. Passing that error code to CDF_attr_rename as an attribute number would have resulted in CDF_attr_rename also returning an error code. CDF_attr_rename is described in Section 5.10.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id       ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status   ! Returned status code.

CALL CDF_attr_rename (id, CDF_attr_num(id,'pressure'), 'PRESSURE', status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

5.10 CDF_attr_rename

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_rename (  
  INTEGER*4    id,           ! in   -- CDF identifier.
  INTEGER*4    attr_num,     ! in   -- Attribute number.
  CHARACTER*    attr_name(*),! in   -- New attribute name.
  INTEGER*4    status)      ! out  -- Completion status

CDF_attr_rename is used to rename an existing attribute. An attribute with the new name must not already exist in the CDF.

The arguments to CDF_attr_rename are defined as follows:

- **id** The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **attr_num** The number of the attribute to rename. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_attr_num (see Section 5.9).
- **attr_name** The new attribute name. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters. Attribute names are case-sensitive.
- **status** The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.10.1 Example(s)
In the following example the attribute named LAT is renamed to LATITUDE.

```
.
.
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'
.
.
INTEGER*4 id       ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status   ! Returned status code.
.
CALL CDF_attr_rename (id, CDF_attr_num(id,'LAT'), 'LATITUDE', status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.
```

### 5.11 CDF_attr_inquire

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_inquire (  
  INTEGER*4 id,                        ! in -- CDF identifier.  
  INTEGER*4 attr_num,                  ! in -- Attribute number.  
  CHARACTER attr_name*(CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN), ! out -- Attribute name.  
  INTEGER*4 attr_scope,                ! out -- Attribute scope.  
  INTEGER*4 max_entry,                 ! out -- Maximum gEntry or rEntry number.  
  INTEGER*4 status)                    ! out -- Completion status  

CDF_attr_inquire is used to inquire about the specified attribute. To inquire about a specific attribute entry, use CDF_attr_entry_inquire (Section 5.12).

The arguments to CDF_attr_inquire are defined as follows:

- `id` The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- `attr_num` The number of the attribute to inquire. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_attr_num (see Section 5.9).
- `attr_name` The attribute's name. This character string must be large enough to hold CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters and will be blank padded if necessary.
- `attr_scope` The scope of the attribute. Attribute scopes are defined in Section 4.12.
- `max_entry` For gAttributes this is the maximum gEntry number used. For vAttributes this is the maximum rEntry number used. In either case this may not correspond with the number of entries (if some entry numbers were not used). The number of entries actually used may be inquired with the CDF_lib function (see Section 6). If no entries exist for the attribute, then a value of zero (0) will be passed back.
- `status` The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

#### 5.11.1 Example(s)
The following example displays the name of each attribute in a CDF. The number of attributes in the CDF is first determined using the function CDF_inquire. Note that attribute numbers start at one (1) and are consecutive.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 num_dims ! Number of dimensions.
INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! Dimension sizes (allocate to
! allow the maximum number of
! dimensions).
INTEGER*4 encoding ! Data encoding.
INTEGER*4 majority ! Variable majority.
INTEGER*4 max_rec ! Maximum record number in CDF.
INTEGER*4 num_vars ! Number of variables in CDF.
INTEGER*4 num_attrs ! Number of attributes in CDF.
INTEGER*4 attr_n ! Attribute number.
CHARACTER attr_name*(CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN)! Attribute name.
INTEGER*4 attr_scope ! Attribute scope.
INTEGER*4 max_entry ! Maximum entry number.

CALL CDF_inquire (id, num_dims, dim_sizes, encoding, majority,
1                 max_rec, num_vars, num_attrs, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
DO attr_n = 1, num_attrs
   CALL CDF_attr_inquire (id, attr_n, attr_name, attr_scope, max_entry,
1                      status)
   IF (status .LT. CDF_OK) THEN
      ! INFO status codes ignored.
      CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
   ELSE
      WRITE (6,10) attr_name
10        FORMAT (' ',A)
   END IF
END DO
```

```
5.12  CDF_attr_entry_inquire

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_entry_inquire (  
 INTEGER*4  id, ! in -- CDF identifier.  
 INTEGER*4 attr_num, ! in -- Attribute number.  
 INTEGER*4 entry_num, ! in -- Entry number.  
 INTEGER*4 data_type, ! out -- Data type.  
 INTEGER*4 num_elements, ! out -- Number of elements (of the data type).  
 INTEGER*4 status) ! out -- Completion status  
```
CDF_attr_entry_inquire is used to inquire about a specific attribute entry. To inquire about the attribute in general, use CDF_attr_inquire (see Section 5.11). CDF_attr_entry_inquire would normally be called before calling CDF_attr_get in order to determine the data type and number of elements (of that data type) for an entry. This would be necessary to correctly allocate enough memory to receive the value read by CDF_attr_get.

The arguments to CDF_attr_entry_inquire are defined as follows:

id
The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

attr_num
The attribute number for which to inquire an entry. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_attr_num (see Section 5.9).

entry_num
The entry number to inquire. If the attribute is global in scope, this is simply the gEntry number and has meaning only to the application. If the attribute is variable in scope, this is the number of the associated rVariable (the rVariable being described in some way by the rEntry).

data_type
The data type of the specified entry. The data types are defined in Section 4.5.

num_elements
The number of elements of the data type. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

status
The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.12.1 Example(s)

The following example inquires each entry for an attribute. Note that entry numbers need not be consecutive - not every entry number between one (1) and the maximum entry number must exist. For this reason NO_SUCH_ENTRY is an expected error code. Note also that if the attribute has variable scope, the entry numbers are actually rVariable numbers.

```fortran
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 attr_n ! Attribute number.
INTEGER*4 entryN ! Entry number.
CHARACTER attr_name*(CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN) ! Attribute name.
INTEGER*4 attr_scope ! Attribute scope.
INTEGER*4 max_entry ! Maximum entry number used.
INTEGER*4 data_type ! Data type.
INTEGER*4 num_elems ! Number of elements (of the ! data type).

attr_n = CDF_attr_num (id, 'TMP')
IF (attr_n .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (attr_n) ! If less than one (1), ! then it must be a ! warning/error code.
CALL CDF_attr_inquire (id, attr_n, attr_name, attr_scope, max_entry, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```
DO entryN = 1, max_entry
   CALL CDF_attr_entry_inquire (id, attr_n, entryN, data_type, num elems, 1
                                  status)
   IF (status .LT. CDF_OK) THEN
      IF (status .NE. NO_SUCH_ENTRY) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
   ELSE
      (process entries)
   END IF
END DO

5.13 CDF_attr_put

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_put (  
  INTEGER*4  id,            ! in   -- CDF identifier.  
  INTEGER*4  attr_num,     ! in   -- Attribute number. 
  INTEGER*4  entry_num,    ! in   -- Entry number. 
  INTEGER*4  data_type,    ! in   -- Data type of this entry. 
  INTEGER*4  num_elements, ! in   -- Number of elements (of the data type). 
  <type>    value,          ! out -- Value (<type> is dependent on the data type of the entry). 
  INTEGER*4  status)       ! out -- Completion status

CDF_attr_put is used to write an attribute entry to a CDF. The entry may or may not already exist. If it does exist, it is overwritten. The data type and number of elements (of that data type) may be changed when overwriting an existing entry.

The arguments to CDF_attr_put are defined as follows:

id            The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
attr_num      The attribute number. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_attr_num (see Section 5.9).
entry_num     The entry number. If the attribute is global in scope, this is simply the gEntry number and has meaning only to the application. If the attribute is variable in scope, this is the number of the associated rVariable (the rVariable being described in some way by the rEntry).
data_type      The data type of the specified entry. Specify one of the data types defined in Section 4.5.
num_elements  The number of elements of the data type. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.
value         The value(s) to write. The entry value is written to the CDF from memory address value.
WARNING: If the entry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the entry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

status The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

num_elements elements of the data type data_type will be written to the CDF starting from memory address value.

5.13.1 Example(s)

The following example writes two attribute entries. The first is to gEntry number one (1) of the gAttribute TITLE. The second is to the variable scope attribute VALIDs for the rEntry that corresponds to the rVariable TMP.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

PARAMETER TITLE_LEN = 10 ! Length of CDF title.

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 entry_num ! Entry number.
INTEGER*4 num_elements ! Number of elements (of data type).
CHARACTER title*(TITLE_LEN) ! Value of TITLE attribute, rEntry number 1.
INTEGER*2 TMPvalids(2) ! Value(s) of VALIDs attribute,
                        ! rEntry for rVariable TMP

DATA title/'CDF title.'/, TMPvalids/15,30/

entry_num = 1
CALL CDF_attr_put (id, CDF_attr_num(id,'TITLE'), entry_num, CDF_CHAR,
                   1                  TITLE_LEN, title, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

num_elements = 2
CALL CDF_attr_put (id, CDF_attr_num(id,'VALIDs'), CDF_var_num(id,'TMP'),
                   1                  CDF_INT2, num_elements, TMPvalids, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

5.14 CDF_attr_get

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_get ( id, status, entry_num, num_elements, value )
INTENT(IN) id, ! in -- CDF identifier.
CDF_attr_get is used to read an attribute entry from a CDF. In most cases it will be necessary to call CDF_attr_entry_inquire before calling CDF_attr_get in order to determine the data type and number of elements (of that data type) for the entry.

The arguments to CDF_attr_get are defined as follows:

- **id**: The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **attr_num**: The attribute number. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_attr_num (see Section 5.9).
- **entry_num**: The entry number. If the attribute is global in scope, this is simply the gEntry number and has meaning only to the application. If the attribute is variable in scope, this is the number of the associated rVariable (the rVariable being described in some way by the rEntry).
- **value**: The value read. This buffer must be large enough to hold the value. The function CDF_attr_entry_inquire would be used to determine the entry data type and number of elements (of that data type). The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING**: If the entry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the entry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

- **status**: The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

### 5.14.1 Example(s)

The following example displays the value of the UNITS attribute for the rEntry corresponding to the PRES_LVL rVariable (but only if the data type is CDF_CHAR).

```fortran
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 attr_n ! Attribute number.
INTEGER*4 entryN ! Entry number.
INTEGER*4 data_type ! Data type.
INTEGER*4 num_elems ! Number of elements (of data type).
CHARACTER buffer*100 ! Buffer to receive value (in this case it is assumed that 100 characters is enough).

attr_n = CDF_attr_num (id, 'UNITS')
IF (attr_n .LT. 0) CALL UserStatusHandler (attr_n) ! If less than one (1),
  ! then it must be a
entryN = CDF_var_num (id, 'PRES_LVL')  ! The rEntry number is
  ! the rVariable number.

IF (entryN .LT. 0) CALL UserStatusHandler (entryN)  ! If less than one (1),
  ! then it must be a
  ! warning/error code.

CALL CDF_attr_entry_inquire (id, attr_n, entryN, data_type, num_elems,
  1                            status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

IF (data_type .EQ. CDF_CHAR) THEN
  CALL CDF_attr_get (id, attr_n, entryN, buffer, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
  WRITE (6,10) buffer(1:num_elems)
10     FORMAT (' ',A)
END IF
.
.

5.15   CDF_var_create

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_create (  
  INTEGER*4    id,
  CHARACTER*(*), var_name,
  INTEGER*4    data_type,
  INTEGER*4    num_elements,
  INTEGER*4    rec_variance,
  INTEGER*4    dim_variances(*),
  INTEGER*4    var_num,
)

CDF_var_create is used to create a new rVariable in a CDF. A variable (rVariable or zVariable) with the same name
must not already exist in the CDF.

The arguments to CDF_var_create are defined as follows:

id
  The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to
  CDF_create or CDF_open.

var_name
  The name of the rVariable to create. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN
  characters. Variable names are case-sensitive.

data_type
  The data type of the new rVariable. Specify one of the data types defined in Section 4.5.

num_elements
  The number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types
  (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in the string (each
  value consists of the entire string). For all other data types this must always be one (1) -
multiple elements at each value are not allowed for non-character data types.
**rec_variance**  The rVariable's record variance. Specify one of the variances defined in Section 4.9.

**dim_variances**  The rVariable's dimension variances. Each element of dim_variances specifies the corresponding dimension variance. For each dimension specify one of the variances defined in Section 4.9. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

**var_num**  The number assigned to the new rVariable. This number must be used in subsequent CDF function calls when referring to this rVariable. An existing rVariables's number may be determined with the CDF_var_num function.

**status**  The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

### 5.15.1 Example(s)

The following example will create several rVariables in a CDF whose rVariables are 2-dimensional. In this case EPOCH, LAT, and LON are independent rVariables, and TMP is a dependent rVariable.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id                ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status            ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 EPOCH_rec_vary    ! EPOCH record variance.
INTEGER*4 LAT_rec_vary      ! LAT record variance.
INTEGER*4 LON_rec_vary      ! LON record variance.
INTEGER*4 TMP_rec_vary      ! TMP record variance.
INTEGER*4 EPOCH_dim_varys(2)! EPOCH dimension variances.
INTEGER*4 LAT_dim_varys(2)  ! LAT dimension variances.
INTEGER*4 LON_dim_varys(2)  ! LON dimension variances.
INTEGER*4 TMP_dim_varys(2)  ! TMP dimension variances.
INTEGER*4 EPOCH_var_num     ! EPOCH variable number.
INTEGER*4 LAT_var_num       ! LAT rVariable number.
INTEGER*4 LON_var_num       ! LON rVariable number.
INTEGER*4 TMP_var_num       ! TMP rVariable number.

DATA EPOCH_rec_vary/VARY/, LAT_rec_vary/NOVARY/,
     1    LON_rec_vary/NOVARY/, TMP_rec_vary/VARY/

DATA EPOCH_dim_varys/NOVARY,NOVARY/, LAT_dim_varys/NOVARY,VARY/, 
     1    LON_dim_varys/VARY,NOVARY/, TMP_dim_varys/VARY,VARY/.

CALL CDF_var_create (id, 'EPOCH', CDF_EPOCH, 1,
     1    EPOCH_rec_vary, EPOCH_dim_varys, EPOCH_var_num, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

CALL CDF_var_create (id, 'LATITUDE', CDF_INT2, 1,
     1    LAT_rec_vary, LAT_dim_varys, LAT_var_num, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

CALL CDF_var_create (id, 'LONGITUDE', CDF_INT2, 1,
     1    LON_rec_vary, LON_dim_varys, LON_var_num, status)
```
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

CALL CDF_var_create (id, 'TEMPERATURE', CDF_REAL4, 1,
1                    TMP_rec_vary, TMP_dim_varys, TMP_var_num, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

5.16 CDF_var_num

INTEGER*4 FUNCTION CDF_var_num (

INTEGER*4 id, ! in-- CDF identifier.
CHARACTER var_name*(*)); ! in-- rVariable name.

CDF_var_num is used to determine the number associated with a given rVariable name. If the rVariable is found, CDF_var_num returns its number - which will be equal to or greater than one (1). If an error occurs (e.g., the rVariable does not exist in the CDF), an error code (of type INTEGER*4) is returned. Error codes are less than zero (0).

The arguments to CDF_var_num are defined as follows:

id The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

VarName The name of the rVariable for which to search. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters. Variable names are case-sensitive.

CDF_var_num may be used as an embedded function call when an rVariable number is needed. CDF_var_num is declared in cdf.inc. (Fortran functions must be declared so that the returned value is interpreted correctly.)

5.16.1 Example(s)

In the following example CDF_var_num is used as an embedded function call when inquiring about an rVariable.

INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
CHARACTER var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN) ! rVariable name.
INTEGER*4 data_type ! Data type of the rVariable.
INTEGER*4 num_elements ! Number of elements (of the data type).
INTEGER*4 rec_variances ! Record variance.
INTEGER*4 dim_variances(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! Dimension variances.

CALL CDF_var_inquire (id, CDF_var_num(id,'LATITUDE'), var_name, data_type,
1 num_elements, rec_variance, dim_variances, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.
In this example the rVariable named LATITUDE was inquired. Note that if LATITUDE did not exist in the CDF, the call to CDF_var_num would have returned an error code. Passing that error code to CDF_var_inquire as an rVariable number would have resulted in CDF_var_inquire also returning an error code. Also note that the name written into var_name is already known (LATITUDE). In some cases the rVariable names will be unknown - CDF_var_inquire would be used to determine them. CDF_var_inquire is described in Section 5.18.

5.17 CDF_var_rename

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_rename ( 
   INTEGER*4 id, 
   ! in   --  CDF identifier. 
   INTEGER*4 var_num, 
   ! in   --  rVariable number. 
   CHARACTER var_name(*), 
   ! in   --  New name. 
   INTEGER*4 status) 
   ! out -- Completion status 

CDF_var_rename is used to rename an existing rVariable. A variable (rVariable or zVariable) with the same name must not already exist in the CDF.

The arguments to CDF_var_rename are defined as follows:

  id     The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

  var_num The number of the rVariable to rename. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).

  var_name The new rVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters. Variable names are case-sensitive.

  status The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.17.1 Example(s)

In the following example the rVariable named TEMPERATURE is renamed to TMP (if it exists). Note that if CDF_var_num returns a value less than one (1) then that value is not an rVariable number but rather a warning/error code.
.
.
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'
.
.
INTEGER*4 id    ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 var_num ! rVariable number.
.
.
var_num = CDF_var_num (id, 'TEMPERATURE')
IF (var_num .LT. 1) THEN
  IF (var_num .NE. NO_SUCH_VAR) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_num)
ELSE
  CALL CDF_var_rename (id, var_num, 'TMP', status)
  IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
END IF
.
.

5.18 CDF_var_inquire

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_inquire ()
  INTEGER*4 id,
  INTEGER*4 var_num,
  CHARACTER var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN),
  INTEGER*4 data_type,
  INTEGER*4 num_elements,
  INTEGER*4 rec_variance,
  INTEGER*4 dim_variances(CDF_MAX_DIMS),
  INTEGER*4 status)

CDF_var_inquire is used to inquire about the specified rVariable. This function would normally be used before reading rVariable values (with CDF_var_get or CDF_var_hyper_get) to determine the data type and number of elements (of that data type).

The arguments to CDF_var_inquire are defined as follows:

- **id**: The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **var_num**: The number of the rVariable to inquire. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).
- **var_name**: The rVariable's name. This character string must be large enough to hold CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters and will be blank padded if necessary.
- **data_type**: The data type of the rVariable. The data types are defined in Section 4.5.
- **num_elements**: The number of elements of the data type at each rVariable value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in the string. (Each value consists of the entire string.) For all other data types, this will always be one (1) - multiple elements at each value are not allowed for non-character data types.
- **rec_variance**: The record variance. The record variances are defined in Section 4.9.
- **dim_variances**: The dimension variances. Each element of dim_variances receives the corresponding dimension variance. The dimension variances are defined in Section 4.9. For 0-dimensional rVariable this argument is ignored (but must be present).
- **status**: The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.
5.18.1 Example(s)

The following example inquires about an rVariable named HEAT_FLUX in a CDF. Note that the rVariable name returned by CDF_var_inquire will be the same as that passed in to CDF_var_num.

```

INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
CHARACTER var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN) ! rVariable name.
INTEGER*4 data_type ! Data type.
INTEGER*4 num elems ! Number of elements (of data type).
INTEGER*4 rec vary ! Record variance.
INTEGER*4 dim_varys(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! Dimension variances (allocate to ! allow the maximum number of ! dimensions).

CALL CDF_var_inquire (id, CDF_var_num(id,'HEAT_FLUX'), var_name, data_type, 1 num elems, rec vary, dim_varys, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

5.19 CDF_var_put

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_put (  
  INTEGER*4 id, ! in -- CDF identifier.  
  INTEGER*4 var_num, ! in -- rVariable number.  
  INTEGER*4 rec_num, ! in -- Record number.  
  INTEGER*4 indices(*), ! in -- Dimension indices.  
  <type> value, ! out -- Value (<type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable).  
  INTEGER*4 status) ! out -- Completion status

CDF_var_put is used to write a single value to an rVariable. CDF_var_hyper_put may be used to write more than one rVariable value with a single call (see Section 5.21).

The arguments to CDF_var_put are defined as follows:

- **id**: The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
- **var_num**: The number of the rVariable to which to write. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).
- **rec_num**: The record number at which to write.
indices  The array indices within the specified record at which to write. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

value  The value to write. The value is written to the CDF from memory address value.

WARNING: If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

status  The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.19.1 Example(s)

The following example writes values to the rVariable named LATITUDE in a CDF whose rVariables are 2-dimensional with dimension sizes [360, 181]. For LATITUDE the record variance is NOVARY, the dimension variances are [NOVARY, VARY], and the data type is CDF_INT2.

```
#include '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id     ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*2 lat    ! Latitude value.
INTEGER*4 var_n  ! rVariable number.
INTEGER*4 rec_num ! Record number.
INTEGER*4 indices(2) ! Dimension indices.

DATA rec_num/1/, indices/1, 1/

var_n = CDF_var_num (id, 'LATITUDE')
IF (var_n .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_n) ! If less than one (1),
! then not an rVariable
! number but rather a
! warning/error code.

DO lat = -90, 90
   indices(2) = 91 + lat
   CALL CDF_var_put (id, var_n, rec_num, indices, lat, status)
   IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
END DO

Since the record variance is NOVARY, the record number (rec_num) is set to one (1). Also note that because the dimension variances are [NOVARY, VARY], only the second dimension is varied as values are written. (The values are "virtually" the same at each index of the first dimension.)
5.20 CDF_var_get

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_get (  
  INTEGER*4  id,  ! in -- CDF identifier.  
  INTEGER*4  var_num,  ! in -- rVariable number.  
  INTEGER*4  rec_num,  ! in -- Record number.  
  INTEGER*4  indices(*),  ! in -- Dimension indices.  
  <type>            value,  ! out -- Value (<type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable).  
  INTEGER*4  status)  ! out -- Completion status  

CDF_var_get is used to read a single value from an rVariable.  CDF_var_hyper_get may be used to read more than one rVariable value with a single call (see Section 5.22).

The arguments to CDF_var_get are defined as follows:

id            The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.
var_num       The number of the rVariable from which to read. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).
rec_num       The record number at which to read.
indices       The array indices within the specified record at which to read. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).
value         The value read. This buffer must be large enough to hold the value. CDF_var_inquire would be used to determine the rVariable's data type and number of elements (of that data type) at each value. The value is read from the CDF and placed at memory address value.

WARNING: If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

status        The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.20.1 Example(s)

The following example will read and hold an entire record of data from an rVariable. The CDF's rVariables are 3-dimensional with sizes [180,91,10]. For this rVariable the record variance is VARY, the dimension variances are [VARY,VARY,VARY], and the data type is CDF_REAL4.

.  
.  
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'
.  
.  
INTEGER*4 id               ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status            ! Returned status code.
REAL*4 tmp(180,91,10)       ! Temperature values.
INTEGER*4 indices(3)        ! Dimension indices.
INTEGER*4 var_n             ! rVariable number.
INTEGER*4 rec_num ! Record number.
INTEGER*4 d1, d2, d3 ! Dimension index values.

var_n = CDF_var_num (id, 'Temperature')
IF (var_n .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_n) ! If less than one (1),
! then it is actually a warning/error code.

rec_num = 13
DO d1 = 1, 180
  indices(1) = d1
  DO d2 = 1, 91
    indices(2) = d2
    DO d3 = 1, 10
      indices(3) = d3
      CALL CDF_var_get (id, var_n, rec_num, indices, tmp(d1,d2,d3), status)
      IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
    END DO
  END DO
END DO

5.21 CDF_var_hyper_put

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_hyper_put (  
INT  id,  ! in -- CDF identifier.
INT  var_num,  ! in -- rVariable number.
INT  rec_start,  ! in -- Starting record number.
INT  rec_count,  ! in -- Number of records.
INT  rec_interval,  ! in -- Interval between records.
INT  indices(*),  ! in -- Dimension indices of starting value.
INT  counts(*),  ! in -- Number of values along each dimension.
INT  intervals(*),  ! in -- Interval between values along each dimension.
<type> buffer,  ! in -- Buffer of values (<type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable).
INT  status)  ! out -- Completion status

CDF_var_hyper_put is used to write a buffer of one or more values to an rVariable. It is important to know the variable majority of the CDF before using CDF_var_hyper_put because the values in the buffer to be written must be in the same majority. CDF_inquire can be used to determine the default variable majority of a CDF distribution. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the variable majorities.

The arguments to CDF_var_hyper_put are defined as follows:

  id  The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

  var_num  The number of the rVariable to which to write. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).
rec_start The record number at which to start writing.

rec_count The number of records to write.

rec_interval The interval between records for subsampling\(^1\) (e.g., An interval of 2 means write to every other record).

indices The indices (within each record) at which to start writing. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index. If there are zero (0) dimensions, this argument is ignored (but must be present).

counts The number of values along each dimension to write. Each element of count specifies the corresponding dimension count. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

intervals For each dimension the interval between values for subsampling\(^2\) (e.g., an interval of 2 means write to every other value). intervals is a 1-dimensional array containing one element per rVariable dimension. Each element of intervals specifies the corresponding dimension interval. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but a placeholder is necessary).

buffer The buffer of values to write. The majority of the values in this buffer must be the same as that of the CDF. The values starting at memory address buffer are written to the CDF.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the entry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

status The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

### 5.21.1 Example(s)

The following example writes values to the rVariable LATITUDE of a CDF whose rVariables are 2-dimensional with dimension sizes [360,181]. For LATITUDE the record variance is NOVARY, the dimension variances are [NOVARY,VARY], and the data type is CDF_INT2. This example is similar to the example in Section 5.19 except that it uses a single call to CDF_var_hyper_put rather than numerous calls to CDF_var_put.

```
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id   ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*2 lat   ! Latitude value.
INTEGER*2 lats(181) ! Buffer of latitude values.
INTEGER*4 var_n ! rVariable number.
INTEGER*4 rec_start ! Record number.
INTEGER*4 rec_count ! Record counts.
INTEGER*4 rec_interval ! Record interval.
INTEGER*4 indices(2) ! Dimension indices.
INTEGER*4 counts(2) ! Dimension counts.
```

\(^1\)“Subsampling” is not the best term to use when writing data, but you should know what we mean.

\(^2\)Again, not the best term.
INTEGER*4 intervals(2) ! Dimension intervals.

DATA rec_start/1/, rec_count/1/, rec_interval/1/, 
1    indices/1,1/, counts/1,181/, intervals/1,1/
.

var_n = CDF_var_num (id, 'LATITUDE')
IF (var_n .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_n) ! If less than one (1),
! then not an rVariable
! number but rather a
! warning/error code

DO lat = -90, 90
    lats(91+lat) = lat
END DO

CALL CDF_var_hyper_put (id, var_n, rec_start, rec_count, rec_interval, 
1                       indices, counts, intervals, lats, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.

5.22  CDF_var_hyper_get

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_hyper_get ( 
  INTEGER*4 id, 
  INTEGER*4 var_num, 
  INTEGER*4 rec_start, 
  INTEGER*4 rec_count, 
  INTEGER*4 rec_interval, 
  INTEGER*4 indices(*), 
  INTEGER*4 counts(*), 
  INTEGER*4 intervals(*), 
  <type> buffer, 
  INTEGER*4 status) 
  ! in -- CDF identifier.
  ! in -- rVariable number.
  ! in -- Starting record number.
  ! in -- Number of records.
  ! in -- Subsampling interval between records.
  ! in -- Dimension indices of starting value.
  ! in -- Number of values along each dimension.
  ! in -- Subsampling intervals along each dimension.
  ! in -- Buffer of values (<type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable).
  ! out -- Completion status

CDF_var_hyper_get is used to read a buffer of one or more values from an rVariable. It is important to know the variable majority of the CDF before using CDF_var_hyper_get because the values placed into the buffer will be in that majority. CDF_inquire can be used to determine the default variable majority of a CDF distribution. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the variable majorities.

The arguments to CDF_var_hyper_get are defined as follows:

id  The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or CDF_open.

var_num  The number of the rVariable from which to read. This number may be determined with a call to CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).

rec_start  The record number at which to start reading.

rec_count  The number of records to read.
The interval between records for subsampling (e.g., an interval of 2 means read every other record).

The indices (within each record) at which to start reading. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index. If there are zero (0) dimensions, this argument is ignored (but must be present).

The number of values along each dimension to read. Each element of counts specifies the corresponding dimension count. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

For each dimension, the interval between values for subsampling (e.g., an interval of 2 means read every other value). Each element of intervals specifies the corresponding dimension interval. For 0-dimensional rVariables, this argument is ignored (but must be present).

The buffer of values read. The majority of the values in this buffer will be the same as that of the CDF. This buffer must be large to hold the values. CDF_var_inquire would be used to determine the rVariable's data type and number of elements (of that data type) at each value. The values are read from the CDF and placed into memory starting at address buffer.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

### 5.22.1 Example(s)

The following example will read an entire record of data from an rVariable. The CDF’s rVariables are 3-dimensional with sizes [180,91,10] and CDF’s variable majority is ROW_MAJOR. For the rVariable the record variance is VARY, the dimension variances are [VARY,VARY,VARY], and the data type is CDF_REAL4. This example is similar to the example in Section 5.20 except that it uses a single call to CDF_var_hyper_get rather than numerous calls to CDF_var_get.

```fortran
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id       ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status   ! Returned status code.
REAL*4 tmp(180,91,10) ! Temperature values.
INTEGER*4 var_n    ! rVariable number.
INTEGER*4 rec_start ! Record number.
INTEGER*4 rec_count ! Record counts.
INTEGER*4 rec_interval ! Record interval.
INTEGER*4 indices(3) ! Dimension indices.
INTEGER*4 counts(3) ! Dimension counts.
INTEGER*4 intervals(3) ! Dimension intervals.

DATA rec_start/13/, rec_count/1/, rec_interval/1/,
1   indices/1,1,1/, counts/180,91,10/, intervals/1,1,1/

var_n = CDF_var_num (id, 'Temperature')
```
IF (var_n .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_n)  ! If less than one (1),
! then it is actually a  
! warning/error code.

CALL CDF_var_hyper_get (id, var_n, rec_start, rec_count, rec_interval,
1                       indices, counts, intervals, tmp, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.
Note that if the CDF's variable majority had been ROW_MAJOR, the tmp array would have been declared REAL*4
 tmp[10][91][180] for proper indexing.

5.23     CDF_var_close

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_close(
    INTEGER*4  id,                       ! in -- CDF identifier.
    INTEGER*4  var_num,                  ! in -- rVariable number.
    INTEGER*4  status)                   ! out -- Completion status

CDF_var_close is used to close an rVariable in a multi-file CDF. This function is not applicable to single-file CDFs.
The use of CDF_var_close is not required since the CDF library automatically closes the rVariable files when a multi-file CDF is closed or when there are insufficient file pointers available (because of an open file quota) to keep all of the
rVariable files open. CDF_var_close would be used by an application since it knows best how its rVariables are going
to be accessed. Closing an rVariable would also free the cache buffers that are associated with the rVariable's file.
This could be important in those situations where memory is limited (e.g., the IBM PC). The caching scheme used by
the CDF library is described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide. Note that there is not a function that
opens an rVariable. The CDF library automatically opens an rVariable when it is accessed by an application (unless it
is already open).

The arguments to CDF_var_close are defined as follows:

    id                  The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDF_create or
                        CDF_open.

    var_num             The number of the rVariable to close. This number may be determined with a call to
                        CDF_var_num (see Section 5.16).

    status              The completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

5.23.1     Example(s)

The following example will close an rVariable in a multi-file CDF.

.
.
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'
.
.
INTEGER*4 id               ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status           ! Returned status code.
CALL CDF_var_close (id, CDF_var_num(id,'Flux'), status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.

5.24 CDF_getrvarsrecorddata

SUBROUTINE CDF_getrvarsrecorddata(
  INTEGER*4  id, ! in   -- CDF identifier.
  INTEGER*4  num_vars ! in   -- Number of rVariables.
  INTEGER*4  var_nums(*) ! in   -- rVariable numbers.
  INTEGER*4  rec_num ! in   -- Record number.
  <type>  buffer ! out -- First variable buffer in a common block (<type> depends
          !                on the data type of the rVariable).
  INTEGER*4  status ! out   -- Completion status.
)

CDF_getrvarsrecorddata is used to read a full record data at a specific record number for a selected group of rVariables in a CDF. It expects that the data buffer for each rVariable is big enough to hold a full physical record data and properly put in a common block. No space is needed for each rVariable's non-variant dimensional elements. Retrieved record data from the variable group is filled into respective rVariable's buffer.

The arguments to CDF_getrvarsrecorddata are defined as follows:

  id          The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDFcreate, CDFopen or a similar CDF creation or opening functionality from the Internal Interface.
  num_vars    The number of the rVariables in the group involved this read operation.
  var_nums    The numbers of the rVariables involved for which to read a whole record data.
  rec_num     The record number at which to read the whole record data for the group of rVariables.
  buffer      The first variable buffer to read in a common block. The number of buffers should match to the num_var argument. Each buffer should hold a full physical record data.

5.24.1 Example(s)

The following example will read an entire single record data for a group of rVariables. The CDF's rVariables are 2-dimensional with sizes [2,2]. The rVariables involved in the read are Time, Longitude, Latitude and Temperature. The record to read is 5. Since the dimension variances for Time are [NONVARY,NONVARY], a scalar variable of INTEGER*4 is allocated for its data type CDF_INT4. For Longitude, a 1-dimensional array of REAL*4 is allocated as its dimension variances are [VARY,NONVARY] with data type CDF_REAL4. A similar allocation is done for Latitude for its [NONVARY,VARY] dimension variances and CDF_REAL4 data type. For Temperature, a 2-dimensional array of REAL*4 is allocated due to its [VARY,VARY] dimension variances and CDF_REAL4 data type.

3 Physical record is explained in the Primer chapter in the CDF User's Guide.
INCLUDE '\path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id           ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status       ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 num_var      ! Number of rVariables.
INTEGER*4 var_nums(4)  ! rVariable numbers in CDF.
INTEGER*4 rec_num      ! Record number to read.
INTEGER*4 time         ! Datatype: INT4.
REAL*4 longitude(2)     ! Datatype: REAL4.
REAL*4 latitude(2)      ! Datatype: REAL4.
REAL*4 temperature(2,2) ! Datatype: REAL4.

COMMON /BLK/time, longitude, latitude, temperature

num_var = 4                ! Number of rVariables
rec_num = 5                ! Record number to read
var_nums(1) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Time') ! rVariable number
IF (var_nums(1) .LT. 1)    ! If less than one (1),
  CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(1)) ! then it is actually a
                                      ! warning/error code.
var_nums(2) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Longitude')
IF (var_nums(2) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(2))

var_nums(3) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Latitude')
IF (var_nums(3) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(3))

var_nums(4) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Temperature')
IF (var_nums(4) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(4))

CALL CDF_getrvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums, rec_num,
  time, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

Note that the ordering of the variable data buffer in the COMMON block BLK is very important. Always arrange data buffer in the order in such way that the variables with the bigger data types come in front of the variables with the smaller data types. They should be in this ordering: 8-byte, 4-byte, 2-byte and 1-byte. Unexpected results may return if such ordering is not followed. This function can be a replacement for the similar functionality provided from the Internal Interface as <GET_, rVARs_RECDATA_>.

5.25 CDF_putrvarsrecorddata

SUBROUTINE CDF_putrvarsrecorddata(
  INTEGER*4 id,            ! in -- CDF identifier.
  INTEGER*4 id,            ! in -- CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4  num_var     ! in  -- Number of rVariables.
INTEGER*4  var_nums(*)  ! in  -- rVariable numbers.
INTEGER*4  rec_num      ! in  -- Record number.
<type>    buffer        ! in  -- First variable buffer in a common block (<type> depends
                   !     on the data type of the rVariable).
INTEGER*4  status       ! out -- Completion status.

CDF_putrvarsrecorddata is used to write a full record data at a specific record number for a selected group of
rVariables in a CDF. It expects that the data buffer for each rVariable is big enough to contain a full physical record
data and properly put in a common block. No space is expected for each rVariable's non-variant dimensional elements. Record data from each buffer is written to its respective rVariable.

The arguments to CDF_getrvarsrecorddata are defined as follows:

id  The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDFcreate,
     CDFopen or a similar CDF creation or opening functionality from the Internal Interface.
num_vars The number of the rVariables in the group involved this write operation.
var_nums The numbers of the rVariables involved for which to write a whole record data.
rec_num The record number at which to write the whole record data for the group of rVariables.
buffer The first variable buffer to write in a common block. The number of buffers should match to
     the num_var argument. Each buffer should hold a full physical record data.

5.25.1  Example(s)

The following example will write an entire single record data for a group of rVariables. The CDF's rVariables are 2-dimensional with sizes \[2,2\]. The rVariables involved in the write are Time, Longitude, Latitude and Temperature. The record to write is 5. Since the dimension variances for Time are \[\text{NONVARY, NONVARY}\], a scalar variable of INTEGER*4 is allocated for its data type CDF_INT4. For Longitude, a 1-dimensional array of REAL*4 is allocated as its dimension variances are \[\text{VARY, NONVARY}\] with data type CDF_REAL4. A similar allocation is done for Latitude for its \[\text{NONVARY, VARY}\] dimension variances and CDF_REAL4 data type. For Temperature, a 2-dimensional array of REAL*4 is allocated due to its \[\text{VARY, VARY}\] dimension variances and CDF_REAL4 data type.

INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4  id          ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4  status       ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4  num_var      ! Number of rVariables.
INTEGER*4  var_nums(4)  ! rVariable numbers in CDF.
INTEGER*4  rec_num      ! Record number to write.
INTEGER*4  time /123/   ! Datatype: INT4.
               ! Rec/dim variances: T/FF.
REAL*4    longitude(2)   ! Datatype: REAL4.
  1 /100.01, -100.02/    ! Rec/dim variances: T/TF.
REAL*4    latitude(2)    ! Datatype: REAL4.
  1 /23.45,  -54.32/     ! Rec/dim variances: T/FT.
REAL*4    temperature(2,2) ! Datatype: REAL4.
  1 /20.0, 40.0,         ! Rec/dim variances: T/TT.
  2 /30.0, 50.0/
COMMON /BLK/time, longitude, latitude, temperature

num_var = 4  ! Number of rVariables
rec_num = 5   ! Record number to write
var_nums(1) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Time')  ! rVariable number
IF (var_nums(1) .LT. 1)  
  1       CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(1))  ! If less than one (1),
  1       IF (var_nums(1) .LT. 1)
  1       CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(1))  ! then it is actually a
  1       ! warning/error code.

var_nums(2) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Longitude')
IF (var_nums(2) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(2))

var_nums(3) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Latitude')
IF (var_nums(3) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(3))

var_nums(4) = CDF_var_num (id, 'Temperature')
IF (var_nums(4) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(4))

CALL CDF_putvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums, rec_num,
  1    time, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

Note that the ordering of the variable data buffer in the COMMON block BLK is very important. Always arrange data buffer in the order in such way that the variables with the bigger data types come in front of the variables with the smaller data types. They should be in this ordering: 8-byte, 4-byte, 2-byte and 1-byte. Unexpected results may return if such ordering is not followed. This function can be a replacement for the similar functionality provided from the Internal Interface as <PUT_, rVARs_RECDATA_>.

5.26  CDF_getzvarsrecorddata

SUBROUTINE CDF_getzvarsrecorddata(
    INTEGER*4 id,      ! in -- CDF identifier.
    INTEGER*4 num_var, ! in -- Number of zVariables.
    INTEGER*4 var_nums(*), ! in -- zVariable numbers.
    INTEGER*4 rec_num, ! in -- Record number.
    <type> buffer,    ! out -- First variable buffer in a common block (<type> depends
    ! on the data type of the zVariable).
    INTEGER*4 status, ! out -- Completion status.
)

CDF_getzvarsrecorddata is used to read a full record data at a specific record number for a selected group of zVariables in a CDF. It expects that the data buffer for each zVariable is big enough to hold a full physical record\(^4\) data and properly put in a common block. No space is needed for each zVariable's non-variant dimensional elements. Retrieved record data from the variable group is filled into respective zVariable's buffer.

The arguments to CDF_getzvarsrecorddata are defined as follows:

\(^4\) Physical record is explained in the Primer chapter in the CDF User's Guide.
The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDFcreate, CDFopen or a similar CDF creation or opening functionality from the Internal Interface.

num_vars The number of the zVariables in the group involved this read operation.

var_nums The numbers of the zVariables involved for which to read a whole record data.

rec_num The record number at which to read the whole record data for the group of zVariables.

buffer The first variable buffer to read in a common block. The number of buffers should match to the num_var argument. Each buffer should hold a full physical record data.

5.26.1 Example(s)

The following example will read an entire single record data for a group of zVariables. The zVariables involved in the read are Time, Longitude, Delta, Temperature and NAME. The record to read is 4. Since Temperature is 0-dimensional with CDF_FLOAT data type, a scalar variable of REAL*4 is allocated. For Longitude, a 1-dimensional array of INTEGER*2 (size [3]) is given for its dimension variance [VARY] and data type CDF_INT2. Similar data variables are provided for Longitude and Time. They both are 2-dimensional array of INTEGER*4 (sizes [3,2]) for their dimension variances [VARY,VARY] and data type either CDF_INT4 or CDF_UINT4. For NAME, a 1-dimensional array of CHARACTER*10 (size [2]) is allocated due to its [VARY] dimension variance and CDF_CHAR data type with the number of element 10.

INCLUDE "<path>cdf.inc"

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 num_var ! Number of zVariables.
INTEGER*4 var_nums(5) ! zVariable numbers in CDF.
INTEGER*4 rec_num ! Record number to write.
INTEGER*4 time(3,2) ! Datatype: UINT4.
! Rec/dim variances: T/TT.
INTEGER*4 delta(3,2) ! Datatype: INT4.
! Rec/dim variances: T/TT.
INTEGER*2 longitude(3) ! Datatype: INT2.
! Rec/dim variances: T/T.
REAL*4 temperature ! Datatype: FLOAT.
! Rec/dim variances: T/.
CHARACTER*10 name(2) ! Datatype: CHAR/10.
! Rec/dim variances: T/T.

COMMON /BLK/delta, time, temperature, longitude, name

num_var = 5 ! Number of zVariables
rec_num = 4 ! Record number to read

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Delta', var_nums(1),
1 NULL_, status) ! zVariable number
IF (var_nums(1) .LT. 1) ! If less than one (1),
x CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(1)) ! then it is actually a
! warning/error code.

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Time', var_nums(2),
...
status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Longitude', var_nums(3),
    1                              NULL_, status)
IF (var_nums(3) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(3))

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Temperature', var_nums(4),
    1                              NULL_, status)
IF (var_nums(4) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(4))

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'NAME', var_nums(5),
    1                              NULL_, status)
IF (var_nums(5) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(5))

CALL CDF_getzvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums, rec_num,
    1                              time, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.

Note that the ordering of the variable data buffer in the COMMON block BLK is very important. Always arrange data
buffer in the order in such way that the variables with the bigger data types come in front of the variables with the
smaller data types. They should be in this ordering: 8-byte, 4-byte, 2-byte and 1-byte. Unexpected results may return if
such ordering is not followed. This function can be a replacement for the similar functionality provided from
the Internal Interface as <GET_, zVARs_RECDATA_>.

5.27  CDF_putzvarsrecorddata

SUBROUTINE CDF_putzvarsrecorddata(

    INTEGER*4  id,            ! in -- CDF identifier.
    INTEGER*4  num_var        ! in -- Number of zVariables.
    INTEGER*4  var_nums(*)    ! in -- zVariable numbers.
    INTEGER*4  rec_num        ! in -- Record number.
    <type>  buffer            ! in -- First variable buffer in a common block (<type> depends
        ! on the data type of the zVariable).
    INTEGER*4  status         ! out -- Completion status.

CDF_putzvarsrecorddata is used to write a full record data at a specific record number for a selected group of
zVariables in a CDF. It expects that the data buffer for each zVariable is big enough to contain a full physical record
data and properly put in a common block. No space is expected for each zVariable's non-variant dimensional elements.
Record data from each buffer is written to its respective zVariable.

The arguments to CDF_getzvarsrecorddata are defined as follows:

    id          The identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a call to CDFcreate,
                 CDFopen or a similar CDF creation or opening functionality from the Internal Interface.
    num_vars    The number of the zVariables in the group involved this write operation.
    var_nums    The numbers of the zVariables involved for which to write a whole record data.
5.27.1 Example(s)

The following example will write an entire single record data for a group of zVariables. The zVariables involved in the write are Time, Longitude, Delta, Temperature and NAME. The record to write is 4. Since Temperature is 0-dimensional with CDF_FLOAT data type, a scalar variable of REAL*4 is allocated. For Longitude, a 1-dimensional array of INTEGER*2 (size [3]) is given for its dimension variance [VARY] and data type CDF_INT2. Similar data variables are provided for Longitude and Time. They both are 2-dimensional array of INTEGER*4 (sizes [3,2]) for their dimension variances [VARY,VARY] and data type either CDF_INT4 or CDF_UINT4. For NAME, a 1-dimensional array of CHARACTER*10 (size [2]) is allocated due to its [VARY] dimension variance and CDF_CHAR data type with the number of element 10.

INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

INTEGER*4 id ! CDF identifier.
INTEGER*4 status ! Returned status code.
INTEGER*4 num_var ! Number of zVariables.
INTEGER*4 var_nums(5) ! zVariable numbers in CDF.
INTEGER*4 rec_num ! Record number to write.
INTEGER*4 time(3,2) ! Datatype: UINT4.
1 /10, 20, ! Rec/dim variances: T/TT.
2 30, 40,
3 50, 60/
INTEGER*4 delta(3,2) ! Datatype: INT4.
1 /1, 2, ! Rec/dim variances: T/TT.
2 5, 6,
3 9, 10/
INTEGER*2 longitude(3) ! Datatype: INT2.
1 /10, 20, 30/ ! Rec/dim variances: T/T.
REAL*4 temperature ! Datatype: FLOAT.
1 /1234.56/ ! Rec/dim variances: T/.
CHARACTER*10 name(2) ! Datatype: CHAR/10.
1 '/ABCDEFGHII', ! Rec/dim variances: T/T.
2 '12345678'/

COMMON /BLK/delta, time, temperature, longitude, name
.

num_var = 5 ! Number of zVariables
rec_num = 4 ! Record number to write

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Delta', var_nums(1),
1 NULL_, status) ! zVariable number
IF (var_nums(1) .LT. 1) ! If less than one (1),
x CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(1)) ! then it is actually a
! warning/error code.

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Time', var_nums(2),
IF (var_nums(2) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(2))

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Longitude', var_nums(3),
1                              NULL_, status)
IF (var_nums(3) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(3))

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'Temperature', var_nums(4),
1                              NULL_, status)
IF (var_nums(4) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(4))

status = CDF_LIB (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'NAME', var_nums(5),
1                              NULL_, status)
IF (var_nums(5) .LT. 1) CALL UserStatusHandler (var_nums(5))

CALL CDF_putzvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums, rec_num,
1                              time, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.

Note that the ordering of the variable data buffer in the COMMON block BLK is very important. Always arrange data buffer in the order in such way that the variables with the bigger data types come in front of the variables with the smaller data types. They should be in this ordering: 8-byte, 4-byte, 2-byte and 1-byte. Unexpected results may return if such ordering is not followed. This function can be a replacement for the similar functionality provided from the Internal Interface as <PUT_, zVARs_RECDATA_>. 
Chapter 6

Internal Interface – CDF_lib

The Internal interface consists of only one routine, CDF_lib.\(^1\) CDF_lib can be used to perform all possible operations on a CDF. In fact, all of the Standard Interface functions are implemented using the Internal Interface. CDF_lib must be used to perform operations not possible with the Standard Interface functions. These operations would involve CDF features added after the Standard Interface functions had been defined (e.g., specifying a single-file format for a CDF, accessing zVariables, or specifying a pad value for an rVariable or zVariable). Note that CDF_lib can also be used to perform certain operations more efficiently than with the Standard Interface functions.

CDF_lib takes a variable number of arguments that specify one or more operations to be performed (e.g., opening a CDF, creating an attribute, or writing a variable value). The operations are performed according to the order of the arguments. Each operation consists of a function being performed on an item. An item may be either an object (e.g., a CDF, variable, or attribute) or a state (e.g., a CDF's format, a variable's data specification, or a CDF's current attribute). The possible functions and corresponding items (on which to perform those functions) are described in Section 6.6.

6.1 Example(s)

The easiest way to explain how to use CDF_lib would be to start with a few examples. The following example shows how a CDF would be created with the single-file format (assuming multi-file is the default).

```
.. 
.. INCLUDE 'path>cdf.inc'
.. 
.. INTEGER*4 id           ! CDF identifier.
.. INTEGER*4 status       ! Returned status code.
.. CHARACTER CDF_name*5   ! Name of the CDF.
.. INTEGER*4 num_dims     ! Number of dimensions.
.. INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(2) ! Dimension sizes.
.. INTEGER*4 encoding     ! Data encoding.
.. INTEGER*4 majority     ! Variable data majority.
.. INTEGER*4 format       ! Format of CDF.

DATA CDF_name/'test1'/, num_dims/2/, dim_sizes/100,200/,
```

\(^1\) See section 6.5.1 for an ugly exception to this.
CALL CDF_create (CDF_name, num_dims, dim_sizes, encoding, majority, id, status)

IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

status = CDF_lib (PUT_, CDF_FORMAT_, format, NULL_, status)

IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

The call to CDF_create created the CDF as expected but with a format of multi-file (assuming that is the default). The call to CDF_lib is then used to change the format to single-file (which must be done before any variables are created in the CDF).

The arguments to CDF_lib in this example are explained as follows:

**PUT_**

The first function to be performed. In this case An item is going to be put to the “current” CDF (a new format). PUT_ is defined in cdf.inc (as are all CDF constants). It was not necessary to select a current CDF since the call to CDF_create implicitly selected the CDF created as the current CDF.2 This is the case since all of the Standard Interface functions actually call the Internal Interface to perform their operations.

**CDF_FORMAT**

The item to be put. In this case it is the CDF’s format.

**format**

The actual format for the CDF. Depending on the item being put, one or more arguments would have been necessary. In this case only one argument is necessary.

**NULL_**

This argument could have been one of two things. It could have been another item to put (followed by the arguments required for that item) or it could have been a new function to perform. In this case it is a new function to perform - the NULL_function. NULL indicates the end of the call to CDF_lib. Specifying NULL at the end of the argument list is required because not all compilers/operating systems provide the ability for a called function to determine how many arguments were passed in by the calling function.

**status**

The completion status code. Note that CDF_lib also returns the completion status code.3 Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

The next example shows how the same CDF could have been created using only one call to CDF_lib. (The declarations would be the same.)

```
status = CDF_lib (CREATE_, CDF_, CDF_name, num_dims, dim_sizes, id,
1 PUT_, CDF_ENCODING_, encoding,
2 CDF_MAJORITY_, majority,
3 CDF_FORMAT_, format,
4 NULL_, status)
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2 In previous releases of CDF, it was required that the current CDF be selected in each call to CDF_lib. That requirement has been eliminated. The CDF library now maintains the current CDF from one call to the next of CDF_lib.

3 Section 6.5 explains why it does both.
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.
The purpose of each argument is as follows:

CREATE_ The first function to be performed. In this case something will be created.

CDF_ The item to be created - a CDF in this case. There are four required arguments that must follow. When a CDF is created (with CDF_lib), the format, encoding, and majority default to values specified when your CDF distribution was built and installed. Consult your system manager for these defaults.

CDF_name The file name of the CDF.

num_dims The number of dimensions in the CDF.

dim_sizes The dimension sizes.

id The identifier to be used when referencing the created CDF in subsequent operations.

PUT_ This argument could have been one of two things. Another item to create or a new function to perform. In this case it is another function to perform - something will be put to the CDF.

CDF_ENCODING_ The item to be put - in this case the CDF's encoding. Note that the CDF did not have to be selected. It was implicitly selected as the current CDF when it was created.

encoding The encoding to be put to the CDF.

CDF_MAYORITY_ This argument could have been one of two things. Another item to put or a new function to perform. In this case it is another item to put - the CDF's majority.

majority The majority to be put to the CDF.

CDF_FORMAT_ Once again this argument could have been either another item to put or a new function to perform. It is another item to put - the CDF's format.

format The format to be put to the CDF.

NULL_ This argument could have been either another item to put or a new function to perform. Here it is another function to perform - the NULL_function that ends the call to CDF_lib.

status The completion status code. Note that CDF_lib also returns the completion status code. Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes.

Note that the operations are performed in the order that they appear in the argument list. The CDF had to be created before the encoding, majority, and format could be specified (put).
6.2 Current Objects/States (Items)

The use of CDF_lib requires that an application be aware of the current objects/states maintained by the CDF library. The following current objects/states are used by the CDF library when performing operations.

CDF (object)
A CDF operation is always performed on the current CDF. The current CDF is implicitly selected whenever a CDF is opened or created. The current CDF may be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_.CDF_> operation. There is no current CDF until one is opened or created (which implicitly selects it) or until one is explicitly selected.\(^4\)

rVariable (object)
An rVariable operation is always performed on the current rVariable in the current CDF. For each open CDF a current rVariable is maintained. This current rVariable is implicitly selected when an rVariable is created (in the current CDF) or it may be explicitly selected with the <SELECT_.rVAR_> or <SELECT_.rVAR_NAME_> operations. There is no current rVariable in a CDF until one is created (which implicitly selects it) or until one is explicitly selected.

zVariable (object)
A zVariable operation is always performed on the current zVariable in the current CDF. For each open CDF a current zVariable is maintained. This current zVariable is implicitly selected when a zVariable is created (in the current CDF) or it may be explicitly selected with the <SELECT_.zVAR_> or <SELECT_.zVAR_NAME_> operations. There is no current zVariable in a CDF until one is created (which implicitly selects it) or until one is explicitly selected.

attribute (object)
An attribute operation is always performed on the current attribute in the current CDF. For each open CDF a current attribute is maintained. This current attribute is implicitly selected when an attribute is created (in the current CDF) or it may be explicitly selected with the <SELECT_.ATTR_> or <SELECT_.ATTR_NAME_> operations. There is no current attribute in a CDF until one is created (which implicitly selects it) or until one is explicitly selected.

gEntry number (state)
A gAttribute gEntry operation is always performed on the current gEntry number in the current CDF for the current attribute in that CDF. For each open CDF a current gEntry number is maintained. This current gEntry number must be explicitly selected with the <SELECT_.gENTRY_> operation. (There is no implicit or default selection of the current gEntry number for a CDF.) Note that the current gEntry number is maintained for the CDF (not each attribute) - it applies to all of the attributes in that CDF.

rEntry number (state)
A vAttribute rEntry operation is always performed on the current rEntry number in the current CDF for the current attribute in that CDF. For each open CDF a current rEntry number is maintained. This current rEntry number must be explicitly selected with the <SELECT_.rENTRY_> operation. (There is no implicit or default selection of the current rEntry number for a CDF.) Note that the current rEntry number is maintained for the CDF (not each attribute) - it applies to all of the attributes in that CDF.

zEntry number (state)
A vAttribute zEntry operation is always performed on the current zEntry number in the current CDF for the current attribute in that CDF. For each open CDF a current zEntry number is maintained. This current zEntry number must be explicitly selected with the <SELECT_.zENTRY_> operation. (There is no implicit or default

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\(^4\) This notation is used to specify a function to be performed on an item. The syntax is <function_.item_>

\(^5\) In previous releases of CDF, it was required that the current CDF be selected in each call to CDF_lib. That requirement no longer exists. The CDF library now maintains the current CDF from one call to the next of CDF_lib.
selection of the current zEntry number for a CDF.) Note that the current zEntry number is maintained for the CDF (not each attribute) - it applies to all of the attributes in that CDF.

record number, rVariables (state)
An rVariable read or write operation is always performed at (for single and multiple variable reads and writes) or starting at (for hyper reads and writes) the current record number for the rVariables in the current CDF. When a CDF is opened or created, the current record number for its rVariables is initialized to zero (0). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVARs_RECNUMBER_> operation. Note that the current record number for rVariables is maintained for a CDF (not each rVariable) - it applies to all of the rVariables in that CDF.

record count, rVariables (state)
An rVariable read or write operation is always performed using the current record count for the rVariables in the current CDF. When a CDF is opened or created, the current record count for its rVariables is initialized to one (1). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVARs_RECCOUNT_> operation. Note that the current record count for rVariables is maintained for a CDF (not each rVariable) - it applies to all of the rVariables in that CDF.

record interval, rVariables (state)
An rVariable hyper read or write operation is always performed using the current record interval for the rVariables in the current CDF. When a CDF is opened or created, the current record interval for its rVariables is initialized to one (1). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVARs_RECINTERVAL_> operation. Note that the current record interval for rVariables is maintained for a CDF (not each rVariable) - it applies to all of the rVariables in that CDF.

dimension indices, rVariables (state)
An rVariable read or write operation is always performed at (for single reads and writes) or starting at (for hyper reads and writes) the current dimension indices for the rVariables in the current CDF. When a CDF is opened or created, the current dimension indices for its rVariables are initialized to zeroes (0,0,...). They may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVARs_DIMINDICES_> operation. Note that the current dimension indices for rVariables are maintained for a CDF (not each rVariable) - they apply to all of the rVariables in that CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables the current dimension indices are not applicable.

dimension counts, rVariables (state)
An rVariable hyper read or write operation is always performed using the current dimension counts for the rVariables in the current CDF. When a CDF is opened or created, the current dimension counts for its rVariables are initialized to the dimension sizes of the rVariables (which specifies the entire array). They may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVARs_DIMCOUNTS_> operation. Note that the current dimension counts for rVariables are maintained for a CDF (not each rVariable) - they apply to all of the rVariables in that CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables the current dimension counts are not applicable.

dimension intervals, rVariables (state)
An rVariable hyper read or write operation is always performed using the current dimension intervals for the rVariables in the current CDF. When a CDF is opened or created, the current dimension intervals for its rVariables are initialized to ones (1,1,...). They may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVARs_DIMINTERVALS_> operation. Note that the current dimension intervals for rVariables are maintained for a CDF (not each rVariable) - they apply to all of the rVariables in that CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables the current dimension intervals are not applicable.

sequential value, rVariable (state)
An rVariable sequential read or write operation is always performed at the current sequential value for that rVariable. When an rVariable is created (or for each rVariable in a CDF being opened), the current sequential value is set to the first physical value (even if no physical values exist yet). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_rVAR_SEQPOS_> operation. Note that a current sequential value is maintained for each rVariable in a CDF.
record number, zVariable (state)
A zVariable read or write operation is always performed at (for single reads and writes) or starting at (for hyper reads and writes) the current record number for the current zVariable in the current CDF. A multiple variable read or write operation is performed at the current record number of each of the zVariables involved. (The record numbers do not have to be the same.) When a zVariable is created (or for each zVariable in a CDF being opened), the current record number for that zVariable is initialized to zero (0). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_,zVAR_RECNUMBER_> operation (which only affects the current zVariable in the current CDF). Note that a current record number is maintained for each zVariable in a CDF.

record count, zVariable (state)
A zVariable hyper read or write operation is always performed using the current record count for the current zVariable in the current CDF. When a zVariable created (or for each zVariable in a CDF being opened), the current record count for that zVariable is initialized to one (1). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_,zVAR_RECCOUNT_> operation (which only affects the current zVariable in the current CDF). Note that a current record count is maintained for each zVariable in a CDF.

dimension intervals, zVariable (state)
A zVariable hyper read or write operation is always performed using the current dimension intervals for the current zVariable in the current CDF. When a zVariable is created (or for each zVariable in a CDF being opened), the current dimension intervals for that zVariable are initialized to ones (1,1,...). They may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_,zVAR_DIMINTERVALS_> operation (which only affects the current zVariable in the current CDF). Note that current dimension intervals are maintained for each zVariable in a CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables the current dimension intervals are not applicable.

dimension counts, zVariable (state)
A zVariable hyper read or write operation is always performed using the current dimension counts for the current zVariable in the current CDF. When a zVariable is created (or for each zVariable in a CDF being opened), the current dimension counts for that zVariable are initialized to zeroes (0,0,...). They may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_,zVAR_DIMCOUNTS_> operation (which only affects the current zVariable in the current CDF). Note that current dimension counts are maintained for each zVariable in a CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables the current dimension counts are not applicable.

dimension indices, zVariable (state)
A zVariable read or write operation is always performed at (for single reads and writes) or starting at (for hyper reads and writes) the current dimension indices for the current zVariable in the current CDF. When a zVariable is created (or for each zVariable in a CDF being opened), the current dimension indices for that zVariable are initialized to zeroes (0,0,...). They may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_,zVAR_DIMINDICES_> operation (which only affects the current zVariable in the current CDF). Note that current dimension indices are not applicable.

sequential value, zVariable (state)
A zVariable sequential read or write operation is always performed at the current sequential value for that zVariable. When a zVariable is created (or for each zVariable in a CDF being opened), the current sequential value is set to the first physical value (even if no physical values exist yet). It may then be explicitly selected using the <SELECT_,zVAR_SEQPOS_> operation. Note that a current sequential value is maintained for each zVariable in a CDF.
status code (state)
When inquiring the explanation of a CDF status code, the text returned is always for the current status code. One current status code is maintained for the entire CDF library (regardless of the number of open CDFs). The current status code may be selected using the <SELECT_CDF_STATUS> operation. There is no default current status code. Note that the current status code is NOT the status code from the last operation performed. 6

6.3 Returned Status
CDF_lib returns a status code of type INTEGER*4 in the last argument given. 7 Since more than one operation may be performed with a single call to CDF_lib, the following rules apply:

1. The first error detected aborts the call to CDF_lib, and the corresponding status code is returned.
2. In the absence of any errors, the status code for the last warning detected is returned.
3. In the absence of any errors or warnings, the status code for the last informational condition is returned.
4. In the absence of any errors, warnings, or informational conditions, CDF_OK is returned.

Chapter 7 explains how to interpret status codes. Appendix A lists the possible status codes and the type of each: error, warning, or informational.

6.4 Indentation/Style

Indentation should be used to make calls to CDF_lib readable. The following example shows a call to CDF_lib using proper indentation.

```fortran
status = CDF_lib (CREATE_, CDF_, CDF_name, num_dims, dim_sizes, id,
1                 PUT_, CDF_FORMAT_, format,
2                 CDF_MAJORITY_, majority,
3                 CREATE_, ATTR_, attr_name, scope, attr_num,
4                 rVAR_, var_name, data_type, num_elements,
5                 rec_vary, dim_varys, var_num,
6                 NULL_, status)
```

Note that the functions (CREATE, PUT, and NULL) are indented the same and that the items (CDF, CDF_FORMAT, CDF_MAJORITY, ATTR, and rVAR) are indented the same under their corresponding functions.

The following example shows the same call to CDF_lib without the proper indentation.

```fortran
status = CDF_lib (CREATE_, CDF_, CDF_name, num_dims, dim_sizes, id, PUT_,
1                 CDF_FORMAT_, format, CDF_MAJORITY_, majority, CREATE_,
2                 ATTR_, attr_name, scope, attr_num, rVAR_, var_name,
3                 data_type, num_elements, rec_vary, dim_varys, var_num,
4                 NULL_, status)
```

6 The CDF library now maintains the current status code from one call to the next of CDF_lib.
7 CDF_lib has been changed from a subroutine to a function and now also returns the status code.
The need for proper indentation to ensure the readability of your applications should be obvious.

6.5 Syntax

CDF_lib takes a variable number of arguments. There must always be at least one argument. The maximum number of arguments is not limited by CDF but rather the Fortran compiler and operating system being used. Under normal circumstances that limit would never be reached (or even approached). Note also that a call to CDF_lib with a large number of arguments can always be broken up into two or more calls to CDF_lib with fewer arguments.

The syntax for CDF_lib is as follows:

```fortran
status = CDF_lib (fnc1, item1, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +               item2, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +                 .
                 +               itemN, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 + fnc2, item1, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +               item2, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +                 .
                 +               itemN, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +                 .
                 + fncN, item1, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +               item2, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +                 .
                 +               itemN, arg1, arg2, ...argN,
                 +               NULL_, status)
```

where fncx is a function to perform, itemx is the item on which to perform the function, and argx is a required argument for the operation. The NULL_function must be used to end the call to CDF_lib. The completion status, status, is returned.

Previously, CDF_lib was a subroutine. It was changed to a function, which returns the completion status code (and still stores it in the last argument) to ease the debugging of calls to CDF_lib. If in a call to CDF_lib an unknown function or item is specified, or if an operation's argument is missing, the status argument would never be reached (and BAD_FNC_OR_ITEM would not be stored). By returning the completion status code this situation should not occur. Note that the same Fortran variable can be used to receive the status code and as the last argument in the call to CDF_lib.

6.5.1 Macintosh, MPW Fortran

The MPW Fortran compiler does not allow variable length argument lists such as those used by CDF_lib. If you know of a way to make MPW Fortran accept variable length argument lists, by all means let us know. We don't like having to do this any more than you do.
these functions expects the number of arguments indicated by their names. The maximum number of arguments is at least 25 (corresponding to CDF_lib_25) but can be increased if necessary by contacting CDF support. Using these functions, the second example shown in this section would be as follows:

```
status = CDF_lib_15 (CREATE_, CDF_, CDF_name, num_dims, dim_sizes, id,
1                    PUT_, CDF_ENCODING_, encoding,
2                          CDF_MAJORITY_, majority,
3                          CDF_FORMAT_, format,
4                    NULL_, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```

Note that CDF_lib may still be used but with the same number of arguments for each occurrence.

6.6 Operations . . .

An operation consists of a function being performed on an item. The supported functions are as follows:

- **CLOSE_** Used to close an item.
- **CONFIRM_** Used to confirm the value of an item.
- **CREATE_** Used to create an item.
- **DELETE_** Used to delete an item.
- **GET_** Used to get (read) something from an item.
- **NULL_** Used to signal the end of the argument list of an internal interface call.
- **OPEN_** Used to open an item.
- **PUT_** Used to put (write) something to an item.
- **SELECT_** Used to select the value of an item.

For each function the supported items, required arguments, and required preselected objects/states are listed below. The required preselected objects/states are those objects/states that must be selected (typically with the SELECT_ function) before a particular operation may be performed. Note that some of the required preselected objects/states have default values as described at Section 6.2.

**<CLOSE_CDF >**
Closes the current CDF. When the CDF is closed, there is no longer a current CDF. A CDF must be closed to ensure that it will be properly written to disk.

There are no required arguments.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

**<CLOSE_rVAR >**
Closes the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to multi-file CDFs.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

**<CLOSE_zVAR >**
Closes the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to multi-file CDFs.
There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_,ATTR_>
Confirms the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{out: INTEGER*4 attr_num}
\]

Attribute number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,ATTR_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the named attribute (in the current CDF). If the attribute does not exist, an error code will be returned. In any case the current attribute is not affected. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{in: CHARACTER attr_name*(*)}
\]

The attribute name. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_>
Confirms the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{out: INTEGER*4 id}
\]

The current CDF.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_ACCESS_>
Confirms the accessibility of the current CDF. If a fatal error occurred while accessing the CDF the error code NO_MORE_ACCESS will be returned. If this is the case, the CDF should still be closed.

There are no required arguments.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_CACHESIZE_>
Confirms the number of cache buffers being used for the dotCDF file (for the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{out: INTEGER*4 num_buffers}
\]

The number of cache buffers being used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_DECODING_>
Confirms the decoding for the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{out: INTEGER*4 decoding}
\]
The decoding. The decodings are described in Section 4.7.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_NAME_>
Confirms the file name of the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER CDF_name*(CDF_PATHNAME_LEN)

File name of the CDF.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_NEGtoPOSfp0_MODE_>
Confirms the -0.0 to 0.0 mode for the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 mode

The -0.0 to 0.0 mode. The -0.0 to 0.0 modes are described in Section 4.15.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_READONLY_MODE_>
Confirms the read-only mode for the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 mode

The read-only mode. The read-only modes are described in Section 4.13.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CDF_STATUS_>
Confirms the current status code. Note that this is not the most recently returned status code but rather the most recently selected status code (see the <SELECT_,CDF_STATUS_> operation).

Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 status

The status code.

The only required preselected object/state is the current status code.

<CONFIRM_,zMODE_>
Confirms the zMode for the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 mode

The zMode. The zModes are described in Section 4.14.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,COMPRESS_CACHESIZE_>
Confirms the number of cache buffers being used for the compression scratch file (for the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:
out: INTEGER*4 num_buffers

The number of cache buffers being used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,CURgENTRY_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the gEntry at the current gEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). If the gEntry does not exist, an error code will be returned.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<CONFIRM_,CURrENTRY_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the rEntry at the current rEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). If the rEntry does not exist, an error code will be returned.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<CONFIRM_,CURzENTRY_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the zEntry at the current zEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). If the zEntry does not exist, an error code will be returned.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<CONFIRM_,gENTRY_>
Confirms the current gEntry number for all attributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 entry_num

The gEntry number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,gENTRY_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the specified gEntry for the current attribute (in the current CDF). If the gEntry does not exist, an error code will be returned. In any case the current gEntry number is not affected. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 entry_num

The gEntry number.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.
NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<CONFIRM_rENTRY_>
Confirms the current rEntry number for all attributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 entry_num

The rEntry number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rENTRY_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the specified rEntry for the current attribute (in the current CDF). If the rEntry does not exist, an error code will be returned. In any case the current rEntry number is not affected. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 entry_num

The rEntry number.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<CONFIRM_rVAR_>
Confirms the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 var_num

rVariable number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVAR_CACHESIZE_>
Confirms the number of cache buffers being used for the current rVariable's file (of the current CDF). This operation is not applicable to a single-file CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_buffers

The number of cache buffers being used.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<CONFIRM_rVAR_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the named rVariable (in the current CDF). If the rVariable does not exist, an error code will be returned. In any case the current rVariable is not affected. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER var_name*(*)

The rVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVAR_PADVALUE_>
Confirms the existence of an explicitly specified pad value for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). If an explicit pad value has not been specified, the informational status code NO_PADVALUE_SPECIFIED will be returned.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<CONFIRM_rVAR_RESERVEPERCENT/>
Confirms the reserve percentage being used for the current rVariable (of the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to compressed rVariables. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the reserve percentage scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 percent
The reserve percentage.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<CONFIRM_rVAR_SEQPOS/>
Confirms the current sequential value for sequential access for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Note that a current sequential value is maintained for each rVariable individually. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 rec_num
Record number.

out: INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS)
Dimension indices. Each element of indices receives the corresponding dimension index. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<CONFIRM_rVARs_DIMCOUNTS/>
Confirms the current dimension counts for all rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 counts(CDF_MAX_DIMS)
Dimension counts. Each element of counts receives the corresponding dimension count.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVARs_DIMINDICES/>
Confirms the current dimension indices for all rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS)
Dimension indices. Each element of indices receives the corresponding dimension index.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVARs_DIMINTERVALS>
Confirms the current dimension intervals for all rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 intervals(CDF_MAX_DIMS)

Dimension intervals. Each element of intervals receives the corresponding dimension interval.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVARs_RECCOUNT_>
Confirms the current record count for all rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 rec_count

Record count.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVARs_RECINTERVAL_>
Confirms the current record interval for all rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 rec_interval

Record interval.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_rVARs_RECNUMBER_>
Confirms the current record number for all rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 rec_num

Record number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_STAGE_CACHESIZE_>
Confirms the number of cache buffers being used for the staging scratch file (for the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_buffers

The number of cache buffers being used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_zENTRY_>
Confirms the current zEntry number for all attributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 entry_num

The zEntry number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.
<CONFIRM_<zENTRY_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the specified zEntry for the current attribute (in the current CDF). If the zEntry does not exist, an error code will be returned. In any case the current zEntry number is not affected. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 entry_num
The zEntry number.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<CONFIRM_<zVAR_>
Confirms the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 var_num
zVariable number.
The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_<zVAR_CACHESIZE_>
Confirms the number of cache buffers being used for the current zVariable's file (of the current CDF). This operation is not applicable to a single-file CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_buffers
The number of cache buffers being used.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_<zVAR_DIMCOUNTS_>
Confirms the current dimension counts for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 counts(CDF_MAX_DIMS)
Dimension counts. Each element of counts receives the corresponding dimension count.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_<zVAR_DIMINDICES_>
Confirms the current dimension indices for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS)
Dimension indices. Each element of indices receives the corresponding dimension index.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_<zVAR_DIMINTERVALS_>
Confirms the current dimension intervals for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:
out:  INTEGER*4 intervals(CDF_MAX_DIMS)

Dimension intervals. Each element of intervals receives the corresponding dimension interval.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_,zVAR_EXISTENCE_>
Confirms the existence of the named zVariable (in the current CDF). If the zVariable does not exist, an error code will be returned. In any case the current zVariable is not affected. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  CHARACTER  var_name*(*)

The zVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CONFIRM_,zVAR_PADVALUE_>
Confirms the existence of an explicitly specified pad value for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). If an explicit pad value has not been specified, the informational status code NO_PADVALUE_SPECIFIED will be returned.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_,zVAR_RECCOUNT_>
Confirms the current record count for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out:  INTEGER*4  rec_count

Record count.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_,zVAR_RECINTERVAL_>
Confirms the current record interval for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out:  INTEGER*4  rec_interval

Record interval.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_,zVAR_RECNUMBER_>
Confirms the current record number for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out:  INTEGER*4  rec_num

Record number.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.
<CONFIRM_,zVAR_reservePercent_>  
Confirms the reserve percentage being used for the current zVariable (of the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to compressed zVariables. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the reserve percentage scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 percent  
The reserve percentage.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<CONFIRM_,zVAR_seqpos_>  
Confirms the current sequential value for sequential access for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Note that a current sequential value is maintained for each zVariable individually. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 rec_num  
Record number.

out: INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS)  
Dimension indices. Each element of indices receives the corresponding dimension index. For 0-dimensional zVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<create_,attr_>  
A new attribute will be created in the current CDF. An attribute with the same name must not already exist in the CDF. The created attribute implicitly becomes the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER attr_name*(*)  
Name of the attribute to be created. This can be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters. Attribute names are case-sensitive.

in: INTEGER*4 scope  
Scope of the new attribute. Specify one of the scopes described in Section 4.12.

out: INTEGER*4 attr_num  
Number assigned to the new attribute. This number must be used in subsequent CDF function calls when referring to this attribute. An existing attribute's number may also be determined with the <GET_,ATTR_NUMBER_> operation.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<create_,CDF_>  
A new CDF will be created. It is illegal to create a CDF that already exists. The created CDF implicitly becomes the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER CDF_name*(*)  
File name of the CDF to be created. (Do not append an extension.) This can be at most CDF_PATHNAME_LEN characters. A CDF file name may contain disk and directory specifications.
that conform to the conventions of the operating system being used (including logical names on VMS systems and environment variables on UNIX systems).

UNIX: File names are case-sensitive.

in: INTEGER*4 num_dims

Number of dimensions for the rVariables. This can be as few as zero (0) and at most CDF_MAX_DIMS. Note that this must be specified even if the CDF will contain only zVariables.

in: INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(*)

Dimension sizes for the rVariables. Each element of dim_sizes specifies the corresponding dimension size. Each dimension size must be greater than zero (0). For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present). Note that this must be specified even if the CDF will contain only zVariables.

out: INTEGER*4 id

CDF identifier to be used in subsequent operations on the CDF.

A CDF is created with the default format, encoding, and variable majority as specified in the configuration file of your CDF distribution. Consult your system manager to determine these defaults. These defaults can then be changed with the corresponding <PUT_,CDF_FORMAT_>, <PUT_,CDF_ENCODING_>, and <PUT_,CDF_MAJORITY_> operations if necessary.

A CDF must be closed with the <CLOSE_,CDF_> operation to ensure that the CDF will be correctly written to disk.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<CREATE_,rVAR_>

A new rVariable will be created in the current CDF. A variable (rVariable or zVariable) with the same name must not already exist in the CDF. The created rVariable implicitly becomes the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER var_name*(*)

Name of the rVariable to be created. This can be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters (excluding the NUL). Variable names are case-sensitive.

in: INTEGER*4 data_type

Data type of the new rVariable. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in each string (an array of characters). A string exists at each value of the variable. For the non-character data types this must be one (1) - multiple elements are not allowed for non-character data types.

in: INTEGER*4 rec_vary

Record variance. Specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9.
in: INTEGER*4  dim_varys(*)

Dimension variances. Each element of dim_varys specifies the corresponding dimension variance. For each dimension specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

out: INTEGER*4  var_num

Number assigned to the new rVariable. This number must be used in subsequent CDF function calls when referring to this rVariable. An existing rVariable's number may also be determined with the <GET_rVAR_NUMBER_> operation.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<CREATE_zVAR_>
A new zVariable will be created in the current CDF. A variable (rVariable or zVariable) with the same name must not already exist in the CDF. The created zVariable implicitly becomes the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER  var_name*(*)

Name of the zVariable to be created. This can be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters. Variable names are case-sensitive.

in: INTEGER*4  data_type

Data type of the new zVariable. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4  num_elements

Number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in each string (an array of characters). A string exists at each value of the variable. For the non-character data types this must be one (1) - multiple elements are not allowed for non-character data types.

in: INTEGER*4  num_dims

Number of dimensions for the zVariable. This may be as few as zero and at most CDF_MAX_DIMS.

in: INTEGER*4  dim_sizes(*)

The dimension sizes. Each element of dim_sizes specifies the corresponding dimension size. Each dimension size must be greater than zero (0). For a 0-dimensional zVariable this argument is ignored (but must be present).

in: INTEGER*4  rec_vary

Record variance. Specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9.

in: INTEGER*4  dim_varys(*)

Dimension variances. Each element of dim_varys specifies the corresponding dimension variance. For each dimension specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9. For a 0-dimensional zVariable this argument is ignored (but must be present).

out: INTEGER*4  var_num
Number assigned to the new zVariable. This number must be used in subsequent CDF function calls when referring to this zVariable. An existing zVariable's number may also be determined with the <GET_zVAR_NUMBER_> operation.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<DELETE_ATTR_>
 Deletes the current attribute (in the current CDF). Note that the attribute's entries are also deleted. The attributes that numerically follow the attribute being deleted are immediately renumbered. When the attribute is deleted, there is no longer a current attribute.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

<DELETE_CDF_>
 Deletes the current CDF. A CDF must be opened before it can be deleted. When the CDF is deleted, there is no longer a current CDF.

There are no required arguments.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<DELETE_gENTRY_>
 Deletes the gEntry at the current gEntry number of the current attribute (in the current CDF). Note that this does not affect the current gEntry number.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<DELETE_rENTRY_>
 Deletes the rEntry at the current rEntry number of the current attribute (in the current CDF). Note that this does not affect the current rEntry number.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<DELETE_rVAR_>
 Deletes the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Note that the rVariable's corresponding rEntries are also deleted (from each vAttribute). The rVariables that numerically follow the rVariable being deleted are immediately renumbered. The rEntries that numerically follow the rEntries being deleted are also immediately renumbered. When the rVariable is deleted, there is no longer a current rVariable. NOTE: This operation is only allowed on single-file CDFs.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<DELETE_rVAR_RECORDS_>
Deletes the specified range of records from the current rVariable (in the current CDF). If the rVariable has sparse records a gap of missing records will be created. If the rVariable does not have sparse records, the records following the range of deleted records are immediately renumbered beginning with the number of the first deleted record. **NOTE:** This operation is only allowed on single-file CDFs.

Required arguments are as follows:

- **in**: INTEGER*4  *first_record*
  The record number of the first record to be deleted.

- **in**: INTEGER*4  *last_record*
  The record number of the last record to be deleted.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

**<DELETE_zENTRY_>**
Deletes the zEntry at the current zEntry number of the current attribute (in the current CDF). Note that this does not affect the current zEntry number.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<DELETE_zVAR_>**
Deletes the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Note that the zVariable's corresponding zEntries are also deleted (from each vAttribute). The zVariables that numerically follow the zVariable being deleted are immediately renumbered. The rEntries that numerically follow the rEntries being deleted are also immediately renumbered. When the zVariable is deleted, there is no longer a current zVariable. **NOTE:** This operation is only allowed on single-file CDFs.

There are no required arguments.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

**<DELETE_zVAR_RECORDS_>**
Deletes the specified range of records from the current zVariable (in the current CDF). If the zVariable has sparse records a gap of missing records will be created. If the zVariable does not have sparse records, the records following the range of deleted records are immediately renumbered beginning with the number of the first deleted record. **NOTE:** This operation is only allowed on single-file CDFs. Required arguments are as follows:

- **in**: INTEGER*4  *first_record*
  The record number of the first record to be deleted.

- **in**: INTEGER*4  *last_record*
  The record number of the last record to be deleted.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_ATTR_MAXgENTRY_>**
Inquires the maximum gEntry number used for the current attribute (in the current CDF). This does not necessarily correspond with the number of gEntries for the attribute. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 max_entry

The maximum gEntry number for the attribute. If no gEntries exist, then a value of −1 will be passed back.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<GET_ATTR_MAXrENTRY_>
Inquires the maximum rEntry number used for the current attribute (in the current CDF). This does not necessarily correspond with the number of rEntries for the attribute. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 max_entry

The maximum rEntry number for the attribute. If no rEntries exist, then a value of −1 will be passed back.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<GET_ATTR_MAXzENTRY_>
Inquires the maximum zEntry number used for the current attribute (in the current CDF). This does not necessarily correspond with the number of zEntries for the attribute. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 max_entry

The maximum zEntry number for the attribute. If no zEntries exist, then a value of −1 will be passed back.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<GET_ATTR_NAME_>
Inquires the name of the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER attr_name*(CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN)

Attribute name. This character string will be blank padded if necessary.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, attr_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

<GET_ATTR_NUMBER_>
Gets the number of the named attribute (in the current CDF). Note that this operation does not select the current attribute. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER attr_name*(*)
Attribute name. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, attr_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

out: INTEGER*4 attr_num

The attribute number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_ATTR_NUMgENTRIES_
Inquires the number of gEntries for the current attribute (in the current CDF). This does not necessarily correspond with the maximum gEntry number used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_entries

The number of gEntries for the attribute.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<GET_ATTR_NUMrENTRIES_
Inquires the number of rEntries for the current attribute (in the current CDF). This does not necessarily correspond with the maximum rEntry number used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_entries

The number of rEntries for the attribute.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<GET_ATTR_NUMzENTRIES_
Inquires the number of zEntries for the current attribute (in the current CDF). This does not necessarily correspond with the maximum zEntry number used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_entries

The number of zEntries for the attribute.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<GET_ATTR_SCOPE_
Inquires the scope of the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 scope

Attribute scope. The scopes are described in Section 4.12.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.
<GET_CDF_COMPRESSION_>
Inquires the compression type/parameters of the current CDF. This refers to the compression of the CDF - not of any compressed variables. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  c_type
The compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4  c_parms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)
The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4  c_pct
If compressed, the percentage of the uncompressed size of the CDF needed to store the compressed CDF.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_COPYRIGHT_>
Reads the copyright notice for the CDF library that created the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER  copy_right*(CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN)
CDF copyright text. The character string will be padded if necessary.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, copy_right MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_ENCODING_>
Inquires the data encoding of the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  encoding
Data encoding. The encodings are described in Section 4.6.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_FORMAT_>
Inquires the format of the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  format
CDF format. The formats are described in Section 4.4.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_INCREMENT_>
Inquires the incremental number of the CDF library that created the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  increment
Incremental number.
The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_INFO_>
Inquires the compression type/parameters of a CDF without having to open the CDF. This refers to the compression of the CDF - not of any compressed variables. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER CDF_name*(*)

File name of the CDF to be inquired. (Do not append an extension.) This can be at most CDF_PATHNAME_LEN characters. A CDF file name may contain disk and directory specifications that conform to the conventions of the operating system being used (including logical names on VMS systems and environment variables on UNIX systems).

UNIX: File names are case-sensitive.
UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, CDF_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

out: INTEGER*4 c_type
The CDF compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4 c_parms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)
The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4 c_size
If compressed, size in bytes of the dotCDF file. If not compressed, set to zero (0).

out: INTEGER*4 u_size
If compressed, size in bytes of the dotCDF file when decompressed. If not compressed, size in bytes of the dotCDF file.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_CDF_MAJORITY_>
Inquires the variable majority of the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 majority
Variable majority. The majorities are described in Section 4.8.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_NUMATTRS_>
Inquires the number of attributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_attrs
Number of attributes.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.
<GET_CDF_NUMgATTRS_>
Inquires the number of gAttributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_attrs

Number of gAttributes.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_NUMrVARS_>
Inquires the number of rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_vars

Number of rVariables.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_NUMvATTRS_>
Inquires the number of vAttributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_attrs

Number of vAttributes.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_NUMzVARS_>
Inquires the number of zVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_vars

Number of zVariables.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_RELEASE_>
Inquires the release number of the CDF library that created the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 release

Release number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_CDF_VERSION_>
Inquires the version number of the CDF library that created the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 version

Version number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.
<GET_DATATYPE_SIZE_>  
Inquires the size (in bytes) of an element of the specified data type. Required arguments are as follows:

  in: INTEGER*4  data_type  
  Data type.

  out: INTEGER*4  num_bytes  
  Number of bytes per element.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_gENTRY_DATA_>  
Reads the gEntry data value from the current attribute at the current gEntry number (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

  out: <type>  value  
  Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. (<type>) is dependent on the data type of the gEntry. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

  WARNING: If the gEntry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the gEntry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<GET_gENTRY_DATATYPE_>  
Inquires the data type of the gEntry at the current gEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

  out: INTEGER*4  data_type  
  Data type. The data types are described in Section 4.5.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<GET_gENTRY_NUMELEMS_>  
Inquires the number of elements (of the data type) of the gEntry at the current gEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

  out: INTEGER*4  num_elements  
  Number of elements of the data type. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.
<GET_LIB_COPYRIGHT_>
Reads the copyright notice of the CDF library being used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER copy_right*(CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN)

CDF library copyright text.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, copy_right MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_LIB_INCREMENT_>
Inquires the incremental number of the CDF library being used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 increment

Incremental number.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_LIB_RELEASE_>
Inquires the release number of the CDF library being used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 release

Release number.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_LIB_subINCREMENT_>
Inquires the subincremental character of the CDF library being used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER*1 *subincrement

Subincremental character.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, subincrement MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_LIB_VERSION_>
Inquires the version number of the CDF library being used. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 version

Version number.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<GET_rENTRY_DATA_> 
Reads the rEntry data value from the current attribute at the current rEntry number (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: <type> value
Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rEntry. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the rEntry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rEntry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<GET_rENTRY_DATATYPE_>**
Inquires the data type of the rEntry at the current rEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

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out:  INTEGER*4  data_type
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Data type. The data types are described in Section 4.5.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<GET_rENTRY_NUMELEMS_>**
Inquires the number of elements (of the data type) of the rEntry at the current rEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

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out:  INTEGER*4  num_elements
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Number of elements of the data type. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<GET_rVAR_ALLOCATEDFROM_>**
Inquires the next allocated record at or after a given record for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

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in:   INTEGER*4  start_record
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The record number at which to begin searching for the next allocated record. If this record exists, it will be considered the next allocated record.

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out:  INTEGER*4  next_record
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The number of the next allocated record.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

**<GET_rVAR_ALLOCATEDTO_>**
Inquires the last allocated record (before the next unallocated record) at or after a given record for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:
in: INTEGER*4 start_record

The record number at which to begin searching for the last allocated record.

out: INTEGER*4 next_record

The number of the last allocated record.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR_>\(^{10}\)

Inquires the blocking factor for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Blocking factors are described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 blocking_factor

The blocking factor. A value of zero (0) indicates that the default blocking factor is being used.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_COMPRESSION_>

Inquires the compression type/parameters of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 c_type

The compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4 cParms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)

The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4 c_pct

If compressed, the percentage of the uncompressed size of the rVariable's data values needed to store the compressed values.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_DATA_>

Reads a value from the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The value is read at the current record number and current dimension indices for the rVariables (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: <type> value

Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

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\(^{10}\) The item rVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR was previously named rVAR_EXTENDRECS.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current rVariable, its current record number for rVariables, and its current dimension indices for rVariables.

<GET_rVAR_DATATYPE_>  
Inquires the data type of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- out: INTEGER*4 data_type

Data type. The data types are described in Section 4.5.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_DIMVARYS_>  
Inquires the dimension variances of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

- out: INTEGER*4 dim_varys(CDF_MAX_DIMS)

Dimension variances. Each element of dim_varys receives the corresponding dimension variance. The variances are described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_HYPERDATA_>  
Reads one or more values from the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The values are read based on the current record number, current record count, current record interval, current dimension indices, current dimension counts, and current dimension intervals for the rVariables (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- out: <type> buffer

Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current rVariable, its current record number, record count, and record interval for rVariables, and its current dimension indices, dimension counts, and dimension intervals for rVariables.

<GET_rVAR_MAXallocREC_>  
Inquires the maximum record number allocated for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- out: INTEGER*4 max_rec

Maximum record number allocated.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_MAXREC_>  
Inquires the maximum record number for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). For rVariables with a record variance of NOVARY, this will be at most zero (0). A value of negative one (-1) indicates that no records have been written. Required arguments are as follows:
out: INTEGER*4 max_rec

Maximum record number.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_NAME_>  
Inquires the name of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN)  
Name of the rVariable. This character string will be padded if necessary.  

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_nINDEXENTRIES_>  
Inquires the number of index entries for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This only has significance for rVariables that are in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the indexing scheme used for variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_entries  
Number of index entries.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_nINDEXLEVELS_>  
Inquires the number of index levels for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This only has significance for rVariables that are in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the indexing scheme used for variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_levels  
Number of index levels.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_nINDEXRECORDS_>  
Inquires the number of index records for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This only has significance for rVariables that are in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the indexing scheme used for variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_records  
Number of index records.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_NUMallocRECS_>  
Inquires the number of records allocated for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the allocation of variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:
out: INTEGER*4 num_records

Number of allocated records.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_NUMBER_> 
Gets the number of the named rVariable (in the current CDF). Note that this operation does not select the current rVariable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER var_name*(*)

The rVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

out: INTEGER*4 var_num

The rVariable number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_rVAR_NUMELEMENTS_> 
Inquires the number of elements (of the data type) for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string. (Each value consists of the entire string.) For all other data types this will always be one (1) – multiple elements at each value are not allowed for non-character data types.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_NUMRECS_> 
Inquires the number of records written for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This may not correspond to the maximum record written (see <GET_rVAR_MAXREC_>) if the rVariable has sparse records. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_records

Number of records written.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_PADVALUE_> 
Inquires the pad value of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). If a pad value has not been explicitly specified for the rVariable (see <PUT_rVAR_PADVALUE_>), the informational status code NO_PADVALUE_SPECIFIED will be returned and the default pad value for the rVariable's data type will be placed in the pad value buffer provided. Required arguments are as follows:

out: <type> value
Pad value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the pad value. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_REC VARY_>
Inquires the record variance of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4 rec_vary
```

Record variance. The variances are described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVAR_SEQDATA_>
Reads one value from the current rVariable (in the current CDF) at the current sequential value for that rVariable. After the read the current sequential value is automatically incremented to the next value (crossing a record boundary if necessary). An error is returned if the current sequential value is past the last record for the rVariable. Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: <type> value
```

Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current rVariable, and the current sequential value for the rVariable. Note that the current sequential value for an rVariable increments automatically as values are read.

<GET_rVAR_SPARSEARRAYS_>
Inquires the sparse arrays type/parameters of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4 s_arrays_type
```

The sparse arrays type. The types of sparse arrays are described in Section 4.11.

```
out: INTEGER*4 a_arrays_parms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)
```

The sparse arrays parameters. The sparse arrays parameters are described in Section 4.11.

```
out: INTEGER*4 a_arrays_pct
```

If sparse arrays, the percentage of the non-sparse size of the rVariable's data values needed to store the sparse values.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.
<GET_rVAR SPARSE RECORDS _>
Inquires the sparse records type of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 s_records_type

The sparse records type. The types of sparse records are described in Section 4.11.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<GET_rVARs DIMSIZES _>
Inquires the size of each dimension for the rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(CDF_MAX_DIMS)

Dimension sizes. Each element of dim_sizes receives the corresponding dimension size.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_rVARs MAXREC _>
Inquires the maximum record number of the rVariables in the current CDF. Note that this is not the number of records but rather the maximum record number (which is one less than the number of records). A value of negative one (-1) indicates that the rVariables contain no records. The maximum record number for an individual rVariable may be inquired using the <GET_rVAR MAXREC _> operation. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 max_rec

Maximum record number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_rVARs NUMDIMS _>
Inquires the number of dimensions for the rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_dims

Number of dimensions.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_rVARs RECDATA _>
Reads full-physical records from one or more rVariables (in the current CDF). The full-physical records are read at the current record number for rVariables. This operation does not affect the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 num_vars

The number of rVariables from which to read. This must be at least one (1).

in: INTEGER*4 var_nums(*)

The rVariables from which to read. This array, whose size is determined by the value of num_vars, contains rVariable numbers. The rVariable numbers can be listed in any order.
**<GET_, buffer>**

The buffer into which the full-physical rVariable records being read are to be placed. This buffer must be large enough to hold the full-physical records. <type> must be a Fortran variable that will be passed by reference and cannot be of type CHARACTER. (The CDF library is expecting an address at which to place the full-physical records being read.) The order of the full-physical rVariable records in this buffer will correspond to the rVariable numbers listed in varNums, and this buffer will be contiguous --- there will be no spacing between full-physical rVariable records. Be careful if using Fortran STRUCTUREs to receive multiple full-physical rVariable records. Fortran compilers on some operating systems will pad between the elements of a STRUCTURE in order to prevent memory alignment errors (i.e., the elements of a STRUCTURE may not be contiguous). See the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide for more details on how to create this buffer.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current record number for rVariables.

**<GET_, STATUS_TEXT_>**

Inquires the explanation text for the current status code. Note that the current status code is NOT the status from the last operation performed. Required arguments are as follows:

* out: CHARACTER text*(CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN)

Text explaining the status code.

**UNIX:** For the proper operation of CDF_lib, text MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current status code.

**<GET_, zENTRY_DATA_>**

Reads the zEntry data value from the current attribute at the current zEntry number (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

* out: <type> value

Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zEntry. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the zEntry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zEntry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<GET_, zENTRY_DATATYPE >**

Inquires the data type of the zEntry at the current zEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

* out: INTEGER*4 data_type

Data type. The data types are described in Section 4.5.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

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11 A Standard Interface at Section 5.24 provides the same functionality.
**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<GET_zENTRY NUMELEMS >**

Inquires the number of elements (of the data type) of the zEntry at the current zEntry number for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4  num_elements
```

Number of elements of the data type. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

**<GET_zVAR_ALLOCATEDFROM >**

Inquires the next allocated record at or after a given record for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```
in: INTEGER*4  start_record
```

The record number at which to begin searching for the next allocated record. If this record exists, it will be considered the next allocated record.

```
out: INTEGER*4  next_record
```

The number of the next allocated record.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_zVAR_ALLOCATEDTO >**

Inquires the last allocated record (before the next unallocated record) at or after a given record for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```
in: INTEGER*4  start_record
```

The record number at which to begin searching for the last allocated record.

```
out: INTEGER*4  next_record
```

The number of the last allocated record.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_zVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR >**

Inquires the blocking factor for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Blocking factors are described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide. Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4  blocking_factor
```

The blocking factor. A value of zero (0) indicates that the default blocking factor is being used.

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12 The item zVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR was previously named zVAR_EXTENDRECS.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_COMPRESSION_>
Inquires the compression type/parameters of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  c_type

The compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4  c_parms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)

The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

out: INTEGER*4  c_pct

If compressed, the percentage of the uncompressed size of the zVariable's data values needed to store the compressed values.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_DATA_>
Reads a value from the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The value is read at the current record number and current dimension indices for that zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: <type>  value

Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

WARNING: If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current zVariable, the current record number for the zVariable, and the current dimension indices for the zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_DATATYPE_>
Inquires the data type of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  data_type

Data type. The data types are described in Section 4.5.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_DIMSIZES_>
Inquires the size of each dimension for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  dim_sizes(CDF_MAX_DIMS)

Dimension sizes. Each element of dim_sizes receives the corresponding dimension size.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.
<GET_zVAR_DIMVARYS_
Inquires the dimension variances of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  dim_varys(CDF_MAX_DIMS)

Dimension variances. Each element of dim_varys receives the corresponding dimension variance. The variances are described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_zVAR_HYPERDATA_
Reads one or more values from the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The values are read based on the current record number, current record count, current record interval, current dimension indices, current dimension counts, and current dimension intervals for that zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: <type>  buffer

Value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

WARNING: If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current zVariable, the current record number, record count, and record interval for the zVariable, and the current dimension indices, dimension counts, and dimension intervals for the zVariable.

<GET_zVAR_MAXallocREC_
Inquires the maximum record number allocated for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  max_rec

Maximum record number allocated.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_zVAR_MAXREC_
Inquires the maximum record number for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). For zVariables with a record variance of NOVARY, this will be at most zero (0). A value of negative one (-1) indicates that no records have been written. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4  max_rec

Maximum record number.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_zVAR_NAME_
Inquires the name of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: CHARACTER  var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN)
Name of the zVariable.

**UNIX**: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_nINDEXENTRIES_>**

Inquires the number of index entries for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This only has significance for zVariables that are in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the indexing scheme used for variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4 num_entries
```

Number of index entries.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_nINDEXLEVELS_>**

Inquires the number of index levels for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This only has significance for zVariables that are in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the indexing scheme used for variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4 num_levels
```

Number of index levels.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_nINDEXRECORDS_>**

Inquires the number of index records for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This only has significance for zVariables that are in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the indexing scheme used for variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4 num_records
```

Number of index records.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_NUMallocRECS_>**

Inquires the number of records allocated for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the allocation of variable records in a single-file CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

```
out: INTEGER*4 num_records
```

Number of allocated records.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_NUMBER_>**

Gets the number of the named zVariable (in the current CDF). Note that this operation does not select the current zVariable. Required arguments are as follows:
in: CHARACTER var_name(*)(*)

The zVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

out: INTEGER*4 var_num

The zVariable number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_,zVAR_NUMDIMS_>
Inquires the number of dimensions for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_dims

Number of dimensions.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_NUMELEMS_>
Inquires the number of elements (of the data type) for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string. (Each value consists of the entire string.) For all other data types this will always be one (1) – multiple elements at each value are not allowed for non-character data types.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_NUMRECS_>
Inquires the number of records written for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This may not correspond to the maximum record written (see <GET_,zVAR_MAXREC_>) if the zVariable has sparse records. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 num_records

Number of records written.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_,zVAR_PADVALUE_>
Inquires the pad value of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). If a pad value has not been explicitly specified for the zVariable (see <PUT_,zVAR_PADVALUE_>), the informational status code NO_PADVALUE_SPECIFIED will be returned and the default pad value for the zVariable's data type will be placed in the pad value buffer provided. Required arguments are as follows:

out: <type> value
Pad value. This buffer must be large to hold the value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

**WARNING:** If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_RECVARY_>**

Inquires the record variance of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- **out**: INTEGER*4 rec_vary

  Record variance. The variances are described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_SEQDATA_>**

Reads one value from the current zVariable (in the current CDF) at the current sequential value for that zVariable. After the read the current sequential value is automatically incremented to the next value (crossing a record boundary if necessary). An error is returned if the current sequential value is past the last record for the zVariable. Required arguments are as follows:

- **out**: <type> value

  Value. This buffer must be large enough to hold the value. The value is read from the CDF and placed into memory at address value.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current zVariable, and the current sequential value for the zVariable. Note that the current sequential value for a zVariable increments automatically as values are read.

**<GET_,zVAR_SPARSEARRAYS_>**

Inquires the sparse arrays type/parameters of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- **out**: INTEGER*4 s_arrays_type

  The sparse arrays type. The types of sparse arrays are described in Section 4.11.

- **out**: INTEGER*4 a_arrays_parms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)

  The sparse arrays parameters. The sparse arrays parameters are described in Section 4.11.

- **out**: INTEGER*4 a_arrays_pct

  If sparse arrays, the percentage of the non-sparse size of the zVariable's data values needed to store the sparse values.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<GET_,zVAR_SPARSERECORDS_>**

Inquires the sparse records type of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:
The sparse records type. The types of sparse records are described in Section 4.11.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<GET_zVARs_MAXREC_>
Inquires the maximum record number of the zVariables in the current CDF. Note that this is not the number of records but rather the maximum record number (which is one less than the number of records). A value of negative one (-1) indicates that the zVariables contain no records. The maximum record number for an individual zVariable may be inquired using the <GET_zVAR_MAXREC_> operation. Required arguments are as follows:

out: INTEGER*4 max_rec
Maximum record number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<GET_zVARs_RECDATA_>
Reads full-physical records from one or more zVariables (in the current CDF). The full-physical record for a particular zVariable is read at the current record number for that zVariable. (The record numbers do not have to be the same but in most cases probably will be.) This operation does not affect the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 num_vars
The number of zVariables from which to read. This must be at least one (1).

in: INTEGER*4 var_nums(*)
The zVariables from which to read. This array, whose size is determined by the value of num_vars, contains zVariable numbers. The zVariable numbers can be listed in any order.

in: <type> buffer
The buffer into which the full-physical zVariable records being read are to be placed. This buffer must be large enough to hold the full-physical records. <type> must be a Fortran variable that will be passed by reference and cannot be of type CHARACTER. (The CDF library is expecting an address at which to place the full-physical records being read.) The order of the full-physical zVariable records in this buffer will correspond to the zVariable numbers listed in varNums, and this buffer will be contiguous --- there will be no spacing between full-physical zVariable records. Be careful if using Fortran STRUCTUREs to receive multiple full-physical zVariable records. Fortran compilers on some operating systems will pad between the elements of a STRUCTURE in order to prevent memory alignment errors (i.e., the elements of a STRUCTURE may not be contiguous). See the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide for more details on how to create this buffer.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and the current record number for each of the zVariables specified. A convenience operation exists, <SELECT_zVARs_RECNUMBER_>, that allows the current record number for each zVariable to be selected at one time (as opposed to selecting the current record numbers one at a time using <SELECT_zVAR_RECNUMBER_>).

<NULL_>
Marks the end of the argument list that is passed to an internal interface call. No other arguments are allowed after it.

<OPEN ,CDF >
Opens the named CDF. The opened CDF implicitly becomes the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER CDF_name*(*)

File name of the CDF to be opened. (Do not append an extension.) This can be at most CDF_PATHNAME_LEN characters. A CDF file name may contain disk and directory specifications that conform to the conventions of the operating system being used (including logical names on VMS systems and environment variables on UNIX systems).

UNIX: File names are case-sensitive.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, CDF_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

out: INTEGER*4 id

CDF identifier to be used in subsequent operations on the CDF.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<PUT ,ATTR_NAME >
Renames the current attribute (in the current CDF). An attribute with the same name must not already exist in the CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER attr_name*(*)

New attribute name. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, attr_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

<PUT ,ATTR_SCOPE >
Respecifies the scope for the current attribute (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 scope

New attribute scope. Specify one of the scopes described in Section 4.12.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current attribute.

<PUT ,CDF COMPRESSION >
Specifies the compression type/parameters for the current CDF. This refers to the compression of the CDF - not of any variables. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 cType

The compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

in: INTEGER*4 c_parms(*)
The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<PUT_CDF_ENCODING_
Respecifies the data encoding of the current CDF. A CDF’s data encoding may not be changed after any variable values (including the pad value) or attribute entries have been written. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 encoding

New data encoding. Specify one of the encodings described in Section 4.6.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<PUT_CDF_FORMAT_
Respecifies the format of the current CDF. A CDF’s format may not be changed after any variables have been created. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 format

New CDF format. Specify one of the formats described in Section 4.4.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<PUT_CDF_MAJORITY_
Respecifies the variable majority of the current CDF. A CDF’s variable majority may not be changed after any variable values have been written. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 majority

New variable majority. Specify one of the majorities described in Section 4.8.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<PUT_gENTRY_DATA_
Writes a gEntry to the current attribute at the current gEntry number (in the current CDF). An existing gEntry may be overwritten with a new gEntry having the same data specification (data type and number of elements) or a different data specification. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type

Data type of the gEntry. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type. This may be greater than one (1) for any of the supported data types. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

in: <type> value

Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the gEntry. The value is written to the CDF from value.
**WARNING:** If the gEntry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the gEntry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<PUT_gENTRY_DATASPEC_>
Modifies the data specification (data type and number of elements) of the gEntry at the current gEntry number of the current attribute (in the current CDF). The new and old data types must be equivalent, and the number of elements must not be changed. Equivalent data types are described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type
New data type of the gEntry. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements
Number of elements of the data type.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current gEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on gAttributes. An error will occur if used on a vAttribute.

<PUT_rENTRY_DATA_>
Writes an rEntry to the current attribute at the current rEntry number (in the current CDF). An existing rEntry may be overwritten with a new rEntry having the same data specification (data type and number of elements) or a different data specification. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type
Data type of the rEntry. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements
Number of elements of the data type. This may be greater than one (1) for any of the supported data types. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

in: <type> value
Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rEntry. The value is written to the CDF from value.

**WARNING:** If the rEntry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rEntry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.
<PUT_rENTRY_DATASPEC_>
Modifies the data specification (data type and number of elements) of the rEntry at the current rEntry number of the current attribute (in the current CDF). The new and old data types must be equivalent, and the number of elements must not be changed. Equivalent data types are described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type

New data type of the rEntry. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current rEntry number.

NOTE: Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

<PUT_rVAR_ALLOCATEBLOCK_>
Specifies a range of records to allocate for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to uncompressed rVariables in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the allocation of variable records. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 first_record

The first record number to allocate.

in: INTEGER*4 last_record

The last record number to allocate.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_ALLOCATERECS_>
Specifies the number of records to allocate for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The records are allocated beginning at record number 0 (zero). This operation is only applicable to uncompressed rVariables in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the allocation of variable records. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 num_records

Number of records to allocate.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR_>
Specifies the blocking factor for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes a variable's blocking factor. NOTE: The blocking factor has no effect for NRV variables or multi-file CDFs. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 blockingFactor

The blocking factor. A value of zero (0) indicates that the default blocking factor should be used.

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14 The item rVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR was previously named rVAR_EXTENDRECS.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_COMPRESSION_>  
Specifies the compression type/parameters for the current rVariable (in current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

  in: INTEGER*4 cType  
      The compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

  in: INTEGER*4 c_parms(*)  
      The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_DATA_>  
Writes one value to the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The value is written at the current record number and current dimension indices for the rVariables (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

  in: <type> value  
      Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The value is written to the CDF from value.

      WARNING: If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current rVariable, its current record number for rVariables, and its current dimension indices for rVariables.

<PUT_rVAR_DATASPEC_>  
Respecifies the data specification (data type and number of elements) of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). An rVariable's data specification may not be changed if the new data specification is not equivalent to the old data specification and any values (including the pad value) have been written. Data specifications are considered equivalent if the data types are equivalent (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide) and the number of elements are the same. Required arguments are as follows:

  in: INTEGER*4 data_type  
      New data type. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

  in: INTEGER*4 num_elements  
      Number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in each string (an array of characters). A string exists at each value. For the non-character data types this must be one (1) - arrays of values are not allowed for non-character data types.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_DIMVARYS_>  
Respecifies the dimension variances of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). An rVariable's dimension variances may not be changed if any values have been written (except for an explicit pad value - it may have been written). For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:
in: INTEGER*4  dim_varys(*)

New dimension variances. Each element of dim_varys specifies the corresponding dimension variance. For each dimension specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_HYPERDATA_>  
Writes one or more values to the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The values are written based on the current record number, current record count, current record interval, current dimension indices, current dimension counts, and current dimension intervals for the rVariables (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: <type> buffer

Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The values in buffer are written to the CDF.

WARNING: If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current rVariable, its current record number, record count, and record interval for rVariables, and its current dimension indices, dimension counts, and dimension intervals for rVariables.

<PUT_rVAR_INITIALRECS_>  
Specifies the number of records to initially write to the current rVariable (in the current CDF). The records are written beginning at record number 0 (zero). This may be specified only once per rVariable and before any other records have been written to that rVariable. If a pad value has not yet been specified, the default is used (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide). If a pad value has been explicitly specified, that value is written to the records. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes initial records. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4  num_records

Number of records to write.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_NAME_>  
Renames the current rVariable (in the current CDF). A variable (rVariable or zVariable) with the same name must not already exist in the CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER  var_name*(*)

New name of the rVariable. This may consist of at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_PADVALUE_>
Specifies the pad value for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). An rVariable's pad value may be specified (or respecified) at any time without affecting already written values (including where pad values were used). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes variable pad values. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  <type>  value

Pad value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The pad value is written to the CDF from value.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_,rVAR_RECVARY_>
Respecifies the record variance of the current rVariable (in the current CDF). An rVariable's record variance may not be changed if any values have been written (except for an explicit pad value - it may have been written). Required arguments are as follows:

in:  INTEGER*4  rec_vary

New record variance. Specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_,rVAR_SEQDATA_>
Writes one value to the current rVariable (in the current CDF) at the current sequential value for that rVariable. After the write the current sequential value is automatically incremented to the next value (crossing a record boundary if necessary). If the current sequential value is past the last record for the rVariable, the rVariable is extended as necessary. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  <type>  value

Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the rVariable. The value is written to the CDF from value.

**WARNING:** If the rVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the rVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current rVariable, and the current sequential value for the rVariable. Note that the current sequential value for an rVariable increments automatically as values are written.

<PUT_,rVAR_SPARSEARRAYS_>
Specifies the sparse arrays type/parameters for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in:  INTEGER*4  s_arrays_type

The sparse arrays type. The types of sparse arrays are described in Section 4.11.

in:  INTEGER*4  a_arrays_parms(*)
The sparse arrays parameters. The sparse arrays parameters are described in Section 4.11.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVAR_SPARSERECORDS/>
Specifies the sparse records type for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 s_records_type
The sparse records type. The types of sparse records are described in Section 4.11.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<PUT_rVARs_RECDATA/>
Writes full-physical records to one or more rVariables (in the current CDF). The full-physical records are written at the current record number for rVariables. This operation does not affect the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 num_vars
The number of rVariables to which to write. This must be at least one (1).

in: INTEGER*4 var_nums(*)
The rVariables to which to write. This array, whose size is determined by the value of num_vars, contains rVariable numbers. The rVariable numbers can be listed in any order.

in: <type> buffer
The buffer of full-physical rVariable records to be written. <type> must be a Fortran variable that will be passed by reference and cannot be of type CHARACTER. (The CDF library is expecting an address at which to get the full-physical records being written.) The order of the full-physical rVariable records in this buffer must agree with the rVariable numbers listed in varNums and this buffer must be contiguous --- there can be no spacing between full-physical rVariable records. Be careful if using Fortran STRUCTUREs to store multiple full-physical rVariable records. Fortran compilers on some operating systems will pad between the elements of a STRUCTURE in order to prevent memory alignment errors (i.e., the elements of a STRUCTURE may not be contiguous). See the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide for more details on how to create this buffer.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current record number for rVariables. 15

<PUT_zENTRY_DATA/>
Writes a zEntry to the current attribute at the current zEntry number (in the current CDF). An existing zEntry may be overwritten with a new zEntry having the same data specification (data type and number of elements) or a different data specification. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type
Data type of the zEntry. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements

15 A Standard Interface at Section 5.25 provides the same functionality.
Number of elements of the data type. This may be greater than one (1) for any of the supported data types. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR) this is the number of characters in the string (an array of characters). For all other data types this is the number of elements in an array of that data type.

in: `<type> value`

The value(s). `<type>` depends on the data type of the zEntry. The value is written to the CDF from value.

**WARNING:** If the zEntry has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zEntry does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

`<PUT_,zENTRY_DATASPEC_>`

Modifies the data specification (data type and number of elements) of the zEntry at the current zEntry number of the current attribute (in the current CDF). The new and old data types must be equivalent, and the number of elements must not be changed. Equivalent data types are described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type

New data type of the zEntry. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current attribute, and its current zEntry number.

**NOTE:** Only use this operation on vAttributes. An error will occur if used on a gAttribute.

`<PUT_,zVAR_ALLOCATEBLOCK_>`

Specifies a range of records to allocate for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to uncompressed zVariables in single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the allocation of variable records. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 first_record

The first record number to allocate.

in: INTEGER*4 last_record

The last record number to allocate.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

`<PUT_,zVAR_ALLOCATERECS_>`

Specifies the number of records to allocate for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The records are allocated beginning at record number 0 (zero). This operation is only applicable to uncompressed zVariables in
single-file CDFs. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the allocation of variable records. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 num_records
```

Number of records to allocate.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_zVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR_>_16
Specifies the blocking factor for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes a variable's blocking factor. **NOTE:** The blocking factor has no effect for NRV variables or multi-file CDFs. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 blockingFactor
```

The blocking factor. A value of zero (0) indicates that the default blocking factor should be used.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_zVAR_COMPRESSION_>
Specifies the compression type/parameters for the current zVariable (in current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 cType
```

The compression type. The types of compressions are described in Section 4.10.

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 c_parms(*)
```

The compression parameters. The compression parameters are described in Section 4.10.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_zVAR_DATA_>
Writes one value to the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The value is written at the current record number and current dimension indices for that zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: <type> value
```

Value. `<type>` is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is written to the CDF from value.

**WARNING:** If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current zVariable, the current record number for the zVariable, and the current dimension indices for the zVariable.

<PUT_zVAR_DATASPEC_>
Respecifies the data specification (data type and number of elements) of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). A zVariable's data specification may not be changed if the new data specification is not equivalent to the old data specification and any values (including the pad value) have been written. Data specifications are

16 The item zVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR was previously named zVAR_EXTENDRECS.
considered equivalent if the data types are equivalent (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide) and the number of elements are the same. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 data_type

New data type. Specify one of the data types described in Section 4.5.

in: INTEGER*4 num_elements

Number of elements of the data type at each value. For character data types (CDF_CHAR and CDF_UCHAR), this is the number of characters in each string (an array of characters). A string exists at each value. For the non-character data types this must be one (1) - arrays of values are not allowed for non-character data types.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_DIMVARYS_>
Respecifies the dimension variances of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). A zVariable's dimension variances may not be changed if any values have been written (except for an explicit pad value - it may have been written). For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 dim_varys(*)

New dimension variances. Each element of dim_varys specifies the corresponding dimension variance. For each dimension specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_INITIALRECS_>
Specifies the number of records to initially write to the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The records are written beginning at record number 0 (zero). This may be specified only once per zVariable and before any other records have been written to that zVariable. If a pad value has not yet been specified, the default is used (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide). If a pad value has been explicitly specified, that value is written to the records. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes initial records. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 num_records

Number of records to write.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_HYPERDATA_>
Writes one or more values to the current zVariable (in the current CDF). The values are written based on the current record number, current record count, current record interval, current dimension indices, current dimension counts, and current dimension intervals for that zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: <type> buffer

Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is written to the CDF from value.
**WARNING:** If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current zVariable, the current record number, record count, and record interval for the zVariable, and the current dimension indices, dimension counts, and dimension intervals for the zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_NAME_>
Renames the current zVariable (in the current CDF). A variable (rVariable or zVariable) with the same name must not already exist in the CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** CHARACTER var_name*(*)

  New name of the zVariable. This may consist of at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_PADVALUE_>
Specifies the pad value for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). A zVariable's pad value may be specified (or respecified) at any time without affecting already written values (including where pad values were used). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes variable pad values. Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** <type> value

  Pad value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is written to the CDF from value.

  **WARNING:** If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_RECVARY_>
Respecifies the record variance of the current zVariable (in the current CDF). A zVariable's record variance may not be changed if any values have been written (except for an explicit pad value - it may have been written). Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** INTEGER*4 rec_vary

  New record variance. Specify one of the variances described in Section 4.9.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<PUT_,zVAR_SEQDATA_>
Writes one value to the current zVariable (in the current CDF) at the current sequential value for that zVariable. After the write the current sequential value is automatically incremented to the next value (crossing a record boundary if necessary). If the current sequential value is past the last record for the zVariable, the zVariable is extended as necessary. Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** <type> value

  Value. <type> is dependent on the data type of the zVariable. The value is written to the CDF from value.
**WARNING:** If the zVariable has one of the character data types (CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR), then value must be a CHARACTER Fortran variable. If the zVariable does not have one of the character data types, then value must NOT be a CHARACTER Fortran variable.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF, its current zVariable, and the current sequential value for the zVariable. Note that the current sequential value for a zVariable increments automatically as values are written.

```fortran
<PUT_:zVAR_SPARSEARRAYS_>
```

Specifies the sparse arrays type/parameters for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** `INTEGER*4  s_arrays_type`
  The sparse arrays type. The types of sparse arrays are described in Section 4.11.

- **in:** `INTEGER*4  a_arrays_parms(*)`
  The sparse arrays parameters. The sparse arrays parameters are described in Section 4.11.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

```fortran
<PUT_:zVAR_SPARSERECORDS_>
```

Specifies the sparse records type for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** `INTEGER*4  s_records_type`
  The sparse records type. The types of sparse records are described in Section 4.11.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

```fortran
<PUT_:zVARs_RECDATA_>
```

Writes full-physical records to one or more zVariables (in the current CDF). The full-physical record for a particular zVariable is written at the current record number for that zVariable. (The record numbers do not have to be the same but in most cases probably will be.) This operation does not affect the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

- **in:** `INTEGER*4  num_vars`
  The number of zVariables to which to write. This must be at least one (1).

- **in:** `INTEGER*4  var_nums(*)`
  The zVariables to which to write. This array, whose size is determined by the value of num_vars, contains zVariable numbers. The zVariable numbers can be listed in any order.

- **in:** `<type>  buffer`
  The buffer of full-physical zVariable records to be written. `<type>` must be a Fortran variable that will be passed by reference and cannot be of type CHARACTER. (The CDF library is expecting an address at which to get the full-physical records being written.) The order of the full-physical zVariable records in this buffer must agree with the zVariable numbers listed in varNums and this buffer must be contiguous --- there can be no spacing between full-physical zVariable records. Be careful if using Fortran STRUCTUREs to store multiple full-physical zVariable records. Fortran compilers on some
operating systems will pad between the elements of a STRUCTURE in order to prevent memory alignment errors (i.e., the elements of a STRUCTURE may not be contiguous). See the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide for more details on how to create this buffer.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and the current record number for each of the zVariables specified. A convenience operation exists, <SELECT_.zVARs_RECNUMBER_>, that allows the current record number for each zVariable to be selected at one time (as opposed to selecting the current record numbers one at a time using <SELECT_.zVAR_RECNUMBER_>).  

<SELECT_.ATTR_>
Explicitly selects the current attribute (in the current CDF) by number. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 attr_num

Attribute number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.ATTR_NAME_>
Explicitly selects the current attribute (in the current CDF) by name. **NOTE:** Selecting the current attribute by number (see <SELECT_.ATTR_>) is more efficient. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER attr_name(*)

Attribute name. This may be at most CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters.

**UNIX:** For the proper operation of CDF_lib, attr_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.CDF_>
Explicitly selects the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 id

Identifier of the CDF. This identifier must have been initialized by a successful <CREATE_.CDF_> or <OPEN_.CDF_> operation.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<SELECT_.CDF_CACHESIZE_>
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for the dotCDF file (for the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 num_buffers

The number of cache buffers to be used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.CDF_DECODING_>
Selects a decoding (for the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

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17 A Standard Interface at Section 5.27 provides the same functionality.
in: INTEGER*4 decoding

The decoding. Specify one of the decodings described in Section 4.7.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.CDF_NEGtoPOSfp0_MODE_>
Selects a -0.0 to 0.0 mode (for the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 mode

The -0.0 to 0.0 mode. Specify one of the -0.0 to 0.0 modes described in Section 4.15.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.CDF_READONLY_MODE_>
Selects a read-only mode (for the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 mode

The read-only mode. Specify one of the read-only modes described in Section 4.13.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.CDF_SCRATCHDIR_>
Selects a directory to be used for scratch files (by the CDF library) for the current CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide describes how the CDF library uses scratch files. This scratch directory will override the directory specified by the CDF$TMP logical name (on VMS systems) or CDF TMP environment variable (on UNIX and MS-DOS systems). Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER scratch_dir*(*)

The directory to be used for scratch files. The length of this directory specification is limited only by the operating system being used.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, scratch_dir MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_.CDF_STATUS_>
Selects the current status code. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 status

CDF status code.

There are no required preselected objects/states.

<SELECT_.CDF_zMODE_>
Selects a zMode (for the current CDF). Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 mode

The zMode. Specify one of the zModes described in Section 4.14.
The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_COMPRESS_CACHESIZE>
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for the compression scratch file (for the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{in: } \text{INTEGER*4 } \text{numBuffers}
\]

The number of cache buffers to be used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_gENTRY>
Selects the current gEntry number for all gAttributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{in: } \text{INTEGER*4 } \text{entryNum}
\]

gEntry number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rENTRY>
Selects the current rEntry number for all vAttributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{in: } \text{INTEGER*4 } \text{entryNum}
\]
rEntry number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rENTRY_NAME>
Selects the current rEntry number for all vAttributes (in the current CDF) by rVariable name. The number of the named rVariable becomes the current rEntry number. (The current rVariable is not changed.) **NOTE:** Selecting the current rEntry by number (see <SELECT_rENTRY>) is more efficient. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{in: } \text{CHARACTER* } \text{varName*(*)}
\]
rVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

**UNIX:** For the proper operation of CDF_lib, varName MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVAR>
Explicitly selects the current rVariable (in the current CDF) by number. Required arguments are as follows:

\[
\text{in: } \text{INTEGER*4 } \text{varNum}
\]
rVariable number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.
<SELECT_rVAR_CACHESIZE_>  
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for the current rVariable's file (of the current CDF). This operation is not applicable to a single-file CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  INTEGER*4  num_buffers

The number of cache buffers to be used.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<SELECT_rVAR_NAME_>  
Explicitly selects the current rVariable (in the current CDF) by name. **NOTE:** Selecting the current rVariable by number (see <SELECT_rVAR_>) is more efficient. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  CHARACTER  var_name*(*)

rVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

**UNIX:** For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVAR_RESERVEPERCENT_>  
Selects the reserve percentage to be used for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to compressed rVariables. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the reserve percentage scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  INTEGER*4  percent

The reserve percentage.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<SELECT_rVAR_SEQPOS_>  
Selects the current sequential value for sequential access for the current rVariable (in the current CDF). Note that a current sequential value is maintained for each rVariable individually. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  INTEGER*4  rec_num

Record number.

in:  INTEGER*4 indices(*)

Dimension indices. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index. For 0-dimensional rVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current rVariable.

<SELECT_rVARS_CACHESIZE_>  
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for all of the rVariable files (of the current CDF). This operation is not applicable to a single-file CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

in:  INTEGER*4  num_buffers
The number of cache buffers to be used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVARs_DIMCOUNTS_>  
Selects the current dimension counts for all rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4  counts(*)

Dimension counts. Each element of counts specifies the corresponding dimension count.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVARs_DIMINDICES_>  
Selects the current dimension indices for all rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 indices(*)

Dimension indices. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVARs_DIMINTERVALS_>  
Selects the current dimension intervals for all rVariables in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional rVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 intervals(*)

Dimension intervals. Each element of intervals specifies the corresponding dimension interval.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVARs_RECCOUNT_>  
Selects the current record count for all rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4  rec_count

Record count.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVARs_RECINTERVAL_>  
Selects the current record interval for all rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4  rec_interval

Record interval.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_rVARs_RECNUMBER_>  
Selects the current record number for all rVariables in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:
in: INTEGER*4 rec_num

Record number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_STAGE_CACHESIZE_>
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for the staging scratch file (for the current CDF). The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 numbuffers

The number of cache buffers to be used.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_entry_>
Selects the current zEntry number for all vAttributes in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 entry_num

zEntry number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_entry_name_>
Selects the current zEntry number for all vAttributes (in the current CDF) by zVariable name. The number of the named zVariable becomes the current zEntry number. (The current zVariable is not changed.) NOTE: Selecting the current zEntry by number (see <SELECT_entry_>) is more efficient. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER var_name(*)

zVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_var_>
Explicitly selects the current zVariable (in the current CDF) by number. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 var_num

zVariable number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_var_cachesize_>
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for the current zVariable's file (of the current CDF). This operation is not applicable to a single-file CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 numbuffers
The number of cache buffers to be used.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<SELECT_zVAR_DIMCOUNTS>
Selects the current dimension counts for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 counts(*)

Dimension counts. Each element of counts specifies the corresponding dimension count.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<SELECT_zVAR_DIMINDICES>
Selects the current dimension indices for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 indices(*)

Dimension indices. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<SELECT_zVAR_DIMINTERVALS>
Selects the current dimension intervals for the current zVariable in the current CDF. For 0-dimensional zVariables this operation is not applicable. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 intervals(*)

Dimension intervals. Each element of intervals specifies the corresponding dimension interval.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

<SELECT_zVAR_NAME>
Explicitly selects the current zVariable (in the current CDF) by name. NOTE: Selecting the current zVariable by number (see <SELECT_zVAR_>) is more efficient. Required arguments are as follows:

in: CHARACTER var_name(*)(*)

zVariable name. This may be at most CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters.

UNIX: For the proper operation of CDF_lib, var_name MUST be a Fortran CHARACTER variable or constant.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_zVAR_RECCOUNT>
Selects the current record count for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

in: INTEGER*4 rec_count

Record count.
The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<SELECT_zVAR_RECINTERVAL_>**
Selects the current record interval for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 rec_interval
```
Record interval.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<SELECT_zVAR_RECNUMBER_>**
Selects the current record number for the current zVariable in the current CDF. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 rec_num
```
Record number.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<SELECT_zVAR_RESERVEPERCENT_>**
Selects the reserve percentage to be used for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). This operation is only applicable to compressed zVariables. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the reserve percentage scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 percent
```
The reserve percentage.

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<SELECT_zVAR_SEQPOS_>**
Selects the current sequential value for sequential access for the current zVariable (in the current CDF). Note that a current sequential value is maintained for each zVariable individually. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 rec_num
```
Record number.

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 indices(*)
```
Dimension indices. Each element of indices specifies the corresponding dimension index. For 0-dimensional zVariables this argument is ignored (but must be present).

The required preselected objects/states are the current CDF and its current zVariable.

**<SELECT_zVARs_CACHESIZE_>**
Selects the number of cache buffers to be used for all of the zVariable files (of the current CDF). This operation is not applicable to a single-file CDF. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes the caching scheme used by the CDF library. Required arguments are as follows:

```plaintext
in: INTEGER*4 num_buffers
```
The number of cache buffers to be used.
The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

<SELECT_zVARs_RECNUMBER_

Selects the current record number for each zVariable in the current CDF. This operation is provided to simplify the selection of the current record numbers for the zVariables involved in a multiple variable access operation (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User’s Guide). Required arguments are as follows:

    in: INTEGER*4 rec_num

    Record number.

The only required preselected object/state is the current CDF.

6.7 More Examples

Several more examples of the use of CDF_lib follow. In each example it is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected (either implicitly by creating/opening the CDF or explicitly with <SELECT_CDF_>.

6.7.1 rVariable Creation

In this example an rVariable will be created with a pad value being specified; initial records will be written; and the rVariable’s blocking factor will be specified. Note that the pad value was specified before the initial records. This results in the specified pad value being written. Had the pad value not been specified first, the initial records would have been written with the default pad value. It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

```
INCLUDE ’<path>cdf.inc’

INTEGER*4 status           ! Status returned from CDF library.
INTEGER*4 dim_varys(2)     ! Dimension variances.
INTEGER*4 var_num          ! rVariable number.
REAL*4 pad_value           ! Pad value.
DATA pad_value/-999.9/      !
.
dim_varys(1) = VARY
dim_varys(2) = VARY
status = CDF_lib (CREATE_, rVAR_, ’HUMIDITY’, CDF_REAL4, 1, VARY,
1              dim_varys, var_num,
2           PUT_, rVAR_PADVALUE_, pad_value,
3             rVAR_INITIALRECS_, 500,
4        rVAR_BLOCKINGFACTOR_, 50,
5               NULL_, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
```


6.7.2  zVariable Creation (Character Data Type)

In this example a zVariable with a character data type will be created with a pad value being specified. It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

```
  INCLUDE '<path>CDF.INC'

  INTEGER*4 status  ! Status returned from CDF library.
  INTEGER*4 dim_varys(1)  ! Dimension variances.
  INTEGER*4 var_num  ! zVariable number.
  INTEGER*4 num_dims  ! Number of dimension.
  INTEGER*4 dim_sizes(1)  ! Dimension sizes.
  INTEGER*4 num_elems  ! Number of elements (of the data type).
  CHARACTER*10 pad_value  ! Pad value.

  DATA pad_value/'**********'/,
    0    num_dims/1/,
    1    dim_sizes/20/,
    2    num_elems/10/

  dim_varys(1) = VARY
  status = CDF_lib (CREATE_, zVAR_, 'Station', CDF_CHAR, num_elems, num_dims,
    1    dim_sizes, NOVARY, dim_varys, var_num,
    2    PUT_, zVAR_PADVALUE_, pad_value,
    3    NULL_, status)
  IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

6.7.3  Hyper Read with Subsampling

In this example an rVariable will be subsampled in a CDF whose rVariables are 2-dimensional and have dimension sizes [100,200]. The CDF is column major, and the data type of the rVariable is CDF_UINT2. It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

```

```
  INCLUDE '<path>CDF.INC'

  INTEGER*4 status  ! Status returned from CDF library.
  INTEGER*2 values(50,100)  ! Buffer to receive values.
  INTEGER*4 rec_count  ! Record count, one record per hyper get.
  INTEGER*4 rec_interval  ! Record interval, set to one to indicate
    ! contiguous records (really meaningless
    ! since record count is one).
  INTEGER*4 indices(2)  ! Dimension indices, start each read
    ! at 1,1 of the array.
  INTEGER*4 counts(2)  ! Dimension counts, half of the values along
    ! each dimension will be read.

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INTEGER*4 intervals(2) ! Dimension intervals, every other value ! along each dimension will be read.
INTEGER*4 rec_num ! Record number.
INTEGER*4 max_rec ! Maximum rVariable record in the ! CDF - this was determined with a call ! to CDF_inquire.

DATA rec_count/1/, rec_interval/1/, indices/1,1/, counts/50,100/, 1 intervals/2,2/.

status = CDF_lib (SELECT_, rVAR_NAME_, 'BRIGHTNESS', 1 rVARs_RECCOUNT_, rec_count, 2 rVARs_RECINTERVAL_, rec_interval, 3 rVARs_DIMINDICES_, indices, 4 rVARs_DIMCOUNTS_, counts, 5 rVARs_DIMINTERVALS_, intervals, 6 NULL_, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

DO rec_num = 1, max_rec
  status = CDF_lib (SELECT_, rVARs_RECNUMBER_, rec_num, 1 GET_, rVAR_HYPERDATA_, values, 2 NULL_, status)
  IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
  ! process values
  .
END DO
.

6.7.4 Attribute Renaming

In this example the attribute named Tmp will be renamed to TMP. It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

INCLUDE '<path>CDF.INC'
.
INTEGER*4 status ! Status returned from CDF library.
.
status = CDF_lib (SELECT_, ATTR_NAME_, 'Tmp', 1 PUT_, ATTR_NAME, 'TMP', 2 NULL_, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
.
.
6.7.5 Sequential Access

In this example the values for a zVariable will be averaged. The values will be read using the sequential access method (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide). Each value in each record will be read and averaged. It is assumed that the data type of the zVariable has been determined to be CDF_REAL4. It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

```
.. INCLUDE '<path>CDF.INC'
.. INTEGER*4 status   ! Status returned from CDF library.
INTEGER*4 var_num   ! zVariable number.
INTEGER*4 rec_num   ! Record number, start at first record.
INTEGER*4 indices(2) ! Dimension indices.
REAL*4    value     ! Value read.
REAL*8    sum       ! Sum of all values.
INTEGER*4 count     ! Number of values.
REAL*4    ave       ! Average value.
DATA indices/1,1/, sum/0.0/, count/0/, rec_num/1/
.. status = CDF_lib(GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'FLUX', var_num, 
1                          NULL_, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
status = CDF_lib(SELECT_, zVAR_, var_num,
1                          zVAR_SEQPOS_, rec_num, indices, 
2                          GET_, zVAR_SEQDATA_, value,
3                          NULL_, status)
DO WHILE (status .GE. CDF_OK)
    sum = sum + value
    count = count + 1
    status = CDF_lib(GET_, zVAR_SEQDATA_, value, 
1                          NULL_, status)
END DO
IF (status .NE. END_OF_VAR) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
ave = sum / count
```

6.7.6 Attribute rEntry Writes

In this example a set of attribute rEntries for a particular rVariable will be written. It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

```
.. INCLUDE '<path>CDF.INC'
```
INTEGER*4 status ! Status returned from CDF library.
REAL*4 scale(2) ! Scale, minimum/maximum.

DATA scale/-90.0,90.0/

status = CDF_lib (SELECT_, rENTRY_NAME_, 'LATITUDE',
1                          ATTR_NAME_, 'FIELDNAM',
2                 PUT_, rENTRY_DATA_, CDF_CHAR, 20, 'Latitude',
3                 SELECT_, ATTR_NAME_, 'SCALE',
4                 PUT_, rENTRY_DATA_, CDF_REAL4, 2, scale,
5                 SELECT_, ATTR_NAME_, 'UNITS',
6                 PUT_, rENTRY_DATA_, CDF_CHAR, 20, 'Degrees north',
7                 NULL_, status)
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

6.7.7  Multiple zVariable Write

In this example full-physical records will be written to the zVariables in a CDF. Note the ordering of the zVariables (see the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide). It is assumed that the current CDF has already been selected.

INCLUDE '<path>CDF.INC'

INTEGER*4 status ! Status returned from CDF library.
INTEGER*2 time ! 'Time' value.
BYTE      vector_a(3) ! 'vectorA' values.
REAL*8    vector_b(5) ! 'vectorB' values.
INTEGER*4 rec_number ! Record number.
BYTE      buffer(45) ! Buffer of full-physical records.
INTEGER*4 var_numbers(3) ! Variable numbers.

EQUIVALENCE (vector_b, buffer(1))
EQUIVALENCE (time, buffer(41))
EQUIVALENCE (vector_a, buffer(43))

status = CDF_lib (GET_, zVAR_NUMBER_, 'vectorB', var_numbers(1),
1                          zVAR_NUMBER_, 'time', var_numbers(2),
2                          zVAR_NUMBER_, 'vectorA', var_numbers(3),
3                          NULL_, status);
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)

DO rec_number = 1, 100
   /* read values from input file */
status = CDF_lib (SELECT_, zVARs_RECNUMBER_, rec_number,
1          PUT_, zVARs_RECDATA_, 3L, var_numbers, buffer,
2          NULL_, status);
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) CALL UserStatusHandler (status)
END DO
.  
.  
.  
.
Chapter 7

Interpreting CDF Status Codes

Most CDF functions return a status code of type INTEGER*4. The symbolic names for these codes are defined in cdf.inc and should be used in your applications rather than using the true numeric values. Appendix A explains each status code. When the status code returned from a CDF function is tested, the following rules apply.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{status} & > \text{CDF_OK} & \text{Indicates successful completion but some additional information is provided. These are informational codes.} \\
\text{status} & = \text{CDF_OK} & \text{Indicates successful completion.} \\
\text{CDF_WARN} & < \text{status} < \text{CDF_OK} & \text{Indicates that the function completed but probably not as expected. These are warning codes.} \\
\text{status} & < \text{CDF_WARN} & \text{Indicates that the function did not complete. These are error codes.}
\end{align*}
\]

The following example shows how you could check the status code returned from CDF functions.

```fortran
INTEGER*4 status
.
CALL CDF_function (... , status) ! any CDF function returning status
IF (status .NE. CDF_OK) THEN
    CALL UserStatusHandler (status, ...) \\
    END IF
.
```

In your own status handler you can take whatever action is appropriate to the application. An example status handler follows. Note that no action is taken in the status handler if the status is CDF_OK.

```fortran
INCLUDE '<path>cdf.inc'

SUBROUTINE UserStatusHandler (status)
INTEGER*4 status

CHARACTER message*(CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN)
```
IF (status .LT. CDF_WARN) THEN
  WRITE (6,10)
10     FORMAT (' ','An error has occurred, halting...')
  CALL CDF_error (status, message)
  WRITE (6,11) message
11     FORMAT (' ',A)
  STOP
ELSE
  IF (status .LT. CDF_OK) THEN
    WRITE (6,12)
12        FORMAT (' ','Warning, function may not have completed as expected...')
    CALL CDF_error (status, message)
    WRITE (6,13) message
13        FORMAT (' ',A)
  ELSE
    IF (status .GT. CDF_OK) THEN
      WRITE (6,14)
14          FORMAT (' ','Function completed successfully, but be advised that...')
      CALL CDF_error (status, message)
      WRITE (6,15) message
15          FORMAT (' ',A)
      END IF
    END IF
  END IF
END IF
RETURN
END

Explanations for all CDF status codes are available to your applications through the function CDF_error. CDF_error encodes in a text string an explanation of a given status code.
Chapter 8

EPOCH Utility Routines

Several subroutines exist that compute, decompose, parse, and encode CDF_EPOCH values. These subroutines may be called by applications using the CDF_EPOCH data type and are included in the CDF library. The Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide describes EPOCH values.

8.1 compute_EPOCH

compute_EPOCH calculates a CDF_EPOCH value given the individual components. If an illegal component is detected, the value returned will be -1.0.

```
SUBROUTINE compute_EPOCH (  
  INTEGER*4 year, ! in -- Year (AD, e.g., 1994).  
  INTEGER*4 month, ! in -- Month (1-12).  
  INTEGER*4 day, ! in -- Day (1-31).  
  INTEGER*4 hour, ! in -- Hour (0-23).  
  INTEGER*4 minute, ! in -- Minute (0-59).  
  INTEGER*4 second, ! in -- Second (0-59).  
  INTEGER*4 msec, ! in -- Millisecond (0-999).  
  REAL*8 epoch) ! out-- CDF_EPOCH value
```

NOTE: There are two variations on how compute_EPOCH may be used. If the month argument is 0 (zero), then the day argument is assumed to be the day of the year (DOY) having a range of 1 through 366. Also, if the hour, minute, and second arguments are all 0 (zero), then the msec argument is assumed to be the millisecond of the day having a range of 0 through 86400000.

8.2 EPOCH_breakdown

EPOCH_breakdown decomposes a CDF_EPOCH value into the individual components.

```
SUBROUTINE EPOCH_breakdown (  
```
REAL*8 epoch, ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH value.
INTEGER*4 year, ! out -- Year (AD, e.g., 1994).
INTEGER*4 month, ! out -- Month (1-12).
INTEGER*4 day, ! out -- Day (1-31).
INTEGER*4 hour, ! out -- Hour (0-23).
INTEGER*4 minute, ! out -- Minute (0-59).
INTEGER*4 second, ! out -- Second (0-59).
INTEGER*4 msec); ! out -- Millisecond (0-999).

8.3 encode_EPOCH

code_EPOCH encodes a CDF_EPOCH value into the standard date/time character string. The format of the string is dd-mmm-yyyy hh:mm:ss.ccc where dd is the day of the month (1-31), mmm is the month (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, or Dec), yyyy is the year, hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), ss is the second (0-59), and ccc is the millisecond (0-999).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH (

REAL*8 epoch; ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH value.
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH_STRING_LEN)) ! out -- The standard date/time character string.

EPOCH_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.4 encode_EPOCH1

code_EPOCH1 encodes a CDF_EPOCH value into an alternate date/time character string. The format of the string is yyyyMMddhhmmss, where yyyy is the year, mm is the month (1-12), dd is the day of the month (1-31), hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), ss is the second (0-59), and tttttt is the fraction of the day (e.g., 5000000 is 12 o'clock noon).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH1(

REAL*8 epoch; ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH value.
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH1_STRING_LEN)) ! out -- The alternate date/time character string.

EPOCH1_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.5 encode_EPOCH2

code_EPOCH2 encodes a CDF_EPOCH value into an alternate date/time character string. The format of the string is yyyyMMddhhmmss where yyyy is the year, mo is the month (1-12), dd is the day of the month (1-31), hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), and ss is the second (0-59).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH2 ( 

REAL*8 epoch; ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH value.
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH2_STRING_LEN))   ! out -- The alternate date/time character string.

EPOCH2_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.6 encode_EPOCH3

encode_EPOCH3 encodes a CDF_EPOCH value into an alternate date/time character string. The format of the string is yyyy-mo-ddThh:mm:ss.cccZ where yyyy is the year, mo is the month (1-12), dd is the day of the month (1-31), hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), ss is the second (0-59), and ccc is the millisecond (0-999).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH3 ( 
  REAL*8 epoch; 
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH3_STRING_LEN))   ! out -- The alternate date/time character string.

EPOCH3_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.7 encode_EPOCHx

encode_EPOCHx encodes a CDF_EPOCH value into a custom date/time character string. The format of the encoded string is specified by a format string.

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCHx ( 
  REAL*8 epoch; 
  CHARACTER format*(EPOCHx_FORMAT_MAX)   ! in    -- The format string. 
  CHARACTER encoded*(EPOCHx_STRING_MAX))   ! out -- The custom date/time character string.

The format string consists of EPOCH components which are encoded and text which is simply copied to the encoded custom string. Components are enclosed in angle brackets and consist of a component token and an optional width. The syntax of a component is: <token[.width]> . If the optional width contains a leading zero, then the component will be encoded with leading zeroes (rather than leading blanks).

The supported component tokens and their default widths are as follows . . .

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<td>doy</td>
<td>Day of year (001-366)</td>
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<tr>
<td>month</td>
<td>Month ('Jan','Feb',...,'Dec')</td>
<td>&lt;month&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>mm</td>
<td>Month (1,2,...,12)</td>
<td>&lt;mm.0&gt;</td>
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<tr>
<td>year</td>
<td>Year (4-digit)</td>
<td>&lt;year.04&gt;</td>
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<td>yr</td>
<td>Year (2-digit)</td>
<td>&lt;yr.02&gt;</td>
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<td>hour</td>
<td>Hour (00-23)</td>
<td>&lt;hour.02&gt;</td>
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<tr>
<td>min</td>
<td>Minute (00-59)</td>
<td>&lt;min.02&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sec</td>
<td>Second (00-59)</td>
<td>&lt;sec.02&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>fos</td>
<td>Fraction of second.</td>
<td>&lt;fos.3&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>fod</td>
<td>Fraction of day.</td>
<td>&lt;fod.8&gt;</td>
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</table>
Note that a width of zero indicates that as many digits as necessary should be used to encoded the component. The <month> component is always encoded with three characters. The <fos> and <fod> components are always encoded with leading zeroes.

If a left angle bracket is desired in the encoded string, then simply specify two left angle brackets (<<) in the format string (character stuffing).

For example, the format string used to encode the standard EPOCH date/time character string (see Section 8.3) would be . . .

<dom.02>-<month>-<year>  <hour>:<min>:<sec>.<fos>

EPOCHx_FORMAT_LEN and EPOCHx_STRING_MAX are defined in cdf.inc.

### 8.8 parse_EPOCH

parse_EPOCH parses a standard date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH function described in Section 8.3. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be -1.0.

```
SUBROUTINE  parse_EPOCH ( 
      CHARACTER  epString*(EPOCH_STRING_LEN), 
      REAL*8             epoch) 
                        ! in  -- The standard date/time character string. 
                        ! out -- CDF_EPOCH value

EPOCH_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.
```

### 8.9 parse_EPOCH1

parse_EPOCH1 parses An alternate date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH1 function described in Section 8.4. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be -1.0.

```
SUBROUTINE  parse_EPOCH1 ( 
      CHARACTER  epString*(EPOCH1_STRING_LEN), 
      REAL*8             epoch) 
                        ! in  -- The standard date/time character string. 
                        ! out -- CDF_EPOCH value

EPOCH1_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.
```

### 8.10 parse_EPOCH2

parse_EPOCH2 parses An alternate date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH2 function described in Section 8.5. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be -1.0.
SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH2 (  
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH2_STRING_LEN), ! in -- The standard date/time character string.  
REAL*8 epoch) ! out -- CDF_EPOCH value

EPOCH2_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.11 parse_EPOCH3

parse_EPOCH3 parses an alternate date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH3 function described in Section 8.6. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be -1.0.

SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH3 (  
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH3_STRING_LEN), ! in -- The standard date/time character string.  
REAL*8 epoch) ! out -- CDF_EPOCH value

EPOCH3_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.12 compute_EPOCH16

compute_EPOCH16 calculates a CDF_EPOCH16 value given the individual components. If an illegal component is detected, the value returned will be ILLEGAL_EPOCH_VALUE.

SUBROUTINE compute_EPOCH16 (  
INTEGER*4 year, ! in -- Year (AD, e.g., 1994).  
INTEGER*4 month, ! in -- Month (1-12).  
INTEGER*4 day, ! in -- Day (1-31).  
INTEGER*4 hour, ! in -- Hour (0-23).  
INTEGER*4 minute, ! in -- Minute (0-59).  
INTEGER*4 second, ! in -- Second (0-59).  
INTEGER*4 msec, ! in -- Millisecond (0-999).  
INTEGER*4 usec, ! in -- Microsecond (0-999).  
INTEGER*4 nsec, ! in -- Nanosecond (0-999).  
INTEGER*4 psec, ! in -- Picosecond (0-999).  
REAL*8 epoch(2)) ! out-- CDF_EPOCH16 value

8.13 EPOCH16_breakdown

EPOCH16_breakdown decomposes a CDF_EPOCH16 value into the individual components.

SUBROUTINE EPOCH_breakdown (  
INT...
REAL*8     epoch(2),                ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH16 value.
INTEGER*4  year,                    ! out -- Year (AD, e.g., 1994).
INTEGER*4  month,                   ! out -- Month (1-12).
INTEGER*4  day,                      ! out -- Day (1-31).
INTEGER*4  hour,                     ! out -- Hour (0-23).
INTEGER*4  minute,                   ! out -- Minute (0-59).
INTEGER*4  second,                    ! out -- Second (0-59).
INTEGER*4  msec,                      ! out -- Millisecond (0-999).
INTEGER*4  usec,                       ! out -- Microsecond (0-999).
INTEGER*4  nsec,                        ! out -- Nanosecond (0-999).
INTEGER*4  psec)                      ! out -- Picosecond (0-999).

8.14 encode_EPOCH16

encode_EPOCH16 encodes a CDF_EPOCH16 value into the standard date/time character string. The format of the string is dd-mmm-yyyy hh:mm:ss.ccc.uuu.nnn.ppp where dd is the day of the month (1-31), mmm is the month (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, or Dec), yyyy is the year, hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), ss is the second (0-59), ccc is the millisecond (0-999), uuu is the microsecond (0-999), nnn is the nanosecond (0-999), and ppp is the picosecond (0-999).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH16 ( 
  REAL*8     epoch(2),                  ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH16 value.
  CHARACTER* epString*(EPOCH16_STRING_LEN))  ! out -- The standard date/time string.

EPOCH16_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.15 encode_EPOCH16_1

encode_EPOCH16_1 encodes a CDF_EPOCH16 value into an alternate date/time character string. The format of the string is yyyyymmdd.tttttttttt, where yyyy is the year, mm is the month (1-12), dd is the day of the month (1-31), and tttttttttttt is the fraction of the day (e.g., 500000000000000 is 12 o'clock noon).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH16_1 ( 
  REAL*8     epoch(2),              ! in -- The CDF_EPOCH16 value.
  CHARACTER* epString*(EPOCH16_1_STRING_LEN))  ! out -- The date/time string.

EPOCH16_1_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.16 encode_EPOCH16_2

encode_EPOCH16_2 encodes a CDF_EPOCH16 value into an alternate date/time character string. The format of the string is yyyyymddhhmmss where yyyy is the year, mo is the month (1-12), dd is the day of the month (1-31), hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), and ss is the second (0-59).
SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH16_2 (  
REAL*8 epoch(2),          ! in  -- The CDF_EPOCH16 value.  
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH16_2_STRING_LEN))  ! out -- The date/time string.  

EPOCH16_2_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.17 encode_EPOCH16_3

encode_EPOCH16_3 encodes a CDF_EPOCH16 value into an alternate date/time character string. The format of the string is yyyy-mo-ddThh:mm:ss.ccc.uuu.nnn.pppZ where yyyy is the year, mo is the month (1-12), dd is the day of the month (1-31), hh is the hour (0-23), mm is the minute (0-59), ss is the second (0-59), ccc is the millisecond (0-999), uuu is the microsecond (0-999), nnn is the nanosecond (0-999), and ppp is the picosecond (0-999).

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH16_3 (  
REAL*8 epoch(2),          ! in  -- The CDF_EPOCH16 value.  
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH16_3_STRING_LEN))  ! out -- The date/time string.  

EPOCH16_3_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.18 encode_EPOCH16_x

encode_EPOCH16_x encodes a CDF_EPOCH16 value into a custom date/time character string. The format of the encoded string is specified by a format string.

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH16_x (  
REAL*8 epoch(2);          ! in  -- The CDF_EPOCH16 value.  
CHARACTER format*(EPOCHx_FORMAT_MAX)  ! in  -- The format string.  
CHARACTER encoded*(EPOCHx_STRING_MAX))  ! out -- The custom date/time character string.  

The format string consists of EPOCH components which are encoded and text which is simply copied to the encoded custom string. Components are enclosed in angle brackets and consist of a component token and an optional width. The syntax of a component is: <token[.width]> . If the optional width contains a leading zero, then the component will be encoded with leading zeroes (rather than leading blanks).

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If a left angle bracket is desired in the encoded string, then simply specify two left angle brackets (<<) in the format string (character stuffing).

For example, the format string used to encode the standard EPOCH date/time character string (see Section 8.3) would be . . .

```
<dom.02>-<month>-<year>  <hour>:<min>:<sec>.<msec>.<usec>.<nsec>.<psec>.<fos>
```

EPOCHx_FORMAT_LEN and EPOCHx_STRING_MAX are defined in cdf.inc.

### 8.19 parse_EPOCH16

parse_EPOCH16 parses a standard date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH16 value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH16 function. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be ILLEGAL_EPOCH_VALUE.

```
SUBROUTINE  parse_EPOCH16  
    CHARACTER  epString*(EPOCH16_STRING_LEN),  ! in -- The date/time string.  
    REAL*8     epoch(2))  ! out -- CDF_EPOCH16 value
```

EPOCH16_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

### 8.20 parse_EPOCH16_1

parse_EPOCH16_1 parses An alternate date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH16 value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH16_1 function. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be ILLEGAL_EPOCH_VALUE.

```
SUBROUTINE  parse_EPOCH16_1  
    CHARACTER  epString*(EPOCH16_1_STRING_LEN),  ! in -- The date/time string.  
    REAL*8     epoch(2))  ! out -- CDF_EPOCH16 value
```

EPOCH16_1_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.
8.21 parse_EPOCH16_2

parse_EPOCH16_2 parses an alternate date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH16 value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH16_2 function. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be ILLEGAL_EPOCH_VALUE.

SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH16_2 (  
    CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH16_2_STRING_LEN),  ! in -- The date/time string.  
    REAL*8 epoch(2))                         ! out -- CDF_EPOCH16 value

EPOCH16_2_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.

8.22 parse_EPOCH16_3

parse_EPOCH16_3 parses an alternate date/time character string and returns a CDF_EPOCH16 value. The format of the string is that produced by the encode_EPOCH16_3 function. If an illegal field is detected in the string the value returned will be ILLEGAL_EPOCH_VALUE.

SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH16_3 (  
    CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH16_3_STRING_LEN ),  ! in -- The date/time string.  
    REAL*8 epoch(2))                         ! out -- CDF_EPOCH16 value

EPOCH16_3_STRING_LEN is defined in cdf.inc.
Appendix A

Status Codes

A.1 Introduction

A status code is returned from most CDF functions. The cdf.inc (for C) and CDF.INC (for Fortran) include files contain the numerical values (constants) for each of the status codes (and for any other constants referred to in the explanations). The CDF library Standard Interface functions CDFerror (for C) and CDF_error (for Fortran) can be used within a program to inquire the explanation text for a given status code. The Internal Interface can also be used to inquire explanation text.

There are three classes of status codes: informational, warning, and error. The purpose of each is as follows:

- Informational: Indicates success but provides some additional information that may be of interest to an application.
- Warning: Indicates that the function completed but possibly not as expected.
- Error: Indicates that a fatal error occurred and the function aborted.

Status codes fall into classes as follows:

- Error codes < CDF_WARN < Warning codes < CDF_OK < Informational codes

CDF_OK indicates an unqualified success (it should be the most commonly returned status code). CDF_WARN is simply used to distinguish between warning and error status codes.

A.2 Status Codes and Messages

The following list contains an explanation for each possible status code. Whether a particular status code is considered informational, a warning, or an error is also indicated.

- ATTR_EXISTS: Named attribute already exists - cannot create or rename. Each attribute in a CDF must have a unique name. Note that trailing
blanks are ignored by the CDF library when comparing attribute names. [Error]

**ATTR_NAME_TRUNC**  
Attribute name truncated to CDF_ATTR_NAME_LEN characters. The attribute was created but with a truncated name. [Warning]

**BAD_ALLOCATE_RECS**  
An illegal number of records to allocate for a variable was specified. For RV variables the number must be one or greater. For NRV variables the number must be exactly one. [Error]

**BAD_ARGUMENT**  
An illegal/undefined argument was passed. Check that all arguments are properly declared and initialized. [Error]

**BAD_ATTR_NAME**  
Illegal attribute name specified. Attribute names must contain at least one character, and each character must be printable. [Error]

**BAD_ATTR_NUM**  
Illegal attribute number specified. Attribute numbers must be zero (0) or greater for C applications and one (1) or greater for Fortran applications. [Error]

**BAD_BLOCKING_FACTOR**  
An illegal blocking factor was specified. Blocking factors must be at least zero (0). [Error]

**BAD_CACHESIZE**  
An illegal number of cache buffers was specified. The value must be at least zero (0). [Error]

**BAD_CDF_EXTENSION**  
An illegal file extension was specified for a CDF. In general, do not specify an extension except possibly for a single-file CDF which has been renamed with a different file extension or no file extension. [Error]

**BAD_CDF_ID**  
CDF identifier is unknown or invalid. The CDF identifier specified is not for a currently open CDF. [Error]

**BAD_CDF_NAME**  
Illegal CDF name specified. CDF names must contain at least one character, and each character must be printable. Trailing blanks are allowed but will be ignored. [Error]

**BAD_CDFSTATUS**  
Unknown CDF status code received. The status code specified is not used by the CDF library. [Error]

**BAD_COMPRESSION_PARM**  
An illegal compression parameter was specified. [Error]

**BAD_DATA_TYPE**  
An unknown data type was specified or encountered. The CDF data types are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]

**BAD_DECODING**  
An unknown decoding was specified. The CDF decodings are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]

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1 The status code BAD_BLOCKING_FACTOR was previously named BAD_EXTEND_RECS.
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<td>BAD_DIM_INDEX</td>
<td>One or more dimension index is out of range. A valid value must be specified regardless of the dimension variance. Note also that the combination of dimension index, count, and interval must not specify an element beyond the end of the dimension. [Error]</td>
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<td>Illegal dimension interval specified. Dimension intervals must be at least one (1). [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_DIM_SIZE</td>
<td>Illegal dimension size specified. A dimension size must be at least one (1). [Error]</td>
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<td>Unknown data encoding specified. The CDF encodings are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_ENTRY_NUM</td>
<td>Illegal attribute entry number specified. Entry numbers must be at least zero (0) for C applications and at least one (1) for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_FNC_OR_ITEM</td>
<td>The specified function or item is illegal. Check that the proper number of arguments are specified for each operation being performed. Also make sure that NULL_ is specified as the last operation. [Error]</td>
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<td>Unknown format specified. The CDF formats are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>An illegal number of records to initially write has been specified. The number of initial records must be at least one (1). [Error]</td>
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<td>Unknown variable majority specified. The CDF variable majorities are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_MALLOC</td>
<td>Unable to allocate dynamic memory - system limit reached. Contact CDF User Support if this error occurs. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_NEGtoPOSfp0_MODE</td>
<td>An illegal -0.0 to 0.0 mode was specified. The -0.0 to 0.0 modes are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>The number of dimensions specified is out of the allowed range. Zero (0) through CDF_MAX_DIMS dimensions are allowed. If more are needed, contact CDF User Support. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_NUM_ELEMS</td>
<td>The number of elements of the data type is illegal. The number of elements must be at least one (1). For variables with a non-character data type, the number of elements must always be one (1). [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_NUM_VARS</td>
<td>Illegal number of variables in a record access operation. [Error]</td>
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<td>Illegal record count specified. A record count must be at least one (1). [Error]</td>
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<td>Illegal record interval specified. A record interval must be at least one (1). [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_REC_NUM</td>
<td>Record number is out of range. Record numbers must be at least zero (0) for C applications and at least one (1) for Fortran applications. Note that a valid value must be specified regardless of the record variance. [Error]</td>
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<td>Unknown attribute scope specified. The attribute scopes are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_SCRATCH_DIR</td>
<td>An illegal scratch directory was specified. The scratch directory must be writeable and accessible (if a relative path was specified) from the directory in which the application has been executed. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_SPARSEARRAYS_PARM</td>
<td>An illegal sparse arrays parameter was specified. [Error]</td>
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<td>BAD_VAR_NAME</td>
<td>Illegal variable name specified. Variable names must contain at least one character and each character must be printable. [Error]</td>
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<td>Illegal zMode specified. The CDF zModes are defined in cdf.inc for C applications and in cdf.inc for Fortran applications. [Error]</td>
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<td>Records cannot be allocated for the given type of variable (e.g., a compressed variable). [Error]</td>
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<td>Because of dependencies on the value, it cannot be changed. Some possible causes of this error follow:</td>
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5. Changing a variable's record variance after a value (excluding the pad value) has been written to that variable or after records have been allocated for that variable.

6. Changing a variable's dimension variances after a value (excluding the pad value) has been written to that variable or after records have been allocated for that variable.

7. Writing "initial" records to a variable after a value (excluding the pad value) has already been written to that variable.

8. Changing a variable's blocking factor when a compressed variable and a value (excluding the pad value) has been written or when a variable with sparse records and a value has been accessed.

9. Changing an attribute entry's data specification where the new specification is not equivalent to the old specification.

**CANNOT_COMPRESS**

The CDF or variable cannot be compressed. For CDFs, this occurs if the CDF has the multi-file format. For variables, this occurs if the variable is in a multi-file CDF, values have been written to the variable, or if sparse arrays have already been specified for the variable. [Error]

**CANNOT_SPARSEARRAYS**

Sparse arrays cannot be specified for the variable. This occurs if the variable is in a multi-file CDF, values have been written to the variable, records have been allocated for the variable, or if compression has already been specified for the variable. [Error]

**CANNOT_SPARSERECORDS**

Sparse records cannot be specified for the variable. This occurs if the variable is in a multi-file CDF, values have been written to the variable, or records have been allocated for the variable. [Error]

**CDF_CLOSE_ERROR**

Error detected while trying to close CDF. Check that sufficient disk space exists for the dotCDF file and that it has not been corrupted. [Error]

**CDF_CREATE_ERROR**

Cannot create the CDF specified - error from file system. Make sure that sufficient privilege exists to create the dotCDF file in the disk/directory location specified and that an open file quota has not already been reached. [Error]

**CDF_DELETE_ERROR**

Cannot delete the CDF specified - error from file system. Insufficient privileges exist the delete the CDF file(s). [Error]

**CDF_EXISTS**

The CDF named already exists - cannot create it. The CDF library will not overwrite an existing CDF. [Error]

**CDF_INTERNAL_ERROR**

An unexpected condition has occurred in the CDF library. Report this error to CDFsupport. [Error]
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<td>CDF file name truncated to CDF_PATHNAME_LEN characters. The CDF was created but with a truncated name. [Warning]</td>
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<td>CDF_OK</td>
<td>Function completed successfully.</td>
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<td>CDF_OPEN_ERROR</td>
<td>Cannot open the CDF specified - error from file system. Check that the dotCDF file is not corrupted and that sufficient privilege exists to open it. Also check that an open file quota has not already been reached. [Error]</td>
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<td>CDF_READ_ERROR</td>
<td>Failed to read the CDF file - error from file system. Check that the dotCDF file is not corrupted. [Error]</td>
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<td>Failed to write the CDF file - error from file system. Check that the dotCDF file is not corrupted. [Error]</td>
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<td>COMPRESSION_ERROR</td>
<td>An error occurred while compressing a CDF or block of variable records. This is an internal error in the CDF library. Contact CDF User Support. [Error]</td>
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<td>CORRUPTED_V2_CDF</td>
<td>This Version 2 CDF is corrupted. An error has been detected in the CDF's control information. If the CDF file(s) are known to be valid, please contact CDF User Support. [Error]</td>
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<td>DECOMPRESSION_ERROR</td>
<td>An error occurred while decompressing a CDF or block of variable records. The most likely cause is a corrupted dotCDF file. [Error]</td>
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<td>DID_NOT_COMPRESS</td>
<td>For a compressed variable, a block of records did not compress to smaller than their uncompressed size. They have been stored uncompressed. This can result if the blocking factor is set too low or if the characteristics of the data are such that the compression algorithm chosen is unsuitable. [Informational]</td>
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<td>EMPTY_COMPRESSED_CDF</td>
<td>The compressed CDF being opened is empty. This will result if a program which was creating/modifying the CDF abnormally terminated. [Error]</td>
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<td>END_OF_VAR</td>
<td>The sequential access current value is at the end of the variable. Reading beyond the end of the last physical value for a variable is not allowed (when performing sequential access). [Error]</td>
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<td>FORCED_PARAMETER</td>
<td>A specified parameter was forced to an acceptable value (rather than an error being returned). [Warning]</td>
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<td>IBM_PC_OVERFLOW</td>
<td>An operation involving a buffer greater than 64k bytes in size has been specified for PCs running 16-bit DOS/Windows 3.*. [Error]</td>
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<td>ILLEGAL_FOR_SCOPE</td>
<td>The operation is illegal for the attribute's scope. For example, only gEntries may be written for gAttributes - not rEntries or zEntries. [Error]</td>
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<tr>
<td>ILLEGAL_IN_zMODE</td>
<td>The attempted operation is illegal while in zMode. Most operations involving rVariables or rEntries will be illegal. [Error]</td>
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ILLEGAL_ON_V1_CDF
The specified operation (i.e., opening) is not allowed on Version 1 CDFs. [Error]

MULTI_FILE_FORMAT
The specified operation is not applicable to CDFs with the multi-file format. For example, it does not make sense to inquire indexing statistics for a variable in a multi-file CDF (indexing is only used in single-file CDFs). [Informational]

NA_FOR_VARIABLE
The attempted operation is not applicable to the given variable. [Warning]

NEGATIVE_FP_ZERO
One or more of the values read/written are -0.0 (An illegal value on VAXes and DEC Alphas running OpenVMS). [Warning]

NO_ATTR_SELECTED
An attribute has not yet been selected. First select the attribute on which to perform the operation. [Error]

NO_CDF_SELECTED
A CDF has not yet been selected. First select the CDF on which to perform the operation. [Error]

NO_DELETE_ACCESS
Deleting is not allowed (read-only access). Make sure that delete access is allowed on the CDF file(s). [Error]

NO_ENTRY_SELECTED
An attribute entry has not yet been selected. First select the entry number on which to perform the operation. [Error]

NO_MORE_ACCESS
Further access to the CDF is not allowed because of a severe error. If the CDF was being modified, an attempt was made to save the changes made prior to the severe error. In any event, the CDF should still be closed. [Error]

NO_PADVALUE_SPECIFIED
A pad value has not yet been specified. The default pad value is currently being used for the variable. The default pad value was returned. [Informational]

NO_STATUS_SELECTED
A CDF status code has not yet been selected. First select the status code on which to perform the operation. [Error]

NO_SUCH_ATTR
The named attribute was not found. Note that attribute names are case-sensitive. [Error]

NO_SUCH_CDF
The specified CDF does not exist. Check that the file name specified is correct. [Error]

NO_SUCH_ENTRY
No such entry for specified attribute. [Error]

NO_SUCH_RECORD
The specified record does not exist for the given variable. [Error]

NO_SUCH_VAR
The named variable was not found. Note that variable names are case-sensitive. [Error]

NO_VAR_SELECTED
A variable has not yet been selected. First select the variable on which to perform the operation. [Error]
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<td>This CDF contains no rVariables. The operation performed is not applicable to a CDF with no rVariables. [Informational]</td>
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<td>NO_WRITE_ACCESS</td>
<td>Write access is not allowed on the CDF file(s). Make sure that the CDF file(s) have the proper file system privileges and ownership. [Error]</td>
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<tr>
<td>NOT_A_CDF</td>
<td>Named CDF is corrupted or not actually a CDF. This can also occur if an older CDF distribution is being used to read a CDF created by a more recent CDF distribution. Contact CDF User Support if you are sure that the specified file is a CDF that should be readable by the CDF distribution being used. CDF is backward compatible but not forward compatible. [Error]</td>
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<td>PRECEEDING_RECORDS_ALLOCATED</td>
<td>Because of the type of variable, records preceding the range of records being allocated were automatically allocated as well. [Informational]</td>
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<td>READ_ONLY_DISTRIBUTION</td>
<td>Your CDF distribution has been built to allow only read access to CDFs. Check with your system manager if you require write access. [Error]</td>
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<td>READ_ONLY_MODE</td>
<td>The CDF is in read-only mode - modifications are not allowed. [Error]</td>
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<td>SCRATCH_CREATE_ERROR</td>
<td>Cannot create a scratch file - error from file system. If a scratch directory has been specified, ensure that it is writable. [Error]</td>
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<td>SCRATCH_DELETE_ERROR</td>
<td>Cannot delete a scratch file - error from file system. [Error]</td>
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<td>SCRATCH_READ_ERROR</td>
<td>Cannot read from a scratch file - error from file system. [Error]</td>
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<td>Cannot write to a scratch file - error from file system. [Error]</td>
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<td>SINGLE_FILE_FORMAT</td>
<td>The specified operation is not applicable to CDFs with the single-file format. For example, it does not make sense to close a variable in a single-file CDF. [Informational]</td>
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<td>SOME_ALREADY_ALLOCATED</td>
<td>Some of the records being allocated were already allocated. [Informational]</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOO_MANY_PARMS</td>
<td>A type of sparse arrays or compression was encountered having too many parameters. This could be caused by a corrupted CDF or if the CDF was created/modified by a CDF distribution more recent than the one being used. [Error]</td>
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<td>TOO_MANY_VARS</td>
<td>A multi-file CDF on a PC may contain only a limited number of variables because of the 8.3 file naming convention of MS-DOS. This consists of 100 rVariables and 100 zVariables. [Error]</td>
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<td>UNKNOWN_COMPRESSION</td>
<td>An unknown type of compression was specified or encountered. [Error]</td>
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<td>UNSUPPORTED_OPERATION</td>
<td>The attempted operation is not supported at this time. [Error]</td>
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<td>VAR_ALREADY_CLOSED</td>
<td>The specified variable is already closed. [Informational]</td>
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<td>VAR_CLOSE_ERROR</td>
<td>Error detected while trying to close variable file. Check that sufficient disk space exists for the variable file and that it has not been corrupted. [Error]</td>
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<td>An error occurred while creating a variable file in a multi-file CDF. Check that a file quota has not been reached. [Error]</td>
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<td>VAR_DELETE_ERROR</td>
<td>An error occurred while deleting a variable file in a multi-file CDF. Check that sufficient privilege exist to delete the CDF files. [Error]</td>
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<td>VAR_EXISTS</td>
<td>Named variable already exists - cannot create or rename. Each variable in a CDF must have a unique name (rVariables and zVariables can not share names). Note that trailing blanks are ignored by the CDF library when comparing variable names. [Error]</td>
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<td>Variable name truncated to CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN characters. The variable was created but with a truncated name. [Warning]</td>
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<td>VAR_OPEN_ERROR</td>
<td>An error occurred while opening variable file. Check that sufficient privilege exists to open the variable file. Also make sure that the associated variable file exists. [Error]</td>
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<td>VAR_READ_ERROR</td>
<td>Failed to read variable as requested - error from file system. Check that the associated file is not corrupted. [Error]</td>
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<td>VAR_WRITE_ERROR</td>
<td>Failed to write variable as requested - error from file system. Check that the associated file is not corrupted. [Error]</td>
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<td>VIRTUAL_RECORD_DATA</td>
<td>One or more of the records are virtual (never actually written to the CDF). Virtual records do not physically exist in the CDF file(s) but are part of the conceptual view of the data provided by the CDF library. Virtual records are described in the Concepts chapter in the CDF User's Guide. [Informational]</td>
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Appendix B

Fortran Programming Summary

B.1 Standard Interface

SUBROUTINE CDF_create (CDF_name, num_dims, dim_sizes, encoding, majority, id)
  CHARACTER    CDF_name*(*);          ! in
  INTEGER*4    num_dims;             ! in
  INTEGER*4    dim_sizes(*);         ! in
  INTEGER*4    encoding;             ! in
  INTEGER*4    majority;             ! in
  INTEGER*4    id;                   ! out
  INTEGER*4    status                ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_open (CDF_name, id)
  CHARACTER    CDF_name*(*);          ! in
  INTEGER*4    id;                    ! out
  INTEGER*4    status                 ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_doc (id, version, release, text)
  INTEGER*4    id;                    ! in
  INTEGER*4    version;               ! out
  INTEGER*4    release;               ! out
  CHARACTER    text*(CDF_DOCUMENT_LEN) ! out
  INTEGER*4    status                 ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_inquire (id, num_dims, dim_sizes, encoding, majority, max_rec, num_vars, num_attrs)
  INTEGER*4    id;                    ! in
  INTEGER*4    num_dims;              ! out
  INTEGER*4    dim_sizes(CDF_MAX_DIMS); ! out
  INTEGER*4    encoding;              ! out
  INTEGER*4    majority;              ! out
  INTEGER*4    max_rec;               ! out
  INTEGER*4    num_vars;              ! out
  INTEGER*4    numAttrs;              ! out
  INTEGER*4    status                 ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_close (id)
INTEGER*4 id;
INTEGER*4 status ! in

SUBROUTINE CDF_delete (id)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_error (status, message)
INTEGER*4 status; ! in
CHARACTER message*(CDF_STATUSTEXT_LEN); ! out
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_create (id, attr_name, attr_scope, attr_num)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
CHARACTER attr_name*(*); ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_scope; ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_num; ! out
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_num (id, attr_name)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
CHARACTER attr_name*(*); ! in
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_rename (id, attr_num, attr_name)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_num; ! in
CHARACTER attr_name*(*); ! in
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_inquire (id, attr_num, attr_name, attr_scope, max_entry)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_num; ! in
CHARACTER attr_name*(*); ! out
INTEGER*4 attr_scope; ! out
INTEGER*4 max_entry; ! out
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_entry_inquire (id, attr_num, entry_num, data_type, num_elements)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_num; ! in
INTEGER*4 entry_num; ! in
INTEGER*4 data_type; ! out
INTEGER*4 num_elements; ! out
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_put (id, attr_num, entry_num, data_type, num_elements, value)
INTEGER*4 id; ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_num; ! in
INTEGER*4 entry_num; ! in
INTEGER*4 data_type; ! in
INTEGER*4 num_elements; ! in
<type> value; ! in
INTEGER*4 status ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_attr_get (id, attr_num, entry_num, value)
INTEGER*4 id;          ! in
INTEGER*4 attr_num;     ! in
INTEGER*4 entry_num;    ! in
<typename> value;       ! out
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_create (id, var_name, data_type, num_elements, rec_variances, dim_variances, var_num)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
CHARACTER var_name(*);  ! in
INTEGER*4 data_type;    ! in
INTEGER*4 num_elements; ! in
INTEGER*4 rec_variance; ! in
INTEGER*4 dim_variances(*); ! in
INTEGER*4 var_num;      ! out
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

INTEGER*4 FUNCTION CDF_var_num (id, var_name)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
CHARACTER var_name(*);  ! in
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_rename (id, var_num, var_name)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
INTEGER*4 var_num;      ! in
CHARACTER var_name(*);  ! in
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_inquire (id, var_num, var_name, data_type, num_elements, rec_variance, dim_variances)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
INTEGER*4 var_num;      ! in
CHARACTER var_name(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN); ! in
INTEGER*4 data_type;    ! out
INTEGER*4 num_elements; ! out
INTEGER*4 rec_variance; ! out
INTEGER*4 dim_variances(CDF_MAX_DIMS); ! out
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_put (id, var_num, rec_num, indices, value)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
INTEGER*4 var_num;      ! in
INTEGER*4 rec_num;      ! in
INTEGER*4 indices(*);   ! in
<typename> value;       ! in
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_get (id, var_num, rec_num, indices, value)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
INTEGER*4 var_num;      ! in
INTEGER*4 rec_num;      ! in
INTEGER*4 indices(*);   ! in
<typename> value;       ! out
INTEGER*4 status        ! out

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_hyper_put (id, var_num, rec_start, rec_count, rec_interval, indices, counts, intervals, buffer)
INTEGER*4 id;           ! in
SUBROUTINE CDF_var_hyper_get (id, var_num, rec_start, rec_count, rec_interval, indices(*), counts(*), intervals(*), buffer)

SUBROUTINE CDF_var_close (id, var_num)

SUBROUTINE CDF_getrvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums(*), rec_num, buffer, status)

SUBROUTINE CDF_getzvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums(*), rec_num, buffer, status)

SUBROUTINE CDF_putrvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums(*), rec_num, buffer, status)
SUBROUTINE CDF_putzvarsrecorddata (id, num_var, var_nums, rec_num, buffer, status)

INTEGER*4 id ! in
INTEGER*4 num_var ! in
INTEGER*4 var_nums(*) ! in
INTEGER*4 rec_num ! in
<type> buffer ! in
INTEGER*4 status ! out
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INTEGER*4 FUNCTION CDF_lib (fnc, ..., status)
INTEGER*4 fnc

INTEGER*4 status

CLOSE_
CDF_
rVAR_
zVAR_

CONFIRM_
ATTR_ INTEGER*4 attr_num ! out
ATTR_EXISTENCE_ CHARACTER attr_name(*) ! in
CDF_ INTEGER*4 id ! out
CDF_ACCESS_ INTEGER*4 num_buffers ! out
CDF_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 decoding ! out
CDF_DECODING_ CHARACTER CDF_name*(CDF_PATHNAME_LEN) ! out
CDF_NAME_ CDF_READONLY_MODE_ INTEGER*4 mode ! out
CDF_NEGtoPOSfp0_MODE_ INTEGER*4 status ! out
CDF_READONLY_MODE_ INTEGER*4 decoding ! out
CDF_zMODE_ INTEGER*4 mode ! out
COMPRESS_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 num_buffers ! out
CURgENTRY_EXISTENCE_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! out
gENTRY_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! in
CURrENTRY_EXISTENCE_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! in
rENTRY_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! out
CURzENTRY_EXISTENCE_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! in
zENTRY_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! in
rVAR_ INTEGER*4 var_num ! out
rVAR_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 num_buffers ! out
rVAR_EXISTENCE_ CHARACTER var_name(*) ! in
rVAR_PADVALUE_ rVARs_DIMCOUNTS_ INTEGER*4 percent ! out
rVARs_DIMINDICES_ INTEGER*4 rec_num ! out
rVARs_DIMINTERVALS_ INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! out
rVARs_RECCOUNT_ INTEGER*4 counts(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! out
rVARs_RECNUMBER_ INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! out
STAGE_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 rec_count ! out
rVARs_RECINTERVAL_ INTEGER*4 interval ! out
rVARs_RECNUMBER_ INTEGER*4 interval ! out
STAGE_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 num_buffers ! out
zENTRY_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! out
zENTRY_EXISTENCE_ INTEGER*4 entry_num ! in
zVAR_ INTEGER*4 var_num ! out
zVAR_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 num_buffers ! out
zVAR_DIMCOUNTS_ INTEGER*4 indices(CDF_MAX_DIMS) ! out
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 CDF_COMPRESSION_ INTEGER*4 c_type! out
 CDF_COMPRESSION_ INTEGER*4 c_parms(CDF_MAX_PARMS)! out
 CDF_COMPRESSION_ INTEGER*4 c_pct! out

 CDF_COPYRIGHT_ CHARACTER copy_right*(CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN)! out

 CDF_ENCODING_ INTEGER*4 encoding! out
 CDF_FORMAT_ INTEGER*4 format! out
 CDF_INCREMENT_ INTEGER*4 increment! out
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 gENTRY_NUMELEMS_ INTEGER*4 num_elements! out

 LIB_COPYRIGHT_ CHARACTER copy_right*(CDF_COPYRIGHT_LEN)! out

 LIB_INCREMENT_ INTEGER*4 increment! out
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 rVAR_HYPERDATA_ <type> buffer! out
 rVAR_HYPERDATA_ <type> buffer! out
 rVAR_MAXALLOCREC_ INTEGER*4 max_rec! out
 rVAR_MAXALLOCREC_ INTEGER*4 max_rec! out
 rVAR_MAXREC_ INTEGER*4 max_rec! out
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 rVAR_NAME_ CHARACTER var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN)! out
 rVAR_NAME_ CHARACTER var_name*(CDF_VAR_NAME_LEN)! out

 rVAR_nINDEXENTRIES_ INTEGER*4 num_entries! out
INTEGER*4     a_arrays_pct
! out
INTEGER*4     s_records_type
! out
INTEGER*4     max_rec
! out
INTEGER*4     num_vars
! in
INTEGER*4     var_nums(*)
! in
Integer*4     buffer
! out

NULL_

OPEN_
  CDF_
    CHARACTER  CDF_name*(*)
    ! in
    INTEGER*4     id
    ! out
PUT_
  ATTR_NAME_
    CHARACTER  attr_name*(*)
    ! in
  ATTR_SCOPE_
    INTEGER*4     scope
    ! in
  CDF_COMPRESSION_
    INTEGER*4     cType
    ! in
    INTEGER*4     c_parms(*)
    ! in
  CDF_ENCODING_
    INTEGER*4     encoding
    ! in
  CDF_FORMAT_
    INTEGER*4     format
    ! in
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    INTEGER*4     data_type
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    ! in
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    INTEGER*4     num_records
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    <type>               value
    ! in
  rVAR_RECVARY_
    INTEGER*4     rec_vary
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  rVAR_SEQDATA_
    <type>               value
    ! in
  rVAR_SPARSEARRAYS_
    INTEGER*4     s_arrays_type
    ! in
    INTEGER*4     a_arrays_parms(*)
    ! in
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    INTEGER*4     s_records_type
    ! in
  rVARs_RECORDS_
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    ! in
    INTEGER*4     var_nums(*)
    ! in
    <type>               buffer
    ! in
  zENTRY_DATA_
    INTEGER*4     data_type
    ! in
    INTEGER*4     num_elements
    ! in
    <type>               value
    ! in
  zENTRY_DATASPEC_
    INTEGER*4     data_type
    ! in
SELECT
ATTR_  INTEGER*4  attr_num  ! in
ATTR_NAME_  CHARACTER  attr_name*(*)  ! in
CDF_  INTEGER*4  id  ! in
CDF_CACHESIZE_  INTEGER*4  num_buffers  ! in
CDF_DECODING_  INTEGER*4  decoding  ! in
CDF_NEGtoPOSfp0_MODE_  INTEGER*4  mode  ! in
CDF_READONLY_MODE_  INTEGER*4  mode  ! in
CDF_SCRATCHDIR_  CHARACTER  dir_name*(*)  ! in
CDF_STATUS_  INTEGER*4  status  ! in
CDF_zMODE_  INTEGER*4  mode  ! in
COMPRESS_CACHESIZE_  INTEGER*4  num_buffers  ! in
gENTRY_  INTEGER*4  entry_num  ! in
rENTRY_  INTEGER*4  entry_num  ! in
rENTRY_NAME_  CHARACTER  var_name*(*)  ! in
rVAR_  INTEGER*4  var_num  ! in
rVAR_CACHESIZE_  INTEGER*4  num_buffers  ! in
rVAR_NAME_  CHARACTER  var_name*(*)  ! in
rVAR_RESERVEPERCENT_  INTEGER*4  percent  ! in
rVAR_SEQPOS_  INTEGER*4  rec_num  ! in
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rVARs_DIMCOUNTS_  INTEGER*4  counts(*)  ! in
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STAGE_CACHESIZE_  INTEGER*4  num_buffers  ! in
zENTRY_  INTEGER*4  entry_num  ! in
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zVAR_RECINTERVAL_ INTEGER*4 rec_interval ! in
zVAR_RECNUMBER_ INTEGER*4 rec_num ! in
zVAR_RESERVEPERCENT_ INTEGER*4 percent ! in
zVAR_SEQPOS_ INTEGER*4 rec_num ! in
                     INTEGER*4 indices(*) ! in
zVARs_CACHESIZE_ INTEGER*4 num_buffers ! in
zVARs_RECNUMBER_ INTEGER*4 rec_num ! in
B.3 EPOCH Utility Routines

SUBROUTINE compute_EPOCH (year, month, day, hour, minute, second, msec)
  INTEGER*4 year; ! in
  INTEGER*4 month; ! in
  INTEGER*4 day; ! in
  INTEGER*4 hour; ! in
  INTEGER*4 minute; ! in
  INTEGER*4 second; ! in
  INTEGER*4 msec; ! in

SUBROUTINE EPOCH_breakdown (epoch, year, month, day, hour, minute, second, msec)
  double epoch; ! in
  INTEGER*4 year; ! out
  INTEGER*4 month; ! out
  INTEGER*4 day; ! out
  INTEGER*4 hour; ! out
  INTEGER*4 minute; ! out
  INTEGER*4 second; ! out
  INTEGER*4 msec; ! out

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH (epoch, epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH_STRING_LEN); ! out

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH1 (epoch, epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH1_STRING_LEN); ! out

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH2 (epoch, epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH2_STRING_LEN); ! out

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCH3 (epoch, epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH3_STRING_LEN); ! out

SUBROUTINE encode_EPOCHx (epoch, format, epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER format*(EPOCHx_FORMAT_MAX); ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCHx_STRING_MAX); ! out

SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH (epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH_STRING_LEN); ! out

SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH1 (epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH1_STRING_LEN); ! out

SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH2 (epString)
  REAL*8 epoch; ! in
  CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH2_STRING_LEN); ! out
SUBROUTINE parse_EPOCH3 (epString)
CHARACTER epString*(EPOCH3_STRING_LEN);
REAL*8 epoch;

! in
! out
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