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### 3D Visualization

#### 3D Transformations & Scene Setup

- **CONVERT_COORD** - Transforms coordinates to and from the coordinate systems supported by IDL.
- **COORD2T3D** - Returns 3D data coordinates given normalized screen coordinates.
- **CREATE_VIEW** - Sets up 3D transformations.
- **CV_COORD** - Converts 2D and 3D coordinates between coordinate systems.
- **SCALE3** - Sets up axis ranges and viewing angles for 3D plots.
- **SCALE3D** - Scales 3D unit cube into the viewing area.
- **SET_SHADING** - Sets the light source shading parameters.
- **SURFR** - Sets up 3D transformations by duplicating rotation, translation, and scaling of SURFACE.
- **T3D** - Performs various 3D transformations.
- **VERT_T3D** - Transforms a 3D array by a 4x4 transformation matrix.
- **VOXEL_PROJ** - Generates volume visualizations using voxel technique.

#### Polygonal Mesh Routines

- **COMPUTE_MESH_NORMALS** - Computes normal vectors for a set of polygons described by the input array.
- **MESH_CLIP** - Clips a polygonal mesh to an arbitrary plane in space and returns a polygonal mesh of the remaining portion.
- **MESH_DECIMATE** - Reduces the density of geometry while preserving as much of the original data as possible.
- **MESH_ISSOLID** - Computes various mesh properties and enables IDL to determine if a mesh encloses space (is a solid).
- **MESH_MERGE** - Merges two polygonal meshes.
- **MESH_NUMTRIANGLES** - Computes the number of triangles in a polygonal mesh.
- **MESH_OBJ** - Generates a polygon mesh for various simple objects.
- **MESH_SMOOTH** - Performs spatial smoothing on a polygon mesh.
- **MESH_SURFACEAREA** - Computes various mesh properties to determine the mesh surface area, including integration of other properties interpolated on the surface of the mesh.
- **MESH_VALIDATE** - Checks for NaN values in vertices, removes unused vertices, and combines close vertices.
- **MESH_VOLUME** - Computes the volume that the mesh encloses.
- **POLYSHADE** - Creates a shaded surface representation from a set of polygons.

#### Surfaces and Contours

- **CONTOUR** - Draws a contour plot.
- **IMAGE_CONT** - Overlays an image with a contour plot.
- **MIN_CURVE_SURF** - Interpolates points with a minimum curvature surface or a thin-plate-spline surface. Useful with CONTOUR.
- **POLAR_CONTOUR** - Draws a contour plot from data in polar coordinates.
- **SHADE_SURF** - Creates a shaded-surface representation of gridded data.
- **SHADE_SURF_IRR** - Creates a shaded-surface representation of an irregularly gridded dataset.
- **SHOW3** - Displays array as image, surface plot, and contour plot simultaneously.
- **SURFACE** - Plots an array as a wireframe mesh surface.
- **XSURFACE** - Provides GUI to SURFACE and SHADE_SURF.

#### Tetrahedral Mesh Routines

- **TETRA_CLIP** - Clips a tetrahedral mesh to an arbitrary plane in space and returns a tetrahedral mesh of the remaining portion.
- **TETRA_SURFACE** - Extracts a polygonal mesh as the exterior surface of a tetrahedral mesh.
- **TETRA_VOLUME** - Computes properties of tetrahedral mesh array.

#### Vector Field Visualization

- **FLOW3** - Draws lines representing a 3D flow/velocity field.
- **INTERPOL** - Performs linear interpolation on vectors.
- **PARTICLE_TRACE** - Traces the path of a massless particle through a vector field.
- **STREAMLINE** - Generates the visualization graphics from a path.
- **VECTOR_FIELD** - Places colored, oriented vectors of specified length at each vertex in an input vertex array.
- **VEL** - Draws a velocity (flow) field with streamlines.
- **VELOVECT** - Draws a 2D velocity field plot.

#### Volume Visualization

- **EXTRACT_SLICE** - Returns 2D planar slice extracted from volume.
- **IDLgrVolume** - Represents a mapping from a 3D array of data to a 3D array of voxel colors, which, when drawn, are projected to two dimensions.
- **INTERVAL_VOLUME** - Generates a tetrahedral mesh from volumetric data.
- **ISOSURFACE** - Returns topologically consistent triangles by using oriented tetrahedral decomposition.
- **PROJECT_VOL** - Returns a translucent rendering of a volume projected onto a plane.
- **QGRID3** - Interpolates the dependent variable values to points in a regularly sampled volume.
- **QHULL** - Constructs convex hulls, Delaunay triangulations, and Voronoi diagrams.
- **RECON3** - Reconstructs a 3D representation of an object from 2D images.
- **SEARCH3D** - Finds “objects” or regions of similar data values within a volume.
- **SHADE_VOLUME** - Contours a volume to create a list of vertices and polygons that can be displayed using POLYSHADE.
- **SLICER3** - Interactive volume visualization tool.
- **VOXEL_PROJ** - Generates volume visualizations using voxel technique.
- **XOBJVIEW** - Displays object viewer widget.
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**Animation**

- **XOBJVIEW_ROTATE** - Programmatically rotate the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW.
- **XOBJVIEW_WRITE_IMAGE** - Write the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW to an image file.
- **XVOLUME** - Utility for viewing and interactively manipulating volumes and isosurfaces.

**Array Creation**

- **BINDGEN** - Returns byte array with each element set to its subscript.
- **BYTARR** - Creates a byte vector or array.
- **CINDGEN** - Returns a complex array with each element set to its subscript.
- **COMPLEXARR** - Creates a complex, single-precision, floating-point vector or array.
- **DBLARR** - Creates a double-precision array.
- **DCINDGEN** - Returns a double-precision, complex array with each element set to its subscript.
- **DCOMPLEXARR** - Creates a complex, double-precision vector or array.
- **DINDGEN** - Returns a double-precision array with each element set to its subscript.
- **FINDGEN** - Returns a floating-point array with each element set to its subscript.
- **FLTARR** - Returns a single-precision, floating-point vector or array.
- **INDGEN** - Returns an integer array with each element set to its subscript.
- **INTARR** - Creates an integer vector or array.
- **L64INDGEN** - Returns a 64-bit integer array with each element set to its subscript.
- **LINDGEN** - Returns a longword integer array with each element set to its subscript.
- **LON64ARR** - Returns a 64-bit integer vector or array.
- **ULON64ARR** - Returns an unsigned 64-bit integer vector or array.
- **ULONARR** - Returns an unsigned longword integer vector or array.

**Array Manipulation**

- **ARRAY_EQUAL** - Provides fast test for data equality in cases where the positions of the differing data elements is not required.
- **BLAS_AXPY** - Updates existing array by adding a multiple of another array.
- **INVERT** - Computes the inverse of a square array.
- **MAX** - Returns the value of the largest element of Array.
- **MEDIAN** - Returns the median value of Array or applies a median filter.
- **MIN** - Returns the value of the smallest element of an array.
- **REFORM** - Changes array dimensions without changing the total number of elements.
- **REPLICATE_INPLACE** - Updates an array by replacing all or selected parts of it with a specified value.
- **REVERSE** - Reverses the order of one dimension of an array.
- **ROT** - Rotates an image by any amount.
- **ROTATE** - Rotates/transposes an array in multiples of 90 degrees.
- **SHIFT** - Shifts elements of vectors or arrays by a specified number of elements.
- **SIZE** - Returns array size and type information.
- **SORT** - Returns indices of an array sorted in ascending order.
- **TOTAL** - Sums of the elements of an array.
- **TRANSPOSE** - Transposes an array.
- **UNIQ** - Returns subscripts of the unique elements in an array.
- **WHERE** - Returns subscripts of nonzero array elements.
- **XVAREDIT** - Provides widget-based editor for IDL variables.

**Color Table Manipulation**

- **COLOR_CONVERT** - Converts color triples to and from RGB, HLS, and HSV.
- **COLOR_QUAN** - Converts true-color (24-bit) image to pseudo-color (8-bit) image.
**Functional List of IDL Routines**

- **COLORMAP_APPLICABLE** - Determines whether the current visual class supports the use of a colormap.
- **CT_LUMINANCE** - Calculates the luminance of colors.
- **CW_PALETTE_EDITOR** - Creates compound widget to display and edit color palettes.
- **CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_GET** - Gets CW_PALETTE_EDITOR properties.
- **CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_SET** - Sets CW_PALETTE_EDITOR properties.
- **GAMMA_CT** - Applies gamma correction to a color table.
- **H_EQ_CT** - Histogram-equalizes the color tables for an image or a region of the display.
- **H_EQ_INT** - Interactively histogram-equalizes the color tables of an image or a region of the display.
- **HLS** - Creates color table in Hue, Lightness, Saturation color system.
- **HSV** - Creates color table based on Hue and Saturation Value color system.
- **LOADCT** - Loads one of the predefined IDL color tables.
- **MODIFYCT** - Saves modified color tables in the IDL color table file.
- **MULTI** - Replicates current color table to enhance contrast.
- **PSEUDO** - Creates pseudo-color table based on Lightness, Hue, and Brightness system.
- **REDUCE_COLORS** - Reduces the number of colors used in an image by eliminating unused pixel values.
- **STRETCH** - Stretches color table for contrast enhancement.
- **TEK_COLOR** - Loads color table based on Tektronix printer.
- **TVLCT** - Loads display color tables.
- **XLOADCT** - Provides GUI to interactively select and load color tables.
- **XPALLETTE** - Displays widget used to create and modify color tables.

**Date and Time**

- **BIN_DATE** - Converts ASCII date/time string to binary string.
- **CALDAT** - Converts Julian date to month, day, year.
- **CALENDAR** - Displays a calendar for a given month or year.
- **JULDAY** - Returns Julian Day Number for given month, day, and year.
- **SYSTIME** - Returns the current time as either a date/time string, as the number of seconds elapsed since 1 January 1970, or as a Julian date/time value.
- **TIMEGEN** - Returns an array of double-precision floating-point values that represent date/time in terms of Julian values.

**Debugging**

- **.CONTINUE** - Continues execution of a stopped program.
- **.SKIP** - Skips over the next n statements and then single steps.
- **.STEP** - Executes one or n statements from the current position.
- **.STEP OVER** - Executes a single statement if the statement doesn’t call a routine.
- **.TRACE** - Similar to .CONTINUE, but displays each line of code before execution.
- **BREAKPOINT** - Sets and clears breakpoints for debugging.
- **SHMDEBUG** - Print debugging information when a variable loses reference to an underlying shared memory segment.
- **STOP** - Stops the execution of a running program or batch file.

**Dialog Routines**

- **DIALOG_MESSAGE** - Creates modal message dialog.
- **DIALOG_PICKFILE** - Creates native file-selection dialog.
- **DIALOG_PRINTERSETUP** - Opens native dialog used to set properties for a printer.
- **DIALOG_PRINTJOB** - Opens native dialog used to set parameters for a print job.
- **DIALOG_READ_IMAGE** - Presents GUI for reading image files.
- **DIALOG_WRITE_IMAGE** - Presents GUI for writing image files.

**Direct Graphics, General**

- **ANNOTATE** - Starts IDL widget used to interactively annotate images and plots with text and drawings.
- **ARROW** - Draws line with an arrow head.
- **BOX_CURSOR** - Emulates operation of a variable-sized box cursor.
- **CONVERT_COORD** - Transforms coordinates to and from the coordinate systems supported by IDL.
- **CURSOR** - Reads position of the interactive graphics cursor.
- **CVTTOBM** - Creates a bitmap byte array for a button label.
- **DEVICE** - Sets to plot in device coordinates.
- **EMPTY** - Empties the graphics output buffer.
- **ERASE** - Erases the screen of the current graphics device, or starts a new page if the device is a printer.
- **FORMAT_AXIS_VALUES** - Formats numbers as strings for use as axis values.
- **PLOTS** - Plots vectors and points.
- **POLYFILL** - Fills the interior of a polygon.
- **PROFILE** - Extracts a profile from an image.
- **PROFILES** - Interactively examines image profiles.
- **SET_PLOT** - Sets the output device used by the IDL direct graphics procedures.
- **THREED** - Plots a 2D array as a pseudo 3D plot.
- **TV** - Displays an image.
- **TVCRS** - Manipulates the image display cursor.
- **TVSCL** - Scales and displays an image.
- **XYOUTS** - Draws text on currently-selected graphics device.
- **ZOOM** - Zooms portions of the display.
- **ZOOM_24** - Zooms portions of true-color (24-bit) display.
**Error Handling**

- **CATCH** - Intercepts and processes error messages, and continues program execution.
- **MESSAGE** - Issues error and informational messages.
- **ON_ERROR** - Designates the error recovery method.
- **ON_IOPERROR** - Declares I/O error exception handler.
- **STRMESSAGE** - Returns the text of a given error number.

**Executive Commands**

- **.COMPILE** - Compiles programs without running.
- **.CONTINUE** - Continues execution of a stopped program.
- **.EDIT** - Opens files in editor windows of the IDLDE (Windows and Motif only).
- **.FULL_RESET_SESSION** - Does everything .RESET_SESSION does, plus additional reset tasks such as unloading sharable libraries.
- **.GO** - Executes previously-compiled main program.
- **.OUT** - Continues execution until the current routine returns.
- **.RESET_SESSION** - Resets much of the state of an IDL session without requiring the user to exit and restart the IDL session.
- **.RETURN** - Continues execution until RETURN statement.
- **.RNEW** - Erases main program variables and then does .RUN.
- **.RUN** - Compiles and executes IDL commands from files or keyboard.
- **.SKIP** - Skips over the next n statements and then single steps.
- **.STEP** - Executes one or n statements from the current position.
- **.STEPOVER** - Executes a single statement if the statement doesn’t call a routine.
- **.TRACE** - Similar to .CONTINUE, but displays each line of code before execution.

**External Linking**

- **CALL_EXTERNAL** - Calls a function in an external sharable object and returns a scalar value.
- **DLM_LOAD** - Explicitly causes a DLM to be loaded.
- **LINKIMAGE** - Merges routines written in other languages with IDL at run-time.
- **MAKE_DLL** - Compiles and links sharable libraries (DLLs).

**Font Manipulation**

- **EFONT** - Interactive vector font editor and display tool.
- **PS_SHOW_FONTS** - Displays all the PostScript fonts that IDL knows about.
- **PSAFM** - Converts Adobe Font Metrics file to IDL format.
- **SHOWFONT** - Displays a TrueType or vector font
- **XFONT** - Creates modal widget to select and view an X Windows font.

**Help Routines**

- **? - Invokes the IDL Online Help facility when entered at the IDL command line.**
- **DOC_LIBRARY** - Extracts documentation headers from IDL programs.
- **HELP** - Provides information about the current IDL session.
- **MEMORY** - Returns information about dynamic memory currently in use by the IDL session.
- **MK_HTML_HELP** - Converts text documentation headers to HTML files.
- **ONLINE_HELP** - Invokes online help viewer from programs.
- **STRUCT_HIDE** - Prevents the IDL HELP procedure from displaying information about structures or objects.

**Image Processing**

**Contrast Enhancement and Filtering**

- **ADAPT_HIST_EQUAL** - Performs adaptive histogram equalization
- **BYTSCL** - Scales all values of an array into range of bytes.
- **CONVOL** - Convolves two vectors or arrays.
- **DIGITAL_FILTER** - Calculates coefficients of a non-recursive, digital filter.
- **FFT** - Returns the Fast Fourier Transform of an array.
- **HILBERT** - Constructs a Hilbert transform.
- **HIST_EQUAL** - Histogram-equalizes an image.
- **LEEFILT** - Performs the Lee filter algorithm on an image array.
- **MEDIAN** - Returns the median value of Array or applies a median filter.
- **ROBERTS** - Returns an approximation of Roberts edge enhancement.
- **SMOOTH** - Smooths with a boxcar average.
- **SOBEL** - Returns an approximation of Sobel edge enhancement.

**Feature Extraction/Image Segmentation**

- **CONTOUR** - Draws a contour plot.
- **DEFORI** - Defines an irregular region of interest of an image.
- **HISTOGRAM** - Computes the density function of an array.
- **HOUGH** - Returns the Hough transform of a two-dimensional image.
- **IMAGE_STATISTICS** - Computes sample statistics for a given array of values.
- **ISOCONTOUR** - Interprets the contouring algorithm found in the IDLgrContour object.
- **ISOSURFACE** - Returns topologically consistent triangles by using oriented tetrahedral decomposition.
- **LABEL_REGION** - Labels regions (blobs) of a bi-level image.
- **MAX** - Returns the value of the largest element of Array.
- **MEDIAN** - Returns the median value of Array or applies a median filter.
**MIN** - Returns the value of the smallest element of an array.

**PROFILES** - Interactively examines image profiles.

**RADON** - Returns the Radon transform of a two-dimensional image.

**REGION_GROW** - Perform region growing.

**SEARCH2D** - Finds "objects" or regions of similar data within a 2D array.

**THIN** - Returns the "skeleton" of a bi-level image.

**UNIQ** - Returns subscripts of the unique elements in an array.

**WATERSHED** - Applies the morphological watershed operator to a grayscale image.

**WHERE** - Returns subscripts of nonzero array elements.

**Image Display**

**DISSOLVE** - Provides a digital "dissolve" effect for images.

**LIVE_IMAGE** - Displays visualizations using a GUI.

**RPPIX** - Interactively displays image pixel values.

**SLIDE_IMAGE** - Creates a scrolling graphics window for examining large images.

**TV** - Displays an image.

**TVCRS** - Manipulates the image display cursor.

**TVLCT** - Loads display color tables.

**TVSLC** - Scales and displays an image.

**XOBJVIEW** - Displays object viewer widget.

**XOBJVIEW_ROTATE** - Programmatically rotate the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW.

**XOBJVIEW_WRITE_IMAGE** - Write the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW to an image file.

**ZOOM** - Zooms portions of the display.

**ZOOM_24** - Zooms portions of true-color (24-bit) display.

**Image Geometry Transformations**

**CONGRID** - Resamples an image to any dimensions.

**EXPAND** - Shrinks/expands image using bilinear interpolation.

**EXTRAC** - Returns sub-matrix of input array. Array operators (e.g., * and :) should usually be used instead.

**INTERPOLATE** - Returns an array of interpolates.

**INVERT** - Computes the inverse of a square array.

**POLY_2D** - Performs polynomial warping of images.

**POLYWARP** - Performs polynomial spatial warping.

**REBIN** - Resizes a vector or array by integer multiples.

**REFORM** - Changes array dimensions without changing the total number of elements.

**REVERSE** - Reverses the order of one dimension of an array.

**ROT** - Rotates an image by any amount.

**ROTATE** - Rotates/transpose an array in multiples of 90 degrees.

**SHIFT** - Shifts elements of vectors or arrays by a specified number of elements.

**TRANSPOSE** - Transposes an array.

**WARP_TRI** - Warps an image using control points.

**Morphological Image Operators**

**DILATE** - Implements morphologic dilation operator on binary and grayscale images.

**ERODE** - Implements the erosion operator on binary and grayscale images and vectors.

**LABEL_REGION** - Labels regions (blobs) of a bi-level image.

**MORPH_CLOSE** - Applies closing operator to binary or grayscale image.

**MORPH_DISTANCE** - Estimates N-dimensional distance maps, which contain for each foreground pixel the distance to the nearest background pixel, using a given norm.

**MORPH_GRADIENT** - Applies the morphological gradient operator to a grayscale image.

**MORPH_HITORMISS** - Applies the hit-or-miss operator to a binary image.

**MORPH_OPEN** - Applies the opening operator to a binary or grayscale image.

**MORPH_THIN** - Performs a thinning operation on binary images.

**MORPH_TOPHAT** - Applies top-hat operator to a grayscale image.

**WATERSHED** - Applies the morphological watershed operator to a grayscale image.

**Regions of Interest**

**CW_DEFROI** - Creates compound widget used to define region of interest.

**DEFROI** - Defines an irregular region of interest of an image.

**DRAW_ROI** - Draws region or group of regions to current Direct Graphics device.

**IDLanROI** - Represents a region of interest.

**IDLanROIGroup** - Analytical representation of a group of regions of interest.

**IDLgrROI** - Object graphics representation of a region of interest.

**IDLgrROIGroup** - Object Graphics representation of a group of regions of interest.

**LABEL_REGION** - Labels regions (blobs) of a bi-level image.

**XROI** - Utility for defining regions of interest, and obtaining geometry and statistical data about these ROIs.

**Input/Output**

**ASCII_TEMPLATE** - Present a GUI that generates a template defining an ASCII file format.

**ASSOC** - Associates an array structure with a file.

**BINARY_TEMPLATE** - Present a GUI for interactively generating a template structure for use with READ_BINARY.

**CDF Routines** - Common Data Format Routines.

**CLOSE** - Closes the specified files.

**COPY_LUN** - Copies data between two open files.

**DIALOG_READ_IMAGE** - Presents GUI for reading image files.
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**DIALOG_WRITE_IMAGE** - Presents GUI for writing image files.

**EOF** - Tests the specified file for the end-of-file condition.

**EOS Routines** - Earth Observing System (HDF-EOS) Routines.

**FILE_COPY** - Copies files or directories to a new location.

**FILE_INFO** - Returns status information about a file.

**FILE_LINES** - Returns the number of lines of text in a file.

**FILE_LINK** - Creates Unix file links.

**FILE_MOVE** - Renames files and directories.

**FILE_READLINK** - Returns the path pointed to by a Unix symbolic link.

**FILE_SEARCH** - Determines if two different file names refer to the same underlying file.

**FILE_TEST** - Tests a file or directory for existence and other specific attributes.

**FILEPATH** - Returns full path to a file in the IDL distribution.

**FINDFILE** - Finds all files matching the input path specification.

**FSTAT** - Returns information about a specified file unit.

**GET_KBRD** - Gets one input IDL character.

**GET_LUN** - Reserves a logical unit number (file unit).

**H5_BROWSER** - Opens a GUI to view contents of HDF5 files.

**HDF Routines** - Hierarchical Data Format Routines.

**HDF_yaw5** - Hierarchical Data Format 5 Routines.

**HDF_BROWSER** - Opens a GUI to view contents of HDF, HDF-EOS, or NetCDF file.

**HDF_READ** - Extracts HDF, HDF-EOS, and NetCDF data and meta-data into an output structure.

**IDLIDICOM** - Contains the data for one or more images embedded in a DICOM part 10 file.

**IDLIDXF** - Object that contains geometry, connectivity, and attributes for graphics primitives.

**IDLShape** - Contains geometry, connectivity and attributes for graphics primitives accessed from ESRI Shapefiles.

**IOCTL** - Performs special functions on UNIX files.

**MPEG_CLOSE** - Closes an MPEG sequence.

**MPEG_OPEN** - Opens an MPEG sequence.

**MPEG_PUT** - Inserts an image array into an MPEG sequence.

**MPEG_SAVE** - Saves an MPEG sequence to a file.

**NCDF Routines** - Network Common Data Format Routines.

**OPEN** - Opens files for reading, updating, or writing.

**PATH_SEP** - Returns the proper file path segment separator character for the current operating system.

**POINT_LUN** - Sets or gets current position of the file pointer.

**PRINT/PRINTF** - Writes formatted output to screen or file.

**READ/READF** - Reads formatted input from keyboard or file.

**READ_ASCII** - Reads data from an ASCII file.

**READ_BINARY** - Reads the contents of a binary file using a passed template or basic command line keywords.

**READ_BMP** - Reads Microsoft Windows bitmap file (.BMP).

**READ_DICOM** - Reads an image from a DICOM file.

**READ_IMAGE** - Reads the image contents of a file and returns the image in an IDL variable.

**READ_INTERFILE** - Reads Interfile (v3.3) file.

**READ_JPEG** - Reads JPEG file.

**READ_MRSID** - Reads MsSID file.

**READ_PICT** - Reads Macintosh PICT (version 2) bitmap file.


**READ_PPM** - Reads PGM (gray scale) or PPM (portable pixmap for color) file.

**READ_SRF** - Reads Sun Raster Format file.

**READ_SYLK** - Reads Symbolic Link format spreadsheet file.

**READ_TIFF** - Reads TIFF format file.

**READ_WAV** - Reads the audio stream from the named .WAV file.

**READ_WAVE** - Reads Wavefront Advanced Visualizer file.


**READ_XWD** - Reads X Windows Dump file.

**READS** - Reads formatted input from a string variable.

**READU** - Reads unformatted binary data from a file.

**SHMMAP** - Maps anonymous shared memory, or local disk files, into the memory address space of the currently executing IDL process.

**SHMUNMAP** - Removes a memory segment previously created by SHMMAP from the system.

**SHMVAR** - Creates an IDL array variable that uses the memory from a current mapped memory segment created by the SHMMAP procedure.

**SKIP_LUN** - Reads data in an open file and moves the file pointer.

**SOCKET** - Opens a client-side TCP/IP Internet socket as an IDL file unit.

**TRUNCATE_LUN** - Truncates an open file at the location of the current file pointer.

**TVRD** - Reads an image from a window into a variable.

**WRITE_BINARY** - Writes a binary file to a file.

**WRITE_BMP** - Writes Microsoft Windows Version 3 device independent bitmap file (.BMP).

**WRITE_IMAGE** - Writes an image and its color table vectors, if any, to a file of a specified type.

**WRITE_JPEG** - Writes JPEG file.

**WRITE_NRF** - Writes NCAR Raster Interchange Format rasterfile.

**WRITE_PICT** - Writes Macintosh PICT (version 2) bitmap file.


**WRITE_PPM** - Writes PPM (true-color) or PGM (gray scale) file.

**WRITE_SRF** - Writes Sun Raster File (SRF).

**WRITE_SYLK** - Writes SYLK (Symbolic Link) spreadsheet file.

**WRITE_TIFF** - Writes TIFF format file.

**WRITE_WAV** - Writes the audio stream to the named .WAV file.

**WRITE_WAVE** - Writes Wavefront Advanced Visualizer (.WAV) file.
**WRITEU** - Writes unformatted binary data to a file.

**XOBJVIEW_WRITE_IMAGE** - Writes the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW to an image file.

### Language Catalogs

**IDLffLanguageCat** - Provides an interface to IDL language catalog files.

**LOCALE_GET** - Returns the current locale of the operating platform.

**MSG_CAT_CLOSE** - Closes a catalog file from the stored cache.

**MSG_CAT_COMPILE** - Creates an IDL language catalog file.

**MSG_CAT_OPEN** - Returns a catalog object for the given parameters if found.

### Live Routines

**LIVE_CONTOUR** - Displays contour plots using a GUI.

**LIVE_CONTROL** - Sets the properties of a visualization in a LIVE tool from the IDL command line.

**LIVE_DESTROY** - Destroys a window visualization or an element in a visualization.

**LIVE_EXPORT** - Exports visualization or window to a file.

**LIVE_IMAGE** - Displays visualizations using a GUI.

**LIVE_INFO** - Gets the properties of a LIVE tool.

**LIVE_LINE** - Provides an interface for line annotation.

**LIVE_LOAD** - Loads into memory the complete set of routines necessary to run all LIVE tools.

**LIVE_OPLOT** - Inserts data into pre-existing plots.

**LIVE_PLOT** - Displays a plot using a GUI.

**LIVE_PRINT** - Prints a given window to the printer.

**LIVE_RECT** - Provides an interface for insertion of rectangles.

**LIVE_STYLE** - Controls style settings for a LIVE tool.

**LIVE_SURFACE** - Displays a surface using a GUI.

**LIVE_TEXT** - Provides an interface for text annotation.

### Mapping

**LL_ARC_DISTANCE** - Returns the longitude and latitude of a point given arc distance and azimuth.

**MAP_2POINTS** - Returns distance, azimuth, and path relating to the great circle or rhumb line connecting two points on a sphere.

**MAP_CONTINENTS** - Draws continental boundaries, filled continents, political boundaries, coastlines, and/or rivers, over an existing map projection established by MAP_SET.

**MAP_GRID** - Draws parallels and meridians over a map projection.

**MAP_IMAGE** - Returns an image warped to fit the current map projection. (Use when map data is larger than the display).

**MAP_PATCH** - Returns an image warped to fit the current map projection. (Use when map data is smaller than the display).

**MAP_PROJ_FORWARD** - Transforms map coordinates from longitude/latitude to Cartesian (X, Y) coordinates

**MAP_PROJ_INFO** - Returns information about current map and/or the available projections.

**MAP_PROJ_INIT** - Initializes a mapping projection, using either IDL’s own map projections or the General Cartographic Transformation Package (GCTP) map projections.

**MAP_PROJ_INVERSE** - Transforms map coordinates from Cartesian (X, Y) coordinates to longitude/latitude.

**MAP_SET** - Establishes map projection type and limits.

### Complex Numbers

**COMPLEX** - Converts argument to complex type.

**CONJ** - Returns the complex conjugate of X.

**DCOMPLEX** - Converts argument to double-precision complex type.

**IMAGINARY** - Returns the imaginary part of a complex value.

**REAL_PART** - Returns the real part of a complex-valued argument.

### Mathematics

**A_CORRELATE** - Computes autocorrelation.

**C_CORRELATE** - Computes cross correlation.

**CORRELATE** - Computes the linear Pearson correlation.

**M_CORRELATE** - Computes multiple correlation coefficient.

**P_CORRELATE** - Computes partial correlation coefficient.

**R_CORRELATE** - Computes rank correlation.

### Correlation Analysis

**COMFIT** - Fits paired data using one of six common filtering functions.

**CRVLENGTH** - Computes the length of a curve.

**CURVEFIT** - Fits multivariate data with a user-supplied function.

**GAUSS2DFIT** - Fits a 2D elliptical Gaussian equation to rectilinearly gridded data.

**GAUSSFIT** - Fits the sum of a Gaussian and a quadratic.

**GRID_TPS** - Uses thin plate splines to interpolate a set of values over a regular 2D grid, from irregularly sampled data values.

**KRG2D** - Interpolates set of points using kriging.

**LADFIT** - Fits paired data using least absolute deviation method.

**LINFIT** - Fits by minimizing the Chi-square error statistic.

**LMFIT** - Does a non-linear least squares fit.

**MIN_CURVE_SURF** - Interpolates points with a minimum curvature surface or a thin-plate-spline surface. Useful with CONTOUR.

**POLY_FIT** - Performs a least-square polynomial fit.

**REGRESS** - Computes fit using multiple linear regression.

**SFIT** - Performs polynomial fit to a surface.

**SVDFIT** - Multivariate least squares fit using SVD method.
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**Differentiation and Integration**

**TRIGRID** - Interpolates irregularly-gridded data to a regular grid from a triangulation.

**CRVLENGTH** - Computes the length of a curve.

**DERIV** - Performs differentiation using 3-point Langrangian interpolation.

**DERIVSIG** - Computes standard deviation of derivative found by DERIV.

**INT_2D** - Computes the double integral of a bivariate function.

**INT_3D** - Computes the triple integral of a trivariate function.

**INT_TABULATED** - Integrates a tabulated set of data.

**LSODE** - Advances a solution to a system of ordinary differential equations one time-step.

**QROMB** - Evaluates integral over a closed interval.

**QROMO** - Evaluates integral over an open interval.

**QSIMP** - Evaluates integral using Simpson’s rule.

**RK4** - Solves differential equations using fourth-order Runge-Kutta method.

**Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors**

**EIGENQL** - Computes eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a real, symmetric array.

**EIGENVEC** - Computes eigenvectors of a real, non-symmetric array.

**ELMHES** - Reduces nonsymmetric array to upper Hessenberg form.

**HQR** - Returns all eigenvalues of an upper Hessenberg array.

**TRIQL** - Determines eigenvalues and eigenvectors of tridiagonal array.

**TRIRED** - Reduces a real, symmetric array to tridiagonal form.

**Gridding and Interpolation**

**BILINEAR** - Computes array using bilinear interpolation.

**GRID_INPUT** - Preprocesses and sorts two-dimensional scattered data points, and removes duplicate values.

**GRID_TPS** - Uses thin plate splines to interpolate a set of values over a regular 2D grid, from irregularly sampled data values.

**GRID3** - Creates a regularly-gridded 3D dataset from a set of scattered 3D nodes.

**GRIDDATA** - Interpolates scattered data values and locations sampled on a plane or a sphere to a regular grid.

**INTERPOL** - Performs linear interpolation on vectors.

**INTERPOLATE** - Returns an array of interpolates.

**KRG2D** - Interpolates set of points using kriging.

**MIN_CURVE_SURF** - Interpolates points with a minimum curvature surface or a thin-plate-spline surface. Useful with CONTOUR.

**POLAR_SURFACE** - Interpolates a surface from polar coordinates to rectangular coordinates.

**SPL_CAT** - Performs spherical gridding.

**SPL_INIT** - Establishes the type of interpolating spline.

**SPL_INTERP** - Performs cubic spline interpolation (Numerical Recipes).

**SPLINE** - Performs cubic spline interpolation.

**SPLINE_P** - Performs parametric cubic spline interpolation.

**TRI_SURF** - Interpolates gridded set of points with a smooth quintic surface.

**TRIANGULATE** - Constructs Delaunay triangulation of a planar set of points.

**TRIGRID** - Interpolates irregularly-gridded data to a regular grid from a triangulation.

**VALUE_LOCATE** - Finds the intervals within a given monotonic vector that brackets a given set of one or more search values.

**VORONOI** - Computes Voronoi polygon given Delaunay triangulation.

**Hypothesis Testing**

**CTI_TEST** - Performs chi-square goodness-of-fit test.

**FV_TEST** - Performs the F-variance test.

**KW_TEST** - Performs Kruskal-Wallis H-test.

**LNP_TEST** - Computes the Lomb Normalized Periodogram.

**MD_TEST** - Performs the Median Delta test.

**R_TEST** - Runs test for randomness.

**RS_TEST** - Performs the Wilcoxon Rank-Sum test.

**S_TEST** - Performs the Sign test.

**TM_TEST** - Performs t-means test.

**XSQ_TEST** - Computes Chi-square goodness-of-fit test.

**LAPACK Routines**

**LA_CHOLDC** - Computes the Cholesky factorization of an n-by-n symmetric positive-definite array.

**LA_CHOLMPROVE** - Uses Cholesky factorization to improve the solution to a system of linear equations.

**LA_CHOLSOL** - Used in conjunction with LA_CHOLDC to solve a set of linear equations.

**LA_DETERM** - Uses LU decomposition to compute the determinant of a square array.

**LA_EIGENPROBLEM** - Uses the QR algorithm to compute eigenvalues and eigenvectors of an array.

**LA_EIGENQL** - Computes selected eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

**LA_EIGENVEC** - Uses the QR algorithm to compute all of some eigenvectors of an array.

**LA_ELMHES** - Reduces a real nonsymmetric or complex array to upper Hessenberg form.

**LA_GM_LINEAR_MODEL** - Used to solve a general Gauss-Markov linear model problem.

**LA_HQR** - Uses the multishift QR algorithm to compute all eigenvalues of an array.

**LA_INVERT** - Uses LU decomposition to compute the inverse of a square array.

**LA_LEAST_SQUARE_EQUALITY** - Used to solve linear least-squares problems.

**LA_LEAST_SQUARES** - Used to solve linear least-squares problems.

**LA_LINEAR_EQUATION** - Uses LU decomposition to solve a system of linear equations.

**LA_LINEAR_EQUATION** - Uses Cholesky factorization to improve the solution to a system of linear equations.

**LA_OVPROVE** - Uses the QR algorithm to compute all of some eigenvectors of an array.
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### Linear Systems

- **CHOLDC** - Constructs Cholesky decomposition of a matrix.
- **CHOLSOL** - Solves set of linear equations (use with CHOLDC).
- **COND** - Computes the condition number of a square matrix.
- **CRAMER** - Solves system of linear equations using Cramer’s rule.
- **CROSSP** - Computes vector cross product.
- **DETERM** - Computes determinant of a square matrix.
- **GS_ITER** - Solves linear system using Gauss-Seidel iteration.
- **IDENTITY** - Returns an identity array.
- **INVERT** - Computes the inverse of a square array.
- **LINBCG** - Solves a set of sparse linear equations using the iterative biconjugate gradient method.
- **LUCOMPLEX** - Solves complex linear system using LU decomposition.
- **LUMPROVE** - Uses LU decomposition to iteratively improve an approximate solution.
- **LU_COMPLEX** - Solves complex linear system using LU decomposition.
- **LUDC** - Replaces array with the LU decomposition.
- **LUSOL** - Solves a set of linear equations. Use with LUDC.
- **NORM** - Computes Euclidean norm of vector or Infinity norm of array.
- **SVDC** - Computes Singular Value Decomposition of an array.
- **SVSOL** - Solves set of linear equations using back-substitution.
- **TRACE** - Computes the trace of an array.
- **TRISOL** - Solves tridiagonal systems of linear equations.

### Miscellaneous Math Routines

- **ABS** - Returns the absolute value of X.
- **CEIL** - Returns the closest integer greater than or equal to X.
- **CIR_3PNT** - Returns radius and center of circle, given 3 points.
- **COMPLEXROUND** - Rounds a complex array.
- **DIAG_MATRIX** - Computes the singular value decomposition of an array.
- **LA_LUDC** - Computes the LU decomposition of an array.
- **LA_LUMPROVE** - Uses LU decomposition to improve the solution to a system of linear equations.
- **LA_LUSOL** - Used in conjunction with LA_LUDC to solve a set of linear equations.
- **LA_LUSOL** - Used in conjunction with LA_LUDC to solve a set of linear equations.
- **LA_LUSOL** - Used in conjunction with LA_LUDC to solve a set of linear equations.
- **LA_SVD** - Computes the singular value decomposition of an array.
- **LA_TRIDC** - Computes the LU decomposition of a tridiagonal array.
- **LA_TRIMPROVE** - Improves the solution to a system of linear equations.
- **LA_TRIQL** - Uses the QL and QR variants of the implicitly-shifted QR algorithm to compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of an array.
- **LA_TRIRED** - Reduces a real symmetric or complex Hermitian array to real tridiagonal form.
- **LA_TRISOL** - Used in conjunction with LA_TRIDC to solve a set of linear equations.

### Mathematical Error Assessment

- **CHECK_MATH** - Returns and clears accumulated math error status.
- **FINITE** - Returns True if its argument is finite.
- **MACHAR** - Determines and returns machine-specific parameters affecting floating-point arithmetic.

### Multivariate Analysis

- **CLUST_WTS** - Computes cluster weights of array for cluster analysis.
- **CLUSTER** - Performs cluster analysis.
- **CTI_TEST** - Performs chi-square goodness-of-fit test.
- **KW_TEST** - Performs Kruskal-Wallis H-test.
- **M_CORRELATE** - Computes multiple correlation coefficient.
- **P_CORRELATE** - Computes partial correlation coefficient.
- **PCOMP** - Computes principal components/derived variables.
- **STANDARDIZE** - Computes standardized variables.

### Nonlinear Equations

- **BROYDEN** - Solves nonlinear equations using Broyden’s method.
- **FX_ROOT** - Computes real and complex roots of a univariate nonlinear function using an optimal Müller’s method.
- **FZ_ROOTS** - Finds the roots of a complex polynomial using Laguerre’s method.
- **NEWTON** - Solves nonlinear equations using Newton’s method.
### Functional List of IDL Routines

#### Optimization
- **AMOEBA** - Minimizes a function using downhill simplex method.
- **CONSTRAINED_MIN** - Minimizes a function using Generalized Reduced Gradient Method.
- **DFPMIN** - Minimizes a function using Davidon-Fletcher-Powell method.
- **POWELL** - Minimizes a function using the Powell method.
- **SIMPLEX** - Use the simplex method to solve linear programming problems.

#### Probability
- **BINOMIAL** - Computes binomial distribution function.
- **CHISQR_CVF** - Computes cutoff value in a Chi-square distribution.
- **CHISQR_PDF** - Computes Chi-square distribution function.
- **F_CVF** - Computes the cutoff value in an F distribution.
- **F_PDF** - Computes the F distribution function.
- **GAUSS_CVF** - Computes cutoff value in Gaussian distribution.
- **GAUSS_PDF** - Computes Gaussian distribution function.
- **GAUSSINT** - Returns integral of Gaussian probability function.
- **T_CVF** - Computes the cutoff value in a Student's t distribution.
- **T_PDF** - Computes Student's t distribution.

#### Sparse Arrays
- **FULSTR** - Restores a sparse matrix to full storage mode.
- **LINBCG** - Solves a set of sparse linear equations using the iterative biconjugate gradient method.
- **READ_SPR** - Reads a row-indexed sparse matrix from a file.
- **SPRSAB** - Performs matrix multiplication on sparse matrices.
- **SPRSAX** - Multiplies sparse matrix by a vector.
- **SPRSEIN** - Converts matrix to row-index sparse matrix.
- **SPRSTP** - Constructs the transpose of a sparse matrix.
- **WRITE_SPR** - Writes row-indexed sparse array structure to a file.

#### Special Math Functions
- **BESELI** - Returns the I Bessel function of order N for X.
- **BESELJ** - Returns the J Bessel function of order N for X.
- **BESELK** - Returns the K Bessel function of order N for X.
- **BESLEY** - Returns the Y Bessel function of order N for X.
- **BETA** - Returns the value of the beta function.
- **ERF** - Returns the value of an error function.
- **ERFC** - Returns the value of a complementary error function.
- **ERFCX** - Returns the value of a scaled complementary error function.
- **EXPINT** - Returns the value of the exponential integral.
- **GAMMA** - Returns the gamma function of X.
- **IBETA** - Computes the incomplete beta function.
- **IGAMMA** - Computes the incomplete gamma function.
- **LAGUERRE** - Returns value of the associated Laguerre polynomial.
- **LEGENDRE** - Returns value of the associated Legendre polynomial.
- **LNGamma** - Returns logarithm of the gamma function of X.
- **POLY** - Evaluates polynomial function of a variable.
- **SPHERE_HARM** - Returns value of the spherical harmonic function.

#### Statistical Fitting
- **COMFIT** - Fits paired data using one of six common filtering functions.
- **CURVEFIT** - Fits multivariate data with a user-supplied function.
- **FUNCT** - Evaluates the sum of a Gaussian and a 2nd-order polynomial and optionally returns the value of its partial derivatives.
- **LADFIT** - Fits paired data using least absolute deviation method.
- **LINFIT** - Fits by minimizing the Chi-square error statistic.
- **REGRESS** - Multiple linear regression.
- **SVDFIT** - Multivariate least squares fit using SVD method.

#### Statistical Tools
- **FACTORS** - Computes the factorial N!.
- **HIST_2D** - Returns histogram of two variables.
- **HISTOGRAM** - Computes the density function of an array.
- **KURTOSIS** - Computes statistical kurtosis of n-element vector.
- **MAX** - Returns the value of the largest element of an array.
- **MEAN** - Computes the mean of a numeric vector.
- **MEANABSDEV** - Computes the mean absolute deviation of a vector.
- **MEDIAN** - Returns the median value of Array or applies a median filter.
- **MIN** - Returns the value of the smallest element of an array.
- **MOMENT** - Computes mean, variance, skewness, and kurtosis.
- **RUNO** - Returns normally-distributed pseudo-random numbers.
- **RANDOMU** - Returns uniformly-distributed pseudo-random numbers.
- **RANKS** - Computes magnitude-based ranks.
- **SKEWNESS** - Computes statistical skewness of an n-element vector.
- **SORT** - Returns the indices of an array sorted in ascending order.
- **STDDEV** - Computes the standard deviation of an n-element vector.
- **TOTAL** - Sums of the elements of an array.
- **VARIANCE** - Computes the statistical variance of an n-element vector.

#### Time-Series Analysis
- **A_CORRELATE** - Computes autocorrelation.
- **C_CORRELATE** - Computes cross correlation.
- **SMOOTH** - Smooths with a boxcar average.
- **TS_COEF** - Computes the coefficients for autoregressive time-series.
- **TS_DIFF** - Computes the forward differences of a time-series.
- **TS_FCAST** - Computes future or past values of stationary time-series.
- **TS_SMOOTH** - Computes moving averages of a time-series.
Transcendental Functions

ACOS - Returns the arc-cosine of X.
 ALOG - Returns the natural logarithm of X.
 ALOG10 - Returns the logarithm to the base 10 of X.
 ASIN - Returns the arc-sine of X.
 ATAN - Returns the arc-tangent of X.
 COS - Returns the cosine of X.
 COSH - Returns the hyperbolic cosine of X.
 EXP - Returns the natural exponential function of a given expression.
 SIN - Returns the trigonometric sine of X.
 SINH - Returns the hyperbolic sine of X.
 TAN - Returns the tangent of X.
 TANH - Returns the hyperbolic tangent of X.

Transforms

BLK_CON - Convolves input signal with impulse-response sequence.
 CHEBSHEV - Returns the forward or reverse Chebyshev polynomial expansion.
 CONVOL - Convolves two vectors or arrays.
 FFT - Returns the Fast Fourier Transform of an array.
 HILBERT - Constructs a Hilbert transform.
 HOUGH - Returns the Hough transform of a two-dimensional image.
 RADON - Returns the Radon transform of a two-dimensional image.
 WTN - Returns wavelet transform of the input array.

See Also - Wavelet Toolkit

Object Class Library

IDL_Container - Object that holds other objects.
IDLanROI - Represents a region of interest.
IDLanROIGroup - Analytical representation of a group of regions of interest.
IDLffDIDCOM - Contains the data for one or more images embedded in a DIDCOM Part 10 file.
IDLffDXF - Contains geometry, connectivity and attributes for graphics primitives.
IDLffLanguageCat - Provides an interface to IDL language catalog files.
IDLffShape - Contains geometry, connectivity and attributes for graphics primitives.
IDLffXMLSAX - Represents an XML SAX level 2 parser.
IDLgrAxis - Represents a single vector that may include a set of tick marks, tick labels, and a title.
IDLgrBuffer - An in-memory, off-screen destination object.
IDLgrClipboard - A destination object representing the native clipboard.
IDLgrColorbar - Consists of a color-ramp with an optional framing box and annotation axis.
IDLgrContour - Draws a contour plot from data stored in a rectangular array or from a set of unstructured points.
IDLgrFont - Represents a typeface, style, weight, and point size that may be associated with text objects.
IDLgrImage - Represents a mapping from a 2D array of data values to a 2D array of pixel colors, resulting in a flat 2D-scaled version of the image, drawn at Z = 0.
IDLgrLegend - Provides a simple interface for displaying a legend.
IDLgrLight - Represents a source of illumination for 3D graphic objects.
IDLgrModel - Represents a graphical item or group of items that can be transformed (rotated, scaled, and/or translated).
IDLgrMPEG - Creates an MPEG movie file from an array of image frames.
IDLgrPalette - Represents a color lookup table that maps indices to red, green, and blue values.
IDLgrPattern - Describes which pixels are filled and which are left blank when an area is filled.
IDLgrPolyline - Represents one or more polylines that share a set of vertices and rendering attributes.
IDLgrPolyline - Represents one or more polygons that share a set of vertices and rendering attributes.
IDLgrPrint - Represents a hardcopy graphics destination.
IDLgrROI - Object graphics representation of a region of interest.
IDLgrROIGroup - Object Graphics representation of a group of regions of interest.
IDLgrScene - Represents the entire scene to be drawn and serves as a container of IDLgrView or IDLgrViewgroup objects.
IDLgrSurface - A shaded or vector representation of a mesh grid. No superclasses.
IDLgrSymbol - Represents a graphical element that is plotted relative to a particular position.
IDLgrTessellator - Converts a simple concave polygon (or a simple polygon with “holes”) into a number of simple convex polygons (general triangles).
IDLgrText - Represents one or more text strings that share common rendering attributes.
IDLgrView - Represents a rectangular area in which graphics objects are drawn. It is a container for objects of the IDLgrModel class.
IDLgrViewgroup - A simple container object that contains one or more IDLgrView objects. An IDLgrScene can contain one or more of these objects.
IDLgrVolume - Represents mapping from a 3D array of data to a 3D array of voxel colors, which, when drawn, are projected to two dimensions.
IDLgrVRML - Saves the contents of an Object Graphics hierarchy into a VRML 2.0 format file.
IDLgrWindow - Represents an on-screen area on a display device that serves as a graphics destination.
TrackBall - Translates widget events from a draw widget into transformations that emulate a virtual trackball (for transforming object graphics in three dimensions).
### Functional List of IDL Routines

#### Operating System Access

**CALL_EXTERNAL** - Calls a function in an external sharable object and returns a scalar value.

**CD** - Sets and/or changes the current working directory.

**FILE_CHMOD** - Changes file access permissions.

**FILE_DELETE** - Deletes files and empty directories.

**FILE_EXPAND_PATH** - Fully qualifies file and directory paths.

**FILE_INFO** - Returns status information about a file.

**FILE_MKDIR** - Creates directories.

**FILESAME** - Determines whether two different file names refer to the same underlying file.

**FILE_SEARCH** - Returns a string array containing the names of all files matching the input path specification.

**FILE_TEST** - Test a file or directory for existence and other specific attributes.

**FILE_WCHICH** - Searches for a specified file in a directory search path.

**GET_DRIVE_LIST** (Windows only) - Returns string array of the names of valid drives/volumes for the file system.

**GET_SCREEN_SIZE** - Returns dimensions of the screen.

**GETENV** - Returns the value of an environment variable.

**LINKIMAGE** - Merges routines written in other languages with IDL at run-time.

**PATH_SEP** - Returns the proper file path segment separator character for the current operating system.

**POPD** - Removes the top directory on the working directory stack maintained by PUSHD/POPD.

**PRINTD** - Prints contents of the directory stack maintained by PUSHD/POPD.

**PUSHD** - Pushes a directory to top of directory stack maintained by PUSHD/POPD.

**SETENV** - Adds or changes an environment variable.

**SETUP_KEYS** - Sets function keys for UNIX versions of IDL.

**SPAWN** - Spawns child process for access to operating system.

#### Performance Testing

**MEMORY** - Provides information about the amount of dynamic memory currently in use by the IDL session.

**PROFILE** - Extracts a profile from an image.

**PROFILES** - Interactively examines image profiles.

**TIME_TEST2** - Performs speed benchmarks for IDL.

#### Plotting

**AXIS** - Draws an axis of the specified type and scale.

**BAR_PLOT** - Creates a bar graph.

**ERRPLOT** - Plots error bars over a previously drawn plot.


**OPLOT** - Plots vector data over a previously-drawn plot.

**OPLOTER** - Draws error bars over a previously drawn plot.

**PLOT** - Plots vector arguments as X versus Y graphs.

**PLOT_3DBOX** - Plots function of two variables inside 3D box.

**PLOT_FIELD** - Plots a 2D field using arrows.

**PLOTTER** - Plots individual data points with error bars.

**PLOTS** - Plots vectors and points.

**POLYFILL** - Fills the interior of a polygon.

**POLYFILLV** - Returns subscripts of pixels inside a polygon.

**PROFILE** - Extracts a profile from an image.

**PROFILES** - Interactively examines image profiles.

**TRIANGULATE** - Constructs Delaunay triangulation of a planar set of points.

**TRIGRID** - Interpolates irregularly-gridded data to a regular grid from a triangulation.

**USERSYM** - Defines a new plotting symbol.

**VEL** - Draws a velocity (flow) field with streamlines.

**VELOVECT** - Draws a 2D velocity field plot.

**WF_DRAW** - Draws weather fronts with smoothing.

**XPLOR3D** - Utility for creating and interactively manipulating 3D plots.

**XYOUTS** - Draws text on currently-selected graphics device.

#### Programming and IDL Control

**ARG_PRESENT** - Returns TRUE if the value of the specified variable can be passed back to the caller.

**BREAKPOINT** - Sets and clears breakpoints for debugging.

**BYTEORDER** - Converts between host and network byte ordering.

**CALL_FUNCTION** - Calls an IDL function.

**CALL_METHOD** - Calls an IDL object method.

**CALL_PROcedure** - Calls an IDL procedure.

**CATCH** - Declares and clears exception handlers.

**CPU** - Changes the values stored in the read-only CPU system variable.

**CREATE_STRUCT** - Creates and concatenates structures.

**DEFINE_KEY** - Programs keyboard function keys.

**DEFINE_MSGBLK** - Defines and loads a new message block into the current IDL session.

**DEFINE_MSGBLK_FROM_FILE** - Reads the definition of a message block from a file, and loads it into the current IDL session.

**DEFSYSV** - Creates a new system variable.

**EXECUTE** - Compiles, executes IDL statements contained in a string.

**EXIT** - Quits IDL and exits back to the operating system.

**EXPAND_PATH** - Expands path-definition string into full path name for use with the !PATH system variable.

**HEAP_FREE** - Recursively frees all heap variables referenced by its input argument.
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**Query Routines**

- **QUERY_BMP** - Obtains information about a BMP image file.
- **QUERY_DICOM** - Tests file for compatibility with READ_DICOM.
- **QUERY_IMAGE** - Determines if a file is recognized as an image file.
- **QUERY_JPEG** - Obtains information about a JPEG image file.
- **QUERY_MRSID** - Obtains information about a MrSID image file.
- **QUERY_PICT** - Obtains information about a PICT image file.
- **QUERY_PNG** - Obtains information about a PNG image file.
- **QUERY_PPM** - Obtains information about a PPM image file.
- **QUERY_SRF** - Obtains information about an SRF image file.
- **QUERY_TIFF** - Obtains information about a TIFF image file.
- **QUERY_WAV** - Checks that the file is actually a .WAV file and that the READ_WAV function can read the data in the file.

**Saving/Restoring a Session**

- **JOURNAL** - Logs IDL commands to a file.IDL.
- **RESTORE** - Restores IDL variables and routines in an IDL SAVE file.
- **SAVE** - Saves variables, system variables, and IDL routines in a file for later use.

**Scientific Data Formats**

- **CDF Routines** - Common Data Format routines.
- **EOS Routines** - HDF-EOS (Hierarchical Data Format-Earth Observing System) routines.
- **HDF5 Routines** - Hierarchical Data Format routines (version 5).
- **HDF Routines** - Hierarchical Data Format routines.
- **NCDF Routines** - Network Common Data Format routines.

**Signal Processing**

- **A_CORRELATE** - Computes autocorrelation.
- **BLK_CON** - Converts input signal with impulse-response sequence.
- **C_CORRELATE** - Computes cross correlation.
- **CONVOL** - Converts two vectors or arrays.
- **CORRELATE** - Computes the linear Pearson correlation.
- **DIGITAL_FILTER** - Calculates coefficients of a non-recursive, digital filter.
- **FFT** - Returns the Fast Fourier Transform of an array.
- **HANNING** - Creates Hanning and Hamming windows.
- **HILBERT** - Constructs a Hilbert transform.
- **INTERPOL** - Performs linear interpolation on vectors.
- **LEEFILT** - Performs the Lee filter algorithm on an image array.
- **M_CORRELATE** - Computes multiple correlation coefficient.
- **MEDIAN** - Returns median value of an array or applies a median filter.
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P_CORRELATE - Computes partial correlation coefficient.
R_CORRELATE - Computes rank correlation.
SAVGOL - Returns coefficients of Savitzky-Golay smoothing filter.
SMOOTH - Smooths with a boxcar average.
TS_COEF - Computes the coefficients for autoregressive time-series.
TS_DIFF - Computes the forward differences of a time-series.
TS_FCAST - Computes future or past values of stationary time-series.
TS_SMOOTH - Computes moving averages of a time-series.
WTN - Returns wavelet transform of the input array.

See Also - Wavelet Toolkit

Statements

Compound Statements

BEGIN...END - Defines a block of statements.

Conditional Statements

IF...THEN...ELSE - Conditionally executes a statement or block of statements.
CASE - Selects one statement for execution, depending on the value of an expression.
SWITCH - Selects one statement for execution, depending upon the value of an expression.

Loop Statements

FOR - Executes one or more statements repeatedly, incrementing or decrementing a variable with each repetition, until a condition is met.
REPEAT...UNTIL - Repeats statement(s) until expression evaluates to true. Subject is always executed at least once.
WHILE...DO - Performs statement(s) as long as expression evaluates to true. Subject is never executed if condition is initially false.

Jump Statements

BREAK - Exits from a loop (FOR, WHILE, REPEAT), CASE, or SWITCH statement.
CONTINUE - Starts the next iteration of the enclosing FOR, WHILE, or REPEAT loop.
GOTO - Transfers program control to point specified by label.

Functions and Procedures

COMPILE_OPT - Gives IDL compiler information that changes the default rules for compiling functions or procedures.
FORWARD_FUNCTION - Causes argument(s) to be interpreted as functions rather than variables (versions of IDL prior to 5.0 used parentheses to declare arrays).
FUNCTION - Defines a function.
PRO - Defines a procedure.

Variable Scope

COMMON - Creates a common block.

String Processing

STRCMP - Compares two strings.
STRCOMPRESS - Removes whitespace from a string.
STREXED - Performs regular expression matching.
STRING - Converts arguments to string type.
STRJOIN - Collapses a string scalar or array into merged strings.
STRLEN - Returns the length of a string.
STRLOWCASE - Converts a string to lower case.
STRMATCH - Compares search string against input string expression.
STRMID - Extracts a substring from a string.
STRPOS - Finds first occurrence of a substring within a string.
STRPUT - Inserts the contents of one string into another.
STRSPLIT - Splits its input string argument into separate substrings, according to the specified pattern.
STRTRIM - Removes leading and/or trailing blanks from string.
STRUPCASE - Converts a string to upper case.

Structures

REPLICATE - Creates an array of given dimensions, filled with specified value.
STRUCT_ASSIGN - Uses "Relaxed Structure Assignment" to copy structures.
STRUCT_HIDE - Prevents the IDL HELP procedure from displaying information about structures or objects.

Type Conversion

BYTE - Converts argument to byte type.
COMPLEX - Converts argument to complex type.
DCOMPLEX - Converts argument to double-precision complex type.
DOUBLE - Converts argument to double-precision type.
FIX - Converts argument to integer type, or type specified by TYPE keyword.
FLOAT - Converts argument to single-precision floating-point.
LONG - Converts argument to longword integer type.
LONG64 - Converts argument to 64-bit integer type.
STRING - Converts argument to string type.
UINT - Converts argument to unsigned integer type.
ULONG - Converts argument to unsigned longword integer type.
ULONG64 - Converts argument to unsigned 64-bit integer type.
Utilities

**EFONT** - Interactive vector font editor and display tool.

**SLIDE_IMAGE** - Creates a scrolling graphics window for examining large images.

**XBM_EDIT** - Creates, edits bitmap icons for IDL widget button labels.

**XDISPLAYFILE** - Displays ASCII text file in scrolling text widget.

**XDXF** - Utility to display and interactively manipulate DXF objects.

**XFONT** - Creates modal widget to select and view an X Windows font.

**XINTERANIMATE** - Displays animated sequence of images.

**XMTOOL** - Displays tool for viewing XMANAGER widgets.

**XOBJVIEW** - Displays object viewer widget.

**XOBJVIEW_ROTATE** - Programmatically rotate the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW.

**XOBJVIEW_WRITE_IMAGE** - Write the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW to an image file.

**XPCOLOR** - Adjusts the value of the current foreground plotting color, !P.COLOR.

**XPLO3D** - Utility for creating and interactively manipulating 3D plots.

**XRoi** - Utility for interactively defining and obtaining information about regions of interest.

**XVOLUME** - Utility for viewing and interactively manipulating volumes and isosurfaces.

Wavelet Toolkit

**WV_APPLET** - Runs the IDL Wavelet Toolkit GUI.

**WV_CW_WAVELET** - Compound widget used to select and display wavelet functions.

**WV_IMPORT_DATA** - Allows user to add a variable to the currently active WV_APPLET widget from the IDL> command prompt.

**WV_IMPORT_WAVELET** - Allows user to add wavelet functions to the IDL Wavelet Toolkit.

**WV_PLOT3D_WPS** - Runs the GUI for 3D visualization of the wavelet power spectrum.

**WV_PLOT_MULTIRES** - Runs GUI for multiresolution analysis.

**WV_TOOL_DENOISE** - Runs the GUI for wavelet filtering and denoising.

Wavelet Transform

**WV_CWT** - Returns the one-dimensional continuous wavelet transform of the input array.

**WV_DENOISE** - Uses the wavelet transform to filter (or de-noise) a multi-dimensional array.

**WV_DWT** - Returns the multi-dimensional discrete wavelet transform of the input array.

**WV_PWT** - Returns the partial wavelet transform of the input vector.

Wavelet Functions

**WV_FN_COIFLET** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the coiflet wavelet function.

**WV_FN_DAUBECHIES** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the Daubechies wavelet function.

**WV_FN_GAUSSIAN** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the Gaussian wavelet function.

**WV_FN_HAAR** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the Haar wavelet function.

**WV_FN_MORLET** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the Morlet wavelet function.

**WV_FN_Paul** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the Paul wavelet function.

**WV_FN_SYMLET** - Constructs wavelet coefficients for the symlet wavelet function.

Widget Routines

**WIDGET_ACTIVEX** - Create an ActiveX control and place it into an IDL widget hierarchy.

**WIDGET_BASE** - Creates base widget (containers for other widgets).

**WIDGET_BUTTON** - Creates button widgets.

**WIDGET_COMBOBOX** - Creates editable droplist widgets.

**WIDGET_CONTROL** - Realizes, manages, and destroys widgets.

**WIDGET_DISPLAYCONTEXTMENU** - Displays a context-sensitive menu.

**WIDGET_DRAW** - Creates drawable widgets.

**WIDGET_DROPLIST** - Creates droplist widgets.

**WIDGET_EVENT** - Returns events for the widget hierarchy.

**WIDGET_INFO** - Obtains information about widgets.

**WIDGET_LABEL** - Creates label widgets.

**WIDGET_LIST** - Creates list widgets.

**WIDGET_SLIDER** - Creates slider widgets.

**WIDGET_TABLE** - Creates tab widgets.

**WIDGET_TABLE** - Creates table widgets.

**WIDGET_TEXT** - Creates text widgets.

**WIDGET_TREE** - Creates tree widgets.

**XMGR** - Provides event loop manager for IDL widgets.

**XMGR_TMPL** - Template for creating widgets.

**XMTOOL** - Displays tool for viewing XMANAGER widgets.

**XREGISTERED** - Returns registration status of a given widget.

Widget Routines, Compound

**CW_ANIMATE** - Creates a compound widget for animation.

**CW_ANIMATE_GETP** - Gets pixmap window IDs used by CW_ANIMATE.

**CW_ANIMATE_LOAD** - Loads images into CW_ANIMATE.
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- **CW_ANIMATE_RUN** - Displays images loaded into CW_ANIMATE.
- **CW_ARCBALL** - Creates compound widget for intuitively specifying 3D orientations.
- **CW_BGROUP** - Creates button group for use as a menu.
- **CW_CLR_INDEX** - Creates compound widget for the selection of a color index.
- **CW_COLORMAP** - Creates compound widget that displays all colors in current colormap.
- **CW_DEFROI** - Creates compound widget used to define region of interest.
- **CW_FIELD** - Creates a widget data entry field.
- **CW_FILESEL** - Creates compound widget for file selection.
- **CW_FORM** - Creates compound widget for creating forms.
- **CW_FSLIDER** - Creates slider that selects floating-point values.
- **CW_LIGHT_EDITOR** - Creates compound widget to edit properties of existing IDLgrLight objects in a view.
- **CW_LIGHT_EDITOR_GET** - Gets the CW_LIGHT_EDITOR properties.
- **CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_SET** - Sets the CW_LIGHT_EDITOR properties.
- **CW_PDMENU** - Creates widget pulldown menus.
- **CW_RGBSLIDER** - Creates compound widget with sliders for adjusting RGB color values.
- **CW_TMPL** - Template for compound widgets that use XMANAGER.
- **CW_ZOOM** - Creates widget for displaying zoomed images.

**Window Routines**

- **WDELETE** - Deletes IDL graphics windows.
- **WINDOW** - Creates window for the display of graphics or text.
- **WSET** - Selects the current window.
- **WSHOW** - Exposes or hides the designated window.
Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

This quick reference guide contains an alphabetical listing of all IDL routines. The alphabetical listing contains all functions, procedures, statements, and objects, including the syntax of each.
IDL Syntax Conventions

**Function:**

Result = FUNCTION( Argument1 [, Argument2] [, KEYWORD1=value] [, /KEYWORD2] )

**Procedure:**

PROCEDURE, Argument1 [, Argument2] [, KEYWORD1={value1 | value2}] [, /KEYWORD2]

**Statement:**

IF expression THEN statement [ ELSE statement ]

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<td>/KEYWORD</td>
<td>Indicates a boolean keyword.</td>
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<td>Indicates arguments, expressions, or statements for which you must provide values.</td>
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| [ ] (Braces) | • Indicates that you must choose one of the values they contain  
| | • Encloses a list of possible values, separated by vertical lines ( | )  
| | • Encloses useful information about a keyword  
| | • Defines an IDL structure (this is the only case in which the braces are included in the statement). |
| [ ] (Vertical lines) | Separates multiple values or keywords. |
| [ , Value1, ... , Value8 ] | Indicates that any number of values can be specified. |
| [ , Value1, ... , Value8 ] | Indicates the maximum number of values that can be specified. |

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**Square Brackets ([ ])**

- Content between square brackets is optional. Pay close attention to the grouping of square brackets. Consider the following examples:

  ROUTINE_NAME, Value1 [ , Value2 ] [ , Value3 ] : You must include Value1. You do not have to include Value2 or Value3. Value2 and Value3 can be specified independently.

  ROUTINE_NAME, Value1 [ , Value2, Value3 ] : You must include Value1. You do not have to include Value2 or Value3, but you must include both Value2 and Value3, or neither.

  ROUTINE_NAME [ , Value1 [ , Value2 ] ] : You can specify Value1 without specifying Value2, but if you specify Value2, you must also specify Value1.
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- Do not include square brackets in your statement unless the brackets are italicized. Consider the following syntax:

\[
\text{Result} = \text{KRIG2D}( Z[, X, Y][, \text{BOUNDS}=[\text{xmin}, \text{ymin}, \text{xmax}, \text{ymax}])] \\
\]

An example of a valid statement is:

\[
\text{R} = \text{KRIG2D}(Z, X, Y, \text{BOUNDS}=[0,0,1,1]) \\
\]

- Note that when \([, \text{Value}_1, ..., \text{Value}_n]\) is listed, you can specify any number of arguments. When an explicit number is listed, as in \([, \text{Value}_1, ..., \text{Value}_8]\), you can specify only as many arguments as are listed.

Braces (\{ \})

- For certain keywords, a list of the possible values is provided. This list is enclosed in braces, and the choices are separated by a vertical line (\|\). Do not include the braces in your statement. For example, consider the following syntax:

\[
\text{LIVE\_EXPORT [, QUALITY}={0|1|2}] \\
\]

In this example, you must choose either 0, 1, or 2. An example of a valid statement is:

\[
\text{LIVE\_EXPORT, QUALITY=1} \\
\]

- Braces are used to enclose the allowable range for a keyword value. Unless otherwise noted, ranges provided are inclusive. Consider the following syntax:

\[
\text{Result} = \text{CVT2OBJ}(\text{Array}[, \text{THRESHOLD}=}\text{value}[0 \text{ to } 255]) \\
\]

An example of a valid statement is:

\[
\text{Result} = \text{CVT2OBJ}(\text{A, THRESHOLD}=150) \\
\]

- Braces are also used to provide useful information about a keyword. For example:

\[
[\text{, LABEL}=n[\text{label every } n\text{th gridline}]] \\
\]

Do not include the braces or their content in your statement.

- Certain keywords are prefaced by X, Y, or Z. Braces are used for these keywords to indicate that you must choose one of the values it contains. For example, \([X|Y]\text{RANGE}={array}\] indicates that you can specify either XRANGE=\text{array} or YRANGE=\text{array}.

- Note that in IDL, braces are used to define structures. When defining a structure, you do want to include the braces in your statement.

Italics

- Italicized words are arguments, expressions, or statements for which you must provide values. The value you provide can be a numerical value, such as 10, an expression, such as DIST(100), or a named variable. For keywords that expect a string value, the syntax is listed as \text{KEYWORD}={string}. The value you provide can be a string, such as ‘Hello’ (enclosed in single quotation marks), or a variable that holds a string value.

- The italicized values that must be provided for keywords are listed in the most helpful terms possible. For example, \([, \text{XSIZE}={pixels}]\) indicates that the XSIZE keyword expects a value in pixels, while \([, \text{ORIENTATION}=\text{ccw\_degrees\_from\_horiz}]\) indicates that you must provide a value in degrees, measured counter-clockwise from horizontal.
Specifying Keywords

- Certain keywords are boolean, meaning they can be set to either 0 or 1. These keywords are switches used to turn an option on and off. Usually, setting such keywords equal to 1 causes the option to be turned on. Explicitly setting the keyword to 0 (or not including the keyword) turns the option off. All keywords in this reference that are preceded by a slash can be set by prefacing them by the slash. For example, SURFACE, DIST(10), /SKIRT is a shortcut for SURFACE, DIST(10), SKIRT=1. To turn the option back off, you must set the keyword equal to 0, as in SURFACE, DIST(10), SKIRT=0.

In rare cases, a keyword’s default value is 1. In these cases, the syntax is listed as KEYWORD=0, as in SLIDE_IMAGE [], CONGRID=0]. In this example, CONGRID is set to 1 by default. If you specify CONGRID=0, you can turn it back on by specifying either /CONGRID or CONGRID=1.

- Some keywords are used to obtain values that can be used upon return from the function or procedure. These keywords are listed as KEYWORD=variable. Any valid variable name can be used for these keywords, and the variable does not need to be defined first. Note, however that when a keyword calls for a named variable, only a named variable can be used—sending an expression causes an error.

For example, the WIDGET_CONTROL procedure can return the user values of widgets in a named variable using the GET_UVALUE keyword. To return the user value for a widget ID (contained in the variable mywidget) in the variable userval, you would use the command:

WIDGET_CONTROL, mywidget, GET_UVALUE = userval

Upon return from the procedure, userval contains the user value. Note that userval did not have to be defined before the call to WIDGET_CONTROL.

- Some routines have keywords that are mutually exclusive, meaning only one of the keywords can be present in a given statement. These keywords are grouped together, and separated by a vertical line. For example, consider the following syntax:

PLOT, [X], Y [, DATA | , DEVICE | , /NORMAL]

In this example, you can choose either DATA, DEVICE, or NORMAL, but not more than one. An example of a valid statement is:

PLOT, SIN(A), /DEVICE

- Keywords can be abbreviated to their shortest unique length. For example, the XSTYLE keyword can be abbreviated to XST because there are no other keywords in IDL that begin with XST. You cannot shorten XSTYLE to XS, however, because there are other keywords that begin with XS, such as XSIZE.
Alphabetical Listing

The following alphabetical listing contains all IDL functions, procedures, and statements included in IDL version 5.6.

A

A_CORRELATE - Computes autocorrelation.

Result = A_CORRELATE(X, Lag [, /COVARIANCE] [, /DOUBLE] )

ABS - Returns the absolute value of X.

Result = ABS(X [, Thread pool keywords])

ACOS - Returns the arc-cosine of X.

Result = ACOS(X [, Thread pool keywords])

ADAPT_HIST_EQUAL - Performs adaptive histogram equalization.


ALOG - Returns the natural logarithm of X.

Result = ALOG(X [, Thread pool keywords])

ALOG10 - Returns the logarithm to the base 10 of X.

Result = ALOG10(X [, Thread pool keywords])

AMOEBA - Minimizes a function using downhill simplex method.


ANNOTATE - Starts IDL widget used to interactively annotate images and plots with text and drawings.


ARG_PRESENT - Returns TRUE if the value of the specified variable can be passed back to the caller.

Result = ARG_PRESENT(Variable)

ARRAY_EQUAL - Provides a fast way to compare data for equality in situations where the index of the elements that differ are not of interest.

Result = ARRAY_EQUAL(Op1, Op2 [, /NO_TYPECONV] )

ARROW - Draws line with an arrow head.

ARROW, X0, Y0, X1, Y1 [, /DATA] [, /NORMALIZED] [, HSIZE=length] [, COLOR=index] [, HTHICK=value] [, /SOLID] [, THICK=value]

ASCII TEMPLATE - Presents a GUI that generates a template defining an ASCII file format.

Result = ASCII TEMPLATE(Filename [, BROWSE_LINES=lines] [, CANCEL=variable] [, GROUP=widget_id] )

ASIN - Returns the arc-sine of X.

Result = ASIN(X [, Thread pool keywords])

ASSOC - Associates an array structure with a file.

Result = ASSOC(Unit, Array, Structure [, Offset] [, /PACKED] )

ATAN - Returns the arc-tangent of X.

Result = ATAN(X [, /PHASE] [, Thread pool keywords]) or
Result = ATAN(Y, X [, Thread pool keywords])

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**BLK_CON** - Convolves input signal with impulse-response sequence.

\[ Result = \text{BLK\_CON}(\text{Filter}, \text{Signal} [, B\_LENGTH=\text{scalar}] [, /DOUBLE] ) \]

**BOX_CURSOR** - Emulates the operation of a variable-sized box cursor.

\[ \text{BOX\_CURSOR}, [X0, Y0, NX, NY [, /INIT] [, /FIXED\_SIZE] [, /MESSAGE] ] \]

**BREAK** - Immediately exits from a loop (FOR, WHILE, REPEAT), CASE, or SWITCH statement.

**BREAKPOINT** - Sets and clears breakpoints for debugging.

\[ \text{BREAKPOINT} [, \text{File}, \text{Index} [, \text{AFTER}=\text{integer}] [, /CLEAR] [, \text{CONDITION}=\text{expression}] [, /DISABLE] [, /ENABLE] [, /ON\_RECOMPILE] [, /ONCE] [, /SET] ] \]

**BROYDEN** - Solves nonlinear equations using Broyden’s method.

\[ \text{BROYDEN}(X, Y\text{vec} [, \text{CHECK}=\text{variable}] [, /DOUBLE] [, \text{EPS}=\text{value}] [, \text{ITMAX}=\text{value}] [, \text{STEPMAX}=\text{value}] [, \text{TOLF}=\text{value}] [, \text{TOLMIN}=\text{value}] [, \text{TOLX}=\text{value}] ) \]

**BYTARR** - Creates a byte vector or array.

\[ \text{BYTARR}(D_1 [, \ldots, D_9] [, /NOZERO]) \]

**BYTE** - Converts argument to byte type.

\[ \text{BYTE}(\text{Expression} [, \text{Offset} [, D_1 [, \ldots, D_9]]] [, \text{Thread pool keywords})] \]

**BYTEORDER** - Converts between host and network byte ordering.

\[ \text{BYTEORDER} [\text{Variable}_1 [, \ldots, \text{Variable}_n] [, /DTOVAX] [, \text{CASE}=\text{toupper}] [, \text{CASE}=\text{tolower}] [, \text{CASE}=\text{tocharacter}] [, \text{CASE}=\text{tocharacter}]) \]

**BILINEAR** - Computes array using bilinear interpolation.

\[ \text{BILINEAR}(P, IX, IY) \]

**BIN_DATE** - Converts ASCII date/time string to binary string.

\[ \text{BIN\_DATE}(\text{Ascii\_Time}) \]

**BINARY_TEMPLATE** - Presents a GUI for interactively generating a template structure for use with READ_BINARY.

\[ \text{BINARY\_TEMPLATE}([\text{Filename}] [, \text{CANCEL}=\text{variable}] [, \text{GROUP}=\text{widget\_id}] [, \text{N\_ROWS}=\text{rows}] [, \text{TEMPLATE}=\text{variable}] ) \]

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**BLAS_AXPY** - Updates existing array by adding a multiple of another array.

\[ \text{BLAS\_AXPY}(Y, A, X [, D1, Loc1 [, D2, Range]]) \]

**BAR_PLOT** - Creates a bar graph.

\[ \text{BAR\_PLOT}, \text{Values} [, \text{BACKGROUND}=\text{color\_index}] [, \text{BARNAMES}=\text{string\_array}] [, \text{BAROFFSET}=\text{scalar}] [, \text{BASELINES}=\text{vector}] [, \text{BASERANGE}=\text{scalar}[0.0 \text{ to 1.0}]] [, \text{COLORS}=\text{vector}] [, \text{OUTLINE}] [, \text{OVERPLOT}] [, \text{ROTATE}] [, \text{TITLE}=\text{string}] [, \text{XTITLE}=\text{string}] [, \YTITLE=\text{string}] \]

**BEGIN...END** - Defines a block of statements.

\[ \text{BEGIN} \ldots \text{END} \]

**BESELI** - Returns the I Bessel function of order \( N \) for \( X \).

\[ \text{Result} = \text{BESELI}(X, N [, /DOUBLE] [, \text{ITER}=\text{variable}]) \]

**BESELJ** - Returns the J Bessel function of order \( N \) for \( X \).

\[ \text{Result} = \text{BESELJ}(X, N [, /DOUBLE] [, \text{ITER}=\text{variable}]) \]

**BESELK** - Returns the K Bessel function of order \( N \) for \( X \).

\[ \text{Result} = \text{BESELK}(X, N [, /DOUBLE] [, \text{ITER}=\text{variable}]) \]

**BESELY** - Returns the Y Bessel function of order \( N \) for \( X \).

\[ \text{Result} = \text{BESELY}(X, N [, /DOUBLE] [, \text{ITER}=\text{variable}]) \]

**BETA** - Returns the value of the beta function.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{BETA}(Z, W [, /DOUBLE] ) \]

**CASE** - or **SWITCH** statement.

\[ \text{CASE} \ldots \text{ENDSWITCH} \]

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```

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### CALL_FUNCTION

```
Result = CALL_FUNCTION(Name [, P1 ... Pn])
```

### CALL_METHOD

```
Result = CALL_METHOD(Name, ObjRef [, P1 ... Pn])
```

### CALL_PROCEDURE

```
Result = CALL_PROCEDURE(Name [, P1 ... Pn])
```

### CASE

```
CASE expression OF: 
  ... expression: statement 
  ... ELSE: statement 
ENDCASE
```

### CATCH

```
CATCH [ , Variable = ] [ , /CANCEL] 
```

### CD

```
CD [ , Directory = ] [ , CURRENT=variable] 
```

### CDF_* Routines

See “CDF Routines” on page 67.

### CEIL

```
Result = CEIL(X [, L64]) [ , Thread pool keywords] )
```

### CHEBYSHEV

```
Result = CHEBYSHEV(D, N)
```

### CHECK_MATH

```
Result = CHECK_MATH( [, MASK=bitmap] [, /NOCLEAR] [, /PRINT] )
```

### CHISQRF_CVF

```
Result = CHISQR_CVF(P, Df)
```

### CHISQRF_PDF

```
Result = CHISQR_PDF(V, Df)
```

### CHOLDC

```
Result = CHOLDC(A, P [, /DOUBLE] )
```

### CHOLSOL

```
Result = CHOLSOL(A, P, B [, /DOUBLE] )
```

### CINDGEN

```
Result = CINDGEN(D1 [, ... D8] [, Thread pool keywords])
```

### CIR_3PNT

```
Result = CIR_3PNT(X, Y, R, X0, Y0)
```

### CLOSE

```
CLOSE[ , Unit1 ... Unita] [, /ALL] [, EXIT_STATUS=variable] [, /FILE] [, /FORCE]
```

### CLUST_WTS

```
```

### CLUSTER

```
Result = CLUSTER( Array, Weights [, /DOUBLE] [, N_CLUSTERS=variable] )
```

### COLOR_CONVERT

```
```

### COLOR_QUAN

```
```

### COLOR_MAP_Applicable

```
Result = COLOR_MAP_Applicable( redrawRequired)
```

### COMFIT

```
```

### COMMON

```
COMMON Block_Name, Variable1, ..., Variable_n
```

### COMPiLe_opt

```
Result = COMPiLe_opt ( [ , opt1 ... , opt_n] )
```

**Note:** opt can be IDL2, DEFIN132, HIDDEN, OBSOLET, STRICTARR, or STRICTARRSUBS
### COMPLEX
- Converts argument to complex type.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = COMPLEX( Real [, Imaginary] [, /DOUBLE] [, Thread pool keywords])
  ```
  ```
  or
  ```
  Result = COMPLEX( Expression, Offset, D_1 [, ...D_k] [, /DOUBLE] [, Thread pool keywords])
  ```

### COMPLEXARR
- Creates a complex, single-precision, floating-point array.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = COMPLEXARR( D_1 [, ...D_k] [, /NOZERO] )
  ```

### COMPUTE_MESH_NORMALS
- Computes normal vectors for a set of polygons.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = COMPUTE_MESH_NORMALS( fVerts[, iConn] )
  ```

### COND
- Computes the condition number of a square matrix.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = COND( A [, /DOUBLE] [, LNNORM=[0 1 2]])
  ```

### CONGRID
- Resamples an image to any dimensions.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  ```

### CONJ
- Returns the complex conjugate of X.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = CONJ( X [, Thread pool keywords])
  ```

### CONSTRAINED_MIN
- Minimizes a function using Generalized Reduced Gradient Method.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  ```

### CONTINUE
- Immediately starts the next iteration of the enclosing FOR, WHILE, or REPEAT loop.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  CONTINUE
  ```

### CONTOUR
- Draws a contour plot.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  ```

### CORRELATE
- Computes the linear Pearson correlation.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = CORRELATE( X [, Y ] [, /COVARIANCE] [, /DOUBLE] )
  ```

### COSH
- Returns the hyperbolic cosine of X.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = COSH( X [, /DOUBLE] )
  ```

### CPU
- Changes the values stored in the read-only !CPU system variable.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  ```

### CRAMER
- Solves system of linear equations using Cramer’s rule.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = CRAMER( A, B [, /DOUBLE] [, ZERO=value] )
  ```

### CREATE_STRUCT
- Creates and concatenates structures.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = CREATE_STRUCT( [Tag_1, Value_1, ..., Tag_n, Value_n] )
  ```

### CREATE_VIEWS
- Sets up 3D transformations.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  ```

### CROSSP
- Computes vector cross product.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = CROSSP(V1, V2)
  ```

### CRVLENGTH
- Computes the length of a curve.
  
  ```idl```
  ```
  Result = CRVLENGTH( X, Y [, /DOUBLE] )
  ```
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CT_LUMINANCE - Calculates the luminance of colors.

Result = CT_LUMINANCE([R, G, B])
[, BRIGHT=variable] [, DARK=variable]
[/READ_TABLES]

CTI_TEST - Performs chi-square goodness-of-fit test.

Result = CTI_TEST(Objfreq [, COEFF=variable]
[, /CORRECTED] [, CRAMV=variable] [, DF=variable]
[, EXFREQ=variable] [, RESIDUAL=variable])

CURSOR - Reads position of the interactive graphics cursor.

CURSOR, X, Y [, Wait | , /CHANGE | , /DOWN | , /NOWAIT | , /UP | , /WAIT] [, /DATA | , /DEVICE | , /NORMAL]

CURVEFIT - Performs chi-square goodness-of-fit test.

Result = CURVEFIT( X, Y, Weights, A [, Sigma]
[, CHISQ=variable] [, /DOUBLE]
[, FUNCTION_NAME=string] [, ITER=variable]
[, ITMAX=value] [, /INODERIVATIVE] [, TO=variable]
[, YERROR=variable])

CV_COORD - Converts 2D and 3D coordinates between coordinate systems.

Result = CV_COORD( [, /DEGREES] [, /DOUBLE]
[, FROM_CYLINDcoords] [, FROM_POLARpol_coords] [, FROM_RECTrect_coords]
[, /FRAMEFRAME] [, /TO_CYLIND coords] [, /TO_POLARpol_coords] [, /TO_RECTrect_coords] [, TOFRAME]
[,...] )

CVTTOBM - Creates a bitmap byte array for a button label.

Result = CVTTOBM( Array [, THRESHOLD=value(0 to 255)])

CW_ANIMATE - Creates a compound widget for animation.

Result = CW_ANIMATE( Parent, Sizen, Sizex, Nframes
[, /NO_KILL] [, OPENFUNC=string]
[, PIXMAPS=vector] [, /TRACK] [, UNAME=string]
[, UVALUE=value])

CW_ANIMATE_GETP - Gets pixmap window IDs used by CW_ANIMATE.

Result = CW_ANIMATE_GETP( Widget, Pixmaps
[, /KILL_ANYWAY])

CW_ANIMATE_LOAD - Loads images into CW_ANIMATE.

Result = CW_ANIMATE_LOAD( Widget [, CYCLE]
[, FRAME=value(0 to NFRAMES)] [, IMAGE=value]
[, /ORDER] [, WINDOW=[window_num [, X0, Y0, Xs, Ys]]]
[, XOFFSET=px | , YOFFSET=px])

CW_ANIMATE_RUN - Displays images loaded into CW_ANIMATE.

Result = CW_ANIMATE_RUN( Widget [, Rate=(0 to 100)]
[, NFRAMES=value] [, /STOP])

CW_ARCBALL - Creates compound widget for intuitively specifying 3D orientations.

Result = CW_ARCBALL( Parent [, COLOR=string]
[, /FRAME] [, LABEL=string] [, RETAIN={0 | 1 | 2}]
[, SIZE=pixels] [, /UPDATE] [, UVALUE=value]
[, VALUE=array])

CW_BGROUP - Creates button group for use as a menu.

Result = CW_BGROUP( Parent, Names
[, BUTTON=UVALUE=value] [, COLUMN=value]
[, YPAD=pixels] [, FONT=font] [, FRAME=width]
[, IDS=variable] [, /LABEL_LEFT=string]
[, /LABEL_TOP=string] [, /MAP] [, /NO_RELEASE]
[, X_SCROLL_SIZE=width]
[, Y_SCROLL_SIZE=height] [, SET_VALUE=value]
[, UNAME=string] [, UVALUE=value]
[, XOFFSET=value] [, XSIZE=width]
[, YOFFSET=value] [, YSIZE=height])

CW_CLR_INDEX - Creates compound widget for the selection of a color index.

Result = CW_CLR_INDEX( Parent [, COLOR_VALUES=vector] [, NCOLORS=value]
[, START_COLOR=variable] [, EVENT_FUNC=string]
[, /FRAME] [, /LABEL=string] [, UNAME=string]
[, UVALUE=value] [, VALUE=value] [, XSIZE=pixels] [, YSIZE=pixels])

CW_COLORSEL - Creates compound widget that displays all colors in current colormap.

Result = CW_COLORSEL( Parent [, /FRAME]
[, UNAME=string] [, UVALUE=value]
[, XOFFSET=value] [, YOFFSET=value])

CW_DEFROI - Creates compound widget used to define region of interest.

Result = CW_DEFROI( Draw [, IMAGE_SIZE=vector]
[, OFFSET=vector] [, /ORDER] [, /RESTORE]
[, ZOOM=vector])

CW_FIELD - Creates a widget data entry field.

Result = CW_FIELD( Parent [, ALL_EVENTS]
[, /COLUMN] [, FIELDFONT=font] [, /FLOATING]
[, FRAME=width] [, NOEDIT] [, RETURN_EVENTS]
[, /ROW] [, /TEXT_FRAME] [, TITLE=string]
[, UNAME=string] [, UVALUE=value] [, VALUE=value]
[, XSIZE=characters] [, YSIZE=lines])
CW_FILESEL - Creates compound widget for file selection.

Result = CW_FILESEL( [ Parent [] ], [ /FILENAME ]
[ , FILTER=string array ] [ , /FIX_FILTER [] ] [ , /FRAME ]
[ , /IMAGE_FILTER [] ] [ , /MULTIPLE ] [ , /SAVE ]
[ , PATH=string ] [ , UNAME=string ] [ , UVALUE=variable ]
[ , /WARN_EXIST ]
)

CW_FORM - Creates compound widget for creating forms.

Result = CW_FORM( [ Parent [], Desc [], /COLUMN ]
[ , IDS=variable ] [ , TITLE=string ] [ , UNAME=string ]
[ , UVALUE=variable ]

Note: Desc is a string array. Each element of string array contains 2 or more comma-delimited fields. Each string has the following format: ['Depth', 'Item', 'Initial_Value', 'Keywords']

CW_FSLIDER - Creates slider that selects floating-point values.

Result = CW_FSLIDER( Parent [], /DOUBLE [], /DRAG ]
[ , /EDIT ] [ , FORMAT=string ] [ , /FRAME ]
[ , MAXIMUM=value ] [ , MINIMUM=value ]
[ , SCROLL=value ] [ , /SUPRESS_VALUE ]
[ , TITLE=string ] [ , UNAME=string ] [ , UVALUE=variable ]
[ , VALUE=initial_value ] [ , XSIZE=variable ] [ , YSIZE=variable ]
[ , /TYPE_DISABLED ]

CW_LIGHT_EDITOR - Creates compound widget to edit properties of existing IDL LIGHT objects in a view.

Result = CW_LIGHT_EDITOR( Parent [], /DIRECTION_DISABLED ]
[ , /DRAG_EVENTS ] [ , /FRAME ]
[ , LIGHT=object ] [ , LOCATION_DISABLED ]
[ , TYPE_DISABLED ] [ , UVALUE=variable ]
[ , XSIZE=variable ] [ , YSIZE=variable ] [ , X_RANGE=variable ]
[ , Y_RANGE=variable ] [ , Z_RANGE=variable ]

CW_LIGHT_EDITOR_GET - Gets the CW_LIGHT_EDITOR properties.

CW_LIGHT_EDITOR_GET, WidgetID
[ , X_RANGE=variable ] [ , Y_RANGE=variable ]
[ , Z_RANGE=variable ]

CW_LIGHT_EDITOR_SET - Sets the CW_LIGHT_EDITOR properties.

CW_LIGHT_EDITOR_SET, WidgetID
[ , X_RANGE=variable ] [ , Y_RANGE=variable ]
[ , Z_RANGE=variable ]

CW_ORIENTATION - Creates compound widget used to interactively adjust the 3D drawing transformation.

Result = CW_ORIENTATION( Parent [], AZ=degrees ]
[ , AX=degrees ] [ , /FRAME ] [ , TITLE=string ]
[ , UNAME=string ] [ , UVALUE=variable ] [ , XSIZE=variable ]
[ , YSIZE=variable ]

CW_PALETTE_EDITOR - Creates compound widget to display and edit color palettes.

Result = CW_PALETTE_EDITOR( Parent []
[ , DATA=variable ] [ , /FRAME ]
[ , HISTOGRAM=vector ] [ , /HORIZONTAL ]
[ , SELECTION=variable ] [ , UNAME=string ]
[ , UVALUE=variable ] [ , XSIZE=variable ] [ , YSIZE=variable ]

CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_GET - Gets the CW_PALETTE_EDITOR properties.

CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_GET, WidgetID
[ , ALPHA=variable ] [ , HISTOGRAM=variable ]

CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_SET - Sets the CW_PALETTE_EDITOR properties.

CW_PALETTE_EDITOR_SET, WidgetID
[ , ALPHA=variable ] [ , HISTOGRAM=variable ]

CW_PDMENU - Creates widget pulldown menus.

Result = CW_PDMENU( Parent [], Desc [], [ /COLUMN ]
[ , /CONTEXT_MENU ] [ , DELIMITER=string ]
[ , FONT=variable ] [ , /MARGIN [, /HELP] ] [ , IDS=variable ]
[ , /RETURN_ID [, /RETURN_INDEX ]
[ , /RETURN_NAME [, /RETURN_FULL_NAME ]
[ , UNAME=string ] [ , UVALUE=variable ]
[ , XOFFSET=variable ] [ , YOFFSET=variable ]

CW_RGBSLIDER - Creates compound widget with sliders for adjusting RGB color values.

Result = CW_RGBSLIDER( Parent [], /CMY [, /HSV [, /HLS [, /RGB ]]
[ , /COLOR_INDEX ] [ , /GRAPHICS_LEVEL=variable ]
[ , /FRAME ] [ , LENGTH=variable ]
[ , /HORIZONTAL ] [ , /SELECT ]
[ , UNAME=string ] [ , UVALUE=variable ]
[ , VALUE=variable ] [ , /VERTICAL ]

CW_TMPL - Template for compound widgets that use XMANAGER.

Result = CW_TMPL( [ Parent [] ]
[ , UNAME=string ]
[ , UVALUE=variable ]

CW_ZOOM - Creates widget for displaying zoomed images.

Result = CW_ZOOM( Parent [], /FRAME ] [ , MAX=scale ]
[ , MIN=scale ] [ , RETAIN=[0 | 1 | 2] ] [ , SAMPLE=variable ]
[ , SCALE=variable ] [ , TRACK ] [ , UNAME=string ]
[ , UVALUE=variable ] [ , XSIZE=variable ] [ , X_SCROLL_SIZE=variable ]
[ , X_SIZE=variable ] [ , X_ZSIZE=zoom_width ]
[ , YSIZE=variable ] [ , Y_SCROLL_SIZE=variable ]
[ , Y_ZSIZE=zoom_height ]

CW_FILESEL - Creates compound widget for file selection.
DBLARR - Creates a double-precision array.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DBLARR}(D_1, \ldots, D_8, \text{NOZERO})
\]

DCINDGEN - Returns a double-precision, complex array with each element set to its subscript.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DCINDGEN}(D_1, \ldots, D_8, \text{Thread pool keywords})
\]

DCOMPLEX - Converts argument to double-precision complex type.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DCOMPLEX}(\text{Real}, \text{Imaginary}, \text{Thread pool keywords})
\]

or
\[
\text{Result} = \text{DCOMPLEX}(\text{Expression}, \text{Offset}, D_1, \ldots, D_8)
\]

DCOMPLEXARR - Creates a complex, double-precision vector or array.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DCOMPLEXARR}(D_1, \ldots, D_8, \text{NOZERO})
\]

DEF_KEY - Programs keyboard function keys.

\[
\text{DEFINE_KEY}(\text{Key}, \text{Value}, \text{MATCH PREVIOUS}, \text{NOECHO}, \text{TERMINATE})
\]

UNIX Keywords: [BACK_CHARACTER, CONTROL, ESCAPE]

[DELETE_CHARACTER, DELETE_CURRENT, DELETE_EOL, DELETE_LINE]

[DELETE_WORD, END_OF_LINE, ENTER_LINE]

[INSERT_OVERSTRIKE_TOGGLE, NEXT_LINE, PREVIOUS_LINE, RECALL, REDRAW]

[START_OF_LINE]

DEFINE_MSGBLK - Defines and loads a new message block into the current IDL session.

\[
\text{DEFINE_MSGBLK}(\text{BlockName}, \text{ErrorNames}, \text{ErrorFormats}, \text{IGNORE_DUPLICATE})
\]

[PREFIX=Str]

DEFINE_MSGBLK_FROM_FILE - Reads the definition of a message block from a file, and loads it into the current IDL session.

\[
\text{DEFINE_MSGBLK_FROM_FILE}(\text{Block}=\text{BlockName}, \text{IGNORE_DUPLICATE})
\]

[PREFIX=Str, /VERBOSE]

DEFROI - Defines an irregular region of interest of an image.

\[
\text{RESULT} = \text{DEFROI(Xs, Sy, Xverts, Yverts), NOREGION}
\]

[NOFILL, /RESTORE, \{X=device_coord, Y=device_coord\}, /ZOOM=factor]

DEFSYSV - Creates a new system variable.

\[
\text{DEFSYSV(Name, Value, Read_Only, EXISTS=variable)}
\]

DELVAR - Deletes variables from the main IDL program level.

\[
\text{DELVAR, V_1, \ldots, V_n}
\]

DERIV - Performs differentiation using 3-point, Lagrangian interpolation and returns the derivative.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DERIV}(X, Y)
\]

DERIVSIG - Computes standard deviation of derivative found by DERIV.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DERIVSIG}(X, Y, \text{Sig}_x, \text{Sig}_y)
\]

DETERM - Computes the determinant of a square matrix.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{DETERM}(A, \text{CHECK}, \text{DOUBLE}, \text{ZERO=value})
\]

DEVICE - Sets to plot in device coordinates.

Note: Each keyword to DEVICE is followed by the device(s) to which it applies.

\[
\text{DEVICE}(\text{DEVICE}, /AVANTGARDE, /BKMAN, /COURIER, /HELVETICA, /ISOLATIN1, /ITALIC, /MATH, /SCHOOLBOOK, /SYMBOL, /TIMES, /ZAPFCHANCERY, /ZAPFDINGBATS, \{\text{PS}\})
\]

[\text{AVG_LINES}(\text{REGIS})] [\text{BINARY}, \text{NCAR}] [\text{TEXT}(\text{CGM})] [\text{BITS_PER_PIXEL}={1, 2, 4}] [\text{PS}] [\text{BOLD}(\text{PS})][\text{BOOK}(\text{PS})]

[\text{BYPASS_TRANSLATION}(\text{WIN}, \text{X})] [\text{CLOSE}(\text{Z})]

[\text{CLOSE DOCUMENT}(\text{PRINTER})]

[CLOSEFILE(\text{CGM}, \text{REGIS}, \text{TEK})] [\text{COLOR}(\text{PCL, PS})]

[\text{COLORS=variable}(\text{CGM, TEK})] [\text{COPY}=(\text{Xsource, Ysource, cols, rows, Xdest, Ydest, Window}[_{index}])\{\text{WIN, X}\}] [\text{CURSOR CROSSHAIR}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{CURSOR IMAGES}=\text{variable}(16-element short int vector)\{\text{WIN, X}\}]

[\text{CURSOR MASK}=\text{variable}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{CURSOR ORIGINAL}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{CURSOR STANDARD}=\text{value}(\text{WIN: arrow}=32512, I-beam=32513, hourglass=32514, black cross=32515, up arrow=32516, size(NT)=32640, icon(NT)=32641, size NW-SE=32642, size NE-SW=32643, size E-W=32644, size N-S=32645)] [\text{X: one of the values in file cursorfonts.h}] [\text{CURSOR XY}=\text{variable}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{DECOMPOSED}(\text{WIN, X})] [\text{DIRECT_COLOR}(\text{X})]

[\text{EJECT}={0, 1, 2}(\text{HP})] [\text{ENCAPSULATED}={0, 1}(\text{PS})] [\text{ENCODING}=(1 \text{binary}, 2 \text{text}, 3 \text{NCAR binary})\{\text{CGM}\}]

[\text{FILENAME}=(\text{variable}(\text{CGM, HP, METAFILE, PCL, PS, REGIS, TEK})]

[\text{CLOSE}(\text{Z})]

[\text{CLOSE DOCUMENT}(\text{PRINTER})]

[\text{CLOSEFILE}(\text{CGM, REGIS, TEK})]

[\text{COLOR}=(\text{PCL, PS})]

[\text{COLORS=variable}(\text{CGM, TEK})] [\text{COPY}=(\text{Xsource, Ysource, cols, rows, Xdest, Ydest, Window}[_{index}])\{\text{WIN, X}\}] [\text{CURSOR CROSSHAIR}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{CURSOR IMAGES}=\text{variable}(16-element short int vector)\{\text{WIN, X}\}]

[\text{CURSOR ORIGINAL}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{CURSOR STANDARD}=\text{value}(\text{WIN: arrow}=32512, I-beam=32513, hourglass=32514, black cross=32515, up arrow=32516, size(NT)=32640, icon(NT)=32641, size NW-SE=32642, size NE-SW=32643, size E-W=32644, size N-S=32645)] [\text{X: one of the values in file cursorfonts.h}] [\text{CURSOR XY}=\text{variable}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{DECOMPOSED}(\text{WIN, X})] [\text{DIRECT_COLOR}(\text{X})]

[\text{EJECT}={0, 1, 2}(\text{HP})] [\text{ENCAPSULATED}={0, 1}(\text{PS})] [\text{ENCODING}=(1 \text{binary}, 2 \text{text}, 3 \text{NCAR binary})\{\text{CGM}\}]

[\text{FILENAME}=(\text{variable}(\text{CGM, HP, METAFILE, PCL, PS, REGIS, TEK})]

[\text{CLOSE}(\text{Z})]

[\text{CLOSE DOCUMENT}(\text{PRINTER})]

[\text{CLOSEFILE}(\text{CGM, REGIS, TEK})]

[\text{COLOR}=(\text{PCL, PS})]

[\text{COLORS=variable}(\text{CGM, TEK})] [\text{COPY}=(\text{Xsource, Ysource, cols, rows, Xdest, Ydest, Window}[_{index}])\{\text{WIN, X}\}] [\text{CURSOR CROSSHAIR}(\text{WIN, X})]

[\text{CURSOR IMAGES}=\text{variable}(16-element short int vector)\{\text{WIN, X}\}]

[\text{CURSOR ORIGINAL}(\text{WIN, X})]
### Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

#### DFPMIN

DFPMIN - Minimizes a function using Davidson-Fletcher-Powell method.

`DFPMIN, X, Gtol, Fmin, Func, Dfunc [, , /DOUBLE]`

- `X` is the result parameter, which is a vector of length n where n is the number of variables.
- `Gtol` is the convergence tolerance for the gradient.
- `Fmin` is the minimum function value.
- `Func` is the user-supplied function to minimize.
- `Dfunc` is the user-supplied gradient of the function.

#### DIAG_MATRIX

DIAG_MATRIX - Constructs a diagonal matrix from an input vector, or if given a matrix, extracts a diagonal vector.

`Result = DIAG_MATRIX(A [, Diag])`

- `A` is the input matrix or vector.
- `Diag` is an optional parameter; if omitted, returns a diagonal matrix.

#### DIALOG_MESSAGE

DIALOG_MESSAGE - Creates modal message dialog.


- `Message_Text` is the text of the message.
- `CANCEL`, `DEFAULT_CANCEL`, `DEFAULT_NO`, `DISPLAY_NAME`, `ERROR`, `INFORMATION`, `QUESTION`, `RESOURCE_NAME`, and `TITLE` are optional parameters.

#### DIALOG_PICKFILE

DIALOG_PICKFILE - Creates native file-selection dialog.


- `DIRECTORY` is an optional parameter.
- `DISPLAY_NAME`, `FILE`, `FILTER`, `FIX_FILTER`, `GET_PATH`, `GROUP`, `MULTIPLE_FILES`, `MUST_EXIST`, `PATH`, `READ`, `WRITE`, `RESOURCE_NAME`, and `TITLE` are optional parameters.

#### DIALOG_PRINTERSETUP

DIALOG_PRINTERSETUP - Opens native dialog used to set properties for a printer.


- `PrintDestination` is an optional parameter.
- `DISPLAY_NAME`, `FILE`, `FILTER`, `FIX_FILTER`, `GET_PATH`, `GROUP`, `MULTIPLE_FILES`, `MUST_EXIST`, `PATH`, `READ`, `WRITE`, `RESOURCE_NAME`, and `TITLE` are optional parameters.

#### DIALOG_PRINTJOB

DIALOG_PRINTJOB - Opens native dialog used to set parameters for a print job.


- `PRINT_DESTINATION` is an optional parameter.
- `DISPLAY_NAME`, `RESOURCE_NAME`, and `TITLE` are optional parameters.

#### DIALOG_READ_IMAGE

DIALOG_READ_IMAGE - Presents GUI for reading image files.


- `Filename` is an optional parameter.
- `DISPLAY_NAME`, `IMAGE`, `FILTER_TYPE`, `FIX_FILTER`, `GET_PATH`, `IMAGE`, `PATH`, `QUERY`, `RED`, `GREEN`, `BLUE`, and `TITLE` are optional parameters.

#### DIALOG_WRITE_IMAGE

DIALOG_WRITE_IMAGE - Presents GUI for writing image files.

**DIGITAL_FILTER** - Calculates coefficients of a non-recursive, digital filter.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DIGITAL\_FILTER}( \text{Flow}, \text{High}, A, Nterms \ [, \text{DOUBLE}] ) \]

**DIST** - Returns a double-precision array with each element set to

**DINDGEN** - Double

**DOC_LIBRARY** - Extracts documentation headers from IDL programs.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DOC\_LIBRARY}[, \text{Name}[, \text{PRINT}]] [, \text{DIRECTORY}=\text{string} [, \text{MULTI}]] \]

**DRAW_ROI** - Draws region or group of regions to current Direct Graphics device.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DRAW\_ROI}( \text{Expression}[, \text{Offset}[, \text{D1}[, \ldots\text{Dn}]][, \text{Thread pool keywords}]] \]

**DLM_LOAD** - Explicitly causes a DLM to be loaded.

\[ \text{DLM\_LOAD}, \text{DLMNameStr}_1, \ldots, \text{DLMNameStr}_n \]

**DOC_LIBRARY** - Extracts documentation headers from IDL programs.

\[ \text{DOC\_LIBRARY}[, \text{Name}[, \text{PRINT}]] [, \text{DIRECTORY}=\text{string} [, \text{MULTI}]] \]

**DOUBLE** - Converts argument to double-precision type.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DOUBLE}( \text{Expression}[, \text{Offset}[, \text{D1}[, \ldots\text{Dn}][[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]]) \]

**DRAW_ROI** - Draws region or group of regions to current Direct Graphics device.

\[ \text{DRAW\_ROI}, \text{oROI}[[, \text{LINE\_FILL}[, \text{SPACING}=\text{value}] \]

**Graphics Keywords**: \[ \text{CLIP}=[X_0, Y_0, X_1, Y_1][, \text{COLOR}=\text{value}[, \text{DATA}[, \text{DEVICE}[, \text{NORMAL}]] \]

\[ \text{LINESTYLE}=[0|1|2|3|4|5][, \text{NOCLIP}][, \text{ORIENTATION}=\text{ccw\_degrees\_from\_horiz}]

\[ \text{PSYM}=\text{integer}[0\text{ to }10][, \text{SYMSIZE}=\text{value}[, \text{THICK}=\text{value}]] \]

**DILATE** - Implements morphologic dilation operator on binary and grayscale images.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DILATE}( \text{Image}, \text{Structure}[, X_0[, Y_0[, Z_0]]][, \text{GRAY}[, \text{PREVERSE\_TYPE}[, \text{UINT}[, \text{ULONG}][[, \text{VALUES}=\text{array}]]) \]

**DINDGEN** - Returns a double-precision array with each element set to its subscript.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DINDGEN}(D_1[, \ldots D_n][, \text{Thread pool keywords}]) \]

**DISOLVE** - Provides a digital “dissolve” effect for images.

\[ \text{DISOLVE}, \text{Image}[, \text{DELAY}=\text{seconds}[, \text{ORDER}[, \text{SIZ}=\text{pixels}[, \text{X0}=\text{pixels}, \text{Y0}=\text{pixels}]]) \]

**DIST** - Creates array with each element proportional to its frequency.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DIST}(N[, M]) \]

**DLM_LOAD** - Explicitly causes a DLM to be loaded.

\[ \text{DLM\_LOAD}, \text{DLMNameStr}_1, \ldots, \text{DLMNameStr}_n \]

**DOC_LIBRARY** - Extracts documentation headers from IDL programs.

\[ \text{DOC\_LIBRARY}[, \text{Name}[, \text{PRINT}]] [, \text{DIRECTORY}=\text{string} [, \text{MULTI}]] \]

**DOUBLE** - Converts argument to double-precision type.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{DOUBLE}( \text{Expression}[, \text{Offset}[, \text{D1}[, \ldots\text{Dn}][[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]]) \]

**DRAW_ROI** - Draws region or group of regions to current Direct Graphics device.

\[ \text{DRAW\_ROI}, \text{oROI}[[, \text{LINE\_FILL}[, \text{SPACING}=\text{value}] \]

**Graphics Keywords**: \[ \text{CLIP}=[X_0, Y_0, X_1, Y_1][, \text{COLOR}=\text{value}[, \text{DATA}[, \text{DEVICE}[, \text{NORMAL}]] \]

\[ \text{LINESTYLE}=[0|1|2|3|4|5][, \text{NOCLIP}][, \text{ORIENTATION}=\text{ccw\_degrees\_from\_horiz}]

\[ \text{PSYM}=\text{integer}[0\text{ to }10][, \text{SYMSIZE}=\text{value}[, \text{THICK}=\text{value}]] \]

**ERF** - Returns the value of an error function.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{ERF}(Z[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]) \]

**ERFC** - Returns the value of a complementary error function.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{ERFC}(Z[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]) \]

**ERFCX** - Returns the value of a scaled complementary error function.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{ERFCX}(Z[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]) \]

**ERRPLOT** - Plots error bars over a previously drawn plot.

\[ \text{ERRPLOT}, \text{X}[, \text{Low}, \text{High}[, \text{WIDTH}=\text{value}]] \]

**EXECUTE** - Compiles and executes IDL statements contained in a string.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{EXECUTE}(\text{String}[, \text{QuietCompile}]) \]

**EXIT** - Quits IDL and exits back to the operating system.

\[ \text{EXIT}[, \text{NO\_CONFIRM}[, \text{STATUS}=\text{code}]] \]

**EXP** - Returns the natural exponential function of Expression.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{EXP}(\text{Expression}[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]) \]

**EXPAND** - Shrinks/expands image using bilinear interpolation.

\[ \text{EXPAND}, \text{A}, \text{Nx}, \text{Ny}, \text{Result}, \text{FILLVAL}=\text{value}[, \text{MAXVAL}=\text{value}]] \]

**EXPAND_PATH** - Expands path-definition string into full path name for use with the ‘PATH’ system variable.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{EXPAND\_PATH}(\text{String}[, \text{ALL\_DIRS}[, \text{ARRAY}=\text{variable}[, \text{DLM}[, \text{HELP}]]]) \]

**EXPINT** - Returns the value of the exponential integral.

\[ \text{Result} = \text{EXPINT}(N[, \text{DOUBLE}[, \text{EPS}=\text{value}[, \text{ITER}=\text{variable}[, \text{IMAX}=\text{value}[, \text{Thread pool keywords}]]])} \]
FACTORIAL - Computes the factorial

Returns 2D planar slice extracted from volume.

EXTRACT_SLICE - Returns sub-matrix of input array. Array operators (e.g., *, +) should usually be used instead.

Result = EXTRACT_SLICE( Array, C1, C2, ..., CN, S1, S2, ..., SN )

FILE_CHMOD - Changes the current access permissions (or modes) associated with a file or directory.

FILE_CHMOD, File [ , Mode ]
[ , /A_EXECUTE ] [ , /A_READ ] [ , /A_WRITE ]
[ , /G_EXECUTE ] [ , /G_READ ] [ , /G_WRITE ]
[ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ]
[ , /U_EXECUTE ] [ , /U_READ ] [ , /U_WRITE ]
UNIX-Only Keywords: [ , /SETGID ] [ , /SETUID ]
[ , /STICKY_BIT ]

FILE_COPY - Copies files or directories to a new location.

FILE_COPY, SourcePath, DestPath [ , /ALLOW_SAME ]
[ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] [ , /OVERWRITE ]
[ , /RECURSIVE ] [ , /REQUIRE_DIRECTORY ]
[ , /VERBOSE ]
UNIX-Only Keywords: [ , /COPY_NAMED_PIPE ]
[ , /COPY_SYMLINK ] [ , /FORCE ]

FILE_DELETE - Deletes a file or empty directory, if the process has the necessary permissions to remove the file as defined by the current operating system.

FILE_DELETE, File [... FileN]
[ , /ALLOW_NONEXISTENT ]
[ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ]
[ , /QUIET ] [ , /RECURSIVE ] [ , /VERBOSE ]

FILE_EXPAND_PATH - Expands a given file or partial directory name to its fully qualified name regardless of the current working directory.

Result = FILE_EXPAND_PATH( Path )

FILE_INFO - Returns status information about a file.

Result = FILE_INFO(Path [ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] )

FILE_LINES - Returns the number of lines of text in a file.

Result = FILE_LINES(Path [ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] )

FILE_MOVE - Renames files and directories.

FILE_MOVE, SourcePath, DestPath [ , /ALLOW_SAME ]
[ , /HARDLINK ] [ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] [ , /VERBOSE ]
[ , /REQUIRE_DIRECTORY ] [ , /VERBOSE ]

FILE_READLINK - Returns the path pointed to by a UNIX symbolic link.

Result = FILE_READLINK(Path [ , /ALLOW_NONEXISTENT ]
[ , /ALLOW_NONSYMLINK ] [ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] )

FILESAME - Determines whether two different file names refer to the same underlying file.

Result = FILESAME(Path1, Path2 [ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] )

FILE_SEARCH - Returns a string array containing the names of all files matching the input path specification.

Result = FILE_SEARCH(Path_Specification)
or
Result = FILE_SEARCH(Dir_Specification, Recur_Pattern)

FILE_TEST - Checks files for existence and other file attributes without first having to open the file.

Result = FILE_TEST( File [... FileN] [ , /DIRECTORY ]
[ , /EXECUTABLE ] [ , /READ ] [ , /REGULAR ] [ , /WRITE ]
[ , /ZERO_LENGTH ] [ , /GET_MODE=variable ]
[ , /NOEXPAND_PATH ] )

UNIX-Only Keywords: [ , /BLOCK_SPECIAL ]
[ , /CHARACTER_SPECIAL ] [ , /DANGLING_SYMLINK ]
[ , /GROUP ] [ , /NAMED_PIPE ] [ , /SETGID ] [ , /SETUID ]
[ , /SOCKET ] [ , /STICKY_BIT ] [ , /SYMLINK ] [ , /USER ]
FILE_PATH - Returns full path to a file in the IDL distribution.
Result = FILEPATH( File_name [, Root_DIR=string] [. , SUBDIRECTORY=string/array] [. , /TERMINAL] [. , /TMP] )

FINDFILE - Separates a specified file path into its component directories, and searches each directory in turn for a specific file.
Result = FINDFILE( File_Specification [. , COUNT=variable] )

FILE_WHICH - Separates a specified file path into its component directories, and searches each directory in turn for a specific file.
Result = FILE WHICH( Path [, File [. , / INCLUDE_CURRENT_DIR] )

FOR - Executes statements repeatedly, incrementing or decrementing a variable with each repetition, until a condition is met.
FOR variable = init, limit [. , Increment] DO statement or FOR variable = init, limit [. , Increment] DO BEGIN statements ENDFOR

FUNCTION - Defines a function.
FUNCTION Function_Name, parameter1 [. , parameter2 [. , ] )

FREE_LUN - Frees previously-reserved file units.
FREE_LUN [. , Unit1 [. . . , Unitn] [. , EXIT_STATUS=variable [. , /FORCE] ]

FSTAT - Returns information about a specified file unit.
Result = FSTAT(Unit)

FULSTR - Restores a sparse matrix to full storage mode.
Result = FULSTR(A)

GAUSSFIT - Fits a 2D elliptical Gaussian equation to rectilinearly gridded data.
Result = GAUSSFIT( X, Y [, A [. , Y] [. , /NEGATIVE] [. , /TILT] )

GAUSSINT - Returns integral of Gaussian probability function.
Result = GAUSSINT( X [. , /NO_POLISH] )

GAMMA - Returns the gamma function of Z.
Result = GAMMA(Z [. , Thread pool keywords] )

GAMMA_CVF - Computes cutoff value in Gaussian distribution.
Result = GAMMA_CVF(P)

GAUSS_PDF - Computes Gaussian distribution function.
Result = GAUSS_PDF(V)

GAUSS2DFIT - Fits a 2D elliptical Gaussian equation to rectilinearly gridded data.

FINDGEN - Returns closest integer less than or equal to argument.
Result = FLOOR(value [. , /NO_POLISH] )

FLOA T - Converts argument to single-precision floating-point.
Result = FLOAT(value [. , /NO_POLISH] )

FINITE - Returns True if its argument is finite.
Result = FINITE( X [. , /INFINITY] [. , /NAN] [. , SIGN=value [. , Thread pool keywords] )

FIX - Converts argument to integer type, or type specified by TYPE keyword.
Result = FIX( Expression [, Offset [. , D1 [. . . , Dn]] [. /PRINT] [. , TYPE=type code[0 to 15]] [. , Thread pool keywords] )

FZ_ROOTS - Finds the roots of a complex polynomial using Laguerre’s method.
Result = FZ_ROOTS(A [. , DOUBLE] [. , EPS=value] [. , /NO_POLISH] )

GAUSSINT - Returns integral of Gaussian probability function.
Result = GAUSSINT(X [. , Thread pool keywords] )

FILE_PATH - Returns full path to a file in the IDL distribution.
Result = FILEPATH( Filename [. , ROOT_DIR=string] [. , SUBDIRECTORY=string/array] [. , /TERMINAL] [. , /TMP] )

FINDGEN - Returns a single-precision, floating-point vector or array.
Result = FFLTARR( SX, SY [, SX=value] [. , SY=value] [. , /NOZERO] )

FOR - Executes statements repeatedly, incrementing or decrementing a variable with each repetition, until a condition is met.
FOR variable = init, limit [. , Increment] DO statement or FOR variable = init, limit [. , Increment] DO BEGIN statements ENDFOR

FORMAT_AXIS_VALUES - Formats numbers as strings for use as axis values.
Result = FORMAT_AXIS_VALUES( Values )

FORWARD_FUNCTION - Causes argument(s) to be interpreted as functions rather than variables (versions of IDL prior to 5.0 used parentheses to declare arrays).
FORWARD_FUNCTION Name1, Name2, ..., Nameln

FSTAT - Returns information about a specified file unit.
Result = FSTAT(Unit)

FULSTR - Restores a sparse matrix to full storage mode.
Result = FULSTR(A)

FUNCTION - Defines a function.
FUNCTION Function_Name, parameter1 [. , parameter2 [. , ] )

GAMMA - Returns the gamma function of Z.
Result = GAMMA(Z [. , Thread pool keywords] )

GAMMA_CVF - Computes cutoff value in Gaussian distribution.
Result = GAMMA_CVF(P)

GAUSS_PDF - Computes Gaussian distribution function.
Result = GAUSS_PDF(V)

GAUSS2DFIT - Fits a 2D elliptical Gaussian equation to rectilinearly gridded data.

GAUSSFIT - Fits the sum of a Gaussian and a quadratic.
Result = GAUSSFIT( X, Y [, A [. , CHISQ=variable] [. , ESTIMATE=array] [. , NTERMS=integer{3 to 6]} [. , SIGMA=variable] [. , YERROR=variable] )

GAUSSINT - Returns integral of Gaussian probability function.
Result = GAUSSINT(X [. , Thread pool keywords] )
### GRID_INPUT
Preprocesses and sorts two-dimensional scattered data.

**Result** = GRID_INPUT([, COUNT=variable])

**Windows Keywords**:
- [:/CDROM]
- [:/FIXED]
- [:/REMOTE]
- [:/REMOVABLE]

**Syntax**
```
GRID_INPUT, X, Y, F, X1, Y1, F1
```

**Returns**
- string array of the names of valid drives/volumes for the file system.

**Usage**
- Returns dimensions of the screen.

**Example**
```
Result = GET_SCREEN_SIZE([, DISPLAY_NAME=string])
```

### GRIDDATA
Uses thin plate splines to interpolate a set of values over a plane or a sphere to a regular grid.

**Result** = GRIDDATA(X, Y, F)

**Syntax**
```
GRIDDATA(X, Y, F)
```

**Returns**
- `result` is a 3D vector.

**Example**
```
Result = GRIDDATA( X, Y, F )
```

### HANNING
Creates Hanning and Hamming windows.

**Result** = HANNING(N1[, N2][, ALPHA=value [0.5 to 1.0]] [, /DOUBLE])

**Syntax**
```
HANNING(N1[, N2][, ALPHA=value [0.5 to 1.0]] [, /DOUBLE])
```

### HIVERT
Constructs a Hilbert transform.

**Result** = HILBERT(X [, D])

**Syntax**
```
HILBERT(X [, D])
```

**Returns**
- Interpolates scattered data values and locations sampled on a plane or a sphere to a regular grid.

**Example**
```
Result = GRIDDATA( X, Y, F )
```

### GET_DRIVE_LIST
Returns string array of the names of valid drives/volumes for the file system.

**Result** = GET_DRIVE_LIST([, COUNT=variable])

**Windows Keywords**:
- [:/CDROM]
- [:/FIXED]
- [:/REMOTE]
- [:/REMOVABLE]

**Syntax**
```
GET_DRIVE_LIST([, COUNT=variable])
```

**Returns**
- string array of the names of valid drives/volumes for the file system.

**Example**
```
Result = GET_DRIVE_LIST()
```

### H_EQ_CT
Histogram-equalizes the color tables of an image or a region of the display.

**Result** = H_EQ_CT(Image)

**Syntax**
```
H_EQ_CT(Image)
```

**Returns**
- `result` is an image.

**Example**
```
Result = H_EQ_CT(Image)
```

### H_EQ_INT
Interactively histogram-equalizes the color tables of an image or a region of the display.

**Result** = H_EQ_INT(Image)

**Syntax**
```
H_EQ_INT(Image)
```

**Returns**
- `result` is an image.

**Example**
```
Result = H_EQ_INT(Image)
```

### HDR_BROWSER
Opens GUI to view contents of HDF, HDF-EOS, or NetCDF file.

**Result** = HDF_BROWSER(Filename)

**Syntax**
```
HDF_BROWSER(Filename)
```

**Returns**
- `result` is a GUI.

**Example**
```
Result = HDF_BROWSER("filename")
```

### HELP
Provides information about the current IDL session.

```

**Returns**
- `result` is a string.

**Example**
```
Result = HELP("expression")
```

### GS_ITER
Solves linear system using Gauss-Seidel iteration.

**Result** = GS_ITER(A, B [, CHECK] [, DOUBLE] [[, LAMBDA=value [0.0 to 2.0]]] [, MAX_ITER=value] [, TOL=value] [, X=value])

**Syntax**
```
GS_ITER(A, B [, CHECK] [, DOUBLE] [[, LAMBDA=value [0.0 to 2.0]]] [, MAX_ITER=value] [, TOL=value] [, X=value])
```

**Returns**
- `result` is a linear solution.

**Example**
```
Result = GS_ITER(A, B)
```
Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

HIST_EQUAL - Histogram-equalizes an image.
HISTOGRAM - Computes the density function of an array.
HIST_2D - Returns histogram of two variables.
Hough Transform: Hough Transform:
HSV - Creates color table based on Hue/Saturation Value color system.
HQR - Returns all eigenvalues of an upper Hessenberg array.
IBMXMsID Object - See “IDLfIMoSIX” on page 85.
IDLShape Object - See “IDLShape” on page 85.
IDLfXMSAX Object - See “IDLfXMSAX” on page 85.
IDLgr* Objects - IDLgr* objects and their methods are described starting with “IDLgrAxis” on page 87.
IF...THEN...ELSE - Conditionally executes a statement or block of statements.
IF expression THEN statement [ ELSE statement ]
or IF expression THEN BEGIN statements ENDIF [ ELSE BEGIN statements ENDELSE ]
IGAMMA - Computes the incomplete gamma function.
IMAGE_CONT - Overlays an image with a contour plot.
IMAGE_STATISTICS - Computes sample statistics for a given array of values.
IMAGINARY - Returns the imaginary part of a complex value.
INDGEN - Returns an integer array with each element set to its subscript.
INT_2D - Computes the double integral of a bivariate function.
INT_3D - Computes the triple integral of a trivariate function.
INT_TABULATED - Integrates a tabulated set of data.
INTARR - Creates an integer vector or array.
   Result = INTARR( D1 [, ... , D8] [, /NOZERO] )

INTERPOL - Performs linear interpolation on vectors.
   For regular grids: Result = INTERPOL( V, N
      [, /LSQURADRIC] [, /QUADRATIC] [, /SPLINE])
   For irregular grids: Result = INTERPOL( V, X, U
      [, /LSQURADRIC] [, /QUADRATIC] [, /SPLINE])

INTERPOLATE - Returns an array of interpolates.
   Result = INTERPOLATE( P, X [, Y [, Z]]
      [, CUBIC=value{-1 to 0}] [, /GRID] [, MISS=nan] )

INVERT - Computes the inverse of a square array.
   Result = INVERT( Array [, Status] [, /DOUBLE] )

INTERVAL_VOLUME - Generates a tetrahedral mesh from volumetric data.
   INTERVAL_VOLUME, Data, Value0, Value1, Outverts,
   Outconn [, AUXDATA_IN=array, AUXDATA_OUT=variable]
   [, GEOM_XYZ=array, TETRAHEDRA=array]

INVERT - Computes the inverse of a square array.
   Result = INVERT( Array [, Status] [, /DOUBLE] )

IOCTL - Performs special functions on UNIX files.
   Result = IOCTL( File_Unit [, Request, Arg]
      [, /BY_VALUE] [, /MT_OFFLINE] [, /MT_REWIND]
      [, MT_SKIP_FILE=-number_of_files]
      [, MT_SKIP_RECORD=-number_of_records]
      [, MT_WEOF] [, /MT_SKIP_FILE=-number_of_files]
      [, /BY_VALUE] [, /MT_OFFLINE] [, /MT_REWIND]
      [, MT_SKIP_RECORD=-number_of_records]
      [, MT_WEOF] [, /SUPPRESS_ERROR] )

ISHFT - Performs integer bit shift.
   Result = ISHFT( P1, P2 [, Thread_pool_keywords] )

ISOCONTOUR - Interprets the contouring algorithm found in the
   IDLgContour object.
   ISOCONTOUR, Values, Outverts, Outconn
   [, AUXDATA_IN=array, AUXDATA_OUT=variable]
   [, C_LABEL_INTERVAL=vector of values]
   [, C_LABEL_SHOW=vector of integers]
   [, CVALUE=scalar or vector] [, /DOUBLE] [, /FILL]
   [, GEOMX=vector], GEOMY=vector]
   [, GEOMZ=vector] [, LEVEL_VALUES=variable]
   [, N_LEVELS=levels]
   [, OUTLABEL_OFFSETS=variable]
   [, OUTLABEL_POLYLINES=variable]
   [, OUTLABEL_STRINGS=variable]
   [, OUTCONN_INDICES=variable] [, POLYGONS=array of
      polygon descriptions]

ISOSURFACE - Returns topologically consistent triangles by using
   oriented tetrahedral decomposition.
   ISOSURFACE, Data, Value, Outverts, Outconn
   [, GEOM_XYZ=array, TETRAHEDRA=array]
   [, AUXDATA_IN=array, AUXDATA_OUT=variable]

J

JOURNAL - Logs IDL commands to a file.IDL.
   JOURNAL [, Arg]

JULDAY - Returns Julian day number for given month, day, and year.
   Result = JULDAY( Month, Day, Year, Hour, Minute, Second)

KEYWORD_SET - Returns True if Expression is defined and non-zero
   or an array.
   Result = KEYWORD_SET(Expression)

KRIG2D - Interpolates sets of points using kriging.
   Result = KRIG2D( Z [, X, Y] [, EXPONENTIAL=vector]
      [, SPHERICAL=vector] [, /REGULAR]
      [, XGRID=xstart xspacing] [, XVALUES=xarray]
      [, YGRID=ystart yspacing] [, YVALUES=xarray]
      [, GEOM=X={xspacing, yspacing}] [, BOUNDS=xmin ymax]
      [, NX=xarray] [, NY=yarray] )

KURTOSIS - Computes statistical kurtosis of n-element vector.
   Result = KURTOSIS( X [, /DOUBLE] [, /NAN] )

KW_TEST - Performs Kruskal-Wallis H-test.
   Result = KW_TEST( X [, DF=variable]
      [, MISSING=nonzero_value] )

L

L64INDGEN - Returns a 64-bit integer array with each element set to
   its subscript.
   Result = L64INDGEN(D1 [, ... , D8] [, Thread_pool
      keywords])

LABEL_DATE - Labels axes with dates. Use with [XYZ]TICKFORMAT
   keyword.
   Result = LABEL_DATE( DATE_FORMAT=string/string array
      [, AM_PM=2-element vector of strings]
      [, DAYS_OF_WEEK=7-element vector of strings]
      [, MONTHS=12-element vector of strings]
      [, OFFSET=value]
      [, /ROUND_UP] )
   and then, PLOT, x, y, XTICKFORMAT = 'LABEL_DATE'

LABEL_REGION - Labels regions (blobs) of a bi-level image.
   Result = LABEL_REGION( Data [, /ALL_NEIGHBORS]
      [, /ULONG] )

LADFIT - Fits paired data using least absolute deviation method.
   Result = LADFIT( X, Y [, ABSDEV=variable]
      [, /DOUBLE] )
LAGUERRE - Returns the values of the associated Laguerre polynomial.
Result = LAGUERRE( X, N [, K] [, COEFFICIENTS=variable] [, /DOUBLE] )

LA_CHOCD - Computes the Cholesky factorization of an n-by-n symmetric (or Hermitian) positive-definite array.
LA_CHOCD, Array [, /DOUBLE] [, STATUS=variable] [, /UPPER]

LA_CHOILM - Uses the QR algorithm to compute all eigenvalues and eigenvectors of an array.

LA_CHOILMPROVE - Uses the multishift QR algorithm to compute all eigenvalues and eigenvectors of an array.

LA_CHOISOL - Used in conjunction with the LA_CHOCD procedure to solve a set of linear equations.
Result = LA_CHOISOL( A, B [, /DOUBLE] [, /UPPER] )

LA_DETERM - Uses LU decomposition to compute the determinant of a square array.

LA_EIGENPHI - Uses the QR algorithm to compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a symmetric (or Hermitian) real array.

LA_EIGENPHI - Uses the QR algorithm to compute all or some of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a nonsymmetric real array.

LA_ELMHES - Reduces a real nonsymmetric or complex non-Hermitian array to upper Hessenberg form H.

LA_GM_LINEAR_MODEL - Uses the multishift QR algorithm to compute all eigenvalues of a symmetric (or Hermitian) upper Hessenberg array.

LA_INVERT - Uses LU decomposition to compute the inverse of a square array.
Result = LA_INVERT( A [, /DOUBLE] [, STATUS=variable] )

LA_LEAST_SQUARES - Used to solve the linear least-squares problem.

LA_LINEAR_EQUATION - Uses LU decomposition to solve a system of linear equations.
Result = LA_LINEAR_EQUATION( Array, B [, BACKWARD_ERROR=variable] [, /DOUBLE] [, FORWARD_ERROR=variable] [, /DOUBLE], STATUS=variable)
LINDGEN - Returns a longword integer array with each element set to

Reverse a real symmetric or complex Hermitian array

Improves the solution to a system of linear equations with a tridiagonal array.

LA_TRIRED, D, E [, A] [, /DOUBLE] [, STATUS=variable]

LA_TRISOL - Used in conjunction with the LA_TRIDC procedure to

Returns value of the associated Legendre polynomial.

LEGENDRE - Returns value of the associated Legendre polynomial.

LEGENDRE [, N [, S|J]] [, /DOUBLE] [, /EXACT]

LINBCG - Solves a set of sparse linear equations using the iterative

biconjugate gradient method.

Result = LINBCG( A, B, X [, /DOUBLE] [, ITOL=4 | 5 | 6 | 7] [, TOL=value] [, ITOL=value] [, ITMx=value])

LINDGEN - Returns a longword integer array with each element set to

its subscript.

Result = LINDGEN(D1 [, ..., Dn] [, Thread pool

keywords])

LINFIT - Fits by minimizing the Chi-square error statistic.

Result = LINFIT( X, Y [ , CHISQ=variable] [, COVAR=variable] [, /DOUBLE]


LINKIMAGE - Merges routines written in other languages with IDL at

run-time.

LINKIMAGE, Name, Image [, Type [, Entry]] [, /DEVICE] [, /FUNCT] [, /KEYWORDS]

[ , MAX_ARGS=value] [, MIN_ARGS=value]
**LIVE_IMAGE** - Displays visualizations using a GUI.

- **LIVE_IMAGE, Image [, RED=byte_vector]**
- **[, GREEN=byte_vector] [, BLUE=byte_vector]**
- **[, BUFFER] [, DIMENSIONS=[width, height][normal units]] [, DRAW_DIMENSIONS=[width, height][device units]] [, ERROR=variable] [, /INDEXED_COLOR]**
- **[, INSTANCING=[-1 | 0 | 1]] [, LOCATION=x, y[normal units]]**
- **[, /MANAGE_STYLE] [, NAME=structure]**
- **[, /NO_DRAW] [, /NO_SELECTION] [, /NO_STATUS]**

- **[, /NO_TOOLBAR] [, PARENT_BASE=widget_id]**
- **[, TLB_LOCATION=[Xoffset, Yoffset][device units]]**
- **[, PREFERENCE_FILE=[full path]] [, REFERENCE_OUT=variable] [, RENDERER={0 | 1}]**
- **[, REPLACE=structure [0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4]] [, STYLE=name_or_reference]**
- **[, TEMPLATE_FILE=filename] [, TITLE=string]**
- **[, WINDOW_IN=string]**

**LIVE_INFO** - Gets the properties of a LIVE tool.

- **LIVE_INFO, [Name [, ERROR=variable]] [, /PROPERTIES=variable] [, WINDOW_IN=string]**

**LIVE_LINE** - Provides an interface for line annotation.

- **LIVE_LINE [, ARROW_ANGLE=value[1.0 to 179.0]]**
- **[, ARROW_END] [, ARROW_SIZE=value[0.0 to 0.3]]**
- **[, ARROW_START] [, COLOR='color name']**
- **[, /DIALOG] [, DIMENSIONS=[width, height]]**
- **[, ERROR=variable] [, /HIDE] [, LINESSTYLE=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5]] [, LOCATION=x, y[finame]] [, NAME=string]**
- **[, /NO_DRAW] [, /NO_SELECTION]**
- **[, REFERENCE_OUT=variable] [, THICK=pixels[1 to 10]]**
- **[, VISUALIZATION_IN=string] [, WINDOW_IN=string]**

**LIVE_LOAD** - Loads into memory the complete set of routines necessary to run all LIVE tools.

- **LIVE_LOAD**

**LIVE_OPLot** - Inserts data into pre-existing plots.

- **LIVE_OPLot, Yvector1 [,..., Yvector25]**
- **[, ERROR=variable] [, INDEPENDENT=vector]**
- **[, NAME=structure] [, /NEW_AXES] [, /NO_DRAW]**
- **[, /NO_SELECTION] [, REFERENCE_OUT=variable]**
- **[, REPLACE=structure [0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4]]**
- **[, SUBTYPE={"LinePlot" | "ScatterPlot" | "Histogram" | "PolarPlot"}]**, **VISUALIZATION_IN=string**
- **[, WINDOW_IN=string] [, X | Y]_TICKNAME=variable**
- **[, X | Y] AXIS_IN=string**

**LIVE_PLOT** - Displays a plot using a GUI.

- **LIVE_PLOT, Yvector1 [,..., Yvector25]**
- **[, BUFFER] [, DIMENSIONS=[width, height][normal units]] [, /DOUBLE]**
- **[, DRAW_DIMENSIONS=[width, height][device units]]**, **ERROR=variable**
- **[, INSTANCING=[-1 | 0 | 1]] [, LOCATION=x, y[normal units]]**, **INDEPENDENT=vector**
- **[, /MANAGE_STYLE] [, NAME=structure]**
- **[, /NO_DRAW] [, /NO_SELECTION] [, /NO_STATUS]**
- **[, /NO_TOOLBAR] [, PARENT_BASE=widget_id]**
- **[, TLB_LOCATION=[Xoffset, Yoffset][device units]]**
- **[, PREFERENCE_FILE=[full path]] [, REFERENCE_OUT=variable] [, RENDERER={0 | 1}]**
- **[, REPLACE=structure [0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4]]**, **STYLE=name_or_reference**
- **[, TEMPLATE_FILE=filename] [, TITLE=string]**
- **[, WINDOW_IN=string] [, (X | Y)LOG] [, X | Y] RANGE=[min, max][data units]] [, X | Y]_TICKNAME=variable**

**LIVE_PRINT** - Prints a given window to the printer.

- **LIVE_PRINT [, /DIALOG] [, ERROR=variable]**
- **[, WINDOW_IN=string]**

**LIVE_RECT** - Provides an interface for insertion of rectangles.

- **LIVE_RECT [, COLOR='color name']**, **/HIDE**
- **[, DIMENSIONS=[width, height]]**, **ERROR=variable**
- **[, /NEW_AXES] [, /NO_DRAW]**
- **[, /NO_SELECTION] [, /NO_STATUS]**
- **[, /NO_TOOLBAR] [, PARENT_BASE=widget_id]**
- **[, TLB_LOCATION=[Xoffset, Yoffset][device units]]**
- **[, PREFERENCE_FILE=[full path]]**, **REFERENCE_OUT=variable**
- **[, RENDERER={0 | 1}]**, **STYLE=name_or_reference**
- **[, TEMPLATE_FILE=filename] [, TITLE=string]**
- **[, WINDOW_IN=string] [, (X | Y)LOG] [, (X | Y)AXIS_PROPERTIES=structure]**

**LIVE_STYLE** - Controls style settings for a LIVE_tool.

- **LIVE_STYLE ["contour" | "image" | "plot" | "surface"]**, **BASE_STYLE=structure**
- **[, COLORBAR_PROPERTIES=structure]**
- **[, /DOUBLE]**
- **[, GROUP=widget_id]**
- **[, LEGEND_PROPERTIES=structure] [, NAME=string]**
- **[, /SAVE] [, TEMPLATE_FILE=filename]**
- **[, VISUALIZATION_PROPERTIES=structure]**
- **[, (X | Y | Z)AXIS_PROPERTIES=structure]**
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**LIVE_SURFACE** - Displays a surface using a GUI.
- **LIVE_SURFACE, Data, Data2,** [, **/BUFFER**]
- **[ , /DOUBLE]** [, **DRAW_DIMENSIONS=[width, height]**[normal units]]
- **[ , ERROR=variable]**
- **[ , ERROR_substr=variable]**
- **[ , /INDEXED_COLOR]**, **[ , INSTANCING=[-1 | 0 | 1]**
- **[ , LOCATION=x,y]**[normal units]]
- **[ , MANAGE_STYLE]**[, **NAME=structure**]
- **[ , NO_DRAW]**[, **/NO_SELECTION**[, **/NO_STATUS]**]
- **[ , NO_TOOLBAR]**[, **PARENT_BASE=widget_id**]
- **[ , TLB_LOCATION=[Xoffset, Yoffset]**[device units]]
- **[ , PREFERENCE_FILE=filename]**[full path]
- **[ , REFERENCE_FILE=filename]**[ , RENDERNER=variable]
- **[ , REPLACE=structure]**[, **[0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4]**]
- **[ , STYLE=variable**[, **NAME=reference]**]
- **[ , TEMPLATE_FILE=filename]**[, **TITLE=string**]
- **[ , WINDOW_IN=string**]
- **[ , X | Y_INDEPENDENT=variable]**[, **[(X | Y)_LOG**]
- **[ , X | Y_RANGE=[min, max]**[data units]]
- **[ , X | Y_TICKNAME=variable**[, **NAME=reference]**]

**LIVE_TEXT** - Provides an interface for text annotation.
- **LIVE_TEXT, Text**, **[ , ALIGNMENT=value]**[0.0 to 1.0]**]
- **[ , COLOR=color name**[, **/DIAGOOG**]
- **[ , ERROR=variable]**
- **[ , ENABLE_FORMATTING]**[, **ERROR=variable**]
- **[ , FONTNAME=string**[, **FONTSIZE=points]**[9 to 72]**]
- **[ , HIDEE]**[, **LOCATION=x,y]**[, **NAME=string**]
- **[ , NO_DRAW]**[, **/NO_SELECTION**]
- **[ , REFERENCE_OUT=variable]**
- **[ , TEXTANGLE=value]**[0.0 to 360.0]**]
- **[ , VERTICAL_ALIGNMENT=value]**[0.0 to 1.0]**]
- **[ , VISUALIZATION_IN=string**]
- **[ , WINDOW_IN=string**]

**LL_ARC_DISTANCE** - Returns the longitude and latitude of a point given arc distance and azimuth.
- **Result = LL_ARC_DISTANCE( Lon_lat0, Arc_Dist, Az**[, **/DEGREES**]

**LNGAMMA** - Returns logarithm of the gamma function of Z.
- **Result = LNGAMMA(Z**[, **/THREAD_POOL**]

**LNP_TEST** - Computes the Lomb Normalized Periodogram.
- **Result = LNP_TEST( X, Y**[, **/DOUBLE]**]
- **[ , HIFAC=scale_factor]**[, **/JMAX=variable**]
- **[ , OPAC=value]**[, **/WK1=variable**[, **/WK2=variable**]

**LOADCT** - Loads one of the predefined IDL color tables.
- **LOADCT[, Table]**[, **/BOTTOM=value**[, **FILE=string**]
- **[ , GET_NAMES=variable**[, **NCOLORS=value**]
- **[ , /SILENT**]

**LOCALE_GET** - Returns the current locale of the operating platform.
- **Result = LOCALE_GET**

**LON64ARR** - Returns a 64-bit integer vector or array.
- **Result = LON64ARR( D1**, ..., **D8**[, **/NOZERO**]

**LONARR** - Returns a longword integer vector or array.
- **Result = LONARR( D1**, ..., **D8**[, **/NOZERO**]

**LONG** - Converts argument to longword integer type.
- **Result = LONG( Expression**[, **Offset**[, **D1**, ..., **D8**]]
- **[ , /THREAD_POOL**]

**LONG64** - Converts argument to 64-bit integer type.
- **Result = LONG64( Expression**[, **Offset**[, **D1**, ..., **D8**]]
- **[ , /THREAD_POOL**]

**LSODE** - Advances a solution to a system of ordinary differential equations one time-step H.
- **Result = LSODE( Y, X, H, Derivs**, **Status**]
- **[ , ATOL=value**[, **RTOL=value**]

**LU_COMPLEX** - Solves complex linear system using LU decomposition.
- **Result = LU_COMPLEX( A**[, **INDEX**[, **/COLUMN**]
- **[ , /DOUBLE**]
- **[ , /INVERSE**[, **/SPARSE**]

**LUDC** - Replaces array with the LU decomposition.
- **LUDC, A**[, **INDEX**[, **/COLUMN**]
- **[ , /DOUBLE**]
- **[ , /INTERCHANGES=variable**]

**LUMPROVE** - Uses LU decomposition to iteratively improve an approximate solution.
- **Result = LUMPROVE( A, Alud, Index, B, X**[, **COLUMN**]
- **[ , /DOUBLE**]

**LUSOL** - Solves a set of linear equations. Use with LUDC.
- **Result = LUSOL(A, Index, B**[, **COLUMN**[, **/DOUBLE**]

**M_CORRELATE** - Computes multiple correlation coefficient.
- **Result = M_CORRELATE(X, Y**[, **/DOUBLE**]

**MACHAR** - Determines and returns machine-specific parameters affecting floating-point arithmetic.
- **Result = MACHAR( **[, **/DOUBLE**]

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**LIVE_SURFACE**

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MAKE_ARRAY - Returns an array of the specified type, dimensions, and initializations.


MAKE_DLL - Builds a shareable library suitable for use with IDL’s dynamic linking.


MAP_2POINTS - Returns distance, azimuth, and path relating to the great circle or rhumb line connecting two points on a sphere.

Result = MAP_2POINTS( lat0, lon0, lat1, lon1 [, DPATH=value] [, METERS] [, MILES] [, NPATH=integer [2 or greater]] [, /PARAMETERS] [, RADIUS=value] [, /RADIANS] )

MAP_CONTINENTS - Draws continental boundaries, filled continents, political boundaries, coastlines, and/or rivers, over an existing map projection established by MAP_SET.


Graphics Keywords: [/T3D] [, ZVALUE=value [0 to 1]]

MAP_GRID - Draws parallels and meridians over a map projection.

MAP_GRID [, /BOX_AXES] [, /CLIP_TEXT=0] [, LAT1LATN=value [0.0 to 1.0]] [, LON1LONL=value [0.0 to 1.0]] [, LATLONGL=value] [, LONLAB=latitude] [, ORIENTATION=‘clockwise_degrees_from_horiz’] [, CHARSIZE=value] [, COLOR=index] [, /FILL_HORIZON] [, GLINESTYLE=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5]] [, GLINE_THICK=value] [, /HORIZON] [, INCREMENT=value] [, LABEL=on | label_every nth_gridline] [, LATDEL=degrees] [, LATNAMES=array, LATS=vector] [, LONDEL=degrees] [, LONNAMES=array, LONS=vector] [, /NO_GRID]

Graphics Keywords: [/T3D] [, ZVALUE=value [0 to 1]]

MAP_IMAGE - Returns an image warped to fit the current map projection. (Use when map data is larger than the display).

Result = MAP_IMAGE( Image [, Startx, Starty [, Xsize, Ysize]] [, LATMIN=degrees [-90 to 90]] [, LATMAX=degrees [-90 to 90]] [, LONMIN=degrees [-180 to 180]] [, LONMAX=degrees [-180 to 180]] [, /BILINEAR] [, COMPRESS=value] [, SCALE=value] [, MAX_VALUE=value] [, MIN_VALUE=value] [, MISSING=value] )

MAP_PATCH - Returns an image warped to fit the current map projection. (Use when map data is smaller than the display).


MAP_PROJ_INIT - Transforms map coordinates from longitudinal/latitudinal to Cartesian (X, Y) coordinates.


MAP_PROJ_FORWARD - Transforms map coordinates from longitudinal/latitudinal to Cartesian (X, Y) coordinates.


MAP_PROJ_INFO - Returns information about current map and/or the available projections.


MAP_PROJ_INIT - Initializes a mapping projection.


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**MESH_SMOOTH** - Performs spatial smoothing on a polygon mesh.

```
Result = MESH_SMOOTH (Verts, Conn [, ITERATIONS=value] [, FIXED_VERTICES=Array] [, /FIXED_EDGE_VERTICES] [, LAMBDA=value] )
```

**MESH_VALIDATE** - Checks for NaN values in vertices, removes unused vertices, and combines close vertices.

```
Result = MESH_VALIDATE (Verts, Conn [, AUXDATA=Array] [, /MOMENT=variable] )
```

**MESH_VOLUME** - Computes the volume that the mesh encloses.

```
```

**MOMENT** - Computes mean, variance, skewness, and kurtosis.

```
```

**MIN** - Returns the value of the smallest element of an array.

```
```

**MIN_CURVE_SURF** - Interpolates over either a plane or a sphere with a minimum curvature surface or a thin-plate-spline surface.

```
```

**MK_HTML_HELP** - Converts documentation headers to HTML files.

```
```

**MODIFYCT** - Saves modified color tables in the IDL color table file. MODIFYCT, Ital, Name, R, G, B, [FILE=fname]

**MOMENT** - Computes mean, variance, skewness, and kurtosis.

```
Result = MOMENT (X [, /DOUBLE] [, MDEV=value] [, /NAN] [, SDEV=value] )
```

**MORPH_CLOSE** - Applies closing operator to binary or grayscale image.

```
Result = MORPH_CLOSE (Image, HitStructure, MissStructure) = MORPH_CLOSE (Image, Structure)
```

**MORPH_DISTANCE** - Estimates N-dimensional distance maps, which contain for each foreground pixel the distance to the nearest background pixel, using a given norm.

```
Result = MORPH_DISTANCE (Data [, /BACKGROUND] [, NEIGHBOR_SAMPLING=[1 | 2 | 3 ]] [, /NO_COPY] )
```

**MORPH_GRADIENT** - Applies the morphological gradient operator to a grayscale image.

```
Result = MORPH_GRADIENT (Image, Structure [, PREERVE_TYPE=bytearray | /UINT | /ULONG] [, VALUES=Array] )
```

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```
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```
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```

**MPEG_CLOSE** - Closes an MPEG sequence.

```
MPEG_CLOSE, mpegID
```

**MPEG_OPEN** - Opens an MPEG sequence.

```
mpegID = MPEG_OPEN (Dimensions [, BITRATE=value] [, FILENAME=string] [, IFRAME_GAP=integer value] [, MOTION_VEC_LENGTH=[1 | 2 | 3 ]] [, QUALITY=value[0 to 100]] )
```

**MPEG_PUT** - Inserts an image array into an MPEG sequence.

```
```

**MPEG_SAVE** - Encodes and saves an open MPEG sequence.

```
MPEG_SAVE, mpegID [, /FILENAME=string]
```

**MSG_CAT_COMPILE** - Creates an IDL language catalog file.

```
MSG_CAT_COMPILE, object
```

**MSG_CAT_CLOSE** - Closes a catalog file from the stored cache.

```
MSG_CAT_CLOSE, object
```

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```
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```
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```
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**MSG_CAT_OPEN** - Returns a catalog object for the given parameters if found.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{MSG\_CAT\_OPEN}(\text{application})
\]

\[
\text{[}, \text{DEFAULT\_FILENAME=filename}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{FILENAMEx=string}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{FOUNDxvariable}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{LOCALEx=string}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{PATH=xstring}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{SUB\_QUERY=xvalue}\text{]}\text{)
\]

**MULTI** - Replicates current color table to enhance contrast.

\[
\text{MULTI}, N
\]

**N_ELEMENTS** - Returns the number of elements contained in an expression or variable.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{N\_ELEMENTS}(\text{Expression})
\]

**N_PARAMS** - Returns the number of non-keyword parameters used in calling an IDL procedure or function.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{N\_PARAMS}(\ )
\]

**N_TAGS** - Returns the number of tags in a structure.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{N\_TAGS}(\text{Expression} [,\ /LENGTH})\text{)
\]

**NCDF_* Routines** - See “NetCDF Routines” on page 81.

**NEWTON** - Solves nonlinear equations using Newton’s method.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{NEWTON}(\text{X}, \text{Func}, [\text{CHECK=xvariable}][\text{, /DOUBLE}]\text{[}, \text{ITMAX=xvalue}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{STEPMAX=xvalue}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{TOLF=xvalue}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{TOLMIN=xvalue}\text{]}\text{[}, \text{TOLX=xvalue}\text{])}
\]

**NORM** - Computes Euclidean norm of vector or Infinity norm of array.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{NORM}(\text{A}[\text{, /DOUBLE}][\text{, LNORM=x0}][\text{, L2NORM=x1}][\text{, LINFNORM=x2}])
\]

**OBJ_CLASS** - Determines the class name of an object.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{OBJ\_CLASS}(\text{[Arg] ][\text{, COUNT=xvariable}][\text{, /SUPERCLASS=must specify Arg}])
\]

**OBJ_DESTROY** - Destroys an object reference.

\[
\text{OBJ\_DESTROY, ObjRef}[\text{, Arg}_1, ..., \text{Arg}_{n}]
\]

**OBJ_ISA** - Determines inheritance relationship of an object.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{OBJ\_ISX}(\text{ObjectInstance, ClassName})
\]

**OBJ_NEW** - Creates an object reference.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{OBJ\_NEW}(\text{[ObjectClassName [Arg}_1, ..., \text{Arg}_{n}][])}
\]

**OBJ_VALID** - Verifies validity of object references.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{OBJ\_VALID}(\text{[Arg] [\text{, CAST=xinteger}][\text{, COUNT=xvariable}])}
\]

**OBJJARR** - Creates an array of object references.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{OBJJARR}(\text{[D}_1, ..., \text{D}_n}[\text{, /NOZERO}])
\]

**ON_ERROR** - Designates the error recovery method.

\[
\text{ON\_ERROR}, N
\]

**ON_IERROR** - Declares I/O error exception handler.

\[
\text{ON\_IERROR, Label}
\]

\[
\text{Label: Statement to perform upon I/O error}
\]

**ONLINE_HELP** - Invokes online help viewer from programs.

\[
\text{ONLINE\_HELP [\text{, Value}[\text{, BOOK=xfilename}][\text{, /FULL\_PATH}][\text{, /QUIT}]}
\]

**UNIX-Only Keywords**: [\text{, /FOLD\_CASE}][\text{, /PATH=xpathname}]

**Windows-Only Keywords**: [\text{, /CONTEX}]{x}{, /TOPICS}]

**OPEN** - Opens files for reading, updating, or writing.

\[
\text{OPENR, Unit, File}
\]

\[
\text{OPENW, Unit, File}
\]

\[
\text{OPENU, Unit, File}
\]

\[
\text{Keywords (all platforms): [\text{, /APPEND}][\text{, /COMPRESS}] [\text{, BUFSIZE=x0}][\text{, /DELETE}] [\text{, ERROR=xvariable}][\text{, /F77\_UNFORMATTED}] [\text{, /GET\_LUN}][\text{, /MORE}] [\text{, /NOEXPAND\_PATH}][\text{, /STDIO}] [\text{, /SWAP\_ENDIAN}] [\text{, /SWAP\_IF\_BIG\_ENDIAN}] [\text{, /SWAP\_IF\_LITTLE\_ENDIAN}][\text{, /VAX\_FLOAT}][\text{, WIDTH=xvalue}][\text{, /XDR}]
\]

**UNIX-Only Keywords**: [\text{, /RAWIO}]

**OPLOT** - Plots vector data over a previously-drawn plot.

\[
\text{OPLOT, [X}, Y[\text{, MAX\_VALUE=xvalue}][\text{, MIN\_VALUE=xvalue}][\text{, NSUM=xvalue}][\text{, /POLAR}][\text{, THICK=xvalue}][\text{, Graphics Keywords: [\text{, CLIP=x0}][\text{, Y0}, X1, Y] ][\text{, COLOR=xvalue}][\text{, LINESTYLE=x0}][\text{, /NOCLIP}][\text{, PSYM=xinteger}[\text{, 0 to 10}]][\text{, SYMSIZE=xvalue}][\text{, /T3D}][\text{, ZVALUE=xvalue}[\text{, 0 to 1}]])
\]

**OPOUTERR** - Draws error bars over a previously drawn plot.

\[
\text{OPOUTERR}, [X, Y, ERr, Psym}
\]

**P_CORRELATE** - Computes partial correlation coefficient.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{P\_CORRELATE}(\text{X, Y, C}[\text{, /DOUBLE}])
\]

**PARTICLE_TRACE** - Traces the path of a massless particle through a vector field.

\[
\text{PARTICLE\_TRACE, Data, Seeds, Verts, Conn [\text{, Normals}][\text{, MAX\_ITERATIONS=xvalue}][\text{, ANISOTROPY=xarray}][\text{, INTEGRATION=x0}][\text{, /SEARCH\_PATH}][\text{, SEED\_NORMAL=xvector}][\text{, /TOLERANCE=xvalue}][\text{, MAX\_STEPSIZE=xvalue}][\text{, /UNIFORM}][\text{, /DELETE}]
\]

**PATH_SEP** - Returns the proper file path segment separator character for the current operating system.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{PATH\_SEP}([\text{, PARENT\_DIRECTORY}] [\text{, /SEARCH\_PATH}])
\]
PCOMP - Computes principal components/derived variables.

Result = PCOMP(A[, COEFFICIENTS=variable]
[, /COVARIANCE] [, /DOUBLE]
[, EIGENVALUES=variable] [, NVARIABLES=variable]
[, /STANDARDIZE] [, VARIANCES=variable]
)

PLOT - Plots vector arguments as X versus Y graphs.

PLOT( [X[, Y[, MAX_VALUE=value]
[, MIN_VALUE=value] [, NSUM=value] [, /POLAR]]
[, THICK=value] [, /XLOG] [, /YLOG] [, /YNOZERO]])

Graphics Keywords:
[ , BACKGROUND=color_index]
[ , CHARSIZE=value] [, CHARTHICK=integer]
[ , CLIP={X0, Y0, X1, Y1}[, COLOR=value] [, /DATA ][, /DEVICE ] [, /NORMAL] [, FONT=integer]
[, /NODATA] [, NOERASE] [, POSITION=[Xp, Yp, Xf, Yf]],
[PSYM=integer(0 to 10)] [, SUBTITLE=string]
[, SYMSIZE=value] [, /T3D] [, THICK=value]
[, TICKLEN=value] [, TITLE=string]
[, X Y Z] CHARSIZE=value]
[, X Y Z] GRIDSTYLE=integer(0 to 5)]
[, X Y Z] MARGIN=[left, right]]
[, X Y Z] MINOR=integer]
[, X Y Z] RANGE=[min, max]
[, X Y Z] STYLE=relative]
[, X Y Z] THICK value]
[, X Y Z] TICK_GET=variable]
[, X Y Z] TICKFORMAT=string]
[, X Y Z] TICKINTERVAL=value]
[, X Y Z] TICKLAYOUT=string]
[, X Y Z] TICKLEVE=value]
[, X Y Z] TICKNAME=string_array]
[, X Y Z] TICK=integer]
[, X Y Z] TICKUNITS=string]
[, X Y Z] TICK=variable]
[, X Y Z] TITLE=string]
[, ZVALUE=value](0 to 1)]

PLOT_3DBOX - Plots function of two variables inside 3D box.

[, PSYM=integer(1 to 10)] [, /SOLID_WALLS]

Graphics Keywords:
Accepts all graphics keywords accepted by PLOT except for:
[ FONT, PSYM, SYMSIZE, /XY, /XZ, /YZ, /THICK_GET, and ZVALUE.]

PLOT_FIELD - Plots a 2D field using arrows.

PLOT_FIELD, U, V [, ASPECT=ratio]
[, LENGTH=value] [, N=num_arrows] [, TITLE=string]

POLY - Evaluates polynomial function of a variable.

Result = POLY(X, C)

POLY_2D - Performs polynomial warping of images.

Result = POLY_2D(Array, P, Q, Interp [, Dimx, Dimy],[
[, CUBIC=[-1 to 0]] [, MISSING=value] [, Thread pool keywords]])

POLY_AREA - Returns the area of a polygon given the coordinates of its vertices.

Result = POLY_AREA(X, Y[, /DOUBLE] [, /SIGN])

POLY_FIT - Performs a least-square polynomial fit.

Result = POLY_FIT(X, Y, Degree [, CHISQ=value]
[, COVAR=value] [, /DOUBLE]
[, MEASURE_ERRORS=vector] [, SIGMA=value]
[, STATUS=value] [, YBAND=value]
[, YERROR=value] [, YFIT=value] )

PLOTERR - Plots individual data points with error bars.

PLOTERR, [ X ] , Y, Err[, TYPE=1] [, 2] [, 3]]
[ , PSYM=integer(1 to 10)]

PLOTS - Plots vectors and points.

PLOTS, X [, Y [, Z]] [, /CONTINUE]

Graphics Keywords:
[, CLIP=[X0, Y0, X1, Y1]]
[, COLOR=value] [, /DATA] [, /DEVICE ] [, /NORMAL]
[, PSYM=integer(0 to 10)] [, SYMSIZE=value] [, /T3D]
[, THICK=value] [, Z=value]
POLYFILL - Fills the interior of a polygon.

Graphics Keywords:
- [ , CLIP=[Xp, Yp, Xf, Yf] ]
- [ , COLOR=value ]
- [ , /DATA ]
- [ , /DEVICE ]
- [ , /NORMAL ]
- [ , LINESTYLE=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5] ]
- [ , /NOCLIP ]
- [ , ORIENTATION=ccw_degrees_from_horiz ]
- [ , /T3D ]
- [ , THICK=value ]

POLYFILLV - Returns subscripts of pixels inside a polygon.
Result = POLYFILLV( X, Y, Sx, Sy [, Run_Length] )

POLYSHADE - Creates a shaded surface representation from a set of polygons.
Result = POLYSHADE( Vertices, Polygons )
or
Result = POLYSHADE( X, Y, Z, Polygons )

Keywords:
- [ , /DATA ]
- [ , /NORMAL ]
- [ , POLY_SHADES=array ]
- [ , SHADES=array ]
- [ , /T3D ]
- [ , TOP=value ]
- [ , XSIZE=columns ]
- [ , YSIZE=rows ]

POLYWARP - Performs polynomial spatial warping.
Result = POLYWARP( Xi, Yi, Xo, Yo, Degree, Xs, Ys [, /DOUBLE] )

POP - Removes the top directory on the working directory stack maintained by PUSH/PPOP.
POP

POWELL - Minimizes a function using the Powell method.
Result = POWELL( Xi, YS, XI [, /Solution] )

Keywords:
- [ , Ftol=value ]
- [ , STOPLimit=value ]
- [ , MAXFUN=integer ]
- [ , LIMIT=value ]
- [ , /DOUBLE ]
- [ , /JACOBIAN ]
- [ , Fmax=value ]
- [ , /INTERP ]
- [ , /ITMAX=integer ]
- [ , /PRINT ]
- [ , /SYSTEM ]
- [ , /SUCCESS ]
- [ , /VERBOSITY=integer ]
- [ , Xstart=value ]
- [ , Ystart=value ]
- [ , Fstart=value ]
- [ , F0=value ]
- [ , /DOUBLE ]
- [ , /ITMAX=integer ]
- [ , /PRINT ]
- [ , /SUCCESS ]
- [ , /VERBOSITY=integer ]
- [ , Xstart=value ]
- [ , Ystart=value ]
- [ , Fstart=value ]
- [ , F0=value ]

PROFILES - Extracts a profile from an image.
Result = PROFILES( Image [, X, Y] [, /NORMAL] [, X0=value ] [, Y0=value ] )

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PRODUCT - Returns the product of elements within an array.

PROFILE - Extracts a profile from an image.
Result = PROFILE( Image [, X, Y] [, /NORMAL] [, X0=value ] [, Y0=value ] )

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PROJECT_VOL - Returns a translucent rendering of a volume projected onto a plane.

PS_SHOW_FONTS - Displays all the PostScript fonts that IDL knows about.
Result = PS_SHOW_FONTS( [, /NOLATIN] )

PSAFM - Converts Adobe Font Metrics file to IDL format.
Result = PSAFM( Input_Filename, Output_Filename )

PSEUDO - Creates pseudo-color table based on Lightness, Hue, and Brightness system.
Result = PSEUDO( Litlo, Lithi, Sati, Satlo, Hue, Loopy [, Color] )

PTR_FREE - Frees a pointer.
Result = PTR_FREE( P1, P2, ..., Pn )

PTR_NEW - Creates a pointer.
Result = PTR_NEW( [InitExpr] [, /ALLOCATE_HEAP] [, /NO_COPY] )

PTR_VALID - Verifies the validity of pointers.

PTRARR - Creates an array of pointers.
Result = PTRARR( D1 [, D2, D3, ..., Dn] [, /ALLOCATE_HEAP] [, /NOZERO] )

PUSHD - Pushes a directory to top of directory stack maintained by PUSH/PPOP.
PUSHD, Dir

QGRID3 - Interpolates the dependent variable values to points in a regularly sampled volume.
Result = QGRID3( X, Y, Z, Tetrahedra )

Keywords:
- [ , DELTA=integer ]
- [ , DIMENSION=integer ]
- [ , MISSING=value ]
- [ , START=integer ]
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**QHULL** - Constructs convex hulls, Delaunay triangulations, and Voronoi diagrams.

**QUERY_JPEG** - Obtains information about a JPEG image file.

**QUERY_MRSID** - Obtains information about a MrSID image file.

**QUERY_PPM** - Obtains information about a PPM image file.

**QUERY_SRF** - Obtains information about an SRF image file.

**QUERY_TIFF** - Obtains information about a TIFF image file.

**QUERY_WAV** - Checks that the file is actually a .WAV file and that the READ_WAV function can read the data in the file.

**R**

**R_CORRELATE** - Computes rank correlation.

**R_TEST** - Runs test for randomness.

**RADON** - Returns the Radon transform of a two-dimensional image.

**RANDOM** - Returns normally-distributed pseudo-random numbers.

**RANKS** - Computes magnitude-based ranks.

**RDPIX** - Interactively displays image pixel values.

**READ** - Reads formatted input from keyboard or file.

**READF** - Reads formatted input from keyboard or file.

**RTEST** - Runs test for randomness.
READ_ASCII - Reads data from an ASCII file.
Result = READ_ASCII(filename)
[, COMMENT_SYMBOL='#string']
[, COUNT=variable]
[, DATA_START=lines_to_skip] [, DELIMITER=string]
[, HEADER=variable] [, MISSING_VALUE=value]
[, NUM_RECORDS=value] [, RECORD_START=index]
[, TEMPLATE=variable] [, /VERBOSE]

READ_BINARY - Reads the contents of a binary file using a passed
template or basic command line keywords.
Result = READ_BINARY([filename] [fileunit])
[, TEMPLATE=template] [[, DATA_START=value]]
[, DATA_TYPE=extended] [, DATA_DIMS=arrays]
[, ENDPRI=string]

READ_BMP - Reads Microsoft Windows bitmap file (.BMP).
Result = READ_BMP(filename, [R, G, B] | [I, hdr])
[, /RGB]

READ_DICOM - Reads an image from a DICOM file.
Result = READ_DICOM(filename [, Red, Green, Blue]
[, IMAGE_INDEX=index])

READ_IMAGE - Reads the image contents of a file and returns the
image in an IDL variable.
Result = READ_IMAGE(filename [, Red, Green, Blue]
[, IMAGE_INDEX=index])

READ_INTERFILE - Reads Interfile (v3.3) file.
READ_INTERFILE(file, data)

READ_JPEG - Reads JPEG file.
Result = READ_JPEG(filename | unit, image
[, Colorable] [, BUFFER=variable]
[, COLORS=value[8 to 256]] [, DITHER=[0 | 1 | 2]]
[, GRAYSCALE] [, /ORDER] [, TRUE=[1 2 3]]
[, /TWO_PASS_QUANTIZE]

READ_MRSID - Reads MrSID file.
Result = READ_MRSID(filename [, LEVEL=level]
[, SUB_RECT=rect])

READ_PICT - Reads Macintosh PICT (version 2) bitmap file.
Result = READ_PICT(filename, image [, R, G, B])

Result = READ_PNG(filename [, R, G, B] [ORDER]
[, /VERBOSE] [, /TRANSPARENT])
or
Result = READ_PNG(filename, image [, R, G, B] [ORDER]
[, /VERBOSE] [, /TRANSPARENT])

READ_PPM - Reads PPM (gray scale) or PPM (portable pixmap for
color) file.
Result = READ_PPM(filename, image [, MAXVAL=variable]

READ_SPR - Reads a row-indexed sparse matrix from a file.
Result = READ_SPR(filename)

READ_SRF - Reads Sun Raster Format file.
Result = READ_SRF(filename, image [, R, G, B])

READ_SYLK - Reads Symbolic Link format spreadsheet file.
Result = READ_SYLK(filename [, /ARRAY]
[, /VERBOSE] [, /TRANSPARENT])

READ_TIFF - Reads TIFF format file.
Result = READ_TIFF(filename [, R, G, B]
[, CHANNELS=scalar or vector] [, GEOTIFF=variable]
[, IMAGE_INDEX=value] [, INTERLEAVE=[0 | 1 | 2]]
[, ORIENTATION=variable]
[, PLANAR_CONFIGURATION=variable] [, SUB_RECT=[x, y, width, height]] [, /UNSIGNED] [, /VERBOSE]

READ_WAV - Reads the audio stream from the named .WAV file.
Result = READ_WAV(filename [, Rate])

READ_WAVE - Reads Wavefront Advanced Visualizer file.
Result = READ_WAVE(filename, variables, names, dimensions
[, MESH_NAMES=variable])

READ_X11_BITMAP - Reads X11 bitmap file.
Result = READ_X11_BITMAP(filename, bitmap [, X, Y]
[, /EXPAND_TO_BYTES])

READ_XWD - Reads X Windows Dump file.
Result = READ_XWD(filename [, R, G, B])

READS - Reads formatted input from a string variable.
Result = READS(input, var1, ..., varn [, AM_PM=[string, string]]
[, DAYS_OF_WEEK=string_array[7 names]]
[, FORMAT=value] [, MONTHS=string_array[12
names]])

READU - Reads unformatted binary data from a file.
Result = READU(unit, var1, ..., varn
[, TRANSFER_COUNT=variable])

REAL_PART - Returns the real part of a complex-valued argument.
Result = REAL_PART(z)

REBIN - Resizes a vector or array by integer multiples.
Result = REBIN(array, D1 [D2 ... Dn] [, /SAMPLE])

RECALL_COMMANDS - Returns entries in IDL’s command recall
buffer.
Result = RECALL_COMMANDS()

RECON3 - Reconstructs a 3D representation of an object from 2D
images.
Result = RECON3(images, obj_rot, obj_pos, focal,
dist_vol_pos, img_ref, img_mag, vol_size [, 1]CUBIC]
[, MISSING=value] [, MODE=value] [, /QUIET])

REDUCE_COLORS - Reduces the number of colors used in an
image by eliminating unused pixel values.
Result = REDUCE_COLORS(image, values)

REFORM - Changes array dimensions without changing the total
number of elements.
Result = REFORM(array, D1 [D2 ... Dn]
[, /OVERWRITE])
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Result = REGION_GROW(Array, ROIPixels [. ALL,NEIGHBORS] [. STDEV_MULTIPLIER=value | THRESHOLD=[min,max]]) |
| **REGISTER_CURSOR** | Associates the given name with the given cursor information.  
REGISTER_CURSOR, Name, Image[, MASK=value] [. HOTSPOT=value] [. OVERWRITE] |
| **EGRESS** | Computes fit using multiple linear regression.  
| **REVERSE** | Reverses the order of one dimension of an array.  
Result = REVERSE(Array [. Subscript,Index] [. OVERWRITE]) |
| **RK4** | Solves differential equations using fourth-order Runge-Kutta method.  
Result = RK4( Y, Dydx, X, H, Derivs [. DOUBLE]) |
| **ROBERTS** | Returns an approximation of Roberts edge enhancement.  
Result = ROBERTS(Image) |
| **ROT** | Rotates an image by any amount.  
Result = ROT(Angle, [Mag, Xp, Yp] [. INTERP] [. CUBIC=value{-1 to 0}] [. MISS=value] [. PIROT]) |
| **ROTATE** | Rotates/transposes an array in multiples of 90 degrees.  
Result = ROTATE(Array, Direction) |
| **ROUND** | Rounds the argument to its closest integer.  
Result = ROUND(x [. L64] [. Thread pool keywords]) |
| **ROUTINE_INFO** | Provides information about compiled procedures and functions.  
| **RS_TEST** | Performs the Wilcoxon Rank-Sum test.  
Result = RS_TEST(X, Y [, UX=variable] [, UY=variable]) |

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| **S_TEST** | Performs the Sign test.  
Result = S_TEST(X, Y [. ZDIFF=variable]) |
| **SAVGOL** | Returns coefficients of Savitzky-Golay smoothing filter.  
Result = SAVGOL( Nleft, Nright, Order, Degree [. DOUBLE]) |
| **SAVE** | Saves variables, system variables, and IDL routines in a file for later use.  
| **SCALE3** | Scales 3D unit cube into the viewing area.  
SCALE3D |
| **SEARCH2D** | Finds “objects” or regions of similar data within a 2D array.  
Result = SEARCH2D( Array, Xpos, Ypos, Min_Val, Max_Val [. DECREASE, INCREASE [. LPP_BAND=integer{≥3}] [. DIAGONAL]]) |
**SEARCH3D** - Finds "objects" or regions of similar data values within a volume.

Result = SEARCH3D(Array, Xpos, Ypos, Zpos, Min_val, Max_val [], /DECREASE, /INCREASE
[, LPL_BAND=integer[\{≥3\}]] [/DIAGONAL])

**SET_PLOT** - Sets the output device used by the IDL direct graphics procedures.

SET_PLOT, Device [, /COPY] [, /INTERPOLATE]

**SET_SHADING** - Sets the light source shading parameters.

SET_SHADING [, /GOURAUD] [, /LIGHT=\{x, y, z\}] [, /REJECT], VALUES=[darkest, brightest]

**SETENV** - Adds or changes an environment variable.

SETENV, Environment_Expression

**SETUP_KEYS** - Sets function keys for use with UNIX versions of IDL.

[, /APP_KEYPAD] [, /NUM_KEYPAD]

**SFIT** - Performs polynomial fit to a surface.

Result = SFIT(Data, Degree [, KX=variable])

**SHADE_SURF** - Creates a shaded-surface representation of gridded data.

[, SHADES=variable] [, /APP_KEYPAD] [, /NUM_KEYPAD]

**SHADE_VOLUME** - Contours a volume to create a list of vertices and polygons that can be displayed using POLYSHADE.

SHADE_VOLUME, Volume, Value, Vertex, Poly [], /LOW
[, SHADES=variable] [, /VERBOSE], X_RANGE=variable]
[, Y_RANGE=variable] [, Z_RANGE=variable]

**SHIFT** - Shifts elements of vectors or arrays by a specified number of elements.

Result = SHIFT(Array, S [, ..., S])

**SHMDEBUG** - Print debugging information when a variable loses reference to an underlying shared memory segment.

Result = SHMDEBUG(Enable)

**SHMMAP** - Maps anonymous shared memory, or local disk files, into the memory address space of the currently executing IDL process.

SHMMAP, [SegmentName] [, D [, ..., D]] [, /BYTE]
[, /COMPLEX] [, /DCOMPLEX]
[, /DESTROY_SEGMENT] [, DIMENSION=value]
[, /DOUBLE] [, FILENAME=value] [, /FLOAT]
[, GET_NAME=value] [, GET_OS_HANDLE=value]
[, /INTEGER] [, /L64] [, /LONG] [, OFFSET=value]
[, OS_HANDLE=value] [, /PRIVATE] [, SIZE=value]
[, /SYSV] [, TEMPLATE=value] [, TYPE=value]
[, /UINT] [, /UL64] [, /ULONG]

**SHMUNMAP** - Removes a memory segment previously created by SHMMAP from the system.

SHMUNMAP, SegmentName

**SHMVAR** - Creates an IDL array variable that uses the memory from a current mapped memory segment created by the SHMMAP procedure.

Result = SHMVAR(SegmentName [, D [, ..., D]] [, /BYTE]
[, /COMPLEX] [, /DCOMPLEX] [, DIMENSION=value]
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**SHOW3D** - Displays array as image, surface plot, and contour plot simultaneously.

SHOW3D, Image [, X, Y] [, /INTERP]
[, E_CONTOUR=structure] [, E_SURFACE=structure]
[, SSCALE=scale]

**SHOWFONT** - Displays a TrueType or vector font

SHOWFONT, Font, Name [, /ENCAPSULATED]
[, /TT_FONT]

**SIMPLEX** - Use the simplex method to solve linear programming problems.

Result = SIMPLEX(Zequation, Constraints, M1, M2, M3
[, Tableau [, Izrov, Jposv]] [, /DOUBLE]
[, EPS=value] [, /STATUS=variable])

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**SEARCH3D**

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SIN - Returns the trigonometric sine of X.
   Result = SIN(X [, Thread pool keywords ])

SINDGEN - Returns a string array with each element set to its subscript.
   Result = SINDGEN(D1 [, ... D8])

SINH - Returns the hyperbolic sine of X.
   Result = SINH(X [, Thread pool keywords ])

SIZE - Returns array size and type information.

SKEWNESS - Computes statistical skewness of an n-element vector.
   Result = SKEWNESS( X [, /DOUBLE] [, /NAN] )

SKIP_LUN - Reads data in an open file and moves the file pointer.
   Result = SKIP_LUN( FromUnit, Num [, /EOF] [, /LINES] [, /TRANSFER_COUNT=variable] )

SLICE3 - Interactive volume visualization tool.

SLIDE_IMAGE - Creates a scrolling graphics window for examining large images.

SMOOTH - Smooths with a boxcar average.

SOBEL - Returns an approximation of Sobel edge enhancement.
   Result = SOBEL(Image)

SOCKET - Opens client-side TCP/IP Internet socket as IDL file unit.

UNIX-Only Keywords: [, /STDIO]

SORT - Returns indices of an array sorted in ascending order.
   Result = SORT(Array [, /L64] )

SPAWN - Spawns child process for access to operating system.
   SPAWN [, Command [, Result] [, /ErrResult ] ]
   Keywords (all platforms): [, COUNT=variable] [, EXIT_STATUS=variable] [, PID=variable]

UNIX-Only Keywords: [, /NOSHELL] [, /NOTTYRESET] [, /NULL_STDIN] [, /SH]
   [, /STDERR] [, /UNIT=variable (Command required, Result not allowed)]

Windows-Only Keywords: [, /HIDE] [, /LOG_OUTPUT] [, /NOPA] [, /NULL_STDIN] [, /STERR]

SPH_4PNT - Returns center and radius of a sphere given 4 points.
   Result = SPH_4PNT, X, Y, Z, Xc, Yc, Zc, R [, /DOUBLE]

SPH_SCAT - Performs spherical gridding.
   Result = SPH_SCAT( Lon, Lat, F [, BOUNDS=[lonmin, latmin, lonmax, latmax]] [, BOUT=variable] [, GOUT=variable] [, GS=([lonspacing, latspacing]) [, Nلون=value] [, NLAT=value] ]

SPHER HARM - Returns value of the spherical harmonic function.
   Result = SPHER_HARM( Thea, Phi, L, M, [, /DOUBLE] )

SPL_INIT - Establishes the type of interpolating spline.
   Result = SPL_INIT( X, Y [, /DOUBLE] [, /NAN] )

SPL_INTERP - Performs cubic spline interpolation.
   Result = SPL_INTERP( X, Y, Z, X, Y [, /DOUBLE] )

SPLINE - Performs cubic spline interpolation.
   Result = SPLINE( X, Y, T, Sigma )

SPLINE_P - Performs parametric cubic spline interpolation.
   Result = SPLINE_P( X, Y, X, Yr [, INTERVAL=value] [, TAN0=[X0, Y0] [, TAN1=[X1, Y1]]]

SPRSAB - Performs matrix multiplication on sparse matrices.
   Result = SPRSAB(A, B [, /DOUBLE] [, /NAN] [, THRESHOLD=value])

SPRSAX - Multiplies sparse matrix by a vector.
   Result = SPRSAX( A, X [, /DOUBLE] )

SPRSIN - Converts matrix to row-index sparse matrix.
   Result = SPRSIN( A [, /COLUMN] [, /DOUBLE] [, THRESHOLD=value] ) or
   Result = SPRSIN( Columns, Rows, Values, N [, /DOUBLE] [, THRESHOLD=value] )

SPRSTP - Constructs the transpose of a sparse matrix.
   Result = SPRSTP(A)

SQRT - Returns the square root of X.
   Result = SQRT(X [, Thread pool keywords ])

STANDARDIZE - Computes standardized variables.
   Result = STANDARDIZE(A [, /DOUBLE] )
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**STDDEV**

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Result = STDDEV( X [, /DOUBLE] [, /NAN] )
```

**STOP**

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STOP - Stops the execution of a running program or batch file.
STOP [, Expr1, ..., Exprn]
```

**STRARR**

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STRARR - Returns string array containing zero-length strings.
Result = STRARR(D1, ..., Dn)
```

**STRCMP**

```
STRCMP - Compares two strings.
Result = STRCMP( String1, String2 [, N] [, /FOLD_CASE] )
```

**STRCOMPRESS**

```
STRCOMPRESS - Removes whitespace from a string.
Result = STRCOMPRESS( String [, REMOVE_ALL] )
```

**STREAMLINE**

```
STREAMLINE - Generates the visualization graphics from a path.
STREAMLINE, Verts, Conn, Normals, Outverts, Outconn [, ANISOTROPY=array] [, SIZE=vector] [, PROFILE=array]
```

**STRETCH**

```
STRETCH - Stretches color table for contrast enhancement.
```

**STRING**

```
STRING - Converts its arguments to string type.
```

**STRJOIN**

```
STRJOIN - Collapses a string scalar or array into merged strings.
Result = STRJOIN( String [, Delimiter] [, /SINGLE] )
```

**STRLEN**

```
STRLEN - Returns the length of a string.
Result = STRLEN( Expression )
```

**STRLOWCASE**

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STRLOWCASE - Converts a string to lower case.
Result = STRLOWCASE( String )
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**STRMATCH**

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STRMATCH - Compares search string against input string expression.
Result = STRMATCH( String, SearchString [, /FOLD_CASE] )
```

**STRMESSAGE**

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STRMESSAGE - Returns the text of an error number.
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**STRMID**

```
STRMID - Extracts a substring from a string.
Result = STRMID( Expression, First_Character [, Length] [, /REVERSE_OFFSET] )
```

**STRPOS**

```
STRPOS - Finds first occurrence of a substring within a string.
Result = STRPOS( Expression, Search_String [, Pos] [, /REVERSE_OFFSET] [, /REVERSE_SEARCH] )
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**STRPUT**

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STRPUT - Inserts the contents of one string into another.
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**STRTRIM**

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Result = STRTRIM( String [, Flag] )
```

**STRUCT_ASSIGN**

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STRUCT_ASSIGN - Performs "relaxed structure assignment" to copy a structure.
STRUCT_ASSIGN, Source, Destination [, /NOZERO] [, /VERBOSE]
```

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STRUCT_HIDE - Prevents the IDL HELP procedure from displaying information about structures or objects.
STRUCT_HIDE, Arg1 [, Arg2, ..., Argn]
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**STRUPCASE**

```
STRUPCASE - Converts a string to upper case.
Result = STRUPCASE( String )
```

**SURFACE**

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SURFACE - Plots an array as a wireframe mesh surface.
```

**SURFR**

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SURFR [, AX=degrees] [, AZ=degrees]
```

**SVDC**

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SVDC - Computes Singular Value Decomposition of an array.
```

**SVDFIT**

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SVDFIT - Multivariate least squares fit using SVD method.
```

**SVSOL**

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SVSOL - Solves set of linear equations using back-substitution.
```

**SWAP_ENDIAN**

```
SWAP_ENDIAN - Reverses the byte ordering of scalars, arrays or structures.
Result = SWAP_ENDIAN(Variable [, /SWAP_IF_BIG_ENDIAN] [, /SWAP_IF_LITTLE_ENDIAN] )
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TRIGRID - Interpolates irregularly-gridded data to a regular grid.

TRIANGULATE - Interpolates irregularly-gridded data to a regular grid.

TRIANGULATE, X, Y, Triangles [ , B ]
[ , CONNECTIVITY=variable ]
[ , SPHERE=variable [ , /DEGREES ] ]
[ , FVALUE=variable [ , /REPEATS ] ]

TRIGRID - Interpolates irregularly-gridded data to a regular grid.

Result = TRIGRID( X, Y, Z, Triangles [ , GS, Limits ] )
For spherical gridding:
Result = TRIGRID( F, GS, Limits, SPHERE=S )

Keywords:
[ , /DEGREES ] [ , EXTRAPOLATE=array ]
[ , /QUINTIC ] [ , INPUT=variable ]
[ , MAX_VALUE=value ]
[ , MIN_VALUE=value ]
[ , MISSING=value ]
[ , NX=value ]
[ , NY=value ]
[ , SPHERE=variable ]
[ , XGRID=variable ]
[ , YGRID=variable ] [ , XOUT=vector, YOUT=vector ]

TRIQL - Determines eigenvalues and eigenvectors of tridiagonal array.

TRIRED - Reduces a real, symmetric array to tridiagonal form.

TRISOL - Solves tridiagonal systems of linear equations.

Result = TRISOL( A, B, C, R [ , /DOUBLE ] )

TRUNCATE_LUN - Truncates an open file at the location of the current file pointer.

TRUNCATE_LUN, Unit1, ..., Unitn

TS_COEF - Computes the coefficients for autoregressive time-series.

Result = TS_COEF( X, P [ , /DOUBLE ] [ , MSE=value ] )

TS_DIFF - Computes the forward differences of a time-series.

Result = TS_DIFF( X, K [ , /DOUBLE ] )

TS_FCAST - Computes future or past values of a stationary time-series.

Result = TS_FCAST( X, P, Nvalues [ , /BACKCAST ] [ , /DOUBLE ] )

TS_SMOOTH - Computes moving averages of a time-series.

Result = TS_SMOOTH( X, Nvalues [ , /FORWARD ] [ , /DOUBLE ] [ , ORDER=value ] )

TV - Displays an image.

TV, Image [ , Position ]
or
TV, Image [ , X, Y ] [ , Channel ]

Keywords:
[ , /CENTIMETERS ] [ , /INCHES ] [ , /ORDER ]
[ , TRUE=[1 2 3] ] [ , /WORDS ] [ , XSIZE=value ]
[ , YSIZE=value ]

Graphics Keywords:
[ , CHANNEL=value ] [ , DATA ] [ , /DEVICE ] [ , /NORMAL ] [ , /T3D ] [ Z=value ]

TVCRS - Manipulates the image display cursor.

TVCRS [ , ON_OFF ] or
TVCRS [ , X, Y ]

Keywords:
[ , /CENTIMETERS ] [ , /INCHES ]
[ , /HIDE_CURSOR ]

Graphics Keywords:
[ , DATA ] [ , /DEVICE ]
[ , /NORMAL ] [ , /T3D ] [ Z=value ]

TVLCT - Loads display color tables.

TVLCT, V1, V2, V3, Start [ , /GET ] [ , /HLS ] [ , /HSV ]
or
TVLCT, V, Start [ , /GET ] [ , /HLS ] [ , /HSV ]

TVRED - Reads an image from a window into a variable.

Result = TVRED( X0, Y0, N1, N2, [ , Channel ] )
[ , CHANNEL=value ] [ , /ORDER ] [ , TRUE=[1 2 3] ]
[ , /WORDS ]

TVSCL - Scales and displays an image.

TVSCL, Image [ , Position ]
or
TVSCL, Image [ , X, Y ] [ , Channel ]

Keywords:
[ , /CENTIMETERS ] [ , /INCHES ] [ , /NAN ]
[ , /ORDER ] [ , TOP=value ] [ , TRUE=[1 2 3] ]
[ , /WORDS ] [ , XSIZE=value ] [ , YSIZE=value ]

Graphics Keywords:
[ , CHANNEL=value ] [ , /DATA ] [ , /DEVICE ] [ , /NORMAL ] [ , /T3D ] [ Z=value ]
[ , Thread pool keywords ]

U

UINDGEN - Returns unsigned integer array with each element set to its subscript.

Result = UINDGEN( D1 [ , , ... , DN ] ) [ , /Thread pool keywords ]

UINT - Converts argument to unsigned integer type.

Result = UINT( Expression [ , Offset [ , D1 [ , , , ... , DN ] ] ] [ , /Thread pool keywords ]

UINTARR - Returns an unsigned integer vector or array.

Result = UINTARR( D1 [ , , , ... , DN ] ) [ , /NOZERO ]

UL64INDGEN - Returns an unsigned 64-bit integer array with each element set to its subscript.

Result = UL64INDGEN( D1 [ , , , ... , DN ] ) [ , /Thread pool keywords ]

ULINDGEN - Returns an unsigned longword array with each element set to its subscript.

Result = ULINDGEN( D1 [ , , , ... , DN ] ) [ , /Thread pool keywords ]

UL64NARR - Returns an unsigned 64-bit integer vector or array.

Result = UL64NARR( D1 [ , , , ... , DN ] ) [ , /NOZERO ]

TRIANGULATE - Constructs Delaunay triangulation of a planar set of points.

TRIANGULATE, X, Y, Triangles [ , B ]
[ , CONNECTIVITY=variable ]
[ , SPHERE=variable [ , /DEGREES ] ]
[ , FVALUE=variable [ , /REPEATS ] ]
ULONARR - Returns an unsigned longword integer vector or array.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{ULONARR(D1, ..., Dn)} \text{\{NOZERO\}}
\]

ULONG - Converts argument to unsigned longword integer type.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{ULONG( Expression, Offset, D1, ..., Dn }} \text{\{Thread pool keywords\}}
\]

ULONG64 - Converts argument to unsigned 64-bit integer type.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{ULONG64( Expression, Offset, D1, ..., Dn }} \text{\{Thread pool keywords\}}
\]

UNIQ - Returns subscripts of the unique elements in an array.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{UNIQ( Array, Index) }
\]

USERSYM - Defines a new plotting symbol.

\[
\text{Usersym, X, Y, COLOR=\{value\}} \text{\{/FILL\}} \\
\text{\{THICK=\{value\}\}}
\]

W

WAIT - Suspends execution of an IDL program for a specified period.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WAIT( Seconds) }
\]

WARP_TRI - Wraps an image using control points.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WARP_TRI( Xo, Yo, Xi, Yi, Image \{EXTRAPOLATE\, OUTPUT_SIZE=\{vector\}\, QUINTIC\, /TPS\}\}}
\]

WATERSHED - Applies the morphological watershed operator to a grayscale image.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WATERSHED( Image \{CONNECTIVITY=\{4 | 8\}\}}
\]

WDELETE - Deletes IDL graphics windows.

\[
\text{WDELETE( Window, Index \{\ldots\}}} \text{\}}
\]

WF_DRAW - Draws weather fronts with smoothing.

\[
\text{WF_DRAW, X, Y, [\{COLD \, FRONT_TYPE=1\} \{WARM \, FRONT_TYPE=2\} \{OCCLUDED \, FRONT_TYPE=3\} \{STATIONARY \, FRONT_TYPE=4\} \{CONVERGENCE \, FRONT_TYPE=5\} \{DATA \, DEVICE \, NORM\} \{INTERVAL=\{value\}\} \{SYMVALUE=\{value\}\} \{SYM_HT=\{value\}\} \{SYM_LEN=\{value\}\} \{THICK=\{value\}\} \}}
\]

WHERE - Returns subscripts of nonzero array elements.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WHERE( Array, Expression \{Count\} \{COMPLEMENT=\{variable\}\}} \text{\{/L64\}\}} \text{\{NCOMPLEMENT=\{variable\}\}} \text{\{/Thread pool keywords\}}
\]

WHILE...DO - Performs statement(s) as long as expression evaluates to true. Subject is never executed if condition is initially false.

\[
\text{WHILE expression DO statement \}} \text{\{Thread pool keywords\}} \text{ENDWHILE}
\]

WIDGET_ACTIVEX - Create an ActiveX control and place it into an IDL widget hierarchy.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET_ACTIVEX( Parent, COM_ID, \{ALIGN_BOTTOM\, ALIGN_CENTER\, ALIGN_LEFT\, ALIGN_RIGHT\, ALIGN_TOP\} \{EVENT_FUNC=\{string\}\} \{EVENT_PRO=\{string\}\} \{FUNC_GET_VALUE=\{STRING\}\ID_TYPE=\{value\}\} \{KILL_NOTIFY=\{STRING\}\} \{NOTIFY_REALIZE=\{STRING\}\} \{PRO_SET_VALUE=\{STRING\}\} \{SCR_XSIZE=\{width\}\} \{SCR_YSIZE=\{height\}\} \{SENSITIVE\} \{UNAME=\{string\}\} \{UNITS=\{0 | 1 | 2\}\} \{UVALUE=\{value\}\} \{XOFFSET=\{value\}\} \{XSIZE=\{value\}\} \{YOFFSET=\{value\}\} \{YSIZE=\{value\}\}}}
WIDGET_BASE - Creates base widget (containers for other widgets).

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET_BASE}([\text{Parent}], [\text{ALIGN_BOTTOM}
, \text{ALIGN_CENTER}], [\text{ALIGN_LEFT}], \text{MODAL}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_BOTTOM}
, \text{BASE_ALIGN_CENTER}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_LEFT}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_RIGHT}
, \text{BASE_ALIGN_TOP}[. . .]]
\]

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- Event Pro: [\text{EVENT_PRO}=\text{string}], [\text{EXCLUSIVE}],
  [\text{NONEXCLUSIVE}], [\text{FLOATING}], [\text{FRAME}=\text{width}]
- Func Get Value: [\text{FUNC_GET_VALUE}=\text{string}], [\text{GRID_LAYOUT}]
- Group Leader: \text{widget_id}[\text{must specify for modal dialog}]
- Kill Notify: [\text{KILL_NOTIFY}=\text{string}], [\text{MAP}][\text{not for modal bases}]
- No Copy: [\text{NO_COPY}], [\text{NOTIFY_REALIZE}=\text{string}]
- Pro Set Value: [\text{PRO_SET_VALUE}=\text{string}], [\text{SHORTEN}]
- Resource Name: [\text{RESOURCE_NAME}=\text{string}]
- Scr X Size: [\text{SCR_XSIZE}=\text{width}], [\text{SCR_YSIZE}=\text{height}]}
- Scroll: [\text{SCROLL}][\text{not for modal bases}]
- Scroll Bar: [\text{SCROLL_BAR}][\text{for modal bases}]
- Title: \text{TITLE}]
- Top Level Frame Attr: \text{TLB_FRAME_ATTR}=\text{value}[\text{top-level bases only}]
- Top Level Icon Events: [\text{TLB_ICONIFY_EVENTS}=\text{top-level bases only}]
- Top Level Kill Request Events: [\text{TLB_KILL_REQUEST_EVENTS}=\text{top-level bases only}]
- Top Level Move Events: [\text{TLB_MOVE_EVENTS}=\text{top-level bases only}]
- Top Level Size Events: [\text{TLB_SIZE_EVENTS}=\text{top-level bases only}]
- Tool Bar: [\text{TOOLBAR}], [\text{TRACKING_EVENTS}]
- Unname: [\text{UNAME}=\text{string}], [\text{UNITS}=[0|1|2]]
- Value: [\text{VALUE}=\text{value}]
- X Pad: [\text{XPAD}=\text{value}][\text{ignored if exclusive or nonexclusive}]
- X Scroll Size: [\text{X_SCROLL_SIZE}=\text{value}]
- Y Pad: [\text{YPAD}=\text{value}][\text{ignored if exclusive or nonexclusive}]
- Y Scroll Size: [\text{Y_SCROLL_SIZE}=\text{value}]

X Windows Keywords: [\text{DISPLAY_NAME}=\text{string}]
- Resource Name: [\text{RESOURCE_NAME}=\text{string}]

WIDGET_COMBOBOX - Creates editable droplist widgets.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET_COMBOBOX}([\text{Parent}], [\text{ALIGN_BOTTOM}
, \text{ALIGN_CENTER}], [\text{ALIGN_LEFT}], \text{MODAL}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_BOTTOM}
, \text{BASE_ALIGN_CENTER}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_LEFT}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_RIGHT}
, \text{BASE_ALIGN_TOP}]
\]

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- Event Pro: [\text{EVENT_PRO}=\text{string}], [\text{EXCLUSIVE}],
  [\text{NONEXCLUSIVE}], [\text{FLOATING}], [\text{FRAME}=\text{width}]
- Func Get Value: [\text{FUNC_GET_VALUE}=\text{string}], [\text{GRID_LAYOUT}]
-组 Leader: \text{widget_id}[\text{must specify for modal dialog}]
- Kill Notify: [\text{KILL_NOTIFY}=\text{string}], [\text{MAP}][\text{not for modal bases}]
- No Copy: [\text{NO_COPY}], [\text{NOTIFY_REALIZE}=\text{string}]
- Pro Set Value: [\text{PRO_SET_VALUE}=\text{string}], [\text{SHORTEN}]
- Resource Name: [\text{RESOURCE_NAME}=\text{string}]
- Scr X Size: [\text{SCR_XSIZE}=\text{width}], [\text{SCR_YSIZE}=\text{height}]}
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- Tool Bar: [\text{TOOLBAR}], [\text{TRACKING_EVENTS}]
- Unname: [\text{UNAME}=\text{string}], [\text{UNITS}=[0|1|2]]
- Value: [\text{VALUE}=\text{value}]
- X Pad: [\text{XPAD}=\text{value}][\text{ignored if exclusive or nonexclusive}]
- X Scroll Size: [\text{X_SCROLL_SIZE}=\text{value}]
- Y Pad: [\text{YPAD}=\text{value}][\text{ignored if exclusive or nonexclusive}]
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- Resource Name: [\text{RESOURCE_NAME}=\text{string}]

WIDGET_CONTROL - Realizes, manages, and destroys widgets.

\[
\text{WIDGET_CONTROL}([\text{Widget_ID}])
\]

- All Widgets: [\text{BAD_ID}=\text{variable}], [\text{CLEAR_EVENTS}]
- Context Events: [\text{DEFAULT_FONT}=\text{string}][\text{do not specify Widget_ID}]
- Delay Destroy: [\text{DELAY_DESTROY}][\text{do not specify Widget_ID}]
- Event Func: [\text{EVENT_FUNC}=\text{string}]
- Func Get Value: [\text{FUNC_GET_VALUE}=\text{string}]
- Get Value: [\text{GET_VALUE}=\text{variable}]
- Group Leader: \text{widget_id}]
- Hourglass: [\text{HOURGLASS}][\text{do not specify Widget_ID}]
- Kill Notify: [\text{KILL_NOTIFY}=\text{string}]
- Map: [\text{MAP}][\text{NO_COPY}], [\text{NOTIFY_REALIZE}=\text{string}]
- Pro Set Value: [\text{PRO_SET_VALUE}=\text{string}]
- Reset: [\text{RESET}][\text{do not specify Widget_ID}]
- Scr X Size: [\text{SCR_XSIZE}=\text{width}], [\text{SCR_YSIZE}=\text{height}]
- Send Event: [\text{STRUCTURE}], [\text{SENSITIVE}]
- Set Uname: [\text{UNAME}=\text{string}], [\text{SET_UVALUE}=\text{variable}]
- Show: [\text{SHOW}], [\text{TIMER}=\text{value}]
- TLB Get Offset: [\text{TLB_GET_OFFSET}=\text{variable}]
- TLB Size: [\text{TLB_SIZE}=\text{variable}]
- TLB Kill Request Events: [\text{TLB_KILL_REQUEST_EVENTS}]
- TLB Set Title: [\text{TLB_SET_TITLE}=\text{string}]
- TLB Set U Offset: [\text{TLB_SET_UOFFSET}=\text{variable}]
- TLB Set V Offset: [\text{TLB_SET_VOFFSET}=\text{variable}]
- Tracking Events: [\text{TRACKING_EVENTS}][\text{UNITS}=[0|1|2]]
- Update: [\text{UPDATE}], [\text{OFFSET}=\text{value}], [\text{VALUE}=\text{value}]
- Y Offset: [\text{OFFSET}=\text{value}], [\text{YSIZE}=\text{value}]

WIDGET_BASE: [\text{CANCEL_BUTTON}=\text{widget_id}[\text{for modal bases}]]
- Default Button: [\text{DEFAULT_BUTTON}=\text{widget_id}[\text{for modal bases}]]
- Iconify: [\text{ICONIFY}]
- Top-Level Base Events: [\text{KBRD_FOCUS_EVENTS}]
- TLB Iconify Events: [\text{TLB_ICONIFY_EVENTS}]
- TLB Kill Request Events: [\text{TLB_KILL_REQUEST_EVENTS}]
- TLB Move Events: [\text{TLB_MOVE_EVENTS}]
- TLB Size Events: [\text{TLB_SIZE_EVENTS}]

WIDGET_BASE - Creates button widgets.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET_BUTTON}([\text{Parent}], [\text{ALIGN_BOTTOM}
, \text{ALIGN_CENTER}], [\text{ALIGN_LEFT}], \text{MODAL}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_BOTTOM}
, \text{BASE_ALIGN_CENTER}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_LEFT}], [\text{BASE_ALIGN_RIGHT}
, \text{BASE_ALIGN_TOP}]
\]

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- Event Pro: [\text{EVENT_PRO}=\text{string}], [\text{FONT}=\text{string}], [\text{FRAME}=\text{width}]
- Func Get Value: [\text{FUNC_GET_VALUE}=\text{string}]
- Group Leader: \text{widget_id}]
- Kill Notify: [\text{KILL_NOTIFY}=\text{string}], [\text{MENU}], [\text{NO_COPY}]
- No Release: [\text{NO_RELEASE}], [\text{NOTIFY_REALIZE}=\text{string}]
- Pro Set Value: [\text{PRO_SET_VALUE}=\text{string}]
- Scr X Size: [\text{SCR_XSIZE}=\text{width}], [\text{SCR_YSIZE}=\text{height}], [\text{SENSITIVE}], [\text{SEPARATOR}]
- Tool Tip: [\text{TOOL_TIP}][\text{TRACKING_EVENTS}]
- Unname: [\text{UNAME}=\text{string}], [\text{UNITS}=[0|1|2]]
- Value: [\text{VALUE}=\text{value}], [\text{VALUE}=\text{variable}]
- X Bitmap Extra: [\text{X_BITMAP_EXTRA}=\text{bits}], [\text{X_OFFSET}=\text{value}]
- X Size: [\text{X_SIZE}=\text{value}], [\text{Y_OFFSET}=\text{value}], [\text{Y_SIZE}=\text{value}]

X Windows Keywords: [\text{RESOURCE_NAME}=\text{string}]

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- Resource Name: [\text{RESOURCE_NAME}=\text{string}]

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Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

WIDGET_BUTTON: [.BITMAP]
[.DYNAMIC_RESIZE] [.GET_VALUE=value]
[.INPUT_FOCUS] [.SET_BUTTON]
[.SET_VALUE=value] [.TOOLTIP=string]
[.X_BITMAP_EXTRA=bits]

WIDGET_COMBOBOX:
[.COMBOBOX_ADDITEM=string]
[.COMBOBOX_DELETEITEM=integer]
[.COMBOBOX_INDEX=integer]
[DYNAMIC_RESIZE] [.GET_VALUE=value]
[.SET_COMBOBOX_SELECT=integer]
[.SET_VALUE=value]

WIDGET_DRAW:
[.DRAW_BUTTON_EVENTS]
[.DRAW_EXPOSE_EVENTS]
[.DRAW_KEYBOARD_EVENTS={0 | 1 | 2}]
[.DRAW_MOTION_EVENTS]
[.DRAW_VIEWPORT_EVENTS]
[.DRAW_XSIZE=integer] [.DRAW_YSIZE=integer]
[.GET_DRAW_VIEW=variable]
[.GET_VALUE=value]
[.INPUT_FOCUS] [.SET_DRAW_VIEW=[x, y]]
[.TOOLTIP=string]

WIDGET_DROPLIST: [.DYNAMIC_RESIZE]
[.SET_DROPLIST_SELECT=integer]
[.SET_VALUE=value]

WIDGET_LABEL: [.DYNAMIC_RESIZE]
[.GET_VALUE=value] [.SET_VALUE=value]

WIDGET_LIST: [.SET_LIST_SELECT=value]
[.SET_LIST_TOP=integer] [.SET_VALUE=value]

WIDGET_SLIDER: [.GET_VALUE=value]
[.SET_SLIDER_MAX=value]
[.SET_SLIDER_MIN=value] [.SET_VALUE=value]

WIDGET_TABLE: [.ALIGNMENT={0 | 1 | 2}]
[.ALL_TABLE_EVENTS] [.AM_PM=[string, string]]
[.COLUMN_LABELS=string_array]
[.COLUMN_WIDTHS=array]
[.DAYS_OF_WEEK=string_array[7 names]]
[.DELETE_COLUMNS={not for row_major mode}]
[.DELETE_ROWS={not for column_major mode}]
[.EDITABLE| .EDIT_CELL=integer, integer]
[.FORMAT=value] [.GET_VALUE=value]
[.INSERT_COLUMNS=value]
[.INSERT_ROWS=value] [.KBRD_FOCUS_EVENTS]
[.MONTHS=string_array[12 names]]
[.ROW_LABELS=string_array]
[.ROW_HEIGHTS=array]
[.SET_TABLE_SELECT=[left, top, right, bottom]]
[.SET_TABLE_VIEW=[integer, integer]]
[.SET_TABLE_SELECT={[integer, integer]}]
[.SET_TABLE_VIEW=[integer, integer]]
[.TABLE_XSIZE=columns] [.TABLE_YSIZE=rows]
[.USE_TABLE_SELECT]
[.USE_TABLE_SELECT=[left, top, right, bottom]]
[.USE_TEXT_SELECT]

WIDGET_TEXT: [.ALL_TEXT_EVENTS]
[.APPEND] [.EDITABLE] [.GET_VALUE=variable]
[.INPUT_FOCUS] [.KBRD_FOCUS_EVENTS]
[.NO_NEWLINE] [.SET_TEXT_SELECT=[integer, integer]] [.SET_TEXT_TOP_LINE=integer]
[.SET_VALUE=value] [.USE_TEXT_SELECT]

WIDGET_TREE: [.SET_TREE_BITMAP=array]
[.SET_TREE_EXPANDED] [.SET_TREE_SELECT={0 | 1 | widget ID | array of widget IDs}]
[.SET_TREE_VISIBLE]

WIDGET_DISPLAYCONTEXTMENU - Displays a context-sensitive menu.

WIDGET_DISPLAYCONTEXTMENU, Parent, X, Y, ContextBase_ID
WIDGET_DRAW - Creates drawable widgets.

Result = WIDGET_DRAW( )

\[\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET\_DRAW}([\text{Parent}[\{/\text{APP\_SCROLL}\}, ]\{/\text{BUTTON\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{COLOR\_MODEL}\}, ]\{/\text{COLORS}=\text{integer}\}, ]\{/\text{EVENT\_FUNC}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{EVENT\_PRO}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{EXPOSE\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{FRAME}=\text{width}\}, ]\{/\text{FUNC\_GET\_VALUE}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{GRAPHICS\_LEVEL}=2\}, ]\{/\text{GROUP\_LEADER}=\text{widget\_id}\}, ]\{/\text{KEYBOARD\_EVENTS}=\{0 | 1 | 2\}\}, ]\{/\text{KILL\_NOTIFY}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{MOTION\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{NO\_COPY}\}, ]\{/\text{notify\_realize}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{PRO\_SET\_VALUE}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{RENDERER}=\{0 | 1\}\}, ]\{/\text{RESOURCE\_NAME}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{RETAIN}=\{0 | 1 | 2\}\}, ]\{/\text{SCR\_FSIZE}=\text{width}\}, ]\{/\text{SCR\_YSIZE}=\text{height}\}, ]\{/\text{SCROLL}\}, ]\{/\text{SENSITIVE}\}, ]\{/\text{TOOLTIP}\}, ]\{/\text{FRAME}=\text{width}\}, ]\{/\text{FUNCTION}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{VALUE}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{XOFFSET}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{XSIZE}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{YOFFSET}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{YSIZE}=\text{value}\})

WIDGET_DROPLIST - Creates droplist widgets.

Result = WIDGET_DROPLIST( )

\[\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET\_DROPLIST}([\text{Parent}[\{/\text{DYNAMIC\_RESIZE}\}, ]\{/\text{EVENT\_FUNC}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{EVENT\_PRO}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{FONT}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{FRAME}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{FUNCTION}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{GROUP\_LEADER}=\text{widget\_id}\}, ]\{/\text{KILL\_NOTIFY}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{NO\_COPY}\}, ]\{/\text{notify\_realize}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{RESOURCE\_NAME}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{SCR\_FSIZE}=\text{width}\}, ]\{/\text{SCR\_YSIZE}=\text{height}\}, ]\{/\text{SCROLL}\}, ]\{/\text{SENSITIVE}\}, ]\{/\text{TITLE}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{FRAME}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{FUNCTION}=\text{string}\}, ]\{/\text{VALUE}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{XOFFSET}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{XSIZE}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{YOFFSET}=\text{value}\}, ]\{/\text{YSIZE}=\text{value}\})

WIDGET_EVENT - Returns events for the widget hierarchy.

Result = WIDGET\_EVENT( )

\[\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET\_EVENT}([\text{Widget\_ID}\})\]

\[\text{BAD\_ID}=\text{variable}\], ]\{/\text{NOWAIT}\}, ]\{/\text{SAVE\_HOURGLASS}\}

UNIX Keywords: [\{/\text{YIELD\_TO\_TTY}\}

WIDGET_INFO - Obtains information about widgets.

Result = WIDGET\_INFO( )

\[\text{Result} = \text{WIDGET\_INFO}([\text{Widget\_ID}\})\]

All widgets: ]\{/\text{ACTIVE}\}, ]\{/\text{CHILD}\}, ]\{/\text{EVENT\_FUNC}\}, ]\{/\text{EVENT\_PRO}\}, ]\{/\text{FILE\_NAME}\}, ]\{/\text{GEOMETRY}\}, ]\{/\text{KBRD\_FOCUS\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{MANAGED}\}, ]\{/\text{MAP}\}, ]\{/\text{NAME}\}, ]\{/\text{PARENT}\}, ]\{/\text{REALIZED}\}, ]\{/\text{SENSITIVE}\}, ]\{/\text{SOURCE}\}, ]\{/\text{SYSTEM\_COLORS}\}, ]\{/\text{TRACKING\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{TYPE}\}, ]\{/\text{UNITS}=\{0 | 1 | 2\}\}, ]\{/\text{UPDATE}\}, ]\{/\text{VALID\_ID}\}

WIDGET_BASE: ]\{/\text{CONTEXT\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{MODAL}\}, ]\{/\text{TLB\_ICONIFY\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{TLB\_REQUEST\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{TLB\_MOVE\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{TLB\_SIZE\_EVENTS}\}

WIDGET\_BUTTON: ]\{/\text{BUTTON\_SET}\}, ]\{/\text{DYNAMIC\_RESIZE}\}, ]\{/\text{TOOLTIP}\}

WIDGET\_COMBOBOX: ]\{/\text{COMBOBOX\_GET\_TEXT}\}, ]\{/\text{COMBOBOX\_NUMBER}\}, ]\{/\text{DYNAMIC\_RESIZE}\}

WIDGET\_DRAW: ]\{/\text{DRAW\_BUTTON\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{DRAW\_EXPOSE\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{DRAW\_KEYBOARD\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{DRAW\_MOtion\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{DRAW\_VIEWPORT\_EVENTS}\}

WIDGET\_DROPDOWN: ]\{/\text{DROPDOWN\_NUMBER}\}

WIDGET\_LABEL: ]\{/\text{DYNAMIC\_RESIZE}\}

WIDGET\_LIST: ]\{/\text{CONTEXT\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{LIST\_MULTIPLE}\}, ]\{/\text{LIST\_NUMBER}\}, ]\{/\text{LIST\_NUM\_VISIBLE}\}, ]\{/\text{LIST\_SELECT}\}, ]\{/\text{LIST\_TOP}\}

WIDGET\_SLIDER: ]\{/\text{SLIDER\_MIN\_MAX}\}

WIDGET\_TAB: ]\{/\text{TAB\_CURRENT}\}, ]\{/\text{TAB\_MULTILINE}\}, ]\{/\text{TAB\_NUMBER}\}

WIDGET\_TABLE: ]\{/\text{COLUMN\_WIDTHS}\}, ]\{/\text{ROW\_HEIGHTS}\}

WIDGET\_TEXT: ]\{/\text{CONTEXT\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{ALL\_EVENTS}\}, ]\{/\text{EDITABLE}\}, ]\{/\text{EDIT\_CELL}\}, ]\{/\text{SELECT}\}, ]\{/\text{VIEW}\}, ]\{/\text{TABLE\_SELECT}\}

WIDGET\_TREE: ]\{/\text{TREE\_EXPANDED}\}, ]\{/\text{TREE\_ROOT}\}
WIDGET_LABEL - Creates label widgets.


WIDGET_LIST - Creates list widgets.


WIDGET_SLIDER - Creates slider widgets.

WIDGET_TREE - Creates tree widgets.

Result = WIDGET_TREE( Parent [], /ALL_EVENTS |
& CONTEXT_EVENTS |. /EDITABLE |
& EVENT_FUNC=string |
& EVENT_PRO=string |
& FONT=string |
& FRAME=width |
& FUNC_GET_VALUE=string |
& GROUP_LEADER=widget_id |
& ABRD_FOCUS_EVENTS |. KILL_NOTIFY=string |
& NO_COPY |. /NO_NEWLINE |
& NOTIFY_REALIZE=string |
& PRO_SET_VALUE=string |
& RESOURCE_NAME=string |
& SCR_XSIZE=height |
& SCR_YSIZE=height |
& /SINGLE |
| /TOP |
& TRACKING_EVENTS |. UNAME=string |
& UNITS=0 | 1 | 2 |
& UVALUE=value |
& VALUE=value |
& XOFFSET=value |
& YOFFSET=value |
& XSIZE=value |
& YSIZE=value )

WIDGET_TEXT - Creates text widgets.

Result = WIDGET_TEXT( Parent [], /ALL_EVENTS |
& CONTEXT_EVENTS |. /EDITABLE |
& EVENT_FUNC=string |
& EVENT_PRO=string |
& FONT=string |
& FRAME=width |
& FUNC_GET_VALUE=string |
& GROUP_LEADER=widget_id |
& ABRD_FOCUS_EVENTS |. KILL_NOTIFY=string |
& NO_COPY |. /NO_NEWLINE |
& NOTIFY_REALIZE=string |
& PRO_SET_VALUE=string |
& RESOURCE_NAME=string |
& SCR_XSIZE=height |
& SCR_YSIZE=height |
& /SINGLE |
| /TOP |
& TRACKING_EVENTS |. UNAME=string |
& UNITS=0 | 1 | 2 |
& UVALUE=value |
& VALUE=value |
& XOFFSET=value |
& YOFFSET=value |
& XSIZE=value |
& YSIZE=value )

WRITE_BMP - Writes Microsoft Windows Version 3 device dependent bitmap file (.BMP).

WRITE_BMP( Filename, Image[, R, G, B] [, /FOUR_BIT] |
& HDR=structure |
& HEADER_DEFINE=define before call[] ] | /RGB ]

WRITE_IMAGE - Writes an image and its color table vectors, if any, to a file of a specified type.

WRITE_IMAGE( Filename, Format, Data [, Red, Green, Blue] [, /APPEND] )

WRITE_JPEG - Writes JPEG file.

WRITE_JPEG( Filename, Unit=value, Image [, /ORDER |. /PROGRESSIVE ] |
& QUALITY=value(0 to 100) ] | /TRUE=(1 | 2 | 3) )

WRITE_NRIF - Writes NCAR Raster Interchange Format rasterfile.

WRITE_NRIF( File, Image [, R, G, B] )

WRITE_PICT - Writes Macintosh PICT (version 2) bitmap file.

WRITE_PICT( Filename, Image [, R, G, B] )


WRITE_PNG( Filename, Image|[, Image|[, Image|[, R, G, B] |. /VERBOSE ] |
& TRANSPARENT=arrary |. /ORDER ]

WRITE_PPM - Writes PPM (true-color) or PGM (gray scale) file.

WRITE_PPM( Filename, Image [, /ASCII ]

WRITE_SPR - Writes row-indexed sparse array structure to a file.

WRITE_SPR( AS, Filename )

WRITE_SRF - Writes Sun Raster File (SRF).

WRITE_SRF( Filename, Image [, R, G, B] |. /ORDER |. WRITE_32 )

WRITE_SYLK - Writes SYLK (Symbolic Link) spreadsheet file.

WRITE_SYLK( File, Data |. STARTCOL=column |. STARTROW=row )

WRITE_TIFF - Writes TIFF file with 1 to 3 channels.

WRITE_TIFF( Filename, Image [, /APPEND ] |
& BITS_PER_SAMPLE={1 | 4 | 8 }|
& GREEN=value |
& BLUE=value |
& COMPRESSION={0 | 2 | 3 } |
& GEOTIFF=structure |
& LONG |
& SHORT |
& FLOAT |
& ORIENTATION=value |
& PLANARCONFIG={1 | 2 } |. /VERBOSE |
& XRESOL=pxels/inch |
& YRESOL=pxels/inch )

WRITE_WAV - Writes the audio stream to the named .WAV file.

WRITE_WAV( Filename, Data [, Rate ]

WRITE_WAVE - Writes Wavefront Advanced Visualizer (.WAV) file.

WRITE_WAVE( File, Array [, /BIN ] |
& DATANAME=string |
& MESHNAME=string |
| /NOMESHDEF |. /VECTOR ]

WRITEU - Writes unformatted binary data to a file.

WRITEU( Unit, Expr ..., Exprn |. TRANSFER_COUNT=variable )

WSET - Selects the current window.

WSET( Window|Index ]

WSHOW - Exposes or hides the designated window.

WSHOW( Window|Index, Show [, /ICONIC ]

WTN - Returns wavelet transform of the input array.

WTN = WTN( A, Coef |. /COLUMN ] |
& /DOUBLE |
| /INVERSE |. /OVERWRITE )

X

XBM_EDIT - Creates, edits bitmap icons for IDL widget button labels.

XBM_EDIT( /BLOCK |. FILENAME=string |
& GROUP=widget_id |
& XSIZE=pxels |
& YSIZE=pxels )
### Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

**XDISPLAYFILE** - Displays ASCII text file in scrolling text widget.

```idl```
XDISPLAYFILE, Filename [, /BLOCK]
```

[.DONE_BUTTON=string] [.EDITABLE]
[.FONT=string] [.GROUP=widget_id] [.HEIGHT=lines]
[.MODAL] [.TEXT=string or string array]
[.TITLE=string] [.WIDTH=characters]
[.WTEXT=variable]
```

**XDXF** - Utility for displaying and interactively manipulating DXF objects.

```idl```
XDXF [, Filename] [.BLOCK] [.GROUP=widget_id]
```

[.SCALE=value] [.TEST=[keywords to XOBJVIEW]]
```

**XFONT** - Alphabetical List of IDL Routines 65

```idl```
XFONT [.GROUP=widget_id]
```

[.PRESCRIBE_FONT_INFO]
```

**XINTERANIMATE** - Displays animated sequence of images.

```idl```
XINTERANIMATE [.Rate]
```

**Keywords for initialization:** [.SET=[sizes, sizes, nframes]] [.BLOCK] [.CYCLE] [.GROUP=widget_id]

[.MODAL] [.MPEG_BITRATE=value]

[.MPEG_IFRAME_GAP=value]

[.MPEG_MOTION_VEC_LENGTH={1 | 2 | 3}]

[.MPEG.OPEN, MPEG_FILENAME=string]

[.MPEG_QUALITY=value [0 to 100]] [.SHOWLOAD]

[.TRACK] [.TITLE=string]

**Keywords for loading images:** [.FRAME=value [0 to (nframes-1)]] [.IMAGE=value] [.ORDER]

[.WINDOW=[window_num, x0, y0, sx, sy]]

**Keywords for running animations:** [.CLOSE]

[.KEEP_PIXMAPS] [.MPEG_CLOSE]

[.OFFSET=pixels] [.OFFSET=pixels]

**XLOADCT** - Provides GUI to interactively select and load color tables.

```idl```
XLOADCT [.BLOCK] [.BOTTOM=value]
```

[.FILE=string] [.GROUP=widget_id] [.MODAL]

[.NCOLORS=value] [.SILENT]

[.UPDATECALLBACK=`procedure_name`]

[.UPDATECBDATA=value] [.USE_CURRENT]
```

**XMANAGER** - Provides event loop manager for IDL widgets.

```idl```
XMANAGER [.Name, ID] [.CATCH]
```

[.CLEANUP=string] [.EVENT_HANDLER=procedure]

[.GROUP_LEADER=widget_id] [.JUST_REG]

[.NO_BLOCK]
```

**XMNG_TMPL** - Template for creating widgets.

```idl```
XMNG_TMPL [.BLOCK] [.GROUP=widget_id]
```

**XMTOOL** - Displays tool for viewing XMANAGER widgets.

```idl```
XMTOOL [.BLOCK] [.GROUP=widget_id]
```

**XOBJVIEW** - Displays object viewer widget.

```idl```
XOBJVIEW, Obj [.BACKGROUND=[r, g, b]]
```

[.BLOCK] [.DOUBLE_VIEW] [.GROUP=widget_id]

[.JUST_REG] [.MODAL] [.REFRESH=widget_id]

[.RENDERER={0 | 1}] [.SCALE=value]

[.STATIONARY=object(s)] [.TEST] [.TITLE=string]

[.TLB=variable] [.OFFSET=value] [.XSIZE=pixels]

[.YOFFSET=value] [.YSIZE=pixels]
```

**XOBJVIEW_ROTATE** - Programmatically rotate the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW.

```idl```
XOBJVIEW_ROTATE, Axis, Angle [.PREMULTIPLY]
```

**XOBJVIEW_WRITE_IMAGE** - Write the object currently displayed in XOBJVIEW to an image file.

```idl```
XOBJVIEW_WRITE_IMAGE, Filename, Format [.DIMENSIONS= [x, y]]
```

**XPALLETTE** - Displays widget used to create and modify color tables.

```idl```
XPALLETTE [.BLOCK] [.GROUP=widget_id]
```

[.UPDATECALLBACK=`procedure_name`]

[.UPDATECBDATA=value]
```

**XPCOLOR** - Adjusts the value of the current foreground plotting color. 

```idl```
XPCOLOR [.GROUP=widget_id]
```

**XPLT3D** - Utility for creating and interactively manipulating 3D plots.

```idl```
XPLT3D, X, Y, Z [.BLOCK] [.COLOR=[r,g,b]]
```

[.DOUBLE_VIEW] [.GROUP=widget_id]

[.LINESTYLE={0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6}]

[.LINES={0 to 100}]

[.MODAL]

[.NAME=string] [.OVERPLOT] [.SYMBOL=objects]

[.TEST] [.THICK=[points 1.0 to 10.0]] [.TITLE=string]

[.XRANGE=[min, max]] [.XZ RANGE=[min, max]]

[.YRANGE=[min, max]] [.ZTITLE=string]

[.YTITLE=string] [.ZTITLE=string]

**XREGISTERED** - Returns registration status of a given widget.

```idl```
XREGISTERED(Name [, NOSHOW])
```

**XROI** - Utility for interactively creating and obtaining information about ROIs.

```idl```
```

[.FLOATING] [.GROUP=widget_id] [.MODAL]

[.REGIONS_IN=value] [.REGIONS_OUT=value]

[.REJECTED=variable] [.RENDERER={0 | 1}]

[.ROI_COLOR=[r, g, b] or variable]

[.ROI_GEOMETRY=variable]

[.ROI_SELECT_COLOR=[r, g, b] or variable]

[.STATISTICS=variable] [.TITLE=string]

[.TOOLS=string or string array] [valid values are `Freehand Draw', `Polygon Draw', and `Selection']

[.X_SCROLL_SIZE=variable] [.Y_SCROLL_SIZE=variable]
XSQ_TEST - Computes Chi-square goodness-of-fit test.

Result = XSQ_TEST( Obsfreq, Exfreq
[, EXCELL=variable] [, OBCELL=variable]
[, RESIDUAL=variable]
)

XSURFACE - Provides GUI to SURFACE and SHADE_SURF.
XSURFACE, Data [, /BLOCK] [, GROUP=widget_id]

XVAREDIT - Provides widget-based editor for IDL variables.
XVAREDIT, Var [, NAME='variable_name'(ignored if variable is a structure)] [, GROUP=widget_id]
[, X_SCROLL_SIZE=columns]
[, Y_SCROLL_SIZE=rows]

XVOLUME - Utility for viewing and interactively manipulating volumes and isosurfaces.
XVOLUME, Vol [, /BLOCK] [, GROUP=widget_id]
[, /INTERPOLATE] [, /MODAL] [, RENDERER={0 | 1}]
[, /REPLACE] [, SCALE=value] [, /TEST]
[, XSIZE=pixels] [, YSIZE=pixels]

XYOUTS - Draws text on currently-selected graphics device.
XYOUTS, [X, Y] String [, ALIGNMENT=value{0.0 to 1.0}]] [, CHARSIZE=value] [, CHARTHICK=value]
[, TEXT_AXES={0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5}] [, WIDTH=variable]
Graphics Keywords: [, CLIP=[X0, Y0, X1, Y1]]
[, COLOR=value] [, /DATA | /DEVICE | /NORMAL]
[, FONT=integer]
[, ORIENTATION=ccw_degrees_from_horiz] [, /NOCLIP]
[, /T3D] [, Z=value]
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CDF Routines

CDF_ATTCREATE - Creates a new attribute.
\[
\text{Result} = \text{CDF_ATTCREATE}(\text{Id}, \text{Attribute}_{\text{Name}}, \\
[. /GLOBAL\_SCOPE[, /VARIABLE\_SCOPE]])
\]

CDF_ATTDELETE - Deletes attribute from specified CDF file.
\[
\text{CDF_ATTDELETE, Id, Attribute [, EntryNum] [, /ZVARIABLE]}
\]

CDF_ATTDELETES - Determines whether specified attribute exists.
\[
\text{Result} = \text{CDF_ATTDELETES}(\text{Id}, \text{Attribute[, EntryNum]} \\
[. /ZVARIABLE] )
\]

CDF_ATTGET - Reads an attribute entry from a CDF file.
\[
\text{CDF_ATTGET, Id, Attribute, EntryNum, Value} [, \text{CDF\_TYPE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. /ZVARIABLE]
\]

CDF_ATTINQ - Obtains information about specified attribute.
\[
\text{CDF_ATTINQ, Id, Attribute, Name, Scope, MaxEntry} \\
[. MaxZEntry]
\]

CDF_ATTNUM - Returns an attribute number.
\[
\text{Result} = \text{CDF_ATTNUM}(\text{Id, Attribute}_{\text{Name}})
\]

CDF_ATTPUT - Writes an attribute entry to a CDF file.
\[
\text{CDF_ATTPUT, Id, Attribute, EntryNum, Value} [, \text{ZVARIABLE}]
\]

CDF_ATTRENAME - Renames an existing attribute.
\[
\text{CDF_ATTRENAME, Id, OldAttr, NewName}
\]

CDF_CLOSE - Closes specified Common Data Format file.
\[
\text{CDF_CLOSE, Id}
\]

CDF_COMPRESSION - Sets or returns the compression mode for a CDF file and/or variables.
\[
\text{CDF_COMPRESSION, Id} [, \text{GET\_COMPRESS}\_\text{ION=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_GZIP\_LEVEL=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_VAR\_COMPRESS}\_\text{ION=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_VAR\_GZIP\_LEVEL=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_COMPRESS}\_\text{ION}=[0|1|2|3|5]] \\
[. \text{SET\_GZIP\_LEVEL}=\text{integer}[1\text{ to }9]] \\
[. \text{SET\_VAR\_COMPRESS}\_\text{ION}=[0|1|2|3|5]] \\
[. \text{SET\_VAR\_GZIP\_LEVEL}=\text{integer}[1\text{ to }9]] \\
[. \text{VARIABLE=} \text{variable name or index}] [, \text{ZVARIABLE}]
\]

CDF_CONTROL - Obtains or sets information for a CDF file.
\[
\text{CDF\_CONTROL, Id [], \text{ATTRIBUTE}= \text{name or number}[]} \\
[. \text{GET\_ATTR\_INFO=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_COPYRIGHT=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_FILENAME=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_FORMAT=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_NEGTOPOSFP0\_MODE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_NUMATTRS=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_READONLY\_MODE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_VAR\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_VAR\_INFO=} \text{variable}[], \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{GET\_ZVAR\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_EXTENDRECS=} \text{records}] \\
[. \text{SET\_INITIALRECS=} \text{records}] \\
[. \text{SET\_NEGTOPOSFP0\_MODE}] \\
[. \text{SET\_READONLY\_MODE}] \\
[. \text{SET\_VAR\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}[, \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_VARS\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}[, \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}]] \\
[. \text{SET\_PADVALUE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_NEGTOPOSFP0\_MODE}] \\
[. \text{SET\_READONLY\_MODE}] \\
[. \text{SET\_VAR\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}[, \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_VARS\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}[, \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}]] \\
[. \text{SET\_ZMODE=} \{0|1|2\}] \\
[. \text{SET\_ZVAR\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}[, \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}] \\
[. \text{SET\_ZVARS\_CACHESIZE=} \text{variable}[, \text{GET\_ZMODE=} \text{variable}]] \\
[. \text{VARIABLE=} \text{name or index}[, \text{ZVARIABLE}]
\]

Note: Use only with MULTI\_FILE CDF files

CDF_CREATE - Creates a new Common Data Format file.
\[
\text{Result} = \text{CDF\_CREATE}(\text{Filename}, [, \text{Dimensions}] \\
[. /CLOBBER[, /MULTI\_FILE | /SINGLE\_FILE] \\
[. /COL\_MAJOR | /ROW\_MAJOR])}
\]

Encoding Keywords (pick one):
\[
[. /\text{ALPHAOSSF1\_ENCODING}] \\
[. /\text{ALPHAVMSD\_ENCODING}] \\
[. /\text{ALPHAVMSG\_ENCODING}] \\
[. /\text{DECSTATION\_ENCODING}[, /\text{HOST\_ENCODING}]] \\
[. /\text{HP\_ENCODING}[, /\text{BMRS\_ENCODING}]] \\
[. /\text{IBMPC\_ENCODING}[, /\text{MAC\_ENCODING}]] \\
[. /\text{NETWORK\_ENCODING}[, /\text{NEXT\_ENCODING}]] \\
[. /\text{SGI\_ENCODING}[, /\text{SUN\_ENCODING}]]
\]

Decoding Keywords (pick one):
\[
[. /\text{ALPHAOSSF1\_DECODING}] \\
[. /\text{ALPHAVMSD\_DECODING}] \\
[. /\text{ALPHAVMSG\_DECODING}] \\
[. /\text{DECSTATION\_DECODING}[, /\text{HOST\_DECODING}]] \\
[. /\text{HP\_ENCODING}[, /\text{BMRS\_ENCODING}]] \\
[. /\text{IBMPC\_DECODING}[, /\text{MAC\_DECODING}]] \\
[. /\text{NETWORK\_DECODING}[, /\text{NEXT\_DECODING}]] \\
[. /\text{SGI\_DECODING}[, /\text{SUN\_DECODING}]]
\]
**CDF_DELETE** - Deletes specified Common Data Format file.
CDF_DELETE, Id

**CDF_DOC** - Gets documentation information about a CDF file.
CDF_DOC, Id, Version, Release, Copyright
[, INCREMENT=variable]

**CDF_ENCODE_EPOCH** - Encodes CDF_EPOCH variable into a string.
Result = CDF_ENCODE_EPOCH(EPOCH [, EPOCH=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3]])

**CDF_EPOCH** - Computes/breaks down CDF_EPOCH values.
CDF_EPOCH, Epoch, Year [, Month, Day, Hour, Minute, Second, Milli] [, /BREAKDOWN_EPOCH]
[ , /COMPUTE_EPOCH]

**CDF_ERROR** - Returns explanation of a given status code.
Result = CDF_ERROR(Status)

**CDF_EXISTS** - Returns True if CDF data format library is supported on the current IDL platform.
Result = CDF_EXISTS()

**CDF_INQUIRE** - Returns global information about CDF file.
Result = CDF_INQUIRE(Id)

**CDF_LIB_INFO** - Returns information about the CDF Library being used.
CDF_LIB_INFO [, COPYRIGHT=variable]
[ , INCREMENT=variable] [, VERSION=variable]

**CDF_OPEN** - Opens an existing Common Data Format file.
Result = CDF_OPEN(Filename)

**CDF_PARSE_EPOCH** - Parses input string into a double precision value properly formatted for use as CDF_EPOCH variable.
Result = CDF_PARSE_EPOCH(EPOCH_string)

**CDF_VARCREATE** - Creates new variable in CDF file.
Result = CDF_VARCREATE(Id, Name [, DimVary]
[ , /CDF_BYTE | /CDF_CHAR | /CDF_DOUBLE | , /CDF_EPOCH | /CDF_FLOAT | /CDF_INT1 | , /CDF_INT2 | /CDF_INT4 | /CDF_REAL4 | , /CDF_REAL8 | /CDF_UCHAR | /CDF_UINT1 | , /CDF_UINT2 | /CDF_UINT4]
[ , /DIMENSIONS=dimensions] [, DIMENSIONS=string]
[ , NUMELEM=count] [, /RECFVARY] [, /ZVARIABLE]

**CDF_VARDELETE** - Deletes variable from a SINGLE_FILE CDF file.
CDF_VARDELETE, Id, Variable [, /ZVARIABLE]

**CDF_VARGET** - Reads multiple values from CDF file variable.
CDF_VARGET, Id, Variable, Value [, COUNT=vector]
[ , INTERVAL=vector] [, OFFSET=vector]
[ , REC_COUNT=record] [, REC_INTERVAL=value]
[ , REC_START=record] [, /STRING=data in CDF file must be type CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR]]
[ , /ZVARIABLE]

**CDF_VARGET1** - Reads one value from a CDF file variable.
CDF_VARGET1, Id, Variable, Value [, OFFSET=vector]
[ , REC_COUNT=record] [, /STRING=data in CDF file must be type CDF_CHAR or CDF_UCHAR]]
[ , /ZVARIABLE]

**CDF_VARNUM** - Returns variable number associated with given variable name.
Result = CDF_VARNUM(Id, Variable [, IsZVar])

**CDF_VARPUT** - Writes value to a variable.
CDF_VARPUT(Id, Variable, Value [, COUNT=vector]
[ , INTERVAL=vector] [, OFFSET=vector]
[ , REC_COUNT=record] [, REC_INTERVAL=value] [, REC_START=record]
[ , /ZVARIABLE]

**CDF_VARRENAME** - Renames existing variable.
CDF_VARRENAME, Id, OldVariable, NewName
[ , /ZVARIABLE]

### EOS Routines

**EOS_EH_CONVANG** - Converts angles between decimal degrees, radians, and packed degrees-minutes-seconds.
Result = EOS_EH_CONVANG(inAngle, code)

**EOS_EH_GETVERSION** - Retrieves the HDF-EOS version string of an HDF-EOS file.
Result = EOS_EH_GETVERSION(fid, version)

**EOS_EH_IDINFO** - Returns the HDF file IDs corresponding to the HDF-EOS file ID returned by EOS_SW_OPEN, EOS_GD_OPEN, or EOS_PT_OPEN.
Result = EOS_EH_IDINFO(fid, HDF fid, sdInterfaceID)

**EOS_EXISTS** - Returns True if HDF EOS format library is supported on the current IDL platform.
Result = EOS_EXISTS()

**EOS_GD_ATTACH** - Attaches to the grid using the gridname parameter as the identifier.
Result = EOS_GD_ATTACH(fid, gridname)

**EOS_GD_ATTRINFO** - Returns number type and number of elements (count) of a grid attribute.
Result = EOS_GD_ATTRINFO(gridID, atname, numbertype, count)

**EOS_GD_CLOSE** - Closes the HDF grid file.
Result = EOS_GD_CLOSE(fd)

**EOS_GD_COMPINFO** - Returns the compression code and compression parameters for a given field.
Result = EOS_GD_COMPINFO(gridID, fieldname, compcode, compparm)
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- *Result = EOS_GD_CREATE(fid, gridname, xdimsize, ydimsize, upleftpt, lowrightpt)*

**EOS_GD_DEFBOXREGION**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFBOXREGION(gridID, cornerlon, coronerlat)*

**EOS_GD_DEFCOMP**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFCOMP(gridID, compcode [, compparm]*

**EOS_GD_DEFDEFPROJ**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFDEFPROJ(gridID, projcode, projparm)*

**EOS_GD_DEFFIELD**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFFIELD(gridID, fieldname, dimlist, numtype, [ , /MERGE]*

**EOS_GD_DEFINFORIGIN**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFINFORIGIN(gridID, origincode)*

**EOS_GD_DEFPIXREG**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFPIXREG(gridID, pixreg)*

**EOS_GD_DEFPROJ**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFPROJ(gridID, projcode, zonecode, sphercode, projparm)*

**EOS_GD_DEFFILE**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFFILE(gridID, tilecode [, , tilerank, tilename]*

**EOS_GD_DEFPERIOD**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFPERIOD(gridID, periodID, starttime, stoptime)*

**EOS_GD_DEFREGION**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DEFREGION(gridID, regionID)*

**EOS_GD_DETACH**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DETACH(gridID)*

**EOS_GD_DIMINFO**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DIMINFO(gridID)*

**EOS_GD_DUPLICATE**

- *Result = EOS_GD_DUPLICATE(regionID)*

**EOS_GD_EXTRACTREGION**

- *Result = EOS_GD_EXTRACTREGION(gridID, regionID, fieldname, buffer)*

**EOS_GD_FIELDINFO**

- *Result = EOS_GD_FIELDINFO(gridID, fieldname, rank, dims, numtype, dimlist)*

**EOS_GD_GETFILLVALUE**

- *Result = EOS_GD_GETFILLVALUE(gridID, fieldname, fillvalue)*

**EOS_GD_GETFILE**

- *Result = EOS_GD_GETFILE(gridID, nLonLat, lonVal, latVal, pixRow, pixCol)*

**EOS_GD_GETPIXVALUES**

- *Result = EOS_GD_GETPIXVALUES(gridID, nPixels, pixRow, pixCol, fieldname, buffer)*

**EOS_GD_GRIDINFO**

- *Result = EOS_GD_GRIDINFO(gridID, xdimsize, ydimsize, upleft, lowright)*

**EOS_GD_INQATTRS**

- *Result = EOS_GD_INQATTRS(gridID, attrlist [ , , LENGTH(out)=value]*

**EOS_GD_INQDIM**

- *Result = EOS_GD_INQDIM(gridID, dimname, dims)*

**EOS_GD_INQFIELDS**

- *Result = EOS_GD_INQFIELDS(gridID, fieldlist, rank, numtype)*

**EOS_GD_INQGRID**

- *Result = EOS_GD_INQGRID(filename, gridlist [ , , LENGTH(out)=value]*

**EOS_GD_INTERPOLATE**

- *Result = EOS_GD_INTERPOLATE(gridID, interp, lonVal, latVal, fieldname, interpVal)*

**EOS_GD_NENTRIES**

- *Result = EOS_GD_NENTRIES(gridID, entrycode [ , , LENGTH(out)=value]*

**EOS_GD_OPEN**

- *Result = EOS_GD_OPEN(filename, access [ , , CREATE] [ , , RDWR | , , READ]*

**EOS_GD_ORIGININFO**

- *Result = EOS_GD_ORIGININFO(gridID, origincode)*

**EOS_GD_PIXINFO**

- *Result = EOS_GD_PIXINFO(gridID, pixregcode)*
EOS_GD_PROJINFO - Retrieves GCTP projection code, zone code, spheroid code, and projection parameters of the grid.
Result = EOS_GD_PROJINFO(gridID, projcode, zonecode, spheroidcode, projparm)

EOS_GD_QUERY - Returns information about a specified grid.
Result = EOS_GD_QUERY(Filename, GridName, [Info])

EOS_GD_READATTR - Reads attribute from a grid.
Result = EOS_GD_READATTR(gridID, attrname, datbuf)

EOS_GD_READFIELD - Reads data from a grid field.
Result = EOS_GD_READFIELD(gridID, fieldname, buffer [], EDGE=array [], START=array) [, STRIDE= array ]

EOS_GD_READTILE - Reads from tile within field.
Result = EOS_GD_READTILE(gridID, fieldname, tilecoords, buffer)

EOS_GD_REGIONINFO - Returns information about a subsetted region for a particular field.
Result = EOS_GD_REGIONINFO(gridID, regionID, fieldname, ntype, rank, dims, size, uplefptp, lowrightp)

EOS_GD_SETFILLVALUE - Sets fill value for the specified field.
Result = EOS_GD_SETFILLVALUE(gridID, fieldname, fillvalue)

EOS_GD_SETTILECACHE - Sets tile cache parameters.
Result = EOS_GD_SETTILECACHE(gridID, fieldname, maxcache, cachecode)

EOS_GD_TILEINFO - Returns tiling code, tiling rank, and tiling dimensions for a given field.
Result = EOS_GD_TILEINFO(gridID, fieldname, tilecode, tilerank, tiledims)

EOS_GD_WRITEATTR - Writes/updates attribute in a grid.
Result = EOS_GD_WRITEATTR(gridID, attrname, datbuf [], COUNT=value [], HDF_TYPE=value)

EOS_GD_WRITEFIELD - Writes data to a grid field.
Result = EOS_GD_WRITEFIELD(gridID, fieldname, data [], EDGE=array [], START= array [], STRIDE= array)

EOS_GD_WRITEFIELDMETA - Writes field metadata for a grid field not defined by the Grid API.
Result = EOS_GD_WRITEFIELDMETA(gridID, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype)

EOS_GD_WRITETILE - Writes a single tile of data to a field.
Result = EOS_GD_WRITETILE(gridID, fieldname, tilecoords, data)

EOS_PT_ATTACH - Attaches to point using the pointname parameter as the identifier.
Result = EOS_PT_ATTACH(fid, pointname)

EOS_PT_ATTACHMENTINFO - Returns number type and number of elements of a point attribute.
Result = EOS_PT_ATTACHMENTINFO(pointID, attrname, numbertype, count)

EOS_PT_BCKLINKINFO - Returns linkfield to the previous level.
Result = EOS_PT_BCKLINKINFO(pointID, level, linkfield)

EOS_PT_CLOSE - Closes the HDF point file.
Result = EOS_PT_CLOSE(fid)

EOS_PT_CREATE - Creates point as a Vgroup within the HDF file.
Result = EOS_PT_CREATE(fid, pointname)

EOS_PT_DEFBOXREGION - Defines area of interest for a point.
Result = EOS_PT_DEFBOXREGION(pointID, cornerlon, cornerlat)

EOS_PT_DEFLEVEL - Defines a level within a point.
Result = EOS_PT_DEFLEVEL(pointID, levelname, fieldlist, fieldtype, fieldorder)

EOS_PT_DEFLINKAGE - Defines linkfield between two levels.
Result = EOS_PT_DEFLINKAGE(linkfield)

EOS_PT_DEFTIMEPERIOD - Defines a time period for a point.
Result = EOS_PT_DEFTIMEPERIOD(pointID, starttime, stoptime)

EOS_PT_DEFVRTREGION - Selects records within a point whose field values are within a given range.
Result = EOS_PT_DEFVRTREGION(pointID, regionID, vertObj, range)

EOS_PT_DETACH - Detaches from a point data set.
Result = EOS_PT_DETACH(pointID)

EOS_PT_EXTRACTPERIOD - Reads data from the designated level fields into the data buffer from the subselected time period.
Result = EOS_PT_EXTRACTPERIOD(pointID, periodID, level, fieldlist, buffer)

EOS_PT_EXTRACTREGION - Reads data from the designated level fields into the data buffer from the subselected area of interest.
Result = EOS_PT_EXTRACTREGION(pointID, regionID, level, fieldlist, buffer)

EOS_PT_FWDLINKINFO - Returns linkfield to the given level.
Result = EOS_PT_FWDLINKINFO(pointID, level, linkfield)

EOS_PT_GETLEVELNAME - Returns the name of a level given the level number (0-based).
Result = EOS_PT_GETLEVELNAME(pointID, levelname [], LENGTH (OUT)=variable)

EOS_PT_GETRECNUMS - Returns record numbers in one level that are connected to a given set of records in a different level.
Result = EOS_PT_GETRECNUMS(pointID, inlevel, outlevel, inNrec, inRecs, outNrec, outRecs)

EOS_PT_INQATTRS - Returns attribute list as a comma-separated string.
Result = EOS_PT_INQATTRS(pointID, attrlist [], LENGTH=value)
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EOS_PT_INQPOINT - Retrieves number and names of points defined in HDF-EOS file.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_INQPOINT(\texttt{filename, pointlist}[, LENGTH\ (OUT)=\texttt{value} ])

EOS_PT_LEVELINDEX - Returns the level index for a given level.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_LEVELINDEX(\texttt{pointID, levelname})

EOS_PT_LEVELINFO - Returns information about the fields in a given point.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_LEVELINFO(\texttt{pointID, level, fieldlist, fldtype, fldorder})

EOS_PT_NFIELDS - Returns the number of fields in a level.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_NFIELDS(\texttt{pointID, level}[, \texttt{LENGTH}=\texttt{bytes}])

EOS_PT_NLEVELS - Returns the number of levels in a point.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_NLEVELS(\texttt{pointID})

EOS_PT_NRECS - Returns the number of records in a given level.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_NRECS(\texttt{pointID, level})

EOS_PT_OPEN - Creates a new file or opens an existing one.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_OPEN(\texttt{filename} [, \texttt{CREATE}][, /RDWR \ [, /READ]])

EOS_PT_PERIODINFO - Returns information about a subsetted time period for a given fieldlist.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_PERIODINFO(\texttt{pointID, periodID, level, fieldlist, size})

EOS_PT_PERIODRECS - Returns record numbers within a subsetted time period for a given level.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_PERIODRECS(\texttt{pointID, periodID, nrec, recs})

EOS_PT_QUERY - Returns information about a specified point.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_QUERY(\texttt{Filename, PointName, [Info]} )

EOS_PT_READATTR - Reads attributes.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_READATTR(\texttt{pointID, attrname, datbuf}[, COUNT=value ] [, HDF_TYPE=value ])

EOS_PT_READLEVEL - Reads data from the specified fields and records of a single level.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_READLEVEL(\texttt{pointID, level, fieldlist, nrec, recs, data})

EOS_PT_WRITEATTR - Writes/updates an attribute in a point.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_WRITEATTR(\texttt{pointID, attrname, datbuf}[, COUNT=value ] [, HDF_TYPE=value ])

EOS_PT_WRITELEVEL - Writes (appends) full records to a level.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_PT_WRITELEVEL(\texttt{pointID, level, nrec, data})

EOS_QUERY - Returns information about the makeup of an HDF-EOS file.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_QUERY(\texttt{Filename, [Info]})

EOS_SW_ATTACH - Attaches to the swath using the swathname parameter as the identifier.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_ATTACH(\texttt{fid, swathname})

EOS_SW_ATTRIBINFO - Returns number type and number of elements of a swath attribute.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_ATTRIBINFO(\texttt{swathID, attrname, numbertype, count})

EOS_SW_CLOSE - Closes the HDF swath file.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_CLOSE(\texttt{fid})

EOS_SW_COMPINFO - Returns compression code and compression parameters for a given field.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_COMPINFO(\texttt{swathID, fieldname, compcode, compparm})

EOS_SW_CREATE - Creates a swath within the file.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_CREATE(\texttt{fid, swathname})

EOS_SW_DEFBOXREGION - Defines a longitude-latitude box region for a swath.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_DEFBOXREGION(\texttt{swathID, cornerlon, cornerlat, mode})

EOS_SW_DEFCOMP - Sets HDF field compression for subsequent swath field definitions.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_DEFCOMP(\texttt{swathID, compcode, [compparm]})

EOS_SW_DEFDATAFIELD - Defines geolocation fields to be stored in the swath.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_DEFDATAFIELD(\texttt{swathID, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype [, /MERGE]})

EOS_SW_DEFDIM - Defines dimensions that are used by the field definition routines to establish the size of the field.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_DEFDIM(\texttt{swathID, fieldname, dim})

EOS_SW_DEFDIMMAP - Defines monotonic mapping between the geolocation and data dimensions.
   \textit{Result} = EOS_SW_DEFDIMMAP(\texttt{swathID, geodim, datadim, offset, increment})

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EOS_SW_DEFGEOFIELD - Defines geolocation fields to be stored in the swath.
Result = EOS_SW_DEFGEOFIELD(swathID, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype [, /MERGE] )

EOS_SW_DEFFIELDINFO - Retrieves information on a specific data field.
Result = EOS_SW_FIELDINFO(swathID, fieldname, rank, numbertype, dimlist)

EOS_SW_GETFILLVALUE - Retrieves fill value for given field.
Result = EOS_SW_GETFILLVALUE(swathID, fieldname, fillvalue)

EOS_SW_IDXMAPINFO - Retrieves size of the indexed array and the array of indexed elements of the specified geolocation mapping.
Result = EOS_SW_IDXMAPINFO(swathID, geodim, datadim, index)

EOS_SW_INQATTRETS - Retrieves information about attributes defined in swath.
Result = EOS_SW_INQATTRETS(swathID, attrlist [, LENGTH(OUT)=value] )

EOS_SW_INQDATAFIELDS - Retrieves information about all of the data fields defined in swath.
Result = EOS_SW_INQDATAFIELDS(swathID, fieldlist, rank, numbertype)

EOS_SW_INQDIMS - Retrieves number and names of swaths defined in swath.
Result = EOS_SW_INQDIMSSwathID, dimname)
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EOS_SW_WRITEATTR - Writes/updates attribute in a swath.
Result = EOS_SW_WRITEATTR(swathID, attribute, databuf [, COUNT=value] [, HDF_TYPE=value])

EOS_SW_WRITEDATAMETA - Writes field metadata for an existing data field.
Result = EOS_SW_WRITEDATAMETA(swathID, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype)

EOS_SW_WRITEFIELD - Writes data to a swath field.
Result = EOS_SW_WRITEFIELD(swathID, fieldname, data [, EDGE=array] [, START=array] [, STRIDE=array])

EOS_SW_WRITEGEOMETA - Writes field metadata for an existing geolocation field.
Result = EOS_SW_WRITEGEOMETA(swathID, fieldname, dimlist, numbertype)

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HDF_AN_NUMANN - Returns total number of annotations of a given type.
Result = HDF_AN_NUMANN(an_id, annot_type, obj_tag, obj_ref)

HDF_AN_READANN - Reads specified annotation.
Result = HDF_AN_READANN(ann_id, annotation [, LENGTH=characters])

HDF_AN_SELECT - Obtains identifier of specified annotation.
Result = HDF_AN_SELECT(an_id, index, annot_type)

HDF_AN_WRITEANN - Writes annotation text.
Result = HDF_AN_WRITEANN(an_id, index, annot_type)

HDF_BROWSER - See "HDF_BROWSER" on page 38.

HDF_CLOSE - Closes HDF file associated with the given file handle.
HDF_CLOSE, FileHandle

HDF_DELDD - Deletes tag or reference from list of data descriptors.
HDF_DELDD, FileHandle, Tag, Ref

HDF_DF24_ADDIMAGE - Writes 24-bit raster image to HDF file.

HDF_DF24_GETIMAGE - Reads 24-bit raster image from HDF file.
HDF_DF24_GETIMAGE, Filename, Image [, /LINE | , /PIXEL | , /PLANE]

HDF_DF24_GETINFO - Retrieves information about the current 24-bit HDF image.
HDF_DF24_GETINFO, Filename, Width, Height, Interlace

HDF_DF24_LASTREF - Returns reference number of most recently read or written 24-bit image in an HDF file.
Result = HDF_DF24_LASTREF()

HDF_DF24_NIMAGES - Returns the number of 24-bit images in an HDF file.
HDF_DF24_NIMAGES(Filename)

HDF_DF24_READREF - Sets reference number of image in an HDF file.
HDF_DF24_READREF, Filename, Refno

HDF_DF24_RESTART - Causes next call to HDF_DF24_GETIMAGE to read first 24-bit image in the HDF file.
HDF_DF24_RESTART

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HDF_AN_NUMANN - Returns total number of annotations of a given type.
Result = HDF_AN_NUMANN(an_id, annot_type, obj_tag, obj_ref)

HDF_AN_READANN - Reads specified annotation.
Result = HDF_AN_READANN(ann_id, annotation [, LENGTH=characters])

HDF_AN_SELECT - Obtains identifier of specified annotation.
Result = HDF_AN_SELECT(an_id, index, annot_type)

HDF_AN_WRITEANN - Writes annotation text.
Result = HDF_AN_WRITEANN(an_id, index, annot_type)

HDF_BROWSER - See "HDF_BROWSER" on page 38.

HDF_CLOSE - Closes HDF file associated with the given file handle.
HDF_CLOSE, FileHandle

HDF_DELDD - Deletes tag or reference from list of data descriptors.
HDF_DELDD, FileHandle, Tag, Ref

HDF_DF24_ADDIMAGE - Writes 24-bit raster image to HDF file.

HDF_DF24_GETIMAGE - Reads 24-bit raster image from HDF file.
HDF_DF24_GETIMAGE, Filename, Image [, /LINE | , /PIXEL | , /PLANE]

HDF_DF24_GETINFO - Retrieves information about the current 24-bit HDF image.
HDF_DF24_GETINFO, Filename, Width, Height, Interlace

HDF_DF24_LASTREF - Returns reference number of most recently read or written 24-bit image in an HDF file.
Result = HDF_DF24_LASTREF()

HDF_DF24_NIMAGES - Returns the number of 24-bit images in an HDF file.
HDF_DF24_NIMAGES(Filename)

HDF_DF24_READREF - Sets reference number of image in an HDF file.
HDF_DF24_READREF, Filename, Refno

HDF_DF24_RESTART - Causes next call to HDF_DF24_GETIMAGE to read first 24-bit image in the HDF file.
HDF_DF24_RESTART
HDF_DFAN_ADDFDS - Adds file description to HDF file.
HDF_DFAN_ADDFDS, Filename, Description

HDF_DFAN_ADDFID - Adds file annotation to HDF file.
HDF_DFAN_ADDFID, Filename, Label

HDF_DFAN_GETDESC - Reads description for given tag and reference number in HDF file.
HDF_DFAN_GETDESC, Filename, Tag, Ref, Description [ , /STRING ]

HDF_DFAN_GETGETFS - Reads next available file description.
HDF_DFAN_GETGETFS, Filename, Description [ , /FIRST ] [ , /STRING ]

HDF_DFAN_GETFID - Reads next available file annotation.
HDF_DFAN_GETFID, Filename, Label [ , /FIRST ]

HDF_DFAN_GETLABEL - Reads label for given tag-reference pair.
HDF_DFAN_GETLABEL, Filename, Tag, Ref, Label

HDF_DFAN_LABLIST - Retrieves list of reference numbers and labels for given tag.
Result = HDF_DFAN_LABLIST( Filename, Tag, Reflist, Labellist [ , LISTSIZE=value ] [ , MAXLABEL=value ] [ , STARTPOS=value ] [ , /STRING ] )

HDF_DFAN_LASTREF - Returns reference number of most recently read or written annotation.
Result = HDF_DFAN_LASTREF( )

HDF_DFAN_PUTDESC - Writes description for given tag and reference number.
HDF_DFAN_PUTDESC, Filename, Tag, Ref, Description

HDF_DFAN_PUTLABEL - Writes label for given tag and reference number.
HDF_DFAN_PUTLABEL, Filename, Tag, Ref, Label

HDF_DFP_ADDPAL - Appends palette to a HDF file.
HDF_DFP_ADDPAL, Filename, Palette

HDF_DFP_GETPAL - Reads next available palette from HDF file.
HDF_DFP_GETPAL, Filename, Palette

HDF_DFP_LASTREF - Returns reference number of most recently read or written palette in HDF file.
Result = HDF_DFP_LASTREF( )

HDF_DFP_NPALS - Returns number of palettes present in HDF file.
Result = HDF_DFP_NPALS(Filename)

HDF_DFP_PUTPAL - Appends palette to a HDF file.
HDF_DFP_PUTPAL, Filename, Palette [ , /DELETE ] [ , /OVERWRITE ]

HDF_DFP_READREF - Sets reference number of the palette.
HDF_DFP_READREF, Filename, Refno

HDF_DFP_RESTART - Causes next call to HDF_DFP_GETPAL to read from the first palette in HDF file.
HDF_DFP_RESTART

HDF_DFP_WRITEREF - Sets reference number for next palette to be written to a HDF file.
HDF_DFP_WRITEREF, Filename, Refno

HDF_DFR8_ADDIMAGE - Appends 8-bit raster image to the specified HDF file.
HDF_DFR8_ADDIMAGE, Filename, Image [, /STRING ]

HDF_DFP_READREF, Filename, Image [, /OVERWRITE ]

HDF_DFP_PUTPAL, Filename, Palette

HDF_DFP_NPALS, Filename

HDF_DFP_RESTART, Filename

HDF_DFP_WRITEIMAGE, Filename, Image [, Palette]

HDF_DFR8_GETIMAGE - Retrieves image, palette from HDF file.
HDF_DFR8_GETIMAGE, Filename, Image [, Palette]

HDF_DFR8_GETINFO - Retrieves information about the current 8-bit HDF image.
HDF_DFR8_GETINFO, Filename, Width, Height, Has_Palette

HDF_DFR8_LASTREF - Returns reference number of most recently read or written 8-bit image in HDF file.
Result = HDF_DFR8_LASTREF( )

HDF_DFR8_NIMAGES - Returns number of 8-bit images in specified HDF file.
Result = HDF_DFR8_NIMAGES(Filename)

HDF_DFR8_PUTIMAGE - Writes 8-bit raster image as first image in HDF file.
HDF_DFR8_PUTIMAGE, Filename, Image [, /STRING ]

HDF_DFR8_READREF, Filename, Image

HDF_DFR8_RESTART - Causes next call to HDF_DFR8_GETIMAGE to read from first image in HDF file.
HDF_DFR8_RESTART

HDF_DFR8_SETPALETTE - Sets current palette to be used for subsequent images in a HDF file.
HDF_DFR8_SETPALETTE, Palette

HDF_DUPDD - Generates new references to existing data in HDF file.
HDF_DUPDD, FileHandle, NewTag, NewRef, OldTag, OldRef

HDF_EXISTS - Returns True if HDF format library is supported on the current IDL platform.
Result = HDF_EXISTS( )

HDF_GR_CREATE - Creates HDF GR raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_CREATE(gr_id, name, ncomp, data_type, interlace_mode, dim_sizes)

HDF_GR_ATTRINFO - Retrieves information about specified HDF data object.
Result = HDF_GR_ATTRINFO(obj_id, attr_index, name, data_type, count)
HDF_GR_END - Terminates specified HDF GR interface session.
Result = HDF_GR_END(gr_id)

HDF_GR_ENDACCESS - Terminates access to specified raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_ENDACCESS(gr_id, ri_id)

HDF_GR_FILEINFO - Retrieves number of raster images and global attributes for the specified HDF GR interface.
Result = HDF_GR_FILEINFO(gr_id, n_images, n_file_attrs)

HDF_GR_FINDATTR - Finds index of HDF data object's attribute given its attribute name.
Result = HDF_GR_FINDATTR(obj_id, attr_name)

HDF_GR_GETATTR - Obtains all values of HDF GR attribute.
Result = HDF_GR_GETATTR(obj_id, attr_index, values)

HDF_GR_GETCHUNKINFO - Retrieves chunking information about HDF GR raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_GETCHUNKINFO(ri_id, dim_length, flag)

HDF_GR_GETIMINFO - Retrieves general information about HDF GR raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_GETIMINFO(ri_id, gr_name, ncomp, data_type, interface_mode, dim_sizes, num_attrs)

HDF_GR_GETLUTID - Gets identifier of HDF GR palette.
Result = HDF_GR_GETLUTID(ri_id, pal_index)

HDF_GR_GETLUTINFO - Retrieves information about a palette.
Result = HDF_GR_GETLUTINFO(pal_id, ncomp, data_type, interface_mode, num_entries)

HDF_GR_IDTOREF - Returns HDF reference number of specified raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_IDTOREF(ri_id)

HDF_GR_LUTTOREF - Returns HDF reference number of the specified palette.
Result = HDF_GR_LUTTOREF(pal_id)

HDF_GR_NAMEINDEX - Returns index of raster image given its name.
Result = HDF_GR_NAMEINDEX(ri_id, gr_name)

HDF_GR_READIMAGE - Reads subsample of raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_READIMAGE(ri_id, data [, EDGE=variable] [, /INTERLACE] [, START=variable] [, STRIDE=variable])

HDF_GR_READLUT - Reads specified palette.
Result = HDF_GR_READLUT(pal_id, pal_data [, /INTERLACE])

HDF_GR_REFTOINDEX - Returns index of specified raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_REFTOINDEX(gr_id, gr_ref)

HDF_GR_SELECT - Obtains identifier of specified raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_SELECT(gr_id, index)

HDF_GR_SETATTR - Attaches attribute to specified object.
Result = HDF_GR_SETATTR(obj_id, attr_name, data_type, count, values)

HDF_GR_SETCHUNK - Makes specified raster image a chunked raster image.
Result = HDF_GR_SETCHUNK(ri_id, dim_length, comp_type, compprm)

HDF_GR_SETCHUNKCACHE - Sets maximum number of chunks to be cached.
Result = HDF_GR_SETCHUNKCACHE(ri_id, maxcache, flags)

HDF_GR_SETCOMPRESS - Specifies whether specified raster image will be stored in compressed format.
Result = HDF_GR_SETCOMPRESS(ri_id, comp_type, compprm)

HDF_GR_SETEXTERNALFILE - Specifies that raster image will be written to external file.
Result = HDF_GR_SETEXTERNALFILE(ri_id, filename, offset)

HDF_GR_START - Initializes interface for the specified file.
Result = HDF_GR_START(file_id)

HDF_GR_WRITEIMAGE - Writes subsample of raster image data.
Result = HDF_GR_WRITEIMAGE(ri_id, data [, EDGE=variable] [, INTERLACE={0 | 1 | 2}] [, START=variable] [, STRIDE=variable])

HDF_GR_WRITELUT - Writes a palette.
Result = HDF_GR_WRITELUT(pal_id, pal_data [, DATA_TYPE=value] [, INTERLACE_MODE={0 | 1 | 2}] [, NENTRIES=value])

HDF_HDF2IDLTYPE - Converts HDF data type code into IDL variable type code.
Result = HDF_HDF2IDLTYPE(hdftypecode)

HDF_IDL2HDFTYPE - Converts IDL variable type code into HDF data type code.
Result = HDF_IDL2HDFTYPE(idtypecode)

HDF_ISHDF - Determines whether specified file is HDF file.
Result = HDF_ISHDF(Filename)

HDF_LIBINFO - Returns information about the HDF Library being used.

HDF_NEWREF - Returns next available reference number for HDF file.
Result = HDF_NEWREF(FileHandle)

HDF_NUMBER - Returns number of tags in HDF file or the number of references associated with a given tag.
Result = HDF_NUMBER( FileHandle [, TAG=integer] )
HDF_OPEN - Opens or creates HDF file for reading and/or writing.


HDF_PackData - Packs a set IDL variable into an array of raw byte data.


    [ HDF_ORDER=array ] [, HDF_TYPE=array ] [, NREC= rec_cnt ]

HDF_READ - See “HDF_READ” on page 38.

HDF_SD_ADDDATA - Writes hyperslab of values to an SD dataset.

    Result = HDF_SD_ADDDATA( SDS_ID , Data [, COUNT=vector ] [, /NOVERSE] [, START=vector ] [, STRIDE=vector ]

HDF_SD_ATTINFO - Reads or retrieves information about SD attribute.

    HDF_SD_ATTINFO, SDS_ID , Attr_Name

    [ , COUNT=variable ] [, DATA=variable ]

    [ , HDF_TYPE=variable ] , [ , NAME=variable ]

    [ , TYPE=variable ]

HDF_SD_ATTRSET - Writes attributes to an open HDF SD dataset.

    Result = HDF_SD_ATTRSET( SDS_ID , Attr_Name , Values [, Count ]


    [ , /DFNT_FLOAT64 ] [, /DFNT_INT8 ] [, /DFNT_INT16 ]


    [ , /DFNT_UINT64 ] [, /DFNT_FLOA T64 ] [, /DFNT_INT ]

    [ , /LONG ] [, /SHORT ] [, /STRING ]

HDF_SD_CREATE - Creates and defines a Scientific Dataset for an HDF file.

    Result = HDF_SD_CREATE( SD_ID , Name , Dims


    [ , /DFNT_FLOAT64 ] [, /DFNT_INT8 ] [, /DFNT_INT16 ]


    [ , /LONG ] [, /SHORT ] [, /STRING ]

HDF_SD_DIMGET - Retrieves information about SD dataset dimension.

    Result = HDF_SD_DIMGET( Dim_ID [, /COUNT] ]

    [ , COMPATIBILITY=variable ] [, /FORMAT ] [, /LABEL ]


HDF_SD_DIMGETID - Returns dimension ID given a dataset “SDS_ID” and dimension number.

    Result = HDF_SD_DIMGETID( SDS_ID , Dimension_Number )

HDF_SD_DIMSET - Sets scale and data strings for SD dimension.

    Result = HDF_SD_DIMSET( Dim_ID [, /BW_INCOMP] ]

    [ , FORMAT=string ] [, /LABEL=string ] [, NAME=string ]

    [ , SCALE=variable ] [, UNIT=string ]

HDF_SD_END - Closes SD interface to an HDF file.

    Result = HDF_SD_END( SD_ID )

HDF_SD_ENDACCESS - Closes SD dataset interface.

    Result = HDF_SD_ENDACCESS( SD_ID )

HDF_SD_FILEINFO - Retrieves the number of datasets and global attributes in HDF file.

    Result = HDF_SD_FILEINFO( SD_ID , SDS_ID , Datasets , Attributes )

HDF_SD_GETDATA - Retrieves a hyperslab of values from SD dataset.

    Result = HDF_SD_GETDATA( SD_ID , Data [, COUNT=vector ]

    [ , /NOVERSE] [, START=vector ] [, STRIDE=vector ]

HDF_SD_GETINFO - Retrieves information about SD dataset.

    Result = HDF_SD_GETINFO( SDS_ID , SDS_Name , CALDAT A=variable ]

    [ , COORDSYS=variable ] [, DIMS=variable ]

    [ , FILL=variable ] [, FORMAT=variable ]

    [ , HDF_TYPE=variable ] [, LABEL=variable ]

    [ , NAME=variable ] [, NATTS=variable ]

    [ , NDIMS=variable ] [, /NOVERSE ]

    [ , RANGE=variable ] [, TYPE=variable ]

    [ , UNIT=variable ]

HDF_SD_IDTOREF - Converts SD data set ID into SD data set reference number.

    Result = HDF_SD_IDTOREF( SDS_ID )

HDF_SD_ISCOORDVAR - Determines whether supplied dataset ID represents NetCDF “coordinate” variable.

    Result = HDF_SD_ISCOORDVAR( SDS_ID )

HDF_SD_NAMETOINDEX - Returns SD dataset index given its name and SD interface ID.

    Result = HDF_SD_NAMETOINDEX( SD_ID , SDS_Name )

HDF_SD_REFTOINDEX - Returns SD dataset index given its reference number and SD interface ID.

    Result = HDF_SD_REFTOINDEX( SD_ID , Refno )

HDF_SD_SELECT - Returns SD dataset ID.

    Result = HDF_SD_SELECT( SD_ID , Number )

HDF_SD_SETCOMPRESS - Compresses an existing HDF SD dataset or sets the compression method of a new HDF SD dataset.

    Result = HDF_SD_SETCOMPRESS( SD_ID , comctype

    [ , EFFORT=integer ] [ , max ]

HDF_SD_SETTEXTFILE - Moves data values from a dataset into an external file.

    Result = HDF_SD_SETTEXTFILE( SDS_ID , Filename

    [ , OFFSET=bytes ]

HDF_SD_SETINFO - Sets information about SD dataset.

    Result = HDF_SD_SETINFO( SD_ID , FILL=value ]

    [ , FORMAT=string ] [, LABEL=string ]

    [ , RANGE=[max , min ] ] [, UNIT=string ]

    [ , COORDSYS=string ] [, CALDATA=structure ]
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HDF_SD_START - Opens or creates HDF file and initializes SD interface.
Result = HDF_SD_START( Filename [ ,/READ ] , /RDWR ) [ , /CREATE ]

HDF_UNPACKDATA - Unpacks array of byte data into IDL variables.
HDF_UNPACKDATA, packeddata, data1 [, data2 [, data3 [, data4 [, data5 [, data6 [, data7 [, data8]]]]]]]
[, HDF_ORDER=arrary] [, HDF_TYPE=arrary]
[, NREC=records]

HDF_VD_ATTACH - Accesses a VData with the given ID.
Result = HDF_VD_ATTACH( FileHandle, VDataId [, /READ] [, /WRITE] )

HDF_VD_ATTRFIND - Returns an attribute's index number given the name of an attribute.
Result = HDF_VD_ATTRFIND(VData, FieldID, Name)

HDF_VD_ATTRINFO - Retrieves information about a VData attribute.
HDF_VD_ATTRINFO, VData, FieldID, AttrID, Values [, COUNT=variable] [, DATA=variable]
[, HDF_TYPE=variable] [, NAME=variable]
[, TYPE=variable]

HDF_VD_ATTRSET - Writes a vdata attribute or a vdata field attribute to the currently attached HDF VData structure.

HDF_VD_DETACH - Called when done accessing a VData.
HDF_VD_DETACH, VData

HDF_VD_FDEFINE - Adds new field specification for VData.

HDF_VD_FEXIST - Returns true if specified fields exist in HDF file.
Result = HDF_VD_FEXIST(VData, Fieldnames)

HDF_VD_FIND - Returns reference number of specified VData.
Result = HDF_VD_FIND(FileHandle, Name)

HDF_VD_GET - Returns information about a VData.
HDF_VD_GET, VData [, CLASS=variable]
[, COUNT=variable] [, FIELDS=variable]
[, INTERFACE=variable] [, NAME=variable]
[, NFIELDS=variable] [, REF=variable]
[, SIZE=variable] [, TAG=variable]

HDF_VD_GETID - Returns VData reference number for next VData.
Result = HDF_VD_GETID(FileHandle, VDataId)

HDF_VD_GETINFO - Returns information about each VData field.
HDF_VD_GETINFO, VData [, Index ] [, NAME=variable]
[, ORDER=variable] [, SIZE=variable]
[, TYPE=variable]

HDF_VD_INSERT - Adds VData or VGroup to contents of VGroup.
HDF_VD_INSERT, VGroup, VDataId or VgroupId [, POSITION=variable]

HDF_VD_ISATTR - Returns True (1) if the VData is storing an attribute, False (0) otherwise.
Result = HDF_VD_ISATTR(VData)

HDF_VD_ISVD - Returns True (1) if an object is a VData.
Result = HDF_VD_ISVD(VGroup, Id)

HDF_VD_ISVG - Returns True (1) if an object is a VGroup.
Result = HDF_VD_ISVG(VGroup, Id)

HDF_VD_LONE - Returns array containing all VDatas that are not contained in another VData.
Result = HDF_VD_LONE( FileHandle [, MAXSIZE=value ] )

HDF_VD_NATTRS - Returns the number of attributes associated with the specified VData.
Result = HDF_VD_NATTRS( VData, FieldID )

HDF_VD_READ - Reads data from a VData.
Result = HDF_VD_READ VData, Data [, FIELDS=string] [, /FULL_INTERLACE] [, /NO_INTERLACE] [, NRECORDS=records]

HDF_VD_SEEK - Moves read pointer in specified VData to specific record number.
HDF_VD_SEEK, VData, Record

HDF_VD_SETINFO - Specifies general information about a VData.
Result = HDF_VD_SETINFO, VData [, CLASS=string] [, /FULL_INTERLACE] [, /NO_INTERLACE] [, NAME=string]

HDF_VD_WRITE - Stores data in a VData.
HDF_VD_WRITE, VData, Fields, Data [, /FULL_INTERLACE] [, /NO_INTERLACE] [, NRECORDS=records]

HDF_VG_ADDDR - Adds tag and reference to specified VGroup.
HDF_VG_ADDDR, VGroup, Tag, Ref

HDF_VG_ATTACH - Attaches (opens) a VGroup.
Result = HDF_VG_ATTACH( FileHandle, VGroupId [, /READ] [, /WRITE] )

HDF_VG_DETACH - Called when finished accessing a VGroup.
HDF_VG_DETACH, VGroup

HDF_VG_GETID - Returns VGroup ID for specified VGroup.
Result = HDF_VG_GETID(FileHandle, VGroupId)

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HDF5 Routines

H5_BROWSER - Presents a graphical user interface for viewing and reading HDF5 files.
Result = H5_BROWSER([Files] [, /DIALOG_READ] )

H5_CLOSE - Flushes all data to disk, closes file identifiers, and cleans up memory.
H5_CLOSE

H5_GET_LIBVERSION - Returns the current version of the HDF5 library used by IDL.
Result = H5_GET_LIBVERSION( )

H5_OPEN - Initializes IDL's HDF5 library.
H5_OPEN

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H5_PARSE - Recursively descends through an HDF5 file or group and creates an IDL structure containing object information and data.
Result = H5_PARSE( File [, ./READ_DATA] )
or
Result = H5_PARSE( Loc_id, Name [, File=string] [. Path=string] [, ./READ_DATA] )

H5A_CLOSE - Closes the specified attribute and releases resources used by it.
H5A_CLOSE, Attribute_id

H5A_GET_NAME - Retrieves an attribute name given the attribute identifier number.
Result = H5A_GET_NAME(Attribute_id)

H5A_GET_NUM_ATTRS - Returns the number of attributes attached to a group, dataset, or a named datatype.
Result = H5A_GET_NUM_ATTRS(Loc_id)

H5A_GET_SPACE - Returns the identifier number of a copy of the dataspace for an attribute.
Result = H5A_GET_SPACE(Attribute_id)

H5A_GET_TYPE - Returns the identifier number of a copy of the datatype for an attribute.
Result = H5A_GET_TYPE(Attribute_id)

H5A_OPEN_IDX - Opens an existing attribute by the index of that attribute.
Result = H5A_OPEN_IDX(Loc_id, Index)

H5A_OPEN_NAME - Opens an existing attribute by the name of that attribute.
Result = H5A_OPEN_NAME(Loc_id, Name)

H5A_READ - Reads the data within an attribute, converting from the HDF5 file datatype into the HDF5 memory datatype, and finally into the corresponding IDL datatype.
Result = H5A_READ(Attribute_id)

H5D_CLOSE - Closes the specified dataset and releases its used resources.
H5D_CLOSE, Dataset_id

H5D_GET_SPACE - Returns an identifier number for a copy of the dataspace for a dataset.
Result = H5D_GET_SPACE(Dataset_id)

H5D_GET_STORAGE_SIZE - Returns the amount of storage in bytes required for a dataset.
Result = H5D_GET_STORAGE_SIZE(Dataset_id)

H5D_GET_TYPE - Returns an identifier number for a copy of the datatype for a dataset.
Result = H5D_GET_TYPE(Dataset_id)

H5D_OPEN - Opens an existing dataset within an HDF5 file.
Result = H5D_OPEN(Loc_id, Name)

H5D_READ - Reads the data within a dataset, converting from the HDF5 file datatype into the HDF5 memory datatype, and finally into the corresponding IDL datatype.
Result = H5D_READ(Dataset_id [, File_space=string] [, Memory_space=string])

HDF_VG_GETINFO - Returns information about a VGroup.
HDF_VG_GETINFO, VGroup [, CLASS=variable] [ , NAME=variable] [ , ENTRYs=variable] [ , REF=variable] [ , TAG=variable]

HDF_VG_GETNEXT - Returns reference number of the next object in a VGroup.
Result = HDF_VG_GETNEXT(VGroup, Id)

HDF_VG_GETTR - Returns tag/reference pair at specified position within a VGroup.
HDF_VG_GETTR, VGroup, Index, Tags, Refs

HDF_VG_INSERT - Adds VData or VGroup to contents of VGroup.
HDF_VG_INSERT, VGroup, VData(or VGroup), POSITION=variable

HDF_VG_ISVD - Returns true if object is a VData.
Result = HDF_VG_ISVD(VGroup, Id)

HDF_VG_ISVG - Returns true if object is a VGroup.
Result = HDF_VG_ISVG(VGroup, Id)

HDF_VG_LONE - Returns array containing IDs of all VGroups that are not contained in another VGroup.
Result = HDF_VG_LONE(Value

HDF_VG_NUMBER - Returns number of HDF file objects in specified VGroup.
Result = HDF_VG_NUMBER(VGroup)

HDF_VG_SETINFO - Sets the name and class of a VGroup.
HDF_VG_SETINFO, VGroup [, CLASS=string] [, NAME=string]
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H5F_CLOSE - Closes the specified file and releases resources used by it.
Result = H5F_CLOSE(Filename)

H5F_IS_HDF5 - Determines if a file is in the HDF5 format.
Result = H5F_IS_HDF5(Filename)

H5F_OPEN - Opens an existing HDF5 file.
Result = H5F_OPEN(Filename)

H5G_CLOSE - Closes the specified group and releases resources used by it.
Result = H5G_CLOSE(Group_id)

H5G_GET_COMMENT - Retrieves a comment string from a specified object.
Result = H5G_GET_COMMENT(Loc_id, Name)

H5G_GET_LINKVAL - Returns the type of object that an object reference points to by a symbolic link.
Result = H5G_GET_LINKVAL(Loc_id, Name)

H5G_GET_MEMBER_NAME - Retrieves the name of an object within a group, by its zero-based index.
Result = H5G_GET_MEMBER_NAME(Loc_id, Name, Index)

H5G_GET_NMEMBERS - Returns the number of objects within a group.
Result = H5G_GET_NMEMBERS(Loc_id, Name)

H5G_GET_OBJINFO - Retrieves information from a specified object.
Result = H5G_GET_OBJINFO(Loc_id, Name [, /FOLLOW_LINK] )

H5G_OPEN - Opens an existing group within an HDF5 file.
Result = H5G_OPEN(Loc_id, Name)

H5I_GET_TYPE - Returns the object's type.
Result = H5I_GET_TYPE(Object_id)

H5R_DEREFERENCE - Opens a reference and returns the object identifier.
Result = H5R_DEREFERENCE(Loc_id, Reference)

H5R_GET_OBJECT_TYPE - Returns the type of object that an object reference points to.
Result = H5R_GET_OBJECT_TYPE(Loc_id, Reference)

H5S_CLOSE - Releases and terminates access to a dataspace.
Result = H5S_CLOSE(DataSpace_id)

H5S_COPY - Copies an existing dataspace.
Result = H5S_COPY(DataSpace_id)

H5S_CREATE_SIMPLE - Creates a simple dataspace.
Result = H5S_CREATE_SIMPLE(Dimensions [, MAX_DIMENSIONS=vector] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_BOUNDS - Retrieves the coordinates of the bounding box containing the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_BOUNDS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_NPOINTS - Determines the number of element points in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_POINTLIST - Returns a list of the element points in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_POINTLIST(DataSpace_id, [START=value] [, NUMBER=value] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_BLOCKLIST - Returns a list of the hyperslab blocks in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_BLOCKLIST(DataSpace_id, [START=value] [, NUMBER=value] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_NBLOCKS - Determines the number of hyperslab blocks in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_NBLOCKS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_NPOINTS - Determines the number of elements in a dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_DIMS - Returns the dimension sizes for a dataspace.
Result = HSS_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_DIMS(DataSpace_id, [MAX_DIMENSIONS=variable] )

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NDIMS - Determines the number of dimensions (or rank) of a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NDIM(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NPOINTS - Determines the number of elements in a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_TYPE - Returns the current class of a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_TYPE(DataSpace_id)

H5S_COPY - Copies an existing dataspace.
Result = H5S_COPY(DataSpace_id)

H5S_CREATE_SIMPLE - Creates a simple dataspace.
Result = H5S_CREATE_SIMPLE(Dimensions [, MAX_DIMENSIONS=vector] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_BOUNDS - Retrieves the coordinates of the bounding box containing the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_BOUNDS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_NPOINTS - Determines the number of element points in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_POINTLIST - Returns a list of the element points in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_POINTLIST(DataSpace_id, [START=value] [, NUMBER=value] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_BLOCKLIST - Returns a list of the hyperslab blocks in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_BLOCKLIST(DataSpace_id, [START=value] [, NUMBER=value] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_NBLOCKS - Determines the number of hyperslab blocks in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_NBLOCKS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_NPOINTS - Determines the number of elements in a dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_DIMS - Returns the dimension sizes for a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_DIMS(DataSpace_id, [MAX_DIMENSIONS=variable] )

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NDIMS - Determines the number of dimensions (or rank) of a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NDIM(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NPOINTS - Determines the number of elements in a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_COPY - Copies an existing dataspace.
Result = H5S_COPY(DataSpace_id)

H5S_CREATE_SIMPLE - Creates a simple dataspace.
Result = H5S_CREATE_SIMPLE(Dimensions [, MAX_DIMENSIONS=vector] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_BOUNDS - Retrieves the coordinates of the bounding box containing the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_BOUNDS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_NPOINTS - Determines the number of element points in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_POINTLIST - Returns a list of the element points in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_ELEM_POINTLIST(DataSpace_id, [START=value] [, NUMBER=value] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_BLOCKLIST - Returns a list of the hyperslab blocks in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_BLOCKLIST(DataSpace_id, [START=value] [, NUMBER=value] )

H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_NBLOCKS - Determines the number of hyperslab blocks in the current dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_HYPER_NBLOCKS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SELECT_NPOINTS - Determines the number of elements in a dataspace selection.
Result = H5S_GET_SELECT_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_DIMS - Returns the dimension sizes for a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_DIMS(DataSpace_id, [MAX_DIMENSIONS=variable] )

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NDIMS - Determines the number of dimensions (or rank) of a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NDIM(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NPOINTS - Determines the number of elements in a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_NPOINTS(DataSpace_id)

H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_TYPE - Returns the current class of a dataspace.
Result = H5S_GET_SIMPLE_EXTENT_TYPE(DataSpace_id)

H5S_IS_SIMPLE - Determines whether a dataspace is a simple dataspace.
Result = H5S_IS_SIMPLE(DataSpace_id)

HSS_OFFSET_SIMPLE - Sets the selection offset for a simple dataspace.
HSS_OFFSET_SIMPLE, DataSpace_id, Offset

H5S_SELECT_ALL - Selects the entire extent of a dataspace.
H5S_SELECT_ALL, DataSpace_id

H5S_SELECT_ELEMENTS - Selects array elements to be included in the selection for a dataspace.
H5S_SELECT_ELEMENTS, DataSpace_id, Coordinates, /RESET

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H5S_SELECT_HYPERSLAB - Selects a hyperslab region to be included in the selection for a dataspace.
H5S_SELECT_HYPERSLAB, Dataspace_id, Start, Count [ , BLOCK=vector] [ , /RESET] [ , STRIDE=vector]

H5S_SELECT_NONE - Resets the dataspace selection region to include no elements.
H5S_SELECT_NONE, Dataspace_id

H5S_SELECT_VALID - Verifies that the selection is within the extent of a dataspace.
Result = H5S_SELECT_VALID(Dataspace_id)

HST_CLOSE - Releases the specified datatype’s identifier and releases resources used by it.
HST_CLOSE, Datatype_id

HST_COMMITTED - Determines whether a datatype is a named datatype or a transient type.
Result = HST_COMMITTED(Datatype_id)

HST_COPY - Copies an existing datatype.
Result = HST_COPY(Datatype_id)

HST_EQUAL - Determines whether two datatype identifiers refer to the same datatype.
Result = HST_EQUAL(Datatype_id1, Datatype_id2)

HST_GET_ARRAY_DIMS - Returns the dimension sizes for an array datatype object.
Result = HST_GET_ARRAY_DIMS(Datatype_id [ , PERMUTATIONS=variable] )

HST_GET_ARRAY_NDIMS - Determines the number of dimensions (or rank) of an array datatype object.
Result = HST_GET_ARRAY_NDIMS(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_CLASS - Returns the datatype’s class.
Result = HST_GET_CLASS(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_CSET - Returns the character set type of a string datatype.
Result = HST_GET_CSET(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_EBIAS - Returns the exponent bias of a floating-point type.
Result = HST_GET_EBIAS(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_FIELDS - Retrieves information about the positions and sizes of bit fields within a floating-point datatype.
Result = HST_GET_FIELDS(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_INPAD - Returns the padding method for unused internal bits within a floating-point datatype.
Result = HST_GET_INPAD(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_MEMBER_CLASS - Returns the datatype class of a compound datatype member.
Result = HST_GET_MEMBER_CLASS(Datatype_id, Member)

HST_GET_MEMBER_NAME - Returns the datatype name of a compound datatype member.
Result = HST_GET_MEMBER_NAME(Datatype_id, Member)

HST_GET_MEMBER_OFFSET - Returns the byte offset of a field within a compound datatype.
Result = HST_GET_MEMBER_OFFSET(Datatype_id, Member)

HST_GET_MEMBER_TYPE - Returns the datatype identifier for a specified member within a compound datatype.
Result = HST_GET_MEMBER_TYPE(Datatype_id, Member)

HST_GET_NMEMBERS - Returns the number of fields in a compound datatype.
Result = HST_GET_NMEMBERS(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_NORM - Returns the mantissa normalization of a floating-point datatype.
Result = HST_GET_NORM(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_OFFSET - Returns the bit offset of the first significant bit in an atomic datatype.
Result = HST_GET_OFFSET(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_ORDER - Returns the byte order of an atomic datatype.
Result = HST_GET_ORDER(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_PAD - Returns the padding method of the least significant bit (lsb) and most significant bit (msb) of an atomic datatype.
Result = HST_GET_PAD(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_PRECISION - Returns the precision in bits of an atomic datatype.
Result = HST_GET_PRECISION(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_SIGN - Returns the sign type for an integer datatype.
Result = HST_GET_SIGN(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_SIZE - Returns the size of a datatype in integer.
Result = HST_GET_SIZE(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_STRPAD - Returns the padding method for a string datatype.
Result = HST_GET_STRPAD(Datatype_id)

HST_GET_SUPER - Returns the base datatype from which a datatype is derived.
Result = HST_GET_SUPER(Datatype_id)

HST_IDLTYPE - Returns the IDL type code corresponding to a datatype.
Result = HST_IDLTYPE(Datatype_id
[ , ARRAY_DIMENSIONS=variable] [ , STRUCTURE=variable] )

HST_MEMTYPE - Returns the native memory datatype corresponding to a file datatype.
Result = HST_MEMTYPE(Datatype_id)

HST_OPEN - Opens a named datatype.
Result = HST_OPEN(Loc_id, Name)
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NCDF_ATTGET - Retrieves value of an attribute from a netCDF file.
NCDF_ATTGET, Cdfid [, Varid | , /GLOBAL], Name, Value

NCDF_ATTNAME - Returns the name of an attribute given its ID.
NCDF_ATTNAME, Cdfid [, Varid | , /GLOBAL], Attnum

NCDF_ATTPUT - Creates an attribute in a netCDF file.
NCDF_ATTPUT, Cdfid [, Varid | , /GLOBAL], Name, Value [, LENGTH=value] [, /BYTE | , /CHAR | , /DOUBLE | , /FLOA T | , /LONG | , /SHORT]

NCDF_ATTRENAME - Renames an attribute in a netCDF file.
NCDF_ATTRENAME, Cdfid [, Varid | , /GLOBAL], Oldname, Newname

NCDF_CLOSE - Closes an open netCDF file.
NCDF_CLOSE, Cdfid

NCDF_CONTROL - Performs miscellaneous netCDF operations.
NCDF_CONTROL, Cdfid [ , /ABORT] [ , /ENDDEF] [ , /FILL | , /NOFILL] [ , /NOVERBOSE | , /VERBOSE] [ , OLDFILL=variable] [ , /REDEFINE] [ , /SYNC]

NCDF_CREATE - Creates a new netCDF file.
NCDF_CREATE( Filename [, /CLOBBER | , /NOCLOBBER] )

NCDF_DIMDEF - Defines a dimension given its name and size.
NCDF_DIMDEF( Cdfid, DimName, Size [, , /UNLIMITED] )

NCDF_DIMID - Returns the ID of a netCDF dimension, given the name of the dimension.
NCDF_DIMID( Cdfid, DimName )

NCDF_DIMINQ - Returns information about a netCDF dimension.
NCDF_DIMINQ, Cdfid [, Varid | , /GLOBAL], Name, Size

NCDF_DIMRENAME - Renames an existing dimension in a netCDF file that has been opened for writing.
NCDF_DIMRENAME, Cdfid, Dimid, NewName

NCDF_EXISTS - Returns True if the netCDF format library is supported on the current IDL platform.
NCDF_EXISTS()

NCDF_INQUIRE - Returns information about an open netCDF file.
NCDF_INQUIRE( Cdfid )

NCDF_OPEN - Opens an existing netCDF file.
NCDF_OPEN( Filename [, /NOWRITE | , /WRITE] )

NCDF_VARDEF - Adds a new variable to an open netCDF file in define mode.
NCDF_VARDEF( Cdfid [, Varid | , /GLOBAL], Name, Value [, LENGTH=value] [, /BYTE | , /CHAR | , /DOUBLE | , /FLOA T | , /LONG | , /SHORT] )

NCDF_VARGET - Retrieves a hyperslab of values from a netCDF variable.
NCDF_VARGET, Cdfid, Varid, Value [, COUNT=vector] [, OFFSET=vector] [, STRIDE=vector]

NCDF_VARGET1 - Retrieves one element from a netCDF variable.
NCDF_VARGET1, Cdfid, Varid, Value [, OFFSET=vector]

NCDF_VARID - Returns the ID of a netCDF variable.
NCDF_VARID( Cdfid, Name )

NCDF_VARINQ - Returns information about a netCDF variable, given its ID.
NCDF_VARINQ, Cdfid, Varid

NCDF_VARPUT - Writes a hyperslab of values to a netCDF variable.
NCDF_VARPUT, Cdfid, Varid, Value [, COUNT=vector] [, OFFSET=vector] [, STRIDE=vector]

NCDF_VARRENAME - Renames a netCDF variable.
NCDF_VARRENAME, Cdfid, Varid, Name
Objects

This section lists all IDL objects and their methods. In addition to the syntax conventions discussed in “IDL Syntax Conventions” on page 24, note the following:

- The Object_Name::Init method for each object has keywords that are followed by either {Get}, {Set}, or {Get, Set}. Properties retrievable via Object_Name::GetProperty are indicated by {Get}; properties settable via Object_Name::SetProperty are indicated by {Set}. Properties that are both retrievable and settable are indicated by {Get, Set}. Do not include the braces, Get, or Set in your call.

- Each object’s Cleanup method lists two possible syntaxes. The second syntax (Obj-> Object_Name::Cleanup) can be used only in a subclass’ Cleanup method.

- Some objects have Init methods that list two possible syntaxes. The second syntax (Obj-> Object_Name::Init) can be used only in a subclass’ Init method.

IDL_Container - Object used to hold other objects. No superclasses. Subclasses: IDLgrModel IDLgrScene IDLgrView IDLgrViewGroup.

IDL_Container::Add - Adds a child object to the container.

Obj -> [IDL_Container::]Add, Object [POSITION=index]

IDL_Container::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj-> [IDL_Container::]Cleanup

IDL_Container::Count - Returns the number of objects contained by the container object.

Result = Obj -> [IDL_Container::]Count()

IDL_Container::Get - Returns an array of object references to objects in a container.

Result = Obj -> [IDL_Container::]Get( [, /ALL [, ISA=class_name(s)] ], POSITION=index] [COUNT=variable]

IDL_Container::Init - Initializes the container object.

Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDL_Container')
Result = Obj -> [IDL_Container::]Init()

IDL_Container::IsContained - Returns true (1) if the specified object is in the container, or false (0) otherwise.

Result = Obj -> [IDL_Container::]IsContained(Object [, POSITION=variable])

IDL_Container::Move - Moves an object from one position in a container to a new position.

Obj -> [IDL_Container::]Move, Source, Destination

IDL_Container::Remove - Removes an object from the container.

Obj -> [IDL_Container::]Remove [, Child_object], POSITION=index [, /ALL]

IDLanROI - Represents a region of interest. Superclass of IDLgrROI.

IDLanROI::AppendData - Appends vertices to the region.

Obj->[IDLanROI::]AppendData, X [, Y [], Z] [, X RANGE=variable] [, Y RANGE=variable] [, Z RANGE=variable]

IDLanROI::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup for the object.

Obj->[IDLanROI::]Cleanup or OBJ_DESTROY, Obj

IDLanROI::ComputeGeometry - Computes the geometrical values for area, perimeter, and/or centroid of the region.


IDLanROI::ComputeMask - Prepares a two-dimensional mask for the region.

Result = Obj->[IDLanROI::]ComputeMask([ INITIALIZE=[ -1 | 0 | 1 ]] [, DIMENSIONS=[xdim, ydim]] [, MASK_IN=variable] [, LOCATION=[x, y, z]] [, MASK_RULE=[ 0 | 1 | 2 ]] [, PLANEX_NORMAL=[x, y, z]] [, PLANEX_AXIS=[x, y, z]] [, RUN_LENGTH=variable] )

IDLanROI::ContainsPoints - Determines whether the given data coordinates are contained within the closed polygon region.

Result = Obj->[IDLanROI::]ContainsPoints( X [], Y [, Z])

IDLanROI::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the region.


IDLanROI::Init - Initializes a region of interest object.

Result = Obj -> [IDLanROI::]Init( [ X [], Y [], Z]] )
IDLanROI::RemoveData - Removes vertices from the region.

IDLanROI::ReplaceData - Replaces vertices in the region with alternate values.

IDLanROI::Rotate - Modifies the vertices for the region by applying a rotation.

IDLanROI::Scale - Modifies the vertices for the region by applying a scale.

IDLanROI::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the region.

IDLanROI::Translate - Modifies the vertices for the region by applying a translation.

IDLanROIGroup::Add - Adds a region to the region group.

IDLanROIGroup::Cleanup - Prepares a 2-D mask for this group of regions.

IDLanROIGroup::ContainsPoints - Determines whether the given points (in data coordinates) are contained within the closed polygon regions within this group.

IDLanROIGroup::ComputeMask - Prepares a 2-D mask for this group of regions.

IDLanROIGroup::ComputeMesh - Triangulates a surface mesh with optional capping from the stack of regions contained within this group.

IDLanROIGroup::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the region group.

IDLanROIGroup::Init - Initializes a region of interest group object.

IDLanROIGroup::Rotate - Modifies the vertices for all regions within the group by applying a rotation.

IDLanROIGroup::Scale - Modifies the vertices for all regions within the group by applying a scale.

IDLanROIGroup::Translate - Modifies the vertices for all regions within the group by applying a translation.

IDLcomActiveX - Creates an IDL object that encapsulates an ActiveX control.

IDLcomDispatch - Creates a COM object that implements an IDispatch interface. A dynamic sub-class of IDLcomIDispatch is created when the object is instantiated.

IDLcomDispatch::GetProperty - Get properties for an IDispatch interface.

IDLcomDispatch::GetChildren - Finds the member element references of a DICOM sequence.

IDLcomDispatch::GetDescription - Takes optional DICOM group and element arguments and returns array of STRING descriptions.

IDLffDICOM - Contains the data for one or more images embedded in a DICOM part 10 file. No superclasses. No subclasses.

IDLffDICOM::Cleanup - Destroys the IDLffDICOM object.

IDLffDICOM::DumpElements - Dumps a description of the DICOM data elements of IDLffDICOM object to the screen or to a file.

IDLffDICOM::GetChildren - Finds the member element references of a DICOM sequence.

IDLffDICOM::GetDescription - Takes optional DICOM group and element arguments and returns array of STRING descriptions.
IDL::DICOM::GetElement - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of DICOM Element numbers for those parameters.

IDL::DICOM::GetGroup - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of DICOM Group numbers for those parameters.

IDL::DICOM::GetParent - Finds the parent references of a set of elements in a DICOM sequence.

IDL::DICOM::GetPreamble - Returns the preamble of a DICOM v3.0 Part 10 file.

IDL::DICOM::GetReference - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of references to places the information into the DICOM object.

IDL::DICOM::GetVR - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of VR (Value Representation) STRINGs for those parameters.

IDL::DICOM::Init - Creates a new IDL::DICOM object and optionally reads the specified file as defined in the IDL::DICOM:Read method.

IDL::DICOM::Read - Opens and reads from the specified disk file, places the information into the DICOM object, then closes the file.

IDL::DICOM::Reset - Removes all of the elements from the IDL::DICOM object, leaving the object otherwise intact.

IDL::DXF::GetPalette - Returns current color table in the object.

IDL::DXF::GetEntity - Returns an array of vertex data for the requested entity type.

IDL::DXF::GetContents - Returns the DXF entity types contained in the object.

IDL::DXF::GetElement - Inserts an entity into the DXF object.

IDL::DXF::PutEntity - Writes a file for the DXF entity information this object contains. No superclasses. No subclasses.

IDL::DXF::RemoveEntity - Removes the specified entity or entities from the DXF object.

IDL::DXF::Reset - Removes all of the entities from the DXF object.

IDL::LanguageCat::SetCatalog - Sets appropriate catalog file.

IDL::LanguageCat::IsValid - Determines whether the object has a valid catalog.

IDL::LanguageCat::Query - Returns the language string associated with the given key.

IDL::LanguageCat::SetCatalog - Sets appropriate catalog file.

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IDL::DICOM::GetElement - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of DICOM Element numbers for those parameters.

IDL::DICOM::GetGroup - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of DICOM Group numbers for those parameters.

IDL::DICOM::GetParent - Finds the parent references of a set of elements in a DICOM sequence.

IDL::DICOM::GetPreamble - Returns the preamble of a DICOM v3.0 Part 10 file.

IDL::DICOM::GetReference - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of references to places the information into the DICOM object.

IDL::DICOM::GetVR - Takes optional DICOM group and/or element arguments and returns an array of VR (Value Representation) STRINGs for those parameters.

IDL::DICOM::Init - Creates a new IDL::DICOM object and optionally reads the specified file as defined in the IDL::DICOM:Read method.

IDL::DICOM::Read - Opens and reads from the specified disk file, places the information into the DICOM object, then closes the file.

IDL::DICOM::Reset - Removes all of the elements from the IDL::DICOM object, leaving the object otherwise intact.

IDL::DXF::GetPalette - Returns current color table in the object.

IDL::DXF::GetEntity - Returns an array of vertex data for the requested entity type.

IDL::DXF::GetContents - Returns the DXF entity types contained in the object.

IDL::DXF::GetElement - Inserts an entity into the DXF object.

IDL::DXF::PutEntity - Writes a file for the DXF entity information this object contains. No superclasses. No subclasses.

IDL::DXF::RemoveEntity - Removes the specified entity or entities from the DXF object.

IDL::DXF::Reset - Removes all of the entities from the DXF object.

IDL::DXF::SetPalette - Sets the current color table in the object.

IDL::DXF::Write - Writes a file for the DXF entity information this object contains.

IDL::LanguageCat::SetCatalog - Provides an interface to IDL language catalog files.

IDL::LanguageCat::IsValid - Determines whether the object has a valid catalog.

IDL::LanguageCat::Query - Returns the language string associated with the given key.

IDL::LanguageCat::SetCatalog - Sets appropriate catalog file.

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**IDLffMrSID** - Object class used to query information about and load image data from a MrSID (.sid) image file. No superclasses. No subclasses.

**IDLffMrSID::Cleanup** - Deletes all MrSID objects, closing the MrSID file in the process.
- **Obj** - DESTROY, **Obj** or **Obj** -> **IDLffMrSID::Cleanup**

**IDLffMrSID::GetDimsAtLevel** - Retrieve the dimensions of the image at a given level.
- **Dims** - **Obj** -> **IDLffMrSID::GetDimsAtLevel** (Level)

**IDLffMrSID::GetImageData** - Returns the image data from the MrSID file.
- **ImageData** - **Obj** -> **IDLffMrSID::GetImageData** (LEVEL, SUB_RECT = rect)

**IDLffMrSID::GetProperty** - Query properties associated with the MrSID image.
- **Obj** - GETPROPERTY [-, CHANNELS=nChannels], [-, DIMENSIONS=Dims], [-, LEVELS=Levels], [-, PIXELTYPE=PixelType], [-, TYPE=Type], [-, GEOVALID=geoValid], [-, GEOPROJTYPE=geoProjType], [-, GEOORIGIN=geoOrigin], [-, GEORESOLUTION=geoRes]

**IDLffMrSID::Init** - Initializes an IDLffMrSID object containing the image data from a MrSID image file.
- **Result** - OBJ.NEW(‘IDLffMrSID’, Filename [, QUIET])

**IDLffShape** - Contains geometry, connectivity and attributes for graphics primitives accessed from ESRI Shapefiles. No superclass. No subclasses.

**IDLffShape::AddAttribute** - Adds an attribute to a shapefile.
- **Obj** - ADDATTRIBUTE, **Name**, **Type**, **Width** [-, PRECISION=integer]

**IDLffShape::Cleanup** - Performs all cleanup on a Shapefile object.
- **OBJ_DESTROY**, **Obj** or **Obj** -> **IDLffShape::Cleanup**

**IDLffShape::Close** - Closes a Shapefile.
- **Obj** - **IDLffShape::Close**

**IDLffShape::DestroyEntity** - Frees memory associated with the entity structure.
- **Obj** - **IDLffShape::DestroyEntity**, **Entity**

**IDLffShape::GetAttributes** - Retrieves the attributes for the entities you specify from a Shapefile.
- **Result** - **Obj** -> **IDLffShape::GetAttributes**([Index], [, ALL], [, ATTRIBUTE_STRUCTURE])

**IDLffShape::GetEntity** - Returns an array of entity structures from a Shapefile.
- **Result** - **Obj** -> **IDLffShape::GetEntity**([Index], [, ALL], [, ATTRIBUTES])

**IDLffShape::GetProperty** - Returns the values of properties associated with a Shapefile object.
- **Obj** - **IDLffShape::GetProperty**[, _N_ENTITIES=variable], [, ENTITY_TYPE=variable], [, _N_ATTRIBUTES=variable], [, ATTRIBUTE_NAME=variable], [, ATTRIBUTE_INFO=variable], [, RECORDS=variable], [, IS_OPEN=variable], [, FILENAME=variable]

**IDLffShape::Init** - Initializes or constructs a Shapefile object.
- **Result** - OBJ.NEW(‘IDLffShape’[, Filename[, DBF_ONLY[, UPDATE[, ENTITY_TYPE=Value]]]])

**IDLffShape::Open** - Opens a specified Shapefile.
- **Result** - **Obj** - **IDLffShape::Open**(‘Filename’[, DBF_ONLY[, UPDATE[, ENTITY_TYPE=Value]])

**IDLffShape::PutEntity** - Inserts an entity into the Shapefile object.
- **Obj** - **IDLffShape::PutEntity**, **Data**

**IDLffShape::SetAttributes** - Modifies the attributes for a specified entity in a Shapefile object.
- **Obj** - **IDLffShape::SetAttributes**, **Index**, **ATTRIBUTE_NUM**, **Value** or **Obj** - **IDLffShape::SetAttributes**, **Index**, **Attributes**

**IDLffXMLSAX** - Represents an XML SAX Level 2 parser. No superclasses. In order to use this class, you must write your own subclass.

**IDLffXMLSAX::AttributeDecl** - Called when the parser detects an <!ATTLIST ...> declaration in a DTD.
- **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::AttributeDecl**, eName, aName, **Type**, Model, **Value**

**IDLffXMLSAX::Characters** - Called when the parser detects text in the parsed document.
- **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::Characters**, **Chars**

**IDLffXMLSAX::Cleanup** - Performs all cleanup on the object.
- **OBJ_DESTROY**, **Obj** or **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::Cleanup**

**IDLffXMLSAX::Comment** - Called when the parser detects a comment section of the form <!... . . . >.
- **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::Comment**, **Comment**

**IDLffXMLSAX::ElementDecl** - Called when the parser detects an <!ELEMENT ...> declaration in the DTD.
- **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::ElementDecl**, **Name**, **Model**

**IDLffXMLSAX::EndElement** - Called when the parser detects the end of a <!ELEMENT ...> text section.
- **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::EndElement**

**IDLffXMLSAX::EndDocument** - Called when the parser detects the end of the XML document.
- **Obj** - **IDLffXMLSAX::EndDocument**
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IDLgrAxis::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the axis.

IDLgrAxis::Init - Initializes the axis object.

IDLgrBuffer::Erase - Erases this graphics destination.

IDLgrBuffer::GetDeviceInfo - Returns information that allows IDL applications to make decisions for optimal performance.

IDLgrBuffer::GetTextDimensions - Returns the dimensions of a text object that will be rendered in the buffer.

IDLgrBuffer::Init - Initializes the buffer object.
IDLgrBuffer::PickData - Maps a point in the 2D device space of the buffer to a point in the 3D data space of an object tree.

Result = Obj -> [IDLgrBuffer::PickData( View, Object, Location, XYZLocation [, DIMENSIONS=[width, height]] [, PATH=objectref] [, PICK_STATUS=variable)]

IDLgrBuffer::Read - Reads an image from a buffer.

Result = Obj -> [IDLgrBuffer::Read( )]

IDLgrBuffer::Select - Returns a list of objects selected at a specified location.

Result = Obj -> [IDLgrBuffer::SelectPicture(XY [, DIMENSIONS=[width, height]] [, UNITS=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3]])]

IDLgrBuffer::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the buffer.

Obj -> [IDLgrBuffer::setProperty( Property [, Value=variable] [, VERSION={ 0 | 1 } ] [, FILENAME=string] [, PATH=variable] [, STYLES={ 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 } ] )]

IDLgrBuffer::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the clipboard buffer.

Obj -> [IDLgrClipboard::setProperty( Property [, Value=variable] [, VERSION={ 0 | 1 } ] [, FILENAME=string] [, PATH=variable] [, STYLES={ 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 } ] )]

IDLgrBuffer::GetDeviceInfo - Returns information that allows IDL applications to make decisions for optimal performance.


IDLgrBuffer::GetFontnames - Returns the list of available fonts that can be used in IDLgrFont objects.

Return = Obj -> [IDLgrClipboard::GetFontnames( FamilyName [, IDL_FONTS=[0 | 1 | 2]] [, STYLES=string] )]

IDLgrClipboard::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the clipboard buffer.

Obj -> [IDLgrClipboard::GetProperty( Property [, All=variable] [, SCREEN_DIMENSIONS=variable] )]

Note: See also the [Get] properties in IDLgrClipboard::Init

IDLgrClipboard::GetTexDimensions - Retrieves the dimensions of a text object that will be rendered in the clipboard buffer.

Result = Obj -> [IDLgrClipboard::GetTexDimensions( TextObj [, DESCENT=variable] [, PATH=objectref] )]

IDLgrClipboard::Init - Initializes the clipboard buffer object.

Obj = OBJ_NEW(’IDLgrClipboard’ [, COLOR_MODEL={Get=[0 | 1]}] [, DIMENSIONS={Get, Set}=[width, height]] [, GRAPHICS_TREE={Get, Set}=objectref] [, N_COLORS={Get}=integer [2 to 256]} [, PALETTE={Get, Set}=objectref] [, QUALITY={Get, Set}=[0 | 1 | 2]] [, RESOLUTION={Get, Set}=[xres, yres]] [, UNITS={Get, Set}=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3]] [, UVALUE={Get, Set}=value] )

or

Result = Obj -> [IDLgrClipboard::.:Init()]

IDLgrClipboard::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the clipboard buffer.

Obj -> [IDLgrClipboard::.:SetProperty Property [, Value=variable] [, VERSION={ 0 | 1 } ] [, FILENAME=string] [, PATH=variable] [, STYLES={ 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 } ] )]

Note: See also the [Set] properties in IDLgrClipboard::Init
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IDLgrColorbar::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the colorbar.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrColorbar::]SetProperty
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrColorbar::Init

IDLgrContour - Draws a contour plot from data stored in a rectangular array or from a set of unstructured points. No superclasses. No subclasses.

IDLgrContour::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

```
OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrContour::]Cleanup
```

IDLgrContour::GetCTM - Returns the 4 x 4 graphics transform matrix from the current object.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrContour::]GetCTM([, DESTINATION=objcRef [, PATH=objcRef(s)]])
```

IDLgrContour::GetLabelInfo - Retrieves information about the labels for a contour.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrContour::]GetLabelInfo, Destination, LevelIndex [, LABEL_OFFSETS=variable] [, LABEL_POLYS=variable] [, LABEL_OBJECTS=variable]
```

**Note:** See also the {Get} properties in IDLgrContour::Init

IDLgrContour::Init - Initializes the contour object.

```
```

or
```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrContour::]Init() (Values)
```

IDLgrContour::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the contour.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrContour::]SetProperty
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrContour::Init

IDLgrFont - Represents a typeface, style, weight, and point size that may be associated with text objects. No superclasses. No subclasses.

IDLgrFont::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

```
OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrFont::]Cleanup
```

IDLgrFont::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the font.

```
```

**Note:** See also the {Get} properties in IDLgrFont::Init

IDLgrFont::Init - Initializes the font object.

```
Obj = OBJ_NEW([IDLgrFont [, Fontname]] [, NAME=Get, Set=string] [, SIZE=Get, Set=points] [, SUBSTITUTE=Get, Set=\"Helvetica\" | \"Courier\" | \"Times\" | \"Symbol\" | \"Hershey\"] [, THICK=Get, Set=points [1.0 to 10.0]] [, UVALUE=Get, Set=value])
```

or
```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrFont::]Init() (Fontname)
```

IDLgrFont::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the font.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrFont::]SetProperty
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrFont::Init

IDLgrImage - Represents a mapping from a 2D array of data values to a 2D array of pixel colors, resulting in a flat 2D-scaled version of the image, drawn at Z = 0. No superclasses. No subclasses.

IDLgrImage::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

```
OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrImage::]Cleanup
```

IDLgrImage::GetCTM - Returns the 4 x 4 graphics transform matrix from the current object.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrImage::]GetCTM([, DESTINATION=objcRef [, PATH=objcRef(s)]])
```

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**IDLgrColorbar::SetProperty**

```
[IDLgrColorbar::]SetProperty
```

```
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```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrColorbar::Init
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**Note:** See also the {Get} properties in IDLGrImage::Init and IDLGrLight::Init.
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**IDLgrLight::Init** - Initializes the light object.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrLight'[, ATTENUATION{Get, Set}={constant, linear, quadratic}, [COLOR{Get, Set}=[R, G, B]], [CONETYPE{Get, Set}=conic, cone, quadratic], [DIRECTION{Get, Set}=3-element vector], [FOCUS{Get, Set}=value], [HIDE{Get, Set}]=boolean])
```

**IDLgrModel::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the model.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetProperty{[ALL=]var}
```

**IDLgrModel::GetByName** - Finds contained objects by name and returns the object reference to the named object.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetByName{[PATH=]var}
```

**IDLgrModel::GetCTM** - Returns the 4x4 graphics transform matrix from the current object.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetCTM{[DESTINATION=]objref, [PATH=]str}
```

**IDLgrModel::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the model.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetProperty{[ALL=]var}[PARENT=]var
```

**IDLgrLight::Init** - Initializes the light object.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrLight'[, ATTENUATION{Get, Set}={constant, linear, quadratic}, [COLOR{Get, Set}=[R, G, B]], [CONETYPE{Get, Set}=conic, cone, quadratic], [DIRECTION{Get, Set}=3-element vector], [FOCUS{Get, Set}=value], [HIDE{Get, Set}]=boolean])
```

**IDLgrModel::GetByName** - Finds contained objects by name and returns the object reference to the named object.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetByName{[PATH=]var}
```

**IDLgrModel::GetCTM** - Returns the 4x4 graphics transform matrix from the current object.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetCTM{[DESTINATION=]objref, [PATH=]str}
```

**IDLgrModel::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the model.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]GetProperty{[ALL=]var}[PARENT=]var
```

**IDLgrModel::Init** - Initializes the model object.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrModel'[, CLIP_PLANES{Get, Set}={0|1|2|3}], [FRAME_RATE{Get, Set}={1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8}], [FRAME_GAP{Get, Set}=integer], [INTERLACED{Get, Set}]=boolean])
```

**IDLgrModel::Reset** - Sets the current transform matrix for the model object to the identity matrix.

```idl
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Init()
```

**IDLgrModel::SetProperty** - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the model.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrModel'[, CLIP_PLANES{Get, Set}={0|1|2|3}], [FRAME_RATE{Get, Set}={1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8}], [FRAME_GAP{Get, Set}=integer], [INTERLACED{Get, Set}]=boolean])
```

**IDLgrModel::Add** - Adds a child to the Model.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrModel'[, CLIP_PLANES{Get, Set}={0|1|2|3}], [FRAME_RATE{Get, Set}={1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8}], [FRAME_GAP{Get, Set}=integer], [INTERLACED{Get, Set}]=boolean])
```

**IDLgrModel::Cleanup** - Performs all cleanup on the object.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Cleanup
```

**IDLgrModel::Draw** - Draws the specified picture to the specified graphics destination.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Draw{[DESTINATION=]objref, [PATH=]str}
```

**IDLgrModel::Rotate** - Rotates the model about the specified axis by the specified angle.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Rotate{[AXIS=]vector, [ANGLE=]float}
```

**IDLgrModel::Scale** - Scales the model by the specified scaling factors.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Scale{[S_X=]float, [S_Y=]float, [S_Z=]float}
```

**IDLgrModel::Translate** - Translates the model by the specified translation offsets.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Translate{[T_X=]float, [T_Y=]float, [T_Z=]float}
```

**IDLgrMPEG::Init** - Initializes the MPEG object.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrMPEG'[, BITRATE{Get, Set}={0|1|2|3}], [FORMAT{Get, Set}=string], [FILENAME{Get, Set}=string], [FRAME_RATE{Get, Set}={1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8}], [FRAME_GAP{Get, Set}=integer], [QUALITY{Get, Set}=value], [SCALE{Get, Set}=scale], [TEMP_DIRECTORY=string])
```

**IDLgrMPEG::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the MPEG object.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrMPEG::]GetProperty{[ALL=]variable}
```

**IDLgrMPEG::Cleanup** - Performs all cleanup on the object.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrMPEG::]Cleanup
```

**IDLgrMPEG::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the MPEG object.

```idl
RESULT = OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj -> [IDLgrMPEG::]GetProperty{[ALL=]variable}
```

**IDLgrMPEG::Init** - Initializes the MPEG object.

```idl
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrMPEG'[, BITRATE{Get, Set}={0|1|2|3}], [FORMAT{Get, Set}=string], [FILENAME{Get, Set}=string], [FRAME_RATE{Get, Set}={1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8}], [FRAME_GAP{Get, Set}=integer], [QUALITY{Get, Set}=value], [SCALE{Get, Set}=scale], [TEMP_DIRECTORY=string])
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<td>Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrPattern', [ Style] [, ORIENTATION=[Get, Set]=ccw degrees from horiz] [, NAME=[Get, Set]=string] [, PATTERN=[Get, Set]=32 x 32 bit array] [, SPACING=[Get, Set]=points] [, STYLE([Get, Set]=[0</td>
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<td>IDLgrPlot::GetCTM</td>
<td>Returns the 4 x 4 graphics transform matrix from the current object upward through the graphics tree.</td>
<td>Result = Obj \to [IDLgrPlot::GetCTM( [, DESTINATION=refobjref] [, PATH=refobjref(s)] [, TOP=refobjref to IDLgrModel object])]</td>
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<td>Obj \to [IDLgrPlot::GetProperty[, ALL=variable] [, DATA=variable] [, PARENT=variable] [, ZRANGE=variable]]</td>
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IDLgrPolygon::Init - Initializes the polygons object.

```
IDLgrPolygon::Init( Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrPolygon', [X, Y, Z]),
                  COLOR = objref(s),
                  CLIP_PLANES = [array],
                  DRAWMODE = [string],
                  POLYGONS = [array],
                  VERTEX_COLORS = [array],
                  HIDDEN_LINES = [objref],
                  POLYPATTERN = [objref]
```

IDLgrPlot::Init - Initializes the plot object.

```
IDLgrPlot::Init( OBJ = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrPlot', [X, Y, Z]),
                COLOR = objref(s),
                CLIP_PLANES = [array],
                DRAWMODE = [string],
                POLYGONS = [array],
                VERTEX_COLORS = [array],
                HIDDEN_LINES = [objref],
                POLYPATTERN = [objref]
```

IDLgrPolygon::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of the property or group of properties for the polygons.

```
IDLgrPolygon::GetProperty( Obj = Obj, [X, Y, Z],
                          COLOR = objref(s),
                          CLIP_PLANES = [array],
                          DRAWMODE = [string],
                          POLYGONS = [array],
                          VERTEX_COLORS = [array],
                          HIDDEN_LINES = [objref],
                          POLYPATTERN = [objref]
```

IDLgrPlot::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of the property or group of properties for the plot.

```
IDLgrPlot::GetProperty( Obj = Obj, [X, Y, Z],
                      COLOR = objref(s),
                      CLIP_PLANES = [array],
                      DRAWMODE = [string],
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```

IDLgrPolygon::GetCTM - Returns the 4x4 graphics transform matrix from the current object upward through the graphics tree.

```
IDLgrPolygon::GetCTM( Obj = Obj, [X, Y, Z],
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```

IDLgrPolygon::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the polygons object.

```
IDLgrPolygon::Cleanup( Obj = Obj, [X, Y, Z],
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```
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                   POLYPATTERN = [objref]
```

IDLgrPolygon::SetProperty - Sets the value of the property or group of properties for the polygons.

```
IDLgrPolygon::SetProperty( Obj = Obj, [X, Y, Z],
                         COLOR = objref(s),
                         CLIP_PLANES = [array],
                         DRAWMODE = [string],
                         POLYGONS = [array],
                         VERTEX_COLORS = [array],
                         HIDDEN_LINES = [objref],
                         POLYPATTERN = [objref]
```

IDLgrPlot::SetProperty - Sets the value of the property or group of properties for the plot.

```
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                      COLOR = objref(s),
                      CLIP_PLANES = [array],
                      DRAWMODE = [string],
                      POLYGONS = [array],
                      VERTEX_COLORS = [array],
                      HIDDEN_LINES = [objref],
                      POLYPATTERN = [objref]
```

Note: See also the {Get} properties in IDLgrPolygon::Init

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**IDLgrPolyline::Init** - Initializes the polylines object.

```
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrPolyline' [, X [, Y [ , Z ]]])
```

**IDLgrPolyline::SetProperty** - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the polylines.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrPolyline::]SetProperty
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrPolyline::Init

**IDLgrPrinter::GetFontnames** - Returns the list of available fonts that can be used in IDLgrFont objects.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrPrinter::]GetFontnames( FamilyName [, IDL_FONTS={0 | 1 | 2}] [, STYLES={string}])
```

**IDLgrPrinter::GetProperty** - Retrieves the dimensions of a text object that will be rendered on the printer.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrPrinter::]GetProperty( TextObj [, DESCENT=variable] [, PATH=objetref(s)])
```

**IDLgrPrinter::Init** - Initializes the printer object.

```
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrPrinter' [, COLOR_MODEL=(Get, Set)=[0 | 1] [, GRAPHICS_TREE=(Get, Set)=objetref of type IDLgrScene, IDLgrViewgroup, or IDLgrView] [, /LANDSCAPE=(Get, Set)]]
```

**IDLgrPrinter::NewDocument** - Closes current document (page or group of pages), which causes pending output to be sent to the printer, finishing the printer job.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrPrinter::]NewDocument
```

**IDLgrPrinter::NewPage** - Issues new page command to printer.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrPrinter::]NewPage
```

**IDLgrPrinter::SetProperty** - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the printer.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrPrinter::]SetProperty
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrPrinter::Init

**IDLgrROI::GetAxes** - Retrieves the current axes settings.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetAxes()
```

**IDLgrROI::Init** - Initializes an Object Graphics region of interest.

```
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrROI' [, X=[s] [, Y=[s] [, Z=[s] ]] [, XRANGE=[s] [, YRANGE=[s] [, ZRANGE=[s] ]], DESCENT=variable, THICK=variable])
```

**IDLgrROI::Cleanup** - Performs all cleanup on the Object Graphics region.

```
Obj = OBJ_DESTROY Obj
```

**IDLgrROI::GetAXES** - Returns the value of the current axes settings.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetAXES()
```

**IDLgrROI::GetCount** - Returns the count of objects in the IDLgrROI.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetCount()
```

**IDLgrROI::GetDimensions** - Returns the dimensions of an object.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetDimensions()
```

**IDLgrROI::GetFont** - Returns a font object.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetFont(
```

**IDLgrROI::GetFontnames** - Returns the list of available fonts.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetFontnames()
```

**IDLgrROI::GetObject** - Returns an IDLgrROI object.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetObject()
```

**IDLgrROI::GetProperties** - Retrieves properties of the object.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetProperties()```

**IDLgrROI::GetScene** - Returns the IDLgrScene object associated with the Object Graphics region.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetScene()
```

**IDLgrROI::GetView** - Returns the IDLgrView object associated with the Object Graphics region.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]GetView()
```

**IDLgrROI::New** - Creates a new Object Graphics region.

```
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrROI' [, X=[s] [, Y=[s] [, Z=[s] ]], DESCENT=variable, THICK=variable]
```

**IDLgrROI::SetProperties** - Sets the value of the properties of an Object Graphics region.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrROI::]SetProperties( properties )
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrROI::Init
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#### IDLgrScene::Init
- **Initiates the scene object.**

**Obj** = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrScene' [, COLOR={Get, Set}=index or RGB vector] [, /HIDE{Get, Set}] [, NAME={Get, Set}=string] [, /TRANSPARENT{Get, Set}] [, UVALUE={Get, Set}=value] )

**or**

**Result** = *Obj*—>IDLgrScene::Init()

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#### IDL Quick Reference

- **IDLgrROI::PickVertex**
IDLgrSurface::Init - Initializes the surface object.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSurface}([\text{Z}, \text{X}, \text{Y}])
\]

- \text{BOTTOM(Get, Set)=\{index or RGB vector\}}
- \text{CLIP_PLANES(Get, Set)=\{array\}}
- \text{COLOR(Get, Set)=\{index or RGB vector\}}
- \text{DATA(Get, Set)=\{vector or 2D array\}}
- \text{DATAY(Get, Set)=\{vector or 2D array\}}
- \text{DEEP_OFFSET(Get, Set)=\{value\}}
- \text{DOUBLE(Get, Set)=\{value\}}
- \text{EXTENDED_LEGOS(Get, Set)}
- \text{HIDDEN_LINES(Get, Set)}
- \text{HIDE(Get, Set)}
- \text{LINESTYLE(Get, Set)=\{value\}}
- \text{MAX_VALUE(Get, Set)=\{value\}}
- \text{MIN_VALUE(Get, Set)=\{value\}}
- \text{NAME(Get, Set)=\{string\}}
- \text{PALETTE(Get, Set)=\{objref\}}
- \text{TEXTURE_MAP(Get, Set)=\{objref to IDLgrImage\}}
- \text{TEXTURE_INTERP(Get, Set)=\{\}}
- \text{TEXTURE_DATA(Get, Set)=\{objref\}}
- \text{SHARE_DATA(Get, Set)=\{objref\}}
- \text{SHOW_SKIRT(Get, Set)}
- \text{SKIRT(Get, Set)=\{Z value\}}
- \text{STYLE(Get, Set)=\{\}}
- \text{THICK(Get, Set)=\{value\}}
- \text{THICK{GET, SET}={1.0 to 10.0}}
- \text{TOP{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{TEXTURE_COORD{Get, Set}=\{array\}}
- \text{TEXTURE_HIGHRES(Get, Set)}
- \text{TEXTURE_MAP{Get, Set}=\{\}}
- \text{TEXTURE{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{TOP{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{ZCOORD_CONV{Get, Set}=\{\}}
- \text{ZOFFSET{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{ZRANGE{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{ZCOLOR{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{ZOPACITY_SKIP{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{ZVAL{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{XCOORD_CONV{Get, Set}=\{\}}
- \text{XOFFSET{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{XRANGE{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{XCOLOR{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{XVAL{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{YCOORD_CONV{Get, Set}=\{\}}
- \text{YOFFSET{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{YRANGE{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{YCOLOR{GET, SET}={0 | 1}}
- \text{YVAL{GET, SET}={\}}
- \text{Z{GET, SET}={\}}

\text{Result} = \text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSurface::Init([Z, X, Y])}

IDLgrSurface::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the surface.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSurface::SetProperty}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Set\} properties in IDLgrSurface::Init}

IDLgrSymbol::SetProperty - Represents a graphical element that is plotted relative to a particular position. No superclasses. No subclasses.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::SetProperty}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Set\} properties in IDLgrSymbol::Init}

IDLgrSymbol::GetProperty - Initializes the symbol plot.

\[
\text{Obj} = \text{OBJ_NEW(\{IDLgrSymbol\, \text{[Data]}\, \text{COLOR(Get, Set)=\{index or RGB vector\}}\, \text{DATA(Get, Set)=\{integer or objref\}}\, \text{NAME(Get, Set)=\{string\}}\, \text{SIZE(Get, Set)=\{vector\}}\, \text{THICK(Get, Set)=\{points(1.0 to 10.0)\}}\, \text{UVVALUE(Get, Set)=\{value\}}}\]

\text{or}

\[
\text{Result} = \text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::Init([Data])}\]

IDLgrSurface::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

\[
\text{OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSurface::Cleanup}\]

IDLgrSymbol::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

\[
\text{OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::Cleanup}\]

IDLgrTessellator::Initialize - Performs the actual tessellation.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrTessellator::Initialize}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Set\} properties in IDLgrTessellator::Initialize}

IDLgrTessellator::AddPolygon - Adds a polygon to the tessellator object.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrTessellator::AddPolygon([\text{X}, \text{Y}, \text{Z}])}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Set\} properties in IDLgrTessellator::AddPolygon}

IDLgrTessellator::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

\[
\text{OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrTessellator::Cleanup}\]

IDLgrTessellator::Reset - Resets the object’s internal state.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrTessellator::Reset}\]

IDLgrTessellator::Tessellate - Converts a simple concave polygon (or a simple polygon with “holes”) into a number of simple convex polygons (general triangles). No superclasses. No subclasses.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrTessellator::Tessellate([\text{data}])}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Set\} properties in IDLgrTessellator::Tessellate}

IDLgrText::GetProperty - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the text.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrText::GetProperty([\text{ALL}]=\{variable\}, \text{PARENT}=\{variable\}, \text{XRANGE}=\{variable\}, \text{YRANGE}=\{variable\}, \text{ZRANGE}=\{variable\})}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Get\} properties in IDLgrText::Init}

IDLgrText::GetCTM - Returns the 4x4 graphics transform matrix from the current object upward through the graphics tree.

\[
\text{Result} = \text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrText::GetCTM([\text{DESTINATION}=\{objref\}, \text{PATH}=\{objref(s)\}, \text{TOP}=\{objref to IDLgrModel object\}])}\]

IDLgrSymbol::Init - Initializes the symbol.

\[
\text{Obj} = \text{OBJ_NEW(\{IDLgrSymbol\, \text{[Data]}\, \text{COLOR(Get, Set)=\{index or RGB vector\}}\, \text{DATA(Get, Set)=\{integer or objref\}}\, \text{NAME(Get, Set)=\{string\}}\, \text{SIZE(Get, Set)=\{vector\}}\, \text{THICK(Get, Set)=\{points(1.0 to 10.0)\}}\, \text{UVVALUE(Get, Set)=\{value\}}}\]

\text{or}

\[
\text{Result} = \text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::Init([Data])}\]

IDLgrSymbol::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

\[
\text{OBJ_DESTROY, Obj or Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::Cleanup}\]

IDLgrSymbol::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the symbol.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::SetProperty}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Set\} properties in IDLgrSymbol::Init}

IDLgrSymbol::GetProperty - Represents a graphical element that is plotted relative to a particular position. No superclasses. No subclasses.

\[
\text{Obj} \rightarrow \text{IDLgrSymbol::GetProperty([\text{ALL}]=\{variable\}, \text{PARENT}=\{variable\}, \text{XRANGE}=\{variable\}, \text{YRANGE}=\{variable\}, \text{ZRANGE}=\{variable\})}\]

\text{Note: See also the \{Get\} properties in IDLgrSymbol::Init}
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IDLgrText::Init - Initializes the text object.
Obj = OBJ_NEW( 'IDLgrText' [, String/string array] [, ALIGNMENT={Get, Set}={value[0.0 to 1.0]}] [, BASELINE={Get, Set}={vector}] [, CHAR_DIMENSIONS=[Get, Set]=[width, height]] [, CLIP_PLANES=[Get, Set]=[array] [, COLOR={Get, Set}={index or RGB vector}] [, /ENABLE_FORMATTING={Get, Set}={objref} [, FONT={Get, Set}={objref} [, /HIDE={Get, Set}={objref} [, LOCATIONS={Get, Set}={array} [, NAME={Get, Set}={string}] [, /ONGLASS={Get, Set}={objref} [, PALETTE={Get, Set}={objref} [, RECOMPUTE_DIMENSIONS={Get, Set}={0 | 1 | 2}] [, STRINGS={Get, Set}={string or vector of strings}] [, UPDIR={Get, Set}={vector}] [, /VALUE={Get, Set}={value}] [, VERTICAL_ALIGNMENT={Get, Set}={value} [, XCOORD_CONV={Get, Set}={vector} [, YCOORD_CONV={Get, Set}={vector} [, ZCOORD_CONV={Get, Set}={vector} ]]]]]]]]] ]]
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrText:::Init(String/string array)]

IDLgrText:::SetProperty - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the text.
Obj -> [IDLgrText:::SetProperty
Note: See also the [Set] properties in IDLgrText:::Init

IDLgrView:::Init - Initializes the view object.
Obj = OBJ_NEW( 'IDLgrView' [, String/string array] [, ALIGNMENT={Get, Set}={value[0.0 to 1.0]}] [, BASELINE={Get, Set}={vector}] [, CHAR_DIMENSIONS=[Get, Set]=[width, height]] [, CLIP_PLANES=[Get, Set]=[array] [, COLOR={Get, Set}={index or RGB vector}] [, /ENABLE_FORMATTING={Get, Set}={objref} [, FONT={Get, Set}={objref} [, /HIDE={Get, Set}={objref} [, LOCATIONS={Get, Set}={array} [, NAME={Get, Set}={string}] [, /ONGLASS={Get, Set}={objref} [, PALETTE={Get, Set}={objref} [, RECOMPUTE_DIMENSIONS={Get, Set}={0 | 1 | 2}] [, STRINGS={Get, Set}={string or vector of strings}] [, UPDIR={Get, Set}={vector}] [, /VALUE={Get, Set}={value}] [, VERTICAL_ALIGNMENT={Get, Set}={value} [, XCOORD_CONV={Get, Set}={vector} [, YCOORD_CONV={Get, Set}={vector} [, ZCOORD_CONV={Get, Set}={vector} [, /TRANSPARENT={Get, Set}={value}] ]]]]]]]] ]]
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrView:::Init]

IDLgrView:::GetByName - Finds contained objects by name.
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrViewgroup:::GetByProperty(Name)]

IDLgrVolume - Represents mapping from a 3D array of data to a 3D array of voxel colors, which, when drawn, are projected to two dimensions. Superclass: IDL_Container. No subclasses.

IDLgrVolume:::GetCTM - Returns the 4x4 graphics transform matrix from the current object upward through the graphics tree.
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrVolume:::GetCTM]

IDLgrVolume:::ComputeBounds - Computes the smallest bounding box that contains all voxels whose opacity lookup is greater than a given opacity value.
Obj -> [IDLgrVolume:::ComputeBounds

IDLgrVolume:::Cleanup - Performs all cleanup on the object.

IDLgrVolume:::Delete - Performs all cleanup on the object.

IDLgrViewgroup - A simple container object that contains one or more IDLgrView objects. An IDLgrScene can contain one or more of these objects. Superclass: IDL_Container. No subclasses.

IDLgrViewgroup:::Add - Verifies that the added item is not an instance of the IDLgrScene or IDLgrViewgroup object.
Obj -> [IDLgrViewgroup:::Add]
**IDLgrVolume::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the volume.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrVolume::GetProperty [, ALL=variable ] [
```

**Note:** See also the {Get} properties in IDLgrVolume::Init.

**IDLgrVolume::Init** - Initializes the volume object.

```
Obj = OBJ_NEW('IDLgrVolume' [, vol0 [, vol1 [, vol2 [, vol3]]]] [, AMBIENT{Get, Set}={RGB vector}] [, BOUNDS{Get, Set}=[xmin, ymin, zmin, xmax, ymax, zmax]] [, CLIP_PLANES{Get, Set}=[array}] [, COMPOSITE_FUNCTION{Get, Set}=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3]] [, CUTTING_PLANES{Get, Set}=[array]] [, DATA0{Get, Set}=[d0, d0, d0, d0]] [, DATA1{Get, Set}=[d0, d0, d0, d0]] [, DATA2{Get, Set}=[d0, d0, d0, d0]] [, DATA3{Get, Set}=[d0, d0, d0, d0]] [, DEPTH_CUE{Get, Set}=[black, zdim]] [, /HIDE{Get, Set} [, HINTS{Get, Set}=[0 | 1 | 2 | 3]] [, /INTERPOLATE{Get, Set}[]=true, zdim]] [, /LIGHTING_MODEL{Get, Set}=[true, zdim]] [, /OPACITY_TABLE{Get, Set}=[real, real, real, real]] [, /POLYGON_MODE{Get, Set}=[true, zdim]] [, /RENDER_STEP{Get, Set}=[x, y, z]] [, RGB_TABLE{Get, Set}=[256 x 3-element byte array]] [, RGB_TABLE{Get, Set}=[256 x 3-element byte array]] [, /TWO_SIDED{Get, Set}=[true, zdim]] [, UVALUE{Get, Set}=[real, real, real, real]] [, VOLUME_SELECT{Get, Set}=[0 | 1 | 2]] [, XCOORD_CONV{Get, Set}=[vector]] [, YCOORD_CONV{Get, Set}=[vector]] [, ZBUFFER{Get, Set}=[true, zdim]] [, /ZERO_OPACITY_SKIP{Get, Set}=[0 | 1]] ]
```

**or**

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrVolume::Init( vol0 [, vol1 [, vol2 [, vol3]])]
```

**IDLgrVolume::PickVoxel** - Computes the coordinates of the voxel projected to a location specified by the 2D device coordinates point, \([x,y,z]\), and the current Z-buffer.

```
Result = Obj -> [IDLgrVolume::PickVoxel ( Win, View, Point [, PATH=objref(s)]] ]
```

**IDLgrVolume::SetProperty** - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the volume.

```
Obj -> [IDLgrVolume::SetProperty ]
```

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrVolume::Init.
### Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

**IDLgrWindow::GetContiguousPixels** - Returns an array of long integers whose length is equal to the number of colors available in the index color mode (value of N_COLORS property).

*Return* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::GetContiguousPixels()]

**IDLgrWindow::GetDeviceInfo** - Returns information that allows IDL applications to make decisions for optimal performance.


**IDLgrWindow::GetFontnames** - Returns the list of available fonts that can be used in IDLgrFont objects.

*Return* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::GetFontnames(FamilyName [,, IDLGrFonts={0 | 1 | 2} ] [, STYLES=variable] )]

**IDLgrWindow::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the window.


**Note:** See also the {Get} properties in IDLgrWindow::Init

**IDLgrWindow::GetTextDimensions** - Retrieves the dimensions of a text object that will be rendered in the window.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::GetTextDimensions(TextObj [, DESCENT=variable] [, PATH=variable(s) ] )]

**IDLgrWindow::Iconify** - Iconifies or de-iconifies the window.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::Iconify( )]

**IDLgrWindow::GetProperty** - Retrieves the value of a property or group of properties for the window.


**Note:** See also the {Get} properties in IDLgrWindow::Init

**IDLgrWindow::GetTextDimensions** - Retrieves the dimensions of a text object that will be rendered in the window.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::GetTextDimensions(TextObj [, DESCENT=variable] [, PATH=variable(s) ] )]

**IDLgrWindow::Iconify** - Iconifies or de-iconifies the window.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::Iconify( )]

**IDLgrWindow::Init** - Initializes the window object.

*Obj* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::Init( [COLOR_MODEL=variable] [, DimensionSet]=[width, height] )]

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrWindow::Init

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**IDLgrWindow::Pickdata** - Maps a point in the 2D device space of the window to a point in the 3D data space of an object tree.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::Pickdata(View, Object, Location, XYZLocation [, DIMENSIONS]=[width, height])]

**IDLgrWindow::Read** - Reads an image from a window.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::Read( )]

**IDLgrWindow::Select** - Returns a list of objects selected at a specified location.

*Result* = Obj -> [IDLgrWindow::Select(Picture, XY [, DIMENSIONS]=[width, height])]

**X Windows Only Keywords:** [STANDARD=index]

**IDLgrWindow::SetProperty** - Sets the value of a property or group of properties for the window.

*Obj* -> [IDLgrWindow::SetProperty( )]

**Note:** See also the {Set} properties in IDLgrWindow::Init

**IDLgrWindow::Show** - Exposes or hides a window.

*Obj* -> [IDLgrWindow::Show( )]

**TrackBall** - Translates widget events from a draw widget (created with the WIDGET_DRAW function) into transformations that emulate a virtual trackball (for transforming object graphics in three dimensions). No superclasses. No subclasses.

**TrackBall::Init** - Initializes the TrackBall object.

*Obj* = Obj -> [TrackBall::Init(Center, Radius [, AXIS={0 | 1 | 2}] [, /CONSTRAIN] [, MOUSE={1 | 2 | 4}] )]

**TrackBall::Reset** - Resets the state of the TrackBall object.

*Obj* -> [TrackBall::Reset(Center, Radius [, AXIS={0 | 1 | 2}] [, /CONSTRAIN] [, MOUSE={1 | 2 | 4}] )]

**TrackBall::Update** - Updates the state of the TrackBall object based on the information contained in the input widget event structure.

*Result* = Obj -> [TrackBall::Update(Event [, MOUSE={1 | 2 | 4}] [, TRANSFORM=variable] [, /TRANSLATE] )]
Statements

Assignment

\[
\text{variable} = \text{expression} \quad \text{Assigns a value to a variable.}
\]

\[
\text{variable}[\text{subscripts}] = \text{expression} \quad \text{Assigns a value to the elements of an array specified by the array subscripts.}
\]

\[
\text{variable}[\text{subscript_range}] = \text{expression} \quad \text{Assigns a value to the elements of an array specified by the array subscript range.}
\]

Program Control

Compound Statements

\[
\text{BEGIN...END} \quad \text{Defines a block of statements.}
\]

\[
\text{BEGIN}
\begin{align*}
\text{statements} \\
\text{END} | \text{ENDIF} | \text{ENDELSE} | \text{ENDFOR} | \text{ENDREP} | \text{ENDWHILE}
\end{align*}
\]

Conditional Statements

\[
\text{IF...THEN...ELSE} \quad \text{Conditionally executes a statement or block of statements.}
\]

\[
\text{IF} \quad \text{expression} \quad \text{THEN} \quad \text{statement} \quad \text{[ ELSE } \quad \text{statement} \quad \text{]}
\]

\[
\text{or}
\quad \text{IF} \quad \text{expression} \quad \text{THEN BEGIN}
\begin{align*}
\text{statements} \\
\text{ENDIF} \quad \text{ELSE BEGIN}
\text{statements}
\text{ENDELSE} \quad \text{]}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\text{CASE} \quad \text{Selects one statement for execution from multiple choices, depending upon the value of an expression.}
\]

\[
\text{CASE} \quad \text{expression OF}
\begin{align*}
\text{expression} : \text{statement} \\
\ldots \\
\text{expression} : \text{statement}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\text{[ ELSE: } \quad \text{statement} \quad \text{]}
\]

\[
\text{ENDCASE}
\]

Loop Statements

\[
\text{FOR...DO} \quad \text{Executes one or more statements repeatedly, while incrementing or decremen-}
\begin{align*}
\text{ting a variable with each repetition, until a condition is met.}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\text{FOR } \quad \text{Variable} = \text{Init}, \text{Limit} [, \text{Increment}] \quad \text{DO statement}
\]

\[
\text{or}
\quad \text{FOR } \quad \text{Variable} = \text{Init}, \text{Limit} [, \text{Increment}] \quad \text{DO BEGIN}
\begin{align*}
\text{statements} \\
\text{ENDIF} \quad \text{ELSE BEGIN}
\text{statements}
\text{ENDELSE} \quad \text{]}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\text{ENDFOR}
\]

\[
\text{REPEAT...UNTIL} \quad \text{Repeats statement(s) until expression evaluates to true. Subject is always executed at least once.}
\]

\[
\text{REPEAT } \quad \text{statement} \quad \text{UNTIL } \quad \text{expression}
\]

\[
\text{or}
\quad \text{REPEAT BEGIN}
\begin{align*}
\text{statements} \\
\text{ENDREP} \quad \text{UNTIL } \quad \text{expression}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\text{WHILE...DO} \quad \text{Performs statement(s) as long as expression evaluates to true. Subject is never executed if condition is initially false.}
\]

\[
\text{WHILE} \quad \text{expression} \quad \text{DO statement}
\]

\[
\text{or}
\quad \text{WHILE} \quad \text{expression} \quad \text{DO BEGIN}
\begin{align*}
\text{statements} \\
\text{ENDWHILE}
\end{align*}
\]

Jump Statements

\[
\text{BREAK} \quad \text{Immediately exits from a loop (FOR, WHILE, REPEAT), CASE, or SWITCH statement without resorting to GOTO statements.}
\]

\[
\text{BREAK}
\]

\[
\text{CONTINUE} \quad \text{Immediately starts the next iteration of the enclosing FOR, WHILE, or REPEAT loop.}
\]

\[
\text{CONTINUE}
\]

\[
\text{GOTO} \quad \text{Transfers program control to point specified by label.}
\]

\[
\text{GOTO, label}
\]
Functions and Procedures

**COMPILE_OPT** - Gives IDL compiler information that changes the default rules for compiling functions or procedures.

```
COMPILE_OPT opt_1 [, opt_2, ..., opt_n]
```

*Note:* `opt_n` can be IDL2, DEFINT32, HIDDEN, OBSOLETE, or STRICTARR

**FORWARD_FUNCTION** - Causes argument(s) to be interpreted as functions rather than variables (versions of IDL prior to 5.0 used parentheses to declare arrays).

```
FORWARD_FUNCTION Name_1, Name_2, ..., Name_n
```

**FUNCTION** - Defines a function.

```
FUNCTION Function_Name, parameter_1, ..., parameter_n
```

**PRO** - Defines a procedure.

```
PRO Procedure_Name, argument_1, ..., argument_n
```

**Procedure_Name** - Calls a procedure.

```
Procedure_Name, argument_1, ..., argument_n
```

**Result = FUNCTION (arg_1, ..., arg_n)** - Calls a function.

Variable Scope

**COMMON** - Creates a common block.

```
COMMON Block_Name, Variable_1, ..., Variable_n
```
Executive Commands

Executive commands must be entered at the IDL command prompt. They cannot be used in programs.

`.COMPILE` - Compiles programs without running.
  `.COMPILE [File1,...,FILENAME]`
  To compile from a temporary file: `.COMPILE -f TempFile`

`.CONTINUE` - Continues execution of a stopped program.
  `.CONTINUE`

`.EDIT` - Opens files in editor windows of the IDLDE (Windows and Motif only). Note that filenames are separated by spaces, not commas.
  `.EDIT File1 [File2,...,FILENAME]`

`.FULL_RESET_SESSION` - Does everything `.RESET_SESSION` does, plus additional reset tasks such as unloading sharable libraries.
  `.FULL_RESET_SESSION`

`.GO` - Executes previously-compiled main program.
  `.GO`

`.OUT` - Continues execution until the current routine returns.
  `.OUT`

`.RESET_SESSION` - Resets much of the state of an IDL session without requiring the user to exit and restart the IDL session.
  `.RESET_SESSION`

`.RETURN` - Continues execution until RETURN statement.
  `.RETURN`

`.RNEW` - Erases main program variables and then does .RUN.
  `.RNEW [FILE1,...,FILENAME]`
  To save listing in a file: `.RNEW -L ListFile.lis FILE1 [FILE2,...,FILENAME]`
  To display listing on screen: `.RNEW -T FILE1 [FILE2,...,FILENAME]`

`.RUN` - Compiles and executes IDL commands from files or keyboard.
  `.RUN [FILE1,...,FILENAME]`
  To save listing in a file: `.RUN -L ListFile.lis FILE1 [FILE2,...,FILENAME]`
  To display listing on screen: `.RUN -T FILE1 [FILE2,...,FILENAME]`

`.SKIP` - Skips over the next n statements and then single steps.
  `.SKIP [n]`

`.STEP` - Executes one or n statements from the current position.
  `.STEP [n]` or `.S [n]`

`.STEPOVER` - Executes a single statement if the statement doesn’t call a routine.
  `.STEPOVER [n]` or `.SO [n]`

`.TRACE` - Similar to `.CONTINUE`, but displays each line of code before execution.
  `.TRACE`
Special Characters

The following table lists the characters that have a special meaning in IDL:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Character</th>
<th>Description</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ampersand (&amp;)</td>
<td>Separates multiple commands on a single line</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Apostrophe (') | Delimits string constants  
|              | Indicates part of octal or hex constant                                   |
| Asterisk (*) | Multiplication operator  
|              | Array subscript range  
|              | Pointer dereference (if in front of a valid pointer)                      |
| At Sign (@) | Include character: Used at beginning of a line to cause the IDL compiler to substitute the contents of the file whose name appears after the @ symbol for the line.  
|              | In interactive mode, @ is used to execute a batch file.                    |
| Colon (:     | Ends label identifiers  
|              | Separates start and end subscript ranges                                   |
| Dollar Sign ($) | Continue current command on the next line  
|              | Issue operating system command if entered on a line by itself              |
| Exclamation Point (!) | First character of system variable names and font-positioning commands |
| Period (.)   | First character of executive commands  
|              | Indicates floating-point numbers  
|              | Indicates fields in a structure, such as in mystructure.field1           |
| Question Mark (?) | Invokes online help when entered at the IDL command line  
|              | Part of the ?: ternary operator used in conditional expressions          |
| Semicolon (;) | First character of comment field. Everything after the semicolon is ignored by IDL. Semicolon can be used as the first character or after an IDL command.  
|              | ; This is a comment  
|              | COUNT = 5 ; Set variable COUNT to 5                                       |
Subscripts

Subscripts are used to designate array elements to receive new values, and to retrieve the value of one or more array elements. IDL arrays are zero-based, meaning the first element is element 0.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Example</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Array[i, j]</td>
<td>The element stored at column i, row j of an array.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vector[i:j]</td>
<td>Elements i through j of a vector.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vector[i:*]</td>
<td>Elements from i through the end of a vector.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Array[i, *]</td>
<td>Column i of a two-dimensional array.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Array[* , j]</td>
<td>The jth row of a two-dimensional array.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Array[i:j, m:n]</td>
<td>Subarray of columns i though j, rows m through n.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Array[Array2]</td>
<td>The elements of Array whose subscripts are the values of Array2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Array_Expression)[i]</td>
<td>Element i of an array-valued expression.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Operators

Mathematical Operators

+ Addition, String Concatenation
- Subtraction and Negation
* Multiplication, Pointer dereference
/ Division
^ Exponentiation
MOD Modulo

Minimum/Maximum Operators

< The Minimum Operator
> The Maximum Operator

Matrix Operators

# and ## Matrix Multiplication

Boolean Operators

AND - Boolean AND
NOT - Boolean complement
OR - Boolean OR
XOR - Boolean exclusive OR

Relational Operators

EQ - Equal to
GE - Greater than or equal to
GT - Greater than
LE - Less than or equal to
LT - Less than
NE - Not equal to

Other Operators

[] Array concatenation, enclose array subscripts
() Group expressions to control order of evaluation
= Assignment
?: Conditional expression

Operator Precedence

The following table lists IDL’s operator precedence. Operators with the highest precedence are evaluated first. Operators with equal precedence are evaluated from left to right.

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<th>Priority</th>
<th>Operator</th>
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<tr>
<td>First (highest)</td>
<td>( ) (parentheses, to group expressions)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>[ ] (brackets, to concatenate arrays)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>. (structure field dereference)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fourth</td>
<td>[ ] (brackets, to subscript an array)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fifth</td>
<td>( ) (parentheses, used in a function call)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sixth</td>
<td>* (pointer dereference)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seventh</td>
<td>^ (exponentiation)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eighth</td>
<td># and ## (matrix multiplication)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/ (division)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>MOD (modulus)</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>+ (addition)</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>- (subtraction and negation)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>&lt; (minimum)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt; (maximum)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>NOT (Boolean negation)</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>EQ (equality)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>NE (not equal)</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>LE (less than or equal)</td>
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<td>LT (less than)</td>
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<td>GE (greater than or equal)</td>
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<td>AND (Boolean AND)</td>
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<td>XOR (Boolean exclusive OR)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>?: (conditional expression)</td>
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System Variables

IDL system variables contain useful constants, control plotting defaults, and store information about the current IDL session.

Constant System Variables

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<th>Variable</th>
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<tr>
<td>!DPI</td>
<td>Double-precision pi (p)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!DTOR</td>
<td>Degrees to radians, pi/180 ≈ 0.01745</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!MAP</td>
<td>Read-only system variable used by MAP_SET</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!PI</td>
<td>Single-precision pi (p)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!RADEG</td>
<td>Radians to degrees, 180/pi ≈ 57.2958</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!VALUES</td>
<td>Single- and double-precision NaN and Infinity values</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Graphics System Variables

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ID</td>
<td>Information about current graphics device. Fields: FILL_DIST - line interval in device coordinates, FLAGS - longword of flags, N_COLORS - number of simultaneously available colors, NAME - string containing name of device, ORIGIN - pan/scroll offset (pan, scroll), TABLE_SIZE - number of color table indices, UNIT - logical number of file open for output, WINDOW - index of currently open window, X_CH_SIZE, Y_CHAR_SIZE - width/height of rectangle that encloses the average character in current font, in device units (usually pixels), X_PX_CM, Y_PX_CM - approx. number of pixels/cm, X_SIZE, Y_SIZE - total size of the display or window, in device units, X_VSIZE, Y_VSIZE - size of visible area of display or window, ZOOM - X and Y zoom factors</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!ORDER</td>
<td>Direction of image transfer: 0=bottom up, 1=top down.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>!P</td>
<td>Information for plotting procedures. Fields: BACKGROUND - background color index, CHANNEL - default source or destination channel, CHARSIZE - character size of annotation when Hershey fonts are selected, CHARTHICK - integer specifying thickness of vector fonts, CLIP - device coords of clipping window (([x_0, y_0, z_0], (x_1, y_1, z_1))], COLOR - default color index, FONT - integer specifying graphics text font system to use (-1 for Hershey, 0 for output device font, 1 for TrueType)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LINESTYLE</td>
<td>style of lines that connect points (see “Line Styles” on page 109)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MULTI</td>
<td>integer array: [plots remaining on page, columns per page, rows per page, plots in Z direction, 0 for left to right or 1 for top to bottom]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NOCLIP</td>
<td>if set, inhibits clipping of graphic vectors</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NOERASE</td>
<td>set to nonzero value to prevent erasing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NSUM</td>
<td>number of adjacent points to average</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>POSITION</td>
<td>normalized coords of plot window (([x_0, y_0, x_1, y_1]])</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PSYM</td>
<td>plotting symbol index (see “Plotting Symbols” on page 109)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>REGION</td>
<td>normalized coords of plot region (([x_0, y_0, x_1, y_1]])</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>illaT</td>
<td>plot subtitle (under X axis label)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T</td>
<td>homogeneous 4 x 4 transformation matrix</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T3D</td>
<td>enables 3D to 2D transformation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THICK</td>
<td>thickness of lines connecting points</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TITLE</td>
<td>main plot title</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TICKLEN</td>
<td>tick mark length (0.0 to 1.0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IX, IY, IZ</td>
<td>Axis structures for X, Y, and Z axes. Fields: CHARSIZE - character size of annotation when Hershey fonts are selected, CRANGE - output axis range, GRIDSTYLE - linestyle for tick marks/grids (see “Line Styles” on page 109)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MARGIN</td>
<td>2-element array specifying plot window margins, in units of char size (([left or bottom, right or top]])</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MINOR</td>
<td>number of minor tick marks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OMARGIN</td>
<td>2-element array specifying plot window outer margins, in units of char size (([left or bottom, right or top]])</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RANGE</td>
<td>2-element vector specifying input axis range (min, max)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>REGION</td>
<td>normalized coords of region (2-element floating-point array)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S</td>
<td>2-element array specifying scaling factors for conversion between data and normalized coords</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STYLE</td>
<td>style of the axis encoded as bits in a longword. 1=exact, 2=extend, 4=no axis, 8=no box, 16=inhibit setting Y axis min to 0 when data are all greater than 0 (add values together for multiple effects)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THICK</td>
<td>thickness of axis line</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TICKFORMAT</td>
<td>format string or string containing name of function that returns format string used to format axis tick mark labels</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TICKINTERVAL</td>
<td>indicates the interval between major tick marks for the first axis level</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Alphabetical List of IDL Routines

TICKLAYOUT - indicates the tick layout style to be used to draw each level of the axis
TICKLEN - tick mark length, in normal coords
TICKNAME - annotation for each tick (string array)
TICKS - number of major tick intervals
TICKUNITS - indicates the units to be used for axis tick labeling
TICKV - data values for each tick mark (array)
TITLE - string containing axis title
TYPE - type of axis (0 for linear, 1 for logarithmic)
WINDOW - normalized coords of axis end points (2-element floating-point array)

Error Handling/Informational System Variables

!ERROR_STATE - Structure containing all error information.
Fields: NAME - string containing error name of IDL-generated component of last error message (read-only).
BLOCK - string containing name of message block for IDL-generated component of last error message (read-only).
CODE - long-integer containing error code of IDL-generated component of last error message.
SYS_CODE - long-integer containing error code of operating system component of last error message.
SYS_CODE_TYPE - A string describing the type of system code contained in SYS_CODE.
MSG - string containing text of IDL-generated component of last error message (read-only).
MSG_PREFIX - string containing prefix string used for error messages.
SYS_MSG - string containing text of operating system generated component of last error message (read-only).

!EXCEPT - Controls when IDL checks for math error conditions
(0=never report exceptions, 1=report exceptions when interpreter is returning to interactive prompt, 2=report exceptions at end of each IDL statement).

!MOUSE - Status from the last cursor read operation.
Fields: X, Y - location (in device coords) of cursor when mouse button was pressed
BUTTON - specifies which mouse button was pressed (1 if left, 2 if middle, 4 if right)
TIME - number of milliseconds since a base time

!WARN - - Report use of obsolete routines.
Fields: OBS_ROUTINES - if set to 1, IDL generates warnings when it encounters use of obsolete routines
OBS_SYSVARS - if set to 1, IDL generates warnings when it encounters use of obsolete system variables
PARENS - if set to 1, IDL generates warnings when it encounters use parentheses to index array

IDL Environment System Variables

!CPU - Read-only variable that supplies information about the state of the system processor, and of IDL's use of it.
Fields: HW_VECTOR - True (1) if the system supports a vector unit (e.g. Macintosh Altivec/Velocity Engine) or False (0) otherwise.
VECTOR_ENABLE - True (1) if IDL will use a vector unit, if such a unit is available on the current system, and False (0) otherwise.
HW_NCPU - The number of CPUs contained in the system on which IDL is currently running.
TPOOL_NTHREADS - The number of threads that IDL will use in thread pool computations.
TPOOL_MIN_ELTS - The number of elements in a computation that are necessary before IDL will use the thread pool to perform the work.
TPOOL_MAX_ELTS - The maximum number of elements in a computation for which IDL will use the thread pool.

!DIR - Location of the main IDL directory.

!DLM_PATH - Indicates where IDL looks for Dynamically Loadable Modules when started. Read-only.

!EDIT_INPUT - Enables/disables keyboard line editing.

!HELP_PATH - Lists directories in which IDL will search for online help files.

!JOURNAL - Logical unit number of journal output, or 0.

!MORE - Set to 0 to prevent paginating help text.

!MAKE_DLL - Used to configure how IDL uses the CALL_EXTERNAL, DLMs, and LINKIMAGE for the current platform.

!PATH - Search path for IDL routines.
UNIX: colon-separated list of directories.
Windows: semicolon-separated list of directories.

!PROMPT - String to be used for IDL prompt.

!QUIET - Suppresses informational messages if set to nonzero.

!VERSION - Type, architecture, and version of IDL.
Fields: ARCH - CPU hardware architecture of the system.
OS - The name of the underlying operating system kernel e.g. AIX, sunos, Win32).
OS_FAMILY - The generic name of the operating system (e.g. UNIX, Windows).
OS_NAME - The vendor’s name for the operating environment (e.g. Solaris, Microsoft Windows).
RELEASE - The IDL version number.
BUILD_DATE - Date the IDL executable was compiled.
MEMORY_BITS - The number of bits used to address memory.
FILE_OFFSET_BITS - The number of bits used to position file offsets.
Graphics Information

Direct Graphics Devices

- CGM - The CGM Device
- HP - The HP-GL Device
- NULL - The Null Display Device
- PCL - The PCL Device
- PRINTER - The Printer Device
- REGIS - The Regis Terminal Device
- TEK - The Tektronix Device
- WIN - The Microsoft Windows Device
- X - The X Windows Device
- Z - The Z-Buffer Device

Graphics Keywords

The following keywords are used with IDL plotting routines (AXIS, CONTOUR, PLOT, O PLOT, SHADE_SURF, and SURFACE) and graphics routines (CURSOR, ERASE, PLOTS, POLYFILL, TV, TVCRS, TVRD, and XYOUTS). Many have system variable equivalents. Not all keywords work with all routines. Listings such as {XYZ}KEYWORD indicate that there are 3 keywords, one for each axis (e.g., XCHARSIZE, YCHARSIZE, ZCHARSIZE).

- BACKGROUND - Background color index when erasing.
- CHANNEL - Channel index or mask for multi-channel displays.
- CHARSIZE - Overall character size.
- {XYZ}CHARSIZE - Character size for axes.
- CHARTHICK - Overall thickness for vector fonts.
- CLIP - Coordinates of clipping window.
- COLOR - Color index for data, text, line, or polygon fill.
- DATA - Set to plot in data coordinates.
- DEVICE - Set to plot in device coordinates.
- FONT - Text font index: -1 for vector, 0 for hardware fonts.
- (XYZ)GRIDSTYLE - Linestyle index for tickmarks and grids.
- LINESTYLE - Linestyle used to connect data points.
- (XYZ)MARGIN - Margin of plot window in character units.
- (XYZ)MINOR - Number of minor tick marks.
- NOCLIP - Set to disable clipping of plot.
- NODATA - Set to plot only axes, titles, and annotation w/o data.
- NOERASE - Set to inhibit erasing before new plot.
- NORMAL - Set to plot in normal coordinates.
- ORIENTATION - Angle (in degrees counter-clockwise) for text.
- POSITION - Position of plot window.
- PSYM - Use plotting symbols to plot data points.
- (XYZ)RANGE - Axis range.
- (XYZ)STYLE - Axis type.
- SUBTITLE - String for subtitle.
- SYMSIZE - Size of PSYM plotting symbols.
- T3D - Set to use 3D transformation store in !P.T.
- THICK - Overall line thickness.
- (XYZ)THICK - Thickness of axis and tickmark lines.
- (XYZ)TICKFORMAT - Allows advanced formatting of tick labels.
- (XYZ)TICKINTERVAL - Set to indicate the interval between major tick marks for the first axis level.
- (XYZ)TICKLAYOUT - Set to indicate the tick layout style to be used to draw each level of the axes.
- TICKLEN - Length of tickmarks in normal coordinates. 1.0 produces a grid. Negative values extend outside window.
- (XYZ)TICKLEN - Tickmark lengths for individual axes.
- (XYZ)TICKNAME - String array of up to 30 labels for tickmark annotation.
- (XYZ)TICKS - Number of major tick intervals for axes.
- (XYZ)TICKUNITS - Set to indicate the units to be used for axis tick labeling.
- (XYZ)TICKV - Array of up to 30 elements for tick mark values.
- (XYZ)TICK_GET - Variable in which to return values of tick marks.
- TITLE - String for plot title.
- (XYZ)TITLE - String for specified axis title.
- ZVALUE - The Z coordinate for a 2D plot in 3D space.
- Z - Z coordinate if Z argument not specified in 3D plot call.
## Line Styles

The LINESTYLE keyword to the Direct Graphics plotting routines OPLOT, PLOT, PLOTS, and SURFACE accepts the following values:

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## Plotting Symbols

The PSYM keyword to Direct Graphics plotting routines OPLOT, PLOT, and PLOTS accepts the following values:

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