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<https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/_r_m.html> using R6 classes. Additionally, functionality is added so that 'HDF5' objects behave very similar to their corresponding R counterparts.

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<https://github.com/hhoeflin/hdf5r/>

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hdf5r-package

*hdf5r: A package to provide an interface to hdf5 from R***Description**

A package that allows to interface with the HDF5 C-library. Provides access to most of its functionality from inside R using R6 classes. For more details please see the README at the github page <https://github.com/hhoeflin/hdf5r>.

Examples

```

test_file <- tempfile(fileext=".h5")
file.h5 <- H5File$new(test_file, mode="w")

data(cars)
file.h5$create_group("test")
file.h5[["test/cars"]] <- cars
cars_ds <- file.h5[["test/cars"]]
h5attr(cars_ds, "rownames") <- rownames(cars)

# Close the file at the end
# the 'close' method closes only the file-id, but leaves object inside the file open
# This may prevent re-opening of the file. 'close_all' closes the file and all objects in it
file.h5$close_all()
# now re-open it
file.h5 <- H5File$new(test_file, mode="r+")

# lets look at the content
file.h5$ls(recursive=TRUE)

```

```
cars_ds <- file.h5[["test/cars"]]
# note that for now tables in HDF5 are 1-dimensional, not 2-dimensional
mycars <- cars_ds[]
h5attr_names(cars_ds)
h5attr(cars_ds, "rownames")

file.h5$close_all()
```

as_hex

Convert a double or integer to hex

Description

Convert a double or integer to hex

Usage

```
as_hex(x)
```

Arguments

x The integer or double vector to convert

Details

Converts a double or integer to hex. Contrary to the built-in [format](#), this is done without any conversion of integers in double-format to integers in integer format.

Value

Character string with the hex value

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

create_empty	<i>Create an empty R-object according to a given HDF5 datatype</i>
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Description

Create an empty R-object according to a given HDF5 datatype

Usage

```
create_empty(nelem, dtype)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------|---|
| nelem | The number of elements to use for the object |
| dtype | The datatype based on which an empty R-object should be created |

Details

With complex datatypes it can be useful to have a template that can be used so that the data input into a dataset conforms to expectations.

Given a datatype, this function creates an object of length `nelem`. Here, an empty datatype refers to objects with value 0 for numeric objects and empty strings.

Value

An empty R object corresponding to the datatype that was passed in

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

factor_ext	<i>Create an extended factor</i>
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Description

Create an extended factor

Usage

```
factor_ext(x, values, levels, drop = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	The object to convert to an factor_ext
values	The values used for the levels; This is were factor_ext is different from a factor, as values for levels do not have to be consecutive or start at 1.
levels	The levels of the object; character string
drop	Should non-occurring levels be dropped

Details

An extended version of a regular factor variable. Instead of the levels having values from 1 to n where n is the number of levels, any integer value can be used for any level (including 64bit integers). If all values are in the range of a regular 32-bit integer, it is coerced to int. Automatic coercion of extended factors to factors in [H5ToR_Post](#) for enums only works for 32-bit integer base types. In this page this is heavily used, as constants in HDF5 can be arbitrary integer values.

Value

An object of S3 class factor_ext

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

factor_ext_functions *Various functions for factor_ext objects*

Description

Various functions for factor_ext objects

Usage

```
values(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
values(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'factor'
values(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
values(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
as.character(x, ...)
```

```

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
x[[...]]  
  

## S3 replacement method for class 'factor_ext'
x[[...]] <- value  
  

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
x[..., drop = FALSE]  
  

## S3 replacement method for class 'factor_ext'
x[...] <- value  
  

is.factor_ext(x)  
  

coercible_to_factor(x)  
  

coerce_to_factor(x)  
  

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
print(x, quote = FALSE, max.levels = NULL,
      width = getOption("width"), ...)  
  

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
e1 == e2  
  

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
e1 != e2  
  

## S3 method for class 'factor_ext'
c(...)
```

Arguments

x	Object of type factor_ext
...	Currently ignored
value	The object to assign; here has be a level of factor_ext
drop	Should dimensions of size 1 be dropped?
quote	logical, indicating whether or not strings should be printed with surrounding quotes.
max.levels	integer, indicating how many levels should be printed. if '0', no extra "Levels" line will be printed. The default, 'NULL', entails choosing 'max.levels' such that the levels print on one line of width 'width' (same for values).
width	only used when max.levels is NULL (see above)
e1, e2	The two objects in the equality or inequality comparison.

Details

values Extracts the underlying values of an object (the generic here)

values.factor_ext Extracts the underlying values of a factor_ext object
values.factor Extracts the underlying values of a factor
values.default Default of the values function; currently returns an error
as.character Coerces factor_ext to a character-representation using its levels, not values
[[.factor_ext Single-item subsetting of a factor_ext object
[[<-factor_ext Single-item subset assignment to a factor_ext object
[.factor_ext Subsetting of a factor_ext object
[<.factor_ext Subset assignment to a factor_ext object
is.factor_ext Check if it is a factor_ext object. Returns a logical
coercible_to_factor Checks if a factor_ext could be coerced to a factor. Returns a logical.
coerce_to_factor Coerces to a factor, otherwise throws an error if not possible.
print.factor_ext Prints a factor_ext object.
==.factor_ext Compare two factor_ext for equality.
!=.factor_ext Compare two factor_ext for inequality.
c.factor_ext Concatenate objects of type factor_ext.

Value

Depending on the function

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

flatten_df *Flatten a nested data.frame*

Description

Flatten a nested data.frame

Usage

```
flatten_df(df, factor_ext_to_char = FALSE)
```

Arguments

df	The data.frame to flatten
factor_ext_to_char	Should extended factor variables be converted to characters (mainly for easy printing)

Details

HDF5 Compounds allow for nesting. Correspondingly, nested data.frames are being produced. This function flattens such a nested data.frame.

For easier printing to the screen, it also allows for coercion of `factor_ext` to character variables.

Value

A flattened `data.frame`

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

guess_chunks	<i>Guess the dimension of a chunk</i>
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Description

Guess the dimension of a chunk

Usage

```
guess_chunks(space_maxdims, dtype_size,  
             chunk_size = getOption("hdf5r.chunk_size"))
```

Arguments

space_maxdims	Maximal dimensions of the dataset
dtype_size	Size of the datatype that is stored
chunk_size	Size of each chunk in bytes

Details

The size of the chunk in bytes is first divided by the size of the datatype, giving the number of elements to be stored in each chunk. This is taken as a rough guideline. Then, the number of dimensions of the dataset is used. By default, the chunk is assumed to have the same size in each dimension, yielding an initial guess.

If the resulting chunk is larger than the entire dataset for a maximal dimension, this dimension of the chunk is reduced and redistributed to the other dimensions.

As a chunk is never allowed to be larger than the maximum dimension of the dataset itself,

Value

An integer vector giving the dimension of the chunk

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

`guess_nelem`*Guess the HDF5 datatype of an R object*

Description

Guess the HDF5 datatype of an R object

Usage

```
guess_nelem(x, dtype)
guess_dim(x)
guess_dtype(x, ds_dim = NULL, scalar = FALSE,
           string_len = getOption("hdf5r.default_string_len"))
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	The object for which to guess the HDF5 datatype or the dimension or the number of elements
<code>dtype</code>	datatype; used in guessing the number of dataset elements of an r object
<code>ds_dim</code>	Can explicitly set the dimension of the dataset object. For <code>scalar</code> , this is one. Otherwise, this can be used so that a multi-dimensional object can be represented so that some of its dimension are in the dataset, and some are inside an <code>H5T_ARRAY</code>
<code>scalar</code>	Should the datatype be created so that <code>x</code> can be represented as a scalar with that datatype? This is intended to know if a vector/array should be represented as an <code>H5T_ARRAY</code> or not.
<code>string_len</code>	If a string is in the R object, the length to which the corresponding HDF5 type should be set. If it is a positive integer, the string is of that length. If it is <code>Inf</code> , it is variable length. If it is set to <code>estimate</code> , it is set to the length of the longest string in the <code>x</code> .

Details

Given an object, it creates a datatype in HDF5 that would match this object. For simple datasets like arrays, this function is not so useful, but is very good for creating dataframes or hierarchical objects (like lists of dataframes) etc.

Value

An object of class `H5T` that represents the HDF5-type of the Robj that was passed in

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

guess_space	<i>Guess the dataspace of an object</i>
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Description

Guess the dataspace of an object

Usage

```
guess_space(x, dtype, chunked = TRUE)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---------|---|
| x | The R object for which to guess the space |
| dtype | Object of type H5T , that represents that datatype to use. |
| chunked | Is the datatype chunked? If yes, <code>maxdims</code> of the space will be set to infinity, otherwise <code>maxdims</code> will be set to the original extent of the space. |

Details

Creates a dataspace that fits an R object so that it can be written into a dataset. This is used for example in dataset creation based on an R-object, not a specifically defined dimensions.

Value

An object of type [H5S](#)

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

h5-wrapper	<i>Wrapper functions to provide an h5 compatible interface.</i>
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Description

The functions listed below provide a wrapper-interface compatible to functions specified in the **h5** package. The author(s) have decided to deprecate **h5** and join forces and still make the transition for **h5** users as smooth as possible. Additionally, almost all testcases could be transferred to **hdf5r** to improve test coverage even more.

Usage

```

h5file(...)

createGroup(object, name, ...)

openLocation(object, name)

openGroup(object, name)

createDataSet(object, name, ...)

readDataSet(object)

h5close(object)

h5flush(object)

existsGroup(object, name)

is.h5file(name)

extendDataSet(object, dims)

## S3 method for class 'H5D'
rbind(x, mat, ..., deparse.level = 1)

## S3 method for class 'H5D'
cbind(x, mat, ..., deparse.level = 1)

## S3 method for class 'H5D'
c(x, ...)

h5unlink(object, name)

list.attributes(object)

```

Arguments

...	Additional parameters passed to <code>create_group</code> or <code>h5file</code> .
object	CommonFG; Object implementing the CommonFG Interface (e.g. H5File , H5Group).
name	Name of the group to create.
dims	numeric; Dimension vector to which dataset should be extended.
x	An object of class H5D; the dataset to add rows or columns to; Needs to be a matrix
mat	The matrix to add to x
deparse.level	Set to 1; ignored otherwise; only present as required by generic

Details

Below you can find a list of all **h5** functions including **hdf5r** *mappings*.

h5file Directly maps to H5File\$new, see also [H5File](#).

createGroup Maps to object\$create_group where object implements *CommonFG*.

openLocation Uses object\$open where object implements *CommonFG*.

createDataSet Maps to object\$create_dataset where object implements *CommonFG*.

readDataSet Maps to object\$read, see also [H5D](#).

h5close Maps to object\$close_all for [H5File](#) and object\$close for other.

h5flush Maps to object\$flush where object implements *CommonFGDTA*.

The following **interfaces** are defined:

CommonFG Implemented by objects of class [H5File](#) and [H5Group](#).

CommonFGDTA Implemented by objects of class [H5File](#), [H5Group](#), [H5D](#), [H5T](#) and [H5A](#).

References

Mario Annau (2017). **h5**: *Interface to the 'HDF5' Library*. R package version 0.9.9. <https://github.com/mannau/h5>

Description

This class represents an HDF5 attribute. Usually it is easier to read and write attributes for groups, datasets and committed datatypes using the functions documented in [h5attributes](#).

Details

Otherwise, the functionality for attributes is very similar to that of datasets ([H5D](#)), however with the notable exception that attributes always have to be read and written as a whole.

Value

Object of class [H5A](#).

Methods

`get_info()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_name()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`get_space()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_space. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`get_type(native = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_type. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`get_storage_size()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_storage_size. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`read_low_level(buffer, mem_type, duplicate_buffer = FALSE)` Only for advanced users. See documentation for `read` instead. This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aread. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`read(flags = getOption("hdf5r.h5tor_default"), drop = TRUE)` Reads the data of the attribute and returns it as an R-object

Parameters

flags Conversion rules for integer values. See also `h5const`

drop Logical. Should dimensions of length 1 be dropped (R-default for arrays)

`write_low_level(buffer, mem_type)` Only for advanced users. See documentation for `write` instead. This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Awrite. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`write(robj, mem_type = NULL, flush = getOption("hdf5r.flush_on_write"))` Writes the data of `robj` to the attribute

Parameters

robj The object to write into the attribute

mem_type The memory data type to use when transferring from HDF5 to intermediate storage. This is an advanced development feature and may be removed in the future.

`print(...)` Prints information for the dataset

Parameters

... ignored

`flush(scope = h5const$H5F_SCOPE_GLOBAL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Flush. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_f.html for details.

`get_filename()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_f.html for details.

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

Examples

```
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")
h5attr(file, "attr_numeric") <- rnorm(10)
a <- file$attr_open("attr_numeric")
a$get_info()
a$attr_name()
a$get_space()
a$get_type()
a$get_storage_size()
a$read()
a$write(10:1)
a$print()
a$close()
file$close_all()
```

h5attributes

Interface for HDF5 attributes

Description

Interface for HDF5 attributes

Usage

```
h5attributes(x)

h5attr_names(x)

h5attr(x, which)

h5attr(x, which) <- value
```

Arguments

x	The object to which to attach the attribute to or retrieve it from. Can be one of H5Group , H5D , H5T or H5File
which	The name of the attribute to assign it to
value	The value to assign to the attribute.

Details

Implements high-level functions that allows interactions with HDF5-attributes in a way very similar to regular R-object attributes in R are handled.

Value

For `h5attributes`, a named list with the content of the attributes read out. For `h5attr_names`, a vector of names of the attributes attached to the object `x`. For `h5attr`, the content of the attribute and for `h5attr<-`, the assignment, the original object to which the attributes are attached (so that chaining is possible).

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

`h5const`

All constants used in HDF5

Description

These are all constants used in HDF5. They are stored in an environment with locked bindings so that they cannot be changed. An overview of all constants can be seen with `h5const$overview`, listing all of them. Each constant can be accessed using `$` and the name of the constant. See the examples below.

Details

There are also some flags that govern edge cases of conversion from HDF5 to R. This is related to how integers are being treated and the issue of R not being able to natively represent 64bit integers and not at all being able to represent unsigned 64bit integers (even using add-on packages). The constants all start with the term `H5TOR`. There are currently possible values

H5TOR_CONV_NONE Doesn't do any conversion. Every integer datatype with more than 32 bit is returned as 64bit integers. For unsigned 64bit integers, the conversion to signed 64bit integers is done by truncation

H5TOR_CONV_INT64_INT_NOLOSS Under this setting, whenever a 64 bit integer would be returned, it is checked if it would also fit into a 32 bit integer without data loss and returned as such if possible

H5TOR_CONV_INT64_FLOAT_NOLOSS Under this setting, whenever a 64 bit integer would be returned, it is checked if it would also fit into a 64 bit floating point value without data loss and returned as such if possible

H5TOR_CONV_INT64_NOLOSS Combines `H5TOR_CONV_INT64_INT_NOLOSS` and `H5TOR_CONV_INT64_FLOAT_NOLOSS` and is set as the default in the `hdf5r.h5tor_default` option.

H5TOR_CONV_INT64_FLOAT_FORCE Under this setting, whenever a 64 bit integer would be returned, it is coerced to a double even if this results in a loss of precision. If a loss of precision occurs, a warning is issued. Please note that this also overrides the use of `H5TOR_CONV_UNIT64_NA`. As loss of precision is already accepted, `UINT64`-values that are larger than `LLONG_MAX` will be represented as their next possible floating point value.

H5TOR_CONV_UINT64_NA When converting an unsigned 64bit integer, any values that don't fit into a signed 64bit integer are set to NA. If this flag is not set, then the values will be truncated to `LLONG_MAX`, the largest 64bit signed integer.

H5TOR_CONV_DEFAULT Is both `H5TOR_CONV_INT64_INT` and `H5TOR_CONV_UNIT64_FLOAT`

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

Examples

```
h5const$overview
h5const$H5F_ACC_RDWR
h5const$H5F_ACC_DEFAULT
# Combining flags
bitwOr(h5const$H5TOR_CONV_UINT64_NA, h5const$H5TOR_CONV_INT64_INT_NOLOSS)
```

H5D-class

Class for representing HDF5 datasets

Description

In HDF5, datasets can be located in a group (see [H5Group](#)) or at the root of a file (see [H5File](#)). They can be created either with a pre-existing R-object (arrays as well as data.frames are supported, but not lists or other complex objects), or by specifying an explicit datatype (for available datatypes see [h5types\\$overview](#) as well as the dimension. In addition, other features are supported such as transparent compression (for which a chunk-size can be selected).

Details

In order to create a dataset, the `create_dataset` methods of either [H5Group](#) or [H5File](#) should be used. Please see the documentation there for how to create them.

The most important parts of a dataset are the

Space The space of the dataset. It describes the dimension of the dataset as well as the maximum dimensions. Can be obtained using the `get_space` of the [H5S](#) object.

Datatype The datatypes that is being used in the dataset. Can be obtained using the `get_type` method. See [H5T](#) to get more information about using datatypes.

In order to read and write datasets, the `read` and `write` methods are available. In addition, the standard way of using `[` to access arrays is supported as well (see [H5S_H5D_subset_assign](#) for more help).

Other information/action of possible interest are

Storage size The size of the dataset can be extracted using `get_storage_size`

Size change The size of the dataset can be changed using the `set_extent` method

Please also note the active methods

dims Dimension of the dataset

maxdims Maximum dimensions of the dataset

chunk_dims Dimension of the chunks

key_info Returns the space, type, property-list and dimensions

Value

Object of class [H5D](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Initializes a new dataset-object. Only for internal use. Use the `create_dataset` function for [H5Group](#) and [H5File](#) objects

Parameters

id For internal use only

`get_space()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_space`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_space_status()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_space_status`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_type(native = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_type`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_create_plist()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_create_plist`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_access_plist()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_access_plist`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_offset()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_offset`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_storage_size()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dget_storage_size`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`vlen_get_buf_size(type, space)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dvlen_get_buf_size`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`vlen_reclaim(buffer, type, space, dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dvlen_reclaim`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`read_low_level(file_space = h5const$H5S_ALL, mem_space = NULL, mem_type = NULL, dataset_xfer_pl = h5const`
 This function is for advanced users. It is recommended to use `read` instead or the `[` interface. This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Dread`, with minor changes to the API to accommodate R. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details. It reads the data in the dataset as specified by `mem_space` and return it as an R-obj

Parameters

file_space An HDF5-space, represented as class [H5S](#) that determines which part of the dataset is being read. Can also be given as an id

mem_space The space as it is represented in memory; advanced feature; may be removed in the future. Can also be given as an id.

mem_type Memory type; extracted from the dataset if null (can be passed in for efficiency reasons) Can also be given as an id.

dataset_xfer_pl Dataset transfer property list. See [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#)

flags Conversion rules for integer values. See also [h5const](#)

set_dim If TRUE, the dimension attribute is set in the return value. How it is set is determined by **dim_to_set**.

dim_to_set The dimension to set; Has to be numeric and needs to be specified if **set_dim** is TRUE. If the result is a data.frame, i.e. the data-type is a compound, then the dimension is ignored as the correct dimension is already set.

drop Logical. Should dimensions of length 1 be dropped (R-default for arrays)

```
read(args = NULL, dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, flags = getOption("hdf5r.h5tor_default"), drop = FALSE)
```

Main interface for reading data from the dataset. It is the function that is used by `[`, where all indices are being passed in the parameter `args`.

Parameters

args The indices for each dimension to subset given as a list. This makes this easier to use as a programmatic API. For interactive use we recommend the use of the `[` operator. If set to `NULL`, the entire dataset will be read.

envir The environment in which to evaluate `args`

dataset_xfer_pl An object of class [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#).

flags Some flags governing edge cases of conversion from HDF5 to R. This is related to how integers are being treated and the issue of R not being able to natively represent 64bit integers and not at all being able to represent unsigned 64bit integers (even using add-on packages). The constants governing this are part of [h5const](#). The relevant ones start with the term H5TOR and are documented there. The default set here returns a regular 32bit integer if it doesn't lead to an overflow and returns a 64bit integer from the `bit64` package otherwise. For 64bit unsigned int that are larger than 64bit signed int, it return a double. This looses precision, however.

drop Logical. When reading data, should dimensions of size 1 be dropped.

Return

The data that was read as an R object

```
write_low_level(robject, file_space = h5const$H5S_ALL, mem_space = NULL, mem_type = NULL, dataset_xfer_pl = NULL)
```

This function is for advanced users. It is recommended to use `read` instead or the `[<-` interface as used for arrays. This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Dwrite, with some changes to accommodate R. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details. It writes that data from the `robject` into the dataset.

Parameters

robject The object to write into the dataset

mem_space The space as it is represented in memory; advanced feature; may be removed in the future

mem_type Memory type; extracted from the dataset if null (can be passed in for efficiency reasons)

file_space An HDF5-space, represented as class [H5S](#) that determines which part of the dataset is being written.

dataset_xfer_pl Dataset transfer property list. See [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#)

flush Should a flush be done after the write

`write(args, value, dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, envir = parent.frame())` Main interface for writing data to the dataset. It is the function that is used by [<<, where all indices are being passed in the parameter args.

Parameters

- args** The indices for each dimension to subset given as a list. This makes this easier to use as a programmatic API. For interactive use we recommend the use of the [operator. If set to NULL, the entire dataset will be read.
- value** The data to write to the dataset
- envir** The environment in which to evaluate args
- dataset_xfer_pl** An object of class [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#).

Return

The HDF5 dataset object, returned invisibly

`set_extent(dims)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Dset_extent. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for details.

`get_fill_value()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_fill_value, automatically supplying the datatype of the dataset for convenience. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`create_reference(...)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Rcreate. The parameters are interpreted as in '['. The function always create H5R_DATASET_REGION references. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_r.html for details.

`print(..., max.attributes = 10)` Prints information for the dataset

Parameters

- ... ignored
- max.attributes** Maximum number of attribute names to print

`obj_info(remove_internal_use_only = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

`get_obj_name()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`create_attr(attr_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate2. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_open(attr_name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

create_attr_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_open_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_open_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const\$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const\$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_exists_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_exists(attr_name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_rename_by_name(old_attr_name, new_attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_rename(old_attr_name, new_attr_name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_delete(attr_name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_delete_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_delete_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const\$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const\$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_info_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

```

attr_info_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac-
  This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_idx. Please see the doc-
  umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_a.html for details.

attr_name_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac-
  This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_name_by_idx. Please see the doc-
  umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_a.html for details.

attr_get_number() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_num_attrs. Please
  see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_a.html for details.

flush(scope = h5const$H5F_SCOPE_GLOBAL) This function implements the HDF5-API function
  H5Flush. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.

get_filename() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_name. Please see the
  documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.

dims() Get the dimension of the dataset
maxdims() Get the maximal dimension of the dataset
chunk_dims() Return the dimension of the chunks. NA if the dataset is not chunked
key_info() Returns the key types as a list, consisting of type, space, dataset_create_pl, type_size_raw,
  type_size_variable, dims and chunk_dims. type_size_raw versus variable differs for variable
  length types, which return Inf for type_size_variable and the underlying size for type_size_raw

```

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Examples

```

# First create a file to create datasets in it
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")

# Show the 3 different ways how to create a dataset
file[["directly"]] <- matrix(1:10, ncol=2)
file$create_dataset("from_robj", matrix(1:10, ncol=2))
dset <- file$create_dataset("basic", dtype=h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT,
                           space=H5S$new("simple", dims=c(5, 2), maxdims=c(10,2)), chunk_dims=c(5,2))

# Different ways of reading the dataset
dset$read(args=list(1:5, 1))
dset$read(args=list(1:5, quote(expr=)))
dset$read(args=list(1:5, NULL))
dset[1:5, 1]
dset[1:5, ]
dset[1:5, NULL]

```

```

# Writing to the dataset
dset$write(args=list(1:3, 1:2), value=11:16)
dset[4:5, 1:2] <- -(1:4)
dset[,]

# Extract key information
dset$dims
dset$maxdims
dset$chunk_dims
dset$key_info
dset

file$close_all()
file.remove(fname)

```

H5File-class*Class for interacting with HDF5 files.***Description**

H5File objects are the main entry point to access HDF5 data from binary files. This class represents an open HDF5 File-id. It inherits all functions of the [H5RefClass](#).

Details

HDF5 files can be opened or generated using the `H5File$new()` function and a specified file access mode. `H5File$new()` returns a H5File object which can be used to access [H5Groups](#) and Datasets (see [H5D](#)) using subsetting parameters or according class methods.

HDF5 files which have been created or opened through `H5File$new()` need to be closed afterwards using `$close_all()`. `$close_all()` not only closes the file itself, but also all objects that are still open inside it (such as groups or datasets). `$flush()` can be used to flush unwritten data to an HDF5 file.

HDF5 Files typically contain the following objects:

Groups Similar to a file system folder, used to organize HDF5 objects in a hierarchical way, see also [H5Group](#)

Datasets Objects to store actual data, see also [H5D](#)

Attributes Meta data objects to store extra information about Files, Groups and Datasets, see also [H5A](#)

Value

Object of class [H5File](#).

Methods

```
new(filename = NULL, mode = c("a", "r", "r+", "w", "w-", "x"), file_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, file_
  Opens or creates a new HDF5 File
Parameters
filename Name of the file
mode How to open it. a creates a new file or opens an existing one for read/write. r opens an
  existing file for reading, r+ opens an existing file for read/write. w creates a file, truncating
  any existing ones and w-/x are synonyms, creating a file and failing if it already exists.
get_obj_count(types = h5const$H5F_OBJ_ALL) This function implements the HDF5-API func-
  tion H5Fget_obj_count. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/
  documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.
get_obj_ids(types = h5const$H5F_OBJ_ALL) This function implements the HDF5-API func-
  tion H5Fget_obj_ids. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/
  documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.
get_filesize() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_filesize. Please see
  the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_-
  \_\_h5\_f.html for details.
file_info() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_info2. Please see the doc-
  umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_-
  h5\_f.html for details. Please note that the returned information differs if HDF5 Version
  1.8.16 or HDF5 Version >= 1.10.0 is being used
get_intent() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_intent. Please see the
  documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_-
  \_\_h5\_f.html for details.
close_all(close_self = TRUE) Closes the file, flushes it and also closes all open objects that are
  still open in it. This is the recommended way of closing any file. If not all objects in a file are
  closed, the file remains open and cannot be re-opened the regular way.
print(..., max.attributes = 10, max.listing = 10) Prints information for the file
Parameters
max.attributes Maximum number of attribute names to print
max.listing Maximum number of ls-items to print
... ignored
open(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, dataset_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, type_access_p_
  Opens groups, datasets or types using the appropriate HDF5-API functions. Please see the
  documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_-
  \_\_h5\_d.html for datasets, https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/
  group\_\_h5\_o.html for types and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/
  latest/group\_\_h5\_o.html for general objects.
open_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, lin_
  This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oopen_by_idx. Please see the doc-
  umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_-
  \_\_h5\_o.html for details.
ls(recursive = FALSE, detailed = FALSE, index_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
  Returns the contents of a file or group as a data.frame.
```

```

exists(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-
API function H5Lexists. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

path_valid(path, check_object_valid = TRUE) This function implements the HDF5-API func-
tion H5LTpath_valid. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1\_t.html for details.

link(obj, new_link_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Olink. Please see the documentation at
https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_o.html for
details.

obj_copy_to(dst_loc, dst_name, src_name, object_copy_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Ocopy. Please see the documentation at
https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_o.html for
details.

obj_copy_from(src_loc, src_name, dst_name, object_copy_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Ocopy. Please see the documentation at
https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_o.html for
details.

obj_info_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info_by_idx. Please see the doc-
umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_o.html for details.

obj_info_by_name(object_name, remove_internal_use_only = TRUE) This function implements
the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_o.html for details.

group_info() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gget_info. Please see the
documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_g.html for details.

group_info_by_name(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements
the HDF5-API function H5Gget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_g.html for details.

group_info_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gget_info_by_idx. Please see the doc-
umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_g.html for details.

create_group(name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, group_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, group_a-
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gcreate2 and H5Gcreate_anon (if name
is NULL). Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_g.html for regular groups and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_g.html for anonymous groups for details.

create_dataset(name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL, dims = NULL, chunk_dims = "auto", gzip_level =
This function is the main interface to create a new dataset. Its parameters allow for cus-
tomization of the default behavior, i.e. in order to get a specific datatype, a certain chunk size
or dataset dimensionality. Also note that this function implements the HDF5-API function
H5Dcreate2 and H5Dcreate_anon (if name is NULL). Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_g.html
```

//support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for regular groups and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for anonymous groups for details.

Parameters

name The name of the new dataset. If missing, an anonymous dataset is created

robj An R-object to take as a template for creating the dataset. Either **robj** or both **dtype** and **space** have to be provided

dtype The datatype to use for the creation of the object. Can be null if **robj** is given.

space The space to use for the object creation. Can be null if **robj** is given. Otherwise an object of type H5S which specifies the dimensions of the dataset.

dims Dimension of the new dataset; used if **space** is NULL. overwrite the dimension guessed from **robj** if **robj** is given.

chunk_dims Size of the chunk. Has to have the same length as the dataset dimension. If "auto" then the size of each chunk is estimated so that each chunk is roughly as large in bytes as the value in the `hdf5r.chunk_size` option. See also [guess_chunks](#) for a more detailed explanation. If set to NULL, then no chunking is used, unless explicitly set in `dataset_create_pl`.

gzip_level Only if **chunk_dims** is not null. If given, then the `dataset_create_pl` is set to enable zipping at the level given here. If set to NULL, then gzip is not set (but could be set otherwise in `dataset_create_pl`)

link_create_pl Link creation property list. See [H5P_LINK_CREATE](#)

dataset_create_pl Dataset creation property list. See [H5P_DATASET_CREATE](#)

dataset_access_pl Dataset access property list. See [H5P_DATASET_ACCESS](#)

commit(**name**, **dtype**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **type_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **type_ac-**
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tcommit2. Please see the documenta-
tion at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html
for details.

link_create_hard(**obj_loc**, **obj_name**, **link_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcreate_hard. Please see the documenta-
tion at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html
for details.

link_create_soft(**target_path**, **link_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcreate_soft. Please see the documenta-
tion at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html
for details.

link_create_external(**target_filename**, **target_obj_name**, **link_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcreate_external. Please see the doc-
umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html for details.

link_exists(**name**, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the
HDF5-API function H5Lexists. Please see the documentation at <https://support.hdfgroup.org/docu->
[mentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html](https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html) for details.

link_move_from(**src_loc**, **src_name**, **dst_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5co-
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lmove. Please see the documentation at
https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html for
details.

```

link_move_to(dst_loc, dst_name, src_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lmove. Please see the documentation at
    https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for
    details.

link_copy_from(src_loc, src_name, dst_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcopy. Please see the documentation at
    https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for
    details.

link_copy_to(dst_loc, dst_name, src_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcopy. Please see the documentation at
    https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for
    details.

link_delete(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the
    HDF5-API function H5Ldelete. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_delete_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Ldelete_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_info(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-
    API function H5Lget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_info_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lget_info_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_value(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-
    API function H5Lget_val. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_value_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lget_val_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_name_by_idx(n, group_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lget_name_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

mount(name, child) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fmount. Please see the
    documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.

unmount(name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Funmount. Please see the
    documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.

create_reference(name = ".", space = NULL) This function implements the HDF5-API func-
    tion H5Rcreate. If space=NULL then a H5R_OBJECT reference is created, otherwise a H5R_DATASET_REGION

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reference Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_r.html for details.

`obj_info(remove_internal_use_only = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

`get_obj_name()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`create_attr(attr_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate2. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_open(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`create_attr_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_open_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_open_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_exists_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_exists(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_rename_by_name(old_attr_name, new_attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_rename(old_attr_name, new_attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_info_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_info_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_name_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_name_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_get_number()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_num_attrs. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`flush(scope = h5const$H5F_SCOPE_GLOBAL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fflush. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_f.html for details.

`get_filename()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_f.html for details.

`names(link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` Returns the names of the items in the group or at the root of the file

Parameters

link_access_pl The link-access property list. See https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__l_a_p_l.html for more detail.

Extract/List File Contents

The following functions are defined to extract HDF5 file contents:

`list.groups` List HDF5 groups in file.

`list.datasets` List HDF5 datasets in file.

`names` List all items in a file or group (applicable for `H5File` and `H5Group`)

`list.attributes` List Attributes of HDF5 object (file, group or dataset).

`h5attr_names` Attribute names of an HDF5 object; similar to `list.attributes`

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See Also

[h5file](#)

Examples

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# The following examples generates a HDF5 file with the different HDF5
# Objects and shows its contents:
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")
file[["testdataset"]] <- 1:10
h5attr(file, "testattrib") <- LETTERS[1:10]
file$create_group("testgroup")
file[["testgroup/testdataset2"]] <- 1:10
# Show contents of file
file
# Close file and delete
file$close_all()

# The following example shows hdf5 file contents and how to use them to iterate over HDF5 elements:
file <- h5file(fname, mode = "a")
sapply(c("testgroup1", "testgroup2", "testgroup3"), file$create_group)
file[["testgroup1/testset1"]] <- 1:10
file[["testgroup2/testset2"]] <- 11:20
file[["testgroup3/testset3"]] <- 21:30

# Extract first 3 elements from each dataset and combine result to matrix
sapply(list.datasets(file, recursive = TRUE), function(x) file[[x]][1:3])
# Close file
file$close_all()
file.remove(fname)
```

h5garbage_collect *Trigger the HDF5 garbage collection*

Description

Trigger the HDF5 garbage collection

Usage

`h5garbage_collect()`

Details

This function triggers the HDF5 internal garbage collection. It is independent of the R garbage collection and currently has to be triggered by hand.

Value

Invisible NULL

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H5Group-class

Class for representing HDF5 groups

Description

HDF5-Groups are essentially equivalent to directories in a file system. Inside the groups, other groups or datasets can be created. For the most parts, groups behave like files, so please also look at the documentation of H5File.

Value

Object of class [H5Group](#).

Methods

`print(..., max.attributes = 10, max.listing = 10)` Prints information for the group

Parameters

max.attributes Maximum number of attribute names to print

max.listing Maximum number of ls-items to print

... ignored

`open(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, dataset_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, type_access_p...)` Opens groups, datasets or types using the appropriate HDF5-API functions. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for datasets, https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for types and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for general objects.

`open_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_order = h5const$H5_LINK_ORDER_NATURAL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oopen_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

`ls(recursive = FALSE, detailed = FALSE, index_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)` Returns the contents of a file or group as a data.frame.

exists(name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lexists. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_1.html for details.

path_valid(path, check_object_valid = TRUE) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5LTpath_valid. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_1_t.html for details.

link(obj, new_link_name, link_create_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Olink. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

obj_copy_to(dst_loc, dst_name, src_name, object_copy_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, link_create_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Ocopy. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

obj_copy_from(src_loc, src_name, dst_name, object_copy_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, link_create_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Ocopy. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

obj_info_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const\$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const\$H5_ITER_NATIVE) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

obj_info_by_name(object_name, remove_internal_use_only = TRUE) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

group_info() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_g.html for details.

group_info_by_name(name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_g.html for details.

group_info_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const\$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const\$H5_ITER_NATIVE) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gget_info_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_g.html for details.

create_group(name, link_create_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, group_create_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, group_anon = FALSE) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Gcreate2 and H5Gcreate_anon (if name is NULL). Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_g.html for regular groups and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_g.html for anonymous groups for details.

create_dataset(name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL, dims = NULL, chunk_dims = "auto", gzip_level = 0) This function is the main interface to create a new dataset. Its parameters allow for customization of the default behavior, i.e. in order to get a specific datatype, a certain chunk size or dataset dimensionality. Also note that this function implements the HDF5-API function H5Dcreate2 and H5Dcreate_anon (if name is NULL). Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_g.html

//support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for regular groups and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_d.html for anonymous groups for details.

Parameters

name The name of the new dataset. If missing, an anonymous dataset is created

robj An R-object to take as a template for creating the dataset. Either **robj** or both **dtype** and **space** have to be provided

dtype The datatype to use for the creation of the object. Can be null if **robj** is given.

space The space to use for the object creation. Can be null if **robj** is given. Otherwise an object of type H5S which specifies the dimensions of the dataset.

dims Dimension of the new dataset; used if **space** is NULL. overwrite the dimension guessed from **robj** if **robj** is given.

chunk_dims Size of the chunk. Has to have the same length as the dataset dimension. If "auto" then the size of each chunk is estimated so that each chunk is roughly as large in bytes as the value in the `hdf5r.chunk_size` option. See also [guess_chunks](#) for a more detailed explanation. If set to NULL, then no chunking is used, unless explicitly set in `dataset_create_pl`.

gzip_level Only if **chunk_dims** is not null. If given, then the `dataset_create_pl` is set to enable zipping at the level given here. If set to NULL, then gzip is not set (but could be set otherwise in `dataset_create_pl`)

link_create_pl Link creation property list. See [H5P_LINK_CREATE](#)

dataset_create_pl Dataset creation property list. See [H5P_DATASET_CREATE](#)

dataset_access_pl Dataset access property list. See [H5P_DATASET_ACCESS](#)

commit(**name**, **dtype**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **type_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **type_ac-**
This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Tcommit2`. Please see the documenta-
tion at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html
for details.

link_create_hard(**obj_loc**, **obj_name**, **link_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Lcreate_hard`. Please see the documenta-
tion at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html
for details.

link_create_soft(**target_path**, **link_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Lcreate_soft`. Please see the documenta-
tion at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html
for details.

link_create_external(**target_filename**, **target_obj_name**, **link_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Lcreate_external`. Please see the doc-
umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html for details.

link_exists(**name**, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the
HDF5-API function `H5Lexists`. Please see the documentation at <https://support.hdfgroup.org/docu->
[mentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html](https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html) for details.

link_move_from(**src_loc**, **src_name**, **dst_name**, **link_create_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT, **link_access_pl** = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT)
This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Lmove`. Please see the documentation at
https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_l.html for details.

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link_move_to(dst_loc, dst_name, src_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lmove. Please see the documentation at
    https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for
    details.

link_copy_from(src_loc, src_name, dst_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcopy. Please see the documentation at
    https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for
    details.

link_copy_to(dst_loc, dst_name, src_name, link_create_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lcopy. Please see the documentation at
    https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for
    details.

link_delete(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the
    HDF5-API function H5Ldelete. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_delete_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Ldelete_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_info(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-
    API function H5Lget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_info_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lget_info_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_value(name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-
    API function H5Lget_val. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_value_by_idx(n, group_name = ".", index_field = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE)
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lget_val_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

link_name_by_idx(n, group_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_
    This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Lget_name_by_idx. Please see the doc-
    umentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_1.html for details.

mount(name, child) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fmount. Please see the
    documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.

unmount(name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Funmount. Please see the
    documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_f.html for details.

create_reference(name = ".", space = NULL) This function implements the HDF5-API func-
    tion H5Rcreate. If space=NULL then a H5R_OBJECT reference is created, otherwise a H5R_DATASET_REGION

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reference Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_r.html for details.

`obj_info(remove_internal_use_only = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

`get_obj_name()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`create_attr(attr_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate2. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_open(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`create_attr_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_open_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_open_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_exists_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_exists(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_rename_by_name(old_attr_name, new_attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_rename(old_attr_name, new_attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_info_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_info_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_name_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_name_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_get_number()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_num_attrs. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`flush(scope = h5const$H5F_SCOPE_GLOBAL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fflush. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_f.html for details.

`get_filename()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Fget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_f.html for details.

`names(link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` Returns the names of the items in the group or at the root of the file

Parameters

link_access_pl The link-access property list. See https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__l_a_p_l.html for more detail.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")
group <- file$create_group("testgroup")
group$print()
group$close()
file$close_all()
```

<code>H5Group_access</code>	<i>Retrieve object from a group of file</i>
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Description

Retrieve object from a group of file

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'H5Group'
x[[name, ..., link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
dataset_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
type_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT]]

## S3 method for class 'H5File'
x[[name, ..., link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
dataset_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
type_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT]]

## S3 replacement method for class 'H5Group'
x[[name, ...]] <- value

## S3 replacement method for class 'H5File'
x[[name, ...]] <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object of class H5File or H5Group
<code>name</code>	Name of the object to retrieve. Has to be a character vector of length one. No integer values allowed.
<code>...</code>	Currently ignored
<code>link_access_pl</code>	An object of class H5P_LINK_ACCESS .
<code>dataset_access_pl</code>	An object of class H5P_DATASET_ACCESS .
<code>type_access_pl</code>	Currently always h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT
<code>value</code>	What to assign. Has to be one of H5Group , H5D or H5T

Details

Works similar to retrieving objects in a list. `x[["my_name"]]` retrieves object `my_name` from the HDF5-File or HDF5-Group `x`.

One can also assign objects under a not yet existing name. For either a [H5Group](#) or [H5D](#), a hard link is created. If it is a datatype, [H5T](#), this is committed under the chosen name `name`.

Value

A H5Group, H5D or H5T, depending on the object saved in the group under the requested name.

Author(s)

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H5P-class

Class for HDF5 property lists.

Description

This is the base class for all property lists, but most have a specialized class. It inherits all functions of the [H5RefClass](#). It is also the base class for many other classes, specifically

Dataset Creation [H5P_DATASET_CREATE](#)

Dataset Access [H5P_DATASET_ACCESS](#)

Dataset Transfer [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#)

Link Creation [H5P_LINK_CREATE](#)

Link Access [H5P_LINK_ACCESS](#)

Object Creation [H5P_OBJECT_CREATE](#)

Object Copy [H5P_OBJECT_COPY](#)

Attribute Creation [H5P_ATTRIBUTE_CREATE](#)

The base class is unlikely to be needed by users - they should use the appropriate subclass required.

Value

Object of class [H5P](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new property list; this function itself is unlikely to be needed by users.

Users should use the classes of the type they actually require

Parameters

id Internal use only

`get_class()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_class. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_class_name()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_class_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`copy()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pcopy. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`equal(cmp)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pequal. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")
file[["testdataset"]] <- 1:10
p <- file[["testdataset"]]$get_create plist()
p$get_class()
p$get_class_name()
p$copy()
p$equal(p)
file$close_all()
```

H5P_ATTRIBUTE_CREATE-class

Class for HDF5 property list for attribute creation

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_ATTRIBUTE_CREATE](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type [H5P_ATTRIBUTE_CREATE](#)

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_char_encoding(encoding = h5const$H5T_CSET_UTF8)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_char_encoding. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_char_encoding()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_char_encoding. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also[H5P](#)

H5P_CLASS-class*Class for HDF5 property list classes (not HDF5 property lists)*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5RefClass](#). The intent of this class is to provide a mechanism to compare the class of HDF5 property classes. This is mainly intended for internal use to get the class type of an HDF5 identifier that is known to be a property list, but not of which type.

Value

Object of class [H5P_CLASS](#).

Methods

`equal(cmp)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pequal. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also[H5P](#)

H5P_DATASET_ACCESS-class*Class for HDF5 property list for dataset access*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_DATASET_ACCESS](#).

Methods

`set_chunk_cache(rdcc_nslots = -1, rdcc_nbytes = -1, rdcc_w0 = -1)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_chunk_cache. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_chunk_cache()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_chunk_cache. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_DATASET_CREATE-class

Class for HDF5 property list for dataset creation

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_DATASET_CREATE](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type [H5P_DATASET_CREATE](#)

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_layout(layout = h5const$H5D_CHUNKED)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_layout. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_layout()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_layout. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_chunk(chunk)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_chunk. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_chunk(max_ndims)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_chunk. If the layout is not chunked, returns NA. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_deflate(level)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_deflate. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_fill_value(dtype, value)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_fill_value. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_fill_value(dtype)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_fill_value. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_fill_time(fill_time = h5const$H5D_FILL_TIME_IFSET)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_fill_time. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_fill_time()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_fill_time. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_alloc_time(alloc_time = h5const$H5D_ALLOC_TIME_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_alloc_time. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_alloc_time()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_alloc_time. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_filter(filter = h5const$H5Z_FILTER_DEFLATE, flags = h5const$H5Z_FLAG_OPTIONAL, cd_values = integer(0))` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_filter. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`all_filters_avail()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pall_filters_avail. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_nfilters()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_nfilters. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_filter(idx)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_filter2. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`modify_filter(filter = h5const$H5Z_FILTER_DEFLATE, flags = h5const$H5Z_FLAG_OPTIONAL, cd_values = integer(0))` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pmodify_filter. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`remove_filter(filter = h5const$H5Z_FILTER_ALL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Premove_filter. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_fletcher32()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_fletcher32. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_nbit()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_nbit. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_scaleoffset(scale_type = h5const$H5Z_SO_FLOAT_DSCALE, scale_factor = 0)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_scaleoffset. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_shuffle()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_shuffle. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_szip()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_szip. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_external(filename, offset, size)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_external. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_external_count()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_external_count. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_external(idx)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_external. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_DATASET_XFER-class

Class for HDF5 property list for dataset transfer

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type [H5P_DATASET_XFER](#)

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_buffer(size = 2^20)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_buffer. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_edc_check(check = h5const$H5Z_ENABLE_EDC)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_edc_check. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_edc_check()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_edc_check. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_hyper_vector_size(size = 2^10)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_hyper_vector_size. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_hyper_vector_size()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_hyper_vector_size. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_btree_ratios(left, middle, right)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_btree_ratios. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_btree_ratios()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_btree_ratios. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

[H5P_FILE_ACCESS-class](#) *Class for HDF5 property list for file creation*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_FILE_ACCESS](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type H5P_FILE_ACCESS

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_cache(rdcc_nslots = 521, rdcc_nbytes = 2^20, rdcc_w0 = 0.75)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_cache. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_cache()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_cache. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_FILE_CREATE-class *Class for HDF5 property list for file creation*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_FILE_CREATE](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type H5P_FILE_CREATE

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_userblock(size)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_userblock. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_userblock()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_userblock. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_sizes(sizeof_addr, sizeof_size)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_sizes. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_sizes()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_sizes. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_sym_k(ik, lk)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_sym_k. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_sym_k()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_sym_k. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_istore_k(ik)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_istore_k. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_istore_k()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_istore_k. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_file_space(strategy, threshold)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_file_space. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_file_space()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_file_space. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_LINK_ACCESS-class *Class for HDF5 property list for link access*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_LINK_ACCESS](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type H5P_LINK_ACCESS

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_nlinks(nlinks)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_nlinks. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_nlinks()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_nlinks. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_elink_prefix(elink_prefix)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_elink_prefix. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_elink_prefix()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_elink_prefix. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_elink_acc_flags(elink_acc_flags = h5const$H5F_ACC_RDWR)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_elink_acc_flags. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_elink_acc_flags()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_elink_acc_flags. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_LINK_CREATE-class *Class for HDF5 property list for link creation*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_LINK_CREATE](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type [H5P_LINK_CREATE](#)

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_char_encoding(encoding = h5const$H5T_CSET_UTF8)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Pset_char_encoding`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_char_encoding()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Pget_char_encoding`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_create_intermediate_group(create = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Pset_create_intermediate_group`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_create_intermediate_group()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Pget_create_intermediate_group`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_OBJECT_COPY-class *Class for HDF5 property list for object copying*

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_OBJECT_COPY](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type [H5P_OBJECT_COPY](#)

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_copy_obj(copy_options = 0)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Pset_copy_object`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_copy_obj()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Pget_copy_object`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

Author(s)

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5P_OBJECT_CREATE-class

Class for HDF5 property list for object creation

Description

It inherits all functions of the [H5P](#).

Value

Object of class [H5P_OBJECT_CREATE](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new class of type [H5P_OBJECT_CREATE](#)

Parameters

id Internal use only

`set_obj_track_times(track_times = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_obj_track_times. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_obj_track_times()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_obj_track_times. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_attr_phase_change(max_compact, min_dense)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_attr_phase_change. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_attr_phase_change()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_attr_phase_change. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`set_attr_creation_order(crt_order_flags = 0)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pset_attr_creation_order. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

`get_attr_creation_order()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Pget_attr_creation_order. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_p.html for details.

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See Also

[H5P](#)

H5R-class

Class for HDF5 Reference datatypes.

Description

H5R is only the common base class and is never used. User should not create objects of this class by themselves and instead use the `create_reference` methods of H5D, H5Group or H5File classes. Sub-classes are [H5R_OBJECT](#) and [H5R_DATASET_REGION](#)

Value

Object of class [H5R](#).

Methods

`subset_read(dim_index, drop = TRUE)` Method that returns a subset of the data in the H5R-object

Parameters

dim_index A list of dimension indices as usually pasted into [

drop Logical. Should dimensions of size 1 be dropped.

`subset2_read(i, exact = TRUE)` Method to read a single item

Parameters

i The single item to read

exact Is the item name exact or should partial matching be allowed?

`subset_assign(dim_index, value)` Assign values into a subset of the H5R-vector

Parameters

dim_index A list of dimension indices as usually passed into [

value The value to assign

`subset2_assign(i, exact = TRUE, value)` Assign a value to a single value in the array

Parameters

i the index where to assign the value

value The value to assign

`t()` Transpose the object if it is a matrix (i.e. has rank 2)

`length()` Get the length of the object

`ref(ref)` Get or assign the internal raw-vector representation of the data. Usually, user's shouldn't have to use this.

`dim(x)` Get or assign the dimensionality of the object
`dimnames(x)` Get or assign the dimnames of the object
`names(x)` Get or assign the names of the object
`rank()` Get the rank of the object

Author(s)

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Examples

```
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")
file[["testset"]] <- matrix(rnorm(9), nrow = 3)
dset <- file[["testset"]]
r <- file$create_reference("testset")
file$close_all()
```

Description

This class is not intended for creating objects, but as a base class for all other H5-derived classes to provide common functionality for id tracking

Value

Object of reference class [H5RefClass](#).

Fields

`id` Returns the id of the object as an integer

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Constructor for the basic class for hdf5 objects. Takes an id and stores it appropriately, including the necessary counting of object references that the package implements. This reference counting is included in addition to R's internal method in order to allow for the invalidation of objects in R itself when all open handles in an R-file are being closed.

`close()` Closes an object and calls the appropriate HDF5 function for the type of object

`print(...)` Prints the class of the object and the id

`methods()` Prints available methods on the screen

`get_file_id()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_file_id. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`get_obj_type()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_type. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`get_ref()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_ref. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`inc_ref()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iinc_ref. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`dec_ref()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Idec_ref. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

`id()` Returns the id of the object

`is_valid()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iis_valid. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details. Additionally, the R-object representing the HDF5-id can be invalidated as well. In this case, the class id is set to NA and `is_valid` returns FALSE.

`message()` Legacy function; currently not used; may be removed

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H5R_DATASET_REGION-class

Class for HDF5 dataset-region references.

Description

H5R_DATASET_REGION is the reference class for dataset regions. Users should not create this class by themselves, but use the appropriate and instead use the `create_reference` methods of H5D, H5Group or H5File classes.

Value

Object of class [H5R_DATASET_REGION](#).

Methods

`new(num = 0, id = NULL)` Create a new reference for dataset regions; Usually, users shouldn't have to call this, but use the `create_reference` method of a dataset.

`dereference(object_access_p1 = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, obj = NULL, get_value = FALSE)` Dereference an H5R reference for a dataset region. The file the reference is pointing to is assigned automatically. It returns a list where each item is a list with components `dataset`, being an H5D object and `space` being a H5S object. When setting `get_value=TRUE`, then instead of these objects

The data itself is returned This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Rdereference. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_r.html for details.

Parameters

obj Overriding the default file the reference is referring to

object_access_pl The object-access property list. Currently always the default

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H5R_functions

Various functions for H5R objects

Description

Various functions for H5R objects

Usage

```
is.H5R(x)

is.H5R_OBJECT(x)

is.H5R_DATASET_REGION(x)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
names(x)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
length(x)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
x[i, j, ... , drop = TRUE]

## S3 replacement method for class 'H5R'
x[i, ...] <- value

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
c(..., recursive = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
dim(x)

## S3 replacement method for class 'H5R'
dim(x) <- value
```

```

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
t(x)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
dimnames(x)

## S3 replacement method for class 'H5R'
dimnames(x) <- value

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
cbind(..., deparse.level = 1)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
rbind(..., deparse.level = 1)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
format(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...,
  nm = paste(deparse(substitute(x)), width.cutoff = 500L), collapse =
  " "))

## S3 method for class 'H5R'
as.vector(x, mode = "any")

```

Arguments

x	Object of type H5R
i	First dimension
j	Second dimension
...	Any other dimensions (for subsetting), or objects to concatenate (for c) or combine by row/col (for cbind or rbind) or ignored (for print and format)
drop	Should dimensions of size 1 be dropped; LOGICAL
value	The value in an assignment
recursive	Ignored here
deparse.level	integer controlling the construction of labels in the case of non-matrix-like arguments (for the default method): 'deparse.level = 0' constructs no labels; the default, 'deparse.level = 1' constructs labels from the argument names
row.names	NULL or a character vector giving the row names for the data frame. Missing values are not allowed.
optional	logical. If TRUE, setting row names and converting column names (to syntactic names: see make.names) is optional.

nm	The column names to use
mode	Only 'any' supported
width.cutoff	ignored
collapse	ignored

Details

is.H5R Check if object inherits from H5R
is.H5R_OBJECT Check if object inherits from H5R_OBJECT
is.H5R_DATASET_REGION Check if object inherits from H5R_DATASET_REGION
names.H5R Returns the names of the elements of the vector
length.H5R Returns the length of the vector
[.H5R Array subsetting function
[<-.H5R Array subset assignment
c.H5R Concatenation of H5R vectors
dim.H5R Dimensionality of the object
dim<-.H5R Assign dimension of the object
t.H5R Transpose a matrix of H5R objects
dimnames.H5R Get the dimnames of the object
dimnames<-.H5R Set the dimnames of the object
cbind.H5R cbind functionality for H5R objects
rbind.H5R rbind functionality for H5R objects
print.H5R Printing of an object of class h5R
format.H5R Formatting of an H5R object
as.data.frame.H5R Coerce an H5R object to a data.frame
as.vector.H5R Coerce to a vector
as.data.frame.H5R Coerces the object to a data.frame
as.vector.H5R Coerces to a vector

Value

Depending on the function

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H5R_OBJECT-class	<i>Class for HDF5 Object-references.</i>
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Description

H5R_OBJECT is the reference class for objects. Users should not create this class by themselves, but use the appropriate and instead use the `create_reference` methods of H5D, H5Group or H5File classes.

Value

Object of class [H5R_OBJECT](#).

Methods

```
new(num = 0, id = NULL) Create a new reference for object; Usually, users shouldn't have to call
this, but use the create_reference method of a dataset, group or committed datatype
dereference(object_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT, obj = NULL) Dereference an H5R ref-
erence. The file the reference is pointing to is assigned automatically This function imple-
ments the HDF5-API function H5Rdereference. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_r.html for details.
```

Parameters

obj Overriding the default file the reference is referring to

object_access_pl The object-access property list. Currently always the default

Author(s)

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H5S-class	<i>Class for representing HDF5 spaces</i>
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Description

This class represents Spaces in HDF5. These are mostly useful to define the dimensions of a dataset as well as the maximum dimensions to which it can grow. By default, the maximum dimension is equal to the initial dimension. If you want the array to be able to grow arbitrarily large in one dimension, set the maximum dimension for this index to Inf. See the examples below for code how to do this.

Value

Object of class [H5S](#).

Methods

`new(type = c("simple", "scalar", "null"), dims = NULL, maxdims = dims, decode_buf = NULL, id = NULL)`
Create a new HDF5-space. This can be done by either specifying a space with appropriate dimensions or by decoding a character string that represents an encoded space

Parameters

- type** Either a `simple` space, for which `dims` and `maxdims` have to be given or a `scalar` or `null` space. See the HDF5 user guide on spaces to explain the differences.
- dims** The dimension of the space in case it is of type `simple`
- maxdims** The maximal dimensions of the space
- decode_buf** The character string that holds the encoded representation of a space
- id** An existing HDF5 id; internal use only

`copy()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Scopy`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`encode()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sencode`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`is_simple()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sis_simple`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_simple_extent_ndims()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sget_simple_extent_ndims`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`offset_simple(offset)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Soffset_simple`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_simple_extent_dims()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sget_simple_extent_dims`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_simple_extent_npoints()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sget_simple_extent_npoints`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_simple_extent_type()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sget_simple_extent_type`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`extent_copy(h5s_source)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sextent_copy`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`extent_equal(h5s_cmp)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sextent_equal`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`set_extent_simple(dims, maxdims)` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Sset_extent_simple`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`set_extent_none()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sset_extent_none. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_type()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_type. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_npoints()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_npoints. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_hyper_nblocks()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_hyper_nblocks. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_hyper_blocklist(startblock = 0, numblocks = (self$get_select_hyper_nblocks() - startblock))` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_hyper_blocklist. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_elem_npoints()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_elem_npoints. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_elem_pointlist(startpoint = 0, numpoints = (self$get_select_elem_npoints() - startpoint))` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_elem_pointlist. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`get_select_bounds()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_select_bounds. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`select_all()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sselect_all. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`select_none()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sselect_none. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`select_valid()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sselect_valid. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`select_elements(coord, op = h5const$H5S_SELECT_SET, byrow = TRUE)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sselect_elements. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`select_hyperslab(start, count, stride = NULL, block = NULL, op = h5const$H5S_SELECT_SET)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sselect_hyperslab. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

`subset(args, op = h5const$H5S_SELECT_SET, envir = parent.frame())` Subsetting the space. This is mainly intended as a helper function for the '[' function, but can also be used on its own.

Parameters

args The indices for each dimension to subset given as a list. This makes this easier to use as a programmatic API. For interactive use we recommend the use of the [operator.

op The operator to use. Same as for the other HDF5 space selection functions. One of the elements shown in `h5const$H5S_seloper_t`

envir The environment in which to evaluate args

`print(...)` Prints information for the group

Parameters

- ... ignored

`dims()` Get the dimensions of the space. Return NULL if the space is not simple (i.e. NULL-space) or a length-0 integer if it is a scalar

`maxdims()` Get the maximal dimensions of the space. Return NULL if the space is not simple (i.e. NULL-space) or a length-0 integer if it is a scalar

`rank()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Sget_simple_extent_ndims. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html for details.

Author(s)

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Examples

```

h5s_fixed <- H5S$new("simple", dims=c(5, 2))
h5s_fixed

h5s_variable <- H5S$new("simple", dims=c(5,2), maxdims=c(Inf,2))
h5s_variable
h5s_variable$set_extent_simple(c(10,2), c(Inf, 2))
h5s_variable

# now select a subset of points
# argument evaluation has a heuristic; here it chooses point selection
h5s_variable[c(1, 3, 8), 1]
h5s_variable$get_select_type()
h5s_variable$get_select_elem_pointlist()

# and a hyperslab (chosen by the argument heuristic)
h5s_variable[2:7, 1:2]
h5s_variable$get_select_type()
h5s_variable$get_select_hyper_blocklist()

```

Description

Selecting and assigning subsets of HDF5-Spaces and HDF5-Datasets

Usage

```

subset_h5.H5S(x, d1, ..., op = h5const$H5S_SELECT_SET,
               envir = parent.frame())

## S3 method for class 'H5S'
x[d1, ..., op = h5const$H5S_SELECT_SET,
   envir = parent.frame()]

subset_h5.H5D(x, d1, ..., dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
               flags = getOption("hdf5r.h5tor_default"), drop = TRUE,
               envir = parent.frame())

## S3 method for class 'H5D'
x[d1, ..., dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
   flags = getOption("hdf5r.h5tor_default"), drop = TRUE,
   envir = parent.frame()]

subset_assign_h5.H5D(x, d1, ..., dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
                     envir = parent.frame(), value)

## S3 replacement method for class 'H5D'
x[d1, ..., dataset_xfer_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT,
   envir = parent.frame()] <- value

```

Arguments

x	The H5S or H5D to subset or assign values to
d1	First dimension of the object
...	Used for other dimension of the object
op	Operation to perform on the H5S . Look into the HDF5 online help https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html and https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_s.html
envir	The environment in which the dimension indices d1, ... are to be evaluated. Usually the environment from where the function is called
dataset_xfer_pl	An object of class H5P_DATASET_XFER .
flags	Some flags governing edge cases of conversion from HDF5 to R. This is related to how integers are being treated and the issue of R not being able to natively represent 64bit integers and not at all being able to represent unsigned 64bit integers (even using add-on packages). The constants governing this are part of h5const . The relevant ones start with the term H5TOR and are documented there. The default set here returns a regular 32bit integer if it doesn't lead to an overflow and returns a 64bit integer from the bit64 package otherwise. For 64bit unsigned int that are larger than 64bit signed int, it return a double. This looses precision, however. See also documentation or h5const .

drop	Logical. When reading data, should dimensions of size 1 be dropped.
value	The value to assign to the dataset

Details

Used for subsetting HDF5-Datasets or HDF5-Spaces or for assigning data into HDF5-Datasets. There are some differences to consider with R itself.

Most importantly HDF5-COMPOUND objects only have a single dimension internally to HDF5 (a vector), but they correspond to R-data.frames, which are 2 dimensional. For an HDF5 COMPOUND object, it is currently not possible to only sub-select a specific column. All columns have to be extracted (using 1-dimensional access with [and can then be subset in R itself. The same is true for writing a COMPOUND object ([H5T_COMPOUND](#)). A complete data-frame is needed, not just a subset of the columns.

Another important difference is for datasets of HDF5-ARRAY type [H5T_ARRAY](#) where the access to the object is only for the dimension of the object itself, not including the dimensions of the underlying array type.

Value

For x being a [H5S](#), the same object is returned, but with the selection set as requested. For [H5D](#) it retrieves the subset of data requested or sets the subset of data assigned, as for any n-dimensional array in R.

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H5T-class

Class for HDF5 datatypes.

Description

This is the base class for all datatypes, but most have a specialised class. This class represents an HDF5 datatype. It inherits all functions of the [H5RefClass](#). It is also the base class for many other classes well, specifically

Integer [H5T_INTEGER](#)

Bitfield [H5T_BITFIELD](#) (currently identical to the integer class)

Float [H5T_FLOAT](#)

Enum [H5T_ENUM](#)

Compound [H5T_COMPOUND](#)

String [H5T_STRING](#)

Complex [H5T_COMPLEX](#)

Array [H5T_ARRAY](#)

Variable Length [H5T_VLEN](#)

Value

Object of class [H5T](#).

Methods

`new(id)` Internal use only

`get_class()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_class. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_size(...)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_size. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

Parameters

... ignored

`set_size(size)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_size. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_precision(precision)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_precision. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_precision()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_precision. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_order(order)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_order. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_order()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_order. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_offset(offset)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_offset. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_offset()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_offset. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_pad(pad)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_pad. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_pad()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_pad. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`copy()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tcopy. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

is_committed() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tcommitted. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

equal(dtype) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tequal. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

is_vlen() This function detects if the underlying type is H5T_VLEN or a variable length string. This is used to know if after reading a dataset, memory has to be freed

detect_class(dtype_class) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tdetect_class. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

get_native_type(direction = h5const\$H5T_DIR_ASCEND) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_native_type. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

get_create_plist() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_create_plist. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

to_text(lang_type = h5const\$H5LT_DDL) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5LTdtype_to_text.

print(...) Prints information for the group

Parameters

... ignored

obj_info(remove_internal_use_only = TRUE) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Oget_info. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_o.html for details.

get_obj_name() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Iget_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_i.html for details.

create_attr(attr_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate2. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_open(attr_name) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

create_attr_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, robj = NULL, dtype = NULL, space = NULL, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_LINK_ACCESS_PLACEMENT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Acreate_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_open_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const\$H5P_DEFAULT) This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

attr_open_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const\$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const\$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_acce

This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aopen_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_exists_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_exists(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aexists. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_rename_by_name(old_attr_name, new_attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_rename(old_attr_name, new_attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Arename. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete(attr_name)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_delete_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Adelete_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_info_by_name(attr_name, obj_name, link_access_pl = h5const$H5P_DEFAULT)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_name. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_info_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_info_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_name_by_idx(n, obj_name, idx_type = h5const$H5_INDEX_NAME, order = h5const$H5_ITER_NATIVE, link_ac`
This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_name_by_idx. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`attr_get_number()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Aget_num_attrs. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_a.html for details.

`create_reference(name = ".", space = NULL)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Rcreate. If space=NULL then a H5R_OBJECT reference is created, otherwise a H5R_DATASET_REGION reference. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_r.html for details.

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

Examples

```
my_int <- h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT
my_int$to_text()
my_int$get_size()

# Show how to commit a datatype
fname <- tempfile(fileext = ".h5")
file <- H5File$new(fname, mode = "a")
my_int$is_committed()
file$commit("my_int", my_int)
my_int$is_committed()

# can now also add attributes
h5attr(my_int, "test") <- "A string"
h5attributes(my_int)

file$close_all()
file.remove(fname)
```

h5types

These are all types that are used in HDF5

Description

HDF5 provides many native datatypes. These are all stored in the h5types environment. An overview of all available types can be seen using h5types\$overview. Any specific type can be accessed using the \$-operator. See also the examples below.

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

Examples

```
h5types$overview
h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT
h5types$H5T_NATIVE_DOUBLE
```

H5T_ARRAY-class	<i>Class for HDF5 array datatypes.</i>
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Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#). This class represents an array. As datasets in HDF5 are itself already arrays, this datatype is not needed there. It is mostly useful when a column in a [H5T_COMPOUND](#) object is intended to be an array. This however makes it difficult to work with such objects in R - as a column of the corresponding `data.frame` has to be an array. So please use with care.

Value

Object of class [H5T_ARRAY](#).

Methods

`new(dims, dtype_base, id = NULL)` Create an array datatype.

Parameters

dims The dimension of the datatype

dtype_base The datatype that makes up the elements of the array

id internal use only

`get_array_ndims()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Tget_array_ndims`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group___h5_t.html for details.

`get_array_dims()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Tget_array_dims2`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group___h5_t.html for details.

`get_super()` This function implements the HDF5-API function `H5Tget_super`. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group___h5_t.html for details.

`describe()` Print a detailed description of the datatype; this is experimental

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

H5T_COMPLEX-class	<i>Class for HDF5 complex datatypes</i>
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Description

In HDF5, complex numbers don't actually exist. They are represented as H5T_COMPOUND with two columns named Real and Imaginary. Inherits from class [H5T_COMPOUND](#).

Value

Object of class [H5T_COMPLEX](#).

Methods

`new(id = NULL)` Create a new complex datatype

Parameters

id Internal use only

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#), [H5T_COMPOUND](#)

H5T_COMPOUND-class	<i>Class for HDF5 compound datatypes.</i>
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Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#).

Value

Object of class [H5T_COMPOUND](#).

Methods

`new(labels, dtypes, size = NULL, offset = NULL, id = NULL)` Create at compound type that is the HDF5 equivalent of a table

Parameters

labels The labels of the columns of the compound object

dtypes The datatypes of the columns of the object; this is usually a list of objects of class [H5T](#)

size The size of each datatype; if NULL, automatically inferred

offset The offset where each datatype starts; can be different from the sum of the individual sizes so that datatypes are aligned with memory addresses. If NULL, inferred automatically

id Internal use only

pack() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tpack. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

get_cpd_types() Return **H5T** objects that represent the datatypes of the columns of the compound object. Returned as a list if more than 1

get_cpd_labels() Return the labels of the columns as a character vector

get_cpd_classes() Return the classes of the columns as an object of type **factor_ext**

get_cpd_offsets() Return the offsets of the datatypes

describe() Print a detailed description of the datatype; this is experimental

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

Examples

```
# create a H5T_COMPOUND corresponding to a data-frame
my_cpd <- H5T_COMPOUND$new(c("name", "age", "salary"),
  dtypes=list(H5T_STRING$new(size=200), h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT, h5types$H5T_NATIVE_DOUBLE))
my_cpd
```

H5T_ENUM-class

Class for HDF5 enumeration datatypes.

Description

Inherits from class **H5T**.

Value

Object of class **H5T_ENUM**.

Methods

`new(labels, values = seq_along(labels), id = NULL)` Create an enumeration datatype. This is either a factor-like object or a logical variable (that is internally represented as an ENUM-type).

Parameters

labels The labels of the ENUM-type

values The values corresponding to the labels

id Internal use only

`get_labels()` Return all the labels of the enumeration type

`get_values()` Return the values of the enumeration type

`set_size(size)` Base type of every enum is H5T_INTEGER. This disables the set_size function

`get_super()` Returns H5T_INTEGER that is the base type of the enumeration

`describe()` Print a detailed description of the datatype; this is experimental

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

Examples

```
nucleotide_enum <- H5T_ENUM$new(labels=c("A", "C", "G", "T"), values=0:3)
nucleotide_enum
# For HDF5 1.8.16 or higher, the size and precision are set optimally
nucleotide_enum$get_size()
nucleotide_enum$get_precision()
```

Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#). Users should not create float types with this class, but instead use e.g. `h5types$H5T_NATIVE_DOUBLE`. Using the functions of this class, many aspects of the representation of the floating point number can then be manipulated.

Value

Object of class [H5T_FLOAT](#).

Methods

`set_fields(spos, epos, esize, mpos, msizes)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_fields. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_fields()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_fields. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_ebias(ebias)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_ebias. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_ebias()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_ebias. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_norm(norm)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_norm. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_norm()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_norm. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_inpad(inpad)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_inpad. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_inpad()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_inpad. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`describe()` Print a detailed description of the datatype; this is experimental

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

H5T_INTEGER-class

Class for HDF5 integer-datatatypes.

Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#). Users should not create integer datatypes themselves using this class. Instead, integer should be derived from one of the base-types such as `h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT` (which internally automatically creates a copy of the type). For a complete list of types see `h5types$overview`.

Value

Object of class [H5T_INTEGER](#).

Methods

`set_sign(sign)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_sign. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_sign()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_sign. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`describe()` Return a vector that describes the key features of the datatype

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

Examples

```
my_int <- h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT

# make an int with 2 bit
my_int$set_sign(h5const$H5T_SGN_NONE)
my_int$set_size(1)
my_int$set_precision(2)
my_int$describe()
```

H5T_LOGICAL-class

Class for HDF5 logical datatypes. This is an enum with the 3 values FALSE, TRUE and NA mapped on values 0, 1 and 2. Is transparently mapped onto a logical variable

Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#).

Value

Object of class [H5T_LOGICAL](#).

Methods

`new(include_NA = TRUE, id = NULL)` Create a logical datatype. This is internally represented by an ENUM-type

Parameters

id Internal use only

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#), [H5T_ENUM](#)

H5T_STRING-class *Class for HDF5 string datatypes.*

Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#).

Value

Object of class [H5T_STRING](#).

Methods

`new(type = c("c", "fortran"), size = 1, id = NULL)` Create a string datatype

Parameters

A C or fortran type string

size Size of the string object. Set to Inf for variable size strings

id internal use only

`get_size(variable_as_inf = TRUE)` Retrieves the length of the string, setting it to Inf if it is of variable length. This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tis_variable_str. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`get_cset()` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_cset. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_cset(cset = c("unknown", "UTF-8"))` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_cset. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

`set_strpad(strpad)` This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tset_strpad. Please see the documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group__h5_t.html for details.

```
get_strpad() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_strpad. Please see the
documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_t.html for details.

describe() Print a detailed description of the datatype; this is experimental
```

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

Examples

```
# fixed width string
str_flen <- H5T_STRING$new(size=100)
str_flen$is_vlen()
str_flen

# variable length string
str_vlen <- H5T_STRING$new(size=Inf)
str_vlen$is_vlen()
str_vlen
```

H5T_VLEN-class

Class for HDF5 variable-length datatypes.

Description

Inherits from class [H5T](#). This can make any datatype a variable length datatype. This would mostly be intended for storing ragged arrays.

Value

Object of class [H5T_VLEN](#).

Methods

```
new(dtype_base, id = NULL) Create a variable length datatype
```

Parameters

dtype_base The basis-type of the variable length datatype

id Internal use only

```
get_super() This function implements the HDF5-API function H5Tget_super. Please see the
documentation at https://support.hdfgroup.org/documentation/hdf5/latest/group\_\_h5\_t.html for details.
```

```
describe() Print a detailed description of the datatype; this is experimental
```

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

See Also

[H5T](#)

Examples

```
vlen_int <- H5T_VLEN$new(h5types$H5T_NATIVE_INT)
vlen_int
```

h5version

Return the version of the HDF5-API

Description

Return the version of the HDF5-API

Usage

```
h5version(verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

verbose	Should the information be printed to the screen as well
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Details

Return the version of the HDF5-API and print it to the screen if requested

Value

Version of the underlying HDF5 API as a string

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

is_hdf5	<i>Check if a file is an HDF5 file</i>
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Description

Check if a file is an HDF5 file

Usage

```
is_hdf5(name)
```

Arguments

name	The name of the file to check
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Details

Uses the HDF5 function H5Fis_hdf5 to check if a file is of type HDF5.

Value

Logical, TRUE if file is of type HDF5

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

list-groups-datasets	<i>List Groups and Datasets in object</i>
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Description

List all Group ([H5Group](#)) and Dataset ([H5D](#)) names in the current object. This function is part of the **h5** wrapper classes and uses \$ls() to retrieve group names.

Usage

```
list.groups(object, path = "/", full.names = FALSE, recursive = TRUE,
...)

list.datasets(object, path = "/", full.names = FALSE,
recursive = TRUE, ...)

list.objects(object, obj_type = c("H5I_GROUP", "H5I_DATASET",
"H5I_DATATYPE"), path = "/", full.names = FALSE, recursive = TRUE,
...)
```

Arguments

object	CommonFG; Object implementing the CommonFG Interface (e.g. H5File , H5Group).
path	character; Path named to be used for iteration.
full.names	character; Specify if absolute DataSet path names should be returned.
recursive	logical; Specify if object should be traversed recursively.
...	Additional Parameters passed to \$ls()
obj_type	character; Object type to be returned.

Value

character

names.H5Group

Get the names of the items in the group or at the / root of the file

Description

Get the names of the items in the group or at the / root of the file

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'H5Group'
names(x)

## S3 method for class 'H5File'
names(x)
```

Arguments

x An object of class [H5File](#) or [H5Group](#)

Details

Works similar to the regular `names` function for a list. The names of the items of either a [H5File](#) at the root or a [H5Group](#) are returned as a character vector. The items are then accessed, again similar to a list, using `[[]]`.

Value

A character vector with the names of the items in the group/file.

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

print.data.frame_ext *Print a data frame with extended factor objects*

Description

Print a data frame that includes extended factor objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'data.frame_ext'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-----|--|
| x | The <code>data.frame_ext</code> object to print; Is returned by <code>ls</code> from <code>H5File</code> and <code>H5Group</code> and this function allows for better printing of <code>factor_ext</code> so that the label instead of the value is printed. |
| ... | Parameters to be passed on directly to <code>print.data.frame</code> |

Details

The regular `print` function for data-frames has special methods built-in for factors so that the label is printed instead of the constant. This function is intended to provide the same functionality for data frames with extended factors, by adding the class `data.frame_ext` to the class vector.

Value

The object to print itself, invisibly

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

text_to_dtype *Convert a text description to a datatype*

Description

Convert a text description to a datatype

Usage

```
text_to_dtype(text, lang_type = h5const$H5LT_DDL)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>text</code> | The text to convert to the datatype |
| <code>lang_type</code> | The type of language to use; currently only H5LT_DDL is supported. |

Details

Converts a text to a datatype using the HDF5 function H5LT_text_to_dtype.

Value

A datatype corresponding to the text with the appropriate class inheriting from [H5T](#).

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

<code>\$.types_env</code>	<i>Retrieving a copy of a type</i>
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Description

Retrieving a copy of a type

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'types_env'
x$name

## S3 method for class 'types_env'
x[[name]]
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | The environment to request it from |
| <code>name</code> | The name of the type that is requested |

Details

The types are stored in the environment [h5types](#). These types should not be accessed directly. Therefor, the \$-operator is overloaded to ensure that every type that is accessed is a copy of the original type

Value

Returns an object that is a copy of a type that was requested

Author(s)

Holger Hoefling

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