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Subject: Reading HDF5 Variable

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Folks,

Does anyone know if it is even \*possible\* to learn how to access a variable from an HDF5 file from the IDL documentation!?

I really don't have a week to figure this out. Does anyone have a simple example. I can see and access the data with H5\_QUERY. But I can't make any sense of the palette that is suppose to be attached to the data. It is 976 elements long. That doesn't even begin to divide by 256. :-(

What I am trying to do is extract a 2D image and its accompanying palette in order to build and save a JPEG file. (Typically I don't mind spending hours and hours researching a topic, but the FAFSA Student Aid forms are due today and I'm working on income taxes. :-(

Thanks,

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