
Subject: Re: "Unable to allocate memory" when using H5_parse iteratively

Posted by [james.n.sweet](#) on Tue, 13 May 2014 15:20:24 GMT

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On Monday, April 21, 2014 5:40:50 PM UTC-6, robinde...@gmail.com wrote:

> Hi David and Thank You for your reply.

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> I added this line in my code but unfortunately the problem remains. Indeed the memory use increases with time, and the error occurs when it reaches about 350 Mb (on a total of 2000)

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> I tried processing the data by smaller bunches, but it happens that after processing without problem a smaller bunch of 05 files, the program bugs when i run it for processing the next one, for the same error.

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> Hi,

I've had a possibly similar problem. When using h5 parse, the memory usage would increase as more files were processed. I informed envi but the didn't follow up. My solution was to use the h5 open/read/close functions explicitly rather than using h5 parse. It's a pain but it is faster than parse (in my case anyway) and the memory problem is gone.

Hope this helps!

Jim

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> Le lundi 21 avril 2014 17:09:24 UTC-5, David Fanning a écrit :

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>> robindesvolcans@gmail.com writes:

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>>> I'm Robin, a new member on this group, using IDL to process satellite images for volcano monitoring.

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>>> I've written a code to process large number of data from the ozone monitoring instrument. These are HDF5 files weighing 28 Mb each.

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>>> The code interactively calls the H5_parse function to open the files

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>> and extract the necessary variables, which undergo some basic processing
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>> (gridding, mapping and calculating the total SO2 mass) The variables are
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>> overwritten at each loop iteration. However after 30-40 iterations the
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>> H5_parse function returns me the unable to allocate memory error
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>> message. It looks as if the H5_parse function was not emptying its
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>> temporary memory use, but when i look at the task manager's display of
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>> the memory use, it stays constant and low (20%).
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>>> Does someone have an idea of how to solve the problem?
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>> You may be overwriting the variables, but it is extremely unlikely you
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>> are cleaning up all the pointers and other heap variables returned by
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>> the H5_Parse function. I would try doing this at the end of each file
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>> processed:
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>>   for j=0,whatever do begin
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>       h5data = HD_Parse(file[j])
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>>   ...
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>>   Heap_Free, h5data
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>>   endfor
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>> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>
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>> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
