Subject: Re: writing a structure on an HDF5 file
Posted by Dave Haffner on Mon, 31 Dec 2007 04:49:08 GMT
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; check out the file

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help, /structure, s.datastr._data
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Posted by djanches on Mon, 31 Dec 2007 16:46:59 GMT
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