
Subject: Re: Editing data in an existing HDF5 file and rewriting the fixed file, in IDL
Posted by [Matt\[2\]](#) on Thu, 05 Feb 2009 16:37:08 GMT

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Andy Sayer <iamandysayer@gmail.com> writes:

```
> .....  
> ; Load relevant bits of file ;  
> .....  
>  
> id = h5f_open(l2file)  
> id_g1=h5g_open(id,"ORACoutput")
```

Andy,

I'm not an expert, but are you using an IDL version < 6.2? (that's when the keyword /WRITE was added to the h5f_open call)

```
id = h5f_open(l2file, /write)
```

WRITE

If set the file is open for both reading and writing. The default is to open the file in read_only mode.

Matt

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