

H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS

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H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS

Sets the callbacks for working with file images

Motivation: H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS and other elements of HDF5 are used to load an image of an HDF5 file into system memory and open that image as a regular HDF5 file. An application can then use the file without the overhead of disk I/O.

Recommended Reading: This function is part of the file image operations feature set. It is highly recommended to study the guide [HDF5 File Image Operations](#) before using this feature set. See the “See Also” section below for links to other elements of HDF5 file image operations.

Procedure:

H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS (fapl_id, callbacks_ptr)

Signature:

```
herr_t H5Pset_file_image_callbacks(  
    hid_t fapl_id,  
    H5_file_image_callbacks_t *callbacks_ptr  
)
```

Parameters:

hid_t fapl_id

IN: File access property list identifier

`H5_file_image_callbacks_t *callbacks_ptr`

IN/OUT: Pointer to an instance of the `H5_file_image_callbacks_t` structure

Description:

`H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS` sets callback functions for working with file images in memory.

`H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS` allows an application to control the management of file image buffers through user defined callbacks. These callbacks can be used in the management of file image buffers in property lists and with certain file drivers.

`H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS` must be used before any file image has been set in the file access property list. Once a file image has been set, the function will fail.

The callback routines set up by `H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS` are invoked when a new file image buffer is allocated, when an existing file image buffer is copied or resized, or when a file image buffer is released from use.

Some file drivers allow the use of user-defined callback functions for allocating, freeing, and copying the driver's internal buffer, potentially allowing optimizations such as avoiding large `malloc` and `memcpy` operations, or to perform detailed logging.

From the perspective of the HDF5 library, the operations of the `image_malloc`, `image_memcpy`, `image_realloc`, and `image_free` callbacks must be identical to those of the corresponding C standard library calls (`malloc`, `memcpy`, `realloc`, and `free`). While the operations must be identical, the file image callbacks have more parameters. The return values of `image_malloc` and `image_realloc` are identical to the return values of `malloc` and `realloc`. The return values of `image_memcpy` and `image_free` differ from the return values of `memcpy` and `free` in that the return values of `image_memcpy` and `image_free` can also indicate failure.

The callbacks and their parameters, along with a struct and an `ENUM` required for their use, are described below.

Callback struct and `ENUM`:

The callback functions set up by `H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS` use a struct and an `ENUM` that are defined as follows

The struct `H5_file_image_callbacks_t` serves as a container for the callback functions and a pointer to user-supplied data. The struct is defined as follows:

```
typedef struct
{
    void *(*image_malloc)(size_t size, H5_file_image_op_t file_image_op,
                          void *udata);
    void *(*image_memcpy)(void *dest, const void *src, size_t size,
                          H5_file_image_op_t file_image_op, void *udata);
    void *(*image_realloc)(void *ptr, size_t size,
                           H5_file_image_op_t file_image_op, void *udata);
    herr_t (*image_free)(void *ptr, H5_file_image_op_t file_image_op,
                        void *udata);
    void *(*udata_copy)(void *udata);
    herr_t (*udata_free)(void *udata);
    void *udata;
} H5_file_image_callbacks_t;
```

Elements of the `ENUM H5_file_image_op_t` are used by the callbacks to invoke certain operations on file images. The `ENUM` is defined as follows:

```
typedef enum
{
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_SET,
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_COPY,
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_GET,
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_CLOSE,
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_FILE_OPEN,
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_FILE_RESIZE,
    H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_FILE_CLOSE
} H5_file_image_op_t;
```

The elements of the `H5_file_image_op_t` `ENUM` are used in the callbacks for the following purposes:

H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_SET	Passed to the <code>image_malloc</code> and <code>image_memcpy</code> callbacks when a file image buffer is to be copied while being set in a file access property list (FAPL)
H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_COPY	Passed to the <code>image_malloc</code> and <code>image_memcpy</code> callbacks when a file image buffer is to be copied when a FAPL is copied
H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_GET	Passed to the <code>image_malloc</code> and <code>image_memcpy</code> callbacks when a file image buffer is to be copied while being retrieved from a FAPL
H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_PROPERTY_LIST_CLOSE	Passed to the <code>image_free</code> callback when a file image buffer is to be released during a FAPL close operation
H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_FILE_OPEN	Passed to the <code>image_malloc</code> and <code>image_memcpy</code> callbacks when a file image buffer is to be copied during a file open operation While the file image being opened will typically be copied from a FAPL, this need not always be the case. For example, the core file driver, also known as the memory file driver, takes its initial image from a file.
H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_FILE_RESIZE	Passed to the <code>image_realloc</code> callback when a file driver needs to resize an image buffer
H5_FILE_IMAGE_OP_FILE_CLOSE	Passed to the <code>image_free</code> callback when an image buffer is to be released during a file close operation

Callback functions

The `image_malloc` callback contains a pointer to a function that must appear to HDF5 to have functionality identical to that of the standard C library `malloc()` call.

Signature in `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`:

```
void *(*image_malloc) ( size_t size, H5_file_image_op_t *file_image_op, void *udata )
```

Parameters:

<i>size_t</i> size	IN: Size in bytes of the file image buffer to allocate
<i>H5_file_image_op_t</i> *file_image_op	IN: A value from <code>H5_file_image_op_t</code> indicating the operation being performed on the file image when this callback is invoked
<i>void</i> *udata	IN: Value passed in in the <code>H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS</code> parameter <code>udata</code>

The `image_memcpy` callback contains a pointer to a function that must appear to HDF5 to have functionality identical to that of the standard C library `memcpy()` call, except that it returns a `NULL` on failure. (The `memcpy` C Library routine is defined to return the `dest` parameter in all cases.)

Setting `image_memcpy` to `NULL` indicates that HDF5 should invoke the standard C library `memcpy()` routine when copying buffers.

Signature in `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`:

```
void *(*image_memcpy) ( void *dest, const void *src, size_t size, H5_file_image_op_t *file_image_op, void *udata )
```

Parameters:

<i>void</i> *dest	IN: Address of the destination buffer
<i>const void</i> *src	IN: Address of the source buffer
<i>size_t</i> size	IN: Size in bytes of the file image buffer to copy
<i>H5_file_image_op_t</i> *file_image_op	IN: A value from <code>H5_file_image_op_t</code> indicating the operation being performed on the file image when this callback is invoked

<code>void *udata</code>	IN: Value passed in in the <code>H5Pset_file_image_callbacks</code> parameter <code>udata</code>
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The `image_realloc` callback contains a pointer to a function that must appear to HDF5 to have functionality identical to that of the standard C library `realloc()` call.

Setting `image_realloc` to `NULL` indicates that HDF5 should invoke the standard C library `realloc()` routine when resizing file image buffers.

Signature in `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`:

```
void *(*image_realloc) ( void *ptr, size_t size, H5_file_image_op_t *file_image_op, void *udata )
```

Parameters:

<code>void *ptr</code>	IN: Pointer to the buffer being reallocated
<code>size_t size</code>	IN: Desired size in bytes of the file image buffer after reallocation
<code>H5_file_image_op_t *file_image_op</code>	IN: A value from <code>H5_file_image_op_t</code> indicating the operation being performed on the file image when this callback is invoked
<code>void *udata</code>	IN: Value passed in in the <code>H5Pset_file_image_callbacks</code> parameter <code>udata</code>

The `image_free` callback contains a pointer to a function that must appear to HDF5 to have functionality identical to that of the standard C library `free()` call, except that it will return 0 (SUCCEED) on success and -1 (FAIL) on failure.

Setting `image_free` to `NULL` indicates that HDF5 should invoke the standard C library `free()` routine when releasing file image buffers.

Signature in `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`:

```
herr_t (*image_free) ( void *ptr, H5_file_image_op_t *file_image_op, void *udata )
```

Parameters:

<code>void *ptr</code>	IN: Pointer to the buffer being released
<code>H5_file_image_op_t *file_image_op</code>	IN: A value from <code>H5_file_image_op_t</code> indicating the operation being performed on the file image when this callback is invoked
<code>void *udata</code>	IN: Value passed in in the <code>H5Pset_file_image_callbacks</code> parameter <code>udata</code>

The `udata_copy` callback contains a pointer to a function that, from the perspective of HDF5, allocates a buffer of suitable size, copies the contents of the supplied `udata` into the new buffer, and returns the address of the new buffer. The function returns `NULL` on failure. This function is necessary if a non-`NULL` `udata` parameter is supplied, so that property lists containing the image callbacks can be copied. If the `udata` parameter below is `NULL`, then this parameter should be `NULL` as well.

Signature in `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`:

```
void *(*udata_copy) ( void *udata )
```

Parameters:

<code>void *udata</code>	IN: Value passed in in the <code>H5Pset_file_image_callbacks</code> parameter <code>udata</code>
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The `udata_free` callback contains a pointer to a function that, from the perspective of HDF5, frees a user data block. This function is necessary if a non-`NULL` `udata` parameter is supplied so that property lists containing image callbacks can be discarded without a memory leak. If the `udata` parameter below is `NULL`, this parameter should be `NULL` as well.

Signature in `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`:

```
herr_t (*udata_free) ( void *udata )
```

Parameters:

<code>void *udata</code>	IN: Value passed in in the <code>H5Pset_file_image_callbacks</code> parameter <code>udata</code>
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`udata`, the final field in the `H5_file_image_callbacks_t` struct, provides a pointer to user-defined data. This pointer will be passed to the `image_malloc`, `image_memcpy`, `image_realloc`, and `image_free` callbacks. Define `udata` as `NULL` if no user-defined data is provided.

Returns:

Returns a non-negative value if successful; otherwise returns a negative value.

Failure Modes: Due to interactions between this function and `H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE` and `H5P_GET_FILE_IMAGE`, `H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS` will fail if a file image has already been set in the target file access property list, `fapl_id`.

Example:

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See Also:

- [H5LT_OPEN_FILE_IMAGE](#)
- [H5F_GET_FILE_IMAGE](#)
- [H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE](#)
- [H5P_GET_FILE_IMAGE](#)
- [H5P_GET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS](#)

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Within `H5P_SET_FILE_IMAGE_CALLBACKS`:

Callback struct `H5_file_image_callbacks_t`

Callback ENUM `H5_file_image_op_t`

History:

Release	Change
1.8.9	C function introduced in this release.