

# H5O\_GET\_INFO3

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# H5O\_GET\_INFO3

Retrieves the metadata for an object specified by an identifier

## Procedure:

H5O\_GET\_INFO3 (loc\_id, oinfo, fields)

## Signature:

```
herr_t H5Oget_info3 ( hid_t loc_id, H5O_info2_t *oinfo, unsigned fields )
```

```
SUBROUTINE h5oget_info_f(object_id, object_info, hdferr, fields)
```

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO_C_BINDING
IMPLICIT NONE
INTEGER(HID_T)  , INTENT(IN)           :: object_id
TYPE(h5o_info_t), INTENT(OUT), TARGET :: object_info
INTEGER         , INTENT(OUT)         :: hdferr
INTEGER         , INTENT(IN), OPTIONAL :: fields
```

**Related Fortran2003 Derived Type:** `h5o_info_t`

```

TYPE, BIND(C) :: h5o_info_t
  INTEGER(C_LONG)      :: fileno      ! File number that object is located in
  TYPE(H5O_TOKEN_T_F) :: token       ! Token for object in file
  INTEGER(C_INT)      :: type        ! Basic object type (group, dataset, etc.)
  INTEGER              :: rc          ! Reference count of object

  INTEGER, DIMENSION(8) :: atime ! Access time          ! -- NOTE --
  INTEGER, DIMENSION(8) :: mtime ! Modification time ! Returns an integer array
  INTEGER, DIMENSION(8) :: ctime ! Change time         ! as specified in the Fortran
  INTEGER, DIMENSION(8) :: btime ! Birth time           ! intrinsic DATE_AND_TIME(VALUE)

  INTEGER(hsize_t) :: num_attrs ! # of attributes attached to object
END TYPE h5o_info_t

```

### Parameters:

<i>hid_t</i> loc_id	IN: Identifier for object of type specified by <i>H5O_type_t</i> , may be a file, group, dataset, named datatype or attribute identifier
<i>H5O_info2_t</i> *oinfo	OUT: Buffer in which to return object information
<i>unsigned int</i> fields	IN: Flags specifying the fields to include in oinfo

### Description:

`H5O_GET_INFO3` specifies an object by its identifier, `loc_id`, and retrieves the metadata describing that object in `oinfo`, an `H5O_info2_t` struct.

The `H5O_info2_t` struct is defined (in `H5Opublic.h`) as follows :

```

src / H5Opublic.h [129:141]                                hdf5_1_12  H5FFV/hdf5
} msg;
} H5O_hdr_info_t;

/* Data model information struct for objects */
/* (For H5Oget_info / H5Oget_info_by_name / H5Oget_info_by_idx version 3) */
typedef struct H5O_info2_t {
  unsigned long fileno; /* File number that object is located in */
  H5O_token_t token; /* Token representing the object */
  H5O_type_t type; /* Basic object type (group, dataset, etc.) */
  unsigned rc; /* Reference count of object */
  time_t atime; /* Access time */
  time_t mtime; /* Modification time */
  time_t ctime; /* Change time */
}

```

Note the following about `H5O_info2_t`.

- Of the four time fields (`atime`, `mtime`, `ctime`, and `btime`) only `ctime` has been implemented.
- The `atime` value is the last time the object was read or written.
- The `mtime` value is the last time the raw data in the object was changed.
- The `ctime` value is the last time the metadata for the object was changed.
- The `btime` value is the time the object was created.

*H5O\_token\_t* is defined in `H5public.h` as follows:

```
src / H5public.h [337:341]                                hdf5_1_12    HDFFV/hdf5
/*
 * Allocation statistics info struct
 */
typedef struct H5_alloc_stats_t {
    unsigned long long total_alloc_bytes;    /* Running count of total # of bytes
allocated */
```

The *H5O\_type\_t* enum indicates the object type and is defined (in `H5Opublic.h`) as follows:

```
src / H5Opublic.h [101:109]                               hdf5_1_12    HDFFV/hdf5
/* Public Typedefs */
/*****/

/* Types of objects in file */
typedef enum H5O_type_t {
    H5O_TYPE_UNKNOWN = -1,    /* Unknown object type */
    H5O_TYPE_GROUP,          /* Object is a group */
    H5O_TYPE_DATASET,        /* Object is a dataset */
    H5O_TYPE_NAMED_DATATYPE, /* Object is a named data type */
```

Note that `object_id` refers only to the types specified by *H5O\_type\_t*.

The `fields` parameter contains flags to determine which fields will be filled in in the *H5O\_info2\_t* struct returned in `oinfo`. These flags are defined in the `H5Opublic.h` file:

Flag	Purpose
<code>H5O_INFO_BASIC</code>	Fill in the <code>fileno</code> , <code>addr</code> , <code>type</code> , and <code>rc</code> fields
<code>H5O_INFO_TIME</code>	Fill in the <code>atime</code> , <code>mtime</code> , <code>ctime</code> , and <code>btime</code> fields
<code>H5O_INFO_NUM_ATTRS</code>	Fill in the <code>num_attrs</code> field
<code>H5O_INFO_HDR</code>	Fill in the <code>hdr</code> field
<code>H5O_INFO_META_SIZE</code>	Fill in the <code>meta_size</code> field
<code>H5O_INFO_ALL</code>	<code>H5O_INFO_BASIC</code>   <code>H5O_INFO_TIME</code>   <code>H5O_INFO_NUM_ATTRS</code>   <code>H5O_INFO_HDR</code>   <code>H5O_INFO_META_SIZE</code>

**Note:**

If you are iterating through a lot of different objects to retrieve information via the `H5O_GET_INFO` family of routines, you may see memory building up. This can be due to memory allocation for metadata such as object headers and messages when the iterated objects are put into the metadata cache.

If the memory buildup is not desirable, you can configure a smaller cache via `H5F_SET_MDC_CONFIG` or set the file access property list via `H5P_SET_MDC_CONFIG`. A smaller sized cache will force metadata entries to be evicted from the cache, thus freeing the memory associated with the entries.

**Returns:**

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

**Example:**

```
examples / h5_attribute.c [189:205]                                hdf5_1_12  HDFFV/hdf5
*/
ret = H5Oget_info3(dataset, &oinfo, H5O_INFO_NUM_ATTRS);
for (i = 0; i < (unsigned)oinfo.num_attrs; i++) {
    attr      = H5Aopen_by_idx(dataset, ".", H5_INDEX_CRT_ORDER, H5_ITER_INC,
(hsize_t)i, H5P_DEFAULT,
                                H5P_DEFAULT);
    atype     = H5Aget_type(attr);
    type_class = H5Tget_class(atype);
    if (type_class == H5T_STRING) {
        atype_mem = H5Tget_native_type(atype, H5T_DIR_ASCEND);
        ret      = H5Aread(attr, atype_mem, string_out);
        printf("Found string attribute; its index is %d , value =  %s \n", i,
string_out);
        ret = H5Tclose(atype_mem);
    }
    ret = H5Aclose(attr);
    ret = H5Tclose(atype);
}
}
```

```
fortran / test / tH5O_F03.F90 [347:355]                            1.12/master  HDFFV/hdf5
! Check h5oget_info
CALL h5oget_info_f(grp, oinfo, error)
CALL check("h5oget_info_f", error, total_error)
IF(oinfo%rc.NE.1)THEN
    CALL check("h5oget_info_f", -1, total_error)
ENDIF
IF(oinfo%type.NE.H5O_TYPE_GROUP_F)THEN
    CALL check("h5oget_info_f", -1, total_error)
ENDIF
```

**History:**

Release	Change
1.12.0	Function was introduced in this release.