mdfreader Documentation

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MDF MODULE DOCUMENTATION

mdf_skeleton module describing basic mdf structure and methods Created on Thu Sept 24 2015

1.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.6+ and 3.2+

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1.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.2 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org

1.3 mdf module

 ${\bf class} \; {\tt mdfreader.mdf.compressed_data}$

Methods

compression(a)	data compression method
decompression()	data decompression

compression(a)

data compression method

Parameters a: numpy array data to be compresses

${\tt decompression}\,(\,)$

data decompression

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} {\bf class} \ {\tt mdf.mdf_skeleton} \ (fileName=None, \ channel List=None, \ convert After Read=True, \\ filter Channel Names=False, \ no Data Loading=False, \ compression=False, \ convert Tables=False) \end{tabular}$

Bases: dict

Methods

<pre>add_channel(dataGroup, channel_name, data,) add_metadata([author, organisation,]) clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.) copy() fromkeys() get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,) getChannel(channelName) getChannelConversion(channelName) getChannelDesc(channelName)</pre>	adds basic metadata to mdf class copy a mdf class v defaults to None. Extract channel dict from mdf structure Extract channel conversion dict from mdf structure Extract channel description information from mdf structure Extract channel master name from mdf structure Extract channel master type information from mdf
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getChannelMaster(channelName)	Extract channel master type information from mdf
getChannelMasterType(channelName)	structure
getChannelUnit(channelName)	Returns channel unit string
<pre>getInvalidBit(channelName)</pre>	
getInvalidChannel(channelName)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
$pop((k[,d]) \to v,)$	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key- Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
remove_channel(channel_name)	removes channel from mdf dict.
remove_channel_conversion(channelName)	removes conversion key from mdf channel dict.
rename_channel(channelName, newname)	Modifies name of channel
setChannelAttachment(channelName, attach-	Modifies channel attachment
ment)	
<pre>setChannelConversion(channelName, conver- sion)</pre>	Modifies conversion dict of channel
setChannelData(channelName, data[, compres-	Modifies data of channel
sion])	
setChannelDesc(channelName, desc)	Modifies description of channel
setChannelMaster(channelName, master)	Modifies channel master name
setChannelMasterType(channelName, master-	Modifies master channel type
Type)	VI -
setChannelUnit(channelName, unit)	Modifies unit of channel
setInvalidBit(channelName, bit_position)	
setInvalidChannel(channelName, in-	
valid_channel)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
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update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

MDFVersionNumber

```
add_channel (dataGroup, channel_name, data, master_channel, master_type=1, unit='', descrip-
tion='', conversion=None, info=None, compression=False)
adds channel to mdf dict.
```

Parameters dataGroup: int

dataGroup number. Is appended to master name for non unique channel names

channel_name : str
 channel name
data : numpy array

numpy array of channel's data

master_channel : str
 master channel name
master_type : int, optional

master channel type: 0=None, 1=Time, 2=Angle, 3=Distance, 4=index

unit : str, optional
 unit description

description: str, optional channel description

conversion: info class, optional

conversion description from info class

 $info: info\ class\ for\ CNBlock,\ optional$

used for CABlock axis creation and channel conversion

compression: bool

flag to ask for channel data compression

add_metadata (author='', organisation='', project='', subject='', comment='', date='', time='')
adds basic metadata to mdf class

Parameters author: str author of file

organisation : str

organisation of author

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```
project: str
            subject : str
            comment: str
            date: str
            time: str
convertAfterRead
convert_tables
copy()
    copy a mdf class
fid
fileName
file_metadata
filterChannelNames
getChannel (channelName)
    Extract channel dict from mdf structure
        Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
        Returns channel dictionnary containing data, description, unit, etc.
getChannelConversion(channelName)
    Extract channel conversion dict from mdf structure
        Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
        Returns channel conversion dict
getChannelDesc (channelName)
    Extract channel description information from mdf structure
        Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
        Returns channel description string
getChannelMaster (channelName)
    Extract channel master name from mdf structure
        Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
        Returns channel master name string
getChannelMasterType (channelName)
    Extract channel master type information from mdf structure
        Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
```

Returns channel mater type integer: 0=None, 1=Time, 2=Angle, 3=Distance, 4=index

```
getChannelUnit (channelName)
   Returns channel unit string Implemented for a future integration of pint
   Parameters channelName : str
        channel name
   Returns str
        unit string description
```

getInvalidBit(channelName)

getInvalidChannel(channelName)

info

masterChannelList

multiProc

remove_channel (channel_name)

removes channel from mdf dict.

Parameters channel_name : str

channel name

Returns value of mdf dict key=channel_name

remove_channel_conversion(channelName)

removes conversion key from mdf channel dict.

Parameters channelName: str

channel name

Returns removed value from dict

rename_channel (channelName, newname)

Modifies name of channel

Parameters channelName: str

channel name

 $\boldsymbol{newname}: str$

new channel name

setChannelAttachment (channelName, attachment)

Modifies channel attachment

Parameters channelName: str

channel name

attachment

channel attachment

 $\verb§setChannelConversion (channelName, conversion)$

Modifies conversion dict of channel

Parameters channelName: str

channel name
conversion : dict

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```
conversion dictionnary
setChannelData (channelName, data, compression=False)
     Modifies data of channel
         Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
            data: numpy array
              channel data
            compression: bool or str
              trigger for data compression
setChannelDesc (channelName, desc)
    Modifies description of channel
         Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
            desc : str
              channel description
setChannelMaster (channelName, master)
    Modifies channel master name
         Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
            master: str
               master channel name
setChannelMasterType (channelName, masterType)
    Modifies master channel type
         Parameters channelName: str
              channel name
            masterType: int
              master channel type
```

```
Parameters channelName: str
channel name
```

 $\boldsymbol{unit}: str$

setChannelUnit (*channelName*, *unit*)

Modifies unit of channel

channel unit

setInvalidBit (channelName, bit_position)

setInvalidChannel (channelName, invalid_channel)

zipfile

MDFREADER MODULE DOCUMENTATION

Measured Data Format file reader main module

2.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.6+ and 3.2+

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2.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.2 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org
- Sympy to convert channels with formula
- bitarray for not byte aligned data parsing
- Matplotlib >1.0 http://matplotlib.sourceforge.net
- NetCDF
- h5py for the HDF5 export
- xlwt for the excel export (not existing for python3)
- openpyxl for the excel 2007 export
- scipy for the Matlab file conversion
- · zlib to uncompress data block if needed

2.3 Attributes

PythonVersion [float] Python version currently running, needed for compatibility of both python 2.6+ and 3.2+

2.4 mdfreader module

```
Bases: mdfreader.mdf3reader.mdf3, mdfreader.mdf4reader.mdf4 mdf class
```

Notes

mdf class is a nested dict Channel name is the primary dict key of mdf class At a higher level, each channel includes the following keys:

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'data': containing vector of data (numpy)'unit': unit (string)'master': master channel of channel (time, crank angle, etc.)
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•'description': Description of channel

•'conversion': mdfinfo nested dict for CCBlock. Exist if channel not converted, used to convert with getChannelData method

Examples

```
>>> import mdfreader
>>> yop=mdfreader.mdf('NameOfFile')
>>> yop.keys() # list channels names
# list channels grouped by raster or master channel
>>> yop.masterChannelList
>>> yop.plot('channelName') or yop.plot({'channel1','channel2'})
>>> yop.resample(0.1) or yop.resample(channelName='master3')
>>> yop.exportoCSV(sampling=0.01)
>>> yop.exportNetCDF()
>>> yop.exporttoHDF5()
>>> yop.exporttoMatlab()
>>> yop.exporttoExcel()
>>> yop.exporttoXlsx()
>>> yop.convertToPandas() # converts data groups into pandas dataframes
>>> yop.write() # writes mdf file
# drops all the channels except the one in argument
>>> yop.keepChannels({'channel1','channel2','channel3'})
>>> yop.getChannelData('channelName') # returns channel numpy array
```

Attributes

fileName	(str) file name
MDFVer-	(int) mdf file version number
sionNum-	
ber	
master-	(dict) Represents data structure: a key per master channel with corresponding value
Channel-	containing a list of channels One key or master channel represents then a data group having
List	same sampling interval.
multiProc	(bool) Flag to request channel conversion multi processed for performance improvement.
	One thread per data group.
file_metadata	(dict) file metadata with minimum keys: author, organisation, project, subject, comment,
	time, date

Methods

convertAfterRead=True, filterChannelNames=False, noDataLoading=False, compression=False) write (fileName=None) getChannelData(channelName) convertAllChannel() getChannelData(channelName) converts all channel data according to CCBlock information getChannelUnit(channelName) getChannelUnit(channelName) getChannelUnit(channelName) getChannelUnit(channelName) getChannelUnit(channelName) getChannelUnit(channelName) plot (channels) Resample (samplingTime = 0.1, masterChannel=None) exportToCSV(filename = None, sampling = 0.1) Exports mdf data into CSV file exportToNetCDF(filename = None, sampling = None) Exports mdf data into netcdf file exportToHDF5(filename = None, sampling = None) Exports mdf class data structure into hdf5 file exportToMatlab(filename = None) Exports mdf class data structure into Matlab file exportToExcel(filename = None) Exports mdf data into excel 95 to 2003 file exportToXlsx(filename=None) Exports mdf data into excel 2007 and 2010 file convertToPandas(sampling=None) keepChannels(channelList) keep only list of channels and removes the other channels	read(fileName = None, multiProc = False, channelList=None,	reads mdf file version 3.x
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allPlot()

convertAllChannel()

Converts all channels from raw data to converted data according to CCBlock information Converted data will take more memory.

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convertToPandas (sampling=None)
```

converts mdf data structure into pandas dataframe(s)

Parameters sampling: float, optional

resampling interval

Notes

One pandas dataframe is converted per data group Not adapted yet for mdf4 as it considers only time master channels

copy()

make a shallow copy a mdf class

cut (begin=None, end=None)

Cut data

Parameters begin: float

beginning value in master channel from which to start cutting in all channels

end: float

ending value in master channel from which to start cutting in all channels

Notes

Use this method if whole data in mdf are using same physical or type of master channel (for instance time).

exportToCSV (filename=None, sampling=None)

Exports mdf data into CSV file

Parameters filename: str, optional

file name. If no name defined, it will use original mdf name and path

sampling: float, optional

sampling interval. None by default

Notes

Data saved in CSV fille be automatically resampled as it is difficult to save in this format data not sharing same master channel Warning: this can be slow for big data, CSV is text format after all

```
exportToExcel (filename=None)
```

Exports mdf data into excel 95 to 2003 file

Parameters filename: str, optional

file name. If no name defined, it will use original mdf name and path

Notes

xlwt is not fast even for small files, consider other binary formats like HDF5 or Matlab If there are more than 256 channels, data will be saved over different worksheets Also Excel 2003 is becoming rare these days, prefer using exportToXlsx

exportToHDF5 (filename=None, sampling=None, compression=None, compression_opts=None) Exports mdf class data structure into hdf5 file

Parameters filename: str, optional

file name. If no name defined, it will use original mdf name and path

sampling: float, optional sampling interval.

compression : str, optional

HDF5 compression algorithm. Valid options are 'gzip', 'lzf'. gzip compression recommended for portability. szip compression not supported due to legal reasons.

compression_opts: int, optional

HDF5 gzip compression level, 0-9. Only valid if gzip compression is used. Level 4 (default) recommended for best balance between compression and time.

Notes

The maximum attributes will be stored Data structure will be similar has it is in masterChannelList attribute

exportToMatlab (filename=None)

Export mdf data into Matlab file format 5, tentatively compressed

Parameters filename: str, optional

file name. If no name defined, it will use original mdf name and path

Notes

This method will dump all data into Matlab file but you will loose below information: - unit and descriptions of channel - data structure, what is corresponding master channel to a channel.

Channels might have then different lengths

exportToNetCDF (filename=None, sampling=None)

Exports mdf data into netcdf file

Parameters filename: str, optional

file name. If no name defined, it will use original mdf name and path

sampling: float, optional sampling interval.

exportToXlsx(filename=None)

Exports mdf data into excel 2007 and 2010 file

Parameters filename: str, optional

file name. If no name defined, it will use original mdf name and path

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Notes

It is recommended to export resampled data for performances

```
getChannelData (channelName, raw_data=False)
```

Return channel numpy array

Parameters channelName: str

channel name

raw data: bool

flag to return non converted data

Notes

This method is the safest to get channel data as numpy array from 'data' dict key might contain raw data

keepChannels (channelList)

keeps only list of channels and removes the other channels

Parameters channelList: list of str

list of channel names

mergeMdf (mdfClass)

Merges data of 2 mdf classes

Parameters mdfClass: mdf

mdf class instance to be merge with self

Notes

both classes must have been resampled, otherwise, impossible to know master channel to match create union of both channel lists and fill with Nan for unknown sections in channels

```
plot (channel_name_list_of_list)
```

Plot channels with Matplotlib

Parameters channel_name_list_of_list: str or list of str or list of list of str

channel name or list of channel names or list of list of channel names list of list will create multiplots

Notes

Channel description and unit will be tentatively displayed with axis labels

read (fileName=None, multiProc=False, channelList=None, convertAfterRead=True, filterChannel-Names=False, noDataLoading=False, compression=False)
reads mdf file version 3.x and 4.x

Parameters fileName: str, optional

file name

multiProc: bool

flag to activate multiprocessing of channel data conversion

channelList: list of str, optional

list of channel names to be read If you use channelList, reading might be much slower but it will save you memory. Can be used to read big files

convertAfterRead: bool, optional

flag to convert channel after read, True by default If you use convertAfterRead by setting it to false, all data from channels will be kept raw, no conversion applied. If many float are stored in file, you can gain from 3 to 4 times memory footprint To calculate value from channel, you can then use method .getChannelData()

filterChannelNames: bool, optional

flag to filter long channel names from its module names separated by '.'

noDataLoading: bool, optional

Flag to read only file info but no data to have minimum memory use

compression: bool or str, optional

To compress data in memory using blosc or bcolz, takes cpu time if compression = int(1 to 9), uses bcolz for compression if compression = 'blosc', uses blosc for compression Choice given, efficiency depends of data

Notes

If you keep convertAfterRead to true, you can set attribute mdf.multiProc to activate channel conversion in multiprocessing. Gain in reading time can be around 30% if file is big and using a lot of float channels

resample (samplingTime=None, masterChannel=None)

Resamples all data groups into one data group having defined sampling interval or sharing same master channel

Parameters samplingTime: float, optional

resampling interval, None by default. If None, will merge all datagroups into a unique datagroup having the highest sampling rate from all datagroups

or

masterChannel: str, optional

master channel name to be used for all channels

Notes

- 1. resampling is relatively safe for mdf3 as it contains only time series. However, mdf4 can contain also distance, angle, etc. It might make not sense to apply one resampling to several data groups that do not share same kind of master channel (like time resampling to distance or angle data groups) If several kind of data groups are used, you should better use pandas to resample
- 2. resampling will convert all your channels so be careful for big files and memory consumption

write (fileName=None, compression=False)

Writes simple mdf file, same format as originally read, default is 4.x

Parameters fileName: str, optional

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Name of file If file name is not input, written file name will be the one read with appended '_new' string before extension

compression: bool

Flag to store data compressed (from mdf version 4.1) If activated, will write in version 4.1 even if original file is in version 3.x

Notes

All channels will be converted, so size might be bigger than original file

class mdfreader.mdfinfo (fileName=None, filterChannelNames=False, fid=None, minimal=0)

Bases: dict

Methods

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fid

fileName

filterChannelNames

listChannels (fileName=None)

Read MDF file blocks and returns a list of contained channels

Parameters fileName: string

file name

Returns nameList: list of string

list of channel names

mdfversion

readinfo (fileName=None, fid=None, minimal=0)

Reads MDF file and extracts its complete structure

Parameters fileName: str, optional

file name. If not input, uses fileName attribute

fid: file identifier, optional

minimal: int

0 will load every metadata 1 will load DG, CG, CN and CC 2 will load only DG

zipfile

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CHAPTER

THREE

MDF3READER MODULE DOCUMENTATION

Measured Data Format file reader module for version 3.x

3.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.6+ and 3.2+

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3.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.2 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org
- Sympy to convert channels with formula

3.3 Attributes

PythonVersion [float] Python version currently running, needed for compatibility of both python 2.6+ and 3.2+

3.4 mdf3reader module

 ${f class}\ {f mdfreader.mdf3reader.DATA}\ ({\it fid}, {\it pointer})$

 $Bases: \, \hbox{\tt dict}$

DATA class is organizing record classes itself made of channel. This class inherits from dict. Keys are corresponding to channel group recordID. A DATA class corresponds to a data block, a dict of record classes (one per channel group). Each record class contains a list of channel class representing the structure of channel record.

Attributes

fid	(io.open) file identifier
pointerToData	(int) position of Data block in mdf file
BlockLength	(int) total size of data block

Methods

addRecord(record)	Adds a new record in DATA class dict
read(channelSet)	Reads data block
loadSorted(record, nameList=None)	Reads sorted data block from record definition
loadUnSorted(nameList=None)	Reads unsorted data block, not yet implemented

addRecord (record)

Adds a new record in DATA class dict

Parameters record class

channel group definition listing record channel classes

loadSorted (record, nameList=None)

Reads sorted data block from record definition

Parameters record class

channel group definition listing record channel classes

channelSet: set of str, optional

list of channel names

Returns numpy recarray of data

loadUnSorted (nameList=None)

Reads unsorted data block from record definition

Parameters record class

channel group definition listing record channel classes

channelSet: set of str, optional

list of channel names

Returns numpy recarray of data

read (channelSet, filename)

Reads data block

Parameters channelSet: set of str, optional

list of channel names

filename: str

mdfreader.mdf3reader.expConv(data, conv)

apply exponential conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

mdfreader.mdf3reader.formulaConv(data, conv)

apply formula conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

Notes

Requires sympy module

mdfreader.mdf3reader.linearConv (data, conv)
apply linear conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

mdfreader.mdf3reader.logConv (*data*, *conv*) apply logarithmic conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

sion=False, convertTables=False)

Bases: mdfreader.mdf.mdf_skeleton

mdf file version 3.0 to 3.3 class

Attributes

fileName	(str) file name
MDFVer-	(int) mdf file version number
sionNum-	
ber	
master-	(dict) Represents data structure: a key per master channel with corresponding value
Channel-	containing a list of channels One key or master channel represents then a data group having
List	same sampling interval.
multiProc	(bool) Flag to request channel conversion multi processed for performance improvement.
	One thread per data group.
con-	(bool) flag to convert raw data to physical just after read
vertAfter-	
Read	
filterChan-	(bool) flag to filter long channel names from its module names separated by '.'
nelNames	
file_metadata	(dict) file metadata with minimum keys: author, organisation, project, subject, comment,
	time, date

Methods

read3(fileName=None, info=None, multiProc=False,	Reads mdf 3.x file data and stores it in dict
channelList=None, convertAfterRead=True)	
_getChannelData3(channelName)	Returns channel numpy array
_convertChannel3(channelName)	converts specific channel from raw to physical
	data according to CCBlock information
_convertAllChannel3()	Converts all channels from raw data to converted
	data according to CCBlock information
write3(fileName=None)	Writes simple mdf 3.3 file

read3 (fileName=None, info=None, multiProc=False, channelList=None, convertAfterRead=True, filterChannelNames=False, compression=False)
Reads mdf 3.x file data and stores it in dict

Parameters fileName: str, optional

file name

info: mdfinfo3.info3 class

info3 class containing all MDF Blocks

multiProc: bool

flag to activate multiprocessing of channel data conversion

channelList: list of str, optional

list of channel names to be read If you use channelList, reading might be much slower but it will save you memory. Can be used to read big files

convertAfterRead: bool, optional

flag to convert channel after read, True by default If you use convertAfterRead by setting it to false, all data from channels will be kept raw, no conversion applied. If many float are stored in file, you can gain from 3 to 4 times memory footprint To calculate value from channel, you can then use method .getChannelData()

compression: bool, optional

falg to activate data compression with blosc

write3 (fileName=None)

Writes simple mdf 3.3 file

Parameters fileName: str, optional

Name of file If file name is not input, written file name will be the one read with appended '_new' string before extension

Notes

All channels will be converted to physical data, so size might be bigger than original file

mdfreader.mdf3reader.polyConv (data, conv)
apply polynomial conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

mdfreader.mdf3reader.rationalConv (data, conv)

apply rational conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

 ${\bf class} \ {\tt mdfreader.mdf3reader.record} \ ({\it dataGroup, channelGroup})$

Bases: list

record class lists Channel classes, it is representing a channel group

Attributes

CGrecordLength	(int) length of record from channel group block information in Byte
recordLength	(int) length of record from channels information in Byte
numberOfRecords	(int) number of records in data block
recordID	(int) recordID corresponding to channel group
recordIDnumber	(int) size of recordID
dataGroup	(int:) data group number
channelGroup	(int) channel group number
numpyDataRecordFormat	(list) list of numpy (dtype) for each channel
dataRecordName	(list) list of channel names used for recarray attribute definition
master	(dict) define name and number of master channel
recordToChannelMatch-	(dict) helps to identify nested bits in byte
ing	
channelNames	(set) channel names to be stored, useful for low memory consumption but
	slow
hiddenBytes	(Bool, False by default) flag in case of non declared channels in record
byte_aligned	(Bool, True by default) flag for byte aligned record

Methods

addChannel(info, channelNumber)	
loadInfo(info)	
readSortedRecord(fid, pointer, channelSet=None)	
readRecordBuf(buf, channelSet=None)	
readRecordBits(bita, channelSet=None)	

addChannel (info, channelNumber)

add a channel in class

Parameters info: mdfinfo3.info3 class

channel Number: int

channel number in mdfinfo3.info3 class

loadInfo(info)

gathers records related from info class

Parameters info: mdfinfo3.info3 class

readRecordBits (bita, channelSet=None)

read stream of record bits by bits in case of not aligned or hidden bytes

Parameters buf: stream

stream of bytes read in file

channelSet: Set of str, optional

list of channel to read

Returns rec: dict

returns dictionary of channel with its corresponding values

readRecordBuf (buf, channelSet=None)

read stream of record bytes

Parameters buf: stream

stream of bytes read in file

channelSet: Set of str, optional

list of channel to read

Returns rec: dict

returns dictionary of channel with its corresponding values

readSortedRecord (fid, pointer, channelSet=None)

reads record, only one channel group per datagroup

Parameters fid: float

file identifier

pointer

position in file of data block beginning

channelSet: Set of str, optional

list of channel to read

Returns rec: numpy recarray

contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)

Notes

If channelSet is None, read data using numpy.core.records.fromfile that is rather quick. However, in case of large file, you can use channelSet to load only interesting channels or only one channel on demand, but be aware it might be much slower.

mdfreader.mdf3reader.tabConv(data, conv)

apply Tabular conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

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mdfreader.mdf3reader.tabInterpConv (data, conv) apply Tabular interpolation conversion to data
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Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

 $\verb|mdfreader.mdf3reader.textRangeTableConv| (\textit{data}, \textit{conv})$

apply text range table conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

mdfreader.mdf3reader.textTableConv(data, conv)

apply text table conversion to data

Parameters data: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

conv: mdfinfo3.info3 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

CHAPTER

FOUR

MDFINFO3 MODULE DOCUMENTATION

Measured Data Format blocks parser for version 3.x Created on Thu Dec 9 12:57:28 2014

4.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.6+ and 3.2+

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4.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.2 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org

4.3 Attributes

PythonVersion [float] Python version currently running, needed for compatibility of both python 2.6+ and 3.2+

4.4 mdfinfo3 module

class mdfreader.mdfinfo3.info3 (fileName=None, fid=None, filterChannelNames=False, minimal=0)

Bases: dict

Methods

cleanDGinfo(dg)	delete CN,CC and CG blocks related to data group
clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
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has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
<pre>items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)</pre>	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
listChannels3([fileName, fid])	reads data, channel group and channel blocks to list
	channel names
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
readCGBlock(fid, dg[, minimal])	read all CG blocks and relying CN & CC
readinfo3(fid[, minimal])	read all file blocks except data
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

${\tt cleanDGinfo}\,(dg)$

delete CN,CC and CG blocks related to data group

Parameters dg: int

data group number

fid

fileName

filterChannelNames

listChannels3 (fileName=None, fid=None)

reads data, channel group and channel blocks to list channel names

Returns list of channel names

Attributes

C1 NT	(,) C1
fileName	(str) file name
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readCGBlock (fid, dg, minimal=0)

read all CG blocks and relying CN & CC

Parameters fid: float

file identifier

dg: int

datagroup number

channelSet : set

set of channel names to read

```
minimal: int
                    0 will load every metadata 1 will load DG, CG, CN and CC 2 will load only DG
     readinfo3 (fid, minimal=0)
          read all file blocks except data
              Parameters fid: float
                    file identifier
                  minimal: int
                    0 will load every metadata 1 will load DG, CG, CN and CC 2 will load only DG
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_cc_block (fid, pointer)
     channel conversion block reading
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_ce_block (fid, pointer)
     reads source block
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_cg_block (fid, pointer)
     channel block reading
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_cn_block (fid, pointer)
     channel block reading
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_dg_block (fid, pointer)
     data group block reading
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_hd_block (fid, pointer, version=0)
     header block reading
mdfreader.mdfinfo3.read_tx_block(fid, pointer)
     reads text block
```

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MDF4READER MODULE DOCUMENTATION

Measured Data Format file reader module for version 4.x.

5.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.6+ and 3.2+

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5.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.2 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org
- bitarray to parse bits in not aligned bytes
- Sympy to convert channels with formula if needed
- · zlib to uncompress data block if needed

5.3 Attributes

PythonVersion [float] Python version currently running, needed for compatibility of both python 2.6+ and 3.2+

5.4 mdf4reader module

class mdfreader.mdf4reader.DATA(fid, pointer)
 Bases: dict

Methods

addRecord(record)	Adds a new record in DATA class dict.
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clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
load(record, info[, nameList, sortedFlag, vlsd])	Reads data block from record definition
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(channelSet, info, filename)	Reads data block
<pre>readRecord(recordID, info, buf[, channelSet])</pre>	read record from a buffer
$\texttt{setdefault}((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

addRecord (record)

Adds a new record in DATA class dict.

Parameters record class

channel group definition listing record channel classes

fid

 $\textbf{load} \ (\textit{record}, \textit{info}, \textit{nameList} = None, \textit{sortedFlag} = True, \textit{vlsd} = False)$

Reads data block from record definition

Parameters record class

channel group definition listing record channel classes

info class

contains blocks

nameList: list of str, optional

list of channel names

sortedFlag: bool, optional

flag to know if data block is sorted (only one Channel Group in block) or unsorted (several Channel Groups identified by a recordID). As unsorted block can contain CG records in random order, block is processed iteratively, not in raw like sorted -> much slower reading

vlsd: bool

indicate a sd block, compressed (DZ) or not (SD)

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Returns numpy recarray of data
     pointerTodata
     read (channelSet, info, filename)
           Reads data block
               Parameters channelSet: set of str
                     set of channel names
                   info: info object
                     contains blocks structures
                   filename
                     name of file ot read
     readRecord (recordID, info, buf, channelSet=None)
           read record from a buffer
               Parameters recordID: int
                     record identifier
                   info class
                     contains blocks
                   buf: str
                     buffer of data from file to be converted to channel raw data
                   channelSet: set of str
                      setof channel names to be read
     type
mdfreader.mdf4reader.DATABlock (record, info, parent_block, channelSet=None, nrecords=None,
                                            sortedFlag=True, vlsd=False)
     DATABlock converts raw data into arrays
           Parameters record: class
                   record class instance describing a channel group record
               parent block: class
                   MDFBlock class containing at least parent block header
               channelSet: set of str, optional
                   defines set of channels to only read, can be slow but saves memory, for big files
               nrecords: int, optional
                   number of records to read
               sortedFlag: bool, optional
                   flag to know if data block is sorted (only one Channel Group in block) or unsorted
                   (several Channel Groups identified by a recordID). As unsorted block can contain CG
                   records in random order, block is processed iteratively, not in raw like sorted -> much
                   slower reading
               vlsd: bool
                   indicate a sd block, compressed (DZ) or not (SD)
```

Returns a recarray containing the channels data

Notes

This function will read DTBlock, RDBlock, DZBlock (compressed), RDBlock (VLSD), sorted or unsorted

mdfreader.mdf4reader.equalizeStringLength(buf)

Makes all strings in a list having same length by appending spaces strings.

Parameters buf: list of str

Returns list of str elements all having same length

mdfreader.mdf4reader.formulaConv(vect, formula) apply formula conversion to data

Parameters vect: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

cc_val: mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

mdfreader.mdf4reader.linearConv (vect, cc_val) apply linear conversion to data

Parameters vect: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

cc_val: mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

Bases: mdfreader.mdf.mdf_skeleton

mdf file reader class from version 4.0 to 4.1.1

Attributes

fileName	(str) file name
MDFVer-	(int) mdf file version number
sionNum-	
ber	
master-	(dict) Represents data structure: a key per master channel with corresponding value
Channel-	containing a list of channels One key or master channel represents then a data group having
List	same sampling interval.
multiProc	(bool) Flag to request channel conversion multi processed for performance improvement.
	One thread per data group.
con-	(bool) flag to convert raw data to physical just after read
vertAfter-	
Read	
filterChan-	(bool) flag to filter long channel names from its module names separated by '.'
nelNames	
file_metadata	(dict) file metadata with minimum keys: author, organisation, project, subject, comment,
	time, date

Methods

read4(fileName=None, info=None, multiProc=False,	Reads mdf 4.x file data and stores it in dict
channelList=None, convertAfterRead=True)	
_getChannelData4(channelName)	Returns channel numpy array
_convertChannel4(channelName)	converts specific channel from raw to physical
	data according to CCBlock information
_convertAllChannel4()	Converts all channels from raw data to converted
	data according to CCBlock information

apply_invalid_bit (channel_name)

Mask data of channel based on its invalid bit definition if there is

Parameters channel name: str

Name of channel

read4 (fileName=None, info=None, multiProc=False, channelList=None, convertAfterRead=True, filterChannelNames=False, compression=False) Reads mdf 4.x file data and stores it in dict

Parameters fileName: str, optional

file name

info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

multiProc: bool

flag to activate multiprocessing of channel data conversion

channelList: list of str, optional

list of channel names to be read If you use channelList, reading might be much slower but it will save you memory. Can be used to read big files

convertAfterRead: bool, optional

flag to convert channel after read, True by default If you use convertAfterRead by setting it to false, all data from channels will be kept raw, no conversion applied. If many float are stored in file, you can gain from 3 to 4 times memory footprint To calculate value from channel, you can then use method .getChannelData()

compression: bool, optional

falg to activate data compression with blosc

write4 (fileName=None, compression=False)

Writes simple mdf 4.1 file

Parameters fileName: str, optional

Name of file If file name is not input, written file name will be the one read with appended '_new' string before extension

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compression: bool

flag to store data compressed

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Notes

All channels will be converted to physical data, so size might be bigger than original file

mdfreader.mdf4reader.rationalConv (vect, cc_val) apply rational conversion to data

Parameters vect : numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

cc_val : mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

mdfreader.mdf4reader.readUnsorted(record, info, parent_block, channelSet=None)

 $\verb|mdfreader.mdf4reader.read_sdblock| (signal_data_type, sdblock, sdblock_length)|$

Reads vlsd channel from its SD Block bytes

Parameters signal_data_type : int

sdblock : bytes

SD Block bytes

sdblock_length: int

SD Block data length (header not included)

Returns array

class mdfreader.mdf4reader.record(dataGroup, channelGroup)

Bases: list

Methods

addChannel(info, channelNumber)	add a channel in class
append	L.append(object) – append object to end
count()	
extend	L.extend(iterable) – extend list by appending elements
	from the iterable
generate_chunks()	calculate data split
index((value, [start,)	Raises ValueError if the value is not present.
initialise_recarray(info, channelSet,	Initialise recarray
nrecords)	
insert	L.insert(index, object) – insert object before index
loadInfo(info)	gathers records related from info class
pop()	Raises IndexError if list is empty or index is out of
	range.
readRecordBuf(buf, info[, channelSet])	read stream of record bytes
readSortedRecord(fid, info[, channelSet])	reads record, only one channel group per datagroup
read_all_channels_sorted_record(fid)	reads all channels from file using numpy fromstring,
	chunk by chunk
read_channels_from_bytes(bita, info[,])	reads stream of record bytes using dataRead module if
	available otherwise bitarray
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read_channels_from_bytes_fallback(bita,	reads stream of record bytes using bitarray in case no
info)	dataRead available
read_not_all_channels_sorted_record(fid,	reads channels from file listed in channelSet
)	
remove	L.remove(value) – remove first occurrence of value.
I Chio V C	L. Temove (value) – Temove first occurrence of value.
reverse	L.reverse() – reverse IN PLACE
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CANOpen
CGrecordLength
Flags
MLSD
VLSD
VLSD CG
addChannel(info, channelNumber)
    add a channel in class
        Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
            channelNumber: int
              channel number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
byte_aligned
channelGroup
channelNames
dataGroup
dataRecordName
generate_chunks()
    calculate data split
        Returns (nrecord_chunk, chunk_size)
hiddenBytes
initialise_recarray (info, channelSet, nrecords, dtype=None, channels_indexes=None)
    Initialise recarray
        Parameters info: info class
            channelSet: set of str, optional
              set of channel to read
            nrecords: int
              number of records
            dtype: numpy dtype, optional
```

channels_indexes: list of int, optional

Returns rec: numpy recarray

contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)

invalid_channel

loadInfo(info)

gathers records related from info class

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

master

numberOfRecords

numpyDataRecordFormat

readRecordBuf (buf, info, channelSet=None)

read stream of record bytes

Parameters buf: stream

stream of bytes read in file

info class

contains blocks structure

channelSet: set of str, optional

set of channel to read

Returns rec: dict

returns dictionary of channel with its corresponding values

readSortedRecord (fid, info, channelSet=None)

reads record, only one channel group per datagroup

Parameters fid:

file identifier

pointer

position in file of data block beginning

channelSet: set of str, optional

set of channel to read

Returns rec: numpy recarray

contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)

Notes

If channelSet is None, read data using numpy.core.records.fromfile that is rather quick. However, in case of large file, you can use channelSet to load only interesting channels or only one channel on demand, but be aware it might be much slower.

read_all_channels_sorted_record (fid)

reads all channels from file using numpy fromstring, chunk by chunk

Parameters fid:

file identifier

Returns rec: numpy recarray

```
contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)
read_channels_from_bytes (bita, info, channelSet=None, nrecords=None, dtype=None, chan-
                                   nels indexes=None)
     reads stream of record bytes using dataRead module if available otherwise bitarray
         Parameters bita: stream
               stream of bytes
             info: info class
             channelSet: set of str, optional
                set of channel to read
             nrecords: int
                number of records
             dtype: numpy dtype
             channels_indexes: list of int
         Returns rec: numpy recarray
               contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)
read_channels_from_bytes_fallback (bita,
                                                       info,
                                                               channelSet=None,
                                                                                    nrecords=None,
                                                dtype=None, channels_indexes=None)
     reads stream of record bytes using bitarray in case no dataRead available
         Parameters bita: stream
                stream of bytes
             info: info class
             channelSet: set of str, optional
                set of channel to read
             nrecords: int
                number of records
             dtype: numpy dtype
             channels_indexes: list of int
         Returns rec: numpy recarray
               contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)
read not all channels sorted record (fid, info, channelSet)
     reads channels from file listed in channelSet
         Parameters fid:
                file identifier
             info: info class
```

contains a matrix of raw data in a recarray (attributes corresponding to channel name)

channelSet: set of str, optional

set of channel to read

Returns rec: numpy recarray

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recordID
     recordIDCFormat
     recordIDsize
     recordLength
     recordToChannelMatching
mdfreader.mdf4reader.textToTextConv(vect, cc ref)
     apply text to text conversion to data
          Parameters vect: numpy 1D array
                  raw data to be converted to physical value
              cc_ref : cc_ref from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
          Returns converted data to physical value
mdfreader.mdf4reader.textToValueConv(vect, cc_val, cc_ref)
     apply text to value conversion to data
          Parameters vect: numpy 1D array
                  raw data to be converted to physical value
              cc_val: cc_val from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
              cc ref: cc ref from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
          Returns converted data to physical value
mdfreader.mdf4reader.valueRangeToTextConv(vect, cc_val, cc_ref)
     apply value range to text conversion to data
          Parameters vect: numpy 1D array
                  raw data to be converted to physical value
              cc_val: cc_val from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
              cc_ref : cc_ref from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
          Returns converted data to physical value
mdfreader.mdf4reader.valueRangeToValueTableConv(vect, cc val)
     apply value range to value table conversion to data
          Parameters vect : numpy 1D array
                  raw data to be converted to physical value
              cc val: mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
          Returns converted data to physical value
mdfreader.mdf4reader.valueToTextConv(vect, cc_val, cc_ref)
     apply value to text conversion to data
          Parameters vect: numpy 1D array
                  raw data to be converted to physical value
              cc_val: cc_val from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
              cc ref: cc ref from mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict
          Returns converted data to physical value
```

 $\verb|mdfreader.mdf4reader.valueToValueTableWInterpConv| (\textit{vect}, \textit{cc_val})$

apply value to value table with interpolation conversion to data

Parameters vect : numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

cc_val: mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

 $\verb|mdfreader.mdf4reader.valueToValueTableWOInterpConv| (\textit{vect}, \textit{cc_val})$

apply value to value table without interpolation conversion to data

Parameters vect: numpy 1D array

raw data to be converted to physical value

cc_val: mdfinfo4.info4 conversion block ('CCBlock') dict

Returns converted data to physical value

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MDFINFO4 MODULE DOCUMENTATION

Measured Data Format blocks paser for version 4.x

6.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.6+ and 3.2+

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6.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.2 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org

6.3 Attributes

PythonVersion [float] Python version currently running, needed for compatibility of both python 2.6+ and 3.2+

6.4 mdfinfo4 module

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.ATBlock (fid, pointer)

Bases: dict

reads Attachment block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)		
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)		
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.	
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)		
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Table 6.1 – continued from previous page

has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.CABlock

Bases: dict

reads Channel Array block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
load(byte_offset_base)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid, pointer)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid)	

load(byte_offset_base)

 $\verb"read" (fid, pointer")$

write(fid)

 $class \, {\tt mdfreader.mdfinfo4.CCBlock}$

Bases: dict

reads Channel Conversion block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid, pointer)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

 $\verb"read" (fid, pointer")$

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.CGBlock (fid=None, pointer=None)

Bases: dict

reads Channel Group block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)		
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)		
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.	
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)		
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)		
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)		
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)		
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)		
itervalues()		
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Table 6.4 – continued from previous page

keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid, pointer)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid)	

read (fid, pointer)

write(fid)

 ${f class}\ {\it mdfreader.mdfinfo4.CHBlock}\ ({\it fid, pointer})$

Bases: dict

reads Channel Hierarchy block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_ $key((k) \rightarrow True if D has a key k, else False)$	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
$keys(() \rightarrow list of D's keys)$	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
<pre>values(() -> list of D's values)</pre>	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.CNBlock

Bases: dict

reads Channel block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
$has_key((k) \rightarrow True if D has a key k, else False)$	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(**kargs)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid)	

read(**kargs)

 $\mathtt{write}\,(\mathit{fid}\,)$

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.CommentBlock

 $Bases: \mathop{\hbox{dict}}$

reads or writes Comment block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
load(data, MDType)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
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Table 6.7 – continued from previous page

read(**kargs)	reads Comment block and saves in class dict
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid)	

load(data, MDType)

read(**kargs)

MDType: str describes metadata type, ('CN', 'unit', 'FH', 'SI', 'HD', 'CC', 'EV')

Notes

Can read xml (MD metadata) or text (TX) comments from several kind of blocks

write (fid)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.DGBlock (fid=None, pointer=None)

Bases: dict

reads Data Group block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid, pointer)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
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Table 6.8 – continued from previous page

viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid)	

 $\verb"read" (fid, pointer")$

write(fid)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.DLBlock

Bases: dict

reads Data List block

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid, link_count)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid, chunks, position)	
	<u> </u>

read (fid, link_count)

write (fid, chunks, position)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.DTBlock

Bases: dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
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Table 6.10 – continued from previous page

copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
$keys(() \rightarrow list of D's keys)$	
<pre>load(record_byte_offset, nRecords, pointer)</pre>	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid, data)	

load (record_byte_offset, nRecords, pointer)

write (fid, data)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.DZBlock

Bases: dict

reads Data List block

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
decompress_datablock(block, zip_type,)	decompress datablock.
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
$keys(() \rightarrow list of D's keys)$	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid)	
$\texttt{setdefault}((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
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Table 6.11 – continued from previous page

	1 1 3
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid, data, record_length)	

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{static decompress_datablock} & \textit{(block, zip_type, zip_parameter, org_data_length)} \\ & \textit{decompress datablock}. \end{tabular}$

compress datableck.

Parameters block: bytes

raw data compressed

 $zip_type:int$

0 for non transposed, 1 for transposed data

zip_parameter : int

first dimension of matrix to be transposed

org_data_length: int

uncompressed data length

Returns uncompressed raw data

read(fid)

write (fid, data, record_length)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.EVBlock (fid, pointer)

Bases: dict

reads Event block and saves in class dict

Methods

<pre>clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)</pre>	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
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Table 6.12 – continued from previous page

update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.FHBlock (fid=None, pointer=None)

Bases: dict

reads File History block and save in class dict

Methods

$\begin{array}{c} \text{copy}(() \text{->} \text{a shallow copy of D}) \\ \text{fromkeys}() & \text{v defaults to None.} \\ \text{get}((k[,d]) \text{->} D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in D,}) \\ \text{has_key}((k) \text{->} \text{True if D has a key k, else False}) \\ \text{items}(() \text{->} \text{ list of D's (key, value) pairs,}) \\ \text{iteritems}(() \text{->} \text{ an iterator over the (key,}) \\ \text{iterkeys}(() \text{->} \text{ an iterator over the keys of D}) \\ \text{itervalues}() \\ \text{keys}(() \text{->} \text{ list of D's keys}) \\ \text{pop}((k[,d]) \text{->} \text{v,}) & \text{If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Keyerror is raised} \\ \text{popitem}(() \text{->} (k, \text{v}),) & \text{2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.} \\ \\ \text{read}(\text{fid, pointer}) \\ \text{setdefault}((k[,d]) \text{->} \text{D.get}(k,d),) \\ \end{array}$
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False) items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,) iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,) iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D) itervalues() keys(() -> list of D's keys) pop((k[,d]) -> v,) If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Keyser is raised popitem(() -> (k, v),) read(fid, pointer) setdefault((k[,d]) -> D.get(k,d),)
<pre>items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,) iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,) iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D) itervalues() keys(() -> list of D's keys) pop((k[,d]) -> v,)</pre>
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$\begin{array}{c} \text{keys}(() \text{-> list of D's keys}) \\ \text{pop}((k[,d]) \text{-> v,}) \\ \text{If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Keyerror is raised} \\ \text{popitem}(() \text{-> } (k, v),) \\ \text{read}(\text{fid, pointer}) \\ \text{setdefault}((k[,d]) \text{-> D.get}(k,d),) \\ \end{array}$
$\begin{array}{c} \text{pop}((k[,d]) \rightarrow v,) & \text{If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key Error is raised} \\ \\ \text{popitem}(() \rightarrow (k, v),) & 2\text{-tuple; but raise Key Error if D is empty.} \\ \\ \\ \text{read}(\text{fid, pointer}) \\ \\ \text{setdefault}((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.\text{get}(k,d),) \end{array}$
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$
update(([E,) If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in
D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)
viewitems()
viewkeys()
viewvalues()
write(fid)

read (fid, pointer)

write(fid)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.HDBlock (fid=None, pointer=64)

Bases: dict

reads Header block and save in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
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	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read([fid, pointer])	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid)	

read (fid=None, pointer=64)

write(fid)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.HLBlock

Bases: dict

reads Header List block

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
load(record_byte_offset, nRecords, position)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
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Table 6.15 – continued from previous page

update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	
write(fid, data)	

load (record_byte_offset, nRecords, position)

read(fid)

write(fid, data)

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.IDBlock (fid=None)

Bases: dict

reads or writes ID Block

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)		
$copy(() \rightarrow a \text{ shallow copy of } D)$		
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.	
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)		
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)		
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)		
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)		
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)		
itervalues()		
keys(() -> list of D's keys)		
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-	
	Error is raised	
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.	
read(fid)	reads IDBlock	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$		
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:	
	D[k] = E[k]	
values(() -> list of D's values)		
viewitems()		
viewkeys()		
viewvalues()		
write(fid)	Writes IDBlock	

 $\mathtt{read}\,(\mathit{fid}\,)$

reads IDBlock

 $\mathtt{write}\,(\mathit{fid}\,)$

Writes IDBlock

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.SIBlock

Bases: dict

reads Source Information block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
get((k[,d]) -> D[k] if k in D,)	
$has_key((k) \rightarrow True if D has a key k, else False)$	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
$keys(() \rightarrow list of D's keys)$	
$pop((k[,d]) \rightarrow v,)$	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
read(fid, pointer)	
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

$\verb"read"\,(fid,pointer")$

class mdfreader.mdfinfo4.SRBlock (fid, pointer)

 $Bases: \, {\tt dict}$

reads Sample Reduction block and saves in class dict

Methods

clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)	
itervalues()	
keys(() -> list of D's keys)	
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
popitem(() -> (k, v),)	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
$\texttt{setdefault}((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
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Table 6.18 – continued from previous page

update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

 ${\bf class} \ {\tt mdfreader.mdfinfo4.info4} \ ({\it fileName=None}, {\it fid=None}, {\it minimal=0})$

Bases: dict

Methods

cleanDGinfo(dg)	delete CN,CC and CG blocks related to data group
clear(() -> None. Remove all items from D.)	
copy(() -> a shallow copy of D)	
fromkeys()	v defaults to None.
$get((k[,d]) \rightarrow D[k] \text{ if } k \text{ in } D,)$	
has_key((k) -> True if D has a key k, else False)	
items(() -> list of D's (key, value) pairs,)	
iteritems(() -> an iterator over the (key,)	
<pre>iterkeys(() -> an iterator over the keys of D)</pre>	
itervalues()	
$keys(() \rightarrow list of D's keys)$	
<pre>listChannels4([fileName, fid])</pre>	Read MDF file and extract its complete structure
pop((k[,d]) -> v,)	If key is not found, d is returned if given, otherwise Key-
	Error is raised
$popitem(() \rightarrow (k, v),)$	2-tuple; but raise KeyError if D is empty.
readATBlock(selfself, fid, pointer)	reads Attachment blocks
<pre>readCGBlock(fid, dg[, channelNameList, minimal])</pre>	reads Channel Group blocks
readCNBlock(fid, dg, cg[, channelNameList,])	reads Channel blocks
readComposition(fid, dg, cg, MLSDChannels)	check for composition of channels, arrays or structures
readDGBlock(fid[, channelNameList, minimal])	reads Data Group Blocks
readSRBlock(fid, pointer)	reads Sample Reduction Blocks
readinfo(fid, minimal)	read all file blocks except data
$setdefault((k[,d]) \rightarrow D.get(k,d),)$	
update(([E,)	If E present and has a .keys() method, does: for k in E:
	D[k] = E[k]
values(() -> list of D's values)	
viewitems()	
viewkeys()	
viewvalues()	

${\tt cleanDGinfo}\,(dg)$

delete CN,CC and CG blocks related to data group

 $\boldsymbol{Parameters}\;\;\boldsymbol{dg}: int$

data group number

 ${\tt fid}$

fileName listChannels4 (fileName=None, fid=None) Read MDF file and extract its complete structure Parameters fileName: str file name **Returns** list of channel names contained in file readATBlock (selfself, fid, pointer) reads Attachment blocks Parameters fid: float file identifier pointer: int position of ATBlock in file Returns Attachments Blocks in a dict readCGBlock (fid, dg, channelNameList=False, minimal=0) reads Channel Group blocks Parameters fid: float file identifier dg: int data group number channelNameList: bool Flag to reads only channel blocks for listChannels4 method minimal: falg to activate minimum content reading for raw data fetching readCNBlock (fid, dg, cg, channelNameList=False, minimal=0) reads Channel blocks Parameters fid: float file identifier dg: int data group number cg: int channel group number in data group channelNameList: bool Flag to reads only channel blocks for listChannels4 method minimal: falg to activate minimum content reading for raw data fetching

readComposition (fid, dg, cg, MLSDChannels)

Parameters fid: float

check for composition of channels, arrays or structures

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file identifier
             dg: int
               data group number
             cg: int
               channel group number in data group
             MLSDChannels: list of int
               channel numbers
         Returns MLSDChannels list of appended Maximum Length Sampling Data channels
readDGBlock (fid, channelNameList=False, minimal=0)
     reads Data Group Blocks
         Parameters fid: float
               file identifier
             channelNameList: bool
               Flag to reads only channel blocks for listChannels4 method
             minimal: falg
               to activate minimum content reading for raw data fetching
readSRBlock (fid, pointer)
     reads Sample Reduction Blocks
         Parameters fid: float
               file identifier
             pointer: int
               position of SRBlock in file
         Returns Sample Reduction Blocks in a dict
readinfo(fid, minimal)
     read all file blocks except data
         Parameters fid: float
               file identifier
             minimal: falg
               to activate minimum content reading for raw data fetching
zipfile
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Measured Data Format file reader module.

7.1 Platform and python version

With Unix and Windows for python 2.7 and 3.4+

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7.2 Dependencies

- Python >2.6, >3.4 http://www.python.org
- Numpy >1.6 http://numpy.scipy.org

7.3 Attributes

PythonVersion [float] Python version currently running, needed for compatibility of both python 2.6+ and 3.4+

7.4 channel module

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{class} \ \texttt{mdfreader.channel.Channel3} \ (info, \ dataGroup, \ channelGroup, \ channelNumber, \ recordIDnumber) \\ \\ \textbf{Channel class gathers all about channel structure in a record} \end{array}$

Attributes

name	(str) Name of channel
unit	(str, default empty string) channel unit
	1.00
desc	(str) channel description
conversion	(info class) conversion dictionnary
channelNumber	(int) channel number corresponding to mdfinfo3.info3 class
signalDataType	(int) signal type according to specification
bitCount	(int) number of bits used to store channel record
nBytes	(int) number of bytes (1 byte = 8 bits) taken by channel record
dataFormat	(str) numpy dtype as string
CFormat	(struct class instance) struct instance to convert from C Format
byteOffset	(int) position of channel record in complete record in bytes
bitOffset	(int) bit position of channel value inside byte in case of channel having bit count below
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recAttribute-	(str) channel name compliant to a valid python identifier (recarray attribute)
Name	
RecordFormat	(list of str) dtype format used for numpy.core.records functions
	((name_title,name),str_stype)
channelType	(int) channel type
posByteBeg	(int) start position in number of bit of channel record in complete record
posByteEnd	(int) end position in number of bit of channel record in complete record

Methods

init(info, dataGroup, channelGroup, channelNumber, recordIDnumber)	constructor
str()	to print class attributes

$\verb|changeChannelName|| (channelGroup)|$

In case of duplicate channel names within several channel groups for unsorted data, rename channel name

Parameters channelGroup: int

channelGroup bumber

mdfreader.channel.arrayformat4(signalDataType, numberOfBits)

function returning numpy style string from channel data type and number of bits

Parameters signalDataType: int

channel data type according to specification

numberOfBits: int

number of bits taken by channel data in a record

Returns endian, dataType : str

numpy dtype format used by numpy.core.records to read channel raw data

class mdfreader.channel.channel4

Bases: object

Methods

CABlock(info)	Extracts channel CA Block from info4	
CANOpenOffset(info) CANopen channel bytes offset		
CFormat(info)	channel data C format struct object	
CNBlock(info)	channel block	
Format(info)	channel data C format	
attachment(fid, info)	In case of sync channel attached to channel	
bitCount(info)	calculates channel number of bits	
bitOffset(info)	channel data bit offset in record	
byteOffset(info)	channel data bytes offset in record (without record id)	
changeChannelName(channelGroup)	In case of duplicate channel names within several chan-	
	nel groups	
channelSyncType(info)	Extracts channel sync type from info4	
channelType(info)	Extracts channel type from info4	
conversion(info)	channel conversion CCBlock	
data(info)	returns data block pointer for VLSD, MLD or sync	
	channels	
dataFormat(info)	channel numpy.core.records data format	
desc(info)	channel description	
has_invalid_bit(info)		
invalid_bit(info)	extracts from info4 the channels valid bits positions	
isCABlock(info)		
little_endian(info)	check if channel is little endian	
nBytes(info)	calculates channel bytes number	
nativedataFormat(info)		
numpy_format(info)	channel numpy.core.records data format	
posBitBeg(info)	channel data bit starting position in record	
posBitEnd(info)	channel data bit ending position in record	
posByteBeg(info)	channel data bytes starting position in record	
posByteEnd(info)	channel data bytes ending position in record	
recAttributeName(info)	clean up channel name from unauthorised characters	
recordIDsize(info)	Extracts record id size from info4	
set(info, dataGroup, channelGroup, channelNumber)	channel initialisation	
setCANOpen(info, dataGroup, channelGroup,)	CANOpen channel intialisation	
setInvalidBytes(info, dataGroup,)	invalid_bytes channel initialisation	
signalDataType(info[, byte_aligned])	extract signal data type from info4 class	
unit(info)	channel unit	

${\tt CABlock}\ (info)$

Extracts channel CA Block from info4

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns CABlock object from mdfinfo4 module

${\tt CANOpenOffset}\ (\mathit{info})$

CANopen channel bytes offset

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns integer, channel bytes offset

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CFormat (info)

channel data C format struct object

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns string data C format struct object

CNBlock (info)

channel block

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns CNBlock class from mdfinfo4 module

Format (info)

channel data C format

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns string data C format

VLSD_CG_Flag

attachment (fid, info)

In case of sync channel attached to channel

Parameters fid: class

file identifier

info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns ATBlock class from mdfinfo4 module

bitCount (info)

calculates channel number of bits

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns integer corresponding to channel number of bits

bitOffset (info)

channel data bit offset in record

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns integer, channel bit offset

byteOffset (info)

channel data bytes offset in record (without record id)

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns integer, channel bytes offset

```
changeChannelName (channelGroup)
     In case of duplicate channel names within several channel groups for unsorted data, rename channel name
         Parameters channelGroup: int
               channelGroup bumber
channelGroup
channelNumber
\verb|channelSyncType| (info)
     Extracts channel sync type from info4
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns integer corresponding to channel sync type
             0 no sync, normal data
             1 time
             2 angle
             3 distance
             4 index
channelType (info)
     Extracts channel type from info4
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns integer describing channel type
             0 normal channel
             1 variable length
             2 master channel
             3 virtual master channel
             4 sync channel
             5 max length data
             6 virtual data channel
conversion (info)
     channel conversion CCBlock
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns CCBlock
     returns data block pointer for VLSD, MLD or sync channels
dataFormat (info)
```

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channel numpy.core.records data format

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

```
info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
```

Returns string data format

dataGroup

desc(info)

channel description

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns channel description string

has_invalid_bit (info)

invalid_bit (info)

extracts from info4 the channels valid bits positions

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns channel valid bit position

isCABlock (info)

little_endian(info)

check if channel is little endian

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns boolean

nBytes(info)

calculates channel bytes number

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns number of bytes integer

name

 $\verb"nativedataFormat" (info)$

 $\verb"numpy_format" (info)$

channel numpy.core.records data format

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns endian, dataType: string data format

posBitBeg(info)

channel data bit starting position in record

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns integer, channel bit starting position

```
channel data bit ending position in record
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns integer, channel bit ending position
posByteBeg(info)
     channel data bytes starting position in record
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns integer, channel bytes starting position
posByteEnd(info)
     channel data bytes ending position in record
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns integer, channel bytes ending position
recAttributeName (info)
     clean up channel name from unauthorised characters
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns channel name compliant to python attributes names (for recarray)
recordIDsize (info)
     Extracts record id size from info4
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
         Returns integer describing record id size
             0 no record id used
             1 uint8
             2 uint16
             4 uint32
             8 uint64
set (info, dataGroup, channelGroup, channelNumber)
     channel initialisation
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
             dataGroup: int
               data group number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             channelGroup: int
               channel group number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             channelNumber: int
```

posBitEnd(info)

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```
channel number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             recordIDsize: int
               size of record ID in Bytes
setCANOpen (info, dataGroup, channelGroup, channelNumber, name)
     CANOpen channel intialisation
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
             dataGroup: int
               data group number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             channelGroup: int
               channel group number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             channelNumber: int
               channel number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             recordIDsize: int
               size of record ID in Bytes
             name: str
               name of channel. Should be in ('ms', 'day', 'days', 'hour', 'month', 'minute', 'year')
setInvalidBytes (info, dataGroup, channelGroup, channelNumber)
     invalid bytes channel initialisation
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
             dataGroup: int
               data group number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             channelGroup: int
               channel group number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             channelNumber: int
               channel number in mdfinfo4.info4 class
             recordIDsize: int
               size of record ID in Bytes
             byte aligned: Bool
               Flag for byte alignement
signalDataType (info, byte_aligned=True)
     extract signal data type from info4 class
         Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class
               info4 class containing all MDF Blocks
             byte_aligned : bool
               flag activated if channel is part of a record byte aligned
```

Returns integer corresponding to channel data type

- 0 unsigned integer little endian
- 1 unsigned integer big endian
- 2 signed integer little endian
- 3 signed integer big endian
- 4 float little endian
- 5 float big endian
- 6 string latin
- 7 string utf-8
- 9 string utf-16
- 10 byte array
- 11 mime sample
- 12 mime stream
- 13 CANopen date
- 14 CANopen time

type

unit (info)

channel unit

Parameters info: mdfinfo4.info4 class

info4 class containing all MDF Blocks

Returns channel unit string

 $\verb|mdfreader.channel.datatypeformat4| (signal Data Type, number Of Bits)|$

function returning C format string from channel data type and number of bits

Parameters signalDataType: int

channel data type according to specification

numberOfBits: int

number of bits taken by channel data in a record

Returns dataType: str

C format used by fread to read channel raw data

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