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Getting started overview

Design Considerations and Overview

This document describes Version 3 of a software library called "Climate Model Output Rewriter" (CMOR3)[1] (page 8), written in C with access also provided via Fortran 90 and through Python[2] (page 8). CMOR is used to produce CF-compliant[3] (page 8) netCDF[4] (page 8) files. The structure of the files created by CMOR and the metadata they contain fulfill the requirements of many of the climate community's standard model experiments (which are referred to here as "MIPs"[5] (page 8) and include, for example, AMIP, PMIP, APE, and IPCC [DN1] scenario runs).

CMOR was not designed to serve as an all-purpose writer of CF-compliant netCDF files, but simply to reduce the effort required to prepare and manage MIP model output. Although MIPs encourage systematic analysis of results across models, this is only easy to do if the model output is written in a common format with files structured similarly and with sufficient metadata uniformly stored according to a common standard. Individual modeling groups store their data in different ways, but if a group can read its own data, then it should easily be able to transform the data, using CMOR, into the common format required by the MIPs. The adoption of CMOR as a standard code for exchanging climate data will facilitate participation in MIPs because after learning how to satisfy the output requirements of one MIP, it will be easy to prepare output for other MIPs.

CMOR output has the following characteristics:

- Each file contains a single primary output variable (along with coordinate/grid variables, attributes and other metadata) from a single model and a single simulation (i.e., from a single ensemble member of a single climate experiment). This method of structuring model output best serves the needs of most researchers who are typically interested in only a few of the many variables in the MIP databases. Data requests can be satisfied by simply sending the appropriate file(s) without first extracting the individual field(s) of interest.
- There is flexibility in specifying how many time slices (samples) are stored in a single file. A single file can contain all the time-samples for a given variable and climate experiment, or the samples can be distributed in a sequence of files.
- Much of the metadata written to the output files is defined in MIP-specific tables of
 information, which in this document are referred to simply as "MIP tables". These
 tables are JSON files that can be read by CMOR and are typically made available
 from MIP web sites. Because these tables contain much of the metadata that is
 useful in the MIP context, they are the key to reducing the programming burden
 imposed on the individual users contributing data to a MIP. Additional tables can be
 created as new MIPs are born.

- For metadata, different MIPs may have different requirements, but these are accommodated by CMOR, within the constraints of the CF convention and as specified in the MIP tables.
- CMOR can rely on NetCDF4 See unidata web page (http://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/netcdf) to write the output files and can take advantage of its compression and chunking capabilities. In that case, compression is controlled with the MIP tables using the shuffle, deflate and deflate_level attributes, default values are respectively 0, 0 and 0(disable). It is worth noting that even when using NetCDF4, CMOR3 still produces NETCDF4 CLASSIC formatted output. This allows the file generated to be readable by any application that can read NetCDF3 provided they are re-linked against NetCDF4. When using the NetCDF4 library it is also still possible to write files that can be read through the NetCDF3 library by adding "_3" to the appropriate cmor_setup argument (see below). Note: CMOR3 NOW output NetCDF3 files by default. For CMIP6, the NetCDF4/NC_CLASSIC_Model mode is used (and chunking is not invoked, but shuffle and delfation can be invoke on-demand).
- CMOR also must be linked against the udunits2 library see
 http://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/udunits/
 (http://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/udunits/), which enables CMOR to check
 that the units attribute is correct[6] (page 8). Finally CMOR3 must also be linked
 against the uuid library see http://www.ossp.org/pkg/lib/uuid
 (http://www.ossp.org/pkg/lib/uuid) in order to produce a unique tracking number for
 each file.

Although the CMOR output adheres to a fairly rigid structure, there is considerable flexibility allowed in the design of codes that write data through the CMOR functions. Depending on how the source data are stored, one might want to structure a code to read and rewrite the data through CMOR in several different ways. Consider, for example, a case where data are originally stored in "history" files that contain many different fields, but a single time sample. If one were to process several different fields through CMOR and one wanted to include many time samples per file, then it would usually be more efficient to read all the fields from the single input file at the same time, and then distribute them to the appropriate CMOR output files, rather than to process all the time-samples for a single field and then move on to the next field. If, however, the original data were stored already by field (i.e., one variable per file), then it would make more sense to simply loop through the fields, one at a time. The user is free to structure the conversion program in either of these ways (among others).

Converting data with CMOR typically involves the following steps (with the CMOR function names given in parentheses):

- Initialize CMOR and specify where output will be written and how error messages will be handled (cmor setup).
- Provide information directing where output should be placed and identifying the data source, project name, experiment, etc. (cmor_dataset_json). User need to provide a User Input CMOR file to define each attribute.

- Set any additional "dataset" (i.e. global) attributes (cmor_set_cur_dataset function). Note that all CMIP6 attributes can also be defined in the CMOR input user JSON file (cmor dataset json).
- Define the axes (i.e., the coordinate values) associated with each of the dimensions of the data to be written and obtain "handles", to be used in the next step, which uniquely identify the axes (cmor axis).
- In the case of non-Cartesian longitude-latitude grids or for "station data", define the grid and its mapping parameters (cmor grid and cmor set grid mapping)
- Define the variables to be written by CMOR, indicate which axes are associated with each variable, and obtain "handles", to be used in the next step, which uniquely identify each variable (cmor_variable). For each variable defined, this function fills internal table entries containing file attributes passed by the user or obtained from a MIP table, along with coordinate variables and other related information. Thus, nearly all of the file's metadata is collected during this step.
- Write an array of data that includes one or more time samples for a defined variable (cmor_write). This step will typically be repeated to output additional variables or to append additional time samples of data.
- Close one or all files created by CMOR (cmor close)

There is an additional function (cmor_zfactor), which enables one to define metadata associated with dimensionless vertical coordinates.

CMOR was designed to reduce the effort required of those contributing data to various MIPs. An important aim was to minimize any transformations that the user would have to perform on their original data structures to meet the MIP requirements. Toward this end, the code allows the following flexibility (with the MIP requirements obtained by CMOR from the appropriate MIP table and automatically applied):

- The input data can be structured with dimensions in any order and with coordinate values either increasing or decreasing monotonically; CMOR will rearrange them to meet the MIP's requirements before writing out the data.
- The input data and coordinate values can be provided in an array declared to be whatever "type" is convenient for the user (e.g., in the case of coordinate data, the user might pass type "real" values (32-bit floating-point numbers on most platforms) even though the output will be written type double (64-bit IEEE floating-point); CMOR will transform the data to the required type before writing.
- The input data can be provided in units different from what is required by a MIP. If those units can be transformed to the correct units using the udunits (version 2) software (see udunits)[http://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/udunits/], then CMOR performs the transformation before writing the data. Otherwise, CMOR will return an error. Time units are handled via the built-in cdtime interface [7] (page 8).
- So-called "scalar dimensions" (sometimes referred to as "singleton dimensions") are automatically inserted by CMOR. Thus, for example, the user can provide surface air temperature (at 2 meters) as a function of longitude, latitude, and time, and CMOR adds as a "coordinate" attribute the "height" dimension, consistent with the

metadata requirements of CF. If the model output does not conform to the MIP requirements (e.g., carries temperature at 1.5 m instead of 2 m), then the user can override the MIP table specifications.

The code does not, however, include a capability to interpolate data, either in the vertical or horizontally. If data originally stored on model levels, is supposed to be stored on standard pressure levels, according to MIP specifications, then the user must interpolate before passing the data to CMOR.

The output resulting from CMOR is "self-describing" and includes metadata summarized below, organized by attribute type (global, coordinate, or variable attributes) and by its source (specified by the user or in a MIP table, or generated by CMOR).

Global attributes typically provided by the MIP table or generated by CMOR:

- *title*, identification of the project, experiment, and table.
- Conventions, ('CF-1.4')
- history, any user-provided history along with a "timestamp" generated by CMOR and a statement that the data conform to both the CF standards and those of a particular MIP.
- activity id, scientific project that inspired this simulation (e.g., CMIP6)
- table id, MIP table used to define variable.
- data specs version Base on the latest CMIP6-Datarequest latest database version.
- *mip_era*, define what cycle of CMIP dictates the experiment and data specificiation.
- experiment, a long name title for the experiment.
- realm(s) to which the variable belongs (e.g., ocean, land, atmosphere, etc.).
- tracking_id, a unique identification string generated by uuid, which is useful at least within the ESG distributed data archive.
- cmor version, version of the library used to generate the files.
- frequency, the approximate time-sampling interval for a time-series of data.
- creation date, the date and time (UTZ) that the file was created.
- product, a descriptive string that distinguishes among various model data products.

Global attributes typically provided by the user in a call to a CMOR function:

- *institution*, identifying the modeling center contributing the output.
- *institute_id*, a shorter identifying name of the modeling center (which would be appropriate for labeling plots in which results from many models might appear).
- *source*, identifying the model version that generated the output.
- contact, providing the name and email of someone responsible for the data
- source id, an acronym that identifies the model used to generate the output.
- experiment id, a short name for the experiment.

- *history*, providing an "audit trail" for the data, which will be supplemented with CMOR-generated information described above.
- references, typically containing documentation of the model and the model simulation.
- *comment*, typically including initialization and spin-up information for the simulation.
- realization_index, an integer distinguishing among simulations that differ only from different equally reasonable initial conditions. This number should be greater than or equal to 1.
- *initialization_index*, an integer distinguishing among simulations that differ only in the method of initialization. This number should be greater than or equal to 1.
- *physics_index*, an integer indicating which of several closely related physics versions of a model produced the simulation.
- parent_experiment_id, a string indicating which experiment this branches from. For CMIP6 this should match the short name of the parent experiment id.
- parent_experiment_rip, a string indicating which member of an ensemble of parent experiment runs this simulation branched from.
- branch_time, time in parent experiment when this simulation started (in the units of the parent experiment).

Note: additional global attributes can be added by the user via the cmor set cur dataset attribute function (see below).

Coordinate attributes typically provided by a MIP table or generated by CMOR:

- standard name, as defined in the CF standard name table.
- *units*, specifying the units for the coordinate variable.
- axis, indicating whether axis is of type x, y, z, t, or none of these.
- bounds, (when appropriate) indicating where the cell bounds are stored.
- *positive*, (when appropriate) indicating whether a vertical coordinate increases upward or downward.
- formula_terms, (when appropriate) providing information needed to transform from a dimensionless vertical coordinate to the actual location (e.g., from sigma-level to pressure).
- Coordinate or grid mapping attributes typically provided by the user in a call to a CMOR function:*
- calendar, (when appropriate) indicating the calendar type assumed by the model.
- grid_mapping_name and the names of various mapping parameters, when necessary to describe grids other than lat-lon. See CF conventions at: (http://cf-pcmdi.llnl.gov/documents/cf-conventions/1.1/cf-conventions.html#grid-mappings-and-projections)

- Variable attributes typically provided by a MIP table or generated by CMOR:*
- standard name as defined in the CF standard name table.
- units, specifying the units for the variable.
- long name, describing the variable and useful as a title on plots.
- missing value and FillValue, specifying how missing data will be identified.
- *cell_methods*, (when appropriate) typically providing information concerning calculation of means or climatologies, which may be supplemented by information provided by the user.
- *cell_measures*, when appropriate, indicates the names of the variables containing cell areas and volumes.
- *comment*, providing clarifying information concerning the variable (e.g., whether precipitation includes both liquid and solid forms of precipitation).
- history, indicating what CMOR has done to the user supplied data (e.g., transforming its units or rearranging its order to be consistent with the MIP requirements)
- *coordinates*, (when appropriate) supplying either scalar (singleton) dimension information or the name of the labels containing names of geographical regions.
- flag_values and flag_meanings
- modeling_realm, providing the realm associated to the variable (ocean, land, aerosol, Sealce, Landlce, ...)

Variable attributes typically provided by the user in a call to a CMOR function:

- grid mappingi
- original_name, containing the name of the variable as it is known at the user's home institution.i*
- original units, the units of the data passed to CMOR.
- history, (when appropriate) information concerning processing of the variable prior to sending it to CMOR. (This information may be supplemented by further history information generated by CMOR.)
- *comment*, (when appropriate) providing miscellaneous information concerning the variable, which will supplement any comment contained in the MIP table.

As is evident from the above summary of metadata, a substantial fraction of the information is defined in the MIP tables, which explains why writing MIP output through CMOR is much easier than writing data without the help of the MIP tables. Besides the attribute information, the MIP tables also include information that controls the structure of the output and allows CMOR to apply some rudimentary quality assurance checks. Among this ancillary information in the MIP tables is the following:

• The direction each coordinate should be stored when it is output (i.e., either in order of increasing or decreasing values). The user need not be concerned with this since, if necessary, CMOR will reorder the coordinate values and the data.

- The acceptable values for coordinates (e.g., for a pressure coordinate axis, for example, perhaps the WCRP standard pressure levels).
- The acceptable values for various arguments passed to CMOR functions (e.g., acceptable calendars, experiment i.d.'s, etc.)
- The "type" of each output array (whether real, double precision, or integer). The user need not be concerned with this since, if necessary, CMOR will convert the data to the specified type.
- The order of the dimensions for output arrays. The user need not be concerned with this since, if necessary, CMOR will reorder the data consistent with the specified dimension order.
- The normally applied values for "scalar dimensions" (i.e., "singleton dimensions").
- The range of acceptable values for output arrays.
- The acceptable range for the spatial mean of the absolute value of all elements in output arrays.
- The minimal global attributes required.

[1] CMOR is pronounced "C-more", which suggests that CMOR should enable a wide community of scientists to "see more" climate data produced by modeling centers around the world. CMOR also reminds us of Ecinae Corianus, the revered ancient Greek scholar, known to his friends as "Seymour". Seymour spent much of his life translating into Greek nearly all the existing climate data, which had originally been recorded on largely inscrutable hieroglyphic and cuneiform tablets. His resulting volumes, organized in a uniform fashion and in a language readable by the common scientists of the day, provided the basis for much subsequent scholarly research. Ecinae Corianus was later indirectly honored by early inhabitants of the British Isles who reversed the spelling of his name and used the resulting string of letters, grouped differently, to form new words referring to the major elements of climate.

- [2] CMOR1 was written in Fortran 90 with access also provided through Python.
- [3] See http://www.cgd.ucar.edu/cms/eaton/cf-metadata
- [4] See http://my.unidata.ucar.edu/content/software/netcdf/
- [5] "MIP" is an acronym for "model intercomparison project".
- [6] CMOR1 was linked to an earlier version of the netCDF library and udunits was optional.
- [7] Cdtime is now built into CMOR. Therefore linking against cdms is no longer necessary.

Preliminary notes

In the following, all arguments should be passed using keywords (to improve readability and flexibility in ordering the arguments). Those arguments appearing below that are followed by an equal sign may be optional and, if not passed by the user, are assigned the default value that follows the equal sign. The information in a MIP-specific input table determines

whether or not an argument shown in brackets is optional or required, and the table provides MIP-specific default values for some parameters. All arguments not in brackets and not followed by an equal sign are always required.

Three versions of each function are shown below. The first one is for Fortran (green text) the second for C (blue text), and the third for Python (orange text). In the following, text that applies to only one of the coding languages appears in the appropriate color.

Some of the arguments passed to CMOR (e.g., names of variables and axes are only unambiguously defined in the context of a specific CMOR table, and in the Fortran version of the functions this is specified by one of the function arguments, whereas in the C and Python versions it is specified through a call to cmor_load_table and cmor_set_table.

All functions are type "integer". If a function results in an error, an "exception" will be raised in the Python version (otherwise None will be returned), and in either the Fortran or C versions, the error will be indicated by the integer returned by the function itself. In C an integer other than 0 will be returned, and in Fortran errors will result in a negative integer (except in the case of cmor grid, which will return a positive integer).

If no error is encountered, some functions will return information needed by the user in subsequent calls to CMOR. In almost all cases this information is indicated by the value of a single integer that in Fortran and Python is returned as the value of the function itself, whereas in C it is returned as an output argument). There are two cases in the Fortran version of CMOR, however, when a string argument may be set by CMOR (cmor_close and cmor_create_output_path). These are the only cases when the value of any of the Fortran function's arguments might be modified by CMOR.

CMOR Application program interface (API)

cmor_setup()

Fortran: error_flag = cmor_setup(inpath='./', netcdf_file_action=CMOR_PRESERVE, set verbosity=CMOR_NORMAL, exit_control=CMOR_NORMAL, logfile, create subdirectories)

C: error_flag = cmor_setup(char *inpath, int *netcdf_file_action, int *set_verbosity, int *exit control, char *logfile, int *create subdirectories)

Python: setup(inpath='.', netcdf_file_action=CMOR_PRESERVE, set_verbosity=CMOR_NORMAL, exit_control=CMOR_NORMAL, logfile=None, create subdirectories=1)

Description: Initialize CMOR, specify path to MIP table(s) that will be read by CMOR, specify whether existing output files will be overwritten, and specify how error messages will be handled

Arguments:

- **[inpath]** = a character string specifying the path to the directory where the needed MIP-specific tables reside.
- [netcdf_file_action] = controls handling of existing netCDF files. If the value passed is CMOR_REPLACE, a new file will be created; any existing file with the same name as the one CMOR is trying to create will be overwritten. If the value is CMOR_APPEND, an existing file will be appended; if the file does not exist, it will be created. If the value is CMOR_PRESERVE, a new file will be created unless a file by the same name already exists, in which case the program will error exit.[8] To generate a NetCDF file in the "CLASSIC" NetCDF3 format, a "_3" should be appended to the above parameters (e.g., CMOR_APPEND would become CMOR_APPEND_3). To generate a NetCDF file in the "CLASSIC" NetCDF4 format, a "_4" should be appended to the above parameters (e.g., CMOR_APPEND would become CMOR_APPEND_4), this allows the user to take advantage of NetCDF4 compression and chunking capabilities. The default values (no underscore) are aliased to the _3 values (satisfying the requirements of CMIP6).
- [set_verbosity] controls how informational messages and error messages generated by CMOR are handled. If set_verbosity=CMOR_NORMAL, errors and warnings will be sent to the standard error device (typically the user's screen). If verbosity=CMOR_QUIET, then only error messages will be sent (and warnings will be suppressed).
- [exit control] determines if errors will trigger program to exit:
- CMOR EXIT ON MAJOR = stop only on critical error;
- CMOR NORMAL = stop only if severe errors;
- CMOR_EXIT_ON_WARNING = stop even after minor errors detected.

- [logfile] where CMOR will write its messages default is "standard error" (stderr).
- [create_subdirectories] do we want to create the correct path subdirectory structure or simply dump the files wherever cmor dataset will point to.

Returns upon success:

• Fortran: 0

• C: 0

Python: None

cmor dataset json()

Fortran: cmor dataset json(filename)

C: cmor_dataset_json(char *name)

Python: dataset_json(name)

Description: This function provides information to CMOR that is common to all output files that will be written. The "dataset" defined by this function refers to some or all of the output from a single model simulation (i.e., output from a single realization of a single experiment from a single model). Only one dataset can be defined at any time, but the dataset can be closed (by calling cmor_close()), and then another dataset can be defined by calling cmor_dataset. Note that after a new dataset is defined, all axes and variables must be defined; axes and variables defined earlier are not associated with the new dataset.

Arguments:

 name: JSON file which contains all information needed by CMOR in the form of key:value. Here is an example: cmorlnput.json (https://raw.githubusercontent.com/PCMDI/cmor/master/Test/test2.json)

Returns upon success:

• Fortran: 0

• C: 0

• Python: 0

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cmor get cur dataset attribute()
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Fortran: error_flag = cmor_get_cur_dataset_attribute(name,result)

C: error flag = cmor get cur dataset attribute(char *name, char *result)

Python: result = get cur dataset attribute(name)

Description: Retrieves a global attribute associated with the current dataset.

Arguments:

• **name** = name of the global attribute to retrieve.

• **result** = string (or pointer to a string), which is returned by the function and contains the retrieved global attribute (not for Python).

Returns upon success:

Fortran: 0

• C: 0

• Python: None

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cmor_has_cur_dataset_attribute()
Fortran: error_flag = cmor_has_cur_dataset_attribute(name)
C: error_flag = cmor_has_cur_dataset_attribute(char *name)
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Python: error flag = has cur dataset attribute(name)

Description: Determines whether a global attribute is associated with the current dataset.

Arguments:

• **name** = name of the global attribute of interest.

Returns:

- a negative integer if an error is encountered; otherwise returns 0.
- 0 upon success
- True if the attribute exists, False otherwise.

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cmor_load_table()
Fortran: table_id = cmor_load_table(table)
C: error_flag = cmor_load_table(char *table, int *table_id)
Python: table_id = load_table(table)
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Description: Loads a table and returns a "handle" (table_id) to use later when defining CMOR components. CMOR will look for the table first following the path as specified by the "table" argument passed to this function. If it doesn't find a file there it will prepend the outpath defined in calling cmor_dataset. If it still doesn't find it, it will use the "prefix" where the library CMOR is to be installed (from configure time) followed by share (e.g /usr/local/cmor/share). If it stills fails an error will be raised.

```
cmor_set_table()
Fortran: cmor_set_table(table_id)
C: error_flag = cmor_set_table(int table_id)
Python: table id = set table(table id)
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Description: Sets the table referred to by table_id as the table to obtain needed information when defining CMOR components (variables, axes, grids, etc...).

cmor_axis()

Fortran: axis_id = cmor_axis([table], table_entry, units, [length], [coord_vals], [cell_bounds], [interval])

C: error_flag = cmor_axis(int *axis_id, char *table_entry, char *units, int length, void *coord_vals, char type, void *cell_bounds, int cell_bounds_ndim, char *interval)

Python: axis_id = axis(table_entry, length=??, coord_vals=None, units=None, cell_bounds=None, interval=None)

Description: Define an axis and pass the coordinate values associated with one of the dimensions of the data to be written. This function returns a "handle" (axis_id) that uniquely identifies the axis to be written. The axis_id will subsequently be passed by the user to other CMOR functions. The cmor_axis function will typically be repeatedly invoked to define all axes. The axis specified by the table_entry argument must be found in the currently "set" CMOR table, as specified by the cmor_load_table and cmor_set_table functions, or as an option, it can be provided in the Fortran version (for backward compatibility) by the now deprecated "table" keyword argument. There normally is no need to call this function in the case of a singleton (scalar) dimension unless the MIP recommended (or required) coordinate value (or cell_bounds) are inconsistent with what the user can supply, or unless the user wants to define the "interval" attribute.

Arguments:

- **[table]** = character string containing the filename of the MIP-specific table where the axis defined here appears. (e.g., 'CMIP5_table_Amon', 'IPCC_table_A1', 'AMIP_table_1a', 'AMIP_table_2', 'CMIP_table_2', etc.). In CMOR2 this is an optional argument and is deprecated because the table can be specified through the cmor load table and cmor set table functions.
- axis_id = the "handle": a positive integer returned by CMOR, which uniquely identifies the axis stored in this call to cmor_axis and subsequently can be used in calls to cmor write.
- table_entry = name of the axis (as it appears in the MIP table) that will be defined by this function. units = units associated with the coordinates passed in coord_vals and cell_bounds. (These are the units of the user's coordinate values, which, if CMOR is built with udunits (as is required in version 2), may differ from the units of the coordinates written to the netCDF file by CMOR. For non-standard calendars (e.g., models with no leap year), conversion of time values can be made only if CMOR is built with CDMS.) These units must be recognized by udunits or must be identical to the units specified in the MIP table. In the case of a dimensionless vertical coordinate or in the case of a non-numerical axis (like geographical region), either set units='none', or, optionally, set units='1'.

- **[length]** = integer specifying the number of elements that CMOR should extract from the coord_vals array (normally length will be the size of the array itself). For a simple "index axis" (i.e., an axis without coordinate values), this specifies the length of the dimension. In the Fortran and Python versions of the function, this argument is not always required (except in the case of a simple index axis); if omitted "length" will be the size of the coord_vals array,
- [coord_vals] = 1-d array (single precision float, double precision float, or, for labels, character strings) containing coordinate values, ordered consistently with the data array that will be passed by the user to CMOR through function cmor write (see documentation below). This argument is required except if: 1) the axis is a simple "index axis" (i.e., an axis without coordinate values), or 2) for a time coordinate, the user intends to pass the coordinate values when the cmor write function is called. Note that the coordinate values must be ordered monotonically, so, for example, in the case of longitudes that might have the values, 0., 10., 20, ... 170., 180., 190., 200., ... 340., 350., passing the (equivalent) values, 0., 10., 20, ... 170., 180., -170., -160., ... -20., -10. is forbidden. In the case of time-coordinate values, if cell bounds are also passed, then CMOR will first check that each coordinate value is not outside its associated cell bounds; subsequently, however, the user-defined coordinate value will be replaced by the mid-point of the interval defined by its bounds, and it is this value that will be written to the netCDF file. In the case of character string coord vals there are no cell bounds, but for the C version of the function, the argument cell bounds ndim is used to specify the length of the strings in the coord val array (i.e., the array will be dimensioned [length][cell bounds ndim]).
- **type** = type of the coord_vals/bnds passed, which can be 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long) or 'i' (int).
- **[cell_bounds]** = 1-d or 2-d array (of the same type as coord_vals) containing cell bounds, which should be in the same units as coord_vals (specified in the "units" argument above) and should be ordered in the same way as coord_vals. In the case of a 1-d array, the size is one more than the size of coord_vals and the cells must be contiguous. In the case of a 2-d array, it is dimensioned (2, n) where n is the size of coord_vals (see CF standard document, http://www.cgd.ucar.edu/cms/eaton/cfmetadata, for further information). This argument may be omitted when cell bounds are not required. It must be omitted if coord vals is omitted.
- **cell_bounds_ndim** = This argument only appears in the the C version of this function. Except in the case of a character string axis, it specifies the rank of the cell_bounds array: if 1, the bounds array will contain n+1 elements, where n is length of coords and the cells must be contiguous, whereas if 2, the dimension will be (n,2) in C order. Pass 0 if no cell_bounds values have been passed. In the special case of a character string axis, this argument is used to specify the length of the strings in the coord_val array (i.e., the array will be dimensioned [length] [cell bounds ndim]).

• **[interval]** = Supplemental information that will be included in the cell_methods attribute, which is typically defined for the time axis in order to describe the sampling interval. This string should be of the form: "value unit comment: anything" (where "comment:" and anything may always be omitted). For monthly mean data sampled every 15 minutes, for example, interval = "15 minutes".

Returns:

- Fortran: a negative integer if an error is encountered; otherwise returns a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the axis ..
- C: 0 upon success.
- Python: upon success, a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the axis, or if an error is encountered an exception is raised.

cmor_grid()

Fortran: grid_id = cmor_grid(axis_ids, latitude, longitude, [latitude_vertices], [longitude vertices], [area])

C: error_flag = cmor_grid(int *grid_id, int ndims, int *axis_ids, char type, void *latitude, void *longitude, int nvertices, void *latitude_vertices, void *longitude vertices, void *area)

Python: grid_id = grid(axis_ids, latitude, longitude, latitude_vertices=None, longitude vertices=None, area=None)

Description: Define a grid to be associated with data, including the latitude and longitude arrays. The grid can be structured with up to 6 dimensions. These dimensions, which may be simple "index" axes, must be defined via cmor_axis prior to calling cmor_grid. This function returns a "handle" (grid_id) that uniquely identifies the grid (and its data/metadata) to be written. The grid_id will subsequently be passed by the user to other CMOR functions. The cmor_grid function will typically be invoked to define each grid necessary for the experiment (e.g ocean grid, vegetation grid, atmosphere grid, etc...). There is no need to call this function in the case of a Cartesian lat/lon grid. In this case, simply define the latitude and longitude axes and pass their id's ("handles") to cmor variable.

Arguments:

- **grid_id** = the "handle": a positive integer returned by CMOR, which uniquely identifies the grid defined in this call to CMOR and subsequently can be used in calls to CMOR.
- **ndims** = number of dimensions needed to define the grid. Namely the number of elements from axis_ids that will be used.
- **axis_ids** = array containing the axis_s returned by cmor_axis when defining the axes constituing the grid.
- **latitude** = array containing the grid's latitude information (ndim dimensions)
- **longitude** = array containing the grid's longitude information (ndim dimensions)

- **[latitude_vertices]** = array containing the grid's latitude vertices information (ndim+1 dimensions). The vertices dimension must be the fastest varying dimension of the array (i.e first one in Fortran, last one in C, last one in Python)
- **[longitude_vertices]** = array containing the grid's longitude vertices information (ndim+1 dimensions). The vertices dimension must be the fastest varying dimension of the array (i.e first one in Fortran, last one in C, last one in Python)
- [area] = array containing the grid's area information (ndim)

Returns:

- Fortran: a positive integer if an error is encountered; otherwise returns a negative integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the grid.
- C: 0 upon success.
- Python: upon success, a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the axis, or if an error is encountered an exception is raised.

cmor_set_grid_mapping()

Fortran: error_flag = cmor_set_grid_mapping(grid_id, mapping_name, parameter_names, parameter values, parameter units)

C: error_flag = cmor_set_grid_mapping(int grid_id, char *mapping_name, int nparameters, char **parameter_names, int lparameters, double parameter_values[], char **parameter units, int lunits)

Python: set_grid_mapping(grid_id, mapping_name, parameter_names, parameter values=None, parameter units=None)

Description: Define the grid mapping parameters associated with a grid (see CF conventions for more info on which parameters to set). Check validity of parameter names and units. Additional mapping names and parameter names can be defined via the MIP table.

Arguments:

- **grid_id** = the "handle" returned by a previous call to cmor_grid, indicating which grid the mapping parameters should be associated with.
- **mapping_name** = name of the mapping (see CF conventions). This name dictates which parameters should be set and for some parameters restricts their possible values or range. New mapping names can be added via MIP tables.
- **nparameters** = number of parameters set.
- parameter_names = array (list for Python) of strings containing the names of the parameters to set. In the case of "standard_parallel", CF allows either 1 or 2 parallels to be specified (i.e. the attribute standard_parallel may be an array of length 2). In the case of 2 parallels, CMOR requires the user to specify these as separate parameters, named standard_parallel_1 and standard_parallel_2, but then the two parameters will be stored in an array, consistent with CF. In the case of a

single parallel, the name standard_parallel should be specified. In the C version of this function, parameter_names is declared of length [nparameters][lparameters], where lparameters in the length of each string array element (see below). In Python parameter_names can be defined as a dictionary containing the keys that represent the parameter_names. The value associated with each key can be either a list [float, str] (or [str, float]) representing the value/units of each parameter, or another dictionary containing the keys "value" and "units". If these conditions are fulfilled, then parameter_units and parameter_values are optional and would be ignored if passed.

- **Iparameters** = length of each element of the string array. If, for example, parameter_names includes 5 parameters, each 24 characters long (i.e., it is declared [5][24]), you would pass lparameters=24.
- **parameter_values** = array containing the values associated with each parameter. In Python this is optional if parameter_names is a dictionary containing the values and units.
- parameter_units = array (list for Python) of string containing the units of the
 parameters to set. In C parameter_units is declared of length [nparameters][lunits].
 In Python it is optional if parameter_names is a dictionary containing the value and
 units.
- **lunits** = length of each elements of the units string array (e.g., if parameters_units is declared [5][24], you would pass 24 because each elements has 24 characters).

Returns upon success:

• Fortran: 0

• C: 0

Python: None

cmor time varying grid coordinate()

Fortran: coord_var_id = cmor_time_varying_grid_coordinate(grid_id, table_entry, units, missing value)

C: error_flag = cmor_time_varying_grid_coordinate(int *coord_var_id, int grid_id, char *table_entry, char *units, char type, void *missing, [int *coordinate_type])

Python: coord_var_id = time_varying_grid_coordinate(grid_id, table_entry, units, [missing value])

Description: Define a grid to be associated with data, including the latitude and longitude arrays. Note that in CMIP5 this function must be called to store the variables called for in the cf3hr MIP table. The grid can be structured with up to 6 dimensions. These dimensions, which may be simple "index" axes, must be defined via cmor_axis prior to calling cmor_grid. This function returns a "handle" (grid_id) that uniquely identifies the grid (and its data/metadata) to be written. The grid_id will subsequently be passed by the user to other CMOR functions. The cmor_grid function will typically be invoked to define each grid necessary for the experiment (e.g., ocean grid, vegetation grid, atmosphere grid, etc.).

There is no need to call this function in the case of a Cartesian lat/lon grid. In this case, simply define the latitude and longitude axes and pass their id's ("handles") to cmor variable.

Arguments:

- **coord_var_id** = the "handle": a positive integer returned by this function, which uniquely identifies the variable and can be used in subsequent calls to CMOR.
- **grid_id** = the value returned by cmor_grid when the grid was created.
- **table_entry** = name of the variable (as it appears in the MIP table) that this function defines.
- units = units of the data that will be passed to CMOR by function cmor_write. These units may differ from the units of the data output by CMOR. Whenever possible, this string should be interpretable by udunits (see http://my.unitdata.ucar.edu/content/software/udunits/). In the case of dimensionless quantities the units should be specified consistent with the CF conventions, so for example: percent, units='percent'; for a fraction, units='1'; for parts per million, units='1e-6', etc.).
- **type** = type of the missing_value, which must be the same as the type of the array that will be passed to cmor_write. The options are: 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long) or 'i' (int).
- [missing_value] = scalar that is used to indicate missing data for this variable. It must be the same type as the data that will be passed to cmor_write. This missing_value will in general be replaced by a standard missing_value specified in the MIP table. If there are no missing data, and the user chooses not to declare the missing value, then this argument may be omitted.
- [coordinate type] = place holder for future implementation, unused, pass NULL

Returns:

- Fortran: a positive integer if an error is encountered; otherwise returns a negative integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the grid.
- C: 0 upon success.
- Python: upon success, a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the axis, or if an error is encountered an exception is raised.

cmor zfactor()

Fortran: zfactor_id = cmor_zfactor(zaxis_id, zfactor_name, [axis_ids], [units], zfactor_values, zfactor_bounds)

C: error_flag = cmor_zfactor (int *zfactor_id, int zaxis_id, char *zfactor_name, char *units, int ndims, int axis_ids[], char type, void *zfactor_values, void *zfactor_bounds)

Python: zfactor_id = zfactor(zaxis_id, zfactor_name, units, axis_ids, type, zfactor_values=None, zfactor_bounds=None)

Description: Define a factor needed to convert a non-dimensional vertical coordinate (model level) to a physical location. For pressure, height, or depth, this function is unnecessary, but for dimensionless coordinates it is needed. In the case of atmospheric sigma coordinates, for example, a scalar parameter must be defined indicating the top of the model, and the variable containing the surface pressure must be identified. The parameters that must be defined for different vertical dimensionless coordinates are listed in Appendix D of the CF convention document (http://www.cgd.ucar.edu/cms/eaton/cfmetadata). Often bounds for the zfactors will be needed (e.g., for hybrid sigma coordinates, "A's" and "B's" must be defined both for the layers and, often more importantly, for the layer interfaces). This function must be invoked for each z-factor required.

Arguments:

- **zfactor_id** = the "handle": a positive integer returned by this function which uniquely identifies the grid defined in this call to CMOR and can subsequently be used in calls to CMOR.
- **zaxis_id** = an integer ("handle") returned by cmor_axis (which must have been previously called) indicating which axis requires this factor.
- **zfactor_name** = name of the z-factor that will be defined by this function. This should correspond to an entry in the MIP table.
- [axis_ids] = an integer array containing the list of axis_id's (individually defined by calls to cmor_axis), which the z-factor defined here is a function of (e.g. for surface pressure, the array of i.d.'s would usually include the longitude, latitude, and time axes.) The order of the axes must be consistent with the array passed as param_values. If the z-factor parameter is a function of a single dimension (e.g., model level), the single axis_id should be passed as an array of rank one and length 1, not as a scalar. If the parameter is a scalar, then this parameter may be omitted. If this parameter is carried on a non-cartesian latitude-longitude grid, then the grid_id should be passed instead of axis_ids, for latitude/longitude. Again if axis_ids collapses to a scalar, it should be passed as an array of rank one and length 1, not as a scalar.
- **[units]** = units associated with the z-factor passed in zfactor_values and zfactor_bounds. (These are the units of the user's z-factors, which may differ from the units of the z-factors written to the netCDF file by CMOR.) . These units must be recognized by udunits or must be identical to the units specified in the MIP table. In the case of a dimensionless z-factors, either omit this argument, or set units='', or set units='1'.
- **type** = type of the zfactor_values and zfactor_bounds (if present) passed to this function. This can be 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long), 'i' (int), or 'c' (char).
- **[zfactor_values]** = z-factor values associated with dimensionless vertical coordinate identified by zaxis_id. If this z-factor is a function of time (e.g., surface pressure for sigma coordinates), the user can omit this argument and instead store the z-factor values by calling cmor_write. In that case the cmor_write argument, "var_id", should be set to zfactor_id (returned by this function) and the argument, "store_with", should be set to the variable id of the output field that requires zfactor as part of its metadata. When many fields are a function of the (dimensionless)

model level, cmor_write will have to be called several times, with the same zfactor_id, but with different variable ids. If no values are passed, omit this argument.

• **[zfactor_bounds]** = z-factor values associated with the cell bounds of the vertical dimensionless coordinate. These values should be of the same type as the zfactor_values (e.g., if zfactor_values is double precision, then zfactor_bounds must also be double precision). If no bounds values are passed, omit this argument or set zfactor = 'none'. This is a ONE dimensional array of length nlevs+1.

Returns:

- Fortran: a negative integer if an error is encountered; otherwise returns a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the z-factor.
- C: 0 upon success.
- Python: upon success, a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the z-factor, or if an error is encountered an exception is raised.

cmor variable()

Fortran: var_id = cmor_variable([table], table_entry, units, axis_ids, [missing_value], [tolerance], [positive], [original name], [history], [comment])

C: error_flag = int cmor_variable(int var_id, char *table_entry, char *units, int ndims, int axis_ids[], char type, void *missing, double *tolerance, char *positive, charoriginal_name, char *history, char *comment)

Python: var_id = variable(table_entry, units, axis_ids, type='f', missing_value=None, tolerance = 1.e-4, positive=None, original name=None, history=None, comment=None)

Description: Define a variable to be written by CMOR and indicate which axes are associated with it. This function prepares CMOR to write the file that will contain the data for this variable. This function returns a "handle" (var_id), uniquely identifying the variable, which will subsequently be passed as an argument to the cmor_write function. The variable specified by the table_entry argument must be found in the currently "set" CMOR table, as specified by the cmor_load_table and cmor_set_table functions, or as an option, it can be provided in the Fortran version (for backward compatibility) by the now deprecated "table" keyword argument. The cmor_variable function will typically be repeatedly invoked to define other variables. Note that backward compatibility was kept with the Fortran-only optional "table" keyword. But it is now recommended to use cmor_load_table and cmor_set_table instead (and necessary for C/Python).

Arguments:

• **var_id** = the "handle": a positive integer returned by this function, which uniquely identifies the variable and can be used in subsequent calls to CMOR.

- **[table]** = character string containing the filename of the MIP-specific table where table_entry (described next) can be found (e.g., "CMIP5_table_amon", 'IPCC_table_A1', 'AMIP_table_1a', 'AMIP_table_2', 'CMIP_table_2', etc.) In CMOR2 this is an optional argument and is deprecated because the table can be specified through the cmor load table and cmor set table functions.
- **table_entry** = name of the variable (as it appears in the MIP table) that this function defines.
- **units** = units of the data that will be passed to CMOR by function cmor_write. These units may differ from the units of the data output by CMOR. Whenever possible, this string should be interpretable by udunits (see http://my.unitdata.ucar.edu/content/software/udunits/). In the case of dimensionless quantities the units should be specified consistent with the CF conventions, so for example: percent, units='percent'; for a fraction, units='1'; for parts per million, units='1e-6', etc.).
- **ndims** = number of axes the variable contains (i.e., the rank of the array), which in fact is the number of elements in the axis ids array that will be processed by CMOR.
- axis_ids = 1-d array containing integers returned by cmor_axis, which specifies, via their "handles" (i.e., axis_ids), the axes associated with the variable that this function defines. These handles should be ordered consistently with the data that will be passed to CMOR through function cmor_write (see documentation below). If the size of the 1-d array is larger than the number of dimensions, the 'unused' dimension handles must be set to 0. Note that if the handle of a single axis is passed, it must not be passed as a scalar but as a rank 1 array of length 1. Scalar ("singleton") dimensions defined in the MIP table may be omitted from axis_ids unless they have been explicitly redefined by the user through calls to cmor_axis. A "singleton" dimension that has been explicitly defined by the user should appear last in the list of axis_ids if the array of data passed to cmor_write for this variable actually omits this dimension; otherwise it should appear consistent with the position of the axis in the array of data passed to cmor_write. In the case of a non-Cartesian grid, replace the values of the grid specific axes (representing the lat/lon axes) with the single grid_id returned by cmor_grid.
- **type** = type of the missing_value, which must be the same as the type of the array that will be passed to cmor_write. The options are: 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long) or 'i' (int).
- [missing_value] = scalar that is used to indicate missing data for this variable. It must be the same type as the data that will be passed to cmor_write. This missing_value will in general be replaced by a standard missing_value specified in the MIP table. If there are no missing data, and the user chooses not to declare the missing value, then this argument may be omitted or assigned the value 'none' (i.e., missing_value='none').
- **[tolerance]** = scalar (type real) indicating fractional tolerance allowed in missing values found in the data. A value will be considered missing if it lies within ±tolerance*missing_value of missing_value. The default tolerance for real and double precision missing values is 1.0e-4 and for integers 0. This argument is ignored if the missing_value argument is not present.

- **[positive]** = 'up' or 'down' depending on whether a user-passed vertical energy (heat) flux or surface momentum flux (stress) input to CMOR is positive when it is directed upward or downward, respectively. This information will be used by CMOR to determine whether a sign change is necessary to make the data consistent with the MIP requirements. This argument is required for vertical energy and salt fluxes, for "flux correction" fields, and for surface stress; it is ignored for all other variables.
- **[original_name]** = the name of the variable as it is commonly known at the user's home institute. If the variable passed to CMOR was computed in some simple way from two or more original fields (e.g., subtracting the upwelling and downwelling fluxes to get a net flux), then it is recommended that this be indicated in the "original_name" (e.g., "irup irdown", where "irup" and "irdown" are the names of the original fields that were subtracted). If more complicated processing was required, this information would more naturally be included in a "history" attribute for this variable, described next.
- **[history]** = how the variable was processed before outputting through CMOR (e.g., give name(s) of the file(s) from which the data were read and indicate what calculations were performed, such as interpolating to standard pressure levels or adding 2 fluxes together). This information should allow someone at the user's institute to reproduce the procedure that created the CMOR output. Note that this history attribute is variable-specific, whereas the history attribute defined by cmor_dataset provides information concerning the model simulation itself or refers to processing procedures common to all variables (for example, mapping model output from an irregular grid to a Cartesian coordinate grid). Note that when appropriate, CMOR will also indicate in the "history" attribute any operations it performs on the data (e.g., scaling the data, changing the sign, changing its type, reordering the dimensions, reversing a coordinate's direction or offsetting longitude). Any user-defined history will precede the information generated by CMOR.
- [comment] = additional notes concerning this variable can be included here.

Returns:

- Fortran: a negative integer if an error is encountered; otherwise returns a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the variable.
- C: 0 upon success.
- Python: upon success, a positive integer (the "handle") uniquely identifying the variable, or if an error is encountered an exception is raised.

cmor_set_variable_attribute()

Fortran: error_flag = cmor_set_variable_attribute(integer var_id, character() name, character() value)

C: error_flag = cmor_set_variable_attribute(int variable_id, char *attribute_name, char type, void *value)

Python: set_variable_attribute(var_id,name,value)

Description: Defines an attribute to be associated with the variable specified by the variable_id. This function is unlikely to be called in preparing CMIP5 output, except to delete the "ext_cell_measures" attribute (setting it to a empty string). For this reason you can only set character type attributes at the moment via Python and Fortran.

Arguments:

- variable_id = the "handle" returned by cmor_variable (when the variable was
 defined), which will become better described by the attribute defined in this
 function.
- **attribute_name** = name of the attribute
- **type** = type of the attribute value passed, which can be 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long), 'i' (int), or 'c' (char).
- **value** = whatever value you wish to set the attribute to (type defined by type argument).

Returns upon success:

- Fortran: 0
- C: 0
- Python: 0

cmor get variable attribute()

Fortran: error_flag = cmor_get_variable_attribute(integer var_id, character(*) name, character *value)

C: error_flag = cmor_get_variable_attribute(int variable_id, char *attribute_name, char type, void *value)

Python: get variable attribute(var id,name)

Description: retrieves an attribute value set for the variable specified by the variable_id. This function is unlikely to be called in preparing CMIP5 output. The Python and Fortran version will only work on attribute of character (string) type, otherwise chaotic results should be expected

Arguments:

- **variable_id** = the "handle" returned by cmor_variable (when the variable was defined) identifying which variable the attribute is associated with.
- **attribute name** = name of the attribute
- **type** = type of the attribute value to be retrieved. This can be 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long), 'i' (int), or 'c' (char)
- **value** = the argument that will accept the retrieved attribute.

Returns upon success:

• Fortran: 0

- C: 0
- Python: The attribute value

cmor has variable attribute()

Fortran: error_flag = cmor_has_variable_attribute(integer var_id, character(*) name)

C: error flag = cmor has variable attribute(int variable id, char *attribute name)

Python: has variable attribute(var id,name)

Description: Determines whether an attribute exists and is associated with the variable specified by variable_id, which is a handle returned to the user by a previous call to cmor variable. This function is unlikely to be called in preparing CMIP5 output.

Arguments:

- **variable_id** = the "handle" specifying which variable is of interest. A variable_id is returned by cmor_variable each time a variable is defined.
- **attribute_name** = name of the attribute of interest.

Returns upon success (i.e., if the attribute is found):

- Fortran: 0
- C: 0
- Python: True

cmor create output path()

Fortran: call cmor create output path(var id, path)

C: isfixed = cmor create output path(int var id, char *path)

Python: path = create output path(var id)

Description: construct the output path, consistent with CMIP5 specifications, where the file will be stored.

Arguments:

- **var_id** = variable identification (as returned from cmor_variable) you wish to get the output path for.
- **path** = string (or pointer to a string), which is returned by the function and contains the output path.

Returns:

- Fortran: nothing it is a subroutine
- C: 0 upon success or 1 if the filed is a fixed field
- Python: the full path to the output file

cmor write()

Fortran: error_flag = cmor_write(var_id, data, [file_suffix], [ntimes_passed], [time_vals], [time_bnds], [store_with])

C: error_flag = cmor_write(int var_id, void *data, char type, char *file_suffix, int ntimes passed, double *time vals, double *time bounds, int *store with)

Python: write(var_id, data, ntimes_passed=None, file_suffix="", time_vals=None, time_bnds=None, store with=None)

Description: For the variable identified by var_id, write an array of data that includes one or more time samples. This function will typically be repeatedly invoked to write other variables or append additional time samples of data. Note that time-slices of data must be written chronologically.

Arguments:

- **var_id** = integer returned by cmor_variable identifying the variable that will be written by this function.
- data = array of data written by this function (of rank<8). The rank of this array should either be: (a) consistent with the number of axes that were defined for it, or (b) it should be 1-dimensional, in which case the data must be stored contiguously in memory. In case (a), an exception is that for a variable that is a function of time and when only one "time-slice" is passed, then the array can optionally omit this dimension. Thus, for a variable that is a function of longitude, latitude, and time, for example, if only a single time-slice is passed to cmor_write, the rank of array "data" may be declared as either 2 or 3; when declared rank 3, the time-dimension will be size 1. It is recommended (but not required) that the shape of data (i.e., the size of each dimension) be consistent with those expected for this variable (based on the axis definitions), but they are allowed to be larger (the extra values beyond the defined dimension domain will be ignored). In any case the dimension sizes (lengths) must obviously not be smaller than those defined by the calls to cmor_axis.
- **type** = type of variable array ("data"), which can be 'd' (double), 'f' (float), 'l' (long) or 'i' (int).
- [file_suffix] = string that will be concatenated with a string automatically generated by CMOR to form a unique filename where the output is written. This suffix is only required when a time-sequence of output fields will not all be written into a single file (i.e., two or more files will contain the output for the variable). The file prefix generated by CMOR is of the form variable_table, where variable is replaced by table_entry (i.e., the name of the variable), and table is replaced by the table number (e.g., tas_A1 refers to surface air temperature as specified in table A1). Permitted characters will be: a-z, A-Z, 0-9, and "-". There are no restrictions on the suffix except that it must yield unique filenames and that it cannot contain any "". If the user supplies a suffix, the leading " should be omitted (e.g., pass '1979-1988', not '_1979-1988'). Note that the suffix passed through cmor_write

remains in effect for the particular variable until (optionally) redefined by a subsequent call. In the case of CMOR "Append mode" (in case the file already existed before a call to cmor_setup), then file_suffix is to be used to point to the original file, this value should reflect the FULL path where the file can be found, not just the file name. CMOR2 will be smart enough to figure out if a suffix was used when creating that file. Note that this file will be first moved to a temporary file and eventually renamed to reflect the additional times written to it.

- **[ntimes_passed]** = integer number of time slices passed on this call. If omitted, the number will be assumed to be the size of the time dimension of the data (if there is a time dimension).
- **[time_vals]** = 1-d array (must be double precision) time coordinate values associated with the data array. This argument should appear only if the time coordinate values were not passed in defining the time axis (i.e., in calling cmor_axis). The units should be consistent with those passed as an argument to cmor_axis in defining the time axis. If cell bounds are also passed (see next argument, '[time_bnds]'), then CMOR will first check that each coordinate value is not outside its associated cell bounds; subsequently, however, the user-defined coordinate value will be replaced by the mid-point of the interval defined by its bounds, and it is this value that will be written to the netCDF file.
- **[time_bnds]** = 2-d array (must be double precision) containing time bounds, which should be in the same units as time_vals. If the time_vals argument is omitted, this argument should also be omitted. The array should be dimensioned (2, n) in Fortran, and (n,2) in C/Python, where n is the size of time_vals (see CF standard document, http://www.cgd.ucar.edu/cms/eaton/cf-metadata, for further information).
- **[store_with]** = integer returned by cmor_variable identifying the variable that the zfactor should be stored with. This argument must be defined when and only when writing a z-factor. (See description of the zfactor function above.)

Returns upon success:

• Fortran: 0

• C: 0

Python: None

cmor_close()

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Fortran: error flag = cmor close(var id, file name, preserve)
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C: error flag = cmor close(void) or

C: error flag = cmor close variable(int var id, char *file name, int *preserve)

Python: error_flag (or if name=True, returns the name of the file) = close(var_id=None, file name=False, preserve=False)

Description: Close a single file specified by optional argument var_id, or if this argument is omitted, close all files created by CMOR (including log files). To be safe, before exiting any program that invokes CMOR, it is best to call this function with the argument omitted. In C to close a single variable, use: cmor_close_variable(var_id). When using this function to close a single file, an additional optional argument (of type "string") can be included, into which will be returned the file name created by CMOR. [In python, the string is returned by the function.] Another additional optional argument can be passed specifying if the variable should be preserved for future use (e.g., if you want to write additional data but to a new file). Note that when preserve is true, the original var id is preserved.

Arguments:

- **[var_id]** = the "handle" identifying an individual variable and the associated output file that will be closed by this function.
- **[file_name]** = a string where the output file name will be stored. The file_name is returned only if its var_id has been included in the close_cmor argument list. This option provides a convenient method for the user to record the filename, which might be needed on a subsequent call to CMOR, for example, in order to append additional time samples to the file.
- **[preserve]** = Do you want to preserve the var definition? (0/1) If true, the original var id is preserved.

Returns:

- Fortran: 0 upon success
- C: 0 upon success
- Python: None if file_name=False, or the name of the file if file_name=True and a var_id is passed as an argument.

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Anaconda installation

All Platforms System Requirements

- Anaconda (https://www.continuum.io/)
- Make sure anaconda is in your PATH (assuming ananconda is installed in \${HOME}/anaconda)

```
export PATH=${HOME}/anaconda/bin:${PATH} # for [ba]sh
setenv PATH ${HOME}/anaconda/bin:${PATH} # for [t]csh
```

Bypassing firewalls

• If your institution has a firewall

```
conda config --set ssl_verify False
binstar config --set verify_ssl False # it's not a typo ssl and verify ar
e reversed
```

Installing

Run the following command

Conda environment

Create your CMOR environment with anaconda.

```
conda create -n [YOUR_ENV_NAME_HERE] -c pcmdi -c uvcdat cmor
source activate [YOUR_ENV_NAME_HERE]
conda env list
conda create -n [YOUR_ENV_NAME_HERE] --clone ENV
```

 To learn more about conda environments (http://conda.pydata.org/docs/using/envs.html)

Github Installation

Environment setup

```
# To get trough the firewall!!
export GIT_SSL_NO_VERIFY=true
# Where do you want you installation?
export PREFIX=$HOME/build
mkdir build
cd build
```

Compile Dependencies

Retrieve sources

- http://www.hdfgroup.org/ftp/HDF5/current/src/hdf5-1.8.17.tar
 (http://www.hdfgroup.org/ftp/HDF5/current/src/hdf5-1.8.17.tar) or latest
- ftp://ftp.unidata.ucar.edu/pub/netcdf/netcdf-4.4.0.tar.gz (page 0) or latest
- ftp://ftp.unidata.ucar.edu/pub/udunits/udunits-2.2.20.tar.gz (page 0) or latest
- http://www.mirrorservice.org/sites/ftp.ossp.org/pkg/lib/uuid/uuid-1.6.2.tar.gz (http://www.mirrorservice.org/sites/ftp.ossp.org/pkg/lib/uuid/uuid-1.6.2.tar.gz) or latest

```
tar xf hdf5-1.8.17.tar
tar xzf netcdf-4.4.0.tar.gz
tar xzf udunits-2.2.20.tar.gz
tar xzf uuid-1.6.2.tar.gz
```

build libuuid

```
cd uuid-1.6.2
./configure --prefix=$PREFIX
make
make install
```

build udnits2

```
cd ../udunits-2.2.20
./configure --prefix=$PREFIX
make
make install
```

build hdf5

```
cd ../hdf5-1.8.17
./configure --prefix=$PREFIX
make
make install
```

build netcdf4

```
export CFLAGS="-I${PREFIX}/include"
export LDFLAGS="-L${PREFIX}/lib"

cd ../netcdf-4.4.0
   ./configure --prefix=$PREFIX --enable-netcdf4
make
make install
```

Build cmor

```
cd ..
git clone https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor.git
cd cmor
git checkout master

./configure --prefix=$PREFIX --with-python --with-uuid --with-udunits --with-net
cdf=$PREFIX/
make
make install
make python
```

Example Python

CMOR user Input

 $test_doc.json \ (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/Test/test_doc.json)$

```
{
    " control vocabulary file":
                                    "CMIP6 CV.json",
                                    "CMIP6",
    " cmip6 option":
    "activity_id":
                                    "CMIP",
    "outpath":
                                    "CMIP6",
    "experiment id":
                                    "piControl",
    "calendar":
                                    "360_day",
                                    "1",
    "realization index":
    "initialization_index":
                                    "1",
    "physics index":
                                    "1",
    "forcing_index":
                                    "1",
    "source type":
                                    "AOGCM",
                                    "none",
    "sub_experiment":
    "sub experiment id":
                                    "none",
    "contact ":
                                    "Python Coder (python@a.b.com) ",
    "branch time":
    "branch method":
                                    "standard",
                                    "native atmosphere T63 gaussian grid (64x12
    "grid":
8 latxlon)",
    "grid label":
                                   "qn",
    "grid resolution":
                                    "5 km",
    "institution id":
                                    "CSIRO-BOM",
    "institution":
                                    "Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Rese
arch Organisation, Australia, and Bureau of Meteorology, Australia",
    "references":
                                    "Model described by Koder and Tolkien (J. Ge
ophys. Res.,2001, 576 - 591). Also see http://www.GICC.su/giccm/doc/index.htm
l 2XCO2 simulation described in Dorkey et al. '(Clim. Dyn., 2003, 323 - 357.)",
    "run variant":
                                    "forcing: black carbon aerosol only",
    "source id":
                                    "NICAM",
    "source":
                                    "NICAM:",
    "output path template":
                                    "<activity id><institution id><source id><ex
periment id><variant label><variable id><grid label><version>",
                                    "<variable id><experiment id><sourc
    "output file template":
e_id><variant_label><grid_label>",
                                    " The 'license' attribute should be an edite
    "#license":
d version of the sample below (with segments in brackets optional): The [*] indi
cates that institutions may choose to use the Non-commercial version of this lic
ense by inserting the words 'NonCommercial' at this point, but this will signifi
cantly limit the use of the data in downstream climate mitigation and adaptatio
n applications. ",
    "license":
                                    "CMIP6 model data produced by <Your CentreNa
me> is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution '[*] Share Alike' 4.0 Inter
national License (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/). Use of the data
should be acknowledged following guidelines found at https://pcmdi.llnl.gov/hom
e/CMIP6/citation.html. [Permissions beyond the scope of this license may be avai
```

lable at <some URL maintained by modeling group>.] Further information about this data, including some limitations, can be found via the further_info_url (recorded as a global attribute in data files)[and at <some URL maintained by modeling group>]. The data producers and data providers make no warranty, either express or implied, including, but not limited to, warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. All liabilities arising from the supply of the information (including any liability arising in negligence) are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law."

}

Python source code

test doc.py (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/Test/test_doc.py)

```
import cmor
cmor.setup(inpath='Tables',netcdf_file_action=cmor.CMOR REPLACE 4)
cmor.dataset json("Test/test doc.json")
table='CMIP6 Amon.json'
cmor.load_table(table)
itime = cmor.axis(table entry= 'time',
                  units= 'days since 2000-01-01 00:00:00',
                  coord vals= [15,],
                  cell bounds= [0, 30])
ilat = cmor.axis(table entry= 'latitude',
                 units= 'degrees_north',
                 coord vals= [0],
                 cell bounds= [-1, 1])
ilon = cmor.axis(table entry= 'longitude',
                 units= 'degrees east',
                 coord vals= [90],
                 cell bounds= [89, 91])
axis_ids = [itime,ilat,ilon]
varid = cmor.variable('ts', 'K', axis_ids)
cmor.write(varid, [273])
outfile=cmor.close(varid, file_name=True)
print "File written: ",outfile
cmor.close()
```

Fortran Example

CMOR user input

• test2.json (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/Test/test2.json)

```
{
    " control vocabulary file":
                                     "CMIP6 CV.json",
    " cmip6 option":
                                     "CMIP6",
    "activity_id":
                                     "CMIP",
    "outpath":
                                     "CMIP6",
    "experiment id":
                                     "piControl",
    "calendar":
                                     "360_day",
                                     "1",
    "realization index":
    "initialization_index":
                                     "1",
    "physics index":
                                     "1",
    "forcing_index":
                                     "1",
    "source type":
                                     "AOGCM",
                                     "none",
    "sub_experiment_id":
    "contact ":
                                     "Python Coder (python@a.b.com) ",
    "institution_id":
                                     "PCMDI",
                                     "output from archivel Al.nce/gicem 03 std 2x
    "history":
CO2_2256.",
    "comment":
                                     "equilibrium reached after 30-year spin-up
    "references":
                                     "model described by Koder and Tolkien ",
    "source id":
                                     "pcmdi-10a",
    "branch time":
                                     "0",
    "branch method":
                                     "standard",
    "grid":
                                     "native atmosphere T63 gaussian grid (64x12
8 latxlon)",
    "grid label":
                                     "gn",
    "grid resolution":
                                     "5 km",
    "institution id":
                                     "CSIRO-BOM",
                                     "Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Rese
    "institution":
arch Organisation, Australia, and Bureau of Meteorology, Australia",
    "references":
                                     "Model described by Koder and Tolkien (J. Ge
ophys. Res., 2001, 576 - 591). Also see http://www.GICC.su/giccm/doc/index.htm
l 2XCO2 simulation described in Dorkey et al. '(Clim. Dyn., 2003, 323 - 357.)",
                                     "forcing: black carbon aerosol only",
    "run variant":
    "source id":
                                     "NICAM",
    "source":
                                     "NICAM:",
    "output path template":
                                     "<activity id><institution id><source id><ex
periment_id><variant_label><variable_id><grid_label><version>",
    "output file template":
                                     "<variable id><experiment id><sourc
e_id><variant_label><grid_label>",
    "#license":
                                     " The 'license' attribute should be an edite
d version of the sample below (with segments in brackets optional): The [*] indi
cates that institutions may choose to use the Non-commercial version of this lic
```

ense by inserting the words 'NonCommercial' at this point, but this will significantly limit the use of the data in downstream climate mitigation and adaptation applications. ",

"license":

"CMIP6 model data produced by <Your CentreNa me> is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution '[*] Share Alike' 4.0 Inter national License (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/). Use of the data should be acknowledged following guidelines found at https://pcmdi.llnl.gov/hom e/CMIP6/citation.html. [Permissions beyond the scope of this license may be avai lable at <some URL maintained by modeling group>.] Further information about t his data, including some limitations, can be found via the further_info_url (rec orded as a global attribute in data files)[and at <some URL maintained by model ing group>]. The data producers and data providers make no warranty, either exp ress or implied, including, but not limited to, warranties of merchantability an d fitness for a particular purpose. All liabilities arising from the supply of t he information (including any liability arising in negligence) are excluded to t he fullest extent permitted by law."

}

Fortran source dode

ipcc_test_code.f90
 (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/Test/ipcc_test_code.f90)

```
#include <time.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
#include "cmor.h"
#include <stdlib.h>
void read_coords(alats, alons, plevs, bnds_lat, bnds_lon,lon,lat,lev)
     double *alats,*alons;
     int *plevs;
     double *bnds_lat,*bnds_lon;
     int lon,lat,lev;
{
 int i;
 for (i=0;i<lon;i++) {
    alons[i] = i*360./lon;
    bnds_lon[2*i] = (i - 0.5)*360./lon;
    bnds lon[2*i+1] = (i + 0.5)*360./lon;
  };
  for (i=0;i<lat;i++) {
    alats[i] = (lat-i)*10;
    bnds_lat[2*i] = (lat-i)*10 + 5.;
    bnds_lat[2*i+1] = (lat-i)*10 - 5.;
  };
  plevs[0]=1000;
  plevs[1]=925;
  plevs[2]=850;
  plevs[3]=700;
  plevs[4]=600;
  plevs[5]=500;
  plevs[6]=400;
  plevs[7]=300;
  plevs[8]=250;
  plevs[9]=200;
  plevs[10]=150;
  plevs[11]=100;
  plevs[12]=70;
  plevs[13]=50;
  plevs[14]=30;
  plevs[15]=20;
  plevs[16]=10;
}
void read time(it, time, time bnds)
     int it;
     double time[];
     double time bnds[];
```

```
time[0] = (it-0.5)*30.;
  time bnds[0] = (it-1)*30.;
  time bnds[1] = it*30.;
  time[0]=it;
  time bnds[0] = it;
  time_bnds[1] = it+1;
}
#include "reader_2D_3D.h"
int main()
     /*
/*
               To serve as a generic example of an application that */
         uses the "Climate Model Output Rewriter" (CMOR) */
/*
/*
      CMOR writes CF-compliant netCDF files. */
/*
      Its use is strongly encouraged by the IPCC and is intended for use */
/*
         by those participating in many community-coordinated standard */
         climate model experiments (e.g., AMIP, CMIP, CFMIP, PMIP, APE, */
/*
         etc.) */
/*
     Background information for this sample code: */
/*
        Atmospheric standard output requested by IPCC are listed in */
/*
     tables available on the web. Monthly mean output is found in */
/*
     tables Ala and Alc. This sample code processes only two 3-d */
/*
     variables listed in table A1c ("monthly mean atmosphere 3-D data" */
/*
     and only four 2-d variables listed in table Ala ("monthly mean */
/*
     atmosphere + land surface 2-D (latitude, longitude) data"). The */
/*
     extension to many more fields is trivial. */
/*
        For this example, the user must fill in the sections of code that */
/*
     extract the 3-d and 2-d fields from his monthly mean "history" */
/*
     files (which usually contain many variables but only a single time */
/*
     slice). The CMOR code will write each field in a separate file, but */
/*
     many monthly mean time-samples will be stored together. These */
/*
     constraints partially determine the structure of the code. */
/*
     Record of revisions: */
/*
         Date
                                            Description of change */
                     Programmer(s)
/*
                    _____
                                            ====
/*
        10/22/03
                    Rusty Koder
                                             Original code */
/*
                    Les R. Koder
                                             Revised to be consistent */
         1/28/04
/*
                                             with evolving code design */
{
```

```
dimension parameters: */
 /* ----- */
#define ntimes 2 /* number of time samples to process */
#define lon 4
                    /* number of longitude grid cells */
         lat 3
                    /* number of latitude grid cells */
#define
#define lev 17
                     /* number of standard pressure levels */
                    /* number of IPCC Table Ala fields to be
#define n2d 4
*/
                                      /*
                                             output. */
                  /* number of IPCC Table Alc fields to */
#define n3d 3
                    /*
                                                                 */
                                                    be output.
 /*
      Tables associating the user's variables with IPCC standard output
                                                                         */
 /*
      variables. The user may choose to make this association in a
                                                                         */
                                                                        */
 /*
      different way (e.g., by defining values of pointers that allow him
      to directly retrieve data from a data record containing many
                                                                         */
 /*
 /*
      different variables), but in some way the user will need to map his */
 /*
      model output onto the Tables specifying the MIP standard output.
                                                                         */
 /* ----- */
 /* My variable names for IPCC Table Alc fields */
 char varin3d[n3d][6]={"CLOUD", "U", "T" };
 /* Units appropriate to my data */
 char units3d[n3d][6]={"%", "m s-1", "K"};
 /* Corresponding IPCC Table Alc entry (variable name) */
 char entry3d[n3d][3]={"cl","ua","ta"};
 /* My variable names for IPCC Table Ala fields */
 char varin2d[n2d][9]={ "LATENT", "TSURF", "SOIL WET", "PSURF" };
 /* Units appropriate to my data */
 char units2d[n2d][7]={ "W m-2", "K", "kg m-2", "Pa"};
 char positive2d[n2d][4]={"down"," ", " ", " "};
 /* Corresponding IPCC Table Ala entry (variable name) */
 char entry2d[n2d][6]={"hfls", "tas","mrsos","ps"};
/* uninitialized variables used in communicating with CMOR: */
 int error flag;
 int znondim_id, zfactor_id;
 int var2d ids[n2d];
 int var3d ids[n3d];
 double data2d[lat*lon];
 double data3d[lev*lat*lon];
 double alats[lat];
 double alons[lon];
```

```
int ilats[lat];
 int ilons[lon];
 double
          plevs[lev];
 int
       iplevs[lev];
 long
       lplevs[lev];
 float
         fplevs[lev];
 double Time[2];
 double bnds_time[4];
 double bnds lat[lat*2];
 double bnds_lon[lon*2];
 double zlevs[lev];
 double zlev_bnds[lev+1];
 double a_coeff[lev]={ 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.22, 0.1 };
 double b_coeff[lev]={ 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.8 };
 float p0=1.e5;
 double a_coeff_bnds[lev+1]={0.,.15, .25, .25, .16, 0.};
 double b_coeff_bnds[lev+1]={0.,.05, .15, .35, .65, 1.};
 int ilon, ilat, ipres, ilev, itim;
 double dtmp,dtmp2;
 /* Other variables: */
     */
 int it, m, i,ierr , j;
 int myaxes[10];
 int myaxes2[10];
 int myvars[10];
 char id[CMOR_MAX_STRING];
 char units[CMOR MAX STRING];
 char interval[CMOR MAX STRING];
 char anames[25][CMOR MAX STRING];
 char type;
 char regions[5][23] = { "atlantic arctic ocean", "indian pacific ocean", "paci
fic ocean", "global ocean", "sf bay"};
 double timestest[5];
 /* Externals funcs */
 int tables[5];
 char msg[555];
 double bt=0.;
 /* ======= */
 /* Execution begins here: */
 /* ======= */
 /* Read coordinate information from model into arrays that will be passed */
 /*
      to CMOR. */
 /* Read latitude, longitude, and pressure coordinate values into */
      alats, alons, and plevs, respectively. Also generate latitude and */
 /*
      longitude bounds, and store in bnds_lat and bnds_lon, respectively. */
 /*
 /*
      Note that all variable names in this code can be freely chosen by */
 /*
      the user. */
```

```
The user must write the subroutine that fills the coordinate arrays */
       and their bounds with actual data. The following line is simply a */
 /*
       a place-holder for the user's code, which should replace it. */
 /* *** possible user-written call *** */
 m = CMOR_EXIT_ON_MAJOR;
  j = CMOR REPLACE 4;
 i=1;
 it=0;
 printf("ok mode is:%i\n",m);
 ierr = cmor_setup(NULL,&j,NULL,&m,NULL,&i);//," ipcc_test.LOG
  read_coords(&alats[0], &alons[0], &iplevs[0], &bnds_lat[0], &bnds_lon[0],lon,l
at, lev);
  int tmpmo[12];
 printf("Test code: ok init cmor\n");
  char c1[CMOR_MAX_STRING];
  char c2[CMOR MAX STRING];
  strcpy(c1, "GICCM1(2002)\0");
  strcpy(c2,"Nat\0");
  printf("yep: %s, %s\n",c1,c2);
  ierr = cmor_dataset_json("Test/ipcc_test_code.json");
  printf("Test code: ok load cmor table(s)\n");
  ierr = cmor load table("Tables/CMIP6 Omon.json",&tables[0]);
 ierr = cmor load table("Tables/CMIP6 Amon.json",&tables[1]);
 strcpy(id,"time");
  strcpy(units, "months since 1980");
  strcpy(interval, "1 month");
  read_time(0, &Time[0], &bnds_time[0]);
  read time(1, &Time[1], &bnds time[2]);
  ierr = cmor_axis(&myaxes[0],id,units,ntimes,&Time[0],'d',&bnds_time[0],2,inter
val);
 strcpy(id, "latitude");
  strcpy(units, "degrees north");
 strcpy(interval,"");
 ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[1],id,units,lat,&alats,'d',&bnds lat,2,interval);
 strcpy(id, "longitude");
 strcpy(units, "degrees_east");
  ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[2],id,units,lon,&alons,'d',&bnds lon,2,interval);
```

```
strcpy(id, "plev17");
  strcpy(units, "hPa");
  ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[3],id,units,lev,&iplevs,'i',NULL,0,interval);
  zlevs[0]=0.1;
 zlevs[1] = 0.3;
 zlevs[2]=0.5;
  zlevs[3] = 0.72;
 zlevs[4] = 0.9;
 zlev bnds[0]=0.;
 zlev_bnds[1]=.2;
 zlev bnds[2]=.42;
 zlev_bnds[3]=.62;
 zlev_bnds[4]=.8;
 zlev bnds[5]=1.;
/*
     p0 = 1.e5; */
/*
     a coeff = { 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.22, 0.1 }; */
     b_coeff = { 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.8 }; */
/*
     a_coeff_bnds={0.,.15, .25, .25, .16, 0.}; */
     b coeff bnds={0.,.05, .15, .35, .65, 1.}; */
  ierr = cmor_axis( &myaxes[4], "standard_hybrid_sigma", "1", 5, &zlevs, 'd', &zlev_b
nds,1,interval);
 cmor_set_table(tables[0]);
 /* ok here we declare a "regions" axis */
 printf("Test code: defining axis region \n");
 ierr = cmor_axis( &myaxes[5], "basin", "", 4, &regions[0], 'c', NULL, 23, interval);
 printf("Test code: Redefining time/lat from 0 table\n");
 strcpy(id,"time");
  strcpy(units, "months since 1980");
  strcpy(interval, "1 month");
  read time(0, &Time[0], &bnds time[0]);
  read_time(1, &Time[1], &bnds_time[2]);
  ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[7],id,units,ntimes,&Time[0],'d',&bnds time[0],2,inter
val);
  strcpy(id,"latitude");
 strcpy(units, "degrees north");
  strcpy(interval,"");
 ierr = cmor_axis(&myaxes[8],id,units,lat,&alats,'d',&bnds_lat,2,interval);
  cmor_set_table(tables[1]);
 dtmp = -999;
 dtmp2=1.e-4;
 myaxes2[0] = myaxes[0];
```

```
myaxes2[1] = myaxes[3];
 myaxes2[2] = myaxes[1];
 myaxes2[3] = myaxes[2];
  printf("Test code: defining variables from table 1, %s\n",positive2d[0]);
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[0],entry2d[0],units2d[0],3,myaxes,'d',NULL,&dtmp
2,positive2d[0],varin2d[0],"no history","no future");
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[1],entry3d[2],units3d[2],4,myaxes2,'d',NULL,&dtmp
2,NULL,varin3d[2],"no history","no future");
  printf("Test code: definig tas\n");
 ierr = cmor_variable(&myvars[5], "tas", "K", 3, myaxes, 'd', NULL, &dtmp2, NULL, "T
S", "no history", "no future");
 myaxes2[1] = myaxes[4];
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[2],entry3d[0],units3d[0],4,myaxes2,'d',NULL,&dtmp
2,NULL,varin3d[0],"no history","no future");
  ierr = cmor zfactor(&myvars[3], myaxes2[1], "p0", "Pa", 0, NULL, 'f', &p0, NULL);
  ierr = cmor_zfactor(&myvars[3],myaxes2[1],"b","",1,&myaxes2[1],'d',&b_coef
f,&b coeff bnds);
  ierr = cmor_zfactor(&myvars[3],myaxes2[1],"a","",1,&myaxes2[1],'d',&a_coef
f,&a coeff bnds);
     printf("defining ap\n"); */
/*
     for(i=0;i<5;i++) {a coeff[i]*=1.e3;printf("sending acoef: %i, %lf\n",i,a co
eff[i]);} */
/* for(i=0;i<6;i++) {a_coeff_bnds[i]*=1.e5;printf("sending acoef: %i, %lf\</pre>
n",i,a coeff bnds[i]);} */
     ierr = cmor_zfactor(&myvars[3],myaxes2[1],"ap","hPa",1,&myaxes2[1],'d',&a_c
oeff,&a coeff bnds); */
  ierr = cmor zfactor(&myvars[3], myaxes2[1], "ps", "hPa", 3, &myaxes[0], 'd', NULL, NUL
L);
 /* ok here we decalre a variable for region axis testing */
 cmor set table(tables[0]);
 myaxes2[0] = myaxes[7]; /* time */
 myaxes2[1] = myaxes[5]; /* region */
 myaxes2[2] = myaxes[8]; /* latitudes */
 printf("Test code: ok we define hfogo positive: %s\n",positive2d[0]);
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[4], "htovgyre", "W", 3, myaxes2, 'd', NULL, &dtmp2, NUL
L,varin2d[0],"no history","no future");
  cmor_set_table(tables[1]);
  for (i=0;i<ntimes;i++) {
    printf("Test code: writing time: %i of %i\n",i+1,ntimes);
    printf("2d\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, varin2d[0], &data2d,lat,lon);
    sprintf(id, "%i",i);
    ierr = cmor write(myvars[0],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
```

```
printf("3d\n");
    read 3d input files(i, varin3d[2], &data3d,lev,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[1],&data3d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
    printf("writing tas\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, varin2d[1], &data2d,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[5],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
    printf("3d zfactor\n");
    read_3d_input_files(i, varin3d[0], &data3d,5,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[2],&data3d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
    printf("writing ps\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, varin2d[3], &data2d,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[3],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,&myvars[2]);
    /* rereading hfls to fake hfogo */
    printf("2d region\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, "htov", &data2d,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor write(myvars[4],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
 }
 ierr = cmor_close_variable(myvars[0], NULL, NULL);
 ierr = cmor_close();
  return(0);
}
```

C example

CMOR user input

• ipcc_test_code.json (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/Test/ipcc_test_code.json)

```
{
           "_control_vocabulary_file": "CMIP6_CV.json",
           " cmip6 option":
                                       "CMIP6",
           "tracking_prefix":
                                      "hdl:21.14100",
           "activity_id":
                                      "ISMIP6",
           "branch method":
                                      "standard",
           "branch time in child":
                                      "365.0",
           "outpath":
                                      "CMIP6",
           "experiment_id":
                                      "piControl-withism",
                                      "ds1968",
           "sub experiment id":
           "sub_experiment":
                                      "none",
           "source type":
                                      "AOGCM ISM AER",
                                      "N/A",
           "parent mip era":
           "calendar":
                                      "360 day",
           "branch_time":
                                      "1.34",
           "realization index":
                                      "11",
           "initialization index":
                                      "1",
           "physics index":
                                      "1",
           "forcing index":
                                      "1",
           "contact":
                                      "Python Coder (coder@a.b.c.com)",
           "history":
                                      "Output from archivel Al.nce/gicem 03 std 2
xC02 2256.",
           "comment":
                                      "Equilibrium reached after 30-year spin-up
after which data were output starting with nominal date of January 2030",
           "references":
                                      "Model described by Koder and Tolkien (J. G
eophys. Res., 2001, 576-591). Also see http://www.GICC.su/giccm/doc/index.htm
l 2XCO2 simulation described in Dorkey et al. '(Clim. Dyn., 2003, 323-357.)'",
           "grid":
                                      "gs1x1",
           "grid_label":
                                      "gr",
           "grid resolution":
                                      "5 km",
           "institution id":
                                      "BNU",
           "parent activity id":
                                      "CMIP",
           "parent experiment id":
                                      "histALL",
```

```
"parent source id":
                                     "GFDL-CM2-1",
           "parent variant label":
                                     "rlilp1f3",
           "run variant":
                                     "forcing: black carbon aerosol only",
           "source id":
                                     "CESM1-CAM5",
           "source":
                                     "CESM1 (CAM5): model version ca. 2009",
           "output_path_template": "<activity_id><institution_id><source_i
d><experiment id><variant label><variable id><grid label><version>",
           "output file template":
                                     "<variable id><experiment id><sourc
e_id><variant_label><grid_label>",
           "#license":
                                           " The 'license' attribute should be a
n edited version of the sample below (with segments in brackets optional): The
[*] indicates that institutions may choose to use the Non-commercial version of
this license by inserting the words 'NonCommercial' at this point, but this wil
l significantly limit the use of the data in downstream climate mitigation and a
daptation applications. ",
           "license":
                                          "CMIP6 model data produced by <Your C
entreName> is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution '[*] Share Alike'
4.0 International License (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/). Use of
the data should be acknowledged following guidelines found at https://pcmdi.lln
l.gov/home/CMIP6/citation.html. [Permissions beyond the scope of this license ma
y be available at <some URL maintained by modeling group>.]
                                                             Further informatio
n about this data, including some limitations, can be found via the further inf
o url (recorded as a global attribute in data files)[ and at <some URL maintaine
d by modeling group>]. The data producers and data providers make no warranty,
either express or implied, including, but not limited to, warranties of merchant
ability and fitness for a particular purpose. All liabilities arising from the s
upply of the information (including any liability arising in negligence) are exc
luded to the fullest extent permitted by law."
```

C source code

}

ipcc_test_code.c
 (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/Test/ipcc_test_code.c)

```
#include <time.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
#include "cmor.h"
#include <stdlib.h>
void read_coords(alats, alons, plevs, bnds_lat, bnds_lon,lon,lat,lev)
     double *alats,*alons;
     int *plevs;
     double *bnds_lat,*bnds_lon;
     int lon,lat,lev;
{
  int i;
  for (i=0;i<lon;i++) {</pre>
    alons[i] = i*360./lon;
    bnds_lon[2*i] = (i - 0.5)*360./lon;
    bnds lon[2*i+1] = (i + 0.5)*360./lon;
  };
  for (i=0;i<lat;i++) {</pre>
    alats[i] = (lat-i)*10;
    bnds_lat[2*i] = (lat-i)*10 + 5.;
    bnds_lat[2*i+1] = (lat-i)*10 - 5.;
  };
  plevs[0]=1000;
  plevs[1]=925;
  plevs[2]=850;
  plevs[3]=700;
  plevs[4]=600;
  plevs[5]=500;
  plevs[6]=400;
  plevs[7]=300;
  plevs[8]=250;
  plevs[9]=200;
  plevs[10]=150;
  plevs[11]=100;
  plevs[12]=70;
  plevs[13]=50;
  plevs[14]=30;
  plevs[15]=20;
  plevs[16]=10;
}
void read time(it, time, time bnds)
     int it;
     double time[];
     double time bnds[];
```

```
{
  time[0] = (it-0.5)*30.;
  time bnds[0] = (it-1)*30.;
  time bnds[1] = it*30.;
  time[0]=it;
  time bnds[0] = it;
  time_bnds[1] = it+1;
}
#include "reader_2D_3D.h"
int main()
     /*
/*
                To serve as a generic example of an application that */
     Purpose:
/*
         uses the "Climate Model Output Rewriter" (CMOR) */
/*
      CMOR writes CF-compliant netCDF files. */
/*
      Its use is strongly encouraged by the IPCC and is intended for use */
/*
         by those participating in many community-coordinated standard */
/*
         climate model experiments (e.g., AMIP, CMIP, CFMIP, PMIP, APE, */
/*
         etc.) */
/*
     Background information for this sample code: */
/*
        Atmospheric standard output requested by IPCC are listed in */
/*
     tables available on the web. Monthly mean output is found in */
/*
     tables Ala and Alc. This sample code processes only two 3-d */
/*
     variables listed in table A1c ("monthly mean atmosphere 3-D data" */
/*
     and only four 2-d variables listed in table A1a ("monthly mean */
/*
     atmosphere + land surface 2-D (latitude, longitude) data"). The */
/*
     extension to many more fields is trivial. */
/*
        For this example, the user must fill in the sections of code that */
/*
     extract the 3-d and 2-d fields from his monthly mean "history" */
/*
     files (which usually contain many variables but only a single time */
/*
     slice). The CMOR code will write each field in a separate file, but */
/*
     many monthly mean time-samples will be stored together. These */
/*
     constraints partially determine the structure of the code. */
/*
     Record of revisions: */
/*
                                            Description of change */
         Date
                    Programmer(s)
/*
                    _____
                                            ====
/*
        10/22/03
                    Rusty Koder
                                             Original code */
/*
                    Les R. Koder
                                             Revised to be consistent */
         1/28/04
/*
                                             with evolving code design */
{
```

```
dimension parameters: */
 /* ----- */
#define ntimes 2 /* number of time samples to process */
                    /* number of longitude grid cells */
#define lon 4
         lat 3
                    /* number of latitude grid cells */
#define
#define lev 17
                     /* number of standard pressure levels */
         n2d 4
                    /* number of IPCC Table Ala fields to be
#define
*/
                                      /*
                                            output. */
                  /* number of IPCC Table Alc fields to */
#define n3d 3
                    /*
                                                    be output. */
 /*
      Tables associating the user's variables with IPCC standard output */
 /*
      variables. The user may choose to make this association in a */
 /*
      different way (e.g., by defining values of pointers that allow him */
      to directly retrieve data from a data record containing many */
 /*
 /*
      different variables), but in some way the user will need to map his */
 /*
      model output onto the Tables specifying the MIP standard output. */
 /* ----- */
 /* My variable names for IPCC Table Alc fields */
 char varin3d[n3d][6]={"CLOUD", "U", "T" };
 /* Units appropriate to my data */
 char units3d[n3d][6]={"%", "m s-1", "K"};
 /* Corresponding IPCC Table Alc entry (variable name) */
 char entry3d[n3d][3]={"cl","ua","ta"};
 /* My variable names for IPCC Table Ala fields */
 char varin2d[n2d][9]={ "LATENT", "TSURF", "SOIL WET", "PSURF" };
 /* Units appropriate to my data */
 char units2d[n2d][7]={ "W m-2", "K", "kg m-2", "Pa"};
  char positive2d[n2d][4]={"down"," ", " ", " "};
 /* Corresponding IPCC Table Ala entry (variable name) */
  char entry2d[n2d][6]={"hfls", "tas","mrsos","ps"};
/* uninitialized variables used in communicating with CMOR: */
 int error flag;
 int znondim_id, zfactor_id;
 int var2d ids[n2d];
 int var3d ids[n3d];
 double data2d[lat*lon];
 double data3d[lev*lat*lon];
 double alats[lat];
  double alons[lon];
```

```
int ilats[lat];
 int ilons[lon];
 double
          plevs[lev];
 int
       iplevs[lev];
 long
       lplevs[lev];
 float
         fplevs[lev];
 double Time[2];
 double bnds_time[4];
 double bnds lat[lat*2];
 double bnds_lon[lon*2];
 double zlevs[lev];
 double zlev_bnds[lev+1];
 double a_coeff[lev]={ 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.22, 0.1 };
 double b_coeff[lev]={ 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.8 };
 float p0= 1.e5;
 double a_coeff_bnds[lev+1]={0.,.15, .25, .25, .16, 0.};
 double b coeff bnds[lev+1]={0.,.05, .15, .35, .65, 1.};
 int ilon, ilat, ipres, ilev, itim;
 double dtmp,dtmp2;
 /* Other variables: */
     ----- */
 int it, m, i,ierr , j;
 int myaxes[10];
 int myaxes2[10];
 int myvars[10];
 char id[CMOR_MAX_STRING];
 char units[CMOR_MAX_STRING];
 char interval[CMOR MAX STRING];
 char anames[25][CMOR MAX STRING];
 char type;
 char regions[5][23] = { "atlantic_arctic_ocean", "indian_pacific_ocean", "paci
fic ocean", "global ocean", "sf bay"};
 double timestest[5];
 /* Externals funcs */
 int tables[5];
 char msg[555];
 double bt=0.;
 /* ======== */
 /* Execution begins here: */
 /* ======= */
 /* Read coordinate information from model into arrays that will be passed */
 /*
      to CMOR. */
 /* Read latitude, longitude, and pressure coordinate values into */
 /*
      alats, alons, and plevs, respectively. Also generate latitude and */
      longitude bounds, and store in bnds_lat and bnds_lon, respectively. */
 /*
 /*
      Note that all variable names in this code can be freely chosen by */
 /*
      the user. */
```

```
/*
       The user must write the subroutine that fills the coordinate arrays */
      and their bounds with actual data. The following line is simply a */
 /*
      a place-holder for the user's code, which should replace it. */
 /* *** possible user-written call *** */
 m = CMOR_EXIT_ON_MAJOR;
  j = CMOR REPLACE 4;
 i=1;
 it=0;
 printf("ok mode is:%i\n",m);
 ierr = cmor_setup(NULL,&j,NULL,&m,NULL,&i);//," ipcc_test.LOG
  read_coords(&alats[0], &alons[0], &iplevs[0], &bnds_lat[0], &bnds_lon[0],lon,l
at, lev);
  int tmpmo[12];
 printf("Test code: ok init cmor\n");
  char c1[CMOR_MAX_STRING];
  char c2[CMOR MAX STRING];
  strcpy(c1, "GICCM1(2002)\0");
  strcpy(c2,"Nat\0");
  printf("yep: %s, %s\n",c1,c2);
  ierr = cmor_dataset_json("Test/ipcc_test_code.json");
  printf("Test code: ok load cmor table(s)\n");
  ierr = cmor load table("Tables/CMIP6 Omon.json",&tables[0]);
 ierr = cmor load table("Tables/CMIP6 Amon.json",&tables[1]);
 strcpy(id,"time");
  strcpy(units, "months since 1980");
  strcpy(interval, "1 month");
  read_time(0, &Time[0], &bnds_time[0]);
  read time(1, &Time[1], &bnds time[2]);
  ierr = cmor_axis(&myaxes[0],id,units,ntimes,&Time[0],'d',&bnds_time[0],2,inter
val);
 strcpy(id, "latitude");
  strcpy(units, "degrees north");
 strcpy(interval,"");
 ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[1],id,units,lat,&alats,'d',&bnds lat,2,interval);
 strcpy(id, "longitude");
 strcpy(units, "degrees_east");
  ierr = cmor_axis(&myaxes[2],id,units,lon,&alons,'d',&bnds_lon,2,interval);
```

```
strcpy(id, "plev17");
  strcpy(units, "hPa");
  ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[3],id,units,lev,&iplevs,'i',NULL,0,interval);
  zlevs[0]=0.1;
 zlevs[1] = 0.3;
 zlevs[2]=0.5;
  zlevs[3] = 0.72;
 zlevs[4] = 0.9;
 zlev bnds[0]=0.;
 zlev_bnds[1]=.2;
 zlev bnds[2]=.42;
 zlev_bnds[3]=.62;
 zlev_bnds[4]=.8;
 zlev bnds[5]=1.;
/*
   p0 = 1.e5; */
/*
     a coeff = { 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.22, 0.1 }; */
   b_coeff = { 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.8 }; */
/*
     a_coeff_bnds={0.,.15, .25, .25, .16, 0.}; */
   b coeff bnds={0.,.05, .15, .35, .65, 1.}; */
  ierr = cmor_axis( &myaxes[4], "standard_hybrid_sigma", "1", 5, &zlevs, 'd', &zlev_b
nds,1,interval);
 cmor_set_table(tables[0]);
 /* ok here we declare a "regions" axis */
 printf("Test code: defining axis region \n");
 ierr = cmor_axis( &myaxes[5], "basin", "", 4, & regions[0], 'c', NULL, 23, interval);
 printf("Test code: Redefining time/lat from 0 table\n");
 strcpy(id,"time");
  strcpy(units, "months since 1980");
  strcpy(interval, "1 month");
  read time(0, &Time[0], &bnds time[0]);
  read_time(1, &Time[1], &bnds_time[2]);
  ierr = cmor axis(&myaxes[7],id,units,ntimes,&Time[0],'d',&bnds time[0],2,inter
val);
  strcpy(id,"latitude");
 strcpy(units, "degrees north");
  strcpy(interval,"");
 ierr = cmor_axis(&myaxes[8],id,units,lat,&alats,'d',&bnds_lat,2,interval);
  cmor_set_table(tables[1]);
 dtmp = -999;
 dtmp2=1.e-4;
 myaxes2[0] = myaxes[0];
```

```
myaxes2[1] = myaxes[3];
 myaxes2[2] = myaxes[1];
 myaxes2[3] = myaxes[2];
  printf("Test code: defining variables from table 1, %s\n",positive2d[0]);
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[0],entry2d[0],units2d[0],3,myaxes,'d',NULL,&dtmp
2,positive2d[0],varin2d[0],"no history","no future");
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[1],entry3d[2],units3d[2],4,myaxes2,'d',NULL,&dtmp
2,NULL,varin3d[2],"no history","no future");
  printf("Test code: definig tas\n");
 ierr = cmor_variable(&myvars[5], "tas", "K", 3, myaxes, 'd', NULL, &dtmp2, NULL, "T
S", "no history", "no future");
 myaxes2[1] = myaxes[4];
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[2],entry3d[0],units3d[0],4,myaxes2,'d',NULL,&dtmp
2,NULL,varin3d[0],"no history","no future");
  ierr = cmor zfactor(&myvars[3], myaxes2[1], "p0", "Pa", 0, NULL, 'f', &p0, NULL);
  ierr = cmor_zfactor(&myvars[3],myaxes2[1],"b","",1,&myaxes2[1],'d',&b_coef
f,&b coeff bnds);
  ierr = cmor_zfactor(&myvars[3], myaxes2[1], "a", "", 1, &myaxes2[1], 'd', &a_coef
f,&a coeff bnds);
     printf("defining ap\n"); */
/*
     for(i=0;i<5;i++) {a_coeff[i]*=1.e3;printf("sending acoef: %i, %lf\n",i,a_co
eff[i]);} */
/* for(i=0;i<6;i++) {a_coeff_bnds[i]*=1.e5;printf("sending acoef: %i, %lf\</pre>
n",i,a coeff bnds[i]);} */
     ierr = cmor_zfactor(&myvars[3],myaxes2[1],"ap","hPa",1,&myaxes2[1],'d',&a_c
oeff,&a coeff bnds); */
  ierr = cmor zfactor(&myvars[3], myaxes2[1], "ps", "hPa", 3, &myaxes[0], 'd', NULL, NUL
L);
 /* ok here we decalre a variable for region axis testing */
 cmor set table(tables[0]);
 myaxes2[0] = myaxes[7]; /* time */
 myaxes2[1] = myaxes[5]; /* region */
 myaxes2[2] = myaxes[8]; /* latitudes */
 printf("Test code: ok we define hfogo positive: %s\n",positive2d[0]);
  ierr = cmor variable(&myvars[4], "htovgyre", "W", 3, myaxes2, 'd', NULL, &dtmp2, NUL
L,varin2d[0],"no history","no future");
  cmor_set_table(tables[1]);
  for (i=0;i<ntimes;i++) {</pre>
    printf("Test code: writing time: %i of %i\n",i+1,ntimes);
    printf("2d\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, varin2d[0], &data2d,lat,lon);
    sprintf(id, "%i",i);
    ierr = cmor write(myvars[0],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
```

```
printf("3d\n");
    read 3d input files(i, varin3d[2], &data3d,lev,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[1],&data3d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
    printf("writing tas\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, varin2d[1], &data2d,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[5],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
    printf("3d zfactor\n");
    read_3d_input_files(i, varin3d[0], &data3d,5,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[2],&data3d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
    printf("writing ps\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, varin2d[3], &data2d,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[3],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,&myvars[2]);
    /* rereading hfls to fake hfogo */
    printf("2d region\n");
    read_2d_input_files(i, "htov", &data2d,lat,lon);
    ierr = cmor_write(myvars[4],&data2d,'d',1,NULL,NULL,NULL);
 }
 ierr = cmor_close_variable(myvars[0],NULL,NULL);
 ierr = cmor_close();
  return( 0 );
}
```

Control Vocabulary (CMIP6)

To register, activities, sources or institutions

Contact: cmor@listserv.llnl.gov

CMIP6 required global attributes

CMIP6_CV.json
 (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/blob/master/TestTables/CMIP6_CV.json)

```
"required global attributes":
    "variant label",
    "activity id",
    "branch method",
    "Conventions",
    "creation date",
    "mip era",
    "data_specs_version",
    "experiment_id",
    "experiment",
    "forcing_index",
    "further info url",
    "frequency",
    "grid",
    "grid_label",
    "grid resolution",
    "initialization index",
    "institution",
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CMIP6 Table Excerpt

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CMIP6 Global Attributes

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- mip_era
- data_specs_version
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- experiment
- forcing_index
- further_info_url
- frequency
- grid
- grid_label
- grid_resolution
- initialization_index
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- institution_id
- license
- physics_index
- product
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- realm
- variant_label
- source
- source_id
- source_type

- sub_experiment
- sub_experiment_id
- table_id
- tracking_id
- variable_id

CMIP6 User Input

Notes

- 1. Keys beginning with character _ will not be written in netCDF file as attribute. They can be use for template filename of template path.
- 2. Keys beginning with charachter # can be used as comment.

CMIP6 CMOR User Input

CMIP6_global_attributes_filenames_CVs.doc (https://docs.google.com/document/d/ 1h0r8RZr_f3-8egBMMh7aqLwy3snpD6_MrDz1q8n5XUk)

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- source:
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- forcing index:
- *contact *:
- history:
- comment:

- references:
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Appendix A

Critical Errors

The following errors are considered as CRITICAL and will cause a CMOR code to stop.

- 1. Calling a CMOR function before running cmor setup
- 2. NetCDF version is neither 3.6.3 or 4.1 or greater
- 3. Udunits could not parse units
- 4. Incompatible units
- 5. Udunits could not create a converter
- 6. Logfile could not be open for writing
- 7. Output directory does not exist
- 8. Output directory is not a directory
- 9. User does not have read/write privileges on the output directory
- 10. Wrong value for error mode
- 11. wrong value for netCDF mode
- 12. error reading udunits system
- 13. NetCDF could not set variable attribute
- 14. Dataset does not have one of the required attributes (required attributes can be defined in the MIP table)
- 15. Required global attribute is missing
- 16. If CMIP5 project: source attributes does not start with model id attribute.
- 17. Forcing dataset attribute is not valid
- 18. Leap year defined with invalid leap month
- 19. Invalid leap month (<1 or >12)
- 20. Leap month defined but no leap year
- 21. Negative realization number
- 22. Zfactor variable not defined when needed
- 23. Zfactor defined w/o values and NOT time dependent.
- 24. Variable has axis defined with formula terms depending on axis that are not part of the variable
- 25. NetCDF error when creating zfactor variable

- 26. NetCDF Error defining compression parameters
- 27. Calling cmor write with an invalid variable id
- 28. Could not create path structure
- 29. "variable id" contains a "_" or a '-' this means bad MIP table.
- 30. "file_suffix" contains a "_"
- 31. Could not rename the file you're trying to append to.
- 32. Trying to write an "Associated variable" before the variable itself
- 33. Output file exists and you're not in append/replace mode
- 34. NetCDF Error opening file for appending
- 35. NetCDF could not find time dimension in a file onto which you want to append
- 36. NetCDF could not figure out the length time dimension in a file onto which you want to append
- 37. NetCDF could not find your variable while appending to a file
- 38. NetCDF could not find time dimension in the variable onto which you're trying to append
- 39. NetCDF could not find time bounds in the variable onto which you're trying to append
- 40. NetCDF mode got corrupted.
- 41. NetCDF error creating file
- 42. NetCDF error putting file in definition mode
- 43. NetCDF error writing file global attribute
- 44. NetCDF error creating dimension in file
- 45. NetCDF error creating variable
- 46. NetCDF error writing variable attribute
- 47. NetCDF error setting chunking parameters
- 48. NetCDF error leaving definition mode
- 49. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "a" coefficient
- 50. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "b" coefficient
- 51. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "a bnds" coefficient
- 52. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "b bnds" coefficient
- 53. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "p0" coefficient
- 54. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "ap" coefficient
- 55. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "ap bnds" coefficient

- 56. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "sigma" coefficient
- 57. Hybrid coordinate, could not find "sigma bnds" coefficient
- 58. NetCDF writing error
- 59. NetCDF error closing file
- 60. Could not rename temporary file to its final name.
- 61. Cdms could not convert time values for calendar.
- 62. Variable does not have all required attributes (cmor_variable)
- 63. Reference variable is defined with "positive", user did not pass it to cmor variable
- 64. Could not allocate memory for zfactor elements
- 65. Udunits error freeing units
- 66. Udunits error freeing converter
- 67. Could not allocate memory for zfactor bounds
- 68. Calling cmor variable before reading in a MIP table
- 69. Too many variable defined (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 70. Could not find variable in MIP table
- 71. Wrong parameter "positive" passed
- 72. No "positive" parameter passed to cmor variable and it is required for this variable
- 73. Variable defined with too many (not enough) dimensions
- 74. Variable defined with axis that should not be on this variable
- 75. Variable defined within existing axis (wrong axis id)
- 76. Defining variable with axes defined in a MIP table that is not the current one.
- 77. Defining a variable with too many axes (see annex on CMOR limits)
- 78. Defining variable with axes ids that are not valid.
- 79. Defining variable with grid id that is not valid.
- 80. Defining a variable with dimensions that are not part of the MIP table (except for var named "latitude" and "longitude", since they could have grid axes defined in another MIP table)
- 81. Trying to retrieve length of time for a variable defined w/o time length
- 82. Trying to retrieve variable shape into an array of wrong rank (Fortran only really)
- 83. Calling cmor write with time values for a timeless variable
- 84. Cannot allocate memory for temporary array to write
- 85. Invalid absolute mean for data written (lower or greater by one order of magintudethan what the MIP table allows)

- 86. Calling cmor_write with time values when they have already been defined with cmor axis when creating time axis
- 87. Cannot allocate memory to store time values
- 88. Cannot allocate memory to store time bounds values
- 89. Time values are not monotonic
- 90. Calling cmor_write w/o time values when no values were defined via cmor_axis when creating time axis
- 91. Time values already written in file
- 92. Time axis units do not contain "since" word (cmor axis)
- 93. Invalid data type for time values (ok are 'f', 'l', 'i', 'd')
- 94. Time values are not within time bounds
- 95. Non monotonic time bounds
- 96. Longitude axis spread over 360 degrees.
- 97. Overlapping bound values (except for climatological data)
- 98. bounds and axis values are not stored in the same order
- 99. requested value for axis not present
- 100. approximate time axis interval much greater (>20%) than the one defined in your MIP table
- 101. calling cmor axis before loading a MIP table
- 102. too many axes defined (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 103. could not find reference axis name in current MIP table
- 104. output axis needs to be standard_hybrid_sigma and input axis is not one of : "standard hybrid sigma", "alternate hybrid sigma", "standard sigma"
- 105. MIP table requires to convert axis to unknown type
- 106. requested "region" not present on axis
- 107. axis (with bounds) values are in invalid type (valid are: 'f','d','l','i')
- 108. requested values already checked but stored internally, could be bad user cleanup
- 109. MIP table defined for version of CMOR greater than the library you're using
- 110. too many experiments defined in MIP table (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 111. cmor set table used with invalid table id
- 112. MIP table has too many axes defined in it (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 113. MIP table has too many variables defined in it (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 114. MIP table has too many mappings defined in it (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 115. MIP table defines the same mapping twice

- 116. grid mapping has too many parameters (see appendix on CMOR limits)
- 117. grid has different number of axes than what grid_mapping prescribes.
- 118. Could not find all the axes required by grid_mapping
- 119. Call to cmor_grid with axis that are not created yet via cmor_axis
- 120. Too many grids defined (see appendix on cmor_limits)
- 121. Call to cmor_grid w/o latitude array
- 122. Call to cmor grid w/o longitude array

Appendix B

Limits in cmor

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The following are defined in cmor.h

#define CMOR_MAX_STRING 1024

#define CMOR_DEF_ATT_STR_LEN 256

#define CMOR_MAX_ELEMENTS 500

#define CMOR_MAX_AXES CMOR_MAX_ELEMENTS*3

#define CMOR_MAX_VARIABLES CMOR_MAX_ELEMENTS

#define CMOR_MAX_GRIDS 100

#define CMOR_MAX_DIMENSIONS 7

#define CMOR_MAX_ATTRIBUTES 100

#define CMOR_MAX_ERRORS 10

#define CMOR_MAX_TABLES 10

#define CMOR_MAX_TABLES 10

#define CMOR_MAX_GRID_ATTRIBUTES 25
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CMOR3 issues

https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/issues (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor/issues)

CMIP6 table issues

https://github.com/PCMDI/cmip6-cmor-tables/issues (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmip6-cmor-tables/issues)

http://dreq01.vanillaforums.com/categories/cmip6-issues (http://dreq01.vanillaforums.com/categories/cmip6-issues)

CMOR3 documentations issues

https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor3_documentation/issues (https://github.com/PCMDI/cmor3_documentation/issues)

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