

MEGA: Merger Graph Format

This document details the data format for the graph files produced by MEGA. It is a **work in progress** and therefore **subject to change**.

Any dataset of length N_{host} , N_{sub} , N_{gen} and N_{graph} is ordered such that the index is the corresponding ID (all IDs start at 0). For example, to get data for graph 3 from an N_{graph} length array (`arr`) you would simply index it thusly:

```
arr[3]
```

Any dataset of length N_{prog} , N_{desc} , N_{subprog} , and N_{subdesc} contain the data for progenitors and descendents and are of ambiguous length. Due to this there are associated pointer (`start_index`) and length (`nprog`, `ndesc`) arrays. This is also true when trying to extract individual generations from the N_{host} and N_{sub} arrays using the generation start and length arrays. Data can be extracted from these using:

```
arr[start: start + length]
```

Root:

Groups	
Key	Description
Header	Contains Metadata for the simulation.
N	The groups containing the data for each individual graph. N runs from 0 - $N_{\text{graph}}-1$.

Datasets			
Key	Description	Units	Type/ Shape
graph_lengths	The length of each graph.	None	$\text{int}[] / (N_{\text{graph}},)$
root_nparts	The number of particles in the most massive host halo in the root generation of each graph (lowest redshift generation).	None	$\text{int}[] / (N_{\text{graph}},)$
nhalos_in_graph	The number of halos in each graph.	None	$\text{int}[] / (N_{\text{graph}},)$
sub_graph_lengths	The length of all subhalo graphs.	None	$\text{int}[] / (N_{\text{graph}},)$
sub_nhalos_in_graph	The number of subhalos in each graph.	None	$\text{int}[] / (N_{\text{graph}},)$

Attributes			
Key	Description	Units	Type

Header:

Datasets			
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Attributes			
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<code>part_mass</code>	The dark matter particle mass.	M_sun	float

Graphs (N):

Attributes			
Key	Description	Units	Type
length	The length of this graph, i.e. the number of generations	None	int
root_mass	The number of particles in the most massive halo in the root generation (lowest redshift generation)	None	int
nhalos_in_graph	The number of halos in this graph	None	int
sub_length	The length of this subhalo graph, i.e. the number of generations containing subhalos	None	int
sub_root_mass	The number of particles in the most massive subhalo in the root generation (lowest redshift generation)	None	int
sub_nhalos_in_graph	The number of subhalos in this graph	None	int

Datasets			
Key	Description	Units	Type / Shape
graph_halo_ids	The internal graph halo ID assigned to a halo. NOTE: These differ from the halo catalog. These run from 0 - N_{host} with the index equal to the value.	None	int[] / (N_{host})
halo_catalog_halo_ids	The halo catalog ID assigned to each halo.	None	int[] / (N_{host})
snapshots	The index of the snapshot in the snapshot text file dictated in the param file, for each halo.	None	int[] / (N_{host})
redshifts	The redshift for each halo in the graph.	None	float[] / (N_{host})
generation_id	The ID (or number) associated with each generation. Counting starts from the earliest snapshot.	None	int[] / (N_{gen})
nparts	The number of dark matter particles in each halo.	None	int[] / (N_{host})

mean_pos	The mean position of the particles in the halo.	cMpc	float[] / ($N_{\text{host}}, 3$)
generation_start_index	The starting index (pointer) for each host halo generation.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{gen}},$)
generation_length	The number of halos in each generation.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{gen}},$)
nprog	The number of progenitors for each halo.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{host}},$)
ndesc	The number of descendants for each halo.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{host}},$)
prog_start_index	The starting index (pointer) for each halo's entries in all progenitor halo arrays (i.e. direct_prog_ids, direct_prog_contribution, etc.). Entries containing $2^{**}30$ have no descendants.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{host}},$)
desc_start_index	The starting index (pointer) for each halo's entries in all descendant halo arrays (i.e. direct_desc_ids, direct_desc_contribution, etc.). Entries containing $2^{**}30$ have no descendants.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{host}},$)
direct_prog_ids	The progenitor halo IDs, extracted using prog_start_index and nprog.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{prog}},$)
direct_desc_ids	The descendant halo IDs, extracted using desc_start_index and ndesc.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{desc}},$)
direct_prog_contribution	The number of dark matter particles contributed by each direct progenitor to the halo.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{prog}},$)
direct_desc_contribution	The number of dark matter particles contributed to each direct descendant from the halo.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{desc}},$)
sub_graph_halo_ids	The internal graph subhalo ID assigned to a subhalo. NOTE: These differ from the halo catalog. These run from 0 - N_{sut} with the index equal to the value.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{sub}},$)
subhalo_catalog_halo_ids	The subhalo catalog ID assigned to each subhalo.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{sub}},$)
sub_snapshots	The index of the snapshot in the snapshot text file dictated in the param file, for each subhalo.	None	int[] / ($N_{\text{sub}},$)

sub_redshifts	The redshift for each subhalo in the graph.	None	float[] / (N_{sub} ,)
sub_generation_id	The ID (or number) associated with each generation. Counting starts from the earliest snapshot.	None	int[] / (N_{gen} ,)
sub_nparts	The number of dark matter particles in each halo.	None	int[] / (N_{sub} ,)
sub_mean_pos	The mean position of the particles in the subhalo.	cMpc	float[] / (N_{sub} , 3)
sub_generation_start_index	The starting index (pointer) for each subhalo generation.	None	int[] / (N_{gen} ,)
sub_generation_length	The number of subhalos in each generation.	None	int[] / (N_{gen} ,)
sub_nprog	The number of progenitors for each subhalo.	None	int[] / (N_{sub} ,)
sub_ndesc	The number of descendants for each subhalo.	None	int[] / (N_{sub} ,)
sub_prog_start_index	The starting index (pointer) for each subhalo's entries in all progenitor subhalo arrays (i.e. sub_direct_prog_ids, sub_direct_prog_contribution, etc.). Entries containing 2**30 have no descendants.	None	int[] / (N_{sub} ,)
sub_desc_start_index	The starting index (pointer) for each subhalo's entries in all descendant subhalo arrays (i.e. sub_direct_desc_ids, sub_direct_desc_contribution, etc.). Entries containing 2**30 have no descendants.	None	int[] / (N_{sub} ,)
sub_direct_prog_ids	The progenitor subhalo IDs, extracted using sub_prog_start_index and sub_nprog.	None	int[] / (N_{subprog} ,)
sub_direct_desc_ids	The descendent subhalo IDs, extracted using sub_desc_start_index and sub_ndesc.	None	int[] / (N_{subdesc} ,)
sub_direct_prog_contribution	The number of dark matter particles contributed by each direct progenitor to the subhalo.	None	int[] / (N_{subprog} ,)
sub_direct_desc_contribution	The number of dark matter particles contributed to each direct descendent from the subhalo.	None	int[] / (N_{subdesc} ,)

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