# **CDO** User Guide

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## 1. Introduction

The Climate Data Operator (**CDO**) software is a collection of many operators for standard processing of climate and forecast model data. The operators include simple statistical and arithmetic functions, data selection and subsampling tools, and spatial interpolation. **CDO** was developed to have the same set of processing functions for GRIB [GRIB] and NetCDF [NetCDF] datasets in one package.

The Climate Data Interface [CDI] is used for the fast and file format independent access to GRIB and NetCDF datasets. The local MPI-MET data formats SERVICE, EXTRA and IEG are also supported.

There are some limitations for GRIB and NetCDF datasets:

**GRIB** datasets have to be consistent, similar to NetCDF. That means all time steps need to have the same variables, and within a time step each variable may occur only once. Multiple fields in single GRIB2 messages are not supported!

**NetCDF** datasets are only supported for the classic data model and arrays up to 4 dimensions. These dimensions should only be used by the horizontal and vertical grid and the time. The NetCDF attributes should follow the GDT, COARDS or CF Conventions.

The main **CDO** features are:

- More than 700 operators available
- Modular design and easily extendable with new operators
- Very simple UNIX command line interface
- A dataset can be processed by several operators, without storing the interim results in files
- Most operators handle datasets with missing values
- Fast processing of large datasets
- Support of many different grid types
- Tested on many UNIX/Linux systems, Cygwin, and MacOS-X

## 1.1. Building from sources

This section describes how to build **CDO** from the sources on a UNIX system. **CDO** uses the GNU configure and build system for compilation. The only requirement is a working ISO C++14 and ANSI C99 compiler.

First go to the download page (https://code.mpimet.mpg.de/projects/cdo) to get the latest distribution, if you do not have it yet.

To take full advantage of CDO features the following additional libraries should be installed:

- Unidata NetCDF library (https://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/netcdf) version 3 or higher. This library is needed to process NetCDF [NetCDF] files with CDO.
- ECMWF ecCodes library (https://software.ecmwf.int/wiki/display/ECC/ecCodes+Home) version 2.3.0 or higher. This library is needed to process GRIB2 files with CDO.
- HDF5 szip library (http://www.hdfgroup.org/doc\_resource/SZIP) version 2.1 or higher. This library is needed to process szip compressed GRIB [GRIB] files with **CDO**.
- HDF5 library (http://www.hdfgroup.org/HDF5) version 1.6 or higher.

  This library is needed to import CM-SAF [CM-SAF] HDF5 files with the CDO operator import\_cmsaf.

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• PROJ library (http://trac.osgeo.org/proj) version 5.0 or higher.

This library is needed to convert Sinusoidal and Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area coordinates to geographic coordinates, for e.g. remapping.

• Magics library (https://software.ecmwf.int/wiki/display/MAGP/Magics) version 2.18 or higher. This library is needed to create contour, vector and graph plots with CDO.

**CDO** is a multi-threaded application. Therefor all the above libraries should be compiled thread safe. Using non-threadsafe libraries could cause unexpected errors!

## 1.1.1. Compilation

Compilation is done by performing the following steps:

1. Unpack the archive, if you haven't done that yet:

```
gunzip cdo-$VERSION.tar.gz  # uncompress the archive
tar xf cdo-$VERSION.tar  # unpack it
cd cdo-$VERSION
```

- 2. Run the configure script:
  - ./configure
  - Optionaly with NetCDF [NetCDF] support:

```
./configure --with-netcdf=<NetCDF root directory>
```

• and with ecCodes:

```
./configure --with-eccodes=<ecCodes root directory>
```

For an overview of other configuration options use

```
./configure --help
```

3. Compile the program by running make:

make

The program should compile without problems and the binary (cdo) should be available in the src directory of the distribution.

#### 1.1.2. Installation

After the compilation of the source code do a make install, possibly as root if the destination permissions require that.

```
make install
```

The binary is installed into the directory prefix/bin. <prefix</pre> defaults to /usr/local but can be changed with the --prefix option of the configure script.

Alternatively, you can also copy the binary from the src directory manually to some bin directory in your search path.

## 1.2. Usage

This section descibes how to use **CDO**. The syntax is:

```
cdo [ Options ] Operator1 [ -Operator2 [ -OperatorN ] ]
```

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#### **1.2.1.** Options

All options have to be placed before the first operator. The following options are available for all operators:

-a Generate an absolute time axis.

-b <nbits> Set the number of bits for the output precision. The valid precisions depend on the file format:

<format></format>	<nbits></nbits>
grb1, grb2	P1 - P24
nc1, nc2, nc4, nc4c, nc5	I8/I16/I32/F32/F64
nc4, nc4c, nc5	U8/U16/U32
grb2, srv, ext, ieg	F32/F64

For srv, ext and ieg format the letter L or B can be added to set the byteorder

to Little or Big endian.

--cmor CMOR conform NetCDF output.

-C, --color Colorized output messages.

--double Using double precision floats for data in memory.
 --eccodes Use ecCodes to decode/encode GRIB1 messages.
 -f < format> Set the output file format. The valid file formats are:

File format	<format></format>
GRIB version 1	grb1/grb
GRIB version 2	grb2
NetCDF	nc1
NetCDF version 2 (64-bit offset)	nc2/nc
NetCDF-4 (HDF5)	nc4
NetCDF-4 classic	nc4c
NetCDF version 5 (64-bit data)	nc5
SERVICE	srv
EXTRA	ext
IEG	ieg

GRIB2 is only available if CDO was compiled with ecCodes support and all

NetCDF file types are only available if **CDO** was compiled with NetCDF support!

-g < grid> Define the default grid description by name or from file (see chapter 1.3 on page 15).

Available grid names are: r<NX>x<NY>, lon=<LON>/lat=<LAT>, F<XXX>, gme<NI>

-h, --help Help information for the operators.

--no history Do not append to NetCDF history global attribute.

--netcdf\_hdr\_pad, --hdr\_pad, --header\_pad <nbr>

Pad NetCDF output header with nbr bytes.

-k < chunktype> NetCDF4 chunk type: auto, grid or lines.

-L Lock I/O (sequential access).

-m < missval > Set the missing value of non NetCDF files (default: -9e+33).

-O Overwrite existing output file, if checked.

Existing output file is checked only for: ens<STAT>, merge, mergetime

--operators List of all operators.

-P < nthreads > Set number of OpenMP threads (Only available if OpenMP support was compiled in).

--pedantic Warnings count as errors.

--percentile < method>

Percentile method: nrank nist rtype8 numpy numpy\_lower numpy\_higher numpy\_nearest

 $--reduce\_dim$  Reduce NetCDF dimensions.

-R, --regular Convert GRIB1 data from global reduced to regular Gaussian grid (only with cgribex lib).

-r Generate a relative time axis.

-S Create an extra output stream for the module TIMSTAT. This stream contains

the number of non missing values for each output period.

-s, --silent Silent mode.

--single Using single precision floats for data in memory.

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--sortname Alphanumeric sorting of NetCDF parameter names.

-t -t -t -t set the GRIB1 (cgribex) default parameter table name or file (see chapter 1.6 on page 21).

Predefined tables are: echam4 echam5 echam6 mpiom1 ecmwf remo

--timestat date <srcdate>

Target timestamp (temporal statistics): first, middle, midhigh or last source timestep.

-V, --version Print the version number.

-v, --verbose Print extra details for some operators.

-w Disable warning messages.

--worker < num> Number of worker to decode/decompress GRIB records.

-z szip SZIP compression of GRIB1 records.
jpeg JPEG compression of GRIB2 records.
zip[\_1-9] Deflate compression of NetCDF4 variables.

#### 1.2.2. Environment variables

There are some environment variables which influence the behavior of **CDO**. An incomplete list can be found in Appendix A.

Here is an example to set the environment variable CDO\_RESET\_HISTORY for different shells:

Bourne shell (sh): CDO\_RESET\_HISTORY=1; export CDO\_RESET\_HISTORY

Korn shell (ksh): export CDO\_RESET\_HISTORY=1 C shell (csh): setenv CDO\_RESET\_HISTORY 1

## 1.2.3. Operators

There are more than 700 operators available. A detailed description of all operators can be found in the **Reference Manual** section.

#### 1.2.4. Parallelized operators

Some of the **CDO** operators are shared memory parallelized with OpenMP. An OpenMP-enabled C compiler is needed to use this feature. Users may request a specific number of OpenMP threads nthreads with the '-P' switch.

Here is an example to distribute the bilinear interpolation on 8 OpenMP threads:

```
cdo -P 8 remapbil, targetgrid infile outfile
```

Many **CDO** operators are I/O-bound. This means most of the time is spend in reading and writing the data. Only compute intensive **CDO** operators are parallelized. An incomplete list of OpenMP parallelized operators can be found in Appendix B.

#### 1.2.5. Operator parameter

Some operators need one or more parameter. A list of parameter is indicated by the seperator ','.

#### • STRING

String parameters require quotes if the string contains blanks or other characters interpreted by the shell. The following command select variables with the name pressure and tsurf:

```
cdo selvar, pressure, tsurf infile outfile
```

#### FLOAT

Floating point number in any representation. The following command sets the range between 0 and 273.15 of all fields to missing value:

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```
cdo setrtomiss,0,273.15 infile outfile
```

#### BOOL

Boolean parameter in the following representation TRUE/FALSE, T/F or 0/1. To disable the weighting by grid cell area in the calculation of a field mean, use:

```
cdo fldmean, weights=FALSE infile outfile
```

#### • INTEGER

A range of integer parameter can be specified by first/last[/inc]. To select the days 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 use:

```
cdo selday,5/9 infile outfile
The result is the same as:
  cdo selday,5,6,7,8,9 infile outfile
```

## 1.2.6. Operator chaining

Operator chaining allows to combine two or more operators on the command line into a single **CDO** call. This allows the creation of complex operations out of more simple ones: reductions over several dimensions, file merges and all kinds of analysis processes. All operators with a fixed number of input streams and one output stream can pass the result directly to an other operator. For differentiation between files and operators all operators must be written with a prepended "-" when chaining.

```
cdo -monmean -add -mulc,2.0 infile1 -daymean infile2 outfile (CDO example call)
```

Here monmean will have the output of add while add takes the output of mulc, 2.0 and daymean. infile1 and infile2 are inputs for their predecessor. When mixing operators with an arbitrary number of input streams extra care needs to be taken. The following examples illustrates why.

```
    cdo info -timavg infile1 infile2
    cdo info -timavg infile?
    cdo timavg infile1 tmpfile cdo info tmpfile infile2 rm tmpfile
```

All three examples produce identical results. The time average will be computed only on the first input file.

**Note(1):** In section 1.3.2 we introduce argument groups which will make this a lot easier and less error prone.

Note(2): Operator chaining is implemented over POSIX Threads (pthreads). Therefore this **CDO** feature is not available on operating systems without POSIX Threads support!

## 1.2.7. Chaining Benefits

Combining operators can have several benefits. The most obvious is a performance increase through reducing disk I/O:

```
cdo sub -dayavg infile2 -timavg infile1 outfile
instead of

cdo timavg infile1 tmp1
 cdo dayavg infile2 tmp2
 cdo sub tmp2 tmp1 outfile
 rm tmp1 tmp2
```

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Especially with large input files the reading and writing of intermediate files can have a big influence on the overall performance.

A second aspect is the execution of operators: Limited by the algorythms potentially all operators of a chain can run in parallel.

## 1.3. Advanced Usage

In this section we will introduce advanced features of **CDO**. These include operator grouping which allows to write more complex **CDO** calls and the apply keyword which allows to shorten calls that need an operator to be executed on multiple files as well as wildcards which allow to search paths for file signatures. These features have several restrictions and follow rules that depend on the input/output properties. These required properties of operators can be investigated with the following commands which will output a list of operators that have selected properties:

cdo --attribs [arbitrary/filesOnly/onlyFirst/noOutput/obase]

- arbitrary describes all operators where the number of inputs is not defined.
- filesOnly are operators that can have other operators as input.
- onlyFirst shows which operators can only be at the most left position of the polish notation argument chain.
- noOutput are all operators that do not print to any file (e.g info)
- *obase* Here obase describes an operator that does not use the output argument as file but e.g as a file name base (output base). This is almost exclusivly used for operators the split input files.

```
cdo -splithour baseName_
could result in: baseName_1 baseName_2 ... baseName_N
```

For checking a single or multiple operator directly the following usage of --attribs can be used:

```
cdo --attribs operatorName
```

#### 1.3.1. Wildcards

Wildcards are a standard feature of command line interpreters (shells) on many operating systems. They are placeholder characters used in file paths that are expanded by the interpreter into file lists. For further information the Advance Bash Scripting Guide is a valuable source of information. Handling of input is a central issue for **CDO** and in some circumstances it is not enough to use the wildcards from the shell. That's why **CDO** can handle them on its own.

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all files	2020-2-01.txt 2020-2-11.txt 2020-2-15.txt 2020-3-01.txt 2020-3-02.txt		
	2020-3-12.txt 2020-3-13.txt 2020-3-15.txt 2021.grb 2022.grb		
wildcard	filelist results		
2020-3* and 2020-3-??.txt	2020-3-01.txt 2020-3-02.txt 2020-3-12.txt 2020-3-13.txt 2020-3-15.txt		
2020-3-?1.txt	2020-3-01.txt		
*.grb	2021.grb 2020.grb		

Use single quotes if the input stream names matched to a single wildcard expression. In this case **CDO** will do the pattern matching and the output can be combined with other operators. Here is an example for this feature:

```
cdo timavg -select,name=temperature 'infile?' outfile
```

In earlier versions of **CDO** this was necessary to have the right files parsed to the right operator. Newer version support this with the argument grouping feature (see 1.3.2). We advice the use of the grouping mechanism instead of the single quoted wildcards since this feature could be deprecated in future versions.

**Note:** Wildcard expansion is not available on operating systems without the glob() function!

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## 1.3.2. Argument Groups

In section 1.2.6 we described that it is not possible to chain operators with an arbitrary number of inputs. In this section we want to show how this can be achieved through the use of *operator grouping* with angled brackets []. Using these brackets **CDO** can assigned the inputs to their corresponding operators during the execution of the command line. The ability to write operator combination in a parenthis-free way is partly given up in favor of allowing operators with arbitrary number of inputs. This allows a much more compact way to handle large number of input files.

The following example shows an example which we will transform from a non-working solution to a working one.

```
cdo -infon -div -fldmean -cat infile1 -mulc,2.0 infile2 -fldmax infile3
```

This example will throw the following error:

```
cdo (Warning): Did you forget to use '[' and/or ']' for multiple variable input operators?
cdo (Warning): use option --variableInput, for description
```

```
cdo (Abort): Too few streams specified! Operator div needs 2 input streams and 1 output stream!
```

The error is raised by the operator *div*. This operator needs two input streams and one output stream, but the *cat* operator has claimed all possible streams on its right hand side as input because it accepts an arbitrary number of inputs. Hence it didn't leave anything for the remaining input or output streams of *div*. For this we can declare a group which will be passed to the operator left of the group.

```
cdo -infon -div -fldmean -cat [ infile1 -mulc,2.0 infile2 ] -fldmax infile3
```

For full flexibility it is possible to have groups inside groups:

```
cdo -infon -div -fldmean -cat [ fileA1 infileC2 -merge [ infileB1 infileB2 ] ] -fldmax infileD
```

## 1.3.3. Apply Keyword

When working with medium or large number of similar files there is a common problem of a processing step (often a reduction) which needs to be performed on all of them before a more specific analysis can be applied. Ususally this can be done in two ways: One option is to use merge to glue everything together and chain the reduction step after it. The second option is to write a for-loop over all inputs which perform the basic processing on each of the files separately and call merge one the results. Unfortunately both options have side-effects: The first one needs a lot of memory because all files are read in completely and reduced afterwards while the latter one creates a lot of temporary files. Both memory and disk IO can be bottlenecks and should be avoided.

The *apply* keyword was introduced for that purpose. It can be used as an operator, but it needs at least one operator as a parameter, which is applied in parallel to all related input streams in a parallel way before all streams are passed to operator next in the chain.

The following is an example with three input files:

```
cdo -merge -apply,-daymean [ file1 file2 file3 ] outfile
```

would result in:

```
cdo -merge -daymean file1 -daymean file2 -daymean file3 outfile
```

Figure 1.1.: Usage and result of apply keyword

Apply is especially useful when combined with wildcards. The previous example can be shortened further.

```
cdo -merge -apply,-daymean [ file? ] outfile
```

As shown this feature allows to simplify commands with medium amount of files and to move reductions further back. This can also have a positive impact on the performance.

An example where performance can take a hit.

```
cdo -yearmean -daymean -merge [ f1 ... f40 ]
```

An improved but ugly to write example.

```
cdo -yearmean -merge [ -daymean f1 -daymean f2 ... -daymean f40 ]
```

Apply saves the day. And creates the call above with much less typing.

```
cdo -yearmean -merge [ -apply, -daymean [ f1 ... f40 ] ]
```

Figure 1.2.: Apply keyword simplifies command and execution

In the example in figure 1.2 the resulting call will dramatically save process interaction as well as execution times since the reduction (daymean) is applied on the files first. That means that the merge operator will receive the reduced files and the operations for merging the whole data is saved. For other **CDO** calls further improvements can be made by adding more arguments to apply (1.3)

A less performant example.

```
cdo -aReduction -anotherReduction -daymean -merge [f1 ... f40]

cdo -merge -apply, "-aReduction -anotherReduction -daymean" [f1 ... f40]
```

Figure 1.3.: Multi argument apply

**Restrictions:** While the apply keyword can be extremely helpful it has several restrictions (for now!).

- Apply inputs can only be files, wildcards and operators that have 0 inputs and 1 output.
- Apply can not be used as the first **CDO** operator.
- Apply arguments can only be operators with 1 input and 1 output.
- Grouping inside the Apply argument or input is not allowed.

## 1.4. Memory Requirements

This section roughly describes the memory requirements of **CDO**. **CDO** tries to use as little memory as possible. The smallest unit that is read by all operators is a horizontal field. The required memory depends mainly on the used operators, the data format, the data type and the size of the fields.

The operators have partly very different memory requirements. Many **CDO** modules like FLDSTAT process one horizontal field at a time. Memory-intensive modules such as ENSSTAT and TIMSTAT require all fields of a time step to be held in memory. Of course, the memory requirements of each operator add up when they are combined. Some operators are parallelized with OpenMP. In multi-threaded mode (see

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option -P) the memory requirement can increase for these operators. This increase grows with the number of threads used.

The data type determines the number of bytes per value. Single precision floating point data (float) occupies 4 bytes per value. All other data types are read as double precision floats and thus occupy 8 bytes per value. With the **CDO** option --single all data is read as single precision floats. This can reduce the memory requirement by a factor of 2.

## 1.5. Horizontal grids

Physical quantities of climate models are typically stored on a horizonal grid. **CDO** supports structured grids like regular lon/lat or curvilinear grids and also unstructured grids.

#### 1.5.1. Grid area weights

One single point of a horizontal grid represents the mean of a grid cell. These grid cells are typically of different sizes, because the grid points are of varying distance.

Area weights are individual weights for each grid cell. They are needed to compute the area weighted mean or variance of a set of grid cells (e.g. fldmean - the mean value of all grid cells). In **CDO** the area weights are derived from the grid cell area. If the cell area is not available then it will be computed from the geographical coordinates via spherical triangles. This is only possible if the geographical coordinates of the grid cell corners are available or derivable. Otherwise **CDO** gives a warning message and uses constant area weights for all grid cells.

The cell area is read automatically from a NetCDF input file if a variable has the corresponding "cell\_measures" attribute, e.g.:

```
var:cell_measures = "area: cell_area" ;
```

If the computed cell area is not desired then the **CDO** operator setgridarea can be used to set or overwrite the grid cell area.

## 1.5.2. Grid description

In the following situations it is necessary to give a description of a horizontal grid:

- Changing the grid description (operator: setgrid)
- Horizontal interpolation (all remapping operators)
- Generating of variables (operator: const, random)

As now described, there are several possibilities to define a horizontal grid.

#### 1.5.2.1. Predefined grids

Predefined grids are available for global regular, gaussian or icosahedral-hexagonal GME grids.

#### Global regular grid: global\_<DXY>

global\_<DXY> defines a global regular lon/lat grid. The grid increment <DXY> can be chosen arbitrarily. The longitudes start at  $<DXY>/2 - 180^{\circ}$  and the latitudes start at  $<DXY>/2 - 90^{\circ}$ .

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#### Regional regular grid: dcw:<CountryCode>[\_<DXY>]

dcw:<CountryCode>[\_<DXY>] defines a regional regular lon/lat grid from the country code. The default value of the optional grid increment <DXY> is 0.1 degree. The ISO two-letter country codes can be found on https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO\_3166-1\_alpha-2. For the coordinates of a country **CDO** uses the DCW (Digital Chart of the World) dataset from GMT. This dataset must be installed on the system and the environment variable DIR\_DCW must point to it.

#### Zonal latitudes: zonal\_<DY>

zonal\_<DY> defines a grid with zonal latitudes only. The latitude increment <DY> can be chosen arbitrarily. The latitudes start at <DY>/2 -  $90^{\circ}$ . The boundaries of each latitude are also generated. The number of longitudes is 1.

#### Global regular grid: r<NX>x<NY>

r<NX>x<NY> defines a global regular lon/lat grid. The number of the longitudes <NX> and the latitudes <NY> can be chosen arbitrarily. The longitudes start at  $0^{\circ}$  with an increment of  $(360/\langle NX\rangle)^{\circ}$ . The latitudes go from south to north with an increment of  $(180/\langle NY\rangle)^{\circ}$ .

#### One grid point: lon=<LON>/lat=<LAT>

lon=<LON>/lat=<LAT> defines a lon/lat grid with only one grid point.

#### Full regular Gaussian grid: F<XXX>

F<XXX> defines a global regular Gaussian grid. XXX specifies the number of latitudes lines between the Pole and the Equator. The longitudes start at  $0^{\circ}$  with an increment of  $(360/\text{nlon})^{\circ}$ . The gaussian latitudes go from north to south.

## Global icosahedral-hexagonal GME grid: gme<NI>

gme<NI> defines a global icosahedral-hexagonal GME grid. NI specifies the number of intervals on a main triangle side.

#### 1.5.2.2. Grids from data files

You can use the grid description from an other datafile. The format of the datafile and the grid of the data field must be supported by **CDO**. Use the operator 'sinfo' to get short informations about your variables and the grids. If there are more then one grid in the datafile the grid description of the first variable will be used. Add the extension: N to the name of the datafile to select grid number N.

#### 1.5.2.3. SCRIP grids

SCRIP (Spherical Coordinate Remapping and Interpolation Package) uses a common grid description for curvilinear and unstructured grids. For more information about the convention see [SCRIP]. This grid description is stored in NetCDF. Therefor it is only available if **CDO** was compiled with NetCDF support!

SCRIP grid description example of a curvilinear MPIOM [MPIOM] GROB3 grid (only the NetCDF header):

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```
netcdf grob3s {
dimensions:
           grid\_size = 12120 ;
           grid_corners = 4;
           grid_rank = 2;
variables:
           int grid_dims(grid_rank);
           double grid_center_lat(grid_size) ;
                      grid_center_lat:units = "degrees" ;
           grid_center_lat: units = degrees ;
grid_center_lat: bounds = "grid_corner_lat" ;
double grid_center_lon(grid_size) ;
grid_center_lon: units = "degrees" ;
                      grid_center_lon:bounds = "grid_corner_lon" ;
           int grid_imask(grid_size) ;
    grid_imask:units = "unitless" ;
                      grid_imask:coordinates = "grid_center_lon grid_center_lat" ;
           double grid_corner_lat(grid_size, grid_corners) ;
    grid_corner_lat:units = "degrees";
           double grid_corner_lon(grid_size, grid_corners) ;
    grid_corner_lon:units = "degrees";
// global attributes:
                      : title = "grob3s";
```

#### 1.5.2.4. CDO grids

All supported grids can also be described with the **CDO** grid description. The following keywords can be used to describe a grid:

Keyword	Datatype	Description
gridtype	STRING	Type of the grid (gaussian, lonlat, curvilinear, unstructured).
${f gridsize}$	INTEGER	Size of the grid.
xsize	INTEGER	Size in x direction (number of longitudes).
ysize	INTEGER	Size in y direction (number of latitudes).
xvals	FLOAT ARRAY	X values of the grid cell center.
yvals	FLOAT ARRAY	Y values of the grid cell center.
nvertex	INTEGER	Number of the vertices for all grid cells.
$\mathbf{x}\mathbf{b}\mathbf{o}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{n}\mathbf{d}\mathbf{s}$	FLOAT ARRAY	X bounds of each gridbox.
${f y}{f bounds}$	FLOAT ARRAY	Y bounds of each gridbox.
xfirst, xinc	FLOAT, FLOAT	Macros to define xvals with a constant increment,
		xfirst is the x value of the first grid cell center.
yfirst, yinc	FLOAT, FLOAT	Macros to define yvals with a constant increment,
		yfirst is the y value of the first grid cell center.
xunits	STRING	units of the x axis
$\mathbf{yunits}$	STRING	units of the y axis

Which keywords are necessary depends on the gridtype. The following table gives an overview of the default values or the size with respect to the different grid types.

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gridtype	lonlat	gaussian	projection	curvilinear	unstructured
gridsize	xsize*ysize	xsize*ysize	xsize*ysize	xsize*ysize	ncell
xsize	nlon	nlon	nx	nlon	gridsize
ysize	nlat	$_{ m nlat}$	ny	nlat	gridsize
xvals	xsize	xsize	xsize	gridsize	gridsize
yvals	ysize	ysize	ysize	gridsize	gridsize
nvertex	2	2	2	4	nv
xbounds	2*xsize	2*xsize	2*xsize	4*gridsize	nv*gridsize
ybounds	2*ysize	2*ysize	2*xsize	4*gridsize	nv*gridsize
xunits	degrees	degrees	m	degrees	degrees
yunits	degrees	degrees	m	degrees	degrees

The keywords nvertex, xbounds and ybounds are optional if area weights are not needed. The grid cell corners xbounds and ybounds have to rotate counterclockwise.

**CDO** grid description example of a T21 gaussian grid:

```
gridtype = gaussian
xsize
ysize
         = 32
xfirst
            0
         = 5.625
xinc
yvals
                    80.27
                            74.75
                                    69 21
                                            63.68
                                                    58.14
                                                            52.61
          = 85.76
                                                                   47.07
            41.53
                    36.00
                            30.46
                                    24.92
                                            19.38
                                                    13.84
                                                            8.31
             -2.77
                    -8.31 -13.84 -19.38
                                           -24.92
                                                  -30.46
                                                            36.00
                                                                  -41.53
           -47.07
                   -52.61 -58.14 -63.68
                                          -69.21 \quad -74.75
                                                          -80.27
                                                                  -85.76
```

**CDO** grid description example of a global regular grid with 60x30 points:

```
gridtype = lonlat

xsize = 60

ysize = 30

xfirst = -177

xinc = 6

yfirst = -87

yinc = 6
```

The description for a projection is somewhat more complicated. Use the first section to describe the coordinates of the projection with the above keywords. Add the keyword <code>grid\_mapping\_name</code> to descibe the mapping between the given coordinates and the true latitude and longitude coordinates. <code>grid\_mapping\_name</code> takes a string value that contains the name of the projection. A list of attributes can be added to define the mapping. The name of the attributes depend on the projection. The valid names of the projection and there attributes follow the NetCDF CF-Convention.

**CDO** supports the special grid mapping attribute **proj\_params**. These parameter will be passed directly to the PROJ library to generate the geographic coordinates if needed.

The geographic coordinates of the following projections can be generated without the attribute **proj\_params**, if all other attributes are available:

- rotated\_latitude\_longitude
- lambert\_conformal\_conic
- lambert\_azimuthal\_equal\_area
- sinusoidal
- polar\_stereographic

It is recommend to set the attribute **proj\_params** also for the above projections to make sure all PROJ parameter are set correctly.

Here is an example of a **CDO** grid description using the attribute **proj\_params** to define the PROJ parameter of a polar stereographic projection:

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```
gridtype = projection
xsize
         = 11
ysize
         = 11
= "meter"
xunits
         = "meter"
yunits
xfirst
         = -638000
xinc
          = 150
          = -3349350
vfirst
          = 150
yinc
grid_mapping = crs
grid_mapping_name = polar_stereographic
proj_params = "+proj=stere +lon_0=-45 +lat_ts=70 +lat_0=90 +x_0=0 +y_0=0"
```

The result is the same as using the CF conform Grid Mapping Attributes:

```
gridtype = projection
xsize
          = 11
ysize
          = 11
         = "meter"
xunits
         = "meter'
yunits
         = -638000
xfirst
xinc
          = 150
          = -3349350
yfirst
          = 150
yinc
grid_mapping = crs
grid_mapping_name = polar_stereographic
straight\_vertical\_longitude\_from\_pole = -45.
standard_parallel = 70.
latitude_of_projection_origin = 90.
false\_easting = 0.
false\_northing = 0.
```

**CDO** grid description example of a regional rotated lon/lat grid:

```
gridtype = projection
xsize
         = 81
ysize
         = 91
         = "degrees"
xunits
         = "degrees"
yunits
            -19.5
xfirst
         =
              0.5
xinc
         =
yfirst
            -25.0
              0.5
yinc
grid_mapping_name = rotated_latitude_longitude
grid\_north\_pole\_longitude = -170
grid\_north\_pole\_latitude = 32.5
```

Example **CDO** descriptions of a curvilinear and an unstructured grid can be found in Appendix D.

#### 1.5.3. ICON - Grid File Server

The geographic coordinates of the ICON model are located on an unstructured grid. This grid is stored in a separate grid file independent of the model data. The grid files are made available to the general public via a file server. Furthermore, these grid files are located at DKRZ under /pool/data/ICON/grids.

With the **CDO** function setgrid, <gridfile> this grid information can be added to the data if needed. Here is an example:

```
cdo sellonlatbox,-20,60,10,70 -setgrid,<path_to_gridfile> icondatafile result
```

ICON model data in NetCDF format contains the global attribute grid\_file\_uri. This attribute contains a link to the appropriate grid file on the ICON grid file server. If the global attribute grid\_file\_uri is present and valid, the grid information is added automatically. The setgrid function is then no longer necessary. **CDO** evaluates this attribute and downloads the grid file on demand if it is not already present.

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The grid file is stored in the current directory. The environment variable CDO\_DOWNLOAD\_PATH can be used to select a different directory for storing the grid file.

If the grid files are available locally, like at DKRZ, they do not need to be fetched from the grid file server. Use the environment variable CDO\_ICON\_GRIDS to set the root directory of the ICON grids. Here is an example for the ICON grids at DKRZ:

```
CDO_ICON_GRIDS=/pool/data/ICON
```

## 1.6. Z-axis description

Sometimes it is necessary to change the description of a z-axis. This can be done with the operator setzaxis. This operator needs an ASCII formatted file with the description of the z-axis. The following keywords can be used to describe a z-axis:

Keyword	Datatype	Description
zaxistype	STRING	type of the z-axis
$\mathbf{size}$	INTEGER	number of levels
levels	FLOAT ARRAY	values of the levels
lbounds	FLOAT ARRAY	lower level bounds
${f ubounds}$	FLOAT ARRAY	upper level bounds
$\mathbf{vctsize}$	INTEGER	number of vertical coordinate parameters
$\mathbf{vct}$	FLOAT ARRAY	vertical coordinate table

The keywords **lbounds** and **ubounds** are optional. **vctsize** and **vct** are only necessary to define hybrid model levels.

Available z-axis types:

Z-axis type	Description	Units
surface	Surface	
pressure	Pressure level	pascal
hybrid	Hybrid model level	
height	Height above ground	meter
$depth\_below\_sea$	Depth below sea level	meter
$depth\_below\_land$	Depth below land surface	centimeter
isentropic	Isentropic (theta) level	kelvin

Z-axis description example for pressure levels 100, 200, 500, 850 and 1000 hPa:

```
zaxistype = pressure
size = 5
levels = 10000 20000 50000 85000 100000
```

Z-axis description example for ECHAM5 L19 hybrid model levels:

Note that the vctsize is twice the number of levels plus two and the vertical coordinate table must be specified for the level interfaces.

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A time axis describes the time for every timestep. Two time axis types are available: absolute time and relative time axis. **CDO** tries to maintain the actual type of the time axis for all operators.

#### 1.7.1. Absolute time

An absolute time axis has the current time to each time step. It can be used without knowledge of the calendar. This is preferably used by climate models. In NetCDF files the absolute time axis is represented by the unit of the time: "day as %Y%m%d.%f".

#### 1.7.2. Relative time

A relative time is the time relative to a fixed reference time. The current time results from the reference time and the elapsed interval. The result depends on the calendar used. **CDO** supports the standard Gregorian, proleptic Gregorian, 360 days, 365 days and 366 days calendars. The relative time axis is preferably used by numerical weather prediction models. In NetCDF files the relative time axis is represented by the unit of the time: "time-units since reference-time", e.g "days since 1989-6-15 12:00".

#### 1.7.3. Conversion of the time

Some programs which work with NetCDF data can only process relative time axes. Therefore it may be necessary to convert from an absolute into a relative time axis. This conversion can be done for each operator with the **CDO** option '-r'. To convert a relative into an absolute time axis use the **CDO** option '-a'.

## 1.8. Parameter table

A parameter table is an ASCII formated file to convert code numbers to variable names. Each variable has one line with its code number, name and a description with optional units in a blank separated list. It can only be used for GRIB, SERVICE, EXTRA and IEG formated files. The **CDO** option '-t <partab>' sets the default parameter table for all input files. Use the operator 'setpartab' to set the parameter table for a specific file.

Example of a **CDO** parameter table:

```
134
                surface pressure
     aps
                snow depth [m]
141
     sn
147
     ahfl
                latent heat flux [W/m**2]
172
     _{\rm slm}
                land sea mask
175
     albedo
                surface albedo
211
     siced
                ice depth [m]
```

## 1.9. Missing values

Missing values are data points that are missing or invalid. Such data points are treated in a different way than valid data. Most **CDO** operators can handle missing values in a smart way. But if the missing value is within the range of valid data, it can lead to incorrect results. This applies to all arithmetic operations, but especially to logical operations when the missing value is 0 or 1.

The default missing value for GRIB, SERVICE, EXTRA and IEG files is  $-9.e^{33}$ . The **CDO** option '-m <missval>' overwrites the default missing value. In NetCDF files the variable attribute '\_FillValue' is used as a missing value. The operator 'setmissval' can be used to set a new missing value.

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The **CDO** use of the missing value is shown in the following tables, where one table is printed for each operation. The operations are applied to arbitrary numbers a, b, the special case 0, and the missing value miss. For example the table named "addition" shows that the sum of an arbitrary number a and the missing value is the missing value, and the table named "multiplication" shows that 0 multiplied by missing value results in 0.

addition	b		miss
a	a+b		miss
miss	miss		miss
subtraction	b		miss
a	a-b		miss
miss	miss		miss
multiplication	b	0	miss
a	a*b	0	miss
0	0	0	0
miss	miss	0	miss
division	b	0	miss
a	a/b	miss	miss
0	0	miss	miss
miss	miss	miss	miss
maximum	b		miss
a	max(a,b)		a
miss	b		miss
minimum	b		miss
a	min(a,b)		a
miss	b		miss
sum	b		miss
a	a + b		a
miss	b		miss

The handling of missing values by the operations "minimum" and "maximum" may be surprising, but the definition given here is more consistent with that expected in practice. Mathematical functions (e.g. log, sqrt, etc.) return the missing value if an argument is the missing value or an argument is out of range.

All statistical functions ignore missing values, treading them as not belonging to the sample, with the side-effect of a reduced sample size.

#### 1.9.1. Mean and average

An artificial distinction is made between the notions mean and average. The mean is regarded as a statistical function, whereas the average is found simply by adding the sample members and dividing the result by the sample size. For example, the mean of 1, 2, miss and 3 is (1+2+3)/3=2, whereas the average is (1+2+miss+3)/4=miss/4=miss. If there are no missing values in the sample, the average and mean are identical.

## 1.10. Percentile

There is no standard definition of percentile. All definitions yield to similar results when the number of values is very large. The following percentile methods are available in **CDO**:

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Percentile method	Description
nrank	Nearest Rank method, the default method used in CDO
nist	The primary method recommended by NIST
rtype8	R's type=8 method
numpy	numpy.percentile with the option interpolation set to 'linear'
numpy_lower	numpy.percentile with the option interpolation set to 'lower'
numpy_higher	numpy.percentile with the option interpolation set to 'higher'
numpy_nearest	numpy.percentile with the option interpolation set to 'nearest'

The percentile method can be selected with the **CDO** option --percentile. The Nearest Rank method is the default percentile method in **CDO**.

The different percentile methods can lead to different results, especially for small number of data values. Consider the ordered list {15, 20, 35, 40, 50, 55}, which contains six data values. Here is the result for the 30th, 40th, 50th, 75th and 100th percentiles of this list using the different percentile methods:

Percentile P	nrank	nist	rtype8	numpy	numpy lower	numpy higher	numpy nearest
30th	20	21.5	23.5	27.5	20	35	35
40th	35	32	33	35	35	35	35
50th	35	37.5	37.5	37.5	35	40	40
75th	50	51.25	50.42	47.5	40	50	50
100th	55	55	55	55	55	55	55

## 1.10.1. Percentile over timesteps

The amount of data for time series can be very large. All data values need to held in memory to calculate the percentile. The percentile over timesteps uses a histogram algorithm, to limit the amount of required memory. The default number of histogram bins is 101. That means the histogram algorithm is used, when the dataset has more than 101 time steps. The default can be overridden by setting the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS to a different value. The histogram algorithm is implemented only for the Nearest Rank method.

## 1.11. Regions

The **CDO** operators maskregion and selregion can be used to mask and select regions. For this purpose, the region needs to be defined by the user. In **CDO** there are two possibilities to define regions.

One possibility is to define the regions with an ASCII file. Each region is defined by a polygon. Each line of the polygon contains the longitude and latitude coordinates of a point. A description file for regions can contain several polygons, these must be separated by a line with the character &.

Here is a simple example of a polygon for a box with longitudes from 120W to 90E and latitudes from 20N to 20S:

120 20		
120 -20		
270 -20		
$ \begin{array}{cccc} 120 & 20 \\ 120 & -20 \\ 270 & -20 \\ 270 & 20 \end{array} $		

With the second option, predefined regions can be used via country codes. The region is specified with dcw:<CountryCode>. Country codes can be combined with the plus sign.

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Here is an example to select the region Spain and Portugal:

cdo selregion,dcw:ES+PT infile outfile

The ISO two-letter country codes can be found on https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO\_3166-1\_alpha-2. For the coordinates of a country  ${\tt CDO}$  uses the DCW (Digital Chart of the World) dataset from GMT. This dataset must be installed on the system and the environment variable DIR\_DCW must point to it.

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This section gives a description of all operators. Related operators are grouped to modules. For easier description all single input files are named infile or infile1, infile2, etc., and an arbitrary number of input files are named infiles. All output files are named outfile or outfile1, outfile2, etc. Further the following notion is introduced:

- i(t) Timestep t of infile
- i(t,x) Element number x of the field at timestep t of infile
- o(t) Timestep t of outfile
- o(t,x) Element number x of the field at timestep t of outfile

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## 2.1. Information

This section contains modules to print information about datasets. All operators print there results to standard output.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

info Dataset information listed by parameter identifier infon Dataset information listed by parameter name

map Dataset information and simple map

sinfo Short information listed by parameter identifier sinfon Short information listed by parameter name

diff Compare two datasets listed by parameter id
diffn Compare two datasets listed by parameter name

Number of parameters npar nlevel Number of levels Number of years nyear nmon Number of months ndate Number of dates Number of timesteps ntime ngridpoints Number of gridpoints ngrids Number of horizontal grids

showformatShow file formatshowcodeShow code numbersshownameShow variable namesshowstdnameShow standard names

**showlevel** Show levels

**showltype** Show GRIB level types

showyearshow monthsShow months

showdateShow date informationshowtimeShow time informationshowtimestampShow timestamp

**showattribute** Show a global attribute or a variable attribute

partabParameter tablecodetabParameter code tablegriddesGrid descriptionzaxisdesZ-axis description

vct Vertical coordinate table

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## 2.1.1. INFO - Information and simple statistics

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infiles

#### Description

This module writes information about the structure and contents for each field of all input files to standard output. A field is a horizontal layer of a data variable. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables on different timesteps. The information displayed depends on the chosen operator.

## **Operators**

**info** Dataset information listed by parameter identifier

Prints information and simple statistics for each field of all input datasets. For each field the operator prints one line with the following elements:

- Date and Time
- Level, Gridsize and number of Missing values
- Minimum, Mean and Maximum
   The mean value is computed without the use of area weights!
- Parameter identifier

**infon** Dataset information listed by parameter name

The same as operator info but using the name instead of the identifier to label the parameter.

map Dataset information and simple map

Prints information, simple statistics and a map for each field of all input datasets. The map will be printed only for fields on a regular lon/lat grid.

#### Example

To print information and simple statistics for each field of a dataset use:

```
cdo infon infile
```

This is an example result of a dataset with one 2D parameter over 12 timesteps:

-1 : I	Oate Time Le	evel	Size	Miss :	Minimum	Mean	Maximum :	Name
1 : 1987 - 01	$-31 \ 12:00:00$	0 5	2048	1361 :	232.77	266.65	305.31 :	SST
2 : 1987 - 02	-28 12:00:00	0 :	2048	1361 :	233.64	267.11	307.15 :	SST
3 : 1987 - 03	$-31 \ 12:00:00$	0 5	2048	1361 :	225.31	267.52	307.67 :	SST
4 : 1987 - 04	-30 12:00:00	0 5	2048	1361 :	215.68	268.65	310.47 :	SST
5 : 1987 - 05	$-31 \ 12:00:00$	0 :	2048	1361 :	215.78	271.53	312.49 :	SST
6 : 1987-06	-30 12:00:00	0 :	2048	1361 :	212.89	272.80	314.18 :	SST
7 : 1987 - 07	$-31 \ 12:00:00$	0 :	2048	1361 :	209.52	274.29	316.34 :	SST
8 : 1987-08	$-31 \ 12:00:00$	0 :	2048	1361 :	210.48	274.41	315.83 :	SST
9 : 1987-09	-30 12:00:00	0 :	2048	1361 :	210.48	272.37	312.86 :	SST
10 : 1987-10	$-31 \ 12:00:00$	0 :	2048	1361 :	219.46	270.53	309.51 :	SST
11 : 1987 - 11	-30 12:00:00	0 :	2048	1361 :	230.98	269.85	308.61 :	SST
12 : 1987-12	-31 12:00:00	0 :	2048	1361 :	241.25	269.94	309.27 :	SST

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#### 2.1.2. SINFO - Short information

## **Synopsis**

```
< operator > infiles
```

### Description

This module writes information about the structure of infiles to standard output. infiles is an arbitrary number of input files. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables on different timesteps. The information displayed depends on the chosen operator.

#### **Operators**

sinfo

Short information listed by parameter identifier

Prints short information of a dataset. The information is divided into 4 sections. Section 1 prints one line per parameter with the following information:

- institute and source
- time c=constant v=varying
- type of statistical processing
- number of levels and z-axis number
- horizontal grid size and number
- data type
- parameter identifier

Section 2 and 3 gives a short overview of all grid and vertical coordinates. And the last section contains short information of the time coordinate.

sinfon

Short information listed by parameter name

The same as operator sinfo but using the name instead of the identifier to label the parameter.

#### **Example**

To print short information of a dataset use:

```
cdo sinfon infile
```

This is the result of an ECHAM5 dataset with 3 parameter over 12 timesteps:

```
-1: Institut Source
                                                                                                                                                                                                       T Steptype Levels Num
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 Points Num Dtype: Name
                                      1 : MPIMET
                                                                                                                                        ECHAM5
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                2048
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           F32
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   : GEOSP
                                                                                                                                                                                                     c instant
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                                                                                                                                        ECHAM5
                                                                                                                                                                                             v instant
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   : TSURF
                         Grid coordinates:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               : points = 2048 (64x32) F16
                                      1 : gaussian
                                                                                                                                                                  longitude: 0 to 354.375 by 5.625 degrees_east
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    circular
                                                                                                                                                                         latitude : 85.7606 to -85.7606 degrees_north
                         Vertical coordinates:
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               : levels=1
                                      1 : surface
                                      2 : pressure
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               : levels=4
                                                                                                                                                                                                level: 92500 to 20000 Pa
                      Time coordinate:
                                                                                                                                                                                                         time: 12 steps
YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss
1987 - 01 - 31 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 02 - 28 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 03 - 31 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 04 - 30 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 10:00 \quad 
1987 - 05 - 31 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 06 - 30 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 07 - 31 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 08 - 31 \quad 12:00:00
 1987 - 09 - 30 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 10 - 31 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 11 - 30 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 1987 - 12 - 31 \quad 12:00:00 \quad 10:00 \quad
```

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#### 2.1.3. DIFF - Compare two datasets field by field

## **Synopsis**

<operator>[,options] infile1 infile2

## Description

Compares the contents of two datasets field by field. The input datasets need to have the same structure and its fields need to have the same header information and dimensions. Try the option *names* if the number of variables differ. Exit status is 0 if inputs are the same and 1 if they differ.

## **Operators**

diff Compare two datasets listed by parameter id

Provides statistics on differences between two datasets. For each pair of fields the operator prints one line with the following information:

- Date and Time
- Level, Gridsize and number of Missing values
- Number of different values
- Occurrence of coefficient pairs with different signs (S)
- Occurrence of zero values (Z)
- Maxima of absolute difference of coefficient pairs
- Maxima of relative difference of non-zero coefficient pairs with equal signs
- Parameter identifier

$$Absdiff(t,x) = |i_1(t,x) - i_2(t,x)|$$

$$Reldiff(t,x) = \frac{|i_1(t,x) - i_2(t,x)|}{\max(|i_1(t,x)|, |i_2(t,x)|)}$$

diffn Compare two datasets listed by parameter name

The same as operator diff. Using the name instead of the identifier to label the parameter.

#### **Parameter**

maxcount	INTEGER	Stop after maxcount different fields
abslim	FLOAT	Limit of the maximum absolute difference (default: 0)
rellim	FLOAT	Limit of the maximum relative difference (default: 1)
names	STRING the intersect	Consideration of the variable names of only one input file (left/right) or ion of both (intersect).

## **Example**

To print the difference for each field of two datasets use:

```
cdo diffn infile1 infile2
```

This is an example result of two datasets with one 2D parameter over 12 timesteps:

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```
Diff : S Z Max_Absdiff Max_Reldiff :
                                                                                              Name
             Date
                      Time Level Size Miss
 1 : 1987 - 01 - 31
                   12:00:00
                                 0 2048
                                          1361
                                                  273
                                                         F F
                                                               0.00010681
                                                                              4.1660\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!07
      1987 - 02 - 28
                    12:00:00
                                 0
                                   2048
                                          1361
                                                  309
                                                         F F
                                                               6.1035\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!05
                                                                              2.3742e-07
     1987 - 03 - 31
                    12:00:00
                                 0
                                   2048
                                          1361
                                                  292
                                                         F F
                                                               7.6294\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!05
                                                                              3.3784e - 07
                                                                                              SST
                                                         F F
     1987 - 04 - 30
                   12:00:00
                                 0\ 2048\ 1361
                                                  183
                                                               7.6294e-05
                                                                              3.5117e-07
                                                                                              SST
                                                         F F
     1987-05-31 12:00:00
                                 0 2048 1361
                                                  207
                                                               0.00010681
                                                                              4.0307\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!07
                                                                                              SST
                                                         F F
                                                                              3.5634\,\mathrm{e}{-07}
     1987 - 07 - 31
                   12:00:00
                                 0 2048 1361
                                                  317
                                                               9.1553e-05
                                                                                              SST
   : 1987 - 08 - 31 \quad 12:00:00
                                                         F F
                                 0 2048 1361
                                                 219
                                                      :
                                                               7.6294e-05
                                                                              2.8849e - 07
                                                                                              SST
  : 1987-09-30 12:00:00
                                 0\ 2048\ 1361
                                                      :
                                                         F F
                                                               7.6294e-05
                                                                              3.6168\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!07
                                                                                              SST
                                                 188
10 : 1987 - 10 - 31 \ 12:00:00
                                                         F F
                                 0 2048 1361
                                                  297
                                                      :
                                                               9.1553e - 05
                                                                              3.5001e-07:
                                                                                              SST
11 : 1987 - 11 - 30 \ 12:00:00
                                                  234 : F F
                                                                                              SST
                                 0 2048 1361
                                                               6.1035e-05
                                                                              2.3839e-07:
12 : 1987 - 12 - 31 \ 12:00:00
                                                  267 : F F
                                                               9.3553e-05
                                                                              3.7624e-07 : SST
                                 0 2048 1361
11 of 12 records differ
```

## 2.1.4. NINFO - Print the number of parameters, levels or times

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infile

## Description

This module prints the number of variables, levels or times of the input dataset.

## **Operators**

npar	Number of parameters Prints the number of parameters (variables).
nlevel	Number of levels Prints the number of levels for each variable.
nyear	Number of years Prints the number of different years.
nmon	Number of months Prints the number of different combinations of years and months.
ndate	Number of dates Prints the number of different dates.
ntime	Number of timesteps Prints the number of timesteps.
ngridpoints	Number of gridpoints Prints the number of gridpoints for each variable.
ngrids	Number of horizontal grids Prints the number of horizontal grids.

#### **Example**

To print the number of parameters (variables) in a dataset use:

```
cdo npar infile
```

To print the number of months in a dataset use:

```
cdo nmon infile
```

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## 2.1.5. SHOWINFO - Show variables, levels or times

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infile

## Description

This module prints the format, variables, levels or times of the input dataset.

## **Operators**

**showformat** Show file format

Prints the file format of the input dataset.

**showcode** Show code numbers

Prints the code number of all variables.

**showname** Show variable names

Prints the name of all variables.

**showstdname** Show standard names

Prints the standard name of all variables.

**showlevel** Show levels

Prints all levels for each variable.

**showltype** Show GRIB level types

Prints the GRIB level type for all z-axes.

**showyear** Show years

Prints all years.

**showmon** Show months

Prints all months.

**showdate** Show date information

Prints date information of all timesteps (format YYYY-MM-DD).

**showtime** Show time information

Prints time information of all timesteps (format hh:mm:ss).

**showtimestamp** Show timestamp

Prints timestamp of all timesteps (format YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss).

#### **Example**

To print the code number of all variables in a dataset use:

cdo showcode infile

This is an example result of a dataset with three variables:

129 130 139

To print all months in a dataset use:

cdo showmon infile

This is an examples result of a dataset with an annual cycle:

 $1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7 \ 8 \ 9 \ 10 \ 11 \ 12$ 

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## 2.1.6. SHOWATTRIBUTE - Show attributes

## **Synopsis**

showattribute/,attributes/ infile

## Description

This operator prints the attributes of the data variables of a dataset.

Each attribute has the following structure:

```
[var_nm@][att_nm]
var_nm    Variable name (optional). Example: pressure
att_nm    Attribute name (optional). Example: units
```

The value of **var\_nm** is the name of the variable containing the attribute (named **att\_nm**) that you want to print. Use wildcards to print the attribute **att\_nm** of more than one variable. A value of **var\_nm** of '\*' will print the attribute **att\_nm** of all data variables. If **var\_nm** is missing then **att\_nm** refers to a global attribute.

The value of **att\_nm** is the name of the attribute you want to print. Use wildcards to print more than one attribute. A value of **att\_nm** of '\*' will print all attributes.

#### **Parameter**

attributes STRING Comma-separated list of attributes.

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## 2.1.7. FILEDES - Dataset description

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infile

## Description

This module provides operators to print meta information about a dataset. The printed meta-data depends on the chosen operator.

## **Operators**

partab Parameter table

Prints all available meta information of the variables.

codetab Parameter code table

Prints a code table with a description of all variables. For each variable the operator

prints one line listing the code, name, description and units.

griddes Grid description

Prints the description of all grids.

zaxisdes Z-axis description

Prints the description of all z-axes.

vct Vertical coordinate table

Prints the vertical coordinate table.

## **Example**

Assume all variables of the dataset are on a Gaussian N16 grid. To print the grid description of this dataset use:

```
cdo griddes infile
```

#### Result:

gridtype : gaussian : 2048 gridsize xname : lon xlongname : longitude xunits : degrees\_east yname : lat ylongname : latitude : degrees north yunits xsize : 64 ysize : 32 xfirst : 0 : 5.625xinc  $: \ 85.76058 \ \ 80.26877 \ \ 74.74454 \ \ 69.21297 \ \ 63.67863 \ \ 58.1429 \ \ 52.6065$ yvals  $47.06964 \ \ 41.53246 \ \ 35.99507 \ \ 30.4575 \ \ 24.91992 \ \ 19.38223 \ \ 13.84448$  $8.306702 \ \ 2.768903 \ \ -2.768903 \ \ -8.306702 \ \ -13.84448 \ \ -19.38223$  $-24.91992 \ \ -30.4575 \ \ -35.99507 \ \ -41.53246 \ \ -47.06964 \ \ -52.6065$  $-58.1429 \quad -63.67863 \quad -69.21297 \quad -74.74454 \quad -80.26877 \quad -85.76058$ 

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## 2.2. File operations

This section contains modules to perform operations on files.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

**apply** Apply operators on each input file.

**copy** Copy datasets

cat Concatenate datasets

tee Duplicate a data stream

pack Pack data

replace Replace variables

duplicate Duplicates a dataset

mergegrid Merge grid

mergeMerge datasets with different fieldsmergetimeMerge datasets sorted by date and time

splitcode Split code numbers

splitparam Split parameter identifiers

**splitname** Split variable names

splitlevelSplit levelssplitgridSplit gridssplitzaxisSplit z-axes

splittabnum Split parameter table numbers

splithourSplit hourssplitdaySplit dayssplitseasSplit seasonssplityearSplit years

**splityearmon** Split in years and months

**splitmon** Split months

splitsel Split time selection

distgrid Distribute horizontal grid

collgrid Collect horizontal grid

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## 2.2.1. APPLY - Apply operators

## **Synopsis**

apply, operators infiles

#### Description

The apply utility runs the named operators on each input file. The input files must be enclosed in square brackets. This utility can only be used on a series of input files. These are all operators with more than one input file (infiles). Here is an incomplete list of these operators: copy, cat, merge, mergetime, select, ENSSTAT. The parameter operators is a blank-separated list of **CDO** operators. Use quotation marks if more than one operator is needed. Each operator may have only one input and output stream.

#### **Parameter**

operators STRING Blank-separated list of CDO operators.

## **Example**

Suppose we have multiple input files with multiple variables on different time steps. The input files contain the variables U and V, among others. We are only interested in the absolute windspeed on all time steps. Here is the standard **CDO** solution for this task:

```
cdo expr,wind="sqrt(u*u+v*v)" -mergetime infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

This first joins all the time steps together and then calculates the wind speed. If there are many variables in the input files, this procedure is ineffective. In this case it is better to first calculate the wind speed:

```
cdo mergetime -expr,wind="sqrt(u*u+v*v)" infile1 \
    -expr,wind="sqrt(u*u+v*v)" infile2 \
    -expr,wind="sqrt(u*u+v*v)" infile3 outfile
```

However, this can quickly become very confusing with more than 3 input files. The apply operator solves this problem:

```
cdo mergetime -apply,-expr,wind="sqrt(u*u+v*v)" [ infile1 infile2 infile3 ] outfile
```

Another example is the calculation of the mean value over several input files with ensmean. The input files contain several variables, but we are only interested in the variable named XXX:

```
cdo ensmean -apply,-selname,XXX [ infile1 infile2 infile3 ] outfile
```

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## 2.2.2. COPY - Copy datasets

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infiles outfile

## Description

This module contains operators to copy or concatenate datasets. infiles is an arbitrary number of input files. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables on different timesteps.

## **Operators**

copy Copy datasets

Copies all input datasets to outfile.

cat Concatenate datasets

Concatenates all input datasets and appends the result to the end of outfile. If outfile does not exist it will be created.

## **Example**

To change the format of a dataset to NetCDF use:

```
cdo -f nc copy infile outfile.nc
```

Add the option '-r' to create a relative time axis, as is required for proper recognition by GrADS or Ferret:

```
cdo -r -f nc copy infile outfile.nc
```

To concatenate 3 datasets with different timesteps of the same variables use:

```
cdo copy infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

If the output dataset already exists and you wish to extend it with more timesteps use:

```
cdo cat infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

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### 2.2.3. TEE - Duplicate a data stream and write it to file

# **Synopsis**

tee, outfile2 infile outfile1

# Description

This operator copies the input dataset to outfile1 and outfile2. The first output stream in outfile1 can be further processesd with other cdo operators. The second output outfile2 is written to disk. It can be used to store intermediate results to a file.

#### **Parameter**

outfile2 STRING Destination filename for the copy of the input file

# **Example**

To compute the daily and monthy average of a dataset use:

cdo monavg -tee,outfile\_dayavg dayavg infile outfile\_monavg

### 2.2.4. PACK - Pack data

## **Synopsis**

pack infile outfile

### Description

Packing reduces the data volume by reducing the precision of the stored numbers. It is implemented using the NetCDF attributes add\_offset and scale\_factor. The operator pack calculates the attributes add\_offset and scale\_factor for all variables. The default data type for all variables is automatically changed to 16-bit integer. Use the **CDO** option -b to change the data type to a different integer precision, if needed. Missing values are automatically transformed to the current data type.

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# 2.2.5. REPLACE - Replace variables

# **Synopsis**

replace infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

This operator replaces variables in infile1 by variables from infile2 and write the result to outfile. Both input datasets need to have the same number of timesteps. All variable names may only occur once!

### **Example**

Assume the first input dataset infile1 has three variables with the names geosp, t and tslm1 and the second input dataset infile2 has only the variable tslm1. To replace the variable tslm1 in infile1 by tslm1 from infile2 use:

cdo replace infile1 infile2 outfile

### 2.2.6. DUPLICATE - Duplicates a dataset

# **Synopsis**

duplicate/,ndup/ infile outfile

# Description

This operator duplicates the contents of infile and writes the result to outfile. The optional parameter sets the number of duplicates, the default is 2.

### **Parameter**

ndup INTEGER Number of duplicates, default is 2.

### 2.2.7. MERGEGRID - Merge grid

### **Synopsis**

mergegrid infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

Merges grid points of all variables from infile2 to infile1 and write the result to outfile. Only the non missing values of infile2 will be used. The horizontal grid of infile2 should be smaller or equal to the grid of infile1 and the resolution must be the same. Only rectilinear grids are supported. Both input files need to have the same variables and the same number of timesteps.

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## 2.2.8. MERGE - Merge datasets

# **Synopsis**

<operator> infiles outfile

### Description

This module reads datasets from several input files, merges them and writes the resulting dataset to outfile.

# **Operators**

merge Merge datasets with different fields

Merges time series of different fields from several input datasets. The number of fields per timestep written to outfile is the sum of the field numbers per timestep in all input datasets. The time series on all input datasets are required to have different fields and the same number of timesteps. The fields in each different input file either have to be different variables or different levels of the same variable. A mixture of different variables on different levels in different input files is not allowed.

mergetime Merge datasets sorted by date and time

Merges all timesteps of all input files sorted by date and time. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables on different timesteps. After this operation every input timestep is in outfile and all timesteps are sorted by date

and time.

### **Environment**

SKIP\_SAME\_TIME If set to 1, skips all consecutive timesteps with a double entry of the same timestamp.

#### Note

The operators in this module need to open all input files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

### Example

Assume three datasets with the same number of timesteps and different variables in each dataset. To merge these datasets to a new dataset use:

```
cdo merge infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

Assume you split a 6 hourly dataset with splithour. This produces four datasets, one for each hour. The following command merges them together:

cdo mergetime infile1 infile2 infile3 infile4 outfile

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### 2.2.9. SPLIT - Split a dataset

## **Synopsis**

<operator>[,params] infile obase

### Description

This module splits infile into pieces. The output files will be named <obase><xxx><suffix> where suffix is the filename extension derived from the file format. xxx and the contents of the output files depends on the chosen operator. params is a comma-separated list of processing parameters.

### **Operators**

splitcode Split code numbers

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each different code number. xxx will have three

digits with the code number.

**splitparam** Split parameter identifiers

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each different parameter identifier. xxx will be

a string with the parameter identifier.

splitname Split variable names

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each variable name. xxx will be a string with

the variable name.

splitlevel Split levels

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each different level. xxx will have six digits

with the level.

**splitgrid** Split grids

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each different grid. xxx will have two digits

with the grid number.

splitzaxis Split z-axes

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each different z-axis. xxx will have two digits

with the z-axis number.

splittabnum Split parameter table numbers

Splits a dataset into pieces, one for each GRIB1 parameter table number. xxx will

have three digits with the GRIB1 parameter table number.

#### **Parameter**

swap STRING Swap the position of obase and xxx in the output filename

uuid=<attname> STRING Add a UUID as global attribute <attname> to each output file

### **Environment**

CDO\_FILE\_SUFFIX Set the default file suffix. This suffix will be added to the output file names

instead of the filename extension derived from the file format. Set this variable

to NULL to disable the adding of a file suffix.

#### Note

The operators in this module need to open all output files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

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# **Example**

Assume an input GRIB1 dataset with three variables, e.g. code number 129, 130 and 139. To split this dataset into three pieces, one for each code number use:

cdo splitcode infile code

Result of 'dir code\*':

 $\verb|code| 129.grb| code| 130.grb| code| 139.grb|$ 

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# 2.2.10. SPLITTIME - Split timesteps of a dataset

# **Synopsis**

```
<operator> infile obase
splitmon[,format] infile obase
```

### Description

This module splits infile into timesteps pieces. The output files will be named <obase><xxx><suffix> where suffix is the filename extension derived from the file format. xxx and the contents of the output files depends on the chosen operator.

# **Operators**

**splithour** Split hours

Splits a file into pieces, one for each different hour. xxx will have two digits with

the hour.

splitday Split days

Splits a file into pieces, one for each different day. xxx will have two digits with

the day.

splitseas Split seasons

Splits a file into pieces, one for each different season. xxx will have three characters

with the season.

splityear Split years

Splits a file into pieces, one for each different year. xxx will have four digits with

the year (YYYY).

splityearmon Split in years and months

Splits a file into pieces, one for each different year and month. xxx will have six

digits with the year and month (YYYYMM).

**splitmon** Split months

Splits a file into pieces, one for each different month. xxx will have two digits with

the month.

### **Parameter**

format STRING C-style format for strftime() (e.g. %B for the full month name)

#### **Environment**

CDO\_FILE\_SUFFIX Set the default file suffix. This suffix will be added to the output file names

instead of the filename extension derived from the file format. Set this variable

to NULL to disable the adding of a file suffix.

### Note

The operators in this module need to open all output files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

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### **Example**

Assume the input GRIB1 dataset has timesteps from January to December. To split each month with all variables into one separate file use:

```
cdo splitmon infile mon
```

Result of 'dir mon\*':

```
mon01.grb mon02.grb mon03.grb mon04.grb mon05.grb mon06.grb mon07.grb mon08.grb mon09.grb mon10.grb mon11.grb mon12.grb
```

# 2.2.11. SPLITSEL - Split selected timesteps

# **Synopsis**

```
splitsel,nsets[,noffset[,nskip]] infile obase
```

### Description

This operator splits infile into pieces, one for each adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time range. The output files will be named <obase><nnnnnn><suffix> where nnnnnn is the sequence number and suffix is the filename extension derived from the file format.

#### **Parameter**

nsets	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps for each output file
noffset	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps skipped before the first timestep range (optional) $$
nskip	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps skipped between timestep ranges (optional)

#### **Environment**

CDO\_FILE\_SUFFIX Set the default file suffix. This suffix will be added to the output file names instead of the filename extension derived from the file format. Set this variable to NULL to disable the adding of a file suffix.

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# 2.2.12. DISTGRID - Distribute horizontal grid

### **Synopsis**

 $\mathbf{distgrid}, nx[,ny]$  infile obase

# Description

This operator distributes a dataset into smaller pieces. Each output file contains a different region of the horizontal source grid. 2D Lon/Lat grids can be split into  $nx^*ny$  pieces, where a target grid region contains a structured longitude/latitude box of the source grid. Data on an unstructured grid is split into nx pieces. The output files will be named <observed swiffix where suffix is the filename extension derived from the file format. xxx will have five digits with the number of the target region.

#### **Parameter**

nx INTEGER Number of regions in x direction, or number of pieces for unstructured grids
 ny INTEGER Number of regions in y direction [default: 1]

# Note

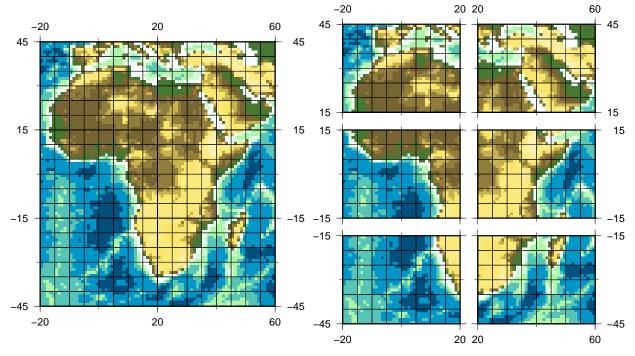
This operator needs to open all output files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

### **Example**

Distribute data on a 2D Lon/Lat grid into 6 smaller files, each output file receives one half of x and a third of y of the source grid:

cdo distgrid,2,3 infile.nc obase

Below is a schematic illustration of this example:



On the left side is the data of the input file and on the right side is the data of the six output files.

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# 2.2.13. COLLGRID - Collect horizontal grid

# **Synopsis**

collgrid[,nx[,names]] infiles outfile

### Description

This operator collects the data of the input files to one output file. All input files need to have the same variables and the same number of timesteps on a different horizonal grid region. If the source regions are on a structured lon/lat grid, all regions together must result in a new structured lat/long grid box. Data on an unstructured grid is concatenated in the order of the input files. The parameter nx needs to be specified only for curvilinear grids.

### **Parameter**

nx INTEGER Number of regions in x direction [default: number of input files]names STRING Comma-separated list of variable names [default: all variables]

### Note

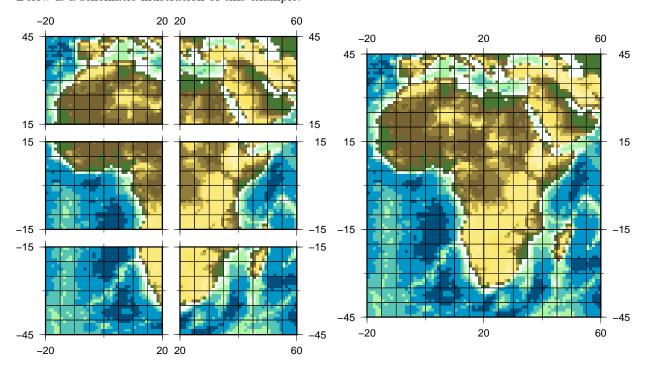
This operator needs to open all input files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

### **Example**

Collect the horizonal grid of 6 input files. Each input file contains a lon/lat region of the target grid:

cdo collgrid infile[1-6] outfile

Below is a schematic illustration of this example:



On the left side is the data of the six input files and on the right side is the collected data of the output file.

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# 2.3. Selection

This section contains modules to select time steps, fields or a part of a field from a dataset.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

select Select fields
delete Delete fields

selmulti Select multiple fields delmulti Delete multiple fields

**changemulti** Change identication of multiple fields

selparamSelect parameters by identifierdelparamDelete parameters by identifierselcodeSelect parameters by code numberdelcodeDelete parameters by code number

selnameSelect parameters by namedelnameDelete parameters by name

selstdname Select parameters by standard name

sellevel Select levels

sellevidx Select levels by index

selgridSelect gridsselzaxisSelect z-axes

selzaxisname Select z-axes by name selltype Select GRIB level types

seltabnum Select parameter table numbers

seltimestep Select timesteps seltime Select times selhour Select hours selday Select days selmonth Select months selyear Select years Select seasons selseason seldate Select dates

selsmon Select single month

sellonlatbox Select a longitude/latitude box

selindexbox Select an index box

selregion Select cells inside regions selcircle Select cells inside a circle

selgridcellSelect grid cellsdelgridcellDelete grid cells

samplegrid Resample grid

selyearidx Select year by index

bottomvalueExtract bottom leveltopvalueExtract top levelisosurfaceExtract isosurface

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# 2.3.1. SELECT - Select fields

# **Synopsis**

 $<\!operator\!>,\!params$  infiles outfile

# Description

This module selects some fields from infiles and writes them to outfile. infiles is an arbitrary number of input files. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables on different timesteps. The fields selected depends on the chosen parameters. Parameter is a comma-separated list of "key=value" pairs. A range of integer values can be specified by first/last[/inc]. Wildcards are supported for string values.

# **Operators**

select Select fields

Selects all fields with parameters in a user given list.

delete Delete fields

Deletes all fields with parameters in a user given list.

### **Parameter**

name	STRING	Comma-separated list of variable names.
param	STRING	Comma-separated list of parameter identifiers.
code	INTEGER	${\it Comma-separated\ list\ or\ first/last[/inc]\ range\ of\ code\ numbers.}$
level	FLOAT	Comma-separated list of vertical levels.
levrange	FLOAT	First and last value of the level range.
levidx	INTEGER	${\it Comma-separated\ list\ or\ first/last[/inc]\ range\ of\ index\ of\ levels.}$
zaxisname	STRING	Comma-separated list of zaxis names.
zaxisnum	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or $first/last[/inc]$ range of zaxis numbers.
ltype	INTEGER	${\it Comma-separated\ list\ or\ first/last[/inc]\ range\ of\ GRIB\ level\ types.}$
gridname	STRING	Comma-separated list of grid names.
gridnum	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or ${\rm first/last[/inc]}$ range of grid numbers.
steptype	STRING	Comma-separated list of timestep types.
date	STRING	$\label{thm:comma-separated list of dates (format YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss).}$
startdate	STRING	Start date (format YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss).
enddate	STRING	End date (format YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss).
minute	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of minutes.
hour	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of hours.
day	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of days.
month	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of months.
season	STRING or ANN).	${\bf Comma-separated\ list\ of\ seasons\ (substring\ of\ DJFMAMJJASOND}$
year	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of years.

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dom STRING Comma-separated list of the day of month (e.g. 29feb).

timestep INTEGER Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of timesteps. Negative values select timesteps from the end (NetCDF only).

timestep\_of\_year INTEGER Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of timesteps of year.

timestepmask STRING Read timesteps from a mask file.

### **Example**

Assume you have 3 inputfiles. Each inputfile contains the same variables for a different time period. To select the variable T,U and V on the levels 200, 500 and 850 from all 3 input files, use:

cdo select,name=T,U,V,level=200,500,850 infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile

To remove the February 29th use:

cdo delete,dom=29feb infile outfile

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### 2.3.2. SELMULTI - Select multiple fields via GRIB1 parameters

### **Synopsis**

<operator>,selection-specification infile outfile

### Description

This module selects multiple fields from infile and writes them to outfile. selection-specification is a filename or in-place string with the selection specification. Each selection-specification has the following compact notation format:

```
<type>(parameters; leveltype(s); levels)
```

type sel for select or del for delete (optional)

parameters GRIB1 parameter code number

leveltype GRIB1 level type levels value of each level

#### Examples:

```
\begin{array}{c} (1;\ 103;\ 0) \\ (33,34;\ 105;\ 10) \\ (11,17;\ 105;\ 2) \\ (71,73,74,75,61,62,65,117,67,122,121,11,131,66,84,111,112;\ 105;\ 0) \end{array}
```

The following descriptive notation can also be used for selection specification from a file:

```
SELECT/DELETE, PARAMETER=parameters, LEVTYPE=leveltye(s), LEVEL=levels
```

#### Examples:

```
SELECT, PARAMETER=1, LEVTYPE=103, LEVEL=0
SELECT, PARAMETER=33/34, LEVTYPE=105, LEVEL=10
SELECT, PARAMETER=11/17, LEVTYPE=105, LEVEL=2
SELECT, PARAMETER=71/73/74/75/61/62/65/117/67/122, LEVTYPE=105, LEVEL=0
DELETE, PARAMETER=128, LEVTYPE=109, LEVEL=*
```

The following will convert Pressure from Pa into hPa; Temp from Kelvin to Celsius:

```
SELECT, PARAMETER=1, LEVTYPE= 103, LEVEL=0, SCALE=0.01
SELECT, PARAMETER=11, LEVTYPE=105, LEVEL=2, OFFSET=273.15
```

If SCALE and/or OFFSET are defined, then the data values are scaled as SCALE\*(VALUE-OFFSET).

## **Operators**

selmulti Select multiple fields

**delmulti** Delete multiple fields

changemulti Change identication of multiple fields

### **Example**

Change ECMWF GRIB code of surface pressure to Hirlam notation:

```
cdo changemulti, '{(134;1;*|1;105;*)}' infile outfile
```

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### 2.3.3. SELVAR - Select fields

### **Synopsis**

```
<operator>,params infile outfile
selcode,codes infile outfile
delcode,codes infile outfile
selname,names infile outfile
delname,names infile outfile
selstdname,stdnames infile outfile
sellevel,levels infile outfile
sellevidx,levidx infile outfile
selgrid,grids infile outfile
selzaxis,zaxes infile outfile
selzaxisname,zaxisnames infile outfile
seltype,ltypes infile outfile
seltabnum,tabnums infile outfile
```

### Description

This module selects some fields from infile and writes them to outfile. The fields selected depends on the chosen operator and the parameters. A range of integer values can be specified by first/last[/inc].

### **Operators**

selparam Select parameters by identifier

Selects all fields with parameter identifiers in a user given list.

**delparam** Delete parameters by identifier

Deletes all fields with parameter identifiers in a user given list.

selcode Select parameters by code number

Selects all fields with code numbers in a user given list or range.

**delcode** Delete parameters by code number

Deletes all fields with code numbers in a user given list or range.

**selname** Select parameters by name

Selects all fields with parameter names in a user given list.

**delname** Delete parameters by name

Deletes all fields with parameter names in a user given list.

**selstdname** Select parameters by standard name

Selects all fields with standard names in a user given list.

sellevel Select levels

Selects all fields with levels in a user given list.

sellevidx Select levels by index

Selects all fields with index of levels in a user given list or range.

selgrid Select grids

Selects all fields with grids in a user given list.

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selzaxis Select z-axes

Selects all fields with z-axes in a user given list.

selzaxisname Select z-axes by name

Selects all fields with z-axis names in a user given list.

selltype Select GRIB level types

Selects all fields with GRIB level type in a user given list or range.

seltabnum Select parameter table numbers

Selects all fields with parameter table numbers in a user given list or range.

### **Parameter**

params	STRING	Comma-separated list of parameter identifiers.
codes	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of code numbers.
names	STRING	Comma-separated list of variable names.
stdnames	STRING	Comma-separated list of standard names.
levels	FLOAT	Comma-separated list of vertical levels.
levidx	INTEGER	${\it Comma-separated\ list\ or\ first/last[/inc]\ range\ of\ index\ of\ levels.}$
ltypes	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of GRIB level types.
grids	STRING	Comma-separated list of grid names or numbers.
zaxes	STRING	Comma-separated list of z-axis types or numbers.
zaxisnames	STRING	Comma-separated list of z-axis names.
tabnums	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or range of parameter table numbers.

# **Example**

Assume an input dataset has three variables with the code numbers 129, 130 and 139. To select the variables with the code number 129 and 139 use:

```
cdo selcode, 129, 139 infile outfile
```

You can also select the code number 129 and 139 by deleting the code number 130 with:

cdo delcode, 130 infile outfile

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## 2.3.4. SELTIME - Select timesteps

### **Synopsis**

```
seltimestep,timesteps infile outfile
seltime,times infile outfile
selhour,hours infile outfile
selday,days infile outfile
selmonth,months infile outfile
selyear,years infile outfile
selseason,seasons infile outfile
seldate,startdate[,enddate] infile outfile
selsmon,month[,nts1[,nts2]] infile outfile
```

# Description

This module selects user specified timesteps from infile and writes them to outfile. The timesteps selected depends on the chosen operator and the parameters. A range of integer values can be specified by first/last[/inc].

# **Operators**

seltimestep Select timesteps

Selects all timesteps with a timestep in a user given list or range.

seltime Select times

Selects all timesteps with a time in a user given list or range.

selhour Select hours

Selects all timesteps with a hour in a user given list or range.

selday Select days

Selects all timesteps with a day in a user given list or range.

selmonth Select months

Selects all timesteps with a month in a user given list or range.

selyear Select years

Selects all timesteps with a year in a user given list or range.

selseason Select seasons

Selects all timesteps with a month of a season in a user given list.

seldate Select dates

Selects all timesteps with a date in a user given range.

selsmon Select single month

Selects a month and optional an arbitrary number of timesteps before and after this

month.

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# **Parameter**

timesteps	INTEGER values selec	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of timesteps. Negative t timesteps from the end (NetCDF only).
times	STRING	Comma-separated list of times (format hh:mm:ss).
hours	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of hours.
days	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of days.
months	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of months.
years	INTEGER	Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of years.
seasons	STRING ANN).	${\bf Comma-separated\ list\ of\ seasons\ (substring\ of\ DJFMAMJJASOND\ or\ }$
startdate	STRING	Start date (format YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss).
enddate	STRING	End date (format YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss) [default: startdate].
nts1	INTEGER	Number of timesteps before the selected month [default: 0].
nts2	INTEGER	Number of timesteps after the selected month [default: nts1].

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### 2.3.5. SELBOX - Select a box of a field

# **Synopsis**

```
sellonlatbox,lon1,lon2,lat1,lat2 infile outfile
selindexbox,idx1,idx2,idy1,idy2 infile outfile
```

### Description

Selects a box of the rectangularly understood field.

### **Operators**

sellonlatbox Select a longitude/latitude box

Selects a regular longitude/latitude box. The user has to give the longitudes and latitudes of the edges of the box. Considered are only those grid cells with the grid center inside the lon/lat box. For rotated lon/lat grids the parameter needs to be

rotated coordinates.

selindexbox Select an index box

Selects an index box. The user has to give the indices of the edges of the box. The

index of the left edge may be greater then that of the right edge.

### **Parameter**

lon1	FLOAT	Western longitude in degrees
lon2	FLOAT	Eastern longitude in degrees
lat1	FLOAT	Southern or northern latitude in degrees
lat2	FLOAT	Northern or southern latitude in degrees
idx1	INTEGER	Index of first longitude $(1 - nlon)$
idx2	INTEGER	Index of last longitude (1 - nlon)
idy1	INTEGER	Index of first latitude (1 - nlat)
idy2	INTEGER	Index of last latitude (1 - nlat)

### **Example**

To select the region with the longitudes from  $30\mathrm{W}$  to  $60\mathrm{E}$  and latitudes from  $30\mathrm{N}$  to  $80\mathrm{N}$  from all input fields use:

```
cdo sellonlatbox,-30,60,30,80 infile outfile
```

If the input dataset has fields on a Gaussian N16 grid, the same box can be selected with selindexbox by:

```
cdo selindexbox,60,11,3,11 infile outfile
```

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# 2.3.6. **SELREGION** - **Select** horizontal regions

# **Synopsis**

```
selregion,regions infile outfile
selcircle[,lon,lat,radius] infile outfile
```

# Description

Selects all grid cells with the center point inside user defined regions or a circle. The resulting grid is unstructured.

# **Operators**

selregion Select cells inside regions

Selects all grid cells with the center point inside the regions. The user has to give ASCII formatted files with different regions. A region is defined by a polygon. Each line of a polygon description file contains the longitude and latitude of one point. Each polygon description file can contain one or more polygons separated by a line with the

character &.

selcircle Select cells inside a circle

Selects all grid cells with the center point inside a circle. The circle is described by

geographic coordinates of the center and the radius of the circle.

### **Parameter**

regions	STRING	Comma-separated list of ASCII formatted files with different regions
lon	FLOAT	Longitude of the center of the circle in degrees, default lon= $0.0$
lat	FLOAT	Latitude of the center of the circle in degrees, default lat= $0.0$
radius	STRING	Radius of the circle, default radius=1deg (units: deg, rad, km, m)

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# 2.3.7. SELGRIDCELL - Select grid cells

# **Synopsis**

<operator>,indices infile outfile

### Description

The operator selects grid cells of all fields from infile. The user must specify the index of each grid cell. The resulting grid in outfile is unstructured.

# **Operators**

selgridcell Select grid cells

delgridcell Delete grid cells

#### **Parameter**

indices INTEGER Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of indices

### 2.3.8. SAMPLEGRID - Resample grid

### **Synopsis**

samplegrid, factor infile outfile

### Description

This is a special operator for resampling the horizontal grid. No interpolation takes place. Resample factor=2 means every second grid point is removed. Only rectilinear and curvilinear source grids are supported by this operator.

### **Parameter**

factor INTEGER Resample factor, typically 2, which will half the resolution

# 2.3.9. SELYEARIDX - Select year by index

### **Synopsis**

selyearidx infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

Selects field elements from infile2 by a yearly time index from infile1. The yearly indices in infile1 should be the result of corresponding yearminidx and yearmaxidx operations, respectively.

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### 2.3.10. SELSURFACE - Extract surface

# **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile
isosurface,isovalue infile outfile

### Description

This module computes a surface from all 3D variables. The result is a horizonal 2D field.

### **Operators**

bottomvalue Extract bottom level

This operator selects the valid values at the bottom level. The NetCDF CF compliant attribute positive is used to determine where top and bottom are. If this attribute is missing, low values are bottom and high values are top.

this attribute is missing, low values are bottom and high values are top.

topvalue Extract top level

This operator selects the valid values at the top level. The NetCDF CF compliant attribute positive is used to determine where top and bottom are. If this attribute

is missing, low values are bottom and high values are top.

isosurface Extract isosurface

This operator computes an isosurface. The value of the isosurfee is specified by the

parameter isovalue. The isosurface is calculated by linear interpolation between

two layers.

### **Parameter**

isovalue FLOAT Isosurface value

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# 2.4. Conditional selection

This section contains modules to conditional select field elements. The fields in the first input file are handled as a mask. A value not equal to zero is treated as "true", zero is treated as "false".

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

ifthen If then ifnotthen If not then

**ifthenelse** If then else

ifthenc If then constant ifnotthenc If not then constant

reducegrid Reduce input file variables to locations, where mask is non-zero.

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### 2.4.1. COND - Conditional select one field

# Synopsis

<operator> infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

This module selects field elements from infile2 with respect to infile1 and writes them to outfile. The fields in infile1 are handled as a mask. A value not equal to zero is treated as "true", zero is treated as "false". The number of fields in infile1 has either to be the same as in infile2 or the same as in one timestep of infile2 or only one. The fields in outfile inherit the meta data from infile2.

### **Operators**

$$\begin{array}{llll} \textbf{if then} & & \text{If then} \\ & & o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} i_2(t,x) & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) \neq 0 & \wedge \ i_1([t,]x) \neq \text{miss} \\ & \text{miss} & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) = 0 & \vee \ i_1([t,]x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right. \\ \textbf{if not then} & & & \text{If not then} \\ & & & o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} i_2(t,x) & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) = 0 & \wedge \ i_1([t,]x) \neq \text{miss} \\ & \text{miss} & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) \neq 0 & \vee \ i_1([t,]x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right. \\ \end{array}$$

### Example

To select all field elements of infile2 if the corresponding field element of infile1 is greater than 0 use:

cdo ifthen infile1 infile2 outfile

#### 2.4.2. COND2 - Conditional select two fields

### **Synopsis**

ifthenelse infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile

### Description

This operator selects field elements from infile2 or infile3 with respect to infile1 and writes them to outfile. The fields in infile1 are handled as a mask. A value not equal to zero is treated as "true", zero is treated as "false". The number of fields in infile1 has either to be the same as in infile2 or the same as in one timestep of infile2 or only one. infile2 and infile3 need to have the same number of fields. The fields in outfile inherit the meta data from infile2.

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} i_2(t,x) & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) \neq 0 \\ i_3(t,x) & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) = 0 \\ \text{miss} & \text{if } i_1([t,]x) = \text{miss} \end{cases} \land i_1([t,]x) \neq \text{miss}$$

### **Example**

To select all field elements of infile2 if the corresponding field element of infile1 is greater than 0 and from infile3 otherwise use:

cdo ifthenelse infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile

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# 2.4.3. CONDC - Conditional select a constant

# **Synopsis**

< operator >, c infile outfile

# Description

This module creates fields with a constant value or missing value. The fields in infile are handled as a mask. A value not equal to zero is treated as "true", zero is treated as "false".

# **Operators**

**ifthenc** If then constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq 0 & \land i(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss} & \text{if } i(t,x) = 0 & \lor i(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

**ifnotthenc** If not then constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } i(t,x) = 0 \land i(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq 0 \lor i(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

## **Parameter**

c FLOAT Constant

### **Example**

To create fields with the constant value 7 if the corresponding field element of infile is greater than 0 use:

cdo ifthenc,7 infile outfile

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### 2.4.4. MAPREDUCE - Reduce fields to user-defined mask

# **Synopsis**

reducegrid,mask[,limitCoordsOutput] infile outfile

# Description

This module holds an operator for data reduction based on a user defined mask. The output grid is unstructured and includes coordinate bounds. Bounds can be avoided by using the additional 'nobounds' keyword. With 'nocoords' given, coordinates a completely suppressed.

#### **Parameter**

mask STRING file which holds the mask field

limitCoordsOutput STRING optional parameter to limit coordinates output: 'nobounds'

disables coordinate bounds, 'nocoords' avoids all coordinate information

# **Example**

To limit data fields to land values, a mask has to be created first with

```
cdo -gtc,0 -topo,ni96 lsm_gme96.grb
```

Here a GME grid is used. Say temp\_gme96.grb contains a global temperture field. The following command limits the global grid to landpoints.

```
cdo -f nc reduce, lsm_gme96.grb temp_gme96.grb tempOnLand_gme96.nc
```

Note that output file type is NetCDF, because unstructured grids cannot be stored in GRIB format.

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# 2.5. Comparison

This section contains modules to compare datasets. The resulting field is a mask containing 1 if the comparison is true and 0 if not.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

$\mathbf{eq}$	Equal
ne	Not equal
le	Less equal
lt	Less than
$\mathbf{ge}$	Greater equal
$\mathbf{gt}$	Greater than
	E 1 4 4
$\mathbf{eqc}$	Equal constant
nec	Not equal constant
-	_ *
nec	Not equal constant
nec lec	Not equal constant Less equal constant
nec lec ltc	Not equal constant Less equal constant Less than constant

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# 2.5.1. COMP - Comparison of two fields

# Synopsis

< operator > infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

This module compares two datasets field by field. The resulting field is a mask containing 1 if the comparison is true and 0 if not. The number of fields in infile1 should be the same as in infile2. One of the input files can contain only one timestep or one field. The fields in outfile inherit the meta data from infile1 or infile2. The type of comparison depends on the chosen operator.

### **Operators**

eq Equal 
$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = i_2(t,x) & \wedge i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) \neq i_2(t,x) & \wedge i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss if } i_1(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee i_2(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

$$o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) \neq i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee \ i_2(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right.$$

$$o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) \leq i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) > i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee \ i_2(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right.$$

$$o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) < i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) \geq i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee \ i_2(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\mathbf{ge} \qquad \text{Greater equal} \\ o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) \geq i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) < i_2(t,x) & \wedge \ i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee \ i_2(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{gt} & & & \text{Greater than} \\ o(t,x) &= \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) > i_2(t,x) & \wedge & i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i_1(t,x) \leq i_2(t,x) & \wedge & i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss} & \text{if } i_1(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee & i_2(t,x) = \text{miss} \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

### **Example**

To create a mask containing 1 if the elements of two fields are the same and 0 if the elements are different use:

cdo eq infile1 infile2 outfile

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# 2.5.2. COMPC - Comparison of a field with a constant

# **Synopsis**

< operator >, c infile outfile

### Description

This module compares all fields of a dataset with a constant. The resulting field is a mask containing 1 if the comparison is true and 0 if not. The type of comparison depends on the chosen operator.

# **Operators**

eqc Equal constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i(t,x) = c & \wedge i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq c & \wedge i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee c = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

nec Not equal constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq c & \wedge i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i(t,x) = c & \wedge i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee c = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

lec Less equal constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i(t,x) \le c & \wedge i(t,x), c \ne \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i(t,x) > c & \wedge i(t,x), c \ne \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee c = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

ltc Less than constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i(t,x) < c & \wedge i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i(t,x) \geq c & \wedge i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee c = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

gec Greater equal constant

$$o(t,x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i(t,x) \ge c & \wedge i(t,x), c \ne \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i(t,x) < c & \wedge i(t,x), c \ne \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee c = \text{miss} \end{cases}$$

gtc Greater than constant

$$o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & \text{if } i(t,x) > c & \wedge \ i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ 0 & \text{if } i(t,x) \leq c & \wedge \ i(t,x), c \neq \text{miss} \\ \text{miss } & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} & \vee \ c = \text{miss} \end{array} \right.$$

# **Parameter**

c FLOAT Constant

### **Example**

To create a mask containing 1 if the field element is greater than 273.15 and 0 if not use:

cdo gtc,273.15 infile outfile

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# 2.6. Modification

This section contains modules to modify the metadata, fields or part of a field in a dataset.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

**setattribute** Set attributes

setpartabpSet parameter tablesetpartabnSet parameter table

setcodetab Set parameter code table

setcode Set code number

setparamSet parameter identifiersetnameSet variable namesetunitSet variable unit

setlevel Set level

setltype Set GRIB level type

setdate Set date

settime Set time of the day

setday Set day setmon Set month setyear Set year Set time units settunits settaxis Set time axis Set time bounds settbounds Set reference time setreftime setcalendar Set calendar shifttime Shift timesteps

chcodechparamChange code numberChange parameter identifier

**chname** Change variable or coordinate name

**chunit** Change variable unit

**chlevel** Change level

chlevelc Change level of one codechlevelv Change level of one variable

setgridSet gridsetgridtypeSet grid typesetgridareaSet grid cell areasetgridmaskSet grid mask

setzaxis Set z-axis

**genlevelbounds** Generate level bounds

invertlat Invert latitudes

invertlev Invert levels

shiftxShift xshiftyShift y

maskregion Mask regions

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masklonlatbox Mask a longitude/latitude box

maskindexbox Mask an index box

setclonlatbox Set a longitude/latitude box to constant

setcindexbox Set an index box to constant

**enlarge** Enlarge fields

setmissvalSet a new missing valuesetctomissSet constant to missing valuesetmisstocSet missing value to constantsetrtomissSet range to missing value

setvrange Set valid range

setmisstonn Set missing value to nearest neighbor

setmisstodis Set missing value to distance-weighted average

setgridcell Set the value of a grid cell

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### 2.6.1. SETATTRIBUTE - Set attributes

## Synopsis

setattribute, attributes infile outfile

### Description

This operator sets attributes of a dataset and writes the result to outfile. The new attributes are only available in outfile if the file format supports attributes.

Each attribute has the following structure:

```
[var_nm@]att_nm[:s|d|i]=[att_val|{[var_nm@]att_nm}]
var_nm    Variable name (optional). Example: pressure
att_nm    Attribute name. Example: units
att_val    Comma-separated list of attribute values. Example: pascal
```

The value of var\_nm is the name of the variable containing the attribute (named att\_nm) that you want to set. Use wildcards to set the attribute att\_nm to more than one variable. A value of var\_nm of '\*' will set the attribute att\_nm to all data variables. If var\_nm is missing then att\_nm refers to a global attribute.

The value of **att\_nm** is the name of the attribute you want to set. For each attribute a string (att\_nm:s), a double (att\_nm:d) or an integer (att\_nm:i) type can be defined. By default the native type is set.

The value of att\_val is the contents of the attribute att\_nm. att\_val may be a single value or one-dimensional array of elements. The type and the number of elements of an attribute will be detected automatically from the contents of the values. An already existing attribute att\_nm will be overwritten or it will be removed if att\_val is omitted. Alternatively, the values of an existing attribute can be copied. This attribute must then be enclosed in curly brackets.

A special meaning has the attribute name **FILE**. If this is the 1st attribute then all attributes are read from a file specified in the value of **att\_val**.

#### **Parameter**

attributes STRING Comma-separated list of attributes.

#### Note

Attributes are evaluated by **CDO** when opening infile. Therefor the result of this operator is not available for other operators when this operator is used in chaining operators.

### **Example**

To set the units of the variable pressure to pascal use:

```
cdo setattribute,pressure@units=pascal infile outfile
```

To set the global text attribute "my\_att" to "my contents", use:

```
cdo setattribute,my_att="my contents" infile outfile
```

Result of 'ncdump -h outfile':

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### 2.6.2. SETPARTAB - Set parameter table

# **Synopsis**

< operator >, table[, convert] infile outfile

# Description

This module transforms data and metadata of infile via a parameter table and writes the result to outfile. A parameter table is an ASCII formatted file with a set of parameter entries for each variable. Each new set have to start with "&parameter" and to end with "/".

The following parameter table entries are supported:

Entry	Type	Description
name	WORD	Name of the variable
out_name	WORD	New name of the variable
param	WORD	Parameter identifier (GRIB1: code[.tabnum]; GRIB2: num[.cat[.dis]])
out_param	WORD	New parameter identifier
type	WORD	Data type (real or double)
standard_name	WORD	As defined in the CF standard name table
long_name	STRING	Describing the variable
units	STRING	Specifying the units for the variable
comment	STRING	Information concerning the variable
cell_methods	STRING	Information concerning calculation of means or climatologies
cell_measures	STRING	Indicates the names of the variables containing cell areas and volumes
missing_value	FLOAT	Specifying how missing data will be identified
valid_min	FLOAT	Minimum valid value
valid_max	FLOAT	Maximum valid value
ok_min_mean_abs	FLOAT	Minimum absolute mean
ok_max_mean_abs	FLOAT	Maximum absolute mean
factor	FLOAT	Scale factor
delete	INTEGER	Set to 1 to delete variable
convert	INTEGER	Set to 1 to convert the unit if necessary

Unsupported parameter table entries are stored as variable attributes. The search key for the variable depends on the operator. Use setpartabn to search variables by the name. This is typically used for NetCDF datasets. The operator setpartabp searches variables by the parameter ID.

# **Operators**

setpartabp Set parameter table

Search variables by the parameter identifier.

setpartabn Set parameter table

Search variables by name.

### **Parameter**

table STRING Parameter table file or nameconvert STRING Converts the units if necessary

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# **Example**

Here is an example of a parameter table for one variable:

To apply this parameter table to a dataset use:

```
cdo setpartabn,mypartab,convert infile outfile
```

This command renames the variable **t** to **ta**. The standard name of this variable is set to **air\_temperature** and the unit is set to [K] (converts the unit if necessary). The missing value will be set to **1.0e+20**. In addition it will be checked whether the values of the variable are in the range of **157.1** to **336.3**.

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### 2.6.3. SET - Set field info

## **Synopsis**

```
setcodetab,table infile outfile
setcode,code infile outfile
setparam,param infile outfile
setname,name infile outfile
setunit,unit infile outfile
setlevel,level infile outfile
setltype,ltype infile outfile
```

### Description

This module sets some field information. Depending on the chosen operator the parameter table, code number, parameter identifier, variable name or level is set.

# **Operators**

setcodetab Set parameter code table

Sets the parameter code table for all variables.

setcode Set code number

Sets the code number for all variables to the same given value.

setparam Set parameter identifier

Sets the parameter identifier of the first variable.

setname Set variable name

Sets the name of the first variable.

setunit Set variable unit

Sets the unit of the first variable.

setlevel Set level

Sets the first level of all variables.

**setltype** Set GRIB level type

Sets the GRIB level type of all variables.

#### **Parameter**

table	STRING	Parameter table file or name
code	INTEGER	Code number
param	STRING	$Parameter\ identifier\ (GRIB1:\ code[.tabnum];\ GRIB2:\ num[.cat[.dis]])$
name	STRING	Variable name
level	FLOAT	New level
ltype	INTEGER	GRIB level type

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### 2.6.4. SETTIME - Set time

## **Synopsis**

```
setdate,date infile outfile
settime,time infile outfile
setday,day infile outfile
setmon,month infile outfile
setyear,year infile outfile
settunits,units infile outfile
settaxis,date,time[,inc] infile outfile
settbounds,frequency infile outfile
setreftime,date,time[,units] infile outfile
setcalendar,calendar infile outfile
shifttime,sval infile outfile
```

### Description

This module sets the time axis or part of the time axis. Which part of the time axis is overwritten/created depends on the chosen operator.

# **Operators**

setdate Set date

Sets the date in every timestep to the same given value.

settime Set time of the day

Sets the time in every timestep to the same given value.

setday Set day

Sets the day in every timestep to the same given value.

setmon Set month

Sets the month in every timestep to the same given value.

setyear Set year

Sets the year in every timestep to the same given value.

settunits Set time units

Sets the base units of a relative time axis.

settaxis Set time axis

Sets the time axis.

settbounds Set time bounds

Sets the time bounds.

**setreftime** Set reference time

Sets the reference time of a relative time axis.

setcalendar Set calendar

Sets the calendar of a relative time axis.

**shifttime** Shift timesteps

Shifts all timesteps by the parameter sval.

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#### **Parameter**

day	INTEGER	Value of the new day
month	INTEGER	Value of the new month
year	INTEGER	Value of the new year
units	STRING	Base units of the time axis (seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years) $$
date	STRING	Date (format: YYYY-MM-DD)
time	STRING	Time (format: hh:mm:ss)
inc	STRING 1hour]	Optional increment (seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years) [default:
frequency	STRING	Frequency of the time series (hour, day, month, year)
calendar	STRING	Calendar (standard, proleptic_gregorian, 360_day, 365_day, 366_day)
sval	STRING	Shift value (e.g3hour)

# **Example**

To set the time axis to 1987-01-16 12:00:00 with an increment of one month for each timestep use:

```
cdo settaxis,1987-01-16,12:00:00,1mon infile outfile
```

Result of 'cdo showdate outfile' for a dataset with 12 timesteps:

To shift this time axis by -15 days use:

```
cdo shifttime,-15days infile outfile
```

Result of 'cdo showdate outfile':

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# 2.6.5. CHANGE - Change field header

### **Synopsis**

chcode,oldcode,newcode[,...] infile outfile
chparam,oldparam,newparam,... infile outfile
chname,oldname,newname,... infile outfile
chunit,oldunit,newunit,... infile outfile
chlevel,oldlev,newlev,... infile outfile
chlevelc,code,oldlev,newlev infile outfile
chlevelv,name,oldlev,newlev infile outfile

## Description

This module reads fields from infile, changes some header values and writes the results to outfile. The kind of changes depends on the chosen operator.

#### **Operators**

chcode Change code number

Changes some user given code numbers to new user given values.

**chparam** Change parameter identifier

Changes some user given parameter identifiers to new user given values.

**chname** Change variable or coordinate name

Changes some user given variable or coordinate names to new user given names.

chunit Change variable unit

Changes some user given variable units to new user given units.

chlevel Change level

Changes some user given levels to new user given values.

**chlevelc** Change level of one code

Changes one level of a user given code number.

**chlevelv** Change level of one variable

Changes one level of a user given variable name.

#### **Parameter**

code	INTEGER	Code number
$old code, new code, \dots$	INTEGER	Pairs of old and new code numbers
$oldparam, newparam, \dots$	STRING	Pairs of old and new parameter identifiers
name	STRING	Variable name
$oldname, newname, \dots$	STRING	Pairs of old and new variable names
oldlev	FLOAT	Old level
newlev	FLOAT	New level
$old lev, new lev, \dots$	FLOAT	Pairs of old and new levels

# **Example**

To change the code number 98 to 179 and 99 to 211 use:

cdo chcode, 98, 179, 99, 211 infile outfile

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## 2.6.6. SETGRID - Set grid information

## **Synopsis**

```
setgrid,grid infile outfile
setgridtype,gridtype infile outfile
setgridarea,gridarea infile outfile
setgridmask,gridmask infile outfile
```

# Description

This module modifies the metadata of the horizontal grid. Depending on the chosen operator a new grid description is set, the coordinates are converted or the grid cell area is added.

#### **Operators**

setgrid Set grid

Sets a new grid description. The input fields need to have the same grid size as the

size of the target grid description.

**setgridtype** Set grid type

Sets the grid type of all input fields. The following grid types are available:

curvilinear Converts a regular grid to a curvilinear grid

unstructured Converts a regular or curvilinear grid to an unstructured grid

dereference Dereference a reference to a grid

regular Linear interpolation of a reduced Gaussian grid to a regular Gaussian

 $\operatorname{grid}$ 

regularnn Nearest neighbor interpolation of a reduced Gaussian grid to a

regular Gaussian grid

lonlat Converts a regular lonlat grid stored as a curvilinear grid back to

a lonlat grid

setgridarea Set grid cell area

Sets the grid cell area. The parameter *gridarea* is the path to a data file, the first field is used as grid cell area. The input fields need to have the same grid size as the grid cell area. The grid cell area is used to compute the weights of each grid cell if

needed by an operator, e.g. for fldmean.

setgridmask Set grid mask

Sets the grid mask. The parameter *gridmask* is the path to a data file, the first field is used as the grid mask. The input fields need to have the same grid size as the grid mask. The grid mask is used as the target grid mask for remapping, e.g. for

remapbil.

#### **Parameter**

grid	STRING	Grid description file or name
gridtype	STRING	$ \   {\rm Grid}  {\rm type}  ({\rm curvilinear},  {\rm unstructured},  {\rm regular},  {\rm lonlat}  {\rm or}  {\rm dereference}) $
gridarea	STRING	Data file, the first field is used as grid cell area
gridmask	STRING	Data file, the first field is used as grid mask

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#### **Example**

Assuming a dataset has fields on a grid with 2048 elements without or with wrong grid description. To set the grid description of all input fields to a Gaussian N32 grid (8192 gridpoints) use:

cdo setgrid, n32 infile outfile

# 2.6.7. SETZAXIS - Set z-axis information

# **Synopsis**

```
setzaxis,zaxis infile outfile
genlevelbounds[,zbot[,ztop]] infile outfile
```

# Description

This module modifies the metadata of the vertical grid.

# **Operators**

setzaxis Set z-axis

This operator sets the z-axis description of all variables with the same number

of level as the new z-axis.

genlevelbounds Generate level bounds

Generates the layer bounds of the z-axis.

#### **Parameter**

zaxis	STRING	Z-axis description file or name of the target z-axis
zbot	FLOAT z-axis.	Specifying the bottom of the vertical column. Must have the same units as
ztop	FLOAT	Specifying the top of the vertical column. Must have the same units as z-axis.

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# 2.6.8. INVERT - Invert latitudes

# **Synopsis**

invertlat infile outfile

# Description

This operator inverts the latitudes of all fields on a rectilinear grid.

# Example

To invert the latitudes of a 2D field from N->S to S->N use:

cdo invertlat infile outfile

# 2.6.9. INVERTLEV - Invert levels

# **Synopsis**

invertlev infile outfile

# Description

This operator inverts the levels of all 3D variables.

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#### 2.6.10. SHIFTXY - Shift field

# **Synopsis**

```
< operator >, < nshift >, < cyclic >, < coord > infile outfile
```

# Description

This module contains operators to shift all fields in x or y direction. All fields need to have the same horizontal rectilinear or curvilinear grid.

# **Operators**

shiftx Shift x

Shifts all fields in x direction.

**shifty** Shift y

Shifts all fields in y direction.

#### **Parameter**

nshift INTEGER Number of grid cells to shift (default: 1)

cyclic STRING If set, cells are filled up cyclic (default: missing value)

coord STRING If set, coordinates are also shifted

# **Example**

To shift all input fields in the x direction by +1 cells and fill the new cells with missing value, use:

```
cdo shiftx infile outfile
```

To shift all input fields in the x direction by +1 cells and fill the new cells cyclic, use:

cdo shiftx,1,cyclic infile outfile

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#### 2.6.11. MASKREGION - Mask regions

# **Synopsis**

maskregion, regions infile outfile

# Description

Masks different regions of fields with a regular lon/lat grid. The elements inside a region are untouched, the elements outside are set to missing value. Considered are only those grid cells with the grid center inside the regions. All input fields must have the same horizontal grid. The user has to give ASCII formatted files with different regions. A region is defined by a polygon. Each line of a polygon description file contains the longitude and latitude of one point. Each polygon description file can contain one or more polygons separated by a line with the character &.

# **Parameter**

regions STRING Comma-separated list of ASCII formatted files with different regions

### Example

To mask the region with the longitudes from 120E to 90W and latitudes from 20N to 20S on all input fields use:

```
cdo maskregion, myregion infile outfile
```

For this example the description file of the region myregion should contain one polygon with the following four coordinates:

 $\begin{array}{cccc}
120 & 20 \\
120 & -20 \\
270 & -20 \\
270 & 20
\end{array}$ 

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#### 2.6.12. MASKBOX - Mask a box

## **Synopsis**

```
masklonlatbox,lon1,lon2,lat1,lat2 infile outfile maskindexbox,idx1,idx2,idy1,idy2 infile outfile
```

#### Description

Masked a box of the rectangularly understood field. The elements inside the box are untouched, the elements outside are set to missing value. All input fields need to have the same horizontal grid. Use sellonlatbox or selindexbox if only the data inside the box are needed.

# **Operators**

masklonlatbox Mask a longitude/latitude box

Masked a regular longitude/latitude box. The user has to give the longitudes and latitudes of the edges of the box. Considered are only those grid cells with

the grid center inside the lon/lat box.

maskindexbox Mask an index box

Masked an index box. The user has to give the indices of the edges of the box. The index of the left edge can be greater then the one of the right edge.

#### **Parameter**

lon1	FLOAT	Western longitude
lon2	FLOAT	Eastern longitude
lat1	FLOAT	Southern or northern latitude
lat2	FLOAT	Northern or southern latitude
idx1	INTEGER	Index of first longitude
idx2	INTEGER	Index of last longitude
idy1	INTEGER	Index of first latitude
idy2	INTEGER	Index of last latitude

#### **Example**

To mask the region with the longitudes from 120E to 90W and latitudes from 20N to 20S on all input fields use:

```
cdo masklonlatbox, 120, -90, 20, -20 infile outfile
```

If the input dataset has fields on a Gaussian N16 grid, the same box can be masked with maskindexbox by:

```
cdo maskindexbox, 23, 48, 13, 20 infile outfile
```

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#### 2.6.13. SETBOX - Set a box to constant

# **Synopsis**

```
setclonlatbox,c,lon1,lon2,lat1,lat2 infile outfile setcindexbox,c,idx1,idx2,idy1,idy2 infile outfile
```

#### Description

Sets a box of the rectangularly understood field to a constant value. The elements outside the box are untouched, the elements inside are set to the given constant. All input fields need to have the same horizontal grid.

# **Operators**

setclonlatbox Set a longitude/latitude box to constant

Sets the values of a longitude/latitude box to a constant value. The user has to

give the longitudes and latitudes of the edges of the box.

**setcindexbox** Set an index box to constant

Sets the values of an index box to a constant value. The user has to give the

indices of the edges of the box. The index of the left edge can be greater than the

one of the right edge.

#### **Parameter**

c	FLOAT	Constant
lon1	FLOAT	Western longitude
lon2	FLOAT	Eastern longitude
lat1	FLOAT	Southern or northern latitude
lat2	FLOAT	Northern or southern latitude
idx1	INTEGER	Index of first longitude
idx2	INTEGER	Index of last longitude
idy1	INTEGER	Index of first latitude
idy2	INTEGER	Index of last latitude

#### **Example**

To set all values in the region with the longitudes from 120E to 90W and latitudes from 20N to 20S to the constant value -1.23 use:

```
cdo setclonlatbox,-1.23,120,-90,20,-20 infile outfile
```

If the input dataset has fields on a Gaussian N16 grid, the same box can be set with setcindexbox by:

```
cdo setcindexbox, -1.23, 23, 48, 13, 20 infile outfile
```

Modification Reference manual

# 2.6.14. ENLARGE - Enlarge fields

# **Synopsis**

enlarge, grid infile outfile

# Description

Enlarge all fields of infile to a user given horizontal grid. Normally only the last field element is used for the enlargement. If however the input and output grid are regular lon/lat grids, a zonal or meridional enlargement is possible. Zonal enlargement takes place, if the xsize of the input field is 1 and the ysize of both grids are the same. For meridional enlargement the ysize have to be 1 and the xsize of both grids should have the same size.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Example**

Assumed you want to add two datasets. The first dataset is a field on a global grid (n field elements) and the second dataset is a global mean (1 field element). Before you can add these two datasets the second dataset have to be enlarged to the grid size of the first dataset:

```
cdo enlarge,infile1 infile2 tmpfile
cdo add infile1 tmpfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo add infile1 -enlarge, infile1 infile2 outfile
```

Reference manual Modification

# 2.6.15. SETMISS - Set missing value

# Synopsis

setmissval, newmiss infile outfile setctomiss, c infile outfile setmisstoc,c infile outfile setrtomiss, rmin, rmax infile outfile setvrange, rmin, rmax infile outfile setmisstonn infile outfile setmisstodis[,neighbors] infile outfile

#### Description

This module sets part of a field to missing value or missing values to a constant value. Which part of the field is set depends on the chosen operator.

#### **Operators**

setmissval

Set a new missing value  $o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{newmiss} & \text{if} \ i(t,x) = miss \\ i(t,x) & \text{if} \ i(t,x) \neq miss \end{array} \right.$ 

setctomiss Set constant to missing value

 $o(t,x) = \begin{cases} \text{miss} & \text{if } i(t,x) = c \\ i(t,x) & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq c \end{cases}$ 

setmisstoc Set missing value to constant

 $o(t,x) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} \\ i(t,x) & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \end{cases}$ 

Set range to missing value setrtomiss

 $o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{miss} & \text{if} \ i(t,x) \geq r\min \land i(t,x) \leq r\max \\ i(t,x) & \text{if} \ i(t,x) < r\min \lor i(t,x) > r\max \\ \end{array} \right.$ 

Set valid range setvrange

 $o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{miss} & \text{if} \ i(t,x) < \min \lor i(t,x) > \max \\ i(t,x) & \text{if} \ i(t,x) \geq \min \land i(t,x) \leq \max \end{array} \right.$ 

Set missing value to nearest neighbor setmisstonn

Set all missing values to the nearest non missing value.

 $o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} i(t,y) & \text{if } i(t,x) = \text{miss} \wedge i(t,y) \neq \text{miss} \\ i(t,x) & \text{if } i(t,x) \neq \text{miss} \end{array} \right.$ 

Set missing value to distance-weighted average setmisstodis

> Set all missing values to the distance-weighted average of the nearest non missing values. The default number of nearest neighbors is 4.

#### **Parameter**

neighbors **INTEGER** Number of nearest neighbors New missing value newmiss **FLOAT FLOAT** Constant cLower bound **FLOAT** rmin Upper bound **FLOAT** rmax

Modification Reference manual

# **Example**

#### setrtomiss

Assume an input dataset has one field with temperatures in the range from 246 to 304 Kelvin. To set all values below 273.15 Kelvin to missing value use:

```
cdo setrtomiss,0,273.15 infile outfile
```

Result of 'cdo info infile':

	-1	:	Date	Time	Code	Level	Size	Miss	:	Minimum	Mean	Maximum
ļ	1	:	1987 - 12 - 31	12:00:00	139	0	2048	0	:	246.27	276.75	303.71

Result of 'cdo info outfile':

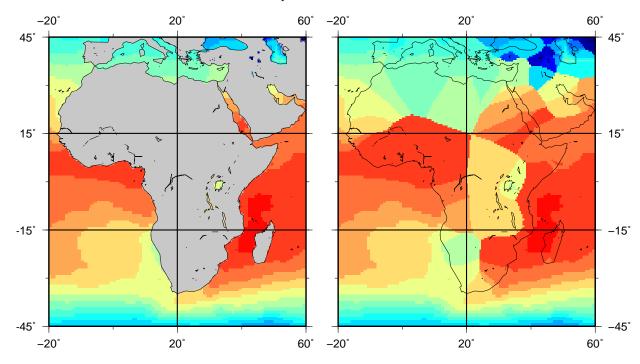
ı	-1	:	Date	Time	Code	Level	Size	Miss	:	Minimum	Mean	Maximum
	1	:	1987 - 12 - 31	12:00:00	139	0	2048	871	:	273.16	287.08	303.71

#### setmisstonn

Set all missing values to the nearest non missing value:

```
cdo setmisstonn infile outfile
```

Below is a schematic illustration of this example:



On the left side is input data with missing values in grey and on the right side the result with the filled missing values.

Reference manual Modification

# 2.6.16. SETGRIDCELL - Set the value of a grid cell

# **Synopsis**

setgridcell,params infile outfile

# Description

This operator sets the value of the selected grid cells. The grid cells can be selected by a commaseparated list of grid cell indices or a mask. The mask is read from a data file, which may contain only one field. If no grid cells are selected, all values are set.

#### **Parameter**

value	FLOAT	Value of the grid cell
cell	INTEGER	Comma-separated list of grid cell indices
mask	STRING	Name of the data file which contains the mask

# 2.7. Arithmetic

This section contains modules to arithmetically process datasets.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

**expr** Evaluate expressions

**exprf** Evaluate expressions script

aexprEvaluate expressions and append resultsEvaluate expression script and append results

absAbsolute valueintInteger value

**nint** Nearest integer value

powPowersqrSquaresqrtSquare rootexpExponentiallnNatural logarithmlog10Base 10 logarithm

Sine  $\sin$ cos Cosine Tangent tan asin Arc sine acos Arc cosine Arc tangent atan reci Reciprocal value Logical NOT not

addc
subc
Multiply with a constant
divc
Add a constant
Subtract a constant
Multiply with a constant
Divide by a constant

minc Minimum of a field and a constant maxc Maximum of a field and a constant

addAdd two fieldssubSubtract two fieldsmulMultiply two fieldsdivDivide two fieldsminMinimum of two fieldsmaxMaximum of two fieldsatan2Arc tangent of two fields

dayaddAdd daily time seriesdaysubSubtract daily time seriesdaymulMultiply daily time seriesdaydivDivide daily time series

monaddAdd monthly time seriesmonsubSubtract monthly time seriesmonmulMultiply monthly time seriesmondivDivide monthly time series

yearadd Add yearly time series
yearsub Subtract yearly time series
yearmul Multiply yearly time series
yeardiv Divide yearly time series

yhouraddAdd multi-year hourly time seriesyhoursubSubtract multi-year hourly time seriesyhourmulMultiply multi-year hourly time seriesyhourdivDivide multi-year hourly time series

ydayadd Add multi-year daily time series
ydaymul Subtract multi-year daily time series
ydaydiv Multiply multi-year daily time series
ydaydiv Divide multi-year daily time series

ymonaddAdd multi-year monthly time seriesymonsubSubtract multi-year monthly time seriesymonmulMultiply multi-year monthly time seriesymondivDivide multi-year monthly time series

yseasadd
yseassub
yseasmul
yseasdiv

Add multi-year seasonal time series
Subtract multi-year seasonal time series
Multiply multi-year seasonal time series
Divide multi-year seasonal time series

muldpmMultiply with days per monthdivdpmDivide by days per monthmuldpyMultiply with days per yeardivdpyDivide by days per year

mulcoslat Multiply with the cosine of the latitude

divcoslat Divide by cosine of the latitude

# 2.7.1. EXPR - Evaluate expressions

# **Synopsis**

```
expr,instr infile outfile
exprf,filename infile outfile
aexpr,instr infile outfile
aexprf,filename infile outfile
```

# Description

This module arithmetically processes every timestep of the input dataset. Each individual assignment statement have to end with a semi-colon. Unlike regular variables, temporary variables are never written to the output stream. To define a temporary variable simply prefix the variable name with an underscore (e.g. \_varname) when the variable is declared.

The following operators are supported:

Operator	Meaning	Example	Result
=	assignment	x = y	Assigns y to x
+	addition	x + y	Sum of x and y
-	subtraction	x - y	Difference of x and y
*	multiplication	x * y	Product of x and y
/	division	x / y	Quotient of x and y
^	exponentiation	x ^ y	Exponentiates x with y
==	equal to	x == y	1, if x equal to y; else 0
!=	not equal to	x != y	1, if x not equal to y; else 0
>	greater than	x > y	1, if x greater than y; else 0
<	less than	x < y	1, if x less than y; else 0
>=	greater equal	x >= y	1, if x greater equal y; else 0
<=	less equal	x <= y	1, if x less equal y; else 0
<=>	less equal greater	x <=> y	-1, if x less y; 1, if x greater y; else 0
&&	logical AND	x && y	1, if x and y not equal 0; else 0
	logical OR	x    y	1, if x or y not equal 0; else 0
!	logical NOT	!x	1, if x equal 0; else 0
?:	ternary conditional	x ? y : z	y, if x not equal 0, else z

The following functions are supported:

Math intrinsics:

abs(x)	Absolute value of x
floor(x)	Round to largest integral value not greater than $\mathbf x$
ceil(x)	Round to smallest integral value not less than <b>x</b>
float(x)	32-bit float value of x
int(x)	Integer value of x
nint(x)	Nearest integer value of <b>x</b>
$\operatorname{sqr}(x)$	Square of x
$\operatorname{sqrt}(x)$	Square Root of x
$\exp(x)$	Exponential of x

ln(x)	Natural logarithm of x				
log10(x)	Base 10 logarithm of x				
$\sin(x)$	Sine of x, where x is specified in radians				
$\cos(x)$	Cosine of x, where x is specified in radians				
tan(x)	Tangent of x, where x is specified in radians				
asin(x)	Arc-sine of x, where x is specified in radians				
acos(x)	Arc-cosine of x, where x is specified in radians				
atan(x)	Arc-tangent of x, where x is specified in radians				
rad(x)	Convert x from degrees to radians				
deg(x)	Convert x from radians to degrees				
rand(x)	Replace x by pseudo-random numbers in the range of 0 to 1				
isMissval(x)	Returns 1 where x is missing				
Coordinates:					
clon(x)	Longitude coordinate of x (available only if x has geographical coordinates)				
clat(x)	Latitude coordinate of x (available only if x has geographical coordinates)				
gridarea(x)	Grid cell area of x (available only if x has geographical coordinates)				
clev(x)	Level coordinate of x (0, if x is a 2D surface variable)				
cdeltaz(x)	Upper minus lower level bound of x (1, if level bounds are missing)				
ctimestep()	Timestep number (1 to N)				
cdate()	Verification date as YYYYMMDD				
ctime()	Verification time as HHMMSS.millisecond				
cdeltat()	Difference between current and last timestep in seconds				
$\operatorname{cday}()$	Day as DD				
cmonth()	Month as MM				
cyear()	Year as YYYY				
$\operatorname{csecond}()$	Second as SS.millisecond				
cminute()	Minute as MM				
chour()	Hour as HH				
Constants:					
ngp(x)	Number of horizontal grid points				
nlev(x)	Number of vertical levels				
size(x)	Total number of elements $(ngp(x)*nlev(x))$				
missval(x)	Returns the missing value of variable <b>x</b>				
Statistical valu	ues over a field:				
fldmin(x), fldn	$\max(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldsum}(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldmean}(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldavg}(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldstd}(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldstd1}(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldvar}(x)$ , $\operatorname{fldvar1}(x)$				
Zonal statistic	al values for regular 2D grids:				
zonmin(x), zon	${\tt zonmin}(x), {\tt zonmax}(x), {\tt zonsum}(x), {\tt zonavg}(x), {\tt zonstd}(x), {\tt zonstd1}(x), {\tt zonvar}(x), {\tt zonvar1}(x)$				
Vertical statis	Vertical statistical values:				
vertmin(x), vertvar1(x)	$ \begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$				
Miscellaneous:	Miscellaneous:				

 $\begin{array}{lll} sellevel(x,k) & Select \ level \ k \ of \ variable \ x \\ \\ sellevidx(x,k) & Select \ level \ index \ k \ of \ variable \ x \\ \\ sellevelrange(x,k1,k2) & Select \ all \ levels \ of \ variable \ x \ in \ the \ range \ k1 \ to \ k2 \\ \\ sellevidxrange(x,k1,k2) & Select \ all \ level \ indices \ of \ variable \ x \ in \ the \ range \ k1 \ to \ k2 \\ \\ remove(x) & Remove \ variable \ x \ from \ output \ stream \\ \end{array}$ 

#### **Operators**

**expr** Evaluate expressions

The processing instructions are read from the parameter.

**exprf** Evaluate expressions script

Contrary to expr the processing instructions are read from a file.

**aexpr** Evaluate expressions and append results

Same as expr, but keep input variables and append results

**aexprf** Evaluate expression script and append results

Same as exprf, but keep input variables and append results

#### **Parameter**

instr STRING Processing instructions (need to be 'quoted' in most cases)

filename STRING File with processing instructions

#### Note

The expr commands sellevel (x,k) and sellevid x(x,k) are only available with exprf/aexprf. If the input stream contains duplicate entries of the same variable name then the last one is used.

#### **Example**

Assume an input dataset contains at least the variables 'aprl', 'aprc' and 'ts'. To create a new variable 'var1' with the sum of 'aprl' and 'aprc' and a variable 'var2' which convert the temperature 'ts' from Kelvin to Celsius use:

```
cdo expr,'var1=aprl+aprc;var2=ts-273.15;' infile outfile
```

The same example, but the instructions are read from a file:

```
cdo exprf,myexpr infile outfile
```

The file myexpr contains:

```
var1 = aprl + aprc;

var2 = ts - 273.15;
```

#### 2.7.2. MATH - Mathematical functions

## **Synopsis**

 $<\!operator\!>$  infile outfile

# Description

This module contains some standard mathematical functions. All trigonometric functions calculate with radians.

## **Operators**

abs Absolute value 
$$o(t,x) = \operatorname{abs}(i(t,x))$$

int Integer value  $o(t,x) = \operatorname{int}(i(t,x))$ 

nint Nearest integer value  $o(t,x) = \operatorname{nint}(i(t,x))$ 

pow Power  $o(t,x) = i(t,x)^y$ 

sqr Square  $o(t,x) = i(t,x)^2$ 

sqrt Square root  $o(t,x) = \sqrt{i(t,x)}$ 

exp Exponential  $o(t,x) = \operatorname{e}^{i(t,x)}$ 

In Natural logarithm  $o(t,x) = \ln(i(t,x))$ 

log10 Base 10 logarithm  $o(t,x) = \log_{10}(i(t,x))$ 

sin Sine  $o(t,x) = \sin(i(t,x))$ 

cos Cosine  $o(t,x) = \cos(i(t,x))$ 

tan Tangent  $o(t,x) = \tan(i(t,x))$ 

asin Arc sine  $o(t,x) = \arcsin(i(t,x))$ 

acos Arc cosine  $o(t,x) = \operatorname{arccos}(i(t,x))$ 

atan Arc tangent  $o(t,x) = \operatorname{arccos}(i(t,x))$ 

reci Reciprocal value  $o(t,x) = 1/i(t,x)$ 

not Logical NOT

o(t, x) = 1, ifxequal0; else0

# Example

To calculate the square root for all field elements use:

cdo sqrt infile outfile

# 2.7.3. ARITHC - Arithmetic with a constant

# **Synopsis**

< operator >, c infile outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic with all field elements of a dataset and a constant. The fields in outfile inherit the meta data from infile.

# **Operators**

 $\mathbf{addc} \qquad \mathrm{Add\ a\ constant}$ 

o(t,x) = i(t,x) + c

**subc** Subtract a constant

o(t,x) = i(t,x) - c

mulc Multiply with a constant

o(t, x) = i(t, x) \* c

divc Divide by a constant

o(t,x) = i(t,x)/c

minc Minimum of a field and a constant

 $o(t, x) = \min(i(t, x), c)$ 

maxc Maximum of a field and a constant

 $o(t, x) = \max(i(t, x), c)$ 

# **Parameter**

c FLOAT Constant

# **Example**

To sum all input fields with the constant -273.15 use:

cdo addc,-273.15 infile outfile

#### 2.7.4. ARITH - Arithmetic on two datasets

# **Synopsis**

```
<operator> infile1 infile2 outfile
```

## Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of two datasets. The number of fields in infile1 should be the same as in infile2. The fields in outfile inherit the meta data from infile1. All operators in this module simply process one field after the other from the two input files. Neither the order of the variables nor the date is checked. One of the input files can contain only one timestep or one variable.

# **Operators**

```
add
            Add two fields
            o(t, x) = i_1(t, x) + i_2(t, x)
\mathbf{sub}
            Subtract two fields
            o(t,x) = i_1(t,x) - i_2(t,x)
mul
            Multiply two fields
            o(t,x) = i_1(t,x) * i_2(t,x)
div
            Divide two fields
            o(t,x) = i_1(t,x)/i_2(t,x)
_{\min}
            Minimum of two fields
            o(t,x) = \min(i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x))
            Maximum of two fields
max
            o(t, x) = \max(i_1(t, x), i_2(t, x))
atan2
            Arc tangent of two fields
            The atan2 operator calculates the arc tangent of two fields. The result is in radians, which
            is between -PI and PI (inclusive).
            o(t, x) = \text{atan2}(i_1(t, x), i_2(t, x))
```

#### **Example**

To sum all fields of the first input file with the corresponding fields of the second input file use:

```
cdo add infile1 infile2 outfile
```

# 2.7.5. DAYARITH - Daily arithmetic

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same day, month and year. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same day, month and year is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module DAYSTAT.

# **Operators**

dayadd Add daily time series

Adds a time series and a daily time series.

daysub Subtract daily time series

Subtracts a time series and a daily time series.

daymul Multiply daily time series

Multiplies a time series and a daily time series.

daydiv Divide daily time series

Divides a time series and a daily time series.

## Example

To subtract a daily time average from a time series use:

cdo daysub infile -dayavg infile outfile

# 2.7.6. MONARITH - Monthly arithmetic

# **Synopsis**

<operator> infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same month and year. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same month and year is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module MONSTAT.

#### **Operators**

monadd Add monthly time series

Adds a time series and a monthly time series.

monsub Subtract monthly time series

Subtracts a time series and a monthly time series.

monmul Multiply monthly time series

Multiplies a time series and a monthly time series.

mondiv Divide monthly time series

Divides a time series and a monthly time series.

## **Example**

To subtract a monthly time average from a time series use:

cdo monsub infile -monavg infile outfile

# 2.7.7. YEARARITH - Yearly arithmetic

# **Synopsis**

 $<\!operator\!>$  infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same year. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same year is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module YEARSTAT.

# **Operators**

yearadd Add yearly time series

Adds a time series and a yearly time series.

yearsub Subtract yearly time series

Subtracts a time series and a yearly time series.

yearmul Multiply yearly time series

Multiplies a time series and a yearly time series.

yeardiv Divide yearly time series

Divides a time series and a yearly time series.

# **Example**

To subtract a yearly time average from a time series use:

cdo yearsub infile -yearavg infile outfile

# 2.7.8. YHOURARITH - Multi-year hourly arithmetic

# **Synopsis**

<operator> infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same hour and day of year. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same hour and day of year is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module YHOURSTAT.

#### **Operators**

yhouradd Add multi-year hourly time series

Adds a time series and a multi-year hourly time series.

yhoursub Subtract multi-year hourly time series

Subtracts a time series and a multi-year hourly time series.

**yhourmul** Multiply multi-year hourly time series

Multiplies a time series and a multi-year hourly time series.

yhourdiv Divide multi-year hourly time series

Divides a time series and a multi-year hourly time series.

## **Example**

To subtract a multi-year hourly time average from a time series use:

cdo yhoursub infile -yhouravg infile outfile

#### 2.7.9. YDAYARITH - Multi-year daily arithmetic

# **Synopsis**

< operator > infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same day of year. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same day of year is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module YDAYSTAT.

# **Operators**

ydayadd Add multi-year daily time series

Adds a time series and a multi-year daily time series.

ydaysub Subtract multi-year daily time series

Subtracts a time series and a multi-year daily time series.

ydaymul Multiply multi-year daily time series

Multiplies a time series and a multi-year daily time series.

ydaydiv Divide multi-year daily time series

Divides a time series and a multi-year daily time series.

## Example

To subtract a multi-year daily time average from a time series use:

cdo ydaysub infile -ydayavg infile outfile

# 2.7.10. YMONARITH - Multi-year monthly arithmetic

# **Synopsis**

<operator> infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same month of year. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same month of year is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module YMONSTAT.

#### **Operators**

ymonadd Add multi-year monthly time series

Adds a time series and a multi-year monthly time series.

ymonsub Subtract multi-year monthly time series

Subtracts a time series and a multi-year monthly time series.

ymonmul Multiply multi-year monthly time series

Multiplies a time series and a multi-year monthly time series.

ymondiv Divide multi-year monthly time series

Divides a time series and a multi-year monthly time series.

## **Example**

To subtract a multi-year monthly time average from a time series use:

cdo ymonsub infile -ymonavg infile outfile

# 2.7.11. YSEASARITH - Multi-year seasonal arithmetic

# **Synopsis**

< operator > infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This module performs simple arithmetic of a time series and one timestep with the same season. For each field in infile1 the corresponding field of the timestep in infile2 with the same season is used. The header information in infile1 have to be the same as in infile2. Usually infile2 is generated by an operator of the module YSEASSTAT.

# **Operators**

yseasadd Add multi-year seasonal time series

Adds a time series and a multi-year seasonal time series.

yseassub Subtract multi-year seasonal time series

Subtracts a time series and a multi-year seasonal time series.

yseasmul Multiply multi-year seasonal time series

Multiplies a time series and a multi-year seasonal time series.

yseasdiv Divide multi-year seasonal time series

Divides a time series and a multi-year seasonal time series.

# **Example**

To subtract a multi-year seasonal time average from a time series use:

cdo yseassub infile -yseasavg infile outfile

# 2.7.12. ARITHDAYS - Arithmetic with days

# **Synopsis**

```
<\!operator\!> infile outfile
```

## Description

This module multiplies or divides each timestep of a dataset with the corresponding days per month or days per year. The result of these functions depends on the used calendar of the input data.

# **Operators**

muldpm Multiply with days per month

 $o(t,x) = i(t,x)*days\_per\_month$ 

divdpm Divide by days per month

 $o(t,x) = i(t,x)/days\_per\_month$ 

muldpy Multiply with days per year

 $o(t,x) = i(t,x) * days\_per\_year$ 

divdpy Divide by days per year

 $o(t,x) = i(t,x)/days\_per\_year$ 

#### 2.7.13. ARITHLAT - Arithmetic with latitude

# **Synopsis**

```
< operator > infile outfile
```

# Description

This module multiplies or divides each field element with the cosine of the latitude.

#### **Operators**

mulcoslat Multiply with the cosine of the latitude

o(t,x) = i(t,x) \* cos(latitude(x))

divcoslat Divide by cosine of the latitude

o(t, x) = i(t, x)/cos(latitude(x))

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#### 2.8. Statistical values

This section contains modules to compute statistical values of datasets. In this program there is the different notion of "mean" and "average" to distinguish two different kinds of treatment of missing values. While computing the mean, only the not missing values are considered to belong to the sample with the side effect of a probably reduced sample size. Computing the average is just adding the sample members and divide the result by the sample size. For example, the mean of 1, 2, miss and 3 is (1+2+3)/3 = 2, whereas the average is (1+2+miss+3)/4 = miss/4 = miss. If there are no missing values in the sample, the average and the mean are identical.

**CDO** is using the verification time to identify the time range for temporal statistics. The time bounds are never used!

In this section the abbreviations as in the following table are used:

$$\begin{array}{lll} & \mathbf{sum} & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ & \mathbf{mean} \text{ resp. avg} & n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ & \mathbf{mean} \text{ resp. avg} & & \left(\sum_{j=1}^n w_j\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \, x_i \\ & \{w_i, i=1, \dots, n\} & \left(\sum_{j=1}^n w_j\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \, x_i \\ & \mathbf{var} & n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2 \\ & \mathbf{var} & & \left(n-1\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2 \\ & \mathbf{var} \text{ weighted by } & \left(\sum_{j=1}^n w_j\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left(x_i - \left(\sum_{j=1}^n w_j\right)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \, x_j\right)^2 \\ & \text{Standard deviation } & \mathbf{std} & \sqrt{n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2} \\ & \mathbf{std1} & \sqrt{(n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2} \\ & \mathbf{std} & \sqrt{(n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2} \\ & \mathbf{std} \text{ weighted by } & \left(\sum_{j=1}^n w_j\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left(x_i - \left(\sum_{j=1}^n w_j\right)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \, x_j\right)^2 \\ & \mathbf{median} & \left\{\frac{x_{\frac{n+1}{2}}}{\frac{1}{2} \left(x_{\frac{n}{2}} + x_{\frac{n}{2} + 1}\right)} & \text{if $n$ is odd} \\ & \frac{1}{2} \left(x_{\frac{n}{2}} + x_{\frac{n}{2} + 1}\right)} & \text{if $n$ is even} \end{array}\right. \end{array}$$

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Skewness  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \overline{x})/n}{s^3}$ 

Kurtosis  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})^4 / n}{s^4}$ 

Cumulative Ranked Probability Score

 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ H(x_1) - cdf(\{x_2 \dots x_n\})|_r \right]^2 dr$ 

 $\mathbf{crps}$ 

with  $cdf(X)|_r$  being the cumulative distribution function of  $\{x_i, i=2...n\}$  at r

and H(x) the Heavyside function jumping at x.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

timcumsum Cumulative sum over all timesteps

consects

Consecutive Sum
Consecutive Timesteps

varsminVariables minimumvarsmaxVariables maximumvarsrangeVariables rangevarssumVariables sumvarsmeanVariables meanvarsavgVariables average

varsstd Variables standard deviation varsstd1 Variables standard deviation (n-1)

varsvar Variables variance varsvar1 Variables variance (n-1)

ensminEnsemble minimumensmaxEnsemble maximumensrangeEnsemble rangeenssumEnsemble sumensmeanEnsemble meanensavgEnsemble average

ensstd Ensemble standard deviation ensstd1 Ensemble standard deviation (n-1)

ensvarEnsemble varianceensvar1Ensemble variance (n-1)ensskewEnsemble skewnessenskurtEnsemble kurtosisensmedianEnsemble medianenspctlEnsemble percentiles

ensrkhistspaceRanked Histogram averaged over timeensrkhisttimeRanked Histogram averaged over spaceensrocEnsemble Receiver Operating characteristics

enscrps Ensemble CRPS and decomposition

**ensbrs** Ensemble Brier score

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fldminField minimumfldmaxField maximumfldrangeField rangefldsumField sumfldintField integralfldmeanField meanfldavgField average

fldstd Field standard deviation
fldstd1 Field standard deviation (n-1)

fldvar Field variance
fldvar1 Field variance (n-1)
fldskew Field skewness
fldkurt Field kurtosis
fldmedian Field median
fldpctl Field percentiles

zonminZonal minimumzonmaxZonal maximumzonrangeZonal rangezonsumZonal sumzonmeanZonal meanzonavgZonal average

zonstdzonstd1Zonal standard deviation (n-1)

zonvarZonal variancezonvar1Zonal variance (n-1)zonskewZonal skewnesszonkurtZonal kurtosiszonmedianZonal medianzonpctlZonal percentiles

merminMeridional minimummermaxMeridional maximummerrangeMeridional rangemersumMeridional summermeanMeridional meanmeravgMeridional average

merstdMeridional standard deviationmerstd1Meridional standard deviation (n-1)

mervarMeridional variancemervar1Meridional variance (n-1)merskewMeridional skewnessmerkurtMeridional kurtosismermedianMeridional medianmerpctlMeridional percentiles

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gridboxminGridbox minimumgridboxmaxGridbox maximumgridboxrangeGridbox rangegridboxsumGridbox sumgridboxmeanGridbox meangridboxavgGridbox average

gridboxstd Gridbox standard deviation gridboxstd1 Gridbox standard deviation (n-1)

gridboxvarGridbox variancegridboxvar1Gridbox variance (n-1)gridboxskewGridbox skewnessgridboxkurtGridbox kurtosisgridboxmedianGridbox median

vertminVertical minimumvertmaxVertical maximumvertrangeVertical rangevertsumVertical sumvertmeanVertical meanvertavgVertical average

vertstd Vertical standard deviation vertstd1 Vertical standard deviation (n-1)

vertvarVertical variancevertvar1Vertical variance (n-1)

timselminTime selection minimumtimselmaxTime selection maximumtimselrangeTime selection rangetimselsumTime selection sumtimselmeanTime selection meantimselavgTime selection average

timselstd Time selection standard deviation timselstd1 Time selection standard deviation (n-1)

timselvar Time selection variance timselvar1 Time selection variance (n-1)

timselpctl Time range percentiles

runminRunning minimumrunmaxRunning maximumrunrangeRunning rangerunsumRunning sumrunmeanRunning meanrunavgRunning average

runstdRunning standard deviationrunstd1Running standard deviation (n-1)

runvar Running variance runvar1 Running variance (n-1)

runpctl Running percentiles

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timminTime minimumtimmaxTime maximumtimrangeTime rangetimsumTime sumtimmeanTime meantimavgTime average

timstd Time standard deviation timstd1 Time standard deviation (n-1)

timvar Time variance timvar1 Time variance (n-1)

timpctl Time percentiles

hourminHourly minimumhourmaxHourly maximumhourrangeHourly rangehoursumHourly sumhourmeanHourly meanhouravgHourly average

hourstd Hourly standard deviation hourstd1 Hourly standard deviation (n-1)

hourvarhourvar1Hourly variance (n-1)

hourpctl Hourly percentiles

dayminDaily minimumdaymaxDaily maximumdayrangeDaily rangedaysumDaily sumdaymeanDaily meandayavgDaily average

daystd Daily standard deviation

Daily standard deviation (n-1)

dayvarDaily variancedayvar1Daily variance (n-1)

daypctl Daily percentiles

monminMonthly minimummonmaxMonthly maximummonrangeMonthly rangemonsumMonthly summonmeanMonthly meanmonavgMonthly average

monstdMonthly standard deviationmonstd1Monthly standard deviation (n-1)

monvarMonthly variancemonvar1Monthly variance (n-1)

monpctl Monthly percentiles

yearmonmean Yearly mean from monthly data

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yearmin Yearly minimum
yearmax Yearly maximum

yearminidx Yearly minimum indices yearmaxidx Yearly maximum indices

yearrangeYearly rangeyearsumYearly sumyearmeanYearly meanyearavgYearly average

yearstd Yearly standard deviation yearstd1 Yearly standard deviation (n-1)

yearvar Yearly variance yearvar1 Yearly variance (n-1)

yearpctl Yearly percentiles

seasminSeasonal minimumseasmaxSeasonal maximumseasrangeSeasonal rangeseassumSeasonal sumseasmeanSeasonal meanseasavgSeasonal average

seasstd Seasonal standard deviation seasstd1 Seasonal standard deviation (n-1)

seasvarSeasonal varianceseasvar1Seasonal variance (n-1)

seaspctl Seasonal percentiles

yhourmin
yhourmax
Multi-year hourly minimum
Multi-year hourly maximum
yhourrange
yhoursum
yhourmean
yhourmean
yhouravg
Multi-year hourly sum
Multi-year hourly mean
yhouravg
Multi-year hourly average

yhourstd Multi-year hourly standard deviation yhourstd1 Multi-year hourly standard deviation (n-1)

yhourvar Multi-year hourly variance yhourvar1 Multi-year hourly variance (n-1)

dhourminMulti-day hourly minimumdhourmaxMulti-day hourly maximumdhourrangeMulti-day hourly rangedhoursumMulti-day hourly sumdhourmeanMulti-day hourly meandhouravgMulti-day hourly average

dhourstdMulti-day hourly standard deviationdhourstd1Multi-day hourly standard deviation (n-1)

dhourvarMulti-day hourly variancedhourvar1Multi-day hourly variance (n-1)

ydaymin Multi-year daily minimum ydaymax Multi-year daily maximum ydayrange Multi-year daily range ydaysum Multi-year daily sum ydaymean Multi-year daily mean ydayavg Multi-year daily average

ydaystd Multi-year daily standard deviation ydaystd1 Multi-year daily standard deviation (n-1)

ydayvar Multi-year daily variance ydayvar1 Multi-year daily variance (n-1)

ydaypctl Multi-year daily percentiles

ymonminMulti-year monthly minimumymonmaxMulti-year monthly maximumymonrangeMulti-year monthly rangeymonsumMulti-year monthly sumymonmeanMulti-year monthly meanymonavgMulti-year monthly average

ymonstd Multi-year monthly standard deviation ymonstd1 Multi-year monthly standard deviation (n-1)

ymonvar Multi-year monthly variance ymonvar1 Multi-year monthly variance (n-1)

ymonpctl Multi-year monthly percentiles

yseasmin Multi-year seasonal minimum
yseasmax Multi-year seasonal maximum
yseasrange Multi-year seasonal range
yseassum Multi-year seasonal sum
yseasmean Multi-year seasonal mean
yseasayg Multi-year seasonal average

yseasstd Multi-year seasonal standard deviation yseasstd1 Multi-year seasonal standard deviation (n-1)

yseasvar Multi-year seasonal variance yseasvar1 Multi-year seasonal variance (n-1)

yseaspctl Multi-year seasonal percentiles

ydrunminMulti-year daily running minimumydrunmaxMulti-year daily running maximumydrunsumMulti-year daily running sumydrunmeanMulti-year daily running meanydrunavgMulti-year daily running average

ydrunstd Multi-year daily running standard deviation ydrunstd1 Multi-year daily running standard deviation (n-1)

ydrunvar Multi-year daily running variance ydrunvar1 Multi-year daily running variance (n-1)

ydrunpctl Multi-year daily running percentiles

## 2.8.1. TIMCUMSUM - Cumulative sum over all timesteps

## **Synopsis**

timcumsum infile outfile

### Description

The timcumsum operator calculates the cumulative sum over all timesteps. Missing values are treated as numeric zero when summing.

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), 0 < t' \le t\}
```

## 2.8.2. CONSECSTAT - Consecute timestep periods

## **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile

### Description

This module computes periods over all timesteps in infile where a certain property is valid. The property can be chosen by creating a mask from the original data, which is the expected input format for operators of this module. Depending on the operator full information about each period or just its length and ending date are computed.

## **Operators**

consecsum Consecutive Sum

This operator computes periods of consecutive timesteps similar to a runsum, but periods are finished, when the mask value is 0. That way multiple periods can be found. Timesteps from the input are preserved. Missing values are handled like 0, i.e. finish periods of consecutive timesteps.

consects Consecutive Timesteps

In contrast to the operator above consects only computes the length of each period together with its last timestep. To be able to perform statistical analysis like min, max or mean, everything else is set to missing value.

#### **Example**

For a given time series of daily temperatures, the periods of summer days can be calculated with inplace maskting the input field:

cdo consects -gtc,20.0 infile1 outfile

#### 2.8.3. VARSSTAT - Statistical values over all variables

# **Synopsis**

< operator > infile outfile

## Description

This module computes statistical values over all variables for each timestep. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation is written to outfile. All input variables need to have the same gridsize and the same number of levels.

## **Operators**

varsmin Variables minimum

For every timestep the minimum over all variables is computed.

varsmax Variables maximum

For every timestep the maximum over all variables is computed.

varsrange Variables range

For every timestep the range over all variables is computed.

varssum Variables sum

For every timestep the sum over all variables is computed.

varsmean Variables mean

For every timestep the mean over all variables is computed.

varsavg Variables average

For every timestep the average over all variables is computed.

varsstd Variables standard deviation

For every timestep the standard deviation over all variables is computed. Normalize

by n.

varsstd1 Variables standard deviation (n-1)

For every timestep the standard deviation over all variables is computed. Normalize

by (n-1).

varsvar Variables variance

For every timestep the variance over all variables is computed. Normalize by n.

varsvar1 Variables variance (n-1)

For every timestep the variance over all variables is computed. Normalize by (n-1).

## 2.8.4. ENSSTAT - Statistical values over an ensemble

## **Synopsis**

```
<operator> infiles outfile
enspctl,p infiles outfile
```

### Description

This module computes statistical values over an ensemble of input files. Depending on the chosen operator, the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, standard deviation, variance, skewness, kurtosis, median or a certain percentile over all input files is written to outfile. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the first input file.

## **Operators**

ensmin	Ensemble minimum $o(t,x) = \min\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensmax	Ensemble maximum $o(t,x) = \max\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensrange	Ensemble range $o(t,x) = \text{range}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
enssum	Ensemble sum $o(t,x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensmean	Ensemble mean $o(t,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensavg	Ensemble average $o(t,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \cdots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensstd	Ensemble standard deviation Normalize by n.
	$o(t,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \cdots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensstd1	Ensemble standard deviation (n-1) Normalize by (n-1).
	$o(t,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensvar	Ensemble variance Normalize by n.
	$o(t,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensvar1	Ensemble variance (n-1) Normalize by (n-1).
	$o(t,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \cdots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensskew	Ensemble skewness $o(t,x) = \mathbf{skew}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
enskurt	Ensemble kurtosis $o(t,x) = \mathbf{kurt}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \cdots, i_n(t,x)\}$
ensmedian	Ensemble median $o(t,x) = \mathbf{median}\{i_1(t,x), i_2(t,x), \dots, i_n(t,x)\}$
${\bf enspctl}$	Ensemble percentiles $o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile} \{i_1(t, x), i_2(t, x), \dots, i_n(t, x)\}$

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

### Note

This operator needs to open all input files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

# **Example**

To compute the ensemble mean over 6 input files use:

```
cdo ensmean infile1 infile2 infile3 infile4 infile5 infile6 outfile
```

Or shorter with filename substitution:

```
cdo ensmean infile[1-6] outfile
```

To compute the 50th percentile (median) over 6 input files use:

cdo enspct1,50 infile1 infile2 infile3 infile4 infile5 infile6 outfile

### 2.8.5. ENSSTAT2 - Statistical values over an ensemble

## **Synopsis**

<operator> obsfile ensfiles outfile

### Description

This module computes statistical values over the ensemble of ensfiles using obsfile as a reference. Depending on the operator a ranked Histogram or a roc-curve over all Ensembles ensfiles with reference to obsfile is written to outfile. The date and grid information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the first input file. Thus all input files are required to have the same structure in terms of the gridsize, variable definitions and number of timesteps.

All Operators in this module use obsfile as the reference (for instance an observation) whereas ensfiles are understood as an ensemble consisting of n (where n is the number of ensfiles) members.

The operators ensikhistspace and ensikhistsime compute Ranked Histograms. Therefor the vertical axis is utilized as the Histogram axis, which prohibits the use of files containing more than one level. The histogram axis has nensfiles+1 bins with level 0 containing for each grid point the number of observations being smaller as all ensembles and level nensfiles+1 indicating the number of observations being larger than all ensembles.

ensrkhistspace computes a ranked histogram at each timestep reducing each horizontal grid to a 1x1 grid and keeping the time axis as in obsfile. Contrary ensrkhistspace computes a histogram at each grid point keeping the horizontal grid for each variable and reducing the time-axis. The time information is that from the last timestep in obsfile.

## **Operators**

ensrkhistspace Ranked Histogram averaged over time

ensrkhisttime Ranked Histogram averaged over space

**ensroc** Ensemble Receiver Operating characteristics

#### **Example**

To compute a rank histogram over 5 input files ensfile1-ensfile5 given an observation in obsfile

cdo ensrkhisttime obsfile ensfile1 ensfile2 ensfile3 ensfile4 ensfile5 outfile

Or shorter with filename substitution:

cdo ensrkhisttime obsfile ensfile[1-5] outfile

### 2.8.6. ENSVAL - Ensemble validation tools

## **Synopsis**

```
enscrps rfile infiles outfilebase
ensbrs,x rfile infiles outfilebase
```

## Description

This module computes ensemble validation scores and their decomposition such as the Brier and cumulative ranked probability score (CRPS). The first file is used as a reference it can be a climatology, observation or reanalysis against which the skill of the ensembles given in infiles is measured. Depending on the operator a number of output files is generated each containing the skill score and its decomposition corresponding to the operator. The output is averaged over horizontal fields using appropriate weights for each level and timestep in rfile.

All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the first input file. The output files are named as <outfilebase>.<type>.<fileswhere <type> depends on the operator and <filesuffix> is determined from the output file type. There are three output files for operator enscrps and four output files for operator ensbrs.

The CRPS and its decomposition into Reliability and the potential CRPS are calculated by an appropriate averaging over the field members (note, that the CRPS does \*not\* average linearly). In the three output files  $\langle type \rangle$  has the following meaning: crps for the CRPS, reli for the reliability and crpspot for the potential crps. The relation  $CRPS = CRPS_{pot} + RELI$ 

holds

The Brier score of the Ensemble given by infiles with respect to the reference given in rfile and the threshold x is calculated. In the four output files  $\langle \text{type} \rangle$  has the following meaning: brs for the Brier score wrt threshold x; brsreli for the Brier score reliability wrt threshold x; brsreso for the Brier score resolution wrt threshold x; brsunct for the Brier score uncertainty wrt threshold x. In analogy to the CRPS the following relation holds: BRS(x) = RELI(x) - RESO(x) + UNCT(x).

The implementation of the decomposition of the CRPS and Brier Score follows Hans Hersbach (2000): Decomposition of the Continuous Ranked Probability Score for Ensemble Prediction Systems, in: Weather and Forecasting (15) pp. 559-570.

The CRPS code decomposition has been verified against the CRAN - ensemble validation package from R. Differences occur when grid-cell area is not uniform as the implementation in R does not account for that.

### **Operators**

enscrps Ensemble CRPS and decomposition

**ensbrs** Ensemble Brier score

Ensemble Brier Score and Decomposition

### Example

To compute the field averaged Brier score at x=5 over an ensemble with 5 members ensfile1-5 w.r.t. the reference rfile and write the results to files obase.brs.<suff>, obase.brsreli<suff>, obase.brsreso<suff>, obase.brsunct<suff> where <suff> is determined from the output file type, use

cdo ensbrs,5 rfile ensfile1 ensfile2 ensfile3 ensfile4 ensfile5 obase

or shorter using file name substitution:

cdo ensbrs,5 rfile ensfile[1-5] obase

### 2.8.7. FLDSTAT - Statistical values over a field

## **Synopsis**

< operator >, weights infile outfile

fldpctl, p infile outfile

### Description

This module computes statistical values of all input fields. A field is a horizontal layer of a data variable. Depending on the chosen operator, the minimum, maximum, range, sum, integral, average, standard deviation, variance, skewness, kurtosis, median or a certain percentile of the field is written to outfile.

## **Operators**

fldmin Field minimum

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \min\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldmax Field maximum

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \max\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldrange Field range

For every gridpoint  $x\_1,...,x\_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldsum Field sum

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldint Field integral

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t,x') * cellarea(x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldmean Field mean

For every gridpoint  $x\_1,...,x\_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

weighted by area weights obtained by the input field.

fldavg Field average

For every gridpoint  $x\_1, ..., x\_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

weighted by area weights obtained by the input field.

fldstd Field standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

weighted by area weights obtained by the input field.

fldstd1 Field standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

weighted by area weights obtained by the input field.

fldvar Field variance

Normalize by n. For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

weighted by area weights obtained by the input field.

fldvar1 Field variance (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

weighted by area weights obtained by the input field.

fldskew Field skewness

For every gridpoint x = 1, ..., x = n of the same field it is:

 $o(t, 1) = \mathbf{skew}\{i(t, x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldkurt Field kurtosis

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{kurt}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldmedian Field median

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t, 1) = \mathbf{median}\{i(t, x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

fldpctl Field percentiles

For every gridpoint  $x_1, ..., x_n$  of the same field it is:

 $o(t,1) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t,x'), x_1 < x' \le x_n\}$ 

### **Parameter**

weights BOOL weights=FALSE disables weighting by grid cell area [default: weights=TRUE]

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

## Example

To compute the field mean of all input fields use:

cdo fldmean infile outfile

To compute the 90th percentile of all input fields use:

cdo fldpctl,90 infile outfile

### 2.8.8. ZONSTAT - Zonal statistical values

## **Synopsis**

```
<operator> infile outfile
zonpctl,p infile outfile
```

### Description

This module computes zonal statistical values of the input fields. Depending on the chosen operator, the zonal minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, standard deviation, variance, skewness, kurtosis, median or a certain percentile of the field is written to outfile. This operator requires all variables on the same regular lon/lat grid.

## **Operators**

**zonmin** Zonal minimum

For every latitude the minimum over all longitudes is computed.

zonmax Zonal maximum

For every latitude the maximum over all longitudes is computed.

zonrange Zonal range

For every latitude the range over all longitudes is computed.

zonsum Zonal sum

For every latitude the sum over all longitudes is computed.

zonmean Zonal mean

For every latitude the mean over all longitudes is computed.

zonavg Zonal average

For every latitude the average over all longitudes is computed.

zonstd Zonal standard deviation

For every latitude the standard deviation over all longitudes is computed. Normalize

by n.

zonstd1 Zonal standard deviation (n-1)

For every latitude the standard deviation over all longitudes is computed. Normalize

by (n-1).

zonvar Zonal variance

For every latitude the variance over all longitudes is computed. Normalize by n.

**zonvar1** Zonal variance (n-1)

For every latitude the variance over all longitudes is computed. Normalize by (n-1).

zonskew Zonal skewness

For every latitude the skewness over all longitudes is computed.

zonkurt Zonal kurtosis

For every latitude the kurtosis over all longitudes is computed.

zonmedian Zonal median

For every latitude the median over all longitudes is computed.

zonpctl Zonal percentiles

For every latitude the pth percentile over all longitudes is computed.

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

# **Example**

To compute the zonal mean of all input fields use:

cdo zonmean infile outfile

To compute the 50th meridional percentile (median) of all input fields use:

cdo zonpctl,50 infile outfile

#### 2.8.9. MERSTAT - Meridional statistical values

## **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile
merpctl,p infile outfile

### Description

This module computes meridional statistical values of the input fields. Depending on the chosen operator, the meridional minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, standard deviation, variance, skewness, kurtosis, median or a certain percentile of the field is written to outfile. This operator requires all variables on the same regular lon/lat grid.

## **Operators**

mermin Meridional minimum

For every longitude the minimum over all latitudes is computed.

mermax Meridional maximum

For every longitude the maximum over all latitudes is computed.

merrange Meridional range

For every longitude the range over all latitudes is computed.

mersum Meridional sum

For every longitude the sum over all latitudes is computed.

mermean Meridional mean

For every longitude the area weighted mean over all latitudes is computed.

meravg Meridional average

For every longitude the area weighted average over all latitudes is computed.

merstd Meridional standard deviation

For every longitude the standard deviation over all latitudes is computed. Normalize

by n.

merstd1 Meridional standard deviation (n-1)

For every longitude the standard deviation over all latitudes is computed. Normalize

by (n-1).

mervar Meridional variance

For every longitude the variance over all latitudes is computed. Normalize by n.

mervar1 Meridional variance (n-1)

For every longitude the variance over all latitudes is computed. Normalize by (n-1).

merskew Meridional skewness

For every longitude the skewness over all latitudes is computed.

merkurt Meridional kurtosis

For every longitude the kurtosis over all latitudes is computed.

mermedian Meridional median

For every longitude the median over all latitudes is computed.

merpctl Meridional percentiles

For every longitude the pth percentile over all latitudes is computed.

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

# **Example**

To compute the meridional mean of all input fields use:

cdo mermean infile outfile

To compute the 50th meridional percentile (median) of all input fields use:

cdo merpctl,50 infile outfile

## 2.8.10. GRIDBOXSTAT - Statistical values over grid boxes

## **Synopsis**

 $<\!operator\!>,\!nx,\!ny$  infile outfile

### Description

This module computes statistical values over surrounding grid boxes. Depending on the chosen operator, the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, standard deviation, variance, skewness, kurtosis or median of the neighboring grid boxes is written to outfile. All gridbox operators only work on quadrilateral curvilinear grids.

# **Operators**

gridboxmin Gridbox minimum

Minimum value of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxmax Gridbox maximum

Maximum value of the selected grid boxes.

**gridboxrange** Gridbox range

Range (max-min value) of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxsum Gridbox sum

Sum of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxmean Gridbox mean

Mean of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxavg Gridbox average

Average of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxstd Gridbox standard deviation

Standard deviation of the selected grid boxes. Normalize by n.

gridboxstd1 Gridbox standard deviation (n-1)

Standard deviation of the selected grid boxes. Normalize by (n-1).

gridboxvar Gridbox variance

Variance of the selected grid boxes. Normalize by n.

gridboxvar1 Gridbox variance (n-1)

Variance of the selected grid boxes. Normalize by (n-1).

gridboxskew Gridbox skewness

Skewness of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxkurt Gridbox kurtosis

Kurtosis of the selected grid boxes.

gridboxmedian Gridbox median

Median of the selected grid boxes.

## **Parameter**

nx INTEGER Number of grid boxes in x directionny INTEGER Number of grid boxes in y direction

### **Example**

To compute the mean over 10x10 grid boxes of the input field use:

cdo gridboxmean, 10, 10 infile outfile

### 2.8.11. VERTSTAT - Vertical statistical values

## **Synopsis**

<operator>, weights infile outfile

### Description

This module computes statistical values over all levels of the input variables. According to chosen operator the vertical minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation is written to outfile.

### **Operators**

vertmin Vertical minimum

For every gridpoint the minimum over all levels is computed.

vertmax Vertical maximum

For every gridpoint the maximum over all levels is computed.

vertrange Vertical range

For every gridpoint the range over all levels is computed.

vertsum Vertical sum

For every gridpoint the sum over all levels is computed.

vertmean Vertical mean

For every gridpoint the layer weighted mean over all levels is computed.

vertavg Vertical average

For every gridpoint the layer weighted average over all levels is computed.

vertstd Vertical standard deviation

For every gridpoint the standard deviation over all levels is computed. Normalize by

n.

vertstd1 Vertical standard deviation (n-1)

For every gridpoint the standard deviation over all levels is computed. Normalize by

(n-1).

vertvar Vertical variance

For every gridpoint the variance over all levels is computed. Normalize by n.

vertvar1 Vertical variance (n-1)

For every gridpoint the variance over all levels is computed. Normalize by (n-1).

#### **Parameter**

weights BOOL weights=FALSE disables weighting by layer thickness [default: weights=TRUE]

#### **Example**

To compute the vertical sum of all input variables use:

cdo vertsum infile outfile

## 2.8.12. TIMSELSTAT - Time range statistical values

## Synopsis

< operator > , nsets[, noffset[, nskip]] infile outfile

## Description

This module computes statistical values for a selected number of timesteps. According to the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of the selected timesteps is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

## **Operators**

timselmin Time selection minimum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time

range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselmax Time selection maximum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time

range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \max\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselrange Time selection range

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time

range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselsum Time selection sum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time

range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselmean Time selection mean

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time

range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselavg Time selection average

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time

range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselstd Time selection standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence t=1,...,t=n of timesteps of the same

selected time range it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselstd1 Time selection standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the

same selected time range it is:  $c(t, m) = atd\mathbf{1} \{i(t', m), t < t' < t\}$ 

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselvar Time selection variance

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence t = 1, ..., t = n of timesteps of the same

selected time range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timselvar1 Time selection variance (n-1)
--

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time range it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

#### **Parameter**

nsets	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps for each output timestep
noffset	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps skipped before the first timestep range (optional) $$
nskip	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps skipped between timestep ranges (optional)

### **Example**

Assume an input dataset has monthly means over several years. To compute seasonal means from monthly means the first two month have to be skipped:

cdo timselmean, 3, 2 infile outfile

## 2.8.13. TIMSELPCTL - Time range percentile values

## **Synopsis**

timselpctl,p,nsets[,noffset[,nskip]] infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile

## Description

This operator computes percentile values over a selected number of timesteps in infile1. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by setting the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS to a different value. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding timeselmin and timeselmax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same selected time range it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

### **Parameter**

p	FLOAT	Percentile number in 0,, 100
nsets	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps for each output timestep
noffset	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps skipped before the first timestep range (optional) $$
nskip	INTEGER	Number of input timesteps skipped between timestep ranges (optional)

#### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

# 2.8.14. RUNSTAT - Running statistical values

## **Synopsis**

< operator >, nts infile outfile

## Description

This module computes running statistical values over a selected number of timesteps. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of a selected number of consecutive timesteps read from infile is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

## **Operators**

runmin	Running minimum $o(t+(nts-1)/2,x)=\min\{i(t,x),i(t+1,x),,i(t+nts-1,x)\}$
runmax	Running maximum $o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \max\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
runrange	Running range $o(t+(nts-1)/2,x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t,x),i(t+1,x),,i(t+nts-1,x)\}$
runsum	Running sum $o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
runmean	Running mean $o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
runavg	Running average $o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
runstd	Running standard deviation Normalize by n.
	$o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
$\operatorname{runstd1}$	Running standard deviation (n-1) Normalize by (n-1).
	$o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
runvar	Running variance Normalize by n.
	$o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$
runvar1	Running variance (n-1) Normalize by (n-1).
	$o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x),, i(t + nts - 1, x)\}$

#### **Parameter**

nts INTEGER Number of timesteps

#### **Environment**

CDO\_TIMESTAT\_DATE Sets the time stamp in outfile to the "first", "middle" or "last" contributing timestep of infile.

## **Example**

To compute the running mean over 9 timesteps use:

cdo runmean,9 infile outfile

## 2.8.15. RUNPCTL - Running percentile values

## **Synopsis**

runpctl,p,nts infile outfile

## Description

This module computes running percentiles over a selected number of timesteps in infile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

```
o(t + (nts - 1)/2, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x), ..., i(t + nts - 1, x)\}
```

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

nts INTEGER Number of timesteps

## **Example**

To compute the running 50th percentile (median) over 9 timesteps use:

cdo runpctl,50,9 infile outfile

## 2.8.16. TIMSTAT - Statistical values over all timesteps

## **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile

### Description

This module computes statistical values over all timesteps in infile. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of all timesteps read from infile is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

# **Operators**

**timmin** Time minimum

 $o(1, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timmax Time maximum

 $o(1, x) = \max\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timrange Time range

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timsum Time sum

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timmean Time mean

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timavg Time average

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timstd Time standard deviation

Normalize by n.

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timstd1 Time standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1).

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timvar Time variance

Normalize by n.

 $o(1,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

timvar1 Time variance (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1).

 $o(1, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

## **Example**

To compute the mean over all input timesteps use:

cdo timmean infile outfile

### 2.8.17. TIMPCTL - Percentile values over all timesteps

# **Synopsis**

```
timpctl,p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

### Description

This operator computes percentiles over all timesteps in infile1. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by defining the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding timmin and timmax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

```
o(1,x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

#### **Parameter**

```
p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100
```

#### **Environment**

CDO PCTL NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

## Example

To compute the 90th percentile over all input timesteps use:

```
cdo timmin infile minfile
cdo timmax infile maxfile
cdo timpctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo timpctl,90 infile -timmin infile -timmax infile outfile
```

# 2.8.18. HOURSTAT - Hourly statistical values

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infile outfile

## Description

This module computes statistical values over timesteps of the same hour. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of timesteps of the same hour is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

## **Operators**

**hourmin** Hourly minimum

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourmax Hourly maximum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \max\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourrange Hourly range

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hoursum Hourly sum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourmean Hourly mean

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

houravg Hourly average

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourstd Hourly standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourstd1 Hourly standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same

hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourvar Hourly variance

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

hourvar1 Hourly variance (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence t=1,...,t=n of timesteps of the same

hour it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

## **Example**

To compute the hourly mean of a time series use:

```
cdo hourmean infile outfile
```

## 2.8.19. HOURPCTL - Hourly percentile values

## **Synopsis**

hourpctl,p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile

## Description

This operator computes percentiles over all timesteps of the same hour in infile1. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by defining the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding hourmin and hourmax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat date <first|middle|last>.

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same hour it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

#### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

### **Example**

To compute the hourly 90th percentile of a time series use:

```
cdo hourmin infile minfile
cdo hourmax infile maxfile
cdo hourpctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo hourpctl,90 infile -hourmin infile -hourmax infile outfile
```

## 2.8.20. DAYSTAT - Daily statistical values

## Synopsis

< operator > infile outfile

### Description

This module computes statistical values over timesteps of the same day. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of timesteps of the same day is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

## **Operators**

daymin Daily minimum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same day it is:

 $o(t, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

daymax Daily maximum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of time steps of the same day it is:

 $o(t,x) = \max\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

dayrange Daily range

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same day it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

daysum Daily sum

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same day it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

daymean Daily mean

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same day it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

dayavg Daily average

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same day it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

daystd Daily standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same day

it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

daystd1 Daily standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same

day it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

dayvar Daily variance

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of time steps of the same day

it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

dayvar1 Daily variance (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence t=1,...,t=n of timesteps of the same

day it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

## **Example**

To compute the daily mean of a time series use:

```
cdo daymean infile outfile
```

## 2.8.21. DAYPCTL - Daily percentile values

## **Synopsis**

```
\mathbf{daypctl}, p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

## Description

This operator computes percentiles over all timesteps of the same day in infile1. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by defining the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding daymin and daymax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat date <first|middle|last>.

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same day it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

#### **Parameter**

```
p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100
```

#### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

### **Example**

To compute the daily 90th percentile of a time series use:

```
cdo daymin infile minfile
cdo daymax infile maxfile
cdo daypctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo daypctl,90 infile -daymin infile -daymax infile outfile
```

# 2.8.22. MONSTAT - Monthly statistical values

## **Synopsis**

< operator > infile outfile

## Description

This module computes statistical values over timesteps of the same month. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of timesteps of the same month is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

## **Operators**

**monmin** Monthly minimum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monmax Monthly maximum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \max\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monrange Monthly range

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same month it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monsum Monthly sum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same month it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monmean Monthly mean

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of time steps of the same month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monavg Monthly average

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same month it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monstd Monthly standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monstd1 Monthly standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same

month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monvar Monthly variance

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

monvar1 Monthly variance (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence t=1,...,t=n of timesteps of the same

month it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

## **Example**

To compute the monthly mean of a time series use:

```
cdo monmean infile outfile
```

## 2.8.23. MONPCTL - Monthly percentile values

## **Synopsis**

```
monpctl,p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

## Description

This operator computes percentiles over all timesteps of the same month in infile1. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by defining the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding monmin and monmax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat date <first|middle|last>.

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same month it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

#### **Parameter**

```
p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100
```

## **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

### **Example**

To compute the monthly 90th percentile of a time series use:

```
cdo monmin infile minfile
cdo monmax infile maxfile
cdo monpctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo monpctl,90 infile -monmin infile -monmax infile outfile
```

# 2.8.24. YEARMONSTAT - Yearly mean from monthly data

# **Synopsis**

yearmonmean infile outfile

## Description

This operator computes the yearly mean of a monthly time series. Each month is weighted with the number of days per month. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile.

```
For every adjacent sequence t\_1,...,t\_n of timesteps of the same year it is: o(t,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t',x),t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

### **Environment**

CDO\_TIMESTAT\_DATE Sets the date information in outfile to the "first", "middle" or "last" contributing timestep of infile.

# **Example**

To compute the yearly mean of a monthly time series use:

cdo yearmonmean infile outfile

# 2.8.25. YEARSTAT - Yearly statistical values

## **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile

## Description

This module computes statistical values over timesteps of the same year. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of timesteps of the same year is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

## **Operators**

yearmin Yearly minimum

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearmax Yearly maximum

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t,x) = \max\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearminidx Yearly minimum indices

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{minidx}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearmaxidx Yearly maximum indices

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{maxidx}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearrange Yearly range

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearsum Yearly sum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearmean Yearly mean

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearavg Yearly average

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearstd Yearly standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearstd1 Yearly standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the

same year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

yearvar Yearly variance

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence t=1,...,t=n of timesteps of the same

year it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

```
yearvar1 Yearly variance (n-1)
```

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

#### Note

The operators yearmean and yearavg compute only arithmetical means!

### Example

To compute the yearly mean of a time series use:

```
cdo yearmean infile outfile
```

To compute the yearly mean from the correct weighted monthly mean use:

```
cdo yearmonmean infile outfile
```

# 2.8.26. YEARPCTL - Yearly percentile values

## **Synopsis**

```
yearpctl,p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

## Description

This operator computes percentiles over all timesteps of the same year in infile1. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by defining the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding yearmin and yearmax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the CDO option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same year it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

## **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

#### **Example**

To compute the yearly 90th percentile of a time series use:

```
cdo yearmin infile minfile
cdo yearmax infile maxfile
cdo yearpctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo yearpctl,90 infile -yearmin infile -yearmax infile outfile
```

### 2.8.27. SEASSTAT - Seasonal statistical values

## **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile

## Description

This module computes statistical values over timesteps of the same season. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of timesteps of the same season is written to outfile. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>. Be careful about the first and the last output timestep, they may be incorrect values if the seasons have incomplete timesteps.

## **Operators**

seasmin Seasonal minimum

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \min\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasmax Seasonal maximum

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1,...,t\_n$  of timesteps of the same season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \max\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasrange Seasonal range

For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seassum Seasonal sum

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasmean Seasonal mean

For every adjacent sequence t = 1, ..., t = n of timesteps of the same season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasavg Seasonal average

For every adjacent sequence t = 1, ..., t = n of timesteps of the same season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasstd Seasonal standard deviation

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence t=1,...,t=n of timesteps of the same

season it is:

 $o(t,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t',x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasstd1 Seasonal standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasvar Seasonal variance

Normalize by n. For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same

season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

seasvar1 Seasonal variance (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1). For every adjacent sequence  $t\_1, ..., t\_n$  of timesteps of the same

season it is:

 $o(t, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}$ 

### **Example**

To compute the seasonal mean of a time series use:

```
cdo seasmean infile outfile
```

## 2.8.28. SEASPCTL - Seasonal percentile values

## **Synopsis**

```
\mathbf{seaspctl}, p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

## Description

This operator computes percentiles over all timesteps in infile1 of the same season. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by defining the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding seasmin and seasmax operations, respectively. The time of outfile is determined by the time in the middle of all contributing timesteps of infile1. This can be change with the CDO option—timestat\_date <first|middle|last>. Be careful about the first and the last output timestep, they may be incorrect values if the seasons have incomplete timesteps.

For every adjacent sequence  $t_1, ..., t_n$  of timesteps of the same season it is:

```
o(t, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t', x), t_1 < t' \le t_n\}
```

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

### Example

To compute the seasonal 90th percentile of a time series use:

```
cdo seasmin infile minfile
cdo seasmax infile maxfile
cdo seaspctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo seaspctl,90 infile -seasmin infile -seasmax infile outfile
```

# 2.8.29. YHOURSTAT - Multi-year hourly statistical values

## **Synopsis**

```
< operator > infile outfile
```

### Description

This module computes statistical values of each hour and day of year. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of each hour and day of year in infile is written to outfile. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

## **Operators**

```
yhourmin
                     Multi-year hourly minimum
                      o(0001, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 8784\}
yhourmax
                     Multi-year hourly maximum
                      o(0001, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 8784\}
yhourrange
                     Multi-year hourly range
                      o(0001, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 8784\}
yhoursum
                     Multi-year hourly sum
                      o(0001, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 8784\}
yhourmean
                     Multi-year hourly mean
                      o(0001,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 8784\}
yhouravg
                     Multi-year hourly average
                      o(0001,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 8784\}
                     Multi-year hourly standard deviation
yhourstd
                     Normalize by n.
                      o(0001, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 0001\}
                      o(8784, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 8784\}
                     Multi-year hourly standard deviation (n-1)
yhourstd1
                     Normalize by (n-1).
```

$$o(0001,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(8784,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 8784\}$$

$$\mathbf{yhourvar} \qquad \text{Multi-year hourly variance}$$

$$\mathrm{Normalize\ by\ n.}$$

$$o(0001,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(8784,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 8784\}$$

$$\mathbf{yhourvar1} \qquad \text{Multi-year hourly variance\ (n-1)}$$

$$\mathrm{Normalize\ by\ (n-1).}$$

$$o(0001,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 0001\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(8784,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{day}(i(t)) = 8784\}$$

# 2.8.30. DHOURSTAT - Multi-day hourly statistical values

## **Synopsis**

```
< operator > infile outfile
```

## Description

This module computes statistical values of each hour of day. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of each hour of day in infile is written to outfile. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

## **Operators**

dhourmin Multi-day hourly minimum  $o(01, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhourmax Multi-day hourly maximum  $o(01, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhourrange Multi-day hourly range  $o(01, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhoursum Multi-day hourly sum  $o(01, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhourmean Multi-day hourly mean  $o(01, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhouravg Multi-day hourly average  $o(01, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhourstd Multi-day hourly standard deviation Normalize by n.  $o(01, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 01\}$  $o(24, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 24\}$ dhourstd1 Multi-day hourly standard deviation (n-1)

Normalize by (n-1).

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$$o(01,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 01\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(24,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 24\}$$

$$\mathbf{dhourvar}$$
Multi-day hourly variance
Normalize by n.
$$o(01,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 01\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(24,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 24\}$$

$$\mathbf{dhourvar1}$$
Multi-day hourly variance (n-1)
Normalize by (n-1).
$$o(01,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 01\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(24,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 24\}$$

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### 2.8.31. YDAYSTAT - Multi-year daily statistical values

### **Synopsis**

```
< operator > infile outfile
```

### Description

This module computes statistical values of each day of year. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of each day of year in infile is written to outfile. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

# **Operators**

```
ydaymin
                   Multi-year daily minimum
                     o(001, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}
ydaymax
                   Multi-year daily maximum
                     o(001, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}
ydayrange
                   Multi-year daily range
                     o(001, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 366\}
ydaysum
                   Multi-year daily sum
                     o(001, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 366\}
ydaymean
                   Multi-year daily mean
                     o(001, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}
ydayavg
                   Multi-year daily average
                     o(001, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 366\}
ydaystd
                   Multi-year daily standard deviation
                   Normalize by n.
                     o(001, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), day(i(t)) = 366\}
                   Multi-year daily standard deviation (n-1)
ydaystd1
                   Normalize by (n-1).
```

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$$o(001,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 001\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(366,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}$$

$$\mathbf{ydayvar}$$
Multi-year daily variance
Normalize by n.
$$o(001,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 001\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(366,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}$$

$$\mathbf{ydayvar1}$$
Multi-year daily variance (n-1)
Normalize by (n-1).
$$o(001,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 001\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(366,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}$$

# **Example**

To compute the daily mean over all input years use:

cdo ydaymean infile outfile

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# 2.8.32. YDAYPCTL - Multi-year daily percentile values

### **Synopsis**

```
ydaypctl,p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

### Description

This operator writes a certain percentile of each day of year in infile1 to outfile. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by setting the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS to a different value. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding ydaymin and ydaymax operations, respectively. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

```
o(001, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 001\}

\vdots

o(366, x) = \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t, x), \operatorname{day}(i(t)) = 366\}
```

#### **Parameter**

```
p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100
```

#### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

# **Example**

To compute the daily 90th percentile over all input years use:

```
cdo ydaymin infile minfile
cdo ydaymax infile maxfile
cdo ydaypctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo ydaypctl,90 infile -ydaymin infile -ydaymax infile outfile
```

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### 2.8.33. YMONSTAT - Multi-year monthly statistical values

### **Synopsis**

```
< operator > infile outfile
```

### Description

This module computes statistical values of each month of year. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of each month of year in infile is written to outfile. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field. This can be change with the **CDO** option --timestat\_date <first|middle|last>.

### **Operators**

```
ymonmin
                    Multi-year monthly minimum
                      o(01, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                      o(12, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 12\}
                    Multi-year monthly maximum
ymonmax
                      o(01, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                      o(12, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 12\}
ymonrange
                    Multi-year monthly range
                      o(01, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                      o(12, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12\}
ymonsum
                    Multi-year monthly sum
                      o(01, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                      o(12, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 12\}
                    Multi-year monthly mean
ymonmean
                      o(01, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                      o(12, x) = mean\{i(t, x), month(i(t)) = 12\}
                    Multi-year monthly average
ymonavg
                      o(01, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                      o(12, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 12\}
                    Multi-year monthly standard deviation
ymonstd
                    Normalize by n.
                      o(01, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 01\}
                     \vdots \\ o(12,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 12\}
                    Multi-year monthly standard deviation (n-1)
ymonstd1
                    Normalize by (n-1).
```

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$$o(01,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 01\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(12,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 12\}$$

$$\mathbf{ymonvar}$$
Multi-year monthly variance
$$\mathrm{Normalize\ by\ n.}$$

$$o(01,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 01\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(12,x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 12\}$$

$$\mathbf{ymonvar1}$$
Multi-year monthly variance (n-1)
$$\mathrm{Normalize\ by\ (n-1).}$$

$$o(01,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 01\}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$o(12,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 12\}$$

# **Example**

To compute the monthly mean over all input years use:

cdo ymonmean infile outfile

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### 2.8.34. YMONPCTL - Multi-year monthly percentile values

# **Synopsis**

```
\mathbf{ymonpctl}, p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

### Description

This operator writes a certain percentile of each month of year in infile1 to outfile. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by setting the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS to a different value. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding ymonmin and ymonmax operations, respectively. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

```
\begin{split} o(01,x) &= \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 01\} \\ & \vdots \\ o(12,x) &= \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t,x), \mathrm{month}(i(t)) = 12\} \end{split}
```

#### **Parameter**

p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100

#### **Environment**

CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

# Example

To compute the monthly 90th percentile over all input years use:

```
cdo ymonmin infile minfile
cdo ymonmax infile maxfile
cdo ymonpctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo ymonpctl,90 infile -ymonmin infile -ymonmax infile outfile
```

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### 2.8.35. YSEASSTAT - Multi-year seasonal statistical values

### **Synopsis**

```
<operator> infile outfile
```

### Description

This module computes statistical values of each season. Depending on the chosen operator the minimum, maximum, range, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of each season in infile is written to outfile. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

### **Operators**

```
yseasmin
                     Multi-year seasonal minimum
                       o(1,x) = \min\{i(t,x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \min\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3,x) = \min\{i(t,x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4,x) = \min\{i(t,x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
                     Multi-year seasonal maximum
yseasmax
                       o(1,x) = \max\{i(t,x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \max\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
                     Multi-year seasonal range
yseasrange
                       o(1,x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \mathbf{range}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
                     Multi-year seasonal sum
yseassum
                       o(1,x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2,x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
                     Multi-year seasonal mean
yseasmean
                       o(1, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
yseasavg
                     Multi-year seasonal average
                       o(1, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t,x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
yseasstd
                     Multi-year seasonal standard deviation
                       o(1,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t,x), month(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4,x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
```

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```
Multi-year seasonal standard deviation (n-1)
yseasstd1
                       o(1,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), month(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t, x), month(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4,x) = \mathbf{std1}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
yseasvar
                      Multi-year seasonal variance
                       o(1, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \mathbf{var}\{i(t, x), \text{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
                      Multi-year seasonal variance (n-1)
yseasvar1
                       o(1,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}
                       o(2, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}
                       o(3, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}
                       o(4, x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t, x), \mathbf{month}(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
```

### **Example**

To compute the seasonal mean over all input years use:

```
cdo yseasmean infile outfile
```

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### 2.8.36. YSEASPCTL - Multi-year seasonal percentile values

### **Synopsis**

```
yseaspctl,p infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

### Description

This operator writes a certain percentile of each season in infile1 to outfile. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by setting the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS to a different value. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding yseasmin and yseasmax operations, respectively. The date information in an output field is the date of the last contributing input field.

```
o(1, x) = pth percentile\{i(t, x), month(i(t)) = 12, 01, 02\}

o(2, x) = pth percentile\{i(t, x), month(i(t)) = 03, 04, 05\}

o(3, x) = pth percentile\{i(t, x), month(i(t)) = 06, 07, 08\}

o(4, x) = pth percentile\{i(t, x), month(i(t)) = 09, 10, 11\}
```

#### **Parameter**

```
p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100
```

#### **Environment**

```
CDO_PCTL_NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.
```

### **Example**

To compute the seasonal 90th percentile over all input years use:

```
cdo yseasmin infile minfile
cdo yseasmax infile maxfile
cdo yseaspctl,90 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo yseaspctl,90 infile -yseasmin infile -yseasmax infile outfile
```

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### 2.8.37. YDRUNSTAT - Multi-year daily running statistical values

### **Synopsis**

< operator >, nts infile outfile

#### Description

This module writes running statistical values for each day of year in infile to outfile. Depending on the chosen operator, the minimum, maximum, sum, average, variance or standard deviation of all timesteps in running windows of which the medium timestep corresponds to a certain day of year is computed. The date information in an output field is the date of the timestep in the middle of the last contributing running window. Note that the operator have to be applied to a continuous time series of daily measurements in order to yield physically meaningful results. Also note that the output time series begins (nts-1)/2 timesteps after the first timestep of the input time series and ends (nts-1)/2 timesteps before the last one. For input data which are complete but not continuous, such as time series of daily measurements for the same month or season within different years, the operator yields physically meaningful results only if the input time series does include the (nts-1)/2 days before and after each period of interest.

### **Operators**

```
ydrunmin
                    Multi-year daily running minimum
                    o(001,x) = \min\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \operatorname{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 001\} :
                     o(366, x) = \min\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x), ..., i(t + nts - 1, x); day[(i(t + (nts - 1)/2))] = 366\}
ydrunmax
                    Multi-year daily running maximum
                    o(001, x) = \max\{i(t, x), i(t+1, x), ..., i(t+nts-1, x); \operatorname{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \max\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x), ..., i(t + nts - 1, x); day[(i(t + (nts - 1)/2))] = 366\}
vdrunsum
                    Multi-year daily running sum
                     o(001, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), i(t+1, x), ..., i(t+nts-1, x); \text{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2))] = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{sum}\{i(t, x), i(t+1, x), ..., i(t+nts-1, x); day[(i(t+(nts-1)/2))] = 366\}
ydrunmean
                    Multi-year daily running mean
                     o(001,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \operatorname{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 001\}
                     o(366,x) = \mathbf{mean}\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \mathrm{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 366\}
ydrunavg
                    Multi-year daily running average
                    o(001,x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \mathrm{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \mathbf{avg}\{i(t, x), i(t+1, x), ..., i(t+nts-1, x); day[(i(t+(nts-1)/2))] = 366\}
ydrunstd
                    Multi-year daily running standard deviation
                    Normalize by n.
                    o(001, x) = \mathbf{std}\{i(t, x), i(t+1, x), ..., i(t+nts-1, x); \operatorname{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 001\}
                     o(366, x) = \text{std}\{i(t, x), i(t + 1, x), ..., i(t + nts - 1, x); \text{day}[(i(t + (nts - 1)/2))] = 366\}
```

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 $o(366,x) = \mathbf{var1}\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \mathrm{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 366\}$ 

#### **Parameter**

nts INTEGER Number of timesteps

# **Example**

Assume the input data provide a continuous time series of daily measurements. To compute the running multi-year daily mean over all input timesteps for a running window of five days use:

```
cdo ydrunmean,5 infile outfile
```

Note that except for the standard deviation the results of the operators in this module are equivalent to a composition of corresponding operators from the YDAYSTAT and RUNSTAT modules. For instance, the above command yields the same result as:

cdo ydaymean -runmean,5 infile outfile

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#### 2.8.38. YDRUNPCTL - Multi-year daily running percentile values

### Synopsis

```
ydrunpctl, p, nts infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

#### Description

This operator writes running percentile values for each day of year in infile1 to outfile. A certain percentile is computed for all timesteps in running windows of which the medium timestep corresponds to a certain day of year. The algorithm uses histograms with minimum and maximum bounds given in infile2 and infile3, respectively. The default number of histogram bins is 101. The default can be overridden by setting the environment variable CDO\_PCTL\_NBINS to a different value. The files infile2 and infile3 should be the result of corresponding ydrunmin and ydrunmax operations, respectively. The date information in an output field is the date of the timestep in the middle of the last contributing running window. Note that the operator have to be applied to a continuous time series of daily measurements in order to yield physically meaningful results. Also note that the output time series begins (nts-1)/2 timesteps after the first timestep of the input time series and ends (nts-1)/2 timesteps before the last. For input data which are complete but not continuous, such as time series of daily measurements for the same month or season within different years, the operator only yields physically meaningful results if the input time series does include the (nts-1)/2 days before and after each period of interest.

```
\begin{split} o(001,x) &= \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \mathrm{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 001\} \\ & \vdots \\ o(366,x) &= \mathbf{pth} \ \mathbf{percentile}\{i(t,x), i(t+1,x), ..., i(t+nts-1,x); \mathrm{day}[(i(t+(nts-1)/2)] = 366\} \end{split}
```

#### **Parameter**

```
p FLOAT Percentile number in 0, ..., 100 nts INTEGER Number of timesteps
```

### **Environment**

CDO PCTL NBINS Sets the number of histogram bins. The default number is 101.

### Example

Assume the input data provide a continuous time series of daily measurements. To compute the running multi-year daily 90th percentile over all input timesteps for a running window of five days use:

```
cdo ydrunmin,5 infile minfile
cdo ydrunmax,5 infile maxfile
cdo ydrunpctl,90,5 infile minfile maxfile outfile
```

Or shorter using operator piping:

```
cdo ydrunpctl,90,5 infile -ydrunmin infile -ydrunmax infile outfile
```

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# 2.9. Correlation and co.

This sections contains modules for correlation and co. in grid space and over time. In this section the abbreviations as in the following table are used:

Covariance 
$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})$$
covar weighted by 
$$\left\{ w_i, i = 1, ..., n \right\} \qquad \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_j \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i \left( x_i - \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_j \right)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_j x_j \right) \left( y_i - \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_j \right)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_j y_j \right)$$

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

fldcor Correlation in grid space

timcor Correlation over time

fldcovar Covariance in grid space

timcovar Covariance over time

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### 2.9.1. FLDCOR - Correlation in grid space

### Synopsis

fldcor infile1 infile2 outfile

#### Description

The correlation coefficient is a quantity that gives the quality of a least squares fitting to the original data. This operator correlates all gridpoints of two fields for each timestep. With

$$S(t) = \{x, i_1(t, x) \neq missval \land i_2(t, x) \neq missval\}$$

it is

$$o(t,1) = \frac{\sum\limits_{x \in S(t)} i_1(t,x) i_2(t,x) w(x) - \overline{i_1(t,x)} \ \overline{i_2(t,x)} \sum\limits_{x \in S(t)} w(x)}{\sqrt{\left(\sum\limits_{x \in S(t)} i_1(t,x)^2 w(x) - \overline{i_1(t,x)}^2 \sum\limits_{x \in S(t)} w(x)\right) \left(\sum\limits_{x \in S(t)} i_2(t,x)^2 w(x) - \overline{i_2(t,x)}^2 \sum\limits_{x \in S(t)} w(x)\right)}}$$

where w(x) are the area weights obtained by the input streams. For every timestep t only those field elements x belong to the sample, which have  $i_1(t,x) \neq missval$  and  $i_2(t,x) \neq missval$ .

#### 2.9.2. TIMCOR - Correlation over time

### **Synopsis**

timcor infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

The correlation coefficient is a quantity that gives the quality of a least squares fitting to the original data. This operator correlates each gridpoint of two fields over all timesteps. With

$$S(x) = \{t, i_1(t, x) \neq missval \land i_2(t, x) \neq missval\}$$

it is

$$o(1,x) = \frac{\sum_{t \in S(x)} i_1(t,x)i_2(t,x) - n \ \overline{i_1(t,x)} \ \overline{i_2(t,x)}}{\sqrt{\left(\sum_{t \in S(x)} i_1(t,x)^2 - n \ \overline{i_1(t,x)}^2\right) \left(\sum_{t \in S(x)} i_2(t,x)^2 - n \ \overline{i_2(t,x)}^2\right)}}$$

For every gridpoint x only those timesteps t belong to the sample, which have  $i_1(t, x) \neq missval$  and  $i_2(t, x) \neq missval$ .

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### 2.9.3. FLDCOVAR - Covariance in grid space

# **Synopsis**

fldcovar infile1 infile2 outfile

#### Description

This operator calculates the covariance of two fields over all gridpoints for each timestep. With

$$S(t) = \{x, i_1(t, x) \neq missval \land i_2(t, x) \neq missval\}$$

it is

$$o(t,1) = \left(\sum_{x \in S(t)} w(x)\right)^{-1} \sum_{x \in S(t)} w(x) \left(i_1(t,x) - \frac{\sum_{x \in S(t)} w(x) i_1(t,x)}{\sum_{x \in S(t)} w(x)}\right) \left(i_2(t,x) - \frac{\sum_{x \in S(t)} w(x) i_2(t,x)}{\sum_{x \in S(t)} w(x)}\right)$$

where w(x) are the area weights obtained by the input streams. For every timestep t only those field elements x belong to the sample, which have  $i_1(t,x) \neq missval$  and  $i_2(t,x) \neq missval$ .

### 2.9.4. TIMCOVAR - Covariance over time

### **Synopsis**

timcovar infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

This operator calculates the covariance of two fields at each gridpoint over all timesteps. With

$$S(x) = \{t, i_1(t, x) \neq missval \land i_2(t, x) \neq missval\}$$

it is

$$o(1,x) = n^{-1} \sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( i_1(t,x) - \overline{i_1(t,x)} \right) \left( i_2(t,x) - \overline{i_2(t,x)} \right)$$

For every gridpoint x only those timesteps t belong to the sample, which have  $i_1(t, x) \neq missval$  and  $i_2(t, x) \neq missval$ .

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# 2.10. Regression

This sections contains modules for linear regression of time series.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

regression Regression

**detrend** Detrend

**trend** Trend

addtrendAdd trendsubtrendSubtract trend

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### 2.10.1. REGRES - Regression

### **Synopsis**

regres[,equal] infile outfile

### Description

The values of the input file infile are assumed to be distributed as  $N(a+bt,\sigma^2)$  with unknown a, b and  $\sigma^2$ . This operator estimates the parameter b. For every field element x only those timesteps t belong to the sample S(x), which have  $i(t,x) \neq \text{miss}$ . It is

$$o(1,x) = \frac{\sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( i(t,x) - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} i(t',x) \right) \left( t - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} t' \right)}{\sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( t - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} t' \right)^2}$$

It is assumed that all timesteps are equidistant, if this is not the case set the parameter equal=false.

#### **Parameter**

equal BOOL

Set to false for unequal distributed timesteps (default: true)

#### 2.10.2. DETREND - Detrend time series

### **Synopsis**

detrend/,equal infile outfile

### Description

Every time series in infile is linearly detrended. For every field element x only those timesteps t belong to the sample S(x), which have  $i(t,x) \neq \text{miss.}$  It is assumed that all timesteps are equidistant, if this is not the case set the parameter equal=false. With

$$a(x) = \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t \in S(x)} i(t, x) - b(x) \left( \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t \in S(x)} t \right)$$

and

$$b(x) = \frac{\sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( i(t, x) - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} i(t', x) \right) \left( t - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} t' \right)}{\sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( t - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} t' \right)^2}$$

it is

$$o(t,x) = i(t,x) - (a(x) + b(x)t)$$

#### **Parameter**

equal BOOL

Set to false for unequal distributed timesteps (default: true)

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#### Note

This operator has to keep the fields of all timesteps concurrently in the memory. If not enough memory is available use the operators trend and subtrend.

### **Example**

To detrend the data in infile and to store the detrended data in outfile use:

cdo detrend infile outfile

#### 2.10.3. TREND - Trend of time series

# **Synopsis**

trend[,equal] infile outfile1 outfile2

### Description

The values of the input file infile are assumed to be distributed as  $N(a+bt,\sigma^2)$  with unknown a, b and  $\sigma^2$ . This operator estimates the parameter a and b. For every field element x only those timesteps t belong to the sample S(x), which have  $i(t,x) \neq \text{miss}$ . It is

$$o_1(1,x) = \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t \in S(x)} i(t,x) - b(x) \left( \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t \in S(x)} t \right)$$

and

$$o_2(1,x) = \frac{\sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( i(t,x) - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} i(t',x) \right) \left( t - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} t' \right)}{\sum_{t \in S(x)} \left( t - \frac{1}{\#S(x)} \sum_{t' \in S(x)} t' \right)^2}$$

Thus the estimation for a is stored in outfile1 and that for b is stored in outfile2. To subtract the trend from the data see operator subtrend. It is assumed that all timesteps are equidistant, if this is not the case set the parameter equal=false.

#### **Parameter**

equal BOOL Set to false for unequal distributed timesteps (default: true)

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### 2.10.4. TRENDARITH - Add or subtract a trend

### **Synopsis**

```
<operator>[,equal] infile1 infile2 infile3 outfile
```

### Description

This module is for adding or subtracting a trend computed by the operator trend.

# **Operators**

addtrend

Add trend

It is

$$o(t,x) = i_1(t,x) + (i_2(1,x) + i_3(1,x) \cdot t)$$

where t is the timesteps.

subtrend

Subtract trend

It is

$$o(t,x) = i_1(t,x) - (i_2(1,x) + i_3(1,x) \cdot t)$$

where t is the timesteps.

#### **Parameter**

equal

**BOOL** 

Set to false for unequal distributed timesteps (default: true)

### **Example**

The typical call for detrending the data in infile and storing the detrended data in outfile is:

```
cdo trend infile afile bfile
cdo subtrend infile afile bfile outfile
```

The result is identical to a call of the operator detrend:

```
cdo detrend infile outfile
```

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### 2.11. EOFs

This section contains modules to compute Empirical Orthogonal Functions and - once they are computed - their principal coefficients.

An introduction to the theory of principal component analysis as applied here can be found in:

Principal Component Analysis in Meteorology and Oceanography [Preisendorfer]

Details about calculation in the time- and spatial spaces are found in:

Statistical Analysis in Climate Research [vonStorch]

EOFs are defined as the eigen values of the scatter matrix (covariance matrix) of the data. For the sake of simplicity, samples are regarded as **time series of anomalies** 

$$(z(t)), t \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

of (column-) vectors z(t) with p entries (where p is the gridsize). Thus, using the fact, that  $z_j(t)$  are anomalies, i.e.

$$\langle z_j \rangle = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n z_j(i) = 0 \ \forall \ 1 \le j \le p$$

the scatter matrix S can be written as

$$\mathbf{S} = \sum_{t=1}^{n} \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}} z(t) \right] \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}} z(t) \right]^{T}$$

where **W** is the diagonal matrix containing the area weight of cell  $p_0$  in z at  $\mathbf{W}(x,x)$ .

The matrix **S** has a set of orthonormal eigenvectors  $e_j, j = 1, ...p$ , which are called *empirical orthogonal* functions (EOFs) of the sample z. (Please note, that  $e_j$  is the eigenvector of **S** and not the weighted eigen-vector which would be  $\mathbf{W}e_j$ .) Let the corresponding eigenvalues be denoted  $\lambda_j$ . The vectors  $e_j$  are spatial patterns which explain a certain amount of variance of the time series z(t) that is related linearly to  $\lambda_j$ . Thus, the spatial pattern defined by the first eigenvector (the one with the largest eigenvalue) is the pattern which explains a maximum possible amount of variance of the sample z(t). The orthonormality of eigenvectors reads as

$$\sum_{x=1}^{p} \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}(x,x)} e_j(x) \right] \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}(x,x)} e_k(x) \right] = \sum_{x=1}^{p} \mathbf{W}(x,x) e_j(x) e_k(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j \neq k \\ 1 & \text{if } j = k \end{cases}$$

If all EOFs  $e_j$  with  $\lambda_j \neq 0$  are calculated, the data can be reconstructed from

$$z(t,x) = \sum_{j=1}^{p} \mathbf{W}(x,x)a_j(t)e_j(x)$$

where  $a_j$  are called the *principal components* or *principal coefficients* or *EOF coefficients* of z. These coefficients - as readily seen from above - are calculated as the projection of an EOF  $e_j$  onto a time step of the data sample  $z(t_0)$  as

$$a_j(t_0) = \sum_{x=1}^p \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}(x,x)} e_j(x) \right] \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}(x,x)} z(t_0,x) \right] = \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}} z(t_0) \right]^T \left[ \sqrt{\mathbf{W}} e_j \right].$$

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

eof Calculate EOFs in spatial or time space

eoftime Calculate EOFs in time space eofspatial Calculate EOFs in spatial space

eof3d Calculate 3-Dimensional EOFs in time space

eofcoeff Calculate principal coefficients of EOFs

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### 2.11.1. EOFS - Empirical Orthogonal Functions

# **Synopsis**

<operator>,neof infile outfile1 outfile2

### Description

This module calculates empirical orthogonal functions of the data in infile as the eigen values of the scatter matrix (covariance matrix) S of the data sample z(t). A more detailed description can be found above.

#### Please note, that the input data are assumed to be anomalies.

If operator eof is chosen, the EOFs are computed in either time or spatial space, whichever is the fastest. If the user already knows, which computation is faster, the module can be forced to perform a computation in time- or gridspace by using the operators eoftime or eofspatial, respectively. This can enhance performance, especially for very long time series, where the number of timesteps is larger than the number of grid-points. Data in infile are assumed to be anomalies. If they are not, the behavior of this module is **not well defined**. After execution outfile1 will contain all eigen-values and outfile2 the eigenvectors  $e_j$ . All EOFs and eigen-values are computed. However, only the first neof EOFs are written to outfile2. Nonetheless, outfile1 contains all eigen-values.

Missing values are not fully supported. Support is only checked for non-changing masks of missing values in time. Although there still will be results, they are not trustworthy, and a warning will occur. In the latter case we suggest to replace missing values by 0 in infile.

### **Operators**

eof Calculate EOFs in spatial or time space

eoftime Calculate EOFs in time space

eofspatial Calculate EOFs in spatial space

eof3d Calculate 3-Dimensional EOFs in time space

#### **Parameter**

neof INTEGER Number of eigen functions

### **Environment**

CDO\_SVD\_MODE Is used to choose the algorithm for eigenvalue calculation. Options are 'jacobi'

for a one-sided parallel jacobi-algorithm (only executed in parallel if -P flag is set) and 'danielson\_lanczos' for a non-parallel d/l algorithm. The default

setting is 'jacobi'.

CDO\_WEIGHT\_MODE It is used to set the weight mode. The default is 'off'. Set it to 'on' for a

weighted version.

MAX\_JACOBI\_ITER Is the maximum integer number of annihilation sweeps that is executed if the

jacobi-algorithm is used to compute the eigen values. The default value is 12.

FNORM\_PRECISION Is the Frobenius norm of the matrix consisting of an annihilation pair of

eigenvectors that is used to determine if the eigenvectors have reached a sufficient level of convergence. If all annihilation-pairs of vectors have a norm below this value, the computation is considered to have converged properly. Otherwise, a

warning will occur. The default value 1e-12.

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# **Example**

To calculate the first 40 EOFs of a data-set containing anomalies use:

```
cdo eof,40 infile outfile1 outfile2
```

If the dataset does not containt anomalies, process them first, and use:

```
cdo sub infile1 -timmean infile1 anom_file
cdo eof,40 anom_file outfile1 outfile2
```

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# 2.11.2. EOFCOEFF - Principal coefficients of EOFs

# **Synopsis**

eofcoeff infile1 infile2 obase

#### Description

This module calculates the time series of the principal coefficients for given EOF (empirical orthogonal functions) and data. Time steps in infile1 are assumed to be the EOFs, time steps in infile2 are assumed to be the time series. Note, that this operator calculates a non weighted dot product of the fields in infile1 and infile2. For consistency set the environment variable CDO\_WEIGHT\_MODE=off when using eof or eof3d. Given a set of EOFs  $e\_j$  and a time series of data z(t) with p entries for each timestep from which  $e\_j$  have been calculated, this operator calculates the time series of the projections of data onto each EOF

$$o_j(t) = \sum_{x=1}^p z(t, x)e_j(x)$$

There will be a seperate file  $o_{j}$  for the principal coefficients of each EOF.

As the EOFs  $e_{j}$  are uncorrelated, so are their principal coefficients, i.e.

$$\sum_{t=1}^{n} o_{j}(t)o_{k}(t) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } j \neq k \\ \lambda_{j} \text{ if } j = k \end{cases} \text{ with } \sum_{t=1}^{n} o_{j}(t) = 0 \forall j \in \{1, \dots, p\}.$$

There will be a separate file containing a time series of principal coefficients with time information from infile2 for each EOF in infile1. Output files will be numbered as <obase><neof><suffix> where neof+1 is the number of the EOF (timestep) in infile1 and suffix is the filename extension derived from the file format.

#### **Environment**

CDO FILE SUFFIX

Set the default file suffix. This suffix will be added to the output file names instead of the filename extension derived from the file format. Set this variable to NULL to disable the adding of a file suffix.

### **Example**

To calculate principal coefficients of the first 40 EOFs of anom\_file, and write them to files beginning with obase, use:

```
export CDO_WEIGHT_MODE=off
cdo eof,40 anom_file eval_file eof_file
cdo eofcoeff eof_file anom_file obase
```

The principal coefficients of the first EOF will be in the file obase000000.nc (and so forth for higher EOFs, nth EOF will be in obase<n-1>).

If the dataset infile does not containt anomalies, process them first, and use:

```
export CDO_WEIGHT_MODE=off
cdo sub infile -timmean infile anom_file
cdo eof,40 anom_file eval_file eof_file
cdo eofcoeff eof_file anom_file obase
```

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# 2.12. Interpolation

This section contains modules to interpolate datasets. There are several operators to interpolate horizontal fields to a new grid. Some of those operators can handle only 2D fields on a regular rectangular grid. Vertical interpolation of 3D variables is possible from hybrid model levels to height or pressure levels. Interpolation in time is possible between time steps and years.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

remapbil Bilinear interpolation

genbil Generate bilinear interpolation weights

remapbic Bicubic interpolation

**genbic** Generate bicubic interpolation weights

remapnn Nearest neighbor remapping

gennn Generate nearest neighbor remap weights

remapdis Distance weighted average remapping

**gendis** Generate distance weighted average remap weights

remapcon First order conservative remapping

**gencon** Generate 1st order conservative remap weights

remapcon2 Second order conservative remapping

**gencon2** Generate 2nd order conservative remap weights

remaplaf Largest area fraction remapping

**genlaf** Generate largest area fraction remap weights

remap Grid remapping

remapeta Remap vertical hybrid level

ml2pl Model to pressure level interpolation ml2hl Model to height level interpolation

ap2pl Air pressure to pressure level interpolation

gh2hl Geometric height to height level interpolation

intlevel Linear level interpolation

intlevel3d Linear level interpolation onto a 3D vertical coordinate

intlevelx3d like intlevel3d but with extrapolation

inttimeInterpolation between timestepsintntimeInterpolation between timesteps

intyear Interpolation between two years

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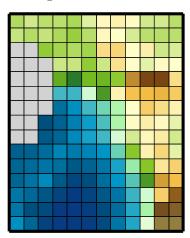
### 2.12.1. REMAPBIL - Bilinear interpolation

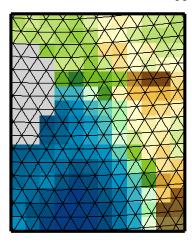
### **Synopsis**

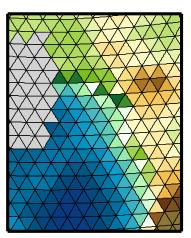
< operator >, grid infile outfile

### Description

This module contains operators for a bilinear remapping of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. The interpolation is based on an adapted SCRIP library version. For a detailed description of the interpolation method see [SCRIP]. This interpolation method only works on quadrilateral curvilinear source grids. Below is a schematic illustration of the bilinear remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

### **Operators**

remapbil Bilinear interpolation

Performs a bilinear interpolation on all input fields.

**genbil** Generate bilinear interpolation weights

Generates bilinear interpolation weights for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this remapping weights to a data file with the same source grid.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Environment**

REMAP\_EXTRAPOLATE This variable is used to switch the extrapolation feature 'on' or 'off'. By default the extrapolation is enabled for circular grids.

### Example

Say infile contains fields on a quadrilateral curvilinear grid. To remap all fields bilinear to a Gaussian N32 grid, type:

cdo remapbil, n32 infile outfile

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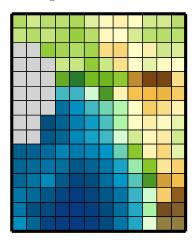
# 2.12.2. REMAPBIC - Bicubic interpolation

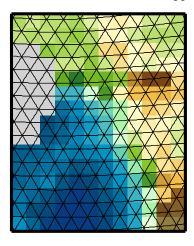
# **Synopsis**

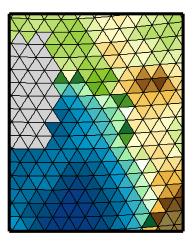
<operator>,grid infile outfile

### **Description**

This module contains operators for a bicubic remapping of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. The interpolation is based on an adapted SCRIP library version. For a detailed description of the interpolation method see [SCRIP]. This interpolation method only works on quadrilateral curvilinear source grids. Below is a schematic illustration of the bicubic remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

### **Operators**

remapbic Bicubic interpolation

Performs a bicubic interpolation on all input fields.

**genbic** Generate bicubic interpolation weights

Generates bicubic interpolation weights for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this remapping weights to a data file with the same source

grid.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Environment**

REMAP\_EXTRAPOLATE This variable is used to switch the extrapolation feature 'on' or 'off'. By default the extrapolation is enabled for circular grids.

### **Example**

Say infile contains fields on a quadrilateral curvilinear grid. To remap all fields bicubic to a Gaussian N32 grid, type:

cdo remapbic,n32 infile outfile

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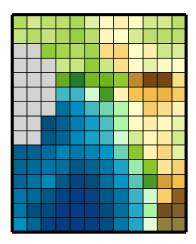
### 2.12.3. REMAPNN - Nearest neighbor remapping

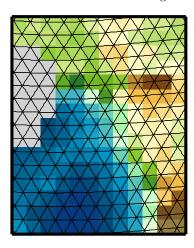
### **Synopsis**

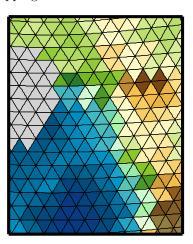
<operator>,grid infile outfile

#### Description

This module contains operators for a nearest neighbor remapping of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. Below is a schematic illustration of the nearest neighbor remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

# **Operators**

remapnn Nearest neighbor remapping

Performs a nearest neighbor remapping on all input fields.

gennn Generate nearest neighbor remap weights

Generates nearest neighbor remapping weights for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this remapping weights to a data file with the same

source grid.

### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Environment**

REMAP\_EXTRAPOLATE This variable is used to switch the extrapolation feature 'on' or 'off'. By

default the extrapolation is enabled for this remapping method.

CDO\_GRIDSEARCH\_RADIUS Grid search radius in degree, default 180 degree.

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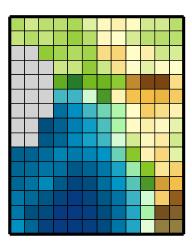
### 2.12.4. REMAPDIS - Distance weighted average remapping

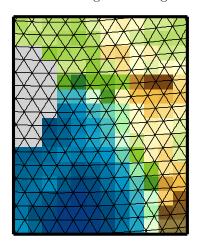
### **Synopsis**

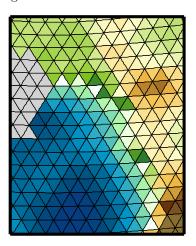
remapdis,grid[,neighbors] infile outfile
gendis,grid infile outfile

### Description

This module contains operators for an inverse distance weighted average remapping of the four nearest neighbor values of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. The interpolation is based on an adapted SCRIP library version. For a detailed description of the interpolation method see [SCRIP]. Below is a schematic illustration of the distance weighted average remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

#### **Operators**

remapdis Distance weighted average remapping

Performs an inverse distance weighted average remapping of the nearest neighbors

value on all input fields. The default number of nearest neighbors is 4.

gendis Generate distance weighted average remap weights

Generates distance weighted average remapping weights of the four nearest neighbor values for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this

remapping weights to a data file with the same source grid.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

neighbors INTEGER Number of nearest neighbors

#### **Environment**

REMAP\_EXTRAPOLATE This variable is used to switch the extrapolation feature 'on' or 'off'. By

default the extrapolation is enabled for this remapping method.

CDO GRIDSEARCH RADIUS Grid search radius in degree, default 180 degree.

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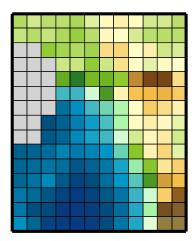
### 2.12.5. REMAPCON - First order conservative remapping

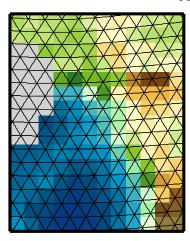
### **Synopsis**

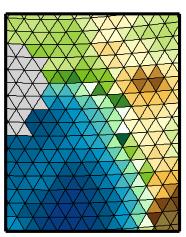
<operator>,grid infile outfile

# Description

This module contains operators for a first order conservative remapping of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. The operators in this module uses code from the YAC software package to compute the conservative remapping weights. For a detailed description of the interpolation method see [YAC]. The interpolation method is completely general and can be used for any grid on a sphere. The search algorithm for the conservative remapping requires that no grid cell occurs more than once. Below is a schematic illustration of the 1st order conservative remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

#### **Operators**

remapcon First order conservative remapping

Performs a first order conservative remapping on all input fields.

**gencon** Generate 1st order conservative remap weights

Generates first order conservative remapping weights for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this remapping weights to a data file with the same

source grid.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Environment**

CDO\_REMAP\_NORM

This variable is used to choose the normalization of the conservative interpolation. By default CDO\_REMAP\_NORM is set to 'fracarea'. 'fracarea' uses the sum of the non-masked source cell intersected areas to normalize each target cell field value. This results in a reasonable flux value but the flux is not locally conserved. The option 'destarea' uses the total target cell area to normalize each target cell field value. Local flux conservation is ensured, but unreasonable flux values may result.

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REMAP\_AREA\_MIN This variable is used to set the minimum destination area fraction. The default of this variable is 0.0.

# **Example**

Say infile contains fields on a quadrilateral curvilinear grid. To remap all fields conservative to a Gaussian N32 grid, type:

cdo remapcon,n32 infile outfile

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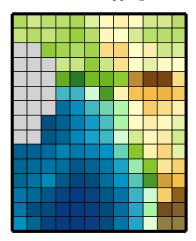
### 2.12.6. REMAPCON2 - Second order conservative remapping

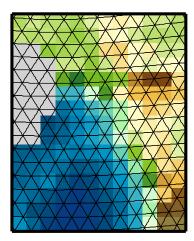
### **Synopsis**

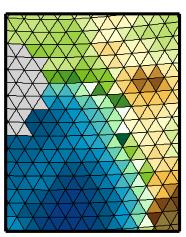
< operator >, grid infile outfile

### Description

This module contains operators for a second order conservative remapping of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. The interpolation is based on an adapted SCRIP library version. For a detailed description of the interpolation method see [SCRIP]. The interpolation method is completely general and can be used for any grid on a sphere. The search algorithm for the conservative remapping requires that no grid cell occurs more than once. Below is a schematic illustration of the 2nd order conservative remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

#### **Operators**

remapcon2 Second order conservative remapping

Performs a second order conservative remapping on all input fields.

**gencon2** Generate 2nd order conservative remap weights

Generates second order conservative remapping weights for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this remapping weights to a data file with the same source grid.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Environment**

CDO\_REMAP\_NORM

This variable is used to choose the normalization of the conservative interpolation. By default CDO\_REMAP\_NORM is set to 'fracarea'. 'fracarea' uses the sum of the non-masked source cell intersected areas to normalize each target cell field value. This results in a reasonable flux value but the flux is not locally conserved. The option 'destarea' uses the total target cell area to normalize each target cell field value. Local flux conservation is ensured, but unreasonable flux values may result.

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REMAP\_AREA\_MIN This variable is used to set the minimum destination area fraction. The default of this variable is 0.0.

### Note

The SCRIP conservative remapping method doesn't work correctly for some grid combinations.

### **Example**

Say infile contains fields on a quadrilateral curvilinear grid. To remap all fields conservative (2nd order) to a Gaussian N32 grid, type:

cdo remapcon2,n32 infile outfile

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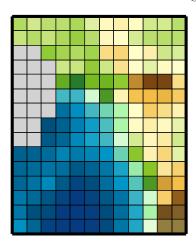
# 2.12.7. REMAPLAF - Largest area fraction remapping

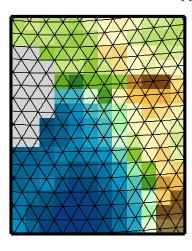
# **Synopsis**

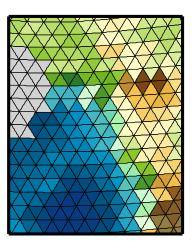
<operator>,grid infile outfile

#### Description

This module contains operators for a largest area fraction remapping of fields between grids in spherical coordinates. The operators in this module uses code from the YAC software package to compute the largest area fraction. For a detailed description of the interpolation method see [YAC]. The interpolation method is completely general and can be used for any grid on a sphere. The search algorithm for this remapping method requires that no grid cell occurs more than once. Below is a schematic illustration of the largest area fraction conservative remapping:







The figure on the left side shows the input data on a regular lon/lat source grid and on the right side the remapped result on an unstructured triangular target grid. The figure in the middle shows the input data with the target grid. Grid cells with missing value are grey colored.

### **Operators**

remaplaf Largest area fraction remapping

Performs a largest area fraction remapping on all input fields.

**genlaf** Generate largest area fraction remap weights

Generates largest area fraction remapping weights for the first input field and writes the result to a file. The format of this file is NetCDF following the SCRIP convention. Use the operator remap to apply this remapping weights to a data file with the same source grid.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

#### **Environment**

REMAP\_AREA\_MIN This variable is used to set the minimum destination area fraction. The default

of this variable is 0.0.

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### 2.12.8. REMAP - Grid remapping

# **Synopsis**

remap, grid, weights infile outfile

#### Description

Interpolation between different horizontal grids can be a very time-consuming process. Especially if the data are on an unstructured and/or a large grid. In this case the interpolation process can be split into two parts. Firstly the generation of the interpolation weights, which is the most time-consuming part. These interpolation weights can be reused for every remapping process with the operator remap. This operator remaps all input fields to a new horizontal grid. The remap type and the interpolation weights of one input grid are read from a NetCDF file. More weights are computed if the input fields are on different grids. The NetCDF file with the weights should follow the [SCRIP] convention. Normally these weights come from a previous call to one of the genXXX operators (e.g. genbil) or were created by the original SCRIP package.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Target grid description file or name

weights STRING Interpolation weights (SCRIP NetCDF file)

#### **Environment**

CDO_REMAP_NORM	This variable is used to choose the normalization of the conservative
	interpolation. By default CDO_REMAP_NORM is set to 'fracarea'. 'fracarea'
	uses the sum of the non-masked source cell intersected areas to normalize
	each target cell field value. This results in a reasonable flux value but
	the flux is not locally conserved. The option 'destarea' uses the total
	target cell area to normalize each target cell field value. Local flux
	conservation is ensured, but unreasonable flux values may result.

REMAP\_EXTRAPOLATE This variable is used to switch the extrapolation feature 'on' or 'off'.

By default the extrapolation is enabled for remapdis, remapnn and for

circular grids.

REMAP\_AREA\_MIN This variable is used to set the minimum destination area fraction. The

default of this variable is 0.0.

CDO\_GRIDSEARCH\_RADIUS Grid search radius in degree, default 180 degree.

#### **Example**

Say infile contains fields on a quadrilateral curvilinear grid. To remap all fields bilinear to a Gaussian N32 grid use:

```
cdo genbil,n32 infile remapweights.nc
cdo remap,n32,remapweights.nc infile outfile
```

The result will be the same as:

```
cdo remapbil,n32 infile outfile
```

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### 2.12.9. REMAPETA - Remap vertical hybrid level

### **Synopsis**

remapeta, vct[,oro] infile outfile

### Description

This operator interpolates between different vertical hybrid levels. This include the preparation of consistent data for the free atmosphere. The procedure for the vertical interpolation is based on the HIRLAM scheme and was adapted from [INTERA]. The vertical interpolation is based on the vertical integration of the hydrostatic equation with few adjustments. The basic tasks are the following one:

- at first integration of hydrostatic equation
- extrapolation of surface pressure
- Planetary Boundary-Layer (PBL) proutfile interpolation
- interpolation in free atmosphere
- merging of both proutfiles
- final surface pressure correction

The vertical interpolation corrects the surface pressure. This is simply a cut-off or an addition of air mass. This mass correction should not influence the geostrophic velocity field in the middle troposhere. Therefore the total mass above a given reference level is conserved. As reference level the geopotential height of the 400 hPa level is used. Near the surface the correction can affect the vertical structure of the PBL. Therefore the interpolation is done using the potential temperature. But in the free atmosphere above a certain n (n=0.8 defining the top of the PBL) the interpolation is done linearly. After the interpolation both proutfiles are merged. With the resulting temperature/pressure correction the hydrostatic equation is integrated again and adjusted to the reference level finding the final surface pressure correction. A more detailed description of the interpolation can be found in [INTERA]. This operator requires all variables on the same horizontal grid.

#### **Parameter**

vct	STRING	File name of an ASCII dataset with the vertical coordinate table
oro	STRING	File name with the orography (surf. geopotential) of the target dataset (optional)

#### **Environment**

REMAPETA\_PTOP Sets the minimum pressure level for condensation. Above this level the humidity is set to the constant 1.E-6. The default value is 0 Pa.

### Note

The code numbers or the variable names of the required parameter have to follow the [ECHAM] convention.

Use the sinfo command to test if your vertical coordinate system is recognized as hybrid system.

In case remapeta complains about not finding any data on hybrid model levels you may wish to use the setzaxis command to generate a zaxis description which conforms to the ECHAM convention. See section "1.4 Z-axis description" for an example how to define a hybrid Z-axis.

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# Example

To remap between different hybrid model level data use:

```
cdo remapeta,vct infile outfile
```

Here is an example vct file with 19 hybrid model level:

0	0.000000000000000000	0.00000000000000000
1	2000.000000000000000000	0.00000000000000000
2	4000.000000000000000000	0.00000000000000000
3	6046.109375000000000000	0.00033899326808751
4	8267.929687500000000000	0.00335718691349030
5	10609.51171875000000000	0.01307003945112228
6	12851.101562500000000000	0.03407714888453484
7	14698.500000000000000000	0.07064980268478394
8	15861.128906250000000000	0.12591671943664551
9	16116.238281250000000000	0.20119541883468628
10	15356.9218750000000000000	0.29551959037780762
11	13621.460937500000000000	0.40540921688079834
12	11101.55859375000000000	0.52493220567703247
13	8127.14453125000000000	0.64610791206359863
14	5125.140625000000000000	0.75969839096069336
15	2549.96899414062500000	0.85643762350082397
16	783.19506835937500000	0.92874687910079956
17	0.000000000000000000	0.97298520803451538
18	0.000000000000000000	0.99228149652481079
19	0.000000000000000000	1.000000000000000000000000000000000000

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# 2.12.10. VERTINTML - Vertical interpolation

# **Synopsis**

ml2pl,plevels infile outfile ml2hl,hlevels infile outfile

# Description

Interpolates 3D variables on hybrid sigma pressure level to pressure or height levels. The input file should contain the log. surface pressure or the surface pressure. To extrapolate the temperature, the surface geopotential is also needed. It is assumed that the geopotential heights are located on the hybrid layer interfaces. For the lowest layer of geopotential heights the surface geopotential is required. The pressure, temperature, geopotential height, and surface geopotential are identified by their GRIB1 code number or NetCDF CF standard name. Supported parameter tables are: WMO standard table number 2 and ECMWF local table number 128.

CF standard name	Units	GRIB 1 code
surface_air_pressure	Pa	134
air_temperature	K	130
surface_geopotential	m2 s-2	129
geopotential_height	m	156

Use the alias ml2plx/ml2hlx or the environment variable EXTRAPOLATE to extrapolate missing values. This operator requires all variables on the same horizontal grid. Missing values in the input data are not supported.

# **Operators**

ml2pl Model to pressure level interpolation

Interpolates 3D variables on hybrid sigma pressure level to pressure level.

ml2hl Model to height level interpolation

Interpolates 3D variables on hybrid sigma pressure level to height level. The procedure is the same as for the operator ml2pl except for the pressure levels being calculated from the heights by: plevel = 101325 \* exp(hlevel/ - 7000)

#### **Parameter**

plevels FLOAT Pressure levels in pascalhlevels FLOAT Height levels in meter

#### **Environment**

EXTRAPOLATE If set to 1 extrapolate missing values.

### Example

To interpolate hybrid model level data to pressure levels of 925, 850, 500 and 200 hPa use:

cdo ml2pl,92500,85000,50000,20000 infile outfile

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# 2.12.11. VERTINTAP - Vertical pressure interpolation

# **Synopsis**

ap2pl,plevels infile outfile

# Description

Interpolate 3D variables on hybrid sigma height coordinates to pressure levels. The input file must contain the 3D air pressure in pascal. The air pressure is identified by the NetCDF CF standard name air\_pressure. Use the alias ap2plx or the environment variable EXTRAPOLATE to extrapolate missing values. This operator requires all variables on the same horizontal grid.

#### **Parameter**

plevels FLOAT Comma-separated list of pressure levels in pascal

#### **Environment**

EXTRAPOLATE If set to 1 extrapolate missing values.

### Note

This is a specific implementation for NetCDF files from the ICON model, it may not work with data from other sources.

# Example

To interpolate 3D variables on hybrid sigma height level to pressure levels of 925, 850, 500 and 200 hPa use:

cdo ap2p1,92500,85000,50000,20000 infile outfile

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# 2.12.12. VERTINTGH - Vertical height interpolation

# **Synopsis**

gh2hl, hlevels infile outfile

# Description

Interpolate 3D variables on hybrid sigma height coordinates to height levels. The input file must contain the 3D geometric height in meter. The geometric height is identified by the NetCDF CF standard name <code>geometric\_height\_at\_full\_level\_center</code>. Use the alias <code>gh2hlx</code> or the environment variable EXTRAPOLATE to extrapolate missing values. This operator requires all variables on the same horizontal grid.

### **Parameter**

hlevels FLOAT Comma-separated list of height levels in meter

#### **Environment**

EXTRAPOLATE If set to 1 extrapolate missing values.

#### Note

This is a specific implementation for NetCDF files from the ICON model, it may not work with data from other sources.

# **Example**

To interpolate 3D variables on hybrid sigma height level to height levels of 20, 100, 500, 1000, 5000, 10000 and 20000 meter use:

cdo gh2hl,20,100,500,1000,5000,10000,20000 infile outfile

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# 2.12.13. INTLEVEL - Linear level interpolation

# **Synopsis**

intlevel,levels infile outfile

### Description

This operator performs a linear vertical interpolation of 3D variables.

#### **Parameter**

levels FLOAT Comma-separated list of target levels

# **Example**

To interpolate 3D variables on height levels to a new set of height levels use:

cdo intlevel, 10, 50, 100, 500, 1000 infile outfile

# 2.12.14. INTLEVEL3D - Linear level interpolation from/to 3D vertical coordinates

# **Synopsis**

<operator>,tgtcoordinate infile1 infile2 outfile

# Description

This operator performs a linear vertical interpolation of 3D variables fields with given 3D vertical coordinates. infile1 contains the 3D data variables and infile2 the 3D vertical source coordinate. The parameter tgtcoordinate is a datafile with the 3D vertical target coordinate.

### **Operators**

intlevel3d Linear level interpolation onto a 3D vertical coordinate

intlevelx3d like intlevel3d but with extrapolation

### **Parameter**

tgtcoordinate STRING filename for 3D vertical target coordinates

#### **Example**

To interpolate 3D variables from one set of 3D height levels into another one where

- $\bullet\,$  in file2 contains a single 3D variable, which represents the source 3D vertical coordinate
- infile1 contains the source data, which the vertical coordinate from infile2 belongs to
- tgtcoordinate only contains the target 3D height levels

cdo intlevel3d,tgtcoordinate infile1 infile2 outfile

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# 2.12.15. INTTIME - Time interpolation

# **Synopsis**

inttime,date,time[,inc] infile outfile
intntime,n infile outfile

# Description

This module performs linear interpolation between timesteps. Interpolation is only performed if both values exist. If both values are missing values, the result is also a missing value. If only one value exists, it is taken if the time weighting is greater than or equal to 0.5. So no new value will be created at existing time steps, if the value is missing there.

# **Operators**

inttime Interpolation between timesteps

This operator creates a new dataset by linear interpolation between timesteps. The

user has to define the start date/time with an optional increment.

intntime Interpolation between timesteps

This operator performs linear interpolation between timesteps. The user has to define

the number of timesteps from one timestep to the next.

### **Parameter**

date	STRING	Start date (format YYYY-MM-DD)
time	STRING	Start time (format hh:mm:ss)
inc	STRING 0hour]	Optional increment (seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years) [default:
n	INTEGER	Number of timesteps from one timestep to the next

### **Example**

Assumed a 6 hourly dataset starts at 1987-01-01 12:00:00. To interpolate this time series to a one hourly dataset use:

cdo inttime,1987-01-01,12:00:00,1hour infile outfile

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# 2.12.16. INTYEAR - Year interpolation

# **Synopsis**

intyear,years infile1 infile2 obase

### Description

This operator performs linear interpolation between two years, timestep by timestep. The input files need to have the same structure with the same variables. The output files will be named <obsep><yyyy><suffix> where yyyy will be the year and suffix is the filename extension derived from the file format.

#### **Parameter**

years INTEGER Comma-separated list or first/last[/inc] range of years

### **Environment**

CDO\_FILE\_SUFFIX Set the default file suffix. This suffix will be added to the output file names

instead of the filename extension derived from the file format. Set this variable

to NULL to disable the adding of a file suffix.

#### Note

This operator needs to open all output files simultaneously. The maximum number of open files depends on the operating system!

### **Example**

Assume there are two monthly mean datasets over a year. The first dataset has 12 timesteps for the year 1985 and the second one for the year 1990. To interpolate the years between 1985 and 1990 month by month use:

```
cdo intyear, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989 infile1 infile2 year
```

Example result of 'dir year\*' for NetCDF datasets:

year1986.nc year1987.nc year1988.nc year1989.nc

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# 2.13. Transformation

This section contains modules to perform spectral transformations.  $\,$ 

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

$rac{ ext{sp2gp}}{ ext{gp2sp}}$	Spectral to gridpoint Gridpoint to spectral
sp2sp	Spectral to spectral
dv2ps	D and V to velocity potential and stream function
dv2uv uv2dv	Divergence and vorticity to U and V wind U and V wind to divergence and vorticity
fourier	Fourier transformation

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# 2.13.1. SPECTRAL - Spectral transformation

# Synopsis

<operator>[,gridtype] infile outfile

### Description

This module transforms fields on a global regular Gaussian grid to spectral coefficients and vice versa. The transformation is achieved by applying Fast Fourier Transformation (FFT) first and direct Legendre Transformation afterwards in gp2sp. In sp2gp the inverse Legendre Transformation and inverse FFT are used. Missing values are not supported.

The relationship between the spectral resolution, governed by the truncation number T, and the grid resolution depends on the number of grid points at which the shortest wavelength field is represented. For a grid with 2N points between the poles (so 4N grid points in total around the globe) the relationship is:

linear grid: the shortest wavelength is represented by 2 grid points  $\rightarrow 4N \simeq 2(TL + 1)$ 

quadratic grid: the shortest wavelength is represented by 3 grid points  $\rightarrow 4N \simeq 3(TQ + 1)$ 

**cubic grid**: the shortest wavelength is represented by 4 grid points  $\rightarrow$  4N  $\simeq$  4(TC + 1)

The quadratic grid is used by ECHAM and ERA15. ERA40 is using a linear Gaussian grid reflected by the TL notation.

The following table shows the calculation of the number of latitudes and the triangular truncation for the different grid types:

Gridtype	Number of latitudes: nlat	Triangular truncation: ntr
linear	NINT((ntr*2 + 1)/2)	(nlat*2 - 1) / 2
quadratic	NINT((ntr*3 + 1)/2)	(nlat*2 - 1) / 3
cubic	NINT((ntr*4 + 1)/2)	(nlat*2 - 1) / 4

# **Operators**

sp2gp Spectral to gridpoint

Convert all spectral fields to a global regular Gaussian grid.

gp2sp Gridpoint to spectral

Convert all Gaussian gridpoint fields to spectral fields.

### **Parameter**

gridtype STRING Type of the grid: quadratic, linear, cubic (default: quadratic)

#### Note

To speed up the calculations, the Legendre polynoms are kept in memory. This requires a relatively large amount of memory. This is for example 12GB for T1279 data.

### **Example**

To transform spectral coefficients from T106 to N80 Gaussian grid use:

cdo sp2gp infile outfile

To transform spectral coefficients from TL159 to N80 Gaussian grid use:

cdo sp2gp, linear infile outfile

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# 2.13.2. SPECCONV - Spectral conversion

# **Synopsis**

 $\mathbf{sp2sp}$ , trunc infile outfile

# Description

Changed the triangular truncation of all spectral fields. This operator performs downward conversion by cutting the resolution. Upward conversions are achieved by filling in zeros.

### **Parameter**

trunc INTEGER New spectral resolution

# 2.13.3. WIND2 - D and V to velocity potential and stream function

# **Synopsis**

dv2ps infile outfile

# Description

Calculate spherical harmonic coefficients of velocity potential and stream function from spherical harmonic coefficients of relative divergence and vorticity. The divergence and vorticity need to have the names sd and svo or code numbers 155 and 138.

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### 2.13.4. WIND - Wind transformation

# Synopsis

<operator>[,gridtype] infile outfile

### Description

This module converts relative divergence and vorticity to U and V wind and vice versa. Divergence and vorticity are spherical harmonic coefficients in spectral space and U and V are on a global regular Gaussian grid. The Gaussian latitudes need to be ordered from north to south. Missing values are not supported.

The relationship between the spectral resolution, governed by the truncation number T, and the grid resolution depends on the number of grid points at which the shortest wavelength field is represented. For a grid with 2N points between the poles (so 4N grid points in total around the globe) the relationship is:

linear grid: the shortest wavelength is represented by 2 grid points  $\rightarrow$  4N  $\simeq$  2(TL + 1)

quadratic grid: the shortest wavelength is represented by 3 grid points  $\rightarrow 4N \simeq 3(TQ + 1)$ 

**cubic grid**: the shortest wavelength is represented by 4 grid points  $\rightarrow$  4N  $\simeq$  4(TC + 1)

The quadratic grid is used by ECHAM and ERA15. ERA40 is using a linear Gaussian grid reflected by the TL notation.

The following table shows the calculation of the number of latitudes and the triangular truncation for the different grid types:

Gridtype	Number of latitudes: nlat	Triangular truncation: ntr
linear	NINT((ntr*2 + 1)/2)	(nlat*2 - 1) / 2
quadratic	NINT((ntr*3 + 1)/2)	(nlat*2 - 1) / 3
cubic	NINT((ntr*4 + 1)/2)	(nlat*2 - 1) / 4

### **Operators**

 ${f dv2uv}$  Divergence and vorticity to U and V wind

Calculate U and V wind on a Gaussian grid from spherical harmonic coefficients of relative divergence and vorticity. The divergence and vorticity need to have the names sd and svo or code numbers 155 and 138.

**uv2dv** U and V wind to divergence and vorticity

Calculate spherical harmonic coefficients of relative divergence and vorticity from U and V wind. The U and V wind need to be on a Gaussian grid and need to have the names u and v or the code numbers 131 and 132.

# **Parameter**

gridtype STRING Type of the grid: quadratic, linear (default: quadratic)

### Note

To speed up the calculations, the Legendre polynoms are kept in memory. This requires a relatively large amount of memory. This is for example 12GB for T1279 data.

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# Example

Assume a dataset has at least spherical harmonic coefficients of divergence and vorticity. To transform the spectral divergence and vorticity to U and V wind on a Gaussian grid use:

cdo dv2uv infile outfile

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### 2.13.5. FOURIER - Fourier transformation

# **Synopsis**

fourier, epsilon infile outfile

### Description

The fourier operator performs the fourier transformation or the inverse fourier transformation of all input fields. If the number of timesteps is a power of 2 then the algorithm of the Fast Fourier Transformation (FFT) is used.

It is

$$o(t,x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} i(t,x) e^{\epsilon 2\pi i j}$$

where a user given epsilon = -1 leads to the forward transformation and a user given epsilon = 1 leads to the backward transformation.

If the input stream infile consists only of complex fields, then the fields of outfile, computed by

are the same than that of infile. For real input files see function retocomplex.

#### **Parameter**

epsilon INTEGER -1: forward transformation; 1: backward transformation

#### Note

Complex numbers can only be stored in NetCDF4 and EXTRA format.

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# 2.14. Import/Export

This section contains modules to import and export data files which can not read or write directly with CDO.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

import\_cmsaf Import CM-SAF HDF5 files

import\_amsr Import AMSR binary files

input ASCII input

inputsrv SERVICE ASCII input inputext EXTRA ASCII input

outputASCII outputoutputfFormatted outputoutputintInteger output

outputsrvSERVICE ASCII outputoutputextEXTRA ASCII output

outputtab Table output

gmtxyz GMT xyz format

gmtcells GMT multiple segment format

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# 2.14.1. IMPORTBINARY - Import binary data sets

# **Synopsis**

```
import_binary infile outfile
```

# Description

This operator imports gridded binary data sets via a GrADS data descriptor file. The GrADS data descriptor file contains a complete description of the binary data as well as instructions on where to find the data and how to read it. The descriptor file is an ASCII file that can be created easily with a text editor. The general contents of a gridded data descriptor file are as follows:

- Filename for the binary data
- Missing or undefined data value
- Mapping between grid coordinates and world coordinates
- Description of variables in the binary data set

A detailed description of the components of a GrADS data descriptor file can be found in [GrADS]. Here is a list of the supported components: BYTESWAPPED, CHSUB, DSET, ENDVARS, FILEHEADER, HEADERBYTES, OPTIONS, TDEF, TITLE, TRAILERBYTES, UNDEF, VARS, XDEF, XYHEADER, YDEF, ZDEF

#### Note

Only 32-bit IEEE floats are supported for standard binary files!

# **Example**

To convert a binary data file to NetCDF use:

```
cdo -f nc import_binary infile.ctl outfile.nc
```

Here is an example of a GrADS data descriptor file:

```
DSET ^infile.bin
OPTIONS sequential
UNDEF -9e+33
XDEF 360 LINEAR -179.5 1
YDEF 180 LINEAR -89.5 1
ZDEF 1 LINEAR 1 1
TDEF 1 LINEAR 00:00 Z15jun1989 12hr
VARS 1
param 1 99 description of the variable
ENDVARS
```

The binary data file infile bin contains one parameter on a global 1 degree lon/lat grid written with FORTRAN record length headers (sequential).

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# 2.14.2. IMPORTCMSAF - Import CM-SAF HDF5 files

# **Synopsis**

import\_cmsaf infile outfile

### Description

This operator imports gridded CM-SAF (Satellite Application Facility on Climate Monitoring) HDF5 files. CM-SAF exploits data from polar-orbiting and geostationary satellites in order to provide climate monitoring products of the following parameters:

Cloud parameters: cloud fraction (CFC), cloud type (CTY), cloud phase (CPH), cloud top height, pressure and temperature (CTH,CTP,CTT), cloud optical thickness (COT), cloud water path (CWP).

Surface radiation components: Surface albedo (SAL); surface incoming (SIS) and net (SNS) shortwave radiation; surface downward (SDL) and outgoing (SOL) longwave radiation, surface net longwave radiation (SNL) and surface radiation budget (SRB).

**Top-of-atmosphere radiation components:** Incoming (TIS) and reflected (TRS) solar radiative flux at top-of-atmosphere. Emitted thermal radiative flux at top-of-atmosphere (TET).

Water vapour: Vertically integrated water vapour (HTW), layered vertically integrated water vapour and layer mean temperature and relative humidity for 5 layers (HLW), temperature and mixing ratio at 6 pressure levels.

Daily and monthly mean products can be ordered via the CM-SAF web page (www.cmsaf.eu). Products with higher spatial and temporal resolution, i.e. instantaneous swath-based products, are available on request (contact.cmsaf@dwd.de). All products are distributed free-of-charge. More information on the data is available on the CM-SAF homepage (www.cmsaf.eu).

Daily and monthly mean products are provided in equal-area projections. **CDO** reads the projection parameters from the metadata in the HDF5-headers in order to allow spatial operations like remapping. For spatial operations with instantaneous products on original satellite projection, additional files with arrays of latitudes and longitudes are needed. These can be obtained from CM-SAF together with the data.

### Note

To use this operator, it is necessary to build **CDO** with HDF5 support (version 1.6 or higher). The PROJ library (version 5.0 or higher) is needed for full support of the remapping functionality.

#### **Example**

A typical sequence of commands with this operator could look like this:

```
cdo -f nc remapbil,r360x180 -import_cmsaf cmsaf_product.hdf output.nc
```

(bilinear remapping to a predefined global grid with 1 deg resolution and conversion to NetCDF).

If you work with CM-SAF data on original satellite project, an additional file with information on geolocation is required, to perform such spatial operations:

```
cdo -f nc remapbil,r720x360 -setgrid,cmsaf_latlon.h5 -import_cmsaf cmsaf.hdf out.nc
```

Some CM-SAF data are stored as scaled integer values. For some operations, it could be desirable (or necessary) to increase the accuracy of the converted products:

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```
cdo -b f32 -f nc fldmean -sellonlatbox,0,10,0,10 -remapbil,r720x360 \
-import_cmsaf cmsaf_product.hdf output.nc
```

### 2.14.3. IMPORTAMSR - Import AMSR binary files

### **Synopsis**

import\_amsr infile outfile

### Description

This operator imports gridded binary AMSR (Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer) data. The binary data files are available from the AMSR ftp site (ftp://ftp.ssmi.com/amsre). Each file consists of twelve (daily) or five (averaged) 0.25 x 0.25 degree grid (1440,720) byte maps. For daily files, six daytime maps in the following order, Time (UTC), Sea Surface Temperature (SST), 10 meter Surface Wind Speed (WSPD), Atmospheric Water Vapor (VAPOR), Cloud Liquid Water (CLOUD), and Rain Rate (RAIN), are followed by six nighttime maps in the same order. Time-Averaged files contain just the geophysical layers in the same order [SST, WSPD, VAPOR, CLOUD, RAIN]. More information to the data is available on the AMSR homepage http://www.remss.com/amsr.

# **Example**

To convert monthly binary AMSR files to NetCDF use:

cdo -f nc amsre\_yyyymmv5 amsre\_yyyymmv5.nc

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# 2.14.4. INPUT - Formatted input

# **Synopsis**

input,grid[,zaxis] outfile
inputsrv outfile
inputext outfile

### Description

This module reads time series of one 2D variable from standard input. All input fields need to have the same horizontal grid. The format of the input depends on the chosen operator.

# **Operators**

input ASCII input

Reads fields with ASCII numbers from standard input and stores them in outfile. The numbers read are exactly that ones which are written out by the output operator.

inputsrv SERVICE ASCII input

Reads fields with ASCII numbers from standard input and stores them in outfile. Each field should have a header of 8 integers (SERVICE likely). The numbers that are read are exactly that ones which are written out by the outputsry operator.

read are exactly that ones which are written out by the outputsrv operator.

inputext EXTRA ASCII input

Read fields with ASCII numbers from standard input and stores them in outfile. Each field should have header of 4 integers (EXTRA likely). The numbers read are exactly that ones which are written out by the outputext operator.

#### **Parameter**

grid STRING Grid description file or name

zaxis STRING Z-axis description file

### **Example**

Assume an ASCII dataset contains a field on a global regular grid with 32 longitudes and 16 latitudes (512 elements). To create a GRIB1 dataset from the ASCII dataset use:

cdo -f grb input,r32x16 outfile.grb < my\_ascii\_data</pre>

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# 2.14.5. OUTPUT - Formatted output

# **Synopsis**

output infiles
outputf,format[,nelem] infiles
outputint infiles
outputsrv infiles
outputext infiles

### Description

This module prints all values of all input datasets to standard output. All input fields need to have the same horizontal grid. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables. The format of the output depends on the chosen operator.

# **Operators**

output ASCII output

Prints all values to standard output. Each row has 6 elements with the C-style format

"%13.6g".

outputf Formatted output

Prints all values to standard output. The format and number of elements for each row

have to be specified by the parameters format and nelem. The default for nelem is 1.

outputint Integer output

Prints all values rounded to the nearest integer to standard output.

outputsrv SERVICE ASCII output

Prints all values to standard output. Each field with a header of 8 integers (SERVICE

likely).

outputext EXTRA ASCII output

Prints all values to standard output. Each field with a header of 4 integers (EXTRA

likely).

### **Parameter**

format STRING C-style format for one element (e.g. %13.6g)

nelem INTEGER Number of elements for each row (default: nelem = 1)

#### **Example**

To print all field elements of a dataset formatted with "%8.4g" and 8 values per line use:

cdo outputf,%8.4g,8 infile

Example result of a dataset with one field on 64 grid points:

261.7	262	257.8	252.5	248.8	247.7	246.3	246.1
250.6	252.6	253.9	254.8	252	246.6	249.7	257.9
273.4	266.2	259.8	261.6	257.2	253.4	251	263.7
267.5	267.4	272.2	266.7	259.6	255.2	272.9	277.1
275.3	275.5	276.4	278.4	282	269.6	278.7	279.5
282.3	284.5	280.3	280.3	280	281.5	284.7	283.6
292.9	290.5	293.9	292.6	292.7	292.8	294.1	293.6
293.8	292.6	291.2	292.6	293.2	292.8	291	291.2

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# 2.14.6. OUTPUTTAB - Table output

# **Synopsis**

outputtab, params infiles outfile

# Description

This operator prints a table of all input datasets to standard output. infiles is an arbitrary number of input files. All input files need to have the same structure with the same variables on different timesteps. All input fields need to have the same horizontal grid.

The contents of the table depends on the chosen parameters. The format of each table parameter is keyname[:len]. len is the optional length of a table entry. Here is a list of all valid keynames:

Keyname	Type	Description
value	FLOAT	Value of the variable [len:8]
name	STRING	Name of the variable [len:8]
param	STRING	Parameter ID (GRIB1: code[.tabnum]; GRIB2: num[.cat[.dis]]) [len:11]
code	INTEGER	Code number [len:4]
x	FLOAT	X coordinate of the original grid [len:6]
У	FLOAT	Y coordinate of the original grid [len:6]
lon	FLOAT	Longitude coordinate in degrees [len:6]
lat	FLOAT	Latitude coordinate in degrees [len:6]
lev	FLOAT	Vertical level [len:6]
xind	INTEGER	Grid x index [len:4]
yind	INTEGER	Grid y index [len:4]
timestep	INTEGER	Timestep number [len:6]
date	STRING	Date (format YYYY-MM-DD) [len:10]
time	STRING	Time (format hh:mm:ss) [len:8]
year	INTEGER	Year [len:5]
month	INTEGER	Month [len:2]
day	INTEGER	Day [len:2]
nohead	INTEGER	Disable output of header line

### **Parameter**

params STRING Comma-separated list of keynames, one for each column of the table

# **Example**

To print a table with name, date, lon, lat and value information use:

```
cdo outputtab,name,date,lon,lat,value infile
```

Here is an example output of a time series with the yearly mean temperatur at lon=10/lat=53.5:

#	name	date	lon	lat	value
	tsurf	1991 - 12 - 31	10	53.5	8.83903
	tsurf	1992 - 12 - 31	10	53.5	8.17439
	tsurf	1993 - 12 - 31	10	53.5	7.90489
	tsurf	1994 - 12 - 31	10	53.5	10.0216
	t s u r f	1995 - 12 - 31	10	53.5	9.07798

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# 2.14.7. OUTPUTGMT - GMT output

# **Synopsis**

< operator > infile

# Description

This module prints the first field of the input dataset to standard output. The output can be used to generate 2D Lon/Lat plots with [GMT]. The format of the output depends on the chosen operator.

# **Operators**

gmtxyz GMT xyz format

The operator exports the first field to the GMT xyz ASCII format. The output can be

used to create contour plots with the GMT module pscontour.

gmtcells GMT multiple segment format

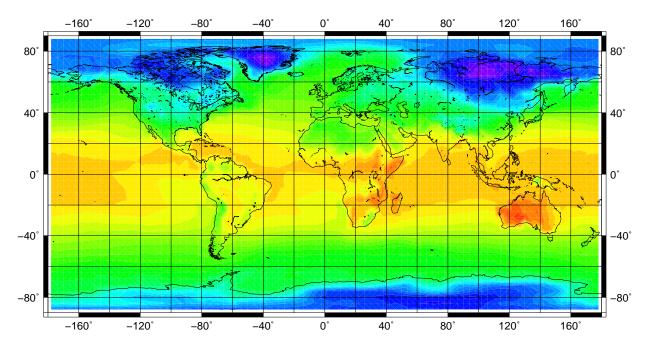
The operator exports the first field to the GMT multiple segment ASCII format. The

output can be used to create shaded gridfill plots with the GMT module psxy.

# **Example**

1) GMT shaded contour plot of a global temperature field with a resolution of 4 degree. The contour interval is 3 with a rainbow color table.

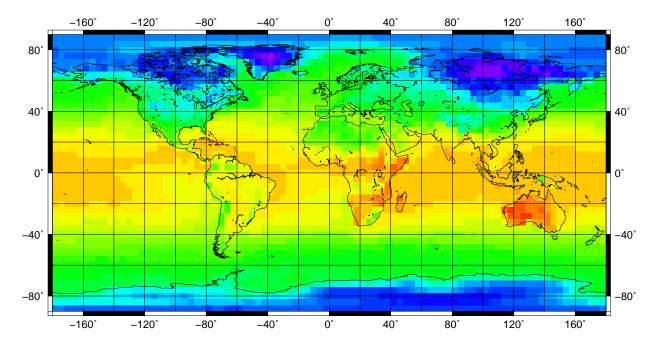
```
cdo gmtxyz temp > data.gmt
makecpt -T213/318/3 -Crainbow > gmt.cpt
pscontour -K -JQ0/10i -Rd -I -Cgmt.cpt data.gmt > gmtplot.ps
pscoast -O -J -R -Dc -W -B40g20 >> gmtplot.ps
```



2) GMT shaded gridfill plot of a global temperature field with a resolution of 4 degree. The contour interval is 3 with a rainbow color table.

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```
cdo gmtcells temp > data.gmt
makecpt -T213/318/3 -Crainbow > gmt.cpt
psxy -K -JQ0/10i -Rd -L -Cgmt.cpt -m data.gmt > gmtplot.ps
pscoast -O -J -R -Dc -W -B40g20 >> gmtplot.ps
```



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# 2.15. Miscellaneous

This section contains miscellaneous modules which do not fit to the other sections before.

Here is a short overview of all operators in this section:

gradsdes GrADS data descriptor file

after ECHAM standard post processor

bandpassBandpass filteringlowpassLowpass filteringhighpassHighpass filtering

gridarea Grid cell area gridweights Grid cell weights

smoothsmooth grid pointssmooth9point smoothing

setvals Set list of old values to new values

setrtoc Set range to constant

setrtoc2 Set range to constant others to constant2

**const** Create a constant field

random Create a field with random numbers topo Create a field with topography

seq Create a time series

stdatm Create values for pressure and temperature for hydrostatic atmosphere

timsort Sort over the time

uvDestagDestaggering of u/v wind componentsrotuvNorthRotate u/v wind to North pole.projuvLatLonCylindrical Equidistant projection

rotuvb Backward rotation

mrotuvb Backward rotation of MPIOM data

mastrfu Mass stream function

sealevelpressure
gheight
Sea level pressure
Geopotential height

adisit Potential temperature to in-situ temperatureadipot In-situ temperature to potential temperature

**rhopot** Calculates potential density

histcountHistogram counthistsumHistogram sumhistmeanHistogram meanhistfreqHistogram frequency

sethalo Set the left and right bounds of a field

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wct Windchill temperature

fdns Frost days where no snow index per time period

strwin Strong wind days index per time period

**strbre** Strong breeze days index per time period

strgal Strong gale days index per time period

hurr Hurricane days index per time period

**cmorlite** CMOR lite

verifygrid Verify grid coordinates

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# 2.15.1. GRADSDES - GrADS data descriptor file

# Synopsis

gradsdes[,mapversion] infile

# Description

Creates a [GrADS] data descriptor file. Supported file formats are GRIB1, NetCDF, SERVICE, EXTRA and IEG. For GRIB1 files the GrADS map file is also generated. For SERVICE and EXTRA files the grid have to be specified with the **CDO** option '-g <grid>'. This module takes infile in order to create filenames for the descriptor (infile.ctl) and the map (infile.gmp) file.

#### **Parameter**

mapversion

INTEGER Format version of the GrADS map file for GRIB1 datasets. Use 1 for a machine specific version 1 GrADS map file, 2 for a machine independent version 2 GrADS map file and 4 to support GRIB files >2GB. A version 2 map file can be used only with GrADS version 1.8 or newer. A version 4 map file can be used only with GrADS version 2.0 or newer. The default is 4 for files >2GB, otherwise 2.

### **Example**

To create a GrADS data descriptor file from a GRIB1 dataset use:

```
cdo gradsdes infile.grb
```

This will create a descriptor file with the name infile.ctl and the map file infile.gmp.

Assumed the input GRIB1 dataset has 3 variables over 12 timesteps on a Gaussian N16 grid. The contents of the resulting GrADS data description file is approximately:

```
^infile.grb
DSET
DTYPE
      GRIB
INDEX
        `infile.gmp
XDEF 64 LINEAR 0.000000 5.625000
YDEF 32 LEVELS -85.761 -80.269 -74.745 -69.213 -63.679
                                                          -58.143
                -52.607 -47.070 -41.532 -35.995
                                                          -24.920
                                                  -30.458
                -19.382 -13.844
                                  -8.307
                                          -2.769
                                                    2.769
                                                            8.307
                 13.844
                         19.382
                                  24.920
                                          30.458
                                                   35.995
                                                           41.532
                 47.070
                         52.607
                                  58.143
                                          63.679
                                                   69.213
                                                           74.745
                 80.269
                         85.761
ZDEF 4 LEVELS 925 850 500 200
TDEF 12 LINEAR 12:00 Z1jan1987 1mo
TITLE infile.grb T21 grid
OPTIONS yrev
UNDEF -9e+33
VARS 3
            129,1,0
                      surface geopotential (orography)
                                                          [m^2/s^2]
geosp
\mathbf{t}
         4
            130,99,0
                      temperature [K]
tslm1
            139,1,0
                      surface temperature of land
ENDVARS
```

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# 2.15.2. AFTERBURNER - ECHAM standard post processor

# **Synopsis**

```
after[,vct] infiles outfile
```

### Description

The "afterburner" is the standard post processor for [ECHAM] GRIB and NetCDF data which provides the following operations:

- Extract specified variables and levels
- Compute derived variables
- Transform spectral data to Gaussian grid representation
- Vertical interpolation to pressure levels
- Compute temporal means

This operator reads selection parameters as namelist from stdin. Use the UNIX redirection "<namelistfile" to read the namelist from file.

The input files can't be combined with other **CDO** operators because of an optimized reader for this operator.

#### **Namelist**

Namelist parameter and there defaults:

```
\label{eq:type_0} \texttt{TYPE=0}, \ \texttt{CODE=-1}, \ \texttt{LEVEL=-1}, \ \texttt{INTERVAL=0}, \ \texttt{MEAN=0}, \ \texttt{EXTRAPOLATE=1}
```

TYPE controls the transformation and vertical interpolation. Transforming spectral data to Gaussian grid representation and vertical interpolation to pressure levels are performed in a chain of steps. The TYPE parameter may be used to stop the chain at a certain step. Valid values are:

```
TYPE = 0 : Hybrid
                      level spectral coefficients
TYPE = 10 : Hybrid
                      level fourier
                                     coefficients
TYPE = 11 : Hybrid
                      level zonal mean sections
TYPE = 20 : Hybrid
                      level gauss grids
TYPE = 30 : Pressure level gauss grids
                                    coefficients
     = 40 : Pressure level fourier
     = 41 : Pressure level zonal mean sections
TYPE
     = 50 : Pressure level spectral coefficients
TYPE
     = 60 : Pressure level fourier
                                     coefficients
TYPE
     = 61 : Pressure level zonal mean sections
TYPE = 70 : Pressure level gauss grids
```

Vorticity, divergence, streamfunction and velocity potential need special treatment in the vertical transformation. They are not available as types 30, 40 and 41. If you select one of these combinations, type is automatically switched to the equivalent types 70, 60 and 61. The type of all other variables will be switched too, because the type is a global parameter.

**CODE** selects the variables by the ECHAM GRIB1 code number (1-255). The default value **-1** processes all detected codes. Derived variables computed by the afterburner:

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Code	Name	Longname	Units	Level	Needed Codes
34	low_cld	low cloud		single	223 on modellevel
35	$\operatorname{mid}$ _cld	mid cloud		single	223 on modellevel
36	hih_cld	high cloud		single	223 on modellevel
131	u	u-velocity	m/s	atm (ml+pl)	138, 155
132	v	v-velocity	m/s	atm (ml+pl)	138, 155
135	omega	vertical velocity	Pa/s	atm (ml+pl)	138, 152, 155
148	stream	streamfunction	m^ 2/s	atm (ml+pl)	131, 132
149	velopot	velocity potential	m^ 2/s	atm (ml+pl)	131, 132
151	slp	mean sea level pressure	Pa	surface	129, 130, 152
156	geopoth	geopotential height	m	atm (ml+pl)	129, 130, 133, 152
157	rhumidity	relative humidity		atm (ml+pl)	130, 133, 152
189	sclfs	surface solar cloud forcing		surface	176-185
190	tclfs	surface thermal cloud forcing		surface	177-186
191	sclf0	top solar cloud forcing		surface	178-187
192	tclf0	top thermal cloud forcing		surface	179-188
259	windspeed	windspeed	m/s	atm (ml+pl)	$\operatorname{sqrt}(u^*u+v^*v)$
260	precip	total precipitation		surface	142+143

**LEVEL** selects the hybrid or pressure levels. The allowed values depends on the parameter **TYPE**. The default value **-1** processes all detected levels.

INTERVAL selects the processing interval. The default value 0 process data on monthly intervals. INTERVAL=1 sets the interval to daily.

MEAN=1 compute and write monthly or daily mean fields. The default value 0 writes out all timesteps.

**EXTRAPOLATE=0** switch of the extrapolation of missing values during the interpolation from model to pressure level (only available with MEAN=0 and TYPE=30). The default value 1 extrapolate missing values.

Possible combinations of TYPE, CODE and MEAN:

TYPE	CODE	MEAN
0/10/11	130 temperature	0
0/10/11	131 u-velocity	0
0/10/11	132 v-velocity	0
0/10/11	133 specific humidity	0
0/10/11	138 vorticity	0
0/10/11	148 streamfunction	0
0/10/11	149 velocity potential	0
0/10/11	152 LnPs	0
0/10/11	155 divergence	0
>11	all codes	0/1

#### **Parameter**

vct STRING File with VCT in ASCII format

# Example

To interpolate ECHAM hybrid model level data to pressure levels of 925, 850, 500 and 200 hPa, use:

```
cdo after infile outfile << EON
   TYPE=30 LEVEL=92500,85000,50000,20000
EON</pre>
```

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# 2.15.3. FILTER - Time series filtering

# **Synopsis**

bandpass,fmin,fmax infile outfile
lowpass,fmax infile outfile
highpass,fmin infile outfile

### Description

This module takes the time series for each gridpoint in infile and (fast fourier) transforms it into the frequency domain. According to the particular operator and its parameters certain frequencies are filtered (set to zero) in the frequency domain and the spectrum is (inverse fast fourier) transformed back into the time domain. To determine the frequency the time-axis of infile is used. (Data should have a constant time increment since this assumption applies for transformation. However, the time increment has to be different from zero.) All frequencies given as parameter are interpreted per year. This is done by the assumption of a 365-day calendar. Consequently if you want to perform multiyear-filtering accurately you have to delete the 29th of February. If your infile has a 360 year calendar the frequency parameters fmin respectively fmax should be multiplied with a factor of 360/365 in order to obtain accurate results. For the set up of a frequency filter the frequency parameters have to be adjusted to a frequency in the data. Here fmin is rounded down and fmax is always rounded up. Consequently it is possible to use bandpass with fmin=fmax without getting a zero-field for outfile. Hints for efficient usage:

- to get reliable results the time-series has to be detrended (cdo detrend)
- the lowest frequency greater zero that can be contained in infile is 1/(N\*dT),
- the greatest frequency is 1/(2dT) (Nyquist frequency),

with N the number of timesteps and dT the time increment of infile in years.

Missing value support for operators in this module is not implemented, yet!

# **Operators**

bandpass Bandpass filtering

Bandpass filtering (pass for frequencies between fmin and fmax). Suppresses all

variability outside the frequency range specified by [fmin,fmax].

lowpass Lowpass filtering

Lowpass filtering (pass for frequencies lower than fmax). Suppresses all variability

with frequencies greater than fmax.

highpass Highpass filtering

Highpass filtering (pass for frequencies greater than fmin). Suppresses all variabilty

with frequencies lower than fmin.

#### **Parameter**

fmin FLOAT Minimum frequency per year that passes the filter.fmax FLOAT Maximum frequency per year that passes the filter.

#### Note

For better performace of these operators use the CDO configure option --with-fftw3.

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### **Example**

Now assume your data are still hourly for a time period of 5 years but with a 365/366-day- calendar and you want to suppress the variability on timescales greater or equal to one year (we suggest here to use a number x bigger than one (e.g. x=1.5) since there will be dominant frequencies around the peak (if there is one) as well due to the issue that the time series is not of infinite length). Therefor you can use the following:

```
cdo highpass,x -del29feb infile outfile
```

Accordingly you might use the following to suppress variability on timescales shorter than one year:

```
cdo lowpass,1 -del29feb infile outfile
```

Finally you might be interested in 2-year variability. If you want to suppress the seasonal cycle as well as say the longer cycles in climate system you might use

```
cdo bandpass,x,y -del29feb infile outfile
```

with x <= 0.5 and y >= 0.5.

### 2.15.4. GRIDCELL - Grid cell quantities

# **Synopsis**

<operator> infile outfile

# Description

This module reads the grid cell area of the first grid from the input stream. If the grid cell area is missing it will be computed from the grid coordinates. The area of a grid cell is calculated using spherical triangles from the coordinates of the center and the vertices. The base is a unit sphere which is scaled with the radius of the earth. The default earth radius is 6371000 meter. This value can be changed with the environment variable PLANET\_RADIUS. Depending on the chosen operator the grid cell area or weights are written to the output stream.

#### **Operators**

gridarea Grid cell area

Writes the grid cell area to the output stream. If the grid cell area have to be

computed it is scaled with the earth radius to square meters.

gridweights Grid cell weights

Writes the grid cell area weights to the output stream.

#### **Environment**

PLANET\_RADIUS This variable is used to scale the computed grid cell areas to square meters. By

default PLANET RADIUS is set to an earth radius of 6371000 meter.

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# 2.15.5. SMOOTH - Smooth grid points

# **Synopsis**

```
smooth[,options] infile outfile
smooth9 infile outfile
```

# Description

Smooth all grid points of a horizontal grid. Options is a comma-separated list of "key=value" pairs with optional parameters.

# **Operators**

### smooth Smooth grid points

Performs a N point smoothing on all input fields. The number of points used depend on the search radius (radius) and the maximum number of points (maxpoints). Per default all points within the search radius of 1degree are used. The weights for the points depend on the form of the curve and the distance. The implemented form of the curve is linear with constant default weights of 0.25 at distance 0 (weight0) and at the search radius (weightR).

### **smooth9** 9 point smoothing

Performs a 9 point smoothing on all fields with a quadrilateral curvilinear grid. The result at each grid point is a weighted average of the grid point plus the 8 surrounding points. The center point receives a weight of 1.0, the points at each side and above and below receive a weight of 0.5, and corner points receive a weight of 0.3. All 9 points are multiplied by their weights and summed, then divided by the total weight to obtain the smoothed value. Any missing data points are not included in the sum; points beyond the grid boundary are considered to be missing. Thus the final result may be the result of an averaging with less than 9 points.

#### **Parameter**

nsmooth	INTEGER	Number of times to smooth, default nsmooth=1
radius	STRING	Search radius, default radius=1deg (units: deg, rad, km, m)
maxpoints	INTEGER	${\it Maximum number of points}, {\it default maxpoints} {=} {<} {\it gridsize} {>}$
form	STRING	Form of the curve, default form=linear
weight0	FLOAT	Weight at distance 0, default weight 0=0.25 $$
weightR	FLOAT	Weight at the search radius, default weight R=0.25 $$

# 2.15.6. DELTAT - Difference between timesteps

#### **Synopsis**

```
deltat infile outfile
```

#### Description

This operator computes the difference between each timestep.

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# 2.15.7. REPLACEVALUES - Replace variable values

# **Synopsis**

```
setvals,oldval,newval[,...] infile outfile
setrtoc,rmin,rmax,c infile outfile
setrtoc2,rmin,rmax,c,c2 infile outfile
```

### Description

This module replaces old variable values with new values, depending on the operator.

# **Operators**

setvals Set list of old values to new values

Supply a list of n pairs of old and new values.

**setrtoc** Set range to constant

 $o(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathbf{c} & \text{if } i(t,x) \geq r\min \wedge i(t,x) \leq r\max \\ i(t,x) & \text{if } i(t,x) < r\min \vee i(t,x) > r\max \end{array} \right.$ 

setrtoc2 Set range to constant others to constant2

 $o(t,x) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } i(t,x) \ge r\min \land i(t,x) \le r\max \\ c2 & \text{if } i(t,x) < r\min \lor i(t,x) > r\max \end{cases}$ 

#### **Parameter**

oldval,newval,...
 FLOAT Pairs of old and new values
 rmin FLOAT Lower bound
 rmax FLOAT Upper bound
 c FLOAT New value - inside range
 c2 FLOAT New value - outside range

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### 2.15.8. VARGEN - Generate a field

# **Synopsis**

const,const,grid outfile
random,grid[,seed] outfile
topo[,grid] outfile
seq,start,end[,inc] outfile
stdatm,levels outfile

# Description

Generates a dataset with one or more fields

# **Operators**

const Create a constant field

Creates a constant field. All field elements of the grid have the same value.

random Create a field with random numbers

Creates a field with rectangularly distrubuted random numbers in the interval [0,1].

topo Create a field with topography

Creates a field with topography data, per default on a global half degree grid.

seq Create a time series

Creates a time series with field size 1 and field elements beginning with a start value in

time step 1 which is increased from one time step to the next.

stdatm Create values for pressure and temperature for hydrostatic atmosphere

Creates pressure and temperature values for the given list of vertical levels. The formulars

are:

$$P(z) = P_0 \exp\left(-\frac{g}{R} \frac{H}{T_0} \log\left(\frac{\exp\left(\frac{z}{H}\right)T_0 + \Delta T}{T_0 + \Delta T}\right)\right)$$

$$T(z) = T_0 + \Delta T \exp\left(-\frac{z}{H}\right)$$

with the following constants

 $T_0 = 213$ K : offset to get a surface temperature of 288K

 $\Delta T = 75$ K : Temperature lapse rate for 10Km

 $P_0 = 1013.25$ hPa : surface pressure H = 10000.0m : scale height  $g = 9.80665 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{S}^2}$  : earth gravity

 $R = 287.05 \frac{J}{\text{kgK}}$  : gas constant for air

This is the solution for the hydrostatic equations and is only valid for the troposphere (constant positive lapse rate). The temperature increase in the stratosphere and other effects of the upper atmosphere are not taken into account.

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### **Parameter**

const	FLOAT	Constant
seed	INTEGER	The seed for a new sequence of pseudo-random numbers [default: $1$ ]
grid	STRING	Target grid description file or name
start	FLOAT	Start value of the loop
end	FLOAT	End value of the loop
inc	FLOAT	Increment of the loop [default: 1]
levels	FLOAT	Target levels in metre above surface

# **Example**

To create a standard atmosphere dataset on a given horizontal grid:

```
cdo enlarge, gridfile -stdatm, 10000, 8000, 5000, 3000, 2000, 1000, 500, 200, 0 outfile
```

# 2.15.9. TIMSORT - Timsort

# **Synopsis**

timsort infile outfile

# Description

Sorts the elements in ascending order over all timesteps for every field position. After sorting it is:

$$o(t_1, x) \le o(t_2, x)$$
  $\forall (t_1 < t_2), x$ 

# **Example**

To sort all field elements of a dataset over all timesteps use:

cdo timsort infile outfile

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### 2.15.10. WINDTRANS - Wind Transformation

# **Synopsis**

```
uvDestag,u,v[,-/+0.5[,-/+0.5]] infile outfile
rotuvNorth,u,v infile outfile
projuvLatLon,u,v infile outfile
```

# Description

This module contains special operators for datsets with wind components on a rotated lon/lat grid, e.g. data from the regional model HIRLAM or REMO.

# **Operators**

**uvDestag** Destaggering of u/v wind components

This is a special operator for destaggering of wind components. If the file contains a grid with temperature (name='t' or code=11) then grid\_temp will be used for

destaggered wind.

rotuvNorth Rotate u/v wind to North pole.

This is an operator for transformation of wind-vectors from grid-relative to north-pole relative for the whole file. (FAST implementation with JACOBIANS)

projuvLatLon Cylindrical Equidistant projection

Thus is an operator for transformation of wind-vectors from the globe-spherical coordinate system into a flat Cylindrical Equidistant (lat-lon) projection. (FAST

JACOBIAN implementation)

### **Parameter**

u,v	STRING	Pair of u,v wind components (use variable names or code numbers)
-/+0.5,-/+0.5	STRING	Destaggered grid offsets are optional (default -0.5,-0.5)

# **Example**

Typical operator sequence on HIRLAM NWP model output (LAMH\_D11 files):

```
cdo uvDestag,33,34 inputfile inputfile_destag
cdo rotuvNorth,33,34 inputfile_destag inputfile_rotuvN
```

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#### 2.15.11. ROTUVB - Rotation

# **Synopsis**

rotuvb, u, v,... infile outfile

### Description

This is a special operator for datsets with wind components on a rotated grid, e.g. data from the regional model REMO. It performs a backward transformation of velocity components U and V from a rotated spherical system to a geographical system.

#### **Parameter**

u,v,... STRING Pairs of zonal and meridional velocity components (use variable names or code numbers)

#### Note

This is a specific implementation for data from the REMO model, it may not work with data from other sources.

### **Example**

To transform the u and v velocity of a dataset from a rotated spherical system to a geographical system use:

cdo rotuvb, u, v infile outfile

## 2.15.12. MROTUVB - Backward rotation of MPIOM data

### Synopsis

mrotuvb infile1 infile2 outfile

### Description

MPIOM data are on a rotated Arakawa C grid. The velocity components U and V are located on the edges of the cells and point in the direction of the grid lines and rows. With mrotuvb the velocity vector is rotated in latitudinal and longitudinal direction. Before the rotation, U and V are interpolated to the scalar points (cell center). U is located with the coordinates for U in infile1 and V in infile2. mrotuvb assumes a positive meridional flow for a flow from grid point(i,j) to grid point(i,j+1) and positive zonal flow for a flow from grid point(i+1,j) to point(i,j).

#### Note

This is a specific implementation for data from the MPIOM model, it may not work with data from other sources.

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### 2.15.13. MASTRFU - Mass stream function

# **Synopsis**

mastrfu infile outfile

### Description

This is a special operator for the post processing of the atmospheric general circulation model [ECHAM]. It computes the mass stream function (code=272). The input dataset have to be a zonal mean of v-velocity [m/s] (code=132) on pressure levels.

# Example

To compute the mass stream function from a zonal mean v-velocity dataset use:

cdo mastrfu infile outfile

# 2.15.14. DERIVEPAR - Derived model parameters

# **Synopsis**

< operator > infile outfile

# Description

This module contains operators that calculate derived model parameters. These are currently the parameters sea level pressure and geopotential height. All necessary input parameters are identified by their GRIB1 code number or the NetCDF CF standard name. Supported GRIB1 parameter tables are: WMO standard table number 2 and ECMWF local table number 128.

CF standard name	Units	GRIB 1 code
surface_air_pressure	Pa	134
air_temperature	K	130
specific_humidity	kg/kg	133
surface_geopotential	m2 s-2	129
geopotential_height	m	156

### **Operators**

sealevelpressure Sea level pressure

This operator computes the sea level pressure (air\_pressure\_at\_sea\_level).

 $Required input fields are surface\_air\_pressure, surface\_geopotential \ and \ air\_temperature$ 

on full hybrid sigma pressure levels.

**gheight** Geopotential height

This operator computes the geopotential height (geopotential\_height) on full

model levels in metres. Required input fields are surface\_air\_pressure, surface\_geopotential,

specific\_humidity and air\_temperature on full hybrid sigma pressure levels. Note, this procedure is an approximation, which doesn't take into account the

effects of e.g. cloud ice and water, rain and snow.

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## 2.15.15. ADISIT - Potential temperature to in-situ temperature and vice versa

## **Synopsis**

<operator>[,pressure] infile outfile

### Description

#### **Operators**

adisit Potential temperature to in-situ temperature

This is a special operator for the post processing of the ocean and sea ice model [MPIOM]. It converts potential temperature adiabatically to in-situ temperature to(t, s, p). Required input fields are sea water potential temperature (name=tho; code=2) and sea water salinity (name=sao; code=5). Pressure is calculated from the level information or can be specified by the optional parameter. Output fields are sea water temperature (name=to; code=20) and sea water salinity (name=s; code=5).

adipot In-situ temperature to potential temperature

This is a special operator for the post processing of the ocean and sea ice model [MPIOM]. It converts in-situ temperature to potential temperature tho(to, s, p). Required input fields are sea water in-situ temperature (name=t; code=2) and sea water salinity (name=sao,s; code=5). Pressure is calculated from the level information or can be specified by the optional parameter. Output fields are sea water temperature (name=tho; code=2) and sea water salinity (name=s; code=5).

#### **Parameter**

pressure FLOAT Pressure in bar (constant value assigned to all levels)

#### 2.15.16. RHOPOT - Calculates potential density

#### Synopsis

rhopot[,pressure] infile outfile

#### Description

This is a special operator for the post processing of the ocean and sea ice model [MPIOM]. It calculates the sea water potential density (name=rhopoto; code=18). Required input fields are sea water in-situ temperature (name=to; code=20) and sea water salinity (name=sao; code=5). Pressure is calculated from the level information or can be specified by the optional parameter.

#### **Parameter**

pressure FLOAT Pressure in bar (constant value assigned to all levels)

#### **Example**

To compute the sea water potential density from the potential temperature use this operator in combination with adisit:

cdo rhopot -adisit infile outfile

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## 2.15.17. HISTOGRAM - Histogram

## **Synopsis**

<operator>,bounds infile outfile

#### Description

This module creates bins for a histogram of the input data. The bins have to be adjacent and have non-overlapping intervals. The user has to define the bounds of the bins. The first value is the lower bound and the second value the upper bound of the first bin. The bounds of the second bin are defined by the second and third value, aso. Only 2-dimensional input fields are allowed. The output file contains one vertical level for each of the bins requested.

### **Operators**

histcount Histogram count

Number of elements in the bin range.

histsum Histogram sum

Sum of elements in the bin range.

histmean Histogram mean

Mean of elements in the bin range.

histfreq Histogram frequency

Relative frequency of elements in the bin range.

#### **Parameter**

bounds FLOAT Comma-separated list of the bin bounds (-inf and inf valid)

#### 2.15.18. SETHALO - Set the left and right bounds of a field

#### **Synopsis**

sethalo, lhalo, rhalo infile outfile

#### Description

This operator sets the left and right bounds of the rectangularly understood fields. Positive numbers of the parameter lhalo enlarges the left bound by the given number of columns from the right bound. The parameter rhalo does the similar for the right bound. Negative numbers of the parameter lhalo/rhalo can be used to remove the given number of columns of the left and right bounds.

#### **Parameter**

lhalo INTEGER Left halorhalo INTEGER Right halo

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## 2.15.19. WCT - Windchill temperature

## Synopsis

wct infile1 infile2 outfile

#### Description

Let infile1 and infile2 be time series of temperature and wind speed records, then a corresponding time series of resulting windchill temperatures is written to outfile. The wind chill temperature calculation is only valid for a temperature of  $T \le 33$  °C and a wind speed of  $v \ge 1.39$  m/s. Whenever these conditions are not satisfied, a missing value is written to outfile. Note that temperature and wind speed records have to be given in units of °C and m/s, respectively.

#### 2.15.20. FDNS - Frost days where no snow index per time period

## **Synopsis**

fdns infile1 infile2 outfile

#### Description

Let infile1 be a time series of the daily minimum temperature TN and infile2 be a corresponding series of daily surface snow amounts. Then the number of days where TN < 0 °C and the surface snow amount is less than 1 cm is counted. The temperature TN have to be given in units of Kelvin. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the last contributing timestep in infile.

#### 2.15.21. STRWIN - Strong wind days index per time period

#### Synopsis

strwin/,v/ infile outfile

#### Description

Let infile be a time series of the daily maximum horizontal wind speed VX, then the number of days where VX > v is counted. The horizontal wind speed v is an optional parameter with default v = 10.5 m/s. A further output variable is the maximum number of consecutive days with maximum wind speed greater than or equal to v. Note that both VX and v have to be given in units of m/s. Also note that the horizontal wind speed is defined as the square root of the sum of squares of the zonal and meridional wind speeds. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the last contributing timestep in infile.

#### **Parameter**

v FLOAT Horizontal wind speed threshold (m/s, default v = 10.5 m/s)

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#### 2.15.22. STRBRE - Strong breeze days index per time period

## **Synopsis**

strbre infile outfile

#### Description

Let infile be a time series of the daily maximum horizontal wind speed VX, then the number of days where VX is greater than or equal to 10.5 m/s is counted. A further output variable is the maximum number of consecutive days with maximum wind speed greater than or equal to 10.5 m/s. Note that VX is defined as the square root of the sum of squares of the zonal and meridional wind speeds and have to be given in units of m/s. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the last contributing timestep in infile.

### 2.15.23. STRGAL - Strong gale days index per time period

### **Synopsis**

strgal infile outfile

#### Description

Let infile be a time series of the daily maximum horizontal wind speed VX, then the number of days where VX is greater than or equal to 20.5 m/s is counted. A further output variable is the maximum number of consecutive days with maximum wind speed greater than or equal to 20.5 m/s. Note that VX is defined as the square root of the sum of square of the zonal and meridional wind speeds and have to be given in units of m/s. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the last contributing timestep in infile.

#### 2.15.24. HURR - Hurricane days index per time period

## **Synopsis**

hurr infile outfile

#### Description

Let infile be a time series of the daily maximum horizontal wind speed VX, then the number of days where VX is greater than or equal to 32.5 m/s is counted. A further output variable is the maximum number of consecutive days with maximum wind speed greater than or equal to 32.5 m/s. Note that VX is defined as the square root of the sum of squares of the zonal and meridional wind speeds and have to be given in units of m/s. The date information of a timestep in outfile is the date of the last contributing timestep in infile.

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#### 2.15.25. CMORLITE - CMOR lite

## Synopsis

cmorlite,table[,convert] infile outfile

#### Description

The [CMOR] (Climate Model Output Rewriter) library comprises a set of functions, that can be used to produce CF-compliant NetCDF files that fulfill the requirements of many of the climate community's standard model experiments. These experiments are collectively referred to as MIP's. Much of the metadata written to the output files is defined in MIP-specific tables, typically made available from each MIP's web site.

The **CDO** operator cmorlite process the header and variable section of such MIP tables and writes the result with the internal IO library [CDI]. In addition to the CMOR 2 and 3 table format, the **CDO** parameter table format is also supported. The following parameter table entries are available:

Entry	Type	Description
name	WORD	Name of the variable
out_name	WORD	New name of the variable
type	WORD	Data type (real or double)
standard_name	WORD	As defined in the CF standard name table
long_name	STRING	Describing the variable
units	STRING	Specifying the units for the variable
comment	STRING	Information concerning the variable
cell_methods	STRING	Information concerning calculation of means or climatologies
cell_measures	STRING	Indicates the names of the variables containing cell areas and volumes
missing_value	FLOAT	Specifying how missing data will be identified
valid_min	FLOAT	Minimum valid value
valid_max	FLOAT	Maximum valid value
ok_min_mean_abs	FLOAT	Minimum absolute mean
ok_max_mean_abs	FLOAT	Maximum absolute mean
factor	FLOAT	Scale factor
delete	INTEGER	Set to 1 to delete variable
convert	INTEGER	Set to 1 to convert the unit if necessary

Most of the above entries are stored as variables attributes, some of them are handled differently. The variable name is used as a search key for the parameter table. valid\_min, valid\_max, ok\_min\_mean\_abs and ok\_max\_mean\_abs are used to check the range of the data.

#### **Parameter**

table STRING Name of the CMOR table as specified from PCMDI

convert STRING Converts the units if necessary

## **Example**

Here is an example of a parameter table for one variable:

```
prompt> cat mypartab
&parameter
  name = t
```

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```
out_name = ta
standard_name = air_temperature
units = "K"
missing_value = 1.0e+20
valid_min = 157.1
valid_max = 336.3
/
```

To apply this parameter table to a dataset use:

```
cdo -f nc cmorlite,mypartab,convert infile outfile
```

This command renames the variable t to ta. The standard name of this variable is set to  $air_temperature$  and the unit is set to [K] (converts the unit if necessary). The missing value will be set to 1.0e+20. In addition it will be checked whether the values of the variable are in the range of 157.1 to 336.3. The result will be stored in NetCDF.

## 2.15.26. VERIFYGRID - Verify grid coordinates

## **Synopsis**

verifygrid infile

## Description

This operator verifies the coordinates of all horizontal grids found in infile. Among other things, it searches for duplicate cells, non-convex cells, and whether the center is located outside the cell bounds. Use the **CDO** option -v to output the position of these cells. This information can be useful to avoid problems when interpolating the data.

## 3. Contributors

## 3.1. History

**CDO** was originally developed by Uwe Schulzweida at the Max Planck Institute for Meteorology (MPI-M). The first public release is available since 2003. The MPI-M, together with the DKRZ, has a long history in the development of tools for processing climate data. **CDO** was inspired by some of these tools, such as the PINGO package and the GRIB-Modules.

PINGO<sup>1</sup> was developed by Jürgen Waszkewitz, Peter Lenzen, and Nathan Gillet in 1995 at the DKRZ, Hamburg (Germany). **CDO** has a similar user interface and uses some of the PINGO routines.

The GRIB-Modules was developed by Heiko Borgert and Wolfgang Welke in 1991 at the MPI-M. **CDO** is using a similar module structure and also some of the routines.

## 3.2. External sources

**CDO** has incorporated code from several sources:

**afterburner** is a postprocessing application for ECHAM data and ECMWF analysis data, originally developed by Edilbert Kirk, Michael Ponater and Arno Hellbach. The afterburner code was modified for the **CDO** operators after, ml2pl, ml2hl, sp2gp, gp2sp.

**SCRIP** is a software package used to generate interpolation weights for remapping fields from one grid to another in spherical geometry [SCRIP]. It was developed at the Los Alamos National Laboratory by Philip W. Jones. The SCRIP library was converted from Fortran to ANSI C and is used as the base for the remapping operators in **CDO**.

**YAC** (Yet Another Coupler) was jointly developed by DKRZ and MPI-M by Moritz Hanke and Rene Redler [YAC]. **CDO** is using the clipping and cell search routines for the conservative remapping with remapcon.

libkdtree a C99 implementation of the kd-tree algorithm developed by Jörg Dietrich.

**CDO** uses tools from the GNU project, including automake, and libtool.

#### 3.3. Contributors

The primary contributors to the **CDO** development have been:

Uwe Schulweida: Concept, design and implementation of CDO, project coordination, and releases.

**Luis Kornblueh**: He supports **CDO** from the beginning. His main contributions are GRIB performance and compression, GME and unstructured grid support. Luis also helps with design and planning.

Ralf Müller: He is working on CDO since 2009. His main contributions are the implementation of the User Portal, the ruby and python interface for all CDO operators, the building process and the Windows support. The CDO User Portal was funded by the European Commission infracstructure project IS-ENES. Ralf also helps a lot with the user support. Implemented operators: intlevel3d, consecsum, consects, ngrids, ngridpoints, reducegrid

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Procedural INterface for GRIB formatted Objects

Contributors Contributors

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Ralf Quast: He worked on CDO on behalf of the Service Gruppe Anpassung (SGA), DKRZ in 2006. He implemented all ECA Indices of Daily Temperature and Precipitation Extremes, all percentile operators, module YDRUNSTAT and wct.

**Kameswarrao Modali**: He worked on CDO from 2012-2013. Implemented operators: contour, shaded, grfill, vector, graph.

**Michal Koutek**: Implemented operators: selmulti delmulti, changemulti, samplegrid, uvDestag, rotuvNorth, projuvLatLon.

**Etienne Tourigny**: Implemented operators: setclonlatbox, setcindexbox, setvals, splitsel, histfreq, setrtoc, setrtoc2.

Karl-Hermann Wieners: Implemented operators: aexpr, aexprf, selzaxisname.

**Asela Rajapakse** He worked on CDO from 2016-2017 as part of the EUDAT project. Implemented operator: verifygrid

Many users have contributed to **CDO** by sending bug reports, patches and suggestions over time. Very helpful is also the active participation in the user forum of some users. Here is an incomplete list:

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Please let me know if your name was omitted!

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# A. Environment Variables

The following table describes the environment variables that affect  ${\bf CDO}.$ 

Variable name	Default	Description					
CDO_DOWNLOAD_PATH	./	Path where CDO stores downloads.					
CDO_FILE_SUFFIX	None	Default file suffix. This suffix will be added to the output file					
		name instead of the filename extension derived from the file					
		format. NULL will disable the adding of a file suffix.					
CDO_GRIDSEARCH_RADIUS	180	Grid search radius in degree. Used by the operators					
		setmisstonn, remapdis and remapnn.					
CDO_HISTORY_INFO	1	Append NetCDF global attribute histroy					
CDO_ICON_GRIDS		Root directory of the ICON grids (e.g. /pool/data/ICON).					
CDO_PCTL_NBINS	101	Number of histogram bins.					
CDO_RESET_HISTORY	0	Set to 1 to reset the NetCDF history global attribute.					
CDO_REMAP_NORM	fracarea	Choose the normalization for the conservative interpolation					
CDO_TIMESTAT_DATE	None	Set target timestamp of a temporal statistic operator to the "first",					
		"middle", "midhigh" or "last" contributing source timestep.					
CDO_USE_FFTW	1	Set to 0 to switch off usage of FFTW. Used in the Filter module.					
CDO_VERSION_INFO	1	Set to 0 to disable NetCDF global attribute CDO					

# **B.** Parallelized operators

Some of the **CDO** operators are parallelized with OpenMP. To use **CDO** with multiple OpenMP threads, you have to set the number of threads with the option '-P'. Here is an example to distribute the bilinear interpolation on 8 OpenMP threads:

cdo -P 8 remapbil, targetgrid infile outfile

The following **CDO** operators are parallelized with OpenMP:

Module	Operator	Description
Afterburner	after	ECHAM standard post processor
Detrend	detrend	Detrend
Ensstat	ens <stat></stat>	Statistical values over an ensemble
EOF	eof	Empirical Orthogonal Functions
Filter	bandpass	Bandpass filtering
Filter	lowpass	Lowpass filtering
Filter	highpass	Highpass filtering
Fourier	fourier	Fourier transformation
Genweights	genbil	Generate bilinear interpolation weights
Genweights	genbic	Generate bicubic interpolation weights
Genweights	gendis	Generate distance-weighted average remap weights
Genweights	gennn	Generate nearest neighbor remap weights
Genweights	gencon	Generate 1st order conservative remap weights
Genweights	gencon2	Generate 2nd order conservative remap weights
Genweights	genlaf	Generate largest area fraction remap weights
Gridboxstat	gridbox <stat></stat>	Statistical values over grid boxes
Intlevel	intlevel	Linear level interpolation
Intlevel3d	intlevel3d	Linear level interpolation from/to 3D vertical coordinates
Remapeta	remapeta	Remap vertical hybrid level
Remap	remapbil	Bilinear interpolation
Remap	remapbic	Bicubic interpolation
Remap	remapdis	Distance-weighted average remapping
Remap	remapnn	Nearest neighbor remapping
Remap	remapcon	First order conservative remapping
Remap	remapcon2	Second order conservative remapping
Remap	remaplaf	Largest area fraction remapping
Smooth	smooth	Smooth grid points
Spectral	sp2gp, gp2sp	Spectral transformation
Vertintap	ap2pl, ap2hl	Vertical interpolation on hybrid sigma height coordinates
Vertintgh	gh2hl	Vertical height interpolation
Vertintml	ml2pl, ml2hl	Vertical interpolation on hybrid sigma pressure coordinates

# C. Standard name table

The following CF standard names are supported by  $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{CDO}}.$ 

CF standard name	Units	GRIB 1 code	variable name
surface_geopotential	m2 s-2	129	geosp
air_temperature	K	130	ta
specific_humidity	1	133	hus
surface_air_pressure	Pa	134	aps
air_pressure_at_sea_level	Pa	151	psl
geopotential_height	m	156	zg

## D. Grid description examples

## D.1. Example of a curvilinear grid description

Here is an example for the **CDO** description of a curvilinear grid. xvals/yvals describe the positions of the 6x5 quadrilateral grid cells. The first 4 values of xbounds/ybounds are the corners of the first grid cell.

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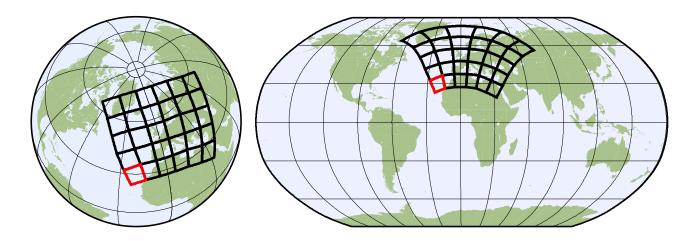


Figure D.1.: Orthographic and Robinson projection of the curvilinear grid, the first grid cell is colored red

## D.2. Example description for an unstructured grid

Here is an example of the **CDO** description for an unstructured grid. xvals/yvals describe the positions of 30 independent hexagonal grid cells. The first 6 values of xbounds/ybounds are the corners of the first grid cell. The grid cell corners have to rotate counterclockwise. The first grid cell is colored red.

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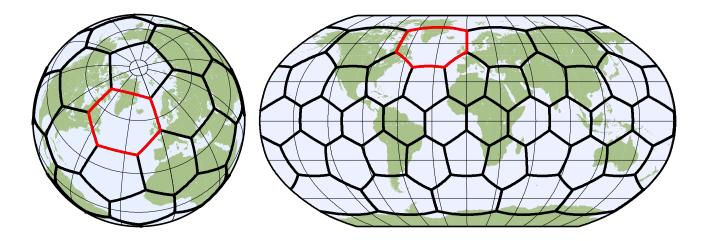


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