

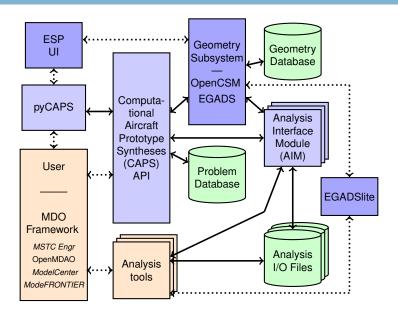
Computational Aircraft Prototype Syntheses: The CAPS API for ESP Rev 1.27

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Note: Sections in red are changes in CAPS from Revision 1.24.



CAPS Infrastructure in ESP



Changing Thrusts Beginning at Rev 1.19

CAPS was originally designed to run concurrently with an MDO framework. This has turned out to be rarely the method of execution. In addition there were always issues in restarting from where the runs left off (due to the amount of state info stored in AIMs, the difficulty in getting to the correct place in the control program and the scattering of files). Also if MDO frameworks are not used, then additional execution support is required within the CAPS environment. So the enhancements include:

- Restarting runs the same script (or control program) recycling previous data.
- AIM reload. The AIMs ended up maintaining too much internal state, which made restarting almost impossible (requiring either rerunning or writing out the state). The AIMs need recasting not to hold on to extraneous data.
- A file structure where the *Problem Database* contains all of the *Analysis I/O Files* (seen in the block diagram on the previous slide).
- Better support for Analysis execution, which embraces asynchronous CAPS running when the Analysis is not run directly in the AIM.
- More emphasis on tracking data and decisions during the session.
- Enhanced handling of derivatives from both geometry construction and analysis output.
- Removal of Value Object of Value Objects.



Variable Dimension GeometryIn Value Objects

Now that OpenCSM supports the ability to change the size of its *Design* and *Configuration Parameters* (GeometryIn Value Objects), this complicates dealing with derivatives associated with these inputs. This is because the meaning and use of rows and columns are now malleable. There are now internal *slots* for derivatives with respect to GeometryOut Value Objects, which are internally *registered* when caps_getDot is called. This is done via specifying which row/column is in play. The same is true for DataSet Objects, which request sensitivity information.

Note that when a changing a GeometryIn Value Object that effects the size of other GeometryIn Value Objects:

- You can get which other GeometryIn Value Objects are effected when calling caps_setValue (see nGIval and GIvals).
- Any GeometryOut Value slots associated with changed size GeometryIn Objects are invalidated and removed. These would need to get reregistered if still needed.
- Any DataSets associated with the changed-size GeometryIn Value Objects are also removed and need to be reinstated if still required.

Problem Object

The Problem is the top-level *container* for a single mission. It maintains a single set of interrelated geometric models, analyses to be executed, connectivity and data associated with the run(s), which can be both multi-fidelity and multidisciplinary. There can be multiple Problems in a single execution of CAPS and each Problem is designed to be *thread safe* allowing for multi-threading of CAPS at the highest level.

Value Object

A Value Object is the fundamental data container that is used within CAPS. It can represent *inputs* to the Analysis and Geometry subsystems and *outputs* from both. Also Value Objects can refer to *mission* parameters that are stored at the top-level of the CAPS database. The values contained in any *input* Value Object can be bypassed by the *linkage* connection to another Value (or *DataSet*) Object of the same (*sub*)*shape*. Attributes are also cast to temporary (*User*) Value Objects.

Analysis Object

The Analysis Object refers to an instance of running an analysis code. It holds the *input* and *output* Value Objects for the instance and a directory path in which to execute the code (though no explicit execution is initiated). Multiple various analyses can be utilized and multiple instances of the same analysis can be handled under the same Problem.

Bound Object

A Bound is a logical grouping of BRep Objects that all represent the same entity in an engineering sense (such as the "outer surface of the wing"). A Bound may include BRep entities from multiple Bodies; this enables the passing of information from one Body (for example, the aero OML) to another (the structures Body).

Dimensionally:

- 1D Collection of Edges
- 2D Collection of Faces

VertexSet Object

A VertexSet is a *connected* or *unconnected* group of locations at which discrete information is defined. Each connected VertexSet is associated with one Bound and a single Analysis. A VertexSet can contain more than one DataSet. A connected VertexSet can refer to 2 differing sets of locations. This occurs when the solver stores it's data at different locations than the vertices that define the discrete geometry (i.e. cell centered or non-isoparametric FEM discretizations). In these cases the solution data is provided in a different manner than the geometric.

DataSet Object

A DataSet is a set of engineering data associated with a VertexSet. The rank of a DataSet is the (user/pre)-defined number of dependent values associated with each vertex; for example, scalar data (such as *pressure*) will have rank of one and vector data (such as displacement) will have a rank of three. Values in the DataSet can either be deposited there by an application or can be computed (via evaluations, data transfers or sensitivity calculations).



CAPS Objects

Object	SubTypes	Parent Object
capsProblem	Parametric, Static	
capsValue	GeometryIn, GeometryOut,	capsProblem
	Parameter, User	
capsAnalysis		capsProblem
capsValue	AnalysisIn, AnalysisOut,	capsAnalysis
	AnalysisDynO	
capsBound		capsProblem
capsVertexSet	Connected, Unconnected	capsBound
capsDataSet	FieldOut, FieldIn, User,	capsVertexSet
	GeomSens, TessSens, Builtin	

Body Objects are EGADS Objects (egos)

See $\ensuremath{\texttt{SESP_ROOT/include/capsTypes.h}}$ for the correct capitalization

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Filtering the active CSM Bodies occurs at two different stages, once in the CAPS framework, and once in the AIMs. The filtering in the CAPS framework creates sub-groups of Bodies from the CSM stack that are passed to the specified AIM. Each AIM instance is then responsible for selecting the appropriate Bodies from the list it has received.

The filtering is performed by using two Body attributes: "capsAIM" and "capsIntent".

Filtering within AIM Code

Each AIM can adopt it's own filtering scheme for down-selecting how to use each Body it receives. The "capsIntent" string is accessible to the AIM, but it is for information only.

CAPS Body Filtering

CSM AIM targeting: "capsAIM"

The CSM script generates Bodies which are designed to be used by specific AIMs. The AIMs that the Body is designed for is communicated to the CAPS framework via the "capsAIM" string attribute. This is a semicolon-separated string with the list of AIM names. Thus, the CSM author can give a clear indication to which AIMs should use the Body. For example, a body designed for a CFD calculation could have:

ATTRIBUTE capsAIM \$su2AIM;fun3dAIM;cart3dAIM

CAPS AIM Instantiation: "capsIntent"

The "capsIntent" Body attribute is used to disambiguate which AIM instance should receive a given Body targeted for the AIM. An argument to <code>caps_makeAnalysis</code> accepts a semicolon-separated list of keywords when an AIM is instantiated in CAPS/pyCAPS. Bodies from the "capsAIM" selection with a matching string attribute "capsIntent" are passed to the AIM instance. The attribute "capsIntent" is a semicolon-separated list of keywords. If the string to <code>caps_makeAnalysis</code> is <code>NULL</code>, all Bodies with a "capsAIM" attribute that matches the AIM name are given to the AIM instance.



Other Reserved CAPS Attribute names

capsLength

This string Attribute must be applied to an EGADS Body to indicate the length units used in the geometric construction.

capsBound

This string Attribute must be applied to EGADS BRep Objects to indicate which CAPS Bound(s) are associated with the geometry. A entity can be assigned to multiple Bounds by having the Bound names separated by a semicolon. Face examples could be "Wing", "Wing;Flap", "Fuselage", and etc.

Note: Bound names should not cross dimensional lines.

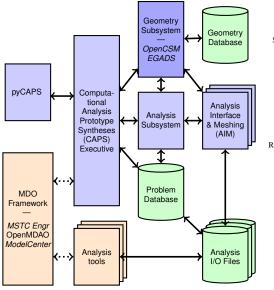
capsGroup

This string Attribute can be applied to EGADS BRep Objects to assist in grouping geometry into logical sets. A geometric entity can be assigned to multiple groups in the same manner as the capsBound attribute.

Note: CAPS does not internally use this, but is suggested of classifying geometry.



CAPS Execution



Setup (or read) the Problem:

- Initialize Problem with csm (or static) file GeomIn and GeomOut parameters
- Specify mission parameters
- Make Analysis instances
- AnalysisIn and AnalysisOut params
- Create Bounds, VetrexSets & DataSets
- Establish linkages between parameters

Run the Problem:

- Adjust the appropriate parameters
- Regenerate Geometry (if dirty lazy)
- Call for Analysis Input file generation
- AIM Execute runs each solver
- Inform CAPS that an Analysis has run fills AnalysisOut, AnalysisDynO Objects & DataSets (lazy)
- Generate Objective Function

CAPS Execution Phases

CAPS has 4 fundamental modes for starting the session:

- Scratch This is for development (and not production). It will remove any existing data in the *Scratch* directory of the Problem's path.
- Initial This *phase* is started by a call to caps_open that points to a nonexistent directory. The initialization can either be from a CSM, geometry file, an OpenCSM or EGADS Model.
- Continuation This occurs when CAPS has not fully completed a *phase* either do to an interruption or not reaching caps close (where the phase is marked as completed). In this case the CAPS application or pyCAPS script can be run from the beginning, but recycling of results is used to quickly get to the position where the *phase* terminated.
- Starting from a completed *phase*. There are options for ignoring the deletion markers on Objects, read-only and reloading the CSM file.

This is controlled by the Problem Object's initialization using caps_open.

CAPS Directory Structure

At the top level prName (of caps_open) you will find phase subdirectories. Note that *Scratch* is not as protected as the others.

In each *phase* subdirectory you may see:

- capsCSMFiles A directory containing the CSM/UDC files used for reloading the geometry – must include the file *capsCSMLoad*. Can be generated by a call to caps_phaseNewCSM (see page ??).
- capsRestart.cpc A CSM saved state file or –
- capsRestart.egads An EGADS saved geometry file (for nonparametric runs).
- capsRestart This subdirectory contains the CAPS restart data.
- capsClosed An indication that the *phase* has been closed (caps close has been called marking completion).
- capsLock A flag that another application is using this subdirectory.
- AIMnames any number of directories each related to an AIM instance in the running CAPS Problem.



CAPS Modes of Analysis Execution

There are 3 different ways that Analyses can be executed:

- Manual This is the default mode. It requires a call to caps preAnalysis (page ??), the execution of the solver (use caps system - page ?? if the execution is performed via the command line) and then caps postAnalysis, see page ??.
- By the AIM If the AIM can execute the Analysis (noted by the return argument exec from either caps_queryAnalysis - page ?? or caps_makeAnalysis - page ??) use caps_execute (page ??) to perform "pre", "exec" and "post".
- Automatic Again if the AIM does the Analysis execution (see above) and the flag exec was set for auto-exec on input when instantiating the AIM using caps_makeAnalysis (page ??) then the Analysis is triggered automatically when data associated with the AIM is retrieved. This happens during invocations of caps_getData (page ??) or caps getValue (page ??).

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CAPS Python API

The Python CAPS API is built on ctypes and mirrors the C/C++ API

Methods have similar names and arguments, which are ordered consistently when possible (optional arguments are placed last)

C-arrays with strides are lists of tuples

Import statement: from pyCAPS import caps

Main API classes: caps.capsObj caps.c_capsObj

- c_capsObj is a ctypes struct for C function arguments of C capsObj type
- Python class capsObj wrap a c_capsObj and implement CAPS API
 - The wrapped c_capsObj is automatically deleted when a Python class is created from a caps method

Note: this is not pyCAPS but mostly a one-to-one wrapping of the C/C++ API

See \$ESP_ROOT/doc/CAPS/html/pyCAPShtml/index.html or \$ESP_ROOT/doc/CAPS/pdf/pyCAPS.pdf for the full pyCAPS documentation

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CAPS API – Information

Get CAPS revision

```
caps_revision(int *major, int *minor)
imajor, iminor = caps.revision()
major the returned major revision
minor the returned minor revision number
```

Check State of CAPS Problem Phase

```
icode = caps_phaseState(const char *prNm, const char *phNm, int *bts)
    bts = caps.phaseState(prNm, phNm)
    prNm the path ending with the CAPS problem name
    phNm the queried phase name (NULL is equivalent to Scratch)
    bts the returned state (additive): 1 - locked, 2 - closed, 4 - no capsRestart directory
    icode the integer return code
```

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Setup for new Phase changing the CSM file

```
icode = caps_phaseNewCSM(const char *prName, const char *phName,
                             const. char *csm)
         caps.phaseNewCSM(prName, phName, csm)
       prName the path ending with the CAPS problem name
       phName the new phase name
          csm the CSM file to use in the new phase – for caps_open flag = 5
         icode the integer return code
```

The above functions may be called before CAPS proper is started via the invocation of caps_open



caps CAPS API – Initiate CAPS

Open CAPS Problem Phase

```
icode = caps_open(const char *prName, const char *phName, int flag,
                         void *ptr, int outLevel, capsObj *problem,
                         int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
           problem = caps.open(prName, phName, flag, ptr, outLevel=1)
         prName the path ending with the CAPS problem name
                  if exists the stored data initializes the problem, otherwise the directory is created
        phName the current phase name (NULL is equivalent to Scratch)
             flag 0 - ptr is a filename, 1 - ptr is an OpenCSM Model Structure, 2 - ptr is a Model ego,
                  3 - ptr is the starting phase name, 4* - continuation (ptr can be NULL),
                  5 – ptr is the starting phase name with reloading of the CSM/UDC files †,
                  6 – ptr is the starting phase name but does not remove Objects marked for deletion,
                  7 – Open the existing phName in read-only mode (ptr can be NULL)
              ptr input path/filename (flag == 0) – based on file extension:
                             *.csm initialize the project using the specified OpenCSM file
                            *.egads initialize the project based on the static geometry
                  - or - pointer to OpenCSM/EGADS Model - left open after caps_close
        outLevel 0 - minimal, 1 - standard (default), 2 - debug
        problem the returned CAPS problem Object
            nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
             errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
           icode the integer return code
Notes: * A continuation can only occur on the same setup as initialized (ESP rev, version of OpenCASCADE and machine architecture)
```

† These files must be placed in the caps CSMFiles subdirectory (of the empty Phase directory) before calling caps open



CAPS API – Utilities

Specify a Call-back for Broken Links

callBack the function to be called when links are found to be broken – or – NULL to remove an existing call-back

```
problem the almost complete reloaded Problem Object
```

obj is the existing Object that has lost its link (either source or target – see stype)

tmethod the transfer method used for the broken link

name the name of the lost Value Object

stype the subtype of the lost Value Object

icode the integer return code

This is only needed if <code>caps_open</code> is invoked with <code>flag</code> as 5 or there are deleted Parameter Value Objects, Bounds and/or Analysis Objects (note that this must be called before <code>caps_open</code>).

If there are existing links that are broken due to the changes in the objects then the function callBack is invoked for each broken link during caps_open.

Note that this is not *thread safe* for multi-thread/multi-Problem situations. If you wish to have different call-backs per Problem initialization you will need to ensure the calls to caps_open are sequential.

caps

Do not use CAPS signal handling

```
caps externSignal()
```

Must be called before caps_open. Calling program is responsible for invoking caps_rmLock() on any abort, which deletes the capsLock file.

Get Problem root

```
icode = caps_getRootPath(const capsObj problem, const char **fullPath)
        fullPath = problem.getRootPath()
```

problem the input CAPS Problem Object

fullPath the file path to find the root of the Problem/Phase directory structure if on Windows it will contain the drive

icode integer return code

Note: All other uses of *path* is relative to this point.



Close CAPS Problem

```
icode = caps_close(capsObj problem, int complete, const char *phName)
         del problem or problem.close(complete = 0, phName = None)
       problem the input CAPS problem is written to disk and closed; memory cleanup is performed
      complete -1 - remove the phase, 0 - the phase is left open, 1 - the phase is completed
       phName Phase Name of the Scratch phase is closed as complete
          icode the integer return code
```

Notes: If caps open was initialized with an OpenCSM or EGADS Model, it is left open. All Analyses must be past Post to be complete.



Information about an Object

caps CAPS API – Utilities

Number of Children in a Parent Object

```
icode = caps_size(capsObj object, enum capsoType type,
                       enum capssType stype, int *size, int *nErr,
                       capsErrs **errs)
          size = object.size(type, stype)
         object the input CAPS Object
           type the data type to size: Bodies, Attributes, Value, Analysis, Bound, VertexSet, DataSet
          stype the subtype to size (depending on type)
           size the returned size
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
           errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Mark an Object for Deletion

```
icode = caps_markForDelete(capsObj object)
          object.markForDelete()
          object the Object to be deleted in the next Phase
                 Note: only Value Objects of subtype Parameter, Analysis and Bound Objects may be
                 deleted! Value Objects of subtype User are automatically removed at Phase closure.
          icode integer return code
```



Get Child by Index

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Get Child by Name



Set Verbosity Level

```
icode = caps_outLevel(capsObj problem, int outLevel)
         oldOutLevel = problem.outLevel(outLevel)
       problem the CAPS problem object
       outLevel 0 - minimal, 1 - standard (default), 2 - debug
         icode the integer return code / old outLevel
```

Get Body by index

```
icode = caps_bodyByIndex(capsObj obj, int index, ego *body,
                                char **unit.)
          body = obj.bodyByIndex(index)
            obj the input CAPS Problem or Analysis Object
          index the index [1-size] - see caps size, page ??
          body the returned EGADS Body Object (egads.ego)
          units pointer to the string declaring the length units – NULL for unitless values
          icode integer return code
```

CAPS API – Utilities

Get Error Information

```
icode = caps_errorInfo(capsErrs *errors, int eindex, capsObj *errObj,
                             int *eType, int *nLines, char ***lines)
          lines = errors.info()
         errors the input CAPS Error structure
         eindex the index into errors (1 bias)
         errObj the offending CAPS Object
         eType the returned error type (CINFO, CWARN, CERROR or CSTAT)
         nLines the returned number of comment lines to describe the error
          lines a pointer to a list of character strings with the error description
          icode integer return code
```

Free Error Structure

```
icode = caps_freeError(capsErrs *errors))
         del errors
         errors the CAPS Error structure to be freed
         icode integer return code
```

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Write Geometry Parameter File

```
icode = caps_writeParameters(const capsObj problem, char *fileName)
         problem.writeParameters(fileName)
       problem the input CAPS Problem Object
      fileName the name of the parameter file to write
         icode integer return code
```

Note: This outputs an OpenCSM Design Parameter file.

Read Geometry Parameter File

```
icode = caps_readParameters(const capsObj problem, char *fileName)
         problem.readParameters(fileName)
       problem the input CAPS Problem Object
      fileName the name of the parameter file to read
         icode integer return code
```

Note: This reads an OpenCSM Design Parameter file and overwrites (makes *dirty*) the current state for the GeometryIn Values in the file.



Write out Geometry

```
icode = caps_writeGeometry(capsObj obj, int flag, const char *fName,
                                   int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          obj.writeGeometry(fileName, flag = 1)
            obj the input CAPS Problem/Analysis Object
            flag the write flag: 0 - no additional output, 1 - also write Tessellation Objects for
                 EGADS output (only for Analysis Objects)
         fName the name of the file to write – typed by extension (case insensitive):
                 iges/igs - IGES File
                 step/stp - STEP File
                 brep - OpenCASCADE File
                 egads - EGADS file (which includes attribution)
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
            errs the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Note: The EGADS Tessellation Objects used by the Analysis Object are written in the EGADS output file along with the geometry of the Bodies.



CAPS API – Owner/History

Get History of an Object

```
icode = caps_getHistory(capsObj obj, int *nhist, capsOwn **hist)
hist = obj.getHistory()
obj the input CAPS Object
nhist the returned length of the history list
hist the returned pointer to the list of History entities (nhist in length)
icode integer return code
```

Set the Intent Phrase for History tracking

```
icode = caps_intentPhrase(capsObj problem, int nLines, char **lines)
    problem.intentPhrase(lines)

problem the CAPS Problem Object to set the phrase

nLines the number of comment lines to describe the intent phrase
    can be 0 to unset any phrase

lines a pointer to a list of character strings with the description
    can be NULL if nLines is 0

icode integer return code
```



CAPS API – Owner/History

Get Owner Information

```
icode = caps_ownerInfo(const capsObj problem, const capsOwn owner,
                             char **phase, char **pname, char **pID,
                             char **userID, int *nLines, char ***lines,
                             short *datetime, CAPSLONG *sNum)
          pname, pID, userID, lines, datetime, sNum = owner.info()
       problem the CAPS Problem Object
         owner the input CAPS Owner structure
          phase the returned Phase Name when this entry was generated (can be NULL)
         pname the returned pointer to the process name
           pID the returned pointer to the process ID
         userID the returned pointer to the user ID
         nLines the returned number of comment lines to describe the intent phrase
           lines a returned pointer to a list of character strings with the description
       datetime the filled date/time stamp info – 6 in length:
                year, month, day, hour, minute, second
         sNum the sequence number (always increasing)
          icode integer return code
```



Create A Value Object

```
icode = caps_makeValue(capsObj problem, const char *vname,
                              enum capssType stype, enum capsvType vtype,
                              int nrow, int ncol, const void *data,
                             int *partial, const char *units, capsObj *val)
          val = problem.makeValue(vname, stype, data)
        problem the input CAPS Problem Object where the Value to to reside
         vname the Value Object name to be created
          stype the Object subtype: Parameter or User
          vtype the value data type:
                      Boolean 2 Double 4 String Tuple
                       Integer
                                     String
          nrow number of rows
           ncol number of columns – Value length = nrow * ncol
           data pointer to the appropriate block of memory
                 must be a pointer to a contiguous block of memory for strings (each zero terminated)
                must be a pointer to a capsTuple structure(s) when vtype is a Tuple
         partial integer vector/array containing specific ntype indications
           units string pointer declaring the units for vtype 2 – NULL for unitless values
                if vtype is 3 and units is "PATH" - slashes are converted automatically
            val the returned CAPS Value Object
          icode integer return code
```



Retrieve Values

```
icode = caps_getValue(capsObj val, enum capsvType *vtype, int *nrow,
                             int *ncol, const void **data,
                             const int **partial, const char **units,
                             int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          data = val.getValue()
            val the input Value Object
          vtype the returned data type:
                      Boolean 2 Double 4 String Tuple 6 Double w/ Deriv
                      Integer 3 String 5 AIM pointer
           nrow returned number of rows
           ncol returned number of columns - Value length = nrow * ncol
           data a filled pointer to the appropriate block of memory (NULL – don't fill)
                 Can use caps_childByIndex (page ??) to get Value Objects
         partial a returned integer vector/array containing specific ntype indications
                 NULL is returned except for ntype is 'partial' - filled with 'not NULL' or 'is NULL'
           units the returned pointer to the string declaring the units
                 if vtype is 3 and units "PATH" – slashes are converted automatically
           nErr the returned number of errors generated (Analysis Out) – 0 means no errors
            errs the returned CAPS error structure (Analysis Out) – NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Use the structure *capsTuple* when casting data if a Tuple (4)



Reset A Value Object

icode integer return code

```
icode = caps_setValue(capsObj val, enum capsvType vtype, int nrow,
                            int ncol, const void *data, const int *partial,
                            const char *units, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          val.setValue(data)
            val the input CAPS Value Object (not for GeometryOut, AnalysisOut or AnalysisDynO)
          vtype the data type:
                      Boolean 2 Double 4 String Tuple
                      Integer 3 String 5 AIM pointer
          nrow number of rows
           ncol number of columns – Value length = nrow * ncol
           data pointer to the appropriate block of memory used to reset the values; must point to a
                contiguous block of memory for Value length strings (each zero terminated)
         partial an integer vector/array of Value length containing specific ntype indications
                ignored for length = 1 or ntype is 'NULL invalid' - may be NULL
                if non-NULL ntype is set to 'partial' - must be filled with 'not NULL' or 'is NULL'
                See caps_getValueProp
           units the string declaring the units for data
           nErr the returned number of errors generated (Geometry In) – 0 means no errors
```

errs the returned CAPS error structure (Geometry In) – NULL with no errors

Get Valid Value Range

```
icode = caps_getLimits(capsObj val, capsvType *vtype,
                            const void **limits, const char **units)
         See the Appendix on Limits
            val the input Value Object
          vtype the data type:
                 -2 Doubles -1 Integers 1 Integer 2
          limits an returned pointer to a block of memory containing the valid range
                [2 or 2*nrow*ncol*sizeof(vtype) in length] – or – NULL if not yet filled
          units a string units of the limits
          icode integer return code
```

Note: use caps_getValue or caps_getValueSize if nrow and/or ncol are needed.

Retrieve the Value's Size

```
icode = caps_getValueSize(capsObj val, int *nrow, int *ncol)
          nrow, ncol = val.getValueSize()
            val the input Value Object
          nrow returned number of rows
           ncol returned number of columns – Value length = nrow * ncol
          icode integer return code
Note: this does not possibly initiate auto-execution like caps_getValue.
```



Set Valid Value Range

```
icode = caps_setLimits(capsObj val, capsvType vtype, void *limits,
                             const char *units, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          See the Appendix on Limits
            val the input Value Object (only for the User & Parameter subtypes)
          vtype the data type of the limits pointer:
                       Doubles -1 Integers 1 Integer 2
                                                                  Double
          limits a pointer to the appropriate block of memory which contains the minimum and
                maximum range allowed (2 or 2*nrow*ncol in length)
           units a string units of the limits
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
           errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
Note: use caps_getValue or caps_getValueSize if nrow and/or ncol are needed.
```

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Get Value Properties

```
icode = caps getValueProps(capsObj val, int *dim, int *gInType,
                                  enum capsFixed *lfix, enum capsFixed *sfix,
                                  enum capsNull *ntvpe)
          dim, pmtr, lfix, sfix, ntype = val.getValueProps()
            val the input Value Object
           dim the returned dimensionality:
                      scalar only
                      vector or scalar
                      scalar, vector or 2D array
        gInType the returned type: 0 – GeometryIn type \rightarrow OCSM_DESPMTR (or not GeomIn),
                                1 – GeometryIn type → OCSM_CFGPMTR,
                                2 – GeometryIn type → OCSM_CONPMTR
            lfix 0 – the length(s) can change, 1 – the length is fixed
            sfix 0 – the Shape can change, 1 – Shape is fixed
          ntype 0 - NULL invalid, 1 - not NULL, 2 - is NULL, 3 - partial NULL
          icode integer return code
```

Set Value Properties

```
icode = caps_setValueProps(capsObj val, int dim, enum capsFixed lfix,
                                    enum capsFixed sfix, enum capsNull ntype,
                                    int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          val.setValueProps(dim, lfix, sfix, ntvpe)
             val the input Value Object (only for the User & Parameter subtypes)
            dim the dimensionality:
                       scalar only
                       vector or scalar
                       scalar, vector or 2D array
            1 If \frac{1}{1} o – the length(s) can change, \frac{1}{1} – the length is fixed
            sfix 0 – the Shape can change, 1 – Shape is fixed
          ntype 0 - NULL invalid, 1 - not NULL, 2 - is NULL
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
            errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```



Units conversion

Free memory in Value Structure

```
caps_freeValue(capsValue *value)
del value
```

value a pointer to the Value structure to be cleaned up



Transfer Values

```
icode = caps transferValues(capsObj src, enum capstMethod tmethod,
                                    capsObj dst, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          dst.transferValues(tmethod, src)
            src the source input Value Object (not for Tuple vtypes) - or -
                DataSet Object
        tmethod 0 - copy, 1 - integrate, 2 - weighted average - (1 & 2 only for DataSet src)
            dst the destination Value Object to receive the data
                Notes:
                   Must not be GeometryOut, AnalysisOut or AnalysisDynO
                   Shapes must be compatible
                   Overwrites any Linkage
           nErr the returned number of errors generated -0 means no errors
           errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

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Establish Linkage between Value Objects

Note: circular linkages are not allowed!

```
icode = caps_linkValue(capsObj link, enum capstMethod tmethod,
                              capsObj trgt, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          trgt.linkValue(link, tmethod)
            link linking Value Object (not for AnalysisDynO, User subtype or Tuple vtype)
                 - or - DataSet Object
        tmethod 0 - copy, 1 - integrate, 2 - weighted average - (1 & 2 only for DataSet link)
            trgt the target Value Object which will get its data from link
                 Notes:
                    Must not be GeometryOut, AnalysisOut or AnalysisDynO

    Shapes must be compatible

                    ● link = NULL – removes any Linkage
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
                the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

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CAPS API – Value Object / Derivatives

Set and use OpenCSM Finite-Difference Step Size

Get the OpenCSM Finite-Difference Step Size

icode integer return code

Should only be used for debugging purposes or if OpenCSM uses Finite Differences and the default step is poor for the design parameter at-hand



CAPS API – Value Object / Derivatives

Get a list of Derivatives available

DoubleDeriv types only exist for GeometryOut and certain AnalysisOut as well as AnalysisDynO Value Objects



CAPS API – Value Object / Derivatives

Get Derivative values

DoubleDeriv types only exist for GeometryOut and certain AnalysisOut as well as AnalysisDynO Value Objects.

For 2D Value Object or w.r.t. Value Object the indexing is flattened where the column index has no stride (i.e. irow*ncol + icol).

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Convert value between units

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Multiply units

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Invert units

See Appendix Python Units

```
icode = caps_unitInvert(const char *unit, char **outUnit)
            unit a input string representing units
        outUnit a string representing the resulting units from inverting unit
          icode integer return code
```

Offset units

See Appendix Python Units

```
icode = caps_unitOffset(const char *unit, double off, char **outUnit)
            unit a input string representing units
            off offset to apply to unit
        outUnit a string representing the resulting units from offsetting unit by off
          icode integer return code
```

Valid unit string

See Appendix Python Units

```
icode = caps_unitParse(const char *unit)
           unit a input string representing units
          icode integer return code (CAPS SUCCESS if valid, CAPS UNITERR otherwise)
```

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Valid unit conversion

See Appendix Python Units

icode = caps_unitConvertable(const char *unitL, const char *unitR)

unitL a input string representing units

unitR a input string representing units

icode integer return code (CAPS_SUCCESS unitL is convertible to unitR, CAPS_UNITERR otherwise)

Unit comparison

See Appendix Python Units

unitL a input string representing units

unitR a input string representing units

compare signed difference between unitL and unitR

icode integer return code

CAPS API – Attributes

Get Attribute by name

```
icode = caps_attrByName(capsObj object, char *name, capsObj *attr)
    attr = object.attrByName(name)
    object any CAPS Object
    name a string referring to the Attribute name
    attr the returned User Value Object
    will be deleted at the end of the phase
    icode integer return code
```

Get Attribute by index

```
icode = caps_attrByIndex(capsObj object, int index, capsObj *attr)
    attr = object.attrByIndex(index)
    object any CAPS Object
    index the index (bias 1) to the list of Attributes
    attr the returned User Value Object - Attribute name is the Value Object name
    will be deleted at the end of the phase
    icode integer return code
```

CAPS API – Attributes

Set an Attribute

```
icode = caps_setAttr(capsObj object, const char *name, capsObj attr)
  object.setAttr(attr, name=None)
  object any CAPS Object
  name a string referring to the Attribute name - NULL: use name in attr
      Note: an existing Attribute of this name is overwritten with the new value
  attr the Value Object containing the attribute
      2D arrays and Tuples are not supported; 1D arrays will have rows only
  icode integer return code
```

Delete an Attribute

Query Analysis – Does not 'load' or create an object

Note: this causes the the DLL/Shared-Object to be loaded (if not already resident)

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Execute Geometry Build or Analysis

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Get Bodies

```
icode = caps_getBodies(capsObj aobj, int *nBody, ego **bodies,
                             int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          bodies = aobj.getBodies()
           aobj the Analysis Object
         nBody the returned number of EGADS Body Objects that match the Analysis' intent
         bodies the returned pointer to a list of EGADS Body/Node Objects (length – nBody)
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
          errors the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Get Tessellations

```
icode = caps_getTessels(capsObj aobj, int *nTessel, ego **tessels,
                              int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          tessels = aobj.getTessels()
           aobj the Analysis Object
        nTessel the returned number of EGADS Tessellation Objects
         tessels the returned pointer to a list of EGADS Tessellations (length – nTessel)
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
          errors the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Query Analysis Input Information

```
icode = caps_getInput(capsObj problem, const char *aname, int index,
                              char **ainame, capsValue *default)
         Not implemented vet
       problem a CAPS Problem Object
         aname the Analysis (and AIM plugin) name
         index the Input index [1-nIn]
        ainame a pointer to the returned Analysis Input variable name (use EG_free to free memory)
        default a pointer to the filled default value(s) and units - use caps_freeValue to cleanup
```

Query Analysis Output Information

```
icode = caps_getOutput(capsObj problem, const char *aname, int index,
                            char **aoname, capsValue *form)
         Not implemented vet
       problem a CAPS Problem Object
         aname the Analysis (and AIM plugin) name
         index the Output index [1-nOut]
        aoname a pointer to the returned Analysis Output variable name (use EG_free)
          form a pointer to the Value Shape & Units information – returned
               use caps_freeValue to cleanup
```



Create a new Analysis Object

```
icode = caps_makeAnalysis(capsObj problem, const char *aname,
                                  const char *name, const char *uSvs,
                                  char *intent, int *exec, capsObj *analysis,
                                  int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          analysis = problem.makeAnalysis(aname, name, uSys=None,
                                                    intent=None, execute=1)
        problem a CAPS Problem Object
         aname the Analysis (AIM plugin) name
          name the unique supplied name for this instance (can be NULL)
           uSys pointer to string describing the unit system to be used by the AIM (can be NULL)
                see specific AIM documentation for a list of strings for which the AIM will respond
          intent the intent character string used to pass Bodies to the AIM, NULL - no filtering
           exec the execution flag: On input 0 - \text{no} auto-exec, 1 - \text{allow for auto-exec}
                                 On output 0 – no AIM execution, 1 – aimExecute exists
        analysis the resultant Analysis Object
           nErr the returned number of errors generated -0 means no errors
          errors the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Note: If exec is returned as 1 then aimPreAnalysis, aimExecute and aimPostAnalysis automatically run when caps_execute (page ??) is called. When exec is input (and output) as 1 the analysis can run in a *lazy* manner when there is a request for an AIM output or data transfer.

Initialize Analysis from another Analysis Object

```
icode = caps_dupAnalysis(capsObj from, const char *name, capsObj *obj)
  obj = from.dupAnalysis(name)
  from an existing CAPS Analysis Object
  name the name of the duplicate Analysis Object
  obj the resultant Analysis Object
  icode integer return code
```

Get Dirty Analysis Object(s)

Note: Listed from most stale to most recent – the order in which to execute

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Get Info about an Analysis Object

```
icode = caps_analysisInfo(capsObj aobj, char **dir, char **uSys,
                                  int *major, int *minor, char **intent,
                                  int *nfields, char ***fnames, int **frank,
                                  int **fInOut, int *exec, int *status)
          dir, uSys, major, minor, intent, fnames, franks, fInOut,
          execute, status = aobj.analysisInfo()
           aobj the input Analysis Object
             dir a returned pointer to the string specifying the directory for file I/O
                 name (or aname augmented with the instance number) of caps_makeAnalysis
           uSys returned pointer to string describing the unit system used by the AIM (can be NULL)
          major the returned AIM major version number
          minor the returned AIM minor version number
          intent the returned pointer to the intent character string used to pass Bodies to the AIM
         nfields the returned number of fields for DataSet filling
         fnames a returned pointer to a list of character strings with the field/DataSet names
          frank a returned pointer to a list of ranks associated with each field
         flout a returned pointer to a list of field flags (FIELDIN - input, FIELDOUT - output)
           exec returned execution flag: 0 – no AIM execution, 1 – aimExecute exists, 2 – auto-exec
          status 0 – up to date, 1 – dirty Analysis inputs, 2 – dirty Geometry inputs
                 3 – both Geometry & Analysis inputs are dirty, 4 – new geometry,
                 5 – post Analysis required, 6 – Execution & post Analysis required
          icode integer return code
```

Generate Analysis Inputs

```
icode = caps_preAnalysis(capsObj analysis, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          analysis.preAnalysis()
        analysis the Analysis Object – use caps_execute (page ??) for auto-exec Objects
                Also use caps_execute to perform a Geometry-only regen
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
           errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
          icode integer return code
```

Execute the Command Line String

```
icode = caps_system(capsObj aobj, const char *rpath, const char *cmd)
         analysis.system(cmd, rpath=None)
           aobj the Analysis Object
          rpath the relative path from the Analysis' directory or NULL (in the Analysis path)
           cmd the command line string to execute
          icode integer return code
```

Notes:

- only needed when explicitly executing the appropriate analysis solver (i.e., not using the AIM)
- should be invoked after caps_preAnalysis and before caps_postAnalysis
- this must be used instead of the OS system call to ensure that journaling properly functions

Mark Analysis as Run

Note: this clears all Analysis Output Objects to force reloads/recomputes

Create a Bound

Get Information about a Bound

Make a VertexSet

```
icode = caps_makeVertexSet(capsObj bound, capsObj analysis,
                                 const char *vname, capsObj *vset,
                                 int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
         vset = bound.makeVertexSet(analysis, vname=None)
         bound an input open CAPS Bound Object
       analysis the Analysis Object (NULL – Unconnected)
         vname a character string naming the VertexSet (can be NULL for a Connected VertexSet)
           vset the returned VertexSet Object
          nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
           errs the returned CAPS error structure – NULL with no errors
```

Get Info about a VertexSet

```
icode = caps_vertexSetInfo(capsObj vset, int *nGpts, int *nDpts,
                                 capsObj *bound, capsObj *analysis)
         nGpts, nDpts, bound, analysis = vset.vertexSetInfo()
           vset the VertexSet Object
         nGpts the returned number of Geometry points in the VertexSet
         nDpts the returned number of point Data positions in the VertexSet
         bound the returned associated Bound Object
       analysis the returned associated Analysis Object (NULL – Unconnected)
```



Fill an Unconnected VertexSet

```
icode = caps_fillUnVertexSet(capsObj vset, int npts, double *xyzs)
    vset.fillUnVertexSet(xyzs)
    vset the input Unconnected VertexSet Object
    npts the number of points in the VertexSet
    xyzs the point positions (3*npts in length)
    icode integer return code
```

Close a Bound

```
icode = caps_closeBound(capsObj bound)
    bound.closeBound()

bound an input open CAPS Bound Object to close
    icode integer return code
```

Output a VertexSet for Plotting/Debugging

The CAPS application vVS can be used to interactively view the file generated by this function.

This is now deprecated because CAPS viewing has been integrated!

bla for *Geometry*

Positions

paramd* 1/2 t or [u,v] for *Data* Positions Not for vertex-based discretizations

GeomIn* 3 Sensitivity for the Geometry can have [irow, icol] in Input GeomIn name

* Note: not valid for 3D Bounds



Create a DataSet

```
icode = caps_makeDataSet(capsObj vset, const char *dname,
                                enum capsfType ftype, int rank,
                                capsObj *dset, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          dset = vset.makeDataSet(dname, dmethod, rank=0)
           vset the VertexSet Object – associated Bound must be open
         dname a pointer to a string containing the name of the DataSet (i.e., pressure)
          ftype the type of data field: (FieldIn, FieldOut, GeomSens, TessSens, User)
           rank the rank of the data for a User field (e.g., 1 – scalar, 3 – vector), ignored otherwise
           dset the returned DataSet Object
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
           errs the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
```

Get DataSet Information

```
icode = caps_dataSetInfo(capsObj dset, enum capsfType *ftype,
                               capsObi *link, enum capsdMethod *dmethod)
          ftype, link, dmethod = dset.dataSetInfo()
           dset the input DataSet Object
          ftype the returned type of data field: (FieldIn, FieldOut, BuiltIn, GeomSens, TessSens, User)
           link the returned linked DataSet Object (for ftype of FieldIn) – can be NULL
       dmethod the returned linked DataSet Method (only valid for ftype of FieldIn)
```



Get Data from a DataSet

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until properly filled.

CAPS API – Analysis Data

Establish Linkage between DataSet Objects

Initialize DataSet for cyclic/incremental startup

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Get DataSet Objects by Name

```
icode = caps_getDataSets(capsObj bound, const char *dname, int *nobj,
                               capsObi **dsets)
          dsets = bound.getDataSets(dname)
         bound an input CAPS Bound Object
         dname a pointer to a string containing the name of the DataSet
           nobj the returned number of Objects with the name
          dsets a returned pointer to the list of DataSet Objects (freeable)
```

Put *User* Data into a DataSet

```
icode = caps_setData(capsObj dset, int nverts, int rank, double *data,
                           const char *units, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
          dset.setData(data)
           dset the DataSet Object
          nverts the number of points in data – must match declared npts
           rank the rank of the data – must match declared rank (e.g., 1 – scalar, 3 – vector)
           data a pointer to the data (rank*nverts in length)
           units the pointer to the string declaring the units
           nErr the returned number of errors generated – 0 means no errors
            errs the returned CAPS error structure - NULL with no errors
```



Get Triangulations for a 2D VertexSet

```
icode = caps_getTriangles(caps0bj vst, int *nGtris, int **Gtris,
                                   int *nGsegs, int **Gsegs, int *nDtris,
                                   int **Dtris, int *nDseqs, int **Dseqs)
          Gtris, Gsegs, Dtris, Dsegs = vst.getTriangles()
             vst the input CAPS Connected VertexSet Object
          nGtris the returned number of Geometry-based Triangles
           Gtris the returned pointer to a list of indices (bias 1) referencing Geometry-based points
                 (3*nGtris in length) – freeable
         nGsegs the returned number of Geometry-based element mesh segments
          Gsegs the returned pointer to a list of indices (bias 1) referencing Geometry-based points
                 (2*nGsegs in length) – freeable
          nDtris the returned number of Data-based Triangles (0 if discretization is vertex based)
           Dtris the returned pointer to a list of indices (bias 1) referencing Data-based points
                 (3*nDtris in length) – freeable
         nDsegs the returned number of data-based element mesh segments
          Dsegs the returned pointer to a list of indices (bias 1) referencing data-based points
                 (2*nDsegs in length) - freeable
          icode integer return code
```



caps CAPS Return Codes

CAPS_SUCCESS	0	CAPS_SHAPEERR	-322
CAPS_BADRANK	-301	CAPS_LINKERR	-323
CAPS_BADDSETNAME	-302	CAPS_MISMATCH	-324
CAPS_NOTFOUND	-303	CAPS_NOTPROBLEM	-325
CAPS_BADINDEX	-304	CAPS_RANGEERR	-326
CAPS_NOTCHANGED	-305	CAPS_DIRTY	-327
CAPS_BADTYPE	-306	CAPS_HIERARCHERR	-328
CAPS_NULLVALUE	-307	CAPS_STATEERR	-329
CAPS_NULLNAME	-308	CAPS_SOURCEERR	-330
CAPS_NULLOBJ	-309	CAPS_EXISTS	-331
CAPS_BADOBJECT	-310	CAPS_IOERR	-332
CAPS_BADVALUE	-311	CAPS_DIRERR	-333
CAPS_PARAMBNDERR	-312	CAPS_NOTIMPLEMENT	-334
CAPS_NOTCONNECT	-313	CAPS_EXECERR	-335
CAPS_NOTPARMTRIC	-314	CAPS_CLEAN	-336
CAPS_READONLYERR	-315	CAPS_BADINTENT	-337
CAPS_FIXEDLEN	-316	CAPS_NOTNEEDED	-339
CAPS_BADNAME	-317	CAPS_NOSENSITVTY	-340
CAPS_BADMETHOD	-318	CAPS_NOBODIES	-341
CAPS_CIRCULARLINK	-319	CAPS_JOURNAL	-342
CAPS_UNITERR	-320	CAPS_JOURNALERR	-343
CAPS_NULLBLIND	-321	CAPS_FILELINKERR	-344

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VertexSets are filled with calls the AIM to fill the aimDiscr structure (basically the VertexSet), which means the meshing information must be available via a link or generated in aimDiscr.

NOTE: An analysis AIM that supports aimDiscr and also generates meshes "on the Bounds" must be able to generate meshes and call aim_newTess from either aimDiscr or aimPreAnalysis (whenever and wherever the mesh gets generated).

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```
caps makeAnalysis egadsTess aim -> msobj
caps makeAnalysis TetGen aim -> mfobi
caps_makeAnalysis fluids aim -> fobj
caps makeAnalysis structures -> sobj
caps makeBound "srf" -> bobi
caps_makeVertexSet(bobj, fobj) -> vfobj
caps makeVertexSet(bobj, sobj) -> vsobj
caps makeDataSet(vfobi, "Pressure", FieldOut) -> dpfobi
caps_makeDataSet(vsobj, "Pressure", FieldIn ) -> dpsobj
caps makeDataSet(vsobj, "Displace", FieldOut) -> ddsobj
caps makeDataSet(vfobj, "Displace", FieldIn ) -> ddfobj
caps_linkDataSet(dpfobj, Conserve, dpsobj)
caps linkDataSet(ddsobj, Conserve, ddfobj)
                                              /* Note #1 */
caps initDataSet(ddfobj, 3, zeros)
caps_closeBound(bobj)
                                              /* generate structures mesh */
caps exectue (msobj)
caps_execute(mfobj)
                                               /* generate fluids mesh */
for (iter = 0; iter < nIter; iter++) {
        caps preAnalysis(fobj)
        /* execute fluids analysis */
        caps postAnalysis(fobj)
        caps preAnalysis(sobi)
        /* execute structures analysis */
        caps postAnalysis(sobj)
```



Bounds and the use of Intermediate Results

Pseudocode Notes

The fluids AIM requires the "Displace" values during its "pre" phase, just as the structural analysis AIM requires "Pressure" (i.e., loads) during its "pre" phase to fill in all the inputs.

- caps_initDataSet gets called to set the first displacement data to zeros, in that no structural analysis will have been run at start, but is needed by the fluids.
- 2 The lines in red and will mark Analysis *dirty* when the DataSet is filled.



caps_analysisInfo caps_attrByIndex caps_attrByName caps_bodyByIndex caps_boundInfo caps_brokenLink caps_childByIndex caps_childByName caps_close caps_closeBound caps_convertValue caps_convert caps_dataSetInfo caps_deleteAttr caps_dirtyAnalysis caps_dupAnalysis caps_errorInfo	?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ??	caps_getInput caps_getDutput caps_getOutput caps_getRootPath caps_getStepSize caps_getTessels caps_getTriangles caps_getValueProps caps_getValueSize caps_hasDeriv caps_inifO caps_initDataSet caps_linkDataSet caps_linkValue caps_linkValue caps_makeAnalysis	?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ??	caps_phaseState caps_postAnalysis caps_preAnalysis caps_queryAnalysis caps_revision caps_revision caps_mLock caps_setAttr caps_setData caps_setLimits caps_setStepSize caps_setValueProps caps_setValue caps_size caps_system caps_transferValues caps_transferValues caps_unitCompare	?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ?? ??
	??		??		??
caps_errorInfo	??	caps_makeAnalysis	??	caps_unitCompare	??
<pre>caps_externSignal caps_execute caps_fillUnVertexSet</pre>	?? ?? ??	<pre>caps_makeBound caps_makeDataSet caps makeValue</pre>	?? ?? ??	<pre>caps_unitConvertable caps_unitDivide caps unitMultiply</pre>	?? ?? ??
caps_freeError caps freeValue	?? ?? ??	caps_makeVarue caps_makeVertexSet caps markForDelete	?? ?? ??	caps_unitInvert caps_unitOffset	?? ??
caps_getBodies caps_getData	?? ??	caps_open caps_outLevel	?? ??	caps_unitParse caps_unitRaise	?? ??
<pre>caps_getDataSets caps_getDeriv caps getHistory</pre>	?? ?? ??	<pre>caps_outputVertexSet caps_ownerInfo caps phaseNewCSM</pre>	?? ?? ??	<pre>caps_vertexSetInfo caps_writeGeometry caps writeParameters</pre>	?? ?? ??

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Python API get/set Limits

The CAPS C API for <code>caps_getLimits</code> and <code>caps_setLimits</code> does not provide the size of the limits array, and instead C API developers are supposed to combine these calls with <code>caps_getValueSize</code> if the size of the Value Object is unknown. However, Python lists require the size of the array. Hence, the CAPS Python API for <code>caps_getLimits/caps_setLimits</code> requires two C API calls which are journaled. Since this breaks the one-to-one nature of the bindings described here, the following functions are used instead. Implementation of these functions are akin to the C functions that follow.

Get Valid Value Range

```
limits = val.getLimitsSize()
```

val the Value Object

limits a returned list containing the valid range

Set Valid Value Range

```
val.setLimitsSize(limits)
```

val the Value Object

limits the list of limits

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```
int
caps setLimitsSize(capsObj object, enum capsvType vtype, int nrow, int ncol,
                   void *limits, const char *units, int *nErr, capsErrs **errs)
 int status, valnrow, valncol;
  status = caps_getValueSize(object, &valnrow, &valncol);
 if (status != CAPS SUCCESS) return status;
  /* check the shape of the limits array to make sure it matches the value */
  if (limits != NULL) {
    if ((nrow == 1) && (ncol == 1)) {
     /* A single value can be assigned to all entries */
     vtvpe = abs(vtvpe);
    } else if (valnrow == 1 || valncol == 1) {
     if ((nrow != 1) && (ncol != 1) &&
         (valnrow*valncol > 1)) return CAPS SHAPEERR;
     if (nrow*ncol != valnrow*valncol) return CAPS_SHAPEERR;
     vtvpe = -abs(vtvpe);
    } else {
     if (nrow != valnrow) return CAPS SHAPEERR;
     if (ncol != valncol) return CAPS SHAPEERR;
     vtvpe = -abs(vtvpe);
  return caps setLimits(object, vtvpe, limits, units, nErr, errs);
```

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```
int
caps_getLimitsSize(const capsObj object, enum capsvType *vtype, int *nrow,
                   int *ncol, const void **limits, const char **units)
 int status:
 if (ncol == NULL) return CAPS NULLVALUE;
 if (nrow == NULL) return CAPS NULLVALUE;
  status = caps getLimits(object, vtype, limits, units);
  if (status != CAPS SUCCESS) return status;
  if (*vtvpe > 0) {
    *nrow = 1:
   *ncol = 1:
  } else {
    status = caps getValueSize(object, nrow, ncol);
    if (status != CAPS SUCCESS) return status;
    *vtvpe = -*vtvpe;
  return status:
```

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CAPS API – Appendix StepSize

Python API get/set StepSize

The CAPS C API for <code>caps_getStepSize</code> and <code>caps_setStepSize</code> does not provide the size of the sizes array, and instead C API developers are supposed to combine these calls with <code>caps_getValueSize</code> if the size of the Value Object is unknown. However, Python lists require the size of the array. Since this breaks the one-to-one nature of the bindings described here, the following

functions are used instead. Implementation of these functions are akin to the C functions that follow.

Get the OpenCSM Finite-Difference Step Size

```
sizes = val.stepSize
```

val the input CAPS Value Object (GeometryIn/DESPMTR types only)

sizes the FD step sizes for each Value member (nrow×ncol matrix (e.g. list of lists)) a zero indicates use analytic derivatives; can be None – set all to zero

Set and use OpenCSM Finite-Difference Step Size

```
val.stepSize = sizes
```

val the input CAPS Value Object (GeometryIn/DESPMTR types only)

sizes the returned FD step sizes for each Value member (nrow×ncol matrix (e.g. list of lists)) a zero indicates use analytic derivatives; can be None – all set to zero

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CAPS API – Appendix StepSize

```
int
caps setStepSizeSize(capsObj object, int nrow, int ncol, double *sizes)
 int status, valnrow, valncol;
  /* check the shape of the sizes array to make sure it matches the value */
 if (sizes != NULL) {
    status = caps getValueSize(object, &valnrow, &valncol);
   if (status != CAPS SUCCESS) return status;
   if (nrow != valnrow) return CAPS SHAPEERR;
   if (ncol != valncol) return CAPS SHAPEERR;
  return caps setStepSize(object, sizes);
int
caps getStepSizeSize(const capsObj object, int *nrow, int *ncol, const double **sizes)
  int status:
 if (ncol == NULL) return CAPS NULLVALUE;
 if (nrow == NULL) return CAPS NULLVALUE;
  status = caps getStepSize(object, sizes);
 if (status != CAPS SUCCESS) return status;
 if (*sizes == NULL) {
   *nrow = *ncol = 0;
  } else {
    status = caps getValueSize(object, nrow, ncol);
    if (status != CAPS SUCCESS) return status;
  return status;
```

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CAPS API – Appendix Python Units

Python API Units

This Python API uses the exposed CAPS unit manipulation functions to be consistent with internal use of units in CAPS. Similar to the Pint¹Python package, this API defines these classes:

caps.Unit

caps.Quantity

where caps. Unit defines a unit which can be manipulated with standard operator, and caps. Quantity represents a value with units. This API is designed to work with these classes as the C API uses the optional units string. The best way to extract a value from a caps. Quantity is to divide it out by its units.

Unit Manipulation

```
kg = caps.Unit("kg")
m = caps.Unit("m")
s = caps.Unit("s")
Newton = kg*m/s**2
```

Value from Quantity

```
m = caps.Unit("m")
ft = caps.Unit("ft")

q = 10 * m  # Make a Quantity

assert(10 == q/m)
assert(10 == q.value())
assert(q.convert(ft).value() == q/ft)
```

¹https://pint.readthedocs.io