

CDO Reference Card

Climate Data Operators

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Syntax

cdo	[Options]	Operator1 [−Operator2 [−OperatorN]]
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Options

-a	Generate an absolute time axis
-b <nbits>	Set the number of bits for the output precision (18/116/132/F32/F64 for nc,nc2,nc4; F32/F64 for srv,ext,ieq; 1-32 for grb) Add L or B for Little or Big endian byteorder
-f <format>	Output file format (grb,nc,nc2,nc4,srv,ext,ieq)
-g <grid>	Grid or file name Grid names: r <NX> x <NY>, n <N>, gme <NI>
-h	Help information for the operators
-M	Indicate that the I/O streams have missing values
-m <missval>	Set the default missing value (default: -9e+33)
-R	Convert GRIB data from reduced to regular grid
-r	Generate a relative time axis
-s	Silent mode
-t <table>	Set the parameter table name or file Predefined tables: echam4 echam5 mpiom1
-V	Print the version number
-v	Print extra details for some operators
-z szip	Compress GRIB records with szip

Operators

Information

info	Dataset information listed by code number
infov	Dataset information listed by variable name
map	Dataset information and simple map
Syntax	<operator> ifiles

sinfo	Short dataset information listed by code number
sinfov	Short dataset information listed by variable name
Syntax	<operator> ifiles

diff	Compare two datasets listed by code number
diffv	Compare two datasets listed by variable name
Syntax	<operator> ifile1 ifile2

npar	Number of parameters
nlevel	Number of levels
nyear	Number of years
nmon	Number of months
ndate	Number of dates
ntime	Number of time steps
Syntax	<operator> ifile

showformat	Show file format
showcode	Show code numbers
showname	Show variable names
showstdname	Show standard names
showlevel	Show levels
showltype	Show GRIB level types
showyear	Show years
showmon	Show months
showdate	Show date information
showtime	Show time information
showtimestamp	Show timestamp
Syntax	<operator> ifile

pardes	Parameter description
griddes	Grid description
zaxisdes	Z-axis description
vct	Vertical coordinate table
Syntax	<operator> ifile

File operations

copy	Copy datasets
cat	Concatenate datasets
Syntax	<operator> ifiles ofile

replace	Replace variables
Syntax	replace ifile1 ifile2 ofile

merge	Merge datasets with different fields
mergetime	Merge datasets sorted by date and time
Syntax	<operator> ifiles ofile

splitcode	Split code numbers
splitname	Split variable names
splitlevel	Split levels
splitgrid	Split grids
splitzaxis	Split z-axes
splittabnum	Split parameter table numbers
Syntax	<operator> ifile obase

splithour	Split hours
splitlev	Split days
splitmon	Split months
splitseas	Split seasons
splityear	Split years
Syntax	<operator> ifile obase

splitsel	Split time selection
Syntax	splitsel , <i>nsets</i> [, <i>noffset</i> [, <i>nskip</i>]] ifile obase

Selection

selcode	Select variables by code number
delcode	Delete variables by code number
Syntax	<operator>,<codes> ifile ofile
selname	Select variables by name
delname	Delete variables by name
Syntax	<operator>,<varnames> ifile ofile
selstdname	Select variables by standard name
Syntax	selstdname , <i>stdnames</i> ifile ofile

sellevel	Select levels
Syntax	sellevel , <i>levels</i> ifile ofile
sellevidx	Select levels by index
Syntax	sellevidx , <i>levidx</i> ifile ofile
selgrid	Select grids
Syntax	selgrid , <i>grids</i> ifile ofile
selzaxis	Select z-axes
Syntax	selzaxis , <i>zaxes</i> ifile ofile
selltype	Select GRIB level types
Syntax	selltype , <i>ltypes</i> ifile ofile
seltabnum	Select parameter table numbers
Syntax	seltabnum , <i>tabnums</i> ifile ofile

selimestep	Select time steps
Syntax	selimestep , <i>timesteps</i> ifile ofile
seltime	Select times
Syntax	seltime , <i>times</i> ifile ofile
selhour	Select hours
Syntax	selhour , <i>hours</i> ifile ofile
selday	Select days
Syntax	selday , <i>days</i> ifile ofile
selmon	Select months
Syntax	selmon , <i>months</i> ifile ofile
selyear	Select years
Syntax	selyear , <i>years</i> ifile ofile
selseas	Select seasons
Syntax	selseas , <i>seasons</i> ifile ofile
seldate	Select dates
Syntax	seldate , <i>date1</i> [, <i>date2</i>] ifile ofile
selsmon	Select single month
Syntax	selsmon , <i>month</i> [, <i>nts1</i> [, <i>nts2</i>]] ifile ofile

sellonlatbox	Select a longitude/latitude box
Syntax	sellonlatbox , <i>lon1</i> , <i>lon2</i> , <i>lat1</i> , <i>lat2</i> ifile ofile
selindexbox	Select an index box
Syntax	selindexbox , <i>idx1</i> , <i>idx2</i> , <i>idy1</i> , <i>idy2</i> ifile ofile

Conditional selection

ifthen	If then
ifnotthen	If not then
Syntax	<operator> ifile1 ifile2 ofile

ifthenelse	If then else
Syntax	ifthenelse ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

ifthenc	If then constant
ifnotthenc	If not then constant
Syntax	<operator>,<c> ifile ofile

Comparison

eq	Equal
ne	Not equal
le	Less equal
lt	Less than
ge	Greater equal
gt	Greater than
Syntax	<operator> ifile1 ifile2 ofile

eqc	Equal constant
nec	Not equal constant
lec	Less equal constant
ltc	Less than constant
gec	Greater equal constant
gtc	Greater than constant
Syntax	<operator>,<c> ifile ofile

Modification

setpartab	Set parameter table
Syntax	setpartab , <i>table</i> ifile ofile
setcode	Set code number
Syntax	setcode , <i>code</i> ifile ofile
setname	Set variable name
Syntax	setname , <i>name</i> ifile ofile
setlevel	Set level
Syntax	setlevel , <i>level</i> ifile ofile
setltype	Set GRIB level type
Syntax	setltype , <i>ltype</i> ifile ofile

setdate	Set date
Syntax	setdate , <i>date</i> ifile ofile
settime	Set time of the day
Syntax	settime , <i>time</i> ifile ofile
setday	Set day
Syntax	setday , <i>day</i> ifile ofile
setmon	Set month
Syntax	setmon , <i>month</i> ifile ofile
setyear	Set year
Syntax	setyear , <i>year</i> ifile ofile
setunits	Set time units
Syntax	setunits , <i>units</i> ifile ofile
settaxis	Set time axis
Syntax	settaxis , <i>date,time</i> [, <i>inc</i>] ifile ofile
setreftime	Set reference time
Syntax	setreftime , <i>date,time</i> [, <i>units</i>] ifile ofile
setcalendar	Set calendar
Syntax	setcalendar , <i>calendar</i> ifile ofile
shifttime	Shift time steps
Syntax	shifttime , <i>sval</i> ifile ofile

chcode	Change code number
Syntax	chcode , <i>oldcode</i> , <i>newcode</i> [,...] ifile ofile
chname	Change variable name
Syntax	chname , <i>oldname</i> , <i>newname</i> ,... ifile ofile
chlevel	Change level
Syntax	chlevel , <i>oldlev</i> , <i>newlev</i> ,... ifile ofile
chlevelc	Change level of one code
Syntax	chlevelc , <i>code</i> , <i>oldlev</i> , <i>newlev</i> ifile ofile
chlevelv	Change level of one variable
Syntax	chlevelv , <i>name</i> , <i>oldlev</i> , <i>newlev</i> ifile ofile

setgrid	Set grid
Syntax	setgrid , <i>grid</i> ifile ofile
setgridtype	Set grid type
Syntax	setgridtype , <i>gridtype</i> ifile ofile

setzaxis	Set z-axis
Syntax	setzaxis , <i>zaxis</i> ifile ofile

setgatt	Set global attribute
Syntax	setgatt , <i>attname</i> , <i>attstring</i> ifile ofile
setgatts	Set global attributes
Syntax	setgatts , <i>attfile</i> ifile ofile

invertlat	Invert latitudes
Syntax	invertlat ifile ofile

invertlev	Invert levels
Syntax	invertlev ifile ofile

maskregion	Mask regions
Syntax	maskregion , <i>regions</i> ifile ofile

masklonlatbox	Mask a longitude/latitude box
Syntax	masklonlatbox , <i>lon1</i> , <i>lon2</i> , <i>lat1</i> , <i>lat2</i> ifile ofile
maskindexbox	Mask an index box
Syntax	maskindexbox , <i>idx1</i> , <i>idx2</i> , <i>idy1</i> , <i>idy2</i> ifile ofile

setclonlatbox	Set a longitude/latitude box to constant
Syntax	setclonlatbox , <i>c</i> , <i>lon1</i> , <i>lon2</i> , <i>lat1</i> , <i>lat2</i> ifile ofile
setcindexbox	Set an index box to constant
Syntax	setcindexbox , <i>c</i> , <i>idx1</i> , <i>idx2</i> , <i>idy1</i> , <i>idy2</i> ifile ofile

enlarge	Enlarge fields
Syntax	enlarge , <i>grid</i> ifile ofile

setmissval	Set a new missing value
Syntax	setmissval , <i>newmiss</i> ifile ofile
setctomiss	Set constant to missing value
setmisstoc	Set missing value to constant
Syntax	<operator>,<c> ifile ofile
setrtomiss	Set range to missing value
setvrange	Set valid range
Syntax	<operator>,< <i>rmin</i> , <i>rmax</i> > ifile ofile

Arithmetic

expr	Evaluate expressions
<div>Syntax</div>	expr , <i>instr</i> ifile ofile
exprf	Evaluate expressions from script file
<div>Syntax</div>	exprf , <i>filename</i> ifile ofile
abs	Absolute value
int	Integer value
nint	Nearest integer value
pow	Power
sqr	Square
sqrt	Square root
exp	Exponential
ln	Natural logarithm
log10	Base 10 logarithm
sin	Sine
cos	Cosine
tan	Tangent
asin	Arc sine
acos	Arc cosine
reci	Reciprocal value
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

addc	Add a constant
subc	Subtract a constant
mulc	Multiply with a constant
divc	Divide by a constant
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>c</i> ifile ofile

add	Add two fields
sub	Subtract two fields
mul	Multiply two fields
div	Divide two fields
min	Minimum of two fields
max	Maximum of two fields
atan2	Arc tangent of two fields
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile1 ifile2 ofile

monadd	Add monthly time series
monsub	Subtract monthly time series
monmul	Multiply monthly time series
monddiv	Divide monthly time series
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile1 ifile2 ofile

ymonadd	Add multi-year monthly time series
ymonsub	Subtract multi-year monthly time series
ymonmul	Multiply multi-year monthly time series
ymonddiv	Divide multi-year monthly time series
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile1 ifile2 ofile

ydayadd	Add multi-year daily time series
ydaysub	Subtract multi-year daily time series
ydaymul	Multiply multi-year daily time series
ydaydiv	Divide multi-year daily time series
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile1 ifile2 ofile

muldpm	Multiply with days per month
divdpm	Divide by days per month
muldpy	Multiply with days per year
divdpy	Divide by days per year
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

Statistical values

Available statistical functions	<i><STAT></i>
minimum	min
maximum	max
sum	sum
mean	mean
average	avg
variance	var
standard deviation	std

consects	Consecutive Timesteps
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

ens <i><STAT></i>	Statistical values over an ensemble
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifiles ofile
enspctl	Ensemble percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	enspctl , <i>p</i> ifiles ofile

ensbrs	Brier score
enscrps	Cumulative Ranked Probability score
ensrkhistspace	Ranked Histogram averaged over time
ensrkhisttime	Ranked Histogram averaged over space
ensroc	Ensemble Receiver Operating characteristics
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> obsfile ensfiles ofile

fld <i><STAT></i>	Statistical values over a field
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile
fldpctl	Field percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	fldpctl , <i>p</i> ifile ofile

zon <i><STAT></i>	Zonal statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile
zonpctl	Zonal percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	zonpctl , <i>p</i> ifile ofile

mer <i><STAT></i>	Meridional statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile
merpctl	Meridional percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	merpctl , <i>p</i> ifile ofile

gridbox <i><STAT></i>	Statistical values over grid boxes
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>nx</i> , <i>ny</i> ifile ofile

vert <i><STAT></i>	Vertical statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

timsel <i><STAT></i>	Time range statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>nsets</i> [<i>noffset</i> [<i>nskip</i>]] ifile ofile

timselpctl	Time range percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	timselpctl , <i>p</i> , <i>nsets</i> [<i>noffset</i> [<i>nskip</i>]] ifile1 ifile2 ofile

run <i><STAT></i>	Running statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>nts</i> ifile ofile

runpctl	Running percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	runpctl , <i>p</i> , <i>nts</i> ifile1 ofile

tim <i><STAT></i>	Statistical values over all time steps
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

timpctl	Time percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	timpctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

hour <i><STAT></i>	Hourly statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

hourpctl	Hourly percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	hourpctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

day <i><STAT></i>	Daily statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

daypctl	Daily percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	daypctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

mon <i><STAT></i>	Monthly statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

monpctl	Monthly percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	monpctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

year <i><STAT></i>	Yearly statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

yearpctl	Yearly percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	yearpctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

seas <i><STAT></i>	Seasonal statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

seaspctl	Seasonal percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	seaspctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

yhour <i><STAT></i>	Multi-year hourly statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

yday <i><STAT></i>	Multi-year daily statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

ydaypctl	Multi-year daily percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	ydaypctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

ymon <i><STAT></i>	Multi-year monthly statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

ymonpctl	Multi-year monthly percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	ymonpctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

yseas <i><STAT></i>	Multi-year seasonal statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

yseaspctl	Multi-year seasonal percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	yseaspctl , <i>p</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

ydrun <i><STAT></i>	Multi-year daily running statistical values
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>nts</i> ifile ofile

ydrunpctl	Multi-year daily running percentiles
<div>Syntax</div>	ydrunpctl , <i>p</i> , <i>nts</i> ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

Correlation

fldcor	Correlation in grid space
<div>Syntax</div>	fldcor ifile1 ifile2 ofile

timcor	Correlation over time
<div>Syntax</div>	timcor ifile1 ifile2 ofile

Regression

regres	Regression
<div>Syntax</div>	regres ifile ofile

detrend	Detrend
<div>Syntax</div>	detrend ifile ofile

trend	Trend
<div>Syntax</div>	trend ifile ofile1 ofile2

subtrend	Subtract trend
<div>Syntax</div>	subtrend ifile1 ifile2 ifile3 ofile

EOFs

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
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>neof</i> ifile ofile1 ofile2

eofcoeff	Calculate principal coefficients of EOFs
<div>Syntax</div>	eofcoeff ifile1 ifile2 obase

Interpolation

remapbil	Bilinear interpolation
remapbic	Bicubic interpolation
remapdis	Distance-weighted average remapping
remapnn	Nearest neighbor remapping
remapcon	First order conservative remapping
remapcon2	Second order conservative remapping
remaplaf	Largest area fraction remapping
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>grid</i> ifile ofile

genbil	Generate bilinear interpolation weights
genbic	Generate bicubic interpolation weights
gendis	Generate distance-weighted average remap weights
gennn	Generate nearest neighbor remap weights
gencon	Generate 1st order conservative remap weights
gencon2	Generate 2nd order conservative remap weights
genlaf	Generate largest area fraction remap weights
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> , <i>grid</i> ifile ofile

remap	SCRIP grid remapping
<div>Syntax</div>	remap , <i>grid</i> , <i>weights</i> ifile ofile

remapeta	Remap vertical hybrid level
<div>Syntax</div>	remapeta , <i>vct</i> [<i>oro</i>] ifile ofile

ml2pl	Model to pressure level interpolation
<div>Syntax</div>	ml2pl , <i>plevels</i> ifile ofile

ml2hl	Model to height level interpolation
<div>Syntax</div>	ml2hl , <i>hlevels</i> ifile ofile

intlevel	Linear level interpolation
<div>Syntax</div>	intlevel , <i>levels</i> ifile ofile

inttime	Interpolation between time steps
<div>Syntax</div>	inttime , <i>date,time</i> [<i>inc</i>] ifile ofile

intntime	Interpolation between time steps
<div>Syntax</div>	intntime , <i>n</i> ifile ofile

intyear	Interpolation between two years
<div>Syntax</div>	intyear , <i>years</i> ifile1 ifile2 obase

Transformation

sp2gp	Spectral to gridpoint
sp2gpl	Spectral to gridpoint (linear)
gp2sp	Gridpoint to spectral
gp2spl	Gridpoint to spectral (linear)
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

sp2sp	Spectral to spectral
<div>Syntax</div>	sp2sp , <i>trunc</i> ifile ofile

dv2uv	Divergence and vorticity to U and V wind
dv2uwl	Divergence and vorticity to U and V wind (linear)
uv2dv	U and V wind to divergence and vorticity
uv2dvl	U and V wind to divergence and vorticity (linear)
dv2ps	D and V to velocity potential and stream function
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

Import /Export

import.binary	Import binary data sets
<div>Syntax</div>	import.binary ifile ofile

import.cmsaf	Import CM-SAF HDF5 files
<div>Syntax</div>	import.cmsaf ifile ofile

import.amsr	Import AMSR binary files
<div>Syntax</div>	import.amsr ifile ofile

input	ASCII input
<div>Syntax</div>	input , <i>grid</i> ofile

inputsrv	SERVICE ASCII input
inputext	EXTRA ASCII input
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ofile

output	ASCII output
<div>Syntax</div>	output ifiles

outputf	Formatted output
<div>Syntax</div>	outputf , <i>format,nelem</i> ifiles

outputint	Integer output
outputsrv	SERVICE ASCII output
outputext	EXTRA ASCII output
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifiles

Miscellaneous

gradsdes1	GrADS data descriptor file (version 1 GRIB map)
gradsdes2	GrADS data descriptor file (version 2 GRIB map)
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile

bandpass	Bandpass filtering
<div>Syntax</div>	bandpass , <i>fmin</i> , <i>fmax</i> ifile ofile

lowpass	Lowpass filtering
<div>Syntax</div>	lowpass , <i>fmax</i> ifile ofile

highpass	Highpass filtering
<div>Syntax</div>	highpass , <i>fmin</i> ifile ofile

gridarea	Grid cell area
gridweights	Grid cell weights
<div>Syntax</div>	<operator> ifile ofile

smooth9	9 point smoothing
<div>Syntax</div>	smooth9 ifile ofile