Subject: Re: Reading files with unknown amount of data
Posted by pat on Thu, 30 Sep 1993 17:32:15 GMT
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Robert Davis (rdavis@aerospace.aero.org) wrote:
> I am trying to read a data file containing an unknown amount of data into
> arrays in IDL. I know the format of the data in the file, but not the number
> of pieces of data in the file. Currently, I read the file twice; once to
> determine the amount of data in the file and then a second time to actually
> read the data into an array (now that I know the size of array needed).
> Is there a better way to do this (without having to read the file twice)?

        I think you want the built-in routine FSTAT.

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"Now about those pictures..."
"I can explain! I was young! I needed the money!.."

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