
Subject: Re: Tape drives and Sun UNIX
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In article 72u@paperboy.gsfc.nasa.gov, dug@aol7.wff.nasa.gov (Doug Vandemark 2038) writes:

>
> An Idl I/O question:
> Is it possible to read data from a tape device
> under the SUN 4.1.1 OS (UNIX) by using standard
> IDL IO functions open,read etc..?
>
> I've made some fledging attempts with no success.
>
> Thanks for any information.

Try using

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OPENR, /NOSTDIO   and  
READU, TRANSFER_COUNT=TRANSFER_COUNT
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where TRANSFER_COUNT equals the number of elements to read, NOT
the number of bytes.

Hope this helps, Karl

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