
Subject: Formatted Reads of Arrays

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For ages I have had to use dummy variables to read formatted data into an array so that, for example,

```
for a loop value "i"
```

```
readf, 1, rplace, rvalue1, rvalue2, rcode1, rcode2, $  
    format='(A5,F5.3,I6,2A3)'
```

```
place(i) = rplace  
value1(i) = rvalue1  
value2(i) = rvalue2  
rcode1(i) = rcode1  
rcode2(i) = rcode2
```

If all the values were the same type, then I could just read them in as a big array block and then parse with wildcards. But the mix of characters and integers in this file requires the personal attention. Are there any tricks to do this more efficiently or at least drop the dummy variables?

Thanks much...
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