
Subject: Re: VAX IDL save format

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 30 Jan 2001 15:05:33 GMT

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Mike Cooper <mcooper@ll.mit.edu> writes:

> Hi. Does anyone know if a translator exists to convert VAX save files to
> the
> generic XDR format used on other platforms? I have several data files
> saved under IDL1.0 for the VAX which I would know like to read into
> a newer version of IDL.
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> Tia, -MjC
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Does this not help? [Documentation from RESTORE:]

Note to VMS Users

When reading older VMS format files, IDL knows that all floating-point values are in VAX format. These floating values are automatically converted to IEEE format. Only VMS/IDL is able to restore the native VMS format.

Note - If you are restoring a file created with VAX IDL version 1, you must restore on a machine running VMS.

Given the above, and assuming you still have a VAX, you could restore and then resave in the new format. If you don't have a VAX I would say you need to ask the RSI folks.

Craig

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