Subject: Re: template for READ_ASCII Posted by Bob Fugate on Tue, 26 Jun 2001 01:52:32 GMT

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Alex.

This is great. It is the first time I have seen a simple example of how a structure is constructed. My template is so simple, I really like this approach. I now have 2 solutions. Great!! Thanks again.

Bob

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> Subject: Re: template for READ_ASCII
  Bob Fugate wrote:
>
>> My question is, can I save the template somehow so I don't have to
>> regenerate it with ASCII TEMPLATE each time I restart IDL and want to read
>> new tables? I realize I only have to run ASCII TEMPLATE once each session
>> but I would like to make this completely automatic and so I don't have to
>> manually go through the GUI each day. It is not a really big deal but I am
>> getting greedy.
>
> There is the SAVE method already mentioned in this thread, but another
> possibility would be the creation of the template in your program like I
> just did in one of mine:
>
> template = { $
> version: 1.0, $
> datastart: 9, $
> delimiter: 32B, $
> missingvalue : !values.f_nan, $
> commentsymbol: ", $
> fieldcount: 8L, $
> fieldtypes : [ 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4], $
> fieldnames : [ 'time', 'xyz', 'field3', 'field4', $
> 'field5', 'field6', 'field7', 'winkel' ], $
> fieldlocations: [0, 3, 8, 14, 22, 27, 33, 40], $
> fieldgroups : [0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 7]}
>
> Just do a HELP, mytemplate, /STRUCT, and you will see what kind of
> struct the template is. There is nothing wrong with using SAVE and
> RESTORE, but sometimes I like to avoid extra files and prefer a single
> one.
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