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Subject: Huge datasets under Win2000

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I have to read in over 13,000,000 observations [eventually over 33,000,000] with the structure  
dataShort = {dataShort, returnNum:0L, x:0D,y:0D,z:0D}

At first, either when reading in or processing, I ran out of memory with a message about IDL not being able to allocate memory to make the array. So I read this into an Assoc variable which works fine. Now, however, when I try to access parts of this data [dataS is the Associated structure array]:

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datSvX = (dataS.y-yll)/cellsize
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I get the error:

% File expression not allowed in this context: DATAS.

Any suggestions would be appreciated. It appears to me that Eric Korpela's VARRAY referred to in a thread earlier this week will not work on Win2000 Intel machines. I run Win2000 on a PC with 1Gb RAM and lots of hard disk space.

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