
Subject: Looking for IDL code to read Excel spreadsheet

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I have a large number of Excel spread sheets. They are in a very simple format. There is a 1-line four column header, followed by four columns of numbers, eg:

Time	Concentration	Time2	Response
14:48:20	19.29	14:42:01	1.5
14:48:25	5.34	14:42:06	0.7
...etc.			

I want to read in the numbers for processing in IDL. I could, within Excel, export the data to an ascii file, but there are a LOT of files to do. Is there an IDL routine that will read a simple Excel spreadsheet like this? (To make matters worse, I run IDL on a Sun Sparcstation.)

I apologize if this has been covered in the newsgroup and I've missed it, but I have looked in various FAQs and through the various IDL libraries and archives on the Web and have found nothing so far.

Thanks

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