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Subject: Re: readcol procedure

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Reimar Bauer wrote:

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- > if you use the eof method you have to read line by line. As you know idl
- > is an array orientated language so reading in an array is much faster.
- > It's really fast. If you have only 10 lines it doesn't matter but
- > sometimes we got datafiles of nearly 100.000 lines. In this case it is
- > very important.

How much time do you spend in determining the number of lines in the file?

Cheers,

Liam.

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