
Subject: Re: Help: Byte-swapping program
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In article <schaep-1212941334430001@130.60.16.90> schaep@rsl.geogr.unizh.ch (Michael E. Schaepman) writes:

- > Since we are moving our data from a VAX and a DecStation to Suns and Macs,
- > I am looking for a program, that converts big <> low-endian byte order and
- > IEEE <> VAX representation.

In IDL or PV-Wave, the bytes of each element of array A can be swapped by

BYTEORDER,A

I think IEEE is more difficult.

I once wrote a FORTRAN routine, but it has not been fully tested, and is not portable to those fortran compilers that don't let you equivalence numbers and characters:

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c-----  
      function FromVaxR4(x)  
c Function to convert Vax real*4 number to local floating point.  
c Cannot handle NaNs or numbers which are too small or too large.  
c By mitchell r grunes.  
      integer*4 x,y,i          ! Really Vax real*4--but  
                           ! must be kept in integers  
                           ! so won't be "normalized".  
      character*1 a(4)  
      equivalence (y,a)  
      parameter (Mask23=2**23-1)  
      parameter (ioffset=128+24)  
  
      y=x  
      i=           iand(ichar(a(2)),255)  
      i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(1)),255))  
      i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(4)),255))  
      i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(3)),255))  
  
      iexponent=iand(ishft(i,-23),255)-ioffset  
      mantissa=iand(i,Mask23)  
  
      if(i.eq.0)then  
        FromVaxR4=0  
      else  
        mantissa=ior(ishft(1,23),mantissa)  
        if(i.gt.0)then
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FromVaxR4= mantissa*2.**iexponent
else
  FromVaxR4=-mantissa*2.**iexponent
endif
endif
end

C-----
function FromIEEER4(x)
c Function to convert IEEE real*4 number to local floating point.
c Assumes number written on a "most significant byte first" machine like
c a Sun or SGI workstation.
c Cannot handle NaNs or numbers which are too small or too large.
c By mitchell r grunes.
integer*4 x,y,i      ! Really IEEE real*4--but
                      ! must be kept in integers
                      ! so won't be "normalized".
character*1 a(4)
equivalence (y,a)
parameter (Mask23=2**23-1)
parameter (ioffset=128+22)

y=x
i=      iand(ichar(a(1)),255)
i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(2)),255))
i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(3)),255))
i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(4)),255))

iexponent=iand(ishft(i,-23),255)-ioffset
mantissa=iand(i,Mask23)

if(i.eq.0)then
  FromIEEER4=0
else
  mantissa=ior(ishft(1,23),mantissa)
  if(i.gt.0)then
    FromIEEER4= mantissa*2.**iexponent
  else
    FromIEEER4=-mantissa*2.**iexponent
  endif
endif
end

C-----
function FromRIEEER4(x)
c Function to convert IEEE real*4 number to local floating point.
c Assumes number written on a "least significant byte first" machine like
c a PC.
c Cannot handle NaNs or numbers which are too small or too large.
c By mitchell r grunes.

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integer*4 x,y,i      ! Really IEEE real*4--but
                      ! must be kept in integers
                      ! so won't be "normalized".
character*1 a(4)
equivalence (y,a)
parameter (Mask23=2**23-1)
parameter (ioffset=128+22)

y=x
i=      iand(ichar(a(4)),255)
i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(3)),255))
i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(2)),255))
i=ior(ishft(i,8),iand(ichar(a(1)),255))

iexponent=iand(ishft(i,-23),255)-ioffset
mantissa=iand(i,Mask23)

if(i.eq.0)then
  FromRIEER4=0
else
  mantissa=ior(ishft(1,23),mantissa)
  if(i.gt.0)then
    FromRIEER4= mantissa*2.**iexponent
  else
    FromRIEER4=-mantissa*2.**iexponent
  endif
endif
end

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