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Subject: Re: Read Total lines in an ASCII file

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Big Bird wrote:

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- > not necessarily try to convert them into anything. The only deviation
- > from the usual 10b linefeed out there on idl'ish platforms is the DOS
- > [10b,13b] LF/CR, right? Or do VMS systems do yet something different?
- > How do the various suggested methods hold up on VMS?

There's at least one platform (Mac?) where CR/LF is a newline, rather than LF/CR. There are machines where text files are stored in fixed-length records, with each line starting a new record, and padded out to the end of the record with 0s or blanks (I don't remember which).

I have no idea whether IDL runs on any such machines.

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