Subject: Re: Pb to work with huge files
Posted by Pavel Romashkin on Thu, 10 Apr 2003 21:21:33 GMT

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David Fanning wrote:
>
> Slow!? With Associated variables you don't read *anything*
> into memory until you actually use it. Note only is it
> fast, it is about as efficient as it is possible to get!

I thought seek is one of the slowest hardware functions of hard drives.
Continuous read is much faster, although with cache it may be
insignificant. I thought if you wanted to do a lot of random HD access
then seeking would slow things down.
I may be wrong! And indeed this is purely theoretical argument.

Pavel