
Subject: Re: 48 variable limit?

Posted by [Liam E. Gumley](#) on Mon, 05 May 2003 20:38:06 GMT

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"Shane Mayor" <shane@ucar.edu> wrote in message
news:4d5b78c4.0305051207.34690816@posting.google.com...
> I've been given an ASCII file of numbers 50 columns wide
> by 6600 rows long, blank-space separated values.
> I've tried both read_ascii and readf, reads and have concluded
> that these routines can only read up to 48 variables in a row.
> Can anybody confirm this and/or suggest alternatives?

Shane,

Are you reading the data line-by-line like this?

```
readf, lun, a01, a02, a03, a04, a05, ..., a48
```

If so, then it's possible you could run into a limit.

Why not try

```
data = fltarr(50, 6600)  
readf, lun, data
```

Cheers,

Liam.

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