## Subject: Re: String Data file

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Karthikayan Balakrishnan <lovedale27@hotmail.NOSPAM.com.PLEASEREMOVETHIS> wrote in
message news:<HIuzA3.5Mw@sysadm.physics.uiowa.edu>...
> Hello All,
>    I have a data file that looks like this:
>  abc  1  2
>  def  3  4.5
>  ghij  2.3 23.44
> ...
> ...
>    The first column is string, the next two are
> floating point. Is there any way I can read such a file?
> I am familiar with counting the number of rows and reading
> data file with just numbers, but this combination of numbers
> and strings is too much for me.
>
> Thanks in advance,
> Karthik.

Karthik,

Try this :-

 line = 'ghij 2.3 23.44'

 READS,line,s,f1,f2,form='(a4,x,f3.1,x,f5.2)'


 Andrew