
Subject: Re: read_ascii

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 08 Dec 2004 20:54:19 GMT

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Francois writes:

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> I use the following code to read an ascii file:
>> filename = dialog_pickfile(path='c:\')
>> data = READ_ASCII(filename, DATA_START=1, DELIMITER=',')
>> data = data.field1
>
> I want data to become an array instead of a structure.
>
> The problem is that sometimes the array is contained in field01,
> sometimes in field01.
> How come it varies ?
```

I'm not sure I see the variation in the question,
but in any case I don't know why it varies. If it
is varying, why not try this:

```
data = READ_ASCII(filename, DATA_START=1, DELIMITER=',')
data = data.(0)
```

Cheers,

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