
Subject: Re: Reading fortran

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savoie@nsidc.org wrote:

> David Fanning <davidf@dfanning.com> writes:

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>> Andres writes:

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>>> Hi all,

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>>> does somebody knows how to read this (fortran way)

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>>> do 210 j=1,ng3

>>> write(10) real(rhoc(j)),

>>> 2 real(psi1(j)),real(psi2(j)),real(psi3(j))

>>> write(10) aimag(rhoc(j)),

>>> 2 aimag(psi1(j)),aimag(psi2(j)),aimag(psi3(j))

>>> 210 continue

>>>

>>> in IDL? I managed, but it takes forever for big "ng3". This is what I

>>> do:

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>>> rhoc=fltarr(ng3)

>>> psi1=fltarr(ng3) & psi2=fltarr(ng3) & psi3=fltarr(ng3)

>>>

>>> For i=0l,ng3-1l do begin

>>> readu,lun,tmp1,tmp2,tmp3,tmp4

>>> rhoc[i]=tmp1

>>> psi1[i]=tmp2

>>> psi2[i]=tmp3

>>> psi3[i]=tmp4

>>> Endfor

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>>> but this takes a long time... Anybody knows a fast way?

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>> Here is an article for you to read:

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>> http://www.dfanning.com/tips/ascii_column_data.html

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> I don't think he's reading ascii data. I think he's reading a long list of

> floats?

Same principle though.

> If the problem is that the data is in Fortran order, shouldn't he be reading
> into a large array and then transposing?
>
> how about (assuming $\text{ngr2} * 4 * \text{sizeof(float)} < \text{memory available}$):

The data is written 4 numbers at a time, with 2 sets of ngr2 sets of numbers. Additionally, each set of 4 numbers is a separate record (with the attendant record markers). So how about:

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; Open the file as "direct" access.  
openr, lun, filename, /get_lun ; No /f77_unformatted  
  
; create the data array and read the data  
; Dimension 1 indices 0 and 5 are for the Fortran record markers  
; Dimension 2 indices are for the real and imaginary bits  
data = fltarr( 6, 2, ngr2 )  
readu, lun, data  
  
; strip out the real numbers  
rrhoc = reform(data[1,0,*])  
rpsi1 = reform(data[2,0,*])  
rpsi2 = reform(data[3,0,*])  
rpsi3 = reform(data[4,0,*])  
  
; strip out the imaginary numbers  
irhoc = reform(data[1,1,*])  
ipsi1 = reform(data[2,1,*])  
ipsi2 = reform(data[3,1,*])  
ipsi3 = reform(data[4,1,*])
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Also, totally untested, but you get the idea. You can also transpose the data array before stripping out the real and imaginary bits so you don't need a REFORM on every line to remove unity dimensions.

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> pro read_fortran  
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> ;; The data is 4 columns x ngr rows, but Fortran is stored row major.  
> data = make_array( ngr2, 4, /float )  
> openr, lun, "your_file_name", /GET_LUN
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> readu, lun, data
> col_row_data = transpose( data )
>
> rhoc = col_row_data[ 0, * ]
> psi1 = col_row_data[ 1, * ]
> psi2 = col_row_data[ 2, * ]
> psi3 = col_row_data[ 3, * ]
>
> end
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>
> Is this sort of what you're looking for? Completely untested of course.
>
> Check out this fanning article for colum/row major information/headache.
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> http://www.dfanning.com/misc\_tips/colrow\_major.html
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>
> Hope this helps.
>
> Matt
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