
Subject: readf help!

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Hello,

I need a little help with the readf procedure. I have a few large data files that I am trying to make run faster by reading directly from the file into variables rather than reading them as a string and splitting them eventually placing them into their representative files; however, I'm running into a problem with converting the time which is in seconds since 1970 to a long #... I've tried numerous format codes and none have been successful. My data simplified data file is as follows:

```
001,1137369600,0000000,00.00,00002.22,-00.3,009.3,09.4*27AE
001,1137369601,0000000,00.00,00002.22,-00.3,009.2,09.4*9AA9
001,1137369602,0000000,00.00,00002.32,-00.3,009.3,09.4*1DA3
```

My program looks like this:

```
openr, lun, fname, /GET_LUN
for i=0l, vs-1 do begin
  readf, lun, a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h
  print,a,long(b),c,d,e,f,g,h
endfor
FREE_LUN, lun
end
```

My output looks like this:

```
  1.00000 1137369600  0.000000  0.000000  2.22000
-0.300000  9.30000  9.40000
  1.00000 1137369600  0.000000  0.000000  2.22000
-0.300000  9.20000  9.40000
  1.00000 1137369600  0.000000  0.000000  2.32000
-0.300000  9.30000  9.40000
```

See how the seconds do not increment, but everything else does. This leads me to believe that it is something wrong with the formatting. Can anyone help or explain how to overcome this? Thanks! Jon
