
Subject: Re: Reading ASCII

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dean@phobos.cira.colostate.edu wrote:

>
> I am attempting to read a ASCII text file with topography data.
> This file was created on a DOS machine and has a CR and NL character
> after each line. In my attempts to read this file, I keep getting
> the CR and NL characters which messes up my image. Is there a
> way to read this file without picking up the CR and NL with IDL?
>
> Below is the sample PRO I am working with. The ASCII file
> is located on castor.cira.colostate.edu in Dean.
>
> ... Snip
>
> FOR j = 0, ysize-1 DO BEGIN
> readU, unit, scan
> image(0,(ysize-1)-j) = scan
> ENDFOR

Pardon me if I'm being obtuse, but why are you using an unformatted read
(READU) on an ASCII file?

IDL for Windows (and maybe other versions as well) expects either CR+LF or
LF-only as line terminators in ASCII files.

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