
Subject: writing text files with OPENW and PRINTF
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Folks...

Writing an input parameter file under windows for an external tool became my main easter occupation: Attached two parameter files: works.prm and dontwork.prm, both have the exact same content, but opened in notepad.exe the works.prm is all on one line, but it contains a carriage return information can be seen if opened eg. in MSWord. I tried to create a file with the same information using the code below, and end up with the file dontwork.prm: it looks exactly like the works.prm but will not be read by the external program (its the HEG tool to convert MODIS data actually)

- which format does the dontwork.prm have? obviously not standard MS-DOS
- are there ways to write in IDL under windows non MS-DOS formatted text files?

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OPENW,LUN,'c:\dontwork.prm',/Get_lun
PRINTF,lun,"
PRINTF,lun,'NUM_RUNS = 1'
PRINTF,lun,"
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("NUM_RUNS = 1")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("BEGIN")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("NUMBER_INPUTFILES = 2")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("INPUT_FILENAMES
V:\modis\MOD13A1.A2005209.h18v03.004.2005232155359.hdf|V:\mo
dis\MOD13A1.A2005209.h18v04.004.2005233002951.hdf ")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OBJECT_NAME = MODIS_Grid_16DAY_500m_VI")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("FIELD_NAME = 500m 16 days NDVI")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("BAND_NUMBER = 1")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("SPATIAL_SUBSET_UL_CORNER = ( 59.999999995 0.0 )")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("SPATIAL_SUBSET_LR_CORNER = ( 39.999999996
19.999999995 )")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OUTPUT_OBJECT_NAME = MODIS_Grid_16DAY_500m_VI")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OUTGRID_X_PIXELSIZE = 463.312717")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OUTGRID_Y_PIXELSIZE = 463.312717")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OUTPUT_FILENAME =
V:\modis\MOD13A1.A2005209.h18v03.004.2005232155359_MODIS_Gri d_16DAY_500m_VI.tif
")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("SAVE_STITCHED_FILE = NO")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OUTPUT_STITCHED_FILENAME =
V:\modis\MOD13A1.A2005209.h18v03.004.2005232155359_MODIS_Gri
d_16DAY_500m_VI_stitched_.hdf ")'
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('("OUTPUT_TYPE = GEO")'
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PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('RESAMPLING_TYPE = BI')
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('OUTPUT_PROJECTION_TYPE = GEO')
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('OUTPUT_PROJECTION_PARAMETERS = ( 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 )')
PRINTF,lun,FORMAT = ('END')
PRINTF,lun,"
CLOSE,lun
FREE_lun,lun
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Cheers

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0.0 )
END
```

File Attachments

- 1) [dontwork.prm](#), downloaded 137 times
 - 2) [works.prm](#), downloaded 124 times
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