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Subject: Using .sav files outside of IDL  
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Hello,

I have two structures saved in an IDL .sav file. Do you guys know how I can import this data to MATLAB. When I try, it says that .sav file is a proprietary format. I have a few IDL procedures that play with the data, and I'd like to port them to MATLAB. If it's not possible, can you suggest how I should go about saving these structures to a format that MATLAB would be able to read (preferably I would like the form of the structures preserved so that I won't have to think up new code/logic). Should I write to a file? If so, what format should I use?

So, how do I save my structure to a non-proprietary format?

Thank you

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