## Subject: Re: read\_ascii for more than one file Posted by Conor on Thu, 23 Aug 2007 16:56:27 GMT

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On Aug 23, 12:24 pm, b...@uni-mainz.de wrote:
> Hello,
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> i'd like to read arrays (3 columns, 2072758 lines ) from more than one
> file do get some kind of data(k) where k (k=146) is the number of
> files and data is the array.
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> For one file it works guite well with:
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> data = read_ascii(file) & data = data.(0)
> q = data[0, *]
> r = data[1,*]
> nir = data[2,*]
> For this code i do not need to declare data, q, r and nir
> But i do not know how i can manage it for k files (without getting
> error messages).
> Britta
Well, why not just create a gigantic 3-d array and fill the array one
by one?
everything = fltarr(3,2072758,146)
for i=0,146-1 do begin
 file = 'file' + string(i+1,format='(i0)')
 data = read_ascii(file) & data = data.(0)
 everything[*,*,i] = data
endfor
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In this case, the program expects the files to be named something like: 'file1', 'file2', ... 'file146'. Obviously, you would have to adjust the names accordingly. Worse comes to worse you could always specify each one individually in a string array and extract the filename as you loop through.