
Subject: Re: Read binary data

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On Jul 16, 4:50 pm, xiao zhang <littledd...@gmail.com> wrote:

> HI~ every one ~

> I am trying to read a binary file which is 17920168 bytes and the

> first 168 bytes of it is header information, The rest of it is

> 800*800*14 two bytes integer. (like a 3 dimension array.) Can any

> one help me to read it out ? There should not be so many zeros in it,

> but i tried several times it still shows a lot of zero.

> Thanks~

OpenR, Lun, MyFile, /Get_Lun

Point_Lun, Lun, 168

MyData = Intarr(800, 800, 14, /NoZero)

ReadU, Lun, MyData

Free_Lun, Lun

OR:

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MyData = Read_Binary(MyFile, Data_Type = 2, Data_Start = 168, $
  Data_Dims = [800, 800, 14])
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The advantage of the first method is that it's fast. The advantage of the second method is that if you're running into little/big endian issues, you can simply set the endian keyword as needed.

Here's a helpful article if you're not sure:

http://www.dfanning.com/tips/endian_machines.html

Regards,

Chris
