
Subject: Re: edit .sav file

Posted by [Allan Whiteford](#) on Fri, 18 Jul 2008 08:43:18 GMT

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Bulrush wrote:

- > Hi all,
- > Can I edit, and access the contents of a .sav file?

It's unclear (to me, at least) exactly what you want to do.

You can restore the contents of a .sav file at the IDL command line by typing:

```
restore,file='myfile.sav'
```

and you get the contents to play with which you can later save.

If you had a .sav file with two variables, say a and b and you wanted to increase the value of a by 1 then you would type:

```
restore,file='myfile.sav'  
a=a+1  
save,a,b,file='myfile.sav'
```

If you're looking for something with more power then see:

<http://cow.physics.wisc.edu/~craigm/idl/cmsave.html>

and if you're looking for something which does even more then see David's reply.

Thanks,

Allan
