
Subject: Re: Trouble writing very large files
Posted by [Maarten\[1\]](#) on Fri, 16 Jan 2009 14:38:46 GMT
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On Jan 16, 1:53 pm, Bennett <juggernaut...@gmail.com> wrote:

- > There are limitations for file size on different operating systems.
- > FAT32 has a limit of 4GB. If you put into IDL 4096UL*4096UL*255UL
- > then get your limit. You may be pushing this limit. Not sure what the
- > exact problems but this is at least a push in some direction.

Both Bringfried and Wayne are working under Linux, so the file-size limitation of FAT32 is not likely to be the issue here, not unless the system is ancient. Given the 64 bit nature of the beast I doubt that. The file-size limit should be 2^{63} bytes.

I think the right answer was given by Wayne is his original post. What I don't get is why you'd want a 4G unformatted data file in the first place, I'd prefer to dump the data to an HDF-5 file.

Maarten
