
Subject: Re: Reading ASCII Data Files in IDL

Posted by [Jeremy Bailin](#) on Wed, 09 Sep 2009 03:34:56 GMT

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On Sep 8, 9:39 pm, "b.a" <u4565...@anu.edu.au> wrote:

> Hi,

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> In my IDL program, I read some data from an ASCII file. I want to skip
> the first few lines of strings and start from the numerical data
> underneath the header. the number of lines in the header differs each
> time so I can't use "header = STRARR()".

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> Does anyone have any solution? By the way, I have seen
> 'http://www.dfanning.com/tips/ascii_column_data.html' but the headers
> of my files have different lines.

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> Thank you.

Maybe readcol in the astronomy user's library would be useful?

-Jeremy.
