
Subject: Re: slow file-handling

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In article 1AA7@star.sr.bham.ac.uk, James Tappin <sjt@star.sr.bham.ac.uk> writes:

> Jorn Helbert wrote:

```
>>  b_temp = double([0.,0.,0.])
>>  t_temp = [0.0]
>>  WHILE NOT eof(u1) DO BEGIN
>>    readf,u1,t_temp,foo,foo,foo,b_temp
>>    t_u = [t_u,t_temp]
>>    b_u = [b_u,b_temp]
>>  END
>>  Any ideas how to speed this up?
```

> One possibility on a unix box is to spawn "wc" to see how many lines there are
> (if you need VMS portability, then select that or FSTAT according to the
> operating system [!version.os] -- I don't know about PC's & macs)

I use:-

```
OPENR,UNIT,filename
```

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TEMP="
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COUNT=0
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WHILE NOT EOF(UNIT)
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  READF,UNIT,TEMP
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  COUNT=COUNT+1
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ENDWHILE
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CLOSE,UNIT
```

The time is probably spent in re-allocating your t_u,b_u arrays,
not in the reading.

Suck it and see...

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Warning! Your Operating System is out of date!

It has been superseded by a more memory intensive Operating System.

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