
Subject: Re: Extracting variables from ascii files that are not in columnar format
Posted by [Gray](#) on Fri, 09 Apr 2010 20:31:44 GMT

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On Apr 9, 3:51 pm, Gray <grayliketheco...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Apr 9, 3:21 pm, nata <bernat.puigdomen...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> I'll try something like that

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>> aux=""

>> OPENR, un\$lun, file, /GET_LUN

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>> WHILE ~EOF(un\$lun) DO BEGIN

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>> READF, un\$lun, aux

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>> aux_str=STRSPLIT(aux,' ',/EXTRACT)

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>> PRINT, 'label', aux_str[0:1]

>> PRINT, 'values', aux_str[2:*

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>> ;; Then you can concatenate, etc...

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>> ENDWHILE

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>> FREE_LUN, un\$lun

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> Or, you can read everything at once with file_lines and a string

> array, then loop through the array and strsplit. If you know that

> every line has the same format, you can use astrolib's gettok to pick

> out the header names. Printing in columns like that is a little more

> complicated, and requires padding. Example:

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> n = file_lines(file)

> data = strarr(n)

> heads = strarr(n)

> openr, unit, file, /get_lin

> readf, unit, data

> close, unit & free_lun, unit

> heads = gettok(data, '=')

> print, heads, format=(' '+n+'A12)'

> lens = intarr(n)

> for i=0L,n-1 do lens[i] = n_elements(strsplit(data[i],/regex))

> npad = max(lens)

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> padded_data = strarr(n,npad)
> for i=0L,n-1 do padded_data[i,0] = strsplit(data[i],/regex)
> print, transpose(padded_data), format=('+n+'A12)'
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Oops, forgot /extract in the 2nd strsplit call. Also, you may need to strtrim n for the format codes.
