## Subject: Re: read FITS header keyword using IDL Astronomy users's library Posted by Truong Le on Mon, 01 Nov 2010 17:26:10 GMT

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On Nov 1, 1:08 pm, polystethylene <polystethyl...@hotmail.com> wrote:
> On Nov 1, 4:47 pm, Truong Le <truong...@gmail.com> wrote:
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>> All,
>> Does anyone know if one can use the IDL astronomy users's library to
>> obtain just the header
>> keyword (in other word, I want to check if a header keyword exist in
>> the FITS file)?
>> I checked the library but could really see any procedure that actually
>> does what I really wanted.
>> Thanks
 SXPAR will do this for you...
>
> i.e...
> fits = READFITS('data',header)
  result = SXPAR(header, 'keyword', COUNT=A)
>
> I think if you then do
> print,COUNT
> and zero is returned, the keyword isn't present...
Great, thanks!
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