Subject: reading portions of a large binary file
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Hi

I have a large (4GB file) which is basically a large 2-D matrix of elevations. I want to read just some portion of this file (representing a lat/long box). I could read in the whole file line by line (because it is too big for RAM) and just take out the relevant bits, or preferably I want it to only read off the disc the relevant bits of the file. Is this possible in IDL? I vaguely remember this being possible in fortran but can't find it by googling.

Thanks