
Subject: Re: Constant Size Array in Class Init
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 23 May 2011 21:32:38 GMT
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Chris Williams writes:

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> I am creating a class that holds multidimensional data of several
> different arrays. What I am trying to do is create a class to hold the
> arrays, and then define the array sizes in the init function since
> they will be different sizes.
>
> For example, I want to do something like this
>
> FUNCTION myclass:init, dim1, dim2, dim3
>
> myarray = dblarr(dim1, dim2, dim3)
>
> RETURN, 1
> END
>
> PRO myclass__define
>
> void = {myclass, myarray :dblarr } ;NO SIZE ON ARRAY
>
> RETURN
> END
>
> However, I get a conflicting data structure error without first
> defining the size of the array in the procedure myclass__define. Is
> there an empty array object that allows me to define the array size at
> initialization and not at object creation?
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You are going to have to define this field as a pointer to an array in IDL.

```
void = {myclass, myarray :ptr_new() } ;NO SIZE ON ARRAY
```

Then,

```
myArray = Ptr_New(dblarr(dim1,dim2,dim3))
Help, *myArray
```

Cheers,

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>
Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
