
Subject: Re: change values of structure variable
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 06 Nov 2012 15:23:40 GMT
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sid writes:

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> Please help in changing values stored in structure variable.  
> What I tried is,  
>  
> IDL> help,/str,atmos  
> ** Structure <911e87c>, 11 tags, length=22780, data length=22780, refs=1:  
> NHYDR      LONG      6  
> NELEM      LONG      99  
> MOVING     LONG      0  
> T          DOUBLE   Array[3, 82]  
> N_ELEC     DOUBLE   Array[3, 82]  
> VTURB      DOUBLE   Array[3, 82]  
> NH          DOUBLE   Array[3, 82, 6]  
> ID          STRING   'FALC_03x82.atmos (Tue Nov 6 10:32:22 2012'...  
> ELEMENTS    STRUCT   -> <Anonymous> Array[99]  
> BACKGRFLAGS STRUCT   -> <Anonymous> Array[284]  
> BACKGRRECNO LONG    Array[284]  
>  
> Here I want to change the values of VTURB to 2500.0000  
> SO I did,  
> IDL> atmos.vturb(*,*)=2500.0000  
> now temporarily it changes to 2500.0000, This is in a common block. So while running the main  
program the vturb value goes back to the original value instead of the changed 2500.0000.  
>  
> Please help me in changing the value.
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You can't change anything about a structure once you create it in the IDL session. If you have a field that is changing, as this one is, you should make that field a pointer to the value you want to store there.

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thos speakest truth.")
