
Subject: Saving array into column fomratted text file

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I have IDL arrays, that I would like to write out to a text file so that it retains the dimensionality in the form of rows and columns. For example, if I have an array test(360,180), I would like to write it out to a text file with 360 columns and 180 rows. Anyone have any better suggestions than the solution I am using below:

```
openw,1,'output_file'  
printf,1,test,format='(360f6.2)'  
close,1
```

I have found programs in IDL on the net that read column formatted files, but havent found any that write out to columns. I would appreciate any tips.

Thanks,
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