
Subject: Re: Input Files - Size Limit?

Posted by [haimov](#) on Wed, 21 May 1997 07:00:00 GMT

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In article <337FA875.41C6@vortex.shm.monash.edu.au>,
mark@vortex.shm.monash.edu.au says...

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> My question is this: can IDL handle extremely large files (in
> various data formats) without crashing out? I'm thinking of
> sizes in the region of 100mb+.

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Mark,

I routinely work in IDL with files greater than 100 MB.
Once in a while I have to process files bigger than 1GB.
I have a dedicated workstation for this processing, but
my total memory is 128 M. The simplest solution for me
was to limit the chunk of data loaded into the memory
and use a loop to go through the whole file.

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