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Subject: Question about 'READ input error'  
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Hi,

I have an idl program which should uncompress a file and then read it in to an array "aaa"  
However whenever I try and run this program I keep getting the following error :

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Compiled module: $MAIN$.  
% READF: Input conversion error.  
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$          5  
  /tmp_mnt/homes/metogra3/anilk/Nimbus7/stratp.d/trial.pro  
IDL>
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My idl code is:  
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lun=13  
aaa=fltarr(2,180,51)  
spawn,'/usr/ucb/uncompress -c+'~anilk/Nimbus7/GriddedData/grid_EP_79134.dat.Z',unit=lu n  
readf,lun,aaa  
print, aaa  
close,lun  
  
do_free_lun =1  
if keyword_set(do_free_lun) then free_lun, lun  
  
end
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Would someone be able help me figure out what is causing this error, and what an input conversion error is?

Thank You

Anil

ps: If possible please reply back to my email address too.

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