
Subject: ARRAYS

Posted by [mallozzi](#) on Thu, 08 Sep 1994 15:04:30 GMT

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I must be missing something simple, but I sometimes find myself needing to concatenate arrays as follows:

```
x = FINDGEN(10)
y = FINDGEN(4,20)
z = [x, y(1,*)]
```

This won't work because IDL sees y(1,*) as a 2-d array, and x is 1-d.
Is there an easy way to concatenate two "vectors" without looping through the y-array and extracting the appropriate elements like this:

```
temp = FLTARR(N_ELEMENTS(y))
for i=0,N_ELEMENTS(y)-1 do temp(i) = y(1,i)
z = [x,temp]
```

Thanks

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Subject: Re: Arrays

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 29 Jun 2004 17:32:05 GMT

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Rafael Loos writes:

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There is nothing wrong with what you have shown us. How, exactly, are you trying to "visualize" this second column?

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: Arrays

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 29 Jun 2004 18:48:44 GMT

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rats@mail.geog.uvic.ca (Rafael Loos) writes:

> Hi, I am new with IDL and I am having some problems with arrays.
> I have a file with 4 column and 5,607,515 rows.
>
> Example of one line: 3 492515.080 5506165.090 98.320
>
> I am separating all the columns in different arrays (1, 5607515)
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...

> data = FltArr(4, 5607515)

...

Have you considered that your numbers require double precision (>7 digits), and you are using only single precision floating point (< 7 digits)?

Craig

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Subject: Re: Arrays

Posted by [rats](#) on Tue, 29 Jun 2004 23:18:30 GMT

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David Fanning <davidf@dfanning.com> wrote in message
news:<MPG.1b4b557d4acd42de9897ba@news.frii.com>...

> Rafael Loos writes:

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> David

Thank you for the message, David.

I am saving all the values from the array into a txt file.
I see that problem when I open the txt file.
But all the other txt files are correct. Only the second with the
LATitudes values that are incorrect(492515.)
Even when I try anything like a MEAN function on the array this
problem occurs only with the second column ... All the others are
working perfectly.

Thank you again,
Rafael

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 30 Jun 2004 00:26:10 GMT
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the second column, but I agree with Craig that you need
to make these values double precision. Note this experiment:

```
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```

```
IDL> a=fltarr(4)
IDL> print, a[1]
492515.
```

And, then:

```
IDL> a=dblarr(4)
IDL> reads, d, a
IDL> print, a[1]
492515.08
```

And, especially,

```
IDL> print, a[1], format='(F20.4)'
492515.0800
```

You might find this article useful:

<http://www.dfanning.com/tips/double.html>

Cheers,

David

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```

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```

```
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```

Cheers,

David

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Thanks David and Craig ... Now with double precision it is working ...

Rafael
