
Subject: Re: Reading and Plotting big txt. File
Posted by [Peter Clinch](#) on Wed, 01 Aug 2007 09:46:48 GMT
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incognito.me wrote:

- > I'm trying to read and plot (surface) a very big text (.txt) file
- > (1020, 1024) with a 5 line string Header in IDL. My file looks like a
- > circle made of numbers!!!. That means in some lines and columns there
- > are no numbers only blanks!!!for example my file contains integers
- > between rows 633 and 390 and between columns 650 and 406. At the left
- > side of the file, there are the numbers of rows (1023,1022,1021,...,0)
- > my code should not read, but it does.

It's not a direct help, but if your input file is a complete nightmare
it might be worth writing a perl script to clean it up before reading it
with IDL. Perl is much better at fiddling with text to get into an
understandable format than IDL.

Pete.

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