
Subject: Re: Use IDL6.0 to read Fortran 90 written data
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 07 Aug 2007 12:39:08 GMT
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Nianming Zuo wrote:

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cheers,

paulv

Subject: Re: Use IDL6.0 to read Fortran 90 written data
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 07 Aug 2007 12:46:00 GMT
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Try tinyurl.com. ;-)

Cheers,

David

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Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.
Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com/>
Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Subject: Re: Use IDL6.0 to read Fortran 90 written data
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 07 Aug 2007 13:11:36 GMT
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Thought about it, but two steps too many...

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Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Tue, 07 Aug 2007 16:58:02 GMT
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There is a TinyUrl bookmarklet which you could put in your favorites bar. That would make it only one extra click.

Mike

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Subject: Re: Use IDL6.0 to read Fortran 90 written data
Posted by [Carsten Lechte](#) on Tue, 07 Aug 2007 17:57:21 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:

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Unless one opposes this obfuscation of information on principle;-)

chl

Subject: Re: Use IDL6.0 to read Fortran 90 written data
Posted by [Nianming Zuo](#) on Wed, 08 Aug 2007 03:52:58 GMT
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Thank you, Paul, David, Mike, chl and other guys.

I have read the links (and other related links), and it is really helpful for my puzzles.

And now, I have another problem. (The following are on MS Windows XP(sp2))

IDL6.0 can not read data saved by gcc3.4. (Mingw32)

in "gccfile.dat", I saved a series of data, including int and float type, using

```
gf = fopen("gccfile.dat", "w");
```

```
fwrite(NLAM, sizeof(int), 1, gf);
```

```
//repeat this sentence to store several vars,
```

```
NLAM,R,D,H,ALAM0,ALAM1,DLAM , with different type.
```

Now, I want to read datas in "gccfile.dat", and I have tried many methods.

Way 1:

```
openr, lun, "gccfile.dat", /GET_LUN
```

```
readu,lun,NLAM,R,D,H,ALAM0,ALAM1,DLAM
```

```
print, NLAM,R,D,H,ALAM0,ALAM1,DLAM
```

It prints strange data like 3.36641e+038, and prompts:

% Program caused arithmetic error: Floating underflow
% Program caused arithmetic error: Floating illegal operand

Way 2: (learn from this forum. THANKS :))

```
openr, lun, "gccfile.dat", /GET_LUN, /SWAP_ENDIAN  
readu, lun, NLAM, R, D, H, ALAM0, ALAM1, DLAM  
print, NLAM, R, D, H, ALAM0, ALAM1, DLAM
```

It still prints the garbage!

I have tested the endian-ness things with (from Paul. Thanks):

```
openr, lun, 'shepp.sgm', /GET_LUN ; "shepp.sgm" is my file.  
; -- Check the record size  
RecordSize = 10000L * 4L  
RecordSize_Test = 0L  
READU, lun, RecordSize_Test  
IF ( RecordSize_Test NE RecordSize ) THEN $  
    Swap = 1 $  
ELSE $  
    Swap = 0  
  
; -- Close the file  
FREE_LUN, lun  
  
print, "Swap", Swap  
  
; The above Swap turns out 1. So swap is necessary.
```

Way 3:

```
openr, lun, "gccfile.dat", /GET_LUN ; Without /SWAP_ENDIAN  
readu, lun, NLAM, R, D, H, ALAM0, ALAM1, DLAM  
NLAM = SWAP_ENDIAN(NLAM)  
print, NLAM, R, D, H, ALAM0, ALAM1, DLAM
```

Amazingly, NLAM (integer) is wrong, and other vars (float) are right!

I am totally confused by its behaviour!

Additionally, I have tried another ways, and didn't take effect.
byteorder, NLAM, R, D, H, ALAM0, ALAM1, DLAM, /lswap

One suggested "binread" function, but it doesn't exist in IDL6.0.

Thanks,

Tony

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