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Subject: VMS vs UNIX, unformatted binary files

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We are trying to read unformatted binary files in IDL on a UNIX system (HP 9000, series 700). The files to be read have been generated by IDL on a VAX VMS. The problem is that the bytes are swapped and the files contain a mixture of lonint, int, floats and character strings. We have an idl program to read the files which works well on a VAX but returns garbage on the UNIX system. Is there a simple way of avoiding this problem?

Greetings,

Rune and Lars

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