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Subject: Reading a set of data with string type entries

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Dear all,

I need to read in a large set of data. Each entry is started with a name, followed by many numbers.

The numbers are separated by spaces, but the length of each number is not fixed.

My problem is like this: Since the data starts with a string, I can't use free-format readf (because by default, the string slot will read the whole line.) and due to the unknown length of numbers, I can't use a format code, either.

What should I do?

Gene

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