Subject: number problem

Posted by d.poreh on Wed, 09 Jul 2008 10:50:50 GMT

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folks

i have a .TXt file like this:

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499750.952980793387735.576763021259.1884765634.63407516499730.954919793387755.575032021259.1884765634.66235733499710.956858793387775.573301021257.5001220734.69063950499690.958797793387795.571570021255.9758300834.71892166
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and i did some analyze in IDL but result is like this:

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499750. 3.38774e+0061259.0034.0000499730. 3.38776e+0061259.0034.0000499710. 3.38778e+0061257.0034.0000499690. 3.38780e+0061255.0034.0000
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but as you can see the result are not same. i used long-float and ULL. but no answer.

any help Cheeres

Subject: Re: number problem

Posted by d.poreh on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 14:14:35 GMT

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On 10 Jul., 07:01, Vince Hradil <a href="mailto:hrad...@yahoo.com">hradil <a href="mailto:hrad...@yahoo.com">hrad...@yahoo.com</a>>
> On Jul 9, 11:59 pm, d.po...@gmail.com wrote:
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>> On 9 Jul., 11:11, Conor <cmanc...@gmail.com> wrote:
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>>> On Jul 9, 6:50 am, d.po...@gmail.com wrote:
>>> folks
>>>> i have a .TXt file like this:
>>> 499750.95298079 3387735.57676302
                                                                                                                                                        1259.18847656
                                                                                                                                                                                                                     34.63407516
>>> 499730.95491979 3387755.57503202
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>>>> but as you can see the result are not same. i used long-float and
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>>>> Cheeres
>>> I'm afraid you're going to have to include a lot more information
>>> before anyone can help. How are you reading in the data? It looks
>>> like you're just reading in the data as a long integer, when in
>>> reality you want doubles.- Zitierten Text ausblenden -
>
>>> - Zitierten Text anzeigen -
>> yes i just read the data and keep it in the 4*1470 array. i just want
>> to get the same data in the resualt.
 Yes - we need more info to go on...
>
> IDL> arr = dblarr(4,4)
> IDL> openr, 1, 'c:\test.txt'
> IDL> readf, 1, arr
> IDL> free lun, 1
> IDL> print, arr
      499750.95
>
                     3387735.6
                                    1259.1885
                                                  34.634075
      499730.95
                     3387755.6
                                    1259.1885
                                                  34.662357
>
      499710.96
                     3387775.6
                                    1257.5001
                                                  34.690640
>
      499690.96
                     3387795.6
                                    1255.9758
                                                  34.718922
>
>
 Hmmm... looks okay to me?- Zitierten Text ausblenden -
  - Zitierten Text anzeigen -
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file=dialog_pickfile(filter='*.txt')
openr,lun,file,/get_lun
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readf,lun,header
utx=(dblarr(10000))
uty=(dblarr(10000))
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elv=(dblarr(10000)) col=(dblarr(10000)) row=(dblarr(10000)) dist=(dblarr(10000)) a=0&b=0&c=0&d=0&e=0&f=0 count=0 while (NOT EOF(lun)) DO BEGIN readf,lun,a,b,c,d,e,f utx(count)=a uty(count)=b elv(count)=c col(count)=d row(count)=e dist(count)=f count=count+1 endwhile utx=utx(0:count-1) uty=uty(0:count-1) elv=elv(0:count-1) col=col(0:count-1) row=row(0:count-1) dist=dist(0:count-1) data=fltarr(4,count) data[0,*]=utx data[1,*]=uty data[2,*]=elv data[3,*]=dist free_lun, lun return, data end and this is a few lines of import data: RiverTools Channel Profile Number of profile points: 1472 UTM-x UTM-y Elev Col Row Distance 521228.87049479 3394754.96918202 2221.55273438 1078 592 0.00000000 521208.87243379 3394754.96918202 2218.10253906 1077 592 0.01999806 521188.87437279 3394754.96918202 2215.02856445 1076 592 0.03999612

		3394754.9691820	2 2212.8293	34570 1075
592	0.05999418			
521148	3.87825079	3394754.9691820	2 2210.4892	25781 1074
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521128	3.88018979	3394754.9691820	2 2207.4301	17578 1073
592	0.09999030			
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	0.11998836		•	
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	0.13998643	000 17 0 11000 1020		1071
		3394754.9691820	2 2198.2880	08594 1070
	0.15998448	33347 34.303 1020	2 2130.2000	70004 1070
		3394754.9691820	2 2195.1157	72266 1069
	0.17998254		2 2133.1137	2200 1003
		3394754.9691820	2 2192.2319	93359 1068
	0.19998060	3334734.3031020	2 2192.2313	1000
		3394754.9691820	2 2190.3132	23242 1067
	0.21997866	3394734.9091620	2 2190.3132	23242 1007
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		3394774.9674510	2 2187.5000	00000 1066
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		3394774.9674510	2 2183.0000	00000 1064
	0.28825647			
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590	0.31653816			
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590	0.33653623			
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590	0.35653430			
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590	0.37653238			

but still i can't get proper answer, this is lat-lon data and i need exact data.

Subject: Re: number problem
Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 14:18:18 GMT
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d.poreh@gmail.com wrote:

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> i don't know still not work this is my idl to read some data:

> function read_DE,file

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> file=dialog_pickfile(filter='*.txt')
> openr,lun,file,/get_lun
> header=strarr(5)
> readf,lun,header
> utx=(dblarr(10000))
> uty=(dblarr(10000))
> elv=(dblarr(10000))
> col=(dblarr(10000))
> row=(dblarr(10000))
> dist=(dblarr(10000))
Think about what this line is doing:
> a=0&b=0&c=0&d=0&e=0&f=0
...and how you subsequently use the variables.
> count=0
> while (NOT EOF(lun)) DO BEGIN
> readf,lun,a,b,c,d,e,f
> utx(count)=a
> uty(count)=b
> elv(count)=c
> col(count)=d
> row(count)=e
> dist(count)=f
> count=count+1
> endwhile
> utx=utx(0:count-1)
> uty=uty(0:count-1)
> elv=elv(0:count-1)
> col=col(0:count-1)
> row=row(0:count-1)
> dist=dist(0:count-1)
> data=fltarr(4,count)
> data[0,*]=utx
> data[1,*]=uty
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> data[3,*]=dist
>
>
> free lun, lun
> return,data
 end
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> RiverTools Channel Profile
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>		UTM-x	UTM-y	Elev	Col				
>	Row	Distance							
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			3394754.969	918202	2221.55273438	1078			
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		88.87437279	3394754.969	918202	2215.02856445	1076			
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	591		3394774.907	43102	2103.00000000	1004			
>			330/70/ 06/	572002	2181.38085938	1063			
	590	0.31653816	3334734.300	77 2002	2101.30003330	1005			
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Subject: Re: number problem
Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 14:22:42 GMT

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Paul van Delst writes:

> Think about what this line is doing:

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>

> ...and how you subsequently use the variables.

This is why I love this newsgroup. I couldn't possibly be this gentle this morning. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Subject: Re: number problem
Posted by Vince Hradil on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 14:38:34 GMT

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On Jul 10, 9:22 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

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This thread not only reinforces the fact that the contributors here are very patient, but also how important it is to ask questions carefully (http://www.catb.org/~esr/faqs/smart-questions.html) - and include code snippets if possible.

After batting this back-and-forth for a couple of days, the answer was hit upon immediately after the code was revealed...

Make a mental note...

Cheers, Vince

Subject: Re: number problem
Posted by Spon on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 14:50:47 GMT
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On Jul 10, 3:22 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:
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Subject: Re: number problem

Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 14:57:07 GMT

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I don't know. I've managed 20 years of IDL programming without once using READ_ASCII. If it is slow code you are after, there doesn't appear to be much of a shortage. :-)

Cheers.

David

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Subject: Re: number problem

Posted by d.poreh on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 15:04:50 GMT

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On Jul 10, 4:50 pm, Spon <christoph.b...@gmail.com> wrote:

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- >
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Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 15:07:41 GMT
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Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 15:12:50 GMT
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IDL Programmers' Guides > Application Programming > Part II: Components of the IDL Language > Files and Input/Output

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paulv

Subject: Re: number problem
Posted by d.poreh on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 15:20:22 GMT
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thanks every body for help
Cheers
Subject: Re: number problem
Posted by R.G. Stockwell on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 16:51:25 GMT
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<d.poreh@gmail.com> wrote in message
news:43fbf367-1b18-473e-a047-3ce39612f806@x35g2000hsb.google groups.com...
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WHOA WHOA WHOA!!

While we are being pleasant and thinking about what we are doing, let's think about what it means when you say you need 8 digits of lat and lon. (hint, think in millimeters)

Granted this is somewhat beside the point of how to read data, but if anyone ever reviews a lat or a lon with more than 2 decimal points, they will flag it.

Cheers, bob

Subject: Re: number problem Posted by pgrigis on Thu, 10 Jul 2008 17:25:19 GMT

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On the other hand, google maps will pinpoint the location of my office at

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42.381009N, 71.128014W

whereas that would be a bit off if it only had 2 decimals...;-)

Ciao,
Paolo
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Cheers,bob

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Well, that's an accuracy of 36 microarcsec. If those were sky coordinates (ie. RA, dec) instead of lat, long, that's perfectly reasonable in certain circumstances (eg. GAIA is supposed to give better astrometry than that).

-Jeremy.