
Subject: Re: How to rip off the brackets when writing STRUCTURE into file in a whole?

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ZuYing wrote:

> Dear all,

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> I try to write a structure into a file but the free format will
> preserve the annoying brackets, and since each input is for different
> structures of unknown type, I can not write a specific format for it
> to input line by line. Any suggestions to write structures into a data
> file without brackets hanging around?

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> Cheers,

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> Ying

Hi,

not sure if this is the best way of doing it or not, but it works:

```
a = {a:0,b:'bb'}
```

```
b = string(a,/print)
```

now, if your structure does NOT contain any other structure, just remove the first and last character of the b string (the {})

If you do have sub-structures, search and replace every occurrence of { and }!

then, write b to your file!

Jean
