
Subject: Re: Extracting variables from ascii files that are not in columnar format
Posted by [natha](#) on Fri, 09 Apr 2010 19:21:11 GMT

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I'll try something like that

```
aux=""
OPENR, un$lun, file, /GET_LUN

WHILE ~EOF(un$lun) DO BEGIN

READF, un$lun, aux

aux_str=STRSPLIT(aux,' ',/EXTRACT)

PRINT, 'label', aux_str[0:1]
PRINT, 'values', aux_str[2:*]

;; Then you can concatenate, etc...

ENDWHILE

FREE_LUN, un$lun
```

Subject: Re: Extracting variables from ascii files that are not in columnar format
Posted by [Gray](#) on Fri, 09 Apr 2010 19:51:09 GMT

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On Apr 9, 3:21 pm, nata <bernat.puigdomen...@gmail.com> wrote:

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> FREE_LUN, un\$lun

Or, you can read everything at once with `file_lines` and a string array, then loop through the array and `strsplit`. If you know that every line has the same format, you can use `astrolib`'s `gettok` to pick out the header names. Printing in columns like that is a little more complicated, and requires padding. Example:

```
n = file_lines(file)
data = strarr(n)
heads = strarr(n)
openr, unit, file, /get_lin
readf, unit, data
close, unit & free_lun, unit
heads = gettok(data, '=')
print, heads, format='(+n+'A12)'
lens = intarr(n)
for i=0L,n-1 do lens[i] = n_elements(strsplit(data[i],/regex))
npad = max(lens)
padded_data = strarr(n,npad)
for i=0L,n-1 do padded_data[i,0] = strsplit(data[i],/regex)
print, transpose(padded_data), format='(+n+'A12)'
```

Subject: Re: Extracting variables from ascii files that are not in columnar format
Posted by [Gray](#) on Fri, 09 Apr 2010 20:31:44 GMT

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On Apr 9, 3:51 pm, Gray <grayliketheco...@gmail.com> wrote:

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```

Oops, forgot /extract in the 2nd strsplit call. Also, you may need to strtrim n for the format codes.