
Subject: DC_Read_Free in IDL?

Posted by [Andre Csillaghy](#) on Wed, 13 Mar 1996 08:00:00 GMT

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Hello,

I am "translating" PV-WAVE routines into IDL. In PV-WAVE, there is a routine called DC_Read_Free which is very practical to read ASCII columns files (where e.g. you can choose which column to read etc.)

However the source code is not available.

Does something similar exist for IDL?

Thanks -- Andre

Subject: Re: dc_read

Posted by [Seth Nemesure](#) on Wed, 17 Dec 1997 08:00:00 GMT

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Matt Howard wrote:

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> Use the resize switch.  
>  
> stat=dc_read_free(file,a,resize=[1])
```

The resize command works if you haven't used rebin to change the dimensions of one or more of the arrays. It appears to me that if you rebin any of the variables in the dc_read_free variable list, resize doesn't seem to have any effect on the rebinned variable or any of the variables that

appears after the rebinned variable.

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