
Subject: find variables in a save/restore file
Posted by [cabr69](#) on Mon, 25 Nov 1996 08:00:00 GMT
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Dear All,

I was wondering if there was a way to examine a save/restore file to see what variables are contained in it? For example, if I do

```
IDL> save,filename='test',a,b,c,d
```

I'm thinking of something like

```
IDL> restore,'test'
IDL> a=find_var(test)
```

returning an array a, where a(0)=a, a(1)=b, a(2)=c etc..

Can anyone help?

cheers,
David

Subject: Re: find variables in a save/restore file
Posted by [rjohnson](#) on Wed, 27 Nov 1996 08:00:00 GMT
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D.H.Brooks (cabr69@ccsun.strath.ac.uk) wrote:

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If you just want to know what variables were restored, do
IDL>restore,/verbose,'<filename>'

now, writing those into another variable is another story...

Rita
