Subject: Re: Undocumented array indexing feature?
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In article <36AC8341.EC8@rosa.mpin-koeln.mpg.de>,
  Alex Schuster <alex@rosa.mpin-koeln.mpg.de> wrote:
> wrb1000@my-dejanews.com wrote:
>
>> This is veering offtopic, but I'd just like to add my two cents.
>> IDL, like C, has many constructs that may add placed on a line to
>> condense the actual length of the program. However, just like C, the
>> readablity and understanding factors tend to drop. I intend to use the
>> a=(b=(c=1)) example. I always wondered how to initialize multiple variables
>> on the same IDL line.
>
> Now that's an easy one:
>
> IDL> a=1 & b=2 & c=3 & d=4 &
>
> Voila, one line :-)
>
>   Alex

Oh, I knew that one, Alex. Anyone know which method offers faster execution -

a = 0 & b = 0   * OR *   a = (b = 0)

this is important when applying the same principle to large arrays. At least
to those of us with slower PCs :(

Thanks,

Bill B.

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