
Subject: Re: Problems to use variables in a keyword-expression

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In article <79osii\$m8j\$1@ultra.csi.unimi.it>,

Ospite1 <"ospite1"@a5.itba.mi.cnr.it> wrote: (some words removed)

> The expression has to be something like this :
>
> anzfile = FINDFILE [string(num*),format='(i12)' , count=anz]
>
> Unfortunalely this is command doesn't work.
>
> Please help me !
>
> Ruth
>

Hi Ruth,

It looks like you have a simple typing mistake. The star in string(num*) should not be there. I think that STRING is treating the star as a character and not as a wildcard. Try

```
anzfile = FINDFILE(string(num)+'*',count=anz)
```

As an example, I have some program code which looks like this:

```
; Define prefixes and suffixes of desired data files  
yydddhmm = '962320734'  
star = '*' ; wildcard  
data_end = '.pif.Z'
```

```
filename_array=FINDFILE(yydddhmm+star+data_end,COUNT=number_of_files);
```

Hope this helps.

Rose

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