
Subject: Re: Change in behavior of string constants?
Posted by [knipp](#) on Wed, 05 Jan 1994 14:36:00 GMT
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In article 6569@ll.mit.edu, ryba@ll.mit.edu (Marty Ryba) writes:
> We just updated to IDL Version 3.5.1 from 3.0, and this stopped working:
>
> tlab = string(flight, pass, desc, ihroll, \$
> format = ('Flight ",i0," Pass ",i0," - ",a," ",f5.1,"xca Roll"))
> xyouts, 0.5, 0.93, tlab, /normal, alignment = 0.5, size = 1.5
>
> The \xca gave me the degree symbol with Helvetica Bold on a PostScript
> printer. With the new version, I get, literally, \xca in the string.
> I looked through the release notes, and there was no mention in changing the
> specification of octal or hexadecimal string constants. Help!
>
> --
> Dr. Marty Ryba | Generation X:
> MIT Lincoln Laboratory | Too young to be cynical,

Sorry, this is no solution to your problem, just a note.

We noticed the quite the same when updating from 3.0 :

With 3.0 we could use

```
PRINT,'\007' ; bell  
PRINT,'\x08' ; move cursor to the left
```

Now we do the following:

```
PRINT, string(7b)  
PRINT, string(8b)
```

Karl

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