
Subject: Re: You can access Main Level Variables!!!
Posted by [gross](#) on Sun, 23 Jan 2000 08:00:00 GMT
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I think you can....

try using "EXPR=", as in..

```
expr='make_some_var_name_here=do_this_operation'  
ret=execute(expr)
```

note that what happens is that whatever you have after expr= gets dumped to the command line as if you were typing it...I typically use this method to create a series of arrays such as im1,im2,im3...,etc.

On Wed, 19 Jan 2000 12:39:43 -0800, Michael Lefsky
<lefsky@fsl.orst.edu> wrote:

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> So it turns out you can access main level variables- try this  
>  
> create this function:  
>  
> function fetch,string  
> var=routine_names(/fetch,string)  
> help,var  
> return,var  
> end  
>  
> then  
>  
> dummy="hello"  
>  
> print,fetch("dummy")  
> VAR      STRING  = 'hello'  
> hello  
>  
> So one could do what I want- create a new "foolproof" save command. Now  
> if we just had a way of executing statements as if they were type at the  
> main level.  
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