## 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:
> 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")
              STRING
> VAR
                        = '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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