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Subject: Re: string manipulation

Posted by [Mark Hadfield](#) on Tue, 27 Feb 2001 23:02:00 GMT

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"JD Smith" <jdsmith@astro.cornell.edu> wrote in message  
news:3A9C2CF5.F632B1AF@astro.cornell.edu...

> [...]

> new=strmid(key,0,transpose(p1))+50'+strmid(key,transpose(p2) )

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> The key is putting the threading vector on its head, as a column

> vector.

Aaaaagh! The major reason I hate Matlab is all the "Have I got a row vector or a column vector?" rubbish! I feel like picking it up & shaking it & saying, "No, it's not a matrix, it's not a column vector, it's not a row vector, it's just a list of numbers. It's not dimensioned (n,1) and it's not dimensioned (1,n), it's dimensioned (n). You can print it vertically, you can print it horizontally, I don't care, it's just a list of numbers!"

And now JD shows us how to confuse ourselves with row vectors and column vectors in IDL! As if HISTOGRAM wasn't enough. JD, I call down a curse on you, and your children, and your children's chil.....[falls from chair in paroxysm of rage]

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