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Subject: Re: Time conversion

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Alex Schuster wrote:

> I have to convert some date formats, and I wonder why IDL does not give  
> more support here. A common date/time format is the seconds since 1970,  
> and the systime() function can return the current date in this format.  
> Yippie! But why is there no function to convert this from/to standard  
> ASCII date strings, or from/to Julian date?  
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> I found such a thing in the Astro library, st2date, input is the  
> seconds-since-1970, output is year, month, day etc., and even day and  
> month in ASCII notation if one likes. Great. But I did not find  
> something yet to convert to seconds-since-1970. I could write it myself,  
> but I guess this already had be done some dozen times. Some big routine  
> with many, many keywords to convert between all those formats would be  
> nice :)

<http://fermi.jhuapl.edu/s1r/idl/s1r/lib/time/time.html>

Cheers,

Liam.

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