
Subject: Re: Octals

Posted by [Martin Downing](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2001 15:11:29 GMT

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Steve,

Lookup the values you want in the charsets, eg "*" is octal 52, which is written in IDL as '52'OB. To use it in a string use STRING():

```
IDL> print, string('52'Ob)
```

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*
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```
IDL> title = "frequency " + string('52'Ob) + " wavelength"
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```
IDL> print, title
```

```
frequency * wavelength
```

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; eg usage in a plot title
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IDL> plot, indgen(10), title=title
```

Martin

"Steve Cole" <s.j.cole@ex.ac.uk> wrote in message

news:3BC5A7F1.718B0997@ex.ac.uk...

> Does anybody know how to print a character or symbol by its octal value?

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> (I am trying to put a multiplication sign in the title of a plot)

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> Any help would be gratefully recieved.

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> Thanks

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