
Subject: Re: bug in stregeex?

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Vapuser wrote:

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>
> I don't you, you tell me. Is this a bug?
>
> IDL> tt=stregex('cdefaz','(.*)(a|b|c)z',/extract)
> IDL> help,tt
> TT          STRING    = 'cdefaz'
>
> My understanding of regular expressions says it's a bug. The first
> '(.*)' should only match up to the 'a' and the second subexpression,
> since it is *unqualified*, should handle the 'az', i.e. TT should
> have two parts. tt[0] should be 'cdef' and tt[1] should be 'a.'
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Try:

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print,stregex('cdefaz','(.*)([abc]z)',/subexpr,/extract)
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