
Subject: Re: How to eliminate trailing zeros in a string?
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Sat, 25 Jan 2003 18:35:56 GMT
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David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> writes:

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>  
> Alright, I've thought about it a little bit. How about this:  
>  
> IDL> str = '20.304000'  
> IDL> str = String(str, Format='(F6.3)')  
> IDL> Print, str  
> 20.304
```

How about this variation on David's technique, but satisfies James's requirement of an arbitrary number of zeroes:

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print, string(str, format='(G0)')
```

The "G0" format usually renders a number in its most compact form.

Craig

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