
Subject: Re: running an idl expression stored in a text string

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Jan Erling Staff wrote:

> Hi all

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> I have the following question: If an expression is stored in a text

> string, is there any way one can make IDL execute it without first storing

> the expression in a .pro file and then running the file?

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> Thanks,

> Jan

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The EXECUTE command is one way:

```
IDL> expr = "b = findgen( 100 )"    ;; the expression
```

```
IDL> ok = EXECUTE( expr )
```

```
IDL> help,b
```

```
B          FLOAT    = Array[100]
```

Robert
