Subject: Re: IDL strplit: split a decimal number Posted by Ben Panter on Wed, 07 Jul 2004 10:37:26 GMT

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- > For example, let's take A = 147.123456789d
- > I need to make an 2D integer array called B, containing the two parts
- > of A separated by the dot ... B(0) = 147 and B(1) = 123456789 ... with

<snip>

> Maybe I shouldn't use the STRSPLIT function to do this?

How about not using strsplit?

IDL> a=123.45434362d

IDL> print, floor(a) 123

IDL> print, a-floor(a) 0.45434362

IDL> print, (a-floor(a))*1e8 45434362.

so b[0]=long(floor(a)) and b[1]=long((a-floor(a))*1e8)

Note - I've used longs rather than ints as the double precision will be larger than the point where ints go round again (~32k).

Ben

Blimey. And to think that a year ago I was worried about the sky falling in with doubles and floats.

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