Subject: Re: splitting strings Posted by Benjamin Hornberger on Thu, 03 Feb 2005 20:53:42 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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David Fanning wrote:
> Benjamin Hornberger writes:
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>> I would like to split a string by whitespace characters, while anything
>> between guotes should be recognized as one elements (even if it contains
>> whitespace). Let's say I have the string
>>
>> 'cat dog "ground hog" bird'
>>
>> I want to split it into ['cat', 'dog', 'ground hog', 'bird']. Does
>> anybody have a general algorithm or a function to do that? Or do I have
>> to work it out myself?
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>
   str = 'cat dog "ground hog" bird'
   print, StrSplit(str, "", /Extract)
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> Cheers,
> David
Doesn't work, the result is an empty string.
If you use " " as pattern for strsplit (the default), I get ['cat',
'dog', "ground', 'hog", 'bird'], which is not what I want either.
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Benjamin