
Subject: Strange behaviour of format

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Hi,

I want to output CSV data using a ; as delimiter. The following example shows my problem:

```
temp = ""'+'Some Text'+"", indgen(4), format='(A,20(";",F7.2))'  
print, StrCompress(temp,/remove_all)
```

results in

"Some Text";0.00;1.00;2.00;3.00;

The problem I have is the trailing semicolon. As a workaround I compute the number of elements in the integer array and insert that number in the format statement. Is there a better way to either omit the trailing ; or even to print CSV data?

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