
Subject: Re: number format in structure

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kl_tah@hotmail.com wrote:

> Hi David, Craig,
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> Thanks for the tips.
> However, what I was really wanting to do was to output a long string of
> numbers, each entry with a different format, to a file (which will
> ultimately be used in a tex table).
> So I have, for eg.
>
> line=[strtrim(3.45,2),'&',strtrim(5.678,2),'\n'] ;and lots more
> printf,lun,line
>
> This would probably mean appending a long string for formats to printf.
> If I could get each entry in to a format I want before putting them in
> an array this would really save on a lot of counting. Perhaps there's a
> way to write a program that does something like
>
> a=3.55677
> a=format(a,'(F4.2)')
> print,a
> 3.55

The command "string" does that for you

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a=3.55677
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b=string(a,format='(F4.2)')
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print,b
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3.56 (rounded, not truncated)

Now you can loop over your values, appending
the new values and the separators you need using the
+ operator for strings (e.g. output=output+b+'&')

Cheers,

Paolo

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> Thanks,
> KL
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