
Subject: Re: Appending Numbers to Strings in IDL
Posted by [steve](#) on Mon, 05 Jun 2006 21:54:38 GMT
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Hey Todd,

You just need to use StrTrim to get rid of the leading spaces. So when you create your string you would do it like this:
name + StrTrim(string(variable),2)

Hope that helps,
Steve

toddbranch wrote:

> Hi everyone,
>
> I'm new to IDL, and have only been using it for two weeks. I bought
> Liam Gumley's book and it has been quite helpful so far. The program
> I'm writing requires me to identify different objects within an image.
> Since there may be more than one, I append a variable number to the end
> of the file name string to differentiate between objects.
>
> I know that you can append numbers to a string like this:
> string+string(variable)
>
> But, that leaves a lot of whitespace in front of the number. Is there
> a way to eliminate this whitespace?
> I want it to work like this:
> string+string(variable)=stringvariable, not string variable
>
> Thanks a lot for your help,
>
> Branch
