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Subject: Re: forward slash in data item name  
Posted by [maye](#) on Thu, 04 Jan 2007 17:58:02 GMT  
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Happy new year!  
Thanks, David.  
As usual, I'm stunned that you have time to be so responsive here. ;)  
Best regards,  
Michael

David Fanning wrote:

> maye writes:  
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>> I wonder if there's a way I can avoid the following problem:  
>> I create plot file names automatically from the data item name in a  
>> first row of a csv file.  
>> Unfortunately, one of the data item names has a forward slash in it  
>> (DC/DC), which leads to the case, that my routine wants to create a  
>> file name: "DC/DC.jpg" which of course is interpreted as a directory  
>> creation.  
>> Of course I could check every data item name for such a thing to occur  
>> and replace every slash with an underscore, but is there not a simpler  
>> way to avoid such caveats?  
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> I'm afraid you are going to have to check it. Probably  
> the simplest thing is to just replace the "/" with  
> something else. Here is an article that describes an  
> easy way to do that:  
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> [http://www.dfanning.com/code\\_tips/stringsubs.html](http://www.dfanning.com/code_tips/stringsubs.html)  
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> Cheers,  
>  
> David  
> --  
> David Fanning, Ph.D.  
> Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.  
> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com/>  
> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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