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Subject: Re: removing substring from string array  
Posted by [yp](#) on Mon, 02 Apr 2007 21:54:53 GMT  
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On Apr 2, 10:21 pm, rchug...@gmail.com wrote:

> Hi All,  
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> Does anyone know a quick way to remove the same prefix from all  
> elements in a string array?  
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> Here is an example:  
> start with string\_array = ['dog.spot', 'dog.rover', 'dog.lucky']  
>  
> and get ['spot', 'rover', 'lucky']  
>  
> The only way I know I can do this is with a FOR loop and the  
> STRSPLIT(string\_array[i], '.', /EXTRACT) command. I am hoping someone  
> could help me out with a much more efficient way if there is one.  
>  
> Thanks in advance,  
> Ryan.

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string_array = ['dog.spot', 'dog.rover', 'dog.lucky']  
tmp=stregex(string_array,'dog.',length=L)  
n = 100 ;set max number of characters to be extracted  
new_array=transpose((strmid(string_array, L, n))[0,*])
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Be cautious when you have a huge string\_array...

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