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Subject: Re: IDL string trim

Posted by [mchinand](#) on Mon, 07 Jul 2008 14:43:59 GMT

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In article <MPG.22daffe956a87f7598a3cb@news.frii.com>,

David Fanning <news@dfanning.com> wrote:

> RussellGrew writes:

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>> This may not be the most elegant solution, but you can look at the

>> size of k and add an extra zero to the string manually.

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>> eg for the variable 'tmp' being slotted into the filename,

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>> if k lt 10. then tmp = '0' + strtrim(string(k), 2) else k =

>> strtrim(string(k), 2)

>>

>> I shall sit here and wait to be shot down by a more elegant solution.

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> I think this might be the elegant solution you are looking for:

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> strVal = String(k, Format='(i2.2)')

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> Cheers,

>

> David

I usually use:

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String(k, format='(I02)')
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which seems a little more intuitive (the zero indicating to zero-pad the string) but produces the same results as David's.

--Mike

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