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Subject: Re: Access array elements with String  
Posted by [humanumbrella](#) on Mon, 14 Jul 2008 20:17:02 GMT  
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On Jul 14, 3:44 pm, Jean H <jghas...@DELTHIS.ucalgary.ANDTHIS.ca>  
wrote:

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>> b=INDGEN(s(3))
>> print, a[c,c,b]
>
>> might be more efficient - dunno, haven't tested.
>
> You would have to reformat (i.e. repeat the value) c so it has the same
> size as b.
>
> Jean
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Thanks Bob,

In my particular application, it was difficult to use the solution involving the range, because I had to put ':' in the dataset access function. I do not know how many dimensions are in advance, so I would need to switch on the number of dimensions in order to put the right number of ':' in. I could be missing something,

Thanks Jean for the caution on the execute command, and I will check out the help menu.

Thanks again everyone.  
Cheers.  
--Justin