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Subject: Re: appending to column

Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 18:22:10 GMT

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"Jean H" <jghasban@DELTHIS.ucalgary.ANDTHIS.ca> wrote in message  
news:g5lb22\$inp\$1@news.ucalgary.ca...

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>> IDL> print,a
>>    0    1
>>    2    3
>>    4   311
>> IDL> print,a[0,*] +
>> float(a[1,*])/10^strlen(strcompress(string(a[1,*]),/rem))
>>    0.100000
>>    2.30000
>>    4.31100
```

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>>
>>
>> Cheers,
>> bob
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>
> While using strings, we can make it more efficiently. There is no need to
> do any division, get the length or anything:
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>
> IDL> help, 1 + float('0.'+strtrim(234,2))
> <Expression>  FLOAT  =    1.23400
>
> Jean
```

It is always a trade-off. Do you want an answer fast,  
or do you want an answer that is right?

lol

Cheers,  
bob

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