
Subject: Re: converting a string to an IDL command
Posted by [pgrigis](#) on Mon, 08 Sep 2008 17:14:37 GMT
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Hi David,

lots of posts today, did you give up your new job already?
Not that anybody here would complain about that ... ;-)

Ciao,
Paolo

David Fanning wrote:

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> Mark writes:
>
>> I find myself constantly doing things like:
>>
>> print,' min(x), max(x) ',min(x),max(x)
>>
>> Is is possible to do something along the lines of:
>>
>> char=' min(x),max(x) '
>> some_function,char
>>
>> where some_function would change char into one line of IDL code? That
>> is, if x=findgen(10)
>> sub_function would print something like:
>>
>> min(x),max(x) ,0.000 ,9.000
>>
>> Seems like this wouldn't be so hard. I'm interested in something that
>> would work with Unix.
>
> I think it might take all of 10 seconds to write your
> own MINMAX routine in IDL that did exactly what you have
> in mind. Then, you could do it all in *one* line! :-)
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> Cheers,
>
> David
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> --
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> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
