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Subject: Re: Missing Data Programming Contest  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 08 Apr 2009 14:03:42 GMT  
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David Fanning writes:

- > You should assume:
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- > 1. The data can be any data type except complex or string.
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- > 2. The missing value *could* be !VALUES.F\_NAN.
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- > 3. Unsophisticated users might be using your program,
- > so, for example, they might pass in a missing value
- > such as 594.32.

In response to an overwhelming number of questions, it  
*is* permissible to use Coyote Library routines. FLOATS\_EQUAL  
comes to mind. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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