
Subject: Where did my variable go?

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This might be one of those cases of disappearing variables, I'm not sure. However, this is a variable disappearing in a nested FOR loop rather than a function or procedure. I think it might have to do with the order of processing FOR loops. Does IDL process the innermost FOR loop first? I have something like this:

```
FOR Z=1, WHATEVER DO BEGIN

  FOR Y=1, WHATEVER2 DO BEGIN

    FOR X=1, WHATEVER3 DO BEGIN

      IF Z*SOMETHING LT A(X) THEN THIS ELSE THAT

    ENDFOR

  ENDFOR

ENDFOR
```

Then IDL tells me that the Z in the Z*SOMETHING of the X FOR loop is undefined. I just want it to take the value of the Z at whatever loop number Z is in. How can I remedy this situation?

-Gadi
