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Subject: Re: Extract numbers from text string  
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Tue, 22 Feb 2011 19:46:42 GMT  
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On 2/22/11 12:08 PM, nata wrote:

> Hi folks,  
>  
> Which is the best way to extract the numbers of the following string ?  
> HELP, /MEM, OUTPUT=str  
> PRINT, str  
>  
> I'm trying something like:  
> str\_out=STREGEX(str,'[0-9]','/EXTRACT)  
>  
> But nothing happens...  
> Any suggestions ? Thanks in advance,

Try using + instead of \*:

```
IDL> print, str
heap memory used: 1302373, max: 1305378, gets: 1518, frees:
609
IDL> print, stregex(str, '[0-9]+', /extract)
1302373
```

Also, check out the MEMORY function.

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