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Subject: Re: Structure creation

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On 20/06/12 12:07, John Coxon wrote:

> Hi there,

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> Having an odd issue with creating structures.

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> idl > med = {avg1, dawnR1:0.0, duskR1:0.0, dawnR2:0.0, duskR2:0.0}

> idl > print,med.dawnR1

> 0

> idl > help,med.dawnR1

> <Expression> INT = 0

I would guess that you previously defined a structure with name avg1 that had dawnR1 as an integer. dawnR1's type is determined by the initialisation value from the very first use of the structure. A naked "40" or "0" is interpreted by IDL as an integer constant.

Either change to using unnamed structures, or be extra careful when specifying values, e.g. always do 1.0 when you want float, 1d0 when you want double, 40L for long etc.

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