
Subject: concatenating strings

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Hi,

I just began learning IDL, and am not understanding why the following is not producing the string (20111021):

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--<-----cut here-----start----->--  
IDL> caldat, julday(1, 294, 2011), mon, day, year  
% Compiled module: CALDAT.  
IDL> print, year, mon, day  
    2011      10      21  
IDL> print, string(year) + string(mon) + string(day)  
    2011      10      21  
--<-----cut here-----end----->--
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I thought that the string() function would coerce the numbers to a string, and then the concatenation operator ('+') would join them together, but this is not happening. What am I missing?

Cheers,

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