
Subject: Re: strsplit vectorized

Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Fri, 13 Sep 2013 13:34:49 GMT

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On Thursday, September 12, 2013 3:50:54 PM UTC-4, John Correia wrote:

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>  
> For a IDL 7 compatible answer, if the data always in that format (i.e.  
>  
> YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS) you could do something like  
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>  
> new = STRJOIN(strmid(array,[0,5,8,11,14,17],[4,2,2,2,2,2]))
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Nice. I had previously complained about the clumsy syntax of STRMID when you just want to a single substring from each element of a string array. (You can't use a scalar to specify the first position or string length -- http://www.idlcoyote.com/code_tips/strmidvec.html) But when you want to extract multiple substrings from each element of a string array then the syntax becomes elegant.
