
Subject: Re: Stregex question - extracting substring
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OK, how about a STREGEX solution:

```
str = ['xxxxxxx:yyy', 'xxxxxxx:yyyyyyy', 'x:yyyy'] ;define the string array
```

```
yStrColon = STREGEX(str, ':+$', /EXTRACT) ;get everything past the colon, including the colon
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```
yStr = STRMID(yStrColon, 1) ;strip the colon
```

About that regular expression:

- : get the substring starting with the colon
- .+ get one or more instances of the "dot" (so, any character)
- \$ anchor at the end of the string
