
Subject: Re: incremental time data file.....

Posted by [ugo_digirolamo\[1\]](#) on Wed, 22 Aug 2001 16:13:01 GMT

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Mah... to me this looks like a simple application of the "mod" operator.

You can use a double time in seconds, and extract from it seconds, minutes and hours taking seconds mod 1, (seconds/60) mod 60 and seconds/3600.

Cheers

Ugo

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BTW the last one is 23:59:59.53254

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Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Wed, 22 Aug 2001 16:57:11 GMT

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Posted by [Manish](#) on Thu, 23 Aug 2001 11:02:45 GMT
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Cheers guys, managed to get it doing the right thing!!

Thanks again,

Manish

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Posted by [Manish](#) on Thu, 23 Aug 2001 12:58:42 GMT

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Posted by [thompson](#) on Thu, 23 Aug 2001 14:36:09 GMT
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Also, that way, everything comes out exactly the same string length, e.g.

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William Thompson

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Subject: Re: incremental time data file.....
Posted by [Manish](#) on Thu, 23 Aug 2001 15:08:33 GMT
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Thanx William, that's great!

Manish

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news:9m34cp\$4sk\$1@skates.gsfc.nasa.gov...

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Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Thu, 23 Aug 2001 15:35:59 GMT

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I agree. I also found it was necessary to convert the number of seconds to integers. Otherwise I was always plagued by bizarre

rounding errors which popped up at awkward moments, and were otherwise impossible to resolve completely. For example, 04:02:60 or 04:02:-1

Craig

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