
Subject: string conversion & integer

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Okay folks, I am sure this has been discussed many times already.
Maybe trivial/silly... Anyway, to make sure:

Problem:

```
> print,where(X.dd eq dd_d)
-1
```

I think it's got to do with internal representation:

dd_d is originally read in as "string", for ease of concatenation and constructing filename, along with year and month etc. Say, for example, as '07'

But field "dd" in X.dd is defined in the format statement as:

dd:0L , say for example, from 1 to 10.

So there is a type mismatch. I tried:

```
> print, where(X.dd eq fix(dd_d,type=3)
-1
> print, where(X.dd eq long(dd_d))
-1
```

No luck. Is there a way out "other than defining dd_d as long originally and make excessive use of string/strtrim/strmid etc while constructing filenames?

TIA,
/r
