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Subject: Re: appending to column

Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 16:17:25 GMT

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On Jul 16, 10:02 am, d.po...@gmail.com wrote:

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> .....                    .....

> Thanks

> Cheers

Like this?

```
IDL> d = long(1000 * randomu(seed, 2, 10))
```

```
IDL> print, d
```

```
895      528
```

```
34       183
```

```
877     169
```

```
614     604
```

```
205     789
```

```
537     526
```

```
413     360
```

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643     687
```

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360     881
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512     874
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```
IDL> print, d[0, *] + d[1, *] / (10. ^ (long(alog10(d[1, *])) + 1))
```

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Subject: Re: appending to column  
Posted by [Spon](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 16:18:13 GMT  
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Well, assuming you have the same number of significant figures in each element:

Values = Array[0,\*] + Array[1,\*]/1000.0

Regards,  
Chris

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Subject: Re: appending to column  
Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 16:20:49 GMT  
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<d.poreh@gmail.com> wrote in message  
news:c09c9b8a-35a7-41d7-9088-7bce01762053@x35g2000hsb.google groups.com...

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float(a[1,*])/10^strlen(strcompress(string(a[1,*]),/rem))
0.100000
2.30000
4.31100
```

Cheers,  
bob

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Subject: Re: appending to column  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 16:30:29 GMT  
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R.G. Stockwell writes:

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Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: appending to column

Posted by [d.poreh](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 16:43:15 GMT

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On Jul 16, 6:30 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

> R.G. Stockwell writes:

>> <d.po...@gmail.com> wrote in message

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yes

thanks. I should also go more math class!:-)

Cheers

Dave

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Subject: Re: appending to column

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 17:06:28 GMT

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mgalloy@gmail.com writes:

> print, d[0, \*] + d[1, \*] / (10. ^ (long(alog10(d[1, \*])) + 1))

Duh! Ok, nice. I've put this in my power user's toolkit now.

Could come in handy some day for a couple of other things. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 17:20:49 GMT

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>
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>
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> David

division by 10, by 100 by 1000... hum.... too far back in time to remember when we learn it! :)

- 1) get the number of digits for the decimal part
- 2) divide the decimals by 10 power to the number of digits( -> 10,100,1000 etc) so that  $0 \leq \text{result} < 1.0$
- 3) add it to the integer part

Jean

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Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 17:27:27 GMT  
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>
>
> Cheers,
> bob
```

While using strings, we can make it more efficiently. There is no need to do any division, get the length or anything:

```
IDL> help, 1 + float('0.'+strtrim(234,2))
<Expression>  FLOAT  =  1.23400
```

Jean

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Subject: Re: appending to column  
Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 23:17:39 GMT  
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"David Fanning" <[news@dfanning.com](mailto:news@dfanning.com)> wrote in message  
[news:MPG.22e7d00f5c02361998a3f0@news.frii.com...](mailto:news:MPG.22e7d00f5c02361998a3f0@news.frii.com...)

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lol, sorry. I replied with a quick answer, then at the last second changed the post to handle an arbitrary length of digits. For some reason, counting the number digits jumped into my mind first, and apparently I have found the least best algorithm for solving this particular problem. Is there a prize for most obfuscated solution?

Cheers,  
bob

PS changing a post at the last second is always a bad idea.  
PPS 'least best' sounds better than 'worst', imho.

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