
Subject: gripe about structures

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I wish there was a way to perform operations on multiple struct tags at the same time... for example, I can do neither of these things:

```
IDL> a = {min:0d,max:0d}
```

```
IDL> a.([0,1]) = minmax(randomu(seed,100)*100) ;or some such
```

% Expression must be a scalar or 1 element array in this context:

```
<INT    Array[2]>.
```

```
IDL> a = {pets, dog:'larry',n_dog:5,cat:'boots',n_cat:12}
```

```
IDL> b = {pets}
```

```
IDL> b.([1,3]) = a.([1,3])/2
```

% Expression must be a scalar or 1 element array in this context:

```
<INT    Array[2]>.
```

Sigh...
