
Subject: idl: turn string value into variable name part2
Posted by [zimttee.xperia](#) on Tue, 24 Sep 2013 08:10:04 GMT
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I hope someone can help me :-)

Ramona

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Posted by [Moritz Fischer](#) on Tue, 24 Sep 2013 09:39:55 GMT
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Hi,
I think you are looking for "scope_varfetch". Something like this:

```
FOR i=0,n-1 DO (scope_varfetch('data'+strtrim(i,2),/ENTER)) =  
array[* ,i*80 : (i+1)*80 - 1]
```

But I recommend you try stacking the data in a third dimension:

```
array = reform( array, 1032, 80, n )
```

It's less error-prone, and you may be able to avoid loops.
Do it the IDL way! (http://www.idlcoyote.com/idl_way/idl_way.php)

cheers

Am 24.09.2013 10:10, schrieb zimttee.xperia@googlemail.com:

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Thank you, this helped a lot!
I already tried the scope_varfetch command, bu i think I used it in a wrong way...
Now it works! Thanks thanks thanks :-)
