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Subject: is it possible to pass named variables through \_extra  
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so, this is the story,

I have a call to contour buried deep in some subroutine. And sometimes I would like to do a  
contour,foo,path\_xy=path\_xy  
i.e., get the coordinates of the contours. Using \_extra does not seem to work. If in the top routine I specify  
path\_xy=var  
where var is undefined, I get an error message,  
If I define var to be an array, or something like that IDL complains that the expression must be a named variable.

Any ideas?

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