Question

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Trimming...

Hello, guys.

I found one interesting moment in Cache Object Script. It doesn't have(or at least I didn't find) trimming function. By trimming I mean if a string has some whitespaces/tabs/carriage returns from very beginning or/and from very right, this function removes them.

I have found several workaround ways.

1. Using Cache Basic

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ClassMethod TrimCacheBasic(str As %String) As %String [ Language = basic ]
{
Return Trim(str)
}

2. Using SQL

ClassMethod TrimSQL(str As %String) As %String
{
  set tStatement = ##class(%SQL.Statement).%New()
  set tSC = tStatement.%Prepare("SELECT TRIM(?)")
  set rset = tStatement.%Execute(str)
  do rset.%Next()
  return rset.%GetData(1)
}
```

3. Using \$extract

Just iterate over every character like \$e(str, 1, 1), \$e(str, 2, 2)... until we meet any non-whitespace/tab/carriage return character. And the same action from the end.

Is there any better way to do this using ordinary COS or workaround are the only option? IMHO, I consider the first option to be the best.

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