### **STCON\$ - String Concatenation**

The STCON\$ routine can be used to concatenate up to 10 fields into a single output string.

#### 1. Invocation

To concatenate several fields into a single output string code:

CALL STCON\$ USING st

where st is a control block of the following format:

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01
     ST
 02 STIN OCCURS 10
                                      * Up to 10 input strings
   03 STIPTR
                  PIC PTR
                                      * Pointer to input string
                                      * #FFFFFFFF Not used
                                      * Input string type
   03 STITYP
                 PIC 9(2) COMP
                                      * 0 = low-values terminated
                                     * 1 = fixed length
* 2 = fixed length and
                                           remove trailing spaces
                                       3 = computational field
                                       4 = computational field
                                           remove leading '0' characters
                                      * 5 = display numeric
* remove leading '0' characters
                PIC 9(4) COMP
  03 STILEN
                                     * length of string for types 1 and 2
   03 STIP
                  PIC 9(2) COMP
                                     * Places before dcp types 3 and 4
                  PIC 9(2) COMP
                                     * Places after dcp types 3 and 4
  03 STIQ
  02 STOPTR
                 PIC PTR
                                     * Pointer to output string
                                     * Output string type
  02
     STOTYP
                  PIC 9(2) COMP
                                      * 0 = low-values terminates
                                      * 1 = no termination
                                      * Type 0 returns the length
                  PIC 9(4) COMP
  02 STOLEN
                                      * of string + term LOW-VALUE
                                      * Type 1 returns length of string
```

#### 2. STOP Codes and Exception Conditions

The following STOP codes may be generated by STCON\$:

STOP code	Description
13507	An overflow has occurred on a computational field

No exceptions are returned by STCON\$.

#### Programming Notes

Computational fields cannot be negative. They will be converted to display numeric fields, with leading zeros, and added to the output string unless an STITYP of 4 is specified. If STITYP is set to 4 all leading zeros are removed from the display numeric field.

Important Note: All uninitialised pointers MUST be set to HIGH-VALUES.

## 4. Examples

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# 5. Copy-Books [COPY-BOOK REQUIRED]

#### 6. See Also