

## Identification

The EPL run-time routine, `movstr_`  
`movstr_$movb_`  
`movstr_$movc_`  
`movstr_$not_`  
`movstr_$and_`  
`movstr_$or_`  
`movstr_$exclor_`  
`movstr_$notand_`  
`movstr_$notor_`  
`movstr_$nnot_`

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## Purpose

EPL uses `movstr_` for all string copying operations that are not compiled in-line. `Movstr_` is not called directly by EPL but anytime a string is moved at least one of the entries to `movstr_` is invoked. EPL compiles a call to `stgop_` (See BN.7.09 for `stgop_`) which in turn may call `movstr_`. The many entries to `movstr_` were written for the PL/I function routine, `bool_` (See BN.7.04 for `bool_`) but they may be called directly in any EPL program. The EPL run-time routines `catstr_` and `andstr_` also call `movstr_`.

## Usage

`Movstr_` accepts either varying or non-varying strings as arguments. If the second argument is a non-varying string and has a longer length than the first, the first string is extended on the right with a padding byte to the lengths of the second string. Padding = '0' b for all entries except `movc_`, `notor_` and `nnot_`. `Movc_` has ASCII blank and `notor_` and `nnot_` have '1' b for padding.

The possible calls are listed below. In a case where a particular call to `stgop_` always invokes a particular call to `movstr_`, the call to `stgop_` is listed first. B1 and b2 are bit strings and c1 and c2 are character strings.

```
call stgop_$cscs_(c1,c2);  
call movstr_$movc_(c1,c2);
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    c2=c1;
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```
call stgop_$bsbs_(b1,b2);  
call movstr_$movb_(b1,b2);
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    b2=b1;
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call stgop_$ntbs_(b1,b2);
call movstr_$not_(b1,b2);
    b2=¬b1;
call movstr_$and_(b1,b2);
    b2=b2&b1;
call movstr_$or_(b1,b2);
    b2=b2|b1;
call movstr_$exclor_(b1,b2);
    b2=b2 exclusive or b1;
call movstr_$notand_(b1,b2);
    b2=b2&¬b1;
call movstr_$notor_(b1,b2);
    b2=b2|¬b1;
call movstr_$nnot_(b1,b2);
    b2=¬b1;
```

Error

If either argument is not a string, will stop on oct 0.