
Subject: Re: file date

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Martin Schultz wrote:

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thanks for your suggestions. Meanwhile I figured out a third way
(also Unix based) using the "find" command. Since what I am actually
interested in, is whether a given file is newer than my most recent
library compilation,

 find {filename} -newer {libname.tar.Z}

gives me exactly what I want.

Please find attached the routine that evolved out of this:

 update_library

It will automatically tell you which files have been added or which ones
are updated (useful if one tries to keep track of that e.g .on a web
page), and it will automatically copy all new/updated files into a
targetdirectory, tar and compress the stuff. Also useful in conjunction
with my distribute routine if you want to bundle a program package.

Regards,
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; NAME:  
;   UPDATE_LIBRARY  
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; PURPOSE:  
;   automatic update of IDL WWW library  
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; CATEGORY:  
;   library handling routines  
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;  
; CALLING SEQUENCE:  
;   UPDATE_LIBRARY,TARGETDIR,TARNAME [,keywords]  
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;  
; INPUTS:  
;   TARGETDIR --> directory where WWW library resides  
;     Usually a local directory, the contents of which is then  
;     ftp'd to the www site (default: '~IDL/lib-tools/').  
;  
;  
;   TARNAME --> after copying all the required files, the library  
;     is tar'd and compressed. TARNAME is the name of the uncompressed  
;     file (default 'idl_lib.tar').  
;  
;  
; KEYWORD PARAMETERS:  
;   DIRS --> directories to search for files with SEARCHPATTERN.  
;     This will only come to effect if no LISTFILE is given  
;     (default ['~/IDL/tools/','~/IDL/tools3d']).  
;  
;  
;   SEARCHPATTERN --> string array of filemasks which may contain  
;     wildcards and determine the files to be included in the  
;     library (default ['*.pro', '*.doc']). This  
;     parameter is also used to obtain a list of files that are  
;     already in the library and to determine the files to delete  
;     if the PACKAGE option is set.  
;  
;  
;   LISTFILE --> Name of a file that contains the names of all the  
;     files to be included in the library (E.g. output from the  
;     DISTRIBUTE routine, although this cannot be used directly).  
;     In this case, no search for matching files is performed.  
;  
;  
;   PACKAGE --> Normally, the individual files of the library will  
;     remain in TARGETDIR together with the compressed tar file.  
;     If the PACKAGE option is set, all individual files will be  
;     deleted after creation of a new tar file. In order to retain  
;     information about files once included in the library, the  
;     file 'dirlist.old' is created before deleting the files.
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; Normally this file is created at the beginning of program  
; execution.  
  
; NO_ACTION --> DO not copy any files, create a tar file or compress  
; this. This will only produce a list of all the files that  
; would be included in the library together with their status  
; label ('NEW' or 'UPDATE', 'OLD' is represented by blanks)  
  
; OUTPUTS:  
; Unless the NO_ACTION keyword is set, the TARGETDIR will contain  
; a compressed tar file and unless the PACKAGE option is set, it  
; will also contain a copy of all individual files that make up the  
; library.  
  
; SUBROUTINES:  
  
; REQUIREMENTS:  
; Requires function STRRIGHT.  
  
; NOTES:  
; This routine uses SPAWN extensively. The spawned commands are  
; UNIX specific.  
  
; The file status 'UPDATED' is obtained by comparing the filedate  
; of all files that are not 'NEW' with the date of the compressed  
; tar file using the Unix find command.  
  
; EXAMPLE:  
; UPDATE_LIBRARY  
  
; will collect all '*.pro', and '*.sav' files in the directories  
; '~IDL/tools', and '~IDL/tools3d' , copy them into the  
; default target directory '~IDL/lib-tools', tar them and compress  
; the tar file 'idl-lib.tar'.  
  
; In order to create a library with all '*.pro' and '*.sav' files  
; of all subdirectories of '~IDL/' in the target directory 'lib-all'  
; type:  
  
; DIRS = STR_SEP(EXPAND_PATH('~/IDL'),':')  
; SEARCH = ['*.pro','*.sav']  
; UPDATE_LIBRARY,'~/lib-all/','all_idl.tar',dirs=DIRS,$  
; searchpattern=SEARCH  
  
; In order to pack together all the files needed to run program  
; TEST.PRO, proceed as follows:  
  
; (if you are in IDL, exit and come back in)
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; JOURNAL,'test.files'
; DISTRIBUTE,'test'
; JOURNAL

; (now edit your journal file 'test.files', keeping only the
; names of the files that belong to the test.pro package, and
; maybe add documentation and/or example files that you would
; like to include in the library and create directory ~/lib-test)

; UPDATE_LIBRARY,'~/lib-test','test.tar',listfile='test.files' , $
; SEARCHPATTERN=['*.pro','*.doc','*.data'],/PACKAGE

; Note, that the filemasks in SEARCHPATTERN will be used to
; obtain the file status, and to find the files to be deleted after
; updating the library. They are not necessary to include these
; files in the library. This is completely controlled by the entries
; of listfile.

; If you want to collect all '*.data' files from a list of directories
; in a library without keeping a copy of the individual files try:

; dirlist=['~/data/','~/data/aircraft/','~/data/surface/']
; UPDATE_LIBRARY,dirlist,'all_data.tar',/package, $
; searchpattern='*.data'

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; with subject "IDL routine update_library"
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pro update_library,targetdir,tarname, $
  dirs=dirs,searchpattern=searchpattern,listfile=listfile, $
  package=package,no_action=no_action

; set defaults for targetdir and tarname

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if (n_elements(targetdir) le 0) then targetdir='~/IDL/lib-tools/'
if (strright(targetdir) ne '/') then targetdir = targetdir+'/'

if (n_elements(tarname) le 0) then tarname='idl_lib.tar'

print,'-----'
print,' update_library : ',tarname,' in ',targetdir
print,'-----'
print

; list of directories to be searched for new files
if(n_elements(dirs) le 0) then $
  dirs = ['~/IDL/tools/','~/IDL/tools3d/']

for i=0,n_elements(dirs)-1 do $
  if (strright(dirs(i)) ne '/') then dirs(i) = dirs(i)+'/'

; list of file masks to be searched for
if(n_elements(searchpattern) le 0) then $
  searchpattern = [ '*.pro','*.doc' ]

; create blank delimited string with file masks
searchstring = string(searchpattern,format="(255(' ',A,:))" )

; get current status of library
cd,targetdir

if(not keyword_set(package)) then begin
  cmd = 'ls'+searchstring+' > dirlist.old'
  print,'SPAWN: ',cmd
  spawn,cmd
endif else $
if(not file_exist('dirlist.old')) then begin
  print,'*** WARNING: dirlist.old does not exist ! ***'
  spawn,'touch dirlist.old'
endif

openr,ilun,'dirlist.old',/get_lun
char=""
old_files =
while (not eof(ilun)) do begin
  readf,ilun,char
  old_files = [ old_files, char ]
endwhile
close,ilun
; NOTE that first element of old_files is dummy

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; create filelist by searching all defaults or read in listfile
  filelist = ""
  if (n_elements(listfile) gt 0) then begin
    if(not file_exist(listfile, path=!path, full=full)) then begin
      print,'*** ERROR: Cannot find listfile '+listfile+' ! ***'
      return
    endif
    openr,ilun,full
    while (not eof(ilun)) do begin
      readf,ilun,char
      filelist = [ filelist, char ]
    endwhile
    close,ilun
  endif else begin ; no listfile given
  ; loop through directories and find all files with all masks
    for i=0,n_elements(dirs)-1 do begin
      for j=0,n_elements(searchpattern)-1 do begin
        smask = dirs(i)+searchpattern(j)
        thisres = findfile(smask)
        filelist = [ filelist, thisres ]
      endfor
    endfor
  endelse

; remove all empty entries
  i = where(strlen(filelist) gt 1)
  if (i(0) ge 0) then filelist = filelist(i) $
  else message,'No valid files !'

print,'filelist contains ',n_elements(filelist),' entries.'
; loop through all files of filelist, see if they exist and get full path
  for i=0,n_elements(filelist)-1 do $
    if (file_exist(filelist(i), path=dirs, full=full)) then $
      filelist(i) = full $
    else $
      print,'*** WARNING: Cannot find file '+filelist(i)+' ! ***'

; sort filelist
  filelist = filelist(sort(filelist))

; check for new files and updates
; NEW FILES: Assume that contents of old_files represents status of old lib.
; and check which files of filelist are not in there
print,'Checking for new files ...'

  filestatus = intarr(n_elements(filelist))

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for i=0,n_elements(filelist)-1 do begin
    test = extract_filename(filelist(i))
    ind = where(old_files eq test)
    if (ind(0) lt 0) then $
        filestatus(i) = 1 ; new file
    endfor

; UPDATED FILES: Use the unix find command for each entry of filelist
; which is not a new file and see if it is newer than last tarname.Z file
; Save the results in dirlist.new and read this file.
print,'Checking for updated files ...'

spawn,'rm dirlist.new'
spawn,'touch dirlist.new'
if (file_exist(tarname+'.Z')) then begin
    for i=0,n_elements(filelist)-1 do begin
        cmd = 'find '+filelist(i)+' -newer '+tarname+'.Z >> dirlist.new'
        if (not filestatus(i)) then spawn,cmd
    endfor
endif

openr,ilun,'dirlist.new'
updates = ""
while (not eof(ilun)) do begin
    readf,ilun,char
    updates = [ updates, char ]
endwhile
close,ilun
; NOTE: first entry is dummy
for i=0,n_elements(updates)-1 do $
    updates(i) = extract_filename(updates(i))

for i=0,n_elements(filelist)-1 do begin
    test = extract_filename(filelist(i))
    ind = where(updates eq test)
    if (ind(0) ge 0) then $
        filestatus(i) = 2 ; updated file
    endfor

; print results of filestatus
openw,ilun,'dirlist.new'
for i=0,n_elements(filelist)-1 do begin
    if (filestatus(i) eq 0) then prefix = '      '
    if (filestatus(i) eq 1) then prefix = ' NEW '
    if (filestatus(i) eq 2) then prefix = ' UPDATE '
    print,prefix,extract_filename(filelist(i))
    printf,ilun,prefix,extract_filename(filelist(i))

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endfor
close,ilun

free_lun,ilun

; this is it if keyword NO_ACTION is set

if (keyword_set(NO_ACTION)) then goto,the_end

; copy all files into target directory
print,'Copying ...'
for i=0,n_elements(filelist)-1 do begin
  if (filestatus(i) gt 0) then begin
    cmd = 'cp -p '+filelist(i)+' '+targetdir+extract_filename(filelist(i))
    spawn,cmd
  endif
endfor

; create "new" dirlist.old file if package option is set
if(keyword_set(package)) then begin
  cmd = 'ls'+searchstring+' > dirlist.old'
  print,'SPAWN: ',cmd
  spawn,cmd
endif

; tar and compress all files
print,'Executing ...'

cmd = 'tar -cf '+tarname+string(searchpattern,format="(256(' ',A,:))")'
print,cmd
spawn,cmd

cmd = 'compress -f '+tarname
print,cmd
spawn,cmd

; remove all single files if package option is set
if(keyword_set(package)) then begin
  cmd = 'rm'+searchstring
  print,'SPAWN: ',cmd
  spawn,cmd
endif

; ftp

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; (maybe later) ...

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the_end:  
print,'Done.'  
print  
  
return  
end
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