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Subject: Re: Q: Calling .PRO from a program  
Posted by [Martin Schultz](#) on Wed, 20 May 1998 07:00:00 GMT  
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Martin Fuhrer wrote:

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>  
> Hi idl experts  
> [...]  
> If (cpy eq 0) Then Begin  
>   kwd1 = 'HCOPY=0'  
>   ..  
> EndIf Else Begin  
>   kwd1 = 'HCOPY=1'  
>   ..  
> EndElse  
> ;call other idl program (EM.PRO) with keyword now  
> EM, kwd1  
> ..  
>  
> The program crashes then with the following message:  
> IDL>EM_GUI  
> %EM: Incorrect number of arguments.  
> %Execution halted at: ...  
>
```

Since you named your "keyword" kwd1, I have the suspicion that you actually want to pass a keyword to EM, not a parameter. As Reimar noted, it will probably be a matter of the definition of EM. My guess is

```
pro em,kwd1=kwd1
```

Then you will have to pass kwd1 as

```
em,kwd1=kwd1  *not* em,kwd1
```

I would recommend the online documentation: section on parameter passing and keywords.

Martin.

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