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Subject: Re: IDL subroutine improvements

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Wed, 21 Apr 1999 07:00:00 GMT

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wbiagiot@suffolk.lib.ny.us writes:

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> To all,  
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> This is a really small issue. I'm just wondering if anyone else has  
> submitted an improvement to an existing IDL subroutine to RSI and seen it  
> incorporated into a subsequent version of IDL? A while back I submitted  
> (what I considered to be) a significant speed enhancement to the cross  
> correlate and auto correlate functions with only minor modifications. My  
> benchmarks were showing me about a 60%+ speed improvement (which is important  
> if your code is constantly banging on these functions, like mine was). I had  
> to convince the rep over a couple of emails what the advantage/improvement  
> was.  
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I was in a similar position. I found an inconsistency in CONGRID --  
which still exists today, by the way. I reported it for version 4 of  
IDL, and I convinced RSI tech support people that it truly was an  
inconsistency. Unfortunately it was never corrected.

Craig

P.S. My corrected version is CMCONGRID, and is available at  
<http://astrog.physics.wisc.edu/~craigm/idl/idl.html> The operative  
keyword is HALF\_HALF.

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